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P76, anything but average

Penzed for March 2008

A slightly smaller issue than normal follows as we have to include the AGM booklet with Penzed, so you can read it prior to coming to Reefton for the meeting on March 14 15 16.

Do please bring your AGM Booklet with you.

It is never too late to join in the fun, look for the details of the weekend further in. The AGM will look back at 2007 and report on the good year that was but I can assure you that 2008 is shaping up as probably being even better. One improvement is in the area of our P76 registration database being developed by Alan and Leah Caple. This exercise is locating more cars, several previously unknown to us and offering these owners the opportunity to join us. We welcome these potential new members and their "new" cars, along with the historical information being gathered by the Caple's with a lot of assistance from members all over New Zealand.

Don't be shy, don't miss out, and don't begrudge yourself the fun of a Leyland weekend away, talk to Fleming now before it is too late. See you here.

What do we have in here for you this time?

Amongst other bits we have the RED DOT warning for your unpaid subscription, not that there are too many of those. You can't miss the RED DOT page. Please pay early and direct to the Treasurer, as he will not be able to attend the AGM due to a family wedding. And then he's off to the Australian National Rally so he needs your cheque now.

I will include as many event reports as are to hand.

Enjoy this smaller issue and look forward to a lot more in May.

Cover Photo

A snap of some of the happy lot at British Car Day, from L to R we have Bryan's knees, Beth at rest, Linda swiping Paul for some good reason no doubt, Paul smiling for the camera and then we have Carol Cottle's calves (and feet). Well I think that's whose they are?

The photo was kindly (do you believe that) taken by Sandra Bray as she passed by our little picnic area. Note the rope on the umbrella pole.

The 4 cars attracted the usual amount of attention, if not more from several UK tourists who hadn't seen one of these before. It was good to see Merv out for the day, having been at Rose's bedside for many days after her recent heart surgery. We are happy to report that Rose is well on the way to recovery and we all wish her well for the future. Rest is part of recovery Rose, don't forget that.

Inter Group Events

Reefton AGM 2008 March 14,15,16. See itinerary on the next page.

2008 P76 Nationals Victoria Australia March 21 22 23 24 2008. We will be ably represented by at least 10 members at this event. That is not too bad an effort. Well done Kiwi's.

Itinerary for Reefton 2008 AGM

Please Note. Accommodation is at Reefton Autolodge 74 Broadway Ph 03 732 8406.

This establishment has been well known as Dawson's Hotel-Motel so be aware that there has been a change of name. If you booked late and are staying elsewhere this does not apply to you.

Friday March 14

Check into your motel upon arrival and please make it to the Reefton Workingmen's Club by **5.00 p.m. for a meet and greet to be followed by a light meal, the cost of which is included in your** registration fee. Cost is \$15/hd if you have arrived unregistered. The Workingmen's Club is at 55 Bridge Street just around the corner from the Autolodge. Only a couple of minutes walk.

There will be a lot of old friend's to catch up with so the sooner you get there the better it will be.

Saturday March 15

Breakfast at your cost. Meet at the Autolodge car park at 9.00a.m. for a 9.30 departure to Greymouth. We will browse around Greymouth until we have light refreshments at the Recreation Hotel on High Street where there is ample car parking. Refreshments are \$10/hd your cost.

After lunch we take a 10 minute drive to view the miniature Waiuta Village and Reefton Indoors. The discounted \$7/hd entry fee is your cost.

Return to your motel in Reefton via Atarau Road. The round trip is about 170 kms.

Meet at the RWMC at 55 Bridge Street at 5.00p.m. to register for the AGM. It is expected the AGM will finish before 7.00 p.m. by which time we will be back at the Autolodge for the AGM Dinner. The cost of this is included in your registration fee.

Sunday March 16

8.00a.m. Breakfast at the Autolodge, compliments of the Southern Group. After this people may depart for home or stay longer like some of us are planning to do.

Also note. A deposit has been paid on your accommodation from your registration fee. Please settle the balance before departure.

The organising committee hopes you have an enjoyable weekend and wish you a safe trip home.

As always, if you have any questions call Fleming Biddick on 03 322 9397.

The current count has 38 people registered for this AGM but there is always room for more.

See you in Reefton for the 2008 AGM

Local Group Activities

Southern Group

For the next adventure with the Southern Group, contact that great Leyland man, Fleming Biddick on 03 322 9397 and he will put you in the picture and the driving seat. In the meantime they have been out and about as the following reports prove. There is still time to play despite organising an AGM.

Jenifer's Jottings...The Christmas Function

The Dine and Dance ably organised by our First lady; Beverley Clifton-Mogg attracted 29 people. While dancing prowess wasn't exhibited by many everyone dined sumptuously and were well entertained by a band with some very good vocalists. The food, entertainment and company made for a very enjoyable evening indeed, a great way to celebrate the festive season. Thank you Beverley.

Annual New Year BBQ

January 20, Blue Skies Motor Camp. 9 Leyland's brought 22 adults and 7 children to this excellent venue under shady tress with a play area and adventure playground for the attendee's of all ages to enjoy. Once again Fleming took charge of the cooking and we enjoyed the usual BBQ fare with a variety of salads and extras provided by members with liquid refreshment to counter the hot temperatures.

It was great to have Robyn and Frank Waghorn come over from Reefton to join us and they are looking forward to having our Club invade Reefton in March for the national AGM.

Southern Group AGM

Held on February 12, the 17 members attending elected the following committee.

President: Adrian Clifton-Mogg

Secretary and Parts Manager: Don Alexander

Treasurer: Fleming Biddick

Event Co-ordinator: Sandy Downes

Ring Around: Vinetta White Reporter: Beverley Clifton-Mogg

Congratulations to all of you for taking on these positions. Your group is in good hands.

Now is the time for me to say a big thank you for to Jenifer Alexander for all the event reports supplied to Penzed. For some time now Jenifer's Jottings have kept us informed of events down south. The news above being the last from Jenifer for awhile. Thank you for your prompt and interesting reports Jenifer. Now I have to make up a new title for Beverley.

A Noteworthy Celebration

Our congratulations go out to Betty and Fleming Biddick who celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary on February 12. We wish them well and commend their dedication to the Leyland cause. Fleming took Betty out to the Southern Group AGM that night! That man deserves a DB.

Congratulations to you both. You obviously work as hard at life as you do for the Club.

Northern Group

Meetings are generally held on the first Thursday of each month at the Auckland Car Club 44 Stoddard Road Mt Roskill. The last was on February 7 at 7.30p.m. Meetings are notified by written summons from Philip Meyer so if you are passing through from out of town...or south of the Bombay's and would like to join them contact Philip as per page 2 of Penzed.

The December meeting saw 7 members arrive including Alan Caple from way up north, keen to show? and tell of his new acquisition, a real road going P76. Another new face in the form of Phil Scott was in attendance. All you need now is founder member Don Edmonds to show up. Philip is encouraged by the new faces showing up and hopes to see more of you. The meetings are completely informal and wives, family and friends are welcome.

On occasion we view video/DVD's on relevant Leyland topics, have impromptu technical discussions and plan attendance at local events amongst other things like food and refreshment.

AGM 2009. The decision to abandon the Waiheke Island proposal sees us looking at alternative venues and entertainment. We envisage an event based around the Pukekohe region (not the race track). This topic will figure largely in future meetings so that we suitably host the rest of the Club when they visit us for the AGM.

Editors Plea. Can I please have reports and photos of events/shows etc that your local P76's might attend. The rest of us are keen to see your cars and other makes you mix with. Or even your cars at the next meeting.

The Central Group

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The Feathers on Featherston Street in Wellington will see us in attendance on:

March 4 April 1 (Honest) May 6 June 3

Everyone is welcome to join us for food, beverage and P talk. With all our new members these meetings are becoming a lot more fun!

There are a few event notices arriving now so look below for your next fun day/weekend in your P76. Remember, if it appears in here **YOU** are invited.

The Feathers March 4. This is the Central Group AGM. Please come to the meeting to have your say on Club events etc. Don't be put off by "AGM". It doesn't take long and normal service will resume ASAP. Promise. We do however, need a quorum.

Wheels with Attitude February 3 Three members attended to my knowledge. A report is still to come. It may be another first with 2 P76's and a Kia.

Shannon Spectacular February 24 a great show that the Editor didn't quite get to, however there were at least 3 P76's there and some of our members in their other cars so a report should be forthcoming, shouldn't it.

Wheels on Windsor Classic Car Show March 9

An opportunity for you HB members to get together and compare cars at Windsor Park in Hastings. Hosted by the HB British and European Car Club from 9 till 3. A gold coin will get you in. There may well be out of town members there also. Now is the time for the HB cars to be recognised, whatever state they may be in on the day. For details contact 06 879 8268.

Dawnbreaker Rally April 20

An early warning for this early event. Organised by our newer members, Dave and Sandra Bray wearing their DECW hats this event will again see many people up very early. Sonya and I will have to defend our second placing! This is a truly great event and if you haven't done it you should register early as it's almost at the point where numbers will have to be limited. I have no final details at this time but if you are interested contact me (Rob Jones) ASAP as the details will be supplied to me via email and I enlighten you.

Where I have listed myself as contact I would also appreciate you letting me know that you're going to attend as that is a FAQ by others checking out events. Thanks, Rob Jones.

Car for Sale

Something a little different looking for a good home rather than a crusher.

1974 Hillman Hunter automatic, 89,000km by one lady owner (truly). An ex Christchurch car in covered storage for some years, now deregistered. Also comes with parts including a manual gearbox. If you are interested or know a Hillman man pass it onto them. For details contact Valerie Whisker on 06 372 7586 or 027 411 0431. The car is now located in the Wairarapa near Gladstone.

The Leyland's that went to British Car Day

L to R we see Rob and Sonya's Deluxe 6, Paul's Super V8, Ron's Targa Florio Replica and Merv's Super V8. I wonder sometimes if the public is getting tired of these cars in that they are regularly seen at events around the lower North Island without the support of many of the others out there!



BRITISH CAR DAY

Sunday 17 February 2008 By Bryan Lawrence

I know from experience that no matter how much planning you do the success or otherwise of an event like British Car Day depends on matters beyond your control. Many clubs (like ours) earmark BCD as a major event on their calendars but at the end of the day, attendance is entirely at the whim of the individual.

Weather is an obvious contributing factor, and I'm sure there was a lot of nervous weather-report-watching on Saturday before this year's British Car Day. In the event, the weather turned up sunny and warm (if a bit breezy – the British Car Club lost their tent to a gust of wind and we spent a lot of our time hanging onto our sun umbrellas!). And despite there being so many other events in and around the Wellington region and beyond, the turnout of cars and "foot traffic" was excellent. I'm told there were around 380 vehicles (including motor cycles) on display.

Rationalising that since my XJ6 was made by BL it is at least an "honorary Leyland" we parked up with the P76s of Rob, Paul, Merv and Ron, together with the "P38" (Triumph 2000) of Clive and Carol Cottle. We've had more P76s at past British Car Days, but we've also had a lot fewer, so all up, it wasn't a bad turnout.

I think we had a bigger turnout than my "other" club, the Wellington Daimler Enthusiasts' Club, but they were joined by Daimlers and Jaguars from Wellington, Hutt Valley, Hawkes Bay and Manawatu to create a most impressive line-up. I didn't actually do a count, but I think the "combined display" of Daimlers and Jaguars outnumbered the ubiquitous Minis.

Amongst the more unusual sights was a gathering of 3 Jensen Interceptors. There was a good turnout of "exotics" but I also liked the fact that every-day classics like BMC 1100s were out in force. A cool bright yellow Morris Minor convertible won the "Peoples' Choice" award and the Ford Capri Club won Best Club Display to the acclaim of the gathered enthusiasts.

A notable feature of this year's event was the "eatin' and drinkin' area". Thanks to the usual hospitality and generosity of the Jones's and their barbecue, we didn't need to partake of the "commercial" sustenance, but I heard lots of positive comment about the good food and great coffee available. Let's hope that becomes a regular feature of BCD.

Warmest congratulations and a big thank you to the BCD Organising Committee, for another really great event.

The Editors observations of British Car Day were that there was a welcome increase in the number of Fords on display, in particular Escort's, Cortina's and Anglia's. Even a stock original Anglia van. Another Marque to grow in number was the Rootes cars, with some interesting Humber's not seen before and of course the 3 Jensen Interceptors, a rare sight indeed.

Only 4 P76's this time ably supported by the Jaguar and Triumph and their crews. We also had a black Maxi with us for a while but the Austin people snaffled him away. Yes it was another great British Car Day. Photos follow.

A little editorial indulgence is taking place here as I had these cars in my youth.

A dark brown Hillman Minx from 1954. Mine was blue.

A lovely 1962 Vauxhall Cresta Mine was a 61 Velox but hey, they are very similar and great cars. Mine was an awful olive green colour.

Three Jensen Interceptors as promised.



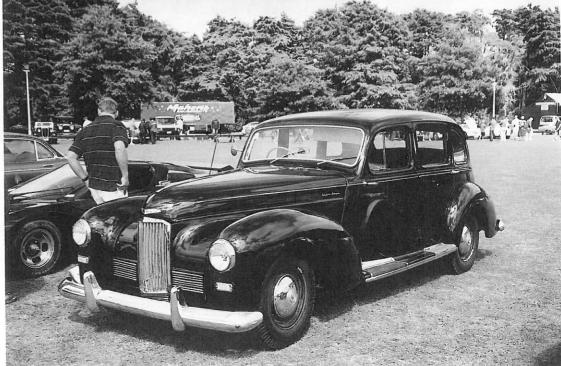
And now for some more.

A 1969 Marcos V6 in stunning yellow. Note UK number plate.

A stunning 1950 Riley RM 12 HP. This car looked like it had just come out of the restoration shop. It glistened.

A grand old Humber Super Snipe. Black of course.





A Portrait of a Master Chef

Taken at Ron and Colleen's PBQ we see the master in action. He barely burnt anything at all! Here is Ron driving his flash new BBQ. I wonder if it needs power steering like the Leyland did?



Troop Movements

As all the mail no longer arrives at the President/Editors address we have found a gap in our information sharing. That is that change of address information isn't always getting through to the Editor who posts out your Penzed, thus you may miss out. We seek the simplest solution.

Amazingly NZ Post still offers free change of address cards for people shifting house. Can I, the editor, please ask you to send one of these cards to the Club at PO Box 18 Masterton 5840. This will ensure your change of address is recorded on the mailing and address lists used by the Club. Many of you notify the change on your subscription account as you should but to simplify the process as a whole the posting of a free COA card would prove invaluable in keeping our records straight. This of course leads to an advice of:

Change of Address

DA Prouting is now at "Strowan" 41 Beach Road East RD7 Ashburton 7777.

It is pure coincidence that the Prouting's move coincides with my request for COA cards. It has been on my mind for some time and I now have the space to fit it in. I will pass on the information to the other committee members as it arrives.

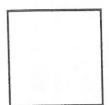
Rob Jones.

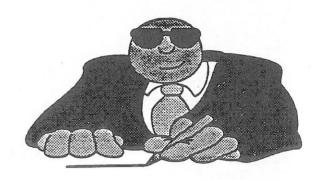
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