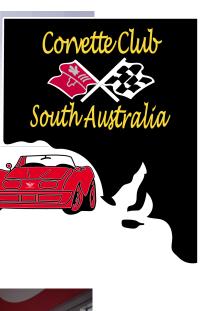
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### **HELLO FROM THE EDITOR**

#### Hi All

A reminder that if any of your personal details change, please let the membership officer Gary McPhee know ASAP. If you want your car in the newsletter or have anything to share please send me an email. Newsletter.ccsa@gmail.com

2021 Nationals are in Canberra over Easter, book the dates and more details to come

Regards

Adrian Worsley

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**NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION** Newsletter will now only be distributed via email. If you have a change of address please advise the Membership Officer.

#### **MEMBERSHIP FEES**

due by 1st January each year	NEW	RENEWAL
Financial Member	\$85.00	\$80.00
Associate Member	\$20.00	\$20.00
Country Member	\$40.00	\$40.00

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# **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

#### Hi All



Still recovering from Christmas, not sure if you can do it all again for New Years, either you are getting old or you need to buy a Mustang like Mick and enjoy the slower pace, its what happens when you retire.

For the rest of us unless COVID returns we have a very busy year ahead. The Club has had a Christmas present, our constitution has been approved, must have been slow in that department with all the changes that we were forced to make, anyway all done and hopefully Life Members will be sorted by the February committee meeting to be approved at the AGM in March.

Our Club Registration and Membership officers are running out of patience with those members that haven't renewed their membership and had their log book signed so if you are one of those please get it done because on February 1<sup>st</sup> a list of unfinancial members will be sent to the Dept and the next letter you will get will be telling you that your car is not registered.



This is a legislative requirement that allows the club to give members club registration. Want a day out on the river, at a winery, then Goofs run on 17<sup>th</sup> January should be a cracker and Joe Caudo has created a very pleasant place to spend the afternoon, see the events calendar for details.

Corvettes Rock The Bay second Sunday in February see inside for details Remember that Christmas dinner that we had planned, well its now on March 13<sup>th</sup> see inside for more details.

Enough from me.

Happy Vetting

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#### 2020 Corvette Club of South Australia – General Meeting

General Meeting: 2 December 2020

Meeting Opened: 8.00pm

**Present:** As per Registration sheet through Eventbrite for COVID tracing. Thanks everyone for registering.

**Apologies:** AJ & J Martin, K McConnell, S Matters, H Falconer, A Weber, S & R van Doorn, P & W Jellesma, R Prime, K Schubert, F Beer Smith, K Marston, K Stanojevic.

New Members: Stuart - 1988 C4, Blue.

Minutes of Last Meeting read true and correct. Moved: N Portlock

Seconded: P McBride

#### Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report for 2 December 2020

Balance start at 1 November 2020	\$13,625.10
Cash & Cheques in	\$6,480.05
Cash & Cheques out	\$494.84
Closing Balance at 30 November 2020	\$19,610.31

#### Moved: D Daw

Seconded: C Neagle

Secretary's Report: Newsletters on the front desk.

**Newsletter:** Nothing to report but if you want anything in your newsletter, send it to Adrian.

**Club Rego:** Another Busy night. Still 80 cars not paid. Not able to go to Mark's work anymore due to Covid restrictions. You will need to Contact Mark and arrange a time to meet with him to have your log books signed. You are not able to drive your car after 31 December without paying your membership or having your log books signed. Police or insurance do not accept COVID as an excuse.

An email will be sent to the members advising the above.

#### Membership:

Another new m	nember j	oin last week.		
Full members	198	Associates	77	Total: 275

#### **Club Merchandise:**

Current T-Shirt & CRTB 2021 stock available to order this month & advertised in the latest newsletter. I have some samples tonight.

CRTB 2021 Merchandise orders taken at tonight's meetings. Delivery in February.

CRTB 2021 Stock available:

- Indie Short Sleeve Shirt in Charcoal 100% Cotton, Classic Fit, easy wear
- Ladies Shirt Semi-fitted 100% Cotton, Semi Fitted, easy wear
- Biz Collection Ice Tee with Stitched embroidery
- Ladies V Neck Tee 95% Cotton, 5% elastane, longer in length with capped sleeves in Slim Fit
- Gear for Life Matrix Polo as per 2020. Men's button plaque, Ladies Concealed Zip

**Events Coordinator:** Nothing organised for December except for AJ & Julie's BBQ. Gerry has couple of things on the go. Moonta museum, Strathalbyn museum. Gerry is doing some research.

Traditionally members approach the events co-ordinator with an idea of a run to organise and Gerry will put it in the newsletter and advertise appropriately.

If anyone would like to organise a run down South, we have a \$2,000 deposit sitting at McCracken. McCracken has been sold, however, they will honour our deposit so we can have a function to spend it all!

**Web Master:** Website has been a bit slow, but IT Peter has been unwell, so we understand! Photos have now been put up and CRTB registrations are now live.

Public Officer: Nothing to report as Rob advised update in the newsletter. Dave will call them and chase up.

**General Business:** 

January Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021

#### CRTB:

Thank you for those who has already registered. Can you please complete the form correctly with your whole address including Suburb and postcode.

Because of COVID, we need to make sure all stickers are on the car when you enter. We will be running 3 entry points. Two for day entrants and one for pre entered. Pre entry will drive in, put entry money in bucket and then head over to the guys to be parked.

We will still need to keep up with any changes from the government with COVID, so will keep you updated as they advise us.

Christmas Dinner – was supposed to be last weekend, so hopefully we will be able to have it in the new year. Thanks to Maelyn and her team for all their hard work so far.

Sean – update - advising BB1 is going well. Sean and Kirsty have volunteered for October long weekend. More details to follow. Rob has booked June long weekend in Berri. More details to follow. John Randell – Canberra Nationals – note in the newsletter if anyone is interested in a Convoy for the Nationals at Easter next year. Please contact John to lock in your interest.

Membership Draw: \$60.00 – 74 – Robert Digance Jackpots Next month - \$80.00.

Raffle Prizes: Maelyn did luck chair prize.....Congrats to the winners!!!

Green D19 Black E85 Black E27	Richard Hilton Redraw Redraw	Toy Train
Green D06	Tony Beer Smith	Christmas Date Cube
Red A18	Bill Bowles	Christmas Toy Soldier
Red A97	Tok Basuki	40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Port
Black E28	Steve Evans	Sponge Pack
Green D56	Tok Basuki	Favourites
Black E36		Windscreen Cleaner

Rob wrapped up. Its been a tough year with COVID and events and meetings being postponed. We all hope for a better year in 2021. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe Festive Season.

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### Karting at The Bend, Nov 15, 2020

With a forecast top temperature at Tailem Bend of 40 degrees plus the possibility of thunder showers, plus a couple of mechanical issues, there were a few less Corvettes and a few more daily drivers at our starting point of Frewville Foodland. With a full day of bookings, The Bend asked that we be there by 9.45am so a departure of 8.30am from Adelaide was required. Too early for the coffee shop to be open, and no stops on the way. That's a rarity but we all survived and arrived on time, picking a couple of extras up on the way and meeting Darle and Cheryl there who travelled from Monash the day before, staying at the track in the new Hotel and watching some car racing from their balcony.

After the check in and signing of waivers, so if we happened to injure ourselves it was our problem not the Bend's, it was into the briefing room, watch a short video of what not to do (some didn't understand that part) and then 17 of us climbed into the karts. Adjustable seats and pedals made life a bit easier for those of a shorter stature.

With the temperature increasing, dark clouds moving in and a bit of lightening, it could be an interesting time. We got 5 minutes of timed practice to familiarise ourselves with the track and to sort out grid positions for the first 15 minute race. At least some drivers had been there recently so had a distinct advantage over the rest of us, while for some it was their first time.

The standing start and dash to the first corner was uneventful, with no incidents except a few bumps from other karters trying to push their way through. 15 minutes doesn't sound long but it's surprising how much effort goes into driving these things.

Race 1 top 3 drivers were Wombat, Iceman & Muzzy

For race two it was a reverse grid. Slowest on pole going down to fastest at the back.

As expected this was a more interesting start with the fast drivers all trying to get past the slowies before the first corner. I managed to get to the front for 2 corners before taking a corner a bit wide and letting 3 others through. Unfortunately that was my one and only time leading. There seemed to be a few more bumps, a couple of spins and a dirt track excursion in this race which was eventually won by Wombat Race 2 top 3 drivers were Wombat, Johnsy & Ice Man

After 2 x 15 minutes of hard competitive racing the overall winner by a hairy nose was

1st WOMBAT 2nd ICE MAN 3rd JOHNSY

A protest was lodged by several other competitors for over aggressive driving by the top 3 but was thrown out for being bullshit.

Congratulations and well driven. For those of us who didn't place in the top 3 it was still a lot of fun no matter where we finished. We will plan another event for next year.

What perfect timing we had. The group following up were just about to climb into their karts when a short thunderstorm hit, leaving the track very slippery. Slicks and wet tracks don't mix so there were plenty of spins from the first corner onwards and speeds were way down.

By now it was getting really warm and the showers made it very humid. Off to lunch at the Riverview Hotel. I heard someone didn't quite know which way to go when exiting The Bend onto the Dukes Highway so an accidental donut might have happened trying to sort directions out. MMM !!! No names

We had the Hotel Bistro almost to ourselves. Service was friendly and prompt, which considering there were 35 of us was a good effort from the kitchen.

After sitting in an airconditioned restaurant, it came as quite a shock as we walked out the door. Clouds had gone, the sun was shining and it was all of 40 degrees. Oh for an aircon that worked. Those in their daily drivers did look a little more comfortable. It was a rather warm trip back to Craigmore.

Thanks to all those who attended and I look forward to planning Karts at the Bend Round 3 for some time next year.

#### Greg Woods













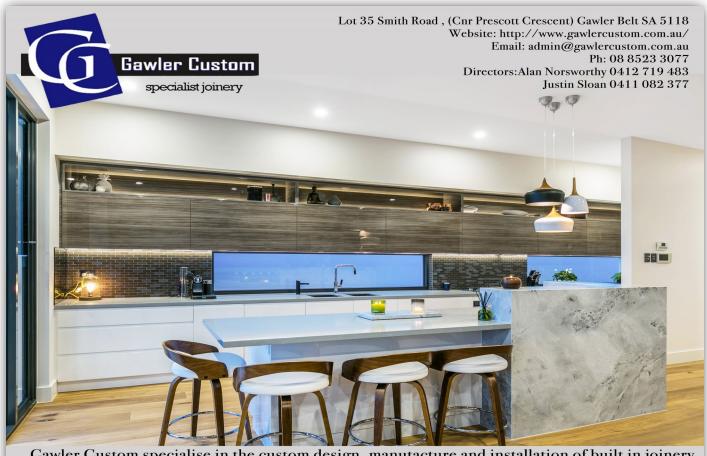












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# **Upcoming Club Runs 2021**

January 2021 run to Cordou Winery at Waikerie contact Goof 0417869368

February 14th 2021 Corvettes at the bay Peter McBride 0417857153

March 13th Christmas dinner for 2020 at Seaton Ramblers see details in newsletter

March 21st run to Moonta Wrecks and Relics for lunch at the museum and a look at some very interestin cles (ladies will like this as well)

We need numbers to book in. contact Gerry Brine 0427585064

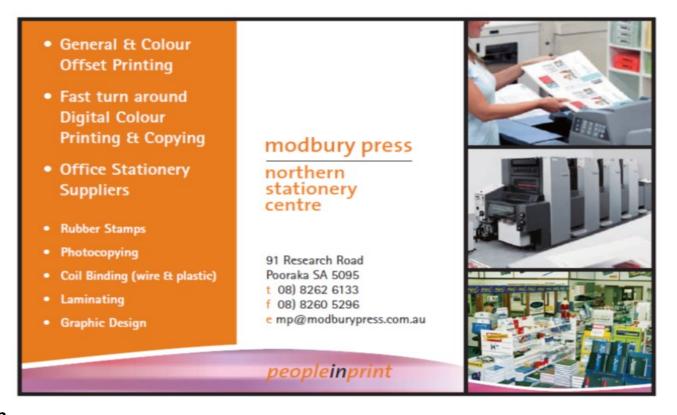
April 2nd to 5th 2021 Easter Corvette Convention at Canberra

Runs for April, May 2021 to Strathalbyn, Hahndorf and overnight stay at The Bend. We need run captains these 3 runs Contact Gerry 0427585064

June long weekend 2021 Berri most of this is organised looking for a Captain if you can do it Contact Rol McConnell 0408820819

July run to Victor Harbor for lunch Captains AJ and Julie Martian

Events coordinator Gerry Brine 0427585064



### **Corvette Club COVID Christmas**

-Take 2! When: 13 March 2021, 7.00pm Where: Seaton Ramblers Football Club 2 Course Sit Down Meal by Texas Bull and Maelyn and her very Merry people...... Cash Bar for Drinks— very, reasonable prices. No BYO. Eventbrite Registrations will be out at the January Meeting. For those that registered previously, you will need to re-register. Any questions, please contact Maelyn. 0498 187 148



### Adelaide to Canberra Corvette Nationals 2021 Road Trip Proposal





For those of you who are considering making the road trip to the Corvette Nationals in Canberra at Easter next year here is a proposed schedule for you to consider in order to set time aside and travel as a group with your fellow club members. We may even pick up a few from interstate along the way.

The following attendance schedule of two overnight stops is the same we did in 2015 so it will be familiar to those who participated at that time.

The only change is arriving in Canberra on the Thursday and not the Friday to give more time to socialize and prepare your Corvette for the full-on weekend of activities.

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March. Adelaide to Hay. 560kms.

Wednesday 31th March. Hay to Gundagai. 353 kms

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April. Gundagai to Canberra. 162kms.

The return trip is a bit more leisurely coming back over the Snowy Mountains on the Alpine Way and Murray Valley Highway with the following proposed –

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Canberra to Jindabyne. 200kms.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April. Jindabyne to Beechworth. 282kms.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April. Beechworth to Bendigo. 250ks.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April. Bendigo to Horsham. 214kms.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April. Horsham to Adelaide. 427kms.

Although the distances are not long in most instances it will give time to have plenty of stop overs along the way to see the sights as well as spend a bit more time at destinations to look around.

As we have previously done Jenny and I are happy to make all the accommodation bookings for the group and you pay on check out the following morning.

Also as we will require to do group bookings, depending how many are interested, it is important to have these in place early so it would be desirable to have your **expression of interest to us by January 31<sup>st</sup> 2021** in order appropriate arrangements can be put in place.

Road trips to the Nationals are a great way to share time with other Corvette owners in the club with many great memories to share for years to come.

This is a proposal only at this stage and as we know may have to be changed depending on social circumstances closer to the event.

We look forward to receiving your expressions of interest in due course.

John and Jenny.

Please contact us at either 0428 394 710 or dellter@adam.com.au

Can I please put a call out for a C4 corvette (prefer a convertible) for a wedding on the 13<sup>th</sup> February 2021 Driving a bridesmaid from Melrose Park to Tusmore and a couple of photos approx. 2 - 3 hrs They can contact me on – 0143 621 972 I have mine and another but I need three all up.



Regards David Schrapel



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