

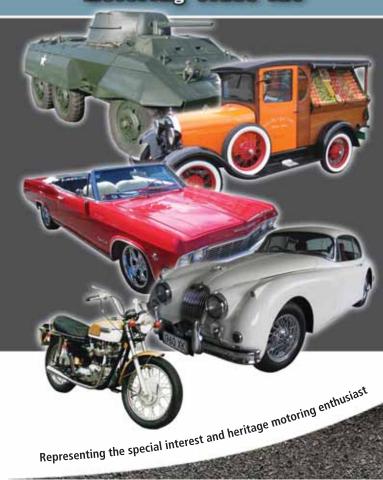


RZ Federation of Motoring Clubs Inc

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Representing the special interest and heritage motoring enthusiast

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The enjoyment of the ownership and use of our prized vehicles can be curtailed at any time by changes to the law, or increasing charges and fees, or commercial decisions.

With environmental concerns, and the consequent policy initiatives to modernise New Zealand's vehicle fleet, special interest vehicle and heritage motoring enthusiasts must work together to ensure our rights are not compromised.

In other countries heritage vehicles owners must buy permits to drive their cars on the road or dispose of a donor car, and older vehicles are banned from entering some city centres. Noise limits, emission tests, and changing minimum safety standards are a constant threat to the continued use of older heritage and special interest vehicles.

Initially formed by 31 motoring clubs in 1994, the Federation of Motoring Clubs is an alliance of diverse groups actively involved in preserving their vehicles and ensuring their right to use them on public roads continues without undue cost or restriction by regulatory authorities. The FOMC now comprises more than 120 clubs with individual membership of some 20,000 enthusiasts who collectively own over 30,000 cars, motorcycles, trucks and military vehicles, tractors, and vintage machinery.

## **Multiple Benefits**

Speaking with one voice on behalf of vehicle enthusiasts, the FOMC has secured multiple benefits for its members including important changes to proposed legislation and a comprehensive, low-cost, public liability insurance cover.

In Australia the compulsory requirement for public liability insurance has already forced some car clubs to close or

merge with others, but the cover arranged by the FOMC on behalf of



as protecting a club and its executive from losses arising from various risks such as theft, loss of documents and accidental damage to a third party's property, the FOMC policy covers other potential claims such as Product Liability, Forest & Rural Fires Act, Motor Repair and Storage Liability, Pollution Liability etc.

## **Regular Newsletters**

Other membership benefits include the quarterly newsletter "Wheel Torque" which updates member clubs on relevant rule changes and the lobbying the FOMC has done on behalf of the heritage vehicle sector, access to the FOMC website and information database, and assistance in dealing with Government agencies to settle disputes such as re-registration issues and meeting compliance requirements. The FOMC is working with the NZ Transport Agency to implement a process to ensure heritage vehicle owners are not disadvantaged by the updating of the vehicle testing and compliance regimes.

With membership open to clubs and not individuals, the FOMC is administered by a national executive of elected representatives of the member clubs, which can also co-opt technical personnel if required.



to Government on a wide range of issues and has successfully worked in association with other groups like the Vintage Car Club, Low Volume Vehicle Technical Association and repair certifiers to protect the interests of motoring enthusiasts.

Issues addressed include Rule exemptions for 'special interest vehicles', biofuels, boy-racer legislation, exhaust emissions and noise controls, compulsory third party insurance, vehicle inspections, repair rules, ACC premiums etc. The FOMC is in regular contact with key Government decision makers to ensure motoring issues of importance to member clubs are given complete and sympathetic consideration before changes are made to current legislation and regulations.

Inquiries and submissions are welcome so our executive can help to resolve issues affecting your clubs or individual members. Membership of the FOMC and the benefits provided will therefore make membership of your club more attractive to your current and prospective members.

## **Minimal Cost**

To enable your club to join the Federation, an application form listing the fee requirement, determined by the number of members in your club, is available on our website: www.fomc.co.nz. Annual subscriptions start from as little as \$33.00 per club.

Though the FOMC is already recognised by Government as a significant lobbying voice on behalf of special interest and heritage vehicle owners, the more members the louder the voice the Federation has, and the more we can achieve working for your club. Individual clubs working alone cannot be effective in this arena. An alliance best serves the needs of all motoring groups. The FOMC is that alliance, and we would welcome your support.

