

The Crank Case

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**Newsletter of the Nelson Branch
of The Vintage Car Club of NZ (Inc)**

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Hi Everyone

We had a great turn out for the Club run organized by Jenny Conlon—it is always pleasing when somebody goes to the effort to arrange things on our behalf and we show our appreciation by attending.



Jenny's plans while coming a little unstuck in the middle worked out just fine in the end.

The formula of visiting other members sheds always seems to appeal - perhaps we should be doing this more often.

Many thanks to all who turned out to help on Saturdays working bee to start getting signage prepared and some out on site for our Swap meet 11th March 2023

Get a long to the Santa Parades—and don't forget to let me know if you are coming to the Manuka Street Hospital visit on the 23rd December. Details in this Crankcase for all events

Regards Ray

Front Cover: The Ford V8 Fire Engine in its early stages of Restoration at Lloyd and Gwen Ewings which we had the opportunity to have a preview on a Club run to Mapua.

CLUB MANAGEMENT and APPOINTMENTS

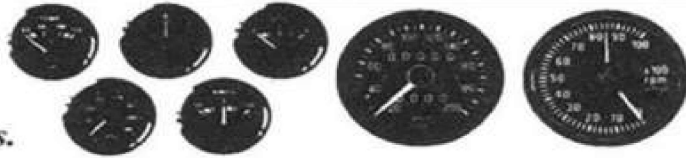
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Nelson VCC Calendar Of Events

Please note these events may be subject to change and some-times it is not always possible to advise in advance

1 Dec	9-4pm	Ladies Craft Day	Kyra Wareing
4 Dec	1-3pm	NBS Nelson Santa Parade refer page 15	Mike Bryan
6 Dec	7.00pm	Committee Meeting	Roy West
7 Dec	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
8 Dec	7.00pm	DVD on National VCC Rally	
11 Dec	1-3pm	Pak N Save Richmond Santa Parade followed by Social Get to gether at Clubrooms from 4pm page 11	Rob Thompson
21 Dec	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
23 Dec	6.00pm	Manuka Street Hospital Tour page 42 & 43	Ray Robertson
4th Jan	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
18th Jan	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
21Jan 2023		Club Run to Golden Bay A & P show	Mike Bryan
1 Feb	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
2 Feb	9-4pm	Ladies Craft Day	Kyra Wareing
7 Feb	7.00pm	Committee Meeting	Roy West
9 Feb		Club Night—Roger & Dave Humphries Toy Shop Visit	Rob Thompson
11 or 12 Feb		Club Run Proposed to Top House for Devonshire Teas	Rob Thompson
15 Feb	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
18 Feb		Murchison A & P page 13	Mike bryan
24-25 Feb		Moutere Hop	Mike Bryan
26-2 March		National Riley Rally based at VCC Clubrooms	Paul Lewis
1 Mar	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
7 Mar	7.00pm	Committee Meeting	Roy West

Chatter from the Chair,

Hi Everyone,

..... It's almost here..! The time we relax, eat, drink and be merry with our friends, family and whanau! Then it's the New Year and all the many things that your great Club has planned for 2023! As this is the last CRANK CASE for 2022, first may I wish everyone a safe, happy, healthy and relaxing festive season..... and secondly apologize for one or two changes of dates in the lead up to the end of year, which have confused a few!



To reconfirm what is happening in December for our end of year activities. The following are confirmed! We are participating in BOTH the NELSON and RICHMOND SANTA PARADES!

SUNDAY 4th DEC. 1 pm to 3pm. NELSON SANTA PARADE. I am awaiting the parade details, which they have promised after a meeting on Mon 28th... hopefully in time to add to this issue before publication. My plan is to have a couple of vehicles from each of our classes... and to have a walker to walk beside each pair of vehicles bearing a sign I have made giving the class details. At the moment I have the following offers VETERAN none, VINTAGE Darcy 29 Buick, PV none, Post War, Chris Caleche, Allan Brown, A40 sports, Post 60 Chris, Capri.... others who have offered and who will be slotted in depending on vehicle... Gordon D, Jim, Leigh and possibly I will bring the 65 Fiat with the 63 Classic Caravan. **IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE PART..** Please contact me on 027 753 2038, urgently.... always room for one more!...maybe!

[Please NOTE.... There is NO picnic in the Park at Broadgreen after the parade now.]

Thurs 8th DEC, Is Club night with a great night planned viewing the movie made a few years back when a parade of historic trucks travelled from North Cape to the Bluff. I viewed this recently at an open day at Higgins Park and Les has kindly organized this for us. It is quite a long viewing so we shall meet at **7pm!** Everyone please bring a light snack to share for supper. Bring your friends, too!

SUNDAY 11th. Dec. 1pm to 3pm. RICHMOND SANTA PARADE. Assembly from 12 NOON on Edwards St. Parade will travel down

QUEEN St turn right into McIndoe Place and finish in the car park behind the Library. Again it would be nice to display our vehicles in classes as for the Nelson parade and it is great that some of those taking part in Nelson will also represent us in Richmond.

Thnx to Darcy, Allan Brown, likely Jim and Leigh, hopefully myself and we will be joined by Paul and Diane as well as Malcolm.... always room for one more, so please give me a ring and I'll pop your name on the list!

FOLLOWING THE RICHMOND PARADE, will be our END OF YEAR gathering at the CLUBROOMS from 4pm.... thnx to Jenny and Rob for sorting this for us....

They ask that we bring along foood to share, please! BYO Drinks of your choice.

A huge thnx to Jim W, who has refurbished our old BBQ for us.... this now has new wheels, new hoses, new bottles... and a sparkling hot-plate.... so if you wish to break it in, please bring along some BBQ food..... if you wish!

Please check my info with Rob and Jenny's notice of events elsewhere, as I sometimes confuse things a bit!

I have / will contact everyone who put them names on the list at BM to participate in the parades, if you have not been contacted please contact me, MIKE 027 753 2038.

And now to other *Chatterings*.....

Sorry to hear of the Marlborough Branches disastrous fire in their parts shed recently. Sadly, the loss of many good parts and the loss of all the time put in sorting and labelling things.

Our neighbours will be hosting the 2024 National Vintage only Rally and the 2025 Veteran Rally so with our hosting of the SI Easter Rally as part of our 60th Anniversary in 2024, the next couple of years will have plenty of Vintage and Veteran Motoring for you in the TOPS!

Jim and Kyra's kind offer to be our **Clubroom's custodians**, keeping an eye on how we look after everything, has been accepted by your Committee. A list of reminders for Clubroom users is being drawn up. Generally, hall users have left everything better than it was... but there have been a couple of messy incidents recently... dirty plates put away, toilets not wiped, rubbish not removed.. please do your bit and don't raise the ire of our Custodians! Thnx!

Your priority for this year's improvements around the Clubrooms was to upgrade the enclosed area to make it more sheltered from the sun and wind. Plans are advancing to extend our existing veranda roofline out to the fence supported by RSJs and poles. This will provide an indoor/outdoor, almost all weathered area, and with the existing gate sheathed in tin a break from that cool wind that comes through too. The surrounds can then be planted and the whole area enhanced! Your second priority was to upgrade and make our entrance way more useful and attractive.... thoughts are being compiled to be considered in 2023.... your ideas to me or Ray would be appreciated!

New Rallies and events in our Area, often bring new members, such as those who have joined us recently to take part in the TARGA TOUR and other sporting events. This is great as often these new members are younger, with different interests, and bring new enthusiasm to the Branch. Our numbers have increased BUT are often balanced by those we lose.... a few of our older members have died recently... but others just fade away, then resign, and we are not always sure why this is!

Often interests change, cars are sold and partners die.... but if you hear of a member who is fading in their interest, are dissatisfied with something... are not happy, need help with something, particularly if it's vehicle related... visit them...have a chat with them, invite them along.... if necessary give one of the Committee a call and we can follow up with them..... if that is best!

When I was Secretary I would sometimes ring resigning members, and in most cases folk were leaving because their circumstances had changed. That information was valuable to us, too!

Paul Lewis has volunteered to mentor and welcome new members, giving them a ring, finding out their interests and inviting them along.... this is great, and something I have mentioned several times over the years.... thnx Paul, I have heard positive feed back already! Brings up the hardy annual.... **name badge wearing**... please help our new members to get to know you, by wearing your badge to Morning Teas, Rallies and functions. If you don't have a badge.... these are still \$15, from Pat Kennedy.... just give him a ring 027 640 0224, and pop the money into our Branch account, NBS 03 1354 0058853 00, clearly labelled with your name, badge. Thnx. New members are also asked to purchase a badge, too, and can do so as above. Please tell them this.

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Saturday 26th November was a busy day, and thnx to Malcolm for handling this for us. With our Branch fundraiser, **our annual Swap Meet and Bazaar, early in 2023, on Saturday March 11th**, it was important that our roadside signs were updated and out early to their sites around the province in order that we hit the maximum number of people. An advertisement has already been placed in the next two issues of Beaded Wheels, pasted to Facebook and is planned for the popular Petrolhead magazine.... please do your bit, advise other Clubs and spread the word! Your help will be required on the day.... please contact one of the Swap Meet committee to ensure your offer is not missed!

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Meet at Edward Street at 12.00 noon
Parade runs from 1.00pm to 3.00pm

PLEASE NOTE: The parade will run with floats gathering in Edward Street and making their way down Queen Street, turning right into McIndoe Place and then into the Pietre-Harkness Carpark.

Mike Bryan has entered the VCC as a group

Following the Parade there will be a
Social Gathering at the Clubrooms at
4.00pm

Friends and Family Welcome

Bring a Plate of Festive Food to share

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procedures is taking place to speed up efficiency and service. A big increase in new members, VIC requirements and an increased number of members applying for Long Service Awards has placed a lot of pressure on the office staff. Long service awards are not always the priority in the work load!

* The Branch Manuals that your Secretary regularly receives updates for, has become outdated and a major overhaul of this is planned.

- If an activity is being held that involves Non members it is recommended that they complete an entry form.

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* Branches now have a Branch portal that Secretary's can access to gain updated information on members and their vehicles.

- A private Facebook site is proving popular as it can be accessed by both members and the public. It can be considered for promoting events.... I see Jo has popped our Swap meet poster up there..... thnx Jo!

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* National office has provided us with new promotional brochures, pull up blinds and soon to come, new tear drop promotional signs.... if you are attending an event with other members, such as our local A and P Shows, please grab these to promote our Branch. [The brochures, along with our Car Window stickers are in the cupboard below the trophy cabinet in the Clubrooms.]

Which reminds me please don't forget our **GOLDEN BAY A and P SHOW on Sat 21st January...10am..** Several are planning 3 nights in the Bay, Fri to Monday, staying at the RIVER INN.... please contact Paula on 027 435 0575, to book your room.

Also the **MURCHISON A and P SHOW. Sat 18th Feb, by 10am.**

Recommend Penmans Motels,

03 523 9278. who you wish to stay over and make a weekend of it.

All that remains is to wish everyone a Happy and Safe Festive season, I look forward to seeing you all at our end of year at the Clubrooms on the 11th Dec and welcoming you, and your families, safely back to our busy year of events in 2023.

**Best Wishes,
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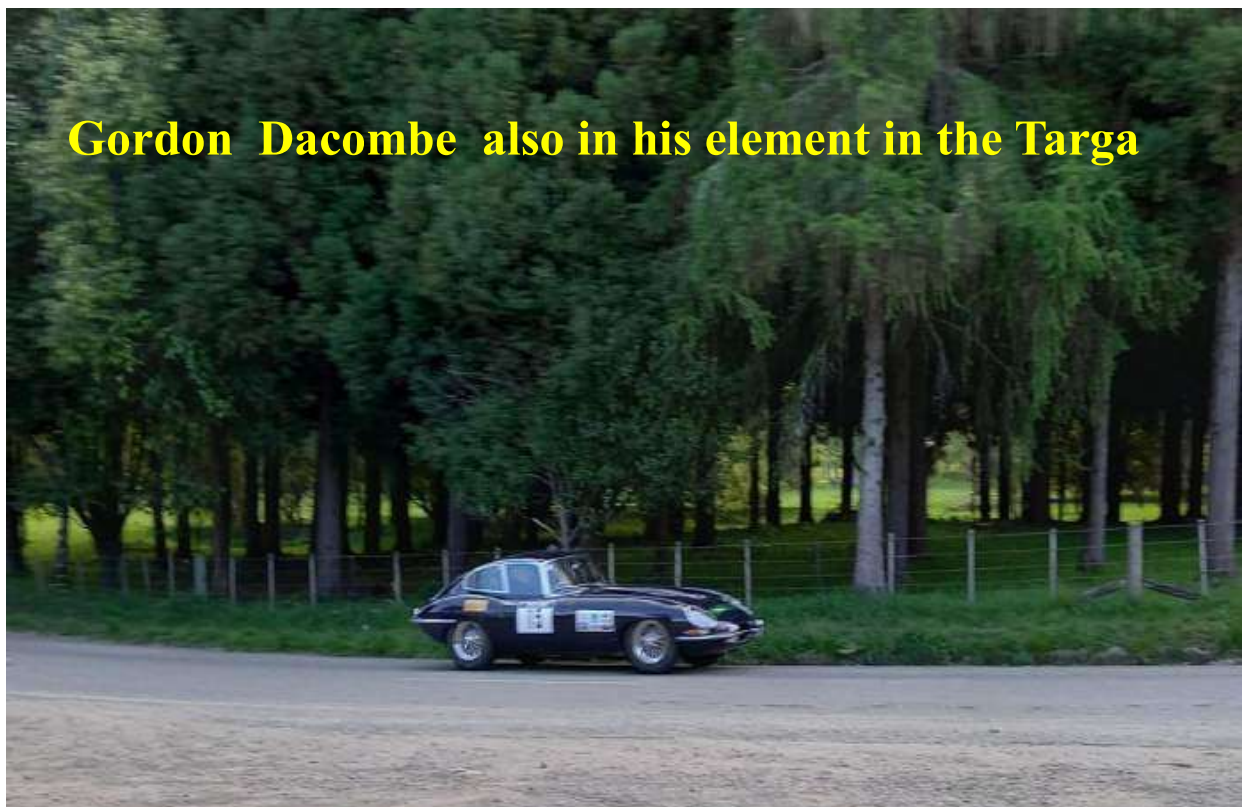
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Mike Bryan has entered the branch as a group with the aim of having representation of several decades of cars in the parade

Pics Courtesy of Murray & Sandy Dixon



Don Ammon in his element at the Revival at Rua-



Gordon Dacombe also in his element in the Targa

Working Bee

at the Clubrooms

9.30am Saturday 26th November

**We will be changing dates etc
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Club Captains Report

2 Nov Wed morning tea

Thank you to Gary and Geoff for morning tea kitchen duties. An inside gathering with many staying on for a go old chin wage outside.



5 Nov Speedway Parking

Mike received an SOS from Alastair our man from the Speedway asking for help with parking for the racing/fireworks event. Many thanks to Jim, Kyra, Malcolm, Ray, Debbie and Karen. What a successful night crowd wise for the speedway by the numbers of cars coming in, the entire speedway grounds were full plus 2 paddocks at Toddies farm, I felt there was no one left in Nelson.

10 Nov Club night Pro Kart Racing

Many thanks to those who came and took part in this event; we had to postpone two years running because of Covid. Full on racing took place with no team wanting to come second. 80 laps went by pretty quickly a great evening. Dale S had invited his grandsons Jackson and Vinnie who took first place. Gordon and Jarrod second. Third was a team of three because we had an uneven number of drivers Dale, son Sam and cousin Seamus. I think its fair to say all those over 50 came away feeling we had had a pretty good work out.

12 Nov Sat Club Run to Mapua BYO picnic

20 cars took part on what started out as a pretty wet morning. We could not visit the Mapua Firehouse as Jenny had planned because of Covid so Jenny and Lloyd came up quickly with plan B that ended up checking out Lloyd and Gwenn's shed. That also became our lunch stop. The rest of the run went as Jenny had planned being the gallery and maritime museum plus an ice cream. A great friendly bunch of happy members enjoyed the day, many many thanks to Lloyd and Gwen, Jenny and Dale for organising this event.

16 Nov Morning tea

I trust this went well, Thank to Roy and Jock for tea and coffee making duties. I hear we had a good turn out, many members arriving in VCC cars with some interesting visitors. Sorry I could not make it as we are trying to catch up on long overdue painting work at home.

Extra Bits

Please everyone help Ray by getting all info to him for the Crank Case by the 20th of each month. Other wise the job just gets harder and harder as it has a tumble down effect on all sorts of things that you don't read about, which puts more pressure on Ray to get CC out.

Please help with organising an event being club night, club run, garage raid, camp weekend any idea is good giving plenty variation. Give us a ring with your idea which we can advertise ASAP in the CC.

All the best Rob

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Jenny's Club Run to Mapua









Theres a saying that once you have plan A , plan for plan C coz Murphy will surely mess with A & B.

The Jenny's best plans of visiting the Station In Mapua were thrown to the wind with the owners down with Covid but a quik we bit of re thinking and a phone call soon hatched a new plan.

The new plan proved to be most enjoyable—a short drive to the Ewing Ranch in Pomona Road to view the work being done on the Motueka Fire Engine which is likely to feature at at some local VCC Events.

Lloyd with the help of Malcolm Baker and Mike Russ have been beavering away on the old Ford, and are making some good progress

I could see some envious looks as some of the guys took in the size of Lloyd and Gwens sheds, a perfect home for their fleet of Buicks—albeit sheltering the odd Morris and a very interesting Mitsubishi Colt of sixties vintage.

Lunch was had in very convial surroundings and company



And for many of us the simple act of mooching around in some one else's shed is very therapeutic .

Thanks Jenny , Lloyd and Gwen

Ed.















Pomoana Fire Chief Ewing fires up No.1







Wanted

Hello I'm wondering if you can help me I have a fiat bambina and I'm looking for a gearbox would there be anyone in your club that would be able to help it would be fantastic if so .

Contact— Logan Morris

0211466049 or morrislogan587@gmail.com

Membership

A very warm welcome to

Tony Coakley of Motueka who has a 1976 Fiat X1/9 Sports in drivable condition.

Tony is also President of the Nelson Car Club

A Thank you from Rod Corbett



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Thanks very much for the several mentions and photos of the VCC Targa time trial in Crankcase—very much appreciated



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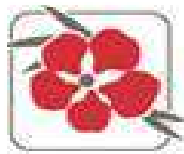
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Manuka Street Hospital



We have hosted two VCC group visits to Manuka Street Hospital, 2017 and 2019. Both of these visits had 40 and 50 people attend.

From 2019 until Feb 2022 Naylor Love had been carrying out Stage two redevelopment of our clinical areas including Central Admissions, Daystay Recovery, PACU, New theatre 4 and Scope room

We have built an independent Energy Centre complete with new boilers and generators, replaced almost all of our infrastructure including HVAC, Electrical and Medical gas systems.

All of this controlled by a computerised Building Management system called BMS.

Many of you have had operations at Manuka Street and had expressed an interest in seeing the inner workings of the hospital should the opportunity arise.

I have been offered one last opportunity to show the hospital off before I retire at the end of January 2023.

The hospital closes for Xmas Shutdown on 23rd December 2022 with Maintenance Contractors commencing their respective contracts on 24th December through to 16th January 2023 when the hospital becomes fully operational again.

Therefore I am able to run one last tour through the hospital while there are no Patients or Staff in the building.

This will not be offered again

**Meet at Front Entry Portico
(as in Picture at right)
36 Manuka Street**



**6.00pm on Friday
23rd December
2022**

**Tour will take a
couple of hours
followed by a
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A Thank you from Rod Corbett

Thanks very much for the several mentions and photos of the VCC Targa time trial in Crankcase—very much appreciated

We also very much appreciated the assistance of Nelson VCC members who volunteered to assist.

They certainly made a significant contribution to the success of the event

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LADIES CRAFT GROUP *Sew, Paint, Knit, Everything*

Calling all VCC ladies Wives, Partners, etc. to come and enjoy the company of other members at our Craft group.
Held on the first Thursday of every month at the clubrooms.

Next meeting **1st December 2022 9am to 4pm.**
Just come for a chat and or share your hobbies with others.
Come for the day or an hour or two. Tea and coffee on the house. If staying for the day bring your lunch.



Need to be pickup, this can be arranged.

Please note as there is no Crankcase in January 2023, **the first meeting for the Ladies Craft Group in the New Year is 2nd Feb 2023 9—4pm**

For more info contact *Kyra* 544 9998.

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