



Simmonds Tyres

BRIDGESTONE Firestone



Summer 2016

Buy 1 Bridgestone car tyre and get the 2nd for half price!
(T's & C's apply)

We have our favourite sale on until 23 December – buy 1 Bridgestone car or selected 4WD tyre and get the 2nd one half price. Call us on 3490034 with your tyre size and we can give you a quote.



Simmo's Tyre Tips

This is more of a heads up for your summer holiday travelling. If you are going away over Christmas/New Year and want to get new tyres or a wheel alignment done before that – try to book in advance. Our wheel alignment bookings in particular fill up very fast each day. If your car is running bigger inch tyres (say 19-22") and you need tyres, give yourself time to get it sorted. We hate not being able to get stock for our customers in time, and it is the more unusual sizes that can be difficult to source same day. However, if we have 24 hours' notice we can get whatever you need if we don't have it in stock.

Check out our "Tu Meke" tab on our website!

www.simmondstyres.co.nz/tu-meke

Merry Christmas!

That time of year has rolled around again - we're all frantically trying to get our Christmas shopping done, planning the food for Christmas Day and organising families as to who's going to be where for Christmas. That invariably involves some kind of travel, and being your friendly tyre reminder people here.... please please check your car before you head out of town. If you have teenagers driving as well, make sure you teach them good habits with regard to regularly checking their tyres.

Bridgestone has recently partnered with Road Safety Education Ltd aimed at teaching senior high school students how to assess road risks and be safer drivers and passengers. They learn about stopping distance through to car maintenance, and the students leave the programme with greater skills and knowledge about staying safe on our roads. If you want your school involved next year, check out www.rse.org.nz to find out more. In the meantime, get your young driver to watch our Tyre Guys episode on Youtube which will show them how to change a tyre.

On the home front, Georgia is back from Massey University for the summer, and you'll see her at Abracadabra Cafe waitressing and making coffees. She has one more year to go, and then she'll be looking for a job! Drew has finished at John Paul College and is heading off to Victoria University next year to do a Bachelor of Commerce. Drew's working here over the summer so you'll see him around (he's the tallest out of all of us - even taller than his Dad!) It will be very quiet in the Simmonds household next year with no teenagers or exchange students!

From all of us here, have a very Merry Christmas, joyeux Noël, ¡Feliz Navidad, Glædelig jul, vrolijk kerstfeest, frohe Weihnachten, geseënde Kersfees, Meri Kirihimete, Manuia le Kerisimasi

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

Simmo's Stickers

We have our own car stickers available now. They are well designed and an appropriate size. A lot of you use our forecourt after hours when you go to the movies, or one of the local cafes and we'd love it if you would put one of our stickers on your rear screen to show that you're one of our customers. Call in for yours!



Our upcycled tyre Christmas tree is getting lots of great comments and looks awesome at night all lit up!

Reader's Ride



We haven't featured a car for a while now, so thought we'd do that this time round for our Christmas edition.

Here is Aaron's 1966 Dodge Coronet 500 two door hardtop. Aaron's car was originally imported from Glenarm, Illinois in 2010 from a car sales/museum on Route 66. The Coronet is powered by a 400 cubic inch 7.2 litre big block Chrysler engine. Some engine specs include:

- Cylinder heads – Edelbrock alloy 75cc combustion chamber
- Harland sharp roller rockers
- Custom Smith Bros pushrods
- Cometic multi layer steel head gaskets
- High volume oil pump and fuel pump
- Proform race carburetor
- Hedman shorty ceramic exhaust headers
- MSD electronic ignition.
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The Coronet looks great on its black American racing alloys. A tail stripe and recently added hood scoop and front disc brakes complete the package.

If you like old cars, there are always car shows around the Bay of Plenty and even further afield. Check out Americarna in New Plymouth in February next year, or the Beach Hop at Whangamata in March.

Nitrogen Fills

Fill your tyres with nitrogen to get better fuel economy and a smoother ride. Don't have to check your tyre pressures so often either!

\$22 for a car
\$44 for a 4WD

Alison's Christmas Turkey Stuffing & Gravy

In NZ it's always a compromise between a traditional Christmas dinner and combating the heat and cooking something lighter. However, Christmas Turkey (or chicken) isn't the same in our home without a good tasty stuffing and heaps of yummy gravy. Everyone has their favourites, but these recipes are how Anita's mum (Alison) always makes stuffing & gravy and how Anita learnt to make it. (And it's even better on Boxing Day with the leftovers and bubble 'n' squeak!)

Sage & Onion stuffing

1 x large onion peeled and cut into quarters
6 large sage leaves chopped finely (or 1-2 tsp dried sage)
1 tsp salt
1 x egg
6 x slices dry bread or 1/2 packet dried breadcrumbs
ground pepper
water to bind

In a food processor, add onion and herbs and blitz into small pieces, add bread (or breadcrumbs), salt and pepper. Blitz again until everything is finely chopped. Add egg and then slowly add sufficient water while motor running until stuffing comes together. You don't want it too dry, but not too wet either.

Push stuffing into cavity of the turkey or chicken and roast. Serve with gravy. (Note if you are doing a turkey, you could double the recipe easily if everyone loves stuffing!)



We are closed Statutory
Holidays only
26 & 27 December,
2 & 3 January 2017.



Recipe cont'd....

Gravy

After the turkey has been roasted, remove from the roasting pan and leave to rest. Boil the jug with plenty of water. Put the roasting pan on your biggest element on the stovetop (complete with the drippings from the roasted bird) and heat until liquid is bubbling. Add 2 tbsp flour and stir quickly with a wooden spoon to make a roux.

(Note - if you have a lot of fat/liquid left over you might like to drain some away before adding the flour, or otherwise just add more flour to get lots and lots of gravy!)

Slowly add hot water, stirring all the time and making sure there are no lumps. If you roasted the veges with the bird, incorporate all those yummy caramelised bits of spud and kumara, pumpkin etc which will add heaps of flavour). Keep doing this until you get the consistency you want (some people like gravy thicker or thinner). Season to taste, pour into a jug and serve with the roast turkey/chicken.

Bubble 'n' Squeak

If you want to make bubble n squeak on Boxing Day, cut up all the leftover veges (spuds, kumara, pumpkin, sprouts, carrots, beans, peas etc etc etc). Cook up more spuds if needed. Heat oil in a large frypan and put all the veges mixed up together into the pan, season and cook until a brown crust forms on the underside. Flip over and cook again until you have a yummy crust. Serve with leftover meat, stuffing, pickles, chutney, fresh bread and enjoy!

