

The Lion's Roar

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



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Presidents Report

November has quickly arrived and Christmas is nearing closer.

The Club had a huge month in October which finished out with All OZ Cruise, All OZ Show and our Show n Shine. All of which were great events and we had lots show up to all of these events.

This month we have had our monthly meeting with a large number of new members voted in which is awesome to see. A group of members went to Pukekohe for the NZ round of Virgin Australia Supercars for 5 days. Also meet at your local which had a small group check out Fox and Ferret Palms as a potential meeting location for the club as the current rooms are too small. We will be looking at a few more potential locations including next months meet at your local at Cranford Alehouse.

This month we have changed plans due to Little River Pub selling and are heading to Coes Ford. Event Details are down with the Events. Soon to come will be our Menu for Xmas at Stewarts Gully, so make sure to get your reservations in. Hope to see you all on a run soon

Josh Bentham

All OZ Wrapup

All OZ Cruise

We met at Ferrymead Mitre10 Mega Carpark and the cars kept rolling in. Around 130 cars were in attendance with Holden, Ford and Valiant being the majority of cars on the cruise.

Due to the large group it was decided by the Falcon Fairlane Club to split the cars into 3 groups. We headed up the Tunnel Road, through the tunnel, through Lytellton around to Governors Bay, up over Dyers Pass and down onto Colombo Street, Brougham Street. A few regrouped at Brisbane Street before heading back to Mitre10 Ferrymead via Garlands Road.

All in all a great cruise with very few issues considering the size of the group.

Josh Bentham

*There are several albums of photos for both the All Oz cruise and show linked on our Facebook page; including some large albums from Phil at **downforce photo journalism**, and Alex at **Displacement Photography**, both of whom attend many car events...*

Darryl



All OZ Show

Members of the club arrived early to setup the Registration Tent, Cones, Signage etc at Ouruhia Domain. A fantastic day weather wise and the forecast wind kept away which was a bonus. 194 cars came into the Show display. The event ran very well and it is a credit to those in the committee and others that helped on the day to keep the show running.

Prizegiving was handed out near the end with 2 members cars in the top 3 Holdens with Josh's EH Special coming 3rd and Spaz's HK GTS Monaro taking out First Holden as well as Peoples Choice.

The Show was a great showcase for the club with a number of people enquiring about joining the club. After expenses and topping up the All OZ account for next years expenses we are able to give our Charities of Autism NZ \$100 and The Seabrook McKenzie Foundation \$200.

Moving forward into 2017 we are already looking at making a more combined committee with Falcon Fairlane Club to organise both events more collaboratively. Thanks to all those that helped out this year and may next year be even bigger and better.

Josh Bentham



Some photos of our club display at All Oz Day

Check our Facebook page for a much larger range of photos. (including closeups, and the other clubs and individuals on display)



Show and Shine

The weather was again very kind to us at the Groynes where we had around 25 cars. Some of which came to look, but the majority were entered to be judged. Very shiny cars, great food and a great group of members enjoyed a few hours with the club trailer and BBQ onsite to cater to the members present. Judging and Peoples Choice have been calculated and prizegiving will be at Club Christmas at Stewarts Gully in December

Josh Bentham



More Show and Shine photos

A "selection" of closeups (there are more photos on Facebook)



More Show and Shine photos



Auckland Supersprint 2016 (Pukekohe)

(sent in by Fuds)

Excitement filled the air as Dad and his minion Dave's gathered at Christchurch airport for the Auckland leg of the Supercars Championship.

A perfect storm was brewing with Shane Van Gisbergen on the cusp of a Supercars Championship title and favoured to take out the Jason Richards trophy against Kiwi's McLaughlin, Coulthard, Heimgartner Pither and their Aussie foes. The racing ahead promised to make your arm hairs stand on end.



Once inside the track gates the smell of racing fuel and the rumble of V8's filled the air and heightened our senses for the thrills ahead. On show was not only the Supercars but also the NZ touring cars, muscle cars, and utes. A highlight for many was the Aussie Racing Cars category. These cool machines, basically go-karts with Holden, Ford, Toyota body kits capable of speeds up to 230 km/h, entertained us like their V8 counterparts.



There were plenty of options to satisfy race fans including Merchandise Alley, helicopter rides over the track (highly recommended but not for the faint hearted), autographs from racing legends and if you are lucky your favourite TV presenter (e.g. Riana), behind the scenes in the pits, give-aways and so much more.



Keeping a low profile was difficult in the red Dad and Dave shirts, everywhere we went the shirts attracted attention from curious onlookers at the airport to locals at the supermarket. The added bonus of the shirts allowed us to keep an eye out for each other.



We got to meet new people including a parking marshal (who held a parking spot for us) and a flag marshal stationed at turn one to give us the low down of the day. The weather wasn't tropical but the rain stayed away for most of the racing and the sun kept the smiles on our faces.



At the end of the day the accommodation was in a handy location where we could have a few quiet, BBQ for dinner (and breakfast) and unwind from the day in front of the telly where we could review the days racing all over again and regroup for the next day.



I look forward to next year and would like to thank Marg and Ray for organising the tickets, Denny and Carole for running everyone around and Milton for the accommodation.

See you next time,

Dave





To fellow Vintage Machinery & Classic Car Enthusiasts

The Ellesmere Vintage Club in conjunction with Abbeyfield Ellesmere invites your club members to attend the **Ellesmere Vintage Fair** to be held at the Ellesmere A & P Showgrounds in Leeston on Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th March 2017.

The purpose of this event is to raise funds for an Abbeyfield complex in Leeston, which is currently in construction mode. It is a 100% community owned venture which offers companionship, independence and support in rental accommodation at a price affordable to retirees who wish to remain in the district.

Over the weekend we hope your members will join us with our vintage machinery and working displays. The Leeston Showgrounds is a perfect site for a vintage rally, where parades will be held in the show ring and plenty of space for static displays. There will be plenty of room for camping over the weekend, with all facilities available. There will be food stalls, craft stalls, and it is a great chance for local clubs, groups or organisations to raise funds.

Registration forms for exhibitors' entries and site holders will be available soon. Contact members below or watch our Facebook page for updates closer to the event: www.facebook.com/ellesmerevintageclub

Hope to see you there!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

December

4th Xmas at Stewarts Gully. Lunch at 12 midday sharp. RSVP.

6th Monthly Meeting at Joe's Garage 7.30pm (last for the year)

9th Friday meal/drinks Cranford Ale House 6pm

January

15th Pie and Pint run to Waiiau. Subject to change due to the recent earthquakes. More info to come.

21st Cromwell Car Show

25th-29th Muscle Car Madness

February

7th First Monthly Meeting of the year. Joe's Garage 7.30pm

FOR SALE

Sarah Club Shirts - \$62
Polo Shirts - \$46
Club Stickers - \$5
Club Sashes - \$20

For more information contact her on 021 024 92550

We also have some old stock of the old "all red and white" club shirts for sale. Price now \$15



Wanted to Buy: Early model Commodore, 6 or V8. Prefer Rego and WOF. Ring Mark 3251007

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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.

