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Welcome to the 41st 'Edition' It only seems a few days ago when I produced the last news letter. Please let me know if you have any interesting stories, know of places the Club could visit, idea's for Club nights, fun runs etc, all idea's suggestions are welcome. There has been good events over the last couple of months, the Concour's, and associated fun runs on the Saturday, the Hicks visit, and it is very disappointing that the Club day at Taupo was cancelled on us.

With Geoff Sparks and Ken Woodburn resigning (both of whom have done an excellent job over the past few years) there will be some big changes on the committee. So come along to the AGM in April, its your opportunity to have a say in the running of the Club. However I will see you all at Eric Wilson's Maserati's collection in later in the month.

PREVIOUS CLUB EVENTS

January 23rd (Monday)

Unfortunately our Track Day at Taupo was cancelled. However we have been promised another free day to make up for the one we lost. We will keep you posed as to the revised date.

February 11th & 12th Concours d' Elegance

Saturday at Ellerslie saw a line up of about 250 classic cars of all types and models in preparation for the various day trips to place all round the Auckland Region.

I personally took the trip up to Port Albert along with about 40 or so other cars. This trip went around Massy, Waitakere, the back of Kumeu and up the Old North Road to Kaukapakapa. The Kaukapakapa Hotel was ideal place to take a comfort stop before heading off up State Highway 16 to Port Albert.

A convivial lunch was had by most people and their was a fair bit of gossip and scrutinizing of cars before most people dispersed about 2,00 for home. The Kaukapakapa Hotel was an obvious place to stop on the way, which saw another display of classic cars, with the gossip and scrutinizing of cars being carried on in the garden bar.

I didn't attend the Concourse on the Sunday so I can't tell you much about it, but I ma led to believe Michael organized a good display of cars and the day went with out a hitch. So thank you Michael and all those who displayed their cars.

February 26th (Club Day)

The Hicks visit saw a wonderful display of privately owned cars, including a 1928 Bentley, worth mega bucks, Maserati's, BMW's MG Metro (if you can call it a metro) as well as others. Most people have a pool room, but the Hicks had a car room off the end of the lounge. The hicks set up with workshops, spray booth, and panel shop areas would be the envy of any motoring enthusiast.

Warren and Miles Hick were there to tell you all about the cars, as most has some form of history.

Steve V did and excellent job on the BBQ, so good we will keep him on, while Mrs Hick kept bring out scones with cream and jam, various assortment of cakes, she must have been baking for a week.

Thanks very much to the Hicks it was great way of spending a Sunday lunch time.

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Lunch at the Hicks, but where were the men!

UP AND COMING EVENTS

March 26th (In lieu of the Monday Club Night)

This meeting is to be held at a Private Collection Eric Wilson's **Maserati's**, at Tait Place, on the North Shore. Tait Place is off Rosedale Road. Take the Greville Road off ramp off the northern motorway, for those coming from the South turn left into Tawa Drive, for those from the north turn right. At the traffic island at the end of Tawa Drive go straight across Rosedale Road into Tait Place. It is less than a 1 Km off the motorway. Start Time of 1,00 pm.

Eric Wilson has about 15/16 Maserati's of various types with most being in concourse condition, and there is always one that he is completing a bare metal restoration job on.

For those of you who want to have lunch out there are a couple of places I would recommend

The New Brew in William Pickering Drive or

Soffra's in Inverness Road, Browns Bay, opposite the village green. Now Soffra's make the best coffee I have ever tasted, and the meals are good as well.

April 24th (AGM and Award Evening)

This year the AGM and Award Presentations are to be held on the same evening.

As discussed earlier there are to be a few changes on the Committee this year. So be there to have your say in the running of the Club and support the Award Winners, you may be one of them.

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Some thing to look forward to

Roger has a visit scheduled in the next 2 weeks from Jon Stretton, the new Group Lotus UK appointment to Australasia to run the Lotus Cars division of Proton Australia. Roger will advise us of the dates as soon as he has them to hand. It is a good opportunity to meet with Jon would a good opportunity by members of Club Lotus to get an update of coming models and events at Hethel. To this end as soon as Roger has dates he will advise us and set up an evening at the LCNZ showroom. Roger apologises that he can't give more notice but Jon has a whirlwind schedule and Roger has as yet been unable to elicit a firm date from Jon as yet. We will have to notify members by email, or if you haven't got email and interested in going along contact a Committee Member and they in tern let you know of dates when it is finalised.

Upcoming Events

2006

18 & 19 Mar	Sat & Sun		Formula Libre Pukekohe 2006	HRC
26-Mar-06	Sun	1,30	CLNZ - Visit to Maserati Collection (replaces clubnight)	CLNZ
02-Apr-06	Sun		Le Mans' racing at Pukekohe 2006	TACCOC
09-Apr-06	SUN		Lotus Sprints - Pukekohe 2006	CLNZ
22 & 23 Apr	Sat & Sun		V8 Supercars at Pukekohe	
22 & 23 Apr	Sat & Sun		Antique Fair & Car Show, Alfriston Hall & School	Rotary
24-Apr-06	Mon	8pm	AGM & Prizegiving	CLNZ
07-May-06	Sun		Domain hillclimb 2006 (if allowed)	HRC
14-May-06	Sun		Autumn Classic' Pukekohe 2006	TACCOC
22-May-06	Mon	8pm	CLNZ Clubnight - TBA	CLNZ
10-Jun-06	Sat		British Car Day at Bruce Mason Centre, Takapuna	
26-Jun-06	Tue	8pm	CLNZ Clubnight - TBA	CLNZ
24-Jul-06	Wed	8pm	CLNZ Clubnight - TBA	CLNZ
28-Aug-06	Thu	8pm	CLNZ Clubnight - TBA	CLNZ
23-Sep-06	Sun		HRC Icebreaker Classic Racing - Pukekohe	HRC
25-Sep-06	Thu	8pm	CLNZ Clubnight - TBA	CLNZ
7 & 8 Oct	Sat & Sun		Spring Classic Taupo 2006	TACCOC
23-Oct-06	Thu	8pm	Labour Dat - no clubnight	
11 & 12 Nov	Sat & Sun		Whittakers Classic Racing, Manfeild	Wlg MG
09-Dec-06	SAT		Lotus Sprints - Taupo 2006 (REVISED DATE)	CLNZ

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01-Apr-07	SUN		Lotus Sprints - Pukekohe 2007	CLNZ
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