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COVER PHOTO

I'm getting desperate folks, please submit something

 $Committee: 3^{\text{rd}}\ TUESDAY: 1841\ Disraeli\ Street\ Johnsonville,\ 7:30pm,\ everybody\ welcome$

Club-night: 1st TUESDAY of the month, 1841 Disraeli Street Johnsonville, 7:30 pm.

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DEADLINE

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

CLUB NIGHT

1841 Pub (Upstairs) 1 Disraeli St, Johnsonville (next to the BP)

TUESDAY 5th July 2022 @ 7:30



Leon

Further musings.

I haven't actually managed any motorsporting since last article, which is a bit disappointing!

We did have the first round of the next Duck Trilogy scheduled, however the weather intervened. It was a whole lot of rain leading up to the weekend, and even on the Saturday. Stu sent a message to say that the tractor wasn't sitting on top of the ground when he went out to mow, and it had been raining since.

Which means I guess we're counting down the days until July 10 th, and hopefully the next attempt at skids on grass. In fact, about as near as I got to motoring and grass, was buying a

lawnmower. Thrilling stuff. Though now of course, it's going to rain endlessly, meaning I can't even mow the dang lawns.

There's fun stuff coming up, as always. I've bought my spectator tickets for Rally NZ and put in my leave application.

As yet I don't know where the stages are going to be running. Looks like one day in Raglan, and the Power Stage will be Jack's Ridge. But that still leaves a lot of "wonder what's happening where and when" in between. Their page is saying Western & Dorthern Auckland for Saturday. Then all day Sunday at Jack's Ridge... which seems slightly strange, unless there's loads of roads in that farm (?). If it's multiple runs over one road, I wonder if that road won't end up quite seriously murdered.

At this point in time, it doesn't appear there's an equivalent of the Possum Bourne Memorial rally, where the yokels can get to play on the same stages as the superstars, but without needing to run international spec cars.

Somewhat nearer, and also achievable by mere mortals, is Hawkes Bay Rally. Regs have just been released, and it's a one day July 23 rd event, running in central Hawkes Bay rather than northern this time. I've got my fingers crossed for some spectator points, as I'd like to get up there with a camera for the day, and the previous running of the rally had one official spectator point only.

There's a decent bit of driving involved for the drivers, with 120k in stages, and 350k of touring. Your entry will run around \$1k. Looks like I'm a remote scrutineer too.

I'm guessing there will be a few people here heading up to the rally, given that it's our nearest gravel rally by a considerable margin.

There were some rumbles that Levin Car Club was going to have a go at running Mangahao, which when the road isn't cut up, is one of my favourite local gravels. Unfortunately sounds like road closure isn't happening, which is a shame. Although on another level, they were looking at the same day as our autocross (in which case we would have moved our event), so now our next autocross date is as safe as can be expected for an event on grass, in rainy season.

If tarmac is your bag, on July 30 th, they're running the full track sprint. Chicanes only at the old/new track junctions, so it's not like when they've run it as an autocross with loads of chicanes (which I admit, is my preference in my typically slow cars). \$120 entry for the day, running under Clubsport advanced, and they're running normal direction in the morning and reverse direction in the afternoon.

That's probably about it from me this month (sorry Len!).

Lack of skids means lack of words.

Leon



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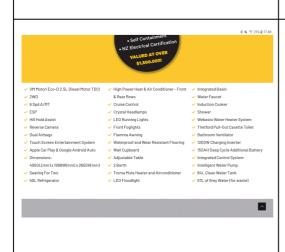


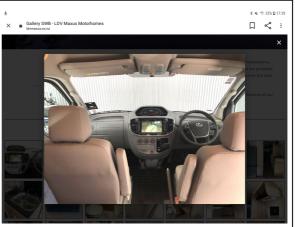
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"Be decisive. Right or wrong, make a decision. The road of life is paved with flat squirrels who couldn't make a decision."

~Unknown~

SHARED ON I'M NOT RIGHT IN THE HEAD, COM

A teacher is explaining biology to her 4th grade students.

"Human beings are the only animals that stutter", she says.

A little girl raises her hand "I had a kitty-cat who stuttered", she volunteered.

The teacher, knowing how precious some of these stories could become, asked the girl to describe the incident.

"Well", she began, "I was in the back yard with my kitty and the Rottweiler that lives next door got a running start and before we knew it, he jumped over the fence into our yard!"

"That must've been scary", said the teacher.

"It sure was", said the little girl.

"My kitty raised his back, went 'Fffff, Fffff, Fffff'... And before he could say 'fuck', the Rottweiler ate him!"



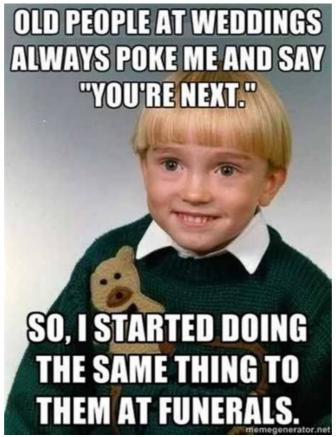


Harbour Capital Car Club Calendar 2022 Confirmed dates in RED, traditional dates left in place as indicators

Provisional dates in BLUE

Month	Date	Event Type	Club	Venue
July	14-17	WRC Rally Estonia		
	23	Hawke's Bay Rally		
	31	Autocross	Hutt Valley	Upper Hutt
	31	The Surgery Sprint		Manfeild
August	4-7	WRC Rally Finland		
	14	Atiamuri Gravel Rally	Taupo	
	21	Gravel Sprint	Wairarapa	Puketiro Road
	27	Gravel Sprint	Wanganui	Mini Pikes Peak, Rangitautau rd
September	8-11	WRC Rally Greece		
	25	The Surgery Sprint		Manfeild
		Autocross	Hutt Valley	Upper Hutt
		Gravel Sprint	Levin	Wairongamai Rd
	29-2	WRC Rally NZ		
October	20-23	WRC Rally Spain		
	16	Sealed Sprint	Wairarapa	Admiral Road
	24	Labour Day		
	23	Sealed Sprint	Hutt Valley	Port Road
November 6	6	Sealed Sprint	Wtn	Shelly Bay
	13	Atiamuri Gravel Sprint (MG Classic)	Taupo	
	10-13	WRC Rally Japan		
	19	Rally BOP	Tauranga	Bay Of Plenty
	20	Gravel Sprint	Wairarapa	Dorsets Road
	27	The Surgery Sprint		Manfeild
December	25	Christmas Day		

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