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Suggested & Organised Events 2009 / 2010

September 09

Wednesday the 2nd of September. Monthly meeting University Staff Club
Sunday the 20th of September. "Use it Day". Meet at 11am at Performance Cars for a 1 hour drive to a Pub lunch and maybe afternoon tea on the way back.

October 09

Wednesday the 7th of October. Monthly meeting University Staff Club
24th-26th of October. Otago Central Railway 130th celebrations, Middlemarch

November 09

Wednesday the 4th of November. Monthly meeting University Staff Club
Saturday the 7th & Sunday the 8th of November. Nove Rove heading to the Mandeville Air Museum and Borland Lodge in the Black Mount area.

December 09

Wednesday the 2nd of December. Monthly meeting University Staff Club

January 10

No monthly meeting

February 10

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

March 10

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

April 10

Friday the 2nd-Monday the 5th of April. ARCC Rally, Dunedin. See www.trccoo.freeservers.com for more information

Wednesday the 7th of April. Monthly meeting University Staff Club

Monthly meetings 1st Wednesday each month.

University Staff Club 7.00pm.

Drinks & Natter

Rover 3.5 Campervan



“It’s only a scratch.” “It’ll polish out”



From The Editor...

If you currently receive this newsletter by post and would like to receive it by email, let me know. It will save paper, printing and postage.

Don't forget to check out our Club's website.

www.trccoo.freesevers.com

A big thank you to club member Jeff Sparrow who keeps the website up to date.

The Psychiatrist

A PSYHCHIATRIST WAS CONDUCTING A GROUP THERAPY SESSION WITH FOUR YOUNG MOTHERS AND THEIR SMALL CHILDREN.

YOU ALL HAVE OBSESSIONS, HE OBSERVED.

TO THE FIRST MOTHER, MARY, HE SAID, 'YOU ARE OBSESSED WITH EATING. YOU'VE EVEN NAMED YOUR DAUGHTER CANDY.'

HE TURNED TO THE SECOND MUM, ANN: 'YOUR OBSESSION IS WITH MONEY. AGAIN, IT MANIFESTS ITSELF IN YOUR CHILDS NAME, PENNY.'

HE TURNED TO THE THIRD MUM, KATHY: 'YOUR OBSESSION IS ALCOHOL. THIS TOO SHOWS ITSELF IN YOUR CHILDS NAME, BRANDY.'

AT THIS POINT, THE FOURTH MOTHER, JOYCE, QUIETLY GOT UP, TOOK HER LITTLE BOY BY THE HAND AND WHISPERED, 'COME ON DICK, THIS GUY HAS NO IDEA WHAT HE'S TRALKING ABOUT.

LETS PICK UP WILLY FROM SCHOOL AND GO HOME.....

Bumper Sticker Suggestion Of The Month

Time is what keeps everything from happening at once

ROVER CAR CLUB of OTAGO

MINUTES of meeting of members, held in the University Staff Club, 7pm
Wed 5th August, 2009.

PRESENT Walton Brown, Reid Buchan, Ian & Eleanore Clark, Diana Kearns, John Moore, Alastair McInnes, John Rutherford, Joe & Glenice Smith, Jeff Sparrow, Norman Sparrow

APOLOGIES Ross Allan, Ray Pilley, Stuart McCraw

CORRESPONDENCE Club newsletters received from Canterbury, Manawatu, Nelson, Waikato and Wellington
Craig McNaughton, re damaged 1993 Rover 220i. Walton advised that this vehicle is in his workshop.

Paying subscriptions. Subs can be paid directly into the Club's bank account. Details of our account are - Westpac Bank, Moray Place Branch, Account number 03-0905-0035654-00.

NEW MEMBER Chris Diedrichs was welcomed

SUBSCRIPTIONS Subscription notices have been issued, and should be paid this month

TRIPS & OUTINGS

Otago Central Railway 130th Celebrations 24, 25 & 26 October.
Bernie's "Use it Day" Short run, followed by Pub lunch, and a run home.
20th September

GENERAL BUSINESS

Ray Pilley is looking for a belt for the air conditioner on a 1992 Rover Metro.

Club Tee-shirts available for sale. 4 sizes \$30 each

ARCC RALLY 2010

Five registrations have already been received We need as many as possible of our members to be able pressure other Clubs.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

Next meeting

Wednesday 2nd September 2009

What Religion is Your Bra?

A man walked into the ladies department of a Macy's and shyly walked up to the woman behind the counter and said, "I'd like to buy a bra for my wife."

"What type of bra?" asked the clerk?

"Type?" inquires the man, "There's more than one type?"

"Look around," said the Sales lady, as she showed a sea of bras in every shape, size, colour and material imaginable. "Actually, even with all of this variety, there are really only four types of bras to choose from."

Relieved, the man asked about the types. The sales lady replied "There are the Catholic, the Salvation Army, the Presbyterian, and the Baptist types. Which one would you prefer?"

Now totally befuddled, the man asked about the differences between them.

The Sales lady responded, "It is all really quite simple..."

The Catholic type supports the masses.

The Salvation Army type lifts the fallen,

The Presbyterian type keeps them staunch and upright, and

The Baptist makes mountains out of mole hills."

BRA SIZES

Have you ever wondered why A, B, C, D, DD, E, F, G, and H are the letters used to define bra sizes?

If you have wondered why, but couldn't figure out what the letters stood for, it is about time you became informed!

{A} Almost Boobs... {B} Barely there.

{C} Can't Complain! {D} Dang!

{DD} Double dang! {E} Enormous!

{F} Fake. {G} Get a Reduction. {H} Help me, I've fallen and I can't get up.

NOVE ROVE 2009

7th & 8th of November

This years Nove Rove is to leave Performance Cars, Kaikorai Valley, Dunedin at 9.30am. We will join up with more cars in Milton and Balclutha and arrive in Mandeville about 12noon. We will have lunch there (bring your own) and have a look through the Air Museum. A gold coin donation is required for entry.

Then we will head for the Borland Lodge where we will stay the night.

Sunday I expect we will come home via the Coast through Tuatapere, Colac Bay, Riverton, then back home via Maitai, Clinton etc.

If wet we will shorten that drive via Cliften, Otautau etc.

You need to bring Saturday's lunch, Saturdays evening meal (pot luck for at the camp), (all plates, pots etc supplied), Sunday's breakfast.

Also you need to bring sleeping bags and pillows.

Cabins are \$28 per person.

There has been a very good response to this run so some couples will have to share a cabin. If you're not keen on this, let me know, so we can keep you in a cabin of your own.

As yet I haven't had any bookings from the Southland members, so if you are intending to come please let me know. Remember that I organize these events in your region every few years to try and include you in the club, as I know it's to far for you to travel to Dunedin very often.

Book your cabin by ringing Bernie Halford

(03)4876 870 (027)2277 979 or E-mail bshalford@xtra.co.nz

IGNITION.

August 2009.

We had a good turnout at the monthly meeting with the normal activities report and comments.

The Clubs activities are continuing and social events are being organized and published in the Events Calendar as usual.

On the news front, a couple of red Rovers have appeared at Walt's place in need of attention or disposal depends upon \$\$\$\$!

One a 69/ 70 P6B Monza Red and the second a "Tomcat" 2 Litre.

A run through to the Strath Taieri two Sundays ago with the Otago Classic Motoring Club gave my P6B a bit of freedom and a good run in the country. Lunch was a fundraiser for the Middlemarch Hall restoration was followed by a visit to a motorcycle restoration site, with plenty to see in the way of vintage motorbikes. Then on to the Gladbrook Homestead for afternoon tea and a wander around the early farm buildings and stone walls. Then a pleasant run home with both the P6B and myself benefiting from the run and even my wallet survived.

I'm off to Australia until early September so will miss the next club meeting. While in Perth I'm hoping to attend the Western Australian Rover Car Club monthly meeting in Perth. More on my return.

There is a Rove on the 20th September to be called "Use It Day". More details in Tribune.

Re the ARCC 2010 Rally news snippet. The first donation has been made of a jig saw puzzle, the picture including an Auntie Rover (P4), thanks to the Kaitangata Smiths.

Safe & Happy Roving.

I'M off to the WARMER WEATHER for a short visit.

Norman & Carleen Sparrow.
President.

ROVER 25

Specifications for the Rover 25 design were purchased by Shanghai Automotive Industry Corporation in early 2005, though new MG Rover Group owner, Nanjing Automobile Group now owns the tooling for the car.

In 2008, the Streetwise, re-badged as the MG 3SW, was relaunched in China.

The Rover 25 was Britain's best selling car in April 2000, possibly due to a brief surge in sales among buyers wanting to support the company at the time of their sell-off by BMW.

Sales of the Rover 25 actually continued into 2007 (though in tiny numbers), by which time Longbridge was being re-opened by Nanjing Automobile.



“USE IT”

Sunday 20th September

To often at this time of year our cars are not used enough, so lets have a “use it” day.

For those members in or around Dunedin, let’s meet in Kaikorai Valley at Performance Cars at 11am.

We’ll have a short drive (less than 1 hour), have a pub lunch then a drive back to town and maybe afternoon tea before heading home.

For those in Southland and Central Otago, I hope you can have a ring around with local members and meet for lunch, giving your Rover a run on the way.

For those who can’t join an organised run for the day, please use your Rover if you’re going anywhere on that day.

Let’s have our old cars out there being used and being seen.

Let’s support this “use it” day.

C U out there.

Bernie

For Sale

1990 Rover 827 Sterling V6

Navy in colour, tow bar

Leather upholstery, stereo

Sunroof

Excellent order with 106,500km

Contact Chaplain on (03) 54 72 829 or deco@xtra.co.nz



There, Fixed It!!!



A True Story from Mt Eden, Auckland.

Recently a Police patrol car parked outside a local neighbourhood pub. Late in the evening the Officer noticed a man leaving the bar so intoxicated that he could barely walk.

The man stumbles around the car park for a few minutes, with the Officer quietly observing. After what seemed to be an eternity trying his keys in five vehicles, the man managed to find his car, which he fell into.

He was there for a few minutes as a number of other Patrons left the bar and drove off. Finally the man started his car and switched the wipers on and off (it was a fine dry night). He then flicked the indicators on, then off, tooted the horn and then switched on the lights.

He moved the vehicle forward a few cm, reversed a little and then remained stationary for a few more minutes as some more vehicles left. At last he pulled out of the car park and started to drive slowly down the road.

The Police Officer, having patiently waiting all this time, started up his patrol car, put on the flashing lights, promptly pulled the man over and carried out a breathalyser test.

To his amazement the breathalyser indicated no evidence of the man's intoxication.

The Police Officer said "I'll have to ask you to accompany me to the Police station—this Breathalyser equipment must be broken."

"I doubt it Bro" said the man. "Tonight I'm the designated decoy!".

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NEWSLETTER NUMBER FIVE

Greetings to all members.

MEMBERSHIP SURVEY ON OUR NATIONAL RALLY Thank you to Otago Club who were first in with their results in early July. The remainder by early October, please!

NATIONAL RALLY 2010 Thank you again to Otago for the comprehensive information sent out to all Clubs in early July. Now it is up to all Clubs to get the message to their members and entries mailed to Dunedin by early November, before Christmas puts things on hold. Clubs should have returned the initial listing of intending attendees already. A range of accommodation is listed and the programme is also included in broad detail. The train excursion to Taieri Gorge is included, which is a trip I have had on my 'to do' list, for some considerable time. I suspect that if there is an ex Auckland driver on board, we'll be given the royal treatment.

ROVER WINDSCREEN STICKERS The Auckland Club is having a new stock of these manufactured, which will be available for Clubs to purchase. Cost is unknown at present but will be announced shortly. Whilst on the subject of Auckland Club, please delete George's name as ARCC rep. as I got the wrong info. on that one. It should have been Paul Strong who is also the President.

FEATURE ARTICLES IN THE NZ CLASSIC CAR MAGAZINE. Many of you will have read the article on the Rover Car Club Nelson in the August edition. They offer this publicity to Clubs, free of charge and I think you'll agree, make a nice job of it. Any Club wishing to use some free publicity to gain some members or make enthusiasts aware of our presence, just write a little about yourselves, include some photos and send it to them. I think you'll agree, it's excellent value.

ESCORTED TRAVEL FOR CAR ENTHUSIASTS TO U.S.A. In closing, just a word of support for Roy Hughes planned bonanza to the Eastern States. This is Roy's third time taking a group. I have visited, in the last two years, all the highlights, museums and motoring destinations planned on Roy's itinerary, and they are amongst the best in the World. And no, there is nothing in it for me, I'm just keen to see people enjoy it as much as I did and I know you will. Contact Roy on royhsyncom@xtra.co.nz or through the Canterbury Club.

The next newsletter will be in October, including the results of the Survey, I hope, and with Levy details on the membership as at the first of November, and a progress report on next Easter's Rally.

Kind regards,

Chris Clark

National Secretary