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Welcome to our first newsletter.

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Passion Drives Us

Providing quality workmanship for over 10 years...

Alltrax NZ is a Nelson based, rally and classic car fabricator. Established in 1997 and headed by Garry Grant, race car enthusiast with over 25 years experience in rally driving, fabrication, race engineering and race car management.

"I am 40 years old and married to my wife Brenda for 15 years. We have three sons Jacob 7, Rhys and Kayne 3."

I am trade certified as a fitter welder and with the numerous other skills I have gained over the past years we now offer you;

- Race and rally car build
 - Race and rally support
 - Classic car restoration
 - Full lease "arrive and drive" packages.
- We can undertake absolutely any aspect of race or rally car restoration, design, build and preparation. Our services include;
- Full rebuild and restoration of modern and classic race and rally cars
 - Chassis design and fabrication
 - Certified homologated rollcage fabrication and fitting
 - Specialist race or rally suspension design and installation
 - Mechanical build and fitment
 - Suppliers of race, rally tyres, seats and all accessories.

We pride ourselves on giving your motorsport requirements the highest attention possible and providing a full service to our customers from design and build projects right through to on-event support.

We have a full compliment of service equipment and a team experienced at running cars at all levels of motorsport.



Garry Grant at the end of the Westland Rally 2007

Our Support Services Include;

- Transportation to and from events
- Pre-race preparation
- Support and maintenance throughout the event.

So you want to race but don't have a car?

Alltrax NZ can now offer you a choice of 3 classic rally cars to lease.

What this means to you...

- Simply lease a car for an event, this could be;
 - Laps around Ruapuna race track
 - Seal rally
 - Gravel rally
 - Ever considered competing in a marathon rally?
- Check out
www.silverfernally.co.nz/marathon/index.php
See our Silver Fern coverage over page.

A Week In the Workshop

This week; Stitched a new roof on a rolled Honda Civic (including sourcing and collecting the parts car), cutting out rust and fabricating new panels to a Datsun 240Z. Sanding, priming and painting to a Ford Escort, fabricating a rollcage to a Mitsubishi Evo, and just a "few" more hours on the Ford Fiesta.

Quote of the week

PREPARATION; The really important bit between body work and paint which requires a lot of sanding and a very fine touch.

Should you wish to discuss any of the services mentioned above please contact Garry on 0274998968 or email us info@alltrax-nz.co.nz



Check out our website

www.alltrax-nz.co.nz

Silver Fern Rally 2008

...What it was all about...

A week long international marathon car rally event. Running a more compact route than the 2006 Silver Fern, encompassing a different area of New Zealand's scenic South Island. The event ran over eight days with around 1295 km of high speed gravel special stages.

Well, where do we begin, Garry has now competed (be it not driving) by providing and managing two crews with fully equipped service vehicles to both the 2006 Silver Fern, for Chris Barnett, and 2008, securing a contract with UK clients, Jacob Scannell (driver) and Nina Thompson (co-driver), offering a full lease package "arrive and drive" deal.

The Car - Mark II Ford Escort Sport with worked 1600 crossflow, close ratio straight cut Quaife Sierra 5 speed, English axle diff with Quaife ATB LSD, Quaife axles and semi floating hubs, group 4 Bilstein suspension and 4 wheel disc brakes.

Incident Report #48 Scannell/Thompson
"We are buzzing, it's great to be here - we had a few moments, but it was a really great rally."



Drivers and co-drivers of Silver Fern Rally 2008. Jacob Scannell and Nina Thompson in centre wearing red and white



Jacob and Nina compete in the Silver Fern Rally 2008

Testimonial - Garry and the team at Alltrax prepared a lease car and supported and serviced for us during the 8 day Silver Fern rally 2008. We can't recommend Garry highly enough, car preparation both mechanically, aesthetically and all the little details which we wouldn't necessarily have thought of ourselves. The experience was completely hassle free for us making the rally a total, fly, "arrive and drive" package. We had an "off" on day 5 (drivers fault!) Garry and the team had us back on the road within 2 hours having only missed 2 other stages, despite changing the whole axle, struts, various other parts, and straightening out the body enough for us to carry on! With 2 service vehicles, a spare engine and two of everything else mechanically we were pretty much guaranteed a rally finish. Apart from the car it's the small things that prove they went the extra mile, with convenient accommodation all pre-arranged, home cooked service break snacks/lunch and of course great company at dinner every night, it made for a 100% satisfied customer, we would have been lost trying to organise all this in a foreign country ourselves. Thanks guys for a great time and getting us to the finish in one piece!
- Jacob Scannell & Nina Thompson, Dorset, England UK.

Thanks team - Keith Grant who serviced with myself, Chris Lancaster & Dominick Unterberger for being our 2nd service crew, Emma & Barbara for cooking and organising food & drinks and for driving the mobile smoko room around the South Island. Brenda for organising accommodation, John MacDonald for putting the team up for 2 nights in Queenstown, Denise & Geoffrey for allowing us (8 in total) to crash at their place for the final night in Blenheim. Also a special thanks to Mark at The Signman for the signwriting and Kirk from Safe & Sound for installing our in car camera.

Race and Rally Support 2009

This year Alltrax NZ will be sponsoring, mentoring and servicing for Dominick Unterberger in his Ford Fiesta in the group N 2WD class. This will include transportation to and from the events, pre-race preparation, support and maintenance through-out the events.

Dominick will be competing in all 5 rounds with co-driver Warwick Martin from Auckland. Warwick has had extensive co-driving experience at all levels for many years, and Dominick competed in the 2008 Nelson Rally, winning his class in an Alltrax built RX7.

This Ford Fiesta was the first built for the Fiesta Series in NZ, driven by Mark Tapper who won the championship in 2007. The car was then leased out in 2008 and suffered major crash damage. Alltrax has totally re-built the car. Dominick and Warwick secured a podium finish at the 1st round in Hawkes Bay. The 2nd round is 16-17 May Rally Otago.



Dominick and Warwick beside the Ford Fiesta.