



June 2018

## President's Report

Wheels Week Ashburton May 5<sup>th</sup>, was greeted by a big cloud of fog about 10km north of the town which carried on to Ashburton. I parked up at American's Rod and Custom Club and went down the road to the swap meet. Pretty cool (as in cold) start to the morning. There were plenty of people scrambling for bargains. I saw a few familiar faces while rummaging around.

Back at American's Clubrooms there were a number of people looking at the cars on display. I was having a cuppa at the Chevy and the guy who bought it 38 years ago came and introduced himself to me. He owned it for 7 years. While talking to him, I managed to fill in a few blank gaps in its history. He told me when it was painted and how long ago it was reconditioned. I have since checked and found his name on the original registration papers. He was happy to see it is in a similar condition as it was when he sold it back in '87.

Spring has come to a close, and it looks like winter has hit with vengeance with high winds, rain and snow. Be careful on the roads this winter and watch out for ice and slippery road surfaces. Don't forget your car needs to go out once in a while, just like you, so come with the club and give your car the drive it deserves.

Sunday May 27<sup>th</sup> was an eventful day for us (Jimmi and I). We started off the day touring around the Cashmere Hills on a 5 seater motor bike. Then it was around the foothills and onto the motorway for a slightly faster ride. The temperature was between 6 and 8 degrees while we were on the bike and we even experienced a little rain. Thank goodness we were wrapped up well in our cold weather gear. Exciting ride, beautiful fresh air, and well worth the ride.



Then it was off to the Annual Run. Jimmi and I were the last car to arrive at The Yaldy. We had a great turn out with twenty one cars in total. The run was won by Joanne and Malcolm Fraser who scored 22 points. Well done. Second equal went to Melissa and Jaran Parker, Susan and Richard Edmeades scoring 21 points. Third was Cheryl and George Cottle who scored 20 points. The run ended at the Darfield Community Hall and the club supplied afternoon tea for members. Thanks to Trevor and John for organising the run and to Molly for getting the yummy afternoon tea sorted for us.



## Reminder:

**ACCC AGM June 17<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for some executive and committee members for this coming year. It is not what your club can do for you, but what you can do for your club ! Come to the AGM and put your hand up, bring your fresh ideas to our committee to help organise next year's calendar and also have your say.**



**We need you!**

Keep on Cruising - Happy Motoring  
Ray Bewley

## *Events:*

**June 17th AGM:** This will take place at the Harewood Golf Club at 2pm. For those who wish to come on a short cruise to the AGM meet outside Burwood Hospital on Mairehau Road to leave at 1pm. For those who wish to just attend the AGM please be there by 1.45pm.

**July 8th American Independence Day Cruise:** Details will be in the July newsletter.

This is also the last event the 2017-2018 committee has organised.

A big thank you to committee members for all the work they have done in organising events during their term on the committee.

## *Non Club Events:*

**1st Sunday of each month:** Rodders Breakfast meeting organised by the Kustoms Car Club McLeans Island 8.00am - Noon.

## *Changes to our Club Rules:*

Remit to be presented by Trevor Scott: There is no accountability at present within our club rules relating to the finances of our club. By having an independent audit carried out prior to an AGM gives members confidence that all financial matters are correct.

### Rule 8 (d)

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## *Annual Run :*

The weather forecast was not great but as I say, you never know what to expect until it comes your way. Bright sunshine was the order of the day. Deep dark clouds over Banks Peninsula meant for some, a day to stay at home tucked up by the fire. For those who braved the cold I am sure they enjoyed the outing. When we get together like this it is an opportunity to mix and mingle. Please do, at future events take a few minutes to say hello to other folk. There were many new faces there on Sunday and our club has always been known for being friendly so please don't leave anyone out in the cold. We all have our cars in common and they are a good starter for a conversation.

The views of the snow capped mountains were superb. We cruised around the back roads through West Melton and Waddington to end up at the Darfield Recreation and Community Rooms. On the way were those dreaded questions and yes some of them required the folk to alight from the cruiser and go looking for answers. On arrival they were met with a hot cup of tea or coffee and something to eat. That did not end the event as one person from each car had to complete a timed memory game. Memories are not what they used to be was the outcome for some. Never mind we are all a bit older than we used to be.

Thanks to John Hague who assisted me in the setting up of this event. We certainly had a lot of laughs driving around working it all out.

I look forward to next years event: Trevor

