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## NELSON-MARLBOROUGH CLASSIC CARS

### February/March 2019 NEWSLETTER

Your New committee for 2019

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Hello and welcome to another year of Classic Car motoring.

Have you paid your SUBS yet (they are due) do that now – write that cheque or jump online pay then keep reading as your committee has a lot planned and you don't want to miss out on the fun!!

Thank you to my PA Geoff Morris for helping again this year doing the donkey work – remember anything for the newsletter can you please email him and together we will get you out a newsletter, but we do need stuff to go in it.

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Minutes of the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting Of The Classic Motoring Society.Nelson inc Held at The Alpine Lodge. St. Arnaud at 11.30am on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019

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Welcome by President

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Apologies :-Frank & Lyn Davidson, Frank & Glennis Griffiths, Colin & Lilian Francois, Lee & Dee McKernan, Denis Le Cren, Bill & Pauline Osborne, Winston & Natalie Williamson ,Alison Moores, Alison Kelly, Graeme & Gaynor Young, Jeff Pascoe, Helen Richards, Kevin & Pam York Bill Rogers, Mick gear, Jude Glue, Martin Roberts,roger Cole,Graeme Mathison, Ellen Mcrae, Richard & Sue Horrell, Anne & Peter Nelson

Moved Paul Vercoe.....2<sup>nd</sup>.B Cameron.....

2018 Minutes read. Moved .Jill Adams.....2<sup>nd</sup> .Malcome Adams

The President,presented his report on the years activities and the plans for the coming year

Moved P Clay..... .2<sup>nd</sup>.P. Pascoe.....

Financial Report presented by Peter Hoult showed that owing to some 1 off expenses(namely History booklet, Anniversary Lunch) the club showed a loss of \$1021.47. Apart from that the club was in good Financial Heart

Moved P. Hoult 2<sup>nd</sup>.Geoff morris.

Election of Officers.

Nominations for President . P Glue Nominated by G Chilton 2<sup>nd</sup> K Parkes

Vice President. Kevin Parkes , Nominated by P Glue 2<sup>nd</sup>P Clay

Secretary. G Chilton, Nominated by D Frost 2<sup>nd</sup> P Vercoe

Treasurer P Hoult. Nominated by P Glue 2<sup>nd</sup> K Parkes

Club captain G. Morris Nominated by P Clay 2<sup>nd</sup> P. Vercoe

Committee P Vercoe, Nominated by D Frost 2<sup>nd</sup> P Clay

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J Adams Nominated by P Clay 2<sup>nd</sup> K Parkes

M Adams Nominated by K Parkes 2<sup>nd</sup> P Clay

Past president Pat Clay

Discussion was held on changing the Club Rules to allow Life members and was subsequently changed. The change was to strike out "No life members" and replaced with "Life members shall be nominated by two financial prominent members in writing for submission to the Committee. Support from at least seven committee members shall be required for the nomination to be successful.

Life Members shall not pay a subscription but will retain all other rights of membership

All Members shall be advised of the decision in the next newsletter. There shall be no more than 5 Life Members

Moved P Glue 2<sup>nd</sup> P Clay

P Pascoe requested help with the Blenheim Hospice Car show and of a possible September North Island tour.

Geoff Morris spoke about the Newsletter

The President thanked Anne Marie on her efforts putting out the newsletter and she agreed to continue.

P Glue mentioned a possible Mail boat trip from Picton. To Be advised.

April fools Tour has 40 entries. 15 to go.

Geoff Morris spoke of a combined run with Christchurch Club

Meeting closed at 12.15pm and a tasty lunch was enjoyed by all.



## Presidents Report 2019:

What a pleasing year the Nelson Marlborough Classic Motoring Society has had for 2018.

We have had 22 new members join our ranks although the Club membership has dropped by 3 to 185. This is partly due to members failing to renew their subscription because they have either changed their email provider or simply forgotten to do so when the subscription requests are sent. If you aren't getting the newsletters, then you are either not financial or your email has changed and sending our newsletters to junk mail. Subs for 2019 are due in February.

\$25 is cheap as chips and much of your subscription is returned to you in our subsidized activities.....

2018 highlights for me have been the excellent, well planned and clockwork run – Lord Nelson event earlier in the year along with the wide-ranging Thursday trips energetically run by Kevin York and Frank Griffiths. We all hope you will continue to organize these for 2019.

Attendance numbers on our monthly runs have often been well above expectation. March saw us traipsing out to Tapawera to get an update by Gary Adcock on progress toward the Kohatu Motorsport Park. Your club supported this venture by making renewed submissions to the TDC.

April started with a great weekend run to Karamea followed by the visit to Tasman Coach Builders and Min Caldwell's plane collection at his hanger at Nelson Airport to hear about his Albross Russian jet trainer, which has since been sold so will no longer be seen streaking over our Nelson skies.

Over 90 members were at the 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary celebration where Denis Le Cren's booklet on the first 21 years was launched. Denis has registered the booklet with the National Library and already we have had an order for a copy from as far south as Dunedin. You all will have received your complimentary copy by now. May thanks must also go to Pat Pascoe, Lester Royd and Dean Rutherford for helping to ensure the anniversary celebration was such a resounding success.

A small contingent joined Doug Frost on a weekend visit to the classic Hawkeswood Sprint in North Canterbury. By all accounts an interesting 2-day event.

For 2018 your committee decided we would try a combined Christmas Picnic. The number that turned up blew us into the long grass at Carluke Domain in the Rai Valley with over 50 cars coming out on the day. Great combined meal, a stinking hot day and excellent company, all well lubricated with wine donated by Malcolm and Jill Adams, ensured a wonderful day was had by all. This will be a fixture on the calendar from now on, but we are working on an even better midpoint venue for 2019.

Last month's run to Mike and Judi's beautiful river garden setting for a picnic under the trees, a skinny dip and a wander around Mike's stunningly presented classic trucks had something for everyone and the 45 cars that attended had a wonderful time at least until they were taken by yours truly on a "where the fuck are" we tramp into the hills above the Collins Valley in search of the long lost Maori tool making Argilite quarry that remained just that 2m high gorse and dense bush resulted in much blood letting and lots of humorous banter. I shall return with a slasher before we repeat the exercise when the Forest is once again open.

Our tireless Lord Nelson Committee of Jeff Pascoe, Brent Cameron, Bruce Watson and Roseanne Marsden have decided that it's time to hand over the reins for the 2020 event to a new organizing team so think it over in the next 5 minutes. If it's a job you would love to get a group of helpers together on and sink your organizing teeth into, we can discuss in general business.

Polo shirt sales have been slow which is surprising when you see how good they look on Past President Pat and his wife Pat. If you're interested in procuring one, button hole Pat after this meeting and he will lead you in the right direction to achieving a twin set. (or keep reading the newsletter the info is in there too).

Once again, this year your committee will endeavor to set out a full year's programme ahead to aid your planning. We will look at leaving the Thursday runs on the last Thursday of the month but get a bit of separation by having the monthly events in the middle of the month around 2 weeks earlier.

And so, what's coming up to titivate your interest and participation during this stunning Indian summer we are presently experiencing –

First up on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February we would like to create a classic car display at the Nelson Wine and Food Festival held at Middle Earth Winery in Brightwater. A discount entry fee of \$20 which includes a glass, applies to all classic car owners who park in the special area allocated within the event. There will be 8 Wineries, 3 Breweries, 2 Cider Makers and an international range of food and craft stalls, a display of Lake Rotoiti Race boats and you will be entertained by the 3 bands plus the special appearance of the NZ Army Band, the Nayland Primary Kapa Haka performers and a talented young 14-year-old folk singer from Garin College. This Richmond Rotary event has seen over \$400,000 dollars go back into community groups that we all benefit from. This year's main recipient the Nelson Hospice.

Next up is the Speed Boat regatta at Lake Rotoiti with its massive hydroplanes on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February. We have a request for Classic cars to get free entry to the Rai Valley A&P show 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

Blenheim Hospice Classic cars show is on at Waterlea Park on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Cars assemble 9.30-10.30am.

The Aprils Fools Dunedin event is held over 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> April and is filling fast.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my 1<sup>st</sup> year as your President and appreciated the feedback from you as to events you have enjoyed or would like to see included in our forward planning.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank your hard-working committee and Anne-Marie for the newsletter. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Pete Glue  
President

## 10 Interesting Car Facts

1. In 1900, a new car company named Horch appeared in Germany, founded by former Benz > engineer August Horch. He didn't get along with his directors and, when he left nine years later, the company took legal action to prevent him from putting his name on any new automobile. Horch roughly translates to "listen," so he used the Latin version: Audi.

**2. The MacPherson strut** is a spring/shock absorber combination used on the front suspension of most of today's front-wheel-drive cars. It was invented in 1947 by Chevrolet engineer Earle S. MacPherson for the rear suspension of a planned compact model called the Cadet. The car was never built, and a disappointed MacPherson left GM and moved to England to work for Ford.

**3. From 1956 to 1959**, you could order your Chrysler with a record player. You got six discs with the car and could buy more from the dealer, but your choices were limited to artists signed with Columbia, which made the unique records that worked with the player. They tended to skip over bumps and didn't work very well and disappeared for 1962.

**4. The first Chevrolet Corvette** introduced for 1953, didn't have any outside door handles. It was a soft-top roadster that also lacked side windows, so you simply reached inside to unlatch the door.

**5. Henry Ford started** two unsuccessful companies before hitting his mark with the third, the one that exists today. His second company was taken over by its board and run by director Henry Leland, who renamed it Cadillac to build cars of his own design. After selling Cadillac to General Motors, Leland started Lincoln, which Ford eventually purchased.

**6. Studebakers** were built in Hamilton, Ontario for two years after the automaker closed in the U.S. in 1964. Because the government now considered it a Canadian automaker, it could import cars duty-free. To make extra money, the cash-strapped company bought Volkswagens in Germany and sold them to VW Canada. Even with Studebaker's mark-up, the cars cost less than what VW would have paid to bring them in. Studebaker also tried to distribute Japanese cars, but the deal fell through, partly due to a Studebaker board member on the advice of his law partner: future U.S. president Richard Nixon.

**7. Charles Rolls**, co-founder of Rolls-Royce, was the first Englishman ever killed in an airplane and the 12th person worldwide when the Wright Brothers biplane he was flying at an air show in Bournemouth, England, in 1910 snapped its tail and crashed. Henry Royce ran the company after his partner's death, mailing instructions to his employees when deteriorating health confined him to his home.

**8. The first production** Ford Mustang went on a tour of the U.S. and Canada in 1964, and was eventually sold to airline pilot Stan Tucker in St. John's, Labrador and Newfoundland. Two years and some 16,000 kilometres later, Ford realized the car's significance, swapped Tucker a brand new 1966 Mustang for it, and donated it to the Henry Ford Museum in Michigan.

**9. The tow truck dates** to 1916, when Ernest Holmes of Chattanooga, Tenn., was asked to help pull a crashed Ford Model T out of a creek. It took 11 men almost a day to do it with ropes and blocks. Figuring > there had to be a better way, Holmes bolted three poles to a 1913 Cadillac chassis, added a pulley and ran a chain through it, which provided leverage to lift vehicles. He also built up a truck body on the chassis for tool storage. His patented design became the standard for vehicle recovery.

**10. BMW started as an** aircraft company, moved into motorcycles and truck engines, and in 1928 built its first car, the Dixi, a licensed version of the British Austin Seven. Bigger and better models followed, but the company fell on hard times after World War II. It was saved in 1955 by the Isetta, its version of a tiny Italian model. It used a motorcycle engine and its single door was the car's front end, but its low price resounded with buyers, and its success put the automaker back on track.

## Recent Events

### 20 January 2019:

Wow, what a truly wonderful day with over 45 cars including many with owners that we have not seen before on our runs. After an early start it was coffee at a fully stretched Pelorus Cafe then it was off up the Maungatapu valley Rd to explore Mike and Judi Edridge's beautiful riverside garden setting and Mikes stunning truck restorations. THE THINK TANK PAT THINKS HE COULD MAKE A DOLLAR OR TWO ON THIS WW11 BEAUTY.

Picnic lunch on the lawns under the shade of mature trees on a lovely sunny day, sheltered from the strong southerlies that harassed Nelsonians, made for wonderful day out in the country . Two braved the Pelorus River whilst the others meandered around Judi's park like garden rooms.

The level of restoration of Mikes trucks ensured that they were better than the day they left the factory. A wonderful, eclectic collection. STUNNING STUNNING STUNNING !

What a pity then to spoil it by taking a hardy group of 14 on a wild goose chase into the hills above the Collins Valley to try to locate the elusive Maori argillite tool making Quarry. It was a hilarious case of "where the f€¥k are we ", as we went around in circles in 2 m high gorse searching for a barbed wire fence. Looking more like a porcupine covered in gorse quills and leaking blood it was decided with much hilarity to call the crocodile Dundee expedition off and Diana was recalled with a "get in behind "command. It's back to drawing board on this expedition but with those not looking like a pincushion vowing to return and complete the search for the "holy grail ".

A great day out guys and thanks to all that are coming out to support your club. We are on a roll. Keep it up team. ONE MORE JOB IN RETIREMENT FOR RUSSEL EGAN

Special thanks to Mike and Judi Edridge for sharing with us their beautiful property and to Kit Brydon for organising it with them. GETTING UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL FOR THE LAST TIME WITH A BIG TURNOUT OF MGB"S. NOW ITS MORGAN"S.

Pete Glue



mmm which way now!!!!



## Photos from the Christmas BBQ 2018





## APRIL FOOL TOUR 2019

It's that time again "APRIL FOOLER'S" Save the first weekend of April 2019 for this run.

This time we are starting with our usual "Meet and Greet Breakfast" at Terrace Downs. This is a golf resort overlooking the Rakaia River with magnificent views located approx. 89kms (1 hr 20min) from Christchurch and approx. 30kms (30mins) from Methven.

My suggestion would be find yourself a bed in Methven or enquire about staying at Terrace Downs, they have a range of different options for the Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April.

After breakfast we are touring approx. 400kms to Cromwell, more details to follow on where you can book there.

Saturday we make our way to Dunedin again accommodation is block booked for you to confirm Saturday night is yours to explore the night life of Dunedin.

Sunday morning we board the Taieri Gorge Train to Middlemarch and back -about 6 hours return.

Sunday night we have an exciting venue for our final dinner together.

Let's all get together and make this, another fun event.

Cheers Lindsay P

Time is running out but there is spots available - contact Geoff Morris.



have you done it yet ....????



Who hasn't got a shirt yet???

## Classic Motoring Society Club Polo shirt details

Style - Blade cotton rich polo

P303MS Mens

P303LS Womens

Colour Blue 60% cotton 40% polyester soft touch

Mens modern fit: S M L XL 2XL 3XL 5XL

Ladies modern fit: 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 22 24

**Cost \$43.70 incl**

members can pick their order up from Newman Graphics, 60 High Street, Renwick phone 03-5728075 – [admin@newmangraphics.co.nz](mailto:admin@newmangraphics.co.nz) or receive their order by post - **add \$4.00 postage cost**

### To place an order:

1. Deposit \$43.70 plus postage \$4.00 if required ( total \$47.70) into the club's bank account, or pay by cheque;

Classic Motoring Society 123165 0158467 00 ASB Nelson including

Ref/Particulars; Surname, initial and notation 'shirt'

2. Advise your order to Peter Hoult either by:Email to; [thehoult25@gmail.com](mailto:thehoult25@gmail.com)

Or mail to Peter Hoult, 25 Hillplough Heights, Richmond, Nelson 7020 ( a cheque in payment could be included if more convenient)

advising – size required

- your current address for postage, or
- your 'phone number for advice if you wish to pick the order up

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## Reminder - Swann Insurance - Have you thought about Insurance on your car????

The Club has a good arrangement with Swann Insurance and many members have taken up Insurance with them. Ask for a quote when next renewing your Insurance – phone 09 9696000.

### Club Member Benefits:

20% premium discount, plus, reduced premiums for additional Classic Vehicles, Agreed Value, 24/7 Roadside Assist, Full Glass cover (includes all glass and lenses), Name your own Repairer (painter), Guarantee on repairs, Unlimited mileage (policy not designed for cars driven every day), Total loss salvage rights (first option to buy back the vehicle) Emergency repairs and accommodation, Club event/Track cover (if the club has a day at Ruapuna etc you are covered). 7-day car hire following theft, \$20 million legal liability.

### Club Benefits:

Club receives 5% commission on all policies taken out by the members and 10% whenever the policy renews with Swann.

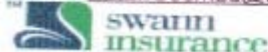
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Got the message yet – have you paid your Subs????? It's cheap....

## 2019 Subscription Renewals – Classic Motoring Society of Nelson

Please note that subscription renewals for this year are now due (\$25 double/\$20 Single)

### Payment options:

Online to the clubs ASB bank account 12-3165-0158467-00 using your surname & initial as "Ref". (VERY IMPORTANT)

Cheque to: The Classic Motoring Society, PO Box 2416, Stoke, Nelson, 7041

If your details, such as address or email address changes, please advise the Society promptly either by mail or to Peter Hoult [thehoult25@gmail.com](mailto:thehoult25@gmail.com) so that you can continue to be advised of events etc. New name badges are available at \$5.00 each.

*Subscription payment is due by 20<sup>th</sup> March at which time the club's database will be updated to include only financial members for newsletters/advices and to qualify for subsidised events etc.*

## 2019 Hospice Vehicle Display

Sunday 10th March 2019



Waterlea Racecourse  
McLauchlan St,  
Blenheim

Display Vehicles from 9.30am \$5 per Car

All Vehicles are welcome and the theme for this year is Holden



Food and drink available for purchase



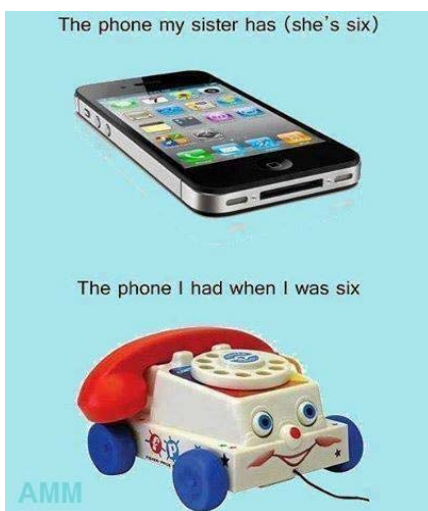
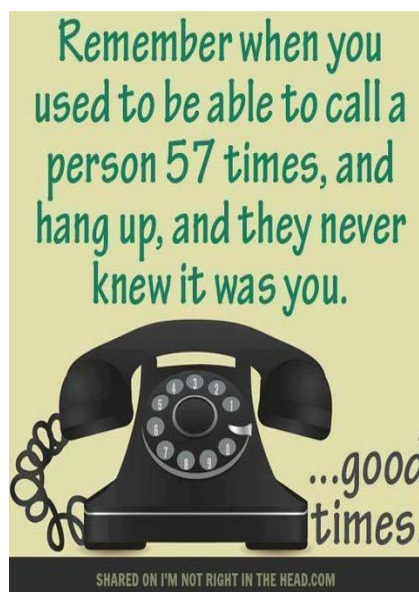
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proceeds going to the  
Marlborough Hospice  
For more info contact  
Pat Pascoe on 027 442 1786

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Have you paid those subs yet??? What are you waiting for???



Thank you to those that have paid your Subs.

That's all for this time see you on the next run.

Anne-Marie 😊

We are extremely grateful to "HAVEN REALTY" who donate the paper and for photocopying the newsletter for those who don't have email. Please support them when buying and selling your house or farm or castle.







## Events List for Classic Motoring Society / Nelson-Marlborough

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019 - Lake Rotoiti Power Boat Championship  
Leave NMIT or Renwick School at 9.30am and take a picnic lunch.

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 - Rai Valley A&P Show

## SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019 - MARLBOROUGH HOSPICE CAR SHOW

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## Friday 5<sup>th</sup>- Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2019 - April Fools Rally

There are still some places left - contact Geoff Morris if you want to come - it's not too late and they are heaps of fun.

## 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> May 2019 - Alpine Classic - Timaru-Wanaka-Queenstown-Gore-Dunedin-Timaru



CMSNZ  
 Alpine Classic  
 2nd -6th May 2019

For more information and entry contact Geoffrey Chilton

