

November 2022 Newsletter



THIS COULD BE VERY TRUE FOR SOME OF US

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

***HIBISCUS COAST RSA, STANMORE BAY,
NOVEMBER 9th 7.30 pm***

Presidents Report

Hi All

November Club Night

This month's club night is next Wednesday at the RSA, 7.30 start. Something a bit different for this month, Rob Campion NZHRA representative and Zone 2 director will be there to present the club with a Fortieth Anniversary Plaque.

Hibiscus Coast RSA Membership

And while we are on the subject of the RSA, I know some of you are members but for those that don't know, you can become an associate member for \$50 which gives you access to all their facilities and entertainment.

NZHRA

Grant Watson has taken on the role of NZHRA delegate for us, Grant will attend Zone 2 meetings and report back to the club with all relevant matters. Thanks Grant much appreciated.

Fortieth Book

There are a few of you that weren't there to receive your Fortieth Anniversary Commemoration Book at last month's club night, don't panic, we have one for every family.

If you don't have yours yet they will be available next club night alternatively get in touch with Janine at, janineogorman1@gmail.com and arrange a time and place to collect your copy.

And while we are talking about Janine, the book only exists because of the endless hours of work Janine did to bring it to fruition, it's one of the best things the club has ever done for our members, thanks Janine.

Orewa Santa Parade November 26

A great opportunity here for the club to get involved in a community event, unfortunately it is the same weekend as Beach Hop so obviously quite a few clubbies will be away but I'm sure there are going to be enough of you around for us to make a decent appearance. For those that would like to enter their cars try and make November's club night please so we can sort out the details, or at least send me an email. We need some idea of numbers.

Our man on the ground will be Dave Swan, Dave's done it before and has put his hand up to be there on the day and martial our cars.

The organisers would like us to gather in George Lowe Place while we decorate our cars and at 4.15 be lined up in Florence Ave.

Christmas and Prize Giving

Our combined Christmas break up and Prize Giving is Sunday December 4 at the Hibiscus Coast RSA. But before we get there we're going to start the day off with one of Dave's world famous Poker Runs, meeting at Victor Eaves Park at 10.30 with the last stop being the RSA for lunch.

The meal will cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 16, the club will cover the rest, and we'll need numbers for catering purposes. We'll take payments at club night next week or you can email me or you can text me and make an online payment by November 25 please.

Online payments to Hibiscus Rodders Inc. 02-1244-0063336-00
Reference = surname Code = Xmas Particulars = number of
Adults & Children attending. eg. 2A 3C

Orewa Youth Centre

We like to support the Youth Centre where we can, they do great work in our community all year round but particularly at Christmas. Usually at this time of year we do a toy run for them but it is always a bit difficult to get the right combination of toys to match the age and gender of the kids that need them. So this year we're doing Sweet Treats instead. We're asking all clubbies to bring along sweet treats to next week's club night for us to pass on to the Youth Centre and they will distribute them. Some will go into the Christmas Hampers they give out to families in need and the rest will go directly to the kids. What kid doesn't like treats regardless of age or gender.

Waikato Trip

What a great trip this was, we had lots of laughs and saw lots of interesting stuff and we enjoyed great hospitality from both The Stragglers Club and The Te Awamutu R&CC. At some stage we would like to repay both these clubs and host them on a few shed raids etc up here.

The Stragglers Saturday night social was a hoot and almost embarrassing as we collected more than 50% of the spot prizes and one for best comedian. Take a bow Neil.

Unfortunately the weather didn't play it's part on Sunday and some of us hightailed it back to Auckland in that torrential rain. Who needs wipers when you have Rain-ex.

We've already booked ourselves in for next year, the dates are November 24, 25 and 26. Mark them on your calendar.

Mothers Member of the Month

This month's Mothers Member of the Month really needs no introduction as he introduces himself to us and our wallets every month, it's Steve the Sheriff. An integral part of our club and the enjoyment we all get from it, how dull would our club nights be without The Sheriff. Cheaper sure but dull. You'll enjoy reading about Steves' history and escapades with cars. A good read.

Burger Run Friday November 18

It's been a while since we did one of these, meeting in the carpark beside ANZ Orewa at 6pm to head out for a cruise and a feed 6.30.

Cheers all see you Wednesday night.

Grant McKechnie



CLUB MERCHANDISE FOR SALE



Steve Graham

Mothers Member Of the Month

Well Howdy, Sheriff Steve Graham coming at y'all, Blame Grant and Mothers for that.

I joined HBR around 2005 when the meetings were held at the Red Beach Surf Club, the club was a lot smaller then, I had earlier imported a Caddy and a Gen 5 El Camino and was at the Beach Hop, I saw Mike Dyer and Dave Brock lounging outside a bar wearing pretty cool jackets, asked some questions and hello there I was, a member.

I bought the Elky by mistake off the estate of the original owner, I was messing around on E-Bay, had just set up my PayPal account, and was absently bidding on cars to get a feel of things. The auction closed, I was underbidder, Phew, dodged a bullet there, and then, Hello, the top bidder welched and there I was, out \$ 2400.00 usd. It cost me a lot of money in the end but by the time it was finished she was a pretty cool car.

Dad taught me to drive in Mums 1956 Vauxhall Victor, up and down the drive and around the front and back yards, He bought me a 59 Ford Thames van that we refurbished and I continued bouncing it off apple trees for a while, I changed my 1st set of spark plugs about this time, Mums mini never ran the same after that. I got my licence 1st hit driving my mint 1964 Beetle, I was 15 years and 1 week old.

I went on to own heaps of standard and custom Beetles, even won some tinware at the 1983 Bug In at Meremere.

I have owned around 100 cars since then, including, but not in order, a 68 Cougar, couple of Valiant hardtops and then a couple of Dodge Darts, Capri's, E49 Charger, A9X Torana, GTR Torana, 2850 SL Torana, a 1966 5 Dial dash Porsche, Alfa Giulia GT, BMW 2500 Sedan, Mercedes SEL 450 Limo, a couple of GT Cortinas, a swag of jappas, and even a few Fords including a mint XD Sedan, EA Falcon 5 speed S pak, 68 Wagon, a Fiat 130, couple 132's blah blah. We currently have Debs Z28, an AMC Spirit and a 1970 Mk4 Zodiac. Bucket list cars would include a 1959 Elky, 1965 / 66 Charger.

My worst car was the big 450 SEL Merc, Hungry, Rusty, Smelly, Unreliable, much like me, 2nd worst was a Lada 2104 wagon, I got the piss taken big time, but all the boys at one time or another borrowed it when their flash cars pooped themselves. It had a disguise kit so no-one knew who was driving it. It was a large brown supermarket bag with eye, ear and mouth holes cut in it, so you could see, hear and still drink beer whilst hiding from the public.

I have built and raced offroaders, midget cars, Limited saloons and stock cars, even did pretty good in most of them, took quite a bit of hardware home to polish. I had a big hit in my stockcar at Wacky baccy Park one night, slammed into the wall coming off Cemetery Bend, steering broke, car turned right, max blat 3rd gear, tore the concrete to bits, sprayed dust over the audience, was out cold. Didn't lift off though apparently. She finally stalled out coming into town bend, still turning right. I came to in the meat wagon, my beautiful daughter was standing in the door way absolutely destroyed, she thought I was dead, I haven't raced since.

My best road trip was to Christchurch to run the Porsche engine in, all good. Coming home, I woke up asleep, sideways at warp speed in the ditch outside the Cambridge golf club, near pooped myself, I haven't slept so soundly since.

I kept my licence that time but have walked a few places a few times since as a result of excess terminal velocity or too much socializing.

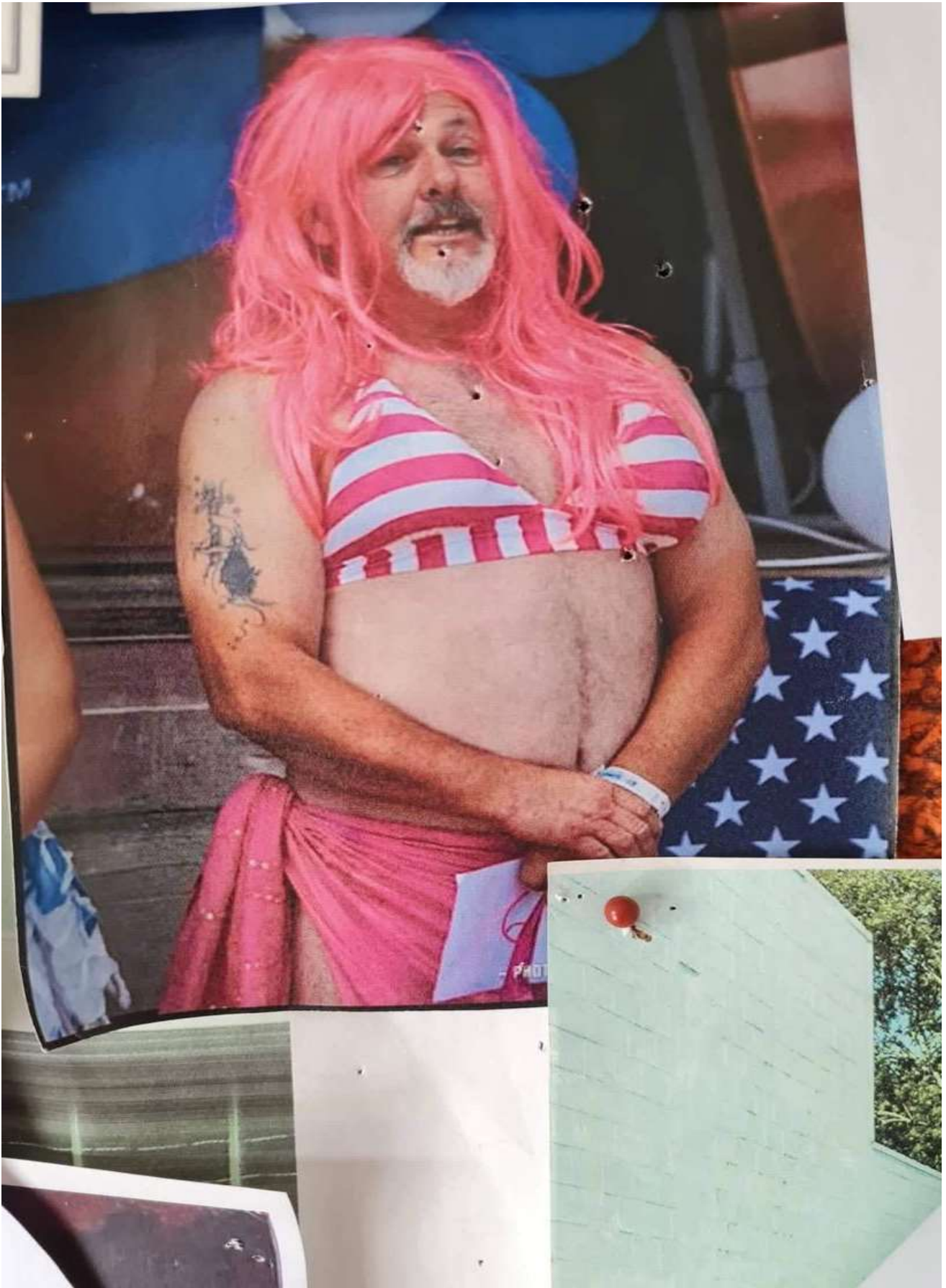
I am a Marine Engineer by trade on both Steam and Motor ships and have spent many years at sea up and around Europe, the USA, Central and South America, the Caribbean, the Cook and Solomon Islands including Papua New Guinea and Australia.

I love Pork Roasts, BBQ'S, Rum and Coke (in limited quantities nowadays though), Pavlova and Potato Chips, food in general really, I prefer to eat by chewing, it's all I'm good at really.

I am looking forward to slowing down and moving a bit closer to our daughter and granddaughter to share our cars and life with.







Club night at Muldoons



The TWINS receiving their Mothers Member of the Month award from the President.



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

Met at Shark Park and travelled to Flat Bush to Steve's amazing collection of cars, memorabilia and Texaco truck. Drove in convoy to the Warbirds Museum, Ardmore - wow so interesting. Lunch was at Ardmore Cafe. Great day, great food and company.



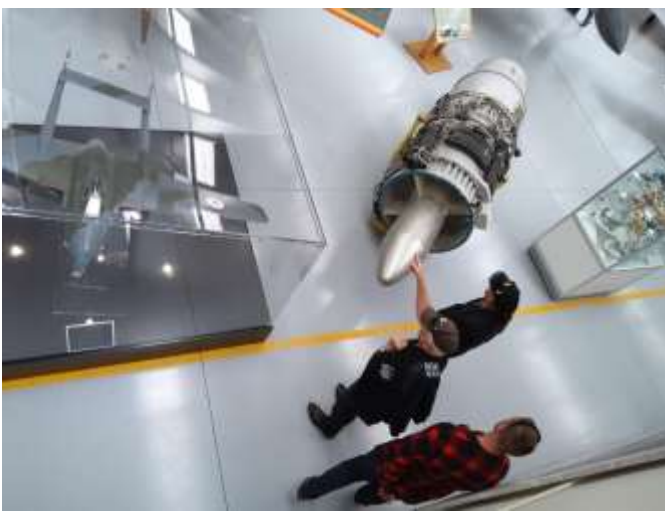














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Coming Events

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Coming Events



NZs Only Free Swapmeet!

Twilight Swapmeet

Automotive Related Only – No Household Shit



- *Get some deals!**
- *Give some deals!**
- *Sausage Sizzle!**
- *Bar Open!**

**Saturday 5th November
2pm until dark**

**N.S.R.C.C Clubrooms
4/26 Hillside Rd, Glenfield**

We're so lazy when other swapmeets have finished we are just getting started and once again we can't be bothered charging anyone for anything..... except sausages and beer!

Coming Events

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We will also be providing a BBQ, refreshments and a charity auction with some very unique inspirational art items up for grabs. It's going to be a great day, where you meet interesting like minded people, who have a passion for cars and a little need for speed all while wanting to help homeless animals in need.

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Coming Events



Orewa Santa Parade

**Saturday,
November 26th,
at 4.30, rain date
Sunday, 27th**

It's all on again for Santa's big day out, meeting at the usual place, **George Lowe Place, Orewa**, from around 3.30, to dress up the cars and line up to get ready for the event. This is a day that we can really give our club some real exposure and of course we can make some noise.

Coming Events

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BEACH HOP

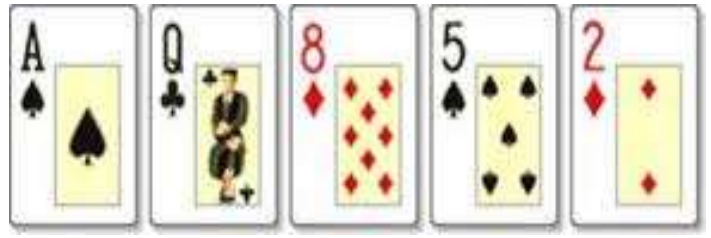
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Coming Events



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VICTOR EAVES PARK,
TO LEAVE AT 11 AM**

**It's that time to get those V8s out
for a bit of fun, and a cruise.**

**Remember, most importantly, to bring a sense
of humour, a pen and paper and some water.**

**There will be lots of prizes on offer, but you
will have to wait to the end to find out
exactly what for, and of course there will be
booby prizes and the prestigious poker run
trophy, which is returned when we have the
next one.**

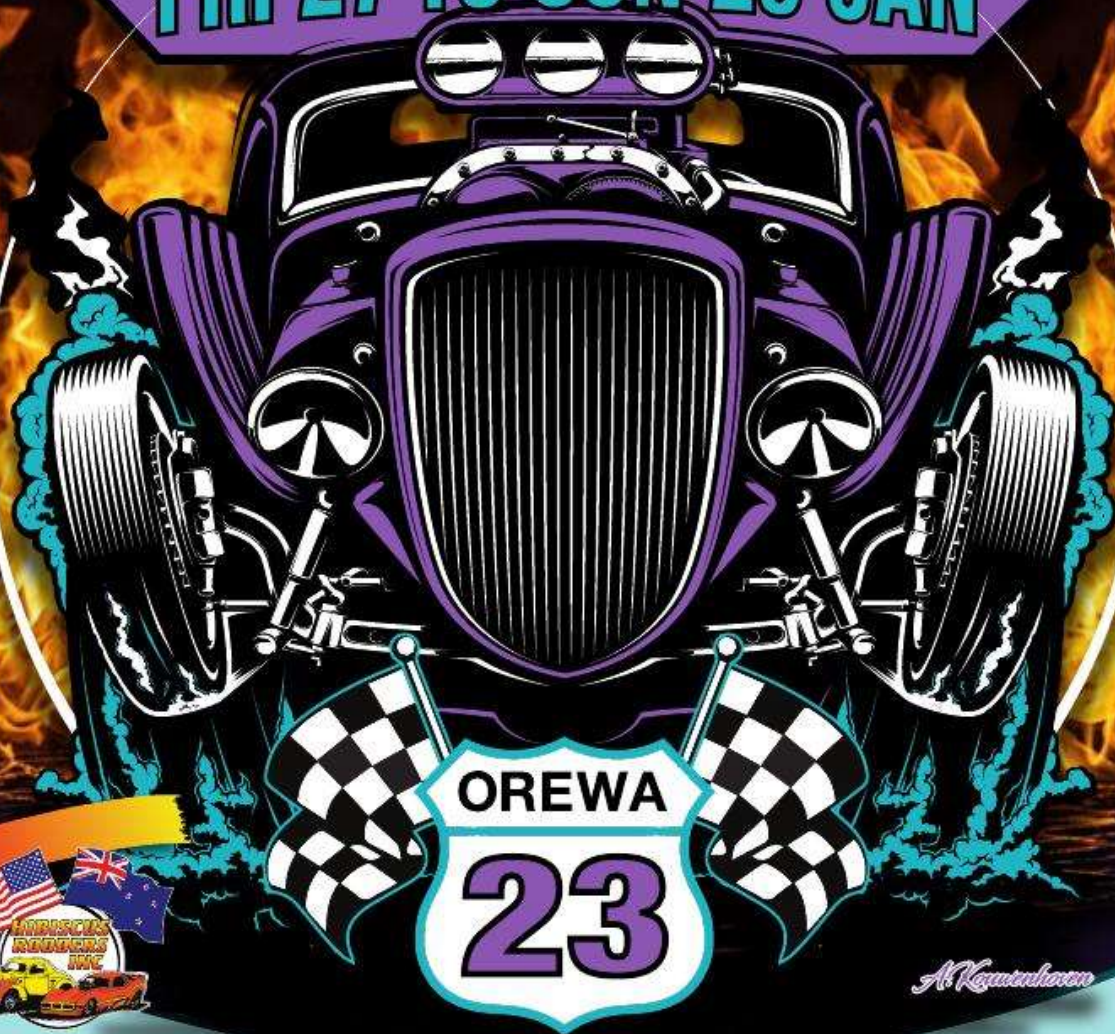
Come on guys and gals, let's have a good turnout.

Coming Events

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Beach Festival

FRI 27 TO SUN 29 JAN



At Kaitiaki

