



WELLINGTON CAR CLUB (INC.)

Bulletin March 2011

Welcome to the Bulletin for March. Alexandra Road hillclimb dominates this month, and then it is into the gravel skid season and Rally Wairarapa.

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 or Bernie Keith.

Alexandra Road

Sunday 20th March is almost upon us and the committee are busy getting this event organised.

If you wanting to have a play and haven't entered yet, then do so NOW!! Regs and Entry Forms are on the club web site.

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

Sue Diggle is also organising fund raising for the SPCA. She is looking for people to help with collecting from the spectators on the day. If you can assist her, and even better if you have a cute dog to assist, contact Sue on 3812303 or 9777550. It will be nice to help our soon-to-be neighbours.

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.

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.

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Facebook

Sam Tuckey has started a Facebook page for the club. If you are on Facebook please go and "like" our page. We need for content and info, so don't be afraid to post on there.

NZ Community Trust

With thanks to a grant from the NZ Community Trust the club has been able to purchase road signs and marshals safety bibs. The bibs are just finishing being printed now, and they will make their debut at Alexandra Road. The committee are grateful to the trust for their support, as well as Jody, Paul, and Murray for organising the gear.

Rally Wairarapa

The 2011 date has already been announced as 26th – 28th May. This is great for the weather, and more importantly is 6 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.

MSNZ AGCM

The MSNZ annual conference and AGM is set for 19-20 May. Bernie Keith and Jody Seabright will be representing the club for the two days. If you have any concerns or items you want raised at national level, please contact them so that this can taken forward.

John Thomson

Unfortunately we are again the bearer of sad news this month. Long time former club member John Thomson passed away in February.

He was involved in running many of the early rallies in the 70s, was a MSNZ steward, and a competitor. More recently has was involved in trials. Ian Jensen, Eddy Conroy, and Jane Black represented the club at his funeral.

Our thoughts and best wishes go to his family.

Newtown Festival

As a part of the lead in to Alexandra Road, the club was invited to put on a display at the Newtown Festival, last weekend. Despite the weather we had a good response to the display and a number of people interested in joining the club or entering our events.

A big thank you to Craig Shepherd and Ron Scanlan for putting your cars on display. Also thanks to Bernie Keith and family for manning the stand.

Shelly Bay

Some of you have seen the council advertising changes to the road around from Shelly Bay to Scorching Bay. They are looking to reduce the speed limit (which doesn't worry us), but to also install "speed cushions" to help enforce this.

Jody Seabright has met with the council and they are receptive to the idea of installing removable humps on the bit of road we use as a race track. The club will put in a formal submission on this basis, which will hopefully be approved by the council committee.

Coming Events - 2011

12 Mar	Targa Bambina	
12-13 Mar	Gravel Hillclimb	Whariti Road
13 Mar	Grass Autocross	Silverstream
19 Mar	WMSA Prizegiving	HVMC Clubrooms
20 Mar	Seal Hillclimb	Alexandra Road
27 Mar	Seal Autocross	Slipway, Round 1
3 Apr	Gravel Sprint	Gladstone Rd, Levin
9 Apr	Tarmac Rally	Taranaki
9 Apr	Dual Car Sprints	Taupo
10 Apr	Dual Car Sprints	Manfeild, Road & Track series
17 Apr	Intermarque Series	Manfeild
17 Apr	Gravel Sprint	Tea Creek, Masterton
1 May	Seal Autocross	Slipway, Round 2
6-7 May	Endurance Race Meeting	Taupo
7 May	Rally NZ (Possum Bourne Memorial)	Waikato
7-8 May	MG Charity Classic Race Meeting	Manfeild
8 May	Gravel Hillclimb	Kapiti CC to confirm venue
8 May	Grass Autocross	Silverstream

If you want a fuller description of what the council is trying to do and how this might impact us, please contact Jody direct.

FOR SALE

Honda Civic EF9 V-Tec. This is a well presented, reliable and quick club/rally car and the current owner has enjoyed great success with it on gravel and sealed events. Comes with spares including tyres and rims. Price \$9995.00 or near offer.

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