Classic Car Club

Newsletter June 2024

President's Report (from AGM)

Welcome to the American Classic Car Club, Annual General Meeting 2024, particularly to our life members Jimmi & Ray and (Trevor & Molly - absent).

At this point I would like to acknowledge the passing of long-time club member Stephen Brown last year. Not only was Stephen active at club outings he was also part of the group who were responsible for the establishment of the club rules.

Over the last year we have again enjoyed many positive aspects, including, outings, membership growth and good company. Our USA Day 2023 unfortunately experienced adverse weather conditions around most of Canterbury and this prevented many from participating on the day. Despite this the day was very successful from a fiscal point of view but would have been even better had the participation numbers been higher. I would particularly like to thank Sam who took on the role of coordinator for USA day with a great deal of enthusiasm and conviction.

At this point I would like to thank you all as members for supporting your club outings and participating in the club activities. Without you there is no club.

This time last year we saw Tony and Jimmi step down from committee. With Jimmi previously holding both the secretary and treasurer roles, in addition to newsletter editor, this presented both challenges and opportunities. At the time I said this would not be a quick fix and indeed did take some time to complete the hand overs. Thank you to Cathie for taking on the secretary position. Barb for stepping into the newsletter editor role and Maria for accepting the vital role as treasurer. These positions are now all working well as individual roles with shared responsibilities.

Your other committee members, Elaine, Margaret, Ray and Brendon, have also been very supportive and helpful during the last year. Your Club Captain Peter has performed an outstanding role during the last year and been ably supported particularly by Sam and your vice President Murray.

Please spare a thought for all your committee who collectively spend many, many hours of dedication on your behalf. The gratitude I have indicated here falls well short of the praise due without exception to all members of your committee. Please stand, Cathie, Maria, Elaine, Barb, Margaret, Murray, Sam, Peter, Ray, Brendon.

While we saw many committee changes over the last year, this year will also see some changes. Due to other commitments and priorities, you will require a new President and First Lady, as Margaret and I will be standing down from committee. We do plan to remain active club members and very willing to help your new committee wherever required, especially USA Day should we be needed.

Finally, you as members, are all very fortunate to be part of a fabulous, successful club. It's up to you to ensure the continued success.

Good luck to the new President and committee, and I wish the club every success for another pirfic year ahead.

W S Stanley President

Club Captain's Report

May/June Report



The following is taken from my report to club members at the AGM.....

Thank you for all your support over the last 12 months. We've enjoyed participation of usually 50 -55 members on runs consistently - great ongoing responses to registrations for runs.

Pre run registrations are really important to pass that information onto our hosts kitchen staff.

We've had very positive feedback from the organisations and individuals who have opened up for us on runs and they've been extremely complimentary about the club and its members - particularly at Terry and Carol Dalton's shed raid. Terry was very enthusiastic about you guys and the experience they had with us at the Silver Dollar - the source of hilarity largely led by Mark Rayner - so it's official - you are all good buggers and better halves!

Throughout the year I consider we've had some pretty enjoyable runs. I'm not going to recite them blow by blow however in my mind the standouts in no particular order were...

- Annual Run -this time to Greta Valley Tavern great weather really nice run - excellent venue food and company along with a questionable quizz -with Ray & Jimmi having the dubious honour of winning the annual run cup.
- Run from Princess Margaret Hospital through the tunnel and over Evans Pass to Ferrymead Tram restoration workshops via Redcliffs followed by a visit to Classic Workshop for lunch - THANKS AGAIN TO MICHAEL & KEVIN FOR THEIR RELENTLESS SUPPORT FOR THE CLUB.
- Rocktober run over roads less travelled from Yaldhurst pub to Leeston and Paul French's mind blowing man cave followed by lunch at the legendry Rabbiter's rest. A success despite your club captain not being able to distinguish his right hand from his left - A North Island thing perhaps!

- USA Day of course a success despite being in the eye of a rain event. This success was once again testimony to the efforts of the committee and Bill and a band of dedicated followers but more succinctly to our Marshall Murray and chief stoker Sammy Ng and their manageresses- these guys have an ongoing finely tuned and very hard working focus on this event.
- Xmas Do at the Top Club excellent venue with private preferential parking at the door - awesome views - incredible food and a more willing team of Top club staff going all out for us you would not find anywhere - special mention to Lynette who is a Top Club volunteer who did a fantastic job of dressing the tables and room with a Xmas them.
- Presidents Picnic this year held at Bill & Maggie's residence with excellent weather and a very strong turnout. Bill's passion for his trains is to be admired as is Maggie's patience in supporting him top effort.
- Paul & Sue William's run to Dan Smith's truly impressive residence and car/helicopter collection. Paul demonstrated amply the value in members stepping up and getting involved in club runs which gives the whole thing a fresh complexion and I believe is to be encouraged.
- Terry's Shed Raid Terry & Carol's property in Burnham. A true Alladin's cave of yankee memorabilia and Kiwiana with some fabulous stories to tell and some truly unique items on display.

Finally, a huge thanks to the committee for all the help I've had under Bill's leadership- not forgetting Chris - my definitely better half for putting up with my rants, raves and lost time on the laptop.

Footnote: During "General Business" very positive engagement was had in the 1st instance from Russ Lewis about having the club consider an annual weekend away trip. This was greeted with enthusiasm and was widely discussed by some members at the conclusion of the meeting. Overall a very positive atmosphere at the meeting and considerable excitement from existing committee members to getting to know and helping new committee members into their roles. I'm sure I can speak for all committee members if I may, in wishing our new President our warmest welcome and we look forward to working with and supporting Murray and his deputy Elaine.

Welcome to the Incoming Committee for 2024

President: Murray Marshall

Vice-President: Elaine Clarke

Club Captain: Peter Craig

Secretary: Jacqui Birchall

Treasurer: Maria Van Nus

Web Master: Sam Ng

Newsletter Editor: Barb Court

Committee members: Adrian Hamill

Nicole Redfern



Maggie & Bill Stanley at the AGM on Sunday 26 May 2024.





Hi all - as noted in the last Newsletter, please see below for an update on these events and note changes at this point -

Save The Dates

• Sunday June 16th: -- Previously advised as a run to the Little River Pub. This event will now be held at Two Thumb Harbourside Brewing Co & Restaurant in Diamond Harbour. The date remains the same and full details along with meeting point for a run will be advised a little closer to the time - more than likely kicking the run off from Princess Margaret Hospital in Cashmere.

While we are aiming for a Mid-Year Xmas "Do" theme we will not have the brewery to ourselves so at this point we should just consider a nod to Christmas attire without getting too carried away. We are asked to prebook any meals so select from the attached menu and let me know -

I need to have these pre orders by 9 June at the latest please - text me to register and pre order on 021 898 396 please.

Again we are offered preferential parking for our cars as a group display. This is now not going to be a subsidised event - that is likely to be transferred to the Independence Day lunch - again - to be ratified by the new committee.

Sunday 7th July





American Independence Day "Do" where again we have a pencil booking for Sunday 7th July at a tried and trusted venue, this one will be a real "Doozy" (or Deusie depending on how you hold your mouth) so wrap your head around what Yankee gear you will model. Further details to be posted closer to the time along with run details.

Go well and please let me know your menu selection for the June run as soon as possible and before or by 9 June.

Peter Craig - Club Captain - 021 898 396

WEEKEND MENU

GFI - Gluten Free Ingredients , DF - Dairy Free, VG - Vegetarian, V - Vegan , A - Available

BRUNCH 10-2.30

Full English Brekky 26 Cumberland Sausage, bacon, 2 eggs, hash browns, grilled tomato, mushroom, beans, toast Vege Brekky (VE) 22 Grilled halloumi, 2 eggs, hash browns, grilled tomato, mushroom, beans, toast Eggs Benedict (VE) 16 2 poached eggs, hollandaise, English muffin Add bacon \$4 Add halloumi \$4 Garlic Mushrooms (V) 16 Fried garlic mushrooms, spinach, toast Chicken & Waffles 20 Malaysian popcorn chicken, waffles, maple syrup, cream, berry coulis 18 French Toast Croissants Croissants, bacon, maple syrup

BRUNCH COCKTAILS

Mimosa Sparkling Sauvignon Blanc, orange juice	13
Bloody Mary Vodka, tomato juice, Tabasco, lemon,	15

HAND-STRETCHED PIZZA **AVAILABLE FROM 12PM**

The Marg (vg) Mozzarella, parmesan, olive oil, basil	22
The Cumberland Cumberland sausage, mozzarella, red onion, rocket, hot honey	26
Cluckin' Hell Buffalo chicken, mozzarella, red onion, bell peppers, hot sauce	25
Ol' Faithful	24
Pepperoni, mozzarella, aged cheddar	
Goats go Beet (VG) Beetroot, caramelised onion, goats cheese, walnut, rocket	23
Into the Forest (VG) Mushroom, mozzarella, blue cheese, sliced garlic, basil	24
Chinese Quackers	27
Aromatic pulled duck, hoisin sauce, cucumber, spring onions	
Kim Jong Oink	28
Pulled spicy pork, gochujang, marinara sauce, mozzarella, kimchi	
Gluten free bases & dairy free mozzarella available. Talk to our team about our options.	
SNACKS	

Taiwanese Popcorn Chicken (DF)	18
Tempura Broccoli & Cauliflower	16
Handmade Fried Pork Wontons	16
Fries with Gochu Mayo (VG)	12

Non-club Events





