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

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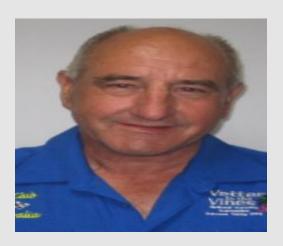
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Hi All

Are you all sick of the cold weather, I know the first lady is or was, apparently she now has her own internal combustion heater which sees the heating diverted to every room except the one she is in.

I hope she recovers soon as it is B.....Y cold in the Valley.

Pete's run to the Peninsula was good and made even better when I was kicked out of the Ranger and had to ride with Gary in the C8, did you know that the acceleration is nearly as good as the C3, well it wasn't quite like that, there isn't finger prints in the dash of the C8 because I couldn't raise my arms, but there is now an imprint of my head in the passenger seat, it does go! I now understand why Gary has a smile on his face.

To all the members who haven't a photo of their car in "members cars" on our website it would be good if you could forward one to Peter our Webmaster and if you have a story to go with it we can include that as well. For those that don't know some of the photos have a story that comes up when you click on the photo. The Presidents run on Sunday August 6th only has 7 places left so if you want to attend please let me know.

The Corvette Club of Canberra is hosting a "Corvette get together" at Easter 2024 for those wishing to attend see details in this Newsletter.

For any members that are on Conditional Registration and use their allocated 90 days but still want to use their car you can put your car on normal rego but you MUST return your logbook to the Conditional registrar.

Not much more to say except stay warm and Happy Vetting

Pres

CORVETTE CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC –

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

General Meeting: 5/7/23 Meeting Opened: 8:00 pm

Present: As per registration sheet through EventBrite

Apologies: Neil & Noreen Portlock, Kay & Rudy Rygucki, Ruth & Stuart Vandoorn, Graham Townsin, Garry Bergen & Pam Applebee, Chris & Jane Wild, Graeme Hay, Larry & Kathy Stanojevic, Jane Harris & Andrew Harvey, Craig Hauser, Les & Judy Beyer, Banjo Evans, Karen McConnell, Gunther Katzorke, Jim Dornan, Ed Murray, Cathy McPhee, Phil Turbill, Mauro Cerro, Steve Bryers & Zoe Hancock.

Visitor and New members: Michelle & Ricky Monserrat, Blue C8 & C3

Minutes of Last General Meeting read true and correct.

Moved: - Ian Gregor Seconded: - Peter McBride

Treasurer's Report:

 Balance as at 1/6/23
 \$31,321.63

 Income
 \$951.00

 Expenses
 \$983.58

 Closing Balance as at 30/6/23
 \$31,289.05

Term Deposit \$40,35.66 @ 3.9% to 20/10/23

June Raffle Income \$286.00, (includes \$66 from Entertainment Book)

Expenses \$80.10

Heart Kids Profit June \$205.90. (Total \$725.39 since 1/3/23)

Membership draw prize July \$20.00

Moved: - Jemma Kitto Seconded: - Gary McPhee

Secretary's Report: Bank SA s'ments, QCC Newsletter (will be emailed to members), email from Geof Tartoosie re participating in Adel Auto Expo Show n Shine 18/11 to celebrate 70 years of Corvettes. Are club members interested in taking part? Need 1 of each generation. See Lynda if interested. Emails sent to members this month, Club Dinner 1/7, Entertainment Book Sale, QCC June N/L, Corvettes West June N/L, Club Run to Wallaroo 9/7, Eventbrite, You tube from Ballarat Nationals.

Conditional Registration: Added 4 vehicles: 3 Corvettes ('81, '97, 98) & 1 '77 Kawasaki Bike. 200 vehicles now on conditional registration.

Membership:

Full & Life members: 229 Associates: 85 **Total: 314**

Merchandise:

Cooler Weather Wear in stock now.

All orders from May – June meetings are now available for collection.

Newsletter: Haven't had a "Car of the Month" for a while. Catherine thanked Adrian for his efforts. Rob suggested asking new members to do a "Car of the Month" article.

Events:

Past: 1/7: Dinner at Cruising Yacht Club. 30 people who all had a good meal.

Future: 9/7: Club Run to Sunny Hill Distillery & Wallaroo Marina. Dep Bolivar OTR 9:15 sharp. Take scenic route to Distillery, then to Wallaroo.

6/8: President's run to Sedan for lunch. Dep Maccas Smithfield 9:15 am

Nothing organised for September.

Oct LWE: Fully Booked

29/10: Graeme Walker in conjunction with Peter Mourdoukoutas. Dep Salisbury Plains Shopping Centre 10:15. **Lunch at Reservoir Hotel**, near Thorndon Park. Text Graeme 0431 172 218 or Peter 0402 447 688 to book.

Nothing organised for November.

9/12: Xmas show at Dirty Devils, Whiteline Transport, Greenfields. Members pay \$20 each for 2 course meal & live band. Book with Catherine Neagle 0418 828 354. Pay into club bank account BSB 105900: acct 954373840 include your surname & Christmas as a reference.

Catherine may look at doing a Sat Dinner @ Noarlunga in the future.

Web Master: Website is up to date at this stage.

Public Officer: Alan referred to his previous comments from the November meeting where he advised that the Federation of Historical vehicles had changed its reporting requirements for logbook reporting. Clubs now are only required to submit a statutory declaration confirming that they issue logbooks to club members that comply with the conditional registration scheme, for the year ending 30th June. The statutory declaration is to be submitted prior to 31st July. I have complied with the reporting requirement and submitted the statutory declaration on behalf of the Corvette club.

General Business: Debbie Johns advised

that Entertainment books are still available. Shirelee Mourdoukoutas is looking to gauge interest from members of the club for female orientated get togethers. The first suggestion raised was High Tea. Some options considered so far are:

- Sky City Sol Rooftop
- May Flower Restaurant Bar
- Madam Honoi Adelaide

She is looking into options and more information will be available shortly.

Angelo Dimasi would like to arrange a date for the Holden show in 2024. Rob McConnell suggested he should select a date & liaise with Sean Hayter.

Rob McConnell mentioned that Marina would like to arrange for a white C4 to provide transport for her sister's wedding on 30/9 @ 3:30 pm from Para Hills to Glen Ewan Upper Hermitage. If anyone can help please contact Rob 0408 820 819.

Membership Draw: No 162 Robert McGregor, not present, jackpots to \$40 for August meeting. Uncle Sam Hat lucky door prize: 43, Ray Preston

Raffle prize winners: lan Gregor, Gary McPhee, Arthur Hasse, Maelyn Batchelor, Kevin Nagel, Shirelee Mourdoukoutas.

Meeting Closed: 8:45 pm

Are your contact details up to date??

Please advise us if your phone number, email address, mailing address have changed.

Otherwise, you may be missing out on important information.

Club Cruising

In this gripping episode, we will look at the following points of club cruises.

- The club has seen an increase in club members, and not surprisingly an increase in how many people attend a club cruise. Our club is very active and club outings form a big part of what we do.
- The meeting point access in, parking spaces available and access out needs to be able to support 25 30 cars.
- Maintain the speed limit throughout the run slower cars regroup at catch up spot.
- Include a planned catch up stop in a quiet, low speed limit if required.

Keep moving - In the event of a car breakdown - one car to stop with them to assist, not the whole group. When I first joined the club, about 10 to 15 cars was a typical roll up. Now it's not unusual to have 25 or 30 cars on a run.

As an active club that takes pride in our outings, we need to pay attention to a couple of things as numbers increase.

For anyone organizing a club run, first things first – the meeting point. When we had 10 or so cars arriving we could meet up just about anywhere. Now we need to take into account access in, parking spaces available, and access out. A lot of take away joints have reduced parking spaces to allow 2 or 3 lanes of coffee drinkers, soccer mums and screaming kids to get their Sunday fix. Always scope out a prospective meeting area (by visiting it at the meeting time prior to the run) to allow for those things.

Next consideration is hitting the road, and this applies to everyone on the run. Getting 10 cars moving is fairly easy, getting 30 cars moving not so easy, it can be like herding cats. When the Corvette Caravan gets moving, then it needs to get moving. Try and be up to the speed limit (or close to) to stop the Corvette Caravan becoming a Corvette Chicane. Another change in the modern world is Maps and GPS, everyone's mobile phone will tell you how to get to the destination. Sunday mornings aren't as quiet as they used to be so we don't need 20 cars travelling well below the speed limit waiting for the last 5 or so cars to catch up — catch up they eventually will.

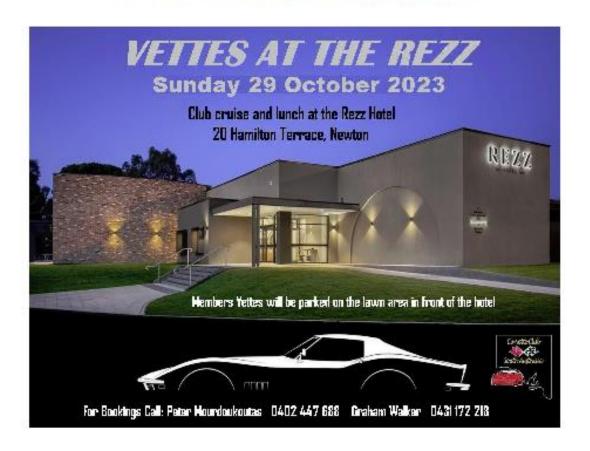
A catch up stop in a quiet, low speed limit, plenty of room area can work if its already been planned, 20 or 30 Corvettes suddenly stopping or slowing in a 100/110 kph zone is a recipe for disaster. If a car breaks down then 1 other car stopping with them is appropriate, not the whole group – keep moving. Tail end Charlies (usually in their Daily Driver) are normally tasked with this duty, particularly if the Corvette occupants end up needing to be DD occupants.

Recent attendees at the Ballarat Nationals cruise with 120 cars (including a planned catch up stop) showed that a well-planned and thought out cruise can go flawlessly taking into account the above points.

Sean

Events Coordinator.

CLUB CRUISE AND LUNCH AT THE REZZ HOTEL SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER 2023



Starting Point Saints Shopping Centre – Corner Saints Road and Main North Road, Salisbury Plains

Meet - McDonald's Carpark at <u>9.45 am</u>.

Departing - <u>10.15</u> am heading towards One Tree Hill

- Travelling time approximately one hour.

Stopping point at the Kangaroo Creek dam for a photo opportunity then onto the Rezz Hotel Newton for lunch, arriving at approximately 11.40am

Members Vettes will be parked on the lawn area in front of the hotel on the day

Call: Peter 0402 447 688 or Graham 0431 172 218 for bookings



Saturday, 9th December, 2023, 6.30pm.

Whiteline Transport—Dirty Devil Kustoms. 1 Belfree Drive, GREENFIELDS.

LIVE BAND

2 Course Meal

Bar Facilities

Cocktail Bar

Members—\$20 per head

BSB: 105 900. Acct: 9543 73840

Please advise Surname and Christmas Dinner

Non Members \$45

MERRY **CHRISTMAS**

RSVP— 15th November 2023—Catherine—0418 828 354 or email. Please advise any dietary requirements

THIS IS NOT A NATIONALS

Hi Corvette Club Presidents,

We have started putting the arrangements in place for the proposed "Vettes Get Together" in Canberra, at Easter next year.

We have arranged a special accommodation deal at the Pavilion on Northbourne.

The hotel has already set up the rate code, "<u>VETTE</u>", for the event and it is ready, both for phone reservations or through their web-

site, www.pavilioncanberra.com.au.

Please note that the rate given to us for an Atrium Hotel Room (image attached) is \$174 per night, which is below their Prepaid Advance Saver rate on their website.

The hotel will be offering the Vette guests who book, a flexible cancellation policy which gives them the flexibility to amend their reservation up to 24 hours before their arrival date.

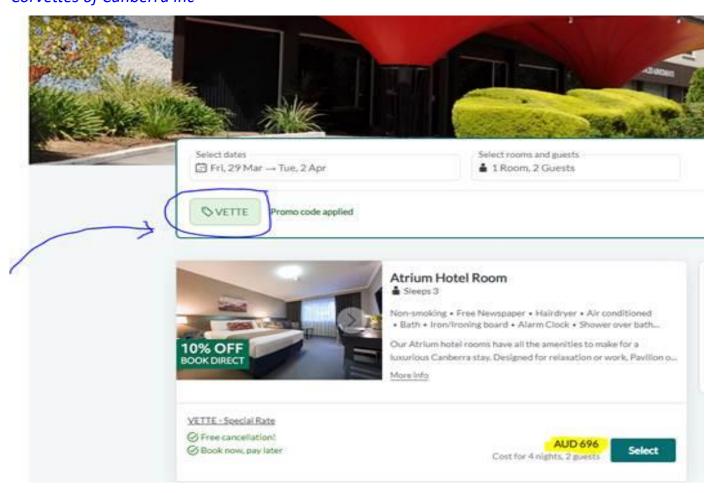
All discounted rates will be available to the Vette guests up until the 29th of February, subject to availability, and the preferred form of booking would be over the hotel website.

Can I ask you to pass this information on to your members and for those members who plan to attend, can we have their confirmations by 29 February as well (email

to lyndonandmichelle@hotmail.com) so we can arrange appropriate venues.

We in Canberra are very much looking forward to hosting the members from the other Clubs at this Vette Get Together.

Regards Terry Ruse Club President Corvettes of Canberra Inc



August Car of the Month— Wayne & Sue Bennetts C6

Hello All

My name is Wayne Bennetts and my wife is Susan. We own a 2008 built, Jetstream Blue C6 Corvette. We joined the Corvette club in January 2022 after purchasing our car in November 2021 from a private buyer in Perth.

I had previously owned an HQ Holden Premier and a 1965 Mustang Fastback that I rebuilt over a number of years (both restomod style). Sue and I were members of Mustangs on the Move club for 10 years and have some great memories of those times, with the club meetings being at the Sporting Car Club of South Australia.

Some would say I jumped ship, others would say I saw the light when I purchased a corvette, but for me I love a whole range of cars, the manufacturer to me is irrelevant as long as it's a V8, the more horsepower the better.

I had been interested in C5s and C6s for some time, mainly looking on the internet and car shows. I would drag Sue along to Corvettes Rock the Bay (a great event) each year. We found the club members easy to talk to and keen to have a chat and discuss the cars and the club.

I eventually settled on a C6 when one came up in Perth with 25,000 km on the clock. The car looked good in the photo's and matched my requirements with a few nice extra's. Following negotiations on the price, I travelled to Perth (when Covid was in full swing) for a look with a view to purchase. The deal was done and I drove the car to a mates place who was putting me up while I was in Perth. I then set about transport back to SA, and put the car in a container as these cars are too low for truck transport. On arrival in Adelaide the company rang me to ask if the car had reverse gear when it left the Perth depot because they could not get reverse when trying to get it out of the container. After some discussion I could drive the car home with no reverse with Sue following, in our other car. After checking with Mr Google, I spent the first night in the shed pulling apart the console and shifter to find the auto lever button had come adrift and not been reinstalled correctly. Presumably by the transport company as it was fine when I left it at the depot in Perth. Not the ideal way to start a dream car purchase, but that's the way it goes sometimes. A few days later it was off to Lonsdale for rego inspection. As I had purchased the car registered in WA it was only an identity inspection required, check Vin and engine number etc. Some discussion followed when the inspector tried to tell me it would need to go over the pits. Further conversations with the supervisor saw the identity inspection take place and rego soon after. Finally on the road and loving it. I do miss the club rego though.

Haven't done much to the car as yet, apart from servicing, a mild to wild exhaust controller, a tow hook for the back of the car, with a front one to come. As we all know these cars are low and towing on to a flatbed would be a problem without a tow hook. My thinking being if I have the tow hooks I probably won't need them but if I don't have them ???

I love driving the Corvette and both Sue and I are enjoying the friendly club meetings and outings we have taken part in.



Sunny Hill Distillery & Wallaroo Marina Run 9/7/23

12 of us met at Bolivar OTR to start the journey. Others joined us along the way. We had 6 Corvettes, 1 Dodge Hellcat & 3 shopping trollies altogether.

The day started off wet but as we headed north, it started to dry out.

Taking the old Hwy, we cruised through Virginia, Two Wells, Mallala (picking up Neil & Christeen & Rob & Karen), Balaklava, Jimmy stop at Pt Wakefield at the old wharf reserve. From here, we drove up through Kulpara to the Sunny Hill Distillery, near Arthurton. We were met by Sam & Olivia, the owners & brewers. They gave us a tour & sampling of their produce. They make Gin, Vodka, Brandy, Liqueurs & Rum. After indulging, we continued to Wallaroo Marina via Kadina. Lunch was at the Coopers Ale House where we met up with Mick Hallett, Angelo & Lina.

Thanks to all those who weren't afraid to get their cars wet & joined us for a great day's run, sampling, good food & friendship.

Until next time; remember greasy side down, shiny side up!

Peter & Lynda

(Photos & write up by Peter)

























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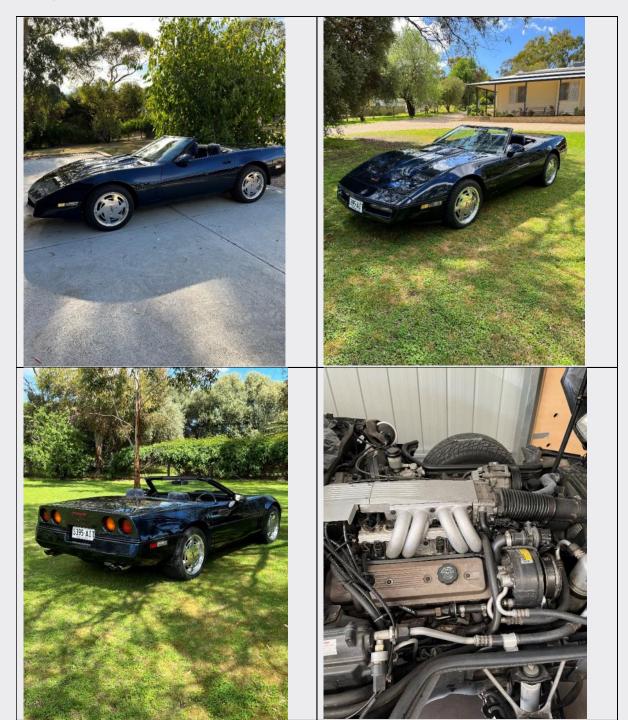
Body in excellent condition and mechanically sound with millage only 55974

Interior colour is tan and a black soft top that looks like new

All original condition currently on club rego

Asking price \$30,000.00

All enquiries to Brent on 0409556269



Club dinner at the Cruising Yacht club North Haven.

Saturday July 1st saw the Corvette club attend the Cruising Yacht Club of SA at North Haven for dinner, hosted by Sean and Kirsty.

It was meant as a get together event as all things Corvette tend to go quiet in the middle of the wintery season. 34 people booked in, and despite some coughs and colds 30 people turned up.

It wasn't without a hiccup though, as some people who were relying on their GPS somehow ended up at the Sailmaster Tavern. The staff there very quickly sent them back in right direction.

A pleasant evening was had by all, and the food is always good at the Yacht Club. There was even some planning and scheming for some ladies club events, I hear.

We will try and organise another dinner at this location, perhaps in summer when you can sit outside and look over the line up of million-dollar yachts while you eat and drink.

Sean.





Birthdays In August

Roydn Bailey

Dave Bament

John Coyne

Grant Crawford

Mark Dixon

Dale Goldsmith

Peter Harvy

Mark Holland

Carrie-Anne Jacob

Gunther Katzorke

Alan Litchfield

Libby Long

Willem Mollentze

Terry Rayner

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Mark Van Der Pennen

Ruth Van Doorn



Apologies If you have been missed. Club records may not have your Birthday

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Sizes: XS - 5XL

Colours: available in Black or Navy.

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73% viscose, 27% nylon, 12 Gauge. Ribbed v neckline,

cuffs & hem. Modern fit.

Sizes: S-4XL

Colours: available in Black or Navy

Also available in Vest.





2023 CCSA Calendar

AUGUST

- 2/8 Club Meeting
- 6/8 Club run Presidents run to Sedan. Meet at Mcdonalds Smithfield at 0900 cruise to Sedan Hotel for lunch via Gawler/Angaston. 200 kms. Msg Rob with names 0408820819.

SEPTEMBER

- 6/9 Club Meeting
- 10/9 Club run possibly a Saturday night cruise Saturday 9/9 North and South of City.

OCTOBER

- 1/10 October long weekend at Discovery Cabins Hahndorf, Sean & Kirsty 0412446084 Friday 29/9 to Monday 2/10, BOOK-INGS CLOSED.
- 4/10 Club meeting
- 14/10 Club Dinner, South Adelaide Football Club, Catherine 0418828354, further details to be advised.
- 29/10 Club run Hills run ending at Rezz Hotel Newton for lunch, book via Peter M 0402447688 Graham 0431172218 further details tba.

NOVEMBER

- 1/11 Club meeting
- 8/11 Club run Meet the Vics is 8th to 12th November, meeting at Mildura for 2 nights, then Echuca for 2 nights, AJ organising, further details tba.
- 18/11 Auto Expo/ Zippel Cruise Wayville There will be a club display celebrating 70 years of Corvette featuring C1 to C8 cars

DECEMBER

- 6/12 Club meeting
- 9/12 Club Christmas dinner Whiteline, Belfree Drive Greenfields @ 7 pm. \$20 pp members Live Band, 2 Course meal, book with Catherine 0418828354.
- 23/12 Club Christmas BBQ with AJ and Julie the Annual event is on Saturday 23rd.

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