The Lion's Roar

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



December 2017

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

December marks the end of yet another huge year for the Club and although attendance of events dropped off over winter and didn't fully pick up as expected over the spring months for some events, but for those who did attend the events I felt we had some great events that were very relaxing, low attendance can be difficult for the committee as they put so much effort in to try make sure we are creating events that members will want to attend but seeing those in attendance enjoying themselves makes the effort worth it.

The committee started discussion on how we promote events but still giving everyone dates for other events that members may want to attend. Suggestions were to seperate HECC Events and other events to make it clearer, this is still in discussion stages but in the near future there may be a change to how and what we promote.

We have some regular big events coming up in early 2018 with Pie and Pint to Fairlie and Muscle Car Madness in January and a new event called Big Rig Day Out at Levels Raceway in March.

For those who may be heading off on holiday over the Christmas period I hope that you have a relaxing time and travel carefully and we will see you all in the new year.

Josh Bentham

AKAROA CRUISE

Akaroa Cruise, Sunday 17 November, Take 2!! This was our second attempt at a cruise to Akaroa, the first ending with cancellation and a cruise around Canterbury in the rain!! It looked like rain again but our HECC club president was sure the rain was not going to follow us or be in Akaroa when we arrived. The muster point was in the carpark by at Ferrymead Mitre 10. We were early and needed salt and pepper for our cruise picnic basket and Christmas lights, handy!!

A small number of cars gathered some regulars and some new fenders and faces. Richie had gone over to Akaroa the night before with the BBQ. He confirmed that all was fine over the hill. We headed of, approximately 10 cars in all, towards Lyttleton tunnel. Yes, there was the mandatory engine sound off, just love the acoustics in that tunnel!!

A right turn at the Lyttleton tunnel exit then we weaved our way around the Lyttleton roads, through Governors Bay heading toward our first stop, the Wheatsheaf Pub for coffee and a late breakfast. No Scotsman to serve us this time, I think we may have scared the him away after our last unexpected visit!!

Steve, the new café owner, and an ex-prison officer greeted us with freshly baked muffins, scone, delicious coffee and fantastic service. The HECC were Steve's first ever customers but it nearly did not happen as Steve had only just managed to hook up water the

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night before. There was also every chance our purchases would be free as his eftpos was playing up (statement checked, payment went through)!! THANKS STEVE!!



Steve, the coffee man, hard at work while Muzman is considering his coffee!

After some great banter, it was time to head off on the final leg of the Akaroa Cruise. We lost one car, as is tradition; driver had to be at work!! We weaved through Gebbies Pass and as we drove through Little River, we were noticed!! Our club president pulled over at the Hilltop Pub to regroup and as we headed off again we showed a bus load of tourists what real cars sound like!!

Our trip down into Akaroa was eventful to say the least thanks to several local residence sharing with us a few of their highly questionable driving techniques. Our Club President's lovely wife showed impressive skill at winding her car window down faster than an electric one and her appropriate use of sign language spoke for all of us!!

Finally, we all arrived in Akaroa and parked up at the domain. Richie had the BBQ ready to go but before that, a few of the ladies wondered down to the local market to stretch their legs. Akaroa had turned on a fabulous day, not sign of rain and plenty of people strolled over to check out our rides, taking photo and sharing memories.

Akaroa Cruise, Take 2 is a wrap!!

Miriam Schicker



HECC CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Well what can I say..... On a 30degree hot day walking into the redwood function room was absolutely pure bliss with the air-co on! It was a beautiful day but what made it even better was the cold beers, the company of the Holden Club members and mouth watering food.

Everyone enjoyed themselves and behaved!

Josh and his team done a wonderful job on the awards and certificates, even though someone's name was spelt wrong on one of them (haha) people still clapped and cheered everyone on.

It was a great end to the Holden enthusiasts club for the year with a great year full of good events. We can't wait to see what next year brings.

Thanks everyone.

Deb & Steve Cannons

DID YOU KNOW...

Football, meat pies, kangeroos ... Arguably one of Australia's most memorable TV commercials was released in the 1970s with Holden's 'We love football, meat pies, kangaroos and Holdens' jingle. The ad, which mixed Holden cars with Australian cultural icons, was borrowed from the 'Baseball, hot dogs, apple pie and Chevrolet' campaign of its GM sister brand.



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Classic Car & Hot Rod Festival

Organised and Hosted by The Southland Ford Falcon Club Inc. Recreation Ground Alpha Street, Cromwell Saturday, 20th January 2018, 11am - 4pm

Public Admission: \$5.00 Adults & Children Under 12 Free, No Dogs Allowed

Entry:

\$10 per car/bike, ENTRIES CLOSE 10th January 2018 No Refunds (Entries will not be accepted after this date, you will have to register on the day)
\$20 per car/bike on the day of the car show (price of entry covers all passengers in vehicle)
\$30.00 per stall/stand(s)
\$35.00 each for Cromwell Classic Car Show T-Shirts, orders close and payment to be made by the 8th December 2017 to confirm your order.
T-Shirts will be available for collection on the day at registrations.
Cheques made payable to THE SOUTHLAND FORD FALCON CLUB INC

<u>Or</u> pay by internet banking into our Bank Account *03 1750 0088763 000* <u>Note</u>: If paying by internet banking please use your surname, first name and car registration as reference. Entry form can be posted or scanned via email to the addresses below. Internet banking payment must be made by the 8th January so we can see it in our bank account by the 10th January. Both entry form and money need to be received otherwise your entry will not be accepted and you will not be registered for this event.

Format:8.30am - 10.30am Parking and Set Up, 11am - 3pm Show, 3pm - 4pm Prize GivingTrophies:Top 10 Cars, Top 3 Bikes, People's Choice and Judge's Choice

For entries and/or further Information contact:

Tena McCarthy 7 High Street, Gore 9710 Phone: 027 2292 843 Email: fordgirl1971@gmail.com

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Passengers - please state age of children

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NOTE:

The driver is responsible for ALL the passengers' behaviours! Entry not valid unless signed

By entering the event Muscle Car Madness, the organisers & helpers will not be held responsible for any damage to human bodies (or brain cells). All care but no responsibility. All persons causing damage deliberately or accidently will be responsible for their own actions.

SIGNATURE

CONTACT Correna 027 545 7877 or email musclecarmadnetsna@gmail.com

WEBSITE www.musclecarmadness.co.oz

P.O.Box 1 Rolleston 7643

Internet banking Westpac 03 0830 0248144 00.

IMPORTANT: use surname as reference or send me and email giving me a hint to what you are paying for. (The word CAMPING or MUSCLECAR is **NOT ENOUGH** 11111) Entries must be n by 13^{46} January. Cheques to STOTTLE PROMOTIONS. Late entry $13^{46} - 20^{46}$ add \$20 per entry/

Showers available onsite ad also available for a nominal cost at camping ground other end of town.







Enter via their website **carolinebayrockandhop.co.nz** Get in fast as last year it was almost fully booked out!

CALENDAR

Friday "Go Geraldine Cruise"

Leaving Caroline Bay from 11am on Friday the 16th March 2018, Join us for a leisurley cruise to the picturesque town of Geraldine (included in vehicle registration cost). The friendly folk of Geraldine are thrilled to welcome the 2018 Rock and Hop participants to their beautiful part of the world for the Friday Cruise. Geraldine, nestled in the foothills of the Southern Alps, enjoys a warm micro climate and has been billed by the Lonely Planet Guide as the "loveliest town in New Zealand" so make sure you get there to soak up everything the town has to offer.

Following your scenic countryside drive you will arrive in town to a dedicated parking area close to the centre of the town, where you can picnic with your vehicle or enjoy a leisurely lunch at one of the many delicious cafes. Then take a wander along the tree-lined streets to browse the boutiques specialising in everything from giftware to crafts, fashion and quality homewares. The town is renowned for its art scene and boasts a number of galleries or you can choose to visit an artist in their studio.

On 'Cruising Friday' there will be live music on the Village Green, Geraldine Auto Restorations will open their doors so you can catch a sneak peak of recent restorations and their hall of fame plus the highly acclaimed Vintage Car and Machinery Museum is a must-visit attraction while you are in town. A riverside walk or a stroll through Talbot Forest, an ancient podo-carp remnant overlooking the town, is a great way to round off your time in this gem of town. Watch out for plenty more fun when you arrive the Friday Cruise!

Friday Night "Main Street Cruise"

Leaving Caroline Bay at 6pm Friday 16th March 2018 (Included in vehicle registration cost). Join us for a cruise of our local main streets. Starting from the bay cruise up and down the main street of Timaru, then out to Pleasant Point and from there to Temuka. Enjoy the waving crowds and the beautiful countryside as you take a short tour of our district, this was a highlight for many last year with the enthusiastic crowds lining the streets.

Friday Night "Cocktails and Canapes" SBS Bank Wearable Parts Awards Preview Evening. Tickets \$25.00pp (Open to the public and Registered participants, bookings essential)

Attend our preview of the SBS Bank wearable parts "Cocktails and Canapes" happening in the Caroline Bay Hall. Come along and get a close up look at the amazing designer outfits while enjoying a selection of cocktails we have on offer for you to purchase. On this night you will also get to vote for the Wearable Parts outfit of your choice in our people's choice voting. The SBS wearable Parts Awards prize giving will still be announced at the show on Saturday. Tickets are non-refundable and are strictly limited so get yours quickly.

ALSO Happening Friday Night in South Canterbury.

- The lovely township of Temuka are putting on a night for fun and entertainment at their camping ground, vehicle can park up, they will have food stalls and a band for you to sit back and enjoy.
- Timaru Town and Country Club Rock and Roll section will have Che Orton playing with a band where you can Rock and Roll all night long
- RSA Rock and Roll Club will have The C Bay band playing Rock and Roll, come along for a night of fun and dance.

These events are run by our local community to support the Rock and Hop but are not organised by Hospice South Canterbury.

Saturday (included in vehicle registration cost)

Saturday is the big Rock and Hop Gala day. Along with the cars on display at Caroline Bay there will be a Rock and Roll extravaganza with displays, funky stalls, a bar and competitions for best dressed etc, the prizegiving for the Wearable Parts and of course the Vehicle prizegiving.

Best Dressed Wearable Parts Awards

Saturday Show Judging Classes are:

- Participants Choice
- Best Motorbike
- Best English
- Best Australian
- Best Caravan Car Combo

Judging starts at 10.00am

Peoples Choice
Best Hot Rod
Best European
Best Muscle Car
Best Under Hood

• Best Caravan

- Best Japanese
- Best USA
- Best Vintage Car Pre 1940
- Best Paint

Saturday Night: Rock your Socks Off \$40pp (Open to the public and Registered participants, bookings essential) Come party the night away at the Caroline Bay Hall. We have a night of Rock and Roll fun, dance, drink and be merry to the fantastic Rock and Roll Band SHALOW. Come along and let your hair down in style. We also have a marquee off the side of the hall with heating and music for all of you who would like to catch up but don't want to dance.

ALSO happening on Saturday Night

If your not one of the lucky "Rock Your Socks Off" ticket holders don't despair Saturday night is St Paddys night, there will be plenty to see and do in Timaru. Take a wander into town and enjoy a meal at one of our fabulous restaurants, or its St Paddys night so pop into one of our local bars and enjoy a Guinness and a chat with our friendly locals

• Timaru Town and Country Club Rock & Roll Section have Dee May and the Saints Playing upstairs in their function centre

• RSA Rock and roll Club have the C Band Playing where you can dance from 7.30 to 11.30

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Sunday "Bacon and Eggs on the bay" (Open to the public and Registered participants, bookings essential)

Enjoy a scrumptious buffet breakfast before you go on your way either on our Sunday Cruise or on your way home. Meet up again at the Marquee on the bay for bacon, eggs and a coffee and of course a chat.

Sunday Cruise (included in vehicle registration cost)

Join us back on Caroline Bay to say your good buys until next year. We have a cruise heading via lovely Waimate to Oamaru if you are fee to join us.

We are limiting the number of cars so don't be disappointed. Get in early with your registration.s



UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 2018

- 7th Petrolhead Breakfast; 8.30am meeting at Highway Inn, Sawyers Arms Rd to cruise out to the display
- 13th Pie & Pint Run to Fairlie Pie Shop; meeting point at Kidman Street, Rolleston (behind McDonalds) at 8.30am
- 20th Cromwell Classic Car & Hot Rod Show; check out the newsletter & your emails for the entry form
- 25th 28th Muscle Car Madness; for campers check out the newsletter & your emails for the entry form. For those displaying on Saturday; meeting point is at The Peg, Belfast 7.30am; RSVP required to book space

FEBRUARY 2018

- **4th Petrolhead Breakfast;** 8.30am meeting at Highway Inn, Sawyers Arms Rd to cruise out to the display
- 6th Meeting at Redwood Styx Room from 7.30pm
- 24th Hanmer Motorfest; meeting at The Peg, Belfast at 7am

MARCH 2018

- 4th The Rig Day Out at Timaru Levels Truck Racing; more info TBC
- **4th Petrolhead Breakfast;** 8.30am meeting at Highway Inn, Sawyers Arms Rd to cruise out to the display (for those not going to the racing)
- 6th Meeting at Redwood Styx Room from 7.30pm
- **16th- 18th Timaru Rock n Hop;** see the information in this newsletter on & register online

FOR SALE

Club Shirts \$62, Polo Shirts \$46, Club Stickers \$5, Club Sashes \$20, Old "red and white" Club Shirts \$15. For more information contact Sarah on 021 024 92550

New Club Clothing Range: Staple T \$35.00, Block T \$35.00, Womens Sketch T \$35.00, Kids T \$30.00, Youth T \$30.00, Sweatshirt \$60.00, Hoodie \$65.00

If you are interested, go into AS Colour store, (new location) corner Lichfield & High Street Christchurch Central, Christchurch Central. This will allow you to check out the colours and styles available, as per the above list. Refer to their website: <u>http://www.ascolour.co.nz/</u> Order via Sarah once you have your style and size.

HECC Cups \$2.50 each, available in either red or black ink. Contact Josh if you need them.



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