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Previous Event Reports

Overnighter to Omakau – 12th-13th June 2010

We left Gore around 11am with 8 cars in convoy. Probably would've been earlier but as always there were some late comers to the Lodge... myself included! The weather forecast was supposed to be rubbish but by the time we got to Tapanui it was looking to be an absolute ripper of a day. Unfortunately it seemed to be the day that every farmer had their tractors out dirtying up the road, so most of the cars were covered in crap by the time we got to Miller's Flat Pub. Then it was onto Ettrick Tavern. By this stage Kev and Muscle's carloads had caught up. (Actually, I'm not sure if carload is the right word as Muscles only had 2 in his stretched limo!!). The Publicans choice award went to Greg Anderson and his blue VG sedan.

Next on the agenda was lunch at the Top Pub in Alexandra. Was a great cruise through to Alex with the beers flowing nicely, the music cranked and the sun beaming in through the windows. Once again the Top Pub put on an excellent feed and the publican's choice was awarded to Derek Ayson in his HT Monaro and Gary Weir for his VF Coupe. We also had a raffle for a set of Pioneer car audio speakers which were won by Leanne Adams.

Once our bellies were full we boosted out to the Dam Pub in Clyde for a cold one and then out to the Clyde Dam for a couple of photos. Here we lost a couple of carloads as they were heading back home for the night.

Chatto Creek was next on the list of Central pubs to visit, couple more photos and of course a couple more beers – then it was onto our final destination, Omakau.

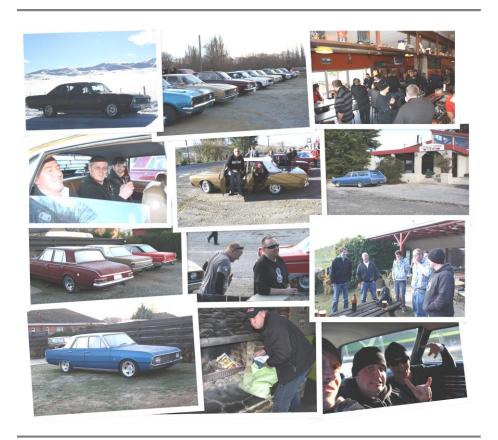
Once our accommodation was sorted and the cars parked up for the night, it was time to get down to business – drinking, talking about cars, talking about cars some more, more drinking and I'm pretty sure the rugby was on at some stage too! After the rugby the Irish Rover – a oneman band- started playing and kept us entertained for the duration of the night. So it all went off without any dramas, well apart from the president getting a bit frisky with a couple of rugby heads and a little sibling rivalry!!

The next morning the sun was shining again but there had been a fresh dumping of snow around the hills and the cars were frozen solid. After a good hearty breakfast we headed into the bar for a bit of reminiscing and to fend off the hangovers with a few beers. A few took off up to Ranfurly and Middlemarch while the rest of us headed to the Shingle Creek Pub. We started the fire and a few carloads had lunch there. My carload headed to Roxburgh for some fish & chips, then it was a lonesome trip back home to Gore and to the reality that the weekend was now over...

An absolutely brilliant weekend, lots of laughs, great company and as always awesome cars. Thanks to all the publicans, the Commerical for putting us up and of course everyone that attended.

Cheers, Brad.

Lots of photos on the website... www.southernaussiemuscle.co.nz/Gallery.html



Previous Event Reports cont...

Aussie Crawl -19th-20th June 2010

(Overnight run to Manapouri hosted by the Southland Ford Falcon Club)

This year the entry rules for Aussie Crawl have changed, being that you now have to be a club member of one of the following Club - The Southland Ford Falcon Club, The Rivera Touring Car Club, The Southland Holden Enthusiasts Club or Southern Aussie Muscle Car Club. Since this change came about, myself along with Trumpet & Shady decided to make the trip down from Upper Charlton.

A minor hiccup from the start with the speedo cable becoming stuck to extractor, needing the Kiwi Zip Tie to fix. We duly arrived in time for the 10.15 departure from the Feldwick Gates, Invercargill at 10am, where before leaving introductions were done and proceedings for the day explained.

Each carload getting presented with a Goodie Bag containing Panadol, Lollies, Adult Balloons, Chips, Coke and a Stubby cooler. They selected a lead car and 1st stop was Wallacetown & some liquid refreshments to start the day. At each pub there was a Publican's Choice Award for the following categories Best Ford, Best Holden & Best Valiant which was a large glass pint with the Aussie Crawl Logo engraved into it.

Then onto Otautau for lunch which was a buffet, very good selection and the publican was very welcoming, we spent about 2 hours here. From there it was onto Mossburn this route seemed to remind a few of a Bathurst event! A nice straight bit of road to stretch the legs, we had the 265 stretched right to the max.

More refreshments (of course) once we stopped at Mossburn, though the conversation by this stage is starting to deteriorate - not enough refreshments maybe? Some local Queenstown idiots were highly entertaining trying to purchase some unique old man type knitted cardigan but alas it could not be bought for any money.

It was then onto the Te Anau Town & Country Club & just for a change more refreshments – liquid of course! From here the next & final stop was Manapouri Hotel. Everyone arrived safely & sorted out their accommodation details. And as per normal some did not make the evening event. The Manapouri Pub put on band & I believe rugby was once again on sometime during the night.

Due to alcohol intake arm wrestling seemed to be the go. A few finishing early in the night & making quite a habit of it to just quietly (maybe fatherhood is a hard job after all Shady?), the night finished at some stage......... Sunday morning we travelled back to Te Anau Town & Country Club for breakfast & prize giving and raffle draws.

Having finally attended this much talked about event, I encourage you all to think about coming along next year it is a very well event, and have no doubt you would all thoroughly enjoy it.

Cheers, Aaron.



Upcoming Events

Indoor Go Kart Challenge – Sunday 15th August 2010

For our next run we've decided to head down to Invercargill and try out the brand new indoor go karts! New karts, new track, lap timers – the works. I've been down there for a look and it's awesome!

We imagine a Gran Prix type race with 2-3 drivers per team complete with pit stops and driver swaps. The finer details of this will be sorted once we have the final numbers. Cost will be approx. \$40, with about an hours racing. So if you are intending on racing then please let me know. (Brad – 021 239 4408 – call/text or email: admin@southernaussiemuscle.co.nz).

After the racing we will be heading to the Speights Ale House for lunch and to celebrate (or commiserate!). Then Mark Quertier will give us a guided tour of a workshop containing speciality race cars.

And for those that haven't quite had enough we'll stop off at Woodlands on the way home!

Meet up at the Lodge at 10:00am – we will be leaving at 10:25am sharp!



<< These are similar to the new karts used by Kart City!!

Car Run with the SFFC – Sunday 29th August 2010

We are having a combined run with the Southland Ford Falcon Club.

Meet up at the Lodge at 10:30am and we'll meet up with them in Edendale at 11:00am.

For those already in Invercargill be at the Feldwick Gates at 10:30am.

Then it's off to Fort Rose for lunch.

Upcoming Events cont...

Mystery Poker Run – Saturday 30th October 2010

We thought we'd try another Saturday run. (Hopefully with a bit more success than the last time!) It'll be a pub crawl type event, with each car receiving a new card at each stop. Hopefully by the time you have a full hand it's a winning one!! Once we get back to Gore, we'll head back to the Lodge for prize giving and they've organised a band for later on to keep us entertained for the night. We have also invited the Southland Ford Falcon Club to this run as well. As always, can you please let us know if you're attending this one as we need to know how many packets of cards to buy.

Meet up at the Lodge at 1:00pm, The route will be handed out before leaving.

Merchandise for Sale

The Club has Southern Aussie Muscle merchandise for sale. All items are embroided with the clubs logo.

Caps/Beanies: \$18.00
Polo Shirts: \$40.00
V-Neck Shirts: \$30.00
Polarfleeces: \$65.00
Kids Polos: \$40.00
Stickers: \$15.00



World's Shortest Fairy Tale

Once upon a time, a guy asked a girl 'Will you marry me?' The girl said, 'NO!' And the guy lived happily ever after and rode motorcycles and went fishing and didn't invite people he didn't like to his BBQ's and played golf a lot and drank beer and scotch and wore whatever he wanted whenever he wanted and had tons of money in the bank and left the toilet seat up and farted whenever he wanted. The end!

Members Profile

Name: Derek Ayson

Ride: 1970 GTS HT Monaro

Modifications: 350 Chev, 4 speed Saginaw, 10 bolt diff, 8"

Tridents, painted Monza Blue.

Holbies: Spraying gravel into the scenery in the rally car,

small bore rifle shooting, rain dancing...

Dream Car: Skoda S2000 or E49 Charger

Favorite Drink: Coca Cola (as it helps you see over the blind crests

easier!!)

Ultimate Cruise: Current car is the ultimate cruise at the moment!

Anything Else?: There is an article in the latest Petrolhead

magazine about me, the rally car and the Monaro



(Congrats on getting into the Petrolhead Mag Derek, awesome stuff)

Like to see your ride here? Then email us your favourite photo along with the above info... admin@southernaussiemuscle.co.nz