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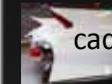


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The Black & White facts - We formed our New Zealand club in 1973 and celebrated our 40th Anniversary in 2013 making us one of the oldest Cadillac clubs in the world. We are proud to be an International Affiliate of the world-wide Cadillac LaSalle Club of the USA - itself formed in 1958.



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Front & Inside 'COVER Caddy' pix
'64 De Ville owned by George Fayd, CLC Australia
(Awesome pics Mark Bean - CLC Aust)

RONDEZVOUS

F O R E W O R D

Hi all. At time of typing it is August and we've just celebrated (on the 16th) Elvis' 40th Anniversary of his passing. Pres. Steve has submitted a timely article on a fab collection he discovered recently. The legendary Kiwi All Black, Sir Colin Meads has passed and on the 31st it will be the 20th Anniversary of Princess Diana's tragic car accident in Paris.

Happier news received this past week was notification that our 'World-famous in the NZ CLC' - Life member and Past President (and Treasurer), Murray Scott was awarded the prestigious *Maurice Hendry Award* at the recent 2017 CLC US Grand Nationals held in Washington, D.C. What an outstanding honour and I am sure you will join me in congratulating Murray when we meet up with him (and his Meredith) at our NZ Cadillac Nationals in New Plymouth in October. Well done Murray!

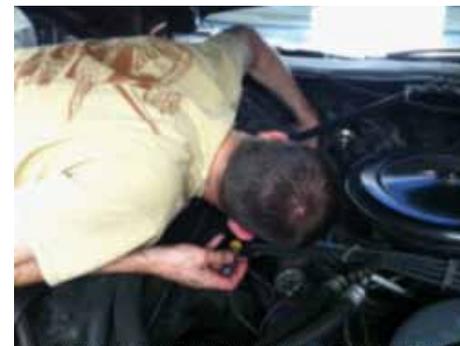
September will herald a return to 'Daylight Saving' (thank goodness) and the evening before we should find out what political party will govern NZ for the next 3 years come the Elections held on Sept. 23rd.

It's 'Subs time' again. Please make your payment now, details page 16 and if you presently don't pay by auto payment consider this easy annual method form attached.

Like this month's cover and 'Tail Lights' photos? Thanks to George Fayd member of CLC, Australia. Exceptional and creative photos like this must be Mark Bean - Caddy photographer extraordinaire! [Thanks guys - Ed]

Lastly, have you registered for our *Cadillac Nationals & AGM* in Taranaki yet? If not, why not come along? Bound to be an awesome time - look at the new trophy (at right) donated by member Ian Lind. Until next month, stay warm (or cool - elsewhere in the world!), VOTE and cruise safe! - Ed (Ron)

Now here's a sneak-peak of what this issue is all about...



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Below an early-1960s postcard image of a parking lot next to one of the many large sand dunes and beaches found in various parts of Michigan that are near one of four Great Lakes that surround much of the State. The parking lot is filled with a wide variety of 1950s to early-1960s cars of all shapes and sizes.

USA - San Francisco - The Fred Bausch contribution continues, have a look at these awesome old pics. Thanks Fred - Ed.



AUSTRALIA - Paul Dixon, Pres - Victoria CLC has sent in an awesome pic of a huge Drive-in Movie venue. Can you count the cars? Ed

The Drive-In Was The Place to Be: This 1950's photo from South Bend, Indiana shows how popular they were! Remember when it was a dollar a carload - you would stuff the car full of people, popcorn and cokes and watch movies - all night if your parents would let you stay past 11pm!

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MORE 'GOOD OIL' FROM FRED: Continued from page 4: Rogers Garage Inc., an automobile dealership which apparently began operations there in the 1910s.

The lead image (previous page 4) shows a view of the Garage taken in 1951 or '52 when it was selling and servicing Packards, however it is not known at this time how long the Garage had been handling the luxury cars. At about this time it appears that the management was able to see the writing on the wall indicating that the Packard Motor Car Company was on its way out. Soon afterward in January of 1953, the firm began selling Chevrolets; the Dealership continued selling with the popular brand until it closed in 1965, and the building was later demolished.



At right >> This mid-1950s Sumner Tunnel Service Station image certainly rates as one of the top ten of more than 225-vintage gasoline station photos posted here on The Old Motor over the years. The Tunnel which passes under the Boston Harbor from the City was first opened to two-way traffic on June 30, 1934. It handled traffic traveling to East Boston and deposited motorists headed into the center of Boston in front this Texaco Station.

Due to the large volume of traffic passing by daily, the building on left side of the station served as one of the best places in Boston for billboards and large painted signs. The large Dubbleware advertisement was a ghost sign for a business that had sold work clothes there in the past, the balance of them advertised the Texaco filling station, and beer and frankfurter companies.

The Gas Station was selling regular gasoline for 27 and 9/10 a gallon and premium for 30 and 9/10; Coke was sold in the machine out front for five cents a bottle. The facility also had a service bay that offered Texaco "Marfak" chassis lubrication and both Kelly and B.F. Goodrich tires.

AGM NEWS

TARANAKI, NZ - Noeleen advises: We are having two big items we are auctioning off. People who can't come can send or phone me price they are willing to bid too and we will do the bidding for them (see these two items - a fabulous quilt and the other a 'map of the USA' done in American number plates - very cool - see page 18)- well done Taranaki members! Ian Lind has also produced and will be presenting this unique trophy at the AGM. It's a beauty - check it out below - Ed.

To all Regions



You're a very clever man Ian - Ed.

Gather up all your Members and Cadillacs.
All Roads lead to the Naki.

"A Place like No Other"
Our Taranaki Region agreed on presenting this stunning Trophy for the largest number of Cadillacs from a REGION at an AGM.

Our Naki member, Ian Lind, designed and made this trophy from a Cadillac hub cap.

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BAY of PLENTY, NZ - Hi Caddy Cruisers, The BOP Club saw 8 members rocket into Hamilton for lunch. Its Cool Cats American style dining at the Jukebox Diner at the Classics Museum. With its giant car flying above the building, it's like 'Grease is the word!

The vibe is great with Elvis greeting us at the door and James Dean on TV. Smooth chequered vinyl and red vinyl booths with retro decor and a jukebox playing 50s & 60s music, set the scene! Its Rock 'n Roll all the way baby as we enjoy our lunch there.

So on the road again to Morrinsville. There's a Mega Milking Cow in town. This cow is so large [6.5m tall] that if she could milk she'd produce 1000 litres a day. The Maber Family of The Power Farming Group sponsored Mega Cow for the Morrinsville community. You could say that Colossal Cow is a real icon of the town. There were heaps of people taking pictures. Once the masses before us cleared, it was our turn to take photos of her. When we had satisfied our needs, there were still more sight seers arriving to take a look. It was a great day out and about. The next time you in Morrinsville check out the Mega Milker, it's outside Maber Motors on Morrinsville's main drag. "Herd of Cows". Well until next time Caddy Cruisers Keep the Pedal to the Metal. And As Always Our Club Is Easily Satisfied With the Very Best - Steve

Route to the AGM:

Hi Ron, For The Giant 3 days of Grand Nationals Rocket into Taranaki...Via Putaruru through to Arapuni Dam then head to Te Awamutu turn off at Kiki.

Usually stop at Kiki for a pie and drink. Then onto Otorohanga , Te Kuiti. Then follow the signs to New Plymouth. There's always a traditional stop at Awakino for white bait fritters. Keep a look out for Mt Egmont. Cheers, Steve.

PS > For Taupo/ Hamilton/ Auckland and North members attending, let's MEET at Te Kuiti. Text Steve for ETA.

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BAY of PLENTY, NZ - Hi Ron, Whilst visiting South Taranaki recently I meet a bloke by the name of Kevin David Wasley. We got chatting about classic cars and such and KD mentioned his Elvis Presley Museum at 51 Argyle Street in Hawera. KDs been collecting since 1959 and is loving it. Yes it's a rock around the record room. He has records that have come out of a juke box in Tennessee which he paid 75c --- and now they are priceless.

KD has often appeared on TV programs 'That's Fairly Interesting'; 'Inside NZ'; 'To Day Tonight'; 'Wheel of Fortune' and 'Blind Date'.

In the early days he wrote letters to Colonel Parker's office where Elvis's manager hung out. And he says "because I lived in a small village, I feel chuffed that they wrote back". The Kings original backing band arriving to see him at home.

The 1950s & 60s are definitely his favourites, with the new rock 'n roll, the flashy jackets with leopard skin lapel's, the style the flair.

Yes indeed KDs been to Graceland's 17 times. So when you are next in Hawera South Taranaki rock into KDs Elvis Presley Museum and see it for yourself people. It will blow your mind. **Elvis has not left the building. Thank you. Thank you very much.** Cheers, Steve.



Maybe worth checking out when we are in Taranaki for the Caddy Nats/ AGM? Ed.



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Fun Cad Nats/ AGM Competition:

Simply guess what this car is! \$5 entry fee, per entry. Make as many entries as you like. Correct entries go into draw for one to be the ultimate winner. Prize is half of 'this competition entry pool'. This is a fundraiser for the 2017 AGM. *No correspondence entered into. Draw made at AGM by member Dave Cummins in presence of AGM attendees. Competition closes 25th September 2017. Anyone can enter - anyone's entry fee welcome! Pay by cash or cheque to Noeleen Souber, 419 Surrey Road, R D 8, Inglewood, 4388, New Zealand or internet bank to: Taranaki Cadillac Club TSB Bank 15 3946 0374445-00 and email your entry/ ies to: n.souber@hotmail.com* Good luck! - Ed

BAY of PLENTY - From Pres. Steve who says -

Here in Tauranga keep a look out for Summer cruising starting at the 'Yummy Tucker' lunch bar in Papamoa. Email Steve or Carol for more details:



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President Steve still has his thinking cap on as he ponders how "WE" can all grow our membership base...

In our last few issues, Pres. Steve 'floated a few ideas' about membership. Over the next several *FINZ* issues, Steve plans to expand on his ideas and invites feedback via this page. Have a good read here because Steve plans to raise many of the ideas here at the upcoming AGM. Can you add or expand on what he has here? Email your thoughts to: finzmagazine@gmail.com with the 'Subject' - Membership Feedback. Thanks, Ed.

Hi Ron, all of us are going to busy people this year and the next. I urge you all to make it a habit of asking busy people to join. Maybe some of them will say no. That's OK. But I don't want them to say no because no body ever asked them. A 12 point plan for growing the club growth, here are three more points on attracting new club members. Steve

7/ Have campaign's that the club is working on and write letters to the paper about them. Lets say its club growth time and create a social media campaign. A] Promote our club and events. B] Build our brand and awareness. C] Create a sense of awareness. Use Facebook posts to advertise events and gatherings. As the saying goes "Post and you shall receive" Facebook is global!

8/ Have a special guest day. Club members can invite a friend, neighbour or relative to join in one of the clubs events. Again posting on Facebook with pictures and communication of club activities.

9/ Create more social events. A] Gatherings for great NZ sports such as rugby, sailing ,tennis and many more. B] Get in touch with nature with day walks and exploring NZ. C] Keep the taste buds happy with trying new restaurants and cafes. D] Boost completive team spirit with fun runs , ten pin bowling, mini golf or trivia nights. E] Have a movie day or night outings.

Lets continue to promote, strive for and win over more members.The final three will be in next months Finz magazine. Regards, Steve

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TECH DAY
STORY BY JACK MCCLOW
PHOTOS BY TOM ALSOP, RANDY EDISON, TOM MCQUEEN AND JOSH PINHO



For the past few years Scot has invited those whose systems he has worked on back to his impressive detached garage facilities (pictured above) for spring tune-ups of their climate control systems. This year that event was held on Sunday, June 25th. In addition to Scot's 1970 Deville Convertible, 1970 Sedan Deville and custom-built 1970 four door Deville convertible, Tom Alsop was there with his 1968 Coupe Deville and 1968 Deville Convertible, Randy Edison with his 1964 Eldorado, I with my 1975 Fleetwood Talisman, Tom McQueen with his 1975 Eldorado Convertible, Dan Mullane with his 1970 Deville Convertible, Scott Patton with his 1974 Sedan Deville, Chuck Piel with his 1967 Deville Convertible, Josh Pinho with his 1992 Allanté and Harry Scott with his 2004 STS.



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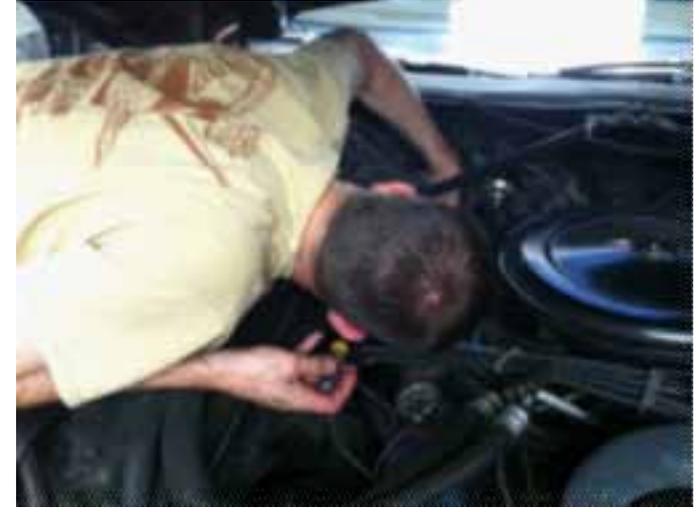
USA - One of the great things about being a member of the US CLC is the contacts and connections one makes. Good case and point is the following story I picked up courtesy of the infamous *Potomac* Region that is also hosting the 2017 Grand Nationals in Washington - well done and good luck for the 'Nats! From what I read it's going to be awesome. Now on with that story. Can someone in the NZ co-ordinate one of these events - The Tech Day, not a *Grand National!* Enjoy the read - Ed.

TECH DAY!

(STORY BY JACK MCCLOW PHOTOS BY TOM ALSOP, RANDY EDISON, TOM MCQUEEN AND JOSH PINHO).

Ten years ago, the current Potomac Region Activities Director Scot Minesinger, who lives in Fairfax Station, Virginia, offered to help me with the climate control in my 1975 Fleetwood Talisman; the system had been worked on by many others over the years yet still did not function correctly. Once Scot sorted out all of the mistakes made by others and had the system working perfectly back to factory specs, other club members began to bring their cars in for service and soon Scot developed a reputation for being the only person in the area who could competently work on Cadillac climate control systems for the 1964 through 1976 model years.

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The 'Cadillac Whisperers' are working their magic on Potomac Region members' Caddies. They just seem to know where to look and tweak!

Thanks to the Potomac Region for allowing us to reprint this cool article - Ed.



In the above photos both of Tom Alsop's 1968 Cadillacs are in for "service". Scot is a master tech with more than just climate control systems. He will solve difficult in-the-dash problems, annoying squeaks and rattles, fluid leaks, and many other problems most repair shops will not attempt. Road force tire balancing is also available for that smooth Cadillac ride! That's me (pictured below left) observing Scot Minesinger (pictured below middle) and Chuck Piel (pictured below right) diagnosing an issue with my car's high-speed fan relay. A new relay was needed, which Scot had in stock, and Randy Edison (pictured far right) was happy to switch out the part for me. My system was soon back to like-new operating condition with cold air blowing nicely out of the vents, at all speeds, all the way back to my home to Maryland. Burgers and cold drinks were supplied by Scot with Chuck in charge of the grill. Thanks to Scot for keeping all of us in climate controlled comfort all summer long! Here's looking forward to seeing everybody soon at the Grand National! Article penned by the GREAT Jack McClow

Editor's choice

Wherever possible I look for interesting articles and pics to share with you!

Hi everyone. I read an interesting article of late and that is the virtual ceasing of any further old cars into Australia (from the US primarily) because of possibility of asbestos and other potential hazardous materials. Read this very important 'link'. Ed.

<https://www.hemmings.com/blog/2017/08/04/crackdown-on-asbestos-essentially-halts-collector-car-exports-to-australia/?refer=news>

The 11th Annual CLC Central Pennsylvania Region car show at the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA was held at on Saturday, July 8, 2017. The management and staff of AACA Museum provided a welcoming and outstanding venue for the show. The weather was almost perfect for early July in Pennsylvania (blue sunny skies with low humidity and temperatures in the low 80's). The ideal weather brought out close to 50 cars, which may have been a record turnout. Roughly half the show field was representative of over 60 years of Cadillac (1941 – 2007) and half comprised other makes, including representatives of Avanti, Pontiac, Chevrolet, Buick, Ford and one Good Humor Ice Cream Truck, non-judged, to provide treats to the attendees. Central Pennsylvania Region Director Richard Sills, once again an outstanding host and MC for this event, drove a low-mileage, original Cadillac, a 1978 Eldorado Custom Biarritz with astro roof. It's just one of dozens of rare, low-mileage original Cadillacs owned by Richard. Overall it was a great day and an outstanding event. Everyone enjoyed the welcoming environment provided by the AACA Museum and the opportunity for fellowship at this excellent venue. [I agree. Has any other Kiwi visited this venue? Look at this Talisman below, cool - Ed]



At left, found this virtual Heaven for pre-war car lovers! A Zephyr on the left, with a '41 suitcase-fenders Cadillac parked side by side with it (and a two-tone '41 Dodge Town Sedan next to it, while the six window fastback with antenna up in the nearby is a '41 Buick), another '41 Cadillac is parked near the stake bed truck on the upper left, and it appears to be no less than a Fleetwood Sixty Special



At right - Nothing finer that spring growth in a fifty-niner!

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ALERT! ALERT!

SUBS time!

It's hard to believe another year has rolled around and all those that pay by auto payment don't even have to remember!!! For all you others, internet bank your \$45 to our Caddy Club bank account 06 0689 0055887-00 at ANZ Bank Masterton or post cheque to the Treasurer, The Cadillac LaSalle Club of NZ Inc., 195b Oropi Road, RD 3, TAURANGA 3173

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Remember - Just update your details if they have changed and to pay your future sub by auto payment, both forms attached! *Thanks, Lois :)*



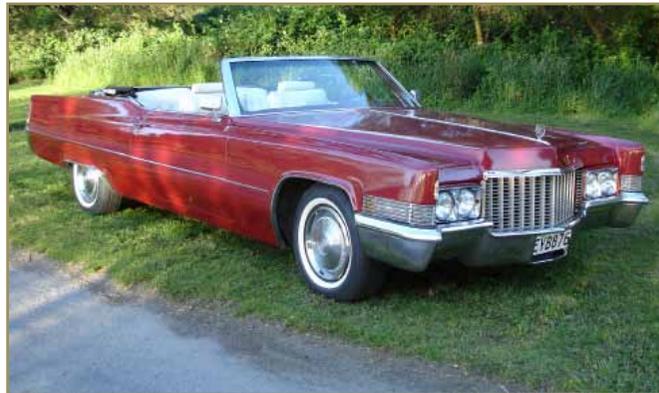
Miss Lane

Miss Lane's Pin Board

A family in Taupo has emailed me (sourced details from our website) asking whether we can help in two ways: 1) Suggest a value for a 1976 Seville they wish to dispose of. 2) This Caddy is For Sale. It appears in reasonable order but I am told "Seats need stitching but upholstery in good nick. One wheel needs rechroming. Rear stone tray rubber needs replacing. Small dent at right rear lower. Needs a new computer chip or magic box. Won't fire, have diagnostics. Have turned motor over every now and then. \$Offers. Will be on Trade Me in due course. Email address: meowmeow1948@gmail.com [Can any club member suggest a value? Email me. I see in photos showing 43k miles on the clock. Good colour - Ed]



Hi Ron - I have decided to sell my 1970 Cadillac Deville Convertible. It was on the cover of FINZ in 2012 March edition. I am looking at \$30000.00 ono. It has done 85600 miles and the running gear has not been touched but the body and interior were done up about 27 years ago in the US and are showing their age. If you know anyone keen get them to contact me. Kind regards, Sean Cairns Manawatu area 063237736 or 0276314007
skcairns@clear.net.nz



Calling ALL '60 owners!

Dick West - an old-time CLC member who used to have a '60 Eldo Biarritz - has these parts for sale in Everett, Mass: 1960 Cadillac parts - all in good to mint condition - speedometer, dash chrome, cruise control dash unit only, A/C and heater controls, window switches, couple headlight switches, two steering wheel centers, inside door handles, left and right outside mirrors, new wiper arms, new voltage regulator, electric eyes, tail-light lenses, fin tips, gaskets, grille bullets (150), rechromed hood vee, two rechromed conv top handles, a couple of regular clocks, chrome under headlights, and more.

Want to sell it all for \$1500. - not divide up.
Also - three rebuilt driveshafts - Cads from the '70's - \$150. each. Contact Dick at +1-781-521-0522
[courtesy of cadmanjoe@aol.com Joe Gildea]

GRAB your diary!

13th-15th October 2017 is your highlight event of the year, the 44th AGM & Cadillac Nationals to be held in Taranaki. Start saving for gas and accomodation now. More details to come from the organising committee!



HERE'S looking at ya!

One of the stand-out photo shoots in New Plymouth will be the 'Len Lye building!'

Hi Ron. Could you please advertise as follows:

Anyone out there who has a 1959 Cadillac ignition barrel for sale? Please email Phil at enquiries@classic-cadillac-hb.co.nz or phil.t.warner@gmail.com
PS - At the last AGM in Whanganui one of the Taranaki club members said they had one.

Many thanks, Phil



Cadillac & La Salle Club AGM

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The fridge!

FOR SALE: 1958 Cadillac Eldorado Seville
Hello fellow Cadillac enthusiast. One of only 855 produced. I have owned this car since 1988. This condition 2 car has been garaged in a climate-controlled space and has always been professionally maintained. With only 72,400 original miles, it is an excellent driving car. Wheels are 15 inch original Cadillac Sabre chrome wheels mounted with whitewall tires and in excellent condition. All chrome is shiny and no chrome parts are missing. Interior is also well preserved with a flawless headliner, dash and instrument panel, original carpeting and most recently, the master cylinder and wheel cylinder were replaced. This car is housed in Minneapolis, MN, USA (just 15 minutes from MSP airport). If any of your club members are interested in purchasing this vehicle or would like more information, they may contact me bob@gmn@outlook.com Thank you for your attention and happy motoring! Regards, BOB Greiling

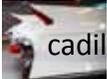


- >Sept 24th Putaruru, Tirau, Okoroire, Country Cruise [BOP Event]
 - > Oct 13-15th - 2017 NZ Cadillac Nationals & AGM, New Plymouth - 'The Good Oil!'
 - > Convoy of Caddies to Cad Nats/ AGM in New Plymouth. Pick up more Caddies on way at Taupo [BOP Event]
 - > Oct - Meet up/ join the Bay of Plenty Vintage Car club at their swap meet [date to come. BOP Event]
 - > Oct - Mount Main Street event, Labour weekend [BOP Event]
 - > Oct - 29th Waihi Lunch Cruise [BOP Event]
 - > Nov - All USA Day – Tauranga [date to come. BOP Event]
 - > Nov - Papamoa Santa Parade [BOP Event]
 - > Nov - 19th Pohutukawa Cruise Bay of Plenty [BOP Event]
 - > Nov - Stragglers Cruise [date to come. BOP Event]
 - > Dec - Annual Xmas Toy Run, Tauranga [date to come. BOP Event]
 - > Dec - Beach Cruise Mt Maunganui, Papamoa, Makatu, Fish & Chips [date to come. BOP Event] .
- *All BOP cruisers weather permitting.
Any changes made prior to Cruise dates for alterative activities. Steve

Tail lights



Our friends in the Australian CLC have a gifted member who also happens to be a top photographer. He has over the years submitted outstanding pictures to *FINZ* and the one appearing here is no exception. This delightful '64 is owned by CLC Aust. member George Fayd. Thanks Mark Bean, Photographer Extraordinaire - Mark Bean Photography, PO Box 3147, Tamarama 2026, p-04 1958 1958, w-markbeanphotography.com - Ed.



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