

# Putaruru Cheese Factory Run

*By Warren Spooner*

Approximately 30 members, the majority from Tauranga and the rest from around the Waikato met at the Enchanted Café Tirau where we all enjoyed the hospitality. Two new members John Evans and Peter Hensman and Robyne joined us to enjoy the drivers club fellowship.



Peter tells me that he owns a red E-Type series 2 that he hopes to have back on the road in the near future. We look forward to seeing this car out on one of our runs soon. After Noel welcomed us and handed us our instructions for the route that we were to take to Putaruru via Hora Hora Road along the backside of the

lake. This was a lovely drive with plenty of long straights for the front runners to stretch the cats legs.

On arrival in Putaruru we were greeted by Sue from the Over The Moon Dairy cheese factory and given a insight on the history of the business. During her presentation of the various manufacturing processes we were able to sample 4 different specialty cheeses and at the end voted on which one we preferred. The chilli blue cheese came out on top, but it was interesting to see the variation of people's palates. After this we went downstairs to the shop and used our credit cards to purchase some of her fine products and condiments.

A short distance away was the wooden farmer café where our lunch was reserved which allowed us to round off what was to me a very enjoyable outing. From there we made our way home happily which for Nola and I was not getting our car wet.



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