



Simmonds Tyres

BRIDGESTONE Firestone



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Merry Christmas!

2018 has flown by and here we are again reminding you to check your tyres before you head off on holiday. You don't want to be "that guy (or girl)" that heads out of town and has to replace tyres unexpectedly because of a lack of preparation. It only takes a minute to do a quick visual check on your tyres and if anything does need attention, you have time to get it done now before the madness begins!

Georgia & Drew have both finished University for the year, but this year Drew's off fencing for the summer instead of working here. Time for a change and to get some Vitamin D. Georgia is with us for a few weeks after breaking her leg waterskiing recently on Lake Tarawera. She's totally non weight bearing for a few weeks so she's had to stay with us until she can drive and do stuff for herself again. Thank goodness for Nana who's come to help out and keep her company while we crank up for the busy season

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your business over the year and wish you and your whanau a very Merry Christmas, Meri Kirihimete, joyeux Noël, ¡Feliz Navidad, Glædelig jul, vrolijk kerstfeest, frohe Weihnachten, geseënde Kersfees,. Manuia le Kerisimasi...

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

Put a cap on it!



We are doing the blue valve caps again this year to help raise funds for Leukaemia & Blood Cancer New Zealand. These caps aren't just limited to your car – throw a couple on your mountainbike, your boat trailer, caravan....

While stocks last and only \$2 each (great stocking stuffers for Christmas!)

Did you know.....

If you think you have a wheel balance problem and your steering wheel is shaking while driving, see if the shake disappears if you go faster or slower. If it's vibrating all the time chances are it's a separated tyre and it needs replacing.

A tyre that's out of balance will only vibrate at certain speeds. If you're not sure, call in and we'll check it out for you.

Staff News

James has just come back from holiday with his family in Rarotonga. We missed him so much we had to join in and posted this photo on his Facebook page...(OK so it's pretty badly cut and pasted but it was a good joke!) The Marsters whanau had a great time and it's great to have him back relaxed and ready for the busy season.



Sale on Now!



Sale ends 24 December on selected Bridgestone & Firestone tyres. But as your Christmas present from us until 22 December...



Simmo's Tyre Tips

Do you know where the spare wheel is on your car? Do you know how to get it out? Do you know where the tools are to get the spare wheel and change it on the vehicle?

We have a lot of people through the store that don't know the answers to these questions and we are not surprised as car manufacturers have found all sorts of ways to retain spare tyres in and under their vehicles. So, in short, our tip for the coming holiday season is to familiarise yourself with your vehicle's equipment so if you do get caught with a flat tyre you know where everything is to get the job done and back on the road with no stress.

(We had a lady in a few years ago most upset with us that we hadn't put her spare tyre back in her boot. Even the AA callout guy said it was missing and she had to get her car towed. When Andrew went out to her car and lifted up the polystyrene cover and showed her the spare tyre she was a tad embarrassed! Mind you, you'd expect the AA chap to know where it was....)

And don't forget to ask the other members of your family if they know the answers. If not, gather everyone around for a quick lesson. Check out Episode 1 of our Youtube "Tyre Guys" video on how to change your tyre - ideal for drivers who aren't 100% sure on what to do. (Go to Youtube and type in Simmonds Tyres and all our videos will come up.)



Fill your tyres with nitrogen (as well as the spare) to make life a whole lot easier.

\$6 car per tyre fill

\$12 4WD per tyre fill

Keto Pesto Chicken Casserole with Feta and Olives (Gluten Free)

Earlier this year Georgia was diagnosed as being coeliac so it's been a learning phase about what she can and can't eat. Anita's had to learn to either make gluten free recipes or make sure we don't cross contaminate if she's cooking something different for herself. A bonus has been that we've tried lots of different recipes and this one is very yum! Give it a go even if you don't need to do the GF thing! (This is an American recipe hence the ounces not grams in the quantities.)

Ingredients

- 25 oz. boneless chicken thighs or chicken breasts
- 1 oz. butter, for frying
- 3 oz. red pesto or green pesto
- 1¼ cups heavy whipping cream
- 3 oz. pitted olives
- 5 oz. feta cheese, diced
- 1 garlic clove, finely chopped
- salt and pepper

For serving

- 5 oz. leafy greens
- 4 tbsp olive oil
- sea salt and ground black pepper

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 400°F (200°C).
2. Cut the chicken thighs or chicken breasts into bite-sized pieces. Season with salt and pepper.
3. Add butter to a large skillet and fry the chicken pieces in batches on medium-high heat until golden brown.
4. Mix pesto and heavy cream in a bowl.
5. Place the fried chicken pieces in a baking dish together with olives, feta cheese and garlic. Add the pesto.
6. Bake in oven for 20-30 minutes, until the dish turns bubbly and light brown around the edges.

Tip!

A simple side dish of field greens or crunchy romaine complements the rich flavours. Lightly sautéed asparagus or green beans work, too. If you feel like making this dish even heartier you can pair it with cauliflower rice, roasted cauliflower or fried broccoli.

Recipe Cont'd...

Original recipe can be viewed at <https://www.dietdoctor.com/recipes/keto-pesto-chicken-casserole>



Christmas Opening Hours

Christmas Day – CLOSED

Boxing Day – CLOSED

Thursday 27 December OPEN

Friday 28th – OPEN

Saturday 29th – 8.30am-12noon

Sunday 30th – CLOSED

Monday 31st – OPEN

Tuesday 1 January – CLOSED

Wednesday 2 January –
CLOSED

Thursday 3 January – OPEN
Normal trading resumes

