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June 2009

June Jaunt **Sunday, 7th June**

This is a bonus run as we have the Dawnbreaker later this month as well! Once again we're starting at the carpark opposite Princess Margaret Hospital (riverside at the west end) at 10.30am.

The June Jaunt is a much shorter run — it will finish at a cafe so we can either get together for a snack or head off to do our own thing. Please feel free to contact Mel on 337 4144 or on email petersmg@ihug.co.nz if you want more details.

Please note: The June Jaunt is THIS Sunday!!

AGM **Tuesday, 9th June**

The AGM is next week. Please come along to support the club — we won't put you on the committee just because you turned up!! Its being held at the Beckenham Library, Colombo St, Christchurch, starting at 7pm. See you there (there may be biscuits!).

Dawnbreaker **Sunday, 21st June**

This year its actually on the shortest day for a change. Once again we're doing the early start — be at the carpark outside Janel Coffee Lounge in New Brighton at 4.45am for a 5am start.

Entry fee is once again cans of food for the Methodist Mission — they're always very grateful for our contributions. Remember to bring your thermos so you can stop for a hot cuppa and admire the sunrise somewhere. We'll be finishing at a venue that has a cooked breakfast available.

Historic Kaiapoi Run **Sunday, 5th July**

This month we're heading out to the town of Kaiapoi for an exploration of the historic aspects of the area. Bring a picnic lunch or buy something in Kaiapoi — we'll be having our lunch at the Kaiapoi railway station which is under cover (just in case!). We're finishing at the historic Brick Mill Cafe in Waikuku.

This is a relatively short run seeing its the middle of winter but its an opportunity to see how well designed your car heater is (or isn't!). Its also a chance to see how much more warm gear you need to pack for the Alpine!

If you have any questions please phone Tony Childs on 027 298 1445.

Awesome August **Sunday, 2nd August**

This is another monthly run that Mel has slotted in so that no-one misses out on having something to do this month. It will probably be along the lines of the June Jaunt but as its still quite a few months away, it may change yet! If anyone has a burning desire to take over this run, please contact Mel!

Events Diary 2009

Sunday, June 7 **June Jaunt**

More of a coffee & cake run really

Tuesday, June 9 **AGM**

Annual General Meeting of the CMSNZ

Sunday, June 21st **Dawnbreaker**

We know you love the early morning start!!

Sunday, July 5th **Historic Kaiapoi**

Another Sunday run to exercise your classic

Sunday, Aug 2 **Awesome August**

Probably a coffee & cake run. Come along to see.

August 21-23 **Alpine Classic**

Our weekend event where we look for SNOW!

Sunday, Sep 6 **Silly in September!**

One of our regular Sunday expeditions.

October 2 - 4 **Hanmer Weekend**

A weekend based around the metropolis of Hanmer

Oct 30 - Nov 15 **Tassie Tour**

Opportunity to explore Tasmania

6-11 March, 2010 **Classic Marathon**

Its on again and its in the North Island. Woo hoo!

Alpine Classic 21-23 August

Well, entries for the Alpine Classic have been coming in but we still have some space available so, we're extending the entry time. If you've been dithering about sending your entry in, dither no more! Send it on in. You may need to make your own accommodation arrangements but do talk to Faye at Travel Smart Ashburton (ph 03-308 8286 or faye@tsashburton.co.nz). If you can't find your entry form, you can download one off our website (www.cmsnz.org.nz).

Hanmer Weekend 2 - 4 October 2009

Time to welcome the warmer months and a break from home, a good excuse for a weekend at Hanmer.

Besides catching up with old friends there is much to enjoy, dining, hot pools, walks, shopping, mountain biking, horse riding etc.

We are planning a run on Saturday 3rd starting 1100ish for those driving to Hanmer on the Saturday. About 1030ish on Sunday 4th we have a planned run back toward Christchurch and a lunch stop along the way.

Tassie Tour Oct 30 - Nov 15

This event is being organised in conjunction with The Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club (MRADMC) (www.mradmc.com.au). There was a fairly full description of the "plan" in the March newsletter and it is also repeated on the website if you missed the March newsletter.

If you are interested in finding out more about the event, please contact Graeme Sharp, ph 021 395 944 or email sharpish@clear.net.nz. If you live in the Nelson region, please feel free to contact Max Clarke email m_mclarke@yahoo.co.nz

November Run Sunday, 1st November

This is one of our regular runs but Mel is asking if someone else can organise this one please as they are out of the country! Please contact Mel on 337 4144 or on email petersmg@ihug.co.nz

Report on May 09 Run

Sunday May 3rd. A very colourful autumn leaves run toward Akaroa via the Old Tai Tapu Road and then the amazing scenery way down below

as we traverse Bossu Road. The day was sunny except for the patches of low cloud over and below Bossu — no wind and it felt much warmer than the 13 degrees forecast — 2 cars of the 10 managed to go "topless." Down the mountain past Wainui to our lunch break in the car park of the Duvauchelle School. The folding seats and tables were soon out in a semi-circle and food eaten and stories bandied about.

Moving along again towards Akaroa we turned left on to the Okains Bay road and continued on round the Summit Road past the Hilltop. It was a good run back with very little traffic to contend with and turned off at Millers Road over Gebbies Pass for a stop at the Teddington Pub for afternoon tea.

We all made it to the lounge for coffee and eats and a yarn alongside a few locals and some motorbike groups out enjoying the nice still day. Time quickly sped past and as the sun sank lower in the sky we reluctantly moved off toward home.

Another really neat days outing thanks to Lyn Parlane and helpers.

Mel & Gill Peters

Classic Cars We Meet!!

Sunday 17th May and I wake with a smile as the Crusaders toppled the Blues last night. Another beautiful day — great for a run in the classic. We head off with the lid down to map our run for the first Sunday in June in case you can't make the Dawnbreaker on 21st of June. The final part of our run was up the road from Sumner to the top of Evans Pass — a bit of a blow out after the 50km zone. We had planned a stop at the top but the park was very tightly packed with 30 to 40 very interesting old classics their drivers and passengers.

Coupes, saloons, and wagons in a wide range of restoration. The best of the classics glinted in the sun as an example to the rest of where many dollars would have to be spent, many showed the signs of recent work. We got a lot of waves and smiles as we slowly inched by, pity we couldn't stop.

Remember the jokes about these sorts of cars when they first arrived in N.Z. They wont last long, the rust will get them etc.

This outing of early Toyota Corollas was really something to see and so many of them — it was amazing.

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