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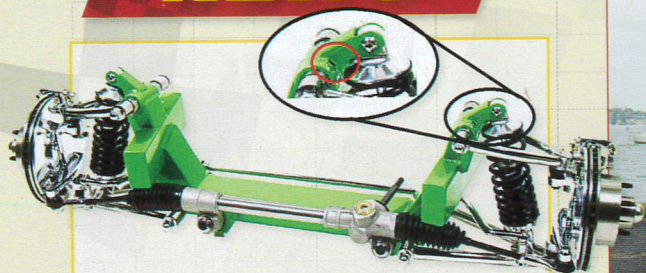
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Ross & Libby Tebbs' 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air Sport Coupe



Industry NEWS



► **IMPORTANT - TCI Suspension Alert**

LVVTA has done much research and provided information outlining some very alarming TCI suspension failures which took place in 2017. Due to the seriousness of this situation all potentially affected vehicle owners and anyone looking to purchase similar components, needs to read this IMPORTANT information because vehicle safety is potentially at risk. The info sheet has been uploaded at this link on the internet: https://www.lvvta.org.nz/documents/infosheets/LVVTA_Info_03-2017_TCI-brand_IFS_Failure.pdf

► **Wilwood Disc Brakes Introduces C10 Pickup Classic Series Front Brake Kits**

WILWOOD'S Classic Series front disc brake conversion kits for the 1960-1970 Chevrolet C10 truck drum brake spindles provide an affordable and easy-to-install solution to upgrade from the factory drum brakes. The kits feature forged Superlite six piston calipers with BP-10 metallic composite compound SmartPads, and 11.86" diameter one-piece vented rotors that convert from the factory 6 lug to the more popular 5 x 4.75" / 5 x 5.00" wheel stud pattern. Also included are bearings, seals, brackets, and all premium grade hardware to mount the brakes to the OE factory spindles with clearance inside most styles of 15" wheels.



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► **GMS Hot Rods Launched**

BASED in the North West Auckland region, GMS Hot Rods is a new shop founded by Greg Stokes which specialises in stance, style and quality in terms of hot rod design and fabrication. Having contracted to Mac's Speed Shop for 4-1/2 years Greg wanted to reduce his long-distance work commute and to serve the North West Auckland area. Having grown up in the hot rodding hobby and being exposed to some great aspects of it here and overseas, Greg has built his own cars and had a big hand in other well known cars with great results. GMS Hot Rods caters for the hot rod or custom car enthusiast wanting chassis work to any stage through to turn-key builds. Or perhaps smaller fabrication such as exhaust systems, suspension and component installation. LVVTA certification and compliance rectification work is also carried out. "It's all about bringing your new or existing hot rod dream to life with great stance and quality design and engineering principles resulting in an enjoyable driving experience", says Greg.

Contact 021 955 459 or email gregstokes1932@gmail.com



► **Cool Caps**

DON'T let a grotty radiator cap let down your engine bay. Magoos' offers a range of billet cap options that are an economic way to add some bling and detail. Options include milled V8 and Bowtie versions. 16lb is the most popular, but 7lb version is available also from Magoos Street Rods.

Contact: 06-3775706 or email sales@magoos.co.nz

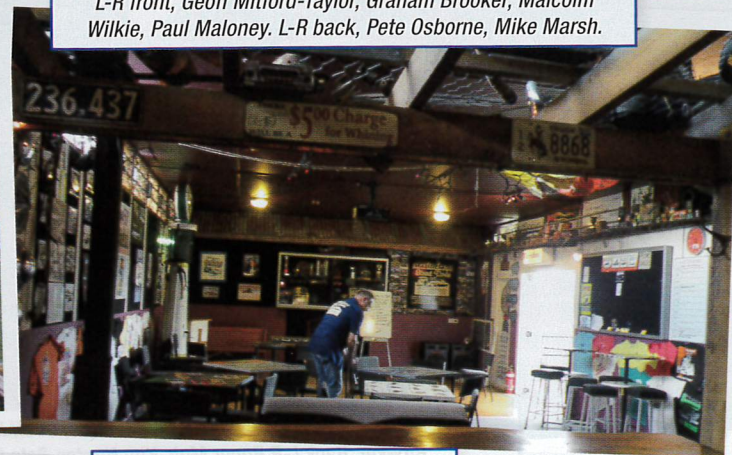
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L-R front, Geoff Mitford-Taylor, Graham Brooker, Malcolm Wilkie, Paul Maloney. L-R back, Pete Osborne, Mike Marsh.

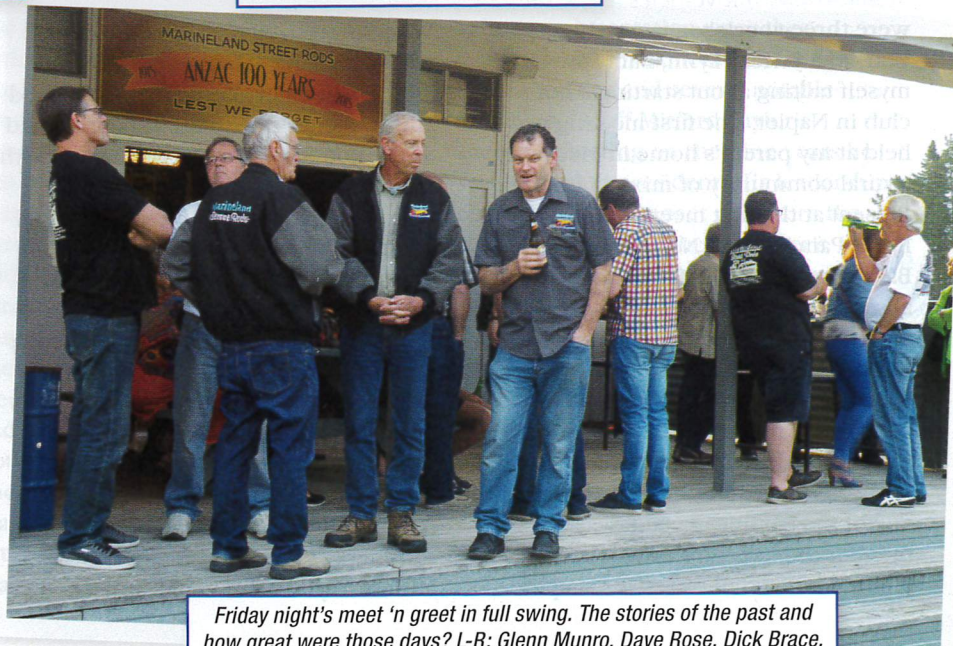


With a Hawks Bay chill in the air the open fire kept those engines warm.



Clubrooms from behind the bar.

displaying some current projects, Malcolm's Upholstery Shop, Peter Osborne's amazing reproduction 'glass body shop. It was great to see Peter up and at it again after his fire. Back at the clubrooms we were treated to a true Texas-style pit BBQ. Pork butt, ribs & brisket are all favorites of anyone who lives in Texas. What a feed! The day ended in the presentation of club awards and the final handshakes, contact info exchanges, and hope to see you again knowing that some of us possibly will not cross paths again, but have lasting memories of a great group of hot rodders who came together 50 years ago. Hot rodders don't get older, just get better.



Friday night's meet 'n greet in full swing. The stories of the past and how great were those days? L-R: Glenn Munro, Dave Rose, Dick Brace, Roger Muir, Malcolm Wilkie, Barry Swain, Phil Brenchley, Keith Kite.

LVTVA

Celebrates a Quarter of a Century



JUST five months after the Low Volume Vehicle Technical Association (LVVTA) processed its 150,000th modified vehicle certification, the organisation has celebrated its 25th Anniversary. The occasion was marked with an event at LVVTA's headquarters in Porirua, Wellington, and was attended by many current and past LVV certifiers, government representatives, current and past Technical Advisory Committee members, and other invited guests.



As well as recognising the achievements of the highly-regarded LVV certification system for modified and custom-built vehicles, the night also saw a special celebration honouring long-standing members of LVVTA's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). This voluntary organisation is the backbone of the LVV system and is responsible for providing the technical content of the NZ Car Construction Manual, as well as assessing all vehicle design proposals. As a token of gratitude towards the TAC, bespoke long service plaques were presented to members who've volunteered their immense expertise and experience for both ten and 20 years. 20-year award recipients were Graham Walls, John Hinton, Terry Bowden, Chris Litherland and Tony Johnson. Ten-year recipients were John Reid, Alan

Smail, Walter Wing, John Ward, Paul Sattler, Geoff Cottle, Kerry Buchanan, Mark Stokes, Justin Hansen and Peter Vahry, some of whom are not far off reaching the 20-year milestone. During the formalities of the night, attendees heard not only from LVVTA speakers, but an enlightening perspective of what it's like to build a car with the assistance and support of the TAC and his LVV Certifier Ken McAdam from scratch-built vehicle owner Stewart Collinson. Stewart's hand-crafted Porsche RS60 replica was on display and received plenty of positive accolades, even before he explained just how in-depth the build process was — a tale that was greatly enjoyed by everyone present. Two new members were inducted into LVVTA's Wall of Honour, which is LVVTA's way of recognising special people who have made a significant contribution to the LVVTA and the LVV certification system in some way. The Honourees for 2017 were Jim McDonald from the New Zealand Transport

Agency and Graeme Banks from the Sports Car Club of New Zealand. As an exciting interlude during the night's proceedings, the 2500hp dragster of Wanganui's Grant Rivers was fired up, giving the evening an experience they'll not forget in a hurry! LVVTA CEO Tony Johnson paid special tribute to the LVVTA staff members for their passion, commitment, and resilience, and amongst the long-serving staff members, Linda Washington was recognised for her 20 years of service to LVVTA by LVVTA President Steve Keys. To end the night Brian Sara from NZTA wrapped up the evening with an interesting perspective on the special and unique relationship that exists between LVVTA and NZTA, and spoke positively about the future of the LVVTA and the LVV certification system in New Zealand.

For more information on LVVTA or the Technical Advisory Committee visit www.lvvta.org.nz

