

# Simmonds Tyres BRIDGESTONE FIRestone



### Autumn 2019

### Sale on Now!



## Finance Now – available now

You know those times when you need to replace tyres but it's not in the budget for that month? (Particularly when we've got our great sales on!)

Or maybe you want to put a new set of wheels and tyres on your vehicle, just to spruce it up a bit?

We can now offer finance through Finance Now for your tyre and wheel purchases.

Talk to Anita about it – all you need to do is fill in an application form and we usually get an answer within half an hour from Finance Now.



#### **Changing Road Conditions**

Kia Ora and welcome to our Autumn newsletter for 2019.

The days are now shorter and cooling down, and although we're still enjoying sunny days we all know it won't be long before we get those autumn rains. Which means that your tyres may not perform as well as they did on the long hot sunny days, so now's a good time to call in to see us and get them checked.

There's been a bit in the news recently about cars driving around with unwarrantable tyres. Read Simmo's Tyre Tips about what your obligations are and how to keep your vehicle safe for you and your whanau.

There's been a number of multiple fatality accidents recently. Make sure you're driving to the conditions; if you get tired swap drivers or have a nap, always wear your seatbelts and don't drive impaired. That way you and everyone else in your car should get home safe. Our roads are getting busier and the road conditions can be decidedly average in some places so please be careful!

Drew & Georgia are in their last year at Uni and with both of them working as well it means they won't be back to Rotorua much this year. So we did a roadie over Easter to see them both which was awesome.

Don't forget to let us know if your personal or vehicle details have changed so we can update your S.I.M.M.O. records.

Have a great day, drive safe and remember you can call in anytime to get your tyres and pressures checked.

Andrew, Anita, Georgia & Drew Simmonds, James Marsters, Bruce Henderson & Jason Walker

#### Simmo's Tyre Tips

As car owners/drivers we rely on the Warrant of Fitness (WOF) testing procedure to alert us to existing and upcoming issues with our vehicle's road worthiness. This in itself is a good robust system, but what must be kept in perspective is this WOF is only as good as the day it was done.

What I mean by that is your vehicle (when tested) complied and is safe to drive. If you were to break a headlight on your vehicle it now doesn't comply; same goes for tyres - they were legal on that day but that doesn't mean you are ok until the next WOF check (which could be 6 months to 3 years dependant on the vehicles age). It is your responsibility as owner/driver to make sure your car, bus, truck, ute, whatever you drive is kept up to the required standard.

Take a look next time you are driving at night as to how many vehicles you see with one headlight out or brake lights not working properly. The owner may not even know, so our advice would be periodically check your own vehicle that all the basics work and your tyres are good. Or call on us and we can check for you. It might save you an issue with your insurance company if you had an accident and your car was not in a warrantable condition.

Anyway drive safe and look forward to seeing you in store.. Cheers, Simmo



#### **Staff News**

James has been with us for 9 years now and is by far our longest ever serving staff member. He knows our customers and our products inside out and when Anita & Andrew have a break away he runs the place like a star. He's a real family man to his 4 kids, but he's still a bit of a kid at heart himself with his white mini truck you'll see parked out the front of the office.

He's a fantastic Service Manager and his experience, combined with his friendly personality always gets him rave reviews from our customers.



# Have you budgeted in the tyre cost on that new vehicle?

When you buy a new vehicle, what you thought was a bargain might end up costing you a whole lot more in terms of tyre costs and maintenance, especially with European cars. For example, a bargain used BMW X5 runs very large, staggered fitment tyres. And they're not tyres you can pick up for a couple of hundred bucks a pop – so do your homework first and factor in what it's going to cost you to replace those 4 tyres.

#### **Roasted Tomato Soup**

1.5kg ripe tomatoes
Half diced onion
Half diced red pepper
2 tbsp olive oil
4 large cloves garlic (whole)
1 tsp dried oregano
1 tsp dried basil
Salt & pepper

2 cups chicken stock 2 tbsp fresh basil leaves Half cup cream Grated parmesan cheese

Heat oven to 275 deg Celsius. Cut tomatoes into quarters or 8ths if they are large. Put tomatoes, garlic, onion, red pepper, dried herbs, olive oil, salt & pepper on a large roasting tray and cook for about half an hour, stirring after 15 minutes. Turn oven to grill and get some char on them for about 5 minutes. Remove from oven.

Bring the chicken stock to boil in a large pot. Remove from heat. Add the tomato mixture and fresh basil. Combine, then with a stick blender blend everything until it's smooth and creamy. Add the cream and serve with grated parmesan cheese on top.



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#### Our new black ute

We've got a new black Holden Colorado ute at work now so watch out for our updated team photo on the website (no time to get it done in time for this newsletter!). Just waiting on the signwriting but it has our trademark number plate "SIMMOS". We've just fitted a set of 20x9 Conceptor mag wheels on to Cooper Zeon LTZ 285/50R20 tyres. It looks great so keep an eye out for it around town.

#### **RED UTE FOR SALE....**



If you're interested, give us a call on 073490034 or check it out at Carson Taylor Motor Co on Fairy Springs Road (ask for Aaron Jones). It's had a spruce up and all our signage has been removed.



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