

The Lion's Roar

Mumblings from across the desk in the den of the Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch



June 2021

Presidents Report

Welcome Everyone.

June already, and still the weather has been kind to us. Hasn't it been great to be out enjoying a cruise in the mostly cool clear days of Autumn. The impressive turnout for our club's publicly posted run to the Bealey Hotel shows how much our club is being followed on Facebook, and how much Holden enthusiasts enjoy the opportunity to drive.

Alistair, our Vice President/Interim Secretary organised this run and was extremely nervous leading up to the start of the event. I'm sure, everyone who came on this cruise would agree that it was a great day out, with great food and great company.

The driving and social behaviour of all who attended has to be commended. While this is normal for club members, we had a lot of new attendees and they commented on how nice it was to feel welcomed. Thank you everyone, and well-done Alistair!



Your committee is always looking for suggestions to keep our calendar locked in with events and are more than happy to discuss ideas that any club members may have. We are especially keen to include MORE cruises in our calendar.

With the club membership at a very healthy level, I would like to remind you that we would really appreciate as many volunteers as possible to assist with the All Oz Car Show on 16th & 17th October, so please try to keep this date free.

Safe cruising.

Allan

For your info...

The next event is a club meeting, always the first Tuesday of each month (except in January), and then its dirt kart fun at Action Kart Raceway in July. Check out the flier later in this Newsletter.

Major events coming up for the second half of the year are; the AGM in September (have a think about who you want to represent you...perhaps yourself??), and then October it's the club's main event for the year...the All Oz Car Show!

Ed...

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Cruise to Bealey

Jeanette and I arrived early at the Talbot Yaldhurst carpark meeting point, thinking we would have 15 to 20 min before others would need to be there, how wrong I was.

Our daughter followed us in, with Sarah on her bumper, then Alistair and Julia. Within five minutes we had about 10 cars lined up, and they just kept coming. By the time we were ready to start the cruise, we had a line-up of 31 cars.



Travelling along the Old West Coast Road we certainly drew favourable attention of locals, and the roadside park up in Springfield was very impressive. Springfield is where we reduced our car number to 30 with Alistair's beloved Commodore starting to urinate itself. It should be noted that the poor car had a wee in the Talbot carpark, but its owner was in denial and made it carry on.

After parking it up and having settled into Shaun and Lisa Soal's HSV wagon, the cruise was able to continue through to Lake Lyndon where a photo opportunity was well received.



Photos courtesy of Ed





The rain started to fall as we continued on our way to the Bealey Hotel. Being the tail end car, the sight of a line of Holdens for as far as you could see, which was over 2kms through the valley straights, was impressive.

With the rain now falling heavily, Craig Morgan's lovely old V8 loses power. Pull over, wiggle some wires, all looks good, the engine starts, and carry on! A few more kms up the road the car dies again, and it is still raining heavily. This time Craig finds the wiring problem, but it is a slow repair as none of us have the correct tools, we are driving Holdens right, don't normally need them, and it's still raining. A person who shall remain nameless produces an umbrella just as the repair is completed. Four people and one umbrella was never going to work, but it was the thought that counts. Thanks anyway, Steve!

With the wiring sorted we arrived at a Bealey Hotel carpark full of Holdens. Damn! The Bealey staff were well and truly prepared for us, and we are greeted with a warm fire, cold drinks, and a roast meal that would put many city restaurants to shame.

The surroundings, and company, meant that we all had a chance to socialise, enjoy the great food and drink, and relax before a casual drive back to Christchurch.

Allan



Photos courtesy of Shaun Soal & Josh Bentham





Where: Action Kart Raceway 575 Sawyers Arms Rd Harewood, 8051

When: 10.30am Sunday 11 July 2021 Start Racing 11.00am

Costs: \$ 42.00 per Financial Member 30 minutes of Racing

\$ 60.00 per Non-financial Member 30 minutes of Racing

Safety First: Covered footwear must be worn at all times!

Although overalls will be provided, very casual clothing to be worn, you will get dirty. The more dirt, the more fun!

All Racers must be at least 1.25 metres High.

- RSVP by Friday 2nd July
(Email general@holdenclub.co.nz with number of attendees)
- HECC bank account number: 03-1591-0099827-00
(Use Kart21 and your NAME as a reference)

Please note this is non-refundable

Should you require any further information about what we would be doing, please follow the link [About Us \(actionkarts.co.nz\)](http://actionkarts.co.nz)



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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1st HECC Meeting
The Redwood Styx Room 7:30pm

19th Sunset Cruise and Mid Year Dinner
Meet Mitre 10 carpark Ferrymead
3:30pm, Dinner 5pm onwards

July

3rd Reefton Car Show

6th HECC Meeting
The Redwood Styx Room 7:30pm

11th Karting
Meet at Action Kart Raceway,
575 Sawyers Arms Road 10:30am

August

3rd HECC Meeting
The Redwood Styx Room 7:30pm

15th Mystery Car Rally
Details to follow

September

5th South Canterbury All Australian Car Show
Rock'n'Wheels Amberley

7th HECC Meeting
The Redwood Styx Room 7:30pm

7th *****AGM*****
The Redwood Styx Room - following
the monthly club meeting.

15-19th Kaikoura Hop

October

5th HECC Meeting
The Redwood Styx Room 7:30pm

16th All Oz Cruise - *Details to come!*

17th All Oz Car Show - *Details to come!*

November

2nd HECC Meeting
The Redwood Styx Room 7:30pm

*Events are current at time of publishing.
Always check with the organiser of the event for the
most up to date information!*

FOR SALE

Club Clothing Range:

Razor Polo (light) \$45.00 (womens or mens)
Podium Polo (thick) \$45.00 (womens or mens)
Hoodie (zip) \$65.00

Limited stock of older style womens "red and white"
club shirts available \$10.00 (sizes 8-18).

Contact Sarah McKenzie or a committee member for
further details.

Club Merchandise:

Club Stickers \$ 5.00
Club Sashes \$20.00
HECC Cups \$ 2.50

New Clothing Range!



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*If you have any issues please contact us direct.
We are all willing to answer any questions or talk through any
questions you may have.*

