

WELLINGTON CAR CLUB (INC.)

Welcome to the new year and a new competition season.

Unfortunately we have bad news to start with, as many will know, with the passing of Ron Scanlan.

# **Ron Scanlan** 14 April 1961 – 2 February 2013

The club was represented by a number of members, who joined the approximate 150 others, to provide a fitting send off for Ron.

Having battled for so long and so hard against his cancer, including where he made hospital visits to top up his blood count between runs at Alexandra Rd Hillclimb, it was sad to know that having won so many battles, Ron still lost the war at such a young age.

Our deepest sympathies go out to Sarah and Ron's family, as well as his extended motorsport family. Ron will be missed at our events, where he managed to own a large chunk of the club's silverware for a period of time.

As Jody Seabright commented, "Many said he left a Legacy, but seeing as he drove a Mitsubishi he more likely left an Evolution (to two). Evolution is about survival of the fittest and passing those traits to the next generation. Well.... Ron may have lost his physical battle, but he has shown us all how to never give up, be the best you can be in your chosen field, and to achieve your dreams. If we learn from that and pass those traits onto all who we love, then he really has left an Evolution.



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#### **Alexandra Road Sprint**

The event is scheduled for 17<sup>th</sup> March 2013. Entries are rolling in already. And we are planning for another fantastic event.

If you want to compete, make sure you get your entry forms in ASAP, so as not to miss out.

If you are not entering then you need to be involved helping bv out the day. on Email wcc@seabrightmotorsport.co.nz to confirm your availability.

We will also be helping out the Newtown Festival a couple of weeks before hand, by providing a car display. Contact Bernie Keith if you have a car you would be happy to put on display for the day.



Thanks to Craig Shepherd and his team for their on going support

# Bathurst 12hr Race

Flying under the radar at bit was the Wellington based team of Tony Burrowes, Stu Owers & Lewis Scott who competed in the Bathurst 12hr enduro, using Tony's Showershop sponsored Subaru Impreza WRX STI.

Some of you will have seen this car last year as it achieved class wins on Targa Bambina, then went on to class wins in Central Region Series rallies (on gravel), and has now achieved second in class on the mighty mountain. Now that is a versatile car.

Tony had the honour of bringing the car home on the last stint and apart from loosing 4<sup>th</sup> gear in the final few hours, the car ran without fault.

Quote from Tony, "We were in a race that resembled a Le Mans GT3 field so the old gravelbashing car was slightly out of depth....actually a lot out of its depth...but we had three wise, old fast heads behind the wheel and pulled off a blinder.

Check out the "whos who" of people who failed to finish or finished behind us at..... http://www.bathurst12hour.com.au/

Well done to Tony and the Wellington based team.

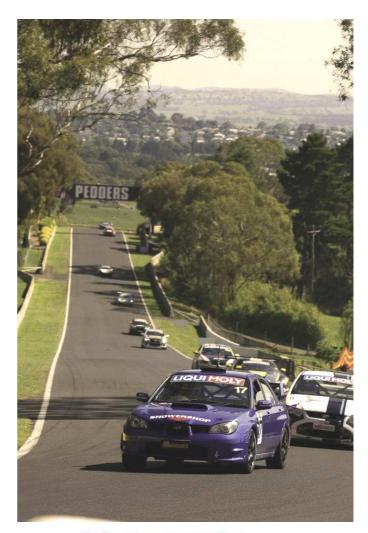


# **Event Results**

Thank you to those who have sent in results from their events. If you feel you are missing out, then make sure you forward all of your results to wcc@seabrightmotorsport.co.nz.

# Coming Events - 2013

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17 Feb	Rallysprint	Bartons Line,
		Wairarapa
		CANCELLED
23-24	IRC Race Meeting	Manfeild
Feb	C C	
9-10	Gravel Hillclimb	Whariti Rd, Woodville
Mar		
9-10	NZ Champ Race	Taupo
Mar	Meeting	
17 Mar	Seal Hillclimb	Alexandra Rd
23 Mar	Day/Night Gravel	Tea Creek, Carterton
	Sprint	
24 Mar	Grass Motorkhana /	Silverstream
	Auto X	
31 Mar	Gravel Autocross	Otaihunga
6 Apr	Seal Hillclimb	Seafield Rd. Hawkes
-		Bay
7 Apr	Seal Hillclimb	Salisbury Rd, hawkes
		Bay
7 Apr	Gravel Sprint	Tararua Rd, Pahiatua
7 Apr	Intermarque Sprints	Manfeild
21 Apr	Seal Autocross	Trentham
27 Apr	2WD Tarmac Rally	Manfeild
28 Apr	Gravel Hillclimb	Mangahao Dam
28 Apr	Trial for beginners	
28 Apr	Seal Hillclimb	Lower Pakihikura Rd,
		Manawatu





# **Commemorative Products**

The Glass Coasters, Polo Shirts and T-Shirts commemorating our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary are available for sale. They have the club's logo and the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary info.

Coasters are \$20 for a set of 4.

Polo shirts are only \$25 and T-Shirts \$20.

Contact Jody Seabright direct to get yours.

# **Facebook**

We are very pleased to say that we have over 100 people following (liking) us on our Facebook page. Many aren't club members either. Which is great for publicising our club and our events.

We know a great many more of you are on Facebook, so please go to our page and "like" us. It is a great way to keep in touch with what is happening. Start promoting our club to everyone you know.

# Membership Options

One thing that we are looking to promote is the different membership options we now offer. Apart from the ordinary membership, we also offer family memberships, where the first family member is an ordinary member (at the standard rate) and then each additional family member (in the same household) is only \$20 each.

We also offer a social or non-competing membership for \$20 for anyone who wants to belong to the club and be involved, but not compete at events. Of course this can always be changed to an ordinary membership later if you do decide to compete.

So feel free to tell others and promote these options. It is one way you can help build the vibrancy of the club further.

