



# NORTHLAND CAR CLUB

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**NAME:** Alan Strong

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**YEAR(s) - PRESIDENT:** 1987-88, 1989-90

**VICE PRESIDENT:** 1985-86

**CLUB CAPTAIN:** 1983-85

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**YEAR(s) CLUB CHAMPION:** 1983-84, 1984-85

**YEAR LIFE MEMBER:** 1985

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**CARS USED FOR CLUB CHAMPION:** Subaru Ute –turbo 1983-84, Cooper S 1983, 84,85, MKII Escort RS2000 (HZ8) 1984-85

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**YEAR JOINED CLUB:** 1973

**YEARS IN CLUB:** still in club

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**OTHER POSITIONS HELD IN CLUB:** Clubnights, Rallies, Motorkhanas, Autocrosses, Mag Editor

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**EVENTS COMPETED IN:** Rallies, Rally Sprints, Hillclimbs, Autocrosses, Motorkhanas, Trials, Economy Runs.

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**FIRST EVENT COMPETED IN:** Doctors Hill Hillclimb, Morris Cooper S – 1973.

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**ALL VEHICLES USED TO COMPETE IN:** Morris Cooper S, Humber Sceptre, MKI Escort RS2000, Subaru 1400 DL, Vaxhall Victor SL2000, Datsun 180 B, Skoda 1100, Subaru Ute 1600 4WD, Subaru GSR Coupe, Mini 1000, Subaru Ute1800 4WD Turbo, Austin Allegro, Austin Cooper S, Subaru Leone, MKII Escort RS2000 (HZ8), Subaru Justy 1.0, Subaru Justy 1.2, Subaru RX 4WD, BMW 325i, Audi 90 Quattro, Morris Cooper, Toyota Starlet, Subaru Legacy RS, Toyota Trueno, Subaru Impreza WRX.

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**OTHER TROPHIES WON:** Economy Run (8x), Motorkhanas (8x), Club Champion (2x), Most Improved Driver, Autocross, Most Done Least Gained, Trials Navigator, Trial Timekeeper, Standard Production, 1100-1500cc Class, 1601cc + Class

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**OTHER ACHEIVEMENTS WON IN CLUB or OTHER MOTORSPORT EVENTS:** 1<sup>st</sup> Northlander, 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall 1979 NCC Rally, Instigator + co-ordinator of the Woolf Mufflers Rally Series, Organiser of Pro-drive.

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**ANYTHING OF INTEREST ABOUT THE CLUB or PEOPLE IN IT:**

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**ARE YOU STILL INVOLVED IN MOTORSPORT: (if yes, what?):** Yes, I still do Motorkhanas and help organise the Rally of the North.

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**YOUR BEST AND WORST MOMENTS IN MOTORSPORT:** The buzz after organising a successful rally 4am in the morning just wanted to party. Worst moment – Scariest Rather Than Worst, 1978 Motogard International Rally after blowing a head gasket in my Escort RS2000 in the Tokoroa Forest, we were being towed out by a 350 Chev powered J1 Bedford tow truck. A stone broke our windscreen and after finally getting the driver to stop he then hooked us up backwards and towed us out with the windscreen caving in with every bump. To make it worse this was at 10pm to 11pm on a pitch black night.

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**OCCUPATION:** Agricultural Spraying Contractor.

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**DRIVER YOU MOST ADMIRE or WOULD LIKE TO MEET:** I have met – Ari Vatanen 1977 Heataway Rally.

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**DREAM CAR:** Something sleek, does 0-200kph in 5 sec, handles and stops superbly, returns 2 litre per 100km economy and costs under \$10,000

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**HOBBIES:** Cars