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## EVENTS DIARY

### SUNDAY OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

Meet up at Yaldhurst Pub 10.30 am. To leave at 11.00am. We are planning for a picnic lunch, but if the weather is not good we will be passing thru a village that has several cafes close to the end of the run. So we could lunch there if needed

Cheers Kit Peverill 027 642 1010

### THURSDAY OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup>

#### Gold Card Cruisers

Meeting Place Rolleston Hotel ( Rolly Inn) Carpark 10.30am. Picnic Lunch.

### BARRY'S BANTER:

#### Car Reliability and Personal Fitness Levels

Been a miserable month really. Nothing worse than servicing and cleaning your car in preparation for the breakdown truck.

I was once told that if you have three triumphs then you'll never drive any of them. Well guess what? I've only got two and it still rings true.

First strike was the Daffodil Run. Took the TR6. Kay didn't want to go. Said it would be boring and that my cars were 'Old Wrecks'. So I spat the dummy and ventured out on my own. Roof down. Stereo blaring. Cornering hard and tootling along something wicked!

Blazing down Johns Road, tyres smoking hot, I took the roundabout for McLeans Island on two wheels. The TR spluttered but I figured I had taken the corner so hard the fuel pump had momentarily cavitated. As I entered the Vintage Car Club there was a vintage car out on the main road with the bonnet up. I felt ashamed. I know nothing about those wooden spoke, magneto coil thingummy jigs so there was no point me stopping to help. But then I thought they should have done some routine maintenance before coming out.

Inside the VCC I tooted the air horns and waved at a variety of TR, Stag and CMSNZ folk.

Then HORROR! The TR cut out. In front of everybody. The parking steward asked me to move on. I span the starter motor but it would not burst into life. "Hey mate I seem to have broken down. You couldn't push me into that spot over there could you?" I said while trying to slip him a \$5 note.

"But before he could even tell me to .....off, true to form and in time honoured fashion the Vice Chairman of the CMSNZ came running over and offered his "push me home" breakdown service for only twenty bucks.

Twenty bleedin bucks I ask you. The TR started 30 minutes later so I asked Julian for my money back but he'd already spent it on sausage and bacon butties.

At registration I picked up the long run instructions. I reckoned the pump had overheated so it should be fine now. Without the "I'm not reading any bleeding map" navigator in tow I jumped into the trusty TR and headed out the gate. As I went over the hump back bridge the instruction went airborne. Swatting away with two hands I nearly lost control of the car trying to retrieve it. All to no avail.

Bugger! I was already lost.

But then it didn't matter. I only got as far as the Johns Road petrol station, which is where the car spluttered and squawked to a grinding halt. The Bosch look alike pump was cavitating something awful but I had no idea why. But after a few minutes the car would start again. I was desperate. I had no choice so I called International Rescue.

Kathy and Julian were on their way to Lyttleton but never looking a gift horse in the mouth decided better to turn round and collect another 20 bucks. They stopped at the BP and then ferried me back to the VCC. They had their picnic lunch along with a bonus round of bacon and egg sandwiches. Isn't it nice to have financially astute friends you can rely on. Great day out.



**Hey Dennis, I need a tow!**

The following Sunday was the monthly Stag Club run. Washed and polished the car. Kay blessed me with her presence this time. We went to the Rangiora BP to put some air in the front tyres. Couldn't understand why no air was going into the tyre, so I stood back to see if the machine was actually working. And

that's when I saw water pouring from the engine, somewhere near the bulkhead. That's head gasket territory so I was distraught with both cars leaking water and petrol over the driveway. The final score: Let's Go on a Car Run Albion 0 – Triumph Unreliables United 2

It's not the first time 'er indoors' has shied away from a VCC run saying it would be boring. For her, the run seems to hinge on the availability of retail therapy or the opportunity to visit cafes en route where the gals love to slurp low fat, non caffeine lattes and Frappuccinos whilst gossiping to their hearts content. Leaving us poor old geezers to talk about boring old cars.

Walking from the front door to a chauffeur driven classic car and then ambling along to a café within 20 metres of the limo provides precious little exertion for our partners. So I came up with this blinding idea. If your navigator is bored to tears and would rather be out for a walk than sitting in your old banger listening to your constant bleating about dodgy Bosch fuel pumps then..... at last..... help is at hand.

It's the all new Cubii Pro. It measures 241 mm high by 584mm long and 305mm wide which means it should easily fit in most footwells. But not, I repeat NOT, on the drivers side!

It's called active sitting. Imagine they can actually burn off the calories of their lunch BEFORE they get to the café. Simply fit one of these in the passenger footwell and your hostile navigator can walk or sprint for hundreds of miles at the same speed as your trusty chariot.

But wait.....there's more!



The Cubii Pro is so silent your partner will be able to hold a conversation whilst moving at speeds of up to, and dare I say it, in excess of 100kph. Not only can they keep up, there's no more faking heart attacks and waiting for hours on end outside the chip shop for the Westpac helicopter to arrive. But wait.....there's even more! There's no more speeding tickets. Yes that's right.

How can any policeman possibly issue a speeding ticket when presented with the fact you were simply keeping pace with a walker.

Finally....and this is the best bit. The first couple to purchase the all new Cubii Pro for only \$349.00 (plus some extortionate form of P&P) and demonstrate it to the rest of the club on the next Sunday run can have a free CMSNZ Rego pouch. Yee Ha!

I simply can't wait.

## Daffodil Rally for Cancer Sunday August 25th

The sunshine seemed to bring out the cars for the annual Daffodil Rally organised by the VCC. Over 300 cars ranging from 1914 model T to a late model Aston Martin and everything in between. It was great to see a number of fellow members supporting the event, even if Barry had to be pushed or towed due to a malfunctioning fuel pump in his TR6. We had a choice of 5 various runs to choose from all arriving back at McLeans Island Cutler Park for a picnic lunch. A superb day out supporting a worthwhile cause, finished off by a few of us, with coffee and cake at the nearby Yaldhurst Museum Cafe.



A selection of cars that attended the Daffodil run



## REPORT ON SUNDAY SEPT 1<sup>ST</sup>

## Fathers Day

We decided to stop for coffee on the way to the meeting point at Rolly Inn as we had some time to kill, however the coffee took longer than expected as they had to go and find some Llama milk for Marilyn and Kay's Chai Llama coffees. Then the car would not restart which seemed a little odd, so we had to call on Rod for a jump start (he comes highly recommended, years of experience).

Everyone was pleased to see us only because we had the run sheets !

It was another great turnout with some potential new members that we met on the Daffodil Run the previous week.

We eventually headed south via Burnham School rd onto Telegraph rd and made our way through Greendale on some interesting country roads with an optional shingle short cut for the more adventurous. The mountains looked stunning with their glistening snow as we made our way through the Rakaia Gorge to Methven (the centre of the universe according to my father!). I had arranged the use of a room at the hall for lunch, but as the sun was shining we decided to sit outside and enjoy it. The local Volunteer Fire Brigade entertained us as they were called out, not once but twice!

I'm told on good authority it was to the same fire which was an out of control "controlled burnoff."

After lunch we explored more backroads on our way to Salmon Tales at Rakaia for coffee and cake.



**Follow the leader near Windwhistle**



**Lunch in the centre of the universe**

## REPORT ON GOLD CARD CRUISERS SEPT 12<sup>TH</sup>

We were lucky with the day yet again being fine and warm for our trip to Little River. A good number of cars arrived and we left Yaldhurst to cruise along the Main West Road and turn at Kirk Road to drive out towards Rolleston on the back roads. It was busy with traffic as we made our way through to Lincoln points of interest along the way were the subdivisions. One new one at Rolleston named Falcons Landing with lots of building activity and its always amazing how quickly houses appear. The other being off Springs Road at Lincoln a big area unknown to us. We motored on through Greenpark and Motukarara to link up with the Main Akaroa Highway, a good top down day for those in their convertibles. Lunch was at Little River Cafe and it was pleasant sitting outside in their outdoor area. The Gallery is always worth a browse with interesting art and jewellery and gift ideas for birthdays and Christmas. It was still warm as we cruised on back to Raspberry Cafe at Tai Tapu to enjoy some yummy desserts for afternoon tea out in the garden.

Gill Milne



**Yaldhurst hotel carpark, taking the bus is not an option!**

## **FOR SALE**

**Club Caps** only \$15 each  
 sew on **Badge** \$8 each  
 see **Kit & Carol Peverill** or **Rod Hurst**

## **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

A warm welcome to Ivan Ashby who is the proud owner of 3 Vws including a Beetle which he has owned from new.



## **OTHER EVENTS THAT MAY INTEREST YOU:**

### **BellaRat's Gas & Gander**

Last Friday of each month about 7pm . Meet at the new NPD gas station on Jones Rd, Rolleston for a catch up and coffee in your rat rods, hotrods customs or what ever you show up in.. good food and coffees. NPD look forward to your visit 740 Jones Road

### **RUAPUNA TRACK DAY**

Saturday 9th November, see Barry for details



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**Woodend, North Canterbury**  
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### EDITORS NOTES

Do you like the new layout for the newsletter? Any feedback good or bad would be appreciated.

Did you pick the feature car this month, it is a "Duzgo" built in the late 70's in Whataroa, on the West Coast. I thought it was appropriate as a few of us had cars that "didn't go" due to fuel pumps and batteries!