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EVENTS : This Month

A FULL EVENTS LIST IS ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER AS USUAL

Fri 19 Apr - Afternoon tea at Summerset.
Meet Clubrooms 1.45 pm

Sun 21st Apr - Motorcycles
Leave the park at 11 am for a ride to Rai Valley

Thu 25 Apr - ANZAC DAY - Join in the Wairau Valley afternoon Anzac service with your Club Cars.
Peace Memorial Hall, 17 Morse Street, 2 pm Wairau Valley.
Assemble at Clubrooms 12.30pm.

Fri 26 Apr - Train Trip Kaikoura.

A.G.M

Sun 26th May
1.30 pm at Clubrooms



CLOSE-OFF for the VINTAGE VIEWPOINT
is 7.30pm Friday
following the Wed meeting 1st Wed
each month.

Chairman's Report



Hi Team,

And here we are as I write the end of another daylight saving, so prepare yourselves for the darker colder winter ahead. Personally I think we have had a great summer although some much need rain to freshen everything up would be most welcome.

Those members who attended the Scenicland rally two weekends ago and then followed up over Easter with the Nelson rally had a great time, great roads, great company, weather and all enjoyed their travels safely.

Some time back in our newsletter there was a section that gave a small report on any new purchases, restorations, repairs, or maintenance happening, or for that matter any gossip happening in your bike and car sheds. Trevor has suggested that this section be reinstated so please give us a little input as to what's happening in your shed, we are not being nosey but these little snippets of info keep us all interested in what's going on in the lives of the other members around us.

I understand Kevin has almost got to the end of his Model A roadster rebuild, a task that became much more than he expected, however as we all know Kevin, eats, sleeps and dreams model A's, it will be a puuuurrrrrfect runner and I'm sure he loved every minute of his restore, even with all the frustrations.

So for next months newsletter please let Trevor or one of us committee members know about your project so we can report.

This evening is the annual night trial event and pot luck tea, it's a nice clear afternoon so hopefully we get a good turnout of people and vehicles and I understand a run to Picton.

The AGM is around again next month, if you would like a time on committee or would like to see changes on the committee please put these suggestions or nominations to the secretary Chris.

The current Team have managed all our club affairs well and all is in good heart, I thank all the committee members and all those outside of that group who put so much time and effort into the club to make it all happen well.

Cheers Rob.

Club Captain's Report



It has been a rather busy month.

Our lunch at Raupo was well attended and an enjoyable meal was had by all. Parking was a bit of a hassle, so I will keep that in mind for our next lunch.

We also had a good turnout of Club cars for the Hospice Car Show, another worthwhile event and brilliant day out.

Members have also been out and about attending other Club rallies both in the South and North Island.

We have been invited to visit Summerset for a look around the retirement village and afternoon tea. Please come along, it costs nothing to look, meet at our Clubrooms 1.45pm on Friday 19th April, names down please or give me a ring 021 208 9166. (This is for catering numbers.)

If you are holding any of our Club trophies your dusting days are over. Please return these back to the Clubrooms for our July 2024 Award presentations.

Thanks, Cath Millar.

Marlborough Branch Vintage Car Club Inc

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday 26th May 2024

**To be held in the Redman Room
Marlborough Branch Clubrooms
Meeting Commences at 1.30pm.**

Secretary's Scribblings



Well, last month I said I was taking the Model A to Feilding to the Manawatu 60th Anniversary Ruahine Ramble rally.

Got up there ok with only the water pump deciding to leak like a sieve halfway up the Expressway to Otaki, but just stopped every now and again to top up with water. Managed to repack the pump once at my sons place at Feilding.

It was a good run till north of Otaki on double laned roads but a bit of a nightmare after that where traffic banked up regularly behind me, but pulled over as much as I could, and once I got to Foxton, I went on some rural backroads to keep away from the traffic. No wonder people trailer their old cars to events!!

Had a great rally, with my son as navigator. Drove many roads in the morning run from the Manawatu Branch Clubrooms heading north and up the Pohangina valley to come out at Apiti, then further north to Rangiwhia, and south to Kimbolton for the lunch stop at the Domain, passing my old farm on the way. All sealed roads in the morning, all of which I had been on before, then in the afternoon there was an optional section with mainly gravel roads which I, along with most other vintages did back towards Palmerston North. Many of these roads I had not been on before. Had an evening meal and prizegiving. There was a timed section with our average speed at 29.6 mph, but didn't do any good at that, won by a driver and vehicle from Central otago, with no points lost. So, I am heading back up there at the end of April to do the 2-day Highland Fling, based in Feilding, and will take my son and his family with me. Hopefully Stewart might be able to drive some of the way, he has never driven the car, but has just had his leg out of plaster and now back to work after 3 months convalescing.

From our committee meeting on Wednesday:

From the Health and Safety report, the new ladders purchased for the rebuilt shed are being used to full effect and are much safer than the old ones.

Last month I mentioned about the junk from behind the sheds. The sleepers have been bought and taken away, but there is still piping and corrugated iron to go. If anyone wants any of these items, please contact one of the committee members, otherwise they will be dumped.

If you go into the electrical shed, you will notice the white fabric under the roof. The roof was removed, and this was put in to stop condensation,

and the roof re screwed down. This has made the inside of the shed much lighter. Thanks to Barry Hutchison for completing this project. Club Captain Cath has a number of events organised so keep an eye out for these.

We are looking at installing an underground irrigation system on Patchetts Green. As you would have seen this summer, it is difficult to keep up with the watering when it is so dry. Quotes and a design for this are being prepared. We have written to the district council for maybe some help with this.

The decision was made last month to sell any items not required for displays in the museum or around the grounds. Don Laing had advertised these items, either on Marketplace, or Trademe, and one sign was sold for more than \$2000. Well done. We have managed to sell most of the stuff out of the trailer shed including surplus chairs and all the old pumps in there.

If you place an advert in the Vintage Viewpoint, when the item is sold, please let Editor Chris know so she can remove the add from display. Also, these items should only be advertised for 3 months then if not sold resubmitted.

We have several events coming up over the next few months. The AGM will be held on Sunday 26th May in the Redman room at 1.30. If you would like to put your name forward for the Committee please let me know, or fill in a nomination. We are always on the lookout for new blood on the committee.

In July we have the Snow Run to St Arnaud, as well as our Midwinter Dinner and Prizegiving.

In August we have Daffodil Day car event for raising funds for the cancer society. This is the Vintage Car clubs National Day, and we have done very well with fundraising over the past few years.

In October, 18th to 20th we have the Biennial Rally.

That's it for this month. Autumn I sure here now, but still great weather for Heritage Motoring.

New Member.

Richard Shenfield, Dry Hills Lane, 1953 Holden 48-215 Sedan
Welcome Richard, hope to see you at our events.

Happy Heritage Motoring.

Chris Bird

Scenicland Rally 2024

Eleven of our members were on this years Rally which started with a lovely fine day in Greymouth.

With an instruction sheet and a page of questions the navigator certainly had to keep their mind on the job.

About sixty cars and three bikes travelled around the back of Greymouth to Kumara, then on through the Dillmans Power Station area and onto our lunch stop at Lake Kaniere. What a lovely spot.

After lunch we continued through the beautiful bush roads, passed the Tree tops Walk entrance (unfortunately not enough time to do this – perhaps next time !) onto Mahinapua, through Hokitika township and ending at the Westland Industrial Heritage Park beside the Airport.

As this was Westlands 150 Anniversary weekend the Park was open to the Public and operating. Whilst at the Park , three of the drivers were asked to display their vehicles around the de Havilland DH89 Dominie, which was also there for the Anniversary weekend.

The day finished with a very nice meal and prize giving.

Cath Millar





Update from Your Kitchen Custodian



Starting to notice the cooler mornings and shorter days as another month goes by. When I was working I always thought that retirement gave you lots of time to do all the things you never had time for, but that's not true as I'm sure the days/weeks have got shorter or I'm getting slower.

It has again been another quiet month in the kitchen, with some of us touring over to the coast for the Scenicland Rally in Greymouth and then to the National South Island rally in Nelson at Easter. Both rally's were very enjoyable, ninety-seven cars at the Nelson rally, from as far away as Clinton south and north of Auckland. There was five cars from Blenheim and Geoff & Mary Buick getting 2nd prize in the concourse. Congratulations to them.

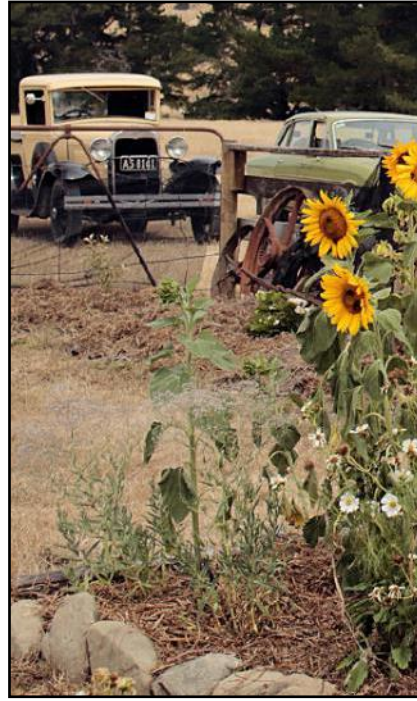
Now it's back to kitchen duties: April is relatively busy with a function on every weekend, on Saturday the 27th April we have an afternoon tea for the Rolls Royce club and they would like to see some of our members with their cars at the park, please come along and show off your vehicle.

As the train trip is on Friday 26th which is last Friday of the month we have decided to have our **next Natter & Noggin on Friday May 3rd** this will be a Pot Luck plus a movie evening. Come along and enjoy.

Cheers from the folks in the kitchen.



Waihopai Valley / Avon Valley Run March 2024





Engineering/Tooling Assets

This notice is for the attention of those members who use or have a use for various items of specialized equipment and tooling that was in the parts shed prior to the fire.

It is apparent that there are several items of equipment such as boring equipment, valve facing machines, honing equipment and various tools etc, held, that have had little if any use by Branch members and therefore taking up unnecessary space. The most used items are probably the tire machine and air compressor but there is a lot of vehicle specific tooling that needs to be identified, labelled and probably retained.

This minimal use may be due to one or more of the following factors:

- Members unaware that the equipment existed,
- Not able to use the equipment due to lack of experienced operators or training,
- Lack of servicing or maintenance (the result of #2 above),
- Access

To ensure that the retained equipment is functional it would be ideal that a branch member (s) take on the role as a custodian and ensure that the item is maintained and serviced, plus, be capable of providing training in the use. Training must be provided to ensure the equipment can be retained for future use.

*To ensure that these specific items of equipment are retained and positioned in the new shed it is asked the any member (s) who have an opinion on what equipment **should be retained** please notify Tris , Neville or Mac McKercher so that it can be positioned for use in the revised workshop.*

*Any equipment not identified will be deemed “**as not required**” and have its future decided by the appropriate club members.*

It is apparent that over the years several items of have been gifted to the parts shed resulting in the duplication and socket sets and hand tools are an example of where any excess can be disposed of.

Please forward your opinion or comments otherwise the equipment may never appear again.

The 2024 Night Trial

Mum and Dad were excited about something called “the Night Trail” we were going to go on this with the Ural and best part, they were taking me!

The day was spent making me a sleeping bag so I don't get too cold and Mum put in her Russian fur blanket - she said that's so we would be “warm as toast”.

It was explained to me that the Night Trail is a test in a vintage car to follow instructions to find places and answer questions about them when you get there. Not sure why you would need to do this, but it was fun!

We met up with the others at the park, handed over our B & E pies to the food truck lady for later and once given instructions (there were 2 different sets), we were off at 1 minute intervals.

I liked the Rarangi Beach stop - while Mum climbed the hill in her motorcycle gear (looked a bit steep and rough) I stayed and played on the beach while Dad supervised. She looked a bit puffed when she got back but we had the answer so onwards to the next stop and questions - she made Dad get off and sort those ones out.. Everyone was soooooo nice and I got lots of attention.

There were about six stops all night and Mum answered the questions on the clipboard. I didn't like the clipboard. When the wind caught it I got hit on the head.. Mum only worked this out halfway to the Ferry town.

At the end Dad was asked a number of trivia questions by Kevin and then we were all done. He's really smart my Dad - knows the Mayor by her first name (I think he couldn't remember her last one) but he wasn't letting that get in the way of a good story.

At Kevin and Helens place I guarded the Ural - and spent all the time there on-top of the cover in the cold watching for danger while everyone had dinner.

The ride home was uneventful, no clipboard, Mum put me into my sleeping bag and under the blanket and cover. I think I went to sleep. Next thing I knew we were home. Dad told Mum to put me down in the so I could go to the toilet but I didn't really need to go so I just snuggled and pretended I was still asleep.

Mum told Dad she had reminded Kevin we were not on a VCC vehicle and therefore couldn't win - not sure why???

Thank you Helen and Kevin it was a great family night out!

Jennifer Dachshund



Motorcycle Report

It's been a busy month, first up we had the combined run to the Trout with the Nelson classic club, we had a good turn out of 30 plus bikes all up, Adrian had the Guzzi single out and with the 3 from Nelson it was almost an Italian takeover, one wag was heard to say with the combination of Italian and Lucas electrics on display it would be a good idea if they all got home before it got dark that's if they could all get started. With all the tyre kicking and insults traded the Trout put on their usual good feed for everyone.

The monthly run which was on the following weekend was up to the Wairau Valley Tavern, again we got a good day, fifteen bikes took advantage of the weather, good to see Phil back in the saddle after taking sick leave for a bit and Tony flew the flag for Indian on the 1945 74 1B, Giles and Wendy rode in from Havelock on the Triumphs and are competing with Steve and Mindy for the longest distance travelled for each run to get to the lunch stop. As lunch was ending Colin and Norm stopped in on their way back from attending the Jim Toohey rally in Westport with the Canterbury motorcycle section.

The monthly Wednesday night runs have come to an end with the last one taking place earlier this month, these have been well attended and enjoyable so thanks to Ben who has gone to a lot of effort in working out routes riding them before hand and finding some where for a feed afterwards.

Glenn

Motorcycle Calendar

Sunday 21st April
Leave the park at 11 am for a ride to Rai Valley





Report on National Executive Meeting Christchurch, 16th and 17th March 2024

The meeting began with the usual passing of minutes from the last meeting, and reports, which were all taken as read with a few amendments. These included Financial; National Office Systems; North & South Island Club Captains; Beaded Wheels; Speed Steward; Archivist; Insurance; Registrar; NZ Transport Agency; LVVTA, FIVA; NZ Federation of Motoring Clubs; VCC National Day.

From these reports: **Vero Insurance**: some members are having trouble with Claims.

Staff changes have meant that the VCC do not currently have a dedicated contact person at Vero. The telephone number and email address given for Vero on the back cover of Beaded Wheels will direct enquiries to a specialist team. If emailing, put VCC Policy in the subject line.

The President is talking to a commercial Manager in Christchurch who is now looking after the VCC policy.

VIC Applications: Get your applications in well in advance of any National event, as these are taking up to 3 months to process. These are now available to do online, so hopefully this will speed up the process. The Branch signatory must sight every vehicle when they sign it off. With members VICs expiring, notice is sent out 4 months prior so please do not leave these till the last minute.

Bids for National Rallies: North Otago is holding the National Commercial rally at Labour weekend, 2024.

South Island Easter Rally in 2025 will be hosted by Canterbury Branch.

North Island Easter Rally will be in Waikato, based at Cambridge.

The 2025 National AGM will be held in Southland, August 2025.

The 2027 AGM will be in Ashburton.

We had a very interesting talk from Gareth Wishart, the GM Innovations at the HWR Group. This comprised of 48 companies, within the transport sector, as well as a large fuel and concrete businesses They have 1200 heavy trucks and 900 light vehicles.

Also, a fleet of 80 fuel tankers in Australia.

From 2020 they have been looking at Hydrogen technology to fuel their fleet. They are currently running a number of trucks as H plus Diesel hybrids and are having great success with their trials. They currently have milk tankers along with other trucks in the trial.

All it takes to produce H, is water and electricity, with emissions which turn back into water. 60kwts of power will produce 1 kg of H, which is equivalent to 3.32 litres of diesel. The weight of the tanks does not diminish the weight the trucks can carry. He said this is not suitable for cars.

Vero International Festival of Historic Motoring 2026: The survey which went out a month or so ago to all members show that 15% of members have registered an interest to attend. You can still go to the website, <https://www.historicmotoring.org.nz/> to register.

We then went into General Business, where most of the rest of the meeting was discussion on the **proposed new constitution**.

The Wellington remit was discussed which was, That the Executive agrees that before any further consideration of any new structure for the Club we discuss and agree what the objective is for any proposed change.

In other words, what is the problem we are trying to solve.

After much discussion, the remit was put and was agreed upon by 19 votes to 15.

Unfortunately, the president then went on to the next part of the discussion without trying to find out what the problem is and why do we need to change, so even though the remit was passed, no further discussion took place, and we still do not know what the problems are we are trying to solve.

Then went on with a vote on, That we need to change our Governance structure. This was passed by 28 to 8, which we were against.

Then discussed the new committee structure, which will have 12 members as outlined months ago in option 1. Being, President, elected for a 3 year term maximum of 2 terms, Secretary/Treasurer appointed, Registrar Appointed, North Island and South Island Club Captains elected for 3 years, 3 regional representatives from North Island and 3 from the South Island be elected by members in that region for a 3 year term. Beaded Wheels Chair appointed.

This was passed 28 to 7.

This was the end of Day one, and during dinner, Andy Fox gave a talk about motoring his participation in the 2013 Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost Alpine Tour, a celebration and reenactment of the 1913 Alpine Trial. Some of the original cars were on the tour.

Sunday.

Gary Jackson, the president of the Federation of Motoring Clubs gave an interesting talk about the results of the survey undertaken last year by them.

The FOMC comprises 150 like minded clubs which are members. 15500 surveys were completed. A \$55000 exercise.

The economic footprint of our hobby nationwide is \$16.5 billion.

The results are available on their website <https://fomc.nz/>
We then split into 6 groups for workshops on the proposed structure of the Club.

Area/Branch Representatives.

It was decided that one vote per branch was necessary on the new committee.

Each regional rep will have between 5 and 8 branches to represent.

Makeup of each Area

Discussion where each branch near the boundaries of the areas fitted. There were some changes to better reflect the geographic area each branch is in. For the Marlborough Branch, we are in with Nelson, West Coast, Canterbury and Banks Peninsular.

A rep needs to be found from each area, and the question was asked at the meeting by the North Island Club Captain, who here is going to put up their hands for this role? Not one person at the meeting volunteered for this role. The discussion was that these positions could be difficult to fill.

These changes will need to be voted on by ALL club members and a majority of 75% will be needed for it to change. This will be after the AGM in 2024, so going into 2025.

Further General Business,

Management Committee member, Rebecca George has produced an **Executive Delegates Booklet** as a guide to rolls and responsibility of members of the management committee.

The past President is in the process of updating the long and out of date Branch Manual. This will be known as the **Club Procedural Manual** and will be available online with a much clearer format to follow to find sections. It was felt by some delegates that the manual should not have been removed from the website while this process has been undertaken.

Alistair Day, from the South Canterbury branch brought up **The Presentation of 50 Year Awards.**

The Marlborough Branch were in agreement that why should Branches be allowed only ONE presentation event per year.

This is on the table to be discussed at the next Executive meeting in August.

Just a personal Comment.

I was disappointed at how the new President ran the meeting. It was obvious that he did not know meeting procedure, with motions not seconded, and after a motion was seconded, he was not going to allow discussion on the topic before the motion was put. A number of us had to point out to him the correct procedure. Perhaps he should be offered a meeting procedure course.

**Chris Bird,
Marlborough Branch delegate.**

Can you H E L P

From: Benjamin Foord <blfoord@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2024 4:08 PM

To: marlborough@vcc.org.nz

Subject: Morris 1300 DJ4074

Hello,

I was wondering whether you can help me with some information on a vehicle I am trying to track down.

This car was owned by my great aunty, Elaine Allan, from 1997 to 2010 when she sold it due to declining health. She lived in the suburb of Stoke here in Nelson and was a great Morris enthusiast; owning at least two Morris 1100/1300's which she enjoyed and kept in immaculate condition for several decades.

DJ4074 was the most recent Morris she owned, and one of two that I spent countless hours in as a child. I know this car still exists because it was spotted at the Blenheim Hospice fundraiser in March last year and also featured in a Facebook post by Details (professional car detailing) around the same time.

DJ4074 seems to be warranted/registered and appears to be in the Marlborough district. I made the trip over from Nelson to the fundraiser this year but DJ4074 did not attend.

I would love to get in contact with the owner of DJ4074 and if they are interested, come and see the car. It would be great after such a long time - it seems to be very well looked after. I also have a small number of documents from NZTA which pertain to the period it was owned by Elaine, so these may be of some interest for the owners own records.

I am not sure whether you have any knowledge of this car or are able to pass the message on, but any information you are willing to provide would be much appreciated.

Kind regards,

Ben Foord
027255288



MARCH 2024 Executive Meeting Summary

I wish to report that we had a very successful Executive meeting in Christchurch over the weekend of 16/17 March. The meeting was attended by 29 of our 36 branches and many observers were present.

The written reports from the various management roles were received with a few additions added along the way before we moved on to General Business.

Gareth Wishart, MD of Innovation for the HW Richardson Group gave a very interesting presentation on steps they are taking to transition their truck fleet across to a Hybrid diesel/Hydrogen fuel system. The impact on emissions for this country are significant and they are making a huge investment personally to achieve this. One truck converted removes carbon emissions equal to that which 17 electric vehicles do when replacing petrol/diesel cars. This is where the government should be placing its efforts rather than targeting just petrol personal vehicles. We can see that when it comes to fuel emissions there is more than one way to achieve the goal.

As well as locking in 25 August this year for our National Daffodil Day, Kaaren Smylie reiterated the importance of all branches having the event on the same day so that we all convey the same message throughout the country. A new national poster is also being produced. The main focus should be about creating exposure for our club. We were also brought up to date on changes to the Club Procedures Manual (CPM), previously the Branch Manual then renamed the Club Manual. Diane Quarrie gave a presentation on the new format and how it will work with an index that will allow a simple click of the mouse to take you to the relevant section required. Past President Diane has been focussed on this mammoth task over the last six months and her efforts will make life easier for those who access the CPM from time to time. Our expectation is that this will be loaded on to the website over April.

The main topic that was discussed and workshopped over the two days was changes to our constitution. Wellington Branch had requested that we take time to understand what the issues with our current constitution were and Alan Thompson, Wellington's delegate, used a power point presentation to deliver a very well put together discussion paper. Their motion to allow for more discussion around this was passed which then

opened the floor for each branch to raise concerns. A summary of the issues raised at last year's meeting was read as part of this. The end result was an overwhelming majority voting to change away from our current 46-member committee being responsible for the governance of the club.

A vote was then held to determine the makeup of a new 12-member National Committee using results of workshopped questions from the previous year. As the new structure will have six new Regional Representative positions on the committee, each representing a group of branches, we went on to determine suitable boundaries for those representatives covering the branches. Each Island was discussed individually to create boundaries that were considered best for the branches, and also taking into consideration that a new Representative needed to be able get around the branches as required.

We then broke up into groups of six to further discuss and answer questions, focussing on the finer points and what was important for each branch. These findings were recorded and will be considered in creating the new document.

We also welcomed Garry Jackson, President of The Federation of Motoring Clubs, to bring us up to date on the final wrap up on the survey completed last year. He also advised that now that the final results from the survey are in, lobbying within government circles has commenced. The total dollar spend from the recreational vehicle sector has now come up to \$16 billion annually so it is expected that FOMC should get a good hearing.

It was a busy two days, and with the dinner on Saturday night and breakfast on Sunday morning being catered at the Canterbury Branch premises, the conference type meeting over the weekend allowed for plenty of catching up between delegates and members.

George Kear

President

The Vintage Car Club of New Zealand Incorporated

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**Lapel Badges: V.C.C. General Wellington Branch
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The Vintage Car Club of NZ E: admin@vcc.org.nz
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20th Anniversary
Ford Club Marlborough
and Henry Ford birthday
Show-N-Shine meet

Save the Dates

Saturday 27 July: Shed visit and car rally

Sunday 28 July: Henry Ford Show -N - Shine birthday meet



Email:

Fordclubmarlborough@inspire.net.nz

Time: TBC

Location: TBC



Vero International Festival of

Reaching out to all VCC members.

Hello Fellow VCC Members, and welcome to the first update for the Vero International Festival of Historic Motoring 2026 Nelson Tasman. We're very excited to be in touch with you leading up to the event which will be held from March 15 to 21, 2026.

As well as giving you insight into the rally, one of the key aims of these emails is to make sure you know the answers to as many of the frequently asked questions that we are asked. So, if you have any questions please send them our way! Many of you have already asked questions so we will start dealing with some of those in this email, and the rest in subsequent emails.

First, the basics.

The Vero IFHM 2026 is being hosted by the Nelson Vintage Car Club. We have just under 300 active members and 528 vehicles and we are based in beautiful, sunny Nelson Tasman. We last hosted the International Rally in 1972 and by all accounts it was a great event. Based on the VCC member survey results, we will have a handful of attendees in 2026 who were also here in 1972. One of them, Ray Robertson, is our festival director.

Of course, we can't rest on our laurels, so after the baton was handed to us late last year from the Taranaki team, our committee began the job of designing the next event, a job that is still ongoing. The draft programme for the event has recently been presented to the VCC National Management Committee for discussion. As it stands currently, there are 6 days of rallying and/or competitive events along with 7 nights of social, dining, and entertainment events to choose from, including the Grand Finale evening at Nelson's Trafalgar Centre. We've got a wee way to go firming up some of the events so we will report on them as they are confirmed.



Historic Motoring 2026

All club eligible cars catered for.

Rally routes and competitive events are being created to cater for all club eligible vehicles. In particular, veteran cars and bikes will have routes tailored to their quirks, but all drivers should be able to enjoy what our rally planners have in mind. The competition day plans include all ages of vehicles competing together in what should be a fun event.

Accommodation.

We're talking with Nelson Tasman accommodation providers to try to secure good deals for all participants, with options from tent camping, campervanning, motels, and luxury hotel accommodation. More to come as things develop.

And finally, for now.

I'm hoping these newsletters will be semi-regular, but no more often than once a month until we get down to the final weeks before the big event. If you'd rather just get notice only when registrations open or feel you've been put on the list by mistake, please hit reply and let me know and I'll sort things out. Also, if someone you know says they thought they were on our list but didn't get this email please get them to email me at festivalcomms@vcc.org.nz and I'll get them on the list.

Best regards,

**Mike Wilson - Nelson VCC Branch Member
Communications Manager**

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EVENTS : This Month....

Fri 19 Apr - Afternoon tea at Summerset. Meet Clubrooms 1.45 pm

Sun 21 Apr - Motorcycles leave the park at 11 am for a ride to Rai Valley

Thu 25 Apr - ANZAC DAY - Join in the Wairau Valley afternoon Anzac service with your Club Cars.
Peace Memorial Hall, 17 Morse Street, 2 pm Wairau Valley. Assemble at our Clubrooms 12.30pm.

Fri 26 Apr - Train Trip Kaikoura. (fully booked).

Next Month

Fri 3rd May Noggin and Natter, Pot luck.
Followed by a film - Marlborough Migrants. Starting 5.30pm prompt at Clubrooms.

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