



Elysian Wheels

Classic Conveyances



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**Introducing the Valhalla Hearse and the custom Harley-Davidson
1995 Road King Chopper Trike**

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Keen observers of the scene may have already been alerted to the recent re-emergence of this reverential masterpiece from the legendary workshop of New Plymouth bike designer Chris Batten, whose engineering excellence produced New Zealand's first chopper hearse for hire several years ago, but which -- after vanishing from the public eye for several years -- has only now reached its full potential with the advent of ***Elysian Wheels***, a unique funeral transport company based in Northland's Whangarei.

Batten, an award-winning chopper bike builder, devoted his skills to providing a special farewell to loved ones, be they of the biking persuasion or those just wanting something less traditional.



The **Valhalla**: a motorcycle-drawn hearse robust enough to hold a 2.1-metre long coffin for even the biggest 136-kilogram biker. Fittingly, it is named after the mythological resting place of Norse warriors who died as heroes to dwell in

eternity.

This remarkable chariot won multiple awards for engineering, as did his line of Spartan Choppers, both here as in West Australia.

The hearse's tow bar is interchangeable, so it can also be towed by one of our classic cars for the classic car enthusiast. The custom built 1995 Harley-Davidson Road King chopper trike was built by Mr. Batten and can be accompanied by one of our classic cars for immediate family.



The 1982 Z28 Chevrolet Camaro is one of our many unique vehicles and can be requested for funeral processions.



Immediate family can also request a chauffeured 1- or 2-passenger trike.



The Futura Pro Trailer: our transporter for outer-Whangarei regions.

The **Elysian Wheels** team prides itself in being able to answer the call to duty within 48 hours anywhere in the North Island and 96 hours to destinations in the South Island, arriving with this ensemble in pristine condition via our purpose-built enclosed transport trailer.

Futura Trailers Ltd: The history of Futura Trailers in trailer manufacture dates back over two generations with 50 years of leading innovation and technology. Alan Reid started building trailers at his home in Auckland. Reid Trailers was the largest trailer manufacturing company in New Zealand for a number of years.



What's included in our service

- Custom-built Harley-Davidson-drawn motorcycle hearse (the **Valhalla**) and driver. Our driver will be dressed in a white shirt, black pants, vest and black boots, striking an appearance befitting the solemnity of the occasion.
- We will travel to the location of your loved one's funeral service (funeral home, church or marae) in an appropriately sedate vintage car-towed custom enclosed trailer transports both Harley and **Valhalla**
- Upon request, we can arrange for select members of the deceased's entourage to accompany the **Valhalla** in procession in one of our Classic Cars.
- We will then transfer the loved one and lead the funeral procession with appropriate dignity, honour and respect to the place of interment
- Upon request we will convey routes that were particular favourites or pass by places of meaningful or sentimental value to the loved one.

Our Location: Whangarei



Our office is located upstairs in the Town Basin, Quayside, Whangarei.

For viewing of our fleet, the vehicles are garaged within a two-minute walking distance.

At *Elysian Wheels*, we take Health and Safety seriously. All our drivers hold full NZ licences. They are in constant communication with each other over our mobile communications system during transit to ensure your safety at all times.

We are committed to providing a professional service and to treating customers with dignity and respect regardless of age, race, religion, or club affiliation.

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