

Welcome back to a new year of happy motoring

President's Report

Hi,

I'm writing this on a shocking Sunday that really does have you wondering "wow, what happened to summer?" and we're certainly lucky we didn't have an event planned for today, which I expect would have had many members reluctant to take their cars out. I guess our calendar was very nicely timed for yesterday's run to miss the nasty weather.

And on that note I really do need to thank Jimmi, Murray and Wendy for planning such a good and well received event. After meeting at the Rolly Inn we meandered our way around a bit for a nice drive to end up at the Dunsandel pub, completing a sometimes tricky quiz along the way. The line-up of club cars in front of the pub along SH1 was very impressive and along with the comments from the pub staff and patrons, got a lot of toots from passing cars. It turns out that all my effort in so studiously working on my quiz answers was somewhat unnecessary as every driver got a prize! Next time when you're passing I can well recommend stopping at the Dunsandel pub for a burger. There wasn't a huge selection but they sounded great on the menu and were just as good in reality – big, tasty and beautifully fresh.

It seems such a long time ago to think back to our Christmas function at the Methven races. It was rather cool and the weather often looked threatening, but it was another great day out and had a real country feel that seemed to fit so well with our cars. Santa's arrival on the back of Murray and Wendy's red pickup was magic and it was a real bonus that the club kids got a private audience and gifts from the special man. Thanks to Carol for such a well-planned and fun day out.

Whilst I've got your attention, I'd like to take the opportunity to welcome recent new members to the club and invite you to get the most out of your membership by coming along to as many of our events as you can. Don't be concerned if for whatever reason, you can't come along in your American classic - you're most welcome to join us in your everyday car.

Although it's not an ACCC-run event, the next event on our 'club calendar' is the Hanmer Motor Fest in February, which has proven to be a nice car-focussed day out within a comfortable range from town. Whether or not you join up with the club to enter and park together or are just up there anyway, come and say hello at the club gazebo which we will have set up on site. And just a reminder for those who will be there to bring along your club ribbon for the display.

That's me for now. I hope the new year treats you well and it turns out to be everything you're hoping for.

Regards, Allan Green Club President

Christmas at the Races Report - December 2016

This club event was such a fun day out. The club gave each couple \$5.00 towards a punters club bet. Once the races got underway and we took an interest in the punters club board, it was quite a buzz its was a great day. Extreme thanks to Carol Wilson for organising it and for doing the Christmas cake (which was so yummy) and for all the other treats. Murray Marshall's 1936 Ford Pickup truck was used to deliver Santa to the children. It was great to see one of our club member's vehicles doing the honours for the Methven Race Meeting.





The Punters Club had 290 tickets sold at \$10.00 each, so the pool was \$2900.

The total pool at the end of the day was \$2030 divided by 290 and the final pay out for each punter was \$7.00 What a fun way to gamble.

Evening Burger Run Report - January 2017

We had 17 cars travel from the Rolly Inn to Horarata and back to the Dunsandel Tavern. 40 people enjoyed burgers / main meal. Every car got a small prize (donated by the club) for their participation in an along – the – route quiz. This event was well received and it is hoped we could do another evening run sometime.



Club events:

Hanner Motofest 2017, Saturday 25th February 2017

Hanmer Springs Domain, Jacks Pass Road, Hanmer Springs.

This event has been organised and hosted by the Falcon Fairlane Club of Christchurch Pre-register \$10.00 per vehicle or \$20.00 per vehicle on the day.

Public admission \$2.00 per person or \$5.00 per family

We will meet at the Peg Hotel at 8.30am to leave at 8.45am sharp. Then we will regroup at the Hanmer Springs Service Station (Just before town on the left) at 10.15am. We will then proceed to the Domain as a club. Then all our members can go into the ground together to ensure we are all parked together. Please ensure you have the club sash to display on your vehicle. If you are lost or running late, please ring Ray Bewley on his cell 027 492 4546.

As this is a club event we are supporting, we will provide a packed lunch for each paid up member of our club. Can you please let us know (for catering purposes) if you are coming to Hanmer.

Email Jimmi at <u>bewlanders@gmail.com</u> or text or ring 021 237 9637

Family Farm Day - March 5th

Mark this date in your diary - more information to come.

Do you want to hire out your cars?

The club would like to set up a Data base for hire cars . If you would like to be informed when we get a request for hire cars please let us know . Thanks Carol 0276316642

OTHER EVENTS YOU MAY LIKE TO ATTEND:

Caroline Bay Rock and Hop 17 - 18 - 19 March 2017

We would like to extend an invitation to you and your club members to attend our 2017 inaugural Caroline Bay Rock and Hop. Featuring classic, custom, vintage, muscle cars bikes and caravans from across New Zealand congregating in Timaru from the Friday through to the Sunday for a weekend of nostalgia and festivities.

For further details or online registration please go to www.carolinebayrockandhop..co.nz Entry fee is only \$30 per vehicle.

All Ford Day 2017 February 19th

The Airforce Museum grounds Wigram

www.nzmustang.com/clubs/canterbury

Sunday 12 March 2017 Twin Rivers Motoring Extravaganza

Organised by the Rotary Club of Avonhead. Major Sponsor Paul Kelly Motor Coy. Ltd. Proceeds to the Child Cancer Foundation who have received \$57,700 from the past events since 2012. A & P Showgrounds, Curletts Rd. Entry fee of \$15 per vehicle. All makes, models, types, styles and ages are welcome, if it has wheels, bring it along. An additional feature this year will be display of classic trucks. Prizes for Best British, Best American, Best Australian, Best European, and Best Japanese car. The event is now a well established and popular Christchurch motoring event, providing all car clubs and all owners the opportunity to display their vehicles on the grass fields of the showgrounds. Designated areas can be set aside for car clubs and special groups. Please contact the organisers if you wish to have a special area set aside. Make this an auto extravaganza and family day at a very attractive and spacious venue. A variety of entertainment will be provided as well as food and refreshment stalls. Contact Graeme McVicar 0275 341 330 or visit our website www.facebook.com/TwinRiversCarParade

Drive In Family Movies - FREE event - Very American!

Friday 10th February at 7pm / Family Entertainment – Darfield Domain, Darfield Friday 17th February at 7pm / Family Entertainment – Rolleston Community Centre, Rolleston Friday 24th February at 7pm / Family Entertainment – The Lincoln Green, Lincoln Friday 3rd March at 7pm / Family Entertainment – Anderson Square, Leeston For more information about what movie is showing, go to the Selwyn Eventsfinder.

Next Committee Meeting

At the next committee meeting we will be having a debrief of USA day and setting the calendar for Club events.

Some of us meet prior to the meeting at 6pm for a light meal, which you are welcome to join us for. ALL WELCOME February 15th at 7pm Hornby Working Men's Club