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EVENTS DIARY

SUNDAY NOV 2ND PICNIC TIME

Meet at the Yaldhurst Hotel car park at 10.30am to leave at 11.00am

Remember to bring your picnic lunch and chairs
your Hosts Barry and Kay

THURSDAY NOV 13TH

Gold Card Cruisers RUN TO PIGEON BAY.

Meet up at TAI TAPU. Park on the left just before the Tai tapu bridge. (tar sealed area)

If you get to the village, you have gone to far !

meet at 10.30am to leave 11.00am

Please note, Dogs are not allowed in pigeon bay reserve..

Your Hosts, Kit and Carol. 027 642 1010

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A WARM WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS



DAVID'S DIARY

Finally summer is on its way, time for mowing, hoeing, sowing, outings, innings, long days and short nights.
Hibernation is over and we step out into spring.



Take off the hard top and venture forth.
No need for antifreeze now.

Partly true, but our cars need antifreeze for different reasons. That is why it is often marketed as 'summer coolant'.

Why? Because antifreeze performs several functions:

1. Corrosion inhibitor. Our engine parts and radiator are made of different metals (aluminium, steel, copper, brass, cast iron etc, which creates an ideal set up for electrolysis, where we get +ve ions and -ve ions which like to even things out by transferring metal particles from one place to another via the coolant. Disappearing from one part and building up somewhere else in the cooling system. This can cause an aluminium cylinder head to get eaten away and undermine the head gasket, causing all sorts of problems.
2. Rust inhibitor. Without antifreeze in the coolant, rust will occur which clogs up passage ways in the radiator, heater core and engine. Quite a mission to get rid of it all.
3. Antifreeze. To prevent the coolant from freezing and blocking circulation, causing overheating.
4. Antifreeze not only lowers the freezing point but raises the boiling point of the coolant.
5. Antifreeze usually contains a wetting agent which makes better contact with engine surfaces allowing better transfer of heat from metal to coolant.

As a guide, you need to have between 20% and 50% antifreeze in the coolant, to give good protection.

You can buy a basic antifreeze tester from Repco for around \$30.

After some time, the coolant can become acidic, so some litmus paper will help out there. Blue to red = acid.

If it is acidic, it needs flushing out completely (a bit of a process) and start again, with something close to 50% antifreeze.

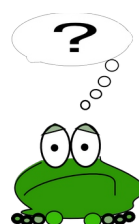
That is why a new car in Fiji has antifreeze in the coolant and one of the reasons why we have much less cooling system failure than the old days.

Who knew that coolant could be such fun?

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Why couldn't the frog find his parked car?

It had been toad away



REPORT ON SUNDAY RUN OCT 5TH

THANK YOU

Just a note of thanks for the hardy souls who came on the October Sunday run, including the three soloists, in spite of the bad weather.

When we were plotting in the fine weather the mountain views were spectacular, so a pity you missed those.

The fords turned out to be a bit lumpy, but I believe everyone managed to traverse them without incident.

Hoped you enjoyed seeing the FLOCK of cows. It was taken from an ASB ad some years ago.

Lunch at the Blue pub seemed to go well and they were certainly grateful for us being there.

Thankyou

Tin Man and Diane

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REPORT ON GOLD CARD CRUISERS OCT 16TH

Our run this month was up to Cheviot Hills Domain. The Domain had a historic homestead there many years ago belonging to a wealthy sheep farmer. The weather was good, but the weather man said it would change in the afternoon, which it did, But not before we had a relaxed lunch and a good natter. A few spots started to fall about Greta Valley on the way home meaning the hood had to go on.. Another great day out with our cars.

Cheers Kit.



PLANNING AHEAD

THE 2026 NITSI MARATHON 30TH APRIL – 8TH MAY 2026

Planning is underway for our next Marathon which will be held in the lower half of the North Island

The plotting crew of Lyn Scott, Greeny and the Tin Man will be venturing north in November to get things organised for us.

We are told that there will be 7 days of touring with a break in the middle for a day.

They have allowed one day to get to the North Island and one day to get back.

So put the dates in your diary for the NITSI Marathon 2026.

FOR SALE

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If you have a story to tell about your favourite auto that you would like to share please let us know.

OTHER EVENTS THAT MAY INTEREST YOU



Wigram Revival Motor Racing at Euromarque Motorsport Park - Ruapuna Raceway

The best of South Island Motor Racing celebrating what was great about the Wigram race circuit.

Classic & Historic racers; classes and cars which would have featured at the Wigram circuit from 1949-2000.

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