

January 2023 Newsletter



Seems like Sharon is making a habit out of wanting to be on the front page of the newsletter every month, guess the Caddie is waiting for a tow

Welcome to the Hibiscus Rodders Inc Newsletter. Please contact any Committee Member or the Newsletter Editor if you have anything to discuss or to submit for the next issue. All input is greatly appreciated. We take this opportunity to thank all those who do submit articles and ads for the newsletter and to welcome those new members to the Club. It is great to have you on board with us.

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NOTICE FROM THE SHERIFF

Anyone wishing to "dob" in or pass on a funny story about a fellow club member is summoned to txt anonymously to 027 2471350

***MORE INFORMATION
NEEDED PLEASE!!!!***

MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

FEBRUARY 8th, SILVERDALE RSA.

Presidents Report

Hi All

Happy New Year everyone and welcome to the forty first year of Hibiscus Rodders, doesn't have quite the same ring as fortieth does it. Anyway I hope this finds you all well and ready to rev up, as soon as we get some decent weather.

Club Night

No club night for January instead we are gathering on Wednesday 25 to pack Goody Bags, see details below.

February club night is back at the RSA on Wednesday the 8th, 7.30.

Friday night cruise night

Next Friday January 13th, what could possibly go wrong, meeting at the ANZ carpark Orewa at 6 to leave at 6.30 for a cruise and a feed. I'll need numbers.

Beach Festival January 27-29

Seriously not long to go now and the excitement is building.

But before we get there we need help, firstly to pack all the Goody Bags given to each entrant, we're meeting at Sign Post Signs 6pm Wednesday January 25. Bring your picnic chair, drinks and the club will provide dinner.

We'll have all the merchandise there as well if you would like to have first crack at it, including the dress shirts some have ordered, polos, bar runners etc, there's limited numbers for some of it. Bring your money.

We're also still looking for lots of helpers over the weekend itself if you can spare a few hours that would be great. Contact me with your preferred times by email or text and once we have the roster sorted we'll email it out.

Crew shirts will be handed out at Goody Bag packing night.

And if you haven't pre-registered yet there is still time, get it done by the end of this weekend and it will save you having to queue on the day along with everyone else.

So what's happening;

Friday, is kick off at the Orewa Reserve from 3pm with Food Truck Friday, so no need to cook dinner. It's a meet and greet afternoon with music, food and our first opportunity to see some of this year's cars.

At 8pm it's time to cruise The Boulevard with Mothers 'Shot In The Dark' and a chance for your car to become famous. Mothers photographer will be out and about shooting cars as they cruise with all photos put up on their website. Jim Holloway from Mothers USA will choose his favourite for it to be used in Mothers advertising. They'll also be dishing out lots of freebies from their car care range of products.

Saturday, the gates open at 8am and it will be full noise from then on with all the cars, entertainment, food, music and of course the auction, a major part of our fund raising for the Helicopter Trust. (Do you have something you can donate?)

Then at 3.30 we have the Z Build cruise to Puhoi, our What's Under Your Hood competition and the Auckland Harley Davidson Bike Show. And then at night we have more cruising on The Boulevard.

Sunday, gates open at 8am for the Mothers Show & Shine on The Boulevard with music and entertainment followed by the Grand Parade at 2pm.

For full details have a look at the website.

Crew After Match

For clubbies that have worked on any aspect of this year's show we're having an unwind at 3pm on Evan Reserve Crampton Court. Bring your chairs and drinks and togs. Food provided.

Cheers guys that's it from me and hopefully we'll see you soon.

Grant McKechnie



CLUB MERCHANDISE FOR SALE



BEACH FESTIVAL UPDATE

Hi Guys,

If you haven't already, don't forget to pre register Now!!
VIP passes which include your lunch or
Standard passes available!!

Our entrant bags are exciting this year and so is the
merchandise!

You could win the trip for two to the Gold Coast for two with
tickets to Coolly Rocks for 2023! Sponsored by our lovely Zane
from Zebuild!!

We are Looking for some keen delegates to monitor different
areas and on our dec and jan clubnites we will have many
vacancies for jobs on the weekend of the festival!

This is a great fundraiser for our club also with merchandise
and with proceeds going to Auckland Rescue Helicopter Trust!
These guys save lives and you never know when you might
need them!

We will also have a goodie night bag packing on Wednesday
25th January so mark it in your diary!

Many thanks

Beach Festival Committee x

Prize Giving Awards

Best Ford *Kevin Dunn 67 Falcon*

Runner up Jointly *Gavin & Rebecca Hollier 34 Roadster
Murray & Gill 23 Roadster pick up*

Best unfinished *Gavin & Rebecca 34 Roadster*

Runner up *Murray, Gill & Steve 80 Camaro Drag Car*

Best Corvette Jointly *to Peter Kamphuis 69 C3
& Murray & Gill 78 C3*

Runner Up *Neil Wade 80 C3
Jacqui Thompson 03 C5*

Best Mustang 2000 onwards *Shari Woodward 07*

Runner up *Kevin Dunn 08*

Best Mustang 64 to 99 *Karen Dunn 65*

Runner up *Andrew & Lone 64*

Best Hot Rod Nostalgia *Murray & Gill 23 Roadster
pick up*

Runner up *Rodney & Jo 32 Coupe*

Best pre 1949 *Gavin & Rebecca 34 Roadster*

Runner up *Murray & Gill 23 Roadster pick up*

Best other *Corey Woodward 73 Holden Premier*

Runner up Jointly *Rebecca 68 Pontiac
Gavin 67 Buick*

Best Chev *Sheryl Bawden 55*

Runner up *Peter Kamphuis 56 Belair*

Best Open *Ben Bond 61 Galaxie*

Runner up *Gavin 67 Buick*

Best Commercial *Grant McKechnie
59 Chev Apache*

Runner up Jointly *Brian Strickland
48 COE*

Peter Soons 54 Chev 3100

Best Mopar *Peter Stewart
63 Chrysler Imperial*

Runner up Jointly *Murray & Gill
74 Challenger
Darren & Sheryl
73 Barracuda*

Best Wheels *Rob & Caroline Brooker
48 Chev pick up*

Stirrer *Neil Wade*

Good Samaritan *Janice Ness*

Bones Good Bastard *Steve 'The Sheriff'
Graham*

Achiever of the Year *Corey Woodward
73 Premier*

Participant *Murray Ness*

Hard Luck *Paul & Sue*

Supporters cup *Pam Williams*

Best Presented *Twin 1 & Twin 2 Corvettes*

Most Active New Club Member *Grant
Watson*

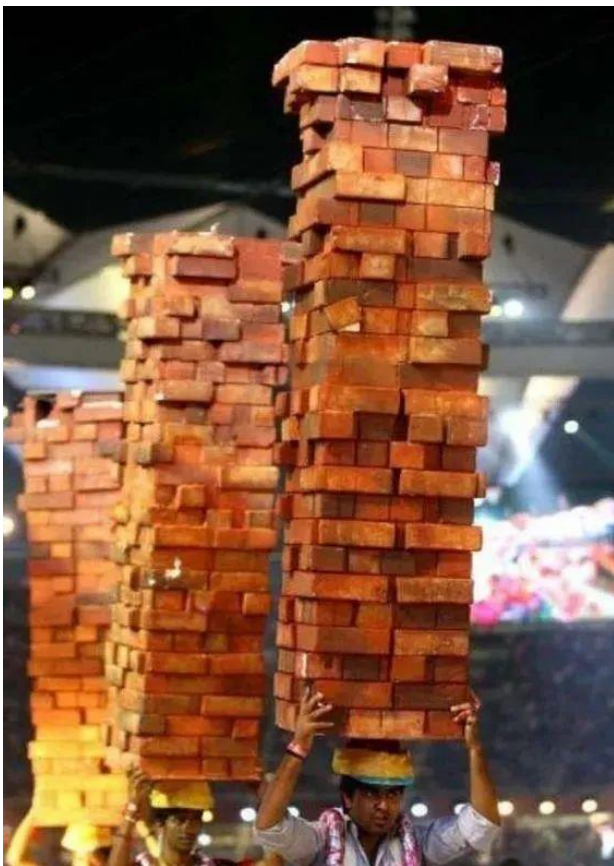
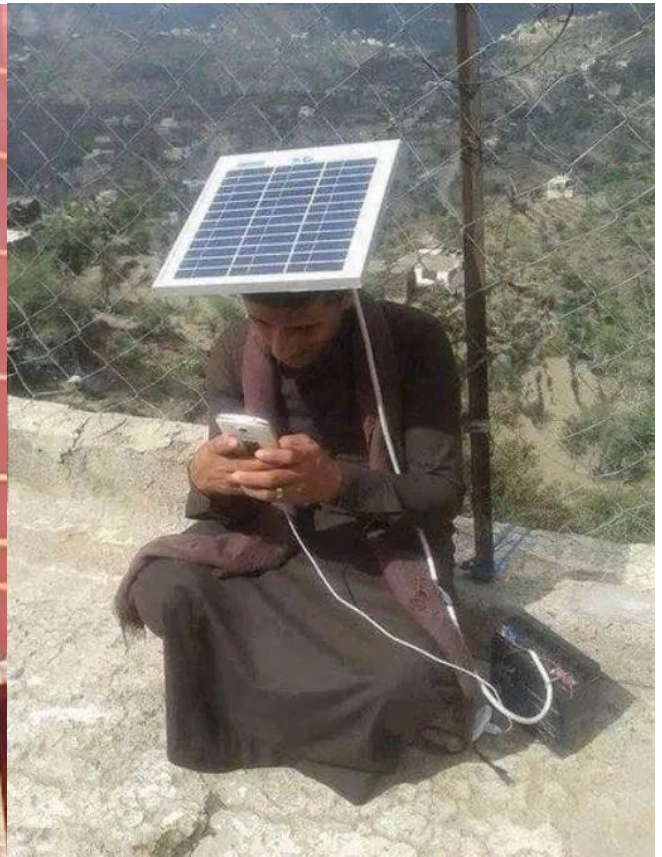
Presidents Choice *Corey Woodward
73 Premier*

SOME FUNNIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

It's cold out



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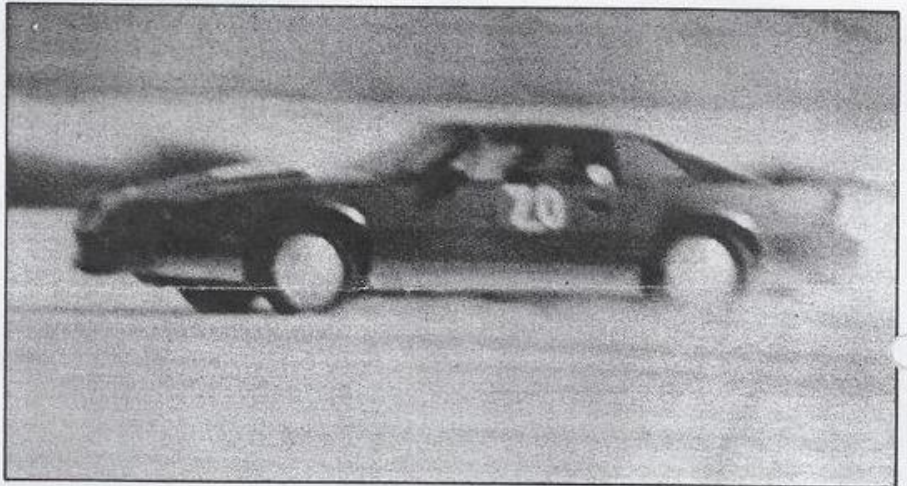
WORLD'S FASTEST...

... passenger cart that is — a twin-turbo Chevy for 200 mph plus, Bonneville records, and driving to work in. Joe Stephan profiles a fast mover . . .

Andy Granatelli was one of the hot rod kings of the late 1940s before becoming a dominant force in Indy Car racing in the late '60s. Today head of the Tuneup Masters chain of auto shops, he's no stranger to automotive speed records. He and a team of drivers set 400 national and world speed records at the Bonneville Salt Flats and Daytona Beach between 1960 and 1963, most of which still stand despite several factory backed assaults.

Granatelli was at it once again recently when he set the fastest speed ever recorded for a passenger car, driving a stock bodied '82 Chevy Camaro to a speed of 184.238 mph though he hadn't sat in a race car for over 20 years. The run came in a sanctioned meet of the famed Southern California Timing Association on El Mirage Dry Lake in the California desert near Edwards Air Force Base where the Space Shuttle lands.

The ever "humble" big Andy played down the circumstances of the run, saying of his long absence from racing, "That's all right. It wasn't a race car anyway, it's my personal car! I drive it daily to work and back! The car is totally stock inside and out, it has power steering, power brakes, air conditioning, an automatic transmission, and even a telephone! I just wanted the world to know that you are never too old to do something you want to do," the now 60-



year old said, "And I wanted to prove that I could be the world's fastest again. Every time I've gone out to set records, I've done it!"

Though SCTA rules allow for extensive body and weight jacking modifications, Granatelli did neither of those in topping the old record (set in a '53 Studebaker and standing since '69) by two and a half miles per hour and also the next higher class record by two miles per hour. Added only for the record run were special tyres, a roll cage, racing-type shoulder harness, and a helmet and flame proof suit for the driver.

The heart of the Camaro was the source of the record. Granatelli's son V.J. put together a twin-turbocharged 350cid Chevy engine using off the shelf items available to the public. Regardless it still meets emission standards and drives normally, even in heavy stop and go traffic!

Granatelli amazingly added that the car still has plenty left! With veteran observers calling the surface and wind conditions the worst in years, though only having 1.3 miles of hard packed dirt on which to accelerate to the 132 foot long timing lane Granatelli kept his foot in it. "I wanted to see what she would do so I kept on accelerating past the timing lights," he said. "I got another 800 rpm which I means I hit a top speed of 211 miles an hour. The car had more left but it was getting close to where I had nowhere to go to get stopped!" He feels with proper room, like at Bonneville, he could hit 225 or 230!

If you'd like a duplicate, Granatelli estimates the car can be copied for about \$US25,000. Not bad for your basic go to work "street sleeper".



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