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Club meetings are held on
the first Monday of each
month at the SC RSA
Clubrooms, Wai-iti Road,
Timaru at 7.45pm

Upcoming Events

August 12	Poker Run 11 am Teapot Inn Temuka
September 3	Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45
Sept 22-24	Sth Canty Weekend, Akaroa Run
September 22	Alexandra Blossom Festival
October 1	Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45
October 13 - 14	McLeans Island Swapmeet
October ?	Club Run
November 18	Geraldine Arts and Plants Festival
November 5	Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45
November 24 - 25	Rose Festival
December 1	Christmas Function RSA Timaru
December 1	Timaru Christmas Parade
December 3	Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45
December 8	Waimate Strawberry Fare
January 1 2008	New Years Day Parade Fairlie
February 4	Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45
February	Waipiata Ute Muster
February 22 - 24	Art Deco Ranfurly
March 3	Club Meeting SCRSA 7.45
March 15	Havelock Mussel Festival
March 21 - 24 Easter	Southern Connection Ashburton – 8 months !!

President's Report

Another month has slipped by and daylight hours are getting longer. A very enjoyable Club run with the Falcon Club this month - thanks Malcolm and Barry.

There has been talk about hosting a Barbeque and inviting other Classic Car Clubs nearer to Christmas. We will keep you informed.

It was great news to receive the letter from Kapiti Horowhenua Zephyr Zodiac Car Club stating that they are prepared to host the 2009 International Convention at Masterton.

Its very nice to know that Zephyring in New Zealand is very much alive despite Auckland pulling out from hosting the 2009 International Convention in preference to going to support an Australian club. It will be interesting to see how many Aucklanders actually go to Australia.

It will be fantastic to have the Australian support the International Convention as over the years they have been very supportive of International conventions held in New Zealand. (Melbourne is not an International Convention). It is still several months to the International Convention so lets get behind Kapiti Horowhenua Club and support it. Good on you Alister and his team at Kapiti Horowhenua.

I will be going.

Rookie.

Editor's Report

Thanks a bunch everyone for all the support you are giving me with reports and fun bits to put in our great magazine. Ladies page is coming together now with our ladies having their input.

Next month I will have to do the magazine real early as we are away for 10 days, so can you have your reports etc to me by 13 August as I will have to do the magazine before I go.

Keep up the good work and love your help.

Mary-Jean.

Dunedin Auto Spectacular

On a wet cold Friday afternoon we set off in the Mainline ute (with newly fitted heater) to Dunedin for their annual Auto Spectacular, which was held on the Saturday the 30th June.

The trip over the Kilmog was a bit scary, as it was all ready dark and was blanketed in fog. Grit had been spread on the road for ice, which also covered the white lines! A bit of a guessing game as to where the lanes were, as there are passing lanes on both sides of the centre line, so not sure whether the line you could see intermittently was the centre line, passing lane line or the edge of the road!!!

Glad to eventually see some tail lights ahead. Arrived safe and sound, found motel and made contact with Phil & Mary-Jean. Arrangements were made to meet them at the "Reef" restaurant along with Shona & Geoff Taylor, who had all arrived earlier in the day.

We had a very enjoyable evening with a few drinks, lovely seafood meal and a brisk walk back to our motel afterwards. Geoff had taken his Mk 4 out to the Edgar Sports Centre Friday afternoon to be put on display, so they also were on foot. Saturday morning Gavin up bright & early to go to Swap Meet but didn't start till doors open at 9.00am (which he was told night before). Mary-Jean went with Phil at 9.00am to show, I thought might go shopping but then thought probably could do both, so caught taxi out to car show (in case I missed something) about 10.00am.



Pleased I did as there were some amazing cars, different to what I have

seen at other shows. There were one make displays, Hot Rods, motor bikes, go-karts, classic, vintage, army jeeps, dragsters etc. At one point Gavin was standing in front of Drag car, talking - NOT listening to announcer, who was warning people that they were going to start it up. Well, you guessed it - Gavin nearly needed a change of underwear! Boy was it loud, people came from every corner of the building to see what was making all the noise.

They also held a Spannerman competition which was great fun to watch and was held in heats, with two teams of 2 competing against the clock. They had to start motor, then pull it to bits, including taking out spark plugs, pistons, con rods, sump, put oil in container, head & manifold off, distributor out, then reassemble as fast as they can & start motor again.



The heat we watched was won by the more 'mature' team in a time of just over 11mins, with the young guys giving them a run for their money.

My personal choice of all the cars was the very cool red & white T Bird convertible. Everyone I spoke to had their own favourites. On the way back from car show I got dropped off at shopping mall, so still managed a bit of shopping!!

The Edgar Sports Centre was an excellent venue to show all the cars plus have swap meet all under one roof, with plenty of room to walk amongst the displays. Well worth the trip to Dunedin.

Marilyn Ladbrook

Club Gossip



Peter and Mary Hunter have a new baby in their family - MK4

Quentin Wreford had 1st club run with his MK 3 and can't follow the leader

Allan Ligget arrived in his unwashed MK2 - and also late

Steve Rouse decided to bring his MK2 on club run because it was fine - didn't want to come to last meeting as it was wet so he cosied up to the fire instead.

CLUB NAME BADGES now available.....

\$15.00 each - contact direct Timaru Engravers 148 Evans st Timaru 03 684 5756 email: sales@timaruengravers.co.nz

POKER RUN

Sunday, 12 August

11 am - Meet at the Teapot Inn, King Street, Temuka
Bring or buy lunch.

AKAROA RUN

SC Anniversary Weekend - 21, 22, 23 September

Leave Friday, 21st or Saturday, 22nd September

Driftwood Wai iti Motels 0508 928 373 as this is French Festival Weekend you will have to book early. 1 - 3 bedroom units available now. Please make your own booking.

Cottage with 5 Bedrooms, 1 bathroom large living area, deck and fully equipped kitchen. booked for Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights cost \$24.00 - \$40.00 couple for the weekend 2 rooms taken already Motels available also Contact Jim McDonald 684 7733

CLUB CHRISTMAS DINNER

Yes, only four months to go!!

1 December at RSA Timaru

\$25.00 per head. Pay to Club by November meeting

Club Run with Falcon Club

After gathering in Placemakers on a lovely sunny winters day approximately 7 Z cars (1 MK 5) joined the Ford Falcon club on a leisurely run out to Clandeboye then on to Rangitata to the Chequered Flag where the cars were on display and lunch and drinks were enjoyed. Set in pleasant surroundings it was interesting looking at the motor bikes and motor bike memorabilia on display.



The Hunters were in disguise (or was it only me that did not recognise them?) in their recently purchased MK 4 and Don joined the run in a MK 5 (American style)

After a leisurely catch-up with old friends, interesting how the good old kiwi culture of males in one area and females in another, although this time also included Ford Falcon/Z Car groups, is still alive and well, we moved onto the Tin Shed.

After looking through the Tin Shed shop where several "bargains" were purchased and farm yard animals and poultry viewed we then drove to Geraldine to the Vintage Car Museum. The immaculate buildings and grounds were impressive as were some of the vehicles on display. Z cars were not well represented with a Consul being the only one (that I recognised any way) there. We then all went our separate ways back home.

The joint run was enjoyable, catching up with old friends and meeting new ones. It is also good to be able to view cars which we normally do not see. (the power of the V8's was impressive)

Thank you to the Ford Falcon Club for inviting the Z cars to cruise along with them. **Christine & Malcolm Stewart**

For Sale & Wanted

MK 3 Power head, MK 2 Dif and axle, MK 2 air cleaner, generator and starter, MK 2 and 3 axles 1 of each, MK 2 and 3 oil pumps, MK 2 and 3 heads cam shafts , MK 2 and 3 crankshafts - 3, MK 2 and 3 strut and brake, MK2 zephyr grille damaged, clutches and floor change unit MK 3 Zephyr, Zodiac inner door lock, black knobs and gear lever knobs

Zephyr off set camber pins \$180.00 Contact Bruce Bishop 03 688 1204

1957 MK 2 Zephyr This car was fully restored by the Classic Car Magazine project. Full restoration particulars available - a very tidy example located in Ashburton

Phone Geoff Taylor 03 303 7290 home mobile 027 348 6855

CLUB MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

Number plate frames	\$25.00 pair
Grille badge	\$45.00 each
Window sashes	\$13.50 each
Lapel badges	\$7.00 each
Monogram badges	\$7.00 each

Contact Peter Hunter 03 688 1463

50's and 60's luggage, vanity cases, hat boxes, dressmakers model wanted Contact Mary-Jean 03 686 1812

Restoration Buddy

Contact advisors, helpers:

Phil Rooke	Phone:	03 686 1812
Bruce Bishop	Phone:	03 688 1204
Malcolm Stewart	Phone :	03 686 1282

**SOUTHERN CONNECTION
ASHBURTON EASTER 2008
REGISTRATION FORM**

NAME.....
ADDRESS:.....
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PHONE NUMBER:.....
CLUB:.....
NUMBER ATTENDING:.....
DEPOSIT INCLUDED:.....

To be held at the Hotel Ashburton

Please make cheques payable to South Canterbury Zephyr Zodiac Enthusiasts Car Club and post to:

Southern Connection

PO Box 20

Hinds Mid Canterbury.

Deposit \$25

Accommodation available

Hotel Ashburton 03 3083059

Coronation Holiday Park and Motels, cabins, tourist flats, motels.
03 3086603

Ladies Page

OUR AMERICAN TRIP

In June last year we travelled via Auckland, San Francisco, and Phoenix to Detroit with time changes etc and very little sleep for 28 hours.

Reason for the trip being the chance to visit the HENRY FORD MUSEUM in Detroit. This Museum was opened in 1929 and has one of the biggest collections of cars in the world, you could easily spend a day here.

Next stop was the FORD ROUGE FACTORY for a tour of this amazing complex to see the FORD 150 Utility trucks are made. Visitors have the opportunity to view the vehicles as they go through the various stages of assembly to completion. The total Ford Assembly Plant comprises 2000 acres, which will give you some idea of the scale of the complex. Later that day we went to the massive IMAX THEATRE also part of the Museum Complex.



Photo Courtesy: The Henry Ford, Dearborn, Michigan

Next day we visited the Greenfield Village (90 acres) next door the Museum, which is set out like a town. Buildings of Historic significance ie; Thomas Edison's House which was moved there, to its parlours, storefronts, workshops, and farms spanning more than 300 years of America's

past. You are able to get on and off a steam train which circles the village.

A few days later we arrived in Nashville Tennessee, purpose of this visit to take in a show at the GRAND OLE OPREY at the Ryman Auditorium - country music at its best -an awesome experience.

Memphis Tennessee was next and a visit to Elvis Presley's Mansion GRACELANDS - the tour took us through Professional and Personal life of Elvis, the hundreds of Gold and Platinum records awards lining the walls, a tribute to his brilliant career. This part of our trip wouldn't have been complete without a visit to the famous BEALE STREET - the melting pot of Delta Blues, Jazz, Rock n Roll, Gospel etc. We dined on spicy Cajun food and danced the night away at BB KINGS NIGHTCLUB.

The deep voices of some of the African American women have to be heard to be believed.

Next major city New Orleans, which can I say absolute destruction after the floods, traffic lights still almost parallel to the road, but still working. Rooding in need of major repairs, hundreds and hundreds of cars stacked on top of each other under overpasses, devastation everywhere. However on a lighter note our accommodation was fine and a trip to BOURBON STREET a must. This was our last stop before flying across to Las Vegas and on to the Napa Valley for a family Wedding.

Yvette Worner



Photo Courtesy: The Henry Ford, Dearborn, Michigan

Allan & Christine Liggett's MkII Zephyr



My first encounter was with my neighbour's 1956 pastel green Mk2. At the time I owned a Morris 1000 and we got talking and swapped cars. I did many miles in the MK2 as I worked in Balclutha and travelled to and from Timaru. Unfortunately it came to a sticky end. (I'll say no more!)

I went to Lang and Laycock and brought a newly painted MK3, but it was the shape of the MK2 that stayed with me, especially the last of them with all their chrome, the proper dash and tail lights.

It would be a long time before I would own a MK2 again. In 1996 I met Gordon Stocker in the clean up after the flood at Pleasant Point.

In 2002 Gordon offered to show me his collection of Ford Capris, because at the time I owned a 1969 Capri. But it was a red & white 1961 MK2 that took my eye. It had done 126000 miles & I couldn't believe it Gordon had just sold it! I'd never been this close to a MK2 in 30 years. Fortunately after many phone calls and the powers of persuasion I became it's new owner.

The MK2 had been parked up for 16 years. When we picked her up we tried to tow start her with a tractor - no brakes, milk bottle fuel tank, bonnet wide open and back wheels skidding, but no joy.

The trip to Timaru was memorable as in the 1970's when I owned my first MK2 there was a song out by Lobo called 'Me & you & a dog named boo"', with a little rearranging it became 'Me & you & the old MK2' and there it was playing on the radio - what a wonderful feeling. Another detail worth noting was she was first registered on my birthday 27/09/61.

Once home I tried the key start and she burst into life - the first time for 16 years and it sounded real good. For the next 3 years I got to know my dream car inside and out. Other than the motor and having some mechanical knowledge I repaired and replaced a number of parts. I stayed with it's original colour red and white and left the interior which was still in good condition. The big day came - the first WOF for 19 years and she flew through!.

We've done 4000 miles and have been on many zephyr runs including the Southern Connection in Balclutha.

Thanks to SCZZEC members who have helped me in many ways with parts and advice - now I'm LIVING THE DREAM.

Allan Liggett



News Flash !!

2009 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION WAIRARAPA NEW ZEALAND

As you are probably aware, Auckland Consul Zephyr Zodiac Car Club have stood down from hosting the 2009 International Convention (I refer to their letter dated 25 June 2007).

Several clubs have approached us requesting us to consider hosting this important event. After much consideration, we have decided to accept the challenge and host this event. While we are aware that it is short notice, we have been able to secure a location in the heart of the Wairarapa area.

It will be held at the:

Copthorne Hotel and Resort, Solway Park, Masterton.

Nestled in the lush Wairarapa Valley..... With 24 acres of landscaped grounds, nestled amongst lush farmland and award-winning vineyards, what better way to combine business with pleasure to celebrate our convention?

When - Friday the 10th April and cease on Monday the 13th April 2009 (Easter)

Southern Connection Fundraiser

For sale

MDF Cover sheets \$10.00 each - \$15.00 cut to your sizes - Suitable for lining out garages / shelving etc

All sales to Convention Fund - Contact Phil 03 688 4808

Donated by Phil and Mary-Jean.

POTATOES 20 KG Bags - \$6.00 each available from Phil and Mary-Jean at home 03 686 1812 day and night

Kindly donated by Ross and Yvette Worner



Geoff Taylor's MkIV on show in Dunedin



Quentin Wreford like to have 2 handles at a time !!

More next month.....