

Simmonds Tyres BRIDGESTONE FIRestone



Summer 2017/2018

Merry Christmas!

As another year comes to a close, it's nice to reflect on what we've done over the year. 20^{th} We celebrated our birthday, sent Drew off to Victoria University to study Commerce and supported Georgia in her last year studying Environmental Science at Massey. James and his family welcomed their new son, Nixon, into the family. Bruce & Jason will be taking some leave in the new year as we have Drew on board for the summer so we can all get a break. We hope you're going to have a wonderful Christmas with your friends and whanau, enjoy this wonderful and summer weather we're having right now!

Over the next few days we'll be getting pretty busy, so if you're planning on getting your tyres checked or aligned before you go away, we'd suggest you book in sooner rather than later.

Our tyre Christmas tree is in the window all lit up so if you're passing by at night check it out! We think it looks pretty good!

Merry Christmas, Meri Kirihimete, joyeux Noël, ¡Feliz Navidad, Glædelig jul, vrolijk kerstfeest, frohe Weihnachten, geseënde Kersfees,. Manuia le Kerisimasi...

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

Simmo's Tyre Tips

It's holiday time soon for a lot of us and time to get out the boat, caravan, jet ski, trailers etc. As we've mentioned before, don't leave it to the last moment to check the condition of your tyres. A lot of these types of vehicles sit around for months untouched and can deteriorate without you knowing. Also there are a multitude of random tyre sizes on trailers that we may have to order in; so check air pressures, tyre condition, tread etc.

Another thing to check is your trailer wheel bearings. Plenty of times I have seen people on the side of the road with a trailer that seems to be missing the wheel hub assembly, which is what happens when your wheel bearings collapse. They are easy to check, just jack up the wheel and give it a spin - a bad bearing shows up in most cases as a grinding feel through the body of your trailer.

Just one more tip from us this holiday season - " be patient" and drive to survive; over the last few weeks I have seen so many people in a huge hurry, running red lights, changing lanes without looking etc if we all just drive courteously we'll all get where we're going safely.

Have a great xmas and holiday (if you're getting one!)

Simmo and the team



Your tyre checks

We no longer post out reminders for your tyre checks and wheel alignments due to the prohibitive cost of postage these days. We suggest that you pop in and see us whenever you're going to be heading out of town, or every 6 months from your last wheel alignment. That way we can keep an eye on how your tyres are wearing and rotate them regularly for you. Use our newsletter as your gentle prod to call in and see us!



Time for a break...

Spare a thought for the boys going hard with the pre-Christmas rush in this hot weather we've been having – here they are having a well deserved cool down with an icecream!



Holiday Hours



Christmas Day – Closed Boxing Day – Closed Wednesday 27th-Friday 29th December – 7.30am to 5pm Saturday 30th December – 8.30am to 12 noon Monday 1 January – Closed Tuesday 2 January – Closed Wednesday 3 January – 7.30am-5pm (normal hours resume)



Bridgestone & Firestone tyres

When you're needing tyres, and want to take advantage of our current specials, just give us a call on 07 3490034 and we can let you know what's on. Our specials don't always coincide with our newsletters (or it might be that we're just not organized enough to get them out to you in time..... ©)



Leukaemia & Blood Cancer Blue valve caps

In the past we've done the pink valve caps to raise funds for the Breast Cancer Foundation. This year we're supporting Leukaemia & Blood Cancer NZ and are selling these cool blue caps. Only \$2 each and make awesome small gifts for your loved ones!



Nitrogen in your tyres

We recommend filling your tyres with nitrogen. You'll get better wear, consistent tyre pressure and even some fuel savings!

Car \$5.50 per fill 4WD \$11 per fill

Carmen's Christmas Cookies (Kokosbusserl "Coconut Kisses")

When we had Carmen from Austria living with us she used to love helping with the baking and Christmas was her favourite time of year. In Austria she would make Vanillekipfel and Kokosbusserl and she gave Anita & Georgia the recipes. Here's the one for Kokosbusserl – enjoy!



4 x egg whites 250g coconut 250g icing sugar Squeeze lemon juice

Heat oven to 170 deg Celsius. Cover 2 oven trays with baking paper.

Beat the egg whites to firm peaks. Add the icing sugar, coconut & lemon juice and mix to a thick cream.

Put teaspoonsful onto oven trays and bake for 15 minutes until light golden brown.

Remove from baking paper when cool. They are very soft so be gentle!



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