

WELLINGTON CAR CLUB (INC.)

Bulletin April & May 2009

Hello to all for the April & May Bulletin.

So long to the circuit racing season, and roll on the rally season! With Alexandra Road now well and truly behind us, we are now organising our prizegiving night and starting the planning for Shelly Bay. Read on to get the info.

There will be no clubnight in May, but the Prizegiving in June will be a goody.

June Clubnight

Tuesday 23rd June, 7:30pm

With many of our trophies dating back to the early sixties and some in the fourties, our prizgiving is in many ways prestigious. So we are treating it as such, and once again we will be holding it at the Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club, Oriental Parade.

To make it a fantastic night we are also in the process of organising a guest speaker, so watch out for more info on this soon.

But, in the mean time, block out your diary for Tuesday 23rd June.

WCC Prizegiving
7:30pm
Tuesday, 23rd June 2009
Royal Port Nicholson Yacht Club
Oriental Parade

Trophies

Speaking of the giving of prizes, we need all of the trophies returned for engraving. If you (or someone you know) has any trophies, please arrange for them to be dropped to Gordon Diggle's workshop in Taranaki Street or contact Jody to co-ordinate collection. Please do this ASAP so we don't have a last minute mad panic.

MSNZ AGCM

The MSNZ AGCM is again in Wellington, on Saturday 23rd May. Reduced to a one day a fair (to reduce costs) it means that the commission workshops that were traditionally on the Friday are

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no longer and have been replaced with consultative workshops in each island later on.

We're not too sure that will work, because it takes away a lot of the informal discussion that tends to get things nutted out before becoming formal policy.

This year there are a few remits, but nothing too major. The most contentious appears to be from Taranaki Car Club looking to allow 4WD rally cars to run without restrictors in non-championship rallies.

There are a lot of pros and cons in the ensuing discussion, however the committee has given it's support for the remit, unless a very persuasive argument against the move is presented at the AGCM. Excuse the pun, but in general we want less restrictions placed on us to run what we brung.

Gordon and Jody will be representing the club at the AGCM, so if you have anything you want raised or discussed contact either of them before the 23rd.

Brian Budd - Congratulations

As most of you will now know, we now have a hot line to god. Brian has been appointed MSNZ General Manager, and we give him our warm congratulations.

Painting Working Bee

With Graeme Toomer having finished the last of the prep work on the clubrooms (a while ago we know, thanks Graeme), we now need to finish the painting on the western side.

Therefore we need your help on Saturday 6 June to do this work. Bring a paint brush, and we'll see you at the clubrooms in Russell Terrace Newtown from 9:30am.

WMSA Prizegiving

WMSA Prize Giving is finally all go with an open invitation to all club's members and friends.

TUESDAY 26TH MAY
HOSTED BY KAPITI CAR CLUB
WEKA PARK CLUBROOMS
RAUMATI BEACH
7.00PM HAPPY HALF HOUR
(www.kapiticarclub.co.nz for directions)

7.30PM, Guest Speaker MSNZ Vice President Crunch Bennett. Topic of interest to all competitors – the new fuel handling regulations and how it WILL affect you.

9.30PM Stay for a chat or wander off home.

Enquiries to John Clunie 021 745 604 johnclunie@paradise.net.nz

Future Clubnights

The committee has decided to ask for ideas on what you would like for future clubnights. Many of the ideas floated at the committee meetings, we feel, we have already done in recent times, so aren't keen to keep repeating ourselves. We want to make clubnights interesting, sometimes informative, and fun.

Therefore if you have any good ideas on topics, places, or areas of interest, please pass on your thoughts to one of the committee members as listed above. We always welcome good suggestions.

After all we could just have a social night for every clubnight where we get together for a few refreshments and a chin-wag, as a way of catching up once a month.

Club Members in Action

A group of our members we recently in action at the Hawkes Bay Car Club speed weekend. Two seal hillclimbs on consecutive days.

Murray O'Neil, Don McLean and Ron Scanlon all went up and acquitted themselves well. At Seafield Road Ron was the fastest saloon car, second overall, less than a second behind a Jedi.

Don won his class and was 13th overall, while Murray was 8th overall, from a field of 47.

Tony Burrowes was in action at Rally Hawkes Bay and finished 21st overall on day one, in a rented Evo 4.

The latest news from the Taranaki Tarmac Rally is that Tony finished 15th overall and 8th in class, using a Subaru Impreza.

News hotline

If you have any results or news on our members exploits, please send the info through to Jody at the above contacts.

Coming Events - 2009

17 May	Gravel Sprint	Valley View, Upper Hutt
24 May	Gravel Sprint	Puketiro Road, Caterton
31 May	Intermarque Sprints	Manfeild
30-31	King of the	Ohingaiti. See www.
May	Mountains, Sealed	motorsportmanawatu.
	Hillclimb Weekend	org.nz for info
7 June	Winter Clubmans	Manfeild
	Race Series	
7 June	Autocross	New Silverstream
		venue
7 June	John Grapes	Gwavas Forest,
	Memorial	Hawkes Bay
	Rallysprint	
10 June	Night Trial	Hutt Valley Clubrooms
13-14	Targa Rotorua	
June		
14 June	Autocross	Otaihunga Track
21 June	Gravel Sprint	Gladstone Road, Levin
28 June	Winter Clubmans	Manfeild
	Race Series	