

# Manawatu Car Club

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## **Targa**

Welcome back to all of our Club Members who completed in the South Island Targa last week.

The Targa saw over 800kms of very fast special stages, and some 1600 plus kms of touring. Most of us won't do that kind of mileage in our race cars in several race meetings.

That's truly a long way to go in a week, plus the travel to and from the event.

Whilst some suffered damage and mechanical failure, they have all returned safe and well from a very demanding event.

Congratulations to you all. Just finishing makes you a Winner.

#### Welcome

This month's Track and Yack will start at the MCC Clubrooms in Kawa Kawa Road at 7pm, and then there will be a visit to the Coach House Museum on the corner of Kawa Kawa Road & South Street, then a return to the clubrooms for a little Christmas Cheer. (Yes it is getting to that time of the year again).

The Coach House Museum is a great history lesson on the past and I invite all members, partners and wife's to join us on the 11<sup>th</sup> November as we venture out on a "Club Night". More details further on in this newsletter.

The 30<sup>th</sup> November sees the start of the Roadmarking Services Summer Series Round 1. In its 2<sup>nd</sup> year, we are looking forward to a good entry list, and thank the principal sponsor and the class sponsors for returning to support this great series.

As a racer you may not have given much thought to the importance of our sponsors, but without their support all the race entry fees would be greatly increased. The effect of sponsors is that you, the competitor, get to race at a lessor cost, so when you are requested to support your class sponsor, please do so by placing their advertising on your race car. And if you can support them in any other way they would be most appreciated.

We are very privileged to have a Race Track at our back door, making our over-all racing costs very cheap in comparison to other countries. So get on-line or get into the workshop and get yourself sorted for some great racing over the summer. As they say "it will never be cheaper".

Geoff & Glenys Boyden

### M.G. Classic

The 29<sup>th</sup> running of this event is to be held at Manfield.

When – Test Day Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov

Race Day Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov

Race Day Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Nov

Over 40 races will be held over the weekend

A Classic Event – not to be missed

Track & Yack 11<sup>th</sup> November 7pm.

MCC Clubrooms

Kawa Kawa Road, Feilding

# Club History The Birth of the Manawatu Car Club And Early Motor Sporting Events

Extracts from the Manawatu Car Club Inc. Part 10 1947 -48 Years

Paekakariki N.Z. Hill Climb Championship -Faulkner, Freeman & Farland Lead.

Also very ferocious in this class was the Easterbrook-Smith special with an exhaust bark through short stubs which nearly produced a general nervous breakdown of all at the start as it waited there. Once again a terrific departure – then silence, unauthorised intruders in fuel lines, on all three attempts at an ascent. The car topped the hill once only, in the practice run, the driver having taken time off to go over the pipes about half-way up.

Fuel troubles also struck down the Vogtherr 2.4 litre Riley, the drivers, realising they were up against a problem which has proved intractable before, withdrew the car. The frequency of trouble originating in the inability of the normal fuel feed system to cope with the demand which accompanies all-out competition driving should be noted in passing.

In the 3-litre class also, Watson drove the Fraser-Nash well, the lively car rendered slightly more so by the recent installation of a tuned jeep engine. Clinkard was extremely consistent and at the maximum of the Speed 20 Alvis, his time of 2 minutes 58.2 seconds netted him second place in the class for the second year.

To be continued



Helping to keep the MCC Clubrooms wired



0800 025 552 or 021 509 221 Kevin & Janet O'Connor admin@geckoenvironmental.co.nz

Suppliers of Port-a-Loos to the Summer Series

# **Roadmarking Services Summer Series.**

For year two Kerry & Karen Halligan of Roadmarking Services are sponsoring the Manawatu Car Clubs Summer Series. Four Rounds - Three rounds at Manfield and one round at Taupo. Same format as last year however the breakout times have been changed.

RS Cup 1.30 SF Cup 1.24 IB Cup 1.17 Classic 1.22

Round #1 – Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

This was a great Summer Event last year.
This year should be even better.

Details, regulations and entry forms can be found on the Summer Series page on the MCC Website.

#### **AGM**

Whilst the actual date is still to be advised, the MCC will be holding its annual AGM either late in January or early in February 2015, at the clubrooms. More details next month.

This is your opportunity to attend and hear or ask questions about the progress of your club. It is also the time that the club elects its committee.

Attend and have your say.





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# **Clubrooms Update**

Over the last month we have had 2 separate hires of the clubrooms, which is very exciting, as we start to get a return on our up-dated investment.

We now have the lawns being mown on a fortnightly basic, by a contractor in Feilding. His contract does not include the road frontage, weeding or weed-spraying. These are things that we as club members need to do by way of working-bees.

The clubrooms now have a fully monitored security system, thanks to Jamie Glen of Main Security for installing this at a generous cost to the club.

I am waiting on 2 quotes to replace the 3 wooden exterior French doors, which are somewhat rotten, with new glass / aluminium doors, which the committee has approved for needing re-placement.

It is planned that we use the storeroom, that's the room behind the bar, as an equipment room, housing the radios and the electrical gear that is required at the track. This room needs rebuilding, and shelving made and then installed to house this equipment. The roller door will give easy access to this area to load and unload this equipment as and when is required.

The office at the other end of the clubrooms could be built into our photo gallery / library. This could be a room that proudly displays our history plus our archives. However a lot of work will need to be done in this room as it has a major moisture problem.

The bar area is to be removed and the area rebuilt into a lounge alcove area. This will allow for casual conversation in comfy chairs with coffee tables etc... A bar of this size in the clubrooms is no longer required, as it is felt due to the change in drinking habits and alcohol being served in stubbies that the area could now be made into something that is of better use.

After the 3 new doors are installed, we will then be making a start on the equipment room.

# **ATTENTION! Track & Yack ATTENTION!**

Time: 7pm

Date: Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> November 14'

Place: Manawatu Car Club Clubrooms.

You are invited to meet at the clubrooms at 7pm then we will drive just up Kawa Kawa Road into South Street to visit "The Coach House Museum".

#### Entry Fee \$10.00 per person (please bring cash).

The tour should take about 1 to 1 ½ hours.

After our self-tour of the Museum, we will return to the Clubrooms for a little free Christmas drink and supper.

Bring your wife, partner, or friend and enjoy this spectacular museum, then join us for drinks as we begin to celebrate Christmas.

#### **Next Month:**

Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December 2014. Speights Ale House Palmerston North

#### For Sale

Manawatu Car Club Embroidered Monograms for sale based on the original Manawatu Car Club Monograms. We would like every member to own at least one of these to wear on his or her racesuit, overall, jacket or blazer.

Monograms are for sale for \$20.00 ea.

Manawatu Car Club Emblem Stickers are for sale for you to have on your Car, Ute, and Race Car etc... This was a first time release.

Emblem Stickers are for sale for \$5.00 ea.

Manawatu Car Club Caps are for sale, first time release. Great looking baseball cap with the MCC Monogram on the front and "Come Racing With Us" on the back. This great cap is in green & black.

Manawatu Car Club Caps are for sale for \$30.00 ea

Show everyone that you belong to the Manawatu Car Club. Established in 1947.

Contact Jeff Braid on: 0274-773-337
Or email:
manawatucarclub@xtra.co.nz

#### **Manawatu Car Club Subs**

All members are reminded that the annual fee for membership to the Manawatu Car Club was due on the 30th September 2014.

We have set one price of \$90.00 for full membership.

Prompt payment would be truly appreciated. Your fees help to keep the club alive and allow everyone to keep racing.

Payments can be made by Direct Debit through the MCC Website.

Alternatively Payments can be made to Craig Patterson, Committee Member at Mag & Turbo on Featherston Street opposite the Countdown supermarket.

You will be issued with a membership receipt upon payment being made.

Thank you for being part of this great club!

## MANAWATU CAR CLUB RACE CALENDAR

#### November 2014

Saturday 8th: SUMMER SHAKEDOWN Day 1 IRC invitation classes Saturday 9th: SUMMER SHAKEDOWN Day 2 IRC invitation classes

Friday 14th: MG Classic Test Day

Saturday 15th: MG Classic Race Meeting Day 1
Sunday 16th: MG Classic Race Meeting Day 2

Friday 21st: Manfeild open test day. Competition cars and bikes
Saturday 29th: MANAWATU TOOLSHED ROAD & TRACK SPRINT SERIES R4
Sunday 30th: SUMMER SERIES ROUND 1 - One-day club race meeting

December 2014

Sunday 7th: Marshals and Volunteers day. Fire and rescue training and a bit of fun on the track

Friday 12th: Manfeild open test day. Competition cars and bikes

Saturday 20th: MANAWATU TOOLSHED ROAD & TRACK SPRINT SERIES R5 Final and Prizegiving.

Sunday 21st: SUMMER SERIES ROUND 2 - One-day club race meeting

January 2015

Sunday 25th: SUMMER SERIES ROUND 3 - Taupo Motorsport Park - One-day club race meeting

February 2015

Friday 13th: NEW ZEALAND GRAND PRIX Test Day. Manawatu Fireworks Spectacular from 6pm

Saturday 14th: NEW ZEALAND GRAND PRIX Race Day Sunday 15th: NEW ZEALAND GRAND PRIX Race Day

Friday 20th: IRC Round 2 Test Day
Saturday 21st: IRC Round 2 Race Day
Sunday 22nd: IRC Round 2 Race Day

**April 2015** 

Saturday April 11th: MANAWATU TOOLSHED ROAD & TRACK SPRINT SERIES ROUND 1. 3km circuit

Sunday April 12th: SUMMER RACE SERIES ROUND 4 - One-day club race meeting

June 2015

Saturday 6th: TEST DAY AND DRIFT PRACTICE

Sunday 7th: WINTER RACE SERIES ROUND 1 - One-day club race meeting

Sunday 21st: MANAWATU TOOLSHED ROAD & TRACK SPRINT SERIES ROUND 2 3km circuit

**July 2015** 

Saturday 4th: TEST DAY AND DRIFT PRACTICE

Sunday 5th: WINTER RACE SERIES ROUND 2 - One-day club race meeting

Sunday 17th: MANAWATU TOOLSHED BACK-TRACK AUTOCROSS/MOTORKHANA

August 2015

Saturday 1st: TEST DAY AND DRIFT PRACTICE

Sunday 2nd: WINTER RACE SERIES ROUND 3 - One-day club race meeting
Saturday 23rd: MANAWATU TOOLSHED BACK-TRACK AUTOCROSS/MOTORKHANA

September 2015

Saturday 5th: TEST DAY AND DRIFT PRACTICE

Sunday 6th: WINTER RACE SERIES ROUND 4 - One-day club race meeting

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