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# Hi everyone and thanks to all our Caddy Members that attended AmeriCARna. An amazing approx. 40 members (and their family including a couple of guests/ prospective new members?) were at the special Wednesday Dinner arranged by longtime CLC Taranaki members, Marie and Brian Gillett. Thank you VERY

Cover Caddy this month is Glennis and Les' Wilson's stunning '56 looking stupendous in a lilac/ lavender colour and off-set by wire wheels and cream interior. These recent new Auckland members love getting their Pride and Joy out onto the road, evident by it sparkling in the morning sun on AmeriCARNA's show day Saturday. Half of the AmeriCARna event coverage is included here and the balance will be shared next month like the pic below of a dedicated Cadillac

The salute to Cadillac's 'Stacked Headlight' era continues and more 1965's to admire. If you would like your '66, '67 or '68 featured, send a pic and a few words to finzmagazine@gmail.com . In months to come, we will be featuring those '66, '67 and '68 models, so if you would like to see yours here, send it to me now!

There's lots of other things to read about and we recommend you provide input to the Governments Consultation on extending our 6-monthly Warrant of Fitness (WOF) for Old Cars to a 12-month inspection. The majority of our old cars are kept better than daily drivers and of course annual mileage is considerably less!

Feeling motivated post AmeriCARna? Check out the Grand European 2025 and details will be heading our way soon on the Australian Nationals in 2026.

The US CLC has updated its logo. It is featured on our cover 'banner'. See if you can 'spot' the difference! There's news from our Global Family, and yours truly features a few interesting items on the Editors pages. Check out 'The Cadillac Granny!' There's an interesting snippet for an idea to get you started from cold. If you have a mechanical contribution, drop me a line. An article on 'Horns' next issue!

Needing a new Caddy, there's a couple for sale that might take your eye. Of course no issue would be complete without a good dose of 'Kevs Kaddies'. We appreciate the time your spend Kevin, searching the web to find only the best examples!

Not be out-done by 'The Bronze Age' featured on last months cover, Garry and Phil from Hawkes Bay tease us with more superb American Iron. We will have to see them at some stage!

And of course, plenty of rampant colour throughout the entire issue of FINZ.

Until next time, send me your Summer-ending stories AND pictures! Hard to believe the first month of Autumn is now here, let's hope the warm weather continues before the leaves turn!

For those heading to Beach Hop in late March, look out for me on the 'Waihi Wednesday' (26th) and for those attending the whole 'Hop' have fun and send me pictures. A special 'shout-out' to our Pres. Jason who will be attending Whangamata on Saturday/ Sunday - have fun! Its always a perfect opportunity to cruise to lots of places you love. And send in any ideas on any particular outings

MUCH for organising the evening. The turnout exceeded everyones expectations. The venue (Quails Nest) was a beautiful and upmarket restaurant venue with plenty of parking. A great evening that's for sure and we must do it again at the next AmeriCARna!

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man shining his shoes, I mean White Walls!



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The Tauranga crew, consisting of the Conders, Corins, Cummins, Thrupps and yours truly met up at the top of the Kaimais on Tuesday (18th) morning for what would be a mixed weather trip peppered with some heavy squally showers and humid enough to have both windows down at 55 mp/h! All Caddies arrived safely and we registered on the Tuesday this year so we could attend the Opunake Beach event on the Wednesday. Like many past events, there's always plenty of colour, a few Caddies and some cool other old cars as well that took the writers fancy! (Follow the many photos below). One in particular was (potential new member - [fingers crossed], a John Morrison of Auckland who proudly man-handled (no power steering and clutch!) his 1928 Cadillac, fully restored and it looked as good in real life as what it does in the picture. This would be a handsome addition to our ranks! Like many of the days over the six we were in Taranaki for, there was frequent wet stuff happening - very changeable indeed! At Opunake, we were parked right down on the beach. Our trip to and from featured spectacular vistas of cliff-top multi-million dollar homes that would have attracted fabulous views and likely ferocious winds! Oh, well you can't have it all! And that evening of course, we dined in luxury at the Quails Nest a very upmarket restaurant just five or so mins out of town. An amazing approx. 40 Cadillac enthusiasts patronised the establishment on this particular warm evening. That's about as many as we sometimes see at our Annual Nationals and we know not all Caddy members were able to make it to the dinner. So maybe, close to 50 Caddy members attended AmeriCARna? Imagine the turnout if our Nationals coincided with one of these summer events - AmeriCARna, Beach Hop, Kumeu, Ellerslie Concours, Art Deco...just saying! Thursday was 'Rest Home Visits' for some AmeriCARna participants. A worthy cause to share our love of old American cars with those who live in the many villages around New Plymouth many of whom will recall and enjoyed riminising about 'The good old days!' Many took a short ride in an American classic! At midday, entrants departed the AmeriCARna HQ for Waitara and Inglewood. A big turnout at both towns really packed the streets with lookers and many retailers had stalls. At Inglewood, the late afternoon arrival meant eateries probably enjoyed a bumper spend by hungry car people until 8pm. Live entertainment, lots of stalls about and the local Hot Rod Resto shop opened their doors for folk to adnire their latest projects. A Chrysler New Yorker caught my eye. It will be a beauty when done. Friday Another 10am departure from the HQ heading this time to Stratford and Hawea. The afternoon featured speed racing for the fastest and bravest of our entrants. One Mustang was seen to 'kiss' a barrier not resulting in injury to driver (other than a bruised 'pride') and the car wasn't too worse for wear, that a bit of 'Duck tape' could not hold its bumper together! The car was mobile but cruising slower.... Leaving this lovely town, everyone headed back to New Plymouth for the traditional cruise down Mangorei Road and later a night cruise around the CBD. Saturday is Show Day and entrants park-up their cars and trucks in the closed-off main street of the CBD until 2-3pm for the public to enjoy what we do year-round! Like other years, the public in their thousands drooled over the many spectacular old cars and trucks of almost every colour and nearly every make. Music echoed in the streets by local New Plymouth band 'Blistered Fingers' and their rendition of 'Die with a Smile' eclipsed the Lady Gaga and Bruno Mars original! Yours truly departed earlier than most to visit Steven and Veronica Olivers kind invitation for me to go see their simply amazing vintage collection that incudes two Caddies. An article on my special and privileged visit will be covered in another issue. I was also flattered to be invited by New Plymouth member, Ozy Davis to go see his 'Man Cave' and 45-car 'Lock up" a few blocks from his house. I was joined by approx. half a dozen other car enthusiasts who had not seen Ozy's collection of fine cars and memoribilia. I'll also cover this visitation in another issue of FINZ. Saturday Evening is the AmeriCARna dinner and show. It's always a light-hearted affair with plenty of well deserved 'back slapping' to the hundreds of volunteers, Admin support workers and sponsors. Our own Kevin Conder won the SUPER CHEAP grand prize draw of a large stainless workbench on wheels. If you can imagine a 'mini kitchen' with lots of drawers and cupboards, then that is what it was! Good on you Kev! Next years 'Feature Vehicle' for AmeriCARna 2026 will be a Ford Pickup that looked great in red with white 'flame-like' scoops on the front. The widow owner was overwhelmed to learn her late husband's resto had taken the prestige 'Featured Vehicle' selection Award for next year. She conveyed a heartfelt backstory. The dinner was great, the music loud and it stayed fine for those of us that walked back to our motel - all down hill! Sunday after an early morning rain shower, we set off home with no incidents to report, in fact this year, there was no major issues - just the way we like it! ~ Ron. *PS* - If you have pics or a story to share, drop me a line at finzmagazine@gmail.com



Opunake Beach was hot and humid. Lots of great cars / trucks and plenty of colour. Celebs in force too, 'Fletch' of 'Classic Restos' chose a few cars on numerous Event days and he told us the show will feature on TV/ On line in about a months time.

























At left, more colour and interesting pics captured at the AmeriCARna HQ. The 'Smokey & The Bandit' Pontiac Trans Am and Kenworth Truck n' Trailer were a big people pleaser as was the American flag-flying, Harleyriding, Scottish Piper no doubt with family tartan kilt worn. Someone told me his name was Hone McFerguson but I couldn't verify that.











Our dinner out at the VERY nice 'Quails Nest' was a delightful affair. Architectural design one thinks and a unique decor featuring Quail wall coverings and 'stuffed' dogs heads (not real of course) dressed with hats, bow ties and one had a pipe! Very novel and light-hearted. I'd be happy to frequent this venue again! Pics of our diners! Ron





An old International truck (NZnew!) to matching Montereys; a Bricklin (!); cool Studebaker to a hidden Mustang (lovely order), the lineup was impressive to say the least.





















## FEATURE STORY



Day Two - Waitara & Inglewood - both fun towns and Inglewood is the 'dining destination' where everyones enjoy an evening meal/ snack before heading back to New Plymouth before sunset. A selection of good pics here from getting ready in the morning, to snippets in Waitara and the Resto shop in Inglewood - note the Chrysler New Yorker project underway. For the last few years we have enjoyed our evening meal from the 'Funk Fish' - an odd spelling name when one would think it might be like 'Funky Fish?' Anyway, I ordered my serving of Fish and Chips and look what turned up - the missing 'Y'! We all enjoyed a good laugh - Ed





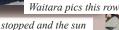
Lots of rain in Stratford but nice DeSoto



There was plenty of nice metal in them streets around Inglewood. Below and at right, two Resto Projects, that 'New Yorker' and an early 'Landie!'.







came out in Hawea. Lots of nice cars in the streets! Frosty & Deans '56 below, the 2025 AmeriCARna car this year!









Not long after sunrise,

what better time than to

wash ones Caddy?

Inglewood pics this row







Day Two weather certainly started well. Look at the sunshine in these photos from the HQ. Above, Caddy leads another day in our parking segment. The happy couple above, John and Marion now own CLC Members Serge and Lilian's 26k mile '79 Lincoln. Ford fans, they love their cruiser!



Far left, look closely - that is a bottle of sun tan lotion and she is polishing...we had a good laugh!





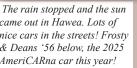


























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More pics next month! Ed

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In '65 they stacked 'em high! 65

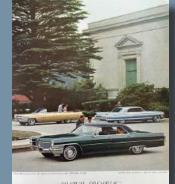
#### STACKED HEADLIGHTS and the '65s conclude in this issue.

Many thanks for the continued comments, feedback and photos. Cadillac's 'Stacked-style' was certainly popular with many buyers during the 60s. Look how some of the colour choices made meant their chosen model was particularly attractive! The period advertisements certainly promote colour and lifestyle themes to mimick a buyer's work and leisure activities. Yes 'stacked headlights' were fashionable for much of the 60s decade. Next month we begin our celebration of the '66 range and because it's a celebration that will last the entire 2025 year, there's stacks more to come!!

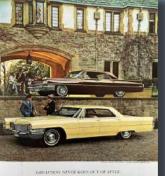


CLC UK (Ireland) Member, Nick Stratta has enjoyed his '65 covertible for many a year. He regularly takes it on outings, events, it even featured in a music video ! A great colour combo too.





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Some images courtesy of The Self Starter.



Blending in with the colour of those ranges in the background, the surrounds of Palm Springs have plenty of colour palettes to draw from!

#### 79-Year-Old Hot Rod Granny Wins Burnout Competitions in Her Classic Cadillac

Annie Koehler, a 79-year-old grandma from rural Illinois, is proving that growing older doesn't need to be boring. She takes pride in going against the common standard of what people think happens with age and celebrates life in a different way: by doing big smokey burnouts in her bigblock powered hot rod, a 1957 Cadillac Series 62 Coupe de Ville. Nicknamed the "Hot Rod Granny," Annie was first discovered she emailed The Drive with an irresistible opening line: "I think you might like to see me doing static burnouts in my Caddy." According to the news outlet, she elaborated further by mentioning she has eight grandkids and while she's relatively new to the car hobby, she's "hooked" after winning a few burnout contests. She was reaching out to learn of more contests, writing, "If you know of any, please let me know. I can do rolling burnouts but prefer the standing still ones. I think the radical, moving ones might be too hard on my old Caddy." Annie's classic white wall tire shredding Cadillac was built by her son, Jamie Hutchins who owns an engine shop in Bethaldo, Illinois. It's powered by a naturally aspirated big-block Chevy V8 that's been bored out to 496 cubic inches. "I've sure had a lot of fun with it," Annie said. In fact, as soon as the build was finished, she took her hot rodded Caddy on a 4,200-mile road trip to California and back, entering burnout competitions along the way. She even started her own YouTube channel where she posts her burnout videos:

https://www.hemmings.com/stories/79-year-old-hot-rodgranny-wins-burnout-competitionsin-her-classic-cadillac/ > Granny's Caddie at right!



Link below to the on-line version of the 2024 Summer LaCad. Another great read from our Ozzie members.

https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/eyidrl82ob1dcf8hv302d/Summer-e-LaCad-2024.odf?rlkey=v0bl89gp6o8viv6mpcpat5fmv&st=hr0wiv3i8dl=0





If you're planning to be in Europe this year, check out the 'Grand European 2025'. Like past events, this too, will be a stunner. The Europeans do things so well! Ed



#### Echuca Updat

Early November some committee members visited Echuca for 3 days of meetings and planning for the nationals, visiting all of the venues, and tying down final details and costings, as you may appreciate a little difficult in some circumstances given the economic climate we are experiencing.

We are extremely pleased to release our logo in this issue and the QR Code for the welcome video by the Mayor of the Shire of Campaspe. We look forward to releasing the accommodation in the Autumn issue of LaCad and more details of the event.

Lock the dates in your diaries for Echuca 14-19 April 2026.

Below & Right - YouTube link and QR code to Echuca welcome video.

#### https://youtu.bc/5Dq5XKfKOHQ



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time! Drop me a line.

Registration details

soon - Ed.



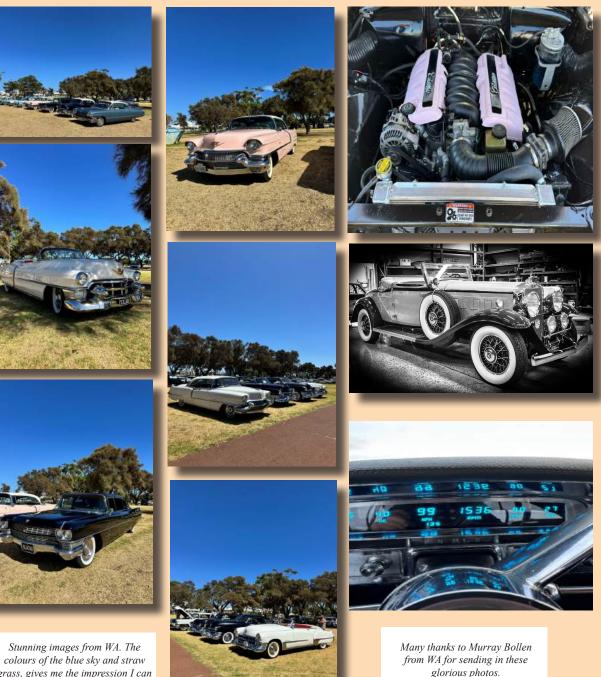
AUSTRALIA - Perth - Hi Ron. A little info on a recent meeting in WA recently. 13 cars attended the Hot Rod and Classic Car spectacular here in Mandurah.

Always enjoy your newsletter and have been watching for my old yellow '60 coupe deville which has supposedly gone to NZ. [Never seen it anywhere Murray, but you never know what may turn up. Do you know what city it went to? Ed]

The white '53 Eldorado with red/white interior belongs to Warren Crawford. I'm sure you'll remember him from the workshop tours. He also had the Yellow 53 Eldorado and an Aztec Blue '53 Eldorado which he's since sold. His '31 V16 is outstanding as well. The white '49 convertible belongs to Rob Winsall who bought along a couple of mates from the Knights car club. The black 65 limo belongs to Mark Caffieri while the pink '56 series 62 coupe is my latest endeavour with a LS1 transplant. The transplant LS 1 is from a 2005 Holden VY S S Ute . With that comes the 4L65 Automatic Transmission. To complete the conversion we needed to purchase "block hugger" exhaust manifolds, obviously the new aluminium radiator, modify the tail shaft and enlarge the hole through the chassis. Differential. is still the original Cadillac which runs the 3.07 rear end, and ironically that's identical to the Holden Ute.

Brakes are still the original Cadillac, including all the hydraulics, but I think going through compliance with the transport department. I'm gonna have to modify to a dual system, and possibly if they insist on it a collapsible steering column. While we were doing the transplant, I decided to update the instruments, and added an Intellitronix digital dashboard, I went with that brand because Dakota digital were about \$3000 US, and this one was only about \$700 installed. If you look at the pic you'll see I'm cruising down the freeway 99km/h at 1536 revs, cool as a cucumber. Now I've done nearly 2000 km and fuel economy is 13.4 L per hundred kilometres. All in all an interesting exercise, but it'll be even more so when I get the compliance requirements from transport department.

New Plymouth is an interesting place and I spent many a day there during my oilfield career, at the auto Lodge motel. Bit of a barfly back then.Keep up the good work, mate, regards Murray Bollen, CLC WA [Good on you Murray. Great story and update. Send me a story and photos anytime and best regards, Ed]



grass, gives me the impression I can almost "feel" the heat of the day!



The Govt. has announced an invitiation for owners of Old Cars and Campervans to make a Consultative Submission on the proposal to extend the current 6-month Warrant of Fitness (WOF) requirement to 1



Govt consulting on changing to <u>annual</u> WOFs for vintage cars

requirement to 12-months.

Attached to *FINZ* this month is two FoMC (NZ Federation of Motor Clubs - of which the CLC NZ is a member) Newsletters. The First is about the WOF Submissions. There are several templates embedded in the attachment that we can use for our submissions or you are free to write your own. The FoMC strongly recommends we ALL make a submission.

The Second FoMC Newsletter is about the Federation's 30th Anniversary being held in Christchurch. If you would to attend, why not go along and hear what is said and report back to the CLC NZ club? A lot easier and geographically more suited to some of our South Island members. ED



Protecting our heritage into the future



Brainstorming solutions for issues under the Hood and in other places for your Caddy or other old car!

Write to the Editor and share your successes! finzmagazine@GMail.com

At the recent AmeriCARna, I came across a man who told me what he had learned about his *new* old car. Being a bit 'vintage' himself, he remarked that he was always open to new knowledge and I took the following comment on board and told three others and it worked for the four of us Caddy owners.

This gentleman had found it would take several 'turning overs' of his engine to fire up, when cold. His *new* old car had an owners manual in the glove box and it recommended:

"Do NOT 'pump' the accelerator when attempting to start. Instead, Turn-On your ignition. Then gently push your pedal down to the floor (with your foot) and (with foot) allow it to 'gently' return. Then turn key and start. It should fire straight away".

Very interesting, I said. Thank you, I will try it. Returning to my Caddy, I thought I will try it (even though my car was warm, it generally takes a few 'cranks' to start).

So, instead, I turned on the ignition, gently pushed the accelator to the floor and allowed it to gently return. Then I turned the key and 'eureka' it started. How interesting I thought. I performed the same procedure throughout the day and success everytime.

The next morning, from cold, I tried the same procedure and again, started first time.

I shared the above story with my fellow members who were staying at the same motel. One '59 always needs a few turns. A '60 is even worse and the '47, well it gets really cranky as it turns over and over.

Each took on board what I shared with them and I stood back and watched each Caddy be started from cold AND every one of them started first time! Even the cranky '47!

If you have similar starting crumbles, give it a try and email me and let me know how you got on!

Ed :)



AUSTRALIA - Hi Ron, I hope you are well. Thank you for your magazines, always great to read on line and colourful. On the roads here I am starting to see more colourful cars, as you mentioned previously. Nice to see and like the "old days". The other day I found something on my computer of an event that happened 10 years ago! The 2015 Beach Hop featuring Johnny Devlin. Johnny is 86 and keeping well. Take care and best wishes, George Akele [Thanks George. I remember that BH and Johnny. Glad he and you are well. Our best regards to him from the CLC NZ! Ed]

NZ - Hawkes Bay - CLC Member, Martin Armbruster is on his own AmeriCARna right now, in the States. He sent me a few initial pics of his fabulous trip and the first batch is from LA. [Thanks Martin, hope you are having fun, buying plenty of parts and we look forward to your next instalment! Ed]







Ahhh, the night life!





Welcome to NEW Member, Peter Dunlop of Auckland. His lowered '60 will be worth a feature in a future issue. Send me some larger MB images, Pete and a little more info/ its 'back story'. Welcome aboard! Ed



Here I am, parked elsewhere! On this page is some cool Caddies for sale (but I am sure, not for long!). Plus, it is not too late to order vour 2025 US-CLC Museum & Research Centre Calendar. I have mine alreday and it is a beauty, the images just keep getting better each year!

Our AUCKLAND member, Steve Barker is looking for the following, for his lovely Seville. Can you help? Wanted- left and right exhaust manifolds for 1959, 390 Cadillac. Must be flat and free of Cracks. Phone Steve on 021 271 8896 or stevedetroit55@gmail.com.









At left, this Caddy is original, fully serviced and I have her whole history. 1st owner 34 vrs. NZ since 2007 bought her then. Been a cherished part of our family since. A little over 74,000 mls. Will be warranted & reg'd at sale. Asking price as recommended by my friend Barry, firm \$40k. Cheers Trish Ph 021-137-8058 nz.btjeff@gmail.com

At right - 1969 Eldorado in the very rare, one year only colour of Wisteria. Full engine & Trans rebuild several years ago. Done 6000 miles since. Watch https://youtu.be/73eip GT57s Could do with a paint, is a very solid car (from southern Oregon) exc. interior. Building new house need cash. Asking a very reasonable AUD\$29,500, All offers considered. Grea Short +0061-0425-868-136 Greg.Short@csiro.au Longtime CLC Vic. Member



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Worth clicking on is the "Timbs article". Up from the Ashes: A 1940s One-off Streamliner Is Reborn. Again.Click on my www.hagerty.com LINK below and subscribe today. Always plenty of interesting stuff to read and drool over! Ed

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USA - Ron, You do an outstanding newsletter! Bill "Lifer" Levy, Newsletter Editor, North Texas Region Cadillac & LaSalle Club, USA [Thanks 'Lifer'. Back at you too! Ed]

Beautiful 70 convertible. Thanks Ron. From Jack Bracxx, CLC Florida [Many thanks Jack. Say hi to the family from me & Steve]

Hi Ron, Good to hear from you! I do read *Finz* every month, so thanks for that. We're good here. The fires were a long ways away from us, although because of the strong winds, our power was cut for the better part of two weeks. Fortunately, I have a gas range and BBQ, so I could still cook. Plus candles, lots of candles. Hoping things are going well down in NZ, and that you and your family are good. Craig Chally, Director, Southern California Region (Los Angeles) CA [Glad to hear you guys are ok up there after those devastating fires. Keep in touch and best regards, Ron/ Ed]

Subject: The Cadillac & LaSalle Club logo has been updated To all, at the February 1 Cadillac & LaSalle Club board meeting in Chattanooga, TN, USA, the board of directors voted unanimously to update the CLC logo to include EVs (electric vehicles) since Cadillac has manufactured them for a number of years. The updated logo will first appear in the March issue of The Self-Starter. The CLC will continue to use any stationery already printed with the old logo until it is exhausted and we encourage all of you to do the same. Therefore, you are asked to update the CLC logo as soon as possible in all communications and branding within your International Affiliate, including newsletters and websites. The new artwork in various file formats is attached for your use in print and online. As the president of your International Affiliate, it is imperative you please forward this artwork to your newsletter editor, webmaster, and anyone within your International Affiliate who needs to use the logo. If you have questions or problems with

the artwork, please let me know. Thanks, Tim. Tim Coy, Southwestern Regions Vice President Art Director, The Self-Starter, International Membership Directory Cadillac & LaSalle Club, 1681 Nita Ct., Cheyenne, WY 82009-9829 USA (720) 254-7184



NZ - Taranaki - Hi Ron, once again another fantastic news letter. Thanks , Andrew Deam [Thanks Andrew, Ed]

Wellington - Ron, I have to say you are really knocking it out of the park with these mags. The latest Feb 2025 issue is a real 'Quill-worthy' example - a beautiful NZ member car cover feature with profile article inside (would love to see more of these!), a Stragglers car show photo report, a commentary piece on the state of auto print media, and your on-going stacked headlight

commemoration year theme, plus everything else... So much interesting and varied content, and visually rich too. Top class, Ron! Regards Jason, President, CLC NZ [Thanks Jason - Your positive feedback is the fuel that keeps *FINZ* motivated and moving in the right direction! Ed]

Hawkes Bay - Thanks Ron, testament to your wordsmith skills . Garry & Phil. PS - I'll just carry on teasing you Ron..... [Hi guys and many thanks for your feedback. Love your 'teaser photos' which I will just have to share here. I look forward to seeing them in real life at some point. Ed] PS - Folks, Garry and Phil sent me these fabulous Ford-product photos for us all to enjoy. Ed



This lovely Lincoln Continental is called 'Elymay'



Another Lincoln, Garry or Phil must have been laying on the ground to take the photo!



The Model 'Y'. why not?



The infamous Edsel. One of my favourite cars for all the historic reasons!



Editor's privilege to pick his favourite Ford. This LTD 'Faux Woody wagon' also has a name, 'Custard!'

A BIG shout out to Garry & Phil for sharing images of their collection with us members. Ed



# **KEVS Caddies and other great shapes!**

(Kev's finds are sharper than this Cadillactis that is actually in Palm Springs!)















Autumn is on its way - Kev!







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Former CLC Taranaki Member, KD (Mr. Elvis) flying both flags at AmeriCARna!