



February 2011

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Events Diary 2011

Sun, Feb 13 North Canterbury Ramble

2nd weekend due to Skope Racing on 1st weekend

Feb 18-20 Kaikoura Weekend

Weekend away with the Nelson Motoring Society

Sunday, Mar 6

Yet to be named or organised but put into diary!

Apr 1-3 Weekend Down South

Weekend away with the Nelson Motoring Society

Sunday, Apr 3 April Adventure

For those that aren't going away for the weekend

Sunday, May 1 May Meander

Explore a collection in North Canterbury

Sunday, Jun 5 June Jaunt

Regular monthly run so pop into your diary

August 19-21 Alpine Classic

Woolly wearing weather as we look for snow!

Classic Motor Racing, Ruapuna

Fri 4th - Sun 6th February

We don't organise this (obviously), but many of our members attend and quite a few participate in the pits to keep the cars going. Both Christchurch and Nelson club members take some part. Some are serious, some love the fun and some are in the management of this amazing event.

Our members watching spread around the track but a favourite place is the McLaren Stand on the start / finish straight. You can pre purchase tickets for this weekend at a cheaper price than gate sales. Hope to see you over the weekend.

North Canterbury Ramble Sun, 13 Feb NOTE CHANGE OF DAY FOR THIS RUN

As most of us enjoy a bit of classic motor racing, particularly when its in our home town, we've moved our monthly event to the second week in February so we can attend/participate in the Skope Classic. This month is going to be a fairly full-on month of classic cars one way or another!

David Beer is taking us over some fun roads and to places with names that will leave you wondering if you have guessed correctly. David is taking us somewhere that we've been trying to go for quite a while so it should be an excellent day out!

Meeting as usual at 10.30am in the southern carpark at Princess Margaret Hospital.

Kaikoura Weekend Feb 18-20

A reminder to advise Mel or Pat of your intentions to attend so we can organise and confirm numbers for Saturday night. At this time Nelson still outnumber Christchurch!

Friday, 18th Feb

For those travelling up to Kaikoura during the day, Mel and Gill have invited you to join them for lunch at Pukeko Junction at 1pm.

Friday night in Kaikoura has no organised activity but those travelling up can catch up with others from Nelson and Christchurch at their leisure.

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Saturday's Programme, 19th Feb

We have organised a couple of options for you. Meet at the Panorama Motel at 12:30 to get your run sheets. For the more adventurous, we plan to explore the Seaward Valley north of Kaikoura before meeting up with our colleagues at Geoff Harmon's property in Bay Paddock Road at around 3pm.

The alternative run is to visit South Bay before heading to the road network inland from Kaikoura and ending at Bay Paddock Road to meet with the adventurers. Geoff has an interesting collection for us to view.

We have gathered together some sightseeing brochures if you just want to explore on your own with gives you a third option for Saturday. We will have them at the Panorama Motel for you if you want them.

Dinner will be at 6:30pm at the Green Dolphin Restaurant opposite the Pier Hotel.

Programme for Sunday, 20th Feb

Assembly point is Panorama Motel between 10.00 - 10.30am. Our destination is Homewood Hills Art Gallery where artist Karen James has a number of paintings for you to admire. Husband, Bob Bell, has a collection of cars and memorabilia. Bob has a charities donation box for a gold coin or two please.

Across the road is our lunch venue. We are being hosted by the Hapuku Primary School for a BBQ lunch – the usual salads and meats and, if available, there may be some sea food! The cost is \$5.00 per person which goes towards the pupils' educational trips. Take your car and park in the school grounds about 12.15ish!

After lunch we will farewell our Northern friends and head back toward Christchurch, stopping at the Tipapa Woolshed in Greta Valley for afternoon tea. Well worth a look.

General Information

Its not too late to be part of this weekend! If you are planning on coming, could you please let Pat (p.pascoe@xtra.co.nz) or Mel (contact details on front page) know so they have accurate numbers for the dinner on Saturday night.

Pat suggests you stay at any of the following accommodation venues as you'll then be with other people on the weekend but, of course, you're free to stay where ever you like.

- Panorama Motels (30 units)
0800 288 299, www.panoramamotel.co.nz

- Admiral Court (9 units)
088 555 525, www.kaikouramotel.co.nz
- YHA 03 319 5931, www.yha.co.nz
- Pier Hotel (12 rooms, shared facilities)
03 319 5037, www.thepierhotel.co.nz

It should be a great weekend away. Lets see if we can again overwhelm Kaikoura with classic cars!!

Farming Day

Sunday 6th March

In an effort to bring you something a bit different we are going on 2 farm visits mixed with our own run for the day. We will start at the usual time and place with your picnic lunch (10.30am at Princess Margaret Hospital's most southern carpark).

Our first farm visit will be mostly about horses, something Jim Milne knows a lot about. Next stop, picnic lunch which we all know a lot about.

Our second farm stop is at a dairy farm. Geoff and Carol Westerby, recent enthusiastic members, farm approx 70 cows close to Christchurch and are keen to share with you all the 24/7 operational side of their business, which they both know a lot about. Arrival time between 2 - 3 pm should see preparation for the milking and we hope to see this process. I will update you with times later.

BUT amidst all the happenings we will share AFTERNOON TEA on the lawn – so please "BRING A PLATE" to share. There will be tea and coffee available.

Please contact Mel Peters if you have any questions (contact details in box on front page).

Twin Rivers Classic Car Parade

Sunday, Mar 13

Once again the Rotary Club of Avonhead, with sponsorship from the Paul Kelly Motor Company, is organizing this classic event, touring the roads and rivers of the Garden City. This is the 7th year that the Rotary Cub have organised this event and last year \$8,500 was raised and topped up to \$10,000 by the Rotary Club and donated to the Christchurch Charitable Hospital Trust.

This year the proceeds will go to the Child Cancer Foundation who will use the money to provide special amenities in one room in the Child Cancer House, 20 Cashel St.

Whilst the Twin Rivers Parade is no longer a Classic Motoring Society event, we thoroughly recommend taking part in it, sharing your classic vehicle with the world and raising funds for the Child Cancer

Foundation. Plus its a chance to catch up with all your fellow classic motorists!

The parade will start from the A & P Showgrounds at 1.30pm, the display arena will be open from 10.30am.

In order to make a worthwhile donation to the Foundation a charge of \$15 per entry will be made and a \$10 fee for each spectator's vehicle. All vehicles are welcome, no matter what vintage or type.

For more information, please contact John Soundy on 03-358 4478 or johnsoundy@xtra.co.nz

Vintage Country Fair **Mar 26-27** **McLeans Island, Christchurch**

Obviously, this is not a CMSNZ event but we think its of interest to everyone. This is run by the Canterbury Steam Preservation Society, the Canterbury Branch of VCC and the NZ Vintage Machinery Club - Canterbury so will have something to interest everyone.

The list of attractions includes: steam trains, traction engines, veteran & vintage vehicles, vintage machinery, military vehicles in action, logging displays, stationary engines, chaff cutters, threshing machines, steam sawmill, models, memorabilia, working steam museum, Clydesdale horses, hay baling demonstration. Food and drink will be available.

The entry fee is \$10/person or \$20/family and is at McLeans Island. No dogs allowed. www.vintagecountryfair.co.nz

April Weekend **Apr 1-3**

Pat Pascoe is on a roll and is organising another weekend outing. The invitation for this weekend is initially going out to Lord Nelson participants BUT he will be running a wait list (or at least, he is now that I've mentioned it!) in case it fills up quickly.

I only have a sketchy outline of the weekend at the moment but it starts with breakfast in Oamaru on Friday, 1st April, goes through the Catlins and finishes in Omarama on Sunday.

If you would like to go on this weekend and you weren't on the Lord Nelson, please email Pat (p.pascoe@xtra.co.nz) and indicate your enthusiasm.

NB: This is a new email address for Pat as the last one didn't seem to work.

April Adventure **Sunday, 3rd April**

For those of us that aren't going to be down south for the weekend, we will be running our normal first Sunday of the month run.

Julian Barrett has very kindly volunteered to organise this run and we'll let you know the plan in another newsletter. If you have a bright idea for a run and wish to have a go, please let us know as its a lot of fun when a number of different people organise these. Please contact HQ or talk to one of the committee members and make yourself known.

Classic Car Festival **April 22-24**

The Classic Motoring Society of Nelson and the Classic Motoring Society of NZ have been invited to participate in the Classic Car Festival which is being held in conjunction with the Classic Fighters 2011 Air Show at Omaka in Blenheim. This is Easter weekend.

The theme of the show this year is British and it is planned that a centrally located static display of up to 100 vehicles, predominantly manufactured prior to 1965, will represent the classic marques of the era. Vehicles will need to be on display for the three days from 9am to 5pm. People that have their cars on display will receive a double pass to the Show.

If you are interested in participating, could you please contact Pat Pascoe on p.pascoe@xtra.co.nz or 03-357 8964. Remember, British cars only.

May Meander **Sunday, 1st May**

Tony Childs, who brought us up to date with "Historic Kaiapoi", is putting together a new venture for us. Meet in the Princess Margaret Hospital car park, Christchurch at 10.30am for an expedition up into North Canterbury.

Bring your picnic lunch as we'll be having a break at the historic Cheviot Hills homestead site. If the weather is inclement there is a backup plan!

We'll be visiting Lyndsay Dickson who has a very tidy lifetime collection of machinery and collectibles. We'll round out the day by returning via Cheviot and Gore Bay to the Brick Mill Café at Waikuku on SHW 1.

For more information, please contact Tony Childs on 027 600 6514 or 03 327 2709.

Apparel

There was an order form for our club branded apparel put out in the January newsletter. If you can't find yours, it is also on our website.

Upcoming Events!

Alpine Classic 2011

Fri 19 - Sun 21 August

We are now planning to regularly have the Alpine Classic every odd year on the third weekend in August.



A reminder of what we've encountered in previous Alpines - snow and lots of it at times! This was the 1995 Alpine Classic and we went via Lake Lyndon.

Classic Marathon 2012

Sat 18 - Sat 25 February

As with the Alpine Classic, we've set the Classic Marathon date as the third full week in February in every even year.

Odyssey 2012

Wed 26 Sept - Sun 7 Oct

This Australian Odyssey is starting near Melbourne, passes through Adelaide and back to Melbourne. We cover Victoria, South Australia and outback New South Wales.

The tour has been carefully timed so we have an opportunity to view the amazing Bay to Birdwood event (www.baytobirdwood.com.au), which has a vintage and a classic run. It is only held every two years and when it was run in 2009, they had approximately 1500 participants! This will be a fabulous spectacle.

Monthly Runs

As you know, there is no charge for coming on our monthly runs. Instead, we have a donation box for St John's Ambulance Service and we would appreciate you making a donation to a great cause each time you join us on a run. Hopefully we never need them!

Also, if you belong to another car club that is looking for a run some time, please feel free to invite them to join us. The more the merrier.



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Remember, you can pay your subscription online - the club's bank account details are on the subs form, which is on the website if you need another copy.

The Primo Run Report

We started the year with a really good turn out. Our numbers were increased by 3 cars joining us as a result of Ellen's email invitation out to other clubs to join us on the run. (One of your committee's ideas to encourage other clubs to join us so that we can all share the enjoyment of our prized toys). After much Christmas and New Year chatter we finally set off up the Cashmere Hills with points to see and visit as we go on another beautiful summer day.

At the Sign of the Kiwi we turned right on to the Southern Summit Road. We visited the Sign of the Bellbird and stopped at vantage points to admire the views of the surrounding countryside, Lake Ellesmere, the coastline, Tai Tapu, Carol & Geoff's dairy farm, Rolleston and the hazy mountains. Onwards down Gebbies Pass and keeping to left turns we explored McQueens Valley. We hardly saw a soul but probably doubled their traffic movement for the week.

Out to the main Akaroa Road and then another left turn into Kaituna Valley — visitor numbers were up as there was a PYO cherry orchard. The end of the road slopes up towards Mt Herbert for many kms and only stops when rapidly rising land makes it impossible for cars. We retraced our steps to the Kaituna Valley Scenic reserve for lunch, talks and walks through the bush to the Kaituna River which had a good swimming hole. Made some wish they had bought their togs.

As time wore on a few headed off to tend to tasks at home and make visits and a few of us headed to Lincoln for the usual "coffee & cake". A neat and relaxing day for many and a new area visited. Thank you all for your support.

Mel Peters