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COVER PHOTO

Cy Guest at Wallaceville (4th OA)

Harbour Capital Car Club Clubnight

First Wednesday of the month Fireman's Arms, 313 Jackson Street
(North End of Jackson Street, just South of Cuba St intersection) Petone

Committee Meeting 3rd Wednesday of the month, Fireman's Arms, 313 Jackson St
Petone, 7:30 pm. Note:— Anyone is welcome to attend committee meetings.

Wheelspin is the official magazine of the Harbour Capital Car Club, PO Box 4102, Wellington.
Opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the Club or Committee.
To other Car Club Editors: While we do not object to other magazines using articles or
material from our Wheelspin, we do appreciate recognition of the source of said material.
Originals are usually available on request.

DEADLINE

The Deadline for Wheelspin articles is the 20th of the month approx.

Clubnight

Wed 5th March at the Firemans Arms, Petone

**Prizegiving for all Club trophies 2007
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Further prattlings from the Pres.

We have, as usual, a madly busy year coming up for those of you who want to get out there and have some car club fun. It isn't just car related stuff either, as we've got a film night (well, actually, by the time you get this bulletin, we will have had a film night), bowling (of the ten pin variety), another mysterious bus trip by Gerald, possibly more DVD evenings at MotorSport House, and there's bound to be a go kart night lurking in there somewhere.

Levin car club is running a new sealed sprint this year, in March. It's in the vicinity of Kaihinu Road (Shannon way), Wellington Car Club is running Mt Vic on the last Sunday of April due to the council resealing the road in February.

Don't forget our Dual Car Sprint in April either. We're always on the look out for people to help us with the timing, even if you're not able to get your car ready in time. It's a good day out, and we try not to take it at all seriously up in the timing booth, so expect good natured heckling and merriment. Oh yeah, and we keep you pretty well fed and watered too.

This year, Levin Car Club is running every second Donnelly Park event, so the current calendar sees our club running all the odd numbered months (March, May, July, September etc), while Levin Club is going to run all the even numbered month events. So bear that in mind this year, when you're checking to see if an event up there has been rained off, as I might not be the man to ask every month.

Note that although we were hoping to run our sprint in April this year as a Multi Car, we haven't been able to, so it will run as the usual dual car sprint format all day. Please drivers, bring all the petrol and tyres you can get your hands on. If your car is up to it, you're going to be doing more laps than your brain can cope with. We might see how many people we can get out there doing ten runs or more during the day.

The Road and Track Sprint series is once again in action, and possibly featuring a trip to Taupo this year, which ought to shake up the results a bit. As per last year, the HCCC Sprint is the first of the series.

Unfortunately, it looks like HCCC might not be fielding as many entries to the Clubsports this year in Christchurch, as a submission to have the tyre regulations changed has been turned down. So we've got another year where Rally tyres are allowed to be used on the grass venues, and a lot of road tyres just can't be used full stop. A consortium of local clubs put an alternative set of regs together, to try to have Rally tyres banned from

the grass venue, and let people run any Schedule A compliant tyre on the sealed venues. We were not able to get these regs accepted, and after the problems encountered annually at the Nats reached their highest level last year, most of our local crew aren't willing to risk a wasted trip to Christchurch. This is a huge shame, as it is bad for Canterbury Car Club, it's bad for our club to break the tradition, and we Wellington clubs who put the alternative solution forward did feel that it could have been a good fix.

Anyway, I shall not go on about it, but the plan is to try to see that the regs are changed in 2009 so that more of us attend, and then when we attend, the tyre rules in place should achieve the intended design.

On to more positive things...

Our first autocross of the year in January at Levin was a fairly intimate affair, as we had a lot of the usual competitors running at the Triumph hillclimb scheduled on the same day.

We had a mere ten competitors, but had a lot of fun anyway. We set out a course with a bit of speed in it, and some exciting technical bits. The tightening corner over bumps, into a wet area of the paddock caught a few people including myself out.

Graham Heath showed a good turn of speed, and took out the overall victory for the day, followed by myself, Geoff Warren, and then Aaron in the white Corolla sedan.

Must be said, it's a pretty easy day with only ten competitors running! We were wrapped up, and out of the paddock by a quarter to one. We stopped en masse at the Otaki icecream and fruit shop just south of the Otaki bridge, and had a yarn, and a very large ice cream each.

Next on my radar was the Port Road Street Sprint, which has become one of my favourite events over the years. I decided two things for the sprint this year, that I was going to enter the MR2, and that I was going to go out with other people when possible.

I managed both, and it must be said, my deceased grandmother would have driven the MR2 faster than I did. I was afflicted with a lot more caution while driving the MR2 than I was while driving the Starlet last year. It showed, and I was two seconds slower in the supercharged 1600 than in the naturally aspirated 1300cc Starlet.

However, it was neat fun! The MR2 slides around nicely at the back while on road tyres, and gives a far better sensation of speed than the Starlet. I was keeping myself a long way from all the kerbs, and taking as few risks as possible (considering the usual red mist that descends with the installation of a crash helmet on one's head).

I got a bunch of passenger outings, which was great.

I went out with Nick Tollemache in the AE86, which was awesome. That guy drives with 100% pure commitment, and it shows in the results he gets. He was placing the car close to all the kerbs, and using every available inch of the road. When the car started to get away on him, he didn't lift off the gas, he merely let go of the steering wheel and kept on the throttle. This is great in theory, but I've never been brave enough to do that other than at an autocross event. Nick was doing that at 100kph while sliding towards solid objects. Great fun, I'd highly recommend it to anyone, as Nick really does drive the car like it is an extension of himself.

I also went out with Brian Craig, Pete Collins, and Graham Heath twice. Told you I was on a mission to go for heaps of passenger rides! Graham's car is pretty impressive, as with the super close gearbox, and very angry diff in it, the cars screams its head off, and the first three gears are stunningly close in ratio. Second to third it only seems to drop about 1000rpm, and keeps the engine on song like you wouldn't believe. Third corner was a bit exciting as there was some sideways, which lead to some over correction. This meant there was a certain amount of driving in the direction of a footpath at one stage.

Pete C's Corolla is definitely benefiting from the freshened engine, and really had a heap of grunt for a 4AGE. I can see that car being a lot faster during sprints now, glad I'm not in the 1600cc class, it looks like too much hard work!

Brian is on a mission to find some angry pills, so he can unleash fury on the world in his Corolla GT. I think he's being far too nice to the car, and that it really needs some more revs, and a bunch more angry ☺ It's a good car, and I think he's going to have a lot of fun in it.

That's about it from me. See you all at the March Clubnight, which will also be our prizegiving evening

Leon



Leon - January Autocross

A Jeremy Clarkson theme this month, you either love or hate him, but you've gotta laugh.....

"This is the Renault Espace, probably the best of the people carriers. Not that that's much to shout about. That's like saying "Ooh good I've got syphilis, the BEST of the sexually transmitted diseases."

HCCC DUAL CAR SPRINT

Saturday 5th April 2008
SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. PROMOTERS

The promoters of the competition are Harbour Capital Car Club Inc. (hccc.org.nz)
All correspondence to be sent to : PO Box 4102 Wellington.

2. STATUS

The competition is a Clubsport Advanced Event held in accordance with the National Sporting Code of MotorSport New Zealand and these Supplementary Regulations.
THIS EVENT IS A ROUND OF THE ROAD AND TRACK DUAL CAR SPRINT SERIES.
The MSNZ permit number is TBA

3. VENUE

The venue for competition is the main circuit of the Manfeild Autocourse, Feilding. The circuit is sealed and approximately 3.03kms in length. All sprints will be run in a Clockwise direction.

4. OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course	: Ken Douglas	Ph 06 368 6684(wk)
Secretary	: Brian Craig	Ph 04 239 9542 (hm)
Chief Scrutineer	: Neil Roots	Ph 04 526 7510(hm)
MotorSport Steward	: Wayne Gair	Ph 04 236 7541 (hm)

5. ENTRIES

An **entry fee of \$90** MUST accompany the official entry form and be received by the secretary before 5pm on **Friday 28th March 2008**.

Late entries will be accepted until 6pm Thursday 3rd April 2008. Late entry fee is \$120.00

NOTE : This years entry fee has had to increase due to higher track hire and costs for the professional rescue crew who are there for your well being.

All entries must be on the official entry form, and accompanied by the entry fee.

Cheques are to be made payable to : Harbour Capital Car Club.

Or Direct Credit into the Bank Account (Please put your name in the reference + DC Sprint)

BNZ 02 0500 0351392-02 – Harbour Capital Car Club

Entry is limited to a maximum of 60 competitors ONLY.

No Single Seater Cars will be permitted to enter this event.

Should the number of entries exceed 60 the organizers will compile a Reserve Entry List. These entrants will be advised and will be required to attend Safety Audit & Documentation.

The organisers reserve the right to cancel the event if less than 35 entries are received by 28th March 2008.

Late entries may be arranged by phoning Brian Craig, [or email brian.craig@opus.co.nz](mailto:brian.craig@opus.co.nz)

Competitors who enter but withdraw before Friday 28th of March will receive a full refund. Withdrawals after this date, the club will retain 50% of the entry fee to cover fixed costs.

Please indicate on the entry form if you are prepared to take a helper / marshal for a ride.

6. DOCUMENTATION AND SAFETY AUDIT

Documentation and safety audits for Wellington based cars will be held on Thursday 3rd April 2008 at Vehicle Testing New Zealand (VTNZ) Porirua, 10 Titahi Bay Road between 6.00pm and 8.00pm.

Documentation and safety audits for out of town cars will be on the day at Manfeild, between 8.30am, and 9.30am. Cars arriving after 9.30am will not be accepted except at the discretion of the Clerk of Course.

IF YOU CAN NOT BE AT SCRUTINEERING, YOU MUST ADVISE THE SECRETARY PRIOR TO 6pm THURSDAY 3RD APRIL 2008.

Safety Audits will be as per Appendix 2, Schedule A of the NZ Motorsport Manual Edition 34.

Vehicles fitted with an appropriate roll cage, seat belts and safety equipment as per Schedule A will be allowed to carry passengers.

Checks will be carried out on all vehicles with entries in their log books requiring them, as well as all cars without log books and any other at the scrutineers discretion, prior to the start of sprinting.

ALL DRIVERS MUST POSSESS AND PRODUCE FOR INSPECTION THE FOLLOWING:

- a) Current MotorSport New Zealand affiliated car club membership card.
- b) Current MotorSport New Zealand competition license. Minimum Clubsport status.
- c) Protective helmet and clothing, fire extinguisher as specified in the current MSNZ Manual.

7. DRIVERS BRIEFING

This will take place, on the dummy grid, at the entrance to the track at 9.45am. Attendance by all drivers is compulsory. A roll call of all drivers will be held.

8. SPRINTING

Sprinting will be from 10.00am and will be finished by 4.30pm.

Sprinting will consist of up to 8 pairs of cars on the circuit at any one time.

Sprints will consist of one standing and 2 flying laps. The three laps will be timed individually. The fastest recorded lap time will be used for the official results.

There will be no restriction on the number of sprints you do. All sprints will be timed.

All drivers and crew are to keep the sprinting to the track only, and speeding in the pits or off track testing around the streets of Feilding will not be tolerated.

9. PHOTOGRAPHER

Official photographer(s) will be present at the event and will be taking photos of competitors throughout the day. Please indicate on your entry form if you DO NOT wish the photographer(s) to contact you. There is no obligation to purchase any photos.

10. RESULTS

It is our intention throughout the day to post times on the notice board near the timing hut.

Official times and results will be made available at the after match gathering.

11. AFTER MATCH FUNCTION

The location of the after match will be notified on the day.

All competitors, crew and helpers are invited to attend.

Jeremy: Illustrating the lack of power of a Boxster - "It couldn't pull a greased stick out of a pig's bottom."

LEARNING ALL THE TIME

Went to the Wairarapa on Sunday 17 February for a drive and a ride but ended up learning a new language. Dave W and Graham H were entered for Barton's Line Rallysprint and needed bods, passengers, silly seat riders or it seems a foreign language reader. I had been all of the above except for the latter until Sunday.

If you can speak "5L 4L 80 sm crest 7L 5R+ narrows" loudly for as long as it takes you're in! This is the way 'Safety notes' are written to enable crews to know what lies ahead on a rally stage and we were able to try them out on this event.

As the legend of rally speak Len the "Fish" was also present he and I had a number of runs with Graham and Dave using this language. With lessons from Len I was able to communicate to Dave what was around the next corner which enabled us to lower our times on each run.

This new experience could add a new challenge for Dave and I in our rallying and one we will have to consider taking up on this years Wairarapa Rally .

Brian Craig



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Jeremy: "I'm sorry, but having a DB9 on the drive and not driving it is a bit like having Keira Knightley in your bed and sleeping on the couch. If you've got even half a scrotum it's not going to happen."

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Jeremy:....."the Suzuki Wagon R should be avoided like unprotected sex with an Ethiopian transvestite."

KP60 STARLET PROJECT.

Rolling shell with all rust repaired and painted. Cross member modified for 4age, half cage kit (needs assembly, can be used as base for full cage), under sealed, would be perfect for rally/race car build

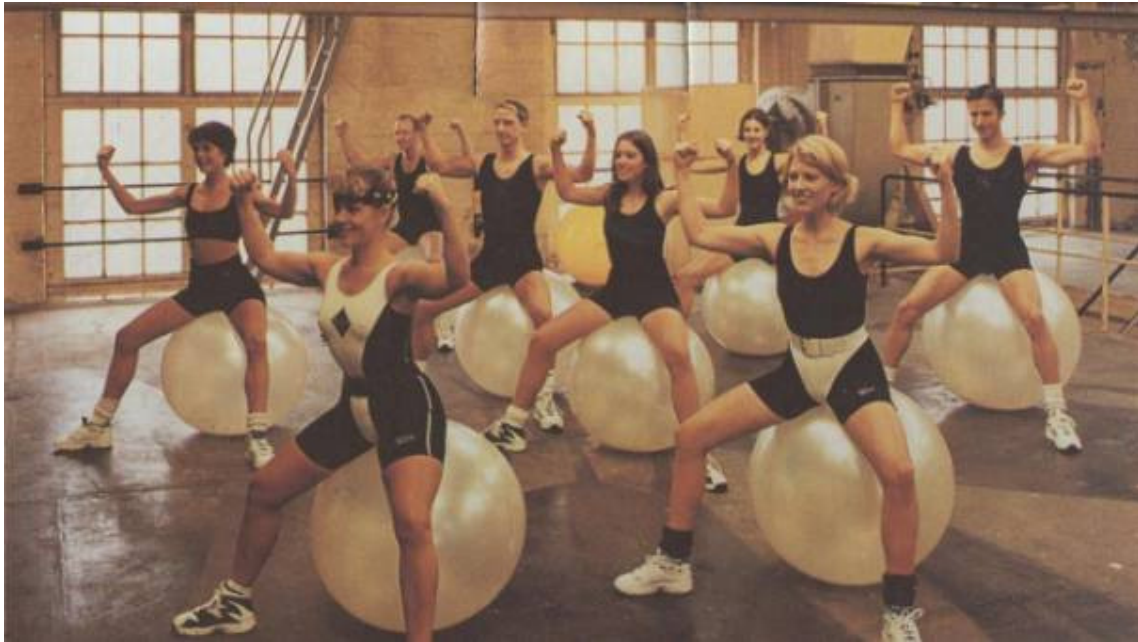
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RACEGEAR

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Len Fisher 0274 390 308

GOVERNMENT HEALTH WARNING



Do NOT swallow your bubblegum!

WOMEN DRIVERS!

This morning on the Interstate, I looked over to my left and there was a Woman in a brand new Cadillac doing 65 mph with her face up next to her rear view mirror Putting on her eyeliner

I looked away for a couple seconds and when I looked back she was halfway over in my lane, still working on that makeup.

As a man, I don't scare easily. but she scared me so much; I dropped my electric shaver, which knocked the donut out of my other hand.

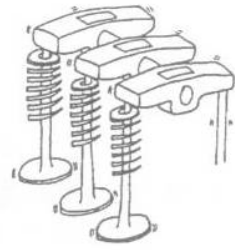
In all the confusion of trying to straighten out the car using my knees against the steering wheel, it knocked my cell phone away from my ear which fell into the coffee between my legs, splashed, and burned Big Jim and the Twins, ruined the damn phone, soaked my trousers, and disconnected an important call.

Jeremy:... "Speed has never killed anyone, suddenly becoming stationary... That's what gets you."

Tappet chatter

Just so you know: - We don't miss much and we will print everything. We never let the truth get in the way of a good story and we will not be intimidated. We can however be bribed, but we can't guarantee that it won't be published anyway!

Note: We trust our informants' 100% and would never question their reliability!



Come on you guys – give me the dirt! I received nothing this month.

At the AGM everybody thought it to be a good idea to offer random prizes for articles, these need not be long articles, just a few jottings about personal experiences in Motorsport like last months one from Brent Sellens, how about it then?

Another good idea is “New Member Profile”, if YOU are a new member email me a photo of yourself and a brief outline of your motorsport interests – what an awesome way to get to know other members of the club!

Also you saw my (hysterical) historical photos from yesteryear, how about emailing me some of yours?
Editor

Why Men cannot be car models:



Wellington Motorsport Association Calendar 2007/8

Contact the HCCC convenors if you want to find out more about an event (like regs and entry form)
for email updates of the WMSA Calendar contact the secretary wayne.gair@kapiticoast.govt.nz

Month	Date	Steward	Event Type	Club	Venue	Status
Mar	8		Sprint – Dual Car Rally (Targa Bambina)	CLS Targa	TAU South Auckland	Nat
	9	JR	Rally (Targa Bambina) Hillclimb	Targa WTN	South Auckland Alexandra Road, WTN	Nat DM
	16		Sprint	LVN	Kingston Road	DM
	17		WMSA Meeting			
Good Friday	21					
	22		Hillclimb	DAN	Whariti	
	23		Hillclimb	DAN	Whariti	
Easter Monday	24					
	27	All	Stewards Meeting		WAI	
	29		Race	MAN	Manfeild	Nat
	30		Race Auto-x	MAN HCCC	Manfeild Donnelly Park	Nat KN
Apr	5	WG	Circuit Sprint / Multi Car Sprint	HCCC	Manfeild	RT?
	12		Race (Charity Classic) Rally – WAI NZRC1/NIRS	MG WAI	Manfeild WAI	Nat Nat
	13		Race (Charity Classic) Rally – WAI NZRC1/NIRS	MG WAI	Manfeild WAI	Nat Nat
	14		Circuit Sprint (single car)	HVMC	TAU	
	19		Race		Hamilton 400	
	20	AW	Race Circuit Sprint (Dual Car)	INT	Hamilton 400 Manfeild	IM
Anzac Day	25					
	26		Rally – Tauranga Clubmans		Tauranga	Club
	27		Auto-x/Motorkhana	LVN	Donnelly Park	
May	4		Gravel Sprint	WAI	Tea Creek	GS
	10		Rally – Otago NZRC2		Dunedin	Nat
	11		Rally – Otago NZRC2 Autocross	MIT	Dunedin Slipway, Brooklyn	Nat KN
	17		Rally – Taranaki NIRS		New Plymouth	Nat
	19		WMSA Meeting			
	23		Motorsport AGCM		WTN	
	24		Motorsport AGCM		WTN	
	25		Autocross	HCCC	Donnelly Park	
	31		Rally (Hugh Baird Memorial) Rally – Autosport	HBAY	HBAY Christchurch	Club Nat
Jun	1		Circuit Sprint (Dual Car)	INT	Manfeild	IM
Queen's Birthday	2		Circuit Sprint (Single Car)	HVMC	TAU	
	7		Rally – Targa Rotorua/Tauranga Rally – Whangarei		Whangarei	APRC

			NZRC/NIRS			
	8		Rally – Whangarei NZRC/NIRS Dual/Multi Car Sprint Race (Winter Series)	Nat HVMC MAN	Whangarei Manfeild Manfeild	APRC RT
	22		Autocross	KAP	Otaihanga	KN
	28		Rally – Hamilton NIRS		Hamilton	Nat
	29		Rally – Hamilton NIRS Auto-x/Motorkhana	LVN	Hamilton Donnelly Park	Nat
Jul	5		Rally – South Canterbury		Timaru	Nat
	6		Gravel Sprint Race (Winter Series)	LVN MAN	Gladstone Road, LVN Manfeild	GS
	20		Gravel Sprint Circuit Sprint (Dual Car)	WAI INT	Puketiro Road Manfeild	GS IM
	26		Rally – HBAY NZRC/NIRS		HBAY	Nat
	27		Motorkhana	HCCC	Donnelly Park	ST
Aug	2		Rally – Eastern Southland		Catlins	Nat
	10		Gravel Sprint Race (Winter Series)	KAP MAN	Cooks Heights Manfeild	GS
	17		Circuit Sprint (Dual Car)	INT	Manfeild	IM
	31		Auto-x/Motorkhana	LVN	Donnelly Park	
	30-2/09		Rally NZ		Hamilton	Int
Sep	7		Gravel Sprint	KAP	Valley View	GS
	13		Rally (TAU Classic)	TAU	TAU	
	14		Winter Series (Winter Series)	MAN	Manfeild	
	20		Rally – MAN NIRS		Palmerston North	Nat
	28		Autocross Rallysprint	HCCC KAP	Donnelly Park	KN RS
Oct	5		Circuit Sprint (Dual Car) Rally – Nelson NZRC	INT	Manfeild Nelson	IM Nat
	11		Rally – Northern Sports NIRS		Paihia	Nat
	19		Autocross	KAP	Otaihanga	KN
	16-23		Rally (Silver Fern)	NAT		
	26		?? Sealed Sprint Auto-x/Motorkhana	WAI HVMC LVN	?? Port Road Donnelly Park	DM
	26-1/10		Rally - Targa		North Island	
Nov	2		Gravel Sprint	LVN	Waiorongomai Road, Otaki	GS
	8		Rally – Westland		Westport	
	9		Sealed Sprint	WAI	Admiral Road	DM
	15		Race (Classic)	MG	Manfeild	Nat
	16		Race (Classic)	MG	Manfeild	Nat
	30		Autocross	HCCC	Donnelly Park	
Dec	7		Gravel Sprint Circuit Sprint (Dual Car)	WAI INT	Dorsets Road Manfeild	GS IM
	25		Reindeer Races			

Jeremy:”.....”the last time someone was as wrong as you, was when a politician stepped off an aeroplane in 1939 waving a piece of paper in the air saying there will be no war with Germany.”

Abbreviations:			Contacts:	Stewards:
KN	Kim Naylor Autocross Series	LVN		W G Wayne Gair
DM	Duncan McKenzie Sealed Sprint Series	HVMC	021 515 642 (Geoff)	G G Gordon Gandy
ST	Stewards Trophy Motorkhana Series	WTN	021717 676 (Jody)	G M Gus McMillan
VB	Vesta Battery round of ST Series	HCCC	027 6996 838 (Leon)	S M Stephen Marks
GS	Gravel Sprint Series	KAP	027 446 9986 (Bryan)	JR John Rapley
RT	Road and Track Sprint Series	WAI	027 627 8005 (Mort)	IS Ian Snellgrove
RS	Rally Sprint Series	MG		BS Barry Swanerton
IM	The Surgery INT Sprint Series	INT	027 232 2523 (Alan)	A W Alan Wright
Nat	National Meeting			PT Paul Te Punga
NT	Night Trial Series			

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Some intriguing News Items:

- (1) Commenting on a complaint from a Mr. Arthur Purdey about a large gas bill, a spokesman for North West Gas said, "We agree it was rather high for the time of year. It's possible Mr. Purdey has been charged for the gas used up during the explosion that destroyed his house."
(The Daily Telegraph)
- (2) Police reveal that a woman arrested for shoplifting had a whole salami in her underwear. When asked why, she said it was because she was missing her Italian boyfriend.
(The Manchester Evening News)
- (3) Irish police are being handicapped in a search for a stolen van, because they cannot issue a description. It's a Special Branch vehicle and they don't want the public to know what it looks like.
(The Guardian)
- (4) A young girl who was blown out to sea on a set of inflatable teeth was rescued by a man on an inflatable lobster. A coast guard spokesman commented "This sort of thing is all too common".
(The Times)
- (5) At the height of the gale, the harbourmaster radioed a coastguard and asked him to estimate the wind speed. He replied he was sorry, but he didn't have a gauge. However, if it was any help, the wind had just blown his Land Rover off the cliff.
(Aberdeen Evening Express)
- (6) Mrs. Irene Graham of Thorpe Avenue, Boscombe, delighted the audience with her reminiscence of the German prisoner of war who was sent each week to do her garden. He was repatriated at the end of 1945, she recalled. "He'd always seemed a nice friendly chap, but when the crocuses came up in the middle of our lawn in February 1946, they spelt out 'Heil Hitler.'" (Bournemouth Evening Echo)

A whole page of Jeremisms:

Assessing Hammond's crash:

Clarkson: "you can see from the tape that the tyre is starting to come apart. Now why didn't you spot that?!"

Hammond: "I had a lot on: I was doing 288 mph."

Clarkson: "What do you mean you had a lot on? I can be in the office on the phone, doing the paperwork, kids are shouting at me, wife etc, but if a lion walks in, I'm going to notice it!"

"I don't often agree with the RSPCA as I believe it is an animal's duty to be on my plate at supper time."

"you can't have this car with a diesel, its like saying, I wont go to stringfellows tonight, I'll get my mum to give me a lap dance, she's a woman!"

"Tonight, the new Viper, which is the American equivalent of a sports car... in the same way, I guess, that George Bush is the equivalent of a President."

"Koenigsegg are saying that the CCX is more comfortable. More comfortable than what... BEING STABBED?"

"The only person to ever look good in the back of a 4-seater convertible was Adolf Hitler."

(Mercedes CLS55): "Braking in this car is so brutal, it would be less painful to actually hit the tree you were trying to miss."

"I don't understand bus lanes. Why do poor people have to get to places quicker than I do?"

Clarkson's highway code on cyclists: "trespassers in the motorcars domain, they do not pay road tax and therefore have no right to be on the road, some of them even believe they are going fast enough to not be an obstruction. Run them down to prove them wrong."

"I was reading The Mirror the other day and came across a letter from a reader who wrote, 'I was riding my bike to work when this red Ferrari pulled up next to me. Out of the window, Jeremy Clarkson shouted 'Get a car', and drove off.' What I actually said was, 'Get a car you hatchet faced, leaf-eating N**i.'"

"Britain's nuclear submarines have been deemed unsafe...probably because they don't have wheel-chair access."

"Now we get quite a lot of complaints that we don't feature enough affordable cars on the show.....so we'll kick off tonight with the cheapest Ferrari of them all!"

"Now as you can see I lost the battle to have two engines on the back because of three very important reasons. One: weight. This is 600 Lbs and that's the same as having a whole American sitting on the tailgate..."

"America: 250 million w****rs living in a country with no word for w****r."





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West side of street)

MARSHALLS Needed

Summer Motor racing is here already and Motorsport Manawatu is seeking volunteers to work as Crash/Rescue marshals for the following meetings.

29/30 March 2008, 12/13 April 2008

If you are out of town, the clubrooms are available free of charge to stay the night, just bring some bedding and temp bed and stay the night with the rest of the team. You will be provided with lunch both days and also invited to attend the functions during the meetings.

This is a great opportunity to see some great racing from the BEST vantage points on the track.

Julian Hardy 06 323 8290, 027 523 8290, www.motorsportmanawatu.org.nz

Clarkson on the Vauxhall Vectra VXR: "there is a word to describe this car: it begins with "s" and ends with "t" and it's not "soot".

Hammond: "So it's fairly terrible then?"

Clarkson: "Oh no...losing your leg is fairly terrible: this is another league of badness!"

Levin Autocross 27 January 2008

Name	Car	Club	Class	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Fastest	Class Placing	Overall Placing
Geoff Warren	Legacy	HVMC	4WD	1:43.11**	1:34.33**	1:31.37*	01:32.01	01:32.01	1	3
Dan McLean	ZR4	MMC	4WD	dnf	1:41.90*	1:39.65*	01:36.49	01:36.49	2	6
Chelles Roberts	Legacy	HVMC	4WD	01:50.26	01:47.08	01:41.62	01:39.06	01:39.06	3	8
Graham Heath	Pulsar	HCCC	EOD	01:36.17	1:33.71*	01:34.37	01:30.16	01:30.16	1	1
Leon Cast	Starlet	HCCC	EOD	01:45.96	01:38.02	01:34.17	01:31.88	01:31.88	2	2
Aaron Tasker	Corolla	HCCC	EOD	01:51.58	01:41.99	1:36.95*	01:33.56	01:33.56	3	4
Brian Craig	Corolla	HCCC	EOD	1:45.22**	01:42.05	01:36.29	1:32.87*	01:36.29	4	5
Bill Peacocke	Barina	HCCC	EOD	01:44.94	1:43.40**	01:38.27	01:37.97	01:37.97	5	7
Leela Copping	Corolla	HCCC	EOD	1:45.73*	01:45.93	1:39.59*	01:40.94	01:40.94	6	9
Jilly Hutson	Starlet	HCCC	EOD	01:50.33	01:45.65	01:43.26	1:42.17*	01:43.26	7	10

Clerk of Course: Leon Cast
 Scrutineering: Aaron Tasker, Roger Barnes
 Safety Officer: Roger Barnes
 Timing: Gerald (the man) Lee, Donna Campbell
 * indicates that a 5 second penalty applies to the time shown, for cone displacement

Hi all,

A little bit of advanced noticed for this track day.
 It's on Monday 14th April. Yep, the day after Rally Wairarapa. And it's in Taupo.

Running Track 4 as a single car circuit sprint.

Regs and entry form are available here:

Regs: www.photoworks.co.nz/trackday/TaupoSingleCarSprintRegsApr08.doc

Entry form: www.photoworks.co.nz/trackday/TaupoEntryFormApr08.doc

Online registrations may be made at: www.photoworks.co.nz/trackday

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Jeremy:..."In the olden days I always got the impression that TVR built a car, put it on sale, and then found out how it handled. Usually when one of their customers wrote to the factory complaining about how dead he was."

This months photos:



Leon's Photos from A1GP The yellow A1 car is Malaysia





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Bill Peacock @ Jan Autocross



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Aaron Tasker @ Jan Autocross



Barton's Line – Graham almost ready to go!



Nathan on his way to another fastest time!



Graham – Going!



Dave – Going too!



Kylie Moes – Port Road



Karl Warmouth - Port Road



Dave Glover - Port Road



Thomas Rumball - Port Road



Pete Collins – Port Road



Brian Worboys – Port Road

Jeremy:... "Sure it's quiet, for a diesel. But that's like being well-behaved...for a murderer."



Tom Sillay – Port Road



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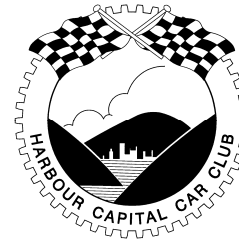
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