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STABLE TALK

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After our club night I took home the Canterbury, Waikato and Muscle Car mags for a read. The common factor in all these mags is an editor begging for articles. The fact is we can write the articles but sourcing material from a wider variety of people keeps the mag fresh with different ides and writing styles. An article doesn't have to be literary classic just a few words, a couple of photos and you get your name in print.

Lots happening in the next few months with the Lost out West Rally now over, we can move on to Car Show and Prize Giving Dinner. Considering all the horrible weather we have been having we have been lucky to get nothing more than the odd shower on our last few runs.

The good news is we are past the halfway point of winter so fingers crossed the weather will now continue to improve.



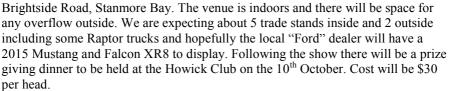
Remember if you think people would enjoy it, send it to us and we will run it.



President's Report

What a winter. I believe this has been the coldest and wettest in Auckland for a long time. It has also been a bad season for flu's, but hopeful the weather is turning and it won't be long until spring is here.

The Annual car Show is well under way and will be held on Sunday 27th September at the Stanmore Bay Pool & Leisure Centre at 159



Application forms for the show and dinner will be emailed to you shortly. Please support the club and show support to the many sponsors who are making this event possible. We will also support the Hibiscus Hospice by providing them a share of the gate take. Posters will be available and I would ask that you also help promote the event so we can have as many of the public through the door as possible. We will have raffles, a musician, face painting for kids and a clown. Mark it in the calendar now and start planning the cleaning of the Mustang to show it off. We were guests of the HSV club for the drags and we had about 6 cars running. A few more members supported the team and Craig Leece picked up 2nd place overall. The Waikato Club hosted the Henry Ford Memorial Day and the weather stayed very mild, no rain until almost home. About 18 members went down and helped Waikato achieve a show of over 800 Ford's. That makes it about the biggest car show in NZ. There are still plenty of events coming so do review the events calendar which is on the website nzmustang.com and book them into your diary. If it's too wet for the Mustang try out the Formula E racing indoors. These karts are superfast.

After the Car Show and Dinner we have the National Convention in Taranaki. Places are filling so don't miss out. Conventions are a blast so if you haven't been to one seriously consider this one. The Club turns 40 years old in November and we are planning a celebration. If anyone has old photos or would like to contribute some stories please let Tony Powell or John Lipanovich know. We will have it on Saturday 21st November at the clubrooms. We will meet early afternoon and take old members for a car ride and then come back for afternoon tea and cut a cake. This will be an opportunity to chat to older members and see and hear how the club started and has evolved into what it is today.

I hope that you are enjoying the programme your committee has been working on, but we always welcome feedback whether good or not so good.

Ian

Member Profile Nicolette Garner

My name is Nicolette Garner, my parents are John and Sonia, my sister Dominique, her husband Brett and their little girl Quin. My Dad is my personal mechanic! If not for him and loving family support my mustang wouldn't be here.



I am a veterinary technician (nurse) and so love learning about veterinary medicine, gardening, reading and arts and crafts. I like hiking and generally being outside. I love to crochet and make hemp jewellery.

My mustang is my heart, my best friend. I learned to drive in her and have travelled many roads including the Alcan Highway behind her wheel. A 1968 Coupe with a black vinyl roof and a straight 6 cyclinder engine, auto transmission, mostly red. I love old cars and I love horses, I just always have loved them since childhood.

My favourite TV programmes are The Monkees, The Walking Dead, That 70's Show, The Muppets, Antiques Roadshow, shows about history, the environment etc, e.g. BBC Knowledge, Top Gear.

My favourite Movies are The Princess Bide, Woodstock, Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, Old Marilyn Monroe movies, old westerns, Dirty Harry Movies, Lethal Weapon, The Mummy and old Elvis Movies. I listen to Classic Rock, Led Zeppelin, Tom Petty, Alternative, Folk, Iron and Wine, Reggae, Bob Marley, Pink Floyd, The Monkees, The Beatles, Hurt and pretty much everything.

I have yet to learn about NZ car cleaning products but would lean towards organic and environmentally safe brands.

I own my dream car and plan to restore her in the future.





Bikini Photo Shoot

As you can see, three of our members were very lucky to get an invite to the "Bikini Photo Shoot." Graham Holder, Dave Aucamp and our very own bikini expert Graeme Hamilton made their cars available for the photo shoot as part of a beauty contest organised by the Hot Rod Show.



Graham Holder is fast becoming a media celebrity following this and his appearance on the Hot Rod Show with his Cobra. Graeme Hamilton kept attempting to hide as

some of the young Fort Street ladies ambled past with many wishing Graeme a good evening and enquiring when they would see him again.

Sympathies to Dave Aucamp, going from Manager's choice at the Whangamata Anzac Run to several young ladies referring to his pride and joy as a really nice Camaro!!!!!

Looks like the boys had a good night and I would imagine the cellphone cameras memory is pretty full.





Club Night Wednesday 1 July

lan opened the meeting with a relevant discussion, followed by Kaye, Daphne and Tony. Craig gave his light hearted delivery on Insurance happenings and the formal part of the evening was brought to a close.

Ashley Webb, Managing Editor Brand, for Parkside Media gave a very interesting talk on the magazine business, in particular NZ Classic Car. Parkside Media put out three auto magazines with Performance Car the top seller followed by Classic Car then NZV8. They also publish two specialist photography magazines. The December issues will be a special celebrating the 300th issue of Classic Car.



A big thank you to Ashley for providing an insight into the workings of the magazine business and for the various goodies he provided on the night.

The Member Jackpot was not struck and will climb to \$40 at the August Meeting.

Raffle Results:

1st Ian Waters

2nd Arthur Wilkinson

3rd Peter Evans





Congratulations to Bruce Lewis and Phillipa who became engaged while enjoying a weekend in Queenstown.

Bruce must have been prompted to pop the question by how warm he was in his recently acquired jacket.

We know where you can get a good deal on Wedding Cars Bruce!



Drag Day Meremere

I have never put the Mustang down the 1/4 mile before so was a bit nervous about how the car would behave because on the street it is all too ready to break loose in any gear. When I arrived I parked next to Kevin Stuart, who has a nicely prepared 68 light blue coupe with an ominous eight downdraft stacks poking through the bonnet. He was in the process of changing his tyres for some semi-slicks. Kevin has put his 68 down the 1/4 mile a few times before, with a best time of 13.2 seconds. He gave me a few pointers, like put the rear tyre pressure down to around 15psi. I didn't want to spin the centres out of my tyres so I left a bit of safety margin and dropped them to 20 psi. After putting my loose gear into Kevin's family 4WD we were soon lining up for our first test run. Those who had drag raced at Meremere before told me the track will be very sticky so don't expect a lot of wheel spin...."you will be off like a missile." Before the first pair of cars were allowed to take off, the President of the HSV Club addressed everyone to explain what to do and the rules for the day...such as the 10 km/hr speed limit everywhere except for one quarter mile strip...we got that bit! With around 65 cars entered

there was plenty of testosterone about to fuel the right foot.

My turn came around in no time. My 67 Shelby with 575 HP at its disposal was up against a new HSV GTS with 585 HP (440KW). I'm sitting there thinking my 315 wide Nito Drag tyres and trutrack diff will give me the traction edge off the line. He rolls up the staging line with-



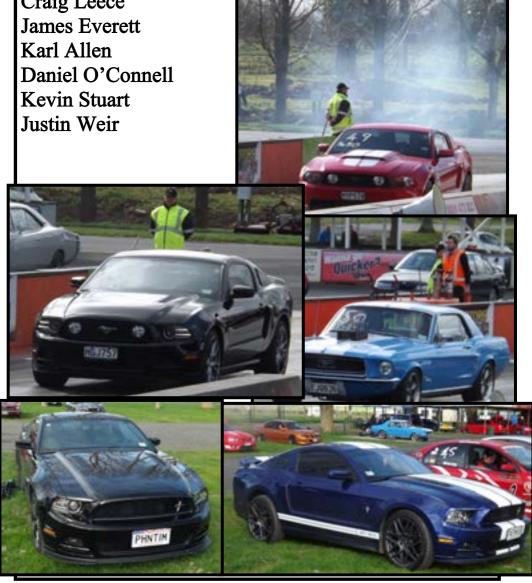
out warming up his tyres. I couldn't miss this opportunity, so I let some smoke out of the Mustang Tyres and let the 427 sing to 7,000 rpm...a crowd pleaser if nothing else. Onto the staging line...the Christmas tree lights go down to green, and we're off!...I immediately lost tracking and pulled for second...more wheel spin and car is snaking left and right...I put her up to third, and again the back breaks loose....I back off the throttle, get traction, and plant it again...more wheel spinning and zigzagging...now I'm getting a little worried about the wall as I never fully get traction before punching 4th....So what happened you ask? Bit of a story of no tractions v's traction control.....I got whipped.

I drive back to line up for a second run and pull up behind Kevin. I ask how he went, knowing that his car runs low 13 seconds. He told me he couldn't get traction either, despite fitting low psi slicks. This seemed to be the story of the day from all the bigger horse power cars. I had four more runs down the 1/4 mile and every time had traction problems, so no good times to brag about I'm afraid.

On the up-side I kept off the wall (phew!) and had fun doing some crowd pleasing burnouts.

I want to thank the HSV club for organising the day. They invited several car clubs, so it was great to see a variety of cars there. James Everett

Competitors: Craig Leece James Everett Karl Allen **Justin Weir**







I was beaten in the final by a holden statesman. – and least it wasn't an HSV. Still happy with 2nd out of 60 odd cars –even if the times were pretty slow.

Cheers

Craig Leece.



Snells Beach Fish and Chip Run Sunday 21 June 2015



Once again the clubs annual Fish and Chip run maintained its status as one of our most popular runs, with in excess of 60 cars taking part.

After a number of years of heading to Kaiaua for the run it was decided that we would head North instead of South and consequently a new venue would need to be found to accommodate hungry club members at the end of the run, with the traditional Fish and Chip meal. So lunch at the Salty Dog in Snells Beach was settled upon as the finishing point.

Thankfully Sunday dawned a not to bad day weather wise, some drizzle off and on but largely sunny if a bit cool, but a huge improvement on the day before which rained pretty consistently for much of the day. Because of the size of the group it was decided to have two meeting spots, the larger group meeting at Smales Farm with a smaller group meeting at the Autobarn on Highway 1 just south of Silverdale. Have to say it was extremely impressive to see Mike and Charlene Stayte, who were my people on the ground at Smales arrive right on the dot of 9.15am as we agreed to brief and even better to have a lockable cash box for the lunch money takings and even better a small fold out table to complete the official paperwork, while ticking people off my attendance list.

Meanwhile at Silverdale Diane and I were collecting money and ticking people off sheets, without the benefit of the cash box and table, though I am not in any way jealous. It so happened that there was another meeting of classic cars and bikes at the same time which made for a good impromptu car show.

The plan was that the Silverdale crew were all going to line up on the entrance road from the Service Centre onto the motorway and then as Mike and Charlene came steaming through leading the Smales group we were going to merge and start the run proper, glad to say that it seemed to go off without a hitch as the Silverdale cars merged seamlessly in to the approaching group.



The run took us off at Silverdale and to throw everybody we headed west through Waitoki and Wainui turning right onto Highway 16 at Kaukapakapa. The plan was to stop outside the Kaukapakapa School to get some photos of the convoy and just make sure we hadn't lost anyone.

What do they say about best laid plans of Mice and Men! Lo and behold as we approached the school - to my horror - I saw all the parking taken with a Sunday Market, and so we had to make the snap decision to stop a little out of Kaukapakapa.

Apologies to those at the end of the convoy, I realise that you were stopped on a not so great piece of road thanks to the unforeseen change of plans, oh and Sandy and Scott Laurenson, I hope you got a good view of your road. Tell you what though the convoy lined up looked seriously impressive and attracted a number of cars stopping on the other side of the road to take photos.

From there it was on to Makerau, then cutting across to the East through some scenic countryside decked out in the last of its autumn colour, not to mention a number of the Northland single lane bridges, made famous in the recent Northland By-election.

We popped out onto State Highway 1 at Warkworth and then it was on to the notorious turnoff the other side of Warkworth for Matakana and Snells Beach.

When we arrived at the Salty Dog, David Seymour had already arrived and we were welcomed to the sight of his drone flying above the car park getting some great footage of the cars entering and then parked. As it was we pretty much eliminated all the parking the Salty dog had available though I seem to recall a few times at Kaiaua when we have totally filled their car park - such is the popularity of this run.





Thanks to Debbie and the team at the Salty Dog for managing to cater for a bunch of hungry people all descending upon the place at once and for kindly putting up two prizes of accommodation packages for the Best and Runner Up cars of the day which were won by Mike and Charlene Stayte 1st place and Steve Hawkins Runner up. Must also thank our friends at Swann Insurance who put up a prize of petrol vouchers for the third placed car which was won by Dennis Thompson.

(Article by Tony Powell)





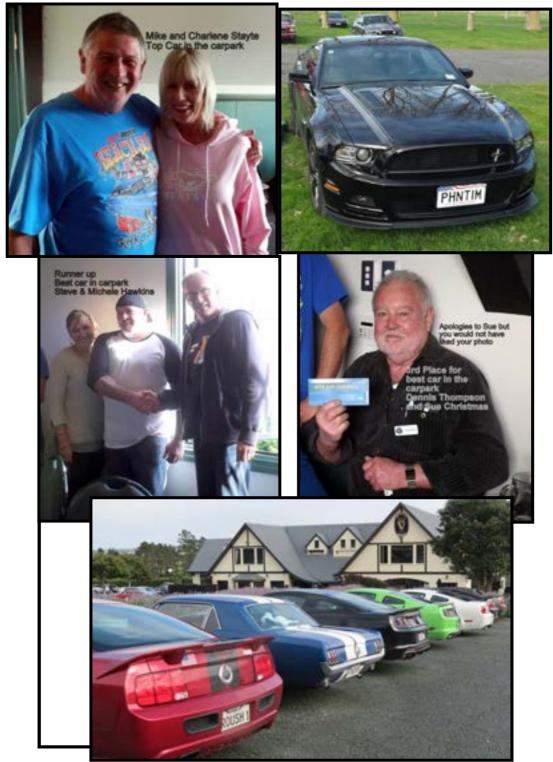














4th July Run



This is a reasonably low key event but a good way to spend a couple of hours playing cars.

The run started from Halsey Street by Burnsco Marine at 7pm. Unfortunately after a fine afternoon early evening saw the arrival of light rain that was to stop by the time we arrived at St Heliers. Traffic lights put paid to a large convoy with mainly groups of five or six cars travelling together. Everyone parked up at St Heliers and the socializing and car gazing began.

There were some very nice vehicles on display and a few familiar faces. There was also a tent set up selling soft drinks and American Hot Dogs and a great fireworks

display on the beach.

As I have said, it is very low key, but a nice cruise, great cars a bit of chit chat and home by nine!!!







New Member Profile

Bruce and Rozanne Hundley, Managing Director and Commercial Manager, are the proud owners of a black GT with matt black hood stripes, 19" mags and lowered suspension.

The style, sound and power of the Mustang was the attraction.

Their interests centre around their horses and lifestyle block and they enjoy watching shows such as The Mentalist, NCIS and Criminal Minds.

Favourite movie is the Worlds Fastest Indian and the car gleams with that Armorall shine.

Future plans are based around less stressful jobs allowing more time to enjoy their hobbies and motorway cruising in the Mustang. May be one day trading up to their dream car a Shelby.

Mike Ironside - shopping for a new car maybe???

At our last club night in August Mike who is involved in the running of the "All Ford Day" presented the club with a generous cheque for our participation on the day.





40th Anniversary



We have booked the clubrooms from noon till 6pm on Saturday the 21st November. We are planning a run prior to an afternoon tea and socialising at the clubrooms. If you know anybody with early connections to the club let us know so we can contact them. Any old photos or the like would also be welcome. Contact John on 021 297 9395 or

Tony on 027 777 8380.

Shed Runs

The recent shed runs have proved a huge success with good numbers attending and some very interesting sheds visited. If you know of any sheds we could visit in the North or West please let the committee know so we can organise a visit.

Name Badges



If you haven't got one contact Mike or any committee member and they will arrange it for you. If you have a name badge PLEASE wear it at events as it is much nicer to talk to people if they know who you are.

MEMBER PROFILE

NAME: Ian Waters (currently secretary of AMOC)

OCCUPATION: Chartered Accountant

FAMILY: Jackie (wife and best friend) Kirstie 9yrs & Jessica 7yrs

CAR DETAILS: 1966 GT Coupe. Tahoe Turquoise, 4 speed manual 'A' code. Pony interior. Still in very good original condition. Ian's favourite cleaning product is Meguairs and state's, "There is no easy way to keep a car clean. It requires elbow grease and time." Ian has admired the mustang for probably 25 years and brought his mustang 4 years ago.

Favourite thing to do with my Mustang: Cruising in a group of mustangs in the country or cruising into town with other mustangs to see people look,

point and say wow!

The two things I'd save from my garage: Is there any doubt, the mustang and the ride on mower. The mower is also American and has a running horse on it. (It's my Clayton's mustang!)

Hobbies include Badminton, working outside on our lifestyle block and

travel.

Favourite TV: C.S.I

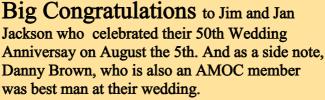
Music: Easy listening now. Too old for heavy rock.

Future plans: Continue tidying up bits and pieces on the car. Maybe one day own a Cobra or Shelby.











Club Night Wednesday 5 August



The normal meeting was followed by a very interesting talk by Peter Martin from TARGA. Peter gave a very informative account of TARGA rallies history which began in Sicily in 1907. TARGA NZ was formed in 1995 and this year as part of the 20th Anniversary went to the south Island. I did notice Ken Smith with a big handful of info brochures after the talk! If you are interested - google Targa and check out the history of the Rally

The jackpot of \$40 was not struck. Rising to \$50 for September.

Raffle Winners

1st Graeme Hamilton

2nd Joe Meyer3rd Ted Ngatai



Show News



WAYNE LACK WANTS YOU! If you are interested in being involved in the judging at our upcoming show contact Wayne on 09 294 7298. Training will be provided and you will be teamed up with an experienced judge.

Happy Birthday to Rob

Scott

Rob Scott turned 60 on the 11th of August.

Rob, a builder, is a founder member of AMOC albeit an Associate due to his owning a capri.

Robs first Mustang was a 65 fastback which has been followed by another 15 Mustangs that he has bought and sold.

Rob and wife Jan presently own a 69 Shelby (bought in London), a 69 Mach1, a 2014 Roush, a 63 Galaxy and a 58 Fairlane.

Rob is also a member of the Muscle Car Club and has been President several times.

He and wife Jan have been married since 1978 and are celebrating this milestone birthday with a holiday in America.

Happy Birthday Rob, hope it was a good day.

(examples only of his cars)





Lost Out West Rally

After a terrible night weather wise Sunday morning showed promise with some sunshine amongst the showers and cloud. Sixteen cars turned up for the run, slightly disappointing, but a good number for the after run mix and



mingle. All entrants seemed to get around the course without too many problems and the final scores revealed a fairly close finish amongst the top ten finishers.

Unbeknown to us there didn't appear to be cell phone coverage at the vineyard, as a result we got two missed calls on the way home.

Paul and Margaret were the winners on the day, second was Daphne and Merrin and third Steve and Pauline.

Our hosts at Westbrook selected their favourite car and Anthony chose Mike and Carol Jolleys 66. They kindly donated a bottle of Westbrooke wine to these winners. It was a tie and the other prize went to Grant Harris and Annette Redshaws 2012 Saleen who received car care products donated by Protech Automotive. Paul and Margarets prize bag included petrol vouchers kindly donated by Swann Insurance.

We hope all enjoyed the day at what we think is a very nice venue. Maybe a summer cruise ending at Westbrook in the future??









The following club members are able to supply valuations for your car for insurance purposes :

Ross Walker Tel: 09 837 3679 Tel: 09 294 7298 **Wayne Lack Ken Smith** Tel: 09 479 7537

There may be a fee charged for this at the time of service

New Members



Gary and Rachel Davey 69 Notchback grey/black 2015 Notchback white Roger and Heather Simmonds Dave and Christine MacKenzie 2005 Red

2008 Premium Black Joe Meyer



Its that time again. A chance to get the toothbrush out and clean your pride and joy.

This years show sees a return to the Stanmore Bay Pool and Leisure Centre. We have been here before and this is a very good venue and considerably cheaper than Te Pai.

The show is on Sunday 27 September with access to the venue available from Saturday 26th in the afternoon and Sunday from 7am.

Hibiscus Hospice will be involved, as in earlier years, and they will receive a percentage of the gate takings.



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Candice and Phillip Corboy with their Barry Bender Memorial Trophy for the member who has presented the cleanest car consistently at club events.

Auckland Mustang Owners Club Website

Our website is in the early stages of a revamp. We would like to see the car photo gallery increase in numbers.

Please send a photo of your car and a few words to nzmustang.com Attention Paul Broadbent.

Upcoming Events

Club Night - 1st Wednesday of the month. 7.30pm at the Northern Sports Car Club, Mt Richmond Domain. Enter from Great South Road.

<u>September</u> - Formula E Kart racing

Sunday September 27th - Car Show

October 7th - The Annual Quiz Night - will be held in Conjunction with Club Night.

November 1st - Poker Run. Put this event on your to do list. A lot of fun and you might even win the trophy.







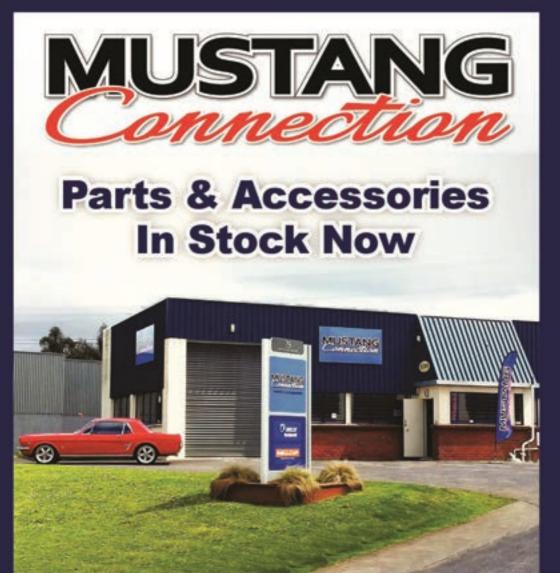












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