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March Hare Run Sunday, 1st March

Meet at 10.30am at the carpark opposite Princess Margaret Hospital (riverside) at the west end.

We're creating regular monthly runs out of Christchurch (thanks to Mel and Gill Peters) on the 1st Sunday of every month, unless one of our regular events is on that month e.g. Dawnbreaker, Alpine, Marathon. At this stage we don't necessarily know what we'll be doing, just that we'll be doing something.

It's always a good idea to bring your thermos, lunch, a picnic rug and have your vehicle fully fuelled in preparation. We will update the event information as soon as we settle on something definite but in the meantime, I think we can call these 'Mystery Tours'! We may also change the type of event to a weekend or something else, so please keep referring back to the event calendar on the website or your newsletters (when they get written).

Please note: The March Hare Run is THIS Sunday!!

Volunteers

We're looking for people to volunteer organising one of the Sunday runs. What we would like is to have a number of people all taking a turn at organising one of these runs so that they're not always left up to the same person all the time. In the first instance, we'd love to have someone take over the April Run on the 5th as Mel and Gill are out of the country (to be strictly accurate, they're over the country at about the start time!)

If you'd like to organise one of the runs could you ring Mel on 337 4144 or Stephanie on 341 3141. Thanks.

April Run Sunday, 5th April

Come and eat Easter eggs with us and check that your classic car is in good working order before the Easter weekend.

This is another of our regular Sunday runs so the notes for the March Hare Run also apply here (hare? hair?).

May Madness Sunday, 3rd May

Do you notice a trend here. Another Sunday, same start venue (carpark opposite Princess Margaret Hospital (riverside) at the west end), same start time (10.30am), mystery destination at this stage.

Dawnbreaker Sunday, 21st June

This year it's 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. 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 as well. More details in a future newsletter.

July Run Sunday, 5th July

Back to the schedule of a Sunday run!

Alpine Classic 21-23 August

We have the confirmed dates for this year's Alpine Classic! Book your annual leave pass and start working out who you want to go with. Entry form will come out in due course.

Events Diary 2008

Sunday, March 1st March Hare Run

An excuse to get out and about in your classic

Sunday, April 5th Autumnal April

Come & eat Easter eggs with us

Sunday, May 3rd May Madness

Our regular Sunday run to somewhere exciting

Sunday, June 21st Dawnbreaker

We know you love the early morning start!!

Sunday, July 5th

Another Sunday run to exercise your classic

August 21-23 Alpine Classic

Our weekend event where we look for SNOW!

Tassie Tour

Oct 30 - Nov 15

Once again, this event is being organised by The Macedon Ranges & District Motor Club (MRADMC) (www.mradmc.com.au). Some of you may remember Robin Fletcher who attended a number of Classic Marathons. Robin is the driving (ha, ha) force behind our participation in this event.

The Tassie Tour is very similar to the Victorian Odyssey that Robin and a team from the Classic Motoring Society of NZ organised. Participants on the Victorian Odyssey hired a range of sports cars and then enjoyed travelling around Victoria in a modern sports car, without the worry of maintaining their own classics.

The suggestion is that participants do this again although you can, of course, take your own classic across from New Zealand. Various hire companies have been contacted already to check rates and availabilities.

A non-refundable deposit of AUD\$100 is required to secure a place on the Tassie Tour.

Details

As far as they are known at the moment and, of course, subject to change, are as follows....

Friday October 30th 2009

Melbourne to Devonport (overnight Bass Strait on Spirit of Tasmania)

Saturday 31st

Devonport to Stanley (overnight Stanley)

Sunday 1st

Stanley to Cradle Mountain (overnight Cradle Mountain)

Monday 2nd

Cradle Mountain to Strahan (overnight Strahan)

Tuesday 3rd

Optional Gordon River cruise / West Coast Wilderness Railway tour (overnight Strahan)

Wednesday 4th

Strahan to Hobart (overnight Hobart)

Thursday 5th

Hobart and surrounds (overnight Hobart)

Friday 6th

Hobart and surrounds (overnight Hobart)

Saturday 7th

Hobart and surrounds (overnight Hobart)

Sunday 8th

Hobart to Port Arthur (overnight Port Arthur)

Monday 9th

Port Arthur to Swansea (overnight Swansea)

Tuesday 10th

Swansea to St Helens via Coles Bay (overnight St Helens)

Wednesday 11th

St Helens to Launceston (overnight Launceston)

Thursday 12th

Launceston and surrounds (overnight Launceston)

Friday 13th

Launceston and surrounds (overnight Launceston)

Saturday 14th

Launceston to Devonport (overnight Bass Strait on Spirit of Tasmania)

Sunday 15th

Arrive Port Melbourne

Tour Arrangements

The tour arrangements are being made in conjunction with the Tasmania Tourism Authority. Firm costs will be notified once the accommodation style has been agreed, but as an indication, cabin parks range from AUD\$104 - 124/night for 2 people (extra adults AUD\$18 pp), motels range from AUD\$110 - 145/night for 2 people (extra adults AUD\$25 pp). West Coast Wilderness Railway is AUD\$120 pp and Gordon River Cruise AUD\$95 PP.

Indicative cost is approx AUD\$1800 per person excluding meals, fuel, car hire, other tourism attractions. This cost does include Spirit of Tasmania costs which may not apply depending upon where CMSNZ members rent vehicles from.

Contact

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Subs for 2009

Its that time of the year again. Please find enclosed your subscription renewal form for your membership for 2009.

Events Diary on the Website

Don't forget that there is also an events diary on our website (on the right hand side of the home page) which is updated as information comes to hand, which is more often than the newsletter gets published!
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