

The Lion's Roar

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



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Annual membership subs
are now due!

Presidents Report

Welcome to the last newsletter of 2023. I don't know about you but I sure have found this year has moved way quicker than I was ready for.

As always your committee members have worked hard throughout the year to ensure that we have had enjoyable events each month. As you will appreciate, organising these can take up a lot of personal time, so on behalf of the H.E.C.C. members, I wish to extend a huge thank you to the committee for your fantastic effort this year, and into 2024.

Our Christmas lunch and prize giving was again well attended and well catered by Emma and her great team from the Redwood. The room was beautifully laid out and the food, as always, well presented.

Hearing some of the surprised gasps at the prize giving, there was obviously some unsuspecting winners, which is great as members work hard to look after their Holden.

The children's Christmas presents went down extremely well, with Holden loving his car, and Brayden and his grandfather having great fun with his dart board. Thanks Sarah, good choices!

We couldn't have a Christmas lunch without raffles, and Heather put together 3 lovely hampers, made up of your Show 'n' Shine entry, and fines, together with some home baking and a top up of goodies. Thank you Heather!

While I am thanking people I would also like to thank all you members for your support during the year. As a club I personally feel we do very well with event turn-outs, and member participation, and I always enjoy meeting up with you all.

Don't forget our Pie n Pint run in January 2024.

Until then, have a great Xmas, and New Year. Drive safe and be kind.

Allan



Weekend Cruise to Nelson

Saturday November 25 - 26 2023

With a lot of planning and a lot of emails and a lot of phone calls it was finally the weekend, we were going to Nelson. The trip was arranged with The Top of the South Holden Club, and it involved Holden lovers from Nelson Blenheim, the West Coast Holden Owners Group, and the Holden Enthusiasts Club of Christchurch.

Nelson had set up the itinerary, which involved a cruise out to Mapua and Lunch at a restaurant in Mapua, then a meet up at the WOW Museum in Nelson, a BBQ at a club members house and then a final Breakfast at Joes Garage in Richmond Nelson.

Our weekend started on the Friday afternoon, with a leisurely cruise up to Blenheim to see Julias Mother and stay the night up there.

Then we met Allan and Bevan at Grovetown and cruised over to Nelson.

Although we were trying to get over to Nelson for the cruise to Mapua, this didn't happen. However, Christchurch was represented on the Cruise with Josh and Leeanne and Alicia arriving in Nelson in time to join the cruise.

The Party of three cars, got to the WOW and stopped at the Speights Ale House for refreshments before being invaded by a large pride of Holdens.

After all the introductions, several of us went into the museum to check things out. For me personally it is worth checking out.

Then after checking out all the cars, we headed to the motel to check in. Fraser our host was very helpful and took quite a liking to Josh and Leeanne's car and Allans for that matter.

Once we were settled in, we then headed to the Supermarket and Liquor store for refreshments before arriving at Bruce and Bri's house. Driving in the driveway you knew were at the right place, no room for anything but Holdens.

After heaps of Food and good company, the Christchurch Crew headed back to the motel, where we sat around telling stories till around midnight, well that is when I went to bed anyway.

Next morning, we were all up early and cars packed and goodbyes and thank you to Fraser then off to Joes Garage for a fantastic breakfast, and considering the large party attending, the service, was very good.

Once Breakfast was over it was time to say goodbye to our hosts and head home. Well, you would have thought so, however, a trip to Nelson for me is usually not incident free, and Bruce Waterreus came to the rescue and helped with a fault rear window.

Once repairs were made it was off again back to Blenheim, this time via St Arnaud's and the Nelson Lakes. Leaving behind some good memories.

Special Thank you must go to Bruce and Bri, the Top of the South Holden Club and the West Coast Holden Owners Group and the travellers from the Holden Enthusiasts Club for making the weekend possible.

Next time we should go to the West Coast 😊

Alistair.





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Christmas and Awards Lunch

Sunday 3rd December 2023

The penultimate event of the year for the club, was the Christmas dinner and awards lunch hosted by our friends at the Christchurch Function Centre.

If you got there early enough you could enjoy a cool beverage in the courtyard under a warm sunny day.

Inside, last minute organising of Show n Shine certificates was underway, collection and collation of raffle sheets, beverage tickets being handed out, and various chatter regarding end of year plans.

The hamper raffles were drawn nice and early and included a separate prize for a two night stay in Grey-mouth, kindly donated by club members Shaun and Lisa Soal.

It wasn't too long before the smell of carved ham lured the first table to load their plates as you walked past the brandy snaps, wondering if the cream went all the way through, and the Christmas pud steaming in the bain marie.

With the wettest Show n Shine I've ever experienced a distant blur, it was time to handout awards to proud recipients and presentation of People's choice, President's choice, and the President's award.

Finally, what would Christmas be without presents for the kids. I'm sure they appreciated their gifts from the club.

A cup of tea or coffee to finish off, and everyone made their way out the door as it suited them.

Have a safe holiday everyone!

P.S. the cream did go all the way through 😊

Whare Ward



Photos taken by Whare Ward





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FB Special 1960

48-215 to EH CLASS
FIRST
HEATHER HARRIS

HECC Show n Shine
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EH Premier 1964

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SECOND
LEANNE BENTHAM

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HG Monaro 1971

HD to WB CLASS
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HD Special 1965

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SECOND
JOSH & LEANNE BENTHAM

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HJ Kingswood 1976

HD to WB CLASS
THIRD
BRENT NUTTALL

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VL Berlina 1987

VB to VL CLASS
FIRST
JOHN POOLE

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VK Berlina 1986

VB to VL CLASS
SECOND
WHARE WARD

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PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

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VF SSV Redline 2018

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE AWARD

YVONNE & DON MOFFAT

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MOST IMPROVED AWARD

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HG Monaro 1971

MONARO FIRST

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VZ Commodore SV6 2005

HARD LUCK AWARD

ALISTAIR & JULIA JOSEPH

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VN Calais 1993

VN TO VS CLASS FIRST

DAVE & STEPH PASCOE

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VY SS 2003

VT TO VZ CLASS FIRST

KOREN SULLIVAN

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VY HSV Clubsport 2003

VT TO VZ CLASS SECOND

BARRY NEIL

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VE TO VF CLASS
FIRST

TIM HARRIS

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VE TO VF CLASS
SECOND

*YVONNE & DON
MOFFAT*



VE TO VF CLASS
THIRD

ROSS GRAY

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PRESIDENT'S AWARD

ALICIA BATEY

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL
AND A HAPPY AND SAFE NEW
YEAR.**

Editors Note: Thank you for all the support over the last year especially over the last couple of months. Your thoughts and wishes have been really appreciated. Bring on 2024. Thank you.

Regards Alistair



EVENT LIST

January 2024

Saturday 13th

Pie and Pint Run to Cust

Leaving New Brighton RSA Carpark

Leaving 10.30am

FEBRUARY 2024

Tuesday 6th

HECC Meeting

The Redwood Styx Room 7.30pm

Sunday 11th

Sunset Cruise to Diamond Harbour

for Fish and Chips

Saturday 24th

Hamner Motofest and evening BBQ

Details to Follow

March 2024

Tuesday 5th

HECC Meeting

The Redwood Styx Room 7.30pm

Sunday 24th March

Trains at McLeans Island

for Trains and BBQ

Details to Come

April 2024

Tuesday 2nd April

HECC Meeting

The Redwood Styx Room 7.30pm

Sunday 14th April

Scavenger Hunt

Details to come

May 2024

Tuesday 7th May

HECC Meeting

The Redwood Styx Room 7.30pm

Sunday 19th May

Cruise to Little River via Sumner

Possible Tour of some cars on the way

Details to Come

June 2024

Tuesday 4th June

HECC Meeting

Events are current at the time of publishing.

Covid alert levels may affect events at any time.

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We are all willing to answer, or talk through any questions you may have.*

