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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

May 30 - 1 June All Ford Day Westport

May 31 All British Day Timaru

June 2 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

July 4 Dunedin Auto Spectacular

July 7 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

July Henry Ford Day Christchurch

Either go up Sat night before run or meet at Ken

Wills complex by 7.00 am Sunday morning

August 4 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

August Night Run

September 1 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

September South Canterbury Weekend

October 6 Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45 pm

October 17 Saturday Naseby Car Show

October McLeans Island Swapmeet

## **EDITOR'S REPORT**

I must start by saying a huge thanks you to all Club members that have helped me so much this month with all the reports and photos - this has been a huge help to me at this time.

This year has been full of great events and I would like to say a BIG thank you to Mike Constantine for all his help over the year as without Mike I could not be your editor. [no, you do all the hard work.. M]

I am sure you have enjoyed all the stories, reports and fun things we all do as a club and I feel that you have all given me huge support over the year and it has made my job as editor much more enjoyable so many thanks everyone.

Mary-Jean



When the sale finished it was the girls turn and we went shopping in Outram, some nice wee shops there that we enjoyed and after lunch we headed home, all in all it was a fun event and nice to use the Zephyrs and the weather was just great.

Mary-Jean

#### **Outram Vintage Machinery and Car Sale.**

A few members decided that they should have a cruise to Outram to see the sale that had been advertised and as there were tractors and cars we thought it would be a fun day.

Malcolm and Christine, Ross and Yvette, Phil and I decided to cruise down on Friday night and stayed at Mosgiel.

On arriving we booked in and decided to try the local hospitality and had a great meal and drinks and also found Neville Stevens and friends were already at the pub.



Saturday morning we picked up our tour guide ( Alan Sim ) and headed out to the sale site.



We parked up and what a lot of interest with our Zephyrs, there were people for miles and some exciting bidding was done.

I must admit I was a bit worried as Phil mentioned he wouldn't mind a tractor, I thought we should leave that to Ross.

Although Malcolm and Christine bought a MK 3 Cortina 2 door that needs restoration - Malcolm said he needed a new project. The MK III (previously Geoff Taylor's) was passed in at \$12,000 and the MK IV was sold for \$1200.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Here we are again the end of another financial year, our club is still in a very strong position with 69 financial members and is financially in a very strong position moving forward. 2009 has been filled with good Club runs and thanks to our Club Captain Stephen Rouse.

Our monthly meetings have been well supported as per other years and have had core members turning up month after month. Great to see Kapiti Horohenua club pick up the International Convention and by all reports this was a great weekend. Geoff Taylor picking up 2nd place for his immaculate MKIV - congratulations Geoff.

Thanks must go to Bill Ridder, Peter Hunter and Mary-Jean who put a lot of time into running of the club and it was great to see club members reward Mary-Jean with the Most Valuable Club members award at the last AGM. Mike Constantine - what do you say - he does a great job collating our magazine - thanks Mike.

Looking forward our club now has the challange of hosting the 2011 International Convention but as per normal we will take it in our stride, get on the committee - help out - we need you.

Our club is now 19 years old and we are planning a 20th Birthday Party with an organising committee all ready well underway in organising this event. I have enjoyed other year of being your President and I Thank all members for all your help and support. Keep it simple - keep it friendly.

Your President

Rookie

## **NEXT CLUB RUN**

#### Oamaru All British Day

Registration starts 9.30 - fee applies \$10.00 approx

Saturday May 9th - Meet Southend Caltex Timaru 8.30am

Contact Club Captain Stephen 686 6694 or 027 262 3377

# ALL BRITISH



# VEHICLE DAY

Sunday 31st May 2009

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# Naseby Car Show Swap Meet & Boot Sale

Saturday 17 October 2009 9.00am – 5.00pm Naseby Domain

Entry & Displays Stalls (pre-paid)

Stalls (pre-paid)
Boot Sale

\$ 2.00 p/head

\$10.00

\$10.00

#### **Ellesmere Country Fair 50th Anniversary**

Sunday morning bright and early we picked up Arthur, Phil's Dad and we headed to Leeston in Phil's MKIV Cortina.

On arriving we noted all the Zephyrs from the Christchurch club as they had made it their monthly event, 22 Zephyrs were parked around the oval with some members bringing several cars.





Les Sloane insisted that Phil bring in the Cortina to the show area as Les had arranged for all the cars there.

This was a huge event for the area as being their 50th anniversary,

there were tractors, traction engines and all sorts of machinery and there was always something happening in the ring all day.

In the large sheds there were displays of sewing machines, household items, model trains working a tracks, models and old photos of previous rallies. It was just a great day with a lot of effort by volunteers for a fun weekend.

Mary-Jean





**Monday** morning 8.30 delegates meeting. It was the first time I had attended one. Geoff put his hand up on behalf of the South Canterbury Club to host the 2011 Convention. It was well received after the Auckland issue 2 years ago and the host club picking it up this time. There was also a debate about judging at future conventions. Following the meeting all prize winning cars lined up for photo's.

There were 90 cars at the convention approx 20 from the South Island and 70 from the North, 180 people attended with 102 registrations.

We left for home having time in Wellington. After poor navigation from the back seat we arrived at Te Papa and not the Ferry Terminal as Geoff had intended. A good time was had browsing Te Papa even if Shona was called "an old bag" by a very rude man. Something we are still laughing about.

The boys were able to visit the Hot Rod show next to Te Papa, kept them happy.

With silence from the back seat we made it to the Ferry Terminal in plenty of time. Although it was very windy in Wellington the sailing was very smooth so we were in Picton on time at 9.30pm.

After staying the night in Picton we took our time home having a lovely lunch in Kaikoura arriving home at 6pm.

A great week-end, thank-you Geoff and Shona for asking us,I think we arrived home still good friends, although I will know not to sneak lollies with Geoff watching he is a tell tale. A fun time had by all.

#### Ross & Doreen Jodd

#### **ASHBURTON WHEELS WEEK RUN**

Woke to a very foggy morning in Timaru, stopped at the usual meeting place to see if any fellow enthusiasts were heading up but it must have been too foggy for anyone to find their way (even missed Temuka car)

Headed up the road to find a lovely sunny day, meet up with the Ashburton and a few ChCh members, total 10 Z cars along with around 200 vehicles of all makes and models of various vintages.

After registration we all headed off for a very nice run stopping at some beaches along the way. Final stop for lunch was at Ashburton aircraft wheels & wings museum. All parked up for our picnic lunch & a look at some lovely cars. Plus got to see the photo's Ross & Doreen had taken at NI convention in Masterton with Geoff & Shona. Very nice line up of Z cars at convention and from the stories told a fun weekend.

Another great day out and a date to put in calendar for next year.

Z car fan

#### Stephen Rouse



Believe it or not Phil did take a MKII to the swapmeet to sell not buy

#### **International Zephyr Zodiac Consul Convention 2009**

Ten o'clock Thursday morning Geoff & Shona Taylor picked us up in their Mk 4 on our journey to the Convention in Masterton.

On the way up the sea looked very rough, & we heard from the Christchurch crew it was a rough sailing with many people sick.

We stayed in Picton Thursday night sailing on the 10 o'clock crossing Friday . Not too rough for us just very cold wind. The Southland club were also on boat plus a lot of Jaguars on their way to a rally at Palmerston North.

Found our way out of Wellington and over Rimutakas travelling in convoy with the Southland Club.

Arrived Masterton about 3.30 registered at Solway then went to our Motel.

Week-end of fun started on Friday at 7pm with a Special Event. Found ourselves guests at a mock wedding between the Kapiti mascot and Horowhenua mascot apparently they have been meeting on many club runs and after 3 off-spring it was decided to make it legal, all good fun with these big bears. Rest of evening spent socialising.

**Saturday** 9am cars lined up in Marks at Solway Hotel. We then travelled through the main street of Masterton to the Horse Shoe Cafe where cars were parked for judging.

Geoff got runner up in the stock section of Mk 4's.

It was good to see John and Glenis Hull who had travelled up from Picton to view the cars. I am sure John and Glenis would agree the standard of cars was very high.

We wandered the streets of Masterton with the ladies doing some shopping.

Cars left Horseshoe at 1pm and travelled South past Solway and into Carterton where we stopped at Paua World. On the way back we called at Gasoline Alley. It had a collection of bowsers, old petrol cans etc, also a lot of classic cars some owned by the owner including a nice Mk 2 blue convertible. There was also a lot to restore including a left hand drive Mk 2 Zephyr convertible. About half the cars on display were owned by other people these are changed every four months to get variety.

Saturday night was the dinner and Elvis show kindly sponsored by Enford

I got home and after a couple of hours with the water blaster had a reasonably clean motor and car. The brakes were overhauled, the steering idler freed up, the steering box lubricated and adjusted, the windscreen removed and resealed, the gear linkage bushes replaced, the oil and filter changed and new tyres fitted.



It is an unmolested car 76000 miles on the clock (176000 I think) original paint, upholstery, carpet (what hasn't rotted from the leaking windscreen) I think the man who owned it all it's life in Reefton must have been a bachelor as only the drivers seat is worn. I reckon the back seat's hardly been used. Fortunately there is next to no rust and the paint although showing its age cleans up ok. I'd say the engine has had some work but not the gudgeons as there is a bit of a tap there.

I used the car for a couple of weeks as my daily ride and was horrified the day Ashvegas got the hail storm. It was the only unaffected car at work (decent steel!) Gaye and I have only been on one run to Hanmer but both of us were impressed with ride quality. Our son and his mates (20 year olds) have taken it on Sunday cruises a few times and they all rave about the comfort and leg room for a 1971 car. They do admit to getting some odd looks though.

I don't know how long we'll keep the MkIV ( Gaye still reckons I shouldn't have brought it ) but I think I'll try to keep it until the MkIII is a going concern so we can continue Zephyring to the odd outing.

### John & Gaye Rich



My association with Z cars goes back to my first car a 1961 MkII. A very tidy car and purchased off an aircraft mechanic so it should have been reliable (but that's another story)

I then traded up to a 1964 MkIII Zephyr Special, government issue to a paraplegic so it had no steering column covers ( to allow for hand controls ) and holes in all the pedals. It was a great old car and that's probably why there is one in my shed getting serious attention as time and money allows.

One Friday night reading the buy sell I noticed an ad for a MkIV Z car in Ashburton and as it was local it wouldn't do any harm to ring up and enquire. One owner, tidyish, a runner and deregistered. So I went and had a look and after a once over thought it rude not to make an offer and we became the owners of a 1971 MK IV Zephyr.



I thought I'll sneak home the back ways to avoid trailering it home. Around the second corner and a cop sitting there watching the intersection and watching me very intently, luckily he returned to watching the corner as I battled to look legal and in control. The brakes were sort of there if you pushed hard enough and pulled severely to the left and the steering was definitely arm strong with no self centreing.

Spares. Theme for the night was rock & roll.

It was Doreen's birthday and I had forgotten till 5pm but someone told Elvis so he sang happy birthday to her and gave her his red scarf, which made up for my memory loss. A good night with lots of dancing.



Sunday cars lined up again at

9am and we headed north to Mangatinoka to the Tui Brewery. We had a tour of the brewery and got chits for drinks which also meant we could keep our handles.



A BBQ lunch was put on for us and of course the Tui girls. Geoff had been looking forward to this for a year. The girls had plenty of photo's taken with the cars and their drivers. A very enjoyable few hours, great weather and company it was a shame to leave.

Heading back to Masterton at our

own pace we called into Middleton model railway and Cwmglyn Farmhouse cheese. Very interesting the railway lay-out being the largest model in NZ.

Back at Solway there was a boot sale at 4pm while the ladies enjoyed the sunshine chatting at the motel.

Dinner at 6pm followed by prize giving raffles joke telling and more socialising.

Car of the Convention was Dave King from Auckland with a Mk2 Zodiac runner up was Russell Frews from Picton with his Mk2 modified Ute. Another good night.

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