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PRESIDENTS REPORT

MINI NATIONALS 2000

18 months of intensive effort by members of the committee and many club members paid off for the Nationals over Labour weekend. The other Clubs outside Auckland thoroughly enjoyed themselves and at the Dinner, we were thanked by these clubs.

The weather was excellent both days, being warm with a light breeze.

Around 70 Minis turned up for the Show'n'Shine (Saturday) with judging organised into groups. At the same time, scrutineering was carried out. They set off for the Fun Trial around 1pm, stopping off for afternoon tea at Motorsport Lifestyle in Parnell, our main sponsor.

The Trial finished at the Northern Sports Car Club and everybody had big grins and said they really enjoyed it. This was followed by a BBQ with the biggest steaks I've ever seen. Those that were up to it, had a Queen Street parade at 10pm, and by all accounts, was a real buzz.

Sunday morning, up early, the Grasskhana, starting @ 8am, at Hobsonville. Andrew Carter had his left hand steer (opposite) and RH pedal car, courtesy of Bob Pierce at Mini Auto Parts, Glenfield, for one of the 4 Grasskhana events. People were queuing for this event and laughter could be heard all around Hobsonville. The courses had to be moved regularly so that damage to grass did not occur.

Midday across to Whenuapai for a 2 lap Bent Sprint & ¼ mile drag. At times it was interesting, as we had to compete with parachuting and light aircraft landing alongside the race track.

Dinner & Prizegiving at Barry Court Motor Inn, Sunday evening was superb. At this point members of the committee were so tired, we were just about falling asleep. At last we had time to relax.

However, all in all it was a fabulous weekend. We are all looking forward to Hawkes Bay next Labour weekend.

Our thanks go out to all members for their support during the year.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all and your families,
A Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

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Kickoff of the 2000 Mini Nationals at Western Springs.

Small is beautiful and saves gas.

By ANNE BESTON.

The little car with the big fun factor was on display at Auckland's Western Springs over Labour Weekend as Mini lovers from around the country met for the sixth annual New Zealand National Mini Meet.

"When you hop in a Mini it puts a smile on your face," said 68-year-old Bill Pyne, of Waikanae, who drove his 1968 Mini Countryman Mark II automatic from Waikanae for the event.

The sparkling green car has a top speed of about 130 km/h and has been lovingly restored over the past two years. Every piece of the car, including the exterior wood, was imported from Britain. Not a bad end for a car that was "a toss-up whether it went to the tip," Mr Pyne said. It is insured for \$20,000 but is not for sale.

About 70 Mini owners gathered for the event, with Minis ranging from modified racers with 1600cc Honda engines to the more sedate Mini version of the station wagon.

All of them had the same reason for loving the Mini — it's a fun car.

"I don't even drive it, I just like looking at it," said Wayne Kara, 26, talking about his 1964 Mini Cooper, which he painted and restored seven years ago. "It doesn't really drive that nice"

The Mini was a trailblazer when it first rolled off the production line in 1959. It was the smallest car made at the time and was very economical to run.

Auckland Mini Car Club President Warwick Robinson said that, with increased fuel prices, Minis could become more popular than ever.



Difficult.



Ready to race.



And a bit on the grass too.



Straight sprints.

Dear Mini Nationals 2000 Participant,

We hope you arrived home safely after your weekend of Mini Fun in Auckland. We are just beginning to recover after the hectic weekend that was the 6th National Mini Meeting.

The Mini Car Club of Auckland would like to thank everyone who attended the event and made it such a success. Without you, the participants, we would not have an event at all. We hope that you enjoyed the event as much as we did, and we expect to see you all next year in the Hawkes Bay.

Enclosed you will find the full results for the event. Thank you very much for attending.

Yours sincerely,

Tom Parker
Committee Member.

Results Summary

Show and Shine:

Original

1st Charles Tisdall
2nd Glenis Cooper
3rd Maureen Slatherley & Patti Turner

Variant

1st Bill Pyne
2nd Bianca Howe (Red Bull)
3rd Graham Crispe

Everyday

1st Ross McKee
2nd Karyn & Trevor Salmon
3rd Harry & Barbara Dye

Restored/Rebuilt

1st Paul Leahy
2nd Dave Pierce
3rd Dennis Mead

Modified

1st Clint Taylor & Kylie Crafts
2nd Tracy Connet & Joe Tuffs
3rd Patrick & Jo-Anne Williamson

Overall

1st Bill Pyne
2nd Clint Taylor & Kylie Crafts
3rd Tracy Connet & Joe Tuffs

People's Choice: Joe Tuffs

FunTrial:

1st Graham Crispe
2nd Kylie Crafts
3rd "Ralph, Kelvin, Alenna"

GrassKahna:

1st Keith Hargraves
2nd Tony Maulder
3rd Graham Strang
Most Confused Clint Taylor & Kylie Crafts

Bent Sprint 1000:

1st John Pearson
2nd Ron Boyd
3rd Daryl Webster

Bent Sprint 1300:

1st Ralph Taylor
2nd Paul Jones
3rd Tim Taylor

Bent Sprint Open:

1st Clint Taylor
2nd Patrick Williamson
3rd Warwick Robinson

Straight Sprint 1000:

1st Steve Slaney
2nd Ron Boyd
3rd John Pearson

Straight Sprint 1300:

1st Andrew Whitmore
2nd Tim Taylor
3rd John Pearson

Straight Sprint Open:

1st Patrick Williamson
2nd Clint Taylor
3rd Wendy Robinson

Club Award:

1st Mini Car Club of Auckland
2nd Mini Cooper Enthusiasts Club
3rd Mini Car Club of Hawkes Bay

Individual Award:

1st Clint Taylor
2nd Patrick Williamson
3rd Ralph Taylor



Club Results

Club	Event	Points	Club Entrants	Total Entrants	Total	Place
CC	BentSprint Open	7	2	17	0.21	
CC	Grasskahna	9	2	44	0.10	
CC	Modified	3	2	8	0.19	
CC	Original	10	1	3	3.33	
CC	Restored/Rebuilt	9	1	8	1.13	
	Total				4.95	4
KCM	Grasskahna	12	2	44	0.14	
KCM	Variant	10	1	8	1.25	
	Total				1.39	6
MCCHB	BentSprint 1000	9	1	4	2.25	
MCCHB	Everyday	25	5	23	0.22	
MCCHB	Original	9	1	3	3.00	
MCCHB	StraightSprint 1000	9	1	4	2.25	
	Total				7.72	3
MCCOA	BentSprint 1000	10	1	4	2.50	
MCCOA	BentSprint Open	18	7	17	0.15	
MCCOA	Everyday	10	11	23	0.04	
MCCOA	Grasskahna	5	2	44	0.06	
MCCOA	Modified	12	4	8	0.38	
MCCOA	Original	8	1	3	2.67	
MCCOA	Restored/Rebuilt	15	2	8	0.94	
MCCOA	StraightSprint 1000	8	1	4	2.00	
MCCOA	StraightSprint Open	37	7	18	0.29	
MCCOA	Variant	26	7	8	0.46	
	Total				9.48	1
MCEC	BentSprint 1000	7	1	4	1.75	
MCEC	BentSprint 1300	31	4	7	1.11	
MCEC	BentSprint Open	10	2	17	0.29	
MCEC	Grasskahna	21	7	44	0.07	
MCEC	Modified	5	1	8	0.63	
MCEC	Restored/Rebuilt	14	3	8	0.58	
MCEC	StraightSprint 1000	10	1	4	2.50	
MCEC	StraightSprint 1300	25	4	7	0.89	
MCEC	StraightSprint Open	4	2	18	0.11	
	Total				7.93	2
MM	BentSprint Open	20	5	17	0.24	
MM	Everyday	2	2	23	0.04	
MM	Grasskahna	7	4	44	0.04	
MM	Modified	13	4	8	0.41	
MM	StraightSprint Open	14	6	18	0.13	
MM	Variant	7	2	8	0.44	
	Total				1.29	7
MOWOG	BentSprint 1300	8	1	7	1.14	
MOWOG	Grasskahna	1	1	44	0.02	
MOWOG	Restored/Rebuilt	4	2	8	0.25	
MOWOG	StraightSprint 1300	9	1	7	1.29	
	Total				2.70	5

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Make • MORRIS Type • MINI COOPER 1275 S (1,275 c.c.)

(Front engine, front-wheel drive)

Manufacturer: Morris Motors Ltd., Cowley, Oxford

Test Conditions

Weather.....Showery, with no wind
 Temperature.....16 deg. C.(60 deg. F.)
 Barometer.....29.58in. Hg.
 Dry concrete and tarmac surfaces.

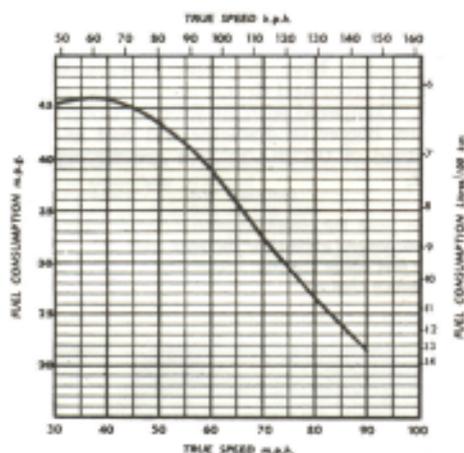
Weight

Kerb weight (with oil, water and half-full fuel tank)
 12.8 cwt (1,435lb-651kg)
 Front-rear distribution, per cent F, 62.5; R, 37.5
 Laden as tested.....15.8 cwt (1,771lb-806kg)

Turning Circles

Between kerbs.....L, 31ft 11in.; R, 32ft 10in.
 Between walls.....L, 32ft 8in.; R, 33ft 7in.
 Turns of steering wheel lock to lock.....2.3

FUEL AND OIL CONSUMPTION



FUEL.....Super Premium Grade
 (100-102 octane RM)

Test Distance.....1,096 miles

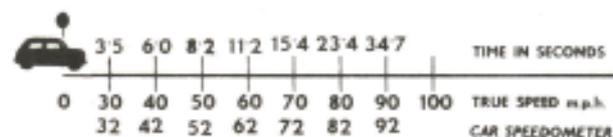
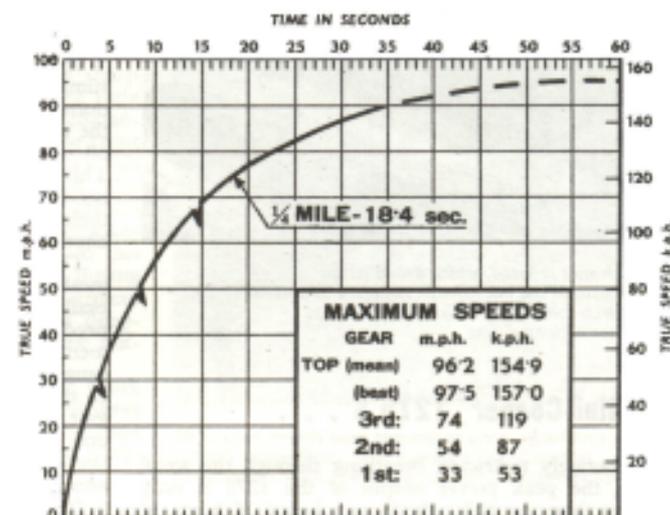
Overall Consumption.....28.5 m.p.g.
 (9.9 litres/100 km.)

Estimated Consumption (DIN) 29.4 m.p.g.
 (9.6 litres/100 km.)

Normal Range.....27-35 m.p.g.
 (8.1-10.5 litres/100 km.)

OIL: SAE 30.....Consumption 980 m.p.g.

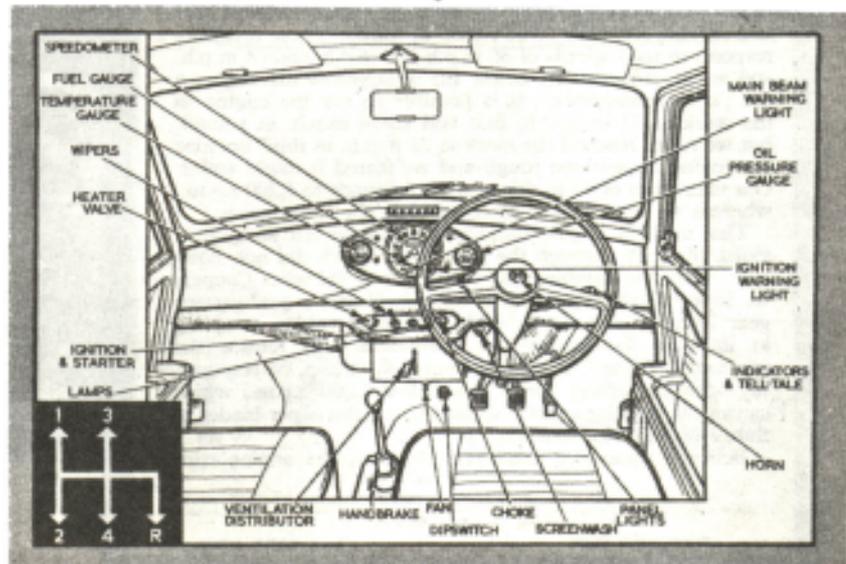
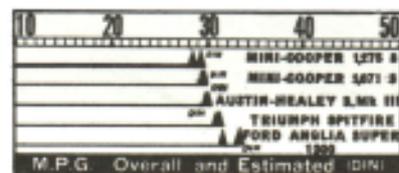
MAXIMUM SPEED AND ACCELERATION TIMES



Speed range, gear ratios and time in seconds

m.p.h.	Top (3-44)	Third (4-67)	Second (6-60)	First (11-02)
10-30	8.2	5.5	4.0	2.9
20-40	7.5	5.4	3.8	—
30-50	7.5	5.4	4.4	—
40-60	8.3	6.0	—	—
50-70	9.4	7.5	—	—
60-80	12.3	—	—	—
70-90	17.5	—	—	—

BRAKES	Pedal load	Retardation	Equiv. distance
(from 30 m.p.h. in neutral)	25lb	0.50g	60ft
	50lb	0.90g	33.5ft
	Handbrake	0.30g	100ft





CLUB ADS



4 SALE: much loved Mini Yellow (bold as Brass) 1975-850cc.127000 on the clock. Lovely condition 2 careful lady owners.
Garaged for its lifetime \$2,000-00 ONO
Ph: Mary Maxwell on (09) 2733013 OR 025 2891111

We would all like to welcome the following new members to the Mini Car Club of Auckland
Eric Ramm, N G Bertram, Bob Garrett, Tim Mayson, John Pearson, Harry Dye, Patti Turner, Andrew Honore, Simon Toon, Koshiro Watanabe, John Turner and Sam Duncan.

4 SALE: Offers considered for: Austin Mini 1971-998cc, Automatic. One owner.80,822 on the clock.
Ph: Mrs Maud Marshall on (07) 8665505

“We look forward to seeing you at our next club event”

4 SALE:1972 Pale Blue Mini. Some surface rust, Petrol gauge needs repair. Other than that it is in very good condition.
Ph: Brian Davy on (09) 4442702

4 SALE:1974 Mini 1000, Braze colour (sort of orangy). 97,000 on the clock. Bodywork in excellent condition. No rust. Brought from England some years ago. In good running order.
Ph: Jule Meagler on (09)5201130

4 SALE: 1992 Black Mini Cooper 1300i with No.8 certificate from John Cooper. Leather seats, Stereo, CD player, walnut dash, door trim and steering wheel. Number plate: 'LUKE 1'. 23,000 mls on the clock.
Asking price: \$26,000.00.
Ph:Ray Wooler on (09)2946096 or (021)946058

Results of the economy run held on the 3th of December.

The run went from the Clubrooms all the way over all sorts of scenic roads to Clevedon, covering 137km.

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| 1 | Susan Russell in her 998cc Riley Elf | : 17.986 km/l |
| 2 | Kevin Taylor in a Mini 1000 | : 17.044 km/l |
| 3 | Daryl in a Mini 1000 | : 16.793 km/l |
| 4 | Steve in a Morris Minor (1310cc) | : 15.65 km/l |
| 5 | Frits in a Clubman (1330cc) | : 14.678 km/l |
| 6 | Paul in his White Mini (1380cc) | : 14.558 km/l |
| 7 | Tom Parker in his heap (1380 cc) | : 12.726 km/l |

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Events

DECEMBER

3rd, Sunday: Economy Run, starts 1pm Northern Sports Car Clubrooms, Mt. Richmond Domain, Otahuhu

This annual event always attracts plenty of entries - most of them wanting to beat Andrew Carter!! Come along and give the reigning champ a run for his money. Even if your car isn't very economical, this is a nice drive and a great way to spend a sunny (hopefully) afternoon.

5th, Tuesday: Clubnight 7:30pm Northern Sports Car Clubrooms, Mt. Richmond Domain, Otahuhu

Christmas Family BBQ: come along for a drink and some tall stories! Bring the family, and a salad or dessert and we will provide sausages and meat. A great way to wind up the Mini-year.

JANUARY 2001

No January Clubnight - See you all again the first Tuesday in February.

FEBRUARY 2001

4th, Sunday: Galaxy of Cars and Swapmeet (and club Show 'n' Shine), MOTAT, meet at 9am at the Motions Road entrance

Time to get out the cotton-tips and polishing cloth to make sure your Mini is the cleanest around. Prizes for the shiniest examples, and a good, fun day.

6th, Tuesday: Clubnight 7:30pm Northern Sports Car Clubrooms, Mt. Richmond Domain, Otahuhu

The first Clubnight of the year. Come and find out what everyone got up to on their holidays.

11th, Sunday: Concourse d'Elegance, Ellerslie Racecourse

This is always a fantastic show. More details at February Clubnight.

If there are any events that you would like us to run, please let your club committee know. This club is for you - let us know what you want!

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