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**OCTOBER 2014**

## EVENTS DIARY

### SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER:

**Change of starting time:** Princess Margaret Hospital car Park 3 at **10.00am**. Then the Peg – Belfast Hotel at 10.30am. John Gallagher will take us on a North Canterbury Ramble. Bring your Lunch.

### THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER GOLD CARD CRUISERS

Meet at The West Melton Tavern 10.30am. Jim has a great day out planned for us. Bring your picnic lunch.

### SUNDAY NOV 2<sup>nd</sup>

We will meet at Princess Margaret Hospital Car Park 3 at 10.00am (Please note change of time)

### SUNDAY NOV 9<sup>TH</sup>

We are planning to visit Terrace Station near Hororata to see their beautiful Garden & Woodland. We will meet at the West Melton Tavern at 10.30am. Bring your lunch.  
\$5 entrance fee.

### THURSDAY NOV 13TH

Gold Card Cruisers Details in next newsletter.

### FEB 20 – 22 2015

Mel Peters is organising a trip similar to the Westport weekend we had in July Further details further down the Newsletter

### 2015 SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

#### NEW SOUTH WALES ODYSSEY:

**Dates now confirmed Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Sept – Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Oct**  
Graeme Sharp is organising another Australian Odyssey. One highlight will be going to **BATHURST!** Entry forms will soon be available.

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## JULIAN'S JOTTINGS

What a fantastic turn out for the monthly run, and such a variety of cars including Bently, Lotus and Maserati, as well as HQ and VW camper. It's been another busy month with most of the weekends being taken up with doing a job for a close friend, then a week of travelling the lower South Island with my boss for work and this last weekend in Waiheke Island for a conference. It's good to hear that the NZTA is considering raising the speed limit on some roads to 110kmh, I wonder if they need my input as to which roads would be suitable!

I also heard that as from April 1<sup>st</sup> next year the ACC levies will reduce making a car registration cheaper, so if you have a due for registration only register to April 2015 to take advantage of it, refer to the following sourced from Autotalk.co.nz

“The Government also plans to launch risk rating-based charges for vehicles – which have already been opened for consultation.

“The Government will also introduce risk rating for light passenger vehicles (cars),” Collins says “this will place vehicles into bands, based on their crash safety ratings, from the most safe to the least safe and charge each band a levy based on the cost to the scheme of different vehicles.

“While all vehicle owners will receive considerable reductions in their ACC levies, we want to ensure the amount people are paying reflects the cost to the ACC scheme.”

As an example, the introduction of risk rating for cars, together with the overall reduction of motor vehicle I levies, owners of petrol-driven cars in the safest grouping will see the ACC component of their annual vehicle licence fee fall by 66%.

The new ACC levy rates for motor vehicles will come into effect on July 1, 2015. The lower ‘Work Account’ levy rate takes effect on April 1, 2015. “

Well that's all from me for now as I have to go and test a few more roads with our friends from Perth.

## REPORT ON SEPT 7TH OUTING:



Lunch Time at Rakaia Gorge

Mel took us on one of his favourite routes – the 3 Gorges. Our outings are advertised in the GO section of the Press and when they repeat it on Sat we get a great turn out. We had 16 cars at PMH and 33 by the time we left Leeston. We ran out of running sheets!

A great selection of cars – Audi – Bentley – BMW – Datsun – Ford – Holden – Jaguar – Lotus – Mazda MX5 – Maserati – Morgan – Porsche – Volkswagon – Saab – Toyota – hope I havn’t missed any. My favourite was the restored VW Combi.



We travelled from Leeston to Rakaia – then down Thompsons Track to the Mt. Somers turn off. When we reached Highway 72 we again turned right and followed the spine of the Mountains to our lunch stop at The Rakaia Gorge Rest area. We filled the area and much socialising was done over the break. When we went to leave the Beer’s VW did not want to go so we left them waiting for the AA to arrive!

So it was across the Rakaia River around through Windwhistle & Glentunnel passing by Homebush and on to Waddington. We then keep heading North to cross the Waimak Gorge Bridge and when we were in Oxford we turned Left to skirt the foothills and cross the Ashley River at the Gorge. A very pleasant drive to Rangiora where we had Coffee & Cake at the Old Railway Cafe. We had 40 people there and just about filled the place. Another great day out with like minded friends. Gill Peters



Rakaia Gorge – our group filled the picnic area



## **GOLD CARD CRUISERS"18<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER:**

Eleven cars arrived at The Peg meeting place on a fine breezy morning.

We motored north along the Main Highway to the Waipara-Hanmer Springs turn off through scenic Waikari turning left off the Main Road at Balmoral taking the back road to Culverden a quiet road and a need for speed passing many large dairy farms along the way.

We had a pleasant lunch break after which the ladies visited the Craft and Gift shops while the men enjoyed chatting to a couple about their modified 1960s Ford Anglia who were on there way to the Kaikoura Car Show weekend.

Mel Gill John Merrilyn Tony and Jeanette left us to travel on to Murchison to join the Lord Nelson weekend rally. The rest of us drove back to enjoy coffee and cake at Brick Mill Cafe Waikuku. Gill Milne.



## **SUMMER SOJOURN**

Mel Peters is organising another weekend's motoring.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb 2015 - We will travel to Blenheim and stay at the Top10 Holiday Park.

Top 10 have several different accommodation options.

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 2015 – We will travel down the Wairau Valley and the Buller River to Westport and on to Greymouth.

Accommodation is again at the Top 10 Holiday Park at South Beach and we will have an evening meal at

The Australasian Hotel at a cost of \$35 per head for 2 courses.

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2015 – We will visit the Hokitika region before heading home after lunch.

Our Nelson & Blenheim friends are invited to join with us.

So book your accommodation and for catering purposes let Mel Peters know 03 3374144

## **LAKE COLERIDGE OPEN DAY SUNDAY DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>!**

Step back in time and enjoy a number of yester-year themed events; Billy Tea and campfire, stories from past residents, vintage machinery, parades, powerhouse tours and demonstrations ....just to name a few.

There will be a variety of food stalls and markets to browse. A great day out for the whole family in the beautiful surrounds of Lake Coleridge.  
Adults \$10 Child \$5 Family Pass \$20.

This will be our monthly event for Dec so pencil it in and maybe bring the Grandchildren.

## **2015 New South Wales Odyssey.**

NSW/Bathurst Odyssey.

Planning is now under way and we expect to have a confirmed Bathurst date within the next 4 weeks and confirmation of The Bathurst component

Pricing. We are negotiating with a New Zealand supplier with a special add on being discussed with the Volvo racing team.

Once again we will be asking for a \$500 deposit. This will be non-refundable unless there are special circumstances such as unexpected ill health and the like. Once we have our dates set we will ask for deposits . this is likely toward the end of September. The physical plotting trip will commence in October this year and motels etc. will require a deposit for the bookings 12 months out.

Expect more news next month.

Graeme Sharp, who has been away for a while has had a computer snag and has lost some e mails expressing interest in the Odyssey. We know it is a bit of a pain but can you flick him another e- mail to [info@saabclassics.net](mailto:info@saabclassics.net) so he can confirm his mailing list as updates will be sent directly to those who wish to take part.

## CARS FOR SALE:

### SAAB 95 STATION WAGON - 1973 V4

Peking to Paris Classic Touring Car  
100% reliable - View at Templeton  
Tony Childs 027 298 1445



### CLASSIC HOLDEN 186 HR STATION WAGON 1966

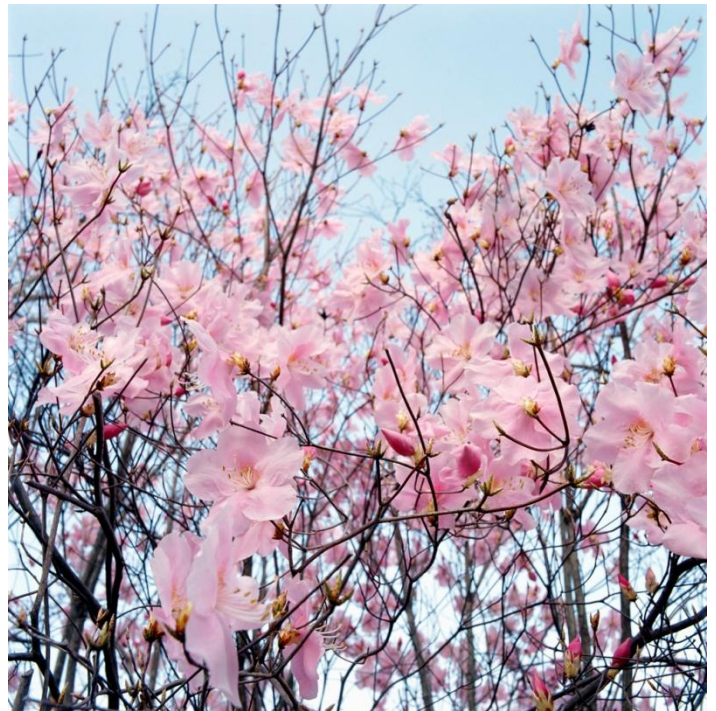
Blue with White top. Regularly serviced &  
maintained 175,000 miles. Ph Elgar 03 358 9338  
Christchurch. (Elgar was a workmate of Mel Peters)

## OBITUARY

We note with sadness the passing of Ivan Early.  
Ivan was an enthusiastic Classic Motorist driving his  
Maroon & Cream Armstrong Siddely Sapphire to  
many events around Christchurch

## UP COMING EVENTS YOU MAY LIKE TO ATTEND.

ELLESMERE A& P SHOW Leeston  
Saturday October 18<sup>th</sup> 2014



**SPRING IS HERE SO GET OUT THE CLASSIC  
AND ENJOY YOUR MOTORING**