

WELLINGTON CAR CLUB (INC.)

Bulletin Jan – Feb 2011

Welcome to the Bulletin for February and a belated welcome to 2011. Another year and a new stack of events approaches for your motorsport pleasure.

Clubnight

Come for an evening of twilight Mini – Golf

At Carlucci Land

281 Happy Valley Road

Happy Valley, Wellington

Arrive at 6:45pm for a 7pm start Bring \$10 for golf and BBQ tea.

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY, so remember to bring them all.

Clubrooms

We are still looking to obtain a few retro couches and arm chairs to make the most of the lounge area. If you have any you would like to donate to the club, please contact Murray O'Neil. His details are above, right.

Alexandra Road

The first of our events for 2011 has been set for Sunday 20th March.

The road closure has been approved and we are now full swing into organising this great event.

Marshalls are required and the more the better. It helps to make the event run so much smoother. If you can help in any way, please contact Bernie Keith or Jody Seabright asap.

Regs and Entry Forms will be posted on the club web site this week.

70 Years Young

Yes..... next year the club will be 70 years young. Hard to believe because many of you will remember the 50th anniversary like it was, well not long ago.

The committee thought it was a particularly good time to celebrate this achievement, and will be organising activities for next year.

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If you have any suggestions on what to do, or want to be involved in helping to make this milestone one to remember, please contact Catherine Skinner.

Rally Wairarapa

The 2011 date has already been announced as $26^{th} - 28^{th}$ May. This is great for the weather, and more importantly is a few weeks after the Otago Classic Rally, to make the most of the Classic Rally Challenge trophy. The Otago event and the Malcolm Stewart Classic make up the two rounds of the challenge. Hopefully we can entice a few overseas competitors over as well. Watch www.rallywairarapa.co.nz for more info.

Barry Lakeman

Unfortunately the start of the year was greeted with sad news. Long time supporter, friend, and past member of the club, Barry Lakeman passed away. Barry was a keen rally competitor in the 80s, and was one of the main organisers of the Ohakune rallies that the club ran in the 90s. Apart from the hard work behind the scenes to make these things happen, Barry was also the Clerk of Course.

He had a way of drawing people in to be a part of the things he loved, and he even organised TV coverage of the first Ohakune rally to be a round of the national championship when MSNZ hadn't.

Barry was also a keen Trialist, teaming up with Eddie Conroy to take out many Night Trial trophies. His keen sense of humour, like of motorsport and (apparently) love of quizzes, made him an ideal trialist. These were the qualities that made him well loved by many and now sorely missed too.

Our thoughts are with his family.

Wallaceville Hillclimb

Usually we don't have too many members competing at this event. Mike Hodgets is a regular for many years and has competed well. This year Ron Scanlan also had a turn. But for Ron things were very different, as the event is for 2WD cars only.

So, after Alf Hole had generously offered to share his mighty Datsun, Ron spent the rest of the day trying to find the centre diff and the 400 odd horsepower that was apparently missing.

Despite these set backs Ron and Alf took first and second in class, although it was Ron that was faster than Alf. I don't think Ron is going to be invited back to share the car.

Maike Hodgets also did well with a class placing, despite the need to make last minute repairs when a wheel stud broke and Mike needing to catch up on missed runs as a result.



Ron Scanlan

Coming Events - 2010

12-13 Feb	NZGP & NZV8s	Manfeild
20 Feb	Rallysprint	Barton's Line
26 Feb	Gold Star Hillclimb	Parorangi Rd, Waituna
	Champs - Gravel	West
27 Feb	Gold Star Hillclimb	Lower Pakihikura
	Champs - Seal	Road
5-6 Mar	Clubsport Nationals	Hawkes Bay CC
6 Mar	Autocross	Otaihanga
12 Mar	Targa Bambina	
12-13	Gravel Hillclimb	Whariti Road
Mar		
13 Mar	Grass Autocross	Silverstream
19 Mar	WMSA Prizegiving	HVMC Clubrooms
20 Mar	Seal Hillclimb	Alexandra Road
27 Mar	Seal Autocross	Slipway, TBC
3 Apr	Gravel Sprint	Gladstone Rd, Levin
9 Apr	Tarmac Rally	Taranaki
9 Apr	Dual Car Sprints	Taupo



Mike Hodgets

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