

## USA Day: Sunday 5th November 2023

Cash only at gate - Raffles - Silent Auction - No Dogs Allowed



### President's Report

Countdown to USA Day, less than one week away!!!!!

The last month seems to have vanished in a flash. They say time flies when you are having fun. What next I ask, after another war has started, now looking like it will drag on for months!! And another New Zealand election that also has the potential to drag on way longer than any of us really want it to?? You really do wonder what will the next month bring?

Our October run started in Yaldhurst and took us to Leeston and Springston. In Leeston we were treated to a unique experience visiting Paul French's extensive collection/museum of "all things wonderful". A lifetime of collecting has resulted in this amazing spectacle.





Following the visit, it was on to the Springston Hotel "Rabitters Rest" for a very relaxing lunch and catch up, with a great turnout of members and friends.

I look forward to seeing you all at USA Day 2023.

Keep ya motor running and have a pirfic day.

Bill Stanley President

## Club Captain's Report

### ACCC Rocktober/ Roads Less Travelled/ Mega Shed Raid/Rabbiter's Rest Run Review



Well the numbers on this one took off! I was a bit concerned with this run being hard on the heels of a general election night and fresh out of the blocks from a morning of a stunning All Blacks win that the numbers might flag-- not so! We ended up with 60 members responses which involved something like approx 28 cars.

Again we were lucky with the weather apart from a couple of small showers on the back roads run out to Leeston.

The run was pleasant and uneventful apart from a "Minor" instruction error which resulted in more good-natured abuse on arrival at Paul's place. As expected, Paul's incredibly varied and sheer volume of memorabilia and automobilia did not disappoint - pretty hard to put into words really apart from say it's mind blowing with every square inch of the building taken up - the more you look the more you see and it's testament to a lifetime of collecting passion. Congratulations on your cumulative life effort Paul and our most sincere thanks for sharing it all with us.

From Leeston it was an easy run in the sun straight down the main road to Springston Tavern and the Rabbiter's Rest Diner. Jo and her team put on a seamless flow of lunches from across the full menu which is no mean feat for such a turnout and portions were certainly pretty generous. Thanks again go to Jo along with willing recommendations to any other club considering a country lunch stop. So, all in all a pretty good day according to the feedback from club members - and a big thanks to you all for confirming your attendance. It's vital that we give kitchen staff the courtesy of providing numbers so there are no surprises and everyone has a positive experience.

Peter Craig - Club Captain





 Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November - USA Day - All hands to the pumps as usual we'll be calling on club members to step up and help out with this our biggest fund raiser.



•Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - ACCC Christmas lunch at the Top Club in Lyttleton - We've been lucky enough to secure this prime dining room in the club with amazing views over the port and harbour. The club owner is fully supportive and has offered preferential parking for our classics following a run arriving at the club just after midday for a sumptuous buffet lunch (generously subsidised in part by the club) along with a "Happy

Hour". Father Christmas is also logging the destination into his GPS with a promise of a visit. So, KEEP THE DAY FREE! Full details will be published a little closer to the time and numbers will definitely be needed by 7 days prior to the event. This is a family affair so attendance of "Littlies" will be welcome as in previous times. Any questions in the meantime please call Peter C on 021 898 396



- Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January President's Picnic, more than likely preceded by a run winding up at our President's residence. More details to follow.
- Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb Hanmer Motorfest run TBC
- 14 17 March Caroline Bay Rock & Hop April - potential of special mystery run being formulated.

All the best Peter Craig - Club Captain

# Classic Torque

### **OUR OLD CHEVROLET PICKUP**

(by Maggie Stanley)

Following the passing of my dad in 2016 we were able to secure the 1954 Chevrolet Pickup that he had owned for 20 years, and been working on for the previous few years. He purchased the Chev in 1996 and following the addition of the flat deck planned to use it on his farm.

The vehicle was assembled / built in Canada in 1954 and the original registration documents show it was first registered new in New Zealand dated July 1955. The other registered owners on the original papers show:

- 1955 G A Penn LTD, 87 Cambridge Tce.
- 1958 Blackwell Motors "Dealer"
- 1958 D H Johnston & Sons, Dunsandel
- 1971 Hollands Highway Autos, Ashburton
- 1972 Colin John McLaughlin, Rakaia
- 1975 Stanley William Galletly, Ashburton
- 1979 Hollands Highway Autos, Ashburton
- 1979 Taylor Family Trust, Ashburton

This picture shows the original colour and work in progress during the late 1990's.





When we picked her up she was covered in years of dust and just waiting to be set free.



With a bit of TLC and some cosmetic changes, she is now in the condition you can see from time to time on some club runs.

She also featured in the Fox Terrier Club calendar and at the ACCC 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations.





It's a pleasure to take her out and she's always been much admired. With the most recent addition being the Tonneau cover, this now gives us more options for transporting items that would otherwise not have been possible.



Next planned outing will be USA Day 2023 - see you all there!

## Non-club Events

#### TIME TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS

Thanks to everyone that has already pre-booked their drive in movie tickets, the movie venue is limited to 100 vehicles and there are still some spaces available at this stage, you will need to prebook your ticket because there will not be any ticket sales on the movie night. To book your movie ticket email Brendon Wright on <a href="mailto:brendonwright@hotmail.co.nz">brendonwright@hotmail.co.nz</a>



## More Non-club Events

### ALL AMERICAN WEEKEND

TIMARU 11th &12th November 2023



#### Saturday 11th - Cruise-

Meet from 3.30pm Caroline Bay North Car Park(off Virtue Ave) for 4-30pm departure to destination of interest. All sealed roads.

\$10 per American vehicle for cruise plus small fee at destination.

#### Sunday 12th

All American Vehicle Display Caroline Bay North Carpark 10am to 2pm Featuring Live Band. \$15 per display vehicle

\$20 per vehicle covers both days - CASH ONLY Proceeds to Cardiac Kids Club



Selwyn Motor Fest 2023 – 26 November 10am to 3pm 638 Springston Rolleston Rd, Rolleston A vehicle show and Family Fun Day with lots to see and do for vehicle enthusiasts and families looking for a great day out.





### REMINDER

KUSTOMS will be collecting TOYS for kids in Christchurch Hospital at the DECEMBER'S RODDERS BREAKFAST December 3rd 2023

### Listed below are some of the Hospital's wish-list

- Sequence games
- Monopoly Deal
- Spot it
- Dolls house furniture
- Any kind of craft sets
- Light up drawing board
- Doodle master
- Write on write off boards
- Uno cards
- Baby rattles
- 'O balls' for babies
- Light up toys
- Music box, music for infants
- Toys with actions by pressing button
- Beading for bracelets etc.

- Acrylic paints for older kids
- Diamond art
- Paint by numbers
- Small canvas
- Basic slot car set
- Car garages
- Roller coaster car track
- Hot wheels & tracks
- Battleship cards
- Guess who cards - Lego boards
- Xbox 360 PG games
- Xbox 360 PG - Small bop its
- Small battery fairy lights
- Polly pocket sets or similar

Your generosity at previous 'TOY RUNS' - blew the hospital staffs minds LET'S DO IT AGAIN - THANK YOU

## A couple of non-club events to look forward to in March 2024



