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March 2007

North Canterbury Classic Tour Sunday, 25th March

Registrations (\$10 per vehicle) will be accepted from 9.15am to 9.45am in the Janel Coffee Lounge, Hawke Street, New Brighton, Christchurch. This year food and drinks are not available at the lunch venue so we recommend you purchase your lunch either at the start or on the way. (Cooked breakfast is available at Janel prior to the start for \$9 per person but this MUST be pre-booked by phoning Dennis or Jan Stanley at Janel Coffee Lounge 388-5744).

The event is open to all vintage, classic, rare, exotic and unusual vehicles, including commercials and motorcycles. Street rods are also welcome.

This is a tour over sealed scenic roads keeping off the main roads as much as possible, to a lunchtime destination of private gardens. The afternoon section leads us to a country homestead, no doubt the highlight of the day. Finally, an early evening meal may be enjoyed at the historic Leithfield Hotel, just a couple of miles away, for those who wish to relax after a scenic days motoring.

Please note:

As we have a full day, we need to despatch the vehicles as early as possible. To encourage this, the first 50 people to register will receive a free copy of New Zealand Classic Car Magazine valued at \$8.00. Entrants are encouraged to start the rally as soon as possible after registering.

Please feel free to contact Trevor & Lorraine Stanley on email stancar_nzcc@hotmail.com, fax 03-942 9194 or phone 03-942 9977.

Special General Meeting Monday, 26th March

This is being held at 7.30pm this coming Monday in the Upper Riccarton Library meeting room, 71 Main South Road, Christchurch. We don't anticipate that this will be an all-nighter and would love to see as many of our members there as possible. Please refer to the information that was supplied in the February newsletter for copies of the financial reports.

Southern Run Sunday, 29th April

This is an opportunity to meet the enthusiasts from the Continental Car Club and have a bit of an explore of the Mid-Canterbury region.

We're going to meet under the salmon at Rakaia at 11am but if the weather is cold or inclement, then we'll have adjourned to the new cafe just across the road for the meet up. Please bring a picnic lunch but there will be opportunities to purchase food in Ashburton.

If you have any queries please contact Stephanie Royds on email stephanie@castlerockdesign.co.nz or phone 341 3141 (business hours).

Kaikoura Weekender 11th-13th May

This is a casual weekend away in our classic cars. There will be tour notes but its not a formal tour like the Alpine.

We will be staying at Donegal House in Kaikoura. For those of you unfamiliar with it, it is an Irish Pub and Restaurant with some motel accommodation. At the time of writing (sounds formal doesn't it?) there were approximately 20 rooms still available each night. We ask you to make your own accommodation reservations directly with Donegal House as soon as you can as they're not holding the rooms for us. If they run out of room, there is plenty of alternative accommodation in the Kaikoura region including some very good camp grounds if you're keen on tenting!

Events Diary 2007

Narch 25 North Canterbury Classic Tour

Joining with the Stanleys annual day trip north

March 26 SGM

Bringing our financial records up to date

April 29 Southern Run

Get together with Continental Car Club in Mid-Canterbury

May 11-13 Kaikoura Weekender

Two days driving adventures in your classic vehicle

June 24 Dawnbreaker

Annual extremely early morning run

June 24 AGM

Follows on after breakfast from the Dawnbreaker

July - tba

We'll think of something to keep you warm

August 24-26 Alpine Classic

The hunt for snow is on again!

Branches Events Diary

Northern Branch Northern Branch Contact Details

Chair: Peter Fieldson phone 09-418 0529 Secretary: Ros Baker phone 09-238 7433 (pvt)

The current plan is that everyone is to make their own way to Kaikoura after work on Friday 11th. The weekend HQ will, of course, be at Donegal House. On Saturday (12th) we will have devised some fiendishly obtuse route that will take us out and about for the day. Hmmm, maybe not obtuse or fiendish but just adventurous.

Saturday night will be dinner at Donegal House (let them know you'll be eating in that night) and then everyone can have a leisurely departure on Sunday morning and make their own way home.

So, nothing too formal or organised. Just a casual weekend away with fellow classic car enthusiasts and the opportunity to have some adventures and tell lots of lies at night in pleasant surroundings. Any questions or queries: Stephanie Royds, ph 03-341 3141, email stephanie@castlerockdesign.co.nz or Mel Peters, ph 337 4144, petersmg@ihug.co.nz.

If you're planning on coming, could you let one of the organisers know so we know how many copies of the route notes we need!

Contact details:

Donegal House www.donegalhouse.co.nz ph/fax 03-319 5083, reservations 0800 346 873

Kaikoura Information Centre www.kaikoura.co.nz, ph 03-319 5641

AGM Sunday, 24th June

We're returning to our normally scheduled programme by having our AGM on the same day as our Dawnbreaker run. You don't have to do the Dawnbreaker to attend the AGM but we thoroughly recommend it. The Dawnbreaker will be finishing at a venue where attendees can get a good breakfast and where we can hold our AGM (we don't like to move too far on full tummies!). In the past, people that haven't wanted to do the Dawnbreaker have joined us for breakfast (not compulsory) and

the AGM, which works well. Formal notification of the AGM will come out with a later issue of the newsletter.

Alpine Classic 24-26 August

Once again there's a delay on the entry form but the new plan (!!!) is

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that it will be posted out separately as soon as everything is finalised. Its starting to look exciting people.

Go West on 25th Feb Report

Anywhere was going to be better than the east wind in town so we went up the Old West Coast Road parallel to the Waimak River to Waddington where we visited the "Country Miniatures" museum of Jim & Dee Nunan. Jim is an "Austin" man and Dee has a great collection of dolls and miniatures, it was just amazing.

Then it was off to our picnic lunch at Glentunnel after negotiating deserted (except for our group) shingle roads that serviced old coal mines.

After a relaxing lunch break we headed over the Rakaia Gorge Bridge then hard left for an uninterrupted run to the Rakaia Domain for coffee & eats.

We all enjoyed a very warm sunny run - see you at the next one!

Gill Peters

Classic Boat Show Report

Once again a number of us made the annual trek up to the alpine region of the Nelson Lakes National Park to partake in watching people messing around in boats. The weather (as usual) was fantastic, the company was excellent and the boating was entertaining.

This year was their biggest year ever with 164 entries which included 8 steamboats. The steamboats even had their own race this year. But it was this amphibious vehicle that provoked the liveliest discussion amongst the classic motoring fraternity

as its powered by spoons!

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