

The Lion's Roar



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

March 2022

Presidents Report

Welcome to our second newsletter of 2022, and hopefully, an exciting year of club focused activities, including our clubs 30th anniversary dinner in June.

Thirty years for a car club is quite a milestone and shows the dedication of its members and committees over that time.

The BBQ run to Lake Hood was enjoyed by everyone who attended. The weather was hugely better than the original date, and the location was incredibly relaxing. A huge thank you to everyone who helped with the food., you guys and gals did a great job.

Supercheap Rolleston and Papanui have happily agreed to allow us to use the carparks outside their stores

as our meeting points for club runs, so this will give us a defined place to start.

We have placed our first order with the Australian publisher of 'Holden, our story', and hope to have these available for sale to members later this month. This book is not currently available in New Zealand stores, so will make a great addition to your book collection, or a special gift. Once we have filled all the orders from our members, we hope to then offer the book for sale through our club page. We will have a final price once the order has arrived.

Let us all continue to enjoy our cars and cruising together.

Allan

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Lake Hood 2022



Lake Hood Cruise & BBQ

Our cruise to Lake Hood met us with a beautiful day, meeting at Rolleston first and meeting new people. With the new cars, we all left there at 10am and headed to the lake for our club BBQ.

Thanks to Shane for towing our classy BBQ trailer advertising our club. Thanks to the person who flew ahead of everyone to video the cars going through, a good effort which looked good when we viewed it later that day.

We had a head count, and all up 49 people including children attended the cruise. Unsure how many cars were there but it was a good display of all sorts of different cars.



There were about five new potential vehicles in attendance on the day. It was nice talking with the new people and giving them some information on our group.

A few kids braved the water and went swimming and the members who brought their own blow up kayaks and life jackets so they too could join in the fun on the busy lake with lots of jet skis, and speed boats on there.



Thanks also to Sarah for the food prep and the committee for your help cooking and serving the BBQ. Sarah was trying to serve a wasp & onion sandwich to a guy but instead threw onions at him by accident when she tried to get rid of the wasp. Instead, she caught it with a piece of buttered bread. Poor guy who wore the onions.

This day was well worth attending and looking forward to many more days like this, you guys ROCK THANKS.

Robyn



**The Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch Inc.
proudly presents...**



THE GREAT WINTER SCAVENGER HUNT

**SUNDAY
15th MAY 2022**

Start & Finish: **The Redwood Bar Carpark
340 Main North Road**
Registration: **9:45am onwards**
Departure: **10:00am**

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- a mascot,
- an open mind,
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HOLDEN our own

'This book is fascinating reading.'

John Williamson AM

'It is a must-have addition to any automotive library.'

Mark Behr, Executive Marketing Manager – Shannons

*'A unique perspective on the history of the Holden family
and its long association with the Holden company.'*

*Hon. Paul Fletcher MP Minister for Communications,
Urban Infrastructure, Cities and the Arts*

Author:	William James Holden
ISBN:	9781922615503
Publisher:	Big Sky Publishing
Release date:	November 2021
Format:	Hardback
Pages:	206 pages

The Holden family's story

Key Selling Points:

- The first and only book to be written by a member of the Holden dynasty
- A complete and informative compendium of one of the world's famous automotive marques worthy of a place in any car museum, private collection, library or home
- An accurate account of the car company that has shaped Australia in so many ways, for so long
- Includes never-before-told, myth-busting facts about the Holden family, car and story
- Supported by a national PR and media campaign.

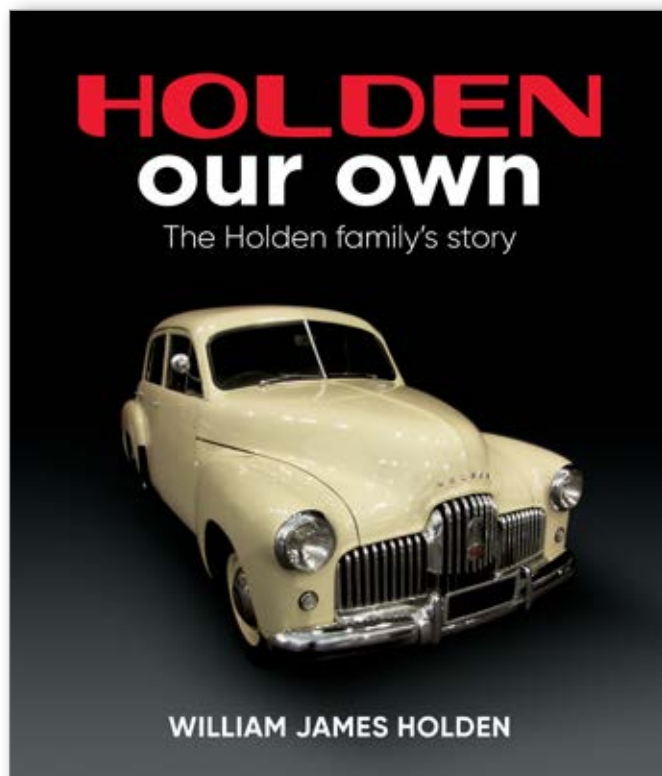
About the Book

Take a drive down memory lane ...

A small leather goods and harness-making shop in England became a fledgling horse-drawn carriage and coach-building business in colonial South Australia. It then morphed into Holden, a multinational company and a much-loved Australian icon. Holden endured through overwhelming wartime hardships, depression and adversity to be a respected marque of the Australia automotive industry and recognised around the globe.

In this thoroughly researched book, author William Holden goes deep to examine the key branches of the Holden family tree and the Holden car story. *HOLDEN our own* explores the history, events and personalities that created the Holden business – from its birth to its ultimate sale to automotive giant General Motors and beyond – all through the lens of the Holden family dynasty.

This book is a rare offering not only for the motoring enthusiast and Holden aficionados and historians but for every true and proud Australian.



About the Author

William James Holden was born in East Melbourne. His first involvement with General Motors-Holden's Ltd. came during his years at university when he performed a wide range of maintenance work on plant and equipment at both Fishermans Bend and Dandenong. His first white collar job was as an engineer in the company's Central Laboratory. He is the last member of the legendary Holden Family who has worked in the automobile industry founded by his family and who bears the Holden name. He and his lovely wife Rosario have two wonderful daughters and now a grandson. And yes, he does drive a Holden. Always has.

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EVENT LIST

Please note that due to Covid Alert Levels:

*Club meetings may be held online via Zoom. Please check your email for links to such meetings.

*Always refer to the organiser of the event for the most up-to-date information

March 2022

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

13th Akaroa Picnic Cruise
Meet at Halswell Bowling Club Carpark
9:30am

April

3rd Scargill Museum Cruise
Meet at Joe's Garage Carpark (Cranford St), 9:30am

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

May

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

15th HECC Scavenger Hunt
Meet at the Redwood Bar Carpark
9:45am

June

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

18th HECC 30th Anniversary
Mid-Winter Cruise & Meal - Details to Come

July

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

August

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

September

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

October

4th HECC Meeting

*Events are current at time of publishing.
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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

Club Clothing Range!



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

