

# The Lion's Roar

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



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**Whats coming up !!**

**Sunday 19th May**

**HECC Bi - Annual**

**Scavenger Hunt**

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## Presidents Report

*April is here, and the start of autumn reminded us all that winter is not far away. Still, we can enjoy some stunning sunny days, in between the cloud and scattered rain.*

*After mentioning in last month's newsletter how busy the car show calender had been, it has certainly gone a little flat now. Hopefully that will mean that we will see more club members at our events. Speaking of events, we had 2 this month, with The Detailing Specialists hosting a very informative evening explaining how to clean and look after our 4 wheeled pride and joys, and a workshop tour, followed by a cruise and lunch. No more said! You will have to wait till next month's newsletter to read the write ups, and see the photos.*

*Entries are now open for "The Holden Nationals", being held over Easter 2025, at the Wolfbrook Arena, here in Christchurch. The entry forms are available through the club. As most of you will be aware, to enter you need to be a current member of a Holden Federation affiliated club, which Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch (HECC) is. If you know of anyone who is wanting to enter their car, and is not currently a member of a car club, have them get in touch with our committee.*

*The club BBQ trailer has now had our All Oz Day logo added to the sides and rear doors, and it looks fantastic. The signwriting was originally donated by Whare and Sarah, who subsequently then had it donated by the signwriting company. Thanks to Let's get Graphic Design*

*Shed. Sarah and Whare are now looking at another sign option to donate. On behalf of the club, thank you Sarah and Whare.*

*In this newsletter is an article from one of our younger members on his visit to last months "Trains at McLeans" club event. I need to acknowledge all the Miniature Train members who gave up their day to help us enjoy ours. I also would like to thank Don and Yvonne for organising the event, Yvonne for the unexpected delicious food, and Heather, Sarah, and Alicia for their streamlined and efficient "sub sandwich" making.*

*Take it easy on the roads, enjoy you journey, and I will see you at the next event.*

*Allan*



# Trains at McLeans Island

Sunday 24th March 2024

*On the morning of 24th of March The Holden Enthusiast Club Christchurch members met up at the Bishopdale Mall. It was a good turn out of members and their families.*

*We then convoyed with the Presidents White Holden Commodore in the lead, and a Holden Rodeo taking up the rear.*

*After Leaving the Bishopdale Mall we headed towards Mcleans Island Steam Scene, and the Miniture Trains. Upon arrival we all parked up, before checking out some of the miniature Trains.*

*The Trains were tiny models with a drivers seat and rear carriages which held bench's for anyone of any age to sit on.*

*One of the Conductors even allowed some of us to give driving a turn.*

*I was one of those who had a turn at driving, and I really enjoyed the experience.*

*At the Steam Scene we saw many cool trains, some of them were based on real trains, while others were made up.*

*The trains were mostly battery, diesel or petrol powered, but along the side of the tracks coal fired steam trains were parked up and unable to be used because of the fire ban.*

*The background and setting of the 1 km track, showed many broken and working tracks, a great nature setting amongst the trees, with many realistic train ways and train garages.*

*The setting of the track took about 5 minutes to complete a trip. It was fun and a great experience This event was a great out door experience for people of all ages.*

*A great big thanks to Yvonne and Don Moffat for helping supply the trains and allowing us to ride and drive.*

Liam White



Photos taken by Allan, Sarah and Whare





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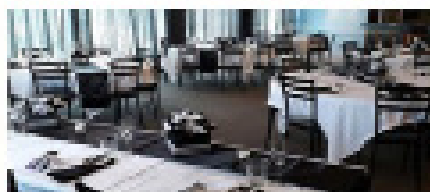
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# All OZ Car Show Trailer



Preparations have begun for this year's All Oz Car Show with the formation of the AOCS committee. Along with this, the club trailer has also been upgraded with the addition of four brand-new decals.

A large AOCS decal adorns each side of the trailer plus a couple of smaller ones at the rear. These should spark an interest in the event for anyone following, or driving by, and to associate the event to the Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch Inc.

A special thanks must go to Damon and the team at Let's Get Graphic for helping us out with these.

Check out the new look trailer at the next club BBQ event.

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Submitted by Sarah and Whare



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## EVENT LIST

### April

**Tuesday 2nd April**

**HECC Meeting**

**The Redwood Styx Room 7:30 pm**

**Tuesday 9th April**

**Car Cleaning Demo and Education Night**

**The Detailing Specialists**

**29 Stevens Street Waltham 6.00pm**

**RSVP for Catering please**

**Sunday 14th April**

**Car tour at Classic Workshop**

**Meeting at 10.00am at Ferry Road**

**Cruise to Little River Hotel**

**Leaving Ferry Road at 12.00pm for 1.00pm**

**Lunch**

### May

**Tuesday 7th May**

**HECC Meeting**

**The Redwood Styx Room 7:30 pm**

**Sunday 19th May**

**HECC Bi Annual Scavenger Hunt**

**Meet at Redwood Hotel 9.45am**

**Leave at 10.00am**

### June

**Tuesday 4th June**

**HECC Meeting**

**The Redwood Styx Room 7:30 pm**

**Sunday 23th June - Mid Winter Christmas at Redwood Styx Room 12.00pm. Lunch served at 12.30pm**

### July

**Tuesday 2nd July**

**HECC Meeting**

**The Redwood Styx Room 7.30pm**

**Sunday 21st July**

**Mini Golf at the Oasis at the Palms**

**Details to come**

*Events are current at the time of publishing.  
Covid alert levels may affect events at any time.  
Always check with the organiser of the event for the most up to date information!*

**RSVP to the club email: [general@holdenclub.co.nz](mailto:general@holdenclub.co.nz)**

## FOR SALE

### HECC Clothing & Merchandise:

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*If you have any issues, you can contact us directly.  
We are all willing to answer, or talk through any questions you may have.*

