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**JUNE**

**2013**

## **EVENTS DIARY**

### **SUNDAY JUNE 2ND**

A right royal occasion – Queens Birthday Weekend  
So bring out those British cars (and others) for a winter run. Princess Margaret Hospital Car Park 3 at 10.30am. 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting place Rangiora – Loburn Rd just before the Ashley River Bridge

### **JUNE – ANNUAL MEETING**

Our AGM will be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June at the Upper Riccarton Library Main South Road at 7pm.

### **THURSDAY JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>**

Mid week Outing: Meet A & P Showgrounds Curletts Road 10.30am

### **SUNDAY JULY 7<sup>TH</sup>**

All American outing with Picnic Lunch at an all American Diner! PMH Car Park 3 10.30am

### **AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup> - ALPINE**

Get those entries in – Contact Graeme Sharp if you require an entry form.

## **CMSNZ WHO'S WHO**

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## **JULIAN'S JOTTINGS**

Not sure where the time has gone, but once it's gone you can't get it back. This time next month it will be the shortest day and our AGM will have been and gone. Hard to believe I've been in the hot seat for 12 months so I would like to thank the committee for doing their bit and making my task easy and you the members for supporting our monthly runs and Alpine and Marathon events, I know a great deal of effort goes into organising these events for your enjoyment. Have you consider attending the AGM or joining the committee, it's always good to have new faces on board! Maybe you would like to have a go at plotting one of our monthly runs.

It was a great run over the Peninsula to Little Akaloa and Decanter Bay with a good turnout of vehicles, some of them showing their age around the hills (not just the cars!) The cars sparked some interest amongst the locals which is always good to see. I believe Mel has another interesting run organized for June so for those who aren't going away for the long weekend look forward to seeing you then.



## MID WEEK OUTINGS

A new event for our club. We have decided to have a Mid Week Outing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday after the Sunday run of each month. Less organised than the Sunday runs. We plan to have a picnic lunch with a coffee stop on the way home but the programme will be flexible. We will meet for the 1<sup>st</sup> time at the A & P Showgrounds Curletts Road on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30am. Each month one of the Participants will choose the destination.

It is a developing idea so any suggestions would be most welcome.

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Club members enjoying a mid week drive – at coffee stop on the way home it was decided to make it a monthly club event.

## REPORT OF MAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OUTING

We were again drawn to Banks Peninsular. Over Dyers Pass – around Governors Bay – Teddington – over Gebbies Pass – Millers Rd – Edge of Lakes Ellesmere and Forsythe – through Little River (although a few had a short stop) – up to Hilltop and left around the Summit Road. For those of us with open topped cars the bird song was amazing.

Soooo down into Little Akaloa – a short detour up the road towards Okains Bay to see the beautiful view and observe the Cactus garden which is thriving in those conditions. Also a lovely Historic Church to see. Now we headed off to Decanter Bay for lunch. Decanter Bay is off a Private Road and we really

appreciated the Landowners giving us permission to picnic there. We met one family who were living there and growing all their vegetables organically. The children were delightful and the young lad said “it is boring living here” - One day he will realise how fortunate he was.

The threatening rain stayed away and we had a really good run back to Lincoln for our Coffee & Cake Fix.

18 Cars! Sunday Runs are becoming very enjoyable social outings.

Gill Peters

## ALPINE UP-DATE

*The plotting is now done and while the daily runs are relatively short to allow more time for socialising we have accessed some good roads, mostly sealed, with alternatives available for the great road gravel bits apart for the run into the Cobb on Sunday. So get your entry in please and book your accommodation. The details were in last months newsletter.*

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEEETING

The AGM of our club will be held at the Upper Riccarton Library Main South Rd at 7pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

Please come along and support your committee and perhaps you may like to join us.

## CAR OF THE MONTH



Our little green car nic named “Greenie” by our teenage sons was purchased in May 1994 and we became the 7<sup>th</sup> Owners of a 1967 Datsun Bluebird 410.

We bought Greenie from a student in Christchurch for \$100 – it wasn’t going and had a pushed in roof where students had jumped on it. In no time Greenie was running smoothly – had a new coat of ofpaint and the seats were upholstered. Spares filled the shed.

The Datsun Bluebird 410 was sold by Cockram Motors Christchurch and was 1<sup>st</sup> registered in August 1967 – it is more than likely a New Zealand built car with the price at that time of \$2248. It has a cc rating of 1299 – a floor change 4 speed gear box – fitted with a front bench seat and marketed as a 5 seater. It is still quite small inside, possibly the result of having come from a Nation of small people.

Mechanically the car is very straight forward and uncomplicated.

We have travelled over a lot of the South Island on Alpine – Lord Nelson- North Canturbury and Monthly Classic Car runs and Greenie has only let us down once – when the back axle came out at New Brighton.

Greenie doesn’t need all those spares so they have been on sold to another Datsun Bluebird enthusiast.

Jenny & George Humm

## FUTURE EVENTS

### KAIKOURA WEEKEND

Nelson Classic Motoring Society have asked us to join them in a fun weekend in Kaikoura.

September Fri Sept 6<sup>th</sup> – Sun Sept 8<sup>th</sup>.

### KUSTOM CAR CLUB CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

The Event will be held over Labour Weekend Oct 25<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> at the Kustom Car Club Rooms McLeans Island.

Daily visits \$10 per head – note park & display is free for the driver.

Registration for the whole weekend is required by 31<sup>st</sup> July. Ph 352 0532 for details.

## **REPORT ON APRIL FOOLS RUN ORGANISED BY THE NELSON CLASSIC MOTORING SOCIETY**

55 cars from all around the South Island arrived at Haast to take part in the bi-annual event. This social event started with a 'Happy Hour' followed by a lovely buffet meal at the Haast Hotel which gave everyone a chance to mix and mingle and catch up with old and new friends.

DAY ONE started with a briefing at 9am in bright sunshine. Spectacular views were enjoyed through the rugged terrain of the Gates of Haast stopping at the Makarora tearooms for coffee and buns. Onwards past Lake Hawea to Wanaka where some visited the Classic Car Museum. Up and over the Crown Range passing the historic Cardrona Hotel to Arrowtown while some took the alternate route to Cromwell to visit the new race track. Most people wandered round Wanaka and Arrowtown to take photos of the glorious autumn colours. Eventually everyone ended up in Queenstown for the night. Most took the trip on the Earnslaw steamer to Walter Peak for the evening meal.

DAY TWO started with the briefing at the Kingston Flyer at the end of Lake Wakatipu in a biting cold wind although the weather was fine.

We then motored through some wonderful rolling farming countryside to arrive at Tuatapere where we all enjoyed a 'blue cod & chip' lunch continuing through Otatau, Winton & Dipton to arrive at Invercargill our destination for tonight.

DAY THREE'S briefing was held in the Ascot Park carpark where the Alvis Club had also gathered for photos. Heading north we turned off H1 at Maitai taking the Clinton Highway to Balclutha for coffee. At Milton we visited the JR Finch & Sons Museum and browsed through the large collection of yesteryears memorability. After the lunch stop at Mosgiel we followed the scenic Three Mile Hill Road into north Dunedin to eventually turn right to travel through Seacliff and Karatane. With a few

more detours along the way we finally arrived at Oamaru for the final night. A bus picked us up from our accommodation to take us to the Criterion Hotel in the historic part of Oamaru for the 'happy hour' & nibbles and then a short walk to an old building where 'Fat Sally' caterers put on an awesome dinner.

Allan Dick from the Classic Car Mag was the guest speaker and after the usual thank-you. we returned to our Motels by bus.

It was a wonderful, successful & well planned event organised by Lindsay Purvis and Murray Russell. It was lots of fun and look forward to do it all again in two years time. Another great Nelson Classic Car Society event.

Merilyn & John Gallagher.

**IF** You belong to another Motoring or Historical Society and wish to advertise the event please contact the Newsletter Editor.