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Presidents Report February 2011

Here we are in the second month of 2011 and fast approaching our next Chapter Meet at Rooty Hill in March.

For three of the cars attending this Meet it is the final stages for their Australian Mark of Excellence Award.

Just to refresh your memory about this Award, it consists of three Judging Meets over a three year period, where the car has to receive 97% and over without any driving or extra points in Flight Judging. The second event, the car has to be driven a minimum of 400klm to the event and pass the Operations with a maximum point loss of 15. The last stage, which in this case is at Rooty Hill on 4th – 6th March 2011, the car has to be Flight judged again and achieve a 97% or above. The owner of the vehicle has to be a financial member of both America and Australian NCRS, they also have to be a Level 4 judge and above and submit an editorial to the National Restorer Magazine whether it is published or not, it just has to be accepted by the Editor.

Also you can have the plaque re-presented to you at the NCRS National Convention of that completion year. This year it is in Detroit. We are expecting to be the first International Chapter to present this Award since its conception in 2009.

I can only ask that you please support your Chapter by participating and coming along to this Chapter Meet as it is going to be history in the making. I have emailed the Application Form for this event, if you have not received this, please contact me and I will email it to you again or there is a copy attached at the end of this report.

At the moment we are holding our current 2011 calendar at the cost of \$20, plus \$7 postage in Australia, please contact me and I will send it to you ASAP.

As stated above, the National is held in Detroit this year, there is a group of us travelling over where we are participating in the Rocky Mountain Chapters Road Tour from Denver to Detroit, if you would like to join us, please contact me and I will forward on the relevant information.

Please don't forget the Editor if you have any stories or photos to go into the Newsletter send them on to us so the rest of the Chapter members can enjoy your experiences.

It is also time for your Chapter renewal; once again it is only \$35 plus if you have a US buddy, an additional \$35.00 for your buddy's fee. I have emailed the Application form so please fill it out and return it with your payment ASAP as I need the form to confirm all particulars that I hold on record. Again, a copy is attached to the end of this newsletter. As stated, please support your Chapter and attend the upcoming Chapter Meet

Murray Forman
President NCRS Australia Inc.

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT

Restoration of my 1966 427 / 425

Over the past 6 months my 1966 427/425 convertible has undergone a body off restoration and is now only a week or so away from completion. It has been a most rewarding project and I have had a lot of help from local and international members. My intention is to cover this process in more detail in a future issue when time permits, but for now here are a couple of pictures to whet your appetites.





Technology and the NCRS

Members might find the below Corvette Registry sites of interest, they are another great way of making information available to other potential former owners of your car, allowing them to contact you and volunteer information on the its history. Special thanks to the Dutch chapter Chairman Rob Musquetier for all his work putting these sites together.

www.c1registry.com

www.c2registry.org

www.c3registry.org

Those of you with an iPhone might also get some use from Rob Musquetier's application - The Corvette Birthday Calculator which can be downloaded from the Apple iTunes store under the title of 'VetteBirthday'. Here is a screenshot:



My understanding is there may be other applications on the way, and I and a few other members have already provided input to NCRS management with a few ideas which might change the way we restore, research, and judge our cars into the future. For example - imagine if we could use our iPhones and iPads to do the following:

- Make the judging sheets available on an iPad which via a wireless network can feed scores and comments into a live database (the role of the tabulator might change somewhat!) which can print and prepare the appropriate award and credit points to judges;
- Related to the above the standard deductions could feed directly into the relevant areas forcing judges to make consistent decisions, as well as utilising the FDICC process when judging originality;
- Access the Corvette Black Book, Driveline, and other literature on the run such as the judging and technical guides rather than carry them around;
- Calculate the date range for component parts after inserting your car's VIN;
- Confirm if part numbers and date codes are correct for the car by accessing a central database of data;
- Allow you to store part numbers as the car is judged, creating a comprehensive list of parts and dates for the car for owners to retain, or prospective buyers to check to see if parts have been changed post the judging meet;
- Create a photo library of engine stamp pads, VINs, and trim tags to use as a reference on the judging field;
- Use a GPS system to source judging meets and events within a radius from where you are (probably more relevant to our American friends);

- Access Driveline listings of items for sale whilst on the move;
- Search the NCRS database on awards earned by certain cars according to their VIN which could be very useful when buying a car;
- Search for and contact parts suppliers and fellow members;
- Read the NCRS technical discussion board on the road or judging field;
- Distribute maps for road trips and track participants if they become separated;
- Issue messages and updates to chapter members via SMS or alerts;
- Supply podcasts on the history of the Corvette; judging techniques and eBooks detailing restoration techniques; and
- Enrol at Chapter, Regional and National meets. i.e. upon arrival members could enter their membership number with a PIN code (ratified by say the Judging Chairman with his/her PIN code which feeds straight through to points records), reducing time for chapter Chairmen entering points after the event and making it easier to prepare sign in sheets for the Flight Chapter Award.

If you have any other ideas how we could incorporate technology for the better of the club please let me know and I will pass it on to those that can try and help make it happen.

That's all from me for this edition; see you at the Rooty Hill RSL in three weeks' time.

Best wishes to all and enjoy the strong Aussie dollar while you can to import more vettes and parts!

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Bank	\$ 22,365.01
Petty Cash	\$ 56.80
Cash to be Banked	\$ 940.00
Cheques to be banked Membership	\$ 280.00
Cheques to be banked SYD Event	\$ 1,150.00
TOTAL	\$ 24,791.86

As I have only just taken over I will have a complete report for you in our next Newsletter. I will have everything up to date by then.

Thank You

Deb Marvin

Treasure NCRS Australia Inc.

A lesson in engine stamp pads

Attached is a collection of engine pads. All shown, except the 64 FI and 73 BB are original Motors and have passed at national judging events. What one looks for area; the broached surface, character configuration, and number group positioning on the pad. Note the position of the engine designation on the 63 340 pad. It appears too far to the left as compared to the 64 FI pad. This MAY indicate a re stamp, although the judges passed it.



1956-265



1963-340



1963-340



1963- FI



1964-300HP



1964-300HP



1964-FI



1965-396



This is an important photo to observe as this is a clear example of a restamp



1967 Big Block Camaro



1973-454



396 Stamp Pad

Editors Report

I hope you enjoy this NCRS Australia December 2010- February 2011 newsletter and find the photo shots of the engine stamp pads helpful for your future judging. As you know from reading your recent drivelines, NCRS has spent a great deal of time, attention, and money on researching engine stamp pads to help “stamp out” the fraud that has infiltrated our hobby.

I have included in this issue, photos and pricing of our NCRS clothing and accessories. Please contact our President Murray Forman should you wish to purchase any of these items.

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Also included at the end of this newsletter are copies of the NCRS Australia membership form and the application for the upcoming Mark of Excellence judging meet at Novotel Rooty Hill, 33 Railway Street, Rooty Hill from 4th thru 6th March 2011. Due date for the Mark of Excellence registration and Membership is NOW, so please get your forms in ASAP.

I would like to encourage each and every one of you to please submit articles, photos and information that would be relevant to our members to be included in this newsletter. Please forward information to Lon LeMaster lemaster@bigpond.net.au. I hope to see every one at Rooty Hill in March.

Lon LeMaster - Editor

Melbourne International Mark of Excellence 23-24th October 2010

As this was the second stage for the Mark of Excellence Award, there were three cars participating in this event. These cars were Murray Forman 1963, Richard Dickens 1978 and Richard Stones 1993. We decided to do a road tour to Melbourne from Sydney so that they could qualify for the mileage section of this Award. We were also joined by our new Editor Lon LeMaster in his 1963 convertible. Our Road Tour started on the 21st of October in the afternoon, travelling to Albury and stay at the Siesta.



4 Classics under cover in Albury



The next morning it was an early start as we continue the drive through to Melbourne. The venue was held at Corvette Clinic in Bundoora.



LOOK There is a motor under this hood



Get your hands out of your pockets Murray and DO SOME JUDGING



I need a new pair of glasses

At this point I would like to thank Peter & Kane Whiston for their hospitality and the use of their premises to carry out this event. I also would like to thank Scott Morden for his cooking expertise and services on the BBQ (great job Scott). On arrival, we had a welcome BBQ where other Melbourne Club members were invited to attend.



Lon LeMaster's 1963 Roadster gets judged.



The Happy Couple - Murray and Wendy Foreman



Richard Dickens "Dicko's" Ride 1978



"Somebody Help, I'm Stuck"
Murray's 1963 Split Window



Richard Stones Pride and Joy 1993



This is a sample of the Australian Mark of Excellence Award.

There were 16 members who attended as well as John Daley and Graham McDonald from New Zealand Chapter, thanks goes to them for their support at this event.

There were a total of 5 cars judged where we had these results:

Lon LeMaster	1963	Top Flight	
Steve Lautier	1969	Second Flight	
Murray Forman	1963	AMoE Operations	Pass
Richard Stones	1993	AMoE Operations	Pass
Richard Dickens	1978	AMoE Operations	Pass
Richard Dickens	1978	Ladies Choice	
Lon LeMaster	1963	Longest Driven	

On the Saturday night we all attended an Italian Seafood Restaurant where the company and food was brilliant and a great night was had by all. On Sunday was the completion of the event and then the Road Tour returned back to Sydney, once again staying in Albury at the Siesta and returning the next day to Sydney.



This event was well supported and attended and I really appreciate all of your efforts for making this and this keeps our Chapter active.

Murray Forman President NCRS Australia Inc.

NEW MEMBERS

Please give a warm welcome to our new members:

Bill Ryan VIC

Randell Hall WA

Chris Williams VIC

Brian Williams WA

Congratulations in joining a great Club!

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 5th/6th 2011, Australian Mark of Excellence Award Sydney

2011 Australian Mark of Excellence Award in Perth, Dates TBA

NCRS Australia Inc. Clothing & Prices

Blue Denim Cost \$35.00



Green Polo Cost \$ 40.00



Ladies Shirts Cost \$ 35.00



Leather Jacket Cost \$300.00



Windcheater Jacket \$45.00



Woollen Vest \$38.00



Cap Cost \$ 15.00



Drink holders Cost \$10.00



Calender 2011 Cost \$20.00



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP: _____ U.S NCRS Membership No: _____

Surname: _____ First Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Post/Zip Code: _____ State _____ Country _____

H/ Phone: _____ W/ Phone: _____ M/ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Occupation: _____

Spouse /Partner Preferred First Name: _____

LIST OF CORVETTE VEHICLE OWNED (for publication in the Members Directory)

(If insufficient space – please attach a further, separate listing). Please use the following code to denote condition: **R** = Restored **UR** = UN Restoration **EO** = Excellent Original **GO** = Good Original **PO** = Poor Original **LH** = Left hand Drive

YEAR	BODY STYLE	REG No.	LAST REG. No.	COLOUR	CONDITION/ STEERING	VIN ID PLATE
	Coupe/ Roadster	if current	if known		as per above code	
_____					/	_____
_____					/	_____
_____					/	_____

I wish to become a member of NCRS Australia Inc. I agree to be bound by the current rules.

*I have NO OBJECTION to the above details being included in the Members Directory circulated to all financial members.

*I OBJECT to the above details being included in the Members Directory which will be circulated to all currently financial members. (*Please delete whichever is NOT applicable).

I agree that I will not use the information contained in the Members Directory for any purpose other than to contact another member to discuss matters of mutual interest. I will not divulge the contents of the Members Directory to any other person or corporate entity.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

I enclose herewith: \$AUD \$35.00. Please send Personal Cheque, Bank Cheque or Money Order. Make Cheque or Money Order payable to **NCRS Australia Inc.**

For office use only:Date Received: ____/____/____ Receipt # _____

Cash/Chq/MO: Cheque No: _____ Acceptance Date: ____/____/____

NCRS Australia Member Number: _____ Name of Bank: _____

EMAIL: info@ncrs.com.au

National Corvette Restorers Society Australia Inc. 9882798



NCRS AUSTRALIA MARK of EXCELLENCE AWARD SYDNEY 2011

NCRS AUSTRALIA INC invites you to attend our Judging Meet to be held at Sydney
Novotel Rooty Hill, 33 Railway Street, Rooty Hill from 4th thru 6th March 2011.
Staying at the Novotel Motel View on www.novotelrootyhill.com.au

*NCRS Event Family Registration Fee (**Registration required ASAP, no later than 28th Feb 2011**).....\$50.00

Registers 1 NCRS member and their immediate family (spouse/companion & kids under 23yrs)

- *On-site Registration ONLY after 28th Feb, incurs an additional \$25 fee.*

*NCRS Event Guest/Extended Family Registration Fee: #___ @ \$25 each.....Total \$_____

*Judging Fee: Flight - \$50 *NOTE: Mandatory if you wish to have your car judged*..... \$_____

- *Note: there is a limit to the # of cars to be judged, selection at the sole discretion of the Event Chairman*
- *Selection Criteria: timeliness of Registration; variety of cars; # of Judges attending*

*Mark of Excellence Judging. *Note: only for the cars that are in the system*...\$125.00..... \$_____

* Sportsman Fee - \$20. *Note: non-Judged corvette displayed, receives Sportsman Certificate*.....\$_____

*Daily Lunch \$20 per person, per day. *Indicate number of people & which days*..... \$_____

- # on Friday [] # on Saturday [] # on Sunday []

*NCRS Event Presentation Dinner on Sunday Night Starting 5,30 pm \$65.00 per head [] \$_____

*NCRS Australia Cap: #_____ @ \$20 each One size fits all..... \$_____

*Event T-Shirt \$35.00 [] Small [] Medium [] Large [] XL [] 2XL [] 3XL... \$_____

*Green Polo Shirt \$45.00 [] Small [] Medium [] Large [] XL [] 2XL [] 3XL\$_____

*Blue Denim Shirt \$45.00 [] Small [] Med [] Large [] XL [] 2XL [] 3XL..... \$_____

*NCRS Jacket. \$300.00 [] Small [] Med [] Large [] XL [] 2XL [] 3XL [] \$_____

TOTAL \$_____

- **NOTE: PLEASE ARRANGE YOUR OWN ACCOMODATION RESERVATIONS.**
Reservations@novotelrootyhill.com.au Phone :**0298323888**. **Ensure you quote "NCRS Australia"**
as we have block-bookings at a discounted rate not available to the general public. Reservations
must be made ASAP and no later than 28thFeb 2011.

Make cheque payable to *NCRS Australia Inc.* and mail cheque and registration form to:

- , NCRS Australia Inc., PO Box 207, Kurmond 2757, NSW, Australia.
- For overseas registration, please be sure you mail a bank cheque (check) in Australian Dollars.
- Keep a copy of you registration and bring along to the Event

Name _____ Guest _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Country _____ Post/Zip Code _____

Email _____ Chapter Affiliation _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Mobile/Cell Phone _____

(Please include your STD, Area and Country codes with the above phone numbers}

NCRS National (USA) Membership Number (See label on your Driveline or Corvette Restorer).. _____

NCRS Australian Membership Number _____

All other Corvette Car Clubs _____

NOTE: You must have both NCRS USA and Australian Chapter memberships to have your car judged in this event. Your Registration will not be processed without this information. For further information on USA membership, see <http://www.ncrs.org/> and click "Join Now". For Australian Chapter membership, see www.ncrs.com.au.

Car being entered for Flight Judging 1953-1994 or Sportsman – any era

Year _____ Complete VIN # _____

Coupe [] Convertible [] or Roadster [] please indicate which applies

All registrants (even if you are not having your car judged) must read and sign the Hold Harmless agreement as follows: (1) Whereas owner voluntarily enters his/her vehicle in the NCRS Australia event, the owner (s) will insure his/her vehicle against loss, damage, and liability and if asked, will provided proof of such insurance being in effect at the time of the event. (2) That the owner (s) does hereby indemnify and hold harmless NCRS Australia, all of its officers, directors, agents, employees or assigns for any such acts of omissions which may result in the theft, damage, or destruction or injury occurring during or as a consequence of this event, wherever located. (3) That owner(s) in attending this event does so voluntarily and agrees and assumes the risk of any and all damage to his/her vehicle or injury to his/her self or others, and NCRS Australia Inc. or NCRS harmless there from. (4) The vehicle must be insured and "registered" to the person showing on the vehicle for judging. By signing your name in the designated area below, indicates that you have read and agree with these terms and conditions of entry and attendance.

Signature _____ **Date** _____