

# Corvette Club of South Australia Inc NEWSLETTER



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## HELLO FROM THE EDITOR

Hi everyone! Well this is my second newsletter and with not much to put in this month and the foreseeable future, I am open to suggestions for content and certainly welcome feedback. One thing I would like to have moving forward is a focus each month on a member and their car. So please send in some pictures and a bit of a story about how you got into corvettes etc. This month to kick it off is from Gary McPhee. Also over the next few months will be some pages of the C8 brochure Who's the first to get one?

*Regards*

*Adrian Worsley*

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi all

Not much to say as we haven't done anything club wise but I have been working on finishing the C3 and I am very pleased with the progress, the chrome work looks great with the red paint work, should pop when the sun hits it.

Actually the 2020 committee has been flat out sorting out the Nationals that wasn't, there is nearly as much work winding it up as putting it on.

We have had to cancel all the venues and buses and work out refunds and put together goodie bags, shirts, port and other stuff for the entrants and then get them to all, it is a bit of a challenge when all the contents were stored at different locations and we are in lockdown.



Basically "COVID 19 sucks"

If you have been lucky enough to take the Corvette for a run to keep the cobwebs out of it, well done.

We will get together as soon as we are able, so no kissing or hugging and keep safe.

Yours in Vetting  
Pres

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## Gary McPhee's Corvette

Some people have asked when and why did I want to buy a Corvette.

Approximately 10 years ago I said to my wife Cathy that I wanted to buy a muscle car or hot rod. Corvettes had always been of interest to me from a long time ago. Some would say it was a mid life crisis but I answer with something different. At the time I was working closely with my boss at work who was fighting Leukaemia. Sadly, he passed away at the age of 44 years leaving three daughters behind. The fight that he showed taught me many things but most importantly, If there is something in life that you want to do and if you can afford to do it, don't put it off as you don't know what is around the corner. Cathy did not question why I wanted to buy a car.

I told a close friend of mine and he said that he would keep an eye out. Some 12 months later he rang me while I was away working to say that there was a Corvette up for auction that very night. I said that I would not be able to make it and that I would have to keep looking. On my return to the city I called into the auction house to ask a few questions and mentioned that I had missed out on the Corvette. To my amazement they said it was still available through the original seller based in the city. I then called in to the dealer and arranged to take the car for a test drive on the Saturday with my friend. Having taken the car

for a drive, I asked the dealer if I could bring Cathy back in the afternoon, to take her for a drive. After that drive I said to the dealer that I would come back in first thing on Monday morning to talk further.

I arrived on the Monday to find the dealer on the phone talking to someone else that had looked at the car on Saturday. We started talking on price and his phone again rang with someone calling from the country who was about to come to the city to buy the car without having looked at it. Finally, we managed to agree on a price and the rest is now history.

Since joining the club we have had many fun times and have created some friendships that we truly value. That was over 8 years ago and I have to say apart from the odd issue the car has been great. The only issue I have is that I don't get to drive it as often as I would like.

Gary and Cathy McPhee





## Treasurer's Report for 17th April 2020

Balance start at 1st April 2020	\$20,777.04
Cash & Cheques in	\$222.50
Cash & Cheques out	\$739.20
Closing Balance at 16th April 2020	\$20,260.34

Regards

David Daw (CCSA Treasurer)



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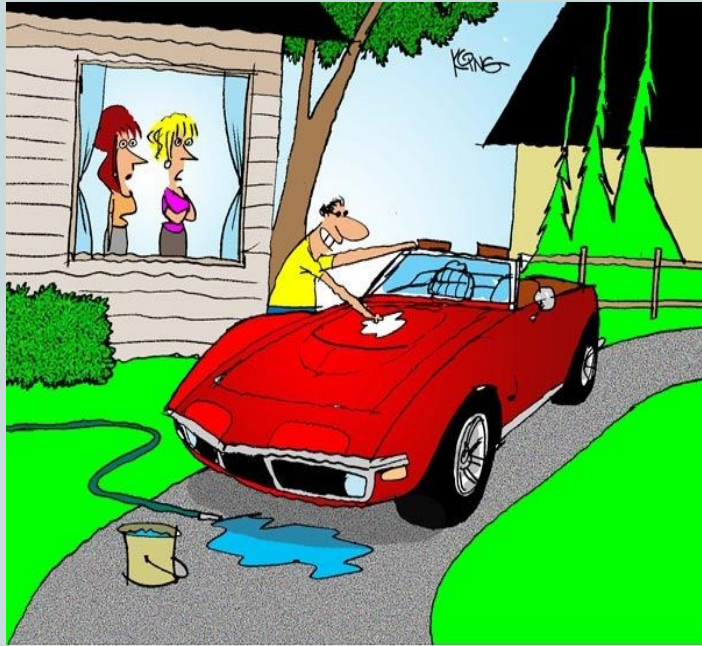
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*"Maybe if I gained 2,000 pounds and painted myself red, he'd actually spend some time with me."*



*"I'm restoring a '72 vette, but i'm not mechanically inclined. I heard I'll need some tools, so I'll probably need a spanner or two and give me one of them screwdriver things"*



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## CORVETTE PACK 1 EVOLUTION



### OVER 60 YEARS OF EVOLUTION

Six decades in the making, the “Father of Corvette” Zora Arkus-Duntov’s dream is now reality. In 1957, Zora believed that a mid-engine Corvette would offer the best combination of balance, visibility, acceleration and braking.



1964 CERV II



1967 ASTRO I



1968 ASTRO II



1973 AEROVETTE



1986 CORVETTE INDY



1990 CERV III

Zora Arkus-Duntov and the 1960 CERV I



#### WHY THE CHANGE?

The newest interpretation of the iconic nameplate builds upon mid-engine concepts of the past such as the Chevrolet Engineering Research Vehicle or CERV I from 1960 to the 1990 CERV III. At GM, the 2020 Corvette Stingray was nicknamed the “ZERV” as a tribute to Zora and his first mid-engine development car.

#### WHAT DOES THE CHANGE MEAN?

It's the sum of all before it – but stands alone. With the past generation, engineers and designers had pushed the previous generation Corvette to the limit, so working from a clean sheet of paper they have taken Corvette to the next logical step. The 2020 Stingray will see improvements in aerodynamics, performance, visibility and structure.

#### IS IT STILL A CORVETTE?

Absolutely. The 2020 Stingray includes the formula that's made every Corvette successful: aircraft inspired styling, world-class performance, everyday practicality at a very competitive price.







## CORVETTE PACK 2 STINGRAY OVERVIEW



### THE NEXT LEVEL OF CORVETTE

Years of concepts and evolution has resulted in a Corvette that is the sum of every generation before it – yet it stands alone.

#### FRONT TRUNK

The mid-engine design provides room for a standard airline carry-on bag.

#### LED LIGHTING

LED headlamps provide a distinguished light signature and powerful illumination.

#### FRONT LIFT

This available feature raises the front nearly two inches to clear speed bumps and steep approaches. You can store up to 1,000 locations using GPS, so it operates automatically.

#### DRIVER POSITION

The driver sits more than 16 inches farther forward for improved visibility. You see more of the road and feel connected to the drive.

#### MID-ENGINE ARCHITECTURE

An advanced, all-new architecture provides better seating position, visibility, driving dynamics and optimized storage utility.

#### REAR TRUNK

The efficiency of the mid-engine design yields a large trunk – big enough for two golf bags. It also stores the removable roof panel.

#### WHEELS

Larger standard wheels and Brembo brakes help cornering and braking.



#### DIMENSIONS

While the 107-inch wheelbase is similar, the 2020 Corvette Stingray is two inches wider and slightly lower than last year. These changes ensure a perfect fit for the powertrain, handling, acceleration and braking – and also improve forward visibility.

#### WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION

With the mid-engine design, there is more weight toward the rear of the vehicle. The engine and transmission combination located at the rear will provide better traction and make sure that Stingray will have more responsive launch and acceleration.

#### TRANSMISSION

Corvette will offer an 8-speed Dual Clutch Transmission which provides lightning fast shifts and excellent power transfer. Paddle shifters allow drivers to choose the preferred gear and provide more engagement for those that want more control. There's no compromise – just quick, accurate shifting performance.

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