

November 2023 Newsletter



A Great Turnout for Age Concern

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

Anyone wishing to “dob” in or pass on a funny story about a fellow club member is asked to speak up on club nights.

MONTHLY CLUB

MEETING

***NOVEMBER 8th, MULDOONS, OREWA,
starting around 7.30 pm.***

Editor's Speel

Greetings everyone, well I hope you are all well, now, what can I say about the annual Wrinkly Run, a great turnout for a start, I really appreciate everyone turning out for this because it can be a bit stressful worrying about how many cars are going to turn up.

I think we had 27 all up to transport, and the oldies picked out which car they wanted to go in, of course the convertibles were very popular, and how about the T Bucket, apparently the guy who went in it was usually the driver of the age concern van, so he certainly had a big grin getting into something like that, I do hear he did have a bit of a problem getting in and out, but still did it. For those of you who didn't come we did a cruise through Orewa and out to Milldale where, if you haven't been through it, is full of houses now, narrow streets, very little parking roadside and stupid little roundabouts, which, Peter in the big Lincoln didn't go round it, had to go over it. Certainly not designed for the big American cars, or, like mine, no power steering and difficult to navigate them.

From there we went to Gulf Harbour, well, most of us did, apart from Wayne and Kevin who got lost, how the hell do you get lost in Whangaparaoa? Kevin made the excuse he followed Wayne, mmmm, didn't hear the announcement about where we were going.

Even Gulf Harbour has changed, new roads going through the golf course now, and all the houses popping up where once people used to play golf. Still, the new Penlink bridge is going to help the traffic, isn't it . . . yeah right.

From there we ended up at the RSA, tea, coffee and scones, and good laughs, from poor Tony nearly choking on a scone to Karen being asked if she enjoyed the outing, the RSA ladies thought she was one of age concerns oldies . . . oh dear. And, Steve, taking off before his person had properly stepped out of the car. Another oh dear.

So, we stayed for a bit, there was a raffle and lucky Pam won a voucher for Ship and Anchor in Orewa. Then we took all of them back to Orewa where they make their own way home, after we dropped them off lucky Andrew had a kiss from his ridealong, I think tongue was involved as well, hey, Andrew, lucky you.

Now, for all of you that are coming on the Santa Parade this month, meet around 3.30 in George Lowe Place, Orewa, decorate cars and I did ask about having water pistols to squirt the crowd, its ok, but don't go over the top, but let's put some effort into the decorating of our cars, this is a great community event and one in particular that I really enjoy doing, just hope I don't break down again. OK, lets have fun out there everyone.

Presidents Report

Hello Club Members

What a great day we had for the Wrinkly Run, I can't thank the people who helped us make this a wonderful occasion enough. To see the oldies lining up next to the car that they wanted to ride in was a sight to see, we even had a lady with a zimmer frame waiting next to Shane's T Bucket until she realised that there were no doors.

A big thankyou to Dave who organised this run with Aged Concern.

In defence of my driving on the day the lady who was in my car kept on saying "put your foot down and give it some" and I'm easily led. The very slight loss of traction on the boulevard was caused by a discarded banana skin.

Looking forward to the next Burger Run with its PINK theme on October 27th. Can't believe that Melody won't be there, but she has lent me some pink accessories to use.

Please be aware that next month's Burger Run will be on November 17th as a lot of the club will be away at Karapiro on the last Friday of the month.

November's theme is Movember so come on people let's get the mo's growing.

See you on the road

Simon

CLUB MERCHANDISE FOR SALE



ROD's RODS

**This Month is the Camaro's.
One of our club members has departed with his Black Beast,
and wasn't overly happy about it. Bugger.**







**Something different next month.
Over and out, Rodney.**

For those of you who haven't seen Rodney's rod, this is it, he does not get it out much these days due to work constraints, but an awesome Ford.



Kiwi's on Tour Route 66

Reunion Tour – Kevin & Tony's story

Kevin (a previous participant of a Route 66 tour) and Tony (a newbie) left Auckland on Sunday July 30th flying to Los Angeles. From July 30th to Sept 3rd the tour covered over 5600 miles.

Day 1 the group of Kiwi's and Aussies picked up their Mustang rentals and headed to the country music town of Bakersfield, California. Tony & Kevin having driven left hand drive vehicles in NZ quickly adjusted to driving on the right and learning to navigate their route with the help of Flossy (tom tom).

The route took them from the state of California across Nevada to the Hot August Night car show and bands in the hotel car park of the Grand Sierra Hotel Reno plus the Reno and Sparks car show down-town.

On to Utah where they experienced the Bonneville Speed week - with teams from all over the world competing. Although it was extremely hot weather and the water being above salt it made the normally high speeds very hard to obtain, but a highlight of the trip.

Across top of Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa to the big city of Chicago. A chance to check out the gangster and Al Capone history and to going to the White Sox baseball game.

From Chicago the journey traversing the farmland of Illinois, seeing roadside attractions. By mid-August they were driving on the original route 66 road (and driving on the original 9-foot cobble road) alongside the Mississippi River.

Kevin and Tony met the characters that helped save Route 66 and had the opportunities to see private car collections, Cowboy museums and of course time for shopping – something Tony enjoyed lots of Route 66 memorabilia and T shirts. Another highlight was visiting Dave Kindig's Custom shop and clothing outlet as well as American Pickers outlet shop from the TV shows. By late August they were in New Mexico staying at Santa Fe – the oldest capital city in North America – lots of history, heritage, arts cultural places to explore.

From New Mexico it was into Arizona – their 7th State on route 66. High lights here eating at American diners and visiting Joshua Tree National Park. Next on to Palm Springs a chance for Tony and Kevin to check out the night life here in the "Rainbow City" (Tony said Kevin would walk beside him here!!) and as Kevin always say's "what happens on tour stays on tour" or should I say "what happens on Route 66 stays on Route 66".

Kevin and I enjoyed the tour very much, as it was an extended time (normally 25/28 days and our tour being 35 days we did see great car/truck/cycle/motor-cycle and other bits and pieces of items that we wouldn't see in NZ. It's a credit to all these people that they have been in the right place at the right time to accumulate what they have today. Most of the places we visited I was in ore of their collection.

Make sure if this is one in your bucket of things to do, do it before you get too old, and you will enjoy it from start to finish.

So as an ending from myself.

Kevin and I are still and will always be very good friends, having to share rooms all the way on the tour it could be a make or break friendship – this friendship is solid.. Thanks Kev, for coming with me on tour.



Ready to go, all transfers on.

The crew and off we go.



That will be \$5000 please sir

Kevin with Dave Kindig



We can fly



Tony with Dave Kindig



Bonneville Salt Lake



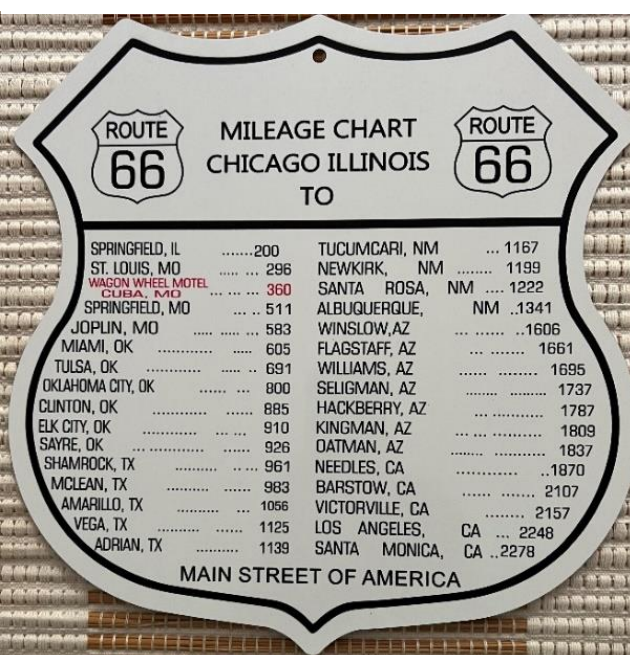
No Sir, we wouldn't do that!!!!



The original 9 foot cobbled road.



The 7 states of Route 66.



Distance from Chicago to Los Angeles.

Kevin can talk donkey



Go on, run me over!!!

RSA Club Night



Wrinkley Run

We met at Victor Eaves Park, Orewa and members of Age Concern looked at the cars and quickly chose the ones they wanted to ride in. There was a cruise up Orewa's main street and to Milldale and Gulf Harbour. Many were surprised by the development in these areas. Final stop was at the Hibiscus Coast Community RSA for afternoon tea and scones. Then a final drive back to Victor Eaves. Lots of fun and interesting conversations. Thanks to Sheryl's contacts we were able to use Maygrove Villages van to transport partners allowing more seats in the cars.













Pink October Cruise Night

We met at Victor Eaves Park, Orewa (some using their everyday cars) and travelled through Orewa to our destination - Paraoa Brewing, Stanmore Bay. The theme was pink to support Breast Cancer. Lots of laughs with Grant's pink themed quiz, enjoyable food and great company.



Quiz winners

1st - Steve, Chris, Anne, Tony, Eric, Katrina.

2nd - Liam, Carol and Wayne's grandson.

3rd - Simon and Andrew.

Booby prize (excuse the pun) Kevin and John.







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Coming Events

NOTE: CLUB RUNS TO BE ADDED AND SOME COULD BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- Nov 8** **CLUB NIGHT, MULDOONS, OREWA, meeting starts at 7.30 pm.**
- Nov 12 Oogah breakfast, Swanson RSA, from 8.30 am to 11 am.
- Nov 12 Warkworth breakfast **The Sugar Loaf Bar + Café in Waiwera, from 8.30 am.**
- Nov 17 Friday night Burger night, meet at Sharks at 6 pm.
- Nov 19 Mid-West breakfast, Westgate Mitre 10, from around 8 am to 11 am.
- Nov 24-26** **Stragglers Karapiro Show, make your interest known ASAP, for details see full page ad later in the newsletter.**
- Nov 25 Orewa Santa Parade, meet at George Lowe Place, from 3.15ish, decorate your car and get ready to line up, we are usually up the front of the parade and lets make some noise.
- Dec 4 NSR&CC Toy Run
- Dec 10 Warkworth breakfast **The Sugar Loaf Bar and Café in Waiwera, from 8.30 am.**
- Dec 13** **CLUB NIGHT, HIBISCUS COAST RSA, meeting starts around 7.30 pm.**
- Dec 25** **MERRY CHRISTMAS.**

2024

HAPPY NEW YEAR

- Jan 7 Warkworth breakfast, **The Sugar Loaf Bar and Café in Waiwera, from 8.30 am**
- Jan 10** **POSSIBLE CLUB NIGHT (VENUE TO BE ADVISED).**
- Jan 26-28** **RODDERS BEACH FESTIVAL, Orewa, three days of events, going to be a great outing for everyone.**
- Feb 11 Warkworth breakfast, **The Sugar Loaf Bar and Café in Waiwera, from 8.30 am.**
- Feb 14** **CLUB NIGHT (venue to be announced), meeting starts around 7.30 am.**

More to be added.

Coming Events

It's that time again

THE OREWA NEW WORLD SANTA PARADE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2023, 4.30 PM

RAIN DATE SUNDAY 26

Yes, now that its October and time is racing by, we're starting to organize the Orewa New World Santa Parade.

NB. Some Float Guidelines:

- To ensure maximum visual appeal and vibrancy, 'floats' consist of a group of walkers or a vehicular flat or vehicular towed float.
- We are able to use water pistols, but please don't go over the top with them.
- Vehicles need to be festively decorated – even balloons or streamers en-mass. Children aren't excited by plain vehicles.
- We encourage you to play festive music from your vehicle – loudly. All vehicles are spread out to ensure sounds don't cross over.
- We encourage 'groups of walkers' to engage with the audience – the more interaction, the more the crowd energy.
- The New World Santa Parade is the largest Santa Parade north of Browns Bay and is attended by around 10,000 people a year, and please no Santas in the cars, remember there is only one.

As usual we will be assembling in George Lowe Place to decorate our cars and line up, the parade will be starting at Alice Avenue, meandering down Florence Ave and then along Hibiscus Coast Highway and finishing at the Orewa Beach Surf club.

Coming Events



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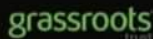
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Coming Events

STRAGGLERS KARAPIRO SHOW

November 24 to 26

The Stragglers President, Wayne, would love us to go down again. Wayne can help arrange accommodation. The Committee has made a booking in principle. The run is Friday to Sunday with fun stuff to do on the way. There will be a park up in Cambridge on arrival. Saturday we will find things to do, Saturday night Stragglers dinner, Sunday, Karapiro show.

**Cost will be \$50 per booking,
\$33 a night per person,
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If anyone is interested please get in touch with President Simon to register your interest.

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Coming Events

CHRISTMAS PARTY AND PRIZEGIVING

**SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 10
*HIBISCUS COAST RSA***

**Tickets for the buffet are \$20 a head,
which is subsidised by the club.**

There will be a mystery run leaving from Sharks at 12.30 which will run for about an hour, only going locally, then going to the RSA, this is not a poker run, but make sure you bring a sense of humour and a pen and paper. For those that don't want to have a bit of fun you can go straight to the RSA around 1.30 pm. I do hope we have a big turnout for this, as it incorporates our annual prizegiving as well and I am sure everyone will enjoy it, Santa will be there, and he will know if you have been naughty or nice, so what he would like is for you to bring a unisex gift each, of \$5 or so, wrapped, so that it can be given out, and you need to choose carefully as you may have to wear what is in the gift, this is just for a bit of fun, which is what it's all about.

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