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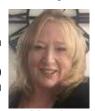
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## 2025 CORVETTE NATIONAL CONVENTION 28-30 MARCH 2025, PARKES, NSW

The cut-off date is rapidly approaching for the 2025 CNC shirt orders.

It's time to stop thinking and put pen to paper and get your entry in!

As the event is supported by all of the 10 Corvette Clubs of Australia, you will have the opportunity of making new friends and catching up with the regulars who attend year after year.

So 3 days of Corvette chatter - not to be missed!

Be there for the opportunity to have the successful bid to this fantastic C1-C8 banner with signatures from all of the CNC attendees.

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For all enquiries please contact Harry Turner 0409 409 599

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To sponsor a trophy @ \$100 please contact Peter Eldred 0407 709 854



# Our upcoming events

Please	attend	if	you	possibly	can
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FEB	2025	
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	BREAKFAST RUN – SCHMOKIN CAFÉ BERRIMA Meet @7.15am Uncle Leo's Roadhouse BP (1 Campbelltown Rd, Glenfield) leave 7.30am to Schmokin Café Berrima for Breakfast.	
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	CODGERS RUN -Please contact Pete, on 0438-323-744	
MAR	2025	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	CLUB MEETING – THE CROSSROADS HOTEL CASULA General Meeting starts @7.30pm, All Welcome, Bistro opens from 5pm if you wish to have some dinner before the meeting.	
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	BREAKFAST RUN – SETTLERS MULGOA  Meet @7.45am leave by 8.00am McDonalds Carnes Hill (Main Rd) to Settlers Mulgoa for Breakfast.	
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	CODGERS RUN - Please contact Pete, on 0438-323-744	CRN2/25
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	CORVETTE NATIONAL CONVENTION 2025 – PARKES NSW Hosted by NSW Corvette Club	
APR	2025	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	CLUB MEETING – THE CROSSROADS HOTEL CASULA General Meeting starts @7.30pm, All Welcome, Bistro opens from 5pm if you wish to have some dinner before the meeting.	
Sunday 6th	GENERAL MOTORS GM DAY – PENRITH MUSEUM OF FIRE Gates open 8am, Exit from 2pm Cost \$20.00 per vehicle  CE5/29	
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	CODGERS RUN Please contact Pete, on 0438-323-744	
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	LUNCH RUN — ALROY TAVERN  Meet @11.30am to leave by 11.45am @McDonalds Carnes Hill  (Main Rd) to travel via the M7 to the Alroy Tavern 371 Rooty Hill  Rd North Plumpton.	

#### PLEASE NOTE:

GREENWAY PLAZA WETHERILL PARK HOSTS A CAR SHOW EVERY MONTH, FIRST SATURDAY (TUFF ST, CAR SHOW) & THIRD SATURDAY (CARS UNDER THE STARS). WE MEET AT THE AMPOL SERVICE STATION ON THE HORSLEY DRIVE @ 4PM, PLEASE ADVISE JORGE IF YOU ARE ATTENDING ON 0423-251-121

PLEASE CHECK OUR ANNUAL EVENTS CALENDER, FOR ALL OUR MAJOR EVENTS.

AS MOST VENUES TAKE BOOKINGS, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU ADVISE THE ORGANISER, IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING AN EVENT BY THE RSVP DATE, OR YOU MAY MISS OUT. FOR ALL UPDATES, PLEASE CHECK FACEBOOK THE FORUM OR CONTACT MANDY ON 0409-668-341.

# **MESSAGE** FROM THE



#### G'day, Corvettes,

Well firstly HAPPY NEW YEAR, and what a year we have in front of us. Once again Peter, Doug and I have been to Parkes to finalise as much as we can for our convention, just a two day trip of 1000plus Klms, and an overnight stay.

Things are coming along nicely. However there are still a couple of trophies that need sponsoring, so if you can sponsor a trophy for \$100.00 it would be appreciated. Hope all your Christmas/New Year events worked out well.

All American Day held by the Mustang club was good with a good number of Corvettes on show. We picked up one trophy won by Joe and Sue for their white beauty. Our Vettes looked good on display and some of our members got sun burnt!!! Oops that didn't sound right, some of the owners got sunburnt!

Not a lot of time left to register for the Nationals in Parkes, and accommodation is filling faster. So don't delay any longer **DO IT NOW!** 

John and Sue Webro are still ok and still looking forward to any members who would like to visit, (Willowdale aged care at Denham Court).

#### **Corvette Trivia:**

**1963--**21,513 built. SECOND GENERATION (C2) begins; new coupe body style introduced (only one year with a split rear window); coupe more expensive than the convertible.

**1964**--22,229 built. Rear backlite windows of the coupe changed to single pane window; hood louvers deleted.

**1965** -- 23,564 built. 396 cu in (6.49L) Big Block V8 added; last year of fuel injected engine option (until 1982-std.); side-discharge exhaust introduced. Manufacturer colours change colour code names. 4-wheel disc brakes were introduced.

Jeff Wilson

Hi Corvette Friends,

Welcome to 2025! We have a big year planned with the National Convention in Parkes in March 28th to the 31st.

There is still accommodation available and we still need People and Businesses to sponsor trophies @ \$100 each.

Mandy has planned breakfast runs the first will be on the 9th of February so come along and enjoy your Corvettes and the company of your friends, we look forward to seeing you.







JANUARY 19 <sup>TH</sup>	42 <sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL ALL AMERICAN DAY – ORGAINISED BY THE
	MUSTANG CLUB – MACARTHUR SQUARE
MARCH 28 <sup>TH</sup> -30 <sup>TH</sup>	NATIONAL CONVENTION – PARKES NSW
	HOSTED BY NSW CORVETTE CLUB
MAY 9 <sup>TH</sup> -11 <sup>TH</sup>	MEATSTOCK – SYDNEY OLMPIC PARK HOMEBUSH –
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T.B.A	CHRISTMAS IN JULY
	(CONTACT – MANDY 0409-668-341)
T.B.A	BRASS MONKEY RUN
AUGUST 17 <sup>TH</sup>	CMC SHANNONS SYDNEY CLASSIC- SYDNEY
AUGUST 17	MOTORSPORT PARK EASTERN CREEK
T.B.A	CLUB'S SHOW & SHINE
OCTOBER 9 <sup>TH</sup> -12 <sup>TH</sup>	REPCO BATHURST 1000
	PORT MACQUARIE (WEEKEND)
OCTOBER 24 <sup>TH</sup> -26 <sup>TH</sup>	CHROMEFEST – THE ENTRANCE
OCTOBER 26 <sup>TH</sup>	JAMBEROO CAR SHOW & FAMILY FUN DAY





#### SECRETARY'S REPORT - JAN

Hi Car Clubbers,

I trust that everyone had a nice Christmas and New Year spent with families and friends.

We have a busy year ahead with our club hosting the National Corvette Convention in just a few short months. The committee is working tirelessly in preparation for this.

There are already some club runs planned for this year so come along and join in the fun. Remember to check Facebook and the forum for details of these events.

Please let us know if your email or postal details have changed so we can update the record to keep you in touch with all that is happening in your club. Thanks.

Cheers.

Jan





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The 42nd Annual ALL AMERICAN DAY was held on Sunday 19 January at Macarthur Square Shopping Centre. There were a number of incredible cars in attendance, the weather was a lot cooler than last year and much drier than the year before. This year we had a little rain and sunshine but a nice cool breeze at times - a great day for a car show.

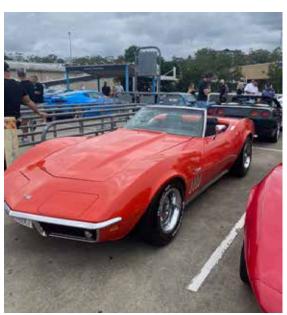
This is always a good event and even though this year we were not under cover and some of us were split up, we had a fantastic time catching up with everyone especially those who travel a fair way to come.

If you didn't get there this year, maybe you want to add it to your calendar for next year.

Thanks again to the Mustang Club for putting on this event.

Mandy Caprin

























































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# NEW YEAR CODGERS 2025

This January I did something I never do, I made an alternative plan for the first Codgers Cruise in case the weather did not suit the planned summer picnic.



During the night before there was thunder and

lightning and lashings of rain so next morning when I got up and the rain had stopped I decided it's only a bit overcast and will most likely get better, we're going! There were a couple of callers who wanted to know what I was doing so I said "launching plan B"

Of course after that the rain returned in full force. As we were committed we met at Ourimbah in a variety of vehicles and rolled on.

I can confirm that the 09 is definitely waterproof and has a great set of wipers and is fun to drive anytime.

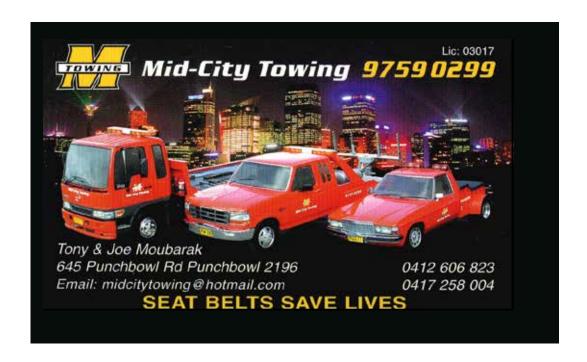
After navigating a little minor flooding we rolled into the Wallarah Bay Recreation Club for our coffee stop. Even the receptionist was surprised that a car club would be cruising that day.

The coffee and cake was delicious and the view of the rainswept lake with waves hitting the beach was definitely different and as always the Codgers were great company.

Next we rolled on to Bateau Bay Hotel which was warm and dry and since being refurbed a very pleasant venue. After lunch, because we were having so much fun, some of us continued on to the Cox residence for coffee and more chat to conclude another fun Codgers Outing.

The Plan is for Codgers to continue meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month and as we make it up as we go along the details are usually sorted a week or two before the due date, so check then for the plan if you haven't seen it. Call Pete 0438 323 744

Cheers, Pete





## 1957 Chevy Corvette SS Project XP-64

Headed to Miami Auction

By Brett Hatfield and our *PITLANE Reporter GN* 

January 11, 2025 The 1957 Chevy Corvette SS, known internally at GM as Project XP-64, was developed under the watchful eye of Zora Arkus-Duntov, who would soon become Chevrolet's Director of High Performance Vehicles.

Rear three-quarter view of the 1957 Chevy Corvette SS, also known as Project XP-64, that's heading to auction in February 2025.

The whole thing started when Harley J. Earl bought the 1956 12 Hours of Sebring-winning Jaguar D-Type with the idea of installing a Chevy engine in the car and taking it racing. Naturally, Arkus-Duntov thought it would be a better idea to create a purpose-built Chevrolet racer to showcase Chevy performance. Earl liked the idea, and the pair secured Chevy GM Ed Cole's stamp of approval. Zora would build two racers under the internal moniker Project XP-64, later officially known as the Chevy Corvette SS. One car would be complete with bodywork and drivetrain suitable for competition and display purposes, and the other a prototype with partially completed bodywork, called The Mule.

A select team of specialists got to work on the Chevy Corvette SS straight away, using several European race cars for inspiration, with the goal of completing the car in time to compete in the 1957 racing season. The focus was on aerodynamic bodywork and light weight, and to that end, the Corvette SS received magnesium bodywork, a chrome-moly tube frame inspired by the Mercedes-Benz 300SL, fully independent suspension complete with a de Dion rear setup, aluminum drum

brakes with inboard rears, magnesium knock-off wheels, a magnesium oil pan, flush hinges on the front and rear clamshells, a cut-down plastic windshield, two low-back seats constructed of aluminum and vinyl, and a streamlined combination headrest and roll bar. Topping it all off was a Plexiglas airplane-style canopy.

Powering the Chevy Corvette SS was a 283 cubic-inch Small Block stuffed full of high-performance goodness, and fed by Rochester Ramjet fuel injection. Many of the parts were crafted of aluminum including the solid lifter heads, radiator core, water pump, and clutch housing. Exhaust headers fed into high flowing side pipes. The 283 managed to crank out 300 horsepower, and tipped the scales at 450 pounds, or around 80 fewer pounds than a standard Corvette 283. Backing the Small Block was a close-ratio four-speed with a lightweight aluminum case. A plastic gas tank held 43 gallons.

The 1957 12 Hours of Sebring was the shakedown test for the Chevy Corvette SS. The day before the race, Juan Manuel Fangio had taken The Mule for a test drive, immediately setting a Sebring lap record of 3:27, or 2.4 seconds faster than the fastest lap set by Mike Hawthorn in a Jaguar D-Type the year before. At that time, the starting grid was determined by engine displacement, not lap time, so the Corvette SS was at the front of the pack. The two drivers for the race were John Fitch and Pierro Taruffi.

The Chevy Corvette SS was an entirely new concept with many experimental components, so issues were expected. The Corvette SS created a huge gap in front of the Jag D-Types on the straights, but the experimental braking system was difficult to modulate and locked up frequently, creating flat spots on the tires. The engine kept dying on Fitch due to a faulty coil, forcing lengthy pit stops. The rear suspension chattered and the tires rubbed the fenders over bumps. On top of all this, the cockpit was like an oven. The SS retired after just 23 laps.

Despite the single race career of the Chevy Corvette SS, Ed Cole was quoted as saying, "We are quite pleased with the performances of the Corvette SS. The run at Sebring gave us an opportunity to observe, under severe operating conditions, several components we were interested in testing. It proved a design of great promise. When some elements showed signs of deterioration, faster than we thought they should, we felt it best to stop and observe these components rather than continue to point of failure which would complicate further study."

The Chevy Corvette SS showed Duntov and the Chevrolet Engineering staff what was possible, what worked, and what didn't. A memo drafted in late March 1957 outlined changes that would need to be made to the SS in preparation for the 24 Hours of Le Mans endurance race in June. Despite its light weight, the magnesium body conducted heat into the cockpit, cooking the drivers. This was exacerbated by the side exhaust system. But it didn't matter as General Motors joined with the rest of the American brands that formed the Automobile Manufacturers Association in an agreement to cease all involvement in factory-supported competitive motorsports. Its racing days were over.



The Chevy Corvette SS would become a feature in a number of museums and at motorsports events, just not in a competitive nature. It graced the cover of Sports Cars Illustrated and Motor Guide, and Road & Track magazines. Zora Arkus-Duntov would take the Corvette SS to GM's Mesa Proving Grounds in 1959 and post a blistering 183 mile per hour top speed, a testament to just how capable the SS was.

The Mule would be sold to GM designer Bill Mitchell, eventually becoming the underpinnings for the Project XP-87 Stingray Racer. It would be privately campaigned by Dr. Dick Thompson, winning the 1960 SCCA National Championship.

In 1967, the Chevy Corvette SS would wind up at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum. Duntov had managed to keep the car hidden from GM accountants, almost surely saving it from the crusher. The SS would be featured at Bloomington Gold in 1984 and 1985. It was freshened in the mid-1980s, before appearing at the 1987 Monterey Historic Races, with John Fitch and Duntov completing a parade lap around Laguna Seca. The SS would be featured in a number of magazines, and at myriad events and museums including the National Corvette Museum. The Chevy Corvette SS is being offered to the public for the first time by RM Sotheby's at their Miami event February 27& 28.









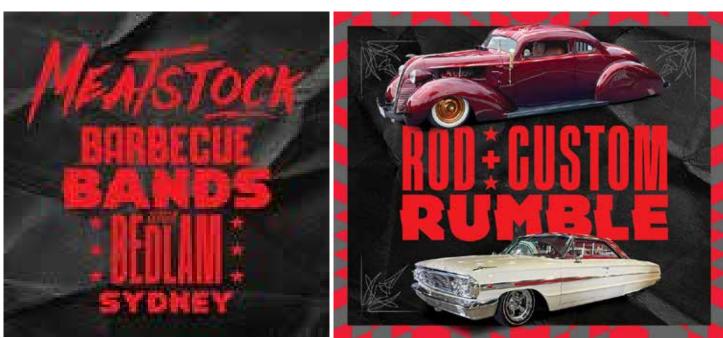












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#### "Harry's final story from his September/October 2024 Overseas Trip.

As you will see he had a few hiccups along the way!

I had a 12 midday booking at Boeing for a plant tour. I received an email from Boeing at 4 am on the day of my tour to say that the plant was closed due to the strike. I had the option of coming back at a later date (not an option) or have a refund. I still had the opportunity of going and see some earlier movies about Boeing and sit in on a lecture, which I did.

At INDY the Indy Museum was closed for renovations.

At the Simeone Foundation Museum, I couldn't find the 1963 Grand Sport Corvette roadster. Chassis #002. (1 of 5 originals). After enquiring I learnt that it was out getting an electrical issue sorted.

Again I was asked if I could come back at a later date. (Not an option)

On the Wednesday evening of 25th of September I stayed in Asheville NC as I was going to a swap meet nearby the next morning in Maggie Valley NC. It was very windy and wet but no one about was concerned.

So the next morning (Thursday 26th Sept) I left Asheville and drove about 30 minutes west to Maggie Valley. It rained all the way and whilst I was at the swap meet chatting to the guys at the swap, they weren't concerned about the rain as they said the storm will blow through that evening and it'll be a perfect Friday.

For some reason I didn't feel comfortable about staying the rest of the day in the wet and as well staying that evening. So, late morning I decided to head north and go to another swap meet in Kearneysville N/E of West Virginia.

The very next morning whilst having breakfast at the Motel the news was all about hurricane Helene and how it destroyed Asheville. How lucky was I to head north when I did. How did I know......especially that no one else thought that the overnight storm wasn't going to be that bad. So sad.

#### Some positives:

After meeting the TF Sport young ladies and the pit crew at LeMans earlier in the year it was nice to catch up with them in Bahrain for the 8 hour WEC event.

At the Corvette Corral at Road Atlanta for the IMSA race I met Laura Klauser, GM Sports Car Racing Program Manager. Naturally I asked would we ever see Corvette Racing the ZO6 GT3-R's in Australia? She answered with a "never say never". Then whilst at the Bahrain 8 hour WEC race we met again in the TF Sport garages. This time the answer was "we are working on it!" Next year GM is shifting Laura back into production. Jessica Dane from 888 here in Australia who went to the USA with Shane Van Gisbergen, is the new GM SCRPM.

Overall this year I attended 5 International events with Corvette Racing.

And 2 International Formula 1 events, Monaco and Silverstone.

And happily chatted with the 4 Corvette teams. Pratt and Miller Motorsports, (Corvette Racing in the IMSA Series, USA), TF Sports, UK based competing in the World Endurance Championship (WEC), AWA Racing based in Canada racing in this years IMSA series and winning their class.

They then became eligible to compete in next years 24 hours of LeMans. DXDT Racing.

#### **Harry Turner**







## NSW Corvettes Unlimited Car Club Inc Meeting Minutes

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024

1.Call to order: Meeting Opened @ 7.25pm

**Apologies**. Rhonda Wilson, George Pace, Tony& Lyn Charlton, Maurie Mouyat, Bob Fitzsimmons, Wayne & Margaret Fisher

#### a) Presidents Report: - Jeff Wilson

- \*CMC meeting will be on 28.01.25.
- \* Shannon's day, we will be allocated 20 tickets @ \$20 each
- \*H Plate members need to be aware that the RMS now requires engine and VIN numbers to be submitted on registration forms submitted, failure to provide this may result in cancellation of H plate rego.
- \*Club member of the year trophy was presented to Pete & Jean Cox at the Christmas picnic, very deserving winners for all the work they do as northern delegates and the Codgers runs that they organise. \*All American Day will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> January at Campbelltown Shopping Centre.
- \*28<sup>th</sup> March is the Corvette National Convention, some committee members are travelling to Parkes next week for more ground work.
- \*Check Facebook and Forum for runs etc.
- \*Sponsorship for CNC going well. SR Performance have provided pens and sponsorship. Still need more trophies to be sponsored @ \$100 each.
- \*SR Performance Christmas BBQ on 20.12.2024 at workshop
- \*Show & shine trophies presented to Charlie (C2) & Wayne (C5)

#### b) Vice Presidents Report: - Peter Eldred

It has been a good year with lots of runs and events held. Welcome to the new Committee members. Parkes CNC is getting closer so get organised and register and pay entry fees.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy Christmas & New Year and see you all in 2025 for more Corvette fun.

#### c) Secretary's Report: - Jan Eldred

Hi everyone, I've taken over Secretary job now so please bear with me as I learn the ropes. Thanks Belinda for all you have done and thanks in advance for all the help I will need!

#### d) Treasurer's Report: - Doug Ford

The full report is in the magazine. \$25k in investment account.

Expenses have been Cannes fees, Purchasing a new hard drive, payment for Glenorie BBQ.

Balance as of today \$20,342.

Looking into postage options for magazine, plastic sleeves rather than envelopes, will check with Karin regarding costs.

#### e) Historic Registration: - Jorge Vazquez

Has business cards for companies that repair Corvettes available.

New members on H plates are Lou Lazevski and Edward Maszlurch.

#### f) Stock Controller: - Vicki Micallef

There are caps and polo shirts available tonight if anyone is interested, thanks.

#### <u>h)</u> Events – Mandy Caprin

Past Events

Greenway plaza, Jorge won a trophy.

Minutes (Cont'd)

Club Christmas Party at Davidson Park was a good day, good weather and good to see so many northern members attended. Many thanks to Kathy, Rhonda, Mandy, Paul (and everyone else who was involved), who planned and helped make this such a good day.

Thank you to Vicki & Trevor for hosting the BBQ at their Glenorie home.

Coming Events: None planned for December.

Next year ... All American Day Sunday 19th January.

BREAK: 8.05 pm for coffee

#### General Business: -

\* John and Sue are now in a new care home - Jeff and Rhonda visiting them weekly. John's car still for sale \$35,000. Is a 1994 6 speed manual, black on black, see Jeff.

\*We need 3 trophies for All American day – to be organised

\*Will meet up at Uncle Leo's to travel together to All American day.

\* Harry is a grandfather again today, a little boy.

RAFFLE - \$140 ... Winners: Jeff, Bob, Pauline, Brownie, Rosie, Carmal and Allan

Meeting Closed - 8.35pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February at crossroads.

The Committee wished everyone a merry, safe and happy Christmas and new year.

## From the Trea\$ury

Well I hope everyone had a fine and happy Xmas and a great New Year. Of course your Club has been very busy in the background with club issues, CNC25 organizing, receipt of New Members and helping Vette Owners the country over.

The Invest Acct comes due very soon on the 25th Mar'25 and still stands locked at \$25K, on the aforementioned date it will have interest credited to the Acct and we then have several options: 1. Roll over as is. 2. Close Acct and deposit into our Everyday Acct. 3. Re-Invest at yet to be advised new Interest rates. Your thoughts are wellcome.

The Everyday Acct opened 1st Dec'24 at \$20,342.76 and closed 31st Dec at \$18,140.89. There were 2 only Credits of \$135 G.Veale Apparel and \$100 Erin Curley New Club Membership.

Debits for Dec were \$2,436.87 and comprised of:

Dec Mag Postage - \$189.23

Xmas Mixed Inv Wilson - \$300.37

Xmas Mixed Inv - \$482.72

Mixed Inv Caprin - \$142.55

Coles Raffle Items Vicki - \$67.00

Inv1133 Print Copy Set - \$1,235.00

And last but not least \$20 Acct Fee to StG.

We paid out a lot in Dec - most of the extra was for two Club functions where we provided food and drinks for attending members - all who attended had a good time.

But more attendee's could have been taken care of, I hope we can see more in the future. I appreciate that Nov/Dec may be a very busy time for families and work, so maybe next year we will aim for late Nov with earlier advance warning. As usual if you have an enquiry please drop me a line or call or see me at the meetings/events, I'm happy to address your issues.

And Yes we will have an Invoice issued very soon to cover membership. But I have several issues with doing this, whilst I can see the need and value of this - it creates a lot of extra work as I don't have the membership list but do have the Accounts showing payments, and now the Sec lives a long way away (she can no longer yell at me from the back room). A payment reciept is down loadable and printable from YOUR Acct when you pay, this should suffice in the meantime, but we are still looking at it.

Regards

Treas.



## 1963 Corvette Coupe Grand Sport - Tribute

General Motors only produced five original Corvette Grand Sports under the guidance of Zora Arkus-Duntov (the father of performance Corvettes) to compete against and beat the Ford Cobras built by Carroll Shelby for Ford. Zora and his team of engineers were able to beat the Cobras at Watkins Glen in August of 1963, a great victory for General motors and the Corvette Grand Sport.

The Grand Sport formula complimented the 1963 Z06 Special Performance Package for racing teams by getting a bigger engine, 377ci/485hp with quad Webers (up from 327ci/360hp), Muncie 4 speed, Halibrand Magnesium Alloy wheels 15x11" & 15x9.5", a 2" shorter body that was made of light weight fibreglass with flared guards, numerous ventilation vents to reduce overheating that was almost 1/3 of the weight of the standard C2 body that weighed only 1900lbs/860kg. This work of art was bolted to 4" tubular frame with tubular suspension with disc brakes, making the Grand Sport a true competitor to the Cobras.

Sadly, General Motors decided to pull out from racing soon after this to the disappointment of Zora Arkos-Duntov. The five Grand Sports built were placed with private teams and continued competing in racing and eventually the cars ended up with astute collectors. Today, these cars all still in existence and worth an estimated \$10 Million each in the collector car market world.

This Tribute Grand Sport is very rare in Australia and draws a crowd whenever it sees daylight which isn't often as it hasn't quite travelled a 1,000 miles yet. This car started life as a 1966 Corvette Coupe and was transformed into a Grand Sport in 2015 with a no expense attitude to the 3.5 year build of this 1963 Corvette Grand Sport.

The heart had to resemble the original with a 377ci (6.2ltr LS3-Gen IV alloy small block Chevrolet rated at 525hp/392kW & 489ft-lb/663Nm. This modern day equivalent is mated to a Tre-Mec TKO 5spd manual gearbox which drives Forgeline Grudge 3 piece 20x12" & 19x10" alloys with sticky Michelin Pilot Sport Cup Tyres which are driven via a USA Hammerhead Differential with an Eaton 3.42:1 gear ratio. Suspension is from a C7 Corvette as with the brakes which are C7 Z06.

A combination of Grand Sport components were used from Mongoose Motorsports, MID America and Corvette Central to transform the '66 into this '63 modern day Grand Sport that has C7 seats and the all important numbers are viewed through the traditional Grand sport instrumentation, including a 200mph speedometer with custom interior trim to compliment the Route 66 theme.

To further compliment the car as per the originals, side pipes are in play for the gases to escape and provide the rumble and roar of a Grand Sport, what else!

This Corvette Grand Sport Tribute has been fully engineered to 2016/2017 ADR regulations and has full NSW registration from 10/2017. This car has never been raced as owned by a respected and extremely passionate enthusiast to the Corvette world. The car has won many awards including NCRS Australia "427 Concours Award".

It is time to allow another enthusiast or collector to enjoy this Grand Sport. This is a serious toy, which commands serious offers only.

\$377,000. Excludes government stamp duty.

Note - "C2R" plates are optional and negotiable.

The astute buyer will know that building, importing and complying with current registration regulations of a Corvette Grand Sport Tribute in today's times, that this vehicle offered represents good value.

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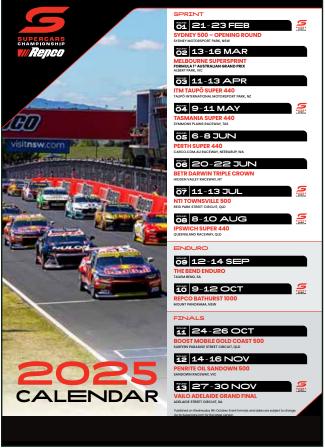


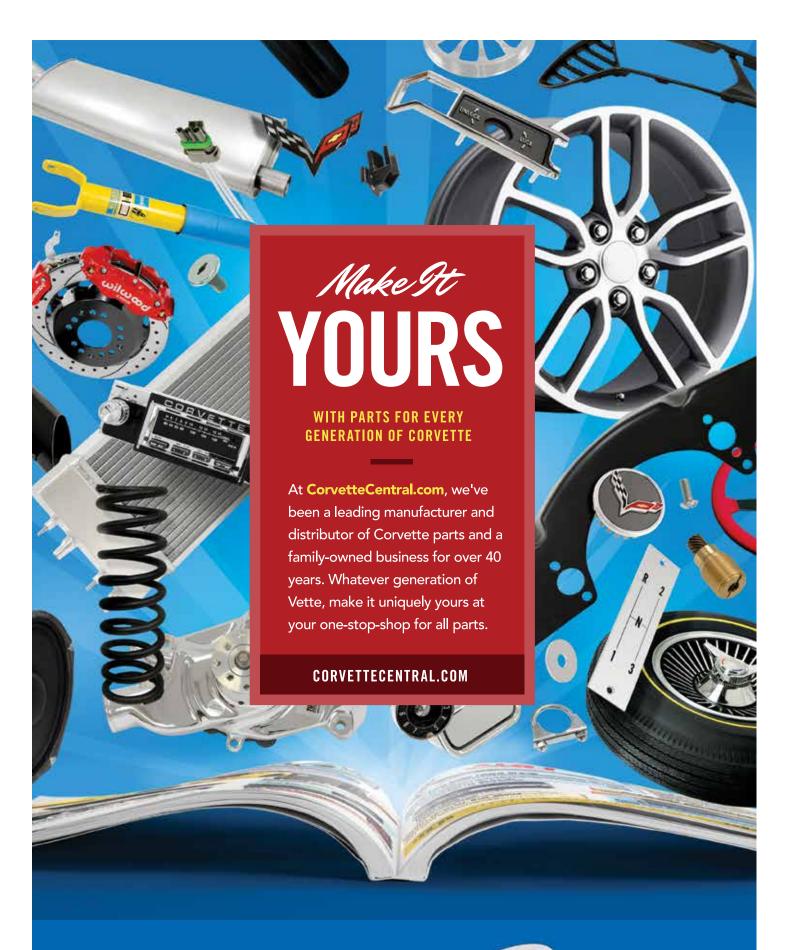


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