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Marlborough Branch Autumn 2025 Newsletter



Our Marlborough Branch AGM is to be held in the

Marlborough Vintage Car Clubrooms at Brayshaw Park

Monday 16th June 2025

Commencing at 11.30 am

It is expected the meeting will be no longer than 30 mins and will be followed by lunch commencing at 12.15pm. The cost to members for lunch is only **\$20** as your branch has subsidized the function. Details of registering and paying are included at the end of this newsletter.

Please complete the RSVP at the end of the newsletter and post or email as directed.

If you live in Blenheim and require transport to and from the meeting and lunch then please note this on the return form. The committee will arrange to pick you up and drop you back home after lunch.

A message from your Chairperson:

Thank you to the 50 members who attended the Xmas function and contributed to an enjoyable event. We are holding our AGM at the same venue on the 16th June and look forward to a good attendance. Details for your rsvp are included below. Once again, I wish to acknowledge the contribution your committee makes in supporting GSA members in Marlborough. My thanks to:

VICE CHAIR	Rob Stewart
SECRETARY	Mary Griffiths
TREASURER	Noel Frater
COMMITTEE	Peter Sangwine, Kath Gilchrist, John Monson & Rose Preston

Please consider if you would like to be nominated for the committee and contribute to the organization. It's not an onerous task and the 6 meetings we hold over the year are brief and to the point. By the time you read this the committee would have travelled to Nelson to catch up with our Nelson Branch counterparts to discuss common areas of interest. We appreciate the link we have between our two branches.

On the national scene I am completing my second year as President which keeps me busy with Board meetings and various meetings with other organizations we deal with. After eight years of involvement at national level, including four as Vice President and now two as President, I have indicated that I am stepping back from this role at the September Council meeting. I intend to carry on with my local involvement.

For those of you not receiving the 100% cost of living adjustment (about 1100 members nationally) you will be sad to learn that the Minister of Finance is not committing to following the Select Committee recommendation that this be rectified. About 6000 annuitants affected by this have died since we took the petition to parliament in 2018 so it's easy to see that this 'problem' for the government will go away relatively quickly. Having said that, the Board are still working hard on this issue.

We are always looking for new members and encourage those who know of others who are receiving an annuity either through the GSF or NPF Scheme to join our association. One source of new members are surviving spouses. There are many of these who are not members of GSA. If you know of a surviving spouse (of a deceased annuitant) please ask them to consider becoming a member. GSA is committed to supporting surviving spouses.

Alan Straker

RSVP for AGM and Luncheon on Monday 16 th June, 2025			
Vintage Car Clubrooms, Brayshaw Park at 11.30 am.			
YES, I will be attending the AGM and luncheon. Name			
I will be accompanied by Name			
Payment-see below.			
Payment of \$20 per person can be made via Internet Banking to GSA Marlborough Account 11-7500-0581667-11			
Put your initial and surname in the 'particulars' box and AGM in reference field.			
You can cut out this RSVP and post it to GSA Marlborough P.O. Box 4033, Blenheim 7242. Alternatively copy and paste into an email to our treasurer Noel Frater, lyn.noel@xtra.co.nz RSVP by 10 th June Apologies can be made to marlborough@gsa.org.nz			
If you require transport, please complete this section:			
Address			
Contact phone number			

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Statement of income & Expenditure for year ended 31 Mar 2025

Cheque A/C Balance 31Mar24 \$6,072-12

INCOME:-		EXPENDITURE:-			
Direct Credit Subs Bank Interest Functions	\$3,848-76 90-75 2,350-00	Organisation Functions Remuneration Other (Trnsfr to Wgtn)	\$2,359-33 3,507-94 450-00 5,000-00		
Sub Total:-	\$6 <i>,</i> 289-55	Sub Total:-	\$11,317-27		
		Closing Balance 31Mar245	\$1,044-40		
Total:-	\$12,361-67	Total:-	\$12,361-67		
Term Deposit:- A N Z Bank - \$11,333-83 for 12 mths @ 5.10% (matures 26Sep25)					

(The accounts have yet to be reviewed)