

# WELLINGTON CAR CLUB (INC.)

# **Bulletin** Oct - Nov 2010

Welcome to the Bulletin for October and November.

As I sit here writing, while listening to the Cricket, the first round of the NZV8s was on yesterday, and the sun has warmed our fine city for two days in a row, I am thinking, "could summer finally be here". I hope so.

Certainly the sealed events have been making their re-appearance, read on.......

#### **Clubnight**

# **Retro Movie Night**

Car Clubrooms, Russell Terrace, Newtown.

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 7:30pm

First up Smash Palace

Second up (if we have time) Sleeping Dogs

Yes, I realise that some of you will remember these movies like it was yesterday, but they are now considered NZ classics.

Bring your own bean bag and refreshments to share.

Murray has put up an excellent white screen and a good sound system, and I have a projector. It will be just like being at the movies, only better.

#### Clubrooms

With the clubrooms now looking fine again, thanks to Murray O'Neil and Anthony Paroli, plus assistants, we thought it would be a fine idea to make better use of them. So the first club social event will be the movie night above.

We are 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.

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# **Membership Subscriptions**

This is your final reminder!!!! (warning) If you haven't paid up, please do so asap.

Contact Brian Budd (details above) to sort your renewal.

# **WCC AGM**

Thank you to all those who attended. It was a good AGM, with many ideas and issues covered.

As you will see from the updated Committee panel above, we are pleased to welcome on some new people. Well done to Gordon Diggle to re-taking the presidency, Catherine Skinner for stepping up as Club Captain, with Paul Berkahn and Sam Tuckey formally coming onto the Committee Executive. Plus we are pleased to welcome the help of Don McLean, Luke Keith, and Mark Anstis as co-opted assistants. Jono Begely also remains as the club scrutineer.

Also, thank you to the returning committee members. Your continuing support is appreciated.

With this excellent team, the committee are looking forward to creating a bigger and better club from here.

Bernie Keith was very pleased to announce the addition of two new Life Members. In recognition of their long standing and un-wavering commitment to the club, Gordon Diggle and Ian Jensen were officially inducted to this exclusive rank.

Well done and very well deserved.

#### **Shelly Bay**

Well, what can I say about this event? On a very windy day, with road conditions that weren't conducive to recommended levels of grip, we fired 28 cars around a narrow road at high speed.

It was exciting for the competitors, the marshals and the organisers, to say the least. Unfortunately we managed to destroy 3 cars and give a few others a scare.

Despite the carnage, everyone got three official runs and a tight battle developed for most of the classes, not to mention overall.

In the end it was a determined Tony Burrowes who managed to pull the fastest time of the day on his last run, to pip Ron Scanlan by a mere half a second.

Ron was followed by another 2 WCC members as Ryan Stevens took third (and first in class D) and John McAndrew fourth.

Other members to do well were Marty Smith in 6<sup>th</sup> overall, with Nick Tollemache 1<sup>st</sup> in class B.

A big thank you goes out to the organisers, marshals, and volunteers who made the day happen. Also a big thank you goes to Craig and Julie at Harbour City Security, Quality Demolition, Hirepool, and Anthony Futter with his car extracting hi-ab truck.

Results are available at www.carclub.co.nz

### Rally Wairarapa

Another great event, in fact it was one of the best Wairarapa rallies ever. The addition of the Malcolm Stewart Classic rally was a huge success, and 70

### Coming Events - 2010

13-14	MG Classic Race	Manfeild	
Nov	Meeting		
14-20	Silver Fern Classic	South Island	
Nov	Rally		
20 Nov	1/4 Mile Sprint	Lower King Rd, New	
		Plymouth	
21 Nov	Seal Hillclimb	Kaipikari Road,	
		Taranaki	
27 Nov	Seal Sprint	Western Line,	
		Wanganui	
28 Nov	Seal Sprint	Brunswick Road,	
		Wanganui	
28 Nov	Seal Autocross	Slipway, Brooklyn	
28 Nov	Gravel Sprint	Triple Bridges,	
		Hastings	
5 Dec	Intermarque Sprints	Manfeild	
12 Dec	Gravel Hillclimb	Dorsets Rd, Masterton	
19 Dec	Autocross	Sliverstream	
19 Dec	Dual Car Sprints	Manfeild	
23 Jan	Street Sprint	Port Rd, Seaview	
30 Jan	Seal Hillclimb	Wallaceville Hill	

odd competitors had a fun time on the Wairarapa back roads.

I could go on forever about this event, but suffice to say that if you haven't been to this event or volunteered on it, make sure you get your backside roadside next year.

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 <a href="https://www.rallywairarapa.co.nz">www.rallywairarapa.co.nz</a> for more info.

# **Daybreaker Rally**

The last rally of the season (around these parts anyway) and the last round of the Central Region Rally Series, saw 48 crews take on the tight, twisty and challenging roads of the Manawatu.

It was great to see this event come back after a year away, and especially great to see the likes of Chris West, Richard Mason, and Dean Sumner lead the field. Unfortunately both Dean and Richard had problems, but well done to Chris for taking the win.

Out and about it started to look more like a Wairarapa Rally, with many of the people involved in the southern event helping out to make sure the

Daybreaker was a success. It was good to see the co-operative spirit being put into action in order to help our sport survive.

Of our members, well done to Marty Smith on achieving 12<sup>th</sup> overall and third in class. And also to Mark Ansits for getting third in Class B on his debut rally.

# **The Sealed Events**

I did mention that the seal events have been making a re-appearance. Shelly Bay was one of the first. Port Rd was next, with Ron Scanlan again taking the outright win, followed by Ryan Stevens in second. Well done team.

Then just last weekend it was the long standing Admiral Road event. Although it has got shorter and shorter over the years, it is still a classic in the region and a favourite of drivers.

Again the WCC team has excelled, with Ron Scanlan taking the win, this time followed by (ex WCC member) Harvey Kibble, and Don McLean in third.

His win at Admirals Road has successfully wrapped up the Duncan MacKenzie trophy for Ron. To quote him "The Duncan McKenzie series Trophy is now in the bag for a record breaking 5th time. I'm a very, very happy man. Thanks to everyone that has supported me with both my health and my motorsport over the past five years."

Excellent, well done Ron!!

#### **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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