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EVENTS DIARY

SUNDAY MARCH 4TH:

Mel will have an interesting days driving for us.
We will meet at The Rolly Inn Rolleston at 10.30am.
Picnic Lunch.

THURSDAY MARCH 15TH: GOLD CARD CRUISERS

Cruising Thursday March 15th Meeting Place
Rolleston Hotel Carpark 10.30 Picnic Lunch

SUNDAY MARCH 25TH:

Trevor Stanley North Canterbury Event .
Details further down the
Newsletter.

SUNDAY APRIL 1ST:

It's Easter Sunday. Mel will
have an Easter themed drive
for us.

THURSDAY APRIL 12TH:

Gold Card Cruisers

ODOSOLO CLASSIC MARATHON.

2018 April 14th – 21st.

Entries now closed

Julian's Jottings:

Unfortunately I missed last months run but I did manage to see some race action at the Skope Classic. It never fails to please the petrolheads and it is always interesting what vehicles you see not only in the pits but also in the carpark. It is also surprising who you bump into, like Ray Hunton who was the RCO for the event.

I've noticed in my recent travels the roads seem to be a lot busier, possibly because of the Chinese New Year tourism. Coming home from down south last week I was stuck in a

never ending line of traffic from Rakaia to Christchurch that never exceeded 90kmh, thankfully there was no idiots doing stupid overtaking manouvres!

I trust everyone survived cyclone Gita without too much drama, I was on standby with Civil Defence but luckily wasn't required. It is just gone 12 months since we were assisting with the Port Hills fires and also the 7th anniversary of the big shake of February 22nd. I can still

clearly remember that moment! Will the City ever fully recover from the impact?

Anyway, I look forward to the next run, but I have to get a WOF for the Stag before then.

AGM

KAIAPOI GOLF CLUB

WILLIAMS ST KAIAPOI

11.30AM

SUNDAY MAY 20TH 2018

A set Menu lunch will

follow at \$25 per head.

Numbers to Gill Peters by

May 14th.

REPORT ON JANUARY SUNDAY EVENT:

It was the Classic car Racing event at Ruapuna plus several other events on so I was pleased to see 12 cars at the Peg for our Sunday Drive.

We drove along the Motorway to cross the Waimak Bridge and take the first exit onto Tram Road. A lovely straight drive to Carleton where we turned Left for the short run into Oxford.



Lillian's beautiful Classic Car - photo Gill Peters

There was time before Lunch to visit the Farmers Market & Interesting Shops – some chose to lunch at one of the local cafes. Our Lunch Spot was in Pearson Park and apologies for not communicating well which part of the park we would be in. So there was 2 different Lunch groups in 2 different parts of the park.

After lunch we took the Scenic drive through Ashley Gorge and Loburn to The Station Cafe in Rangiora for our Coffee & Cake. Gill Peters



Coffee and Cake - always an important part of the day -photo Gill Peters

REPORT ON GOLD CAR. CRUISERS FEB 14th:

Barbara & Murray Bugler were our gracious hosts for to-day. We met at The Peg Belfast for a pre drive natter. A very easy route for us to follow – Along the Motorway – Left at Waipara then Right at Waikari to drive the beautiful Scargill Valley. A quick return to Highway 1 and then Right to our lunch stop at Motanau Beach.



Roger and Zay Hunt's 1997 Jaguar XK8 – photo Gill Peters



Large Limestone Rocks at Motanau Beach – photo Yvonne Pockson

After another natter we headed South again and had a very enjoyable Coffee & cake stop at the Nor West Cafe in Amberley. Thanks Barbara & Murray for an enjoyable day out. Gill Peters

2018 Classic Marathon

Entries have now closed.

Participants will be contacted directly with the latest news.

How to pronounce **ODOSOLO**.

Oh-dos-ah-low.

What is an **ODOSOLO.G2** is not saying!

2019 WA Odyssey

We don't want G2 to get bored so we have asked him to explore the possibility of an Odyssey in Western Australia in 2019.

It has been suggested that we make it really worthwhile by providing an option of taking the train to Perth from Sydney, Melbourne or Adelaide. This could add a week to the journey resulting in a 3 week Odyssey.

G2 intends that the train journey will be optional so you can fly straight to Perth.

The current thinking is to explore the area south and east of Perth finishing with an inland run up to Kalgoorlie and then looping back to Perth.

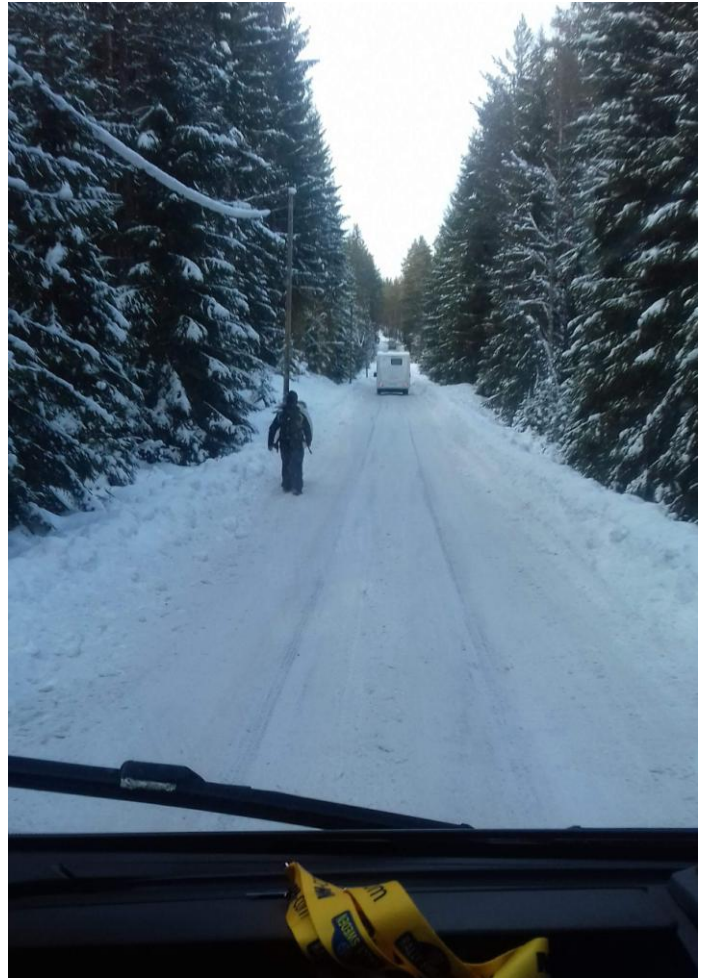
Could you let G2 know (info@saabclassics.net) if you are interested as we need at least 10 cars not looking for firm commitments yet, just a heads up of those interested

MIKE MITCHELL & ELLEN OWEN



Are touring the UK and Europe for a year in the Motor Home that they pre-ordered in New Zealand.

Hello to all members of CMSNZ from the wintery spots of Europe. Like Michael commented recently we will never complain again about the NZ winters after spending over a week in Scandinavia. Casually one morning I said to Michael seeing we were so close to Denmark why don't we do Rally Sweden with Hayden Paddon competing, well there was no holding Michael back on this idea. We had 2 nights in Hamburg first to experience -5° and -8° nights and frozen water pipes. One day we braved it on Hamburg harbour paddle boat cruise and honestly you could see the icicles on the bottom of the paddles when they were rotating.



Winter driving in Europe – photo Ellen Owen

Right we thought we were ready for anything but ignorance is bliss at times. Got ourselves 100s of KLM up in Sweden and found Torsby service park and settled in at different stages over the 3 days of rally.

I managed to get a head and chest cold and Michael still has the odd cough, everyday Michael braved the elements while I hid under the bedclothes or over the heater.

We were so under prepared for winter. Despite the weather we still were able to drive over several rally stages and stay overnight on the sidelines then move on when those stages were completed. Once the final power stage finished on the Sunday we were in Sweden. As the snow was coming in thick and fast we were heading south getting out of it. One photo is of us driving out in convoy of other motorhomes and the other is frozen water falls on sides of roads. Now back in North Germany.

Cheers Ellen and Michael



Frozen Waterfall - photo Ellen Owen



One for Sharpie – photo Ellen Owen

WEBSITE: Help wanted.

We really need someone to take over the management of the Website from G2. With the membership data base and plotting/coordinating the major tours G2 is feeling the strain. The task that gets left behind is the website. Is there anybody out there with the right experience? G2 says that someone talked to him at the AGM but the silly bugger can't remember who. Contact G2, Julian or Gill and we can get things back to where they should be.

SECRETARY & NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Gill Peters has decided to retire from the committee at the AGM in May 2018. Please offer your name or any-one you know to take on these 2 interesting rolls in the club.

JOB DESCRIPTION FOR SECRETARY

Arrange dates for Committee Meetings in Conjunction with the Chairman.
 Compile Agenda for Committee Meetings and circulate to the Committee.
 Compile Minutes from Committee Meeting and promptly circulate to Committee
 Arrange date for AGM in May of each year.
 Prepare Agenda – Take Minutes – and circulate to Committee.
 Clear Post Office Box in Phillipstown – P.O. will advise when there is mail to collect.
 Bank any money and forward documents to appropriate person. - email is acceptable.

JOB DESCRIPTION FOR NEWSLETTER EDITOR

During the month prepare the outline of the Newsletter – deleting items no longer current. 2 weeks before the Sunday Run email committee members for their input. Final cut-off is the next Thursday at 12 noon to allow time to get the printed copies done and in the post on the Friday. When information is received from Committee Members “Copy & Paste” into the Newsletter. When printed we get “Black & White – Double Sided & Stapled in the top corner”
 Keep receipt for the cost of the printing and present to the Treasurer at the Committee meeting.
 The Newsletter for those who require a “posted” edition – this needs to be posted by 5pm on the Friday about 9 days before the Sunday Run. Email editions are despatched on the Monday before the Sunday Run.

Gill 03 2619166 or 021 216 0186

OTHER EVENTS THAT MAY INTEREST YOU: TRANSMISSION GULLY MOTOR SHOW

Hi, I am with Plimmerton Rotary Club and we are planning to hold a Motor Show in conjunction with the Transmission Gully motorway developers in April next year. The aim is to exhibit everything to do with motoring including vintage cars, classic cars, hot rods, fire engines, bikes, police vehicles, motorway construction equipment, etc. It will also include a presentation of the motorway development progress to-date. It is to be a family day with activities for all the family including helicopter rides, children's rides, food, bike rides, games, etc. It is a fund raising event with proceeds to go to a charity yet to be confirmed.. So we are hoping that you may be interested in exhibiting your cars as a major part of the show. We don't expect there to be a charge for exhibitors. If you could just indicate at this planning stage your possible involvement in the show it would be gratefully received. Regards
Les Callear Planning Team Leader
Email les.callear@orcon.net.nz

TARGA 2018

This looks like an exciting opportunity to drive our cars over closed sealed roads.

It is not the fastest wins arrangement, as it says it is about meeting a nominated time for each of the 20 closed road stages.

It will be run in conjunction with the URG Targa in late October.

Contact ROD CORBET if you are interested or know someone who might be. Spread the word!!

Targa NZ-Vintage Car Club South Island Time Trial 2018

Targa NZ is known as "The Ultimate NZ Road Race" & for the second time only is returning to mainland lower South Island for 2018!!

With your support an entirely new event to be run in conjunction with Targa NZ South Island Rally may become known as "The Ultimate NZ Time Trial!" Open to all Vintage Car Club members & those of affiliated clubs with VCC eligible vehicles.

Why-: To create a unique motoring spectacle of older vehicles being driven & displayed to encourage younger people to join VCC & existing members to use their classic & vintage cars as intended.

When-: Monday 22nd to Saturday 27th October 2018 (5 days of driving closed tarmac roads!).

Where-: Otago/Southland/Central Otago (Start/finish to be confirmed, but some significant stages include Otago Harbour hill roads, the Catlins, Teretonga, Highland Park, the Crown Range, Queenstown-Glenorchy return etc).

How-: Time trial competitors will have a unique opportunity to drive all closed Targa stages with the safety of knowing that all participants have staggered start times, drive in the same direction, on the same road, with nothing coming towards them!!

This is not a balls-out speed event, but rather an exercise in precise driving & time-keeping to maintain a set average speed over iconic lower South Island roads.

Entry fee will be significantly discounted from standard Targa competitor fee of \$7,280 + gst, but will still cover all essentials including timing, tracking, medical & recovery as for Targa competitors & Targa tour. (Current discussions with Targa NZ management suggest \$2-2,500 + gst). We need a minimum 20 registrations of interest to make this work.

Please email Rod Corbett rcorbett@xtra.co.nz to register your interest or call Rod on 03 423 1551 or 027 433 8772 for further information.

We're also seeking a major sponsor for naming rights to this unique event to help minimise the entry fee for participants. Please email suggestions to Rod Corbett rcorbett@xtra.co.nz

North Canterbury Classic Tour 2018 Sunday March 25th:

Well, thanks to everybody that participated in any one of our three tours during 2017. While we are still living in Amberley and have reasonably good health we will carry on in the meantime. That's 44 years now. Will we make it to 50? I very much doubt it!

We hereby give advanced notice of the 16th North Canterbury Classic Tour 2018. (One-make car club secretaries please note). NO, it's not the first Sunday of the month. We've learnt not to run an event on the first Sunday of any month!

Start venue is once again at the Woodlands Café in Leithfield. This time to add a little more interest to the day, we have come up with a 26 question, vehicle related quiz. You will have up to lunch break to fill in. (It's optional, not compulsory)