

Newsletter, November 2019



President's Report:

A VERY BIG USA DAY THANK YOU, to the following:-

- Your ACCC committee
- ACCC members who helped on the day
- ACCC members who enjoyed the day
- All sponsors who supported the day
- All stall holders who supported the day
- Judges for the day

Following months of planning the day, 3rd November finally arrived and all the work that had been undertaken by a very dedicated, enthusiastic and coordinated group provided not only an amazing day for all concerned, but also a record profit for the day !!!!!!!!!!!

We all enjoyed the magnificent weather and the picnic atmosphere was clearly on display along with a very impressive array of fabulous vehicles. The display of winners at the end of the day was a very impressive line-up, congratulations to all winners.

By now you should all have seen many photos on all manner of media, which all go to demonstrate the success we all enjoyed.

Following a committee debrief meeting last night, I think the single most important confirmation of the days success, is that as a direct result of all the activity, is a huge donation to Ronald McDonald House of \$5,000 will be made in the very near future.

Thank you again to all involved, and let's do it again next year.

Keep ya motor running and have a PIRFIC day. . . .

Bill Stanley
President



Welcome to new members:

- *Richard & Marylyn Morrison – Richard was the winner of ‘BEST IN SHOW’ at last USA Day (2018) with his 1931 Studebaker Model 54 Roadster. The Best in Show shield is proudly sponsored by Men at Work.*
- *Jeff & Sonia Clare with their 1957 Ford Fairline Sunliner & 1968 Dodge Charger R/T*
- *Maurice & Nicky Coffey with their 1957 Chev Bel Air*
- *John Smith & Helen Gordon with their 1935 Chevrolet EA & 1926 Oldsmobile*

Club Captain's Reports:

Sunday 6th October - DUTTON GARAGE NZ

Early start to the day with heading out to the Kustom Club for the October Petrol Head Breakfast to distribute USA Day fliers., then it was home to get ready for our monthly event.

There were 20 vehicles and 44 people. Bill, our president, set the route to our destination. After about half an hour drive we arrived at Dutton Garage NZ where we were greeted by Liam & Kelsey. Liam told us about the business and we all explored the show room and also the storage garage next door. There was a variety of different motor vehicle makes and models in their collection and a number of elite ones. The Garage is one I would recommend people to view, because every vehicle there is so immaculately presented. They had vehicles priced from under \$20,000 to up to \$349,000, so there was a motor vehicle affordable for shallow as well as deep pockets. All in all, a place not to miss.

Sunday 3rd November - USA DAY

It was an early start to the day with hardly any traffic on the road. We arrived at Gladstone Park at 6.45am. There were a couple of stall holders waiting for the gate to open. Brendon had already been and gone before we got there with the truck loaded with the day's supplies. He did however arrive later with his new Camaro. We had been there the day before to mark out the grounds, so only the headquarters had to be set up for admin and raffles, merchandise etc.

The show cars starting arriving about 8am and we had a continuous stream of shiny chrome and sparkle flowing through until midday.

The Woodend Lions were our gate keepers this year and did a great first year effort. Men at Work were our major sponsors, this is the third year in a row they have sponsored USA Day. Blackwell's was also a major sponsor.

We had nearly 500 show cars and they were all awesome American vehicles. The competition was tough and the judges had quite a job sorting out the best of each category. When it came to judge the best in show, all of the judges came to a unanimous decision. Owen Frew's Buick Phaeton. There were 13 prizes at the end of the day, including the Ian Armstrong Plate (American Classic Car Club Inc.) for ACCC car owners only.

I would like to thank everyone for joining us to make this day such a success and I also want to thank you all for leaving the grounds so clean and tidy ... this made the end of day clear out much easier.

Keep on Cruising and stay safe

Ray Bewley

(Club Captain)

Secretary's /Treasurer's Report:

Wow - what can I say about a most successful USA Day. It was a privilege to have our amazing sponsors and supporters this year. I wish to acknowledge Men At Work - Traffic Management Blackwell Motors Ltd, Moorhouse Muscle, Ezystore Storage, Burke's Metal Works, Albert St Paint & Panel, Haydn Brush Co, Dutton Garage NZ, Repco Hornby, KATS Kaiapoi, Waimak Classic Cars, American Auto Parts, Stadium Finance, Mustang Centre and Lincoln Whiteleigh Motel (in Addington). Without these businesses we would not be able to hold this event so please continue to support them whenever you can.

It was great to see the Waimakariri Mayor Dan Gordon (a petrolhead from way back) make an appearance after a very late invitation. Mayor Gordon attends the USA Day every year but this year he was an invited guest.

There are many people who need to be acknowledged ... A huge thankyou to the North Canterbury News for their article on USA Day - copy and paste this link into your browser and check out page 25 https://www.ncnews.co.nz/digital-edition/?edition=HUR_2019_10_31 Also to Compass FM 109.4 - the advertising during the week before was great. Thank you to the Woodend Lions for manning the gates and distributing fliers in the Waimak area, Men at Work for their traffic management, Graeme Martin did a sterling job as our MC, the band, SIGN OF THE FIREBIRD blasted out many favourites and the motorbikes representing Bikers Against Child Abuse was an impressive sight.

The final figures aren't completed yet but we are proud to be donating \$5000 to Ronald McDonald House. RMH provides free accommodation and support to families of sick children in need. To learn more about RMH and their services go to www.rmhsi.org.nz

The following prizes were awarded to:

<i>Best in Show</i>	Owen Frew - 1934 Buick 68C
<i>Best Commercial</i>	Dave Pomeroy - 1949 Ford Bonus F1-49
<i>Best Original</i>	Sonia Clare - 1957 Ford Fairlane Sunliner 500
<i>Best Hot Rod</i>	Don Edwards - 1934 Chev Tudor
<i>Best Pre 1949's</i>	Owen Frew - 1934 Buick 68C
<i>Best 1950's</i>	Danny O'Malley - 1959 Cadillac
<i>Best 1960's</i>	Vincent Hart - 1960 Ford Galaxie
<i>Best 1970's</i>	David Matterson - 1977 Corvette C3
<i>Best 1980's</i>	Dean Stavdeff - 1982 Corvette
<i>Best 1990's</i>	CHOGGY - 1990 Camaro
<i>Best 2000's</i>	Andy Wheatley - 2007 Ford Mustang
<i>Best 2010's to current day</i>	HELL8U - 2016 Dodge Challenger Hellcat
<i>Ian Armstrong Plate</i>	Tony Condon - 1969 Camaro

If anyone knows who owns the 2016 Dodge Challenger Hellcat (Plate # HELL8U) please let me know as they left before prize giving.

The Ian Armstrong Plate is presented to the best club car on display at USA Day. The plate was donated to the club by Ian's wife Diane back in 2013 in memory of Ian. This was awarded to club member Tony Condon.

There are some great photos on our Facebook page - here is the link <https://www.facebook.com/AmericanClassicCarClubCanterburyInc/>

Cheers,
Jimmi Anderson.
Secretary / Treasurer



Christmas Party

Saturday 30th November.

We will meet at the Yaldhurst Hotel at 10.30am to leave at 11am.

Ray will organise a run for us to end up at our venue.

This year we are having a Christmas picnic, so please bring your own chairs, picnic hamper (with plates, cups etc) If you would like a salad with your ham BYO and BYO drink (hot or cold).

The club will provide ham, buns, condiments plus Christmas cake, Christmas Mince Pies and Truffles.

Santa will be in attendance so please bring a \$5 unisex exchange gift for Santa's sack –and a personalised named gift for any children accompanying you.

An indication of numbers would be appreciated. Please email Jimmi acccanty@gmail.com or text 021 2379637





Club Events Dates to mark in your diary:

Sunday 19th January 2020 - Presidents Picnic - Venue TBC

Sunday 2nd February 2020 - Whitecliffs Music in the Garden

Sunday 29th February 2020 - Hamner Motorfest

19th - 22nd March 2020 - Caroline Bay Rock n Hop - Timaru (registration required)

Non-Club Events you might like to diary and attend:

1st Sunday of each month:

Rodder's Breakfast meeting at the Kustoms Car Club McLeans Island
8.00am

BellaRat's Gas & Gander:

On the last Friday of each month at 7pm. Meet at the NPD, 740 Jones Road, Rolleston.

Good food for sale ... show up in your rat rod, hotrod, classic or whatever. All welcome.

Saturday 8th February 2020 – Top of the South Motorfest – Hosted by Nelson Holden Club

10am – 3pm at the A & P Showgrounds, Nelson



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Afterwards at  CLASSIC AMERICAN **Diner** 66

