



Newsletter - March 2025

President's Report

Well, it seems a while since I have written a President's report but life has been rather busy over the rather cooler summer this year.

Wendy and I have been away up north in Wairarapa at the Model A Convention in Masterton with 150 Model A vehicles from all over New Zealand. It was an extremely well organised event that covered day trips all over the Wairarapa, through high country stations, along the coast from Castlepoint, along the coast to Cape Palliser in the south and lots of towns in between. A great way to see the country.



Our February event was a very successful day. Many thanks to Neville & Heather Croy and our Club Captain, Peter Craig. I received a lot of compliments and there was great member interaction afterwards. Sad to see Gary & Barb have to head home early with engine problems. Hope it isn't too bad.

Our March event is looking good. Paul Williams has this under control with a visit to Campbell Aviation. I'm sure it will be a great day out for all.

Constitution Update:

This is well underway with 2 submissions and at least 38 approvals. We will keep you all informed when the final version is available and ready to be voted on at the AGM. I would encourage you all to be well versed with this document, as it is that important.

AGM in May - A car run and lunch to be provided in Tai Tapu - details to follow.

Murray Marshall
President

March Club Captain Comment.....



Greetings again all - into March already and events continue to stack up all over the country. Finding a weekend to hold our events without a clash at this time of year can be challenging as happened recently with our February event clashing with the All Ford Day - However - no matter!

We had an excellent turnout for Nev & Heather's rural rally with something like 17 cars and approx 35 people turning up.

We kicked it off from the Yaldhurst Pub car park and travelled the Old West Coast Rd to Sheffield and settled into the Sheffield Domain grounds for a picnic or a pie with other goodies from the World Famous Sheffield Pie Shop! Following lunch Nev helped us send everyone on their way at intervals for the rally which would take in a lot of the back streets of Sheffield quizzing various points of interest before delivering us onto the highway up to Springfield where we went country out to Kowhai Bush then back down toward Sheffield going country yet again.

There was the usual chaotic navigation until things settled down for most with everyone eventually arriving back at Sheffield Domain where the group formed a large seated circle for the usual good natured reviews and roasts (not the edible type) and marking of rally sheets. A tie resulted in some pretty hilarious play off questions before finally settling into 1st, 2nd & 3rd placings as -

- 1st - Molly & Trevor Scott*
- 2nd - Jan & Geoff Bainbridge*
- 3rd - Dick & Geraldine Gurney*

Congratulations again to all and thanks for making your good natured roasts entertaining for us all!

We had another prize to issue in the form of a "Hard luck" wooden spoon which went to Colin & Genny Gibson in the 59 Cadillac with a toasted generator needing multiple "Jumps" from Nev to complete the day. We had run out of prizes at this point so we owe Barb & Gary a hard luck prize for the Dodge packing a sad which resulted in their early retirement and a ride home on the back of a slider back in the city - hoping it's not too painful to fix guys!

So all in all, a truly excellent day with great company, thanks again to Nev & Heather for their good work. It was commented by one member who has extensive associations with other car clubs, that they had done lots of Rallies but this one topped them all - Great feedback.

Peter Craig - Club Captain

Save The Dates — Upcoming



Caroline Bay Rock and Hop Run Gatherings

Friday 14th March

Meet at Dunsandel by 10am for departure at the group's discretion. The Dunsandel Cafe & Store will be open for takeaway coffees and any eats. The run through to Timaru normally takes around one & a half hours. Once settled into accommodation the group normally has dinner at "Benny's Again" restaurant so if you plan to tag along call "Benny's Again" 03 686 9000 to make your own arrangements.

Saturday 15th March

The run through to Timaru will take approx one & a half hours - plan to be in Timaru by 9am to meet with the rest of the car club group at Pak 'n' Save car park on Hobbs St. Once the group is assembled we will move off to the Hop car park area in Caroline Bay to park up as a club.

At the end of the day it's become customary to congregate at the Top 10 Leisure Park for a BBQ - Talk to a committee member during the day to sort out the details.

Any queries or questions call Murray on 027 200 1350



Sunday 13th April

Paul Williams is putting together what will be a fantastic day with a visit to Bolton Engineering who are specialist Motor Racing Engineers with very high end production facilities along with a full size test track - as well as having their own impressive collection of Classic Cars, reputedly a sight to behold.

Moving on to Campbell Aviation Ltd - Australasian agents for Replica Warbird aircraft and accessories - the Titan T-51 Mustang, Supermarine Mk-26B Spitfire, and Fisher Flying Products kitsets where we will have a BYO everything picnic. There will be a small per person charge yet to be fully negotiated however this will also include afternoon tea and coffee.



This will be a special one so make sure it's diaried. Full details to be published late March/early April.

Sunday 25th May

Annual General Meeting - details to be provided.

Correction to last month's New Club Members

Owen & Marg Frew - 1958 Chrysler Imperial

Non-Club Events



SC Vintage Car Club Swapmeet and Bazaar

ORARI RACECOURSE, ORARI

SATURDAY 5 APRIL 2025 – 8AM start

The Swapmeet is a key event for the South Canterbury Vintage Car Club, normally held yearly on the first Saturday in April*.

- If Easter clashes with the First Saturday in April, the Swapmeet is held on the last weekend of March.

All types of items are for sale. You might find an abacus or a zither or automotive parts for an Alvis or a Zetor!

- Starts 8:00 am
- Entry fee for the public \$5.00

Site holders and visitors often come from across the South Island, and there are always no shortage of parts for rare models on hand. Sites are not just about vehicles either – there are a variety of sites present appealing to all ages, including arts and crafts, community groups, books, household items, clothing, food, tools, and garden plants.

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MAIN SHOW: Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 April

Cars, trucks, tractors, earthmovers, motorcycles & more!
You're invited to participate, bring as many as you can carry for one entry fee.

3 DAY PASSES INCLUDE:
Fri 18, Sat 19 & Sun 20 April 2025

Exhibiting Enthusiast	\$25 per person
Adult Supporter	\$25 per person
Youth Supporter Kids 12 & under go FREE!	\$10 per person

Exhibitors & Supporters Passes includes entry to:

Shakedown in the Shed
• AWARDS NIGHT •

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