

# 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

Many thanks to all of you turned up at the Daffodill Day Rally planning meeting, the set up day and of course the Rally Day



What a fabulous turn out—your efforts were really appreciated not only by the Cancer Society but also by the 227 carloads who entered the rally and also by approx. 50 who brought their cars in to simply display them. Of course there was also a very happy and relieved Club Capt'n

There were many positive comments by entrants but the common thread was that any car of any type and brand is welcome and that is what has made our event unique in Nelson

To boot we are able to hand over \$7297.72 to the Cancer Society—Thanks much to everyone

Now that I have blown a lot of hot air at you, I want you to check out page 46 and see if you can help us keep the ball rolling.

Front Cover:

Great to see Lloyd & Gwen Ewing turning out in their Buick, appropriately aided by son Paul and his wife Jill. When I asked Paul if he was allowed to drive the Buick how he wished—he commented that he wasn't allowed to slide it

## CLUB MANAGEMENT and APPOINTMENTS

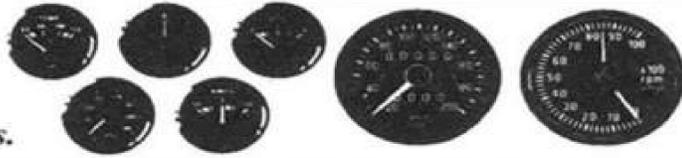
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## Nelson VCC Calendar Of Events

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

4 Oct	7.00pm	Committee Meeting	Roy West
5 Oct	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
6 Oct	9-4pm	Ladies Craft Day	Kyra Wareing
7-9		Canty Swap Meet CHCH	
11 Oct	6pm	Club night - Small bore shooting page 47	Darcy Bovey
14-16		Marlborough Biennial Rally	Chris Bird
14-16 October		VCC Targa South Island — Nelson	Rod Corbett 027 433 8772
19th Oct	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
1 Nov	7.00pm	Swap Meet meeting followed by Committee Meeting pg 46	Roy West
2 Nov	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
3 Nov	9-4pm	Ladies Craft Day	Kyra Wareing
3 Nov	7.00pm	National 2023 AGM— Planning Meeting page 46	Mike Bryan
10 Nov		Proposed Go Karts page 47	Rob Thompson
12 Nov		Proposed run to Mapua and places of interest	Rob Thompson
16 Nov	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
1 Dec	9-4pm	Ladies Craft Day	Kyra Wareing
4 Dec		Nelson Xmas Parade followed by Picnic at Broadgreen House	Rob Thompson
6 Dec	7.00pm	Committee Meeting	Roy West
7 Dec	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
11 Dec		Proposed Richmond Santa Parade	Rob Thompson
11 or 12		Club Run to see Xmas Lights	Rob Thompson
21 Dec	10.00am	Morning teas at Clubrooms	Check Roster
11Mar23		Nelson Swap Meet	

## *Chatter from the Chair,*



Well! What can I say! A brilliant effort....Well Done and our THANK YOU to everyone who worked so hard to pull everything together, before [at least twice!] and on the BIG DAY! A huge accolade to our hard working Club Captain, Rob Thompson, his always there, lady in waiting, Karen and to our Asst. CC, Jenny Conlon. [ Yes, I did say previously that Jenny was not standing this year.... BUT... we are so lucky she has changed her mind! ] Thank you so much for staying on Jenny!

With 227 vehicles entered in the Rally, others paying to Display, plenty of public wandering around and the generous raffles selling steadily, both on the day and in the few weeks before hand, our 2022 Cancer Fundraiser was again a great success and appreciated by their Michelle Hunt, who drew the prize winners after the Run. To everyone who assisted by selling the tickets in both Richmond and Nelson.. beforehand..... **THANK YOU!**

I don't have the final total for donation to the Society here, but our National Coordinator and NICC, Kaaren Smylie, has just announced that around \$70K has been raised Nationally from 29 of our 36 Branches.... with the other Branches all involved distributing the daffodils for Daffodil Day.... a huge effort by the Vintage Car Club..... truly a National Organization!

We cannot forget our many, many sponsors, these were printed with the Rally instructions and posted on the Day....**PLEASE SUPPORT THEM**, as they have supported us! Sponsorship and Donations can come when we least expect them! Recently I stopped in at the **PINES HOLIDAY PARK, in HANMER SPRINGS**, operated by Katrina and Craig, where I have stayed before. Whilst chatting, Craig asked my how the Nelson VCC was going and what was happening with this years Cancer Rally? [ He's a tractor buff]. On learning the weather bomb had reset the date, he slapped a \$35 donation on the counter for us! So please, if you need a cabin or Van site with good facilities and a short walk to the Pools, support the PINES HOLIDAY PARK in Hanmer .... 03 315 7152, reservations@pinesholidaypark.co.nz , and say you're from the VCC!

Thanks also to Diane and Paul Lewis who coordinated our Branch flag waving at the TDC's **POSITIVE AGEING EXPO**, and to everyone who came out to display their 'lovelies' and talk about the Club to interested folk. Also thanks to Rex Smith and Charil Milne from the Vauxhall Club for inviting us to their **POSH PICNIC** and Run. Events like this help to consolidate the links between like minded sister Clubs. All but two of the Nelson Vauxhall Club are also members of the VCC!

An increasing number of other Clubs and our own members families and friends, as well as visiting touring Club groups, are asking to use our Club rooms and the welcoming facilities we now have.... and why not! We just need to be careful that all bookings come to our Secretary, Roy, who will check the availability and inform the Committee. We have had a couple of clashes recently and we must remember our Ladies Quilting Group has pre approved bookings for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of all months with Retreat Weekends at the end of at least 3 months of each year. In return the ladies keep our Club rooms spic and span, cleaning and sanitizing, removing rubbish, washing the T Towels, restocking the essential supplies..... in fact supplying most things.... but not the BM biscuits! This is a **WIN, WIN** which we really appreciate and can't afford to mess up!  
Thank you Ladies!

It's been suggested that we need to use our Club Rooms more by returning there for socializing, perhaps with a BBQ, after a run, or as a base for other activities... bike riding [we're right on the Good Taste Trail], camping using our many Campers and caravans, running gym-khanas etc. before retiring inside for evenings, quiz's, shiny parts auctions, guest speakers, members stories, limited only by your own enthusiasm! Please, if you have an idea you would like to see developed.....let us know... and **JUST DO IT!**

Your Committee is looking at how we can upgrade the outdoor area for your enjoyment. We will shortly install a Shade Cloth and improve the ambience with improved planting and landscaping. Your input will be appreciated. Bring your ideas along to a Comm meeting or come to the popular BM meets, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed at 10am! We might even upgrade our BBQ.... Sponsors welcome!  
This will make a much more user friendly area for the BM ers, after Rallies, and for visiting groups!

Whilst on upgrades— have you looked in our club Library recently ?.... be ready for a surprise!

A huge thank you to our Secretary/Librarian, Roy West for all his sorting, rearranging and filing [ and ditching out]... making everything now more User Friendly! Remember we now have a photocopier, so you can copy the article you want..... thanks Roy!

Remember, too, the Committee needs your **FEEDBACK!** The Feedback Box on the table is under utilized.... although it has been great to have several members suggesting ideas by 'whispering in my ear', and twisting it, too! Thank you!

One idea, floated by a couple of folk.... in fact it follows on from Rex's West Coast Wander earlier this year.... is to do a **Southern Tour**. Two events happen in late March and early April 2023.... in the South and they could be combined in a very interesting and relaxing Tour!

GET READY, is the name of the **George Begg Revival** weekend

in Invercargill from Thur 30<sup>th</sup> March to Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Activities include a Mystery Run, A function at Bill Richardson's Transport World, Racing and a BBQ evening at Teretonga with leisure time in Invercargill and the opportunity to visit Hayes Burt Munro Display and the Classic Motor Cycle Mecca... **A festival, in the style of GOODWOOD is planned!**

The following weekend, **6<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> April is Easter WE. And it's WHEELS into WANAKA** show time!

The opportunity for both vehicle display and an infield parade abound over two days, with hundreds of trucks and agricultural and contracting equipment operating for all to view.... I went in 2021, and this is a



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## **MUST GO TO WEEKEND!**

If a Tour was to be organized we could travel down the East Coast to Invercargill and between the two events TikiTour, back through SE Otago and the Catlins then up the Clutha Valley all the way to Wanaka. [It is also likely an event will be staged at Highlands and perhaps we could meet up with the CO crew in Cromwell..... watch this space!] After Easter we could return either up the middle, or back the West Coast with a couple of nights in transit!

**What do you think???** The proposed Tour would lend itself to having a combined vehicle / camper / caravan run, similar to the West Coast Wander perhaps. We could either travel South together, or meet in Dunedin or Invercargill.... add on or drop off as you wanted! If we are going to DO IT, then we would need some confirmed interest shortly and perhaps others to put their hand up to undertake some of the planning and organization..... **over to YOU!!**

This period in the New Year is a busy time, with our sister Branch, West Coast staging the **Scenicland Rally on Sat 18<sup>th</sup> March** and suggestions have already been made for Pre and Post Tours.

**Before the Rally** it's been suggested a couple of nights exploring from Reefton into the Nelson Creek, Moana and the Lakes Area then **afterwards**, a return to north of Westport, perhaps with a couple of nights at Little Wanganui, where we were made very welcome for lunch on the last Tour....

Again **OVER TO YOU**..... Thank you for the suggestions, all we need now is someone to DO IT!

Then the week before all this.... **SATURDAY, MARCH 11<sup>th</sup> is our Branch SWAP MEET**. Now only 5 months away.... and our only annual event that provides additional funds for running our Branch.

**HOW CAN YOU HELP??** Please have a chat with a Committee member and come on board as we need a strong team, both before and on the day to **DO IT!** This is not only the job of your Committee, additional help and input is needed.... **PLEASE... we need your help NOW!**

**Thank you!**

Bookings for Swap Meet sites, as well as general information about our Branch and forthcoming activities, can now be made **ON LINE**.... and this is a great way to keep in touch.... providing we have an up to date web page. Unfortunately, at the moment....we don't! If you log in currently, you find the Cancer Rally was postponed and the 2022

SWAP MEET is cancelled.... with no mention of the 2023 dates!  
This is no ones fault but we do need everything that we have posted  
on line to be **UPDATED URGENTLY! CAN YOU DO IT??** Or do  
you know someone who can??

This might be a younger family member, school group, student  
needing experience or a Professional expert you know..... **we  
need help with our web site update now!** I'm sure a budget could  
be found to help finance this.... we have to **DO IT !** All the great, be-  
hind the scenes work members are doing, developing events etc, is  
not going to be known by the public who we need to support us, if  
we don't have an attractive and up to date Web page!

**Other local events happening over the Summer season which  
we usually support are;**

**The GOLDEN BAY A and P Show, in Takaka on Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Janu-  
ary.** Often we turn this into a long weekend, staying at the River Inn  
for 2 or 3 nights, enjoying a Dinner on Sat night and a champagne  
breakfast on the Sunday before a leisurely drive somewhere in The  
Bay for lunch then returning home on Sunday. Please let myself or  
Charil Milne know, if you will be joining us this year.

**The MURCHISON A and P Show will be held on Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Febru-  
ary, 2023** and I would like to see lots of Club vehicles descend on  
our great wee town for the day or the weekend!  
Both shows give free entry to the drivers with passengers paying the  
admission charge [\$10 in Murch.] towards community fundraising.  
More details later!

**Other events Nationally, in Feb include.**

3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>. National Motor Cycle Rally, Invercargill.

9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>. National Model T Rally. Oamaru to Oamaru.

24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>. National Veteran Rally, Tuakau/Franklin area, Sth Auck-  
land. Barry 027 722 5225.

**Labour weekend, 2023. National Commercial Rally, Wanganui...**  
a Tour North is already in the planning! Decide now to join us !

**Couple of things in closing.**

**Mentoring new members;** A big thank you to Paul Lewis who has  
agreed to help introduce new members around. This is important, to  
help new members to feel involved. We can all play our part here!

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Our Secretary, Roy, regularly gets **enquiries for vehicles to hire for weddings**. This is not something the Branch is involved in and we usually refer people to the Motueka Museum, who have Lassie available for hire.

Recently, I've heard of one or two of our members who are happy to do this.

If you would like to let Roy know that you are available then any enquiries we get could also be pointed in your direction.

Sadly, we have recently lost another long time member with Ces England's passing. Our condolences to his family.

In closing, I have an old Dunedin Scout Group Reunion in Wanaka at Labour WE. And will be away south from the 18<sup>th</sup> Oct until the end of the month. If I don't answer my phone or reply to an email quickly that will be the reason!

Otherwise, everyone, I am looking forward to seeing you and yours and yours. Out and about enjoying the Spring and Summer motoring season. ENJOY our lovely sunny Summer weather and each others company no matter where you are Touring or relaxing!

Whilst on upgrades.... have you looked in our Club Library recent-IKEEP SAFE, MIKE BRYAN.

## Membership

We welcome to the club the following members and look forward to seeing you at the clubrooms or an event soon.

**Ryan Toll from Mapua** who will be taking part in the Targa 2022 in I believe an MGB

**Gavin Connell of Richmond** who has an interest in Vintage Cars

# Bereavement

it is with much sadness we announce the recent passing of long time member of the Nelson Branch **Ses England** who passed away on Sunday, September 11, 2022, aged 88 years. Formerly of Christchurch, Picton, and then latterly Nelson. Dearly loved husband of the late Beverley,.



We offer our deepest condolences to his daughters Jennifer, Faye, Sandra, and Karen; and their families

Ses had a passion for veteran & Mercedes Vehicles.

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1971 Mercedes Benz 280

Ses held the position of Branch Chairman for 1995—and 1996 and also was the editor of Crankcase for a time

**Right: Ses and Dave Stuart at the 2018 National Veteran Rally**

**Page 15 Top - Ses and Daughter Sandee at the commencement of the Nat Veteran Rally in his 1914 Rover Roadster**





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Ses's 1910 Fiat driven Max and Merilyn Clarke



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**Setting up for the Daffodil Rally and Drive in Movie**





## Club Captains Report

7 Sept Wed—Almost 40 present sitting outside in Nelson sun. Many thanks to Darcy and Barry for tea making duties.

8 Sept Thurs Club night Chinwag ,A small number at this meeting with chinshaving plenty of wag.



11 Nelson Trials and club run Cancelled

21 Sept Wed morning tea—Thanks to Wayne and Leigh for kitchen duties, another good morning. After the morning tea we had a hastily arranged working bee to spread out fill on the driveway. Many thanks to Lloyd, Malcolm, John Appleman. Gary and Leigh.

Malcolm had a ball on the loader enjoying the challenge and playing like grownup 4 year old with a new toy in the sand pit. (Enjoyable to watch).

24 Sept Setting up for Daffodil rally Many thanks to Ray and Malcolm and all helpers, sorry I had a wee bend in the road as my Mum would say and could not make the working bee. Great to drive down Queen Street and see things all set up and ready to go.

Again thanks to all helpers and those that attended the event, great to get an event happening after our ups and downs with Covid and a drop of rain.

25 Sept Sunday Daffodil rally

Well thank you everyone. What a great sight to see the speedway grounds almost full with a huge range of cars, food stalls and even a jazz band. What can I say except we as a club/team pulled it off. A huge thankyou to everyone. No doubt there will be interesting photos in the next Crank Case.

Extra Bits

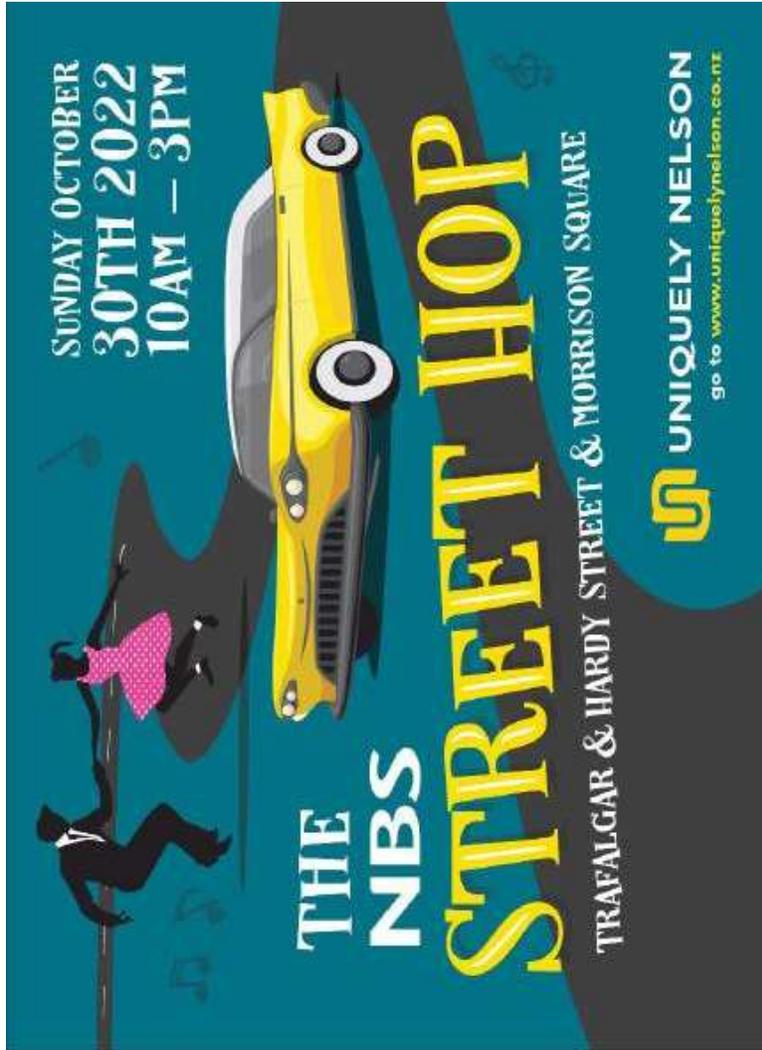
Writing Monday 26 Sept Trust all helpers at the Daffodil Rally were able to have a good nights sleep after that event, we were pleasantly worn out. While the memory is fresh please let me know any constructive ideas or concerns.

We pulled that one off as a Club and again a huge thank you to everyone.

All the best Rob

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# Daffodill Rally for Cancer raised \$7297.72 for the Nelson Cancer Society





































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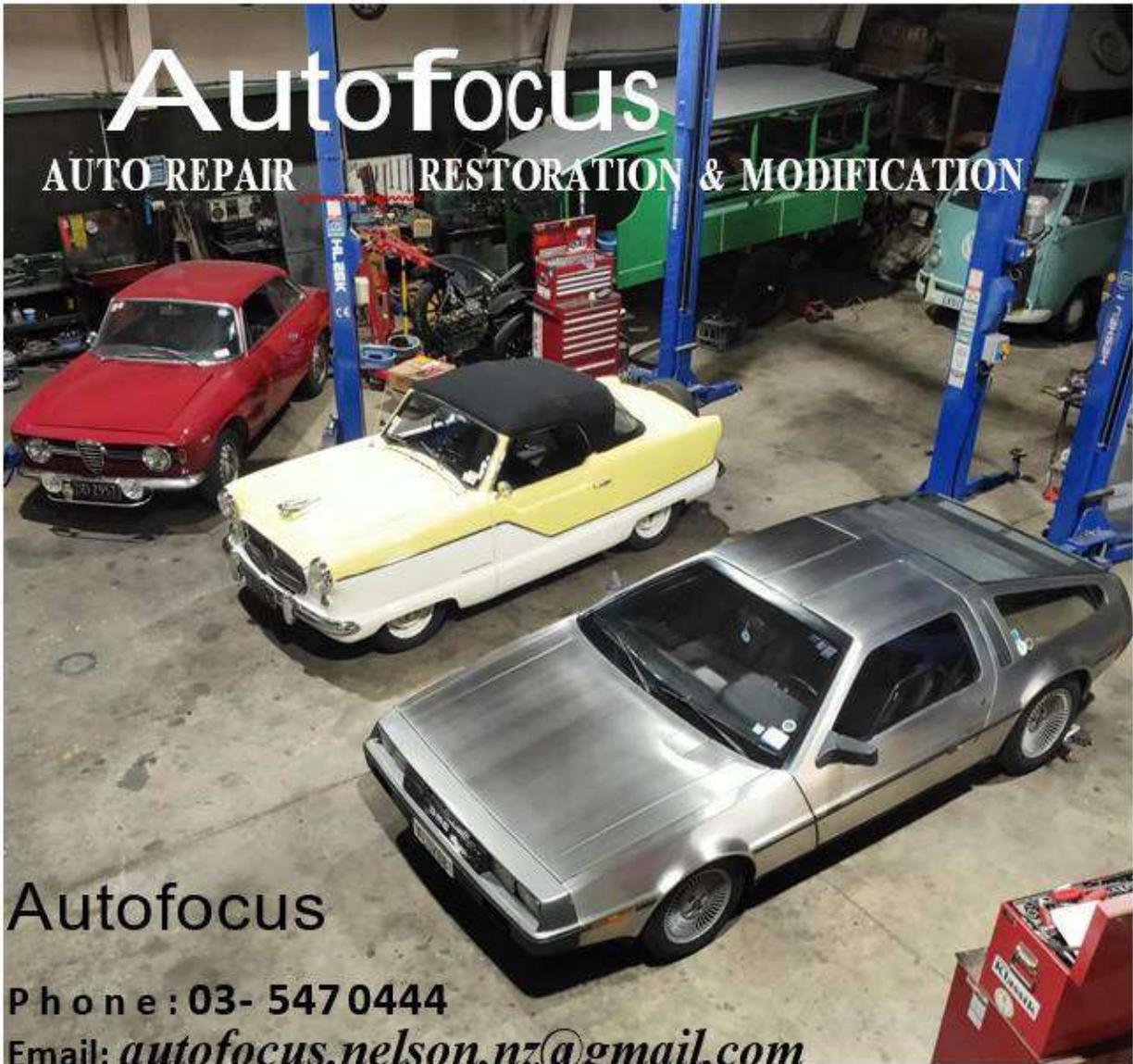


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*Thanks also to the many Motoring Clubs in the Nelson - Tasman region that support this Annual event.*

A photograph of a well-lit automotive workshop. In the foreground, a silver station wagon is parked. Behind it, a yellow and white convertible is being worked on. To the left, a red classic car is visible. In the background, a green van is on a lift. The workshop is filled with tools, equipment, and car parts.

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**Posh Picnic Faulkners Bush**







**A couple of Events in the planning—your help  
no matter how small is a big help.**

## **Swapmeet**

**We have 5 months till our major fundraiser for  
the branch “ Our annual Swap Meet” which is  
due to take place on the 11th March 2023**

**We need to get our ducks in a row early and to  
that end have scheduled a planning meeting for  
the 1st November at 7.00pm at the Clubrooms.  
It would be great to see you there**

## **National AGM**

**12th August 2023**

**This is to be run by the Nelson Branch.  
Mike Bryan has taken the bit by his teeth and  
has done an amazing initial plan which now  
needs to be fleshed out in detail.**

**On the 3rd of November we will be holding the  
first meeting to build this plan—we would like  
You**

**Attend to help us put the plan together**

# Club Night

**Small Bore Shooting with Darcey  
6.30pm Tuesday 11th October**

**At the Nelson Small Bore Rifle Association  
Defence Club**

**Saxton Field Range (by the Cricket Nets)**

**Cost for a shoot is \$10.00 -rifles, ammo and supervision  
provided**

**Come down and have a fun night  
Phone Darcy 0210 296 5632**



## GO Karts

**Rob Thompson is wanting to guage support for another  
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Next meeting **3rd November 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.

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