



Newsletter

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<http://www.christchurchrocknroll.org.nz/>
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Welcome back

Woohoo, we are finally back where we belong, at the Hei Hei Community Centre. It has been a long couple of years as we have waited for the City Council to organise and complete earthquake repairs & strengthening. It has also been a difficult couple of years as we have been forced to organise a series of temporary training venues at a time when the city is desperately short of suitable dancing venues, and in fact sports venues more generally.

However, we are B..A..C..K BACK!!

We'd love to see you all at our 'Welcome Back' dance at Hei Hei on **Saturday 31st January, 7.30-11pm**. BYO nibbles and refreshments. Special opening entry price \$5 members, \$10 for non-members, and supervised juniors free.

2015

January

- 28th Official Hei Hei Hall opening, with dance demo, 2.30-3.30 pm
- 28th Have a go evening at Hei Hei Hall, 7-8pm
- 31st "Welcome Home" dance, Hei Hei Hall, 7.30-11pm

February

- 4th First of the Senior Beginners' lessons, 7-8pm
- 4th First Junior Club, 6-7pm
- 11th Second Beginners' lesson
- 14th Sweethearts Dance, Timaru RnR Club, 8pm, Waitohi Hall, \$5 pp
- 18th Third Beginners' lesson
- 21st South Island Invitational competition, Dunedin RnR Club
- 25th Fourth Beginners' lesson

March

- 4th First Improvers' lesson
- 7th Birthday dance
- 7th NZ No Jumps competition, Morrinsville
- 11th Second Improvers' Lesson
- 18th Third Improvers' lesson
- 25th First Advanced lesson

Hall Hours

Tuesday 6-9pm

Wednesday 6-9pm (Juniors 6-7pm, and lessons 7-8pm)

Friday 6-8pm

Sunday 2-6pm

Lessons

Lessons start on Wednesday 4th February running from 7-8pm and will once more be taught by Shaun Birchall.

Junior Club starts again on the same evening 4th February, from 6-7pm and will be taken by Lexie McLachlan.

We'll still need lots of helpers at lessons, so don't be shy.

Lesson charges

Charges per set:

Beginners \$40

Improvers \$30 (\$25)

Advanced \$20 (\$15)

Or the whole set for \$70

Existing members can attend Improvers and Advanced for the discounted price shown in brackets). Payment is required at the start of the lesson set, no payment for individual lessons.

NZ No Jumps Rock n Roll competition 2015

Check out the Gracelands Rock 'n' roll club Facebook page.

2015

April

1st Second Advanced lesson
3rd-5th Junior Nationals, Lincoln Events Centre
17-19th Taradale RSA Rock'n' Roll Festival

June

6th Club championships

July

11th South Island Interclub competition

August

15th Club Dance

October

17th Senior Mini-Nationals
23rd-25th Senior Nationals, Porirua Events Centre

November

21st All-Comers 'No Jumps' competition and Christmas Dance

December

Next Club night

The fourth Friday of February 27th, 7-9pm BYO nibbles, drink and dancing shoes (the shoes are the hard part to share, but the drinks are pretty easy).

Online entry forms are available on the website:

<http://www.nznojumps.gracelandsrocknroll.org.nz/>

Junior Nationals 2015

Yep, we are hosting Junior Nationals again in 2015 at the fabulous Lincoln Events Centre from 3rd to 5th April 2015. We already have a small fabulous core of committed junior dancers, but we want more. Regardless of how you do it, let's get more juniors involved. We are thrilled that Lexie McLauchlan has agreed to take our Juniors allowing Shaun to focus on the adult lessons.

Entries are due in Wellington by **31st January**

Club Member venue tickets for Junior Nationals

Please let Connie know by 1 February if you intend to come along to Junior Nationals and want a discounted venue ticket. We'll let you know when payment is due, and how they can be collected. Please come along and support this great occasion. It really is an absolute joy to watch so many great juniors dancing so well, and our own juniors will love to have your support.

Senior Nationals 2015

The 2015 Senior Nationals competition is being hosted by Kapi Mana at the Porirua Events Centre. The last Senior Nationals there was another fantastic event for both competitors and spectators so get your diaries out and get those travel funds topped up.

Junior Nationals 2016

The 2016 Junior Nationals are being hosted by Kapi Mana at the wonderful Porirua Events Centre.

Senior Nationals 2016

The 2016 Senior Nationals are being hosted by Surf City in Gisborne.

Rock 'n' Roll Festival

The Taradale RSA, Napier, Hawkes Bay is holding a Rock'n'Roll Festival on the weekend of 17th - 19th April 2015. Further information including the programme for the weekend will be sent within the next month. Taradale RSA has space for camper vans and there is a motel next door.

Thank you.

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