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# OFFICE BEARERS

## 2023 - 2024

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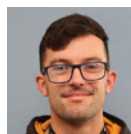
### **Committee Member**

Jean Kersel



### **Committee Member**

Robin Clements



### **Committee Member**

Tom George



### **Committee Member**

Richard Waugh

**Immediate Past President** Glen Clements



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Hello, Jaguar car enthusiasts! I'm David Small, and I'm honoured to have been elected as your President for the second time. We're excited to introduce a new committee that is eager to serve all our members. Our primary goal is to ensure the smooth operation of the club, and we extend warm wishes to all Jaguar Driver's Club Members for a Merry Christmas and a fantastic New Year.

The committee is a mix of existing, returning, and new members dedicated to working for the benefit of the club. Special thanks to Glenn Harrington, who stepped up to take on the role of Secretary, filling the big shoes left by Ken. I'm confident that Glenn will bring his own touch to the position over time. In the meantime, please lend Glenn your support as he learns the ropes.

Our October run took us to Geraldine for a day of enjoyment. Eight cars gathered at the Highway Inn in Sawyers Arms Road near the Airport on a nice sunny day, despite a lazy wind that cut through rather than going around. After an hour and a half, we arrived in Geraldine for lunch at Cafe Verde, where we met up with other members who had taken a different route. Following lunch, we explored the Roger Mahan Heritage Centre Museum, a "must-visit" place in Geraldine with a fascinating collection of cars.

In November, we joined the Canterbury Mustang Club for a run to the Amberley Domain (Cat's and Pony's day). Starting at the Papanui Club in Sawyers Arms Road, 20 Jaguars and 1 Toyjag covered approximately 75 km

before reaching the Amberley Domain. The Mustang Club hosted a BBQ, and both clubs' members enjoyed the day, admiring a mix of Jags and Mustangs. Special thanks to Dennis O'Brien from the Mustang Club for helping organize the day.

The President's Prize went to John and Jean Kersel for almost getting lost.

Looking ahead, this year will be a busy one for the committee, with the national rally at Easter 2024. If you haven't registered yet, I recommend doing so for the most affordable National Rally experience. It's a fantastic opportunity to meet Jaguar owners from across New Zealand and connect with like-minded individuals.

A top priority for the committee this year is to review the club's Constitution in light of the new Incorporated Societies Act 2022, which came into effect on October 5, 2023. Changes will be proposed to comply with the new regulations and will be presented for ratification at the next AGM.

Additionally, the committee will thoroughly explore the possibilities of cloud computing for the club's operations. We'll weigh the advantages and disadvantages, engaging in exhaustive debates to ensure the future-proofing of the club.

A friendly reminder that organizing an event doesn't require committee membership. If you have any event ideas, feel free to reach out. I can be contacted at 021 171 2564.

Wishing you all a wonderful holiday season and a fantastic year ahead!

David Small

# MEET OUR NEW OFFICE BEARERS

## Richard Waugh

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My wife and I have recently moved to Christchurch (where I was born) to be closer to family. Having been raised in the South Island it is great to be back on the mainland.

My first employment as a teenager was in the Nelson motor industry, but then a call to Christian ministry beckoned.

I have always had a keen interest in cars - and Jaguars - and owned two for the past 10+ years; my Mark VIIM and XJ8. For many years I was a member of the Jaguar Drivers Club Auckland and in 2016 was the founding chair of the Auckland Brit & Euro Classic Car Show, which has since grown to be of NZ's largest classic car shows - and the only one free to the public.

More recently, for the 100th anniversary of Jaguar origins in 2022 I authored the book 'Classic Jaguars in New Zealand' which was launched at many of the clubs around the country. I thoroughly enjoyed this voluntary project and got to know many Jaguar enthusiasts all over New Zealand.

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Jane and I are delighted to now belong to the Jaguar Drivers Club of Christchurch. My other community involvement is in local church involvement, aviation chaplaincy, aviation writing and serving as President of the Aviation Historical Society of New Zealand.





## Tom George

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My name is Tom George, I am one of the new additions to the Christchurch Jaguars Driver Club committee.

I'm currently living in the Selwyn area with my two children, so if you see them running around at events, no they aren't lost their father just loves cars. My love for Jaguars started at a young age when my parents neighbour bought a 1969 fire engine red convertible E type, and from there I was hooked. My current car is a 1995 XJ6 which is always doing funny jaguar things such as having electrical issues.

I look forward to bringing a fresh set of eyes and ideas to the club and help Trevor get his head around being the club social media head.

## Robin Clements

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This is my first time on the Jaguar Drivers Club committee and came about following my retirement earlier in the year.

I retired after over 40 years as an economist, having studied at Canterbury University, with ~10 years at the RBNZ in Wellington (1 year on secondment to The Treasury) and over 30 years working from home in Christchurch as Chief Economist for UBS Investment Bank (role involved preparation of analysis/forecasts for the NZ economy).

Our family has always been involved in vintage/classic cars (father, Tom, was a 70-year member of VCC) and when the opportunity was presented (by brother, Ian) to purchase a 1961 E-Type Roadster from the US in 1996 I was hooked! Then to cover the winter months, and add a greater degree of comfort especially appreciated by my wife Sue (heated seats!), we were lucky enough a bit over 4 years ago to add a 2007 XKR convertible in pearlescent British racing green.



# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



We are pleased to welcome 3 new members to the JDC. We look forward to getting to know you all.

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# New Members

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Michael Norris

Jacqui De La Cour

Richard Goord

# JAGUAR DRIVERS' CLUB INC Christchurch OFFER TO MEMBERS



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# JAGUAR NATIONAL RALLY

## 29 -31 MARCH 2024

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### Christchurch

With just over a year to go before the next Jaguar National Rally, which is to be held here in Christchurch, we are getting down to the 'sharp end' of the organisation.

Operating with just a skeleton committee up to this point we have now expanded. The committee now comprises of:

**Craig Murphy** – Chair and lead of Communications and fund-Raising sub-committees

**Ken Winsloe** – Deputy Chair and lead of Registration and Finance sub-committees

**Alastair Scott** – lead of Activities sub-committee

**Ron Reeves** – lead of Concours and Awards sub-committee

**Jenny Reeves** – lead of Dinners and Entertainment sub-committee

**Glen Clements** – lead of Public Display sub-committee

**Philip Redmond** – lead of Breakout Sessions and Trade Display sub-committee.

We repeat “as at this point” because as we work through all of these areas other key focus points may arise and you may be asked to join the committee.

Each sub-committee Lead is now charged with finding other club members to work with them. If asked please give this serious consideration. I appreciate that all of us are busy in one way or another but as they say “more hands make light work”.





## WE NEED YOU To Act Now!

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To date just under 100 members of our club have registered to attend the rally. This is a great result ..... BUT .... this is no different to our attendance numbers at rallies held outside of our city.

We are hopeful of many more. We need more. We want to ensure that this rally becomes known for the hospitality of our club. We want to ensure that we have club members escorting every activity. We want to make sure that we have club members, easily identifiable, to assist our guests as required.

Attendance by our club is going to paramount to the success of this rally. We have over 320 club members so at this stage only about 30% have registered. Our club will be the difference between a rally of around 300 attendees and one much bigger.

We appreciate the rally is in our home town. Perhaps not as exciting as travelling elsewhere. But what is exciting is being part of the effort to showcase our city and the massive changes within our city, to all of our guests.

If you are considering attending the National Rally, please let us know asap. A better fix on attendance numbers will greatly assist the organising committee in all areas of the rally.



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## JAN

- Ribeye 2x 500g packs
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- Corned beef 1.5 kg
- Bier sti x5 stix per pack x2 packs
- schnitzel 500g packs x2
- Mince 500g Tubex2
- Herb and garlic 500g x 2 Packs
- Irish pork Sausage 500 x 2 packs
- Lamb Mint Sausages 2x500g
- Cross cut BBQ steak 4 steaks x2 packs 500g
- Family/M/Pie
- Saveloys 6 sausages 2xpacks
- Diced pork 500g
- Loin Chops 500g pack
- Pork Mince 500g pack
- Rolled shoulder 2kg
- Lamb loin chops 600g
- Rump steak 2x600g

## FEB

- Sirloin Stk 2x 600g
- schnitzel 500g packs x2
- Pork Stirfry 2x 500g
- Streaky Bacon 300g x 3packs
- Traditional Hand crafted Sliced ham 2x400g packs
- Diced lamb 500g
- Diced pork 500g
- Small/M/Pie
- Small/MC/Pie
- Mince 2x 500g Tube
- Patties 6 patties 600g x2 packs
- Beef Sausages 500g x2packs
- Point end 2kg
- Eye Fillet 1 pack 3 steaks
- Bier stix5stix per pack x2 packs
- Lamb Mint Sausages 2x500g
- Saveloys 6 sausages 2xpacks
- Cross cut BBQ steak 4 steaks x2 packs 500g

## MAR

- Diced 600g
- Ribeye 2x 500g packs
- stir fry 500g
- Bier stix5stix per pack x2 packs
- Cross cut BBQ steak 4 steaks x2 packs 500g
- Beef Bacon 400g
- Cooked sliced silverside 400g x2packs
- Herb and garlic 500g x 2 Packs
- Beef Sausages 500g x2packs
- Patties 6 patties 600g x2 packs
- Mince 3x 500g Tube
- Family/MC/Pie
- Eye Fillet 1 pack 3 steaks
- Sirloin Stk 2xpacks 600g
- Pork Loin Chops 500g pack
- Diced pork 500g
- Pork Mince 500g pack
- half leg lamb 1kg min
- Irish pork Sausage 500 x 2 packs

## APR

- Herb and garlic 500g x 2 Packs
- Irish pork Sausage 500 x 2 packs
- Lamb Mint Sausages 2x500g
- Sliced Mutton Ham 400g x2
- Saveloys 6 sausages 2xpacks
- Cross cut BBQ steak 4 steaks x2 packs 500g
- Pork Mince 500g pack
- Diced pork 500g
- Corned beef 1.5 kg
- Bier stix5stix per pack x2 packs
- stir fry 500g
- Mince 3 500g Tube
- Patties 6 patties 600g x2 packs
- Ribeye 2x 500g packs
- Rump steak 2x600g
- Diced pork 500g

## MAY

- Rolled Lamb Shoulder 1.5kg min
- Diced skirt 600g
- Gravy Beef 500g
- Pot Roast 2
- Pastrami 400gx2 packs
- Beef Sausages 500g x2packs
- Saveloys 6 sausages 2xpacks
- Mince 500g Tubex2
- Small/M/Pie
- Small/MC/Pie
- Sliced Mutton Ham 400g x2
- Lamb loin chops 600g
- Pork Stirfry 500g
- Bacon hocks 1 Manuka smoked
- Pork Stirfry 500g
- Stewing Chuck steak 600g
- Rolled Rib roast
- Eye Fillet 1 pack 3 steaks
- Diced lamb 500g

## JUN

- Pot Roast 2
- Point end 2kg
- Beef Bacon 400g
- Gravy Beef 500g
- Traditional Hand crafted Sliced ham 2x400g packs
- Rump steak 2x600g
- Sirloin Stk 2xpacks 600g
- Pork Loin Chops 500g pack
- Mince 500g Tube x 4 packs
- Herb and garlic 500g x 2 Packs
- Family/MC/Pie
- Rolled Lamb Shoulder 1.5kg min
- Rolled Lamb Shoulder 1.5kg min
- Diced chuck x 2 500g

## JUL

- Ribeye 2x 500g packs
- Mince 3 500g Tube
- Rump steak 2x600g
- Pot Roast 2
- Rolled Rib roast
- Streaky Bacon 300g x 3packs
- Sliced Mutton Ham 400g x2
- Corned beef 1.5 kg
- Pastrami 400gx2 packs
- Lamb Mint Sausages 2x500g
- Diced pork 500g
- schnitzel 500g packs x2
- Saveloys 6 sausages 2xpacks
- Rump steak 2x600g
- Beef Sausages 500g x2packs
- Family/M/Pie

## AUG

- Diced skirt 600g
- Pot Roast 2
- Rolled Rib roast
- Corned beef 1.5 kg
- Bacon hocks 1 Manuka smoked
- Diced chuck x 2 500g
- Herb and garlic 500g x 2 Packs
- Pork Stirfry 500g
- Pork Loin Chops 500g pack
- Traditional Hand crafted Sliced ham 2x400g packs
- Diced pork 500g
- schnitzel 500g packs x2
- Eye Fillet 1 pack 3 steaks
- Sirloin Stk 2xpacks 600g
- Irish pork Sausage 500 x 2 packs
- half leg lamb 1kg min
- Sliced Mutton Ham 400g x2
- Family/MC/Pie

## SEP

- Small/M/Pie
- Small/MC/Pie
- Sirloin Stk 2x 600g
- Eye Fillet 1 pack 3 steaks
- Diced chuck x 2 500g
- Point end 2kg
- Beef Bacon 400g
- Gravy Beef 500g
- Family/MC/Pie
- Saveloys 6 sausages 2xpacks
- Lamb Mint Sausages 2x500g
- Diced pork 500g
- Lamb loin chops 600g
- Mince 3 500g Tube
- Bier stix5stix per pack x2 packs
- Irish pork Sausage 500 x 2 packs
- Beef Sausages 500g x2packs

## OCT

- Ribeye 2x 500g packs
- Saveloys 6 sausages 2xpacks
- Beef Sausages 500g x2packs
- Beef stir fry 500g
- Cross cut BBQ steak 4 steaks x2 packs 500g
- Pork Stirfry 500g
- Streaky Bacon 300g x 3packs
- Pastrami 400gx2 packs
- Pork Loin Chops 500g pack
- Pork Mince 2x 500g pack
- Mince 3 500g Tube
- Lamb Mint Sausages 2x500g
- Irish pork Sausage 500 x 2 packs
- Traditional Hand crafted Sliced ham 2x400g packs
- Rump steak 2x600g
- schnitzel 500g packs x2
- Bier stix5stix per pack x2 packs
- Patties 6 patties 600g x2 packs

## NOV

- Sirloin Stk 2xpacks 600g
- Ribeye 2x 500g packs
- Eye Fillet 1 pack 3 steaks
- Beef Bacon 400g
- Cross cut BBQ steak 4 steaks x2 packs 500g
- Rump steak 2x600g
- schnitzel 500g packs x2
- Bier stix5stix per pack x2 packs
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- Pastrami 400gx2 packs
- Herb and garlic 500g x 2 Packs
- Mince 3 500g Tube
- Pork Stirfry 500g

## DEC

- Sirloin Stk 2xpacks 600g
- Ribeye 2x 500g packs
- Eye Fillet 1 pack 3 steaks
- Patties 6 patties 600g x2 packs
- schnitzel 500g packs x2
- Bier stix5stix per pack x2 packs
- Irish pork Sausage 500 x 2 packs
- Beef Sausages 500g x2packs
- Traditional Hand crafted Sliced ham 2x400g packs
- Mince 3 500g Tube
- Pastrami 400gx2 packs
- Irish pork Sausage 500 x 2 packs
- Beef Sausages 500g x2packs
- Lamb Mint Sausages 2x500g
- Herb and garlic 500g x 2 Packs
- Mince 3 500g Tube
- Pork Stirfry 500g

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<b>5 February</b>	Armadillos (Colombo) Meet Time TBA
<b>4 March</b>	One Good Horse (Withells Road) Meet Time TBA
<b>1 April</b>	No Meeting due to National Rally
<b>6 May</b>	Racecourse Hotel Meet Time TBA





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# CLUB EVENTS

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# CATS & PONIES DAY

## 11 NOVEMBER 2023

Interclub event with the Jaguar Drivers' Club and the Canterbury Mustang Club



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DAVID SMALL**

The day started at the Papanui Club Car park with a departure time at 10.30am.

Incredibly, magical, the sun was shining and apart from the lazy chilly wind that chose to go through, rather than around, the temperature was very pleasant.

With everyone having their directions in hand for the 75km, 1 ½ hour drive to Amberley Domain, all the cars departed Papanui Club car park on time, on a route mapped out to arrive from the North West of the Amberley Domain.

Some cars choose another way to the Domain and for one car a telephone instruction was required, as they had missed a turn somewhere.







Myself and 2 other cars went directly to the domain where, for the Jaguar Drivers Club, the National Rally Leaper and the club Gazebo were set up on show for both Clubs to enjoy.

John and Jean won the Presidents Trophy for the day, as I believed they had to use their phone.

The Cat Club had an excellent turnout of 20 Jaguars and 1 Toyota Jag for the picnic, with the Canterbury Mustang club also putting on a great showing of around 20 Mustangs.

Dennis and Viv O'Brien from the Mustang Club put on a BBQ for both of the Clubs, so lots of thanks to Dennis and Viv for organising the BBQ and games.

Club members from both clubs settled into conversations about the great range of cars on display.

Dennis had bought along games that both clubs took part in, congratulations go to Pete and Phil who took out the prize for the block game for the Jaguar Club.

I had a Lady from each club look at the cars and choose a people's choice, and a bottle of wine was given to each of the winners. The cars that won were a light blue 1960s Mustang and a green Jaguar XKR. Thanks to Megan and Marie.

A great day was had by all in the sheltered Amberley Domain, with most club members gone by 3pm.

David Small (Jaguar Drivers Club) and Dennis O'Brien (Canterbury Mustang Club) were your organisers for the day.



# CHRISTMAS DINNER 2 DECEMBER 2023

Hotel Montreal, Christchurch



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On December 2nd, the Club hosted its Christmas Dinner at The Hotel Montreal. A total of 51 enthusiastic club members signed up for the event. The Hotel delivered an outstanding dining experience enjoyed by all attendees.

Adding to the festive spirit, Marc from the Hotel generously offered two \$100 vouchers as special prizes. Jean Kersel and Phillip Wynands were the fortunate recipients. The Club, in turn, contributed two complimentary dinners, which were won by Margaret Winsloe and Philip Redmond.

Congratulations  
to all our club  
member winners

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To sweeten the celebrations, two boxes of chocolate prizes were also presented. Averill Smith and Brent Durham emerged as the happy winners of these treats.









ARTICLE

# JOHN BITHELL

## Jaguar Ownership

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**We have enjoyed many rallies and events with the Jag club and the X Type is such a good car to drive.**

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Our Journey into the world of Jaguar car ownership began many years ago when we inherited from my Dad's estate. With the inheritance we wanted to spend it on something which was a link to our Dad. He was a mechanic and often talked of the cars he had owned over the years.

One I could remember was a late 1920's Plymouth, so we set out in search of one. We didn't realise how rare they were at the time so we decided to purchase something of the same era. Eventually we came across a very well restored 1930 Chevrolet Wentworth. It was a lovely car and very well restored, so we bought it. We were living in Timaru at the time and joined the South Canterbury Vintage car club. We thoroughly enjoyed being part of this club as we were made welcome from the start.

We drove the car to many rallies including the re-enactment of the first car driven to Mount Cook, a very big affair. We went to many rallies in the South Island and enjoyed many trips in the old Chev. We then moved to Christchurch and joined the Canterbury Vintage Car club. This was not so good. Some clubs make it difficult for new comers to fit in and this was the case with the CVCC. It was about this time we decided to upgrade our old car.

Sandy was unable to drive such a big old car, especially with no power steering. So we decided to sell the Chev and move up in years. It was the only car we have ever owned that we made money on when we sold it.

We looked around for something else as we wanted to continue with older car ownership. We found a 1976 XJ6 out at Leeston and bought this. It was a lovely car to drive and Sandy had no problem with driving it.

One of the things we had done was to resign

from the CVCC. So we looked at joining another club and the Christchurch Jaguar Drivers Club seemed to be right for us, so we joined. That was a very good move on our part.

From the beginning we were made very welcome by all, and we have had many great rallies and meetings with the club.

It was in the XJ6 we went to the national rally in Invercargill, a most enjoyable rally, very well organised. During the drive there and back we made the decision to once again upgrade our vehicle to something a little more reliable as the XJ6 was getting on in years and needed some TLC to get it back to it's original condition.

Once again we looked around at vehicles and settled on a 2006 X-type Jaguar. Another good move on our part. We both enjoy driving the car and it too has taken us to many places around New Zealand and in particular the national rally in New Plymouth. The trip up and back being so well organised by Jean and John Kersel is one of those memorable trips that we will remember forever.

We have enjoyed many rallies and events with the Jag club and the X Type is such a good car to drive. Like all vehicles it needs a little work done to it, but that is motoring and so far it has been very reliable and we continue to enjoy the times we have driving it with the Christchurch Jaguar Drivers Club.

John Bithell

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# CATS & HORSES



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When Margo and I immigrated in 1993, 30 years ago we didn't know much about Clydesdale horses and Jaguar cars. My father had pointed out Jaguars over the years with the words **“One day I will own one of those jaguars”**.

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When Margo and I immigrated in 1993, 30 years ago we didn't know much about Clydesdale horses and Jaguar cars. My father had pointed out Jaguars over the years with the words "One day I will own one of those jaguars". He usually pointed at a MK2 or XJ 6. But he never managed to get one before he died. We had plenty of Ford Escorts, Cortina's and Capri's. But never a Jaguar. When he travelled for work, he always bought a matchbox model for me. Years later when I went through the box of well-played model cars, I found a Jaguar MK2 and D-type.

When we arrived in Canterbury via a short stay in Blenheim, we discovered that it was possible to buy a small block of land. This was for us unheard off in the Netherlands. We both grew up in a high-rise estate. Our parents were very happy with that. Much better than a leaky draughty house from the 1920 or 30's. The best we could do was to own a terraced house. If you owned one with a garage you were a big success in our families.

In 1995, Margo spotted a horse with "fluffy feet" and said I want one of those! I had to find out what it was and it turned out to be a Clydesdale horse. We bought then our very first Clydesdale horse. He was 18-Month-old and called "Viking". And belief it or not, he is still alive and owned by us. He is very old and of course retired.

In the last few years in the Netherlands, and also in the early years in New Zealand, inspector Morse was very popular on TV. Margo being a big fan of the series made the remark "I love the car he is driving and wouldn't mind having one. I thought it would be a great idea to give Margo one for her 50th birthday. I found a Jaguar MK2, 240 for sale at Waimak Classic cars. It later turned out I made a little mistake about Margo's age and when I gave her the car for her birthday it was her 49th birthday! I am glad to tell you that she

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forgave me and gladly accepted the MK2.

We also had a lot of fun with our Clydesdales. We took part in the Otago Cavalcade in 2003 and made a lot of friends. We started taking part in ploughing matches with our horses and ended up participating in 5 silver plough matches, these are the New Zealand finals. Also breeding took off and we started owning more and more Clydesdale horses. One of our bigger successes was winning the Christchurch A and P show with our mare we bred "Goldenlane Jessie" in 2015.

One day our MK2 was in the local garage and while I was talking to the mechanic, Dave Small, an old Air New Zealand colleague walked in. He suggested that we would become member of the Jaguar Drivers Club. The rest is history.

The Jaguar stable also started to multiply and a few years after the purchase of the MK2 I spotted a lovely Jaguar MK7m at the swap meet at McLeans Island. It was owned by Bill Cochram

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and he was asking a lot more than a could afford. I think he liked my enthusiasm for the car and sold it to me for a lot less. Even turning down a higher offer from a trader whom wanted to export the car to the UK. One of the highlights with this car was to take it to the national Jaguar rally in New Plymouth. Somehow, we managed to win the “survivor cup” in the concours. What a surprise!

In the mean time our breeding program progressed too. We bred a colt named “Goldenlane George” He always has done very well at the show circuit and is never been beaten by another male Clydesdale in the show.

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This year at the Northern A and P show in Rangiora, what dubbed as the “New Zealand Clydesdale Championship” He won Supreme Clydesdale Champion and carries the title; New Zealand Clydesdale Champion for the year.

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# HAPPY SUMMER DRIVING

A big thank you to all the contributors for our December 2023 Magazine, and a warm welcome to our new members. The entire team at the Jaguar Drivers' Club wishes you safe and joyful drives during the festive season. We're excited to meet you at the National Rally over Easter weekend. For more information on the Rally, visit [www.jaguardrivers.co.nz](http://www.jaguardrivers.co.nz).

Stay tuned as we eagerly look forward to sharing our upcoming Club events in the March 2024 Magazine.

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