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Wendy handing over her 65 to Warren Stenning



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Presidents Report - Murray Forman

Here we are now at the end of June and still we are having lockdowns due to Covid.

We have three upcoming Chapter Meets booked in NSW, QLD and WA.

Please go to the calendar for these dates and participate in the judging procedure, as you are aware, if you are on Club Registration it is part of your requirements to attend a Chapter Meet and participate to qualify for your registration coverage, so please attend these Meets.

As stated above, with the Covid situation, there has been very limited activity, but we were able to squeeze in a few events which have all been listed in this issue of the Newsletter.

As far as the National Body is concerned, they are going ahead with the National Convention in California this year, but because of travel arrangements, Wendy & I will not be attending. We are both hoping that we will be able to attend the following year, depending on Covid.

As you see we have had 5 couples join our Chapter in the last 3 months, so welcome to all of those couples, I hope to see you at our events and Chapter Meets.

Thank you for joining our Chapter.

Please note there has been a change in the date of the QLD Chapter meet from 11/12th Sept to the 18/19th Sept. Hope to see you there

Murray Forman
President NCRS Australia Inc.



Vice Presidents Report

There is no report for this month

Secretary's Report / Editors

We have received since our last magazines from other Australian Corvette Car Clubs their Newsletters.

There has been no other outgoing mail. Please consider doing a small editorial on any events you have been doing this year and email it to us, so we can put it in our next newsletter.

I am sure the other members would like to experience your travels.

Please stay safe.

Wendy Forman
Editor Secretary.

Treasurers Report

There is no Treasurers report this month.

New Members

Tony and Carla Camevale	NSW
Spencer and Elisha Rice	NSW
Campbell and Jodie Ewart	VIC
Warren Stenning and Zuzzane Fance	NSW
Sue and Rob Lobsey	NSW

Welcome to these new Members



John and Jenny's April NCRS Sydney cruise

As members of NCRS, National Corvette Restorers Society, and the fact it has been a three-year period since we did such a run from South Australia to New south Wales, John and Jenny got the urge to catch up with their breakfast run which was organised by Rod Grogan on Sunday 17th April.

For us this is not just an excuse to catch up with our NCRS friends but also do some sightseeing along the way as well as see family in Sydney at the same time.

We set off three days early staying at Narrandera the first night then on to Katoomba for two more before arriving in Sydney and staying with Jenny's family.

The Saturday was taken up being tourists and soaking up all the points of interest in the Blue Mountains at Scenic World. This included the cable car into the Jamison Valley for the rain forest walk, then back up on the cable railway back to the base for the Skyway journey over the valley and the Katoomba Falls.

Many walking trails are available for views around the scenic points with heaps of photo opportunities.

While there are no overseas tourists currently it is the ideal time to visit and although there were still plenty of people sightseeing in the school holidays we found getting there early in the morning certainly avoided the busy midday crowds.

On Sunday we were up early as we were to meet the NCRS members at the Windsor Caltex Service Station at 8am ready for the hour drive to Putty for our 9am breakfast.

The drive through to Windsor was foggy and the Hawksbury Heights look out view over Sydney was amazing and just like being in a plane at 40,000 ft with full cloud cover with the sun bouncing across the clouds. Not that we could stop to take it in as there is nowhere to stop when on the wrong side of the road.

Locals will know there are two Caltex Servos in Windsor. Guess which one we were at? Yes, the other one. Once we got that sorted and were in the right location the rest was plain sailing.

It was so good to catch up and spend time with the NCRS members who made us feel so welcome even though our Corvette, 1997 C5, is in the younger period in NCRS terms. We enjoyed our catchup stories over breakfast.



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It was an easy run to the Grey Gums Café at Putty and an eye opener for us as the last time we were there was quite a few years ago now and at that time the café had only just opened and did not have the facilities it does now.

This is the place to be on a sunny Sunday morning as there were so many people around. Seemed like hundreds of bikers. The Aston Martin and GT Falcon club rolled up just as we were leaving as well.

For us it was then off to Willoughby to catch up with family who always look after us so well.

Jenny and I welcomed the opportunity to be able to be included in the NCRS cruise and meet the people who we would normally be able to see at Corvette Nationals which have been postponed in the last two years.

Looking forward to our next meeting, whenever and wherever it maybe.

All part of the fun of owning a Corvette with so many like- minded great people to share with.

Thank you.

John and Jenny

Corvette Club of South Australia Inc.





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Make your own Plate Richard Geiger

Made your own?

Richards interesting warning to others that make their own number plates because the DoT normal size plates do not fit older Corvettes.



Have you just gone over the pits and been issued license plates that do not fit on your Corvette? Think twice before you make your own.

A few years ago, a founding member of Corvettes of WA was stopped by police because he placed a 'bra' over his bonnet for a club cruise and his front license plate was not visible. The owner had made the plates himself. The officer took his plates off his car and gave him a summons to court for displaying 'imitation plates'.

At Court, the magistrate effectively indicated the issue was a waste of everyone's time and dismissed the case with \$50 court costs

Several years prior to the court case mentioned above, I took my car over the pits and was issued plates that did not fit. Being frugal (tight), I bought a piece of aluminium, cut out two plates that fit my Corvette, had them powder coated white, stuck on my registration number, W.A. on the top, with a black line surrounding the plate like the Department of Transport issued plates, clear coated them, and put them on my car. Thirty dollars all up. Bob's your uncle.

Not quite. For eight years I happily drove my car on Corvettes of WA, NCRS and other club events. The police cameras had no problem issuing citations on the rare occasion of my minor misjudgements, reading plainly my home-made plates. When the case above occurred, I thought the law is designed such that justice is equal for all and I continued driving with my home made, very profession looking plates. On December 31 this past year, an overzealous motorcycle cop, probably hoping I would allow him to give chase, pulled me up. The first thing he said was, 1 series licence plates in WA are blue and white. He took my plates off the car, made me hang the issued plates, which I showed him did not fit, to the car with pull ties. Immediately following the holidays, I went to the licensing agency, was told they make $\frac{3}{4}$ plates that would fit. I asked for my own registration number but was told it was already taken. I paid \$535 for 61 V. I pleaded guilty with a letter explaining what I felt were relevant issues including my knowledge of the case



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mentioned above that had caused me to continue displaying 'imitation plates', my belief in equal justice, and the fact that I had immediately purchased DoT plates. Prior to court my research revealed that the maximum fine for imitation plates was **\$2,400**.

I guess I got off lucky. New plates **\$535**, court costs **\$248.70**, a fine of **\$500**, parking **\$15**

I guess I got off lucky. New plates **\$535**, court costs **\$248.70**, a fine of **\$500**, parking **\$15** and a half day at court for a total of **\$ 1,298.70**. I recommend buying $\frac{3}{4}$ size plate to fit your Corvette if you are currently displaying plates not issued by the Department of Transport



Powder Flocking storage compartments



I am working on a restoration of a 69 C3 and after speaking to Terry Martin, he told me About a product called Flocking. It is a process where you paint on an adhesive, fill a pump Container with very fine flocking powder. You then pump on the powder using the hand pump supplied in the kit.



If you hop onto the internet and type in Flocking Powder Repair Kit, you will be able to find the supplier. The yellow hand pump, the flocking agent and the adhesive



These are the two removeable compartments in the rear storage area of the C3.





Vacuum out the units and carry out any repairs necessary





Filling the hand pump with the flocking agent, the pump works by another section that slips in the outside section. It then has a series of holes in its end, which you then hold the outer section and pump the inner section in and out which then sprays the flock powder over the adhesive you have painted on.



Painting the adhesive on. Preparing for the flocking process.





Painting on the adhesive above and pumping the flocking powder onto the compartment
Once you have covered the whole area, turn the unit upside down onto a clean surface and tap it, all the excess flocking agent will fall out which you then can put it back into its own container to be re-used for the next time





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Leave it for a couple of hours to dry and you have reinstated the original coating back onto the units.



Hope you enjoy as I did. Murray Forman



GM Day Fire Museum



GM Day at Penrith Fire Museum. We had in attendance 4 Corvettes and Rod's truck. Attendance was down due to Covid and the cold weather, but putting that aside, it was great to see the turnout that there was.

GM day is specifically for all vehicles produced by GM. They ranged from early Holdens right through to Cadillac's.





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Rod and Deb brought along the NCRS tent and banner thank you both for the effort , so it was great to get a bit of advertising of our Chapter and also to get out of the cold wind.





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It was great to see all the Corvettes in a row, along with NCRS cars, there also was cars from NSW Corvettes in attendance.





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Thank you to all Chapter Members that attended this day.



WA Easter Run Mt Helena Tavern

Lunch at the Mt Helena Tavern has always been popular with members in the past so with a break in the Covid restrictions over Easter we decided to go for lunch.

We gathered at our usual meeting place in Toodyay Road.



We travelled up Red Hill to the Tavern and once again enjoyed a fantastic lunch





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Members attending; Antonella & Terry Martin, Morten Benjaminsen and Danielle Atkinson, Sharon & Andrew Ridge, Tania & Gary Wilkinson, Wendy & Neil Bishop, Louis Lange & Richard Geiger, Brad & Nicola Watkins, Ian Gibbings, Harriet & Allan Grime and Gary Cowans.



NCRS WA Alan Grime Mystery Road Tour

NCRS WA Alan Grime Mystery Road Tour, Sunday May 2, 2021.

Members from NCRS WA set off on the Alan Grime Mystery road tour on Sunday.



We started from the bottom of the Swan Valley and cruised up the Toodyay Road and on into the bush.



Alan led us through the recent bushfire areas, past the Brock Memorial and on to the Noble Falls tavern for lunch.



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We all had a great time and Alan said we will make it an annual event!



Members attending Lois Lange & Richard Geiger, Wendy & Neil Bishop, Gary Cowans, Terry & Antonella, Ian Gibbings, Pat Hehir, Morten Benjaminsen and Andrew & Sharon Ridge.

2021 Shannon's Classic Car show



The NCRS WA attended the 52nd Shannon's Classic Car Show, Ascot Racecourse on the 18th April 2021 to encourage membership for our club.

The theme this year was Australian Made, and we found some interesting cars apart from Holdens and Falcons.

Our older members will remember Bolwell as an Australian company that produced sports cars both as built and in kit form between 1962 and 1979.



Everyone will remember the Leyland P76 in the early 1970's.



There was a fibreglass bodied Lightburn Zeta built by the South Australian washing machine manufacturing company Lightburn from 1963 to 1965.



curiosities such as a 1917 Rauch & Lang electric vehicle, 1930's Airflow DeSoto, a 1948 Tatra T600 and a Wankel rotary-powered Hercules W-2000 motorcycle; just a few of the vehicles that were ahead of a time that never came.

The 'Past Cars of the Future' display.



1886 Benz Patent-Motorwagen



1948 Tatra 600



The Hercules W-2000 was a motorcycle made by Hercules in Germany. It was the first production motorcycle with a Wankel engine. Only 1800 were manufactured.



MEMBERS CORVETTES



Neil's Z06



Gary's 1965 L78



Natalie's 78



Pats ZR1



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Brads 58



1,800 people came through the gates in the first hour which was a terrific public response. Public attendance seemed steady all day with the total attendance around 6000. There were cars and people as far as the eye could see.

Members attending; Wendy & Neil Bishop, Gary Cowans, Terry Martin, Morten Benjaminsen, Ron Flood, Natalie Tchorzewski, Andrew & Sharon Ridge and Richard Geiger, Alan Grime, Ian Gibbings, Pat Hehir, and David Alder



2021 Calendar

In Perth, members meet every Saturday morning at Terry Martins new workshop, the

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NSW Members and partners welcome to the eastern states Club

Breakfast Runs held every 3rd Sunday of the month

QLD members meet on third Saturday morning of every second month

at Cars & Coffee Jindalee Depart, 7-30 to drive to the venue.

July 18 th	Rod & Debs place BBQ
Aug 15 th	Chapter Meet NSW Sydney
Aug 22 nd	T.B.A
Sept 18 th 19 th	Chapter Meet QLD (<u>Note; Changed Date</u>)
Sept 19 th	T.B.A
Oct 17 th	Berowra Waters Inn Berowra Waters
Nov 13 th	AGM Perth
Nov 14 th	Chapter Meet WA
Nov 21 st	NSW Xmas Party TBA
Dec 19 th	T.B.A

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NCRS Apparel

BLUE DENIM \$35.00



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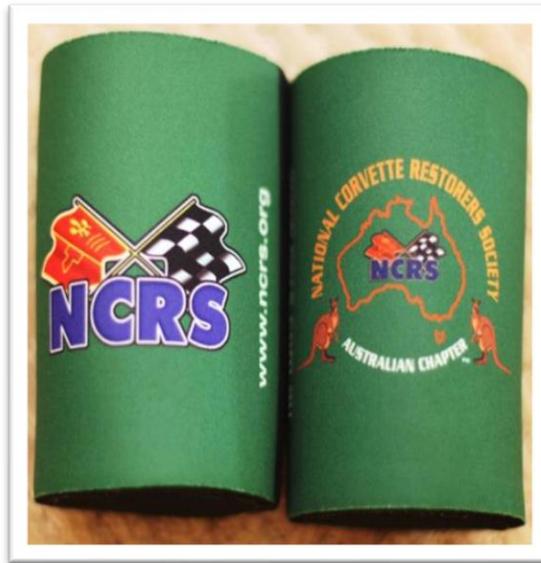
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Some new merchandise has been added to our range, including (very comfy) T-Shirts, Mugs, Pens and Tote bags. See photos of merchandise and samples of new Polo shirts below.





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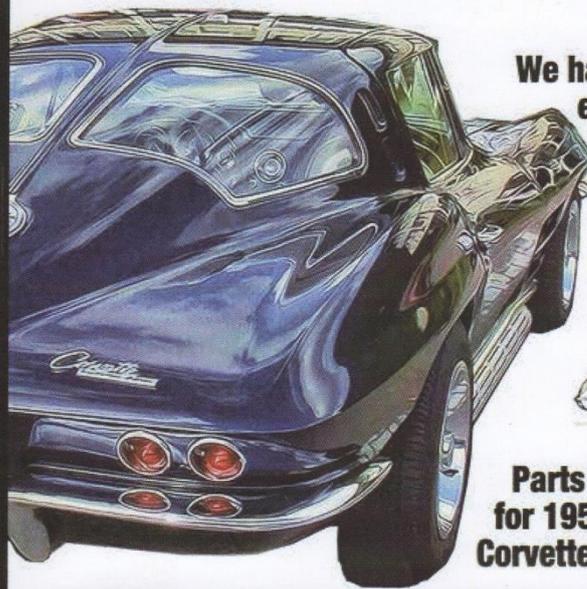
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Membership Officers Report

NCRS Austral Inc. Club Membership - RENEWALS

- The 12 month period runs from 1ST February to 31ST January of each year.
- Renewals are therefore due each February, reminder notices will be sent.
- Membership fee is \$50.00 per annum.
- Payments can be made by either:
 - EFT to NCRS Australia Inc, A/C No.10245414 BSB no. 062:595

Please note your membership numbers with all payments to ensure confirmation receipt by email.

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