

The Lion's Roar

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



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Pioneer Classic Show

Thank you to everyone that helped out at the Pioneer Classic show last month. The weekend was a great success with it breaking even somewhere around lunch time on Sunday. The venue has been rebooked for next year and there has been a few people talking about putting in a bit of sponsorship. So bring it on and let it continue.

All Auz Day

The organising for this is coming along great. Glenn came to the club meeting to explain what he has been up to and even he was surprised how much he has done. The word around is that it is going to be a great day. Let us hope we can get a good turnout from our club.

The cruise for the Saturday evening is all organised by the Falcon/Fairlane Club with it starting at Bishopdale mall at 5.30 so we will see you there.

Swap Meet

I went out to the Swap meet on Saturday and we had a great turn out from the club with 8 cars and a caravan on our site. Last year we got 2nd in the best club display so here is hoping.

Bathurst Day

As usual this was a fantastic day on the lemonade with the first one going down with breakfast at 9ish. There was 15 or so people here for most of the day we even had 2 Ford people

come along to see the mighty Lion cross the line first. I learned not to have Devils Cut after a dozen Beers. Bring on next year.

Photos

We are still looking for photos of members' cars or events to put on the Web site. We can't look very professional with a blank web site so please send them in. Also if you have any stories for the newsletter send them in too.

Friday Night Raffles

Don't forget the team is down at Joes Garage on Friday nights from 6 to 7.30 so race on down for a chat.

Ray Miles

Fines

Due to a lack of Club fines this year, if anybody has any non perishable items for the Xmas Raffle, please if you can bring in to the club meeting or one of our events and donate them to one of the committee members, it would be very much appreciated.

Leonie Harris



Member Stories

Echoing Ray in his report, If anybody wishes to write a story on their car and the background of it similar to the story on Elvira included on the Club website and the Monthly Newsletter, please feel free to put pen to paper, find some photos, and i'll include it in a future Monthly Newsletter.

As I also don't get to all of the day events due to work commitments, any photos from events that I don't get to are also greatly appreciated.

Darryl Cowens

Bathurst Day Photos



Classic Car Show Pioneer HECC Display Photos

Elvira



Becky



Elvira and Becky



More Classic Car Show Photos



More Classic Car Show Photos



Bathurst 1000: Craig Lowndes wins again with Kiwi co-driver Steven Richards

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DAVID LONG AT MOUNT PANORAMA

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Craig Lowndes has won the Bathurst 1000 for the sixth time, supported by his New Zealand born co-driver Steven Richards.

The drivers, with a combined age of 84, saw off the pressure from their younger rivals for the win which gave Richards his fourth victory at Mount Panorama in the Great Race.

Second was Mark Winterbottom, who further increased his grip on this year's V8 Supercars title, while Garth Tander was third across the line New Zealanders Fabian Coulthard and Scott McLaughlin narrowly missed out on a place on the podium, finishing fourth and fifth respectively, while Shane Van Gisbergen was eighth.

"We worked pretty hard today," Lowndes said. "Our car got better as the day went on, which is exactly what we needed, it wasn't what we wanted in the first couple of stints but as the rubber went down on the track it got better.

"It lifted and of course we struggled in the wet and I was really keen to get off the wets and back onto the slicks.

"Once we were able to do that we had a very good car again. It's a great honour to be on the top step again."

Co-driver Richards, the son of one of New Zealand's greatest-ever motor racing drivers, Jim, has become a specialist co-driver over the endurance rounds of the V8 championship. He played down his role in Sunday's victory, however.

"I'm pretty humbled to be honest," said Richards, who moved to Australia when he was three.

"You come here every year to do your best and the four times I've been up here I've driven with some great guys and been involved with some cool teams.

"I was pretty happy with the way I drove the car today and I'm just a very small cog in a big wheel."

The race exploded into life with 24 of the 161 laps to go. David Reynolds, Winterbottom, Lowndes and Jamie Whincup were close up front before the first three dived into the pits when Scott Pye hit a wall up the mountain. Whincup came in one lap later to avoid double stacking, despite team orders to pit.

Pye's crash meant there was shuffling of the pack which allowed Lowndes take the lead with Whincup behind, followed by Reynolds and Coulthard.

Whincup was given a drive through penalty for overtaking the safety car before he pitted, ending his chance of glory, and from there it was a dash to the finish line.

With 10 laps to go the race order was Lowndes, Winterbottom, Tander, Coulthard, McLaughlin, Reynolds and Van Gisbergen.

Unlike last year, there wasn't a dramatic end to the race, with Lowndes building a three-second lead that he held to the finish.

McLaughlin wasn't too despondent at coming fifth in the Great Race, despite leading it for a time early on.

"Fifth is awesome at Bathurst, but it was so close to being something better," he said.

"If I would have got in touch with Fabian at the restart I probably would have been there or thereabouts.

"I felt our car was better in clear air, but unfortunately I wasn't able to hold on.

"Fifth at Bathurst isn't a bad thing, but being so close to a podium hurts a bit."

At one point early in the race it was McLaughlin, Van Gisbergen and Coulthard in the top three, giving hope of a historic Bathurst result, however, safety cars and unhelpful times did the New Zealand drivers no favours.

McLaughlin said he felt he was in a good position towards the end of race, but didn't quite have the speed to take on the leaders.

"Everyone had similar pace," he said. "I was pushing hard but their cars were probably better than mine. We were pushing hard to get a bit better, but didn't just have enough."

- Stuff

**Full Article w/Pictures at Link*





ALL OZ CAR SHOW

CHRISTCHURCH

Saturday 7th November 2015
Evening Cruise

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 Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

Open to all Australian cars and the public

Sunday 8th November 2015 **Car Show**

From 10am to 2pm

Ouruhia Domain, via Chenery Ave, 721 Marshland Road,
Christchurch

Open to all Australian cars and the public

Gold coin donation for spectators

\$5 entry per display car

Proudly organised by the Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch and
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UPCOMING EVENTS

November

1st Show and Shine at the Groynes

3rd Monthly Meeting at Joes Garage at 7.30pm.

7th – 8th Christchurch All Australian Day
10am - 2pm Ouruhia Doman

22nd Poker Run
HomeBase Shirley at 10am

December

2nd Last Monthly Meeting for the Year at Joes Garage

6th Xmas Party at Stewarts Gully

FOR SALE

Marg Club Shirts - \$55
Polo Shirts - \$40
Club Stickers - \$5
Club Sashes - \$20

Marg also has a new XL shirt available

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