

# The Lion's Roar

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



July 2015

## Presidents Report

Hi all.

Welcome to the middle of winter I hope you are all managing to keep those flu bugs away. I have been feeling a bit average the last few days.

### Meetings and Raffles at Joes Garage

These are working out well for us with the team at Joe's making as really welcome. They are not even going to give us a bill for the meat raffles. They said just bring more people in. So if any of you are looking for a great breakfast or lunch venue shot down to Joe's on Cranford St and they will be sure to look after you.

The Committee is planning to organise some runs where we have breakfast there before heading off somewhere else. So keep an eye on the calendar.

### CHCH All Auz Day

We are going to organise the CHCH All Auz day in conjunction with The Falcon Fairlane Club.

We need volunteers, so if you can help can you please let me know. Many hand make light work.

### Organising Events

If anyone is organising an event and needs photocopying done just email it thru to Marg and she will get it done for you as the Club has a copy card at Warehouse Stationary.

### Change of details

If anyone has changed their details please let Marg know so she can update our records.

Keep those wheels turning

*Ray Miles*

### Midwinter Lunch

On a sunny Sunday about 30 of the club members and families met up at Joe's Garage for our midwinter lunch and quiz. The meal was great and very filling. The quiz that Aaron had sorted out was good and the round I liked was "Where was Milton?" where we had to guess where in the world Milton was.

The team of Leonie, Darryl, Fuds and Sarah won followed by Jason, Amy, John and Lorraine and third place went to myself and Caitlyn, last place were Milton, Julia, Brett and Kerry. Thanks again Aaron and Lisa. A great afternoon out.

*Marg*

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# Mid Winter Lunch Photos



## The Old FJ

He found her in a dried up gully, somewhere way out west,  
A Rusty Aussie Icon, long forgotten, laid to rest.  
The shell of an FJ Holden, like the one he gave his wife,  
And there in the searing summer's heat he brought her back to life.

Dragged from a dusty hide-e-hole, hauled to the craftsman's shed,  
His vision stirred a memory of something 'she' had said.  
Cradled there beside him cruising on a younger day,  
"Let's drive forever love," she wished, back then in the new FJ.

He smelt the polished leather as the past now came alive.  
Her perfumed hair caressed his cheek, two sweet-hearts on a drive.  
He felt the breezy esplanade, the joy of endless days,  
And with her spirit by him, he embraced the old FJ.

The sparks flew off the metal as the old girl stole his heart.  
Calls went out on the grapevine for the next grey motor part.  
Each polished panel claimed its shape, restored there by the door,  
While she, his inspiration, wandered through the shed once more.

Like the old days when they serviced every Holden car they had.  
While the small transistor radio - a present from his dad.  
Played rock and roll in the grease pit, underneath the Mango Tree.  
Where they laughed and handed spanners, in between their cups of tea.

They kept their Lion purring, for just nothing could compare.  
With cracking laps or cruising on a country road somewhere.  
Soaking up the blue skies or the misty Sunday rain.  
Now, fifty short years later, he was chasing wheels again.

Piece by piece the jigsaw grew, and through it she was there.  
Her cheeky comments steering him, through every small repair.  
Till the sparkle of the finish, glimmered bright against the tar.  
And she had him to herself again in the FJ Holden Car.

He sat there nodding tearfully and kissed his timid bride.  
In the old grey photo off the wall, now seated by his side.  
Then springtime snapped him back to life, the shed said, 'lets roll'.  
And the old FJ like a love song, went rumbling through his soul.

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## ROCK'N'WHEELS'MEET

**"IF IT'S WHEELS AND YOU LOVE IT,  
BRING IT ALONG"**

**Classic Wheels Show and Swap Meet**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

**Amberley Domain**

**Douglas Road**

**Amberley**

**Swap meet / Craft Fair - 8:30am-4pm**  
\$10 per trailer site

**Classic Wheels Show - 8.30am-4 pm**  
\$10 per 'wheels' registration into show

Public Choice Prizes

**Gate entry - \$5 adult**

- Children 5-15 yrs gold coin

Live Music, Food and refreshment stalls, Entertainment

For More information and registration forms email:

[rocknwheelsmeet@yahoo.com](mailto:rocknwheelsmeet@yahoo.com)

Or phone Katrina or Les 03 3148153

**Postponement date 13th September**

**\*CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK\***

*ALL PROCEEDS GOING TO AMBERLEY GIRL GUIDES*





# INTERCLUB CHALLENGE

The Holden Enthusiasts Club of Christchurch has set up a three round challenge between other car clubs in Christchurch to have some fun over the winter months.

**We invite you, the HECC members, to take up the challenge  
and have a few laughs along the way!**

## ROUND ONE

**Laser Strike – 30 minute game**

Date: 8th August 2016

Discounted HECC Cost: \$10.00 per person (payable on the day)

Closing Date for Entry: 1st August as we are required to pre-book the rooms

Start Time: 6.30pm

Number required in team: 4

**Please confirm all entries to [general@holdenclub.net.nz](mailto:general@holdenclub.net.nz)**

Please note that if you book to take up the challenge and you fail to show, you will still be liable for your costs due to the pre-booking of the rooms



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### August

4th Monthly Meeting at Joe's Garage at 7.30pm

8th Interclub Challenge Round 1 Laserstrike

23rd Mystery Car Rally

### Sept

1st AGM and Monthly Meeting at Joe's Garage at 7.30pm

6th South Canterbury All Australian Day Caroline Bay  
10am to 2pm, \$5 Car Entry

17th-20th Kaikoura Hop

26th Interclub Challenge Round 2 Archery

Pioneer Classic Car Show

### October

6th Monthly Meeting at Joe's Garage at 7.30pm

10th-11th Swap Meet

11th Mighty Bathurst Race at Ray's Garage

17th Interclub Challenge Round 3 Dirt Carts

### November

1st Show and Shine at the Groynes

3rd Monthly Meeting at Joes Garage at 7.30pm.

7th – 8th Christchurch All Australian Day  
More Info to Follow

### December

2nd Last Monthly Meeting for the Year at Joes Garage

6th Xmas Party at Stewarts Gully

## FOR SALE

Marg Club Shirts - \$60  
Polo Shirts - \$45  
Club Stickers - \$5  
Club Sashes - \$20

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