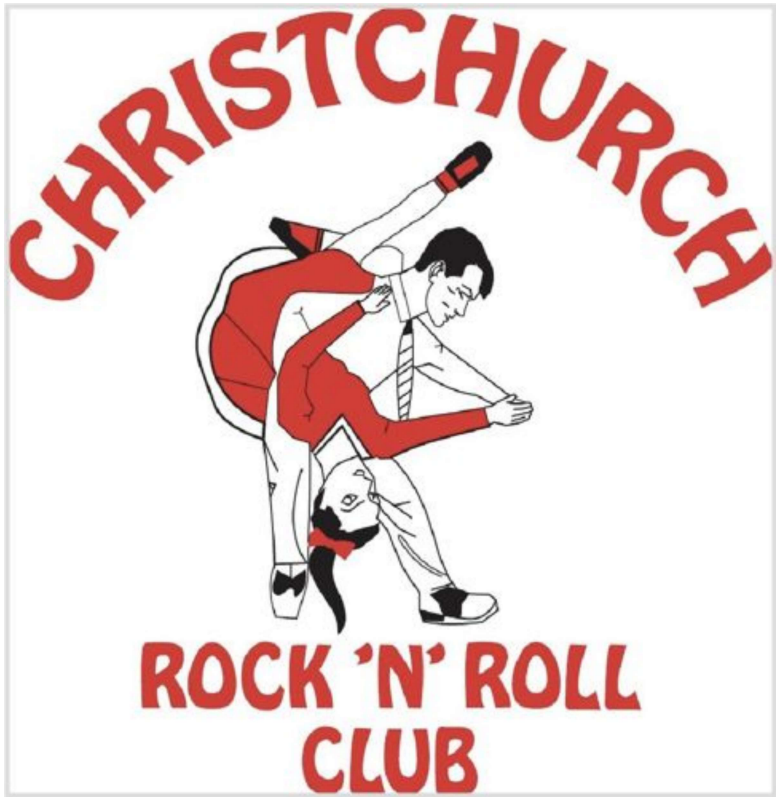


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2026

November

16th 'Learn a move', 7.00-7.15, Club night DJ Shaun 7.15-9.30pm
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 DJ Neil

December

7th Christmas Dance Live music with Flipside

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

Calendar 2027

In this newsletter you'll see our draft calendar of events for 2027. The live music events are 'locked in' at this stage so mark your calendars. The other events (workshops and lessons) may still be subject to change, but you'll see that we are planning on bringing you yet more wonderful RnR dance opportunities.

2027

January

25th Live music with Anthony

February

1st Learn a move
8th No club night, Waitangi holiday
15th Learn a move
22nd Live Music with **Ian Mac**

March

1st No club night, venue unavailable
8th Beginners' lessons
13th Birthday dance, music with Drama Queens
15th Beginners' lessons
22nd Beginners' lessons
29th Easter Monday, no club night

April

5th **AGM**, followed by club night
12th Speed dance moves
19th Speed dance moves revision
26th Live music with **Gazza**

May

3rd Beginners' lessons
10th Beginners' lessons
17th Beginners' lessons
24th Club night
31st Live music with **Tracey Rockhouse**

Market Day

Coming next year, Rock and Roll Market night, a chance to sell that unwanted rnr gear, those shoes you no longer use, that dress that' now too big. Watch out for the date and details.

2027 Fundraising event

A key focus for community engagement and fundraising for 2027 is a 'Dancing with the Stars' style event, run in conjunction with the Greater Hornby Residents' Association (GHRA).

We are seeking 10 volunteers (5 males, 5 females) to partner community learners. The commitment:

1. A set of Beginners' lessons in May
2. Preparation and training with your partner to put together a routine to dance on 10 July under the eyes of a set of judges and an appreciative audience.

This is a significant event, and an exciting opportunity to help new dancers learn while raising funds for both GHRA and ChCh RnR Club. We look forward to your support for the event.

June

7th King's Birthday No club night
14th Triples workshop 6.45-7.30pm
21st No club night, venue unavailable
28th Triples workshop 6.30 - 7.00pm Live music with Ian Mac

July

5th Beginners' Plus
10th Club Champs
12th Beginners' Plus
19th Beginners' Plus
26th Live music with **Lino**

August

7th Geraldine RnR Club annual dance, Woodbury Hall
14th Interclub Competition
30th Live music with **Tracey Rockhouse**

September

4th Guest workshop David and Jodi Tavite, style and attitude on the dance floor
4th Spring dance, music with **The Coyotes**
27th Live music with **Gazza**

October

18th Live music with **Anthony**

November

29th Live music with **Ian Mac**

December

6th Christmas Dance, live music with **Flipside**

Nationals congratulations and results

Well done to all of our competitors, we are proud of you all, and thanks to our awesome team of supporters, one of the biggest support teams we've seen in recent years. You made it a weekend to remember. The results were:

Colin: 1st in Men's Best Dressed

Poko, Gordon & Steve: 1st in Novelty

Sam: 2nd in Ladies Best Dressed

Kevin, Derelle, and Chrissie: 2nd Diamond Triples dancing and Best Dressed

Senior Team: 3rd in Best Dressed

Israel and Shelby, and Robin and Anne, all made it through to their semi finals.

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.