29th AGM Secretary Report

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Introduction

This is my fifth report as Secretary, NZ Federation of Motoring Clubs Inc.

The secretarial office has again run smoothly this year. All but one of the executive meetings were held via video conference. We also had many online meetings on specific topics, resulting in smooth, agile and timely operations. At various times, the secretary has been rather overloaded and is seeking an assistant for administration tasks from member clubs.

Website and Records Management

The website continues to be well used, especially following the NZ Historic and Classic Vehicle Survey results. All AGM registrations this year were processed online, facilitating smooth registration processing.

In the past year there have been 9,508 visitors to the site with 23,786 page views.

The website requires modernising, so we are seeking website developers to contribute to the life of the Federation. We certainly would appreciate your expertise. Contact <u>Chris Butler</u>.

We now have a YouTube channel and propose establishing a FaceBook group. The Facebook group will require dedicated administrators to monitor incoming posts, writing regular and topical posts, all needed on a timely (not occasional) basis.

Membership

For the 2023/2024 year, the FoMC has 149 member clubs, an increase of 14 clubs from last year, representing 149,961 members and 126,635 vehicles. Sadly, we lost two clubs due to dwindling numbers.

The 150th club about to join is the Manaia Classic Car & Bike club. Even the little town in South Taranaki with population of 985 has its own Classic vehicle club of 40 members! Income from membership was \$15,496.94.

Substantial time and effort was required this year in chasing up overdue subs, with 16 clubs still to pay. Could all clubs please advise the secretary of change of officers and pay promptly, as it has a direct impact on our ability to operate.

To support our operations and special projects, the membership fees are increasing this year by 20% (allowable in the constitution). New member clubs will have a base fee of \$100.00, as the current \$22.00 base fee is insufficient to support the Federations ongoing operations. This year we will perform a review of our membership fee structure to support the Federation for the future and present the proposal at next year's AGM.

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Chris Butler, Secretary