

WELLINGTON REPORT TO 2019 AGM

Since the AGM in 2018 some Wellington members attended the Napier Art Deco event and the AGM where one of our members Steve Hainsworth was voted in as the new club chairman.

Some members have independently attended other car events and swapmeets especially over the long weekends. We had a run out to a café in the Makara countryside and checked out the damage done by cyclone Gita at Makara beach. A shared lunch at my property with some VCC members to which the VAR members were also invited to view progress on the fabric salon restoration and sheds etc.

A run to a Hungarian restaurant for lunch at Lindale was also organised.

The Wellington AGM was held in late October followed by afternoon tea and shed viewing with those attending happy with the status quo.

Several club cars and crews took part in the Peter Smith memorial rally in September organised by the Wairarapa branch.

In December we took part in a run out to Lake Ferry in the Wairarapa organised by the Sunbeam car club.

Work continues on rebuilds, restorations, repaints, and upgrading lighting and generating systems etc. Our members have a good supply of A7 parts and knowledge and can be contacted to help out with keeping old Austins going.

The biggest event for the Wellington branch was helping organise and run the annual rally this was the 50th annual rally of our club and was held in Wanganui over Wellington's anniversary weekend.

We have a small group of members keen on rallying their cars and they can be relied on to turn up if not otherwise engaged unfortunately this year one of our keener members Doug Banks health deteriorated and he has resigned his membership.

As mentioned previously the majority of our Wellington members haven't attended any of the organised activities but we will continue to arrange activities for those that like to meet up and enjoy their Austin's and each others company.

For North Islanders we can offer safe free parking for cars and trailers in Wellington if you wish to trailer your Austin to Wellington enroute to the South Island.