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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Greetings to all.

Sunday 22/5/15 dawned fine and hot. Some 21 vehicles and family members met at the rotunda Cornwall Park for a combined club event. After a convivial get together we convoyed to Devonport for a fish and chip tea at Torpedo bay. An enjoyable get together.

At Easter a good number of members made the trip to Taupo for the 25th VW nationals hosted by the Tauranga club. The weekends activities included track time on the Taupo raceway. A large number members took advantage of this unique feature. In the same area enthusiast partook in club events of pushing beetles over a set course. In the evening many went to the Drive In movie at the Amphitheatre. Saturday dawned fine for the show and shine in the Domain. There were an unbelievable number of Kombi vans and beetles. It is understood that there were some 300 vehicles Prize giving was held later in the day. In the evening there was a mix and mingle together with a meal at the Golf Club.

Sunday, another fine day, with an organised run to Kinloch, some 200 plus vehicles partook. This was through some fine scenery. After lunch it was time for a walk around, followed by the drawing of the raffle. It was then a leisurely drive back to Taupo. In the evening there was the Qualitat Dinner and social at he Taupo Convention Centre.

Monday saw the Farewell Breakfast at he Golf Club. Enthusiasts said their farewells, packed up and headed home or extended holidays further afield. A very successful and well organised Nationals.

Sunday 17 May a number of members went to Hamilton for a Swap Meet and visit to Hamilton Car Museum.

Eddie Taylor President



Combined Clubs Fish & Chip Run-22 March

After meeting up at the Cornwall Park Band Rotunda carpark at One Tree Hill, there was a mass cruise over the bridge down to Devonport.



Once there VW's were parked up and took over

various sections of Devonport from the library through to Torpedo Bay—It was a slice of VW Heaven

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25th Volkswagen Nationals—Taupo (Easter Weekend) Convoy to Taupo (Thursday)

The Auckland VW Owners group meet at the Papakura Autobahn on the Southern Motorway late in the morning on the Thursday.

From there it was a leisurely via Gordonton to Cambridge to catch up with the Hamilton & Tauranga VW Clubs, before continuing on to Tirau for Lunch, and then on to Taupo.







25th Volkswagen Nationals—Taupo (Easter Weekend) Racing on the Taupo Track (Friday)

One of the anticipated Highlights of the weekend was the opportunity to take the cars out on the Taupo Motorsport race track. After signing your life away & safety briefing (Which included a warning to stay under 160kmh!!) a large variety of VW's proceeded to follow the pace car

out on to the circuit—From Kombis to buggies, beetles to golfs

An awesome opportunity and many thanks to the organizers!



25th Volkswagen Nationals—Taupo (Easter Weekend) Show and Shine—Saturday

The show & shine was held in the centre of Taupo at the park—Over 300 VW's from all over the country were in attendance!

The day started with the famous sunny Taupo skies and continued to shine the entire day.

Prize giving was held on site in the afternoon under the blue skies & sun. A fantastic day & a real credit to the organisers.



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25th Volkswagen Nationals—Taupo (Easter Weekend) Cruise to Kinloch

The Sunday morning saw a mass convoy of VW's departing from the campground and touring via the city center & then on out to Kinloch for picnics and catch-ups—Again another fantastic day out



25th Volkswagen Nationals— Taupo (Easter Weekend) Drive in Movie

One of the highlights of the weekend was an outdoor drive in Movie watching the Pixar classic "Cars". Again fantastically organised & a great event.



Hamilton Swap Meet & Midnight Upholstery BBQ

A small group of Auckland cars meet at Papakura & convoyed down to the Hamilton Vintage car Museum, & swap meet—Which served as an unofficial

meetup for many of the North Island VW clubs, before heading of to a BBQ hosted by Midnight Upholstery.

Over 30 VW's from different clubs were in attendance ! Thanks to Greg & the team at Midnight Upholstery





Combined Clubs Queen Street Run

Organised and hosted by the DMFV, this started with a cruise from either Dairy Flat or Takapuna and ending up in town for a catchup & photo session.



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

Wednesday July 8 — AGM

The AGM for the VWOC will be held at the Vintage Car Club rooms, 39 Fairfax Avenue, Penrose from 7:00pm as well as the regular social stuff—All members welcome

Sunday 18 October—Spring Jamboree

Placeholder for the VWOC Jamboree. More details to follow but keep your diary blocked out.

Sunday December 6- Raglan Run

Placeholder for the combined clubs run to Raglan. More details to follow but keep your diary blocked out.

Saturday/Sunday January 27/28—Kumeu Hot Road show

The 22nd National Classic Car and Hot Rod Festival is January 16th -17th 2016. Easy to remember - it's always the third weekend of the new year. Head out to Kumeu in West Auckland via State Highway 16. We are planning to make this a joint event with the DMFV crew, more details to come.

Saturday/Sunday February 27 & 28—BUGJAM 16

Hosted by DMFV at the Dairy flat country club . Jeremy Clarkson and the stig will be there for the sat . We have a lot of new and old attractions . Including the monster bouncy castle , Mr bug jam , mrs or miss bugjam, prizes for the best . Drag racing , DJ, pool, bugjam



burger and chips .

This year we are raising money for youth diabetes. Old School Cool will be doing an air brush display on a beetle Bonnet and it will be auctioned on the Sunday - also The bad air company is building a 1600 and that will also be auctioned off on the Sunday.



March 4-6—Run to the Sun

The Bay of Plenty Volkswagen Club is pleased to announce that we will be hosting the inaugural Run To The Sun NZ for all Volkswagen lovers in beautiful Mt Maunganui. The event is set to take place at the height of summer 2016 from Friday March 4th to Sunday March 6th. The venue is the absolute beach front Mt Maunganui camping grounds.

Contact the Tauranga VW Club for more details/bookings

"Not the Nationals" - The Volkswagen Gathering 2016 at Nelson. Easter 2016

The VW Nationals have been cancelled for 2016—Instead this year the format has changed to an informal gathering of VW at Nelson hosted by John & Inneke Manshande.

More details will follow, but the intention is a relaxed, less formal & highly social gathering of likeminded VW owners, hosted in a region with plenty to do - Rabbit Island, Saturday market, WOW, Motorcycle museum, Mapua Fair on Sunday....

Golden Bay Tour

Hosted by John & Inneke—This is a1 sweek tour of the upeer South Island. More details will follow, but a rough plan is as follows:

Leave Nelson on Monday, via Mapua and Kaiteriteri to Marahau for the night, at the gate to the Abel Tasman Natiional Park. Day 2 over Tkaka Hill to Pohara for second night. Pupu Springs, Collingwood day three, 2 nights in Pakawau. Day in between to Wharariki Beach and Farewell Spit. 'Farewell Dinner' on Thursday night at the Old School Cafe, if enough room. From Friday everyone is a 'free agent'.

New Members – March – May 2015

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

Scott Wills	Type 2 Bay Window Kombi
Victoria McNeish	1977 Kombi
Thomas Hunter	1970 Beetle 1500
Zac Paterson	1974 Buggy
Louise de Varga	1970 Beetle 1500
Gang Zhao	1971 Beetle
Ray Millar	1971 Beetle 1302S

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

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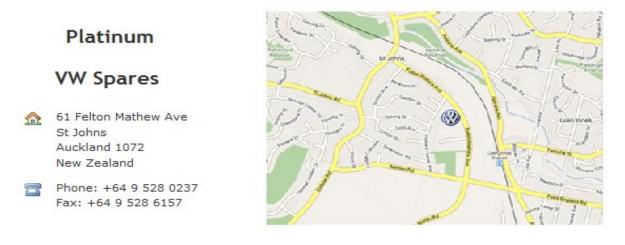


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Any For Sales, Articles etc etc, please e-mail to wrxetr@gmail.com. All other correspondence to VWOC, PO Box 12-538, Penrose, Auckland.

CLUB MAGAZINE:

The Volkswagen Owners Club Newsletter is published tri-monthly. Any correspondence should be addressed to VW Owners Club PO Box 12-538, Penrose Auckland. Inclusion or non-inclusion of articles is at the complete discretion of the editor and the magazine compiler.

CLUB WEBSITE

The club has its own website, e-mail us, check out the Events, Gallery or surf the Links at: <u>http://www.vwownersclub.co.nz</u>

CLUB GALLERY

The club also has it's own gallery of activities and events. This can be found on the Gallery link on the clubs home page

http://www.vwownersclub.co.nz/page.php?id=gallery

VOLKSWAGEN OWNERS CLUB P O Box 12-538 Penrose, Auckland

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION JULY 2015 - JUNE 2016

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.

JULY 2014 - JUNE 2015 \$28.00

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	 	
Address		
Phone		
E-Mail	 	
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)	
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2) The events I enjoy most are:

a)	
b)	
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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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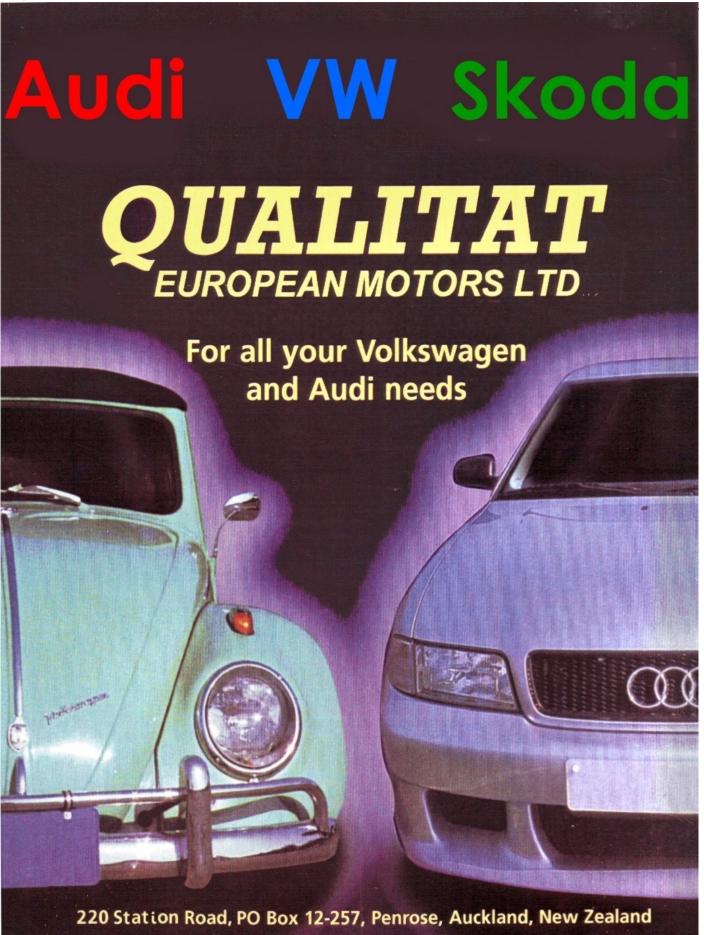


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