

CLASSIC TRIALS NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 009 June 2014



Director's Winter Update

Winter is upon us, and there is plenty on in the next couple of months. We have the Winter series at the Brass Monkey, some club runs with very interesting destinations and of course plans are afoot to invade the South Island again. We also have the Classic Trials Prizegiving coming up. So here's a wrap up of whats happening to keep the winter blues away.



The next Club Lotus outing is the Mike John's car collection. Wednesday 25th June, - details to Right. Classic Trial members are welcome to attend. See you there

AUSTIN HEALEY CAR CLUB & CLUB LOTUS NZ

"WEDNESDAY WANDER" - 25th June 2014, 9.30 am

This month we visit Mike and Sue John to view their collection of interesting (mainly British) road and race cars, followed by morning tea in Mark Donaldson's "Healey Garage".

Both Mike and Mark are AHCC members and live in the country within a few minutes drive of Papakura. The map shows approximate locations.

Meet at 9.30am at BP Service Centre, Southern Motorway. We will convoy to Mike & Sue's place at 403 Ponga Road from there. Mark lives at 932 Papakura-Clevedon Road.



Further info call:

Rex Oddy 09 479 3105 / 021 758 851

Allan Horner 09 535 4480 / 021 675 726



BRITISH CARS BOP
DAWNBREAKER FUN RUN



Date: Sunday 29 June 2014

If you own a British car you may be interested in this one.

The Tauranga run on the 29th June is now starting half an hour later than was originally planned. See revised flyer. There are already five cars loads booked in from outside the Tauranga area so it looks like it is going to be a great weekend. Robin Stevenson is coordinating accommodation for those that need it.

The organizers need to know numbers attending for planning and catering purposes. If you are planning to be there please contact Robin Stevenson before this Sunday so he can let the Tauranga team how many are coming.

Robin's email is regional_coordinator@clublotus.org.nz



Entries are now open at www.motorsportentry.com for the Apparelmaster Classic Trial Winter Championship which will be held on Sunday 6 July at the Brass Monkey meeting at Hampton Down.



CLASSIC TRIALS NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 009 June 2014

Message from Sheridan regarding the 2015 South Island Track Tour:

Good evening everyone!

Well, finally, our chums from Playday on Track have provided us some dates and indicative prices for the Southern Tour 2015.

The price has increased quite a bit - now \$900 for the Tour including Highlands. The reason for the \$250 increase is that the motorbikes cannot run at Highlands next year, so fewer of us will be contributing to the significant cost of that track. There is an option for \$700 to do the tour excluding Highlands, but once you look at total cost including accommodation, getting your car down there, fuel (and new lifters, in our case) the extra price for Highlands might well be worth the cost to you.



DATES:

Friday **13 March** Teretonga

Monday **16 March** Cars at Highlands for the afternoon 12.30 to 4.30pm so that's 5 sessions each with no dramas. Bikes or noisy cars at Teretonga

Wednesday **18 March** Levels

Thursday **19 March** Ruapuna

Cost with Highlands \$900

Cost with 2 days at Teretonga \$700

Tony is not advertising this until on 19 July so we have a good opportunity to grab a group booking and even have a 'group' to ourselves if we can get to the 20-ish mark. I will see if I can get us a bulk discount, although having spoken to him before this is only likely if we are prepared to pay a portion in advance. I am sure Helen can provide advice around unsecured creditors and prepayments (I can see her shaking her head as she reads this)!

There was a bit of trouble this year at Highlands regarding noise being over the dB level, and they were all over this. Anyone with a loud car will need to muffle it or risk being required to park it up. Note also [-sigh, eye roll-] that at Highlands this class **cannot be trailered to the track**, so make sure you can drive your car from your accommodation to the track itself. For those of us with campervans that might just be on the public road outside!

CLASSIC TRIALS NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 009 June 2014

Cont....



The rules for Highlands are below, but safe to assume these will apply at all tracks - although at the other tracks your trailer is welcome.

- All vehicles must be road registered, have a standard factory exhaust and be driven to the track (not trailered)
- All bikes must be road registered and have a standard factory exhaust rated at under 75dba
- No tyre warmers are to be used on bikes
- Track activities will be based from beside the Pit Lane building with access from Cemetery Road
- Maximum of 15 bikes OR 20 cars on the track at any one time. No more than a total of 100 bikes and vehicles to be on-site on one day.
- Power will only be available with prior approval and charges will apply•
- Museum access to Playday registered participants ONLY is included in the track hire fee
- Noise monitoring devices will be in place on track throughout the day and managed by a HMP staff member
- Comply with our noise levels, under 65db at our boundary read by a LEM DT-8852 logger sound meter reader
- Additional equipment such as cones and fire extinguishers can be arranged for a nominal fee
- HMP indemnity forms to be completed by all drivers and passengers
- Fuel available to purchase on the day of track hire ONLY

Peter and I did it this year and shared the Cortina and - along with Terry and Robby - had a whale of a time (although dang Peter got faster than me at every track...from 0.9s variation at Teretonga to 2s at Ruapuna. He wouldn't let me rev it beyond 6700rpm, how dull).

We are keen to do it again in 2015 because it is great fun with good people and a brilliant 'mini holiday'.

Can you consider and let me know if you would like to attend, with either a "no", "possible", "probable" or "definitely!".

Onwards!

Sheridan



Editors note... 6700rpm Sheridan- really? Thankfully there seems to be no rule about having your car Trailered away FROM the track though.... Not that that's ever happened – eh?

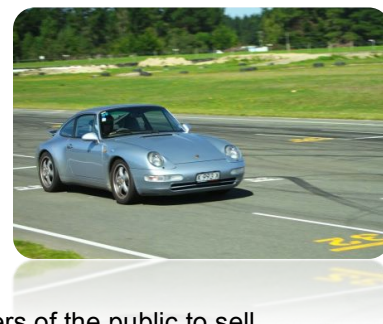


CLASSIC TRIALS NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 009 June 2014

And, Now for the News....

Paul Miller has sold his black Porsche and will be driving in the Winter Championship in a new blue Porsche 993. A lovely car and the last Porsche to have the air cooled flat 6 motor.



At this year's CRC Speedshow we've introduced a new *Park 'N' Sell* zone for members of the public to sell their competition or classic cars and motorcycles.

Up to 45 people can take the opportunity to display their vehicle in front of 30,000-plus CRC Speedshow visitors and also promote it on the busy CRC Speedshow website. More information and the registration form can be found here <http://www.speedshow.co.nz/the-show/park-n-sell/>



Classic Trial prize giving luncheon to be held at the Horse and Trap, Enfield Rd, Mt Eden 11.30am on 24 August

Pauls Westfield Eleven Update

Well, the thought of a debut at the Brass Monkey seems perhaps a bit optimistic.... But the car is actually rolling now- as John McGregor pointed out- only in a straight line- due to the slight steering lock issue...err thanks John...



Eagle eyes will see the Ford Crossflow sitting in the engine bay- much to Pauls disgust... "I've bought an industrial sized vat of Swarfega and a set of Imperial tools as I figure I'm going to need them"

Those engineers among you might also notice the Hybrid De Dion tube rear end and fully adjustable front end I designed – Well- I'll only know for sure probably going into turn one at Hampton Downs for the first time... *what could possibly go wrong!*

CLASSIC TRIALS NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 009 June 2014

Coming events:

6 July 2014	HRC Brass Monkey	Hampton Downs
24 August 2014	Prize Giving	Horse and Trap
13 September 2014	HRC Icebreaker	Hampton Downs
4 October 2014	TACCOC Spring Classic	Pukekohe
9 November 2014	TACCOC Summer Classic	Hampton Downs
14 December 2014	OutSource IT Christmas at the Downs	

Finally, a word from Paul Couper:

I would very much like to thank those of you who attended my wife Zarina's Funeral last week. It was very touching so many of the Classic Trials community attended, and the kind words and support of those who couldn't be there, meant a great deal to our family.

Those of you who knew Zarina knew she was totally supportive of my car obsessions, and in fact the little red MX5, was actually her car. It took surprisingly little convincing to allow me to weld a cage in it and go racing.

Zarina insisted I kept up my hobby throughout her long illness, and the relaxed environment of the classic trials group allowed me some short release from what was a very difficult time.

Zar was a wonderful mother to our two daughters, and we will all miss her greatly.

Paul, Karissa and Tessa.



Cheers

Ross

Classic Trial Director

*Ross Vaughan - Classic Trial Director,
Event Manager. 09 292-4070, Ross.vaughan@clear.net.nz*

David Tolhurst - Event Manager. 09-420-3301

Syd Davis - Event Manager. 07-843-7504

John Miller - Event Manager. 09-630-3295

Maria Sutherland - Memberships

Rex Oddy - Web Site 021-758-851 or 09-479-3105

Paul Couper- Newsletter Editor- paul.couper@icloud.com



2014 Apparelmaster Classic Trial Championship