

## MG RUN SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

### **A LOOK BACK IN TIME REPORT**

The weather gods were smiling for this day, after a week of rain and we looked forward to a day of sunshine. Our day started in Sanson at VIVs Kitchen for breakfast, 20 attended and we had our own dedicated room, gave everyone a chance to meet and greet and generally catch up.

After breakfast it was on the road to Palmerston North, turning left onto Tremaine avenue And continuing to Kelvin Grove road where we had our first viewing at **Kruzin Kustoms**. This is a dedicated Panel Shop where we had a very interesting presentation by the owner Kendal Smith. Currently they have 38 Vehicles in the workshop in various stages of restoration. Kendal hosts a tour group to America each year, taking in various Hot Rod and car meetings. Of particular note was the manufacturing of parts by 3D printing. Once the initial part has been printed it is sent to France to be converted into metal and then sent back for fitting to the vehicle.

Following the visit we made our way to **Ashhurst**. We were unable to complete our next viewing at **Hot Rod Heaven** due to the premises being flooded by the heavy rain earlier in the week. We detoured to the Ashhurst Domain for a break and a cup of tea. On the road again and over the Manawatu river bridge to the Aokautere highway 57.

We followed the road south to our next destination the **Tokomaru Steam Museum**. This is an amazing collection of engines driven by steam. The loop Steam Train is no longer running but we had plenty of things to see to keep us entertained. Also at the museum is A collection of miniature villages made by Helen Pratt. This was originally developed in Shannon and then rehoused at the Steam Museum. We also took the opportunity while parked up to tuck into a BYO lunch in the carpark.

Leaving Tokomaru after lunch we headed south to link up with the Opiki/ Longburn Highway and on to Palmerston North for our final stop at the **NZ Rugby Museum**. Lots of Rugby memorabilia from the past to the present day. Not all attended this display but in the end a good day out for cars and people.

MG Run organised by Roger & Mary Pick.