December 2022 Newsletter



Couldn't you find a bigger measuring cup Sharon

Welcome to the Hibiscus Rodders Inc Newsletter. Please contact any Committee Member or the Newsletter Editor if you have anything to discuss or to submit for the next issue. All input is greatly appreciated. We take this opportunity to thank all those who do submit articles and ads for the newsletter and to welcome those new members to the Club. It is great to have you on board with us.

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NOTICE FROM THE SHERIFF

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MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

MULDOONS, OREWA, DECEMBER 14th 7.30 pm

Reminiscences From 2 Ex Presidents

Hi everyone, my name is David Swan, I have been asked to say a few words about the time I was President of the club.

I was President for four years, I took over while we were having our meetings at the Orewa Surf Club, it was difficult to run a meeting with the public being there, but think it worked out ok. Then it was decided that we would need to move due to the surf club being knocked down and rebuilt, and that hasn't happened yet, but it is on the drawing board. We were offered the Sharks building in Victor Eaves Park to use as a club headquarters, had storage for all our bits and pieces so sounded really great, we had a vote on it and the majority decided to go for it. It was a good idea going there, but unfortunately didn't really work out.

I enjoyed my time as President organising club runs, especially mystery poker runs, was a lot of work involved doing them, and most people that went on them enjoyed doing them and usually we would end up having a bbq at the end, places like Wenderholm, Shakespeare Park and Big Manly.

The Beach Festival was another highlight, going around all the cars and trying to find that one special car that was President's Choice, which is not easy with all the amazing cars on offer, but chatting with the people you soon found out that there were a lot of people out there with some really interesting stories about their cars.

There was always the odd times when it wasn't so enjoyable, but you get that when you are trying to please everyone and that just doesn't happen. There are lots of things I could say but have to condense my input, I just hope that club members thought I did a reasonable job and they have good memories of the times we had while I was in charge.

David Swan.

From Mike Dyer

When I joined the Hibiscus Rodders in 2002, I wanted to rebuild a T Bucket, and wanted to meet some local petrol heads. The club was in their 20th year and was not associated with NZHRA, as the earlier members were not too keen on to many rules, I do think the only rule was that your car had to be pre 1974 and be American.

As I was rebuilding my T Bucket I had a lot of help from old members like Rob Campbell, in which he invited me over to look at Project T (which was the Hot Rod Magazine build) which was fantastic to learn from a master.

After being in the club I decided to be on the committee and then got elected for president basically because we were a small club and nobody wanted it, this was out of my comfort zone but I thought I would give it a go.

A group of us went to the early Beach Hops and decided that other clubs were wearing their club jackets which looked smart, one of the club meeting we decided that we need jackets and apparel, we wanted as many club members to have jackets so the jackets were subsidised.

Monthly runs were organised by a different member each month, which brought a variety of events, from Loin Breweries tours of their bottling plant and of course their tasting room at the end, this was when it was in Newmarket, going to a Shooting Range for the afternoon and a few garage raids. The club had its yearly runs, like the Wrinkley and Memorial runs as there were a few members that passed away.

After a few years I stepped down from the president role as it is good to have different ideas to grow the club, I left the club around 2012 because I had enough and I was busy with work and with a young family on the way.

Thank you

Mike Dyer

Presidents Report

Hi All

Well that's another year pretty much done and dusted isn't it and a better year it was than the previous 2, let's hope we never go back to those times again. Nice to have some normality back, and isn't it interesting how Covid is now just something we live with.

December Club Night

Our last chance to get together before we all head for the hills, we're back at Muldoon's for next Wednesdays club night, 7.30 start. See the menu that's attached separately with this newsletter and if you order in advance it will cut down on wait times. muldoonsbar786@gmail.com

In January there won't be a club night, instead we all get together and fill goody bags to be handed out at the Beach Festival, details below.

Hibiscus Rodders Fortieth

As our anniversary year draws to an end for the final act in this months newsletter we have a little reminiscing from two of our former presidents, Mike Dyer and Dave Swan. Instead of our usual Mothers member of the Month we have a piece from each of them about their time as president. Nice to have them still active in the club.

Still on the fortieth there's a video from our car show and an article done by a local student as a study exercise, have a look at the links below. He nearly got it right.

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Beach Festival

There's not long to go, Sharon and her team are in serious full steam ahead mode now, nailing down all the detail that goes into a show of this size.

Next week at club night we're looking for volunteers to be team leaders to take charge of various jobs over the weekend and we're looking for others to be general helpers, if you can help, please come forward, it's good fun and of course it's for a great cause.

New for this year is we are raffling a wheel barrow full of goodies at the Puhoi on Saturday afternoon, if you have something you can contribute that would be great. Car products, tools, alcohol, anything new really except perishables.

Along the same lines we're still looking for items for Saturday's big auction, \$100+ value preferably please. Do you know someone who can help us, it's for a great cause, all money raised from the auction goes to Auckland Rescue Helicopter Trust.

As I said above next month there is no club night, instead on Wednesday January 25 at 6pm we'll meet at Sign Post Signs to fill the goody bags that will be handed out at the Beach Festival.

Bring your own drinks and the club will provide dinner. Definitely one of those times when many hands make light work and it's always a bit of fun.

Prize Giving and Christmas Lunch

Great turnout for this everyone, even with quite a few not able to make it we still had 64 attend. Hope you enjoyed it.

For those that couldn't make it there's a full list of awards further down in the newsletter, some of you may be surprised.

Congratulations to all the winners.

Going forward, our thinking for next year is we would like you to attend at least 3 club runs in your special cars to be considered for any awards. Not 3 runs per car, 3 runs in total which should be easy enough, the first of which could be our Beach Festival. What we are looking for is active participation in the club, we want to get to know your faces and your cars, that's what we are about.

Merry Christmas

For those of you that can't make next Wednesdays club meeting, on behalf of all our committee, we wish you all a really great Christmas and New Year. Enjoy your time with family and friends and put some miles on those cars.

Remember there is never too much food and drink, it's just another one of life's challengers to be overcome, with the right attitude you can overcome anything so just get stuck in.

Cheers all and hopefully we see you next Wednesday night at Muldoons.

Grant McKechnie







CLUB MERCHANDISE FOR SALE



Club night at the RSA







Another great attendance by members who donated sweet treats to be passed on to the Hibiscus Coast Youth Centre. Sheriff (Steve) was the Mothers member of the month and Grant presented him with a bucket full of goodies. A reminder that there are still Club jackets, t-shirts, beanies and caps available to purchase. The Sheriff received the Dipstick Award - take a close look at photo to see why ???



The Youth Centre Kids receiving their treats from the Rodders, according to Sharon, as she puts it, The Kids Were Stoked.



BEACH FESTIVAL UPDATE

Hi Guys,

If you haven't already, don't forget to pre register Now!!

VIP passes which include your lunch or

Standard passes available!!

Our entrant bags are exciting this year and so is the merchandise!

You could win the trip for two to the Gold Coast for two with tickets to Coolly Rocks for 2023! Sponsored by our lovely Zane from Zebuild!!

We are Looking for some keen delegates to monitor different areas and on our dec and jan clubnites we will have many vacancies for jobs on the weekend of the festival!

This is a great fundraiser for our club also with merchandise and with proceeds going to Auckland Rescue Helicopter Trust! These guys save lives and you never know when you might need them!

We will also have a goodie night bag packing on Wednesday 25th January so mark it in your diary!

Many thanks

Beach Festival Committee x

OREWA SANTA PARADE











Prize Giving Awards

Best Ford Kevin Dunn 67 Falcon **Best Commercial** *Grant McKechnie* 59 Chev Apache **Runner up Jointly** *Gavin & Rebecca Hollier 34 Roadster* Murray & Gill 23 Roadster pick up **Runner up Jointly** *Brian Strickland* 48 COE Best unfinished Gavin & Rebecca 34 Roadster Peter Soons 54 Chev 3100 Runner up Murray, Gill & Steve 80 Camaro Drag Car **Best Mopar** Peter Stewart 63 Chrysler Imperial **Best Corvette Jointly** to Peter Kamphuis 69 C3 & Murray & Gill 78 C3 **Runner up Jointly** *Murray & Gill* 74 Challenger Runner Up Neil Wade 80 C3 Darren & Shervl Jacqui Thompson 03 C5 73 Barracuda Best Mustang 2000 onwards Shari Woodward 07 Best Wheels Rob & Caroline Brooker 48 Chev pick up Runner up Kevin Dunn 08 **Stirrer** Neil Wade Best Mustang 64 to 99 Karen Dunn 65 **Good Samaritan** Janice Ness Runner up Andrew & Lone 64 **Bones Good Bastard** *Steve 'The Sheriff'* **Best Hot Rod Nostalgia** Murray & Gill 23 Roadster Graham pick up Achiever of the Year Corey Woodward Runner up Rodney & Jo 32 Coupe 73 Premier **Best pre 1949** *Gavin & Rebecca 34 Roadster* **Participant** Murray Ness Runner up Murray & Gill 23 Roadster pick up Hard Luck Paul & Sue **Best other** *Corey Woodward 73 Holden Premier* **Supporters cup** Pam Williams Runner up Jointly Rebecca 68 Pontiac **Best Presented** Twin 1 & Twin 2 Corvettes Gavin 67 Buick **Most Active New Club Member** *Grant* **Best Chev** Sheryl Bawden 55 Watson

Runner up *Peter Kamphuis 56 Belair*

Best Open Ben Bond 61 Galaxie

Runner up Gavin 67 Buick

73 Premier

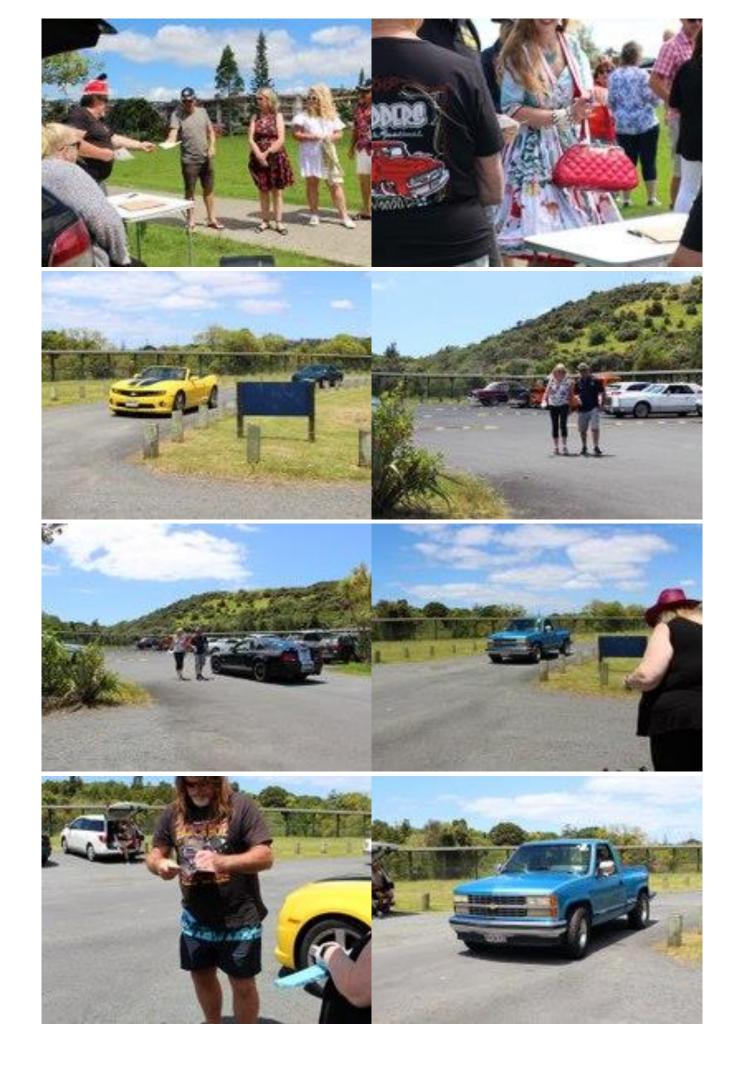
Presidents Choice Corey Woodward

POKER RUN









Annual Christmas Party

The day started with a Poker Run organised by Dave and Barb. It started in Orewa going to Puhoi, Wenderholm, Shakespear Park finishing at the RSA, Stanmore Bay. A keen eye was needed as questions had to be answered and activities done at each stop.

Once everyone arrived Grant welcomed us all and then we enjoyed our lunch amongst great conversations and laughs.

Sharon spoke advising us how everything was going for the Beach Festival and thanked those involved for their hard work.

As we arrived everyone took a number and prizes were given with winning numbers.

Dave came up and gave prizes for the Poker Run - best, funniest and worst at activities and answers.

We then had a double act - 2 Santas - doing the presentations, sometimes up to no good but also giving us lots of laughs. Too many photos but here is a few.

Great day with friends, food and fun.















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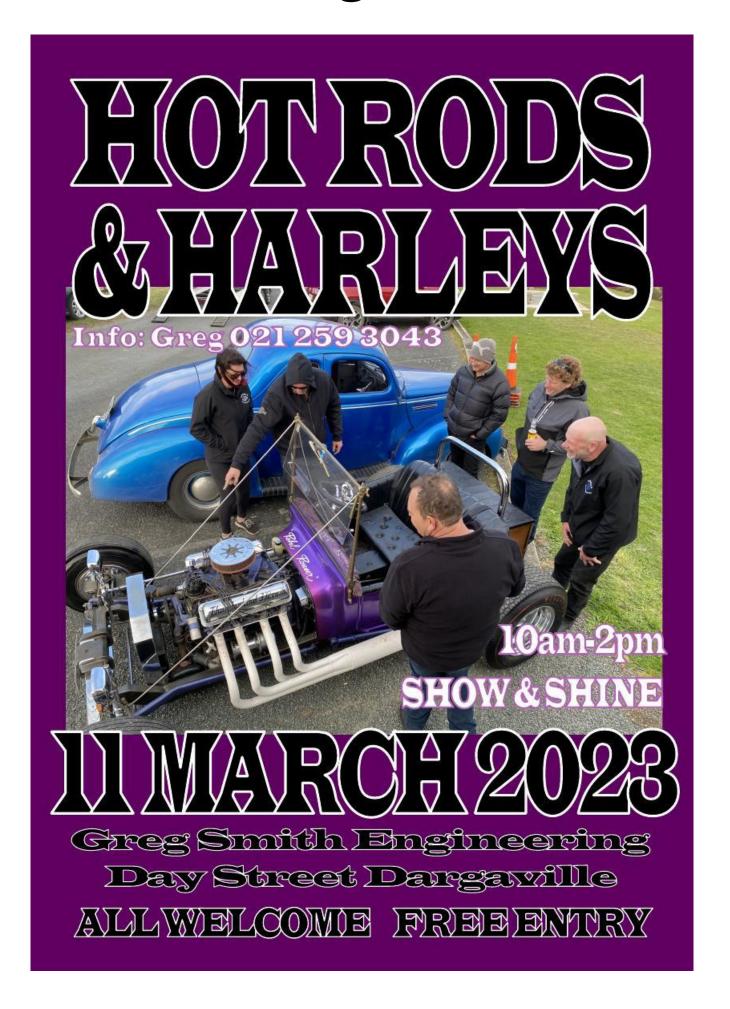
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