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EVENTS DIARY

SUNDAY April 3RD

Meeting Place: The Yaldhurst Hotel carpark 10.30am
Destination: Picnic lunch
Your hosts: Zac Haywood
mob 020 4134 9423

THURSDAY April 14TH

Gold Card Cruisers

Meet up at the Peg hotel, Belfast 10.30 for a 11.00 departure
a picnic run to Ashley Gorge Domain
If the weather is not the best, there is a pavilion at our destination.
Your hosts: Kit and Carol
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DAVID'S DIARY

I am really enjoying reading contributions from members, thank you.
I feel like it connects us as we share our common love of cars, driving, our club and the friendship we can enjoy.
Even if it was another controversial look at EVs and the real foot print.
Thank you John Purcell.

Last month I went on about tyres and the ability of good tyres to pump water.
So to round off the topic for a while I thought we could look at the three common types of tyre

available, so that when you buy the next new ones, you can understand what they are talking about. (I am always a bit tongue in cheek on these topics as I know there are many very knowledgeable people in the club!)
Anyway, here goes,

The main choices of tread on the common highway tyre are:

1. Directional.

These tyres maximise those water pumping grooves, to get rid of that water ASAP. So the grooves on the outer shoulders are angled away to the edge of the tyre. This works only if they are fitted the correct way around, so the side wall of the tyre will say 'direction of rotation' with an appropriate arrow.



2. Asymmetric.

Some cars tend to wear the outer shoulder of the tyre due to the weight of the car shifting on to that outer shoulder on hard cornering. Especially suited to heavier vehicles because of the greater weight transfer on corners. On asymmetric tyres, they make the outer blocks of tread from a harder compound and a chunkier block to help compensate for this. They are more expensive to manufacture, so not the cheapest tyre. These tyres have 'inside' and 'outside' written on the sidewalls. They miss out on the ultimate water pumping grooves, but hey you can't have your cake and eat it too. It's all about compromise. (It is like they could make tyres to



last for 20 years, but the rubber compound would be so hard, it would not grip the road well at all.)

3. Non directional.

It does none of the above especially well. An all round compromise. It is usually in the budget category of tyre. Ok for the Pulsar.

There is always that clash of intentions when buying a tyre. The buyer is usually looking for the cheapest option, while the supplier is thinking about what is best for the ride and safety. Oh well.

There are a heap more, snow, mud, slicks, etc. but that should do us for a while.

Now could be a good time to think about tyre choices for the up coming North Island Marathon in September.



ps Sincere sympathy to our amazing and tireless Vice Chairman and Editor Julian Barrett whose mother has just passed away.
Love from us all.

Regards,
David Harman

**Thank you everyone for your kind words and messages and the beautiful flowers we received on behalf of the CMSNZ members.
Kathy and Julian**



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REPORT ON SUNDAY MARCH 6TH

It was a beautiful sunny and calm day for a car run – topless motoring at its best!
Great to see about 16 cars considering the fear of omicron out in the community. It was nice to meet Lynda and Gerard Van Oosten who were trapped in Oz for a few months because of Covid border restrictions.
Tony & Jeanette organised a great trip via back country roads to Glenmark only to have someone say there is a wine festival up there - a quick change of plans we ended up at the Amberley Domain where we had a great lunch spot under the trees to shelter from the hot sun. Unfortunately Tony & Jeanette had truck issues, something to do with starter motor (but nothing a big hammer couldn't fix according to Jeremy Clarkson)
The day was finished off with coffee and cake at Pegasus - thank you for organising a great day out

REPORT ON GOLD CARD CRUISERS MARCH 17TH

A total of 13 cars met at Mitre 10 Ferrymead car park for our run to Rhodes Park Domain at Tai Tapu. The weather was overcast and a little on the cool side as we set off through to Sumner and over the hill on Evans Pass Rd to Lyttelton.

The port looked busy and the sea looked very calm as we made our way around the bays and through Governors Bay before turning into Gebbies Pass Rd by the Wheatsheaf Hotel.

There were quite a lot of cyclists out enjoying a ride around the hills and also a few motorcyclists who enjoy the winding roads around the bays.

On reaching the main highway we then travelled through to Tai Tapu where we gathered for our lunch and a chat. The weather stayed fine and did warm up a little in the afternoon.

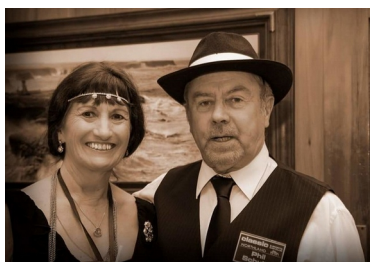
Lois & Kevin Thornley

SOME ADVENTURES FOR YOU.

We are confirming the running of the TO THE TOP AND BACK MARATHON

To be conducted over 12 days between the 4th and 15th of September this year.
It is a real Marathon, Starting in Whanganui, and finishing in Masterton via New Plymouth, Auckland, Whangarei, Kaitaia, North Cape, Auckland, Taupo, Napier and finishing in Masterton.

Our plotting team are experienced Marathon and alpine entrants,
Phil Schultz and Margaret Povey and **Ian and Jenny Sowman**.



Having seen the preliminary route book we can guarantee a great experience which also includes a bus trip from Kaitaia to the Cape and back. All sounds like a lot of fun and an experience not to miss.

Here is the schedule



TO THE TOP AND BACK MARATHON 4-15 SEPTEMBER 2022

DAY	DATE	TOUR ROUTE	Kms	ACCOMODATION
	3rd	Arrive at Whanganui		1. Kingsgate Hotel 2. 151 on London
1	4th	Whanganui - N/Plymouth	360	Devon Hotel
2	5th	Rest & Relax N/Plymouth	0	Devon Hotel
3	6th	N/Plymouth - Cambridge	303	1. Cambrian Lodge 2. Captains Quarters
4	7th	Cambridge - Auckland	230	Rose Park Hotel
5	8th	Auckland - Whangarei	280	Discovery Settlers Motel
6	9th	Whangarei - Kaitaia	250	Orana Motor Inn

7	10th	Kaitaia Bus Tour. BBQ Lunch on the beach.	0	Orana Motor Lodge
8	11th	Kaitaia - Whangarei	330	Discovery settlers Motel
9	12th	Whangarei - Auckland	253	Rose Park Hotel
10	13th	Auckland - Taupo	320	Lakeland Resort
11	14th	Taupo - Napier	322	Kennedy Park
12	15th	Napier - Masterton	277	Solway Park, Copthorn Hotel
	16th	Depart Home		

Entry form will be out early April with Hotel contact details.

The tour will also include 3 group dinners for two and a couple of very interesting visits. [TBA]

G2 is negotiating with Interislander and Bluebridge about group discounts on their Ferries.

More to come on this.

Send your expression of interest to G2 [Graeme Sharp] at info@saabclassics.net and he will send you an entry form when they are available.

TASMANIA HERE WE COME.

We can also confirm that we will be off on the TASMANIAN ODYSSEY in March 2023.

The Odyssey will run over 16 days between the 13th and 28th March.

We have made a few changes which include starting and finishing in Hobart which will be better for rental cars and air travel, but more on that later. The following info sheet provides a good precis of the Odyssey, which could be our last.

We are contemplating a tour following the mighty Murray River along its full length at some time but that is yet to be confirmed.

G2 has started negotiations with accommodation and service providers as it is likely that some prices will have changed since our initial planned dates. We are currently holding \$800 deposits from a number of members intending to join us. If others would like to come with us get hold of G2 and pay the deposit into the clubs account to ensure your place.

Deposit monies are used as booking confirmation fees for providers in Tassie



Tasmania Odyssey Tour 2023



13th March 2023 – 28th March 2023

After several false starts (courtesy of our respective governments), the much anticipated and long awaited Odyssey Tasmania Tour is set to be green flagged on Monday March 13th, 2023 at 9:00 am in Hobart, Tasmania, and will conclude 16 days later with a Final Tour Dinner in Hobart on Tuesday March 28th.

This Odyssey Tour is not to be missed. As potentially the last Odyssey Tour to be run by the CMSNZ (unless the 16 day, 3,870 kilometre Murray Odyssey is green lighted by the CMSNZ Committee), this could be your last opportunity to experience the delights of Australia in the relaxed and friendly environment of a CMSNZ Odyssey Tour.



Encompassing more than 3,200 kilometres of touring, the Odyssey Tasmania will range far and wide across Tasmania; from Dover, Strahan and Stanley in the west to St Helens, Bicheno and Swansea in the east and from Hobart and Port Arthur in the south to Burnie, Devonport and Launceston in the north.

The Odyssey will take you to many of Tasmania's historic villages, including Richmond, New Norfolk, Sheffield, Deloraine, Westbury, Evandale, Longford, Campbell Town, Ross, Oatlands and Sorell.

You will have the opportunity to explore many of Tasmania's natural wonders, including Macquarie Harbour, Hells Gates, the Gordon River, the Tarkine Forest Reserve, Cradle Mountain, Lake St Clair, the Great Lake, Wineglass Bay and the Bay of Fires.



You will travel through the west coast's cool temperate rainforest, ascending steep wilderness mountains under the power of the revolutionary ABT rack and pinion system – the only operating ABT rack and pinion railway in the Southern Hemisphere.



And along the way we take the opportunity to drive thirteen of the famous Targa Tasmania special stages (Tasmanian road rules apply).

Places on the tour are limited, so act now to secure your spots. All enquiries are to be directed to the

CMSNZ Tour Director, Graeme Sharp, on 021 395 944.

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OTHER EVENTS THAT MAY INTEREST YOU

Memo to all Car Clubs Rotary Club of Ashburton Plains Classic Car Run 1st May 2022



29 th Annual Classic, Vintage, & Veteran Car Run

EVENT STILL ON

Further to a memo sent in January, the Ashburton Plains Rotary Club wish to advise that this year's Classic Car Run will still be held.

We live in strange times when limitations are placed on our lives at a moment's notice, but relaxation of these rules take forever. As Govt Covid regulations stand at present, we are limited to a max of 100 attendees, and a vax pass is required if food and drink is to be provided.

Following enquires from car clubs and individual past participants wishing to know if the event was still on, we have canvassed several opinions and all are in favour of continuing.

Speculation is that the current strain of Covid currently sweeping the nation will have subsided by May 1 st (nearly 6 weeks away).

Furthermore the station owner where the Classic Car Run will be held is happy for the event to go ahead.

Depending on Covid and Govt. regulations at that time, we expect a reduced participation, but feel that many of you have been restrained for the past 2 years, and are in need of a day out in reasonably safe conditions.

To reduce the risk of contamination spread, we will not have caterers this year, so all participants will need to bring their own food and drink.

The Vehicles of interest this year will be Sports Car models excluding those of British and U.S. manufacture.

There will be a follow up email finalizing details sent approx. 20 th April 2022.

We are not sending this email to postal addresses therefore please advise your friends who don't have email facilities.

Entry fee will be \$20/car with profits going to a local organisation. The event will start from the Ashburton Showgrounds at 10.30am and will finish near Mt Somers approximately 1 hour later. Registrations will be from 9.am.

You will be given instructions like a car trial, and carry on the designated route to finish.

There will be no shingle roads , except for a 1km graded driveway into the historic farm property and the instructions will be very straight forward.

There will be prizes for various vehicles that will be chosen by our independent judges, Roger Hart and Bernard Egan, two very well known identities in the Mid Canterbury area who have had many years experience of classic cars.

The venue is situated 5 km off the scenic inland route 72, offering participants from outside Ashburton County an alternative route home.

For any further information please contact either:

Owen Moore – owen@moorepark.net.nz, 033083442 or

Alan Sim – sim.family@xtra.co.nz, 033088835

HAVE YOU COME OUT FOR COFFEE YET?

Next event is Sunday 17th April. Start time is 9am (ish)

OLD CARS, BIKES AND COFFEE

9am-11am.

On the third sunday of the month we invite all members and any interested members of the public to join us at Cutler Park from 9am-11am for coffee and a catch-up. Turn up in your club eligible vehicle and meet other club members - if enough interest is shown we might head out for a run. Partners and children encourage to join in but please no dogs.





JOIN US FOR THE DRIVE OF A LIFETIME!

Not a race, but a test of precise driving and time keeping. No special car mods (roll cage etc), required.

Three event options for 2022, all on closed tarmac roads:

Central North Island from Taranaki to Hawkes Bay

5 Day Time Trial: Wednesday 25th to Sunday 29th May 2022

2 Day Time Trial: Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th May 2022

Upper South Island: Nelson, Marlborough, Golden Bay

2 Day Time Trial: Labour Weekend, Saturday 22nd and Sunday
23rd October 2022

Refer: www.targa.nz for details

Contact: Rod Corbett

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027 433 8772

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REMINDER

You will be aware that the Government has introduced regulations which must be observed under their Traffic Light System.

CMSNZ will comply with those regulations.

For Sunday and Gold Card Cruiser runs where we visit cafes or other hospitality venues, we will be required to have a Vaccine Pass.

When gathering outside it is preferred that members wear their masks and observe the social distancing guidelines.

Keep indoor rooms well ventilated by opening windows and doors where possible

Wear masks in confined or crowded environments.

If you feel unwell or show any symptoms, stay home.