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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.

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DEADLINE

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

Clubnight

The Fireman's Arms Jackson Street, Petone

Wednesday the 5th October 7:30



I'm pleased as punch, as I've finally managed to get the wee Corolla back to a couple of events after a one year hiatus following the wee "incident" where I adjusted the front of the car at Shelly Bay 2010. As per last month, I had hoped that I'd have the car sorted for Kaihinau Road, but the leaking radiator (now replaced) kind of removed that option for me.

First event back was the HVMC Silverstream Autocross, which was an extremely challenging course as a first time back in the car. Super narrow and tight, with absolutely no room for errors. I was sliding around quite a bit in the car, but then again so was everyone.

The car prep didn't go brilliantly, as there was a good hour or so worth of swearing and bending things before the sump guard would go back on again. I'm not actually sure why it was being so difficult, as it was as though the rear mounts had been squished flat. I've never had the sump guard on the car since I bought it back off Aaron though, so I guess it is possible that the mounts have been a bit flat forever and a day. However it was all good once I was at the event and out there in the car! I was getting some hairy oversteer, but I'm not sure if that was the new suspension set up, or the mixture of tyres that I was running that day. Though, next time I shall definitely remove the 15" road rubber from the front, and go back to my old faithful 14" road tyres! I wasn't able to run them that day, as one of them kept going flat!

Since the last time I've been out at speed in the car I've added Koni shocks, Tein springs, and a big adjustable front sway bar. So there's a fairly extensive changes to adjust to there. At this stage, I have to comment that this car until this very recent change, had been running the exact same suspension (KYB shocks + King Springs) at every event the car has entered since I first built the car 8 years ago. So the same suspension has been fitted for every autocross, sealed sprint, gravel sprint, Manfeild and Taupo outing that the car has ever been entered into. King springs get a lot of flak, but for a general club hack set up on a Corolla, they do ok on most surfaces. They aren't great on all cars though, as the Kings that I had for the EF9 Civic were beyond garbage.

Neil once again completely massacred us all, in the mighty "Sparrow" Honda City. He's proving just a little bit unbeatable in that car on grass. It's starting to get a little bit depressing with some of the winning margins that he is pulling out. Might be time to start blatantly cheating [©] Possibly taking all the wheels off his car before his run might help us?



Neil in winning form



The Usual Suspects



Graham showing me in mud (and missing me by not much)

If you're on Facebook, I've put up a couple hundred photos from that Autocross on the HCCC Facebook page, so head in there and tag yourself and your friends.

Or they're at: http://s38.photobucket.com/albums/e150/kiwiscanfly/2011%20September%20Silverstream/

The next event for me was my return to Shelly Bay, I was determined that I wouldn't let my prang stop me going back to the event as it is a road that I really enjoy competing on as it rewards lunatic driving (which I can do) as much as it rewards power (which I can't do).

I was in full cruise mode, as the car seemed to have a ton of oversteer, and the road was still liberally sprinkled in small stones. The stones were sticking into the semi's and staying there, so grip was a bit interesting. It was vastly better than last year though.

At the start of the day I was only driving about 5/10, just seeing if car was going to drive straight after the chassis straightening, or if it was going to try to loop me into the scenery with the new very stiff suspension and the big sway bar on the front.

After practice I pretty much jumped out of the car and danced around a little bit. Luckily there were not many witnesses, because truly white men can't dance, and you don't get much whiter than me.

Other folk weren't having such a great day of it though, as the hotrod Anglia fell over on the finish line in practice. Fortunately, he chose the softest possible grass to tip over in, and at almost no speed, so there was only a tiny amount of cosmetic damage, and he was able to complete the day.

Nick Tollemache had a bad day though, as he had a big crash in practice, having spent half the morning trying to get his car to actually start. I think Nick has been racing this car for about ten years now, and I think also that this would be the first decent shunt that he has had in it. The cage is buggered, so it isn't going to be an easy fix either.



Nick's car. Photo credit, Motorsport Central.

It must be said that I didn't push the car along much at all at Shelly Bay, as I figured that it was the sensible thing to simply use it as a shakedown run only, and that aiming for results could wait until I am more comfortable in the car, not to mention at a venue that is more forgiving of any unplanned sideways moments that might occur.

I had a great day though, and now I figure having gotten back to my "crash" venue without crashing, I can go back again next year and try a bit harder again.

Fastest HCCC pilot was David Graham in the beautifully presented yellow Datsun 1200 that I mentioned in last month's article about Kaihinau Road (without realising at the time that he was in HCCC, whoops!), who beat Webster home by two tenths of a second (6th and 7th places respectively). That was a good enough result by David to take out class B by a whopping ten seconds!



David in the Datsun, photo by Motorsport Central.

One thing that you don't see too often is a Ford Cortina of the Mk5 variety. However Bill Macpherson of Wellington car club was out there pedalling quite a mean one, judging from the angry noises, and the Cosworth badge on top of the cam cover. I think something went quite noticeably wrong in his last run though, as it was making expensive noises when he got to the finish line on his last run, and he made his way back to the pits on the end of a tow rope.

So that's it from me for this month. Hope to see you at Wairongomai Road gravel sprint, and various other events where people thrash cars around!

Leon

PS: still waiting for the environment court to set a date for mediation over Slipway. 6 months now ...



Photo credit: Motorsport Central.

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!

Great Win for Ryan Stevens at Shelly Bay (Thanks to Motorsportcentral) Shelly Bay Sealed Sprint - 4 September 2011



The Wellington Car Club held their great Shelly Road Sealed Sprint on Sunday 4 September 2011. It started out a beautiful day although the wind became quite cool as the day progressed. However the conditions were perfect for the drivers and fortunately the road surface had lost most of the small chips which created such carnage last year. The marshals also did a great job keeping the road clear particularly where small stones got pulled onto the road by passing cars. 27 drivers entered the event although Nick Tollemache (Toyota Levin AE86), accident left front, and Stuart Becker (Fiat 124 Coupe) did not finish their practice run and were not involved in the rest of the day. Gordon Diggle was also there to test his car (Tony Dixon's Gravel Sprint championship Subaru Impreza WRX) but was not included in the final results. The day featured one practice run and three officials and the cars were divided into their normal classes - Class A 0-





1300cc, Class B 1301-1600cc, Class C 1601-2000cc, Class D Over 2001cc, and Class E All 4WD cars. Once the practice was completed the competition itself was underway.

The quickest car on the first run was the superb sounding, black Mazda RX7 of Ryan Stevens whose time of 1.14.50 was nearly 3 seconds faster than the next driver, present WMSA Sealed Champion Ron Scanlan, who stopped the clock at 1.17.21. Very close behind was Marty Smith (Subaru Legacy RS) 1.17.22. Other drivers who had an excellent opening run were Alan Austin (Mazda RX7), Wade Noeld (Subaru Impreza WRX), David Graham (Datsun

1200), Webster Gough (Toyota Starlet GT Turbo) and Campbell Wilson (Toyota Corolla). Dick Butters was also doing very well in his Toyota Starlet (swopping from a Nissan Pulsar) and Dimitrios Amos was thrilling the crowd with his driving in the Toyota Corolla KE26 Wagon. So what was Amos's drift car doing at Shelly Bay and away from the race tracks? Having a ball by the look of things!!!!! The times tumbled on Run 2 as the drivers started to become more familiar with the road. Ryan Stevens still led the competition as he lowered his time to 1.13.68 with Wade Noeld moving into second place having recorded 1.14.80. Third was now Ron Scanlan and fourth was Alan Austin. These four drivers had now opened a bit of a lead on the field with the next quickest driver being David Graham (going extremely well in his 1400cc Datsun) who was roughly three seconds behind Alan Austin. Mike Walsh's CLK 55 AMG was also doing well with a great V8 noise (much the same as Kayne Thomson's V8 Anglia) that reverberated off the surrounding hills. Bill McPherson's Ford Cortina Mk5 also had the wick turned up as

did Graham Toomer's blue Escort and Mark Kibble in his familiar Subaru Omega.

On to the final run. Ryan Stevens' Mazda RX7 had held the lead all day and he had no intention of letting it slip away. His final run was again his quickest and his time of 1.13.05 (the only driver to go under 1 minute 13 seconds) was the fastest overall on the day. Second was Wade Noeld who dogged Ryan's heals all day, again producing his best time of 1.14.15. Third was Alan Austin who had a great battle with Ron Scanlan on each Run and



finally managed to pip Ron at the post 1.15.09 to Scanlan's 1.15.37. Not much in it there!!!! Rounding out the Top 10 were :- a consistent Marty Smith in 5th, an excellent 6th for David Graham in his small engined Datsun 1200, former WMSA Sealed surface champion Webster Gough was 7th, gravel ace Campbell Wilson was 8th, with Mark Walsh in the AMG 9th and the drifting king Dimitrious Amos 10th. In the classes it was Dick Butters who won Class A from Glen Clemas (Toyota Starlet), David Graham won Class B from Rob Vibert (Toyota Corolla) with Tom Heather (Toyota Corolla FXGT) third, Class C was won by Campbell Wilson with Bill McPherson second and Graham Heath (Nissan Pulsar) third, Class D was won



by Ryan Stevens (who was also the first 2 wheel drive car home), with Alan Austin second and Webster Gough third, and in Class E the winner was Wade Noeld, with Ron Scanlan second and Marty Smith third. Congratulations to all the winners and in fact all the drivers who must have had a great day. Also well done to Bernie and the team from the Wellington Car Club - another great event.



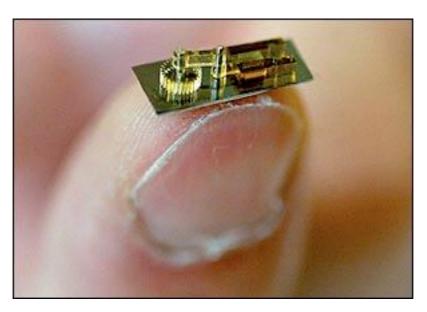
Condoms should be used on every conceivable occasion.

SMALLEST PETROL ENGINE

SCIENTISTS have built the smallest petrol engine, tiny enough to power a WATCH. The minimotor, which runs for two years on a single squirt of lighter fuel, is set to revolutionize world technology. It produces 700 times more energy than a conventional battery despite being less than a centimeter long not even half an inch. It could be used to operate laptops and mobile phones for months doing away with the need for recharging.

Experts believe it could be phasing out batteries in such items within just six years.

The engine, minute enough to be balanced on a fingertip, has been produced by engineers at the University of Birmingham



Dry Kyle Jiang, lead investigator from the Department of Mechanical Engineering, said: "We are looking at an industrial revolution happening in peoples' pockets. "The breakthrough is an enormous step forward. "Devices which need re- charging or new batteries are a problem but in six years will be a thing of the past."

Other applications for the engine could include medical and military uses, such as running heart pacemakers or mini reconnaissance robots. At present, charging an ordinary battery to deliver one unit of energy involves putting 2,000 units into it. The little engine, because energy is produced locally, is far more effective.

One of the main problems faced by engineers who have tried to produce micro motors in the past has been the levels of heat produced. The engines got so hot they burned themselves out and could not be re-used. The Birmingham team overcame this by using heat-resistant materials such as ceramic and silicon carbide.

Professor Graham Davies, head of the university's engineering school, said: "We've brought together all the engineering disciplines, materials, chemical engineering, civil engineering, and mechanical engineering "What better place to have the second industrial revolution in nano-technology than where the first took place, in the heart of the West Midlands.

Some bastard's just pinched a pair of my wife's knickers off the washing line. She's not bothered about the knickers but she wants the 12 pegs back.



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Nurburgring meets the Glendinning's!

So, Brendon and I have recently returned from a 6 week jaunt in Europe that included the fabulous sights of Italy, great people of Poland, stunning scenery of Austria, visiting family in Slovenia, amazing food of Germany and of course one of the world's greatest tracks, the Nurburgring!!

Arrangements were made from New Zealand with a company called "Rent 4 Ring" and we secured a righthand-drive Suzuki Swift, complete with roll cage, race seats and harnesses. Fredy was really great to deal with and we can highly recommend them to anyone else who is planning this amazing experience.



We arrived at Rent 4 Ring and the staff were so friendly and helpful. They all spoke great English and helped us to get familiar with our race car.

We had a quick driver's briefing and then it was off to the track!

The steering wheel might've been on the familiar side, but all the controls were around the other way and the short drive to the track was on the right-hand side of the road! I'm so glad it was a short trip, although I did almost pull out in front of a Porsche at the intersection because I was looking the wrong way!! Haha We had to wait for the track to open for the public session, so Brendon wandered off and had a look at all the pretty cars in the car park – there are lots of photos!

I got the first lap, because that's the way it always works for us with motorsport....

I drove really slowly to start with and had to remember to keep right all the time to let the fast cars go past – not to mention it'd been a year since my last event in NZ, so I was a little rusty! It didn't feel like 20km, but before I knew it I'd got to the last big straight and it was time to slow down and exit the track – we were most disappointed to find out that we didn't get to complete that straight, so we couldn't quite get the little Swift up to it's top speed, but we did give it a good go!

Brendon's first lap out was rather erratic and I felt a bit ill when we came back in to the pits, so took a few minutes to get my colour back before heading out for my second lap.

This time out, I pushed it a lot harder and behaved less like a beginner and it was so much fun! I even managed to pass a few cars this time. The twelve (ish) minutes of track time flew past again and there we

were, back at that straight trying to push the speed a bit more before the low speed signs came up. I came out with a huge grin on my face, wishing I could have just one more lap!

Brendon's second lap was much smoother, but still pretty fast – we couldn't do official timing, but we watched the clock on the dash for a rough idea of times and we were both very similar, although it did start to rain a little on Brendon's "timed" lap...

I used the last lap to get some sneaky photos, although you aren't really supposed to...



We returned to Rent 4 Ring and signed our names on the car panels they have there for every participant to leave their mark!

What a buzz!!! One day we'll return and maybe splash out on a faster car for a bit more fun...

Stacey Glendinning

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| 27 | 747 | E | Wade Noeld | HVMC | Subaru WRX | 2000 T | 01:18.22 | 01:17.55 | 01:14.80 | 01:14.45 | 01:14.45 | | 1 8 | 3 3 | | Same | 1 |
| 15 | 18 | D | Alan Austin | Wanganui | 56 RX7 | 4000 | 01:20.16 | 01:17.52 | 01:15.41 | 01:15.09 | 01:15.09 | 3 | 1 - Q | Q - 1 | 6 | 2 | |
| 3 | 3 | E | Ron Scanlan | WCC | Lancer | 2000 T | 01:20.21 | 01:17.21 | 01:15.37 | 10:00.00 | 01:15.37 | 4 | 5 | | | | 2 |
| 9 | 10 | E | Marty Smith | WCC | Legacy RS | 2000 T | 01:25.05 | 01:17.22 | 01:18.28 | 01:17.32 | | | 1 22 | See. 3 | 2 | 8 8 | 3 |
| 11 | 12 | в | David Graham | HCCC | Datsun 1200 | 1400 | 01:21.30 | 01:19.29 | 01:17.39 | 01:17.86 | 01:17.39 | | 8 - B | 1 | | 29 - G | 1 |
| 17 | 23 | D | Webster Gough | HCCC | Starlet GT | 1468 T | 01:17.44 | 01:21.61 | 01:19.19 | 01:17.59 | 01:17.59 | 7 | 3 | | | 3 | |
| 13 | 16 | C | Campbell Wilson | Kapiti CC | Corolla | 1798 | 01:26.79 | 01:21.97 | 01:21.32 | 01:19.96 | 01:19.96 | 8 | (- 8 | 3 3 | 1 | 3. m.h | |
| 19 | 55 | D | Mike Walsh | TARGA | CLK 55 AMG | 5500 | 01:21.10 | 01:22.66 | 01:20.64 | 01:21.49 | 01:20.64 | 9 | (- A | <u> 1</u> | | 4 | |
| 10 | 11 | D | Dimitrios Arnos | WCC | Toyota KE26 | 2000 T | 04:15.37 | 01:25.79 | 01:22.41 | 01:25.74 | 01:22.41 | 10 | 9 | | | 5 | |
| 25 | 156 | C | Bill MacPherson | WCC | Cortina MkV | 1988 | 01:33.50 | 01:25.04 | 01:23.40 | 01:28.46 | 01:23.40 | 11 | 1 - X | 3 3 | 2 | Second | |
| 8 | 9 | D | Graeme Toomer | WCC | Escort | 2800 | 01:28.57 | 01:26.83 | 01:25.12 | 01:24.20 | 01:24.20 | 12 | 3 | 19 | | 6 | |
| 4 | 4 | E | Mark Kibble | WCC | Omega | | 01:28.03 | 01:27.54 | 01:27.91 | 01:25.02 | 01:25.02 | 13 | 6 | | | | 4 |
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| 5 | 5 | C | Graham Heath | HCCC | Pulsar | 1998 | 01:28.69 | 01:26.36 | 01:27.24 | 01:27.62 | 01:26.36 | 15 | 1 - 61 | 19 | 3 | 9 - S | |
| 26 | 162 | D | Kayne Thomson | Kapiti CC | Anglia | 5700 | 01:28.76 | 01:30.53 | 01:30.38 | 01:26.49 | 01:26.49 | 16 | 2 | | | 7 | |
| 21 | 60 | в | Rob Vibert | WCC | Corolla FXGT | 1600 | 01:34.00 | 01:30.42 | 01:28.58 | 01:27.78 | 01:27.78 | 17 | 2 - 33 | 2 | | 8. B | |
| 12 | 14 | C | Neil Rush | HVMC | Pulsar Gti | 1838 | 01:37.15 | 01:31.30 | 01:30.60 | 01:28.42 | 01:28.42 | 18 | 2 | 1.1.1.1 | 4 | 2 | |
| 22 | 61 | в | Tom Heather | Kapiti CC | Corolla FXGT | 1587 | 01:42.01 | 01:36.41 | 01:31.57 | 01:31.21 | 01:31.21 | 19 | 8 | 3 | | | |
| 18 | 38 | A | Dick Butters | HCCC | Stariet | 1300 | 01:37.43 | 01:36.22 | 01:33.63 | 01:34.47 | 01:33.63 | 20 | 1 | S | | 8. B | |
| 16 | 21 | в | Leon Cast | HCCC | Corolla | 1587 | 01:47.71 | 01:42.90 | 01:35.63 | 01:33.88 | 01:33.88 | 21 | e 19 | 4 | - | 2 | |
| 6 | 6 | в | Hayden Perkins | HCCC | Mirage | 1595 | 01:38.54 | 01:34.99 | 01:36.88 | 01:34.78 | 01:34.78 | | 2 | 5 | | | |
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| 1 | 1 | В | Brian Schofield | HCCC | Honda CRX | 1600 | 01:44.49 | 01:40.40 | 01:38.38 | 01:38.55 | 01:38.38 | 24 | 6 | 6 | | | |
| 20 | 59 | В | Mike Hodgetts | WCC | Corolla GT | 1587 | 01:40.74 | 01:40.70 | 01:40.25 | 01:40.85 | | | 3 | 7 | | | |
| 23 | 86 | в | Nick Tollemache | WCC | Corolla | 1587 | 10:00.00 | 10:00.00 | 10:00.00 | 10:00.00 | 10:00.00 | 26 | 8 38 | 8 | | 8 8 | |
| 24 | 89 | C | Stuart Becker | Fiat | Fiat 124 Coupe | 1608 | 10:00.00 | 10:00.00 | 10:00.00 | 10:00.00 | 10:00.00 | 26 | s | | 5 | 22 - 23 | |
| 28 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | <u> </u> | |
| 29 | 65 | E | Gordon Diggle | 23 | | | 00:00.00 | 01:21.82 | 01:22.26 | 01:20.10 | S 3 | | 8 18 | | | 1. 1. | |
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Dijon vu - the same mustard as before.

TRIALS

Hello folks

Attached are the results of last week's car trial, fifth and final round of this year's series. Thanks to Wayne Gair and Dianne McDonald for a good event with plenty of challenges.

Congratulations to Ken Douglas & Marcia Haggerty, 1st overall and 1st in the Expert class. Congratulations also to Steve & Cathie McCallum & Steve Budd, 4th= overall and 1st in the Intermediate class. Good to see Peter Petterson's crew returning for another go in the Novice class.

Congratulations to Wayne Gair & Dianne McDonald, deserving winners of this year's series. I think I managed to pip Mike Reid for 3rd place! Next was Carol Weston, then Cathy Reid, followed by Sue & Gordon & Denise Gandy. These are also the Expert class series placings.

Competition in the Intermediate class for the series was even closer. Jilly Hutson & John Tennent came out ahead, with Steve & Cathie McCallum close behind. Next was Len Fisher, then Miles Jackson & AJ Martin, followed by Brian & Barry Craig.

I'll send out the series points table when I receive it from the Wellington Motor Sport Association pointskeeper.

cheers, John

WELLINGTON MOTORSPORT ASSOCIATION

SEPTEMBER NIGHT TRIAL 2011



SUMMARY OF RESULTS

| No | Driver | Navigator | Crew | Club | Points | Class | Class Place | O'all Place |
|----|-------------|------------|----------------------|-----------------|--------|-------|----------------|----------------|
| 1 | M Jackson | A J Martin | | Harbour Capital | 133 | Int | 4 | 8 |
| 2 | K Douglas | M Haggerty | | Levin | 28 | Exp | 1 | 1 |
| 3 | S Gandy | GGandy | D Gandy | Hutt Valley | 71 | Exp | 3 | 3 |
| 4 | C Reid | M Reid | | Hutt Valley | 75 | Exp | 4 | 4= |
| 5 | B Peacocke | M Milner | | Harbour Capital | 99 | Int | 2 | 6 |
| 6 | S McCallum | C McCallum | S Budd | Harbour Capital | 75 | Int | 1 | 4= |
| 7 | B Craig | B Craig | | Harbour Capital | 128 | Int | 3 | 7 |
| 8 | J Hutson | L Fisher | J Tennent / M Fisher | Harbour Capital | 138 | Int | 5 | 9 |
| 9 | P Petterson | A Fisher | T Whale | Harbour Capital | 275 | Nov | 1 | 10 |
| 10 | J Rapley | S Marks | | Harbour Capital | 47 | Exp | 2 | 2 |
| 11 | B Atkins | M Atkins | | Sunbeam | 334 | Nov | 2 | 11 |

Notes: Our thanks to Neil Roots for so capably manning the Beauchamp Street Control on the night on his BIRTHDAY!

No checks went missing on the night, although I did have to stand one up again after some $\#\%^@*$ sod pulled it out, lucky that the route went past the same spot more than once! It was still there on the collection run.

Thanks to all of the competitors for their friendly and helpful attitude on the night and our special congratulations to Ken and Marcia (Team Blacktracks) for a very well deserved win – they used the dummy route to sort out our error at one stage, in the best traditions of the sport.

Dianne McDonald and Wayne Gair

Once upon a time, a Prince asked a beautiful Princess, Will you marry me? The Princess said, No!!!

And the Prince lived happily ever after and rode motorcycles and banged skinny long-legged bigtitted broads and hunted and fished and raced cars and went to naked bars and dated women half his age and drank whiskey, beer and Captain Morgan and never heard bitching and never paid child support or alimony and kept his house and guns and ate spam and potato chips and beans and blew enormous farts and never got cheated on while he was at work and all his friends and family thought he was frikin' cool as hell and he had tons of money in the bank and left the toilet seat up.

| Octo ber | 2 | | Gravel Sprint | Levin | Waiorongomai Road |
|----------|-------|-------|---------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| | 9 | | Auto-x ('Metal" – 0830 to 1230) | Dannevirke | Prenters Quarry |
| | | | Race | | BATHURST |
| | 16 | WG | Gravel sprint | Wairarapa | Puketiro Road |
| | 23 | GG | Street Sprint | Hutt Valley | Port Road |
| | 24 | | Auto-x/Motork hana | Hutt Valley | Silverstream |
| | 23-29 | | Rally (Targa) | | |
| | 29 | | Rally – Manawatu Daybreaker | Manawatu | |
| November | 6 | | Hillclimb | Wairarapa | Admiral Hill |
| | 12 | GM/AW | Race (MG Classic) | MG | Manfield |
| | 13 | GM/AW | Race (MG Classic) | MG | Manfield |
| | | | Auto-x | Harbour Capital | Slipway (?) |
| | 20 | | Auto-x (gravel) | Kapiti | Otaihanga |
| | | | Gravel Sprint | Dannevirke | Tararua Road |
| | 21 | | WMSA Meeting (Calendar) | | |
| | 27 | | Gravel Sprint | Wairarapa | Dorsets Road |
| | | | Auto-x | Hutt Valley | Silverstream |
| December | 1 | All | Stewards Meeting | | Stokes Valley |
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| | | | Motorkhana | Dannevirke | Tui HQ |
| | 18 | | Gravel Sprint | Danne virk e | Otaria Road |
| | 25 | | Annual Reindeer Race | | Now trained for night events |

| | Abbreviations | |
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| KN | Kim Naylor Autocross Series | |

DM Duncan McKenzie Sealed Sprint Series

- ST Stewards Trophy Motorkhana Series
- VB Vesta Battery round of ST series
- GS Gravel Sprint Series
- RT Road and Track Sprint Series
- RS Rallysprint Series
- IM The Surgery Intermargue Sprint Series
- Nat National meeting
- NT Night Trial Series

Levin Hutt Valley Wellington Harbour Capital Kapiti Wairarapa MG Intermarque MOWOG

Stew ards

AW Alan Wright BS Barry Swanerton GG Gordon Gandy GM Gus McMillan JR John Rapley IS Ian Snellgrove ΡT Paul Te Punga SM Stephen Marks WG Wayne Gair

This guy is 72 years old and loves to fish. He was sitting in his boat the other day when he heard a voice say, "Pick me up."

He looked around and couldn't see any one. He thought he was dreaming when he heard the voice say again, "Pick me up." He looked in the water and there, floating on the top, was a frog.

The man said, "Are you talking to me?"

The frog said, "Yes, I'm talking to you.

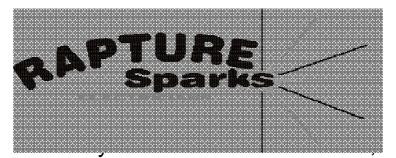
Pick me up then, kiss me and I'll turn into the most beautiful woman you have ever seen. I'll make sure that all your friends are envious and jealous because I will be your bride!"

The man looked at the frog for a short time, reached over, picked it up carefully, and placed it in his front breast pocket.

Then the frog said, "What, are you nuts? Didn't you hear what I said? I said kiss me and I will be your beautiful bride.

"He opened his pocket, looked at the frog and said,

"Nah, at my age I'd rather have a talking frog."



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Club merchandise

It is great to see the club shirts at events as they are quite striking; Navy blue and yellow with the club logo on the front and 'HARBOUR CAPITAL CAR CLUB' in yellow on the back. If you would like one of these shirts they are only \$45 each. I will be bringing them to events so come and see me or you can order via the website. We have hats too; they are \$20 each in navy blue with the club logo on the front.

Gisborne Rally

After a successful rally with Kingsley last month, I was still leading the Central Region co-drivers championship, but not Class C any more. (Kingsley was Class D). So I needed a good driver with a Class C car.

Jilly said, "How about Aaron Cook, he won the National 2wd champs". A quick phone call and I'm all set up to run with Aaron. I had never sat beside him before though I had offered several times at Barton's Line, where I go every year to bum a few rides but It just didn't happen for one reason or another.

So on Friday the 9th Sept I was due to leave Wellington early to get to Otaki, pick up my gear and Aaron would pick me up from there. All was going well until at about 8:30, I thought that being in Waikanae, I would phone Aaron to see how he was going. Whoops, no phone, I had left it in Miramar, so quick U-turn and back to get the phone. Needless to say when I got to it, there was a message from Aaron and crew to say "Where the hell are you?"

Not a good start!

They spent the time gassing up and food shopping, and I soon caught up with them and we were on our way. Fortunately there was no time pressure since we did not need to be in Gisborne until 7pm.

After shouting them all lunch they were back speaking to me again!

The drive up there is a bit of a mission, especially with a trailer, but Aaron's Hiace Custom drives very well and is as quiet as a car.

Signing on was a mere formality apart from braving a queue of people constantly hand shaking and chatting us up. It's nice to catch up with old friends; Dave Robb was scrutineer, and Dave and Joanne Burnett were both officiating, so what with competitors in the queue, lots of hugs and handshakes.

Only problem for me was the discovery of pages missing from the stage notes — soon fixed by borrowing Steve Walkers' notes and copying them.

Saturday proved to be an excellent day, fabulous weather, awesome roads (some of those used regularly a few years ago on the Rotorua rally). A central service point was at Matawai, and we circulated from there.



Needless to say Aaron's driving was superb, the only drawback was that I could not hear him through the intercom, so was unable to respond to his directions at times. I sat there thinking "Hell it's noisy as Jamie's RX7, and doesn't seem any faster that Adam's Starlet". How wrong I was with that thought, once our times became evident.

We finished 7th overall, and 1st in Class C, so that would indicate a certain amount of speed!

Thanks Aaron & crew for a great weekend, roll on October and the Daybreaker. (How can they still call it that when it starts at 10am?

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TOOLS EXPLAINED:

DRILL PRESS: A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

WIRE WHEEL: Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, 'Oh shit!'

SKIL SAW: A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

PLIERS: Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

BELT SANDER: An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

HACKSAW: One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle... It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

VISE-GRIPS: Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

OXYACETYLENE TORCH: Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race.

TABLE SAW: A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK: Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

BAND SAW: A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminium sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST: A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER: Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening oldstyle paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER: A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.

PRY BAR: A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

HOSE CUTTER: A tool used to make hoses too short.

HAMMER: Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit.

UTILITY KNIFE: Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work-clothes but only while in use.

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