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disconnected, please refer to our
website

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Club night is the 2nd
Wednesday of the month
@ 7.30pm at the
Clubrooms - Supper
provided.

**Clubrooms, Library &
Spares Department Open:**
Tuesday morning's @
9am - 11am.
Morning Tea served @
10.00am

Send In Your Contributions

Articles, Photos, Reminiscences, Mechanical Tips, Notices, Funnies

- **Please submit your contributions by:**
- **20th of the Month**
- **Please supply your content in a word document with photos sent separately. Please indicate within the word document the image number that needs to be placed within.**
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Chairman's Report

By Robert Bengé



It has been another busy month for our club, both at branch and national level.

The highlight was National VCC Day, particularly the Daffodil fundraiser for the Cancer Society, organised by Diane Quarrie, Malcolm Blair and Lesley Blair. Their fantastic poker run began at Havelock North Primary School and Bay Ford in Napier. It was a superb day, raising just over \$3,000 for the Cancer Society.

Thank you to Diane, Malcolm, Lesley and the many volunteers who made the event such a success. This included the wonderful kitchen team, the marshals, everyone who supplied delicious soups and baked goods, and all those who donated so generously.

The August midweek run was also well attended, with 16 cars and 32 people taking part on what appeared to be one of the coldest days of the year. Well done to Mercia and Hans for organising such a successful event.

Our August club night featured the film *Romantic Road*, which follows an eccentric Englishman and his long-suffering wife as they tour India in a 1936 Rolls-Royce before continuing on to Pakistan. It was a great evening, with around 60 people attending. Thank you to everyone who came along and enjoyed the film.

Planning continues for upcoming events, including the 2027 Art Deco weekend. Arrangements for parking, vehicle access, and the accommodation of our members and visiting members are well under way. We will continue working with the relevant organisations to ensure the weekend runs smoothly.

Thank you to all members who support the club by attending events, helping with organisation and volunteering their time. These efforts, often carried out behind the scenes, are essential to our club's success.

With more activities ahead, I encourage everyone to get involved wherever possible. The strength of our club lies in its members, their enthusiasm for our vehicles and the friendships built over many years.

At the time of writing, I am about to depart on an overseas holiday and will be away for approximately 10 weeks. I look forward to returning in time for the Homestead Run in November and catching up with many of you then.

Please stay safe

Happy motoring.

Robert



Club Captains Notes

By Ian Elmsly



Greetings all,

What an easy month for me! Should go away more often.

Firstly a big thank you to Dianne Quarrie for her tremendous efforts in putting together the clubs Daffodil Day event as part of the national event. From the reports I've received it was a great success. To the team that rolled up their sleeves and supported the day, thank you.

The club night was different and went off really well with a great turnout. See, try something different and it works!

Going forward, we have an interesting account at the next meeting from a recent trip to Cape York (top of Queensland) together with a club run so see you there.

Cheers

Ian



VCCNZ National AGM Report

Palmerston North - 14-15 August 2026



I attended the VCCNZ National AGM and Delegate Conference in Palmerston North on 14-15 August, representing our Branch.

A key issue discussed was VCCNZ's financial position. The cost of producing and distributing Beaded Wheels, particularly postage, has skyrocketed. The National Committee will need to review costs carefully while maintaining the valued services provided to members.

Delegate Induction

The induction of new regional delegates began during the weekend. This will support effective regional representation and strengthen communication between branches and the National Executive.

National Committee

Tracy Winterbottom has been elected as the North Island Club Captain to the National Committee. I congratulate Tracy on her appointment and look forward to her contribution.

Awards and Recognition

Kaaren Smylie received a Presidential Award in recognition of her significant contribution to VCCNZ, particularly through her work with the VCCNZ National Day and particularly the Daffodil Cancer Society fundraising campaign.

Kevin Clarkson was awarded Life Membership in recognition of his long-standing service to VCCNZ, particularly in his role as editor of Beaded Wheels.

Future Direction

The AGM highlighted the financial pressures facing both branches and the National Office, particularly the rising costs of operations and postage. Continued cost control, member engagement, and cooperation between branches and National will be essential.

Acknowledgement

The Manawatū Branch did a brilliant job of hosting this year's AGM and Delegate Conference. The meetings, activities, and social programme were well organised, creating a welcoming opportunity for delegates from around New Zealand to share ideas and enjoy the fellowship of the Vintage Car Club.

Robert Benge

Chairman



Calendar of Events for SEPTEMBER 2026

MID-WEEK RUN -

Wednesday 2nd SEPTEMBER

Refer to Details on **Page 13**



CLUB NIGHT Wednesday 9th SEPTEMBER

Refer to Details on **Page 14**



***Every Tuesday morning the Club and the
Spares Department are open between 9am
& 11am.***

*A cuppa is made around 10am for those that would
like to have a sit down and have a natter.*



SUNDAY CLUB RUN

SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

Refer to Details on **Page 12**

MIX & MINGLE -

FRIDAY 25th SEPTEMBER

Doors open 6pm.

Dinner from 7pm.

BYO Drinks & Nibbles.

BYO Drinking Glasses Too.

Please Email the secretary

Larry at:

hawkesbay@vcc.org.nz

if you are attending or put
your name on the list at the
clubrooms.



HBVCCC Run to Taniwha Daffodils

SUNDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER



MEET AT
BRIDGE PA

**9.15am for 9.45am
DEPARTURE**



MORNING TEA AT

*Ashcott
Homestead*

TEA, COFFEE & SCONES

\$12.50 PER PERSON



PICNIC LUNCH

Please bring
your own lunch,
chairs, and
whatever you need
to enjoy the day.



BRING

A chair, picnic
lunch, and
your sense of
adventure!



**DAFFODILS
AVAILABLE
FOR PURCHASE**



RSVP with Malcolm



malcolm.lesley@xtra.co.nz



Classics on Wednesday's

SPRING SURPRISE FOR Wednesday Classics Run September the 2nd.



PLEASE NOTE REALLY EARLY START. WE ARE ON A TIME LIMIT WITH A REALLY TIGHT SCHEDULE!

Assemble at Clubrooms at 9 am. Please all leave at 9.30 am, no stragglers please, as this is the first part of a tightly timed day out. Proceed as per printed sheets.

Now, as they say, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, so, with Mercia's permission, I have copied her idea, and got menu ideas sorted for you to peruse. With the help of a Gourmet(?) friend.

We have to let the really nice café know what we are having for lunch, as Mercia did. It was a really good idea and sped up both the ordering at the counter (which is usually a drag, and it wasn't) and the delivery (which was really speedy, we were impressed) and the staff appreciated it too.

So please choose one of the following -TXT ME ON 0274538714 or email: barbara.jim@xtra.co.nz

Choice 1: Macaroni Cheese(yum!)

Choice 2: Croissant filled with Ham, cheese, tomato.

Choice 3: Roast beef Panini with spinach/cheese/onion jam/ tomato relish.

Choice 4: Chicken Panini with crumbed chicken/tomato relish/aioli/spinach/cheese/& roasted capsicum dressing.

These are just some of the choices, they are what we call the reasonable ones. There are also lots of sweet things and slices that you can buy if desired. Yes, its licensed!

So, go to it! Looking forward to surprising you all on Wednesday September the 2nd...

BARBI AND JIM XX





CLUB NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

LARRY'S OUTBACK ADVENTURE UP THE CAPE YORK PENINSULA

Larry will be speaking
to us about his
recent trip

STORIES,
PHOTOS,
ADVENTURES
& A FEW
SURPRISES!



CAPE YORK
PENINSULA



JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF OUTBACK TALES, SPECTACULAR SCENERY
AND A JOURNEY TO ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S LAST GREAT FRONTIERS.



WEDNESDAY
9TH SEPTEMBER
7.30PM START



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MEEANEE



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All Welcome!

BRING A FRIEND – SEE YOU THERE!

Mid - Week Run Report

Wednesday Wander Wonka Run 5 th August 2026



Silky Oak was the starting venue for our Wednesday run. Seriously we should have called it the Polar Express because it was NIPPY!!! Snow on Te Mata Peak, snow on all the ranges, everyone rugged up! But the brave and staunch ventured out into cool temperatures.



We hung out at Silky Oak, drinking coffee and telling stories. I got the feeling everyone was quite happy to hunker down and stay put. A few of us checked out the pantry and gift shop- great places for a unique present.



We left, heading out onto Omarunui Road, checking out all the changes that have happened in this picturesque area, crossed Fernhill bridge and meandered down SH50. The weather rained and sleeted initially as we drove down the extremely long Raukawa Road. The stock was out and about, many ewes with lambs at foot- some huddling to keep out of the weather.

At around 18km down this road we met a huge flock of young ram lambs fresh off the shears. So, there were 100s of hungry lambs everywhere! They went left, they went right, they were everywhere! Nosing our way through them was a challenge I was fully engaged in giving Hans instructions- no not helpful I know!

Once we got into Tikokino we headed up a shingle road- Holden Road no signpost as it had been souvenired! And ended up at the Sawyers Arms.



We were all seated in the main bar by a roaring fire. Lunch was a tasty generous fish and chips, steak Sammie, pizza or a crowd favourite bangers and mash!

I want to thank everyone for coming along on such a chilly day. It was great to see you all and have a catch up.



Wintery quote of the day - "Hot chocolate is like a hug from the inside" - Unknown,

Your Branch Photos

Daffodill Day - Sunday 23rd August

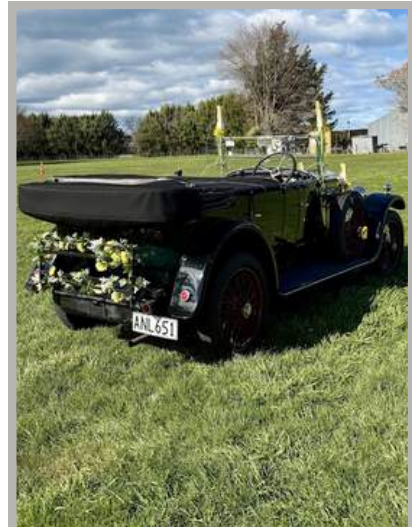




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Attention Members!



Club Room Hire

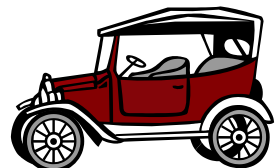
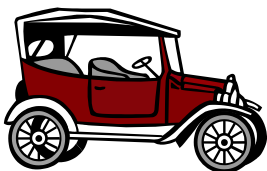


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and orderly manner.

The booking club member must
be present for the full duration
of the booking hire and is responsible for the premises
including the locking up and securing of the building and
site.

*For further enquiries please contact Steve Donovan - Club
Custodian on mobile number 027 217 7730*



ART DECO FESTIVAL



RALLY

SCAN TO VIEW
A PREVIOUS
PARADE



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Classifieds - For Sale

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FOR SALE



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For Sale



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or humber@xtra.co.nz

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I have Australian Restored Cars magazines from the very first issue No. 1 Nov/Dec 1973 to No. 81 in 1988 with just one No.64 missing.

There is a huge amount of useful information in these compact magazines. Too good I think for recycling. Free

Contact Graham Smith 027 2290158
or humber@xtra.co.nz

Spares News

By John Durry



Hi All

Well Tuesday are becoming more popular, 1 short of 50 people 2 weeks ago, good achievement. Congratulations to Warren White for his 80th birthday, and thanks for the shout. We also had the Mayor, Richard McGrath attend.

We need to thank Steve D. for tools etc from Steve Trot's estate. Greg Mawson for 2 carbs, Gary Peacock for a big selection of car manuals, Graham Newrick 2 car jacks, Bob Meach a big box of spanners.

The A team have been busy helping BT clear out Peter Crocker home, and the club have been given a lot of stuff that we will sell at the next swap meet, and we also shifted 2 cars to Brian's place, so there is a 1928 De Soto 4 cylinder for sale that has been restored years ago, so if interested phone BT on 027 443 6009.

CLUB SPARE PARTS CORNER

For any enquiries phone:
Brian Taylor on 027 443 6009 or
John Durry 022 676 9401



A red, rectangular stamp with the words "FOR SALE" in bold, white, sans-serif capital letters. The stamp has a distressed, ink-like texture and is tilted slightly to the right.[illegible]



Welcome to our Club

Peter Warren - 1946 Ford Jailbar



Manawatu VCC is holding their Annual SWAP MEET!

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2026

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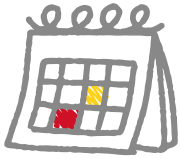
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- The discounted Fares are not available in conjunction with any other offer.
- Fares are always subject to availability at the time of booking.
- Payment must be made when booking via the following payment methods: Poli (bank transfer), debit/credit card and/or Afterpay.
- Bluebridge reserves the right to review these terms and conditions from time to time. The Club President will be notified of any changes and the changes will apply to any new or amended bookings made after the date of notification.



Calendar of Up and Coming Events



September Events	October Events	Future Events
2nd September Mid-week run/committee Meeting	7th October Mid-week run/committee Meeting	30th October to 2nd November Safari
9th September Club Night	14th October Club Night	
13th September Club Run	18th October Club Run	
25th September Mix & Mingle Night	30th October Mix & Mingle Night Cancelled for this month only Safari 30th October - 2nd November	

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