



April 2011

AGM AGM

Our AGM is on the 22 May. There will be a run around town first. Meet at Baypark Raceway about 9.45am to leave at 10am. The AGM meeting will start at 11.30am at Dave and Julie Flett's house, 166 Pukemapu Road, Oropi. Lunch will be Potluck. The club will be providing nibbles and non-alcoholic drinks, there will also be cups, plates and knives and forks. If there are any nominations for office they can be made on the day or you can e-mail me. If you have fold up chairs it would be a good idea to bring them. Subs will be due. See you there.

Hi All

It has been quite a busy time lately starting with Rusty's Poker Run on 20 March. 12 cars met at Paengaroa, got their first poker card and set off on a lovely sunny day. We travelled to Paradise Valley Springs Wild Life Park and met another Rotorua car. Due to a favour Rusty had done for the owners we all got to have a look around for free. It was a very generous offer for us all and we thank Rusty very much. It is a great place and it was a lovely day to have a look at the trout, birds, trees, animals and lions and cubs. We were to have lunch there but they were not prepared for the number of us so after another card we headed to Ngotahaha for lunch. After a fabulous lunch and another card it was out to Rusty's for a pot luck lunch and the last card. It was a lovely day and it was a great day to picnic outside. The poker hand was won by Rusty's son, who got a meat pack and Wendy Old and Julie Flett got 2nd and 3rd. After the fine session all the money raised on the day was sent to the Canterbury Mustang Owners Club. Thanks Rusty and Wendy for your hospitality and organising the run.



The next weekend several cars went to Beach Hop in Whangamata. Unfortunately the weather was not good and one of the day runs was cancelled, but there were a lot of people present and it was a great atmosphere.

On Sunday 17 April we were very lucky to join the Waikato and Auckland Mustang Owners Clubs to do the drivers parade at the Hamilton 400. We met up at about 10am and went into the course about half past. There were 15 Mustangs, 5 from Hamilton, 3 from Auckland and 7 from BOP. We take the Ford drivers and the Holden drivers have Corvettes. There is a bit of waiting around, they have sign writers that put the names onto the cars and the weather was up and down (as were the convertible tops!). Before us there was a Beach Hop parade so that filled in time as we watched all the cars go out onto the track. After we had a catch up with the members of the other clubs it was our turn to get into order. The cars are put into the order of the pits. We get to drive around the track then we went into pit lane to pick up our drivers and a Jim Beam girl. There was a bit of a hold up as the band Good Charlotte which was playing Sunday night got into one of the Mustangs and they were swamped by photographers. We then drive around the track to the applause or criticism of the crowd. We were very lucky as we started out in fine weather however as we got to the back of the track to make our way back to the main straight the rain started. As we got back to the main straight to drop the drivers off for the Drivers Photo, it started to pelt down. As our drivers got out the tops started to go up! We just got down the road and it stopped again. It was an awesome day for us all however as we had Shane Van Gisbergen it think we may have had the best day (my son Sean drove) as we also returned and watched the race. I told him he would win!!!



More info to follow after the AGM

Cheers Debra