



August 2011

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Events Diary 2011

Sunday, Aug 7 **Alpinal August**

Last chance for a shakedown run before the Alpine

August 19-21 **Alpine Classic**

Woolly wearing weather as we look for snow!

Sunday, Sept 3 **Springtime September**

Celebration of all things springy (not earthquakes!)

Sunday, Oct 2 **October Outing**

A real country feel to the run this month

Sunday, Nov 6 **Nosing into November**

Mountainous run to Castle Hill

Sunday, Dec 4 **Christmas BBQ**

Combined Clubs Christmas BBQ



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Alpinal August **Sunday, 7th August**

A planned Mini Alpine before the BIG EVENT will not be possible with the condition of our hill roads. SO get the Cruiser out and we are off to Akaroa. Picnic lunch or fish & chips on the foreshore as I'm expecting a fine day. Starting as usual 10.30am at the West Car Park of Princess Margaret Hospital. Gold coin entry donation to St Johns Ambulance.

Alpine Classic 2011 **Fri 19 - Sun 21 Aug**

The intention of the Alpine Classic is for everyone to have a fabulous time exploring some of the South Island countryside in convivial company and celebrating classic cars. Hopefully we'll find snow!

As in past years, the Alpine Classic will be run over a combination of sealed and well formed gravel roads.

We've taken the Red & Black theme this year because of the events in Canterbury but we're planning to leave the earthquakes behind. Attire appropriate to the theme is always appreciated, particularly at the Saturday night dinner.

A quick summary of the Alpine Classic plan follows:

- Day 1 (Fri 19th): start at small country school near Ashburton, meander through Canterbury with great roads, good scenery and plenty of time for lunch. Finish in Oamaru. Own arrangements for evening meal.
- Day 2 (Sat 20th): interesting roads, hopefully snow, finishing back in Oamaru. (2 nights in one place!) Buffet dinner with Red & Black theme.
- Day 3 (Sun 21st): undulating country roads, finish with afternoon tea in Mid-Canterbury.

You don't have to be a member of the club to participate, but if you are you get a \$25 discount. We still have some places available at the moment but entries are still coming in so we're not sure when we'll fill the tour. If you've sent your entry form in with payment, YOU'RE IN!!! If you have friends

that would like to join us, the information and entry form are on our website.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact us.

Springtime September Sunday, 4th Sept

That date has so many memories for us all. Last year's run was postponed and a quick change of direction saw us enjoying spring the next week. The original run is still on hold due to damage so John Gallagher is taking us to an area he knows well – out to the Nor'West – it sounds great.

October Outing Sunday, 2nd Oct

Animal time for all. Race horses, dairy cows, sheep with a difference and the dogs that will go with all these operations. Picnic lunch after we have been to the horses, then we will arrive in time for milking at Carol and Geoff's farm in Tai Tapu. Please bring a "plate" for afternoon tea. Why not round up the Grandchildren?

Nosing into November Sunday, 6th Nov Castle Hill Run

Have you ever been to this area and marvelled at the awesome looking rocks. More details later

Christmas BBQ Sunday, 4th Dec Combined Car Clubs BBQ & Picnic

Meet usual time and place with your picnic lunch.

So that's the end of the Day Runs for 2011 – but don't despair, we kick off Sunday 1st January for lots of sunny day runs all through 2012.

Upcoming Events!

Classic Marathon 2012
Odyssey 2012

Sat 18 - Sat 25 February
Wed 26 Sept - Sun 7 Oct

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Jumping July Run Report Kowhai Bush, Oxford and Rangiora

The theme of this run was cars from the USA as it was almost 4th July Independence Day. We only had 1 "Yank Tank" – a huge Ford convertible. In fact it was just about 3 of some of the cars that were present – wow it was a beauty!

The run took us out to Darfield via Telegraph Rd which was re-shaped on September 4th! The road is resealed the grass has grown and some must wonder why a long straight road has a kink in the middle!



Picnicers doing what we do best – picnic and socialise.

Through the donut town of Springfield, over the river and railway line and we were in Kowhai Bush where we used the reserve for our lunch stop. The time flew by and the very impressive War Memorial was inspected and then we were on our way to Oxford for some nosing around the local retail. Our coffee stop was in Rangiora, home base for some of our participants.



The incredibly YELLOW Studebaker truck of Tony & Jeanette.

We enjoyed a Spring like day – not bad for the middle of winter – 5 cars went topless. It was lovely driving towards the mountains with the snow glistening in the sun.

Mel Peters



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