

Waimarino Wander Sunday Run.....15 October 2017

As we alternate between the BGT and the TF, it was the turn of the B. A quick check and as usual, everything was where it should be, and appropriately full; good to go. Whoops, forgot about the fuel gauge was not working! Details!!

Anyway I put in a few litres, and met the rest of the gang at the Square in Feilding. We were all looking forward to this run.

A sheet of instructions was handed out, and after a quick read, we were off. Up through Cheltenham, Rewa, Waituna West and Vinegar Hill before turning right towards Utiku, and a break in Taihape. No time for shopping!!

Back on S H 1, to turn left at Waiouru heading toward Tangiwai.

We had been warned of around 25k of metal roads and we found the first of them just after we turned right off this road on to Oruakukuru Road. A great drive, which could have been better if there was no cloud.

After a few more k's we found Raetihi where Alec and Betty had arranged our lunch break. Although not raining, the wind made things a little unpleasant, but we finished the break without too many problems. Some people took advantage of the fact that the local museum was only meters away, and came back most impressed and a little bit more educated about the area and the locals.

A few of us took advantage of the open petrol station just up the road before we headed off on our return journey. The roads were great, and bought on some spirited driving! Again we were on Fields Track and finally turned left onto SH 4 heading toward Wanganui. Unfortunately the café at Upokongaro had closed for the day, so off to McD's in town for a final coffee.

A great way to end a great day.

Many, many thanks to Alec and Betty for this run.