

SEPTEMBER 2024

# Wairarapa Zenith



77 cars lined up for the 2024  
Daffodil Rally for Cancer

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## Cover Photo

Daffodil Rally for Cancer

Dennis Burns



## Pizza Night at the Club rooms

We are picking up a selection of delicious Pizzas from Chapelli's Pizzeria + Fish'n' Chips

### Usual Start time and Pizza Delivery - 7:00pm

Please email Graham to confirm you can be there and if you have any special dietary requirements.

[g\\_jhodder@xtra.co.nz](mailto:g_jhodder@xtra.co.nz)

Cost \$10.00 per person

## Club night 7th October

### The Car is the Star

Francis Pointon is going to bring his 1934 Studebaker Commander along to the October Club night.



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Ok, I am the first to admit that my quizzing skills are not the greatest and though I am really good when watching “the Chase on TV, I unfortunately couldn’t bring it to the table for the Thorneycroft Challenge evening, luckily for the Mana of the WaiVCC, others were more up to the Challenge, and we prevailed on the night. A very enjoyable evening,

A week in bed with some kind of ‘Man Flu’ was then the order of the day, until finally the sun shone, and I was able to take Olive for a run and long overdue visit to The Pointon Collection, Francis showed me around and though short of time, I’ll be back for a more in-depth visit. If you haven’t been for a while to see this amazing collection The Pointon Collection has several new vehicles,

- 1915 Ford T sold new by Gordon Hughan,
- 1933 Morgan SS 3 wheeler beetle back,
- 1934 Studebaker Commander 8 Regal , believed to have been owned by the Kerridge family, of Kerridge Odeon fame
- 1926 Chrysler Imperial Phaeton, and a 1925 Chrysler B70 brougham, both very rare cars.

I was then looking forward to my first Rally in Olive, The Daffodil, Rally for Cancer, especially poignant for me as I lost my wife Diane to Cancer very early in the new Year.

My brother-in-Law Howard stepped in and travelled from Whanganui to be my Navigator.



A very enjoyable 46 mile jaunt through the Wairarapa and topped off by being able to drive through a couple of “retirement villages” and treat the residents to a cherry wave and a very feeble sounding Honk of the Horn, All great fun and by the waves and cherry smiles, the drive through was greatly appreciated.

Finishing off with a Sausage sizzle at Farriers Carpark was a suitable ending, I think we should be proud of how the day ran and the money raised for our Local branch of the Cancer Society.

I am really looking forward to Septembers Pizza evening along with by special request Fish”n”chips. So, I hope to see you there.

Dennis



We kickstarted August by hosting the annual Thorneycroft Challenge between the Vintage Car Club and the Wairarapa Vintage Machinery Club. It was an electric evening with all participants enjoying themselves, lots of banter and laughter. The questions covered a diverse range of subjects which in turn produced a variety of eclectic answers. Some teams were strong on general knowledge while others excelled on specialist subjects. The team results seesawed back and forth during the evening.

Congratulations go to Robert Jones and his team, The Critters for taking home the spoils. Graham Clark, who has been a Vintage Car Club member for forty years made and presented the Thorneycroft Trophy for competition between the two clubs.



It was very fitting that Graham's son Jim Clark from the Wairarapa Machinery Club present Robert and his team members with the trophy. Many thanks go to Pat Dutton and Tina Goodin for compiling the questions and putting a very enjoyable evening together. It was agreed that next year's quiz questions would be provided by the Wairarapa Machinery Club and the Vintage Car Club would host the event.

Over the weekend of the 9th to the 11th of August, I attended the New Zealand Vintage Car Clubs Executive Meeting and Annual A.G.M. in Tauranga. There were the normal reports presented and passed with discussion on a number of topics. The twelve-month warrant of fitness is being revisited by NZTA and it is looking positive. Robert Bain received the John L Goddard Trophy for his hard work and services co-ordinating the Annual New Year Taihape Rally over the past forty years. A very worthy and humble recipient.

At the Executive meeting there was some robust discussion again about the reason to fully update and change the club's constitution. Wellington Branch challenged the accuracy of the minutes and felt that the correct process had not been followed after their motion to understand and provide reasons for the necessity of change was passed with a majority vote.

Prior to the meeting a summary from George Kear of the perceived issues with the current structure were attached with an amended second draft of the minutes. Not all delegates had seen them. After discussion each of these issues were individually voted upon.

The issues were

- Meeting Frequency
- Hearing ( side conversations and background noise are a challenge with so many people taking part )
- Participation ( there is always a number of new delegates, the challenge is for them is to have the correct information before attending and the confidence to put forward their clubs view )
- Consistency, Management issues which are not Governance
- Members don't understand the Current Governance Structure and Membership Representation.

All agreed that all of the above issues needed to be reviewed and a more proactive process put in place to enable everyone to participate and engage fully.

George Kear presented a draft Club Constitution to the delegates. He went through the document and highlighted the areas for discussion and spoke about what changes could be made. Those parts that are mandatory by the new act were not discussed as they cannot be changed. The document is to be discussed at each branch and points of concern to be listed and sent back to George by October. I will email you all a copy of the document for you to read through. We will spend some time discussing it on our September club night.

We have added Fish'n Chips to the menu for the September club night along with the Pizza.

Make sure you have sent your order in for either pizza or fish to either Kevin Sullivan or myself. No order - nothing to eat !!! The Groves Memorial Rally is on the 15th of September. It will start in the South Wairarapa with some driving skill tests and then onto to the Featherston Heritage Museum. Followed by a run to Ocean Beach for a picnic lunch. Hopefully the weather will play its part. If not, there will be a backup plan. Come along and enjoy the sights and scenery of the spring countryside.

We start back with " The Car is the Star " again on club nights over the Summer. Francis Pointon is going to bring his 1934 Studebaker Commander along to the October Club Night on the 7th for you to view and ask questions about. Don't forget about the Rex Porter Rally being moved to the 13th of October. Simon O'Hara has entry forms available. Entries close on the 7th of October. Get your entry in early so we can confirm catering numbers. You will find one attached to the Zenith. There will not be an evening dinner and presentations this year. Instead, there will be a presentation of winners at the completion of the rally.

For more up coming events, see the Events Calendar in the Zenith.

To those of our club members who are unwell, we wish them a speedy recovery and look forward to catching up at one of the rallies in the near future. Take care and be safe.

Cheers Graham



Probably our favourite time of the year for open-top motoring is mid-winter. The F's famous furnace-like heater coupled with still, sunny post-solstice days and the MaGic roads around Taihape are a mix for some fabulous F fun. Nothing beats getting rugged up in winter woollies and touring with the top down. Following our first Mid-Winter in 2014, we fitted the MGF with a wind deflector, and a half roof cover to protect from overnight frosts and occasional rain, both accessories proving to be wise additions.

This year is the 10th anniversary of our first Mid-Winter and our first introduction to a combined Auckland-Wellington MG event. We arrived after dark that first year, almost late enough to miss dinner. We were amazed at the spectacle of the whole of the Aspen Court car park being full of MGs with the overflow at the Safari Motel across the road. We were almost overwhelmed by the MG camaraderie and friendship. That year we went across the Gentle Annie (our first time on this road) following some fabulous drivers who regaled us with tales of their car exploits. What we didn't know until this year, was that Mid-Winter was initially created to drive the Gentle Annie before it was sealed. I am reliably informed by Paul Walbran, who went back over registration lists, that the first Mid-Winter was in 2010, and the event (except for a COVID-19 disruption) has run every year since.

I convinced Mal to take the Friday off (only the second time this has happened), so we had a leisurely drive up stopping at the Heritage Gardens in Kimbolton where daffodils were just starting to bloom which is always a reassuring sight. Unfortunately, Taihape's Rustic Steakhouse is currently closed so dinner was a short walk (we had preloaded with a cocktail in our room) to Le Telephonic restaurant.

We decided to have a leisurely weekend this time and didn't take the recommended east route but rather decided to drive the River Road from Pipiriki south to Whanganui. We went north from Taihape turning off on Wairaruhe Road (at Irirangi) which was unsealed from Bells Junction (and in far better condition than the last time we travelled this road). We went north at the end of the road towards Rangatua, taking a back road from Ohakune through Raetihi and through to Pipiriki where we had morning tea at the park and then checked out the cycle routes we are interested in at the old school.

We followed the Whanganui River Road to Hiruhārama/ Jerusalem to visit the magnificently unexpected heritage listed St Joseph's Convent and Church which was built in 1892 as the base for the order of the Sister's of Compassion, which was founded that same year by Sister Mary Joseph Aubert (1835-1926) to care 'solely for the Maori and the poor'.

Mal has a reputation of thinking that the F in MGF stands for 'Four-wheel drive'. This time he backed across the driveway into a large area of mud leaving us stuck. Fortunately, another couple visiting the church helped push us out - but not before Mal splattered me with mud (he will tell anyone who listens how clever he was avoiding getting any mud on my black & white mink coat, and that it was lucky I was wearing leather pants). Luckily the people who helped us avoided the mud! Mal found a watering can and a dishwasher brush in a bathroom beside the church and managed to clean off most of the mud to make me look a little more respectable, albeit my bottom half was soaked. Thankfully we had a magnificent lunch at the cafe at Upokongaro (just out of Whanganui). The food was stunning and prompted some photos - a highly recommended experience and one we will return for.

This route is one which was built for MGs - totally MaGic - and one we will do in the reverse direction next year after Bryce and Marion's reports.

We went back via Fordell (a town which resonates for me and was a project where our clients relocated the Church from Fordell to Greytown) on a new to us route where we turned off at Kaimatira Road and onto No 3 Line. From Fordell we went via Kauangoroa and Rataiti (the turn-off between these is one we seem to constantly need to backtrack on!) to Hunterville. Some of these roads were very familiar as Targa roads - and were fabulous.

Turning left after Hunterville and travelling via Kaikarangi, Poukiore we found a lovely SH1 bypass which we had done in the other direction one other Mid-Winter.

Then it was back to Taihape in time for a short nap and to get ready for dinner at the Golf Club. As always it was wonderful to hear the tales of the day - a huge thanks to Mike and Carina for arranging - fingers crossed that the 'Rustic' reopens for next Mid-Winter.

We had an enjoyable trip back lunching at a new to us Herb Farm Cafe (and garden) just outside Ashurst.

Another fantastic weekend - and a great tonic at this time of the year. A huge thank you to the Walbrans for all their background work for this event. It is a must-do on our calendar.

M+G  
Malcolm and Gina

## Editors note

Brendon's detailed account of his trip to South Africa makes interesting reading. I will send his story in a separate email following the issue of this newsletter, in the meantime here are few interesting photos with his commentary.

Thanks Brendan.



*DKW's are notorious for upsetting elephants - and this trip was no exception. Shortly after passing this group of elephants, one little fellow tried to swat "Kermit" (the green Auto Union 1000S four door that I was driving) with a branch held in his trunk.*



*11 year old Edward Odell (all the way from NZ) rewiring the hooter (horn) on "Sharky" a 1958 Auto Union 1000 Coupe de luxe, ahead of our departure, "Sharky" being so-called on account of the colour (officially "Golden Olive"), said to be a mix of excrement and khaki! I actually quite like the colour!*



*At Milly's, a large petrol station near the hamlet of Machadodorp all the cars at the pumps wore four rings for a little while!*



*Refuelling at the thatched petrol station at Skukuza, the main camp of the Kruger National Park. During the Second Anglo-Boer War, the infamous British regiment "Steinacker's Horse" had a post here (it was then known as Sabi Bridge). The Regiment was under the command of a German by the name of Colonel Ludwig Steinacker D.S.O., a former Lieutenant in the Prussian Army, who in only a few months time rose from a Private in the scouts to a Major commanding his own unit, he was only 1.5 metres tall but sported a large moustache and an even larger sword, he saw himself as the 'Napoleon' of the lowveld, regarded by a Boer General as 'The Second Musolino' and considered by Swaziland a 'Soldier of Fortune' and even dubbed the 'Bushveld Bismark', he sported extravagant uniforms of his own design, Silver Spurs, Naval style frock coat, heavily braided epaulettes. Steinacker and his men were incredibly dangerous & ruthless, but had become one of the most complete and self-contained units in the country.*

*My Great Granduncle Ernest Tedder was a member of Steinacker's horse from 1901, which why this place has great interest to me.*

# 2024 Annual Daffodil Rally for Cancer

by Graham Hodder

The 2024 Annual Daffodil Rally for Cancer held on Sunday the 25th of August was very well supported with 77 cars registering.

Martinborough Square was alive with chatter and beaming owners discussing the virtues of owning a motor vehicle. It was fantastic to see such a variety of cars and the odd truck. There were many familiar faces to enjoy a laugh with and to put the world right.



Jim Laird welcomed everyone and gave the rally briefing, with the first vehicles on their way at 10.00 am. The first section started down Regent Street, through the new development in Martinborough and on towards Featherston. From there along No. One Line back to Greytown. A trip around the Dalefield countryside and then back down Norfolk Road and over the bridge. Up Upper Mania Road and around to Upper Plain Road.

It included a trip through the Masonic Village for the residence to see the cars and on towards Lansdowne to show the folks at Lansdowne Park the cars. From there down the hill to the Farriers Carpark for a public display and judging of the vehicles.

Gary Carffell the Masterton District Council Mayor was the guest judge.



Congratulations to the winners Michael Whitelock and his son in their 1936 Morris 8, who won the pre 1949 category. Neale Ryder and his 1954 Vauxhall Vagabond took out the post 1959 category.

Both vehicles were beautifully presented and worthy winners. Many thanks to all of the owners who took part displaying their cars. The fund raiser is for the local Cancer Society, but the event is all about the people and their cars.



The club can proudly hand over to the Wairarapa Cancer Society a donation of \$1,500 raised from the event. The Bar-b-q and raffle were again well patronised by all. A big thank you goes to Kevin Sullivan and his team of helpers manning the Bar-b-q, along with Pat Dutton for putting the beautiful raffle together. Many thanks to Jim Laird from the club who was the event co-ordinator. The role requires personal time and effort. Again, thank you Jim. Thanks also go to Amber Arkell from the Wairarapa Cancer Society and her helpers for their hard work and commitment. It was truly a joint effort by all.

It has been a very rewarding exercise and we look forward to working with you all again next year.

Graham Hodder



Editors note - I received the following email from Wairarapa Cancer Societies, Amber Arkell



Kia ora,

On behalf of the Wairarapa Cancer Society, I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Wairarapa Vintage Car Club and everyone who participated in the Daffodil Rally for Cancer on Sunday. Your enthusiasm and support made the event a resounding success.

It was truly inspiring to see such a diverse and passionate group of car enthusiasts come together for a cause that touches so many lives in our community. The funds raised from this event will remain in the Wairarapa, directly supporting our local services and helping us to continue providing vital care and assistance to those affected by cancer.

Your contribution makes a real difference, ensuring that we can be there for our whānau, friends, and neighbours when they need it most. The spirit of generosity and community displayed at the rally is a testament to the strength and unity of our region.

Once again, thank you for your support, and we look forward to seeing you at future events.

Ngā mihi nui,

Amber Arkell



## VIC Certificate Applications

(getting prepared for the Vero rally in 2026)

President George raised that National Office gets inundated with VIC applications and renewals in the month before any national event. Branch delegates were asked to report back to their branches that there is a process that needs to be gone through to get a VIC issued. It takes time for the vehicle to be inspected, data put into the system and approval obtained from the Vehicle Technical Committee.

The people who undertake this work are volunteers and don't work 24 hours a day to complete these applications. It will normally take 3 months to produce a VIC card from when the application is handed to the branch secretary until the card arrives in the recipient's letter box if all the documentation is correct.

There is no excuse for waiting to the last minutes for a VIC renewal, as National Office sends a reminder notice 3 months prior to its expiry date.

A new online renewal system is being trialled where a simple questionnaire will be attached to the reminder that is sent out. This can be completed online and if there are no changes to the vehicle (other than odometer reading) then this will speed the system up. Neil and Murray are also building an online system for all new application as well which will speed up the process.

All new applications still need the vehicle to be inspected as per the VCC's commitment to NZTA and this is something that cannot be short cut.

National Office advised that if a replacement windscreen sticker is required for any reason, simply call or email and a replacement will be sent

## FIVA newsletter extract

(European plans to restrict repairs on older vehicles)

With the internal combustion engine to be consigned to history in the not-too-distant future, recent information has emerged regarding the European Union's plan to restrict repairs on older vehicles.

The proposal, originating from the European Commission and yet to be ratified, aims to phase out older, more polluting vehicles in favour of environmentally friendly options. This prospective regulation, awaiting approval from the European Parliament and the Council, introduces the notion of a 'residual vehicle'.

Cars experiencing failures in major components such as engines, transmissions, brakes, or steering, and deemed old (potentially around 15 years), will fall under this category. Once labelled as residual, these vehicles would be barred from undergoing significant repairs and would likely be scrapped.

### The fit for 55 initiative

The EU's ambitious 'Fit for 55' program seeks to eliminate direct transport emissions by 2050, with interim goals including a 55 per cent reduction by 2030 from 1990 levels.

A significant step in this journey is the 2035 ban on new combustion engine cars, excluding vehicles operating on potential future synthetic fuels. However, the reality presents challenges, as the uptake of low or zero-emission vehicles in the EU lags behind expectations, varying significantly across member states.

The aging fleet has prompted the EU to propose measures aimed at reducing car longevity.



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# Events

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## September

- Sunday 1st Wai Ram Rodders – Show & Shine      Tauherenikau Race Course
- Monday 2nd Club Night      Pizza plus Fish and chips -evening at the clubrooms & silent Auction
- Saturday 7th Central Hawkes Bay VCC 2nd Vintage car rally
- Tuesday 10th Committee Meeting
- Sunday 15th Groves Memorial Rally
- Saturday 21st Club Parts Dept Open, 9:30am to 12:00
- Saturday 28th Vintage only rally – Manawatu Branch
- Sunday 29th Homebuilt Car Show - Brewtown

## October

- Monday 7th Club Night
- Tuesday 8th Committee Meeting
- Sunday 13th Rex Porter Rally- See attached flyer and Entry Form
- Saturday 19th Club Parts Dept Open 9:30am to 12:00
- 25th to 28th 7th National Commercial Rally - Oamaru – Hosted by Otago Branch

## November

- Saturday 2nd Classic Car Run to Brewtown in support of Starship Foundation
- Monday 4th Club Night
- Sunday 10th Wai Wheels Swap Meet Featherston Football Club Grounds
- Tuesday 12th Committee Meeting
- Saturday 16th Club Parts Dept Open 9:30am to 12:00
- Saturday 16th Gold Medal Motorcycle Trial  
Any non motorcycling members who wish to have a day out and would like to participate as marshals, timekeepers etc. please contact Kevin Sullivan at [keysully52@gmail.com](mailto:keysully52@gmail.com)
- Sunday 17th Veteran car rally, Masterton to Martinborough
- Sunday 24th Mangatainoka Vintage Car Day

## Save the Date 2026

- 15-21 March Vero International Festival of Historic Motoring 2026

# Entry Form

**CHB VCC 2nd Vintage Rally ( open to all VCC eligible vehicles )  
Saturday 7th September 2024**

Entrants name: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver/Entrant: \_\_\_\_\_

Navigator/partner/passenger: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: .....

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile .....

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry Fee: \$10.00 per car .....**

**BBQ Meal \$20.00 per person .....**

**Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**CHB VCC Inc BNZ bank account number for internet payments: 02-0780-0035502-00**

Particulars section: **Your name** Code section: **VCC membership number** Reference section: **Vintage Rally**

**Please post your Entry Form to**

Central Hawkes Bay Vintage Car Club Inc

c/o Bruce Poole

18 Wilder St Waipukurau 4200 Central Hawkes Bay

**Or email to Ken Lyons** [ken.lyons@xtra.co.nz](mailto:ken.lyons@xtra.co.nz)

Enquiries to : Bruce Poole ph 06 8589940 or email : [brucepoole1930@gmail.com](mailto:brucepoole1930@gmail.com)

**Note : Please photo copy your completed entry before posting if you require a copy**  
**Entries close Friday 30th August 2024 No late entries will be accepted**

**Trophy for Vintage section winner Other prizes 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Vintage and 1<sup>st</sup> Non Vintage**

**Assemble at Russell Park Waipukurau at 10.45 am Briefing at 11am First car away approx. 11.10am**



**MANAWATU BRANCH**  
**Vintage Only Rally 28 September 2024**

**FORMAT**

9.00 AM Meet at Clubrooms, 684 Kelvin Grove Road, Palmerston North  
for a tea/coffee before the Rally

9.30 AM Rally Briefing

10.00 AM First car away

• **Vintage classification vehicles 1919 to 1931**

- Run length: 120 Miles this includes some gravel roads
- Fuel is available
- Bring your own Picnic lunch (wet weather inside venue available) at Pahiatua Rail Society
- Rally Entry Fee includes a Plaque
- Run will conclude at the Clubrooms for Prize Giving and BBQ Dinner
- Please bring your own Drinks for the BBQ (water/tea/coffee will be available)
- Please advise any dietary requirements (GF, DF)

ENTRANT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NAVIGATOR/PASSENGER  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE ( \_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ plans to restrict repairs on  
older vehicles

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

VEHICLE MAKE/MODEL/YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

VEHICLE REGO. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**RALLY ENTRY** @ \$20.00 / Per Vehicle = \$20.00

**BBO / per Head** @ \$15.00 / No. of People \_\_\_\_\_ =

TOTAL

**PAYMENT DETAILS**

Please make payment via Internet Banking

Manawatu Branch VCC **03 0718 0027253 00** Ref: Name, Reg No. (Vintage only rally)

Please send completed Entry Form to Organisers: Derek Haycock, [derek.and.heck@inspire.net.nz](mailto:derek.and.heck@inspire.net.nz) or  
375 Albert Street, Hokowhitu, Palmerston North 4410 Cell 0274 419 153 Derek

If you haven't received an email confirmation of entry by the closing date, please contact the Organiser.

**\*\*ENTRIES CLOSE: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024\*\***



# Constructors Car Club



The Alternative  
Drive Style



Heron MJI



Almac TG



De Joux Mini



Pelland

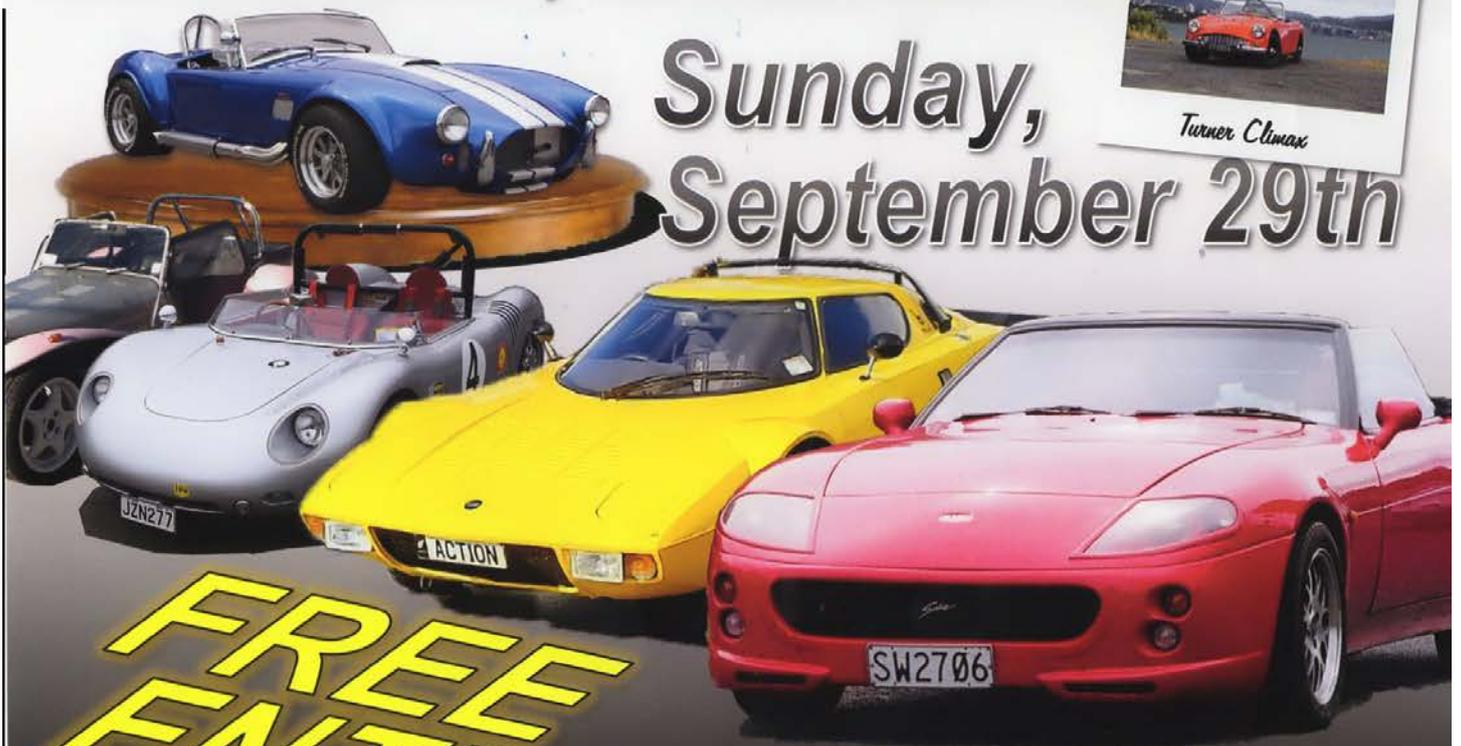


Turner Climax

# HOMEBUILT CAR SHOW

BREWTOWN, UPPER HUTT

Sunday,  
September 29th



FREE  
ENTRY

[www.constructorscarclub.org.nz](http://www.constructorscarclub.org.nz)

# REX PORTER MEMORIAL RALLY

## SUNDAY 13th OCTOBER 2024

The late Rex Porter, foundation member & past President of the Wairarapa Branch, joined the Vintage Car Club of NZ (Inc.) in 1955 as a member of the Wanganui branch, being the nearest to Wairarapa in those early days. It is to this pioneer motorist, veteran enthusiast and noted club member, we dedicate this rally to.

### THE RALLY:

The rally assembly point is the VCC club rooms at the Clareville A & P complex, Carterton.

**Be Early.** Have a cuppa and a biscuit.

Rally briefing at 9.30 a.m. Rally notes and car numbers given out. first car away at 10 a.m.

This is an all-day event with 2 competitive routes in the morning based on category chosen and 1 x competitive route in the afternoon combining all vehicles. Most aspects of rallying will be included. If there are insufficient entries in a particular class, they may be combined with another.

Lunch stop is at a community hall with toilet facilities.

### LUNCH: BYO

The 2 rally routes in the morning are:

Short: This an all sealed route of approximately 56 miles, especially for Veteran and Vintage vehicles. Vehicles from other classes may take this route but will not be eligible for major prizes.

Long: a route of approximately 77 miles. Suit average speeds between 35 - 60 miles per hour

Afternoon: Approximately 51 miles of all tar sealed roads.

Fuel available near lunch stop.

### Classes:

- |                                     |                           |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1: Veteran Car (up to 1918)         | 2: Veteran Motorbike      |
| 3: Vintage Car (1919 to 1931)       | 4: Vintage Motorbike      |
| 5: Post Vintage Car (1932 to 1945)  | 6: Post Vintage Motorbike |
| 7: Post War Car (1946 to 1960)      | 8: Post War Motorbike     |
| 9: Post 60's Car (1961 to 1980)     | 10: Post 60's Motorbike   |
| 11: Post 80's Car (1981 to Feb1994) | 12: Post 80's Motorbike   |
| 13: Commercial                      |                           |

Classes may be amalgamated if insufficient entries for any one class.

### Regulations:

There must be at least one person in a vehicle that is a financial member of the VCC of NZ (inc.).

All current traffic regulations must be strictly observed. Common courtesy applies, keep left and allow other vehicles to pass when safe.

Points are awarded for various sections of the rally. Failure to stop for checkpoints will incur penalty points.

We advise that you carry a fire extinguisher.

Absolutely no electronic navigation devices are to be used. If caught this could mean disqualification.

End of event:

Afternoon tea and prize giving at the VCC club rooms Clareville.

We are looking for sponsorship for prizes for each category, so if you can assist please contact any of the committee.

### Helpers required:

We are always on the lookout for volunteers to help out on these major rallies, so if you want to get involved, please call the organiser.

We require time Marshalls and helpers to get afternoon tea ready.

If you want to be a part of the actual rally but don't have a vehicle or are unable to drive yours, sing out to the committee members to see if something can be arranged. We want to see as many members as we can from local and neighbouring clubs to join us to celebrate in the memory of Rex Porter.

### Rex Porter 1905 - 1984:

His association with Veteran vehicles began in October 1937 when working on a 1900 Cudel-de Dion, which he later owned. He attended the Inglewood show in 1956 with the Cudel, and many subsequent rallies at Wanganui till 1960. This machine is now in the Southward Museum.

In June 1957 Rex acquired the remains of a 1907 De Dion-Bouton, and although a complete car, it required a major rebuild, which he completed in 1960. Rex went on to do many rallies in the De Dion-Bouton. Rex was an assistant editor for the "Beaded Wheels" magazine from 1959 to 1965, and National Executive member from 1961 to 1964.



# REX PORTER MEMORIAL RALLY

## SUNDAY 13th OCTOBER 2024

ENTRY FORM

DRIVER / RIDER: .....

ADDRESS: .....

NAVIGATOR: .....

PASSANGERS / PILLION: .....

CONTACT PHONE / EMAIL: .....

MAKE & YEAR of VEHICLE: .....

REG NO: ..... VCC MEMBER NO:.....

MORNING ROUTE: LONG (77 MILES) SHORT (56 Miles) *Please circle one*

CHOSEN AVERAGE SPEED: (Between 25 & 60 MPH): .....

AFTERNOON ROUTE. ALL CARS (51 miles).

ENTRY FEE: (per vehicle): .....\$ 20.00

TOTAL TO PAY: .....\$ .....

Payable to Wairarapa VCC, pay by internet banking to A/C **03-0687-0323649-01**

Use reference **REXP** and your **name**

**Cash payments will be accepted on club nights till Monday 7<sup>th</sup> of October**

**ENTRIES CLOSE 7<sup>TH</sup> October 2024. NO LATE ENTRIES**

Post entries to: Simon O'Hara - Rally Organiser. 36 Ranfurly Street, Solway, Masterton

Email entries and enquiries to: [simonsandieohara@gmail.com](mailto:simonsandieohara@gmail.com)

Organiser: Simon O'Hara (06) 3708844, or mobile: 0211412332





**The Classic Car Run to Brewtown is back for 2024 and we'd love it if you could join us!**

Once again, this run will be in support of the awesome work that Starship Foundation do providing family centred care to infants, children, young people and their whānau in hospital and in the community.

All of your registration fees, along with money raised on the day will go towards this awesome cause.

**Date: Saturday 2nd November 2024**

**Drive Start: 10am from The Square, Palmerston North**

**Event at Brewtown Upper Hutt: 12pm to 4pm**

After the run you'll be able to park up at Brewtown where the public will have the opportunity to admire your classic cars and you can enjoy the live music, local food trucks and responsible bevvvy from the Brewtown bar.

This year, we'll have a shuttle running between Brewtown and our mates down at Cars Inc. Wellington Car Museum & Café in Trentham throughout the event - a fantastic chance to check out even more classic cars with over SIXTY serious machines on show!

As usual, there will be a sweet as event tee available for pre-order. Watch this space for details in the next few weeks.

Register your car now to secure your spot for an awesome day of classic cars!

To register, click here



then follow these steps

- Click Add to Cart
- Click on the shopping cart symbol at the bottom right of your screen
- Click Checkout and then complete the final steps for payment

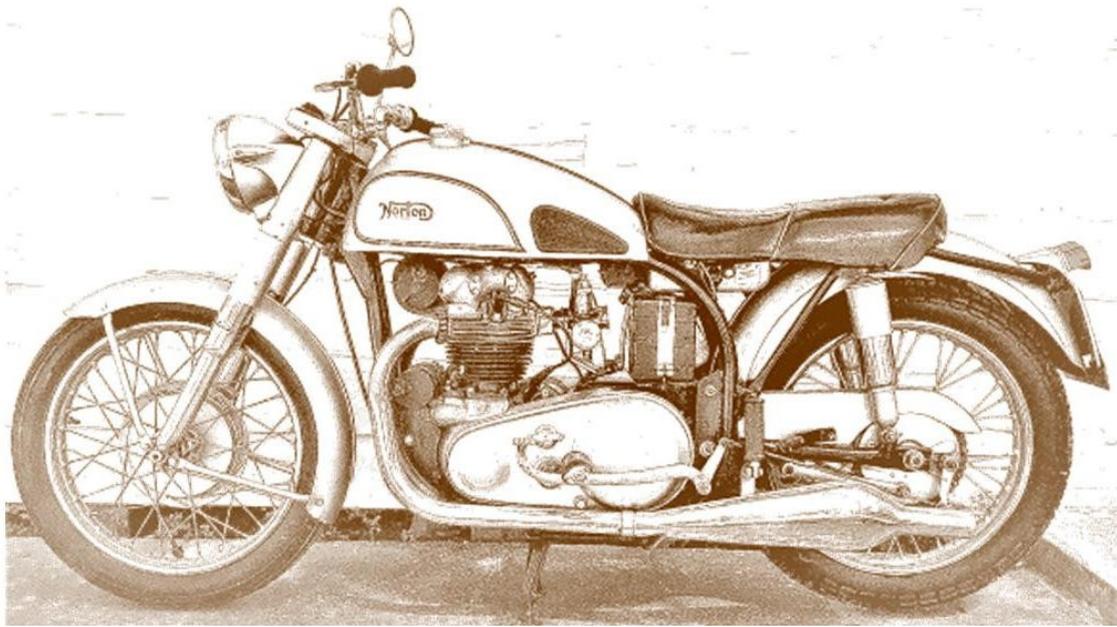


The Vintage Car Club of

New Zealand  
Wairarapa Branch

## 41<sup>st</sup> Gold Medal Trial

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2024



Welcome to this, our **41<sup>st</sup> Annual Gold Medal Trial.**

The Trial will be based at the Branch clubrooms in Chester Road Clareville.

This year the event covers all classes of machine and will be run over roads in south Wairarapa.

There are two routes for the timed morning run;

- A long route of approximately 80 miles
- A short route of approximately 60 miles

Entrants are free to choose which route and speed range they wish to ride .

Target average speeds will be set by the organisers and will be non negotiable.

The afternoon route will be a touring run of approximately 50 miles.

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.

There are no closed road sections so riders must be aware of on coming traffic at all times, especially on narrow country roads.

Allow for wandering stock and high winds and as usual ignore all farm tracks and No Exit roads.

## **PROGRAMME:**

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>

9.30am Morning tea and briefing

10.00 am First Entrant away

There will be a lunch stop at the completion of the morning run

Lunch will be available at \$15 per head.

The trial will finish at the Clubrooms where tea and coffee will be available and the prize giving will be held.

## **TRIAL RULES:**

1 . This event is open to financial members of the VCC of NZ plus kindred motorcycle clubs.

*VCC. members with non - eligible vehicles, and non club members with vehicles up to 31 December 1991 are welcome to participate as guests and compete for the Classic Class prizes.*

2. Trophies awarded to VCC members only.

3 .All classes catered for.

4. All vehicles are expected to be in a clean and tidy state of presentation

5. Entrants must abide by the traffic regulations and VCC membership rules

6. The organisers reserve the right to disqualify any entrant, whose conduct is, in their opinion, likely to bring discredit to the event, or to the club and their ruling regarding any matters in respect of the running of the event will be final.

7. All entrants must complete an entry form

**Entry Fees:** The entry fee is \$20 and can be paid together with the lunch payment by direct credit or funds transfer to;

**Account No: 03-0687-0323649-01 Code: MC Trial Ref: Registration number**

**Rally convener :** Kevin Sullivan 022 3778443

**ENTRY FORM**

**41<sup>st</sup> NZ GOLD MEDAL MOTORCYCLE TRIAL**

**SATURDAY 16 TH NOVEMBER. 2024**

**Entries close 9<sup>th</sup> November 2024—No late entries will be accepted**

**Name of entrant:** .....

**Pillion:** .....

**Phone:** .....

**Email:** .....

**VCC Membership No:** .....

**Expiry Date:** .....

**Vehicle Make, Model :** .....

**Year:** .....

**CC:** .....

**Registration No:**.....

**VIC No.** .....

**Class (tick)**

Veteran to 1919

Vintage 1919 - 31

Post Vintage 1932 - 45

Post War 46 – 1960

Post 60's 1961 - 80

Post 80's 1981 - 90

Lady Rider

Combination

Classic

*A minimum of three entries will be required to constitute a class. If insufficient entries are received for any one class, these entries will be allocated to another suitable class*

**SELECT ROUTE (Tick)**

Short route

Long route

Both routes could include stretches of gravel.

**SELECT SPEED (Tick)** 25 - 30 MPH Slow

31 - 40 MPH Fast

**For Catering Purposes Saturday Lunch (circle) YES NO; Cost is \$15.00**

**Entry Fees \$20.00**

**Please email the entry form to kevsully52@gmail.com**

**or post to;**

**Kevin Sullivan**

**90 Pembroke Street**

**Carterton 5713**

# Wairarapa Veteran Only Rally

Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> of November 2024

Join us for a jaunt from Masterton to Martinborough

For more details and entry form please email Francis Pointon.

[pointonmotors@xtra.co.nz](mailto:pointonmotors@xtra.co.nz)





# VERO INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF HISTORIC MOTORING 2026



15th – 21st March 2026

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST



Nelson, Tasman

The Vero International Festival of Historic Motoring is an event organised by the Vintage Car Club of New Zealand Incorporated.

Every 4 years we celebrate veteran, vintage, and classic vehicles and the people who love them. This is an international rally that attracts participants from all over the world and New Zealand. Previous events have had over 1000 vehicles taking part.

In 2026 this exciting event takes place in the Nelson Tasman region over the course of the week of 15th to 21st March. Put the dates in your calendar and register your interest and/or ask us questions below. You will be the first to be notified when full registrations open and receive a regular, informative, newsletter leading up to the event. It is also extremely helpful for our planning to know who is keen to join us and what vehicles you might bring.



## REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

First Name\*

Surname

Your email\*

Contact Number

What vehicles are you planning on bringing?

Message/Questions (optional)

Sign me up for the newsletter

Submit

\*Required

### Useful Links

- Vero IFHM Facebook
- Nelson Branch VCC Website
- Nelson Tasman Visitor Website
- VCC Website
- Nelson Branch VCC Instagram
- VCC Ferry Deals

# Contacts

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# Our Information



## Clubrooms:

A&P Showgrounds, Chester Road, Clareville

## Postal Address:

PO Box 7, Masterton 5840 Branch

## Website:

[www.sporty.co.nz/wairarapavcc](http://www.sporty.co.nz/wairarapavcc)

## Club Night:

First Monday of the month (except January) and June (second Monday) at 7pm.

## Committee meet:

Second Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm

## Parts Department:

A&P Showgrounds, Chester Road, Clareville

Join Frank, Graham and Jeff for yarn and a cuppa when the Parts Department is open.

In this treasure trove, you might also happen to find any bits and pieces you've been looking for.

Located at the clubrooms, the Parts Department is open:

- Each Tuesday morning following clubnight.
- The 3rd Saturday of the month from 9:30am - 12noon.

You can also contact Frank for an appointment outside standard opening hours by phoning (06) 379 7167

# More photos for the Daffodil Rally for cancer

Rolls Royce cars of Bob & Lyn Cummings and Rae & John Kennedy



The all important briefing



Cheers to the volunteers



# Parting words



This truly is parting words this month, as I am off for a long overdue holiday, unfortunately that does mean that my tenure as editor will be interrupted as I am travelling light and not taking a computer with me.

The committee have plans in place for October and November and I will be back and refreshed, rearing to go Mid-November.

Many thanks, Dennis

## FOR SALE!

### 1952 Austin A40 Tourer

Rego on hold. It has been in storage for last 20+ years.

It was used for the Branch 50th Birthday.

She is in good condition & just needs a new owner to love her & rally her again. So, it is time for me to let her go.

Lots of spares. Registered with NZVCC of Inc.

This model has side curtains not wind up windows, Column change,

For further details contact.

Frances Elwin 063770855 or 0273070855. or royel@xtra.co.nz.



# Wairarapa Zenith

SEPTEMBER 2024



**“Strive for perfection in everything you do.  
Take the best that exists and make it better”  
SIR HENRY ROYCE**