

HOTSA NEWS

Gearing up for the holidays ...keep busy with **HOTSA** before the rush!



Honda South Africa displayed a modified CR-Z at the recent Joburg Motor Show - perhaps promising times for manufacturer-approved modifications...

New Civic hatch revealed



The all-new Civic hatchback has recently been revealed in Euro specification and it is this version that we will see in South Africa. Featuring an evolved shape based on the current outlandish and futuristic Civic hatch, the new model features fewer space-age features and softer lines. Still controversial in its design, the new Civic

hatch is due to hit South African roads in the second quarter of 2012 and will see new, more efficient engines in its lineup. A successor to the Civic Type-R has not yet been confirmed.

All-new Civic sedan on the way



Heavily delayed by the antics of the Japanese tsunami in March this year, Honda's all-new Civic sedan is finally due to hit South African shores in the beginning of 2012. Featuring traditionally toned-down lines albeit this time with a fairly aggressive stance, the new sedan is what many South African buyers have been waiting

for, after the run-out of current Civic sedans left Honda SA without a contender in a very important market segment. Like the hatch, the new sedan will also feature more efficient engines.

events

*Our biggest events for the coming quarter are outlined below.
Stay up to date with changes and more info on the forum...*



Goblin's Cove Breakfast Run

Join us on the twisty roads leading out to Magaliesburg as we head off to Goblin's Cove for breakfast and a great drive. Joburgers meet at Honda Westrand to leave at 08:30 SHARP. Those coming in from Pretoria can meet us at the Sasol garage on the right hand side as the N14 ends, coming in to Krugersdorp (Kruno will be there for you), where we will meet you on the way.

When: 13 November

Forum Thread: <http://www.hondaowners.co.za/forum/viewtopic.php?f=5&t=6210>



Zwartkops Supertrax Days

Join in the fun and excitement at Zwartkops Raceway in Pretoria for some adrenaline-pumping action! Drive on the track or skidpan or just ride shotgun - lots of fun either way!

Dates this quarter: 27 November; 11 December

Forum Thread: <http://www.hondaowners.co.za/forum/viewtopic.php?f=6&t=2046>



Year-end Function 2011

We will be ending off 2011 in a different way this year as we head off to the Lion Park for a braai! Join us for a braai buffet and, should you wish, a guided tour through the park including playing with the cubs!

When: 04 December

Convoy meet: Honda Westrand, to leave at 09:30 SHARP.

Forum Thread: <http://www.hondaowners.co.za/forum/viewtopic.php?f=19&t=6234>



February 2012 Gymkhana

We will be hosting a parking-lot-style gymkhana in February 2012 to bring in the new year. Details will be released in due course, so keep tabs on the forum!

When: 26 February 2012 (TBC)

Forum Thread: TBA

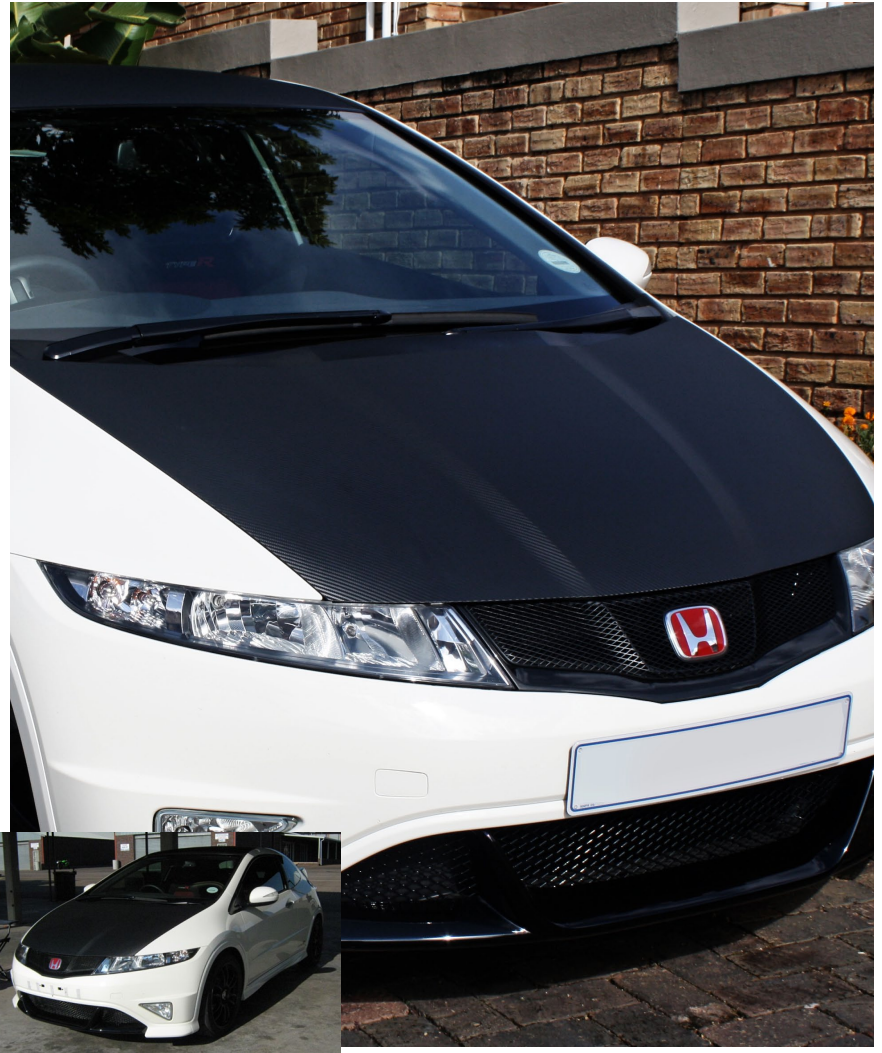
Member focus: Shrimp

Kenneth Watson joined HOCSA in 2010 after catching some info on the club's inaugural annual track day. Turning up in what was then a modest Championship White Civic Type-R, Kenneth or "Shrimp" as we've all come to know him, has become a valuable member of the HOCSA family and is one of the club's "proud possessions".

Starting out his Honda life with a 2007 Civic hatch, Kenneth couldn't resist the Type-R and got his hands on this white beauty in 2009. He became hooked on the track action after attending a driver training day at Zwartkops and since then, the track bug bit and hasn't let go - Kenneth regularly does HOCSA proud at various motorsport events.

As such his Type-R has received upgrades and tuning, including Toyo semi-slick tyres and dedicated light-weight wheels, a single-exit exhaust, a JDM FD2 Type-R manifold, a larger Acura TSX throttle body and a Hondata Flashpro chip. An Injen cold-air intake also features under the carbon-wrapped bonnet. The car currently produces 134kW on the wheels at Joburg altitude.

When he's not burning rubber, Kenneth is a software developer at Blue Label Telecoms, a job he enjoys as a hobby too. Sci-fi and anime dictate his TV viewing, that is if he's not busy on his Xbox, PC or PlayStation as an avid gamer. Or taking a drive in his car, of course!



Membership renewals due

Please ensure you are up to date!



All members whose membership numbers contain a "10" in the second digit grouping are reminded to renew your membership fees when applicable. An email will be sent to you to remind you so please take note of it and pay accordingly. Remember to send proof of payment to brent@hondaowners.co.za so we can be sure to update your details in the member database. If you are not sure when your fees are renewable, please take a look at your membership number.

Example: 001-0610-SR4-B16A

The "0610" would indicate that this member's fees are due for renewal in June, as they signed up to the club in June 2010.

Bikers - bring it on!

We have recently relocated the dedicated bikes subsection from The Owners' Room on the forum to the index page for better exposure and recognition for our members and friends who wear the winged Honda badge. If you or anyone you know has a Honda bike or quad, and they would like to be a part of HOCSA, please invite them to interact with us on the forum!

committee etc.

Stay in touch with the people behind the scenes...



Kruno Culjak
CLUB CHAIRMAN

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A member of HOCSA since 2008, Kruno started out as the sticker man, and later assumed all responsibility for club merchandise. He takes over as Club Chairman for 2011.

Car to watch for: Silver Jazz VTEC

Contact on: 082 592 3892 chairman@hondaowners.co.za



Suzanne Archer
VICE CHAIRLADY

Suzi_Q

The club's avid photographer has moved up and she joins Kruno as the club's Vice Chair-lady. Since 2007 Suzi has devoted herself to the club and her passion is second to none.

Car to watch for: Purple Jazz VTEC

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Brent Ellis
CLUB ADMINISTRATOR
Gan-san

Having co-founded the club in 2007, Brent stepped down as Chairman and continues on as Administrator. Please report any problems you may encounter to him.

Car to watch for: Maroon Ballade EG (or whatever he's driving at the time)

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Richard Jefferson
FINANCIAL MANAGER

Rich990

Being a member since the beginning, Rich takes care of the HOCSA coffers.

Car to watch for: Maroon Mazda3 MPS

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Comine Landman
EVENTS CO-ORDINATOR

Honda_Chick

Since 2008 Comine has been the club's best friend at Honda Westrand and she's the one to speak to for any servicing needs in Gauteng. She assumes the Events role this year.

Car to watch for: Blue Jazz VTEC

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Mark Mostert
BIKES CO-ORDINATOR

mark01

Mark is our go-to guy for anything bike related. If you own a bike or quad, he is your man!

Bike and car to watch for: CBR1000 Fireblade or Silver S2000

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