

# Pub Crawl Poker Run

## 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022



We started off our journey around the Catlins from Croydon Lodge Gore with 18 cars and around 95 people. Awesome turnout!

Our first stop was Rosie's Bar & Bristro Balclutha where the first hands were purchased and 1<sup>st</sup> card dealt. We also sold raffles for the \$2 raffle table, \$5 raffle for an outdoor heater and a \$5 raffle for a day's digger hire. The punters were very keen and generous with purchasing their lucky tickets.

The Bar manager, Mike, who just happened to be the big boss of the licensing trust chose publicans choice award for best car which went to Chris Labes with his 1966 AP6 Valiant. Mike described this car as "Immaculate" so well deserved. I imagine Chris was pretty wrapped with the publican's choice of beverage to accompany the certificate. Well done Chris.



Next stop was Catlins Inn, Owaka where we had light refreshments, dealt the 3<sup>rd</sup> poker card and sold more raffles. The hospitality of the publican was outstanding and the food excellent!

We will definitely make a trip back there, maybe even a lunch run could be on the cards, watch this space.

The publican chose 2 cars for publican's choice which went to Brad Newland for his 1972 Holden Premier and Jimmy Cavanagh for his big yellow 1972 VH Valiant wagon. Both well deserved, well done guys.



In between Owaka and Tokanui we stopped at a Tautuku lookout for some photos, yarns and such like. The sun gods were shining on us so photo opportunities were a must.



Next stop was Tokanui tavern where punters were dealt another 2 cards for their poker hand, more raffles sold and lots of yarns had. The publican chose Taine Wilsons 1972 VH Valiant. Although it took a while to find Taine, he went MIA, he finally emerged to accept his certificate and bottle of wine which I believe was rather tasty. Well done Taine.

We then headed off to our last stop Pioneer Tavern, Edendale, where the last cards were dealt and poker hands were sorted into the best 3 hands for the prizegiving. Members enjoyed a bite to eat and another tippie or 2 before we got down to business drawing the raffle prizes and announcing the best 3 hands of Poker with the prize pool being 1<sup>st</sup> \$250 cash, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$150 cash and 3<sup>rd</sup> \$100 cash.



The publican also generously donated a bottle of wine for publicans choice which went to Andrew Mollison (aka Molly) for his 1972 HQ Holden Kingswood. Awesome choice and well deserved.

I would like to thank everyone who attended this run and commend you on your outstanding behaviour while out representing our/your club, much appreciated! We were overwhelmed with the generosity of all and also the generosity of the businesses who donated towards the raffle prizes on the day.

The profit raised from poker hands and raffles sold was donated to the Cancer Society, being \$2440.00, which has been gratefully received.



I would also like to thank Claire Taylor and Casey Black who managed the punters and dealt the poker hands aswell as judging them at the end of the day. This was a HUGE job and you guys manged it so well! Thanks so much!

And lastly, I would also like to thank the committee who helped organise this awesome day by approaching businesses for donations towards prizes and by selling raffle tickets on the day. You guys ROCK!



Cheers

Mary-Anne

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# RESULTS

Poker Hands: 1<sup>st</sup> with 3 Jacks went to Shaun Murray

2<sup>nd</sup> with 3 7's went to Andrew Mollison (aka Molly)

3<sup>rd</sup> with 3 4's went to Jamie Lynch



\$5 Heater Raffle kindly donated by Placemakers Gore with a retail valued of \$450 went to a very happy Trent Dennis. Well done Trent!

\$5 Digger Hire raffle kindly donated by Gore Machine Hire valued at \$300 went to the birthday boy himself Kent Blythe. I'm sure he'll have a lot of fun on that!



Scratchie Boards: Ashlee Barclay, Katie Ritchie, Jordan Kelly, Nadine, George Murray and Gavin



Members Draw: Brad and Jessie Sayers



Hard luck Prize: Alyssa Sinclair who left her phone at Owaka which she realised on her arrival at Tokonui.....alas someone had picked up her phone and it was delivered back to a very relieved Alyssa at Tokanui but not till after a trip back down the road for Alyssa to find it.....maybe get a bungy cord on that baby huh



# PUBLICANS CHOICE AWARDS

Balcutha: Chris Labes

Owaka: Brad Newland & Jimmy Cavanagh

Tokonui: Taine Wilson

Edendale: Andrew Mollison (aka Molly)



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