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"NIMAFC members visit the Piroa Falls during the Waipu Car Run".

Welcome to the North Island Model A Ford Club Inc.

The purpose of our club is to enjoy, restore, preserve, and protect the Model A Ford automobile and to foster a spirit of good fellowship and family participation using the Model A Ford.

Membership is open to anyone with a sincere interest in the Model A Ford. Ownership is not a prerequisite.

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Visit our website www.modelafordclub.co.nz for new events, articles & updates.

North Island Model A Ford Club Upcoming Event Planner 2022

All subject to Covid restrictions https://covid19.govt.nz/

Date	Day	Thoughts and upcoming Events		Status
			Steve	
18 th May	Wed	Tech Night	Driver	Confirmed
			Terry	
29 th May	Sun	Run, Cars & Coffee	Costello	Confirmed
			Dave	
8 th June	Wed	Tech Night	Mossman	TBC
			Hugh &	
19 th June	Sun	Car Run to Puhoi Cheese	Bill Hulse	Confirmed
			Errol	
25 th June	Sat	Ryders Theatre & Dinner	McAlpine	Confirmed
			Steve	
16 th – 17 th July	Sat/Sun	Car Run	Driver	TBC
			Garry	
28 th Aug	Sun	Car Run	Learmonth	TBC
		North Island Model A Ford Club	Details on	
25 th -28 th Oct	Tue-Fri	50 th Anniversary	Website	In progress
		NIMAFC AGM during 50 th at		
26 th Oct	Wed	Taupo		In progress

The committee are working on events for the upcoming year. Please keep a watch on the website www.modelafordclub.co.nz for any recent updates.

FYI below - Non-North Island Model A Ford Club Events 2022

If you are aware of an event coming up, please let the editor know so we can share, thank you.

Date	Day	Event
15 th May	Sun	Westie Shed Run (ACCCA)
9 th — 10 th July	Sat - Sun	Rotorua Swap meet
4 th – 10 th March 2023		16 th National Model A Rally Methven Christchurch

Print this page off for reminders and stick to your fridge!

or keep an eye on the website for updates.

Captain's Comment - March/April 2022

To all our Members and Fellow Enthusiasts

Easter this year has come and gone, and the glorious sunshine is still with us. Odd really, how our summer and autumn have blended-together to become one long event and seemingly out of paradise. Anne-Marie and I have returned from a visit down south watching the autumn colours explode around our majestic country and mix with the vibrate blues, greens and white of the water and landscape environs. Yes, we really enjoy paradise in this part of the planet as we shrug off covid and the troubles of other regions. It is time to truly let the Model A wheels roll and tour our Garden of Eden as never before.

Events are a high priority for our members, and we endeavour to push the boundaries to bring the best experiences forward for you. Several of our membership have suggestions under action now to roll out during the winter months. There is no time to relax at home, put your thinking cap on and suggest an event of your own so that all members can participate alongside.

Our 50th Celebration is due in October with plans firming and a proposed programme to follow. Included is a return form to allow for catering and resourcing of facilities, attendances etc. Remember that accommodation is your responsibility, but the Sun Court offers a great opportunity to be amongst it all with your colleagues and close to the action. If you are still considering your stay, do it now so that we may get a reliable number of attendees and endeavour to cater for everyone should further covid restrictions, be applied.

Our special Group booking ID 14805. Their phone number is 07 378 8265.

Come the Spring we begin our second fifty years as a club after 95 years of Ford Model A. More tweaking of our cars and their performance probably, as a few of us harness the new Burtz block and changes. Challenging, and exciting it may be but let's not forget about our personnel performance as we also grow older (and still wiser).

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Cheers,

Hewy.

13th March Jim & Jan's Car Run out to the Kaipara Garden Centre and Sculpture Gardens.

Photos shared by Greg Stokes & Hugh Hulse.



















9th April 2022 Ross Boltons Northland Car Run.

The Daring Run Mangawhai – By Warwick Woollams. Photos shared from Warwick Woollams, Terry Costello, Steve Driver & Garry Learmonth.

Saturday 19th April was a lovely day. The sun was shining and 13 Model A cars etc turned up for what was a very enjoyable day. On arrival at McClean Park, Kaiwaka, we were treated to some heavenly donuts from the bakery just up the road. Then about 9.30 we took off for Maungaturoto.

We drove up Doctors Hill Road – an interesting one which was a good vintage car road, - loose metal, hills, and bends. After traveling about 2kms we stopped at the top of hill. One by one we made the steep decent on foot to the world famous Piroa Falls.



They were so pretty and so peaceful in the early morning. So, we spent 5-10 minutes there and then returned to our cars. I must say going back up seemed shorter than going down. We then kept on the wonderful country road and made our way to Waipu.

Once at Waipu we visited the Waipu Museum which was most informative of our ancestors who came from Scotland. There was too much to take in in one visit so I guess we will all be back there again sometime. Lunch was had by all at various eateries around Waipu.

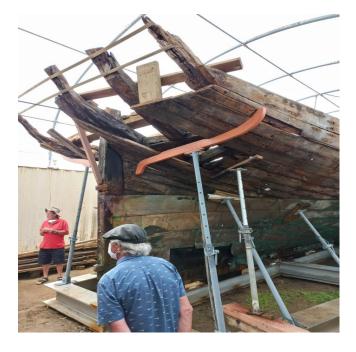
We took the Coast Road passing my Waipu Cove Beach and Lang's Beach on our way to Mangawhai where we visited the Mangawhai Museum. This was quite a different Museum as it concentrated on the ships that came out to NZ. Next door to the museum was a shed which housed the Daring which was the old sailing ship that was found on Muriwai Beach. Many visited the shed and climbed up to have a look at it inside.

A very interesting outing. Thank you, Ross, for your organising of the day.

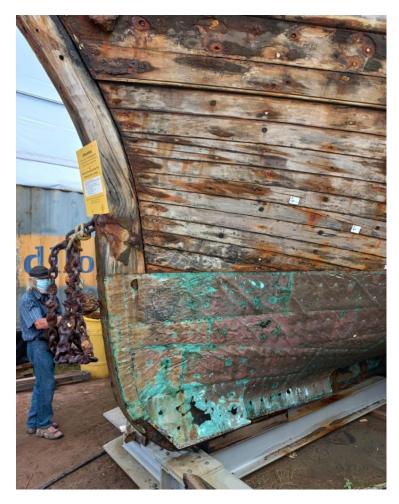






















WHAT: NIMAFC Technical night.

WHEN: 13TH April 2022

WHERE: Terry Costello's workshop.

WHY: Because we needed to have a Tech night.

WHO: NIMAFC member's.

HOW: Just let them know and they will come.

In case you are wondering, these are the 5 x W's and 1 x H that everyone should ask about anything. Good police interviewing techniques, however I diverse from the main subject. This being, "We managed to have a Tech night / get together" which was well-deserved after a long time.

The night came and we all headed to Terry's workshop. A great turnout with 31 people. Talk about talking. The crowd talked; stories were told as we waited for the main technical session of the evening.

Steve Driver was seen working the BBQ. Marlene Costello seen working hard on the distribution of the BBQ magic. Joss Costello wooed the crowd with plates of buns and burgers. Sausages cooked to perfection. T / Sauce and sausage butties. What else is there.? I nearly forgot the cookies. Parked at Terry's garage was his Model A pickup, his town sedan, Steve Drivers Speedster, and a new pickup on the block after having been built by Terry and Steve. Having a selection of cars around certainly set the theme for the evening.

The session then got started, presented by Dave Mossman. Dave was providing a run down and update of the progress of the new Burtz model A blocks that he is importing. He explained the development of the block and its main features. He also outlined the benefits of what has been designed without making us older engine block owners feel left in the last century. The original blocks still provide good reliable power to the wheels.

Dave would not be drawn in to the rated horsepower of the new engine, however mentioned that he would be dyno testing his engine when it is up and running. Numerous attendees offered their advice and knowledge to the crowd which is invaluable. Years of experience which we need to listen to and take advantage of.

Lots of questions were asked and the members came away from the evening with more knowledge that when they

arrived. This was a bonus.

Thankyou Terry for organising the evening and allowing the use of your great man cave. Thank you to the cooks and food preppers for keeping us fed. A great evening had by all. Role on the next Tech night on the 18th May 2022, same place, same time. See flyers and the website for further details.

Garry Learmonth.









IRISHMAN RALLY - UPDATE Saturday 4th Sunday 5th June.

Just a quick note to let you know we are definitely running the Irishman rally at Queen's birthday weekend. Sat June 4th and Sunday the 5th.

Starting point is to be at our VCC headquarters at McLeans Island at the back of Christchurch Airport. It will be under covid rules and so this will mean you supply your own meals, and the social time will be worked out to suit the rules at the time. I will give you more details nearer the time. The main thing is **YES**, it is happening, and we would love to see you and as many VC members from your region attend. I've just arrived home from a planning trip and can assure you there is some very interesting country waiting here for you to enjoy.

Best wishes Bob (Robert) Scott – email rjscotty@gmail.com

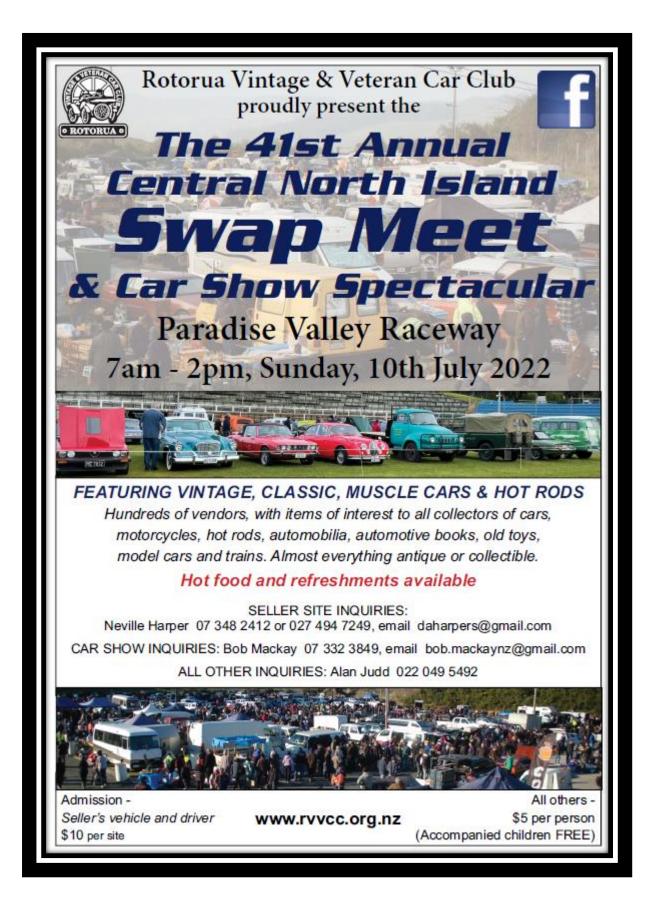
"The Perks of being at an older age".

- 1. Kidnappers are not very interested in you.
- 2. In a hostage situation you are likely to be released first.
- 3. No one expects you to run –anywhere.
- 4. People call at 8pm and ask, "Did I wake you "?
- 5. You get into heated arguments about pension plans.
- 6. People no longer view you as a hypochondriac.
- 7. There is nothing left to learn the hard way.
- 8. Things you buy won't wear out.
- 9. You can eat supper at 5pm.
- 10. You can live without sex but not your glasses.
- 11. Your secrets are safe with your friends because they can't remember them either.
- 12. Your supply of brain cells is finally down to a manageable size.
- 13. You can't remember who told you all these perks.

The list is in **big bold print** for your convenience.

(Leave the definition of "OLDER" up to each individual).

These were in a birthday card given to me by a friend.



MOTHER'S DAY AT THE COSTELLO'S

Thank you to Joss and Terry Costello for the invitation to join them and other Club members at their place for lunch on Mother's Day – just pizza's and a catch-up say's Joss. After such a long time without socialising this was a great idea.

It was a pleasant Sunday afternoon very relaxed and a great environment where everyone was happy to be outside in the fresh air. While Terry cooked the pizzas Marlene was busy handing out bowls of soup to us all. No sooner were the pizzas cooked and delivered to our table than they were devoured. Next please sir!

After a few beers and a couple of glasses of wine it was time to finish up with tea/coffee and sweets. Out came the chocolate eclairs, biscuits, chocolates and cake with cream. By this time the sun was going down and a chill was in the air therefore time to depart for home after an enjoyable afternoon. David and I enjoyed sharing a few laughs with friends and look forward to the next get together.

After several requests for the recipe of the Feijoa and Walnut cake I thought it would be a good idea to share with all Club members.

Feijoa and Walnut Cake Recipe

INGREDIENTS

- 300 gram feijoa flesh (about 8-10 medium feijoas), roughly chopped
- 1 cup walnut pieces
- 1 cup dried cranberries (or use sultanas)
- 3/4 cup caster sugar
- 1 egg
- 100 gram melted butter
- 1 cup plain flour
- 2 teaspoon mixed spice
- 2 teaspoon baking soda



METHOD

- 1 Preheat oven to 180°C. Grease and line a 20cm round springform tin.
- 2 In a large bowl, mix the feijoas, walnuts, cranberries and sugar.
- 3 With a beater, beat the egg and butter until well mixed. Add to the feijoa mixture.
- 4 Sift the flour, mixed spice and baking soda into the feijoa mixture, stirring lightly.
- 5 Scrape into prepared tin.
- 6 Bake for 40-45 minutes or until a skewer comes out clean.
- 7 Run a knife around the edges of the tin and carefully remove the ring from the base.
- 8 Serve warm as a dessert or leave to cool for 20 minutes before slicing.

With feijoas in season now is the time to try this recipe. Give the kids something to do by collecting the feijoas from the neighbour's trees. Full with antioxidant -rich Vitamin C, as well as B-Vitamins, Vitamin E and Vitamin K. I hope you all enjoy it.

Karen Thomas

"The Port of Tauranga National Jazz Festival"

Any NIMAFC club members that may be down here in Tauranga to join us for the Tauranga

New Zealand brand new MATARIKI HOLIDAY weekend on June 25th, for the BOP VCC PARADE in

CELEBRATION OF "THE PORT OF TAURANGA NATIONAL JAZZ FESITIVAL".

Any NIMAFC members are most welcome to come join us in this parade.

Linda and I are leading it in my Model A Truck, and I am planning to get more than 50 cars in it!

I work with the JAZZ FESITVAL directors, and we have all day parking downtown Tauranga.

We are all meeting at 10:30 A.M. on Saturday June 25th and the parade thru Tauranga starts

at 11:00 A.M. Please join us if in town in your Models A???

Stay safe and happy.

Contact: Doug Brown <u>www.ecoavo.com</u>

Call me for further information??

07 459 0617 or 021 668 117

Model T - For Sale

Vehicle is 1923 Model T Roadster, motor is rebuilt and many parts, open to offers. Contact Michael Garrod on Email mrandsagarrod@gmail.com or NIMAFC Editor for more photos.





Model A – For Sale

I am about to sell my Model A (previously John Lloyds)

It's a reluctant sale, but it's not being used, and would like it to go to someone who can enjoy it and get some use out it.

I'm probably going to post on trademe but would like to see if any of your members would be interested beforehand.

Photos as attached.

If anyone wants any further info or wants to see the car, I'm always available on the number below.

It currently hasn't run for over a year, and rego is on hold. But all easy fixes.

Contact: Mike Lloyd

Email: mike@lloydelectrical.co.nz

021 719 582 or 09 415 7075











Model A Body Wanted

1929 Tudor, body only wanted for conversion to a pickup truck.

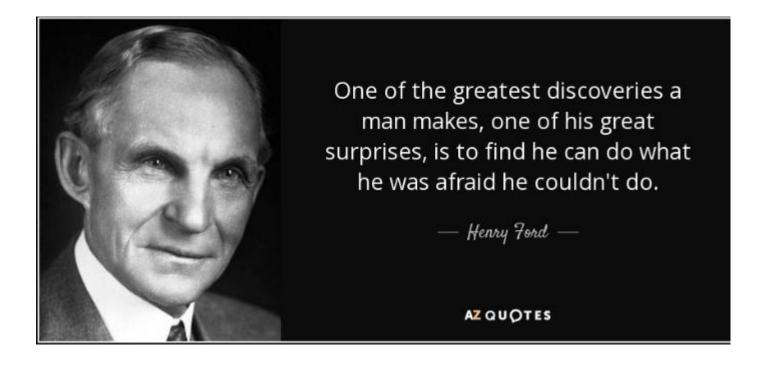
Phone Albert Gordge Ph: 0278588072 or email: albiemax@hotmail.com

Thank you, Albert & Maxine Gordge.

<u>Sharing - Henry Ford - "Quotes"</u>

"If I had asked people what they wanted, they would have said faster horses."

- Henry Ford
- "My best friend is the one who brings out the best in me."
- Henry Ford
- "Don't find fault, find a remedy; anybody can complain"
- Henry Ford
- "Vision without execution is just hallucination."
- Henry Ford



A big thank you very much to Di Humphreys, who has kindly donated some Sears Roebuck Catalogues of the Twenties and Thirties, and Edsels, Luckies & Frigidaires Advertising the American Way. We will endeavour to share pages from these books in the newsletter. Interesting the price on things back then and the inflation we experience today!







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And just to remind you of how beautiful our cars are, this 1929 speedster would look great in any one of our garages.





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Membership Subs

for the 2021/2022 year

To: All Club Members (except Youth and Life Members)

The amount now payable, to be a financial member, is \$45.00.

Your subs information is below:

Annual Subscription, 1 September 2021 – 31 August 2022

Individual / Family Membership

Paid by 15 November 2021 \$45.00

Paid after 15 November 2021 \$55.00

Payment - details below.

1. Online Direct payment to the Club's **ASB Account 12 3068 0187485 00**. Please include your name. Please remember we can no longer receive cheques.

To keep our database current, please let us know any changes to your email address, postal address, phone numbers or Model A's you have bought/sold in the last 12 months.

Thank you.

NIMAFC current committee

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The NIMAFC no longer has a PO Box address. If you need to post something to the club that cannot be sent by email, please contact the club secretary.

UPDATE

Proposed 50th Anniversary tour itinerary for the NIMAFC

Dates: Tuesday 25th Oct 2022 to Friday 28th Oct 2022

Destination – The Sun Court Hotel - Taupo.

Please note, that this proposed agenda may change due to things out of the control of the committee.

Conditions

Travellers are guided by a basic program beginning at Auckland on the morning of Tuesday 25th October 2022 @ 9.00am and finishing on Friday 28th October 2022 on departure from the Sun Court Hotel located in the centre of Taupo, New Zealand.

Travellers are responsible for their own travel arrangements and costs to meet the program of the basic 50th celebratory functions. Some activities and costs may be subsidised by the club following approval by the club committee.

Travellers are responsible for their own accommodation and booking arrangements to participate in the 50th celebration functions. Some group accommodation has been organised at the Sun Court Hotel in Taupo, but members may choose to make their own accommodation arrangements if preferred.

Details are:

Group Booking number 14805; Telephone number 07 378 8265

Preference booking is available until 31st December 2021

Travellers may start and / or stop their journey at any time along the programme.

Individual local groups e.g., Thames, Tauranga, Hawkes Bay etc. may organise local meetings / activities in their own areas, prior to or after the main 50th programme and complimentary to the 50th programme as local members prefer. Early notification of events to the committee is required so as to be able to inform others that may be invited and wish to attend.

Basic Program.

Tuesday 25thOctober 2022

If departing Auckland, Time - Tuesday morning October 25th 2022 at 9.00am

Other areas as organised local activities allow.

Auckland members may wish to travel in convoy, or alternatively make their own way and time to Taupo.

Travel via the Waikato stopping for morning tea. Head for Kihikihi, through the limestone country to Taupo and the Waikato River.

On arrival in Taupo, make your way to your accommodation followed by a gathering at the Taupo Cosmopolitan Club. Alternatively dine at the Sun Court Hotel of down town Taupo.

Wednesday 26th October 2022

Tauhara Conference facilities available at our disposal all day

Relaxing time in Taupo. Car exhibition on the reserve, competitive presentation prizes for cleanest best presented car in the exhibition; Best NIMAFC Exhibition Host / Hostess to the public; Greatest Club Ambassador for the day. (Gold coin donation collection for a local charity).

The Sun court conference facilities are ours for the day and evening. Relax with the cars and/or enjoy morning tea in the hotel facilities (club supported). A refreshment base for the Model A exhibition, personnel and Hubley model racing practice and competition,

Possible Era fashion parade early afternoon, followed by an AGM @ 3.00pm, transitioning to an evening meal (funded by the Club) and after dinner speeches amongst other activities. Outdoor facilities available for use as is an evening bar facility. (PAYG)

Hubley Derby track set up in the morning for practice as required with competition racing at High Noon (12.00 o'clock). Era fashion wear all day for those dare devils so inclined, with a full parade during the evening speeches after dinner.

Annual General Meeting

An AGM to be held @ 3.00pm with an election of new committee followed by dinner at 6.30 pm. After dinner, a few words from our past Captains with special awards to be presented throughout the night. Intermission at about 8.30 pm and we can let loose with an era fashion parade and best dressed opportunity award. Open floor for others that would like to remember moments of our history and past memorable occasions of interest.

Other activity options around Taupo include:

Shopping for the Ladies'

Hubley Derby racing practice @ Sun Court Hotel

Botanical Gardens Visit – Drive, park and run / walk

Ernest Kemp steam boat excursion to the Māori carvings on the lake

Spa Park - walk the riverbanks and enjoy a hot pool along the way

Mini Golf / Hole in One.

Enjoy a foreshore walk, or the local museum and discover Hewy's (CC) Moa bones.

Buffet dinner (Club funded) and banter at the Sun Court.

AGM at 3.00 pm; Hubley racing and Awards. Off the cuff stories from our first fifty years and past video clips

Era costumes Fashion parade in the afternoon / evening.

Thursday 27th October 2022

Meet at Lava Glass for Brunch / coffee demonstration glass blowing and garden look.

Proceed under your own steam and at your leisure to Aratiatia and look for the release of water down the rapids, take a boat trip and enjoy the fun of the river.

Visit the Tongariro National Trout Centre if you would enjoy "The Old Trout".

Pick up on Wednesday's not done list if there is time before.

Maybe, a lite lunch at Lárte café before heading to Kinloch. It's worth a coffee and a look.

2.30pm Head to the wilderness and Kinloch for a wonderful evening BBQ on the beach at the lake. Sun and shade, Ice cream shop and toilets, fresh air and comradery the order for the afternoon. (Daylight saving active).

On the way, real full scale Hubley Derby time trials for the fastest free rolling car trial before leaving Arcacia Bay on the way to Kinlock.

Return home at one's leisure.

Friday 28th October2022

Depart the Sun Court or elect to stay longer. Official programme ends today. People depart for home in their own time after Club breakfast at the hotel and goodwill banter.

Extra activity for the venturous folk.

As we leave Taupo, maybe a trip to Wairakei to visit the lookout, breakfast / Brunch / coffee at LÁrte Café and Gallery. Buy that little remembrance gift and in one's own time. Maybe proceed off to the Sky Waka Ruapehu and spend the day in the fresh air before heading back to Taupo or onwards home. If the Sky Waka is running (depending upon weather), Sky Waka run a pick up and return bus to the mountain from Taupo at around 6.00am in the morning and returns in the evening and is free, yes, free travel but there is mountain costs TBA.

The above is the proposed outlined being worked on by the committee. If you are planning to attend the 50th anniversary run, please book your accommodation early and let the club secretary know that you are intending to attend.

Your NIMAFC committee. (Working for your entertainment)





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FROM YOUR COMMITTEE:

A reminder to have your masks on hand when attending club events. As the virus is surging again complacency is not recommended.



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EDITORS HOURS

Recently the Editor was asked what hours she works. This was her reply.

I work some days between 11 – 12, occasionally as early as 7, but sometimes as late as 1.....

I stop looking at my computer about 6.30 or 7, occasionally about 5 or 6 but sometimes as late as 11 or 12.

I am only the club editor when I have time away from my real work that pays the bills.

I only hear my phone when I am contemplating work, if I know what hours I have to work.

Some days ...or mornings, I am not here at all, and lately I have been here just about all the time, except when I am someplace else, but I could be here too

I don't work weekends unless I didn't get anything done during the week, and I am well behind due to not knowing the hours I am supposed to work...

If you catch me on the weekend, it's because I am working when I shouldn't be, except when I have a newsletter to do or website to alter, or I have forgotten that I have a life.

You can get hold of me for other times by calling me during my irregular hours.

Now I am confused, so bugger it, I am retiring early!!!!

Kind regards

Fiona Learmonth (NIMAFC Newsletter/Website)

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