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Welcome to the September issue of the Deluxe RV Group newsletter!

I sincerely hope everyone had a great start to Spring and you are busy preparing for the upcoming motorhome season. I absolutely love the first couple warmer days of the season and can't wait for the evenings to become lighter and the fly-fishing season to start.

As mentioned last Newsletter we welcomed our first-born child Levi Laurence Dobozy on the 09.08.2022 and are already planning his first motorhome adventure in October. We can't wait for the trip and feel very fortunate to start him this young.

The Team at Deluxe RV have been busy preparing our current stock for the upcoming Motorhome Show in Hamilton next week and we are eagerly awaiting the arrival of many pre-sold customer vehicles.

Enjoy the read and as always please feel free to send me pictures of your adventures to share with our Deluxe community!!!

Selling or Trading your Motorhome or Caravan with Deluxe RV



Trading your current motorhome when you purchase a new one is a simple and often an easy way for customers to have a seamless changeover as well as not missing out on camping whilst you are waiting for a new motorhome or caravan to arrive.

Current shipping challenges have increased the chance of a new arrival being delayed and most campers are unwilling to let go of their pride and joy prior to making the move to a new vehicle.

Due to recent price increases trade in evaluations are higher than ever and are well worth considering.

Please note that we currently consider purchasing motorhomes and caravans outright.

If you own a late model motorhome or caravan and are considering either selling or trading it in, please feel free to get in touch for an obligation free evaluation.

We are always happy to assist!!!

Deluxe RV Group News



I would like to introduce you to a new friendly face at Deluxe RV Group. Scotty has recently joined the team as an Automotive Groomer, and we are all excited to welcome him to our Deluxe RV family.

He is a true local and enjoys to surf and hang out with his family in his free time. His enthusiasm, attention to detail and willingness to learn during the past few weeks has been welcomed and we encourage you to have a quick yarn with Scotty next time you pop in.

City Destinations New Zealand: Christchurch



I often share my love for the great outdoors, beautiful destinations off the beaten track and little hidden gems with you all and thought it's time to explore what New Zealand cities have to offer to us.

This season I will focus on city destinations around NZ and explore the beauty and culture of our urban spaces. Coming across this article in the Motorhomes, Caravans and Destinations magazine recently got me thinking and sparked the idea of putting the fishing rod and hiking gear aside and revisit some cities this coming season.

Please click on the link to read the full article and get in touch if you know of some special urban places around NZ. Enjoy the read!!!

https://nzmcd.co.nz/destinations/canterbury/explore-christchurch/



ALL EYES ON CHRISTCHURCH

Lisa Jansen explores New Zealand's second-largest city and finds many reasons to visit, stay and play.

At the moment, Christchurch is the city everyone is talking about. After many months of uncertainty, everyone is champing at the bit to get out and about around Aotearoa – and now is the perfect time to visit the Garden City.

Those who haven't been in New Zealand's second-largest city for a while might be in for a very pleasant surprise. After multiple setbacks, including the devastating earthquakes of 2010 and 2011, the city has done an impressive job rebuilding and expanding, morphing itself into a fantastic place to live, work and visit.

With numerous camping options, a range of diverse attractions and sights, lots of small and large events throughout the year, and some of the best bars and eateries in the country, Christchurch should be on every RVers list when touring the South Island.

A NEW CITY EMERGES

On July 31 1856, Christchurch became the first official city in New Zealand. However, despite its age, modern-day Christchurch is very new. After the February 2011 earthquake that tragically took 185 lives, the city had to rebuild. Over 3,000 buildings were damaged beyond repair, entire neighbourhoods were deemed unsafe, and large parts of the city destroyed. But as devastating as the earthquakes undoubtedly were, they didn't destroy the spirit of the city and its

people. With resilience and determination, the rebuild began – and a new, modern city started to emerge.

Since then, more and more people have discovered Christchurch is an excellent place to live, and the population has grown steadily, recently surpassing 400,000. Significant growth in nearby towns Selwyn and Waimakariri districts has added even more energy to the region, helping to turn Christchurch into a hub of activity and opportunity..."

Continue Reading: <u>https://nzmcd.co.nz/destinations/canterbury/explore-christchurch/</u>

Recipe of the Season: Spring



Ingredients

2 cups - Baby salad leaves, including small tatsoi, mizuna, mibuna and/or spinach leaves, rinsed, drained and chilled in a plastic bag to crisp up

1/4 cup - Parsley, small leaves

1/4 cup - Chervil, sprigs

- **4 -** Spring onions, very young, if available, or use about 12 chives
- 6 Baby carrots, scrubbed (Main)

- **2 -** Baby fennels, any leathery outside bits trimmed using a potato peeler (Main)
- 2 Beetroot, small, tops removed and baby leaves reserved, beets scrubbed
- 6 slices Sourdough bread, very thin, wholemeal, baked at 180C until crisp
- 1 pinch Sea salt

Toasty garlic dressing

6 cloves Garlic, small, peeled

2 tbsp Olive oil

1 tbsp Walnut oil

2 tsp Cider vinegar

½ tsp Salt

Directions

- 1. Place chilled leaves in a wide mixing bowl. Scatter herbs on top. Add any baby beetroot leaves too.
- 2. Use a mandolin or very sharp knife to thinly slice the carrots lengthwise. Place slices into iced water immediately. Do the same to the baby fennel, then finally slice the beetroot into thin rings, placing them in a separate bowl of iced water.
- 3. Make dressing by gently heating garlic cloves in olive oil in a very small pan on medium heat, just until garlic sizzles gently and begins to turn golden. Pour oil and garlic into a small bowl, and use a fork to whisk in the walnut oil, cider vinegar and salt. Set aside for 5 minutes.
- 4. After 5 minutes, drain all sliced vegetables and dry well on kitchen paper. Add the vegetables to the salad bowl. Break sourdough croutons into two or three pieces and add to bowl. Sprinkle sea salt on top. Re-whisk dressing and pour all over salad. Toss gently and serve immediately in shallow bowls.

Waking up your Motorhome after Hibernation



Many people park up their RV and hibernate it over the colder months of the year. If done correctly it should not create to many issues however if a vehicle has not been used for an extended period, I always suggest following a clear process to wake it up from the winter sleep.

Getting your motorhome ready for first use after winter storage may seem mundane and obvious, but there are a few really important tasks you should carry out to ensure your and your vehicle's health, safety and wellbeing prior to the first use of the season.

- Give it a top down wash
- Check for unwanted visitors
- Check the water system
- Consider a habitation check
- Check the toilet and gas systems
- Maintain your vehicle

Please check out the podcast video below for some ideas (not all information is applicable to NZ conditions) and feel free to get in touch with us if you have further questions...



NZMCA Motorhome, Caravan and Leisure Show



We are looking forward to seeing you at the <u>NZMCA Motorhome</u>, <u>Caravan and Leisure Show</u> in Hamilton next week and are incredibly excited to showcase our

new Mercedes-Benz Le Voyageur Heritage, Pilote and Le Voyageur Classic motorhomes.

Make sure you come and visit, say hi and have a chat while you are there.

Staff Trip: Gary's Overseas Adventure

As much as we all love exploring our own backyard getting on a plane and venturing overseas can also be a lot of fun and very rewarding.





Gary has been waiting for his latest Le Voyageur Motorhome to arrive and made the most of the time in between. He decided to join a few mates and go fishing in Alaska.

"Hippoglossus stenolepis, the Pacific halibut, is a species of righteye flounder. This very large species of flatfish is native to the North Pacific and is fished by commercial fisheries, sport fishers, and subsistence fishers."



If you are a keen fisherman and have always wondered what a trip of a lifetime to Alaska would look like, have a yarn to Gary and get some pointers.



Customer Story: Platinum as a St. Johns Community Health Van



We were fortunate enough to sell one of our Mercedes-Benz Kea Platinum motorhomes to St. Johns and assist the deal by donating the trucking and shipment costs.

It's a great privilege to see the use of motorhomes and caravans diversifying. It makes you realise how versatile mobile spaces really are and how beneficial it can be to provide health and wellbeing services directly to the community.

We wish the St. Johns team much success and support in their venture and are humbled to play a small part in a great cause.



2022 Fiat Ducato Pilote G781FC

A few weeks ago, I was able to shoot some fresh content of a 2022 Fiat Ducato Pilote G781FC motorhome on an ALKO chassis and was surprised how much extra room you get compared to a 7.4m vehicle. There are always pros and cons however I strongly recommend having a look at the video below and see what the extra 400mm mean.

Feel free to click on the link below to view the detailed listing and get in touch directly for any further questions!!!

https://www.deluxegroup.co.nz/Detail.html?id=2589341&veh=2022-Fiat-Ducato-Pilote-G781FC-Arriving-April-2023&pageNumber=1&sort=1&pageSize=12

The G781FC offers a very livable layout and ease of movement throughout. Its large island bed, bathroom with double partition and face-to-face lounge for 5 people make this A-Class a safe bet.







LOUNGE

The lounge features two facing bench seats. The table can be unfolded in the center of the large space to seat 5 people. Its large windows and panoramic sunroof make the space light and airy.

KITCHEN

The kitchen area is stylish and practical with an L-shaped worktop and a three burner hob positioned opposite a 153 L fridge.







BATHROOM AND WC

The G781FC features a comfortable shower and a separate bathroom. Sliding partitions close it off from the bedroom and lounge, giving you a perfectly private space.



BEDROOM

The bedroom boasts a large island bed, measuring 1500 x 1900. The area around the bed has been designed to give easy access to the wardrobes.





CAB

The G781FC, based on the new Fiat Ducato Euro 6D Final, is a vehicle you can count on. It's a real joy to drive, offering exceptional visibility of the road ahead. The cab blinds provide both privacy and insulation.



If you have an interest in anything contained within our Newsletter then please don't hesitate to contact us, we would love to hear from you.

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