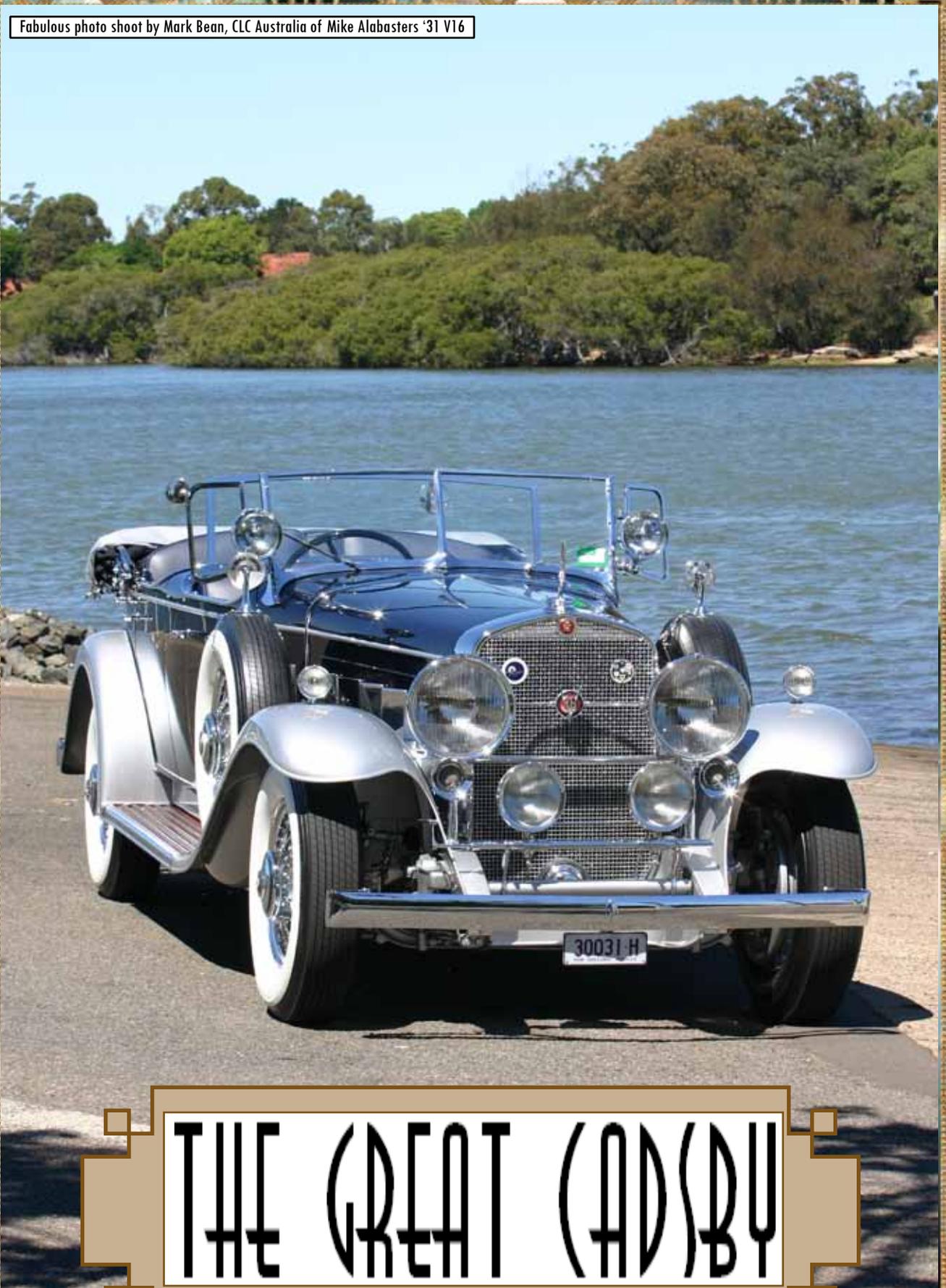


Fabulous photo shoot by Mark Bean, CLC Australia of Mike Alabasters '31 V16



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RONDEZVOUS



write to the editor - ron.melville@eves.co.nz

By time you read this, the latest remake of the movie "The Great Gatsby" will be ready to screen at your local cinema. For those that don't know of or have forgotten the last remake (1970s version starring Robert Redford and Mia Farrow) its a take on the 'care free days of the rich and famous as they fritter away life and money in the heydays of the 1920s/30s' - reminds me of the 'care-free days of the rich and famous in the 2000s' (a 'mirror' of the late 20s and early 30s) before the money system came tumbling down - the rest they say is history = 1928 and 2008! (the 80-year cycle)

So what's that got to do with FINZ? Well last year (yes i know, 'another when i was in Toowoomba - story') and it went like this': Good Ozzie CLC members, Mike and Gabrielle Alabaster own a fine (really fine) 1931 Cadillac V16 and one of the 'Gatsby remake movie shoots' happened to be in Sydney and Mike was asked to feature his Caddy in the film, and Mike got to dress up and act as an extra. He and the Caddy are in the film, so its must-see for us CLC members! The sound track sounds interesting too, many modern takes on old tracks. In this month's FINZ there is also a great story from Mike on his beloved V16 and lots of great pics from he and CLC Australian 'wow' photographer, Mark Bean. He is one artistic dude and we



have featured his work here more than a few times, in fact Marks blue '57 featured two issues back - thanks Mark! Here (right) is a very 'dapper' Mike on the actual movie set and below my cool movie poster!

A number of people have commented on the great profile our 'Caddie Anne' has enjoyed these last few months and it's all because of her regular input and pics sent to accompany a great short article (and this months is no exception). Due to the popular format, the 'Northland Nutters' (who over the last year or two have regularly sent in stories) have been 'up-profiled' to the bigger layout. So if your region has a story accompanied by more than a few pics (not necessarily dozens) email to me and lets all share what your region's members have been up to.

Starting this issue is our Annual Subs renewal form and it will be repeated in the July; August and September issues. Yes it is earlier this year, thats because your subs expire end of August and if unpaid by end of September, your October issue of FINZ will be the last. I am sure you will support our club Secretary and Treasurer by paying yours on time rather than have them spend untold hours chasing up unpaid subs for months on end.

Finally, just in - details of this years 4th July event. "NZ Club famous member, the one and only Neville Carter from Taranaki" has organised a 'super special July 4th' in the town of Kaponga, heart of the Taranaki - read elsewhere for details and make a plan to convoy there, see if you out-number the BOP crew! Until next month ~ Ron.



  
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MIKE ALABASTER

Trophy hauling knuckle-buster!



Vision is what Mike had. A V16 Phaeton he did not and hence began the dream of owning one. Passion propelled Mike to fly across the world and go to extraordinary lengths to re-produce parts he could not procure. Years in the making, the end result was not only a trophy-reward-winning example but the pleasure of driving it home with a back seat full of the 'booty' he hauled as a result of his efforts. His story is worth reading, the pictures worth looking at and your admiration worth giving - ed.





A photo essay at its finest. High calibre, high mega pixel images from an outstanding photographer (thanks Mark Bean, CLC Australia - member) of undoubtedly one of the finest examples of a Cadillac V16 in the southern hemisphere.

^ Beautifully chromed mascot

< Hub says it all

Hi Ron here is a little story on how the v-16 came about

“Having completed my 4th Cadillac ground up restoration in 1990, I felt lost something to do, I should have said no more to cars...but like a true restorer I started looking for the Ultimate Vintage Cadillac (in my opinion) a SIXTEEN CYLINDER PHAETON

I searched Hemmings Motor News, Auctions etc, even No 4 condition were \$300,000 and No 1 were asking \$900,000 if you could find one and this was way out of my league. On thinking about it my restoration projects had been a 20-year apprenticeship to me, if not monetary gain it had given me the know-how to tackle any Cadillac restoration! So I started looking at Hemming's etc. for parts cars and parts. I bought any 30's V-16 parts I found or could afford. I also found V-16 parts - very hard to find, not like V8 parts, and this was all before the Internet. Back then it was all done by phone and mail.

I located the REMAINS of a wrecked Phaeton chassis with original cowl tag body No 26 in California. After purchasing the chassis I also purchased a 7 passenger limo parts car from Minnesota and a 5-passenger sedan from New Hampshire. Once the cars arrived I realised both were unsuitable as the bodies were totally different. The bonnets, doors, body even the valence was straight not curved, so back to the drawing board and those cars had to be sold. One went to Melbourne the other stayed in Sydney to be restored.

I then started my 11-year 'Ground up' restoration after a quick trip to the States for photos and to measure up a V16 Phaeton and then back home to get stuck into it. [continued next page]



I then had some new wood-work done to the Phaeton chassis and some new metal panels to exact specifications as per the original. The bonnet is aluminium and the sides are steel, the cowl is steel as are the doors. The whole real tub is steel as per the original.

All missing parts were sourced from the USA as there were no V16 parts in Australia at this time. The parts I couldn't find I had to have made e.g. Right hand side steering box. Three wooden patterns had to be made first, then cast in SG Steel and machined. Then I had to find someone who could make the hour glass type worm & sector, locate obsolete roller bearings, assemble, adjust, test and paint. This one job took just over 2 years alone.

The front windscreen was a similar job, a wooden pattern had to be made, then cast in bronze, polished and machined, fill casting holes, chromed and glassed - another 2 years and this is only 2 stories of the 11 year resto!

But when it is all finished you completely forget about the thousands of hours and the bottomless pit of \$\$\$ spent, especially when you are sitting behind the wheel driving the only running V16 Phaeton in the Southern Hemisphere to its first show and then drive home with a back seat full of trophies ...that day I had trouble getting myself in the car as I was feeling at least a foot taller. My labour of love was finally finished.

The trophies won:

- 2004 Shannon's Eastern Creek Concourse "First in Class"
- 2006 Penrith Panthers GM Day "Car of the Day"
- 2006 Castle Hill All American Day "Car of the Day"+1st Paint Stock+1st Interior Stock+1st Engine Bay Stock

But the most exciting time I have had was when I was asked to drive the V16 in a movie ..."The Great Gatsby" which involved 4 days on set at Manly (Sydney, Australia) for a night time scene and Fox Studios in Sydney with the Duesenbergs's and Rolls in November 2011. The movie is due to premier in June 2013

Mike

Above photo is that of the rear passenger's speedo and clock.

Imagine sitting in the back, knowing how fast your driver is driving!

Below, period headlamp and many fixtures are heavily chromed. Note - CLC Australia grille badge proudly worn





1930 CADILLAC V16 SPORTS PHAETON

The European Touring Car

Specifications

Engine: 16 Cylinders O.H.V 45 V

- 452 Cubic Inches, 185 Horse Power
- Hydraulic Tappets, Harmonic Balance, Twin Coils, Dual Points, Dual Upright - Carburetors
- Dual Fuel & Filter Systems
- Dual Exhaust, Mufflers & Resonators - Stainless (optional)
- Thermostatically controlled Radiator Shutters
- Transmission Lock
- Synchro Mesh Gear Box with Tyre Compressor on L.H side (right hand drive only)
- Vacuum Brake Assistor on 11" Cast Iron Drums
- Handbrake on all 4 wheels
- Beveling Gear Hourglass worm & Sector
- Steering Modulator on Right Hand Front Spring
- 8 Pole Double Reduction Starter Motor
- Dual Trumpet Horns
- Clutch Dual Plate
- Tail shaft enclosed in Torque Tube
- Chassis Frame Max Depth 9"
- Springs Semi-elliptic with Sectional Metal Covers
- Shock Absorbers Double Acting Hydraulic
- Wheel base - 148 inches
- Turning Circle - 85 Feet
- Weight - 5670 Pounds
- Differential Gear Ratio - 2.5 to 1

BODY: Sports Phaeton

- Style - 4380
- Body No. 28
- Engine No. 721221
- Total Built - 30 (by Fleetwood)
- Cost in 1930 - US\$2,200 with all Options
- 1930 Chev Phaeton - US\$485.00
- Body Construction - Aluminum & Steel
- Finished in "Pacific Blue" (special colours extra \$40)
- Fenders & Chassis finished in "Aztec Silver" (special colours extra \$65)
- Cadillac introduced Metallic Colours in 1929
- Upholstery finished in "Olean Blue" leather
- Rear Secondary Retractable Windshield
- Rear Distributor with Speedometer
- Chronometer and Twin Glove Boxes
- Chrome Hood Vent (optional extra)

CHROME STONE GUARD

- 8 Wheels 12" Spoke Wire Chrome (optional)
- 750 White Wall Tyres

TOP SPEED - 100 mph

The Cadillac V16 was the first aesthetically designed engine
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Cadillac Accessories Price List 1930

Hood Mascot Goddess	\$20.00
Cr. Heron	\$20.00
Metal Covered Trunk	\$115.00
Side Wings with Surrounds	\$47.00 pair
Tyre Mirrors	\$32.00 pair
Piled Ray Driving Lights	\$67.60
Lomax Spot Lights	\$37.00 each

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Introducing Anne Cooper, our Kiwi Reporter based in Queensland, Australia

Val and Sue Sharp's Cadillac Shed & Man-cave



The shed started as room for a four cars in 1990 and was later expanded to house eight cars. They later had the air conditioned man-cave put in which cut the car space back to six. The 1967 Cadillac Convertible, 1969 Cadillac Hearse, 1988 Cadillac Eldorado, 1963 EJ Holden and a 1963 105E Ford Anglia reside there, along with Sue's car. They bought the 1963 Rowe-AMI jukebox in 1983 with thoughts of eventually making the playroom. The jukebox holds one hundred 45rpm records and they have at least another 250 to put in when they need a change. Most are late 1950's through to the 1960's. Is there any other music asks Val?

The 1976 and 1979 pinball machines were bought years ago along with an original table top space invaders machine. The race machine, 'Final Lap', did not work but thanks to eBay a couple of second hand game boards solved the problem. It's good to have these games out of storage and in use again.

The Shell beer fridge stands next to the juke box. There is a mirror ball and some neon signs to add to the atmosphere also. Sue tiled the floor and painted the walls.

On the wall there are photos from Val's racing days. In the early 1970's Val did a bit of rallying in a V8 Monaro. He also did some drag racing in a Fiat Bodied Altered along with the Monaro. He then raced speedway Sedans till the mid 1980's and a year in HQ racing at Lakeside.

Usually you'll find Val in the man-cave on a Saturday and/or Sunday afternoon with a mate or two having rum. They have a large hanging gong from Bali standing outside the door for Sue or any other female to hit before entering just in case there is a bit of "men" language going on while watching TV - mainly any car racing!

Val Sharp has been a member of the Cadillac Club since 1984, a foundation member and now a life member of the Queensland club. He is also the treasurer of the Australia and Queensland clubs.

[Anne is a Kiwi from Tauranga, NZ and has migrated to Brisbane to be nearer her son and enjoy the sun of the golden coast - ed]



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Northland Nutters run to "Totara House"



Bob Hookers lovely Alanté

Hi Ron, some pictures and a report from our last Nutters run for the mag. The first couple of photos are the cars parking in front of "Totara House". The next one is Totara House, with us having afternoon tea on the verandah. Another car park photo, then Bill Wotherspoon checking out one of the storage sheds.

The May run for the Northern Nutters was to join up with the Northland Vintage Car Club, and visit "Totara House", a very recent acquisition of the Kauri Museum at Matakoho. In fact, we were the first group to visit under the Kauri Museums care. The house had been owned by Mavis Smith, who had been born there, lived there all her life, and was 103 years old when she died a few months ago. I believe the house had been built by her grandfather.

An incredible house, built well over a hundred years ago, and still basically the same today, complete with all furnishings, fittings, and treasures. The Kauri paneling in the billiard room was absolutely outstanding, and in perfect condition. There were 38 of us, and we enjoyed afternoon tea on the verandah of the historic home. The property boasted a heritage rose garden, a heritage flax garden, and several tumbling down old sheds, filled with all sorts of wonders to behold. There was a variety of machinery, implements, stationery motors etc. Much of it was surplus items stored for the museum. The sheds were so decrepit; you entered at your own risk. A unique experience and one we all enjoyed tremendously. The next run will be **Wednesday 1st July**, and will be in the Whangarei area. Take the day off, and come and join us!
Bob Hooker.



Wow - a great collection of old cars turning up at an even older homestead. For our overseas readers, a good selection of GM cars from the 30s plus I can see an early 50s Austin and to the front right, an Austin A40 Farina (grey in colour) Looking at the pictures, the members are certainly in rural surroundings



The old homestead must be pretty old given, 103-year old Mavis lived in the home her grand-father built!
Both 'Totara' and 'Kauri' are famous native timbers of New Zealand

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AUCKLAND, NZ - Attention Auckland Club Members / Regional Delegates: Cadillac Club of NZ - 40th Anniversary Accommodation update - **Thurs 31st Oct to Monday 4th November**. First Notification: Room rates for the Sudima Hotel Rotorua have now been distributed below. The organisers (Tauranga CLSC - Steve Gill) are very keen to have everyone stay at the one venue. A welcome desk will be set up with daily updates on the days events - meeting point etc. To book now please read the details enclosed with this mag. I don't know the cancellation policy for the Sudima Hotel but it is likely to be on the web site. A request for 'indication of attendance' has been in the last 2-3 magazines - please let Steve know at cornandpeas@xtra.co.nz at your earliest convenience. It is hoped that we will get a good attendance from the Auckland area - please let me if you are going / when you book as I would like to keep a tally. Regards Enid Service Auckland Delegate

PS - We are aware that a number of members from overseas will be flying into Auckland the last week of October and there is an opportunity to provide some good will and good cheer by providing them with a lift down to Rotorua - Enid will provide more details later - editor.

TARANAKI, NZ - Hi Ron - It happened on SATURDAY 18TH MAY. 15 members and 3 non members met at 'The Shed' for drinks and nibbles before moving on to the South Taranaki Club for more drinks and a lovely meal. We then moved on to the Hawera Memorial Theatre for an Elvis Tribute Show put together by outstanding local talent singing all Elvis songs. The highlight of the show was the Tawhiti Primary School with their singing and dancing. Even our local BNZ manager was on stage singing and gyrating his hips. K.D.Wasley who owns The Elvis Museum here in Hawera sang some great songs. It was a really awesome show and some of us finished the night off back at the South Taranaki Club and danced away to the band 'Just n' Time.' All in all a great day and night! By Christine Steel

BAY of PLENTY, NZ - Hi

USA - A bit of Cadillac history from around 1929 from the looks of the cars on the road, and the speech by Henry Leland is priceless. Cheers from California, Fred Film: Henry M. Leland Speaking and Riding in 1906 Cadillac. forums.cadillacclub.org/index.php?topic=124732.0 [This is a great video - ed.]

IRELAND - Hi Ron Looks to be a good read again this month. No trailer queens in Ireland here either! Regards, Nick

DENMARK - Hi all. The new Danish newsletter . You might not understand in, but you can see the pictures...Carsten Jacobsen, President Cadillac Club Denmark

CANADA - Hi Folks, I just received this from a friend and thought a look at something from around the world would be fun. It even shows a multitude of Cadillacs! It does take about 12 minutes to watch so take a break, grab a cup of coffee and relax for a few minutes. Have a great day and enjoy! All the best, Lorne & Ruth Scott For all us car buffs who love the muscle cars of the 40's 50's, 60's and 70's. Imagine filling up these monsters with "petrol" in Sweden at the current price of €1.68 per liter. (1 US gallon = 3.78541 liters = €6.307 per gallon = \$1.31 per Euro = \$8.26 per gallon! OUCH!) - Further to Lorne's notes; NZ petrol is NZ\$2.24.9 per Litre for 98 octane = US\$1.82 or US\$6.895 a US gallon or NZ\$8.51 a US gallon. The latest is that the politicians here are increasing the tax on fuel by NZ\$0.03 cents a litre on 1st July and increasing by 3 cents each year for the next 3 years! The politicians reckon it will all go on roads (to nowhere?) <http://vimeo.com/59718224> <http://vimeo.com/59718224> Enjoy the show



2011/12 NEW ZEALAND - Golden Quill Accolades: The NZ CLC thanks you all, especially the congrats from abroad - ed. Congrats Ron. We may have all played a part the mag, but the prize has to go to your good self for the splendid effort you have put in. Cheers Steve, (Regional Delegate) Carol 'So' & The BOP CLC

G'day Ron, and sincere congratulations on winning yet another Golden Quill Award. Your newsletter is a real beat. Keep up the good work. Cheers, Ian Robertson, CLC Aust

Hi Ron have been away and NO computer (yeah!) and I am trawling through them now and her is yours which I have read and must say congratulations on the "Golden Quill" award as well as our Terry and Robyn Griffin in OZ. How lucky are we at the Cadillac club to have you both giving us a great read on so much news and info and from the Victorian Club you have our congrats and well deserved. Thanks.....Janet Hazeldene - Pres, CLC Victoria, Australia

Congratulations on another Golden Quill Award. Well deserved. From Grant and Barb Davis, Secretary, CLC NZ

And your ed recommends you check out: <http://blog.hemmings.com/index.php/2013/05/13/christine-30th-anniversary-celebration-coming-to-carlisle/?refer=news> for Mopar fans like me a great article to read! ed.



Dear Cadillac La Salle members and enthusiasts world-wide **LATEST UPDATE from Steve Gill, 40th Anniversary Event Director** cornandpeas@xtra.co.nz

Hi Ron. Registrations stand at 22 . Our President/ Treasurer is still investigating a 'PayPal' facility for overseas members payments. If you encounter any difficulties with your Sudima bookings, email me and I am only too happy to help. The 40th Anniversary Team is finalising the tour route. We have had several requests from overseas attendees to participate in some 'touristy-type' events whilst in Rotorua so if you'd like to join, drop me a line.



Likewise we have had enquiries regarding or special t-shirt, so if you would like to find out more simply email me and i will source more info for you. As Always Our Club Is Easily Satisfied with the Very Best and this sentiment extends to our 40th!

Rotorua is the place to be in 'Twenty-one-three!'

Regards - Steve Gill, Event Director [and Bay of Plenty Area Delegate] - 40th CLCNZ Celebrations



We recommed you attend these 3 big global events:

- 1] CLCNZ 40th Anniversary 2013. 2] CLC Grand European 2013. 3] CLCAust. Western Australian Muster 2014





Looking back in time..1940 and 1941

Reading through the events of these early times, there is some uncanny similarities of what the world is going through today. At time of writing this, the USA is periously near the fiscal cliff and over the next few weeks the US maybe in again, recession. The question is, will the world follow?

1940 WWII sees the printing of money by the Fed for the re-arming of US forces thereby easing the Great Depression resulting in more Americans working and earning, paying tax and creating the 'money-go-round' in-turn fueling the economy. A worker in a new factory could earn up to \$1250 pa.. Germany invades France resulting in Germany and Italy controlling most of Western Europe except for England. The US had not yet officially entered the WW and 'State-side' Americans felt better about things than they had for over a dozen years resulting in the making of some great movies including "Gone With the Wind". Jazz sounds were popular music of the day from the likes of Benny Goodman and Count Basie. Nylon stockings invented the previous year were all the rage with women, FDR was elected for a third term. Americans started to believe they should help Britain in it's fight for survival with Germany and the first peacetime draft occurred in September 1940 having ominous future overtones. Britain was being bombed incessantly and many believed it may only be a matter of time before America would be involved.

Cost of Living

- Average Cost of new house \$3,920 (+\$1120)
- Average wages per year \$1,725 (+\$5)
- Gallon of Gas 11 cents (+ 1 cent)
- Average Cost for house rent \$30 per month (+\$2 per month)
- Average Price for a new car \$850 (+\$150)

[US economy comes out of depression and prices rise]

FYI in 1940 WWII events

- Germany and Italy form an alliance against France and the United Kingdom.
- Germany invades Denmark and Norway
- German forces invade France and later Luxembourg Belgium and Netherlands
- Germany bombs Paris killing mostly civilians, including school children.
- Britain Creates Home Guard to act as first line of defence in case of invasion
- Dunkirk nine day evacuation begins of British Expeditionary Force
- Italy declares war on France and the United Kingdom.
- Axis Powers win The Battle Of France and Take control of Paris
- Following the German invasion and occupation of France, Britain opened fire on the French fleet killing 1,200 French sailors
- The battle of Britain begins with the German Luftwaffe attempting gain air superiority over the Royal Air Force (RAF),
- Winston Churchill makes a number of speeches after becoming Prime Minister that inspire the British People "We Shall Fight Them On The Beaches.....", and "Never in the field of human conflict was so much..."
- The Queen Mary, The Mauritania and The Queen Elizabeth Ocean Liners are put into service as troop carriers.
- The bombing of cities in England including Coventry and London leads to the bombing of Hamburg and other cities in Germany
- Germany starts it's Blitz on London on 300 German bombers in the first of 57 consecutive nights of bombing
- Selective Training and Service Act signed into law as first peacetime military draft in United States history

Did anything other events happen?

- Franklin D. Roosevelt wins the election and becomes the United States' first third-term president.
- US 40-hour working week goes into effect
- Churchill was appointed Prime Minister and formed an all-party government
- Race Riots in Chicago, Harlem, Los Angeles and Detroit
- Leon Trotsky the Russian revolutionary is assassinated in Mexico
- Life magazine costs 10 cents
- Nylon Stockings go on sale

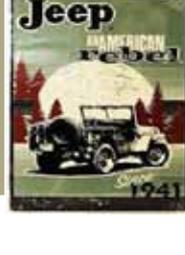
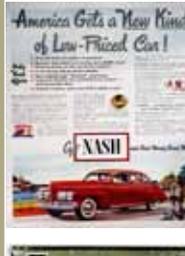
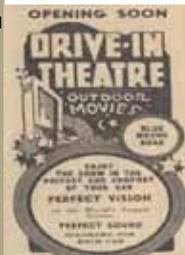
Popular Culture & Popular Films

- Walt Disney's animated film Pinocchio is released together with Fantasia
- The Great Dictator, starring Charlie Chaplin

Popular Music

- "Careless" Glenn Miller
- "I'll Never Smile Again " Tommy Dorsey with Frank Sinatra
- "In the Mood " Glenn Miller
- "Pennsylvania 6-5000 " Glenn Miller
- "Only Forever" Bing Crosby

Born This Year - John Lennon ; Manfred Mann; Percy Sledge; Richard Pryor; Jeffrey Archer; Mario Andretti; Frankie Avalon; Peter Fonda; Tom Jones; Bruce Lee; Jack Nicklaus; Chuck Norris; Al Pacino; Gene Pitney; Cliff Richard; Smokey Robinson; Martin Sheen; Nancy Sinatra; Ringo Starr



1941 War in Europe continues to dominate world affairs but a new threat was growing that would eventually involve America. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill addressed the joint session of congress asking for help in the form of Arms, but it's 'business as usual' in the US with 2 great movies produced that year - "Citizen Kane" and "Dumbo". US teenagers became fashion conscious , also drive in Movies and drive in fast food grow in popularity. On December 7th 1941 the US was attacked by the Japanese at Pearl Harbour in Hawaii resulting in more than 2400 American servicemen killed that day and America entered the war . And with neutrality ended some 950 tanks were sent to Britain together with food, trucks, guns and ammunition.

Cost of Living

- Average Cost of new house \$4,075 (+\$155)
- Average wages per year \$1,750 (+\$25)
- Gallon of Gas 12 cents (+1 cent)
- Average Cost for house rent \$32 per month (+\$2)
- Average Price for a new car \$850 (no change)

[US economy continues to grow with price inflation evident]

FYI in 1941 WWII events

- War in Europe escalates with more countries joining on one side or the other resulting in large number of civilian casualties on both sides due to bombing North Atlantic - German battleship Bismarck sinks HMS Hood ('pride of the Royal Navy') killing all but three crewman. Fairey Swordfish aircraft from the carrier HMS Ark Royal fatally cripple the German battleship Bismarck in torpedo attack and Navy Warships sink the Bismark
- Germany attacks Soviet Union, begins an all-out offensive on Moscow.
- HMS Ark Royal torpedoed by a German U-boat
- German Aircraft sink a Russian Hospital Ship killing 7,000
- Germany gets within 50 miles of Kiev in Russia
- Nazis take and occupy Athens in Greece
- The United Service Organizations (USO) begins operations providing coffee, donuts, and entertainment to US military forces
- Germany invades Yugoslavia
- Hitler and Mussolini announce they are at war with America who retaliates with its own declaration of war .
- Willy's Jeep Introduced for use by the US Army
- Rudolf Hess, parachutes into Scotland on a peace mission and is captured by British forces.
- U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs the Lend Lease Act providing military aid to the Allies
- Churchill launches the "V for Victory" campaign across Europe
- Enigma Code Is Broken
- U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs the GI-bill to provide financial aid to veterans returning from World War II.
- Winston Churchill addresses a joint meeting of the United States Congress about War In Europe
- Germany Begins the Siege of Leningrad which lasts until 1944

Did anything other events happen?

- The Mt. Rushmore sculpture featuring US Presidents is completed by Gutzon Borglum
- A bill creates the fourth Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day

Popular Culture - Popular Films and Popular Music

- Movies - Citizen Kane Written and Directed By Orson Wells (He also acted in the movie) ; Dumbo ; The Maltese Falcon
- MUSIC - "Chattanooga Choo Choo " by Glenn Miller ; "Daddy " by Sammy Kaye ; "Green Eyes " by Jimmy Dorsey ; "I'll Be with You in Apple Blossom Time " Andrews Sisters

Born This Year - Linda McCartney ; Chubby Checker ; Paul Simon ; Pete Best (Original Beatle) ; Paul Anka ; Joan Baez ; Beau Bridges ; Mama Cass ; Neil Diamond ; Placido Domingo ; Art Garfunkel ; Wilson Pickett ; Otis Redding ; Percy Sledge

Technology

- The first RAF aircraft equipped with radar
- The Gloster-Whittle E 28/39 Jet aircraft flies successfully over Cranwell, England



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Kiwi kontent this month is 40%



HELLO MY NAME IS MISS LANE! RON ALWAYS HAS LOTS OF RITZY INFORMATION AND STUFF PRINTED HERE, I GUESS I COULD SAY WE ARE BOTH "PUTTING ON THE RITZ!" HAPPY READING!

Each month I receive mail copies of the CLC e-newsletters from around the globe: Potomac Region (Washington); CLC Canada; Valley Forge Region; North Texas Region; 63/64 Chapter; Rocky Mountain Region Chapters and Cadillac friends of Norway. If you would like a copy, please email me: ron.melville@eves.co.nz - Ed

Marines @ Mahia 25th - 28th October 2013

The New Zealand Military Vehicle Collectors Club is organising an event called 'The Marines @ Mahia'. This is to celebrate the 70th anniversary of when the US Marines landed on the beach at Mahia - Hawkes Bay. The Marines carried out their practice landings in their island hopping campaign across the Pacific to fight the Japanese. Sadly most of them lost their lives. There will be a plaque for the US Ambassador to unveil along with military parades, vehicle displays and rides. There will also be an area for American cars to park to be displayed. The organisers would like to invite you to attend, so for more information check out the flyer on our website: www.americarna.com/News/Marines-@-Mahia



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Hi Ron. I thought this might interest you enough to put the link in the mag and share it with everyone? A bit of fun. Lou x [Florida, USA] Unless you are a space junkie, you will probably be surprised (as I was) by what happens when a washcloth is wrung out in space. <http://kottke.org/13/04/wringing-out-a-washcloth-in-space>

Hi Ron, Thanks so much for including me on this email list....really appreciate the news from your part of the world. I'm currently on a construction site in the middle of Queensland working a 21/7 roster so not able to be as socially active in the QLD club. The NZ Cadillac Club is very active going by the magazines you just send.....keep up the great work. The member numbers look really healthy as you must provide a great social atmosphere to encourage high participation...again well done. Look forward to your next correspondence. Best wishes for now. Regards, Brian Excell CLC, Queensland, Australia Pres.

Hi all. Click on the link below and you will see a quick YouTube clip on how to make a plane (sped up vid) http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=zKnsyYbfC60&feature=popular from Paul Dixon (our Kiwi in Oz)

Hi all. How good is this family working together for so many years? Subject: Texas Tool Shop. Not many places like this left anymore. A neat story of Americana. http://www.youtube.com/embed/BckZ4i1BzF0?feature=player_embedded from The Paul Dixon collection!

Ron, I see at your car show some other makes besides Cadillacs. Quite a variety! Great newsletter again. Thanks, Don

Fantastic mag as always Ron!! LUV LUV LUV IT! If they go ahead and print these 40th Anniversary t-shirts I would like to order one in Ladies Medium please! I realise there will be extra postage and that's fine, whatever they ask for. Will send short story of my trip back home...Lou X (our Kiwi in Florida, USA) - **Sonja & Blair (40th Anni. Team) - please be aware**

Hi Ron. Have a look and listen to the site below http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=sDc0ID6PJeg&feature=youtu.be Cheers Blair & Sonja

Hey Ron I have dropped the price of my Cadillac UTE on eBay. Have a look and if you're still interested let me know. Cheers. Mark. http://www.ebay.com.au/itm/1956-Cadillac-Flower-car-UTE-hotrod-pickup-drag-car-el-camino-rod-hearse-/271070928046?pt=AU_Cars&hash=item3f1d161cae

FOR SALE - '59 Coupe DeVille. First regd in NZ in 1960s. Amazing interior, vg exterior. Owner has passed on to me to say 'engine a bit funny but runs and gets WOF every six months'. Stored in Papamoa. Phone Barryt Connolly 021-914 139

FOR SALE - Paul Ekdahl sells his Cadillac. In case you know a person keen for a new toy. See Link <http://www.trademe.co.nz/motors/used-cars/cadillac/eldorado/auction-457976374.htm> **APR 12**

FOR SALE - I received this via 'snail-mail'. Oct 8, 2012 - New Zealand Cadillac Club. I have a very rare Cadillac I would like to sell. It's a 1957 Eldorado Biarritz conv. It had a frame up restoration back to orig. cond. Has dual 4 barrel carbs with orig. air cleaner. If anyone in club is interested have them get in touch with me. I'm 80 years old and getting rid of some of my cars. **US\$125,000.** James Clack, 345 Horse Pt. Blue Ridge, GA 30513 - Phone 706-455-7427

FOR SALE - 1980 Cadillac Sedan DeVille. Totally original with only 75,500 original kilometers. (47,187) original miles), 368 cid. Engine. Like NEW! Fully Loaded with Moon Roof, Tilt/Telescopic Power Steering, Power Windows, Power Brakes, Cruise, Air Conditioning and Level Ride. Exterior color is "Champagne" with beige cloth interior. I've owned this car since new. Mechanically in A-1 Condition. Meticulously maintained for the past 32 years. Price: **\$15,000.00** Contact: Marc @ 403-255-8272 (Calgary Alberta, Canada). Email: mdhont@shaw.ca Marc

FOR SALE - '81 Seville Hi Ron. My name is Matt Patten, I have been talking to Ed (0276636012) about selling my caddy. I have owned my Caddy for about two years, been to two Beach Hops, two Kumeu Hot Rod Shows and the Galaxy of Cars (where my caddy was photographed and published in Petrol Head mag - page 3). I'm sorry to say that I am just not using it enough. The details of the car are:- 1981 Cadillac Seville Blue /Black 79,000mls 6.4v8 Rego expires next Feb (2013). Has been in NZ for over 20 yrs on black plates. Right-hand drive. asking **\$6500ono.** Matt 027-2700170

FOR SALE - Cadillac El Dorado 1970 2 door Coupe. Excellent condition. Asking price is **\$25,000** firm and a very reluctant sale. James - 021 02535460 Kay - 021 0547314 Or email at kaylenegallagher@hotmail.com



Kaponga 4th July Independence Day

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Parade 6.35pm

After Parade Live Bands until 9.00pm

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WOW - Kaponga is the venue of the 2013 'July 4th weekend'. Our CLC infamous Taranaki member, Neville Carter is going to co-ordinate a great time for all members who cruise in from far and wide! Accommodation details are attached to this copy of FINZ. Members from the BOP can smell a party and are on their way! Let's have a contingent from Auckland; Waikato and Wellington too. Neville is enthusiastically looking forward to seeing as many of us as possible. Neville's phone and email details above. Let's support him - ed.



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P.O.Box 5948, Lambton Quay
WELLINGTON 6145, New Zealand **OR**
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060689 0055887-00 and **place your name in the reference box**. Email application form to the Treasurer: thescotts@ihug.co.nz

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MEMBERS & CADDY DETAILS – Renewals CHECK details correct in Membership Directory

FULL Name: _____

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For NEW MEMBERS – Print name(s) you wish to appear on Membership Card

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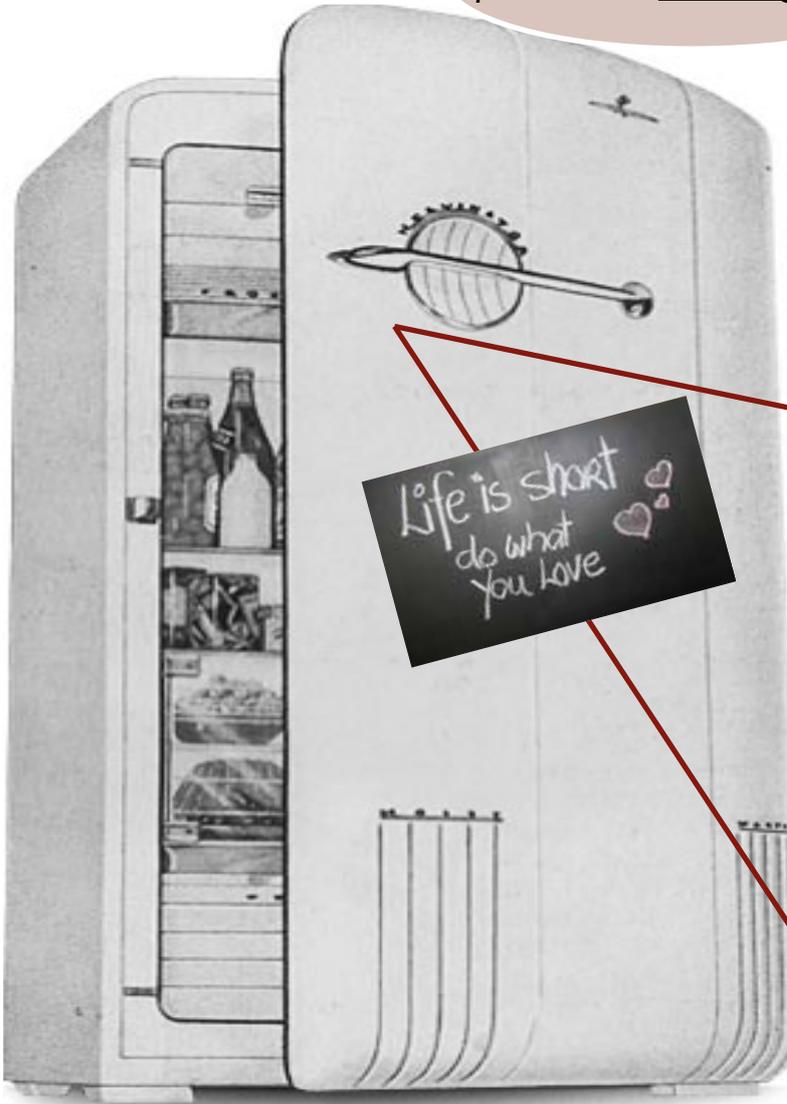
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This form last updated June 2011

Please email details of your
planned event to: ron.melville@eves.co.nz



WHAT'S ON THE FRIDGE?

CHECK OUT THE EVENTS
[cool ol' fridge, huh?]

July
1st - Northland Nutters run
>>CLUB EVENT<< 4th - 6th, "July 4th run" -
Kaponga, Taranaki
August
31st - DEADLINE for your subs, do it now!
October
25th - 28th, Marines @ Mahia - Hawkes Bay
31 to Nov 4th 2013
AGM/ Cadillac Nationals - Organised by Bay
of Plenty Region. NZ Club 40th [held in Rotorua]
Apr 4-9th 2014 -
The 2014 Cadillac LaSalle Australian Nationals'
(held in WA, Aust) Hey you Kiwis start saving
to fly there and attend. We will be well looked
after - ed.



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As you would expect our back cover has been reserved for Mike and Gabrielle's V16 - wow! (thanks to Mark Bean for photo)