

Club Magazine



"Welcome to the ranks for new member club Mini Car Club of Auckland Inc."

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Mini Car Club of Auckland Inc.

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

The big news for this month is that at last we are now affiliated to "Motorsport New Zealand".

We have already received 2 invitations to other club events.

February was extremely busy and every weekend we had an event.

8th February: We had our club Show-n-Shine with about 17 cars and 25 people at the Sunken Gardens at Cornwall Park. BBQ was held afterwards - beautiful weather. Andrew Carters green Cooper was top car - results further in magazine.

15th February: Concourse De Elegance at Ellerslie race course. Our top 3 cars from our Show-n-Shine were:-

Andrew Carter - Green Cooper Paul Graham - Blue 1000 Allen Ritchie - 1275 Clubman

and we were placed 10th overall, a great result. 3 other Minis supported the display.

22nd February: Lions Club of Orewa Car Show. Saw 7 Minis turn up for display. Another great day having a real Country feel about it.

1st March: Wings & Wheels Whenuapai.

Turned out to be another good day with 10 Minis turning up for a combined display with Super Mini Challenge Racing Minis and Cooper Enthusiasts Club from Hamilton. Racing and Airshow was great.

We now have approval to use Whenuapai for our Annual Speed event (Sealed Autocross)

Watch this space for confirmed date in next 3 months.

Warwick Robinson PRESIDENTO!!!



CONCOURS DE ELEGANCE

On Sunday 15th March, the annual Intermarcque Concours De Elegance was held at the Ellerslie racecourse.

Congratulations : 10th Place

Yes, 10th place out of 16, congratulations to Andrew Carter in his Cooper, Allan Ritchie in his 1275 GT and Paul Graham in his Mini Cooper rep, who had their cars judged, and to Warwick Robinson in his De Joux, Jo-Anne and Patrick in their Mini 1000 and to Rosemary Drew in her 1997 Mini Cooper, who had their cars on display.

For this top result many hours of elbow grease were put into these cars, so thanks to those who gave a helping hand and made this event worthwhile.

Thanks also to those members who supported us and showed up on the day. The turnout of club members not participating at the event is always appreciated.

For next years event we would like to design a "set" for our club display, so if you have any good ideas please let us know. The club stands to win \$1000 for best display.



The Mini Car Club of Auckland Inc. Points Structure

To ensure that all members have an equal chance in getting a trophy, points will only be awarded in events that The Mini Car Club of Auckland Inc. has run or been invited to. The only exception is the Motorsport trophy.

Points will be awarded as follows:

Attendance	5
First place	10
Second place	8
Third place	6
Organise an event	10
Assist at an event	5
Original report or article (1 page +)	5
Original report or article (up to1 page)	2
Results of an event	2
Copy of published article	1
Advertisement	1

Attendance points are allocated against the type of event and towards The Most Loyal Member. Organising and assisting points are allocated against the type of event and towards the Most Contributions to Club award The awards are listed below.

Dipstick Trophy:	Committee decision based on events during the year recorded in the points book.
Economy Trophy:	Econoruns
Lead Foot Trophy:	Any speed and/or power based event that does not require a competition licence. ie. Taupo Fun Day, Dyno Shootout, Bent Sprint, etc.
Motorsport Trophy:	Any event requiring a competition licence.
Show Trophy:	Any event only involving public scrutiny of the look of a Mini. ie. Show & Shine, Concourse D' Elegance, All British Car Day, etc.
Trials Trophy:	Any driver/navigator skill event that does not require a competition licence. ie. Tulip Rally, The Italian Job, Gymkhana, etc.
Most Loyal Member:	Most 'Attendance' points. Including clubnights and events.
Most Contributions:	Organising/assisting events and magazine contributions.
Most Improved Car:	Committee decision based on personal observation.

Paddy's Prattle!

(A wee note from the Club Captain)

Hope you had a good Christmas and a happy New Year. There will be heaps of events this year which will include our own 'Speed Event' now we have become MotorSport New Zealand affiliated.

We also hope to have a camping trip up North most likely around Easter time. Early events his year will contain car displays and hopefully the "Strongs Big Day Out" will go ahead. Also if you're interested in competing in the 1998 Targa we have an application form available.

Well that's enough writing..., back to fitting that twincam!

Patrick



One of our members, **Bradley Russell** died on the 25th February in a motorcycle accident. The Club committee on behalf of the Club offer our condolances to his parents John and Susan.

I'm Brad Russell's father. I'm sure you remember his white Riley Elf with the red roof. As you probably know, Brad died just over a month ago on Scenic Drive, Titirangi, when his motorbike collided with an oncoming vehicle. (It may be some comfort to know that he appears to have died instantly). Anyway, we are keeping and restoring Christine, his Elf, and I'm requesting that his newsletters continue as I intend taking his place regarding Mini Club attendance etc. Naturally, the car is now too precious to indulge in Italian Job inner city mayhem driving.

By the way, I'm a long time Mini owner, enthusiast and modifier. Brad made good use of my expertise and collection of Mini tuning manuals. Our Mini Countryman will be sold soon, but only for restoration. As it is 1963, we don't want it run into the ground, scrapped, or written off as it will become Vintage in only five years. For your interest:

Specs:

Mk I Auistin Countryman (sliding windows front to rear). Good inside, crappy paint outside. Sound body, but needs new window channels. Rubber suspension. Austin Cooper S grille. Genuine 1100 engine/ gearbox/gearchange/gearlever. Cooper 997 camshaft, Austin Healey Sprite (shallow) cylinder head, twin 1.5" SU's, full-race extractors, custom big-bore exhaust, Coby sports muffler, MGB oil cooler, 5/8 inch front swaybar with custom high tensile tierods, Cooper S wheel rims. Front drums extended Cooper S (rear drums), rear drums standard with 1/2 inch spacers. Fibreglass wheel arch flares, lower engine steady bars, alternator, heater, custom driver's door switch panel, comfort driving kit (dropped steering wheel, extended seat mounting brackets) and Cosmic leather bound/drilled chrome 13 inch steering wheel, all seats ex-Mini Clubman. Towbar. Mini Super oval speedo cowl. Hardy-Spicer needle roller universal joints. Twin trumpet air horns with twin compressors. Bloody nice car, fits like a glove, sounds fantastic...

Cheers

John Russell



SHOW AND SHINE—RESULTS

CORNWALL PARK, SUNDAY 8TH FEBRUARY

Car	EXTERIOR & PAINT	BOOT	ENGINE BAY	GLASS & CHROME	INTERIOR	TOTALS
IT 613	13	16	8	12	11	60
WP 9389	14	14	14	1	8	51
BYGGLS	3	13	8	*	8	32
KQ 353	14	16	8	13	16	67
KI 6492	15	17	14	15	15	76
SN 5211	12	13	8	5	10	48
PZ 7546	18	20	19	17	17	91
ON 5708	17	20	15	16	15	83
A1 MINI	18	19	19	15	19	90
MI 4RE	17	17	15	15	19	83
HN 4987	15	13	7	5	10	50
JY4539	4	12	6	1	4	27
JR 3007	14	16	18	9	11	68
RJD	13	20	19	9	14	75
AVERAGE	13.36	16.14	12.71	9.50	12.64	

Club Shop

T-shirts	White with 3 Minis on front. Multicoloured to celebrate 35 th Anni- versary of the Mini. Medium size only. \$22 ea.
Caps	Mini Car Club of Auckland Inc. badge on the front. Embroidered cotton caps with leather straps. One size fits all. \$25 ea.
Rally Signs	Corrugated plastic Mini Car Club of Auckland Inc. signs suitable for rear side windows or front & rear of your car. Red with white lettering. \$10 ea. Or \$15 / Pair.
Cloth Badges	Mini Car Club of Auckland Inc. logo. \$5 ea.

These items are on display at each clubnight, or contact Andrew Carter (09) 4159117

Advertisements

FOR SALE: 1972 Mini 1000. 45,000 Original Miles. 3 onrs. Exc. Condition. Green. 12" Minilite Mags. Cyclops Alarm. Kenwood 6 x 9s. Rev Counter. \$3,500. Contact Dion Sykes (09) 410 4181.

FOR SALE: 1967 Morris 850 MkII. 83,000 miles. Excellent original condition. \$2500ono. Mr Hart ph. 634-7370.

FOR SALE: 1963 Morris 850. Good original condition. \$1900ono. Debbie or Lance. Ph. (09) 420-2900 or (025) 518-731

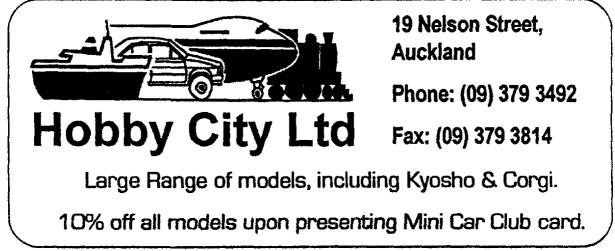
FOR SALE: RELFIE number plates \$400.00ono. RHB5 turbo. Mint cond. \$350.00 22mm external wastegate, needs repair. \$150.00 Maserati water/air intercooler. \$80.00 Reconditioned Hardy Splicer joints. Needs bolts. \$50.00 S/H oil cooler with hoses. \$40.00 Ph. Patrick (025) 275-7567.

FOR SALE: Morris Mini, 1962, Dark green/white roof, push button start, original motor and body, running well, original upholstery, 4 good tyres, Jan '98 WOF, sound chassis – no rust, 60014 miles, some confined areas of rust on body, needs enthusiast to give TLC, \$1600ono. Ph 579-0876 Josephine Miller.

FOR SALE: 1966 Austin Cooper 998cc, first registered as FD6369 now MK1 MC, Reconditioned brakes, waterpump, head, master cylinder. Fuelstar fitted, Rev counter, 4 new Falken 165/70 radials, Red, 5 Dunlop mags, spend \$2800 in last 18 months. \$67500no. Kevin Allen Ph. (09) 575-5735 hm, (09) 529-2281 bus.

FOR SALE: 1978 Clubman 1275GT. Bronze, 140,00 orig km. 1 lady owner. Original papers.Stan Fergusson Ph (09) 279-7392.

FOR SALE: 1981 Mini 1275Gt excellent condition. Red with black roof. 2 owners. Well serviced. Owner going overseas. \$4750ono. Barry Seabourne. Ph 298-2348.



Deadline for For Sale adverts in the next issue is: 18 May 1998



Mini Car Club of Auckland **Events**

April

Tues. 7 th	7:30pm. Clubnight. Speaker.
Fri. 10 th -Sun. 12 th	Camping trip up North, Bay of Islands. Need numbers ASAP. Camps sites for two nights. Contact Patrick Williams
Sun. 26 th	Tulip Rally. 1:00pm. Kepa Road Clubrooms.
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Tues. 5 th	7:30pm. Clubnight.
Sat. 9 th	Taupo Fun Day at the Race Circuit. Low level scrutineering at 9:00am (battery is secured etc) If you come down Friday night you'll need to book accommodation. Ladies, teenagers, and commuters, come and do a few laps yourself or go for a ride in a racer.
Sun. 24 th	Speed event (Our first) at Whenuapai. 10:00am.
Sun. 31 st	Cooper Club Economy Run. Kepa Road Clubrooms. \$10 plus petrol.
June	
Tues. 2 nd	7:30pm. Clubnight.
Sun. 14 th	Mid-Winter Run to somewhere.
Sat. 27 th	Mid-Winter Dinner somewhere nice.