



July 2012



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Events Diary 2012

Sunday, Jul 1 **A Driver's Delight**

Interesting driving roads in North Canterbury

Sunday, Aug 5 **Trying to Trial**

Our 2nd navigational run!

Sunday, Sep 2 **Spring into September**

Normal Sunday run, probably with a daffodil theme.

Sep 26-Oct 7 South Australian Odyssey

Offshore adventure in the wilds of Australia

Sunday, Oct 7 **Ode to October**

Normal Sunday run

Sunday, Nov 4 **Nosing into November**

Normal Sunday run

Sunday, Dec 2 **Christmas Picnic**

Combined Christmas Picnic with all classic vehicle clubs in Christchurch & Canterbury invited

A Driver's Delight **Sunday, 1st July**

John Gallagher has promised a tour over some good driving roads with lunch at Motunau. John has requested that we be at PMH in time to get away right on 10:30 so we will see you there. Bring the usual.

Please note: due to general idiocy in the production office, June's newsletter had the incorrect date for this run. Our apologies.

Trying to Trial **Sunday, 5th August**

Organised by Graeme Sharp. We have asked Graeme to do another navigational car trial for us. Some of you will remember the first one and will have a much better idea of how it all works. Clear guidelines will be provided for everyone.

Even if you've never been on one of these types of runs before, please do come along as they're a lot of fun and its an opportunity, for most of us, to do something different.

Normal start time at Princess Margaret Hospital.

Spring into September **Sunday, 2nd Sept**

Organised by Stephanie and Ian. Promises to be a visual delight. Take some time out to stop and enjoy the flowers. Details to follow.



South Australian Odyssey **September 25th to October 8th**

Max Clarke has arranged a great deal on rental cars for us and for pre-tour accommodation. Still a few spots left if you want to have a great holiday with plenty of time to see the touristy things each day. Contact Graeme Sharp if you want a copy of the tourist highlights and he will send you all 24 pages!

See website for details or get entry form and details from sharpish@clear.net.nz

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From Sharpie's Dashboard

Winter is well and truly on us and time to be extra careful with those precious classics of ours. Anti freeze sales must be well up at Repco.

The AGM for the Society was held on the 19th of June and there are a couple changes we need to report. As I mentioned previously, I had decided to stand down as Chairman. I am pleased to report that Julian Barrett has accepted the mantel so this will be my last report from the chair.

Ellen McCrae who has driven our interclub promotions has decided to step down from the committee because of her other life commitments. Ellen, on behalf of all the members I thank you for all the work you have done, not only on the interclub aspects, but for your wise contributions to our committee meetings and your wonderful contributions to the Marathons' social successes.

I also take this opportunity to thank my fellow committee members for their support and contributions over the last year.

The 2011 year left our finances in good shape but we need to continue our effort to reduce costs so we can get entry fees for our major events down even lower. Increasing membership and having a greater number of participants in the big events would go a long way to keeping costs down.

An alternative could be to abandon the Alpine and Marathon runs and focus on shorter but

more frequent weekend events. This is an approach that I could not really get behind as CMSNZ was founded nearly 20 years ago to run these very events.

Abandoning the entry fee for the Sunday runs and replacing it with a donation to our charity seems to work well but as a club we need to share the load in organizing these days and this is going really well. Thanks to the organisers for their generosity.

The Sunday runs continue to get reasonable support with 17 cars turning out last month, including a number of members from other clubs.

We are looking at a weekend event similar to the Akaroa and Kaikoura runs and have in mind a trip to the Coast and a mine tour on the Saturday. Doug Parker is coordinating this and we look forward to the details.

We have 16 entries for the South Australian Odyssey at the end of September and it is not too late to get an entry in. The tour promises to be a great holiday with enough driving and plenty of time for sightseeing and socialising. The details are on the Web site.

Some exciting Sunday runs coming up with John Gallagher's North Canterbury run this Sunday; by popular demand another Car Trial in August and in September an event to celebrate spring. Planning is underway for the Xmas run and picnic so expect details next month.

I look forward to reading Julian's contributions each month. Perhaps it might be called Barretts Banter.

An abbreviated newsletter this month delayed by the AGM

10th NZ Classic Car Rally 14-20 October This is NOT a CMSNZ event

The event is a hub rally based at McLean's Island, the home of the Vintage Car Club. Run by Roy Hughes and his team, this event is always an interesting week for you, your classic car and like minded folks from all over New Zealand. These rallies have been running since 1995 with the first event here in Christchurch and held every second year (at least) in some other city. If you are interested contact Roy Hughes on royhsyncom@xtra.co.nz



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Annual Combined Clubs Christmas Picnic Sunday, 2nd Dec

This has become an annual event for us and many other Christchurch clubs. If you belong to another club, could you please invite them to put it into their event diary?

At this stage, we will be at Orton Bradley again. The CMSNZ is organising the picnic this year and yes, Santa will be there!! More details will be provided as the year progresses.