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NELSON-MARLBOROUGH CLASSIC CARS

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Hello and welcome to 2020 Classic Car Members



It's that time of the month and I'm back again along with Geoff to keep you informed on what has been happening and what you don't want to miss out on – so read on members.....

Presidents Report 2019/20:

Once again, I'm very pleased to report on a successful year for your Classic Motoring Club. Membership rose by 13 to a total membership of 180 which is 5 fewer than 2018. Age in many cases is catching up with us and like many clubs, new, younger members are not getting involved in a wide range of clubs. We are still yet to see an Electric car join our midst. Mind you an early Nissan Leaf would have tremendous difficulty joining the many away trips our members enjoyed over the past year.

The year began strongly in January with a picnic day and garden visit to Mike and Judy Edridge's beautiful property in Pelorus. Over 45 cars enjoyed a stunning day under the trees and a chance to explore the gardens and Mike's Classic Truck Collection.

FEBRUARY would have seen a car display at the Nelson Wine and Food Festival but the Nelson fires put paid to that and we can all recall a time of anxiety as the fires continued for weeks threatening many homes and necessitating the evacuation of Wakefield and many valleys around Tasman. A car trip to the Lake Rotoiti Power Boat Regatta was enjoyed by a number of members.

MARCH saw excellent support for the Blenheim Hospice car show that raised over \$6000.

APRIL saw our members on the April Fools Rally with 54 cars from mainly the South Island that travelled from Terrace Downs to Cromwell finishing in Dunedin. Nelsonians had a local run around back country roads to experience the stunning Autumn colours of the countryside. Pat Pascoe also organised a car display at the Omaka Air Show.

MAY and it was away south for 15 cars to attend the Alpine Classic from Caroline Bay to Wanaka finishing in Dunedin. A luncheon run to Kaikoura to see the redevelopment after the earthquakes gave many a chance to sit patiently in the ongoing road works traffic management queues with the happy, stop/go controllers.

JUNE saw 52 sailors set sail on the Pelorus Mail Boat run with lunch at Whakatahuri Bay amongst the old machinery and results of a long gone boat building and boat salvage operation where machinery past its 'best buy date' was tossed into the sea.

JULY and it was lunch at the Captains Daughter with a guest speaker about the health benefits of Dried Honey that unfortunately had to be changed at the last minute due to unforeseen circumstances. It did however give us the opportunity to present Denis Le Cren with Life Membership for all his efforts over many years as Club President, organizer of Lord Nelson events and writing and publishing of the Classic Car Clubs history. Wall plaques were also awarded to our previous Life members, Pat Pascoe, Russell Egan and Winston Williamson.

AUGUST and it was off on the road again for 11 cars, with a weekend trip to Lake Brunner and a chance for the participants to be escorted by a grader clearing snow off the road on the way to Arthurs Pass.

SEPTEMBER was a Movie night for the Blenheimites at the Garlic shed where no one dared breathe on each other and no witches or devils made an unwanted appearance. The Nelsonians tackled the Takaka Hill for a museum visit and lunch at the Pohara Boat Club and a chance to catch up with one of our old members who had gone 'bush'.

OCTOBER and it was a jaunt to revisit where the club was first initiated on the West Coast. Thanks to Pat Pascoe and Russell Egan for organizing this trip to Westport and a chance to explore the often-missed highlights of the West Coast.

NOVEMBER and it was back on the road again with the Club Captains weekend based around the back roads of Amberley.

DECEMBER was a non-event when the combined Christmas Picnic was cancelled due to a weather bomb that hit the Top of the South. The hardy Blenheimites however, were not to be put off by the odd metre of rain and gale force winds so went on a winery visit where it wasn't only the whistle that was wet but the whole body totally immersed.

The combined Club Christmas picnic was held 2 weeks ago, and it was a stunning day that saw over 70 members enjoy BERKAH wine kindly supply by Malcolm and Jill Adams under the trees at Mike and Judy Edridges beautiful Pelorus property. Many commented that the January timing better fits their busy calendar and the weather patterns than during the hectic pre-Christmas mayhem. Unfortunately, the "wherehethewek" forest exploration to the ancient Maori Argillite Quarry had to be postponed due to the forest roads being closed because of the high fire hazard conditions. We will return or as Jacinda says so often "Let's do this".

Up coming Club events are the Nelson Wine and Food Festival on Sunday 16th February which is being held at the new venue of Richmond A&P Showgrounds from 11am to 5pm. This will be a Classic and Vintage car display within the secure area and members will be able to pay at the gate at the special rate of \$20 per person which includes a beer or wine glass. Local talent, wines, beer, cider and food under the shade of the 100-year-old oak trees. The New Zealand Army Band will also be performing. Monies raised by this Richmond Rotary Club event goes back into supporting community groups.

The Classic Boat Regatta is on at Lake Rotoiti on Sunday March 8th. This is always a great excuse to have a run in the country and a chance to see Mike Edridges replica speed boat present to the public on her maiden voyage.

15th March is the Blenheim Hospice Car Show at Brayford Park so please support this fundraising community event.

Once again, your committee, under the leadership of the new President for 2020-2021, Kevin Parkes, will set out a full year's programme to enable you to plan ahead. Watch this space for an exciting Lord Nelson run being organized later in the year by Pat Pascoe.

Our monthly Thursday Nelson runs continue to be popular and the club is indebted to Kevin York for his unfailing enthusiasm in organizing these visits and runs for us all to enjoy.

Thanks to Anne-Marie Campbell and Geoff Morris for the great job they do in putting our newsletter together to keep us all informed on “what’s coming and reports on what we have missed out on”.

Finally, my thanks to your committee and yourselves for the support and understanding that you have shown during my time as your Club President. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as President and getting to know many of you a lot better as friends with a common interest. Finally, while the summer continues and you are still physically able, “GET OUT THERE AND ENJOY YOUR CLASSIC”.

Peter Glue



Sitting on the side of the highway waiting to catch speeding drivers, a HWP Officer sees a car pattering along at 22 KPH.

Says he to himself: "This driver is just as dangerous as a speeder!"

So, he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over.

Approaching the car, he notices that there are five old ladies, two in the front seat and three in the back...wide eyed and white as ghosts.

The driver, obviously confused, says to him "Officer, I don't understand, I was doing exactly the speed limit!

What seems to be the problem?"

"Ma'am," the officer replies, "you weren't speeding, but you should know that driving slower than the speed limit can also be a danger to other drivers."

"Slower than the speed limit? No sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly...Twenty-two kilometres an hour!" ..the old woman says a bit proudly.

The HWP Officer, trying to contain a chuckle, explains to her that 22 is the highway number, not the speed limit.

A bit embarrassed, the woman grins and thanks the officer for pointing out her error.

"But before I let you go, Ma'am, I have to ask...Is everyone in this car OK? These women seem awfully shaken, and they haven't made a peep this whole time," the officer asks.

"Oh, they'll be all right in a minute officer. We just got off Highway 189.."



2020 Subscription renewals – Classic Motoring Society of Nelson.

Please note that subscription renewals for this year are **now due**.

(\$25 double/\$20 single)

Payments options:

- Online to the club's ASB bank account 12-3165- 0158467- 00 using your surname & initial as 'Ref.' (very important)
- Cheque to The Classic Motoring Society, P O 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 Hoults 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 20th 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.

Recent Events

Club Captains Tour November 24th (Sat/Sun/ Mon)



Ashley Reserve

A special thanks to Geoff and his wife for being such wonderful hosts, making sure everyone was well informed and herded! An absolutely wonderful weekend had by all. Also, it was wonderful meeting members from the Canterbury Club.

Jon Haack



This was the annual North Canterbury Christmas picnic outing. 12 cars travelled to Hanmer for the weekend and we met for drinks and a meal at the Local Pub on Saturday evening. With a 9 am start on Sunday we travelled to the Huranui District Council Car park in Amberley. 70 Classic cars had assembled for a staggered start in groups of 10. We toured the streets of Amberley and the new subdivisions and the onto some great roads through upper and lower Loburn North roads. followed by a drive through Okuku-Glentui Valley to Ashley Gorge Picnic venue. Great lunch stop under the trees at the domain and camping facilities. After lunch we visited the Oxford Museum. This was the best country village museum we have seen. As the day was hot, hot, and hot we decided to head for a winery where we had a cool one and then back to Hanmer for a group dinner.

Monday was a drive home in your own time.

Thanks to the members for attending this Run and we might do it again some time.

Cheers Geoff Morris

Christmas Run - 38 Cars – over 70 people





Sunday 26th January dawned fine and warm for our trip to "Edridges Reserve" for the weather delayed Xmas barbecue. A dozen cars from Nelson left from on the roadside by the QE2 park because the park was filled up with "Freedom Campers"

After a nice leisurely drive over, everyone set up their chairs under the shade trees. The Blenheim folk arrived a bit later and joined us.

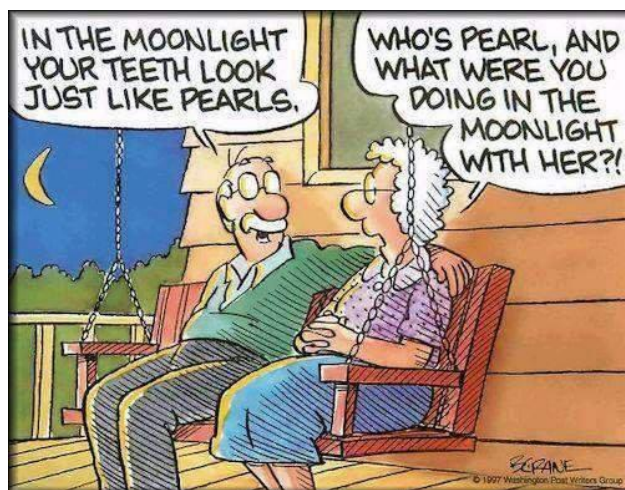
The Rotary Clubs kitchen was set up and the tasty sausages and meat patties were cooked to perfection by Kevin Parkes and Pat Clay and were enjoyed along with the wonderful selection of salads supplied by members.

These were washed down with a very nice sauvignon blanc kindly provided by Jill and Malcolm Adams.

About 3 o'clock everyone packed up and headed home, some stopping for coffee on the way.

Geoff C

**A recent study found that the average golfer walks about 900 miles a year.
Another study found golfers drink, on average, 22 gallons of alcohol a year - which means, on average, golfers get about 41 miles to the gallon.
Kind of makes you proud. I almost feel like a hybrid.**



NELSON SWAPMEET - BAZAAR

Saturday February 22nd 2020



Entry \$5 Per Person

Accompanied Children Free / Bouncy Castle on Site

Site Bookings \$15 (Including One Person Entry Only)

Car For Sale Site \$10 (Including One Person Entry Only)

Held Rain or Shine. Starts 8am At Speedway Assn Grounds
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That's all for this time see you on the next run and **DON'T FORGET TO PAY YOUR SUBS....**

Anne-Marie ☺

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Mark Your Calendars **EVENTS**

Events List for Classic Motoring Society / Nelson-Marlborough

Thursday 27th February 2020 - Thursday Run – leaving WOW at 10.30am sharp

Organizers: Kevin York – Phone 03 5287942 / Frank Griffith – Phone 03 5473354

Sunday 15th March 2020: Hospice Blenheim Car Show

2020 Hospice Vehicle Display

Sunday 15th March 2020



Waterlea Racecourse
McLauchlan St,
Blenheim



Display Vehicles from 9.30am \$5 per Car

All Vehicles are welcome and the theme for this year is Pre 1990 Japanese

Food and drink available for purchase



Open to the public 11am to 3pm
 for a gold coin donation with all
 proceeds going to the
Marlborough Hospice
 For more info contact
 Pat Pascoe on 027 442 1786

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21st March 2020 – there is an Auction at the Trout Hotel for Alzheimer's.

If you have any Cups and Saucers that Granny had collecting dust and you would like to donate to the Auction, please give them to Peter Glue (Nelson) or Lyn Watston (Blenheim)



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April or November (maybe) – a Train Trip from Blenheim to Kekerengu is in the plans....



Lord Nelson Goes North OCTOBER 2020

This is just a teaser of what we are up to later this year for the Lord Nelson, we haven't finished the route yet but this is a start so you can get time off to compete in the tour.

Starting with the Ferry to Wellington on Thursday 1st October straight after daylight saving starts then up to Wanganui for the first night, Friday we will take you North on the West side through Horopito to Taupo where we will have 2 nights.

There will be a list of things to do with in a hour or so of Taupo or just laze around.

Then we will head south again for another night before Wellington, two of our North Island members are looking at some roads to make it interesting so this will be in the next update.

I am checking with Interislander for discounts as we will try and get the 1030 sailing to Wellington so we are out of the City before heavy traffic starts.

In the March Newsletter we will be asking for names of interested parties, so we get a indication of numbers for accommodation but will need firm numbers by July.

We have a small committee lead by:

Patrick p.pascoe@xtra.co.nz and Sonja spgreenhill@xtra.co.nz

Regards

Patrick Pascoe

(Pay your subs now if you haven't already- you don't want to miss out on the cool stuff that's going to be happening.....and to those who have – thank you ☺)