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Long Weekend

Round up

# **Corvette Club of South Australia Inc.**

#### OCTOBER 2012

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**2013 NATIONALS QUEENSLAND** 

It's time to start thinking about this one as Easter 2013 is only 6 months off. There are already club members discussing the road trip !

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**Historic** Rego Changes Page 4 this may affect you !



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#### C1 1962

Simon Clancy member 67

Simon purchased this beauty in 2008 during a 2 month trip to the USA. The car arrived in February 2009 and has since under gone a full body off restoration which was completed in 2010. The car is a 327-340 HP four speed.



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MEETINGS HELD ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH (except January TBA)

AT SEATON RAMBLERS FOOTBALL CLUB, SOUTH PARADE, SEATON. AT 8:00PM CLUB RUNS are usually held on the Sunday, the weekend immediately after meetings Sister club to Corvettes West, Southern California—www.corvetteswest.com 'Lone Star Corvette Club, Texas' - www.lonestarcorvetteclub.com

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Foundation Shine Inc is a newly formed fund raising organisation which has been established to create awareness and assist organisations that are dealing with the broad issues associated with mental health. The name deriving from the idea of helping people to overcome issues with the view to reach their full potential and to shine.



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## Mega Raffle.

CHECK TRAVETS

The club is running a lucky square raffle between now and Christmas. \$10 per square the prize being a \$500 holiday voucher usable any where in South Australia. 100 squares only @ \$10 each all proceeds to Foundation Shine see Lynda McBride for tickets.

Emailing of Newsletters will reduce costs to the Corvette Club. For those members who are happy to receive their newsletter via email, which means you will get it quicker too, please send an email to neagc@jlta.com.au

#### Memberships-due by 1st January every year

Membership Fees:	New	Renewal
Financial Member	\$85.00	\$80.00
Associate Member	\$20.00	\$20.00
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We want to keep you informed, but to do that, if you have had a change of address, please advise the Memberships Officer Daryl, to ensure you continue to receive copies of the newsletter and advice on club events.

If you are making a payment by cheque or direct deposit please include your name and the reason for the payment. **BSB: 105 900 Acct: 9543 73840** 

#### Historic Rego

#### **IS CHANGING SEE PAGE 4**

**Newsletter** The Corvette Club of South Australia Incorporated and its committee, is not responsible for statements (excepting their own) which may appear in any publication of the Corvette Club of SA Inc. newsletter, nor for the integrity of individuals buying or selling goods or services. We welcome the contribution of newsletter articles from members. Contributions should be either neatly hand written or a printed copy, or in a file compatible with MS Word. Photocopies must be good quality in either colour or black and white.

Note: Contributions may be edited for reasons of space. The editor has the right of refusal to publish.

Corvette Club of SA—General Meeting held: 05/09/2012		Membership:		
Meeting Opened 8.20 pm		As a club milestone Rob presented a plaque to Paul Murdock as		
Present: As per attendance book		our 150 <sup>th</sup> member. Paul acknowledged he is looking forward to participating in club events now he has a Corvette.		
Apologies – Wendy & Peter Jellesma, Neil Bailey, Ruth & Stu VanDoorn, AJ & Julie Martin, Rod Prime, Tony Roe, Mick Turner and Karen & Dave Nitschke.		Current Total 184 Full members 152 Associate members 32		
Minutes of Last General Meeting.		<b>Merchandise</b> : - As Ruth & Stu are apologies Peter McBride will assist with any enquiries.		
Accepted as read, true & correct. Moved: Jim Dornan Seconded: Frederick Welsh		Newsletter:- Laurie metioned on behalf of Neil –For classified		
BUSINESS ARRISING :-		advertisements if vehicle\goods have been sold please let him know. More articles from members would be appreciated.		
Rob reminded members to put forward any ideas they may have for the Newsletter on the forms placed on each of the tables or advise a committee member.		Past Events:		
A letter has been sent to the Motor Registrar		• 5/8 Laurie Witt's Poker run went well with a great lunch.		
Practice" legislation to advise we will be parti and who our officers will be.	cipating in this scheme	• 24/8 Neil Bailey's dinner at the Maid & Magpie Hotel had a good turn out with great food.		
Treasurer's Report:		Upcoming Events:		
Balance start of 1 <sup>st</sup> August 2012	\$10,397.68	• 9/9 Warrawong Sanctuary- Catherine and Jim organizing.		
Cash & Cheques in	\$ 1,326.40	10am start at Hungry Jacks Anzac Hwy.		
Cash & Cheques out	\$ 1,053.86	• 16/9 Grease & Gork at Rod Primes. 10am BBQ provided.		
Closing balance 31 <sup>st</sup> August 2012	\$10,670.22	• 21/9 Dinner Dave & Karen Nitschke arranging at the Coopers		
Accepted as true & correct. Moved: Darryl D Seconded: Greg Woods Comments ;	Accepted as true & correct. Moved: Darryl Drummond Ale House Earl of Aberdeen Hotel.			
		• 28/9 to 1/10 Renmark long week end has all accommodation sold out. Meet Friday at Bolivar servo 10.15am.		
Secretary's Report: Entry forms for the following are available		• 7/10 Montagana Café Blackwood then on to Langhorn Creek. Tony Beer-Smith.		
<ul> <li>Rock &amp; Roll Festival 15<sup>th</sup> &amp; 16<sup>th</sup> Sept - Victor Harbor,</li> </ul>		• 19/10 Dinner organizer required		
• Ford v Holden GM Challenge 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct - Birdwood Mill		20/10 Extreme Auto Expo. Geof Tartoosie		
• Sprint Auto Parts Extreme Auto Expo 20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct - Wayville Show Grounds		• 28/10 Come try and fly. Gawler gliding club. Dave Schrapel		
<ul> <li>16<sup>th</sup> Antique &amp; Collectable Fair 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Nov- Moonta.</li> </ul>		• 11/11 Run organizer required		
Mail received Refer newsletters		• 18/11 Shannons Yankalilla Cruise to the Yankalilla oval.		
Email received		• 23/11 Dinner co-ordinator isLaurie Witts at the Sail Masters		
Paul Stephen's representing Jim's Car Cleaning service based in the North Eastern suburbs.		• 1/12 Christmas Dinner at Rob & Karen McConnells		
South Lakes Golf Club in Goolwa, If we were arranging a tour to this area they would be happy to provide details to host us for any		General Business:		
event. Russell Schubert. Has seats available on a coach he is arranging to go to the Bendigo Swap Meet on 17 <sup>th</sup> November. He only has twin		• \$500 S.A. Great holiday mega raffle. Tickets \$10. Drawn at Christmas dinner.		
share available. <b>Newsletters</b> from other clubs available to browse: The Bow-Tie		• Rob advised the two new club promotional banners on display tonight will be used at major functions and meetings.		
Victoria, Mallee Torque, Chevolution, Corvettes Unlimited NSW, Corvettes of Melbourne Inc, Corvettes West Chronicle (USA), Lone Star Corvette Club (USA). Any over 3 months old will be forwarded to Club Historian (Gerry Brine).		• Peter invited more members to be involved in organizing club events and in particular it has been discussed to have an overnight event. He has a draft idea and destination which could be used to work with and he or a committee member would be pleased to assist.		
<b>Code of Practice actions:</b> Rob out lined the arrangement for Corvette of scheme and to refer to the front page of the scheme and to refer to the front page of the scheme and to refer to the scheme and to the scheme and to refer to the scheme and to refer to the scheme and to refer to the scheme and to the s		<b>Membership Draw</b> : \$80 this meeting. Member Tok Basuki not present so jackpot to \$90 next month.		
scheme and to refer to the front page of the September new for details to comply to.		Raffle draw.\$50 voucher for club merchandisewon be Jenny Steven.		
		Supper Pizza Meeting Closed 8.50 pm		

#### Members with cars on historic / left hand drive club registration

#### Due to changes in Conditional Registration by DPTI as of 1 Jul 2012

Log books will be signed at November & December club meetings.

#### Before signing owners must present

1 Receipt of club subs for next year's membership (the 2013 calender year)

2 Vehicle for inspection if new log book required

- 3 Current registration papers
- 4 Vehicle Exemption Document for left hand drive vehicles, issued by DPTI

5 Statuary Declaration required every year at log book signing

Statuary declaration must declare vehicle eligibility to the scheme and detail any modifications that have been made since last inspection, if none made then the statuary declaration must declare that.

#### BOOKS WILL NOT BE SIGNED IF ALL DOCUMENTS ARE NOT PRODUCED

Books have to be signed before December 31<sup>st</sup> for vehicles to be legally driven on road, if not signed you are driving an unregistered vehicle. Inspections and issue of new log books will be every 3 years

If log book is not signed, notify club registrar with reason why. Eg car off road for repairs.

If the membership has not been renewed and the log book signed by the 31st of January DPTI will be notified and the Conditional Registration will be cancelled by the department.

It is a requirement under the new code that the club notifies the department as a condition of maintaining its recognition status for the purposes of the scheme.

Inspections will commence at 7 pm , if possible could you please contact a committee member via email to advise you are attending to have your vehicle inspected.





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# **Events Round Up**



Friday the 24th of August saw about 20 of us gather at the Maid and Magpie Hotel in Stephney for dinner. New members Breck and Heather joining us for their first event. The meals were excellent with a couple of the ladies at left a little surprised at the size of the serves. As usual another great club outing



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Saturday the 1st saw a couple of club members representing us at the Milwaukee Power Tools fathersday sale at Gasweld Research Rd Pooraka.

Laurie, Neil and Goof did their best to try and sell stuff they knew nothing about and in

the end spent more themselves on stuff they probably didn't need. Goof even helped out by demonstrating some very practical uses for the





# September Run

Catherine and Jim were our cruise captains for this event, they had a difficult time keeping KB under control. Warrawong Run 9<sup>th</sup> September 2012. Well, we couldn't have asked for better weather, or a better turnout! 16 cars met us at Hungry Jacks on Anzac Highway. Thankfully, I don' think the show patrons held us up too long. We

headed out down Anzac Hwy, North Terrace, Payneham Road up to Lower North East and then to Gorge Road. Wound our way up through Cudlee Creek and then for a stop at Gumeracha to pick up 4 more cars – and a few people too! Those who

felt it was required indulged on hot donuts, while the rest of us drooled....! Departed Gumeracha for our destination at Mylor. Went the scenic route through Birdwood, Woodside, Verdun and then onto Bridgewater and Aldgate and up the back way to Warrawong Sanctuary. Meals were bought out with a minimum of fuss and everyone was fed very quickly to then go to the Animal show at 2.00. The animal show consisted of a Huntsman Spider – eekk......, Spiny Leaf Insect, a green Leaf Insect, a Blue tongue Lizard – we had to restrain Graham Johns and a Carpet Python – we had to restrain Larry from running out the door screaming like a



girl....!! After the show was over, we headed back in for afternoon tea – which someone namely the cruise captain nearly forgot about. Enjoyed warm scones with jam and cream and then wandered around the sanctuary. Saw lots of ducks, a couple of swans, a few kangaroos and wallabies and a couple of koalas sleeping in the trees – none of them was

our own KB aka Laurie. Thank you very much to Warrawong for such a smooth event and thank you for everyone for coming. A total of 16 corvette's, a vintage Ford Falcon, a Chevy Blazer, a Holden Commodore and 36 people – I call that a success. On our way out,

some of the volunteers were looking at our cars and they said that a night walk through the sanctuary is something not to be missed, so we may do this when the weather gets warmer! Thanks again everyone. C & J





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What do you do with a show car once it's finished especially when it's something as special as the 1965 Mako Shark 2, Corvette had the novel idea of well recycling it as they did with the SS. So

with that principal in mind the executives at the Corvette Design Studio took the running Mako Shark 2 back into workshop and transformed her into the 1969 Manta Ray show car.

Still wearing a paint design similar to the original Shark's, it grew a protective composite lip around the grille and a front spoiler below that. The centralised rotating head lights were gone, now fixed in place behind twin plexiglass covers as worn by the competitive Grand Sports. The side pipes were replaced with more production-realistic lakeside style pipes with a backing chrome body moulding and integrated in to the side of the car. Rear view mirrors were added and gone too was the large louvered rear window. A half height window appeared recessed into a tunnelled design closer to the soon to be



Stingray style rear end. The rear deck continued to taper to a point at the rear which had been elongated even further from



that of the Mako Shark 2. Still influenced by the mid year corevette's from 63—69 the rear end had an almost transitional style carried over from the early 60's. The up sweep of the tail to meet the rear deck was far less dramatic than on the previous sharks. The extendable rear bumpers also disappeared replaced with an energy absorbing rear end, which would later go into production models in 1973 -1974. The six rounded tail lamps of the shark were replaced with the now signature four large round tail lamps recessed into the bumper below the deck lid. Front and rear side markers and indicators were added.

Among its more interesting features were auxiliary brake and indicator lights mounted into the rear deck at eye level which popped up during hard braking and turning. It was a novel system with the popup portion merely being a mirror and the lights being mounted below the deck. The power plant was changed and in went an all aluminium edition of the mark 4 V8 the ZL-1. The wheels

remained the same from the shark 2 as did much of the interior, the full panel lift up roof to aid in access to the cockpit also remained. All. external badging was replaced with Manta Ray signage along with a more traditional Corvette crossed flag logo on the filler cap in the centre of the rear deck. As usual to his style Bill Mitchell claimed this as one of his personal favourites to drive around town. As a concept car it is believed that the Mako Shark 2 cost GM a mere 2.5 million to develop and another 1/2 a million to bring up to the Manta Ray as it stands today. Both Mako I and Manta Ray are currently part of the GM Heritage Centre Collection in Sterling Heights, Michigan. As far as I am concerned this car was something





with in the form of the Mako Shark 2 and in a perfect world would have been left un molested. I have to say that I do like the front end from the manta Ray which has a really tough look to it. Either way we end up with a design exercise that went onto influence production C3Corvettes in the 1970's through to the C4 in 1984 with the full tilt bonnet. Autoart make an excellent 1:18th version of this vehicle. **Corvette Conversion Centre** 



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& grease day. Had quite a few members turn up & it was good to see Alan Broadbent make the trip down from Laura. Good ol' Dave played cook, it must have been OK as



nothing was left on the Barbie. Big thanks also to Rod Prime for the use of his shed & a special thank you to his wife, Annette for the salads & delicious sweets. (Bad luck Dave! As he was on a diet). Had a demo of

how a chevvy should sound when a couple of guys started up their drag car that is being built"

"On Friday 14th, I was asked if I would show my car with 9 other American Muscle Cars at a charity event held at

Entertainment Centre (Called Boys day Out). There were 650 people at this event & the cars were placed under the dome at the entrance. As people came in they were able to wander around the cars & talk to the owners before going to lunch. There were 2 Mustangs, '57 blown 2 door Chev, 2 Pontiacs, a couple of Belairs, 2 door '66 SS, a couple of bikes & Peter Kittle's trophy truck which had just arrived from America. Inside they had a LC Torana, HG Monaro, Charger, phase 3 GTHO, HK Monaro, Pacer & a Cheers Peter & Lynda McBride C2 Corvette"









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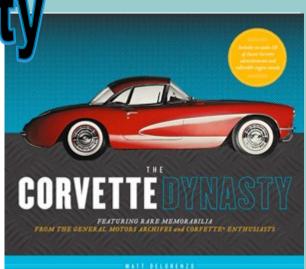
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The Corvette Dynasty written by Matt Delorenzo and published by Chronicle books is the latest in a long line up of books detailing the history of Corvette. When I ordered this book I in fact thought that it was an older publication rather than something new this year, I think I was sucked in by the C1 on the cover. Any how this is another book that has been authorised by GM, and supposedly containing archival material. The author Matt Delorenzo is apparently the Detroit editor of Road & Track magazine and has written four other specialty vehicle booksand numerous magazine articles. This is another one of those odd sized books that is difficult to handle size wise (especially if you like reading in bed) with wider rather than taller pages. It's broken down into the normal block of model by model chapters and runs at 160 pages. I have to say this one is pretty light reading and only took me a few days to complete which all in all left me disappointed, I kept flicking back in case I had skipped something. The book does



cover all the right stuff but really glosses over most of the real details, it has the basics on all the models but doesn't really break them down or elaborate on some of the more special vehicles. The Cadilac XLR gets a bigger wrap than the ZR-1. The pages

are big on print small on page content and have lots of photographs. The later probably being the stand out point with many that I had not seen before. The more unusual selling point of the book is the addition of "Rare Memorabilia" which includes postcards, brochures, passes and other novelty items. What they fail to actually state is that these are all cheap reproductions. There's also an audio CD inside the front cover with sound recordings of various corvettes being run !. The book has more of a magazine article feel and the author actually quotes the authors of a few other corvette books which all in all left me with the feeling that there was little actual research conducted into the subject matter by Delorenzo himself. There are several pages of corvette facts, about 5 or six dot points per page which tends to give the overall feel that maybe the author had a younger audience in mind when he developed the idea. I sourced my copy from E-bay and it set me back a modest \$35 but the book can be obtained for as little as \$23 including postage. To be completely honest I was disappointed and this one will languish on the shelf or probably be passed





down to my grandsons, my recommendation is that you spend a little more and get "The complete book of Corvette" by Mike Mueller.

These are amongst the latest in the new spy photos of the C7 to make it onto the internet

these along with others can be found at www.corvetteforum.com or www.automobilemag.com It is fairly obvious that the genetics of the C5 and C6 are going to heavily influence the car style. Internet debate lately has centred on the interior rather than the exterior with rumours rife of a full make over and new electronic gadgets from the Cadillac range. It also appears that the one piece removable roof is making a come back. Word is that we are only going to have to wait until March for the reveal at the Detroit Auto Show.





MONTH	DATE	ORGANISER	TIME	LOCATION	ADDRESS
Oct-12	3rd	General Meeting	7:30	Seaton Ramblers FC	West Lakes
Run	7th	Tony Beer -Smith	9:30	Montagana Café Blackwood	Langhorn Creek Hotel
	17th	Committee	7.35	Hilton Hotel	Mile End
DINNER	19th				
Show	20th	Geof Tartoise 0410356356		ExtreameAuto Expo	Wayville Show grounds
Run	28th	Dave Schrapel 0413621972	9:00:@ McDonalds TTP	Come fly & Try - Gawler Airfield	Ward Belt Rd Ward Belt (Buchfelde)
Nov-12	7th	General Meeting	7:30	Seaton Ramblers FC	West Lakes
Run	11th				
Cruise	18th		11am	Shannons Yankalilla cruise	Yankalilla oval
	21st	Committee	7.35	Hilton Hotel	Mile End
DINNER	23rd	Laurie Witts 0418855226	7pm	Sail Master Restaurant	16 Arcadia Crt North Haven
Dec-12	1st	Christmas Show	7:30	McConnell Palace	Lyndoch
	2nd		10am	Hot rod Classic picnic	Uraidla
	5th	General Meeting	7:30	Seaton Ramblers FC	West Lakes
Run	9th				
DINNER	15th	AJ's	7.35	TBC	Teringie
	19th	Committee	7.35	Hilton Hotel	Mile End
DINNER	21st	TBC			
Cruise	24th	7:30:00 K-Mart A	AnzacHwy	Adelaide Rodders Xmas Eve cruise	
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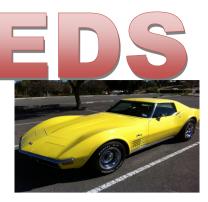
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# 1989 C4

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One of our club runs this month will be out to the Gawler Gliding Club, Gawler By Pass Gawler Belt. Sunday the 28th of October. Come fly a glider or maybe an ultra light is more your style The run will commence from McDonalds at North East Road TTP at 9:00 am. Our cruise captain for this event will be Dave Schrapel 0413621972.



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