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Club meetings are held first Tuesday each month at the SC RSA Clubrooms, Wai-iti Road, Timaru at 7.45pm

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

July 26th Club Run to Waimate - Meet 10.30 pm Caltex

South End

August 4 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

August Night Run

August 15 - 16 Transalpine Train Trip Greymouth

August 30th Henry Ford Day Christchurch

Either go up Sat night before run or meet at Ken

Wills complex by 7.00 am Sunday morning

September 1 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

September 28 South Canterbury Weekend

October 6 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

October 10 - 11 McLeans Island Swapmeet

October 17 Saturday Naseby Car Show

November 3 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

November 14 Geraldine Arts and Plants Festival

November 22 Victorian Fete Oamaru

November 29 Roses on the Bay Market Day

December 1 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

December 11 Timaru Christmas Parade

December 12 Strawberry Fare Waimate

February Art Deco Weekend Ranfurly

February 18 - 21 Napier Art Deco Week

March 27 Winchester Swapmeet

April 2- 5 Southern Connection Picton

#### **LADIES' PAGE**



Advert in 1956 Ideal Home Book
"Ladies imagine trying to get this pram in a Zephyr".

#### SCZZEC TRANSALPINE SCENIC TRIP

15th - 16th August 2009

Staying the night in Greymouth. Arrange own accommodation.

Sundowner Motel 0800 080 859 or Kingsgate Hotel 0800 80 50 85

Cost of train does not include accommodation.

Cost \$119 per Adult Return

\$84 per Child 2 - 14 years Return

Departs Rolleston at 8.30am

Locked up car parking 5 min walk away \$10 per day.

Require numbers and payment by 26th July 2009

Contact me on 68 66694 or 027 2623377 or email me at s.rouse@clear.net.nz

Will be a great weekend, join in the fun.





#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another month gone and the end of winter getting closer.

Thanks to Stephen for a great run on Sunday, it's good to catch up with other members.

I have been contacted by Kevin Miles the new President of the Christchurch Club, congratulations Kevin. We have talked about organising more joint events. It will be great to get together and to that end I have asked the Christchurch Club to join us on the Transalpine trip.

South Canterbury weekend - We have been talking about going to Hanmer for the weekend but will follow up this by email, any other suggestions please contact me or Stephen.

20th Birthday weekend is well under control, mark this on your calendar June 5-7 2010. All other Zephyr clubs welcome, registration forms out shortly.

Trevor Jopson is progressing well on his MK III Ute restoration.

See coming events in July run to Waimate, should be interesting and a good chance to catch up with our Oamaru members.

Have you booked your motel in Picton 2010 ????????

International Convention Committee meeting this month.

Keep it simple keep it friendly Rookie

## **EDITOR'S REPORT**

Thanks to everyone for the photos and reports this month - its always so good having other members thoughts as it keeps our magazine interesting.

This month I received an email from Simon and Rachel Massie from down south saying they read our magazine and had some information for Malcolm regarding his Cortina bought at the Outram farm sale - Malcolm was so pleased as he was needing this.

As Editor I was quite impressed and pleased that from an article in our magazine read by another member in another Zephyr club helped tie two car owners together.

Also many thanks to Mike and Alice for my lovely birthday cake on Club run on Sunday - caught me by surprise and speechless.

See you next month Mary-Jean

## **CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT**

The days are certainly cooler but it was great to see a good turn out of members for Sundays run. Just goes to show it doesn't have to be a bright sunny day to bring the Z cars out.

Have a good number of people so far for the Trans Alpine Train Trip so if you are thinking of joining us let me know, don't leave it till the last minute and miss out.

Hope to see you on the next run, it looks to be a good display.

Cheers





#### **NEXT CLUB RUN**

Sunday 26th July

Meet Caltex southend Timaru 10.30 am or 11.30am main street Waimate.

Bring picnic lunch or buy for picnic in the park, then visiting Waimate Museum 1.00pm

"Blokes Hobby Horses" check feature article in Timaru Herald Saturday 27th June page 21

#### **Henry Ford Memorial Run**

August 30th

Departure will be Janel Coffee Lounge Hawke St

New Brighton, Christchurch.

Will be visiting Radio Station, private collection car, restoration shop and an entertainment venue.

\$10.00 per Ford



# 20th Anniversary Queens Birthday Weekend 2010 June 5 - 7 2010



All Zephyr Enthusiasts Welcome

# **Southern Connection Picton**

Easter 2 - 5 April 2010

Steve has arranged a Motel on the hill and club members have already booked at this Motel, don't hesitate to book now.

Travel arrangements later.

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Or try online in the Yellow Pages under motels in Picton for many more to choose from

Caroline Bay felt a touch British on Sunday of Queen's Birthday weekend

The annual All British Day included a display at the Bay, with 78 vehicles parking at the carpark. Numbers were down on last year with the cold weather playing a big part on the day.



The group of cars travelled to Waimate via the scenic route for lunch then travelled back to Timaru.

Club members Jim Macdonald and Carol Bell are all rugged up in their Morris Minor and Bob Stevens with his MK II Zephyr. Hopefully the weather is kinder next year.





Photo's: High Country Herald

#### **All Ford Day Westport**



Setting off early Saturday morning for one of our memorable trips to Westport, the annual All Ford Weekend.

Stopping at Berlin's Hotel to join a long line of more Ford's (Mustangs, Customlines) and Zephyr's from Christchurch, Nelson and after a few soft drinks all round we headed for Steve's place to register for the weekend activities.

That night at the Working Men's Club we spent meeting old and new friends and Steve giving us the run on what's happening in the next couple of days. Sunday Show Day dawned a crisp and clear morning, meet-

ing at Victoria Square for a run out to Tauranga Bay then back to town for a drive around the streets finishing at Square where the cars were put on public display and voting.

In the afternoon we did a mystery bus trip to Granity



to a machinery museum and the old kilns where they made coke, and then a small shop that made jewellery and sold stone's - ones that you put under your pillow makes you sleep better at night - a bit like the small sex



It was very cold and we soon moved on and finished at the Shearers Quarters for more drinks (hot and cold) some retail therapy and a chin wag.



member whose car is not going, or you would just like company in yours, how about offering them a ride. That's what our club is about, and has a reputation for its camaraderie.

#### Bruce and Judith



#### Club Run 28th June

Our going on this run started with a text on Saturday night from Stephen and Karen offering us a ride with them as our car is out of action. Of course we said yes please.

We were picked up just before 1pm on Sunday and we headed to Sir Basil Arthur Park which was the meeting point.

With six cars following us we headed up the Point highway to Pleasant Point where we turned right at the pub corner.





On through the Hanging Rock area, through some lovely rolling country-side – even a shingle road !!!!!

Eventually we came onto the Geraldine – Fairlie Highway and back through the Kakahu Forest to Speechleys Bridge where we stopped for afternoon tea.

Mike and Alice had bought a cake with them as a surprise for Mary Jean,

whose birthday had been the day before. There were candles too and we all sang happy birthday.





stone you put in your shoe, makes you limp.

After that we went further up the road to a Country and Western collection, memorabilia posters and old 78 records of long time ago artist's eg Hank Snow, Tex Morton, even a tribute to our own local Ashburton boy Garner Wayne - Love in the fowlhouse.



Arriving back at the square we pick up the cars and headed back to our motel to spruce up ready for an evening meal, dancing, good old Irish music, prize giving and quiz night.

Kevin and Diane from Nelson in a MK I Zephyr Convertible won Best English, Russell and Anne Frew of Picton in his newly restored MK II Zephyr Ute took the Most Unusual prize. Best of the West was a Lincoln car.

Monday morning saw us sitting down to a huge breakfast of toast, bakedbeans, sausages and whitebait patties washed down with tea or coffee. Yummy.

The Sheriff was about over the weekend so there were some unlucky ones digging deep into their pockets. The organizers Steve and Ash made their farewell speech thanking everybody for a great success and hoping the see us all next year,

After a few handshakes and saying our goodbyes, tooting of horns we left for home tired but happy- what a great weekend.







We bought our first white MkIV, 1966 2.5 litre, In1971 from Hutchinson Motors in Christchurch. I was a one owner with 40,000 miles on the clock. We travelled all over the South Island in that car with very few problems, before selling it in 1980 when we went to the UK, it had then done 105,000 miles.

Returning from the UK 2 years later we saw our old MkIV in Mike Darren Motors, with an asking price double what we got for it two years earlier. It had done 50,000 miles and had five owners in that time, and whilst it was still running well it had had a hard life so we passed on it and bought a Hillman Hunter - yeh, great car.

After putting up with it for some months we spotted a white 1966 MkIV in Errol James car yard that was almost identical to the one we'd sold before leaving. One owner, 62,000 miles for which we gave the Hunter and \$250 and it was ours.



We used it as our only car for about 5 years before buying a Mk IV Cortina. We were offered \$400 for the Zephyr as a trade-in, but decided to keep it and parked it up in Alice's father's garage for a number of years, starting it occasionally and taking it for a drive around the block.

When the SCZZEC held a Southern Connection here sometime in the 90s, we were asked to bring the MkIV down to the display as I think there were none in the club at that time, after which we joined.

In the 24 years we've owned the MkIV we have not really done a lot to it. The rear calipers were overhauled, and most of the exhaust system was

replaced, and more recently new carpet fitted as the original had worn through in places. The rest of the interior is all original and unmarked, including the dash top

About 4 years ago the clutch started slipping. We had a reconditioned motor with a good clutch sitting in the garage (as you do) so



figured we may as well just swap the motors, which would only take a weekend. But when the motor was out it was decided that it would be a good opportunity to clean up the engine bay, so everything was pulled out and the engine bay was blasted and repainted with Gavin's help.



After a couple of months everything was completed and the car was back on the road.

The new motor turned it into a totally different car and it now runs effort-lessly, and with a bit of luck will do us for another 24 years.

#### Mike & Alice Constantine