

Wishing all members a belated happy New Year, and safe motoring for 2015.

WHAT'S BEEN

7th December Blenheim Christmas Barbeque held once again at Pat Clay's residence. I did not attend this event but the tales I have heard were that it was a successful event. *Thanks to Pat and Patricia for your hospitality.*

Annual Christmas Barbeque Breakfast 14th December 2014

This event was held in perfect weather and with a good turnout of members. I forgot to count the vehicles attending but I think there were slightly less than previous years. Still a very well patronised event and a chance to catch up with other members.



*Enjoying the
fine weather
at the
Christmas
BBQ*



WHAT'S COMING

18th January 2015 Buy your own "Fish & Chips" drive to Grossis Point Mapua. We will leave from NMIT car park Queen St Richmond at 4:00 pm and meeting at Mapua about 5:30.

21st February 2015 Nelson Branch of the VCC are holding a swap meet and market sale at the Speedway Assn grounds, Lansdowne Road Richmond. To book a site or for any more information please phone Ruth Mercer 03 5418112 or email khmercerc@xtra.co.nz

22nd February 2015 Marilyn Clark is organizing an event. Meet at NMIT Richmond at 1:30pm bringing with you a pen and a navigator.

1st March 2015 The A G M will be held at Canvastown again. A finger food lunch will be provided at the Trout Hotel after the meeting. As we will need numbers for the catering, can you please let me know if you will be attending. Bruce Welsford 03 544 6818 or email sota@slingshot.co.nz

22nd March 2015 Meeting with Blenheim members at Lake Argyle Wairau Valley for a BYO BBQ. Nelson cars will leave from NMIT Queen St. at 10:00 am. Blenheim cars will leave from Renwick at 10:30 am

8th March 2014 Marlborough Hospice Classic Vehicle Display & Picnic Day will be held at the Waterlea Racecourse on McLauchlan Street in Blenheim. The venue will be open at 9.30am for the cars to be displayed, with public viewing from 11am. It is expected cars will be on display until 3pm. Because the event is a fundraiser for The Marlborough Hospice, the cost is \$5.00 per car and all of this money will be donated to them. General public entry will be at the McLauchlan Street entrance by gold coin

donation, and we hope many will take the opportunity to come and view the cars on display. Entrants are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch. Food & coffee will be available to purchase. Can we beat the 300 displayed vehicles of last year?

4th to 6th April 2015 The Classic Fighters Air Show at Easter has an ANZAC theme. The car display for this will be Australian and New Zealand vehicles. McLarens, Trekkas, Fords, Holden's, P76, some Minis and lots more. Your vehicle will be required for at least two of the three days Air Show. Please register at p.pascoe@xtra.co.nz and get two 3 day passes.

New Members.

We wish a very warm welcome to these recently joined members. We look forward to seeing you at the A.G.M. and at our next outings.

Neville & Rhonda Higgison 3 Titoki St, Rarangi, Blenheim RD3 7273

Chris Tschepp & Jenni Roney 43 Rickton Place, Rangiora 7400

Richard & Alison Siphthorp 116 Norfolk St. St.Clair Dunedin 9012

Gino and Leila RAVAGLI 208 Pomona Rd Ruby Bay Nelson 7173

Obituary In early October Don Campbell our friend of our Motoring Club passed away. Don along with Gillian attended many of our events. Their green Stag was a favorite vehicle and Don was always working on it to improve its reliability. Donald used the E90 Mercedes saloon on most of our Lord Nelson and April Fools Tours and enjoyed being driven around the South Island. With fading health in the past year Donald still attended events the last being the Lord Nelson, Hokitika to Geraldine only weeks before passing away.

Remember, annual subscriptions are due
NOW!!

Only \$25.00 double or \$20.00 single (How reasonable is that?) Preferably pay by direct credit to bank account 12-3165-0158467-00 using your surname then initial as the reference.

Alternatively please post your cheque to P. O. Box 2416 Stoke Nelson 7011

If your address or email address changes, please advise the Society promptly so that you can continue to be advised of events etc. Any other changes regarding your membership can also be advised to the Society by email/mail. Extra name badges are available at \$5.00 each.

We encourage the use of email to allow prompt efficient advices to members.

Sometimes the thoughts in my head get bored and go for a stroll out through my mouth; this is never a good thing!

We have a reply from Swann Insurance Co.

Thank you for asking about our club referral scheme.

As you are already aligned with us here are a few major points for the Club members to be aware of.

Swann Insurance aligned Club.

Club Member Benefits

20% premium discount, plus, reduced premiums for additional Classic vehicles.

Agreed Value

24/7 Roadside Assist

Full glass cover (includes all glass and lenses)

Name your own repairer (painter)

Guarantee on repairs

Unlimited mileage (policy is not designed for cars driven every day)

Total Loss salvage rights (first option to buy back the vehicle)

Emergency repairs and accommodation.

Club event/track cover (if the club has a day at Ruapuna etc you are covered)

7 day car hire following theft

\$20 million legal liability

Club benefits

Club receives 5% commission on all policies taken out by members and 10% whenever the policy renews with Swann.

Club can also receive help with club rallies and events in the form of prize packs and sponsorship by negotiation.

Club events can be publicised on our Facebook page and also in our quarterly publication "Open Road"

If there is anything else you want to know or need please feel free to contact me any time.

Kind regards

Peter Coombe Peter.Coombe@iaq.co.nz

This is an actual speed control device currently reducing speed on the roads in Canada

Drivers slow and try to avoid the hole.



We are extremely grateful to "HAVEN REALTY" who donate the paper and for photocopying the newsletter for those who don't have email.

Please support them when buying and selling your house or farm or castle.



*Haven people
make the
Difference*

FOR SALE

I have been offered another car and if I am to take it, garage space does not permit me to keep the Torana, so I am regretfully going to sell it. Details are:

1972 LJ Torana SL Sedan.
173 c.i. 6 cyl (2850cc) High compression engine
Automatic transmission (Trimatic)

The car is a very good example of a sedan and there are few now available in the condition that this one is. The engine has recently been re-built (but I also changed the head gasket), the brakes have been over-hauled and the transmission serviced. I have had the rust removed (apart from one patch which I have cleaned and will get done). The interior is in superb condition and the car has rear air shocks. The car comes standard with its original rims and brand new (unused) tyres. I will however negotiate the sale of the hotwires that are currently on it, should they be wanted.

I intend putting it on Trade Me next weekend and will list it for \$14,500. If however a Club member is interested, then I am happy to accept a reasonable offer (I want an offer over \$12,000 - not including the Hotwires).

You are welcome to contact me at home or on my mobile.

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