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## Rover Car Club of Otago.

### Suggested & Organised Events 2008 / 2009

July 08

Wednesday the 2nd of July. Monthly meeting University Staff Club  
Saturday the 5th of July. Auto Spectacular at the Edgar Centre, Dunedin.  
Saturday the 5th of July. Rover Car Club of Otago AGM.

August 08

Wednesday the 6th of August. Monthly meeting University Staff Club

September 08

Wednesday the 3rd of September. Monthly meeting University Staff Club

October 08

Wednesday the 1st of October. Monthly meeting University Staff Club

November 08

Wednesday the 5th of November. Monthly meeting University Staff Club  
Annual "Nove Rove" Rally. More details to follow

December 08

Wednesday the 3rd of December. Monthly meeting University Staff Club

January 09

No monthly meeting in January.

February 09

Wednesday the 4th of February. Monthly meeting University Staff Club  
28th of February - 6th of March. Classic Motoring Awards, Nelson

March 09

Wednesday the 4th of March. Monthly meeting University Staff Club

April 09

Wednesday the 1st of April. Monthly meeting University Staff Club  
10th - 13th of April. ARCC Rally, New Plymouth

Monthly meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday each month.  
University Staff Club 7.00pm.  
Drinks & Natter

## Not Your Every Day Rover



This “kneeling” truck was developed to transport the Rover-BRM to Le Mans in 1965. It was front wheel drive only.



## From The Editor...

A guy driving a Yugo pulls up at a stoplight next to a Rolls-Royce. The driver of the Yugo rolls down his window and shouts to the driver of the Rolls, "Hey, buddy, that's a nice car. You got a phone in your Rolls? I've got one in my Yugo!" The driver of the Rolls looks over and says simply, "Yes I have a phone." The driver of the Yugo says, "Cool! Hey, you got a fridge in there, too? I've got a fridge in the back seat of my Yugo!" The driver of the Rolls, looking annoyed, says, "Yes, I have a refrigerator." The driver of the Yugo says, "That's great, man! Hey, you got a TV in there, too? You know, I got a TV in the back seat of my Yugo!" The driver of the Rolls, looking very annoyed by now, says, "Of course I have a television. A Rolls-Royce is the finest luxury car in the world!" The driver of the Yugo says, "Very cool car! Hey, you got a bed in there, too? I got a bed in the back of my Yugo!" Upset that he did not have a bed, the driver of the Rolls-Royce sped away, and went straight to the dealer, where he promptly ordered that a bed be installed in the back of the Rolls.

The next morning, the driver of the Rolls picked up the car, and the bed looked superb, with satin sheets and brass trim. It was clearly a bed fit for a Rolls Royce. So the driver of the Rolls begins searching for the Yugo, and he drove all day. Finally, late at night, he finds the Yugo parked, with all the windows fogged up from the inside. The driver of the Rolls got out and knocked on the Yugo. When there wasn't any answer, he knocked and knocked, and eventually the owner stuck his head out, soaking wet. "I now have a bed in the back of my Rolls-Royce," the driver of the Rolls stated arrogantly. The driver of the Yugo looked at him and said, "You got me out of the shower to tell me THIS?!"

### Bumper Sticker Suggestion Of The Month

IF YOU CAN READ THIS, I'VE LOST MY TRAILER

# ROVER CAR CLUB of OTAGO

MINUTES of the meeting of members, University Staff Club, 7pm Wed 4<sup>th</sup> June 2008

## PRESENT

Ross Allan, Walton Brown, Reid Buchan, John Moore, Alastair McInnes, Jeff Sparrow, Norman Sparrow.

## APOLOGIES

Ian & Eleanore Clark, Bernie Halford, Ray Pilley, Jan Smith.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Club newsletters received from - Auckland, Canterbury, Waikato, Wellington. Taranaki Rover Club - Enclosing entry forms for ARCC Rally April 2009.

## MEMBERSHIP

Resignations, nil. Applications, nil

## SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions paid to date Town 24 Country 26,

## TRIPS & OUTINGS

Auto-spectacular 2008 - Edgar Centre, Saturday 5th July 2008  
To feature 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the P5 (Norman & Alastair to arrange)  
Dunedin Festival of Speed - date to be advised  
Nov Rove - details to be advised  
Classic Motoring Awards Nelson Feb28 – March 6th 2009  
ARCC Rally 2009 - New Plymouth 10th – 13<sup>th</sup> of April

## GENERAL BUSINESS

Rover Club Badges etc - Tee-shirts \$30 each. Material to be selected after viewing.  
Colours - Burgundy with white bands, Monogrammed, and with pocket.  
Lapel badge (2 samples supplied) agreed the smaller badge (would also make excellent base for ARCC Rally 2010)

## CLUB AGM

To be held on Saturday 5th July 2008, following the Auto-spectacular  
Venue - Nanking Palace, King Edward St, South Dunedin. Banquet meal \$30 per person  
Agreed the Club will subsidise the cost by \$5 per person  
Nomination forms, and Agenda, to be circulated this month

## CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 8pm, followed by general discussion

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## A Few Things To Think About...

If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days you would have produced enough sound energy to heat one cup of coffee.

If you farted consistently for 6 years and 9 months, enough gas is produced to create the energy of an atomic bomb.

The human heart creates enough pressure when it pumps out to the body to squirt blood 30 feet.

A cockroach will live nine days without its head before it starves to death. (Creepy.)

Banging your head against a wall uses 150 calories a hour

The male praying mantis cannot copulate while its head is attached to its body. The female initiates sex by ripping the male's head off.

The flea can jump 350 times its body length. It's like a human jumping the length of a football field.

The catfish has over 27,000 taste buds.

Some lions mate over 50 times a day.

Butterflies taste with their feet.

The strongest muscle in the body is the tongue.

Right-handed people live, on average, nine years longer than left-handed people.

Elephants are the only animals that cannot jump.

An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.

Starfish have no brains

Polar bears are left-handed.



## IGNITION.

June 2008.

Here we are another Otago Rover Car Club year almost over, with the Auto-spectacular and our AGM in sight again.

The Auto-spectacular is celebrating 100 years of G.M. with a Summer Holiday as its theme.

We are intending to showcase the 50<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Rover P5 using a summer holiday theme.

Our AGM and dinner will be at the Nanking Palace Restaurant King Edward Street, South Dunedin 6-30 for a 6-45 pm AGM followed by dinner at 7pm. Cost \$26 per head.

Notice of the AGM was in last months edition of the Tribune.

We have on order hopefully available at the Auto-spectacular or AGM, club short sleeve shirts Rover Maroon white stripe around the collar with the club motif on the front, with a pocket at \$30-00. These are European sizes M, L, XL and XXL.

Please advise if you are attending the AGM and shirt sizes required, to me at email: [Norspar@clear.net.nz](mailto:Norspar@clear.net.nz) or telephone 03-487 6275.

Looking forward to the 5th July and seeing many of you all again.

In the meantime

**As Usual -Safe & Happy Roving.**  
Norman & Carleen S.

## Rover Cycles



## Some Interesting Quotes

*"The more a British sports car malfunctions, breaks, and/or falls apart, the more endearing it becomes to the owner."*

*Aerodynamics are for people who cannot build engines.*

Enzo Ferrari

*Horsepower sells cars, torque wins races!*

Carroll Shelby

*If you want to go really fast in a big Healey, a drop of whisky always helped.*

Timo Makinen

*"The name of a British sports car shall consist primarily of letters and numbers, with said letters and numbers chosen in random fashion so that the resultant vehicle name is totally devoid of any meaning."*

This law explains why British cars have spectacularly bad names, like "E-Type", or "MGB-GT."

You buy a British sports car. You have had it a year and a half and have replaced every item on the car at least twice. When the engine is started, it sounds as if someone has thrown a handful of ball bearings into a blender. But when someone offers to buy it, you are offended because "it is like part of the family," and besides, "it is so much fun to drive." British sports car owners often stare into space and smile a lot.

*"All British sports cars, regardless of condition or age, shall always have at least one system or subsystem of components which is entirely non-functional, and which cannot be repaired except on a semi-permanent or semi-functional basis." (Also known as the "Lucas Electrics Law".)*



## Don't Believe Everything You See

