

# The Lion's Roar



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

Established 1992

Dec 2024

## Presidents Report

The end of another year is almost here, and we have had another great 12 months of exciting club events. I am sure you would all agree that our committee has done a fantastic job ensuring we have a fun event or activity each and every month. This team of dedicated volunteers deserve a big thank you.

That said, this year has been made a little easier for them, as fellow club members put their thoughts and ideas forward. A committee member putting forward at a club meeting a suggestion to do a cruise later in the month resulted in a Fish n Chip cruise to Diamond Harbour, with a non perishable item as a donation to 0800 Hungry, being approved in under 10 minutes by all members in attendance.

Active participation at its best.

I know I say it a lot, but this club is a great car club, and that is because of the input of its committee and its members. Keep those ideas coming, as it will always be nice to have more options to pick over and discuss each month.

We finished the year with our Xmas lunch and prizegiving. As always, this was very well attended and enjoyed by everyone. You can read more about it further in the newsletter!

The new year will kick off with our annual "World Famous" (in Redwood), Pie n Pint Run, with a delicious range of gourmet pies at the final destination. This popular first event of the year attracts a lot of members, and potential members, so make sure you get your RSVP, and pie order in early.

I am not going to have a long report this month, as like everyone, it is a stupidly busy time of year, so enjoy your break with close family and friends, take your Holden for a cruise on these warm evenings, don't eat and drink too much ( yeah right), and I will catch up with you all in 2025.

Allan



*Merry Christmas*

*Everyone.*

*Have a Awesome  
New Year*

*See you in 2025*

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## Annual Show and Shine

**Sunday 3rd November 2024**

It's early November and time for the highly anticipated annual Show & Shine. Under a sometimes-warm sun or cool breeze, this outdoor gathering is a great way to kick off the summer season.

After endless hours spent polishing and buffing, club members and visitors gather to admire the stunning array of vehicles on display. From classics to contemporary, the variety of cars is an awesome sight. The entry fee is a non-perishable item that is added to fines accumulated throughout the year. These will form the three xmas hampers raffled and drawn at the Christmas lunch.

With the scent of a sizzling BBQ in the air, judging is timed to perfection and is completed just as the BBQ is ready.

The club ensures that there is plenty of food to go around. Heather's freshly harvested lettuce adds a refreshing element to the salads, while Sarah's hot potatoes add something different to the BBQ norm. Additionally, garlic bread, whether burnt or perfectly toasted, was a hit, as were the boiled eggs and sliced beetroot. Something about the combination of these simple yet delicious dishes sparks nostalgia and tradition. The BBQ is a central part of the event, allowing people to sit down, chat, and share stories over a good meal.

While members' cars are undoubtedly the main attraction, the event is about so much more than just vehicles. A game of backyard cricket is a highlight. Expansive grounds provide plenty of space for Cullum-like antics, and once proudly perched, fallen sunnies are nearly run over in attempts to catch high-flying balls as there is no fear of the ball going over the neighbour's fence.

The event thrives on the contributions of its participants. Whether it's bringing a car to display, volunteering to help with setup, or simply spreading the word, every bit of effort adds to the overall success.

In the end, it's the combination of shiny Holdens, backyard cricket, a sizzling BBQ, and, most importantly, good company that makes the Show & Shine a standout event each year... See you at the next one.

Whare Ward





## Sunset Cruise to Diamond Harbour – Fish n Chip Cruise

**Sunday 24th November**

After it was decided at late notice to do a cruise before our Christmas lunch in November. We decided to head back to Diamond Harbour for a Fish n Chip dinner. After it was well received the first time. We had double the attendees of the first time with 16 cars and 30 people on the run.

We meet at Mitre 10 Ferrymead carpark. With quite a few options on which route to take to Diamond Harbour we went over the hill from Sumner end. We stopped in Sumner for the last car to catch up who hadn't quite made it to the starting point. We were on our way again. From near the end of the cruise it was cool to see the Holdens in a line cruising up the hills going around the windy corners. We stopped one last time for a quick photo shot and make sure we were all still together.

Once we arrived at Diamond Harbour at the Salt Fish n Chip store. The staff did well coping with our large order we had pre-made. The meal was tasty, we would go again and highly recommend a visit to anyone in the area looking for a good fish n chip shop. The food was so fresh and delicious.

Good chat was had with all, catching up on anything and everything. Then just like that it was time for everyone to head back home to get ready for the week ahead. Me and the kids even got to stop on the way home for homemade dessert in Tai Tapu, thanks to the hosts. Until our next event, thanks for another successful cruise and all those who were able to attend.

Alicia



Editors Note: Thank you to the suppliers of the photos for this article.





## Christmas Lunch and Prizegiving

**Sunday 8th December 2024**

This day started out overcast, with occasional showers. Not ideal, but the weather improved substantially by 11am. With trophies and raffle prizes on display, tables laid out beautifully in Xmas theme, and the bar manned, the room certainly looked great for our arrival.

Tables started to fill, the bar staff became busy serving drinks, and chatter increased as members greeted each other and settled into conversation. A great social event was unfolding. With the order of tables to get food in dispute over the past couple of years, I chose to use a random number app this year, which seemed to go well, although a challenge could be heard from one table. As in previous years, it was ignored.

The food was, as always excellent, with a good choice of meats, vegetables, and salads. Seconds were definitely on the cards. Dessert also looked stunning. Something to look forward too also.

Raffles are drawn, with only one prize going to club members. Congrats Whare and Sarah. We trust Barry and Steph to pass the prizes on to their respective winners.

Once a reverse table order was completed for dessert, it was time to check if all the children in attendance had been good for some of the year, and it would appear that they had as there was a gift for each of them. Pleased to see that Santa does not listen to parents! Santa hopes they all enjoy their presents, which judging by the smiles, they will.

Last section of the luncheon has now arrived. Prizegiving. The presentation of cars at Show n Shine really made the judges work for their lollies this year, but they came through and presented an excellent selection of worthy prizewinners. Well done to all the winners. A list is in the newsletter.

Allan





# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

48-215 to EH Class  
**FIRST**

*Heather Harris*

1960 FB Holden Special



Alan White - President

HECC Show n Shine  
3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024

Sevan Grzyb - Vice President



# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

48-215 to EH CLASS  
**SECOND**

*Josh Bentham*

1964 EH Holden Special



Alan White - President

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Sevan Grzyb - Vice President



# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

48-215 to EH CLASS  
**THIRD**

*Leanne Bentham*

1964 EH Holden Premier



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# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

HD to WB CLASS  
**FIRST**

*Josh and Leanne Bentham*

1965 HD Special



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# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

HD to WB CLASS  
**SECOND**

*Craig Nuttall*

1974 Holden Premier



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Sevan Grzyb - Vice President



# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

HD to WB CLASS  
**THIRD**

*Brent Nuttall*

1976 Holden Kingswood



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# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

VB to VL CLASS  
**FIRST**

*John Poole*

1987 VL Commodore



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VB to VL CLASS  
**SECOND**

*Whare Ward*

1986 VK Berlina



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## Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

VN to VS CLASS  
FIRST

*Brent Grindley*

1994 HSV Caprice



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VN to VS CLASS  
SECOND

*Danny Pascoe*

1992 VP Commodore



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## Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

VN to VS CLASS  
THIRD

*Dave Pascoe*

1991 VN Commodore



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## Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

VT to VZ CLASS  
FIRST

*Barry Neil*

2003 VY Clubsport



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## Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

VT to VZ CLASS  
SECOND

*Robyn Cameron*

2006 VZ Commodore



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## Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

VT to VZ CLASS  
THIRD

*Koren Sullivan*

2003 VY Commodore SS



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## Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

VE to VF CLASS  
FIRST

*Denny Ryan*

2014 VF HSV GTS Commodore



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## Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

VE to VF CLASS  
SECOND

*Don Moffat*

2017 VF Redline SS



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# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

VE to VF CLASS  
THIRD

*Tim Harris*

2015 VF Sports Wagon



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# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

MONARO  
FIRST

*Craig & Jacqui Frampton*

1971 HG Monaro



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# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

*Heather Harris*

1960 FB Holden Special



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Bevan Grooby - Vice President



# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

MOST IMPROVED AWARD

*Brent Nuttall*

1976 Holden Kingswood



HECC Show n Shine  
3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024

Allan White - President

Bevan Grooby - Vice President

Congratulations  
To all the winners



# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE AWARD

*Heather Harris*

1960 FB Special



HECC Show n Shine  
3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024

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# Holden Enthusiasts Club Christchurch

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

*Robyn Cameron*

HECC Show n Shine  
3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024

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# Christchurch

Function Centre



We have a variety of rooms to accommodate and cater for 10 – 250 people!



- Weddings
- Parties
- Conferences
- Displays
- Meetings



To book an event with us please email or call our event manager!

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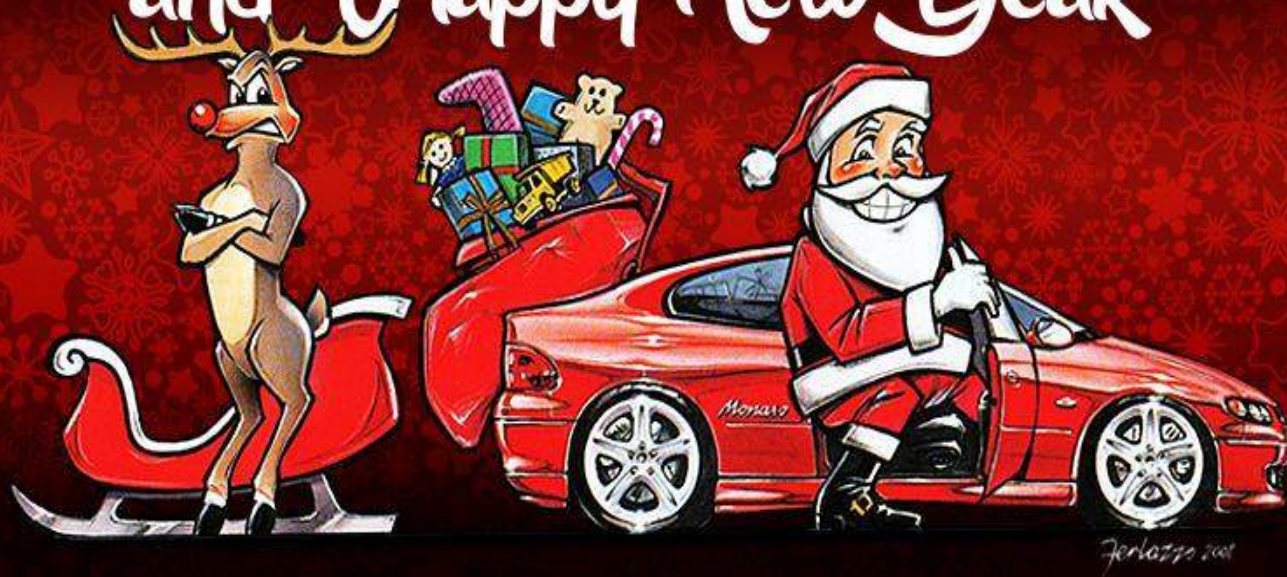
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STAY SAFE AND DRIVE SAFE

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

## and Happy New Year



# Events List

## January 2025

Saturday 11th January 2025

Annual Pie and Pint Run

Joes Garage Cranford Street 10.30am

## February

Tuesday 4th

HECC Monthly Meeting

The Redwood Styx Room 7.30pm

Saturday 22nd February

10th Anniversary Hamner Motofest

Meet Joes Garage Cranford Street

Meet 7.15am Leaving 7.30am Sharp

## March

Tuesday 4th

HECC Monthly Meeting

The Redwood Styx Room 7.30pm

Sunday 16th

Twin Rivers Car Show

Meet at Pioneer Stadium TBC

## April

Tuesday 1st April

HECC Meeting

The Redwood Styx Room 7.30pm

Friday 18th—Sunday 20th April

Holden Nationals to be held in Christchurch.

*Events are current at time of publishing*

*Covid alert levels may effect events at any time*

*Always Check with the organiser of the event for the most up to date information!*

RSVPs to the Club email: [general@holdenclub.co.nz](mailto:general@holdenclub.co.nz)

# For Sale

## HECC Clothing and Merchandise:

**Razor Polo (light) \$ 45.00 women and men**

**Piping Polo (thick) \$ 45.00 women and men**

**Hoodie (zip) \$ 65.00 Unisex**

**HECC Sticker \$ 5.00**

**HECC Sash \$ 20.00**

**HECC Cup \$ 2.50**

**HECC Keyring \$ 10.00**

**HECC Blanket \$ 25.00**



**HECC Registration Pouch \$ 10.00**



# Committee

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If you have any issues, you can contact us directly.

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

