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EVENTS DIARY

SUNDAY APRIL 7TH

Julian is taking us to Homebush There is a \$10 per person entry to Museum & Gardens– 10.30am PMH Car Park 3 Alternate meeting place Cnr Jones & Curraghs Rds at 11am.

SUNDAY MAY 5TH

Another great days motoring in store for us all.

SUNDAY JUNE 2ND

A right royal occasion – Queens Birthday Weekend So bring out those British cars (and others) for a winter run. Princess Margaret Hospital Car Park 3 at 10.30am.

JUNE – ANNUAL MEETING

Our AGM will be held on Monday 17th June at the Upper Riccarton Library Main South Road at 7pm.

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JULIAN'S JOTTINGS

A big thank you to Danny and Sharon for allowing the club to view their car collection, each vehicle with its own bit of history on how and why it was purchased. I was impressed with the diversity of the collection from Skodas to Nissans and that's what I love about our club is the variety of cars and the folks that drive them.

I wouldn't be surprised if the majority of our members owned more than one classic and more than likely there is a good story behind its ownership, maybe we should start up a column on members cars.

I think the most vehicles I have owned at any one time is about 8 in various states of repair. I remember when I bought the Stag back in 1988, never intended owning one... saw it advertised in the local rag(before Trademe people actually used to pay to put an add in the paper, how times have changed!) Anyway we go have a looksee and because it was red Kathy made me buy it! My father was not impressed, I can't repeat what He said but it was words to the effect of "what the fudge are you wasting your money on a car like that?" to which I replied that it would come in handy because it's fitted with a tow bar.

In the meantime look forward to seeing you all on the next monthly run to Homebush gardens and museum, not sure which vehicle I will take but it won't be the Stag or the Mini as they are both still head cases!



TWIN RIVERS EVENT MAR 3RD

Several members attended this event. The organisers allowed us to be together as a group –this gave us the opportunity to canvass for some new members. A really great selection of cars to be seen.



A great example of the cars at the Twin River Event

REPORT OF MARCH 10TH OUTING



Those of us that braved the colder day enjoyed a great trip- A very special thank-you to Danny and Sharon for sharing their special car collection with us. Was great to hear the stories behind the reasons for the purchase of each of the treasures. Danny I'm still waiting for my keys to the Ford Sunliner!

Fortunately the drizzle abated while we had our lunch at Southbridge. – Missed our Dan Carter at training!! The Southbridge boys did not quite make up for the great Canterbury kicker.

From there we headed back to Christchurch via Taumutu – where they open up Lake Ellesmere to the sea – interesting as we had never been there before –



bit worried about the big mean looking dog that was patrolling the area – he made sure we all left!

From there off through Gebbies Pass through Lyttelton to the coffee stop at Ferrymead – a good day had by all!

Thanks Mel & Gill for organising a great run.

Kathy



FOUND - MOTANAU

A tartan woollen rug was left on one of the picnic benches at Motanau after our Feb 10th outing. These rugs were regular 21st birthday presents in the 60's – so maybe someone's treasure. Mel Peters 337 4144

CAR OF THE MONTH

A NEW FEATURE!



We have owned our Hillman Avenger Super for 10 years. It is a 1300cc manual car painted orangy-red; Sam, our six year old grandson says it's a cool car and fast!

The car was first registered on 2nd April 1976 in the name of Dr James Hay of Christchurch. The new price of these cars at the time was \$4750.

This model is the last of the Hillman Avengers, changing to the Chrysler Avenger; they were New Zealand assembled.

The styling is fairly interesting with unusual "hockey stick" shaped rear light lenses and a coupe- style rear end; also known as rally and race cars. Sometime ago, George Humm, also a club member, kindly offered Jim a 1600 motor and gear box which is stored in the garage, and he hopes to have these fitted sometime soon. We are the 4th owners and enjoy driving it on many outings with the Classic Car Club.

Jim & Gill Milne

COMING EVENT

MG Track Day at Ruapuna 6th April. Once again the Canterbury MG Club have invited us to their track day. Entry \$50 (they hire the track)

Make a weekend of it Ruapuna Saturday, CMZNZ Club run Sunday. Full details next month. Graeme Sharp 021 395 944 or 327 8991

AUGUST - ALPINE TIME

This year's event will take place over 4 days beginning on Friday 9th Aug near Christchurch.

Day 1: Ch-Ch - Blenheim

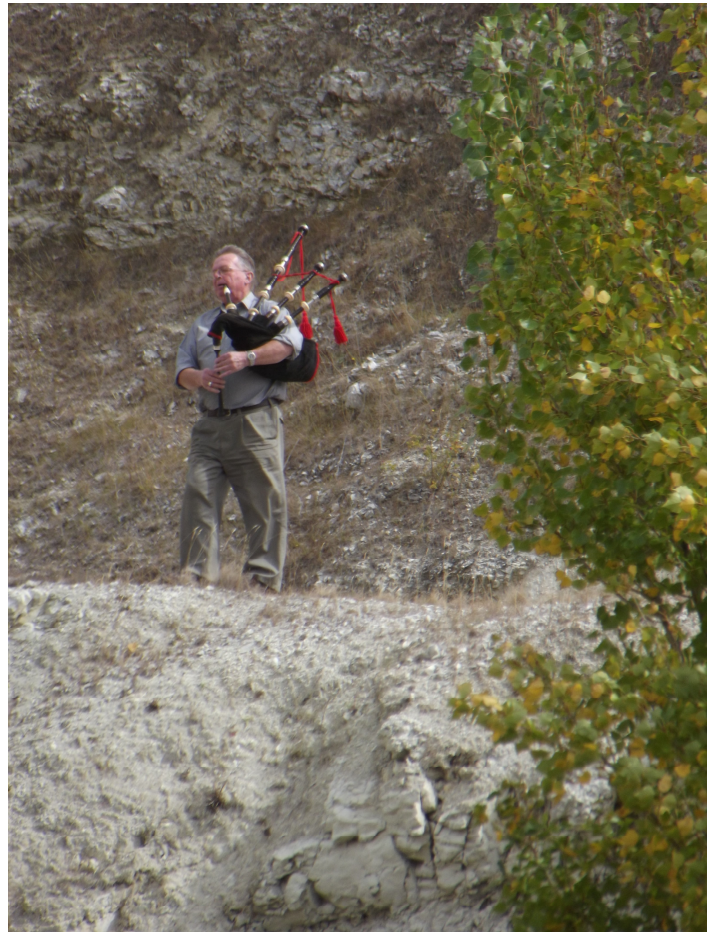
Day 2: Blenheim - Nelson

Day 3: Nelson – Nelson via Cobb Valley

Day 4: Nelson – Christchurch via Lewis Pass

So prepare the Classic - Book the Leave and be prepared for a fun weekend.

REPORT ON NORTH CANTERBURY TOUR – ORGANISED BY TREVOR STANLEY



Trevor always organises a good days motoring on his North Canterbury Tours. This year it was North of the Waimak – lovely roads – a bit of shingle – great views and good company. The lunch stop was at Iron Ridge Sculpture Park – an old Limestone quarry now being used to make outstanding sculptures in the iron forge. Bruce Keedie piped the cars in from a rock at the top of the quarry – very special.