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Corvette Club of South Australia Inc
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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.

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Regards

Adrian Worsley

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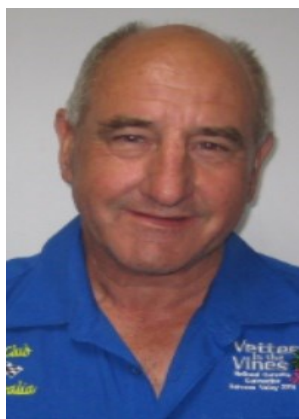
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi All



We are one of the few Clubs that have run a successful Show and Shine since the start of COVID and Corvettes Rock the Bay was a huge success so thank you to all who brought their cars down to the bay.

It was successful due to the hard work of Peter and Lynda McBride and their dedicated committee and to all the helpers on the day. Weather was perfect and all the public that visited our display were well behaved and obeyed our directions as per our COVID plan. It was pleasing to see Heart Kids at our Corvettes Rock the Bay and they being our nominated charity were well supported.

Our AGM will follow our general meeting in March with all Committee positions declared vacant and nominations for those positions can be accepted at the general meeting, so if you think that you would like to be part of the committee please nominate. March will be a busy month with our postponed Xmas dinner on the 13th and our Club run to Moonta on the 21st, the dinner is free for members and associate members with a cash bar available, if you wish to attend you will need to register on Eventbrite. I believe that our run to Mildura to "Meet the Vics" is fully booked but check with AJ in case it isn't!

Berri on the June long weekend is being coordinated by Pete and Lynda and the group stay is booked but if you want to go there may be cabins available, check with Pete as he has to allow for numbers for catering and events.

To our members that hadn't renewed their membership by the end of January and have cars on Club registration you would have received a letter from DPTI explaining the process you need to go through to retain your Club registration, it is a lot harder than just renewing by Dec 31st.

See you at the AGM.

Happy Vetting

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2021 Corvette Club of South Australia – General Meeting

General Meeting: 3 February 2021

Meeting Opened: 8.00pm

Present: As per Registration sheet through Eventbrite for COVID tracing.

Apologies: A Catford, K McConnell, P and W Jellesma, P Turbill, J Martin, C McPhee, L Jarrett.

New Members: Nil

Minutes of Last Meeting read true and correct.

Moved: R van Doorn

Seconded: P McBride

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report for 13 January 2021

Balance start at 1 December 2020	\$23,958.57
Cash & Cheques in	\$6,085.00
Cash & Cheques out	\$542.20
Closing Balance at 30 December 2020	\$29,501.37

Membership Draw 3 February 2021. \$20.00

Received \$80 from PCU but no name or details. If this is you, can you please contact Gary McPhee as we assume this is a membership payment.

Sitting in bank account for Heart Kids currently \$1,576.40.

Moved: D Daw

Seconded: I Gregor

Secretary's Report: Nothing to report. Newsletters on the front desk.

Newsletter: If you would like anything in the newsletter, please send them through to Adrian.

Club Rego: Currently doing more paperwork. Since last meeting, included 3 x 1991 Corvette's. Letters are being sent to DPTI tomorrow for those that are unfinancial.

Membership: Full members 177 Associates 74 Total: 251

17 members still not renewed. Gary has sent emails and messages to all these people. If you direct deposit into the club account, can you please include your membership number for ease of identification.

Club Merchandise:

- CRTB Merchandise orders are available for collection tonight. If you have not collected already, please do so after the meeting.
- Any orders not collected, will be brought down & can be collected on the day.
- New Stock in – Moto Polo in Red and Blue
- 2021 Catalogue is in production. Nearly ready, final tweaks.
- As with this year, if there is something you have ordered in previous years and would like to order again, please let me know. If it is still available from the suppliers, I will source it for you.

Events Coordinator:

February – CRTB

Marsh – 13th Christmas Dinner – take 2 – Seaton Ramblers. Eventbrite registration email has been sent and a reminder will also be sent.

21st March 2021 - Meeting – McDonalds – Munno Para for run to Moonta. Final numbers required.

Web Master: Constitution has been included on the website. The 'About' tab has also been moved to the start.

Have gone through and removed all non member's cars from the website.

Greg and Peter will go and photograph all the Corvette's at CRTB (blanking out your number plate) . If your car does appear on the website and you wish to have your name with your car, please let Pete know. If you do not wish to have your car on the website, please contact either Peter or Catherine. If anyone would like to submit story about their car, send it through and Pete will attach it to the website.

Public Officer: Dave has put together a run kit for all cruise captains that has everything you need including run sheet and incident report, if something should happen on the run that we need to report. Dave will try and pass out to all the Cruise Captains, but if he does miss you, please speak to him and he will give you one.

General Business:

Corvette's Rock the Bay – volunteers needed. Please let Peter know if you are able to assist.

Auction Items – thanks to Judy Beyer for running an auction for the Bakers. Auction closes tonight.

Car - Highest bidder is in Adelaide. \$260.

Flag at \$75.

Judy will now finalise and contact the winners. Thanks to everyone for their support and a big thanks to Judy.

March Meeting – AGM is the next meeting. All positions will be declared vacant. If you wish to nominate for a position, please see Catherine for a nomination form.

T Beer Smith: Twilight cruise at the bend – 6th March. 23 people with 13 cars registered to cruise the bend track. Need 15 cars, so please speak to Tony if you can make it.

Berri long weekend – all the group stay rooms are booked. 3 cabins next to group stay with two already taken. Anyone can still come up but need to book a cabin through Berri. Please let Peter and Lyn know so they can arrange catering where necessary. Cabins will be available until the end of March.

G McPhee – another thank you to Judy and Les for everything they have done for Emma and Noah.

G McPhee – Heartkids are running show and shine on Sunday. Please register on the website.

AJ Martin – Request about a C3 at Royal Park imports. Has someone looking to purchase car and would like someone to have a look. Please see AJ if you are able to assist.

Many, many years ago, we had a long weekend called 'Meet the Vic's'. AJ & Mark (from Surfcoast Corvette's) have arranged a get together over a weekend in Mildura. The week before Easter. \$125 per night. Whole complex. Please see AJ for further details.

J Randell – big thanks to Goof and Mel for a great run to Caudo winery.

Membership Draw:

Drawn by Kevin Jarrett – 39 – David Forrest.

Jackpots Next month - \$40.00.

Raffle –

Orange E60	Maelyn	Car Model
Black 73	Shirelee	Small Car Model
Green A52	John H	Chocolates
Black C89	Grantley	Port\
Orange E28	John S	Light Sabre

No Supper.

Meeting closed 8.46pm

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My 1997 C5

For several years I'd been thinking of selling my C4 which I'd owned for 18 years and buying a C5. Priority was a manual and if a convertible even better.

In late 2019 I decided to get a bit more serious and actually start looking.

There were a few on "car sales" but were interstate and nothing in SA. I'd seen a 1997 on the interweb for a while but didn't think much about it until the dealer dropped the price to something more reasonable. This was late April 2020, in the middle of Covid hysteria so there would be no flying over to have a look. After several phone calls and photos from the dealer, I contacted the WA Corvette Club President to see if he or someone in the club would check it out for me which he was more than happy to do. The report came back good however there were a few minor issues but overall seemed quite a good car for the price.

A deal was struck, transport organised and by mid May the car was delivered to my parents as I was away fishing.

Upon inspection the car looked OK but needed a bit of TLC. To get through a Regency Pk inspection a couple of things needed sorting. An engineers report, quieter mufflers, removal of window tint plus a few other bits. Graham Hay did all the work, including taking it to inspection for me while Larry provided the stock mufflers. It got through on 1st visit.

Performance mufflers were put back on, taken home where over the next few weeks the interior got a good clean and tidy and I started on the paint. It was OK but needed a good cut and polish. Job done. First club run comes for the car, reversing down my driveway, door open to line up on the ramps I need to get off steep driveway and OH F!#*. I've caught the door edge on my small retaining wall and torn the outer door skin off the frame. Not happy. After sitting down, having a cry (sook) and looking for someone else to blame, I put the car away and arrived at the run start in my work car.

Thanks to Hans who was able to supply another C5 door and again to Graham and possibly his hard working part time apprentice for doing all the work to swap and fix.

Graham has since done a bit more work on the car. The main bit was replacing the air con/heater controller (Thanks Ross for having a spare). The heater was on permanently for so was a bit warm on those hot days. All is good now.

I've never really liked the stock wheels and wanted something a bit different to anyone else in the club so purchased a set of Simmons FR1 18 and 19 in rims, They come with blank centres so can be drilled to Corvette specs.

I'm now pretty happy with the car but still have a list of minor cosmetic things to do, however nothing is urgent so just want to enjoy driving it.

The car has done 89000KM, been in Australia since 2003, gone Sydney, Darwin, Perth and now Adelaide. Converted by Geoff Sutherland in NSW and those who have looked at all say it's a good conversion.

Greg Woods



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

HeartKids Show and Shine Sunday 7/2/2021

Well it was an early start for a number of Corvette Club members when HeartKids conducted their third Show and Shine starting at 8.00am at Fawks Reserve Athol Park. The event was held last year with 30-40 cars but this year there were approximately 130 cars and bikes in attendance. The word is starting to get out there about this event which is good for raising awareness for CHD (congenital heart disease).

I personally would like to thank the 17 club members who attended with their partners and cars. I believe that we were the strongest represented club on the day which shows the strength of the people within our club. As usual a number of our members won prizes in the raffles that were conducted on the day.

This year HeartKids arranged for trophies to be awarded for a number of different class cars. Sadly one of our members was awarded a trophy but it was for a car claiming to have 4 cylinders. I will not name the member but it was someone driving a Fiat.

(Gary won't name the member, but I will.

As we watched Peter B drive in to the show in his Fiat, all the jokes started about being a spare for the Corvette instead of the spare tyre repair kit, jokes about a 55mm cylinder etc...

But as Gary said, he had the last laugh, taking 1st prize for the best 4 cylinder car. A 1949 Fiat 500cc Topolino (in Italian means Little Mouse). The mouse that roared!! I can see a lot of Corvettes next year running on 4 cylinders.)

Again thanks to everyone on the day who turned out to support HeartKids and also Emma and Noah who attended on the day. The support shown to them both on the day was again amazing.

I look forward to seeing more club members at next year's event on Sunday the 6th February. Thanks Gary McPhee







**Moonta Run to Wrecks and Relics
March 21 2021**

Meet at McDonalds Munno Para @ 9:15am to leave at 9:45 **SHARP**

Drive to Dublin via Curtis Rd. Approximately 35 minutes to pick up others at Dublin service station. Leave Dublin at 10:45 **SHARP**

Head North through Pt Wakefield then left onto the Copper Coast Highway through Kulpara and Paskerville.

Turn left after Field days site and head to Moonta. In Moonta turn right onto Milne Terrace and left onto Port Hughes Rd and you will see the AMPOL sign on your left and that is our destination. Wrecks and Relics for lunch and a look at their memorabilia. We should arrive from 11:30 to noon and will leave there about 2pm to 2:30 pm

After we leave Moonta its optional if we go straight home as a group or go to Wallaroo, Kadina etc then home.

If you are wanting to go on this run please get your names to Gerry Brine 0427 585 064 ASAP to let the venue know numbers for lunch



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Upcoming Club Runs 2021

March 6 —The Corvette Club of South Australia Inc, has been invited to take a twilight cruise [**2 laps**] of The Bend plus a two course dinner [@ 6:00 p.m.] in Rydges Restaurant and a optional night accommodation in either a 'Paddock King' or a 'Trackside King' room.

Options are

1. Dinner, Cruise & 1 night in 'Paddock King' @ \$109 + \$50 pp dinner
2. Dinner, Cruise & 1 night in 'Trackside King' @ \$139 + \$50 pp dinner
3. Dinner, Cruise \$50 pp dinner

Anyone wishing to attend please advise Tony Beer Smith via email [tonyb454@outlook.com] giving your **name, number attending & option** [**1, 2 or 3** above] preferred at your earliest convenience, in order to confirm with The Bend. On Email mark Subject: Bend Twilight"

March 13th Christmas dinner for 2020 at Seaton Ramblers see details in newsletter (must re-register with Event Brite)

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

May 2021 Cavalcade of Cars Moonta. Contact Alan Litchfield 0412 697 797

June Long Weekend 2021 Berri, 3 Night stay—Linda and Peter McBride 0417 857 153 / 0408 820 819

July run to Victor Harbor for Lunch. Captains AJ and Julie Martin

October Long Weekend Corvettes @ Victor—Contact Sean Hayter 0412 446 084

Events Coordinator Gerry Brine 0427 585 064



Corvettes Rock the Bay 2021

Wigley Reserve, Glenelg, Sunday 14th February

Well, Covid seemed to upset many things, including Car Shows. We saw many clubs pull out & decide to cancel their shows.

But.....we decided to go against the grain & continue with our plans.

Holdfast Bay Council event staff were very helpful in answering all of our questions & offered additional assistance if required. After many months of planning & completing Government Covid Regulation forms we were given authority to proceed.

We still had our stalls, coffee, merchandise, Heart Kids charity & live band "Rave On" to entertain the crowd.

Nice Sunny Day, 85 Corvettes glistening in the sun. It doesn't get any better!

With Glenelg holding a live concert on the beach that evening, this brought additional spectators browsing amongst the Corvettes.

Ross & R4 brought down their project cars to show people how inventive & committed some guys are about Corvettes.

A lack of car shows meant we had additional interest from the public leading to a lot of public voting for what they deemed to be the best Corvette on show. Pre Registered entrants also had their chance to vote for their favourite Corvette.

Trophy Winners on the Day were

Public Choice

1st place: Chris Desmond '72 Convertible.

2nd place: Serge Giacomelli '61 Convertible

3rd place: David Lutze '61 Convertible

Entrants Choice

1st place: Gary Bergen '72 Convertible

2nd place: John Ciccarello '64 Convertible

3rd place: Paul Murdoch '68 Convertible

Many Thanks to John Randell who once again organised our unique trophies.

We wish to thank all of our **sponsors** for the day:-

Federation of Historic Motoring Clubs, Shannons, Larry Finis from Ray White West Lakes, Orange Spot Bakery, Gary & Cathy McPhee in honour of Sean Baker & McConnell Services.

At the conclusion of the day we reflected back on the amount of work involved to make it happen. After seeing the response from both the public & entrants we had no hesitation in declaring it was well worth the effort. With a bit of enthusiasm & planning, anything is possible.

A big thank you goes out to all the helpers who assisted with the set up, pull down, manning of the stalls & performing Covid Marshal duties.

Until next year:- Cheers from the Corvettes Rock the Bay Team













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