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Paul Wollaston & Robyn Skelton





Ralph & Joan Bennett

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Cover Photos

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CLUB CAR PHOTOS

If you want your club car photo on the clubroom wall then get in touch with Doug Green, and he will organise a time and place for a photo shoot. It would be good if we could have all member's car photos on display.



Chairman's Report - June 2016

by David Tomlinson

I was very surprised and somewhat humbled to take home 4 trophies after principally being at our Prize



Giving to hand trophies out. I am particularly humbled to win the Mathias Cup which I guess in part was helped by only missing one branch event last year. Congratulations too to Angie Brunton who won the Anglis Cup for her significant contribution to the branch over the last year. There was a very good turnout at the high tea and the preceding run.

July is here again already, and the branch's single most important event of the year is about to take place, our annual Swap Meet. As clearly shown by our financial fortunes of the last few years, it is critical this event remains successful, and to do so it needs maximum support and involvement from branch members. Last year the Swap Meet returned over \$150 per member to the branch's funds, whereas our direct financial contribution through the branch levy in the annual subs is only \$10. While we can only hope for good weather in the setting up, operation and take down of the event, it still needs a lot of hard work. If you have not put your name down to help already, I urge you to do so. If you can't attend our July club night please contact Roger Nelson or anyone else on the committee to let us know you can help so we can place you were you are needed. Please note we also need help setting up from 1pm on the Saturday afternoon. Members are also invited to display their cars at the Swap Meet too.

In August we have the Sulphur City Rally which is already taking entries, then from September we settle back to our usual runs on the Sunday after the club night. Last month we had Ronald Mayes display his Triumph 2500TC on club night, this month we will have Chris Staines displaying and talking about his 1959 Cadillac Coupe. Hopefully we can still shut the doors to keep the cold out once it is in the club rooms. More detailed information about the Swap Meet will also be discussed at club night so if any jockeying around of volunteers is needed it can we sorted out well in advance.

One of the (many) problems of having quite a few cars is trying to squeeze the best value out of the continuing fall of vehicle registration costs, so I spent most of the 1st of July registering all my cars which I had sorted out to have their regos run out in early July to take advantage. All I need now is for NZTA to add some more of my cars to the list so I don't have to keep paying the maximum fee! I hope to see many of you at the Swap Meet.

2016 Central North Island Swap Meet

We still require volunteers for the Swap Meet on July 17, please come along on the club night on July 13 and put your name on the board, or let Roger Nelson know you are available. We also need people to help at the Stock Car Club from 1pm on the Saturday to set things up.

CLUB STALL AT SWAP MEET

If you have volunteered to help at the Swap Meet and have things you would like to sell the club is having a stall. Please label your items and price them and deliver to the swap meet. They will be sold on your behalf. Any queries please contact Angie or Des Brunton on 347 7880. We also need volunteers to help run the stall.







June Club Run

Angie and Dorothy's Prize Giving Run - June 12th



These two ladies set what appeared to be a simple town run with easy directions that would end up at the afternoon prize giving. But throw in Lois and 22 questions and there was no chance of anyone getting 100%. While on Gordon Road, what was the answer to "what starts with 1 and ends with 4". As it turns out, it was the special trained small tree with one trunk and 4 cauliflower type heads at number 28. We left the clubrooms around midday, travelled past Lake Okareka, Government gardens, Kawaha Point, Western Heights and Tihiotonga. Five good hill climbs that Angie took the Morris 8 over to make sure that the smaller engines would crest the tops easily. You know it was a great run when at the prize giving afterwards we overheard a driver saying he didn't like the run and the navigator saying it's one of the best. After 33 years of rallying, Neville and Carol's Studebaker decided that you only need one gear and locked itself into second. No problems apart from needing three feet when starting. The Skeltons and Munros must be setting some sort of record with their respective Austins being rallied now for over 46 years. Thanks to the organisors for an excellent run.

Those participating:

Albert Littin & Marina Jenkins - 1926 Chrysler 70 Roadster Doug & Doreen Green - 1929 Graham Paige Sedan Bill & Adelai Skelton - 1929 Austin 7 Chummy Reg & Annette Munro - 1929 Austin 12/4 Burnham Neville & Carol Harper - 1931 Studebaker President 90 Robin Skelton & Paul Woolaston - 1934 Austin 7 Ruby Kevin & Maryanne Scott - 1936 Ford V8 Deluxe Sedan Ralph & Joan Bennett - 1938 Buick 8 Series 40 Dennis Burr & Des Brunton - 1954 Dodge pickup Roger & Keitha Couchman - 1957 Austin A35 2 door Evan & Wynn Dorrington - 1958 Morris 1000 Sedan Terry Wadsworth & Chrissy Cooper - 1959 Morris Oxford Alison & Malcolm Whittle - 1963 Morris Minor 1000 Maurie & Shirley Crowe - 1963 Holden EJ Bob & Pat Mackay - 1968 Triumph Vitesse Ronald & Gloria Mayes - 1970 Triumph 2000 Saloon Terry & Sandra Fitzpatrick - 1973 BMW 2002 Coupe John Peters & Jenny Gill - 1973 Triumph Stag Roger & Diana Nelson - 1975 Triumph Stag David & Sean Tomlinson - 1978 Rolls Royce Silver Shadow II

I think that's all. Please all remember to fill in the attendance sheet before a rally.

From The Club Captain

Angie Brunton

This month the club run was a rally around town followed by the annual prize giving and "high tea" at the Distinction Hotel. Unfortunatly I was not able to attend due to escorting a group of clients to the Top End of Australia but from all accounts most enjoyed the run, there was plenty of afternoon tea and the prize giving went well. Congratulations to all winners who are listed elsewhere in the magazine.

There will be no club run in July as we have the annual Central North Island Swapmeet on July 17. We are all hoping for the good weather like we enjoyed last year. Please attend club night to put your name on the board to help out. Its good to see members pulling together to make this a successful event.

Our August activity is the Sulphur City Rally being held on the 27th. Entry forms are available at the clubrooms, online or contact Ken Rowson on 348 2123. Please get your entry in now.

If anyone has an idea for a run or a place they would like to visit please contact me.

MYSTERY CARS FROM LAST MONTH'S ISSUE OF SIDE CURTAINS



1938 Alfa Romeo 8C 2900B Berlinetta, Touring



1939 Ford Special Roadster One of a kind, made in the UK

QUOTE FOR THE MONTH

When I die, I want to go peacefully like my grandfather did, in his sleep. Not yelling and screaming like his passengers.

Annual Prize Giving Distinction Hotel June 12th



Following an afternoon club run about 40 members attended the prize giving high tea at the Distinction Hotel, enjoying a light afternoon tea buffet with tea and coffee.

Prizes were awarded as follows:

McGill Trophy (Night Run)

1st David & Jill Philps, 2nd Des & Angie Brunton, 3rd John Peters & Jenny Gill

Johnson Trophy (Club Captain's Run)

1st Roger Nelson, 2nd Denis & Pat Burr, 3rd David & Jill Philps

Norman Honour Trophy (Lady Navigator)

1st Adelai Skelton, 2nd Pat Mackay, 3rd Shirley Crowe

Fleet Trophy (Most Rallied Post Vintage)

1st Ralph Bennett, 2nd Des Brunton, 3rd Kevin Scott

Trevor Burns Trophy (Most Rallied Pre-War Vintage)

1st Roger & Keitha Couchman, 2nd Denis & Pat Burr

Harry Lapwood Cup (Male Navigator) - Paul Wollaston

Lakeland Ford Trophy (Most Rallied Ford)

1st Cliff & Shona Wickham, 2nd Kevin Scott

Mowbray Cup (BBQ Run)

1st David Tomlinson, 2nd Robyn Skelton & Paul Wollaston, 3rd Ronald Mayes

Caulfield Cup (Novice Member - less 2 years in club) - David Tomlinson

Kiwi Cup (Most Rallied Post 1960) - 1st David Tomlinson, 2nd Bob Mackay

Summit Cup (Most Rallied Vintage) - Bill & Adelai Skelton

Cliff & Shona Wickham Trophy (Chairman's Run) - 1st Denis & Pat Burr, 2nd Cliff & Shona Wickham, 3rd= Bill & Adelai Skelton, Des & Angie Brunton, Ken & Lyn Rowson

Anglis Cup (Contribution to Branch) - Angie Brunton

Mathias Cup (Most AggregatePoints for the Year) - David Tomlinson

June Midweek Run

by Bob Mackay



A very short run started on a very wet morning with morning tea at the club rooms. With 14 club cars and 4 moderns we set off to raid the workshops of Graham Manson. With an early Mack truck restoration well under way (certainly very small compared to the modern trucks), in a very large workshop, even I could be envious of the amount of space available. There were numerous completed restorations to inspect along with a large backlog of vehicles awaiting attention noted in the back of the shed.

The next stop was at the Lakeside café back in Rotorua before visiting the new "Riding for the Disabled" facility in Ngongotaha (that is some shed I doubt if all members of our club could collectively fill that one). We were given an excellent commentary on what they do while some young riders had their regular lessons. We thank the staff of the facility for their time and hospitality along with Terry Fitzpatrick and Graham Manson for making the day possible.



Member Cars at the June Run





NEW WEBSITE!

www.rotoruavintagecarclub.org.nz

You may have noticed some changes to the look of the branch website. The committee will now have more direct control over the mechanics and the content of the website, and will do our best to tailor it to meet the needs of our members, and to promote our branch nationally, and to potential new members.

If you have any suggestions for additions or improvements to the website please contact David Tomlinson.

BUY, SELL, SWAP...

FOR SALE

1954 Dodge Kingsway.
Cert. Power steering,
good general all round
condition. Some stone chips.
Good tires, current rego
and warrant.



Contact Denis Burr

Email: Farmall@compassnet.co.nz or 07 333 2807 or 027 293 5311

WANTED TO BUY – Model T Ford, anything considered, phone Tom on 027 655 9874

FOR SALE

1947 Packard Clipper Deluxe Sedan Straight 8, 3 speed manual with over drive. Restored over seven years and was originally owned by his grandfather, then his father. Has spent the last two years in the



Classic Museum in Hamilton and features on their calendar this year. Rego is on hold. \$50000 Phone Kevin Shaxon on 027 833 2861

WANTED TO BUY

2x 640-15 crossply tyres - Phone Trevor Bennett on 347 7568

If you would like to place an ad here just email details to the editor or bring it along in print on a club night. A picture of the item is a good idea too! Ads will be run for two consecutive issues unless you ask otherwise.

MYSTERY VEHICLES



Two more mystery cars, this time from the internet. These models made by same European maker in the 1950s, anyone like to make a guess?



NEXT CLUB NIGHT - July 13th

Car In The Room: 1959 Cadillac coupe

Upcoming Midweek Runs by Bob Mackay

27th July Midweek run (a mystery run)

Meet at 10 am for Morning Tea at the Waiotapu Thermal Wonderland Tea Rooms. Following morning tea we will head off on a short mystery tour, to a shed for a picnic lunch so bring the chairs, sandwiches and thermos flask.

June Run Results - 12th June, Prize Giving

1st Neville & Carol Harper - 1931 Studebaker President

2nd Robyn Skelton & Paul Wollaston - 1934 Austin 7 Ruby

3rd Bill & Adelai Skelton - 1929 Austin 7 Chummy

Contributions to Side Curtains

This is your magazine. It's content will only be as good as the information members submit to the editor to include. Please feel free to share anything you think might be of interest to the membership by sending it to the editor, preferably by email, and a picture says a thousand words, so include photos where possible. Members taking part in club runs or events hosted by other branches are encouraged to pen a short piece about their experience to include in the next issue going to print. All items to the editor by the end of the month.

WE ARE ON FACEBOOK!

The branch has a Facebook page which has a growing number of new likes every week, with items and pictures being shared around the internet regularly.



Just search for "Rotorua Vintage Car" in Facebook to find the page. Press "like" and you will automatically get notifications of posts on the page.

Efforts will be made to post photos from events and runs, club notices and other items to help members and prospective new members alike.

COMING EVENTS

	Date	Event	Time	Venue	Page
July	13	Club Night	7.30pm	Clubrooms	11
	17	Swap Meet	7.00am	Paradise Valley	8
	27	Midweekers Run	10.00am	Waiotapu Wonderland	11
August	10	Club Night	7.30pm	Clubrooms	
	12-14	VCC AGM	Various	Novotel Rotorua	
	24	Midweekers Run	TBA	TBA	
	27	Sulphur City	8.30am	Clubrooms	
September	14	Club Night	7.30pm	Clubrooms	
	18	Club Run	TBA	TBA	
	28	Midweekers Run	TBA	TBA	
October	12	Club Night	7.30pm	Clubrooms	
	16	Club Run	TBA	TBA	
	26	Midweekers Run	TBA	TBA	
November	9	Club Night	7.30pm	Clubrooms	
	13	BBQ Run	TBA	TBA	
	23	Midweekers Run	TBA	ТВА	



The Rotorua Vintage Car Club cordially invites you to take part in their annual

Sulphur City Rally

to be held on 27 August 2016 at the RVVCC Clubrooms, Neil Hunt Park Briefing at 8.30am. First car away at 9.00am

June Midweek Run













