



Newsletter

May 2026

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May

25th Club Night 7pm-9.30pm Live music with Ian Mac

June

1st NO Club night. Kings Birthday

8th Learn a move 7.00 -7.15 pm, Club night 7.15-9.30pm with DJ Gordon

15th Learn a move 7.00 -7.15 pm, Club night 7.15-9.30pm with DJ Shaun featuring dance Games and such Night.

20th Club Champs and Dance See Poster Page 4

22nd Little Red Book Line Dance 7.00 -7.15 pm, Red & Black Club night 7.15-9.30pm with DJ Brenda

29th Club Night 7pm-9.30pm Live music with Gazza

July

NO Music Mondays in July prior to 27th

27th Club Night 7pm-9.30pm Live music with Anthony

Free lessons

Our May beginner lessons were free, this time supported with a grant from the Christchurch City Council.

Sincere thanks to CCC

Club Trophies

A reminder, if you hold any trophies from last year's club comps, these are due to be returned to Lorraine by 10 June please.

Thanks

August

3rd 'Next steps' workshop (1) - building routines, variety and flow, 6.45-7.30pm, club night 7.30-9.30pm

10th 'Next steps' workshop (2) - building routines, variety and flow, 6.45-7.30pm, club night 7.30-9.30pm

17th Triples workshop 6.45-7.30pm, club night 7.30-9.30pm

24th Triples workshop 6.45-7.30pm, club night 7.30-9.30pm

29th Spring Dance, Live music with Hot Wired

31st Club night 7.00-9.30pm

September

7th Learn a move 7.00-7.15pm, Club night 7.15-9.30pm

14th Learn a move 7.00-7.15pm, Club night 7.15-9.30pm

21st Learn a move 7.00-7.15pm, Club night 7.15-9.30pm

28th Club Night 7pm-9.30pm Live music with Gazza

The Hornby Club and training

In case you didn't know, we hire our venue in the Events Centre at The Hornby Club from 5.30pm each Monday. We do this to provide a training venue for members. Please feel free to come along and use the floor space, available to members from 5.30 until lessons, or club night, begin.

October

5th Learn a move 7.00-7.15pm, Club night DJ Gordon 7.15-9.30pm
12th Learn a move 7.00-7.15pm, Club night DJ Brenda 7.15-9.30pm
19th Club Night 7pm-9.30pm Live music with Les Donaldson
26th Labour Day - No Monday Club Night

November

2nd Beginners' classes 6.45-7.30pm, Club night DJ Gordon 7.30-9.30pm
9th Beginners' classes 6.45-7.30pm, Club night DJ Brenda 7.30-9.30pm
16th Beginners' classes 6.45-7.30pm, Club night DJ Shaun 7.30-9.30pm
23rd Club Night 7pm-9.30pm Live music with Ian Mac
30th Speed Dance: four moves in 40 minutes, 6.45-7.30pm, Club Night 7.30-9.30pm

December

7th Christmas Dance Live music and date to be confirmed

Please note: Live music evenings and other events may be subject to change.

Club champs



**Christchurch Rock'n'Roll Club
Presents
The 2026 Club Championships**

Saturday 20th June from 7pm
Upstairs at Hornby Club

All Welcome

Door Charge \$5
Or use your Member's Concession Card

Plenty of General Dancing
Plus
Fun events to enjoy!

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Our club champs are a really important part of our annual activity, giving us all a chance to see what others are doing, and offering an opportunity to share our creativity, and our joy for our dance. The event relies upon participation. You DON'T have to be an accomplished expert to participate. This year we have a new section set up especially for those who haven't competed before., called '**Give it a go**', aimed specifically at those brand new to our dance. There will also be opportunities for 'spectators' to get involved with audience best dressed competitions. It's a great experience, and another chance to share fun and fellowship. Please do make a point of coming along to support the event, and please do look for those opportunities to participate.

Hei Hei Hall hours 2026

The Christchurch City Council has decided to reduce the hours allocated to Christchurch Rock 'n' Roll Club for 2026. The hall will only be available Tuesday evenings 7.15pm - 9.15pm. The committee is investigating alternatives for those wishing to train for competitions.

Club nights in July

You will notice in our calendar that there are no club nights scheduled for July. We have been told that we do not have access to our normal venue at The Hornby Club until Monday 27th July. We'll keep you informed as we organise alternatives, but remember that Kaiapoi and Southern RnR Clubs offer alternatives on other nights of the week.

Nationals 2026

Nationals Labour Weekend 2026 being held in Wellington will be the first 'combined nationals' featuring competitions for both juniors and seniors over the weekend. You can find out more about the proposed structure of the weekend [here](#). If you are interested in attending, please contact Karyn at kethomson@xtra.co.nz NOW.

Accommodation is limited.

Early Bird Discounted Ticket payment due now. Details have been emailed.

Membership

Membership renewals are due now. The new Membership year runs from 1st April 2026 - 31st March 2027.

Memberships not renewed by 31st May 2026 will be removed from our membership register.

The membership subscription fee is \$35 per person per annum.

A family concession is offered on inquiry.

The club exists for the benefit of its members. It needs members to exist. If you haven't already done so, please do make sure you renew your membership soon.

Bank Details for Direct Credit are:

Christchurch Rock n Roll Club Inc 02 - 0874 - 0296279- 000

Why Join Our Club?

We are often asked about the benefits of membership of Christchurch Rock 'n' Roll Club. It's a good question: why should you join? Apart from member only admission charges to club nights, members gain the following benefits:

- We offer a family friendly environment, and welcome children school age and upwards to lessons, club nights and dances.
- Access to club night concession cards - giving 1 or 2 free nights per card.
- For new members a first set of lessons at normal cost, subsequent lessons free
- We periodically offer workshops for dancers at all levels
- At club nights, a lucky monthly membership draw (on our live music nights) .. a cash prize beginning at \$30, You must be present to claim your prize otherwise it jackpots by \$10 per month until claimed.
- For a minimal fee, use of the Hei Hei Community hall for training and practice, see the note elsewhere for available hours
- NZ association affiliation which passes latest information to members, and offers the opportunity to progress to national competitions,
- Expert coaching on offer, and Nationals entry fees paid by club

A final thought on membership

Membership is our lifeblood, and serving our membership is our ultimate purpose. There is a whakataukī in te reo which is commonly used in this regard (it does have multiple translations, so be careful):

'He waka eke noa'.. usually translated as 'we are all in this boat together'.

If we stick to the classical translation, it captures this truth about membership. We are stronger together than apart. It's called collective action. We are all stronger if we support each other.

The same applies to our club. The club exists for the benefit of its members. It needs members to exist. If you haven't already done so, please do make sure you renew your membership soon.