



From the Branch Chairman

October and the weather is still very fickle. The positive is the evenings are longer and I am told summer is just around the corner. The Spring rally in September was very well supported with a lunch stop at Woodville and a trip to the Mill's Museum in the afternoon.

We started this month with a change of format on club nights and a return to 7.30 pm start times. Malcolm and Gina's MG Midget were the main attraction, and we had a magic response despite the weather not being that helpful. Malcolm provided an energetic and humorous talk about the car and their rally experiences. We look forward to hearing about this month's trophy defence at the Targa rally in Nelson.

November's club night returns to the normal first Monday in the month (7th Nov) with a 1914 Saxon being the star attraction to start the evening off, followed by a social get together. You are most welcome to bring along your own choice of refreshment.

The New Members rally was a great success with twelve entries. Many thanks from the club to the organisers and helpers. It takes personal time and energy to put a competitive run together and we applaud you for putting your hand up.

The November club activities coincide on the same weekend. We have the Gold Medal Motorcycle run on Saturday the 26th and the Mangatainoka Vintage Car Day on the 27th. We wish the motorcyclist's all the best for a perfect day's ride in the country under Kevin Sullivan's guidance. Those not participating may wish to attend the lunch stop to catchup with the riders and their bikes. The day at Mangatainoka has had its challengers with the weather in the past. I am assured this has been rectified and so there is no excuse not to polish your car and attend. A strong attendance from club members will delight the sponsors and show our support for the event.

The silly season is not far away, so I encourage you to make sure you mark your calendar with the Mauriceville Fair on the 4 th of December and let Val Ball know if you are attending the Christmas Function on the 11 th of December.

Be careful and stay safe.

Graham Hodder

RECENT EVENTS

Spring Run

September 18 saw a convoy of around 10 cars and 17 people celebrate the arrival of spring by heading north, first to Woodville for a picnic lunch, then on to Dannevirke to check out the fabulous Mills Museum.

This featured a trio of huge and immaculate Kenworth trucks, Harley-Davidson motorcycles, ranging from veterans to a huge modern drag racer, and an assortment of other exhibits, among them a replica of a steam motorcycle.

The run was organised by Graham Hodder and took us through some attractive country. Including the return from Dannevirke we logged around 200 km.

- Kevin Ball



Phil and Sue Halligan with their pristine Model A, formerly part of the Hoffman collection in Pahiatua



Club Captain Hugh Hunter's Morris 8



A pair of beauties, Jim Laird's Packard and the Model A.



Heavy metal - three prize-winning Kenworths dominate the collection



A classic Harley attracted a lot of attention.

October Club Night

The Car is the Star

The first of our club nights featuring an interesting vehicle owned by a club member. Malcolm Fleming and Gina Jones' MG Midget, rego MGFOX, was the star on the night. Malcolm and Gina have owned the car since 2020 and you may well have seen it around on branch events, and was recent winner of the Targa VCC time trial. MGFOX is a 1971 MG Midget MkIV. Developments include the original 1275 engine

increased to 1380cc with a side draft Weber, limited slip diff and improved rear suspension setup.

Malcolm gave an informative and entertaining talk about the car and some of the events they have been in. This included an remarkable story of a rain sodden, all night drive in their MGA, from Puponga near Farewell Spit to Akaroa, as part of the Banks Peninsula VCC Monte Carlo Rally - which it seems they won and were then disqualified for non fequlation headlights.



Malcolm introduces MGFOX to club members



The car is the star!

New Members Rally

Sitting here on a wet and miserable Thursday morning, I can see how lucky we were to experience a beautiful spring day last Sunday for the New Members Rally.

12 vehicles set off from Farriers at Masterton on a 100Km navigation exercise set in expert style by Jim Barr and managed by some of the more recent members of the club. It was good to see Richard Hay and Sharon Mackenzie at a club rally for the first time, and also Bob and Lyn Cumming, recently transferred from Wellington, in their immaculate Rover P6.

All managed to reach the lunch stop at the Motor Camp in Eketahuna, a very pleasant venue in a dell by the river. Here the winners were announced. Shaun Leahy and Willie James won the regularity and tulip stage 1 in Shaun's MGC, Chris and Jane Giles the Straight line Navigation Stage 2 in the Peugeot 205 CTI, but the overall winners were Phil and Liz Brown in their Daimler DB 18.

In short, everyone had a great time. Special thanks due to Jim and Barbara for the time spent setting up the route

- Mike D'Alton



Mike D'Alton briefs drivers and navigators prior to starting



Bob Cumming's P6 Rover, ahead of Club Captain Hugh Hunter's Morris 8 followed by the only bike,

The immaculate Mk2 Jaguar of Josh and Logan Taylor

ridden by Kevin Sullivan



Jane and Chris Giles at the start



Winners, Phil and Liz Brown



Lunch at the Eketahuna campground



Upcoming Club Rallies and Events

Club Outings & Rallies.

Saturday 26th November

Gold Medal Motorcycle Trial

Our 39th Annual Gold Medal Trial this year covers all classes of machine. Entrants are free to choose which route they wish to ride but please be aware the average speed set for that route may differ from that that they usually ride. The speeds set are not negotiable.

Route instructions are basic with no fish hooks, no straight line navigation other than 'straight ahead rule applies' i.e. no crossing the centre line unless your instructions request you to do so.

The Trial will be two stages, to start and finish at the Clareville clubrooms, with the lunch break in Martinborough. Prize giving dinner will be on Saturday evening oin Masterton - details to be confirmed.

Entry forms will be available online from next week.

Any questions contact organiser, Kevin Sullivan: kevsully52@gmail.com

Sunday 27th November

Mangatainoka Vintage Car Day

This year Wairarapa Branch are privileged to have been asked to once again organise the Mangatainoka Motors Vintage and Classic Car Show at The Brewery on November 27th.

There are prizes a plenty, and it's a great opportunity to get together with the other local groups.

Please come along, we would love to make it the biggest day ever. Earlier in the year, at Japanese Day, there were 180 cars and over 500 spectators. It would be great if we could beat this, and, weather permitting, I think we can.

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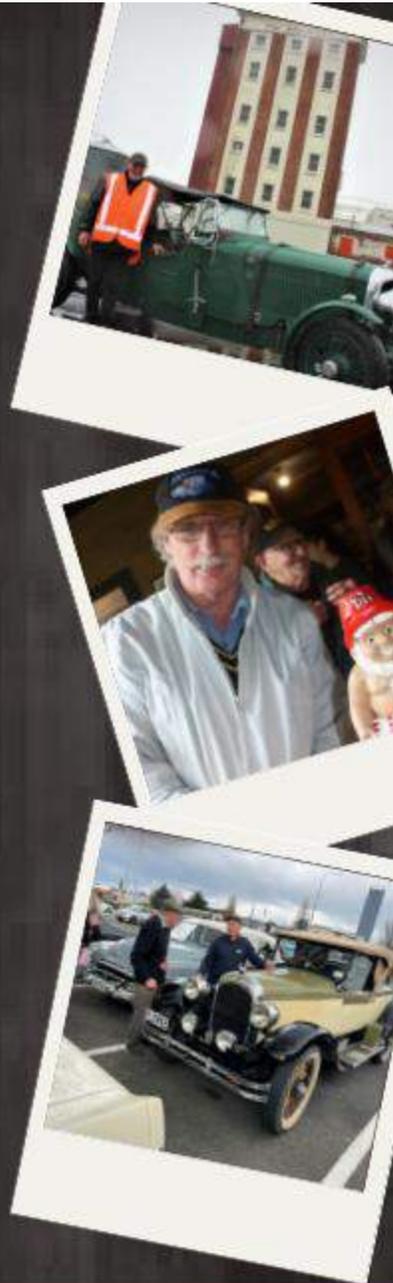
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11:30AM BREWERY EXPERIENCE TOUR

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Sunday 4th December

Groves Memorial Rally/ Mauriceville Fair

This will be a fun day with a short rally before we head out to the fair.

Prizes for the best dressed, relating to the year of your vehicle.

More details to come

Sunday 11th December

Club Christmas Lunch

12.30pm. at the Masterton Services Club.Masterton

Cost is \$40 a head but reduced to \$35 per person with a \$5 subsidy from the raffle fund
Bring a donation for the Food Bank please.

NB: Val needs numbers by 30th of November

If you are planning on coming let her know - 06 377 1236 or 027 957 7426.

Club Nights

Monday 7th November

7.30pm at the clubrooms

The Car is the Star - Graham Hodder's 1914 Saxon

Plus Noggin & Natter (BYO noggin)

Monday 5th December

7.30 at the clubrooms

The Car is the Star - Mike Blundell;s Cadillac

NZ Federation of Motoring Clubs Information

NZFOMC is an umbrella organisation representing over 120 Motoring Clubs in NZ including VCC, Motor Caravan Association and may others. It represents more than 140,411 members in individual clubs, who own more than 121,167 vehicles. Its primary role is interfacing with Regulatory Authorities and in particular, the Ministry of Transport and NZ Transport Agency.

The Federation publishes a newsletter twice a year, which can be found on their website:

www.fomc.nz/newsletters/

The most recent in September has an article about the maintaining supplies of compatible fuel for classic vehicles, and information from the AGM

The Way Things Were

Some curiosities from the archives

Whatever happened to the Ridley MKIII H₂O Bomb?

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This ad from the October 1957 issue of The Motor espouses its virtues

Although the name makes it sound somewhat dangerous, it was in fact one of a number of devices produced at the time to improve fuel economy and performance of petrol engines. The principle behind the Ridley Bomb was water injection into the combustion chamber, cooling the intake charge, which in turn improved volumetric efficiency. It also reduced the tendency to knock, which was useful back in the 50s when poor quality fuel was common.

A test conducted by Motor Sport magazine in January 1956 showed it did appear to work. although the article did not expand on the rather enigmatic statement "*interesting effects on carbon dispersion have been noted*" That remains a mystery to this day!

WATER INJECTION BOMB

In response to the requests of many readers regarding the merits of petrol economisers, a test was carried out on the water injection bomb manufactured by Messrs. Stanley Lipscombe, of Boveney, Windsor. at a cost of £5 10s. The car used for test was a 1951 Ford Pilot with 59,000 miles to its credit, the increase in economy being approximately 10 per cent, on the initial trial run without any experimental alterations to the amount of water being added. The increase in performance was not at first noticed, but after some weeks the engine seemed to run more smoothly and pick up faster. Larger increases in economy are claimed by the manufacturers when the bombs are used on new engines, and interesting effects on carbon dispersion have been noted.

Events Calendar for 2022

Your committee has prepared a calendar of all club events planned for the coming year. As things sometimes change, the most up to date version can be downloaded from the club website [here](#)

Printed copies will be available at Club nights

Welcome to New Members

Recent new members:

Vince and Barbara Borowitz

Bob and Lyn Cumming, transfer from Wellington

A big welcome to you, we look forward to you joining us in the various activities of the club. If you have not received a name badge please contact Mike D'Alton (mickyjaldalton@yahoo.co.uk) to arrange this. The cost of the badge is \$20 each.

Other Events

**Manawatu Branch Diamond Jubilee;
60th Anniversary celebrations
22nd to 24th October 2022**

Details and Entry Form on our website



Rotorua Vintage & Veteran Car Club



proudly present the

10th Anniversary Annual Rotorua Lakefront Car Show

10am - 2pm, Sunday, 30th October 2022



ALL CARS, BIKES & COMMERCIALS WELCOME!

Join us for the 10th Anniversary of this fabulous event. Numbers have increased every year with almost 500 vehicles on display in 2020 and again in 2021.

The venue is the Rotorua Village Green at the lake front, off Whakaeue Street. This is an informal car show open to any individuals or clubs to display their vehicles. Drivers and visitors will be encouraged to make a gold coin donation during the event for St Johns Ambulance.



Car clubs are welcome to display their vehicles in a group. During the day drivers and their companions can enjoy their own picnic lunch under the trees, or take advantage of local eateries, including Rotorua's "Eat Street" which is at the southern end of the show area.



Come and see Rotorua's newly developed waterfront boardwalk, as well as many other attractions. This event has been very popular with locals and holiday makers alike. Vehicles range from early vintage to almost new.

For more information email info@rvcc.org.nz or check our Facebook page for updates. See you there!



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November 11th - 13th Far North Tour

This year's annual Far North Tour is a special one as it is the 50th anniversary of the branch

with an extra day allowing us to go to Cape Reinga .There will be a special 50 Year celebratory dinner on the Saturday evening.

Entry form and details on our website

WHEELS & DEALS

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Entry Form on our Website

19th November 2022

CHB VCC Annual Veteran Rally

The Central Hawke's Bay Branch of the Vintage Car Club Annual Veteran Rally this year will be based in Dannevirke which is about 70 km south of Waipukurau and about 50 km from Palmerston North.

Entrants will gather for a BBQ at 117b Miller St from about 5:30pm on the Friday evening which is where trailers may be left.

Entry Form and details on our website

National Motorcycle Rally

3 February - 6 February 2023

Hosted by the Southland Branch

Details: <https://www.sporty.co.nz/nationalmotorcyclerrally>



Art Deco Festival Napier

16-19 February 2023

<https://artdecofestival.co.nz/>



National Veteran Rally 2023

WHEN? 23 - 25 February

WHERE? Rural Tuakau, Franklin

bordering north Waikato, 56 km south of Auckland

ENQUIRIES: Barry Birchall barrybirchall@xtra.co.nz

Nicola North (Rally Sec.) nicolahnorth@gmail.com

Tel. (09) 8188755; 0277225225 (Nicola's mobile)

Open to all veteran vehicles manufactured before 31 Dec.1918

VIC required.

Hosted by Auckland Branch



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The Wairarapa Branch Spare Parts Shed is open on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 9.30am to 12 noon, and the first Tuesday in the month from 9am to 12 noon,

Come down to the clubrooms, join Frank, Barry and Jeff for yarn and a cuppa. You might also find the bit you have been looking for.

You can also contact Frank for an appointment outside these hours: 06 379 7167

Wairarapa Branch of the Vintage Car Club of New Zealand

Clubrooms: A&P Showgrounds, Chester Road, Clareville

Postal Address: PO Box 7, Masterton 5840 Branch

Website: www.sporty.co.nz/wairarapavcc

Club Night: First Monday of the month (except January) and June (second Monday) at 7.30pm.

Spare Parts: Open each Tuesday morning following club night and the 3rd Saturday in the month 9.30am -12 noon. Committee meet: Second Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm

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