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**P76, anything but average**

## Penzed for July 2021

Welcome to winter, our fire is roaring as the showers, cold and very snowy looking clouds assemble to the south tonight. Sonya and Abby are both sick and I'm fighting as hard as I can to avoid it, cough splutt etc. I hope that most of you out there in New Zealand are avoiding these bugs, poor Abby sounds terrible!

While there is a lot in here, some yet to be included, I thought we'd better start with the cover photos, our awards presentations, not all done on the same night.

### Cover Photos

The Oscars sees a beaming Roy Buchanan receiving one of the many spot prizes at the National Rally Dinner, presented by the alluring Dorothy Blair all the way from Kaitangata and our robust MC, Edward Tubman. Dorothy did a great job assisting Ed with the many spot prize presentations. Thank you, Dorothy, probably the most you have been in front of the Club members ever?

The Baftas see Ed presenting committee member (see we are not exempt) Jan Moore with the Piston Broke Trophy for the shameful loss of windscreen wiper function along the way from Reefton to Gisborne. I believe the arm fell off but wasn't gone forever and was remedied/secured after arrival in Gisborne. Thankfully, it wasn't us again!

The P-Nuts which arguably these all are sees Ed again along with me on the right presenting member Bruce Cooper with his 20 year membership certificate. Ed was in Wairarapa, so we dropped in unexpectedly to make the surprise presentation. Bruce was chuffed to see us and commented that we (or me) were only two years late in celebrating this milestone. He is not wrong, but took my oversight in good humour, as did Ian Hunter in Norsewood after I'd posted his to him. We spoke later on. Congratulations Bruce and Ian.

In fact, congratulations to all the prize recipients at the National Rally and Bruce and Ian and thank you Dorothy for your marvellous help on the night. I dreamt up the awards cover theme in the early hours of... But you see we are people, not just cars, we go together.

### Model Specific Stripes for your P76

A special opportunity to personalise your P76 is available now. You can have your car adorned with "Targa Stripes" but they don't have to say Targa, they also come as Executive, Super and Deluxe as well. They are available in the factory silver/grey colour as seen on Don's car unless you have been to Aussie and seen the colour on various models over there. This innovative idea is the brainchild of Don Learmonth from Hawera.

He has invested his time and money and enthusiasm into this service to members and is selling the relevant sets for a very reasonable \$120.00 plus courier to your door. Make your enquiry on cell 021 861 714 or place your order by email to [cardonalclassics.co.nz](mailto:cardonalclassics.co.nz)

They definitely set off the cars.

A photo follows illustrating but one of the options available. Remember you can have Targa Florio, Executive, Super or Deluxe. You will see there is the side stripes and the model designation for the boot lid as well. Very flash indeed.





### Contributors

Include Ed Tubman and Regan Porter, Jan and Malcolm Moore, Allan Caple and Paul Heath and Linda Graham, Mike King, Ron Butler and Don Learmonth. Hope that's all of you.

### Birthday Celebrations

And there are a few parties coming up over the next couple of months. Those I'm aware of include Anne Cooper, Ed Tubman, Allan Caple, Colleen Francis, Linda Graham, Jim Fong, Eric Connor, Don Alexander, Paul Heath, Paula Buchanan, Judy Meyer, Hugh Mackenzie, Bruce Cooper, and John Warren. Wow, what a list. Happy Birthday everyone.

In the last issue I stated the birthday list included two Natcom members and two founding members and went on to clarify who the founding members are. There are still 7 founding members with the club. They are David Brown, Ron Butler, Rob Jones, Gordon Gruebner, Alex Reid, Don Edmonds, and Ed Tubman. To further clarify this point I should say that Mike King was a founding member but for some time his membership lapsed due to a lack of Leyland so to further clarify, the seven founding members listed have maintained continual membership till this day. Now, does Regan Porter fall into the same category as Mike (20 plus years is a big gap) and are there any others out there in a similar space. I don't think so but please tell if I'm wrong.

### A great car for sale. HB3840 Bitter Apricot Leyland V8

1975 Leyland P75 V8, runs well and is in excellent condition for its age.

4 speed manual, new paint job, new mats for inside and boot, new Arrow wheels (cost \$5000) have receipts. Electronic ignition, new twin exhausts, new manifolds, new shocks and bushes. \$22,000 or near offer

Any enquiries call Ian Burroughs on 027 452 0809. Photos available from Ian or Rob.

**SOLD**  
 Sorry!



## Local Group Activities

Remember, all members are welcome to attend any event advertised in Penzed anywhere in New Zealand should you wish to join the party or happen to be in the locality at the time. The listings are only regionalised for the convenience of local group members. So don't be shy, gate crash an event mile from your normal stomping ground. You will be made very welcome.

**Sadly, all scheduled events are subject to Covid 19 restrictions as and when they occur.**

**The Southern Group** They now have their meeting as part of any event they are participating in rather than a set venue. If you wish to join them when you're passing through next time just phone Don or Paula for information on where to go. Don and Paula's details appear on page 2 of your Penzed so carry it with you. Can you spot them both?

### Northern Group

To enjoy great company, you can join the merry members at the **Auckland Car Club Rooms 44 Stoddard Road Mt Roskill** on the first Thursday of each month. Most of you know the drill and will have the email tree on your pc's but if you're a visitor, or non-regular local contact Vice President David Timms on 022 0399 880 and he will fill in the blanks for you

**Hamilton** offers members a **Classic Breakfast** opportunity. Join the classic fraternity at **Classics Museum 11 Railside Avenue Hamilton**, for a \$16/head breakfast on the first Sunday of each month. Join in the fun and food at the **Juke Box Café**. Contact Ed Tubman if you need any further prompting. Try 07 847 9116 or 027 204 7112 or [tubmanp76@gmail.com](mailto:tubmanp76@gmail.com)

### Central Group

Ron Butler is our Social Convenor. Check with him on 04 902 0275 or email him on [ron.butler43@gmail.com](mailto:ron.butler43@gmail.com) for information on our goings on. Regular venue meetings are no longer held by Central Group.

We hope all our usual haunts will be on again in December, January, February and March and Lake Ferry was a great day and still to come we have B&ECD, AACD and WWA. Do you have any others we can note in here?

## National invitation to a National event of charitable importance, the VCC Daffodil Day

Remember you are all welcome to join in your local celebrations and this year the Daffodil Days are again being run on the same day, **August 22** so check out the nearest branch of the Vintage Car Club of New Zealand and just turn up at the venue advised in your region, register and pay your \$10 and you're in for whatever fun they have organised. Just keep an eye out for publicity in your area nearer the time. It's a great cause and you will see some wonderful vintage, classic, hot rod, and cars from every continent, cars that you don't normally see out and about and believe me the VCC people are more than happy to see you and your car out with them, however they organise the day. Anyone wanting to tour, display



and picnic in the **Wairarapa** needs to be at the **Martinborough Square** before the departure time at 10, travel to **Featherston** for a public display, onto **Greytown** for another public display, parade through Carterton onto **Masterton**, turning left into Fleet Street then onto the **Solway Showgrounds** and park up for a big public display, your picnic, BBQ on tap and other activities to be yet decided. Great fun.

We may make a special effort and take the P76 and MX5 as we did once before. Join us do.

#### Central Group Notices.

Maybe most important is the opportunity to offer belated congratulations to Jessica and Pete who tied the knot on Thursday 13 May after 10 years procrastination. Jessica has been around the Club for many years, often travelling with Ron and Colleen and us and Megan. Remember Waihi? A now they both attend Central Group events with their boys. The XR8 never stood a chance of being the wedding car! The wedding took place in a glass house in the Waikanae Hills, a beautiful venue Ron tells me.

*Congratulations  
Jessica & Pete*

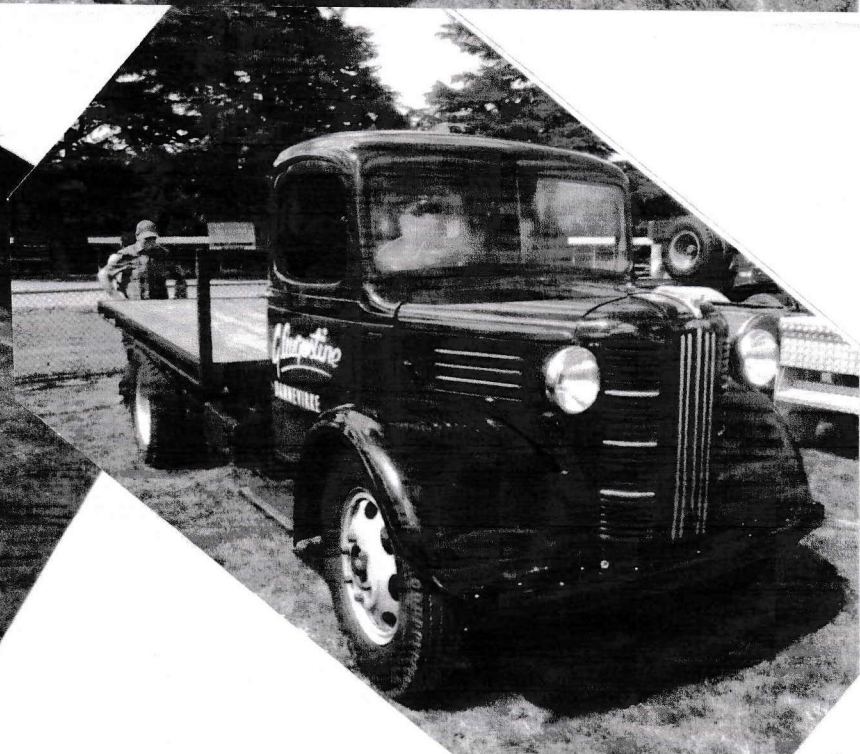


Last weekend we went out in the Honda with the VCC on a Winter Wander through a winery and a taxidermy museum, lunched at the Kahutara Country Hall and then visited the Fell Engine Museum in Featherston before calling it a day. Leyland was sans WOF! We were accompanied by Daimler Sovereign x 2 & a DB18, Austin Healey 100, 39 & 61 Chevrolet's, 24 Plymouth, 29 Essex 6 coupe, old Bentley, Morris Minor van and sedan, Ford Z Mk3, A tourer



What follows just scratches the surface what you could have seen. My old mate Brian Rimmer has grown up and left the Fiat 500 and Triumph Spitfire behind, graduating into the beautiful bewinged 59 Dodge Kingsway (I know it's like the De Soto and the same colours) my peoples Choice was the delectable 39 Chevrolet Coupe parked nearby. When I spoke to the lady in the car she was thrilled and then told me they usually bring a different Chev to such events!

The 1940 Studebaker Champion Coupe, somewhat customised still gleamed in the sun begging to be photographed and no record of WWA would be complete without a truck photo as old trucks figure highly in the display, hence this lovely old Austin K2 I suspect. Not a sticker on it anywhere! Later a stunning gold Morris Minor convertible found me but there's no more room!





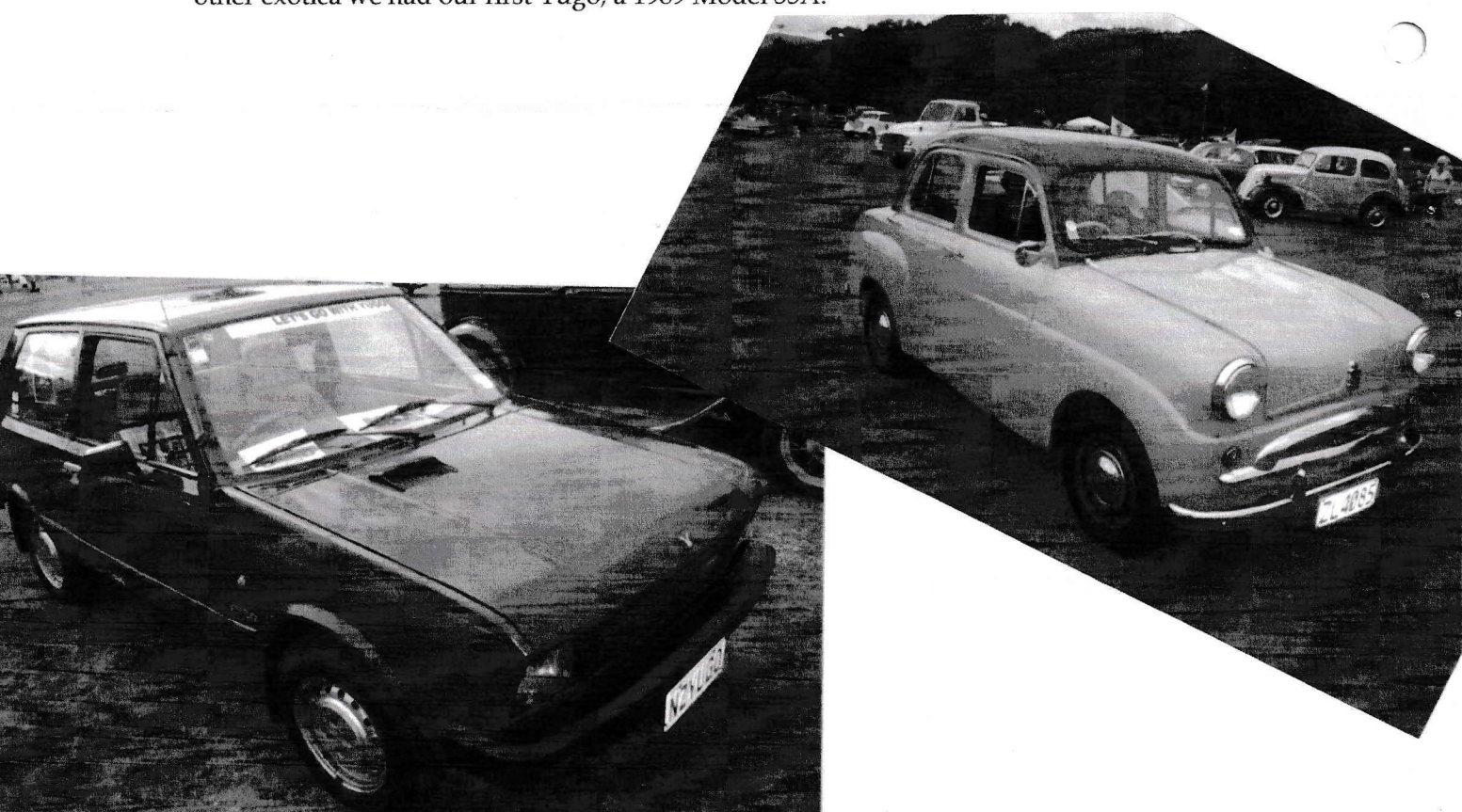
## The British and European Car Day Valentine's Day February 14 2021

This was the 35<sup>th</sup> running of this event and it goes from strength to strength. Obviously, the European influence is far more recent, but the core event was 35 years old this year. And as far as my memory serves there were some firsts or very nearly so. And these encompass the British and European components of the show.

For us maybe the most ridiculous is that none of the three P76 drivers there, Jones Butler or Heath managed to get a photograph of the Leyland's and their guests together! Clive Cottle was there in his lovely XK8, next door to us was the Mackenzie Wolseley 6/110 along with many others and Ron's mate Mike Olsen joined the P76's in a 2019 Lamborghini Urus, another first I reckon, not had one of them at B&ECD before and I did get its picture. Stunning beast.



Amongst some other firsts were a Standard 10, now I know they were as common as once, but I don't recall one at BCD before. I promised the driver I'd put it in the mag if he stopped to allow the photo so here it is. And given the European part, besides the Lamborghini and other exotica we had our first Yugo, a 1989 Model 55A.





and 48 convertible, Vauxhall LIP & PC, MGTB, Triumph Stag, MX5, Auto Union 3-6, 22 Rolls Royce Silver Ghost, 49 Landrover, Riley Pathfinder and a 47 Hillman 10. Great day out. The 1929 Essex Super Six coupe and Daimler DB18 follow. Both were exquisite examples of their marque.

Imagine the company we will be in on August 22 for the Daffodil Day run.



Remember the **Mangatainoka Motors Show and Shine** schedule at Tui HQ which was not published previously in Penzed, however, I can tell you there are lots of prizes along with Best of Make etc, independent judging, music, food and drink, free public entry, spectators are very welcome to check out the exhibits, which only cost \$10 per car to enter. You can turn up on the day, but be aware, some shows are bigger than others, so you can register early at [www.tuihq.co.nz](http://www.tuihq.co.nz). Proceeds go to the restoration of the local Toki Reserve. So, you can bring your:

Mazda, Honda, Suzuki, Datsun, Mitsubishi, Toyota, Daihatsu etc on **July 25 Japanese Day**

Ford or Holden for **Ford vs Holden Day on August 29**

**Hot Rod Day is September 26**

Triumph, Harley Davidson, Kawasaki, Ducati, Lavrada, BSA, Velocette, Indian, AJS, Matchless, BMW, Zundapp, Vespa, Suzuki, Honda Ssangyong etc for **Two Wheels Day on October 31** This will be a huge event, there's usually about 50 bikes there on any day!

A great day out is **28 November for Vintage Car Day** I hope to have the P76 there for that day as well.

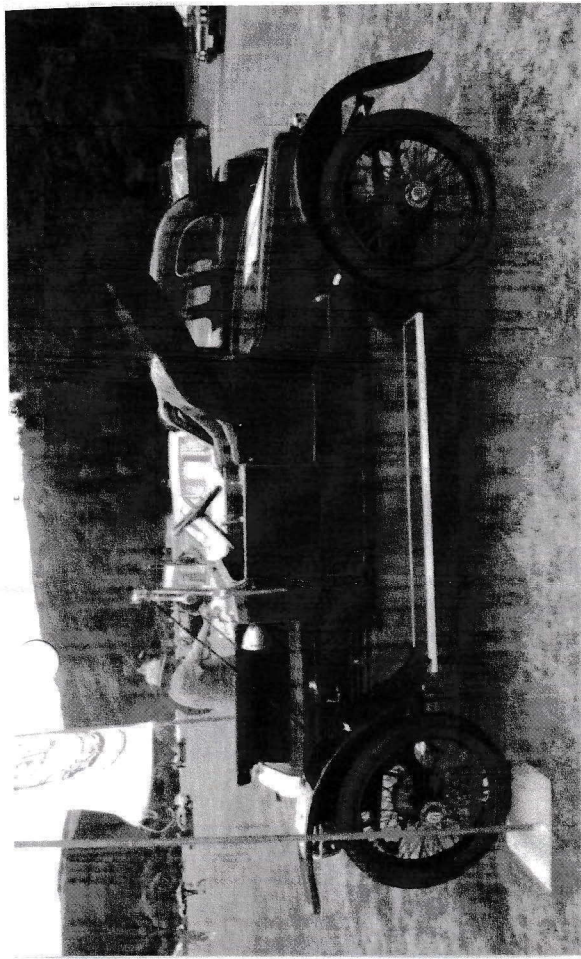


## Dannevirke's Wheels with Attitude January 31 2021

A spectacular day, I've read there were 800 vehicles present. Easily so with rows of them lined up outside the central arena. As I recall we didn't do well in the spot prize stakes this year and we did have a bit of a tif with one of the organisers. See her point but we erected our gazebo and fitted in around the cars anyway, not in the line you'd think! There was the Jones, Francis and Heath cars with the gazebo moved partly over Brian and Colleen's car to allow Ron to slot in sideways and behind because surprise surprise he was late! You can make out his bonnet sticking out of Brian's roof in the photo below. What a busy day we had, visitors from all over, new cars, public hungry for Leyland knowledge, fascinated by the drum in the boot. It really is a great way to spend a day in the sun. Leyland's below, the big blue convertible, a 69 Mercury Cougar GT is my brother Stuart's first proper car since his DR D V8 P76 from decades ago and below that we have nine different Morris Minors, a Van, ute, 2 sedans, van, sedan, woody traveller, convertible, and another sedan. An impressive line up of what must be nearly the entire model range covering most of the series as well.

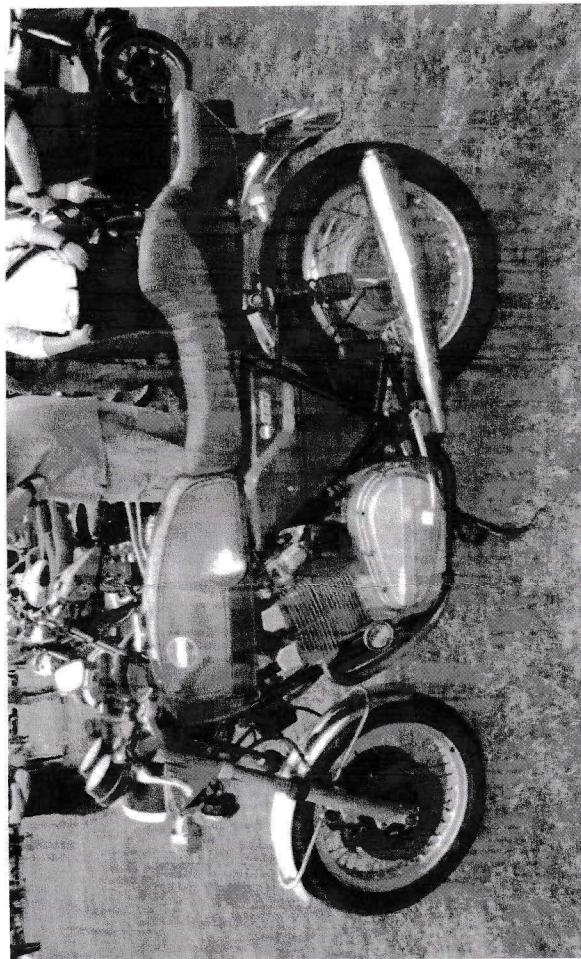
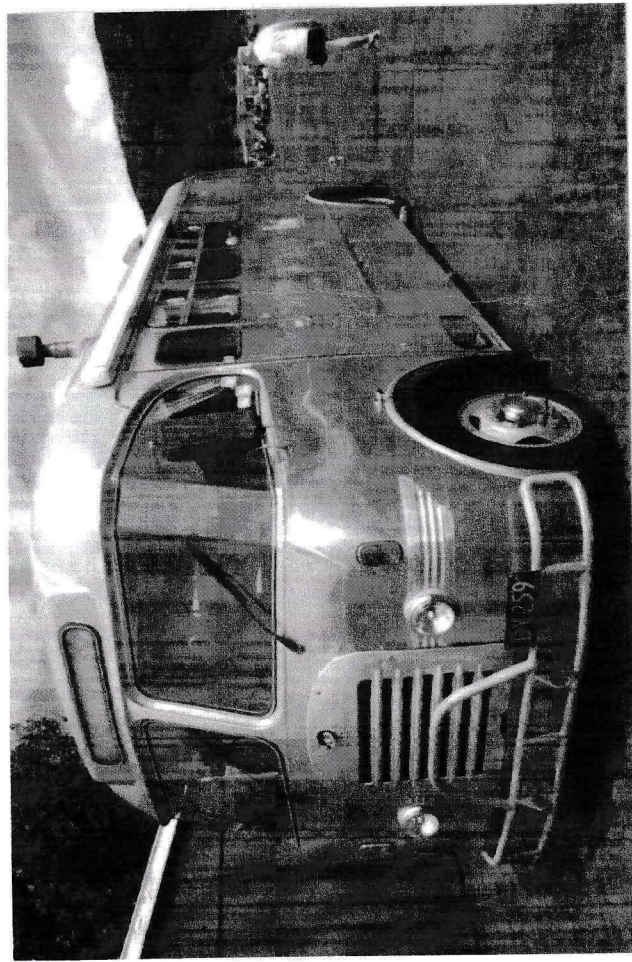




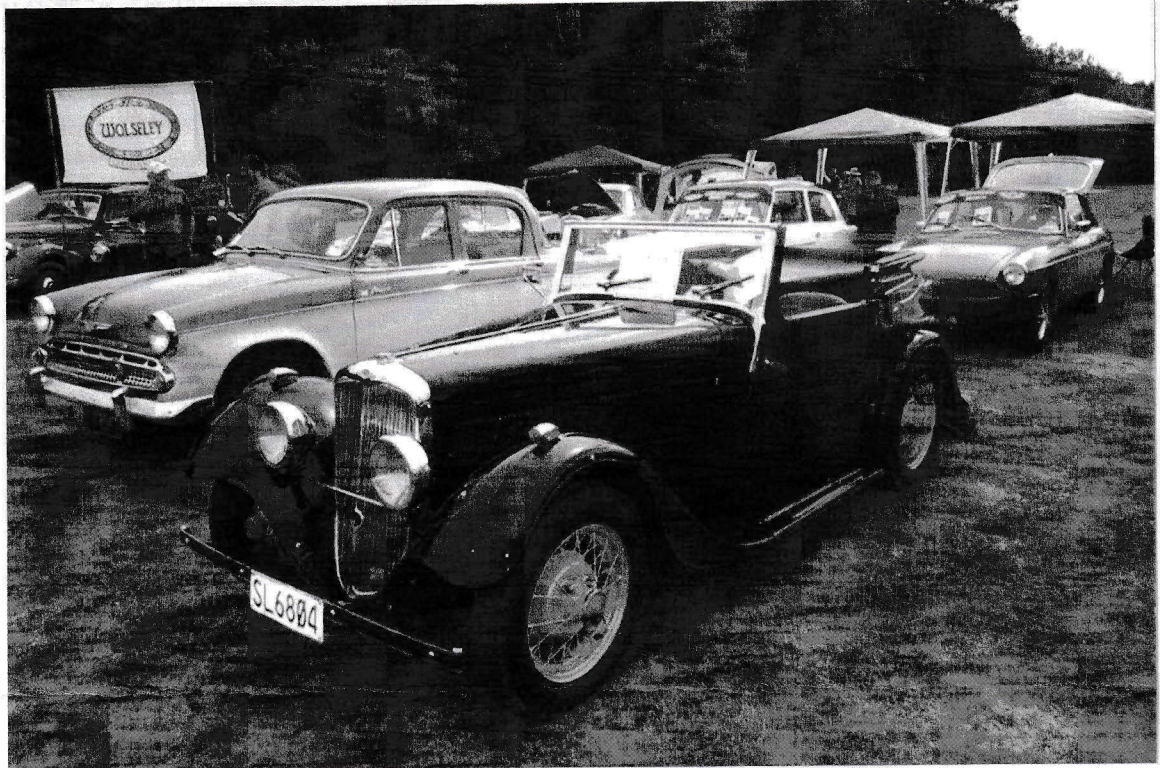


Now in brief, we were blessed by a lovely lady, bedecked in a Union Jack Rock n Roll style dress and sun umbrella, attending her first B&ECD with her Austin 8. She told me she also has a Chev Impala (I think) so she must have the US equivalent dress and sun umbrella. She certainly was a splash of colour and style about the show. Peoples Choice went to the 1914 Wolseley 12-16 of Colin Hey from Christchurch. Colin and his wife were heading for Art Deco - don't know what they did in the end but they appreciated the win at our show.

An old Bedford just like I used to go to school in. Not the first to appear here but the first in a very long time, a 1967 SB3 and we have always had plenty of English bikes but now we have exotic names like Laverda, a 1975 1000 3C model.







My People's Choice vote went  
to this 1938 BSA Scout, to no  
avail as usual!

Morris 8 Sports  
Austin 7  
Both 1937 models  
Both with A series  
black and silver  
registration plates.



The representative from  
MOWOG (I think) joyfully  
receives the trophy for  
Best Club Display from  
Roy McGuinness  
and Ian Price.  
Minis of Wellington Owners Group





As no words have sprung forth to add a different perspective to the **National Rally and AGM** weekend in Gisborne, I have decided to add a few more highlight shots of what/who/where we saw things happening. You will recall there was an intergroup singing competition to be held using our theme song, Summer Holiday. This was won hands down by the Southern Group (what a shame this isn't an audio magazine!) who can be seen getting down to the music and giving it their all. I recall Ken, Mark and Graeme in particular, really getting into the swing of things. Sadly, the other groups capitulated so the Southern Group won but no less deservedly so. They were great.

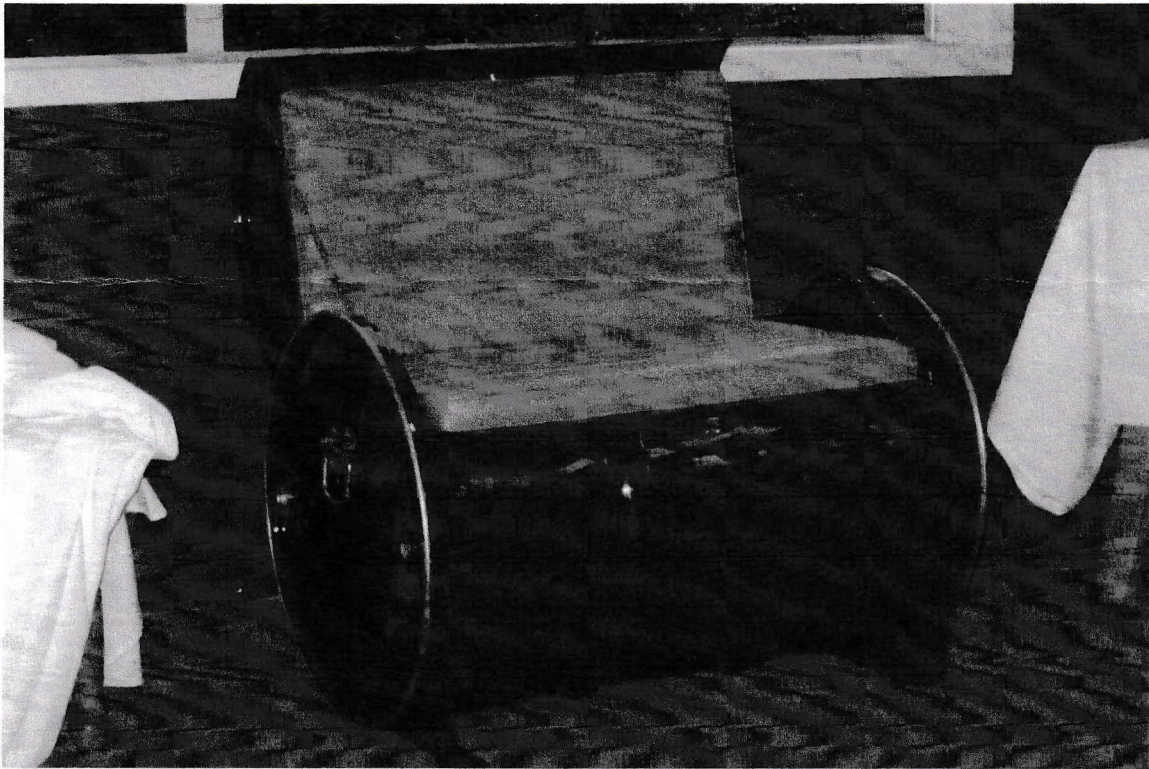


Founder member Don Edmonds and his son Colin came to Gisborne in their CB P76 disguised as a Lexus. Don pops up all over the place and they were a late but welcome entry to the weekend. We talked about the family getting involved in the supposedly small amount of work needed to get CB back in action. See you and it in New Plymouth next year old mate.





Jan Moore introduced the members to an amazing accessory, a probably expensive variation on the 44 gallon drum in the boot. Jan and Malcolm's drum as you can see below is fitted with a lift up lid that acts as a padded seat back with a seat cushion fitted as well. The cushion lifts out to allow storage in the body of the drum. There are carry handles on each end and stabilising feet fitted. Beautifully finished in Dry Red with Parchment upholstery to match their (first) car there can surely be no better way to decorate your P76 boot space.



As we know Edward arranged a great sponsorship deal with the Gas Fuel Company. The group that went around East cape certainly took advantage of their petrol supplies even if it was too late to win a spot prize. This photo shows a line up of V8's at Ruatoria (I think, we went the other way) It's an unusual way to have a car show but it seems to attract a lot of onlookers when we all line up for fuel!







### **Tying up the loose ends or the bits missed and unable to fit in elsewhere!**

Another car to make a hit in Gisborne was the PMAG Executive custom P76 from Waikouaiti with Brian and Lyn Morris aboard. Always a great looking car this time it was sporting "Lake Pipes" and sounding extra special. Featured previously with its colour coded rear louvre, boot lid aerofoil, flash mags and black leather interior, she is a beauty.

### **The Rear Cover.**

Supplied to me ages ago by Linda and Paul, this period advertisement for a P76 Executive from NZ Motor Corporation Ltd is a great piece of nostalgia. I don't recall the Wakefield Street or Courtenay Place branches but my old CC Super certainly saw the inside of NZMC in Queens Drive and frequented the parts department of NZMC in Kent Terrace, Wellington.

Thanks for this contribution and the odd photo over the years. I think there's at least one of yours in here too.

### **Belated Birthday wishes and Congratulations.**

As I type this it is Tyler Young's birthday all the way down in Invercargill and I missed him in the earlier list of celebrations occurring over this period. This has proven opportune as I see on Facebook that he and Danielle Jensen have recently announced their engagement so congratulations to you both.

An extra pair of hands to help complete the PMAG P76 stashed in the shed, yes there is another one hidden away!

**P76 Stripes** – do not forget Don Learmonth's latest venture into flashing up your car.

**August 22 everywhere where there is a Vintage Car Club** you can take your P76 along and support your local VCC raising well needed funds for the Cancer Society, see dozens, or more, great cars, trucks and motorcycles at an event near you or join us in Martinborough at The Square if you'd like a Wairarapa Ramble.

The Editor apologises for several small spelling/grammar errors in here but he's not reprinting any more pages, he almost has a spare Penzed in the recycling already!



## **Life circle of Leyland P76 Chassis 076B4S 3A4 2363**

**1973 October:** Sydney Launch of the Leyland P76. The launch was visited by a couple of Kiwi's on holiday in Sydney, after seeing the Launch advertised in the local newspaper. Dennis and Margaret Porter from Hamilton visited the display. Dennis was taken by the P76's on display, but he couldn't purchase one as NZ had not yet been established as a market, so he ordered a Nutmeg Super to be delivered to Hamilton NZ as soon as possible

**1974 March:** The Nutmeg V8 Super was delivered to Hamilton, and registered as **HA3956**, the local NZMC agent (Ex Dominion Motors) begged Dennis to leave the car in the showroom for a week as this was the First P76 in captivity at the time. I remember traveling into the city with Mum on a Hamilton Blue Bus SB3 Bedford to collect the car. Dad loved his P76, washing it every weekend.

**1976:** At the age of 15 I got my Driver's License in this car. I remember that the Traffic Cop could only talk about the P76 and had no interest in my driving ability.

**1979:** Dennis Porter passed away

**1981:** Margret used her artistic talent and had the Leyland resprayed in Champagne Pink Metallic.

**1987:** Leyland for reluctant sale, 160,000km, Super Auto, One Owner, fully rebuilt Motor and Box, 60lit CNG tank, New Paint Price \$6,000. Sold to a Bob Barris, who repainted the car the Light Blue.

**1994:** The car was sold to Warren Clayton Green a Farmer in the Te Kuiti area. The registration was changed to a personalized plate **WCG**, and changed again to **SR3873** in June **1994**

**1998:** I tracked the ownership of the car to Te Kuiti and offered to purchase the car for personal reasons. The Green's said I could have the car for \$ 9,000, well over its value then. I kept that phone number for 23 years. The car has sat in a barn, virtually unused for the last 15 years.

**2021:** I knew the car was still in the system and on a whim I contacted the Green's again, must have got them on right day as I got it for \$ 7,500, the engine and transmission had been overhauled and the car ran sweetly on the way home, apart from some minor Brake issues.

**Future:** I will drive the car over the Winter, finding and fixing things as I go, a new Carb is on order, the Original Air cleaner and filter are back in place, the Original Fuel pump needs to go, an Original Grill has gone back on with my father's old AA badge to be fitted, a new speedo cable and other bits are being sourced and fitted. The paint will be Media Blasted and Stripped to allow a repaint in Nutmeg, the car had been Gold Sealed back in the day, so rust is minimal,

An original purchase from 1986 was found in the boot, a Front Headlight Unit, still in its box with Margaret's Handwriting.

On the wish list is a Rear Window Louvre, Boot Mat, Modified Door sill plates, Good Heater.

It is Awesome to have her back and I won't let her slip away again, the memories it has brought back to myself, and Margaret is great.

Regan Porter **June 2021**

Ed: Warren Clayton – Green appears on the membership maps for 1996 only and made an appearance at our new Plymouth AGM for that year.



We have been supplied with a couple of then and now photos which you will see below, the first from way back showing the Porter family with the Leyland and their ice-creams on a sunny day. I'm told Regan is the second from the left. There are not too many family photos like this that have appeared in Penzed before, so this is special.



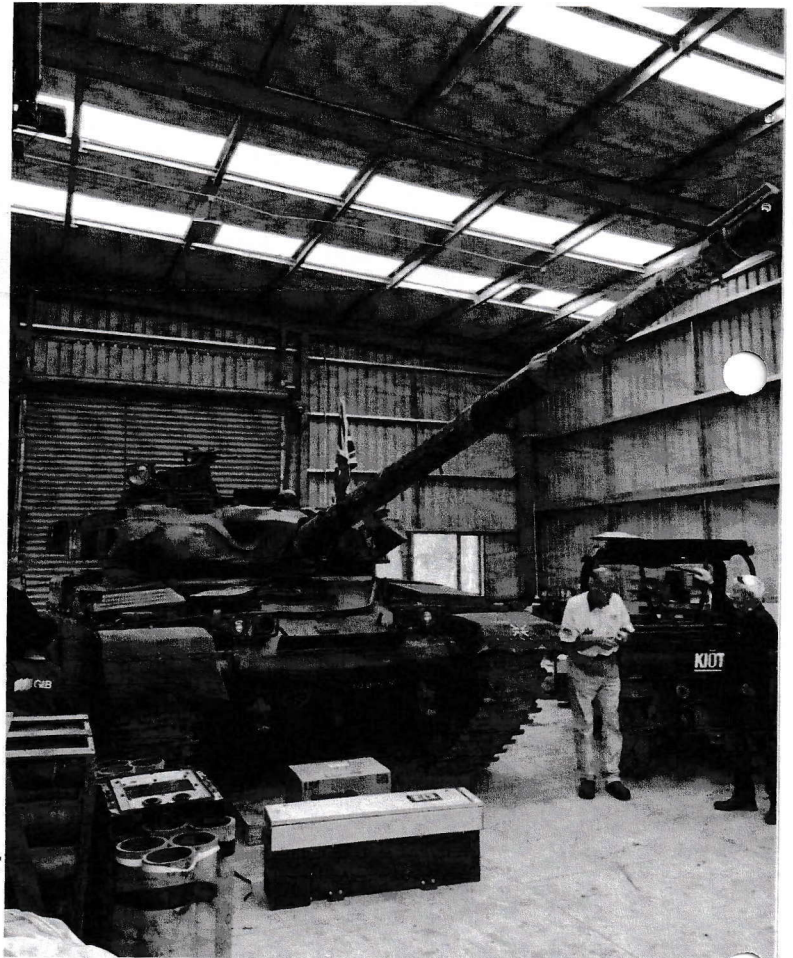
The second photo shows the changed appearance of the Porter car parked next to Ed's after the Caffeine and Classics event at the Hamilton Classics Museum recently. Was this its first Club outing since 1996? Ok it is an open invite but there are two so that makes it a Leyland event. Thank you, Regan and family, and Ed for this interesting history and photo collection.





Malcolm and I joined in with a group of car enthusiasts from Reefton, Hokitika, and Greymouth for trip to explore Ross and stay overnight. We were joined for part of the weekend by Deb and Linsey Bennington in their P76, making a duo. Cruising and checking out unknown sites of interest led us to a workshop/mine site and we got to see this tank - amazing what people have in their sheds. This fella owns 2 tanks and a massive 6 wheeler army truck!

His name is Rex Norgate and he lives in Ross. And as you will recall from the last Penzed he also owns a very nice P76 Executive which appears to be another car in PMAG. You know this because he joined the Club and was introduced last time. He bought the car from a mate in Nelson and has had it for about 3.5 years. ED: Royce Goulding as I recall, ex member. It was yellow originally and the previous owner had it painted PMAG. Inside the engine bay is still yellow. It is in exceptionally good condition and he said the motor has had 'improvements' done to it so it 'can get up and go when you put your foot down'. This tank would be one of the more unusual photo subjects included in Penzed!



I asked him if he would be interested in joining the club and he said he had thought about it and might join sometime soon. He said he & his wife work on weekends so doesn't get the chance to join in on rallies and such - but I told him it is great to join for the club membership benefits and the magazine and contacts of like-minded people. He did say that he had a membership form and would look into it. And he did thanks to you Jan.

Small gatherings of enthusiasts obviously happen over on the West coast occasionally as we see reports of the Moore and Bennington P76's appear on Facebook and other places, but they don't always make Penzed. However, with Jan's successful recruitment of the Norgate's they certainly deserve a mention here and a few photos to back the story up. There is a little editorial licence but overall, it all the truth. From the great collection of photos sent to me I have selected those that appeal to (me mostly I guess) and you can see these on the next page. Superb Chevrolet Del Ray wagon, gorgeous De Soto Diplomat and a small line up taken in Ross. And a PMAG bootlid

**STOP PRESS:** It is said that Jan and Malcolm told Rex that if he ever wants to sell the P76 to give them a call. A couple of weeks later Rex called and repeated their statement and said, "I am and I am" Calling to sell you the P76. And so it came to be that HO6582 now resides with the Moore's in Reefton. I believe their haste to collect the car was such that they choppered down in their chopper and Jan drove the car home. Or so I'm told. May be true or not? Don't know.







Club Registration Records, held, compiled, sorted, and sometimes chucked up in the air by Allan Caple.

You may recall hearing talk of this man in Waverley that is fascinated by registration numbers, particularly those pertaining to Leyland P76's. Quite a few of us have met him and his family, Leah, Justin and Kimberley over the years and I know that the work he does is terribly important in our bid to build a history of P76 in New Zealand and it also provides us with information enabling us, or Allan, to answer the many enquiries we get about Grandads P76 and the like. Yes, we do get them. Our wedding cars, my uncles Leyland etc.

Recently Allan published/posted the following piece on Facebook and was overjoyed (it was joy wasn't it Allan) at the response the post generated. Read on:

Apart from being a P-nut (P76 enthusiast), one of my interests/hobbies is trying to compile a complete record of all the Leyland P76 vehicles that have been registered in New Zealand, along with as complete a history of ownership as possible. For the last few years, I have gathered information from a number of sources but primarily the NZ Leyland P76 Owners Club of which I am a member. I acknowledge that information comes from other sources and I'm very grateful to those who contribute.

At this time, I maintain a register that contains 1731 cars. Due to the lack of some vehicle identifying details (registration plate, chassis numbers, etc), it is possible that the number of cars is inflated by some double ups. I have 345 cars with no rego plate numbers and 227 cars with no chassis number: some of these missing both. 714 have no colour and about the same number have no engine number. All these details help to identify and eliminate duplicate records.

The register contains the name of 1849 owners. All these names are associated with at least one car with a few having had several vehicles over the years. I only record names and locations in the register, not specific addresses, or other contact details, and I don't share any detail when asked not to. It is a matter of privacy and respect. Generally, I make a note of owners who I know have had a car, but I can't link to a specific vehicle. Sometimes the name will provide a link at a later time and complete a sequence of ownership.

#### Leyland Queries from By-gone Years.

So why am I sharing all of this?

I am looking for people who have owned or do own a P76. Any information is potentially useful but rego numbers and chassis numbers are gold. Names and approximate dates of ownership, especially in conjunction with regos, are good too. Histories of ownership, such as ownership papers, provide details that are often lost to memory.

It is 55 years since the last Leyland P76 rolled off the assembly line (in New Zealand). By the time I took over this project in about 2006, a lot of these vehicles had already disappeared from our roads. Some information has already been lost and will never be found. But there are those who can contribute to help keep history alive regarding these particular cars and those who have owned them.

Please contact me through Messenger on Facebook initially and provide contact details so we can chat.



As a final point, there are a lot of vehicles out there that could be remembered in a similar way. The classic car community are guardians of this type of information, and they do a very good job. If this isn't being done already, maybe there are those who might like to do something similar to what I'm doing for another make/model. Just a thought!

Many of the questions that I have previously presented for Penzed have dated back many years. Realistically, the chances of getting answers are quite slim, given the years that have passed and the memories that have faded. Having said that, some answers have been forthcoming that surprised me and perhaps even those who supplied them. Thank you to those people.

Recently, I asked on a couple of Facebook pages for information and the response was amazing. Usually, registration numbers are the starting point for tracking a P76, but names and places were offered and as a result I was able to complete a couple of vehicle ownership histories. In addition, I have received various names and contact details that will further my ability to trace cars and their history. I even have 2 people who have asked about joining our Club.

The following queries are a little more recent but nonetheless important to the completion of the Club's register.

**HG9062, PMAG Super, ex Taxi.** This car was up for sale along with HG3834. David Timms bought HG3834 but not HG9062. The car's registration was cancelled but we'd like to know where it ended up?

**Tony Collins, Taihape.** Apparently, Tony was the local Leyland dealer in Taihape for many years. He would have had a lot of local knowledge about who bought what in the area. I suspect, if he is still alive, he will be getting advanced in years by now and, if he is around, he may still have knowledge that may help us. Does anyone know if he is still around?

**HC6702, Orange Super.** This car was owned by Matthew Coffin, Petone, but that was a few years ago. The car is still on registration exemption, due to expire 3 May 2022 so may be still around somewhere. Does anyone know Matthew or his whereabouts, and what happened to the car?

**GT3818, White Deluxe.** Last owner was T J Thompson, Invercargill. The car's last WoF expired 23 March 2021 and it is on exemption to 23 September, 2021. We have no contact details for Mr Thompson. Can anyone help?

**HJ6990, AEB Deluxe.** Sold by Martin Perry (Hinds Bus and Truck Ltd) but we don't know who to. Car is on exemption to 3 September 2021. Can anyone help?

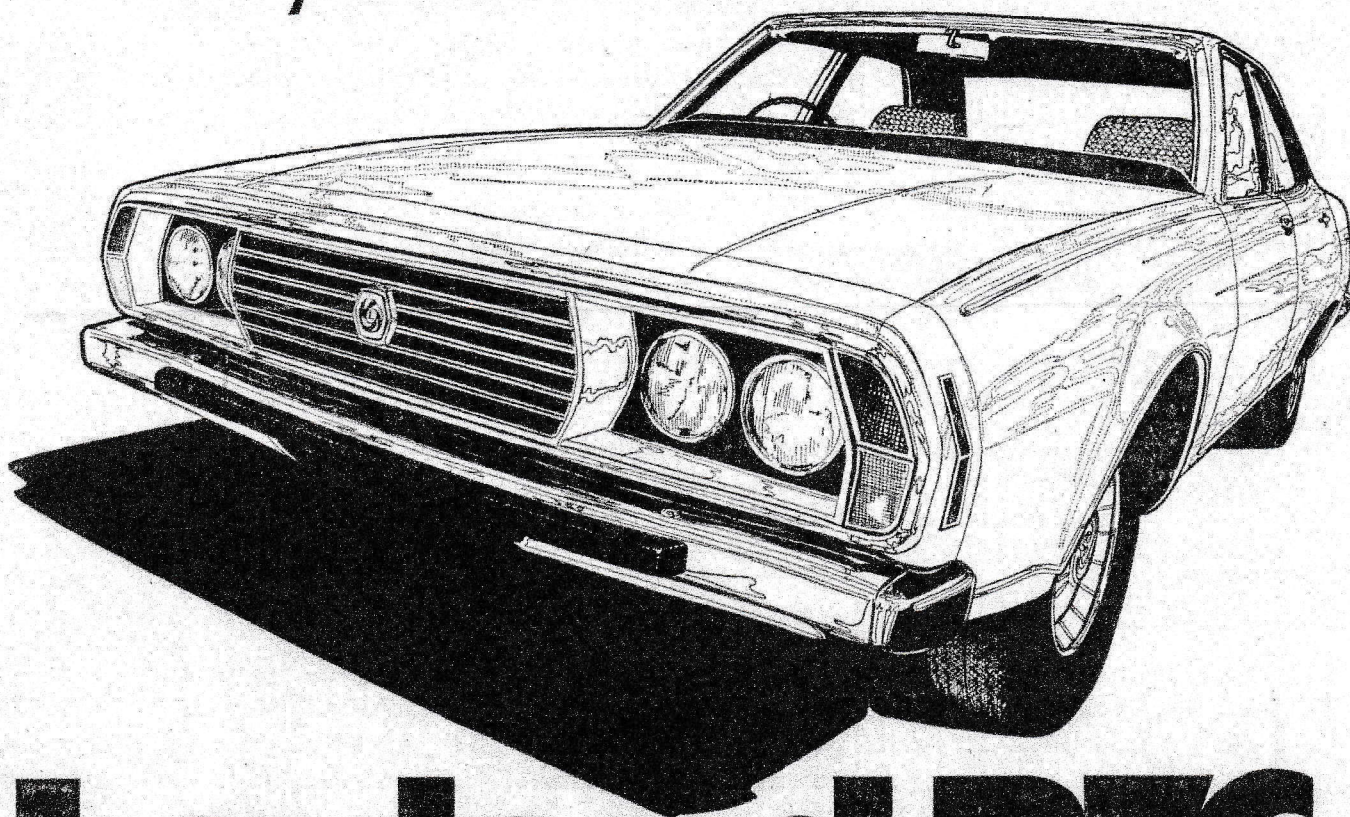
Any information on these cars, or any other cars, is gratefully received. The task is still huge and I rely on others to provide details of vehicles purchased and sold to keep everything up to date. I am also open to questions about specific cars from club members and I will provide what information I can. Please note; I do not record specific contact details for owner names and therefore I can't supply that information. The register only shows locations.

If you can help, please contact me in the following ways: Mobile 027 277 2624 Email: caplefamily@xtra.co.nz

Thank you, Allan



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