

Manawatu Car Club Inc

Club Bulletin

January 2022



RACE WITH US!

FROM THE PRESIDENTS PEN...



Welcome to 2022 everyone... Happy New Year! Is it too late to say that given that it is nearly the end of January? Probably not... given that there hasn't been anything sent out until now. So, when is it too late to say Happy New Year and all of that? Anyway, I do hope that you have had a nice break over the festive season, and you got to spend plenty of time with your family and friends.

I learnt / thought about, a few things over the 2 weeks I enjoyed having off with the family... Yes one man can consume a whole pavlova in one day given the right encouragement (from himself) and not feel at all bad afterwards. When did the Ute become a fashion statement and stop being the workhorse that they were built for in the first place, and why do so many people invest so much money in them to drive them around town? Why the hell have prices for some makes/models of cars gone through the roof, and people are still buying them... yip I know they don't make them anymore but for half the price of some of them I can get a late model car with wayyyy more power, better handling and more creature comforts... I must be getting old 😊. House prices... wow, just wow! If anyone thinks that this market will ease or go backwards, it won't as the country cannot afford it to... anyone remember the GFC 12 years ago? I really pity the first home buyers at the moment. Ham... why do most of us only eat this at Christmas time, as it is delicious! Baseball Caps... this summer so far and my rapidly receding hairline has justified me having all of the caps that I have brought over the years (yes I have a problem), now to convince the wife of this and why I need to buy more.

Well, you will see that things are a little different with the magazine... We are still without an editor; however, we are talking with a couple of people. So, until we get that nailed down, I have told Russell Harris (our main contributor) to take some much-deserved time away from the keyboard to concentrate on other things, which will involve time at the keyboard no doubt... In the meantime, we will be sending out some notes on what is happening with the club and upcoming events, and what is relevant to helping you know what is coming up and how to enter or attend these events. These "Bulletins" will come out as and when required but will be at the very least once a month.

You will see the full year's event calendar on the following pages, this lists all of our events (and others that we are involved in) for the year so that you can put them in your diaries now. There are some really big events coming up, so be sure to look through the calendar thoroughly so you don't miss out on anything. All of these events will be on our MCC website calendar and on our Facebook page very soon as well. There are some events that we are still working on, that are not currently listed, these events will be put up as the details for them are finalized. It promises to be a great year, and I know it will be...

You will also see below that our 74th AGM date has been booked for the 23rd February 2022, this will be held at the Feilding Civic Centre, and as always, all MCC Members are openly invited to attend the Annual General Meeting. At the AGM we will review what was the 2021 year (which is from 1st October 2020 – 30th September 2021), and we will elect our MCC President and Committee Members for the coming year – Voting papers are on one of the following pages. Voting and nominations for the Committee are restricted to MCC financial members and Life Members only. To renew your MCC Membership please go to

<https://manawatucarclub.org.nz/get-involved/membership/> Hopefully we will also get plenty of time to mix and mingle as well, however this is all very much dependent on how things play out with NZ going into Red as of tonight (as I write this on Sunday night), so we will play this one by ear. Hopefully we don't have any changes to the maximum number that is allowed to gather at an event such as this, however what we do know now is that you will have to be fully vaccinated and be able to produce a vaccine certificate to come along, and everyone will have to wear a mask and practice social distancing. If you are wondering why we are holding it at the Feilding Civic Centre, well come along to the AGM and find out what is happening with the MCC Clubrooms as we are hopeful of having an update on the clubrooms by that time.

Please note that if you are looking to put yourself forward to be on the MCC Committee or stand for the position of President, as per our Constitution section 12.1.2 - "Written nominations for the office of President, Vice President and Committee members shall be received by the Secretary no later than two (2) days prior to the Meeting" - details of how to send the voting form in is shown on the bottom of the voting form.



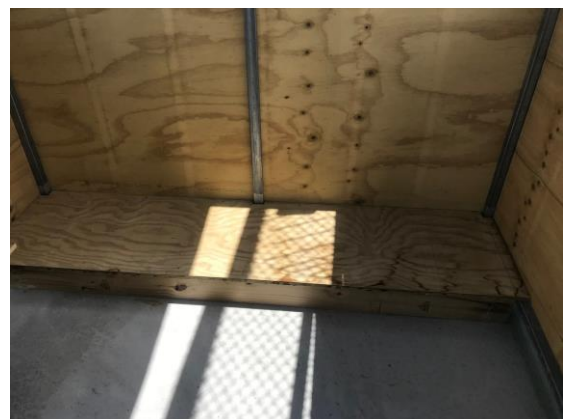
Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 23rd February 2022
Feilding Civic Centre
84 Aorangi Street, Feilding
Doors open 7.00pm
AGM start 7.30pm
Finger food and drinks (non-alcoholic) will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

RACE WITH US!

Something truly awesome happened this January... A project which has been a long time in the making has finally come to fruition... yes I am talking about the Flag-points on Manfeild: Circuit Chris Amon being replaced, this has finally been done! Over a two-week period from the 10th January, SMB Builders took down all of the old Flag-points, they then boxed and poured all new concrete floors and put in place the new Flag-points that had been pre-built. SMB Builders had spent some time before Christmas cladding the Flag-points so that they were ready to go come the 10th January, and without a doubt they look absolutely awesome as you will see in the following pictures. A couple of them still have some minor finishing touches to have happen to them, and we have to mount all of the lights, solar panels etc... back onto the new mounting poles that have also been put in, but they do look great and are a massive improvement on what we had.

Huge thanks go out to Ernie from Ernie's Engineering in New Plymouth for making all of the Flag-points, also to John Hickman from JD Hickman Transport Ltd for getting them down from New Plymouth to Manfeild. To the Manfeild Park Trust for helping us raise funds to have these installed. To Simon and his team from SMB Builders for putting in a huge effort to get these put in place in just a two-week period...

and lastly to the awesome guys and girls that will be using these Flag-points from now on, I do hope you like them and I do hope that they make your role a lot easier, safer and more comfortable, you are the lifeblood of our sport and we are ever indebted to what you do for us, thank you!





As part of what is happening off of the track, our monthly Track & Yack social meeting will return this February and will continue right throughout the year. It happens every second Wednesday of the month and will be held at the Rose & Crown Olde English Pub which is situated in the Terrace End Carpark, P.Nth.

"Track & Yack"

Time: 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Date: Wednesday 9th February 2022

Place: Rose and Crown Olde English Pub, Terrace End Carpark, Palmerston North

**Why not pop on down and have a chat about what is
happening on and off of the track...**

And lastly, I was once again saddened to see that too many people lost their lives on our roads over the holiday period. Seventeen (17) people died unnecessarily over this holiday period, and 320 people were killed in 2021, and once again we call for better, safer roads, and better driver education, but once again nothing will happen other than speed being blamed for the deaths and the government will push home the need to reduce the speed limit. Over the break I watched a documentary series on how a certain Lamborghini Countach appeared in the Cannonball Run movies and how the Cannonball Run actually started (well worth the watch I might add), and it had a great piece in that Doco on when the USA dropped the speed limit to 55mph all across the country (which spawned a few great songs, none better than "I can't drive 55" by Sammy Hagar) and how doing that did not lower the road toll, however we seem to not look at what other countries have learnt from decades ago, instead we know better than the rest of the world and will continue to forge ahead, all the while people will continue to die on our roads in their hundreds...

As always if you have any thoughts on how to improve things for the club and its members, or if you want to know anything about what is happening with the club at any given time, my phone is always on and my email address is always active, so please feel free to get in touch...

Richie



VOTING FORM

2022 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ELECTIONS

Position: MCC President

Term: 2 Years. Re-election in 2024

Nominee:	Membership #	Signed
Nominated by:	Membership #	Signed
Seconded by:	Membership #	Signed



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Please scan and email to info@manawatucarclub.org.nz
Or post to: Manawatu Car Club, PO Box 542 Palmerston North 4410
Nominations must be received before Monday 21st February 2022

MEET THE COMMITTEE



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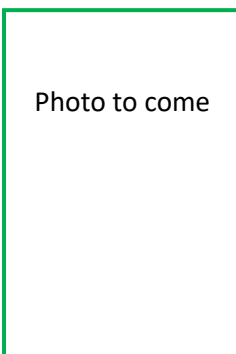


Photo to come

Troy Brown



Russell Harris
Club Advisor



Brian Davies
Club Advisor



FEBRUARY

- Saturday 5th Drift Practice – 3km Track – Intermediate & Advanced
 Saturday 26th National Race Meeting – SuperKarts
 Sunday 27th Mitre 10 Mega Summer Race Series Round 2

MARCH

- Saturday 5th D1NZ Drift Championship
 Sunday 6th D1NZ Drift Championship

APRIL

- Friday 1st Test Day – Supertrucks, Other National Championship classes.
 Saturday 2nd Race Day – Supertrucks Race Meeting Day 1
 Sunday 3rd Race Day – Supertrucks Race Meeting Day 2 plus Mitre 10 Mega Summer Race Series R3
 Saturday 9th Mitre 10 MEGA Summer Series prize giving
 Saturday 30th Drift Tutoring – Back Track – Novice & Intermediate

MAY

- Saturday 7th Alfa May Madness
 Friday 13th NIEDRS Endurance Test Day
 Saturday 14th NIEDRS Endurance Race Day – 1 Hour & 3 Hour
 Saturday 22nd Otara Road Sealed Sprint / Touge Drift Demo
 Weds 25th Club Night – Feilding Auto Electrical Winter Series Scrutineering Night

JUNE

- Saturday 4th Feilding Auto Electrical Winter Series Round 1 Test Day
 Sunday 5th Feilding Auto Electrical 75th Anniversary Winter Series Round 1 Race Day
 Saturday 18th Drift Tutoring – Back Track – Novice & Intermediate
 Sunday 19th Transpec / GT Oils Manfeild 4.5km Bent Sprint
 Saturday 25th 75th MCC Anniversary Dinner



JULY

Saturday 2 nd	Feilding Auto Electrical Winter Series Round 2 Test Day
Sunday 3 rd	Feilding Auto Electrical 75 th Anniversary Winter Series Round 2 Race Day
Saturday 16 th	Drift Practice – 3km Track – Intermediate & Advanced
Sunday 17 th	Transpec / GT Oils Manfeild Open Day Round 1
Saturday 23 rd	National Race Meeting – Superkarts Day 1
Sunday 24 th	National Race Meeting – Superkarts Day 2 / MX5 Racing NZ

AUGUST

Saturday 6 th	Feilding Auto Electrical Winter Series Round 3 Test Day
Sunday 7 th	Feilding Auto Electrical 75 th Anniversary Winter Series Round 3 Race Day
Sunday 14 th	Transpec / GT Oil Back Track Autocross / Motorkhana
Saturday 20 th	Drift Tutoring – Back Track – Novice & Intermediate

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 3 rd	Feilding Auto Electrical Winter Series Round 4 Test Day
Sunday 4 th	Feilding Auto Electrical 75 th Anniversary Winter Series Round 4 Race Day
Saturday 10 th	Feilding Auto Electrical 75 th Anniversary Winter Series Prizegiving
Sunday 18 th	Transpec / GT Oils Manfeild Open Day Round 2

OCTOBER

Saturday 8 th	Drift Practice – 3km Track – Intermediate & Advanced
Friday 21 st	OctoberFAST!! Test Day
Saturday 22 nd	OctoberFAST!! Race Day
Sunday 23 rd	OctoberFAST!! Race Day

NOVEMBER

Sunday 6 th	Transpec / GT Oil Manfeild Open Day Round 3
Friday 11 th	MG Classic Day 1
Saturday 12 th	MG Classic Day 2
Sunday 13 th	MG Classic Day 3
Saturday 19 th	ShowVember Drift Comp

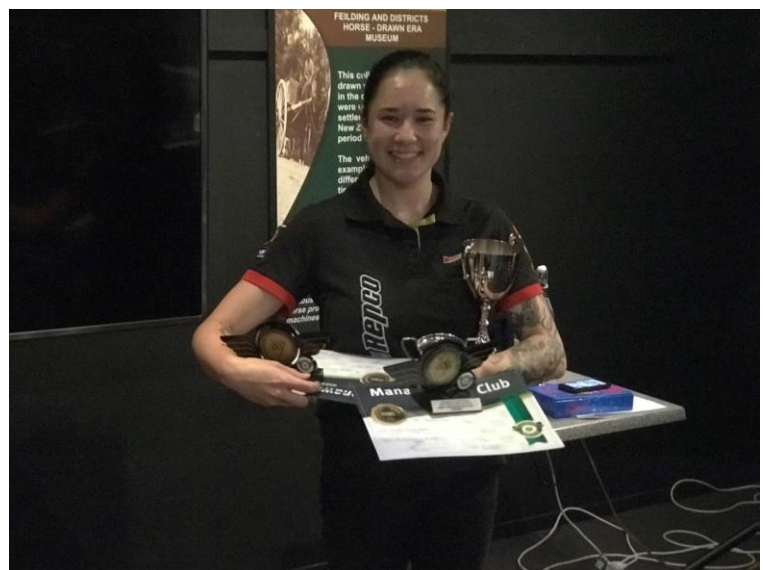
DECEMBER

Saturday 3 rd	Superkarts / Mitre 10 MEGA Summer Race Series Test Day
Sunday 4 th	Mitre 10 MEGA Summer Race Series Round 1
Saturday 10 th	MCC Christmas Party & BBQ



Some pictures from our Feilding Auto Electrical Winter Race Series Prize Giving Event held at The Coach House Museum in Feilding...







"That's all Folks!"

