

Newsletter December 2025

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2026

January

26th Live music with Ian Mac

February

3rd Beginner Lessons 6.45-7.30pm, club night 7.30-9.30pm 10th Beginner Lessons, 6.45-7.30pm, club night 7.30-9.30pm 17th Beginner Lessons 6.45-7.30pm, club night 7.30-9.30pm 23rd Live music with Gazza

March

2nd Club night
9th Club night
16t Club night
28th Birthday dance, live music with the Drama Queens

April

27th Live music with Les Donaldson

May

25th Live music with Ian Mac

Tune

20th Club champs

July

27th Live music with Anthony

Thanks for a great year !!!!!

Wow, what a year it's been. Membership has continued to climb, and club night attendances have increased on average by over 20%. We love seeing our members and supporters come back week after week, enjoying the great dance floor, the tremendous fellowship, and such awesome music and dancing. To all of our new members, it's great to have you join us. To all of our long standing members, thanks so much for being a part of the #bestrnrclub for so long. Membership is what makes great clubs. From your committee, have a safe and prosperous Christmas and New Year in whatever ways have meaning to you.

August

29th Spring Dance, Live music with Hot Wired

September

28th Live music with Gazza

October

19th Live music with Les Donaldson

November

23rd Live music with Ian Mac

December

7th Live music to be confirmed

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

Your committee

Senior Nationals 2025

It's been another great year.

Caleb and Ella: 1st in Open and Open Best Dressed

Shaun and Hayley: 1st in Platinum

Robin and Anne: 3rd in Diamond Restricted, 2nd in

Diamond Restricted Best Dressed

Stuart and June: Diamond Restricted semi final

Natalie and Karina: 3rd in Open Same Sex Best dressed,

and Open Same Sex semi final

Congratulations to all of our dancers, and our thanks to all of our coaches and supporters, what a team!!

Let's now look ahead to 2026.



Hei Hei Hall hours 2025/2026

Just a note that we have cancelled hall hire for the remainder of 2025 as there is no-one that we are aware of who is training. We are awaiting confirmation from Christchurch City Council of hours for 2026. We'll let you know when these are confirmed.

Nationals 2026

Nationals Labour Weekend 2026 will be the first 'combined nationals' featuring competitions for both juniors and seniors during the weekend. being held in Wellington. 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

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.