

The Lion's Roar

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

Established 1992



September 2025

**If you have any ideas
for Club Cruises
please email us**

general@holdenclub.co.nz

Presidents Report

Now that the AGM has taken place, I wish to personally acknowledge our outgoing members, Robyn Cameron, and Julia Joseph, who have contributed their time and input over the last few years. On behalf of the members, I thank you for your support and outstanding efforts.

Your new committee is as follows

President	Allan White
Vice President	Bevan Grooby
Secretary	Alicia Batey
Treasurer	Alistair Joseph
Club Captain	Heather Harris
Editor	Alistair Joseph
Committee	Sarah McKenzie Whare Ward Brent Nuttall Brent Grindley

Thank you and welcome to our 2025/2026 committee. Thank you also to all members who attended the AGM. This was your chance to endorse your newly elected committee and hear how we have done over the previous year. As I have said many times in this segment, H.E.C.C members are very fortunate to have such a passionate and enthusiastic committee looking after the interests of the club. Many clubs struggle to fill their committee positions.

With the election of our committee completed, we now need to focus on the All-Oz Car Show. The All-Oz committee has completed almost everything required for the show, except a list of volunteers. If you can help on the day, please let the committee know so that we can coordinate tasks for everyone.

November will be our annual Show 'n' Shine, again being held at Ouruhia Domain. (We have a key and site booked this year). We will be requiring trophies to be returned to the club by our November meeting please.

With springs arrival we can all get out and enjoy our cars.

Drive nice, and I will see you all at the next club event.



Allan

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Mystery Car Rally 2025

Sunday 17th August 2025

For those that attended the 2025 bi-annual Mystery car rally they were not disappointed. Heather & Tim Harris did a great job with organising the event.

We all met at Joes Garage and were set off either on route A or route B. The difference meant each car couldn't copy the car in front to find where the answers might be on their journey.

Initially route A had questions like *What was the 0800 number at the Tasman Holiday Park*, to *What does Finesse Joinery make?*, to *What is on the front lawn at No. 745 Hawkins Road?*

Then route B had questions like *What year did Kidds Cakes open?*, to *What is the primary school on Innes Road*, to *What is the colour of the tractor on the Mad Acre sign?*

Both routes then joined the intersection at Marshland and Hawkins Roads.

From there the instructions got us to wind through the areas of Belfast, Harewood, Yaldhurst, Templeton, Springston, and then through to Lincoln.

There was a wide variety of questions, some straight forward like, *How many flags flying at the Christchurch airport roundabout* through to *What is on the stone sculpture in the Lincoln park?* (without stopping we thought it looked like a Takahe, but it was actually a pukeko).

For those competitive teams there was a fair bit of running around the Springston Cemetery looking for that right memorial that had the iron fence

erected around it and writing down who was the memorial erected for.

And for one member (the President) he was nearly run over in the cemetery!!

After travelling approx. 70km and attempting to answer as many of the 64 answers as possible we all made it to the Famous Grouse Hotel in Lincoln without any car breaking down.

Heather & Tim set to and like a teacher, marked our sheets.

Taking first place, and the job of organising the Mystery car rally 2027 was team Bevan & Paula Grooby, coming second was team Brent & Vicki Grindley and third was team Allan & Jeanette White.

For the team Brent & Ellen Nuttall that won Knob of the day, they had the pleasure of winning a wee trophy for being the team that took the longest. For the team Joseph family they won a large packet of mars bars for making the rally in 101 minutes, and out of the desired time of 100 mins. That is spot-on driving Alistair! 🎯

Sarah McKenzie



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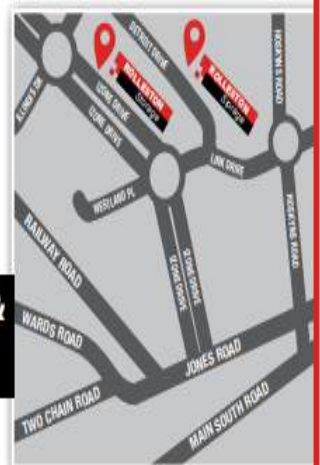
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Cruise to South Canterbury ALLOZ Timaru

Sunday 24th August 2025

There was a small group of us who got up early to make the trip down to Timaru for Timaru All Oz Car Show. It was a fresh start to the day, but with the sun shining it was plenty warm enough by the end of the day.



We had 6 cars in attendance with 10 people in those cars. It was the first time I had been to the event. It is a bit more casually run than our event. No one parking cars, you find a spot based on who has already parked up when you get there. We had made good time so got there just as the gates had opened.



The event is held at Caroline Bay and run by the Timaru Falcon Fairlane club. This year they were raising money for Westpac Helicopter Trust and St Johns Ambulance. There were raffles to buy to try win prizes, a food stall and sausage sizzle. As well

as a couple of stalls such as model cars. Great timing, I managed to find something for my Dad for his birthday that was coming up.



We managed to catch up with the likes of Holden Club Canterbury and South Canterbury Holden Club members. Josh and Leanne were pretty stoked to see a FC the same but opposite in colour as their new addition car 1958 FC. Getting an impressive few thousand likes on a post about it.



Once prize giving including the raffle draws were done it was time to head home. It was good to get a good drive in and go support another event fund-raising for charity.



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BATHURST

Bathurst is coming—Sunday 11th October





ALL OZ CAR SHOW CHRISTCHURCH

****Open to All Australian cars and the Public ****



**Evening Cruise
Saturday 25th October 2025**

Two Start Points

- A) Hawke Street Carpark, Hawke Street , New Brighton
- B) Princess Margaret Hosp. Carpark, Cashmere Road, Cashmere

Time : 5.30pm Meet / 6.00pm Depart

Monetary Donations gladly accepted

**Car Show
Sunday 26th October 2025**



A&P Showgrounds, Curletts Road, Christchurch, 10.00am to 2.00pm
\$ 10 entry per display car, Prizegiving 1.00pm

Spectator entry gold coin

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Events List 2025

October

Tuesday 7th October

Monthly Meeting

The Redwood Hotel

Meeting Starts 7.30pm

Friday 10th October - Saturday 11th October

VCC Swap Meet

Meeting at the Holiday Inn - Friday 9.00am

Meeting at Bishopdale Mall - Saturday 8.00am

Sunday 11th October

Bathurst - To watch the Great Race

Josh and Leannes Place, Location to be advised

RSVP by the 10th October to receive address details.

Saturday 25th October

All OZ Cruise 5.30pm

Start Point A starting at Hawkes St Carpark Merging with Cruise B and continuing through to the final stop with BBQ and Coffee available to purchase at the end.

Start Point B starting at Princess Margaret Hospital Carpark, merging with Cruise A and continuing through to the final stop with BBQ and Coffee available to purchase at the end.

Sunday 26th October

ALIOZ Car Show

Starts 10.00am Curletts Road Entrance

A and P Showgrounds

November

Tuesday 4th November

Monthly Meeting

The Redwood Hotel

Meeting Starts 7.30pm

Events are current at time of publishing

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

RSVPs to the Club email: general@holdenclub.co.nz

For Sale

HECC Clothing and Merchandise:

Razor Polo (light) \$ 45.00 women and men

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HECC Lions \$ 25.00



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.

