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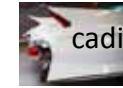
## The Dixon desert hauler!



JULY 2018



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Paul Dixon's '59 at the Australian Caddy Nat's - at the Woolshed Brewery, alongside the Murray River. With desert sand, scrub and wagon wheels (at right) this is the 'outback'!



# Rendezvous!

F O R E W O R D

Hi again from a very wet NZ! We collect so much water, we export it - no joke!

With winter now fully underway with it's feet firmly under the table, time to do some warm reading - *FINZ* in hand.

As I promised, there's plenty of more great photos to share from the recent Aussie Cadillac Nationals - oh for those 30+c days!

Front cover this month is one of those 'Kodak moments' when you see what looks like a great photo opportunity. Paul Dixon's '59 looked perfect against a backdrop of other Caddies and even a nearby wagon wheel in the outback alongside the Murray River!

Plenty more coverage from those memorable Aussie 2018 Nationals and I haven't run out of great photos yet! Thanks to our wonderful Ozzie friends who have emailed me stories, photos, even the short paragraphs - much appreciated, always and keep them coming!

This month is Part One of Ron Zahn's 'Great NZ Road Trip'. From the read and many photos, he and Chris enjoyed themselves immensely. For those that have never been to NZ before, enjoy Ron's high quality photos - there are some beautiful shots on display.

How many of you have heard about AMC's AMX? There's a nice pic of one on my page. They are indeed a fine iconic and timeless design.

Last but not least our dedicated Treasurer Lois Thrupp asks for your assistance to make her September job easier - please help her. Thanks

Until next month, stay warm Kiwis as the cold and wet winter continues. As I type this, a 3c morning frost is forecast but at least it will be a fine day. Don't forget to send me photos and articles on your winter outings (or summer outings in the northern hemisphere!) Kind regards Ron :)

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



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**AUSTRALIA - Renmark, South Australia** - We were privileged to receive this FaceBook image! Ed

From Eddie Ford – Here's one for FINZ, Ron, a 1959 hearse seen at the recent Lancefield Swap Meet not far from here. No local ID on it at all or the owner, It is a Cadillac Miller-Meteor Duplex Combo built for ambulance or hearse use. according to Crestlines Book on these vehicles, Regards Eddie Ford - RESTORED CARS AUSTRALIA MAGAZINE Eddie Ford Publications Pty [Thanks Eddie - always great to receive an email from you - Ed]

**AUSTRALIA** - Hi Ron. Great to hear from you, it's a terrific news magazine and great reading, Gudie and myself look forward to many more. We hope you are well and look forward to catching up with you soon. Kind regards Chris and Gudie ('Goodie')

**USA - San Deigo** - Thanks for sending this issue with the great story about the Bullitt Car. :o) Jack Brackx

**USA - Atlanta** - I always appreciate hearing from the Qiwis! Bill Overend [Good on yer, Bill - Ed]



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**AUSTRALIA - Adelaide** - The following is from Honey Carlyle SA. Following a plentiful breakfast served by the Lions Club, we packed up and I had the pleasure of providing a lift for our Kiwi friends – Steve Gill and Ron Melville back to Adelaide. They were staying in Adelaide another couple of days to enjoy South Australia before heading home.

We stopped at Waikerie and enjoyed the scenery at the Lightsview Café overlooking the Murray River. We decided that we needed a coffee and cake and took advantage of the outdoor, deck area. At the same time, Peter waited for the RAA – the Opera Coupe had a loud buzzing sound which non one had been able to identify. We had only just finished eating when the RAA arrived. Easy job – the Opera Coupe had blown a fuse. Fuse fixed we were again on our way.

Next stop was in Truro, some more food and drink – also met up with Nick Rossi.

On the return, I took Steve and Ron on a guided tour along Gulf St. Vincent – driving along the Esplanade and then via the lookout at O'Halloran Hill. Although the view was a bit misty that day, it still gave the visitors an idea of the size of Adelaide.



While travelling Steve and Ron mentioned that they would like to visit Hahndorf – done deal – and I arrange to meet them the next morning.

Having collected the men we travelled by the Upper Sturt Road – up and down valleys – crossed the Freeway and made the obligatory stop at Mt Lofty. From there you able to view the whole of the city from north to south, and more coffee and cake.

We then ventured towards Hahndorf.

To provide a brief history of Hahndorf for those who have not visited there, the historic town of Hahndorf lies within a gentle expanse of the Adelaide Hills. 28km south-east of Adelaide.

The region's original inhabitants dating back 2400 years ago were the Peramangk Aboriginal people who had named the area 'Bukartilla' in reference to the swimming hole which was created by several creeks emptying into the nearby Onkaparinga River.

Hahndorf was zoned a state heritage area in 1988 and acknowledged as Australia's oldest surviving German settlement. The German history of Hahndorf can be traced back to 1838 when George Fife Angas, a director of a South Australian company, made a trip to London to promote colonisation. During his trip he met Pastor Kavel who was trying to help German Lutherans, being persecuted by the Kind of Prussia, to immigrate to safer places.

Hahndorf is a very popular place and often it is hard to find a park, however we were in luck.

We visited most shops however the one thing Steve was looking for – a small elephant for one of his staff, eluded us.

We had been walking for several hours and it was decided we should stop at the German Arms for lunch and a Stein of Beer or two.

After a cheese platter we decided it was time to venture indoors as the European Wasp was becoming a pest.

Steve ordered the 3 Wurst selection with Sauerkraut – Ron and I had plenty off the Cheese Platter and really weren't that hungry. >>>Continued next page





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Following the plentiful lunch, we ventured off again stopping at the Christmas shop with all of the beautiful German decorations. Also stopped at a shop with essences – however the one Steve was looking for was quite expensive and really, there was nothing pleasant about the fragrance – so gave it a miss.

Soon it was time to return Steve and Ron to their accommodation in the city.

If you have not driven through Adelaide at peak period – to the unknowing – you will find that there are no right hand turns. So, after some deviations, dropped them off in King William Street – a short distance from their accommodation.

I trust Steve and Ron enjoyed the Nationals event in Renmark and the short stay in Adelaide.

Honey Carlye, Pres. CLC South Australia



As previously written, Steve and I had a fantastic time and we look forward to meeting many Aussie members again at your CLC Australian 50th Anniversary in Mudgee, 2020 - Ed.

**AUSTRALIA** - Two emails from The Cadillac Cowboy!

>>>>> Letter to the (best in the world) Editor! Well Ron, didn't you blow my socks off you sneaky good ol' boy you. That sure was a great surprise to see that pictorial Renmark entrant anecdote in the June issue of me and Lucy. Very much appreciated. In light of what you wrote I now feel compelled to show you my other Cadillac, this in the form of the Cadillac of the equine world, my seven year old American Quarter Horse Cody. He's as fast as lightening, can spin on a dime, loves nothing more than chasing cows but will stand like a statue when asked. Cadillacs and Quarter Horses - Standard of the World fine American products. Cheers The Cadillac Cowboy.

And...The whole mag was great but the Bullitt story ....with videos ....BRILLIANT!!! Steve Westmacott. [Thanks Cadillac Cowboy! - Ed]



**'The Cadillac Cowboy aka Steve Westmacott on top of The Cadillac Cody!'**



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**USA - Potomac Region, Washington** - On Saturday, April 28th, the CLC Valley Forge Region Car Show held its annual car show at Cadillac of Turnersville, New Jersey. It was a resounding success with sunny and cool weather resulting in 24 Cadillacs and LaSalles on display. The management and staff were great hosts providing the venue for the event.

This yearly event has always been one of our favorites. Daniel Jobe, who is the President of Capitol Cadillac, generously donates his space, his time and the spectacular trophies for a really enjoyable day. This year's show was the 26th Annual Spring Show he has hosted and we have attended.

"Best of Show" – the "crème de la crème" went to the really, really cool Cadillac 1969 Nine-Passenger Fleetwood Station Wagon that belongs to Butch Sevila of Great Falls, VA (pictured with Daniel). Butch said the top had to be completely reconstructed even though it was a California car. Rodents had gotten under the car cover and ate the top and nested in the headliner. It's beautiful now. [Thanks to the CLC Potomac Region for allowing us reprint this great article and photos - REALLY COOL photos - Ed] More pics>>>



**Amazing '69 Caddy wagon above - a Nine seater! And the above , now that's what I call a colour. Top right - Dealer Daniel and Butch, proud trophy winner.**





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## **Cadillac & LaSalle Club Potomac Region** *"The Standard of the World Wide Web"*

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**USA - Joe Gildea** Sent me this cool article and even cooler 'Blue-print!' Here is the background:  
**40th Annual Founder's Day!** Paris, ME July 21st, 2018 - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM - On the Green in historic Paris Hill, a Classic Car Exhibit, featuring the extensive private collection of Robert & Sandra Bahre, will again be offered exclusively to the public for the 40th Annual Founders' Day Celebration, to benefit the Hamlin Memorial Library & Museum. This 60+ vehicle collection features Packards, Duesenbergs, Stutz Bearcats, a Tucker, Thomas Flyer, vintage racecars, and much more.

Live music will be provided throughout the day. There will also be plenty of food for sale – bag lunches, homemade pies and pastries, jams, jellies, pickles, maple syrup and many other treats.

Craft fair vendors will be selling turned wood products, wood carvings, handmade jewelry, lapidary crafts, minerals, books, and a variety of other homemade crafts. There will also be tote bags, t-shirts, old photo reprints, and more items sold within the Hamlin Memorial Library and Museum.



**Admission to the classic car exhibit is \$10 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under.**

**All proceeds benefit the Hamlin Memorial Library & Museum.**

[http://www.hamlin.lib.me.us/founders\\_day.html](http://www.hamlin.lib.me.us/founders_day.html)



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**NEW ZEALAND - TARANAKI** - On Sunday June 10 we left home in Stratford and proceeded to the 3A corner just out from New Plymouth to meet up with the other Taranaki member. There waiting or rather hiding behind a big truck was the Pink and Black 52 of Mark & Noelene. Along came that beautiful burgundy 62 of Brian & Marie followed by Paul in his 76 Eldorado most unusual he's got the top up the weather must be cold. Lynnda has never seen her with the roof up. Apologies from the Keith & Christine, Wayne & Francis, Ian and Elsie, Grant & Barbara. I will be tail end Charley today. Neville is so good at volunteering for jobs. We are off to Mokau for lunch and then those that feel up to it are going to walk to the three sisters, or that's the plan. We stop for lunch and then because of the cold the walk is postponed till a later date. Those that want to go across the road to the museum to see how many families lived and worked many years ago. There's even a display on the options for the proposed new road taking Mt Messenger out of the regular trip. After all the sights of Mokau had been seen and done it was time to hit the road back towards home. We called into Brian and Marie's on the way home for a game of pool, cup of tea and a delightful selection of Marie's great baking. We had a number of photos

taken some of which are included with this story. It was a great day out and a really good run for all the cars. Story from 65 Gold Neville and Lynnda. [Thanks guys. Always great to hear from our Regional members - Ed]



More people we met at Renmark...



Mr. Personality, Steve Gill (CLC NZ President) with his newest Kiwi-club recruit, Marion Clasohm. She is incidently married to a 'Steve' as well and together with Steve Gill's Carol Southcombe they are all great cobbers! Yes between Steve Gill, Steve Clasohm and Steve Westmacott plus Steve Ashman they didn't out-number the 5 x Chris; 6 Peters; 6 x Tony/Tonis and 8 x Johns at the Caddy Nats! [Ed]



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Featured as a FINZ front cover several years ago, Chris and Gudie's amazing Caddy Coupe De Ville shines as if it's still 1950! Condition really is unbelievable. The sleeve on the steering column has the original owners name on, in it's original plastic sleeve with leather straps - how cool is that? One last thing, this Caddy is called 'Marilyn' just like the theme of the CLC NZ 2018 Cadillac Nationals! - Ed.





## Tripping Around...the Hinterland...

Our fab Aussie Cadillac Nats are nearing the end. Here's a brief account of the last couple of days.

### Event Day Five – Sunday 25th March:

The very early morning sky is red and there's a distinct smell of maybe rain in the air. Could it be? Only day I've had a light jacket on and yet it is still early 20s. Today we head out of town again to the Riverland town of Loxton.

Enroute we actually encounter a few showers of rain, enough to dirty the cars. You should have seen some of them once we landed at the 'Riverline Cottage' for lunch and parked up in a dusty red dis-used 'Drive-in Movie' parking lot. We enjoyed a very nice lunch and then board a bus to view a hidden (in deep country) car collection – out in the middle of 'no-where' but worth the journey. If anyone reading this is looking for an old Holden or Charger, it's probably hiding here! Afternoon, we head back to 'base-camp' to get ready for the big dinner evening.

At the 'Presentation Dinner at the Renmark Club' the tables were amazingly dressed, the sit-down dinner was delicious and there was more buzz than a 500ci Caddy! A great evening with plenty of laughs and camaraderie and of course awards. Too bad they were not running bets, Steve and I would have collected having chosen most of the winners on the night – congrats to all! Steve was called upon (together with the other State Presidents) to get up on the stage where they were all thanked for their support and participation over the event days. Steve was introduced as the 'President of NZ' which received many laughs (instead of the 'President of the CLC NZ!'). At the end of the event, the 2020 event announcement was made which will be the Australian club's 50th Anniversary and sure to be a momentous occasion. This event will held in Mudjee, New South Wales which is apparently beyond the 'Blue Mountains' and several hours' drive from Sydney. Going by the past Australian events that Steve and I have attended (Perth, Renmark and me – Toowoomba) it should be a blast! A great late night and early morning had by all.

### Event Day Six – Monday 26th March:

Up not too early on the last day, but there's the packing to be done, returning the cabin key and joining many others for breakfast at the Cadillac marquee, hosted again by the local Lions club. Steve and I had organised a ride back to Adelaide and we helped pull-down and pack-up everything before we hit the road with Honey Carlyle in her white Caddy steed! Her better-half, Peter Williams followed us in the Seville Opera coupe and son, Neil Williams in the work van, chocka-full of club stuff. As expected we had a fun cruise back to Adelaide and the very hospitable Honey and Pete took us both back to their home for afternoon tea and later Peter dropped us at our hotel in Adelaide city.



At left and above, more great examples of some lovely Caddies. 50s and 60s adorn this page. Betty Boop above, you may just be able to see a pink sheen sparkles through the paint job. A good number of convertibles were to be had too, tops down and up!



## Tripping Around...the Hinterland and beyond...

**Day Seven in Adelaide – Tuesday 27th March:** You know how we said that wherever Steve and I go, Caddy members, globally ‘roll-out the red carpet’ with their hospitality and Honey is no exception. So generous, she offered to take us on a tour around Adelaide. All we had to do was find our way to Brighton by train or tram where Honey found us and then on our way to Harndorf, Honey first took us for a late morning coffee at Mount Lofty where we overlooked greater Adelaide. What a look-out, together with a historic lighthouse, a

magnificent sight to an old German town called ‘Harndorf’ very picturesque with lots of genuine German shops, buildings, boutiques and beer drinking places! As with all great trips, it ended much too soon but with memories and more good friendships established we flew out on a direct flight to Auckland the next day. We look forward to joining our Australian cousins in two year’s time and we hope we can encourage many Kiwis to come along and enjoy the supreme hospitality and camaraderie that fellow CLC’ers deliver. Start saving now for the CLC Australia’s 50th Anniversary in 2020 to be held in Mudgee, New South Wales - Ed



CLC, SA Pres. Honey Carlyle gave us quite the ‘tiki-tour’. Above the highest point in Adelaide, Mt. Lofty. Brighton Beach Pier. Pete’s Presidential Caddy is work in progress. Pigs in Adelaide CBD and the picturesque German village of Harndorf where they serve up a great brew says CLC NZ Pres. Steve!





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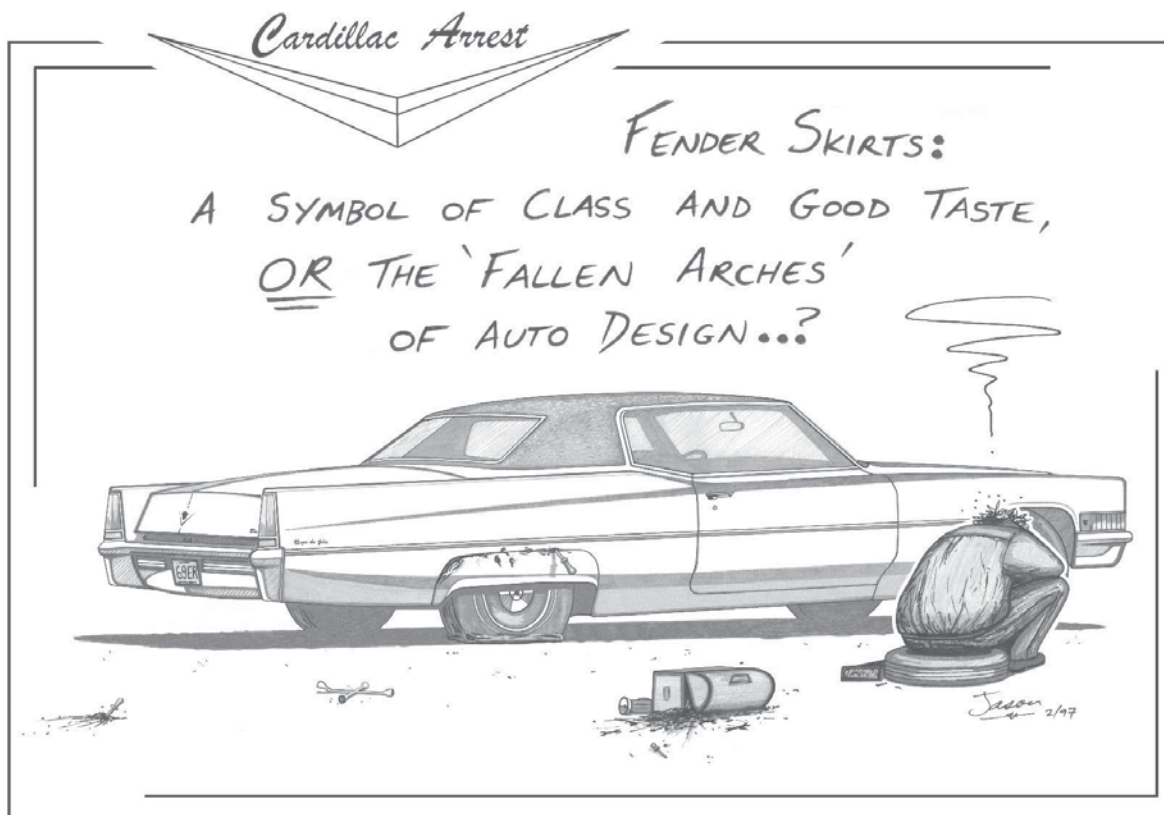
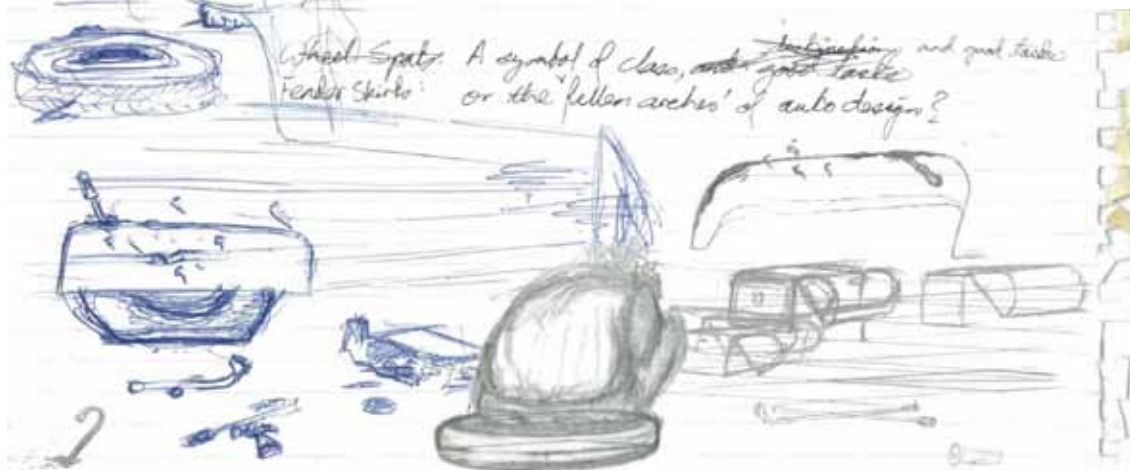
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**FINZ Special feature** - Who remembers these NZ-drawn cartoons from over two decades ago? The creator, Jason Curry remains a loyal member of our CLC NZ club and has consented to allow a 'retro re-run!' Here's the first of many, and thanks to Jason for allowing the re-print - Ed



Throughout the late nineties, the CLC(NZ) Magazine published a monthly cartoon created by member Jason Curry.

Twenty years on, we look back on some of the highlights of the series with the very best of *Cardillac Arrest* □



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Part 1



## RON & CHRIS' GREAT NZ ROAD-TRIP

**USA - Oregon** - NEW ZEALAND 2018 - by Ron Zahn - Preface... For years I've heard many good things about New Zealand, and have long dreamed about visiting. My parents, my sister, my daughter, and many friends have been there, but for some unknown reason, the time was never right for me. Well I finally made it happen, and this 18 day visit has only stoked my appetite to see more. Here is the tale of my first visit to Kiwi-land, a very beautiful and friendly country.

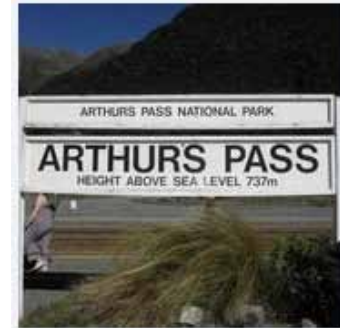
On Tuesday April 3rd, my friend Christoph Roesner and I flew to New Zealand from Australia. The views from the airplane were amazing as we flew over the New Zealand Alps and approached Christchurch. Our goal was to spend a week and a half on the South Island, and then another week on the North Island.



On our first day in Christchurch we found the tourist info center, and had a look around the city. Christchurch is still recovering from a devastating earthquake in 2011, and apparently there is a shortage of available construction workers. Also the money needed to rebuild the city is slow in coming, as numerous insurance companies went bankrupt.

We found the private car collection of Dr Heins and had a brief tour, but no photos were allowed. We then visited the Retro Car Company, where this dealer had cars for sale, performed repairs, and had his own private collection on-site.

On Thursday, we took an all-day round trip tour to the west coast aboard the Transalpine Train over Arthur's Pass to Greymouth. This tour took us through some fantastic scenery as we traversed the Alps. On the eastern slopes we had stunning views of the Waimakariri River down below.



The next day we headed back to the mountains for a closer look, but on a Jet-Boat Wilderness Safari up the very same Waimakariri River. As it turned out, Chris and I were the only passengers aboard a boat capable of seating 12 people. We were able to travel much faster and further in this boat with it's twin V-8 engines and minimal payload. It was clear that our guide loves his work for the Alpine Jet Company as he welcomed us into 'his office.' He gave us lots of information and history about the area, and about the Jet Boat development on the river.

On the way to the high-country we stopped several times to talk, and to experience a 360 degree Hamilton Jet-Boat spin here and there. We had a light lunch, and then our guide asked if we would mind a fast ride heading downstream.



This sounded like fun, and he handled that boat like a professional race car driver.

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## RON & CHRIS' GREAT NZ ROAD-TRIP

Back in Christchurch, we took a Trolley Tour through the city before we went to visit some local Cadillac people, Brian and Sharryn Savin. Before having dinner, we had to see the shop and go for a ride in their 1962 Cadillac Convertible.

On a damp and drizzling Saturday morning, we headed out to Darfield to attend a Wings & Wheels Show n Shine. We had a leisurely breakfast along the way, and by the time we got to the show location the drizzle had stopped while the skies were getting lighter.

In addition to the airplanes and cars, motorcycles and tractors were also on display: our very first Kiwi Show n Shine! On the way back to the city we stopped at a Car Museum where we found a very sad 1926 Cadillac Service Car, well past it's prime and now un-restorable.

A delightful and unexpected opportunity occurred when CLC members Mike and Helena Hanning asked us to forgo our reservations for the dinner/visit at the Ferrymead Museum & Heritage Park. We accepted, and had dinner at their home instead of at the Tramway Restaurant. The Hannings had just concluded a Packard tour, and this was their farewell dinner party for participants who had brought their cars from the USA. Mike is also a very active member in the Buick Club of America. He owns at least eight Buicks, two of which I believe went on the recent Packard tour. The Hanning country estate is really quite beautiful. We had a tour of Mike's shop first, then progressed into the gardens where I was enamored with an elephant sculpture that doubled as a jungle-gym for the grandkids. They have two giraffe statues on the front lawn, welcoming visitors to their home. There were numerous patios around the house, providing outdoor living spaces that were set apart from one another with glass or solid dividers. There was a pond of modern design as the center-piece of the backyard lawn. There were at least 30 people present at the dinner party. The guests helped themselves from a buffet selection in the kitchen, and then moved to either the dining room or the outdoor fireplace area for dining. It was really enjoyable meeting all of these fellow auto enthusiasts, and in such a beautiful setting.

On Sunday we headed southwest to start our New Zealand road trip. As we were passing through the town of Geraldine, we spotted a Vintage Car and Machinery Museum that was open and just had to stop. We had lunch at a bakery in Tekapo before continuing on our way. We then paused for photo opportunities at Lake Pukaki. It was late in the afternoon when we arrived at the Lake Wanaka Lodge, where we stayed for 3 nights.

The next day we started out early, so that we could be at Wanaka's National Transport & Toy Museum when they opened at 8:30am. This is the largest private collection of stuff I have ever seen, as it encompasses 4 huge buildings with 100,000 square feet and 16 acres of outdoor displays. This collection of toys was unbelievably vast. But then there were also appliances, motorcycles, cars, trucks, buses, boats, airplanes and tractors; Amazing! Around 1pm we went next door to the Warbirds & Wheels Museum to have lunch in the cafe. This is where we met Robert Duncan, who had emailed me asking that I call him when we got to Wanaka. After lunch, Robert took us on a personal tour through the museum of which he is a co-owner. He is also the driving force behind the annual event of 'Warbirds over Wanaka,' as well as the recent Packard Driving Tour that concluded at the museum. Most of the Packards in the museum, along with the Auburn, the 1934 Duesenberg, and the 1929 Cadillac belong to Robert. After the tour, he left us to take photos and enjoy the museum on our own. For the rest of the afternoon, we explored Lake Wanaka and had a very nice dinner downtown.





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## RON & CHRIS' GREAT NZ ROAD-TRIP

Tuesday morning we awoke to find snow on all of the mountains around Wanaka. An unusual blast of cold Antarctic air had hit all of New Zealand, and autumn had started to look and feel like winter. We proceeded to drive over the mountains to Arrowtown and Queenstown, stopping once along the way to see Cardrona's 'Bradrona' fence, covered with hundreds of bras as a breast cancer fundraising promotion. Arrowtown is a quaint little tourist spot with very expensive shops. Since it had turned so cold I was looking for a sweater, but was unwilling to spend \$355 for one.

From Queenstown we took the vintage coal-fired steamship, the TSS Earnslaw, on a roundtrip sailing to the Walter Peak Farm. At the farm we observed demonstrations on sheep shearing and herding using dogs. These activities were followed by a terrific buffet lunch. One room had tables of salads and vegetables, while another room had deserts and beverages. The only room I made it to had nothing but meat! I was in carnivore heaven as they featured rare steak, tender roast, ribs, lamb chops, pulled pork, pork roast, chicken, turkey and, best of all, sweetbreads! I have never found sweetbreads on a buffet line before, and it was awesome.

Since it was time to move on in the morning, we packed, loaded the car, and departed by 9am heading northwest to the coast. Around 11:30am, we stopped for an early lunch. By 1pm, we were walking on a warm and sunny beach, when just a few hours before, we were in a cold and snowy area. We drove up the west coast to Fox Glacier, stopping for photo ops several times along the way. The Mt Cook View Motel in Fox Glacier was amazing. True to it's name, we had a spectacular view of Mt Cook from our two-bedroom apartment. That afternoon we hiked up a trail to see the glacier, and found the vegetation along the way very interesting. Upon our return, we drove past our motel on Cook Flat Road heading west to the Mt Cook/Fox Glacier Viewpoint. We took some really great photos, and then had dinner in town. We then hurried back to the motel to watch the sunset on the mountains, followed by a breathtaking scene in the sky behind us.



>>>Part 2 Next Issue



Marie & Brian Gillett's '61

Last issue we featured Marie and Brian's amazing '61. It wasn't always like this of course, so here is a collection of photographs that led to the finished beauty.



Thanks to Marie & Brian for sharing their story of their fabulous '61



# Editor's choice

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

As a genuine car-nut, I love pretty much all makes of cars including ones known as 'orphans'. They are makes and models that have become extinct due to the brand being swallowed up by a bigger one or maybe the parent company simply axed the marque simply because it wasn't making the money the 'bean-counters' said it needed to! I recently came across a neat article about the infamous AMX. Read on...

**AMC enthusiasts to celebrate 50th anniversary** of pony-fighter Javelin and two-seater AMX. More than a mere shortened Javelin, the original two-seater AMX was a true sports car in its own right, and for its 50th anniversary next year, AMC enthusiasts are planning both a museum exhibit and a full celebration of both the AMX and its pony car sibling.

To celebrate 50 years of the AMX, the Kenosha History Center has opened a new exhibit, "AMX: A New and Bold Direction," which includes the aforementioned Teague hybrid AMX, a one-off Jim Jefford-built AMX-R Rambleseat version of the AMX, and at least a couple original-owner AMXs. The exhibit will run through September 30, 2018. In addition, the American Motors Owners Association has chosen the 50th anniversary of both the AMX and Javelin as its theme for the club's 2018 convention, which will take place June 27-30 in Auburn, Indiana.

For more information on the Kenosha History Center, visit [KenoshaHistoryCenter.org](http://KenoshaHistoryCenter.org). And for more information on the 2018 AMO National Convention, visit [AMONational.com](http://AMONational.com).



At the time, the new sensational AMX was touted as a 'Corvette-Killer!' I have seen some real examples at Beach-hop and they are indeed timeless designs with stunning looks and power to boot! Ed  
Article and pic courtesy of Hemings News Daily email  
dispatched to Ron Melville - Editor FINZ



CLC San Diego Member, Jack Bracxx advises as above --> For Sale: 1961 Cadillac DeVille 6339, 4-door, 4-window; complete; runs good \$24,500

And 1938 Cadillac 7523 7-Passenger Touring Sedan; was in process of restoration before David's death – great project car – complete including partially rebuilt engine with NOS block \$10,000

Contact Patti Ricci at [pkricci@hotmail.com](mailto:pkricci@hotmail.com) or at (925) 270-6900 or Adam Powell at (925) 207-6767 (USA Numbers)

Jack says - One sweet 61 Caddy model 6339. Two years newer than my 59.

Best, Jack



CLC NZ Member, Dave Cummins sent me this ad and loved the dagmars on this '55 Caddy. She's a beauty Dave - Ed

# Miss Lane

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Dress accordingly for the Saturday 'Theme night'.

See attached form for more details including early accomodation booking instructions. Registration form NOW ATTACHED. See you there [Regards BoP Event

Organising Commitee]. PS - Our thanks to Beverley Clay of CLC Australia, aka 'Marilyn' - will she be there?





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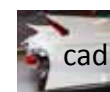
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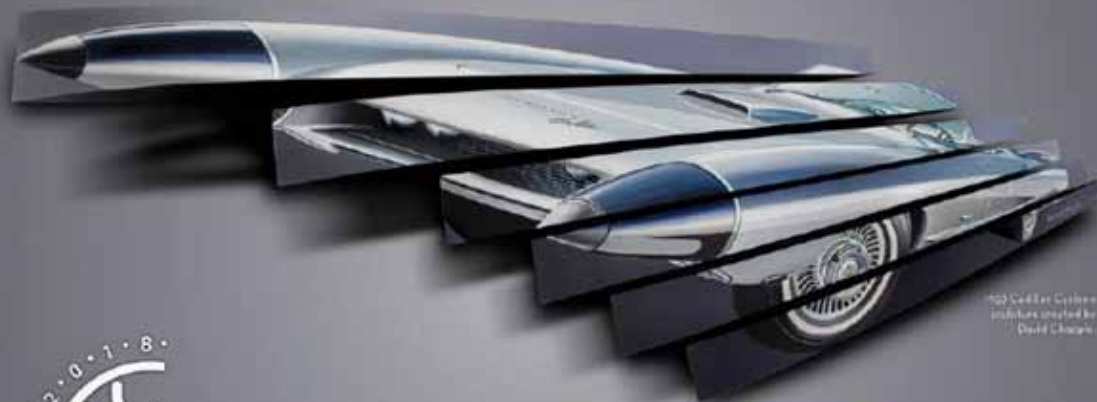
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Tail lights



Here's another "Kodak Moment" - When I was doing this photo shoot the sun was shining through the lens of Chris and Gudie's amazing '50 named 'Marilyn!' - Ed

