

Northland Mangawhai 1st June Sunday:

Prue Innes, Richard Plumpton, Dot Louie, Steve Gill & Sue Carline Wright, David & Jo-Ann Frith, Colin Craig & Stephanie Mortimore, Coral Ingley & Paul Collins, Ben & Emma McCarthy, Maurice & Gill Mccarthy, John & Christine Nuthall, Grace Chan & Kevin Louie, Dennis & Gill Marwood, Neill Miller & Murray Mccartney, Brian & Marilyn Johnson, Keith & Kath Elliot, Gay & Paul Miller

The Sunday started out with a fabulous day just a matter of spotting the Alfa's at **Smashed Pipi** which soon became a party of 30 people. It was a good opportunity to catch up with the Millers and Elliots who didn't join us at Tara Lodge, Paul & Gaye soon off to London and Paris, and the Elliots over from Matakana. Alfisti occupied in various activities Arts & Crafts, Halliday Workshop, an interesting insight into race preparation design & construction and getting to view rare engines such as the Cosworth V6, all in little old Mangawhai Heads.

Neil & Murray found some goodies at the gallery to take away - also overseas in July/August, I think they found a bit more space in the Spider to buy more local produce at Tara Lodge

Tara Lodge: Italian Flag flying so there was no problem finding this. Liz and Les Holsted our hosts, very much on task - it couldn't fail to fire which it did, the food and wine sophisticated, tea, china cups, cup cakes in Italian colours, all in the cowshed amongst the beautiful grounds of Tara Lodge.

I'm sure the support was much appreciated with local produce being sold, honey, tamarillos, chutney, oils, tamarillo vinegar, local Matakana Wine 'Merryfields' must say the Pinot Gris is very very nice as was the honey on toast the next morning, what can I say, really high quality goods

In November Liz and Les will be hosting an upmarket Fete along the lines of the Ellerslie flower show, local food and produce, music, art and so on I will post on the web site FYI it's a great run for Alfa Romeo Driving good parking provided

Really appreciated seeing you all and special thanks to Dot Louie for her assistance on the day

Prue & Richard
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