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**THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF
THE ROVER CAR CLUB OF OTAGO**

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October 08

Wednesday the 1st of October. Monthly meeting University Staff Club
Saturday the 18th of October. 10am-4pm. Car, truck, tractor & machinery display with swop meet. Naseby

November 08

Saturday the 1st & Sunday the 2nd of November. "Nove Rove" rally to Oamaru.
Book into Armada Motor Inn, Ph 0800 62 62 78.
Email office@armadamotorinn.co.nz

Wednesday the 5th of November. Monthly meeting University Staff Club

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
Saturday the 28th & Sunday the 29th of March. McLeans Island Vintage Country Fair.

April 09

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

May 09

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

June 09

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

Monthly meetings 1st Wednesday each month.
University Staff Club 7.00pm.
Drinks & Matter

From The Editor...

New Shoes.

A Blonde goes to a shoe shop to buy some crocodile shoes. She tries on several pairs until she finds some she likes. She asks the Shop Keeper the price and he says \$350. The blond complains that they are far too expensive and says that she will go out and hunt a crocodile her self in order to have some shoes.

A few days later the Shop Keeper was driving down the road and saw the Blonde beside a lake. She had a rifle in her hand and a large pile of crocodiles beside her.

He pulled over and walked over to her.

He asked "what do you think you are doing?"

She said I told you your shoes were too expensive so I'm here to get some for myself.

The Shop Keeper asks "what's with the pile of Crocodiles?"

The Blonde says "As I've shot each one I've dragged it out of the lake and so far none of them are wearing shoes"

A woman walks into a CYFS office, trailed by 15 kids...

"WOW," the social worker exclaims, "Are they ALL yours?"

"Yeah they are all mine," the flustered mother sighs, having heard that question a thousand times before.

She says, "Sit down Terry." All the children rush to find seats.

"Well," says the social worker, "then you must be here to sign up. I'll need all your children's names."

"This one's my oldest - he is Terry."

"OK, and who's next?"

"Well, this one he is Terry, also."

The social worker raises an eyebrow but continues. One by one, through the oldest four, all boys, all named Terry.

Then she is introduced to the eldest girl, named Terri.

"All right," says the caseworker. "I'm seeing a pattern here. Are they ALL named Terri?"

Their Mother replied, "Well, yes-it makes it easier. When it is time to get them out of bed and ready for school, I yell, 'Terry!' An' when it's time for dinner, I just yell 'Terry!' an' they all come runnin.' An' if I need to stop the kid who's running into the street, I just yell "Terry" and all of them stop. It's the smartest idea I ever had, namin' them all Terry."

The social worker thinks this over for a bit, then wrinkles her forehead and says tentatively, "But what if you just want ONE kid to come, and not the whole bunch."

"I call them by their surnames!"

Reminder

Subscriptions for the year to 31 May 2009 are payable by 30 September 2008.

Alastair McInnes, Club Secretary / Treasurer.



Bumper Sticker Suggestion Of The Month

NO RADIO, ALREADY STOLEN

ROVER CAR CLUB of OTAGO

MINUTES of meeting of members, held in the University Staff Club, 7pm Wed 3rd September 2008.

PRESENT

Ross Allan, Walton Brown, Reid Buchan ,Bernie Halford, Kevin Philips, Jenny Newstead, Alastair McInnes, Jan Smith, Norman Sparrow.

APOLOGIES

Ian & Eleanore Clark, Ray Pilley.

CORRESPONDENCE

Club newsletters received from - Auckland, Bay of Plenty, Canterbury, Waikato.

MEMBERSHIP

Resignations nil

Applications nil

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions paid to date Town 13, Country 19

Outstanding subs to be followed up

TRIPS & OUTINGS

Alexandra Blossom Festival 26/28 Sept

Naseby Car Show 18th October 10am to 4pm

“Nov Rove” 1st & 2nd Nov. Accommodation @ Armada Motor Inn 0800 62 62 78

Classic Motoring Awards Nelson Feb 26 / Mar 6

ARCC Rally 2009 New Plymouth 10/13 April

GENERAL BUSINESS

1) Rover Club Tee-shirts awaiting delivery

2) Nove Rove -Bernie to check route and local attractions.

- Reid proposed the Club reimburse fuel cost. Declined by Bernie.

The proposal was amended to cover the cost of a meal. seconded NS Agreed

- Opportunity to investigate possibility of running 2010 ARCC rally

based at Oamaru

3) Dragon Boat at MacAndrew Bay Sat/Sun afternoon Possible run ?

4) Nog and Natter at Norm`s to celebrate completion of patio ?

CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 8.30pm, followed by general discussion

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Rover 75 V8



This Rover Motorcycle c1915 is in the National Motorcycle Museum of Australia.

“NOVE ROVE” To Oamaru.

1st and 2nd of November.

9am departure from North Dunedin Gt King St
Nth (by the Gardens)

We are staying at the ARMADA MOTOR INN.

For reservations phone: 0800 62 62 78.

e-mail: office@armadamotorinn.co.nz

Mention that you're with the Rover Car Club, because if we get more than 10 rooms booked, we will get a discount. Standard costs start at \$80 for a studio unit.

Please at some point let me, (or Canterbury Club Captain) know if you're coming as I need numbers for the evening meal booking. This will be in the Galleon restaurant which is part of the Motor Inn complex, but run by different people. This has a bar where we can meet prior to our 7pm restaurant booking time. Full restaurant menu will be offered.

Leaving Dunedin at 9am (bring morning tea with you please) we will take a scenic route to Oamaru where we will meet with some of the Canterbury club members for a **12.30pm** lunch.

Meeting place is at the Blue Penguin area on Waterfront Rd. There is plenty of lawn parking along here with a Café and toilets in easy walking distance.

Lunch is not organized so you'll need to either bring or buy your own.

1.30pm we are booked to view the Whitestone Quarry and Garden. (cost \$10 pp)

“Hopefully” a private museum (**gold coin donation**) will also be visited along with the Totara Estate (**cost yet to be established**) and maybe some other point of interest (some on the Sunday morning).

Remember that the “Nove Rove” has a trophy for the organizers choice, so keep your cars tidy at all times to stand a chance at winning.

We will again run a Christmas hamper raffle with profit going to the next Otago National Rally fund.

Bernie Halford : 03 4876 870 or Lyall Kissell (Ch-ch) : 03 3323 773

IGNITION.

September 2008.

Hi Fellow Oarsman (P,C correct Oarspersons !).in the dragon boat.

The weather is warming up and so it's time to get moving.

The get together at Bernie's was not exactly successful with a poor response from the locals.

We are now looking at the Alexandra Blossom Festival 26th / 27th September as detailed earlier in the Tribune. Specifically, the club is not organizing a Rove to Alexandra that weekend.

However, on the 18th October a Rove to the Naseby Car Show is on the cards. The grapevine informs me that three Rover cars are a starter already.

On Saturday the 18th October those interested and not already organized, a 8 am meeting with a 8-15 am start from the Gardens at North Dunedin is planned. This is basically a day trip to Naseby to support the Car Museum and of course to show the pride of British motor vehicles.

Those intending to travel meeting at North Dunedin please contact me.

Thanks to Geoff Knox for the pictures of the rare Rovers in the U.K forwarded to us, very much appreciated. To be published in the Tribune in due course.

Reminder re the Nov Rove in November, bookings for accommodation to be made at Armada Motor Inn Oamaru. See the Events Calendar for future outings etc.

To date again no further information on the availability of club shirts. Those emails on sizes and availability will be responded too once this a info is to hand.

Safe & Happy Roving.

Norman S.
President.

A Weekend of Nostalgia. Labour Weekend 2009

On the of 7 June 1879, Vincent Pyke turned the first sod at Wingatui to commence the building of the Otago Central Railway to Cromwell.

Over Labour Weekend 2009 (24/25/26 October) to celebrate 130 years since the commencement of the building the line, Taieri Gorge Railway utilising Vulcan Railcar Rm50 , Steam Locomotive Ab795 and an assortment of heritage rolling stock will run services between Middlemarch and Pukerangi. Also a major excursion on Sunday 25 October 2009 hauled by Steam Locomotive Ab663 will bring passengers from Dunedin to Middlemarch.

Middlemarch has something unique in its rail line and station precinct. People are now more aware of our past and most of the current generation remember the 1960's. The Otago Central Line to Cromwell held a fascination for the general Public and Rail Enthusiasts due to the spectacular scenery and the operation of the railway. Part of this fascination was the operation of the Vulcan Railcars for the cartage of passengers and mail and mixed goods trains for freight and parcels and this will be recreated for this weekend.

Vulcan Railcar (RM50/RM56/RM51 depending on mechanical condition)

One of 9 Vulcan Railcars imported for New Zealand Railways in 1939 and which were a regular feature of the Otago Central Line from 1956 to 1976 running a daily service from Dunedin to Alexandra and return. The Plains Railway and Historical Museum have generously allowed the use of this railcar for the celebrations.



New Rover Spotted at Auckland Airport

The Divorced Barbie Doll

One day a father gets out of work and on his way home he suddenly remembers that it's his daughter's birthday.

He pulls over to a toy shop and asks the sales person, 'How much for one of those Barbies in the display window?' The salesperson answers, 'Which one do you mean, Sir?

We have: Work Out Barbie for \$19.95, Shopping Barbie for \$19.95, Beach Barbie for \$19.95, Disco Barbie for \$19.95, Ballerina Barbie for \$19.95, Astronaut Barbie for \$19.95, Skater Barbie for \$19.95, and Divorced Barbie for \$265.95.

The amazed father asks: 'It's what?! Why is the Divorced Barbie \$265.95 and the others only \$19.95?

The annoyed salesperson rolls her eyes, sighs, and answers: 'Sir..., Divorced Barbie comes with: Ken's Car, Ken's House, Ken's Boat, Ken's Furniture, Ken's Computer, one of Ken's Friends, and a key chain made with Ken's balls..

18th October 2008 10am - 4pm

The ENTHUSIASTS OF NASEBY



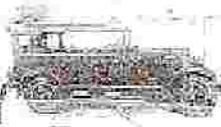
PRESENTS



The INAUGURAL NASEBY
VINTAGE & CLASSIC CAR
MOTORCYCLE & MACHINERY



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OPEN DISPLAY

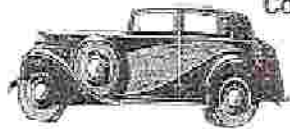
SWAP MEET STALLS



LOCAL CRAFTS



CARBOOT SALES



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Rover Streetwise



Andrew & Theo (New Zealand mechanical engineers) were standing at the base of a flagpole, looking up.

A woman walked by and asked what they were doing.

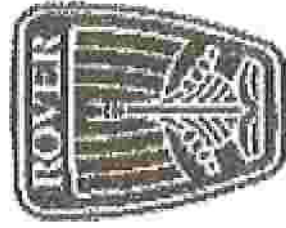
'We're supposed to find the height of the flagpole,' said Theo, 'but we don't have a ladder.'

The woman took a spanner from her purse, loosened a few bolts, and laid the pole down. Then she took a tape measure from her pocket, took a measurement, announced, eight meters, and walked away.

Andrew shook his head and laughed. That's just like a woman, We ask for the height and she gives us the length!

Andrew and Theo are currently working for the government.

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NEWSLETTER NUMBER FOUR

Greetings to all members

National Rally frequency. With all Clubs' feedback in hand now, the majority vote is firmly in favour of retaining our annual Rally. There was one Club wished to change to bi-annual and the remaining seven opted for annual events.

Help Register. I cannot progress this as apart from a couple of Clubs who have sent their committee names/phone contacts in, I have received nothing. As will be recalled from the Nelson list, I envisaged several pages covering local information. Suggestions can include:-- Your Club background, short history, individual members interests/skills, local businesses with an interest in classic cars, and tourist highlights of interest to visiting Club members. Most of this can be written by a member with a lengthy association with the district and your Club and some can be gleaned from tourist brochure publications. I realise this takes time and needs a commitment from a volunteer, perhaps someone retired, but can be very satisfying.

Communication. Thank you to the Editors who published my last Newsletter. Otago, Canterbury, Nelson and Waikato. Whilst not wishing to 'blow my trumpet', some ideas can bring a response from members.

Taranaki 2009. Malcolm Smart informs me that there are four entries to date for next Easter's Rally. May I remind all members that it helps the organising committee immensely to get early applications to work with and in any case Taranaki requested entries by first October.

Next Newsletter & Levy. My next newsletter will be late October and will include details of the annual levy which will be due in November and based on membership numbers as at first November.

I would be very interested to hear from Clubs or individuals suggesting topics which they would like the ARCC to be involved in, spare parts, restorations, insurance, discussing, or negotiating on through the Federation of Motoring Clubs if they involve legal issues pertaining to the use or operation of our cars on the road. Just a few weeks ago, I received from the FOMC, through Roy Hughes, a very interesting questionnaire they are considering with the *NZ Transport Agency* (formerly Land Transport NZ and Transit NZ) at present, on the issue of compulsory third party insurance for all motorists. Something which affects us all in the pocket and sometimes on the road.

Kind regards,

Chris Clark

National Secretary ARCC