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# THE OFFICIAL VOLKSWAGEN OWNER'S CLUB MAGAZINE

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## **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Greetings to all.

Since the last report there have been a number of club runs/events. In January Phil Coyle organised the VW Oval run, with some 10 Ovals plus others in attendance we convoyed from Westgate to Helensville - A good turnout on a fine day.

February brought about the annual NZ classic cars Tour D Elegance. Although I did not take part, a small number of members did. The following day was the Annual NZ classic car show at Ellerslie. The club had some 8 cars /vans on display.

In March the Tauranga clubs Run to the Sun at the Mount was held. I believe a few members took part.

Again in March for the first time a Brit and Euro car show was held at the Lloyd Elsmore park. A few members took part. Unfortunately I over looked this, but an excellent day was had by those that attended, again with a wide variety of vehicles on show.

The DMFV club held their annual BUG JAM at Albany. This was the first I attended and was thoroughly good weekend of events. Some members camped overnight and took part in the convoy down to the Caffeine & Classics show at Smales Farm.

A number of members also travelled to Nelson for what was supposed to be the 2016 Nationals. The nationals were not held in its current form. Instead an informal get together on the Saturday, followed by a 5 day tour of the Nelson district.

On the 28 March ,Beth and Ivan Hodge who have travelled all over the world in their beloved 1960 beetle .Not wanting this to become scrap metal they decided to donate it to MOTAT. A convoy of over 45 vehicles cruised from Silverdale to Motat., with 10 vehicles (along with the Hodges beetle ) invited to display inside Motat beside the Cropper house. A handover morning tea was held in the same venue. A very moving and enjoyable day.

Eddie Taylor  
President

## 24 January — Oval Run

Today we had a great turnout of 14 vehicles and their enthusiastic owners for the Oval Run organised by Philip Coyle.

Although called an Oval run, all members/cars were welcome.

The day started with breakfast at Cafe Botannix at Westgate, followed by a cruise out to Parakai Hot Springs via Waimauku for a photoshoot and concluded with lunch at the Ginger Crunch Railway Café in Hellensville.



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## 7 February — Galaxy Of Cars

Today was the annual Lions Club Galaxy of Cars event at Western Springs, which featured a very wide and interesting collection of vehicles.

Proceeds from the event go to Foster Hope, a charity providing care kits for children entering the foster system



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## 13 February — Tour d'Elegance

Click the link below for photos from the biggest Classic car cruise event on the Auckland calendar, held today as part of the NZ Classic Car show weekend program.

An amazing variety of cars and owners out enjoying the cruise with a handful of VW's waving the flag.

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## 14 February — Ellerslie

### Concours d'Elegance

The peak of the classic car scene ins NZ is the Ellerslie Concours d'Elegance, with a strong following of VW and many other marque enthusiasts I attendance again this year. Big thank you to those members who made their cars available for the club display.



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## 27/28 February — BUG JAM 16

Organized & hosted by Die Molkerei Flach Vierer (The Dairy Flat Four)

Bug Jam was started was a lot of ex-pats reminiscing about VW shows in the UK & what they missed from them; and that began

a groundswell of support to create another show comprising of all the best memories from the UK shows.

Last year's Big Jam raised \$2800 for Melanoma Foundation, this year's charity was Diabetes Youth Waikato and \$4400 was raised.

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## 04/05/06 March — Run To The Sun

The inaugural Run To The Sun was hosted over the first weekend of March.

A well organized and enjoy weekend with a 2017 event now in the planning stages.



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## 25/26/27/28 March — “Not” the Nationals

NEEDS SOME PHOTO'S









## 28 March — For Love and a Beetle

Kiwi adventurers Beth and Ivan Hodge have set off for their final expedition in their beloved Beetle, with their first stop being the Waikato.

Mr and Mrs Hodge, who are now in their 80s, toured the world in their iconic beetle during the 1960s after snapping it up for £439. They then set off around Europe, through communist countries, the Middle East and into the Asian subcontinent with their possessions strapped to the roof.

The couple documented their travels in now what is a celebrated chronicle, *For Love and Beetle*, after retracing their steps in 1996.

The Hodge's, who now live in Sydney, have decided to donate the 'love bug' to MOTAT, New Zealand's Museum of Transport and Technology, at the end of their tour on March 28, where it will be open for public visitation and enjoyment.

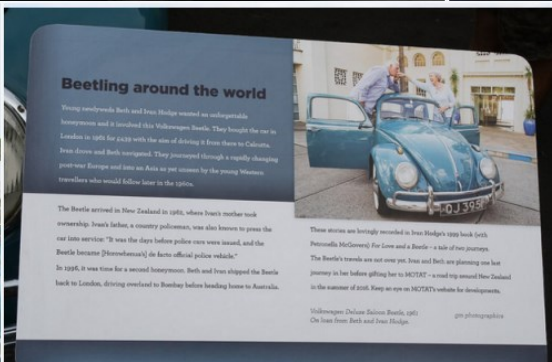
To support the couple, a big group of 45 VW vehicles and over 80 people met at Silverdale to form a convoy to accompany Ivan and Beth Hodge on the final trip in their beloved VW Beetle for the handover celebration at MOTAT.

Thanks to everyone who got involved in this event, and to Vanessa and her crew at MOTAT for the invitation and organisation

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## 6 March — Brit and Euro Car Show

A selection of photo's from the Brit and Euro Show, Lloyd Elsemore Park, Howick 6 March - great collection of 450+ vehicles and thousands of spectators.



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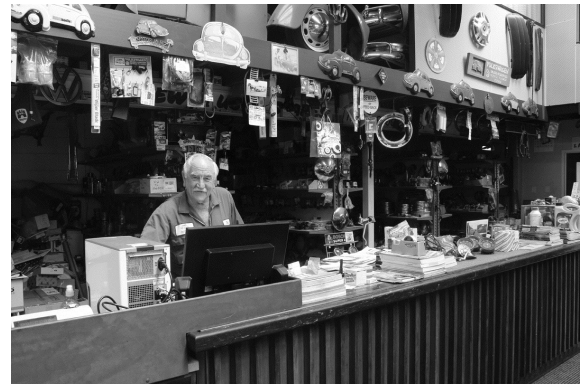


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*From April 2016, Stanley Changuion and Janelle Baine will be working on learning all of Colin's VW knowledge and skills and taking over the management of the business, as Colin begins his journey towards retirement. Colin will continue to help both Stanley and Janelle throughout the changeover process during the next few years, sharing his wealth of knowledge with them both as they journey further into this industry.*

*Stanley brings with him the knowledge and experience in working with the newer model VW's, while Janelle brings with her an extensive career in the graphic design and marketing industry. Both are determined that they will retain and grow the charm which the Volkswagen Spares & Services workshop is well-known for, by continuing to stock and seek out vintage VW parts and cars and providing the same high level of service.*

*Stanley began working in the automotive industry in 1996, when he was an employee at an automotive parts supply store. In 1998 he started as an apprentice mechanic at Bell Equipment, South Africa and qualified as a Diesel Mechanic in 2000. During his career, Stanley has been seconded overseas due to his intricate knowledge and understanding of vehicles involved in diamond mining.*

*Since immigrating to New Zealand, he has worked as Service Manager for multiple automotive repair businesses in both South Africa and New Zealand. After undergoing training in the United States of America, Stanley is currently the only mechanic in the whole of New Zealand certified to repair Ventrack equipment. Stanley has since worked on a wide range of vehicles, developed keen skills and key relationships in the automotive industry and is ready for the challenges managing Volkswagen Spares & Services will bring.*

*Exceptionally keen to support and promote vintage Volkswagen rallies and events around New Zealand, Stanley and Janelle are happy to help support you promote your event and encourage rallies to visit their workshop. As passionate VW enthusiasts, they would love to hear from you if you need a particular part sourced or would like to book your car in for repairs or servicing.*



**VOLKSWAGEN OWNERS CLUB**

P O Box 12-538 Penrose, Auckland

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION****JULY 2016 - JUNE 2017**

The aim of this club is to have fun while keeping VW enthusiasts in touch with each other. The club is open to all people interested in these unique cars. Our activities are aimed at original and semi-custom vehicles but we welcome all VW'ers. We meet monthly for a drive, film evening or social gathering. Other benefits of joining include discounts, technical advice, help in locating those difficult parts, and making lots of new and interesting friends. Although based in Auckland our membership extends throughout the country and our tri-monthly newsletter helps to keep members informed. For further details please write to the Secretary at the address above. If you would like to join the club, please complete the lower portion of the form and return it along with your subscription.

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Please make cheques payable to 'Volkswagen Owners Club'. You will receive a club window sticker with your new membership. To purchase additional stickers please send \$4.00/sticker.

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**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:**

I would like to: enrol as a new member of the club/renew my annual subscription.

Name.....  
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Vehicle Type/Year/Reg.....

In an effort to meet your needs we ask that you complete and return the following questionnaire.

- 1) Please rank the following reasons for your joining the club in order of priority,
  - a) to get the discounts offered .....
  - b) to meet other enthusiasts .....
  - c) to attend social events organised by the club .....
  - d) to receive the newsletter .....
  - e) other (specify).....
- 2) The events I enjoy most are:
  - a)
  - b)
  - c)
- 3) I think the club should offer the following events and I would support these when they were held:
  - a)
  - b)
  - c)
- 4) I would prefer to receive the club magazine via Email [ ]
- 5) Other comments I have regarding activities the club can offer:



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## **CHANGES IN THE COMING YEAR**

### **Magazine**

The increased cost of printing and mailing the VW Owners Club magazine represents a significant portion of the club running expenses and is now in excess of \$1,300.00 each year. The majority of club members have access to email and internet, so the committee have decided that future magazines will be published electronically by way of the club web site instead of by post. The advantage of this is that you can appreciate the magazine in colour on your web browser and past copies are always available. If anyone does not have access to the internet please let us know and we will get a copy to you.

We do plan on compiling a yearly review magazine still however which will cover the years events and be in colour which will be posted out to all members.

### **Reduced Membership Cost**

The cost saving will be passed on to all members by reducing the annual club subscription from \$28.00 to \$25.00 per year.

Subscriptions will be due from 1 July 2016, so if you have an automatic payment from your bank please amend the amount to \$25.00.

### **Monthly Activity**

In order to encourage more family participation in club activities we will aim to hold a Sunday afternoon cruise once each month, particularly in those months when there is no other major event in the calendar. The cruise will start mid-afternoon and conclude at a family style restaurant where you will be able to enjoy a meal with other VW owners if you wish. If you are unable to stay for the meal, then you should feel free to make your way home at the conclusion of the cruise if you wish.

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# COMING EVENTS

Club Nights We meet on the second Wednesday each month at the Vintage Car Club rooms, 39 Fairfax Avenue, Penrose from 7:00pm. Come along for an hour or two of socialising with fellow VW enthusiasts to share your ideas on club outings and activities, ask advice and swap yarns. Free Coffee, Tea and Biscuits provided, new members welcome to attend.

Keep an eye on the VWOC web site for updates to these events

<http://www.vwownersclub.co.nz/index.php>

## **Last Sunday of Every Month — Caffeine and Classics**

Caffeine & Classics is held between 10.00am and 1.00pm on the last Sunday of each month and is free to attend. All Classic vehicles, Motorcycles, Hot Rods, Muscle Cars and Vintage Cars are all welcome. Located Smales Farm Business Park, Northcote Rd entry, Takapuna, Auckland

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## **1ST - 3RD JULY, SUNDAY- DUBFREEZE - OPAL HOT SPRINGS**

Join the VW crowd for a Mid Winter get together at Opal Hot Springs & Holiday Park, Matamata. Booking at Opal Hot Springs & Holiday Park - <http://www.opalhotsprings.co.nz/>

## **16TH OCTOBER, SUNDAY- SPRING JAMBOREE - WATENE RESERVE**

The annual Spring Jamboree Show and Shine will be held on Sunday 16 October at Watene Reserve on Tamaki Drive just past the Kayak Hire place, from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Cars must be on-site by 10:00am for judging. Prize Giving will be at 12:00pm together with a free BBQ.

## **10TH - 12TH MARCH, SUNDAY- RUN TO THE SUN - MT MAUNGANUI**

Dates are now CONFIRMED for RTTS 2017...The inaugural RTTS 2016 was a great success so be sure to book for the next one to be held in March 2017. Please Note: Bookings open on 9 April 2016, book your site directly with <http://www.mountbeachside.co.nz/>

## **14TH - 17TH APRIL, MONDAY- VW NATIONALS 2017 - WELLINGTON**

The Qualitat VW Nationals 2017 will be in Wellington. All details will be available soon on the VW Nationals web site. Accommodation will be at Lower Hutt Top 10, mention that you are with the VW when you book

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The following companies are offering a discount to club members.

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**NOTE** Current club membership cards **MUST** be shown before any parts or service discounts will be given and before the invoice is prepared.

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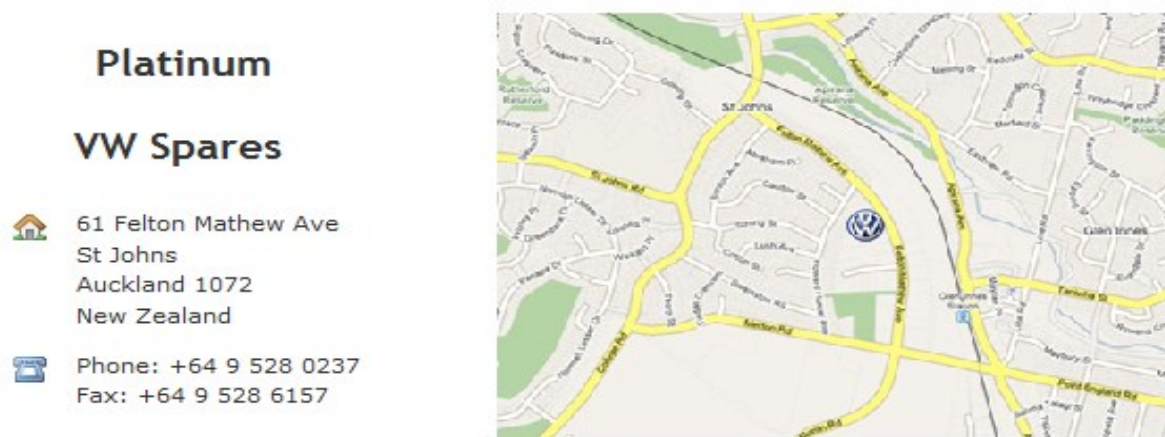
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Any For Sales, Articles etc etc, please e-mail to [wrxetr@gmail.com](mailto:wrxetr@gmail.com).

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## CLUB MAGAZINE:

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## CLUB WEBSITE

The club has its own website, e-mail us, check out the Events, Gallery or surf the Links at:

<http://www.vwownersclub.co.nz>

## CLUB GALLERY

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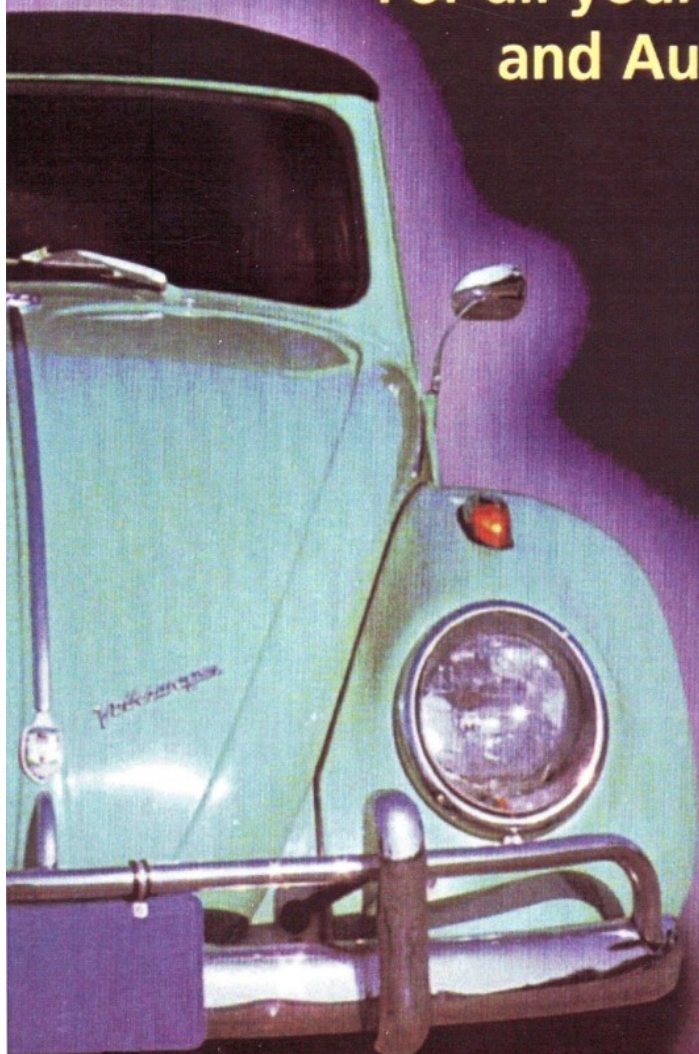


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## NEW MEMBERS

The following have recently joined the VWOC, we look forward to seeing you at coming events;

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| Sarah Moore          | 1969 Beetle         |
| Jacqui McGrath       | 1969 Beetle         |
| Moira & Chris Malpas | 1960 Beetle Ragtop  |
| Chris Marnewick      | 1968 Karmann Ghia   |
| Marc Russell         | 1992 Kombi microbus |

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