

MARCH 2025 Newsletter

Corvette Club



South Australia



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MEETINGS - Held on the first Wednesday of every month at the Glenelg Baseball Club, Anderson Ave, Glenelg North at 8pm

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MEMBERSHIP FEES

due by 1st January each year	NEW	RENEWAL
Financial Member	\$85.00	\$80.00
Associate Member	\$20.00	\$20.00
Country Member	\$40.00	\$40.00

BANK DETAILS for Direct Debit

BSB 105 900 Account 9543 73840

CONDITIONAL REGO Inspections are no longer required. However, if you need a new Log Book, they are \$10 each.

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Presidents Report: by Sean

We are nearly at the end of the Clubs operating year with the AGM less than 2 weeks away. I would like to encourage everyone to get to the AGM meeting on March 5, as we could have votes on 1 or 2 committee positions. We also have interest in the new Log Book officer position.

The operating environment for car clubs is changing and becoming more complex. Myself, Catherine, Lynda and Jemma recently attended an information session organised by the Federation of Historic Motoring Clubs SA with guest speakers from the Australian Tax Office. I have to admit that Jemma has been warning us that this was coming, and it looks like the car club operating landscape is changing in major ways. Car clubs are now considered to be non – profit, but not tax exempt. This means the club has to pay tax on any increase in its revenue income. Of course, we can write off expenditure and charity donations amongst other expenses, but it means the Treasurers' role takes on more importance. Jemma has already been working to create the CCSA as a registered tax identity and get the plus and minus columns where they should be to keep the clubs money out of the reaches of the greedy tax department. I would like to thank Treasurer Jemma for all her hard work over the past year. Who thought running a car club could be so complicated.

I would like to thank all the Committee members for their hard work over the past year, there is a lot going on in the background to keep the club running strongly.

I would like to express gratitude on behalf of the club to Vice President Catherine Neagle and Webmaster Peter McBride who will be stepping down at this AGM from their positions. Catherine and Peter are great stalwarts of the club and always put their hands up to get stuff done, the Corvette Club would not be as strong as it is without members like them.

Sean.



CORVETTE CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

General Meeting: 5/2/25

Meeting Opened: 8:00 pm

Present: As per sign in sheet

Total Attendees: 67

Apologies: Alan Litchfield, Neil & Noreen Portlock, Banjo Evans, Helen Falconer, John Cotton, Cathy McPhee, Karen McConnell, Graeme Hay, Stewart Dury, Arthur Hasse

Visitors and New members: Andrea Woolger '70 C3 Ontario Orange, Grant & Jenny '94 C4 Red.

Minutes of Last General Meeting read true and correct.

Moved: - Tim Epton

Seconded:- Ian Gregor

Treasurer's Report: *Term Deposit \$56,000 @ 4.7% to 20/7/2025

***National's Bank Account** as at 1st Jan 2025 \$8,371.00

Income \$0.00

Expenditure \$621.00

Closing Balance 31st Jan 2025 \$7,750

***Main Account** as at 1st Jan 2025 \$18,303.31

Income \$3,116.00

Expenditure \$2,731.65

Closing Balance 31st Jan 2025 \$18,687.66 Includes Grant Funds: \$1,700 for CRTB

***Raffle Funds January:** Income \$590.00

Expenses \$521.35

Heart Kids \$68.65

***Heart Kids from 1st March 2024 \$3,006.71**

Membership Draw Prize: February \$20

Any current financial Member with voting rights can inspect the financial books of the Corvette Club of South Australia Inc, upon written request and giving due notice of Fourteen (14) days. Jemma Kitto

Moved: - Jemma

Seconded: - Ruth

Secretary's Report: Email from SA Govt confirming approval of the spending of grant funds for the website re-make. Mustang SA January N/L. FHMC 2025 Directory of members. Emails to members:- 26/1 Feb N/L, 28/1 CRTB reminder & Feb N/L now on website, 31/1 Heart Kids Sh n Sh cancelled.

Conditional Registration: Tim advised 2 new cars added. '72 C3 & Serge's new C2.

Membership: Full & Life members: 219

Associates: 87

Total: 306

Gary advised 23 members have not renewed for 2025.

Merchandise: Club Merchandise February 2025 General Meeting

January Meeting & Corvette Rock the Bay 2025 ordered items are available for Collection tonight.

Anyone not at tonight's meeting can collect their orders on the day at the CRTB.

Compiled by: Shirelee Mourdoukoutas on 05/02/2025

CORVETTE CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC.

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Cont.

Newsletter: Stuart requested any Newsletter items be forwarded before 25/2.

Events:

Past: 12/1 Sunday club run to Bridge Hotel. 25 cars took part in a great day. Thanks to the johns'.

2/2 Sunday. Heart Kids Show n Shine was cancelled.

Future: 9/2 Corvettes Rock the Bay. All cars need to be on the ground by 9:45. Pay cash at the gate. Cars must stay from 10am – 2pm (Council safety regulations).

16/2 All American Day. Gleneagles Seaton. Tony Beer Smith coordinating. Meet Pape Ave 8:15.

22/2 Club run to Oakbank Hotel per Serge. Bocce before dinner. Need to book by 16/2. Max 20.

5/3 GM & AGM. Complete nomination forms if interested in taking a Committee Position.

9/3 Club run to Stockwell per Rob McConnell. Meet Maccas Smithfield 9:30 Dep 10:00. Fill Tank

27/3 NSW Corvette Nationals

No Dinners have been booked for March yet.

6/4 Club run to Greenman Inn Ashbourne. Tim will be cruise captain for the starting point. Meet RAA Richmond Rd 10:00 dep 10:30. Book with Serge 0418 409 560

No Dinners have been booked for April yet.

Web Master: Updated with February Newsletter. Events are being updated.

Public Officer: Peter Mourdoukoutas advised that Alan Orchard will audit club books for AGM.

General Business:

Peter asked for anyone who can help at Corvettes Rock the Bay. Put your stickers on your windscreen in advance. We'll have a wind down afterwards at McBrides to thanks the helpers.

Nomination Forms available for anyone interested in taking a committee position.

Catherine & Jim can't go to Parkes Nationals so contact Catherine if you would like their room. (This has now been taken,) Graeme Walker advised the club now has its own trailer thanks to the extremely generous donation from Peter & Shirelee Mourdoukoutas.

Sean also thanked Graeme for all the work he did on the trailer too.

Peter McB advised we are planning LWE run for October. More information to follow.

Sean reminded members about the AGM on 5th March. All positions become vacant. If you are interested in taking on a Committee Role, please complete a Nomination form at the meeting. Further to the Newsletter article, there has been some interest shown in the new "logbook officer" role. Catherine is not continuing as Vice President.

Membership Draw: #17 Geof Tartoosie, not present, so jackpots to \$40 for March.

Raffle prize winners: Dave Askins, Corvette Book: Alan Orchard, Wine: Mauro, Hot Wheels: Kirsty Smith, Hamper: Barry, Chocolates

Lucky Envelope Draw: # 22 Lynda McBride, chose Corvette Model.

Maelyn advised \$402.35 was raised from raffles tonight. Thanks to people who have donated gifts.

Meeting Closed: 8:45 pm Recorded By: Lynda McBride Date: 6/2/25

Signed by: President:.....Secretary:.....



NOTICE OF UPCOMING AGM

for the CORVETTE CLUB OF SA

The club will be holding it's 2025 AGM on March the 5th, 2025 (After the General Meeting).

Please note that ALL committee positions will become vacant and any eligible financial member can stand as a candidate for a committee position.

Nomination forms will be available on the committee table from the January meeting onwards.

Give this some thought as a strong committee makes for a strong club.

CLUB SPONSORSHIP

Do you know of an organisation, business or an individual that would like to be involved with and join our Corvette community?

Our club is always looking to build mutually beneficial relationships with the wider community of motoring enthusiasts and has a range of sponsorship options available.

We have some exciting opportunities coming up over the next few years with our club's 50th anniversary and the 2027 Corvette Nationals.

For further information contact

Public Officer: Peter Mourdoukoutas

on 0402 447 688



Upcoming Events 2025

MARCH

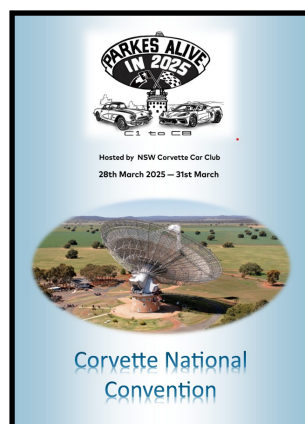
Wednesday 5th @ 8.00pm CCSA General Meeting and AGM
at Glenelg Baseball Club
Anderson Ave. Glenelg North

Sunday 9th Robs Club Run to Stockwell Hotel - Barossa Valley
Save the date. Details on Page 8.

28th- 31st Parks Alive 2025.

The Australian Corvette Nationals

IF YOU'RE PLANNING ON ATTENDING THE 2025
CORVETTE NATIONALS IN PARKES NSW, GO TO OURS OR
THE NSW CORVETTE CAR CLUBS WEBSITE FOR THE FULL
REGISTRATION FORM AND INFORMATION BROCHURE.



APRIL

Wednesday 2nd @ 8.00pm CCSA General Meeting
at Glenelg Baseball Club
Anderson Ave. Glenelg North

Sunday 6th Greenman Inn at Ashbourne run

Club cruise captain from the city is Tim Epton. He will be meeting members going to this event at the RAA car park at Richmond Road offices from 10.00am. Departure time of 10.30am and then up through the Adelaide Hills.

Let Serge know all the important details including numbers, food requirements etc when making your booking.

Serges Ph: 0418 409 560

ROB'S MARCH RUN

Meet at McDonalds, Smithfield (Main North Road)

9.30am for 10.00am departure.

Distance from McDonalds to Stockwell via Saddleworth approx. 150 km. Just under 2 hours drive. Please make sure that there is fuel in the tank.

Lunch is from the hotel menu.



SERGE AND THE GREENMAN INN

Say goodbye to daylight saving and join us on a 10.00am Bunny run to the **Greenman Inn in Ashbourne on Sunday April 6th.**

Cruise the Adelaide Hills Via the freeway through Stirling, Mylor, Aldgate, Echunga, and Meadows to a quaint little pub hide-away with rolling hills and great food. Latest menu will be updated soon.

Let Serge know all the important details including numbers, food requirements etc when making your booking.

Serges Ph: 0418 409 560

Club Cruise Captain is Tim Epton.
He will be meeting members going on the run at the RAA car park at Richmond Road offices at 10am.
Departure time at 10.30am before heading up through the Adelaide Hills.



EARLY NOTICE

APRIL CLUB DINNER

Knots Kitchen - Lakes Resort Hotel

141 Brebner Dr, West Lakes

Saturday, April 12, 2025 - 6:30pm

Hosted by Shirelee & Peter Mourdoukoutas

For bookings contact Peter: 0402 447 688

RSVP Saturday 5th April



Menu

South Australian Fish & Chips \$26.00

Coopers Pale Ale Beer Battered Fillets, Mixed Garden Salad, Fries,
Lemon & Tartare Sauce GFA/LFA

Wagyu Beef Burger \$25.00

Chargrilled Wagyu Patty, American Cheese, Lettuce, Caramelised
Onion, tomato Relish & Fries

+Bacon \$2.00

+Egg \$2.00

Carvery \$26.00

Roast Beef & Pork with Roasted Veggies, Yorkshire Pudding,
Corn & Gravy

Fried Rice \$26.00

BBQ Pork, Prawns, with Spring Onions, Peas, Capsicum, Bean
Sprouts, Egg & Crispy Shallots

Panko Crumbed Chicken or Beef Schnitzel \$28.00

Served with Fries, Salad & Choice of Sauce

+Gravy, Dianne or Mushroom \$2.00

+Parmigiana \$4.00

+Kilpatrick or Hawaiian \$4.00

*** CLUBS NEW WEBSITE ***

Be sure to check out the clubs new website. A lot of work has gone into this behind the scenes and it's an asset the club can be proud of.

PARKES ALIVE 2025

IF YOU'RE PLANNING ON ATTENDING THE 2025 CORVETTE NATIONALS IN PARKES NSW, GO TO OURS OR THE NSW CORVETTE CAR CLUBS WEBSITE FOR THE FULL REGISTRATION FORM AND INFORMATION BROCHURE



The First Lady and

(well, lets not go there) has put together some information on their trip to Parkes for the Nationals next year.

Due to work commitments, they will be staying in Hay on the way over and Swan Hill on the way back. Here are the details.

Towns	Distance	Hours of Driving	Notes
Adelaide to Parkes			
Adelaide to Hay	700kms	7 Hours	
Meet Taillem Bend			
Tailem Bend to Hay	560kms	6 Hours	
The Saltbush Inn, Hay	27/03/2025 – 28/03/2025	193 Lachlan Street, Hay	02 6993 4555
Hay to Parkes	400kms	4 Hours	
Parkes to Adelaide			
Parkes to Swan Hill	600kms	6 Hours, 20 mins	
Quality Inn, Swan Hill	31/03/2025 – 01/04/2025	396 Campbell Street, Swan Hill	03 5032 4427
Swan Hill to Adelaide	500kms	5 Hours, 30 Mins	

Hours of Driving doesn't take into consideration Jimmy stops, Fuel stops, Eating Stops. 😊



HEADS UP – CLUB TALK

ETIQUETTE FOR CLUB MEMBERS ATTENDING EVENTS

DINNERS

We would like to highlight some housekeeping rules for club members conduct when booking and attending events.

Please have consideration of the vendors and organisers of club events.

If you have booked a place at a seated event and are no longer able to attend, please ensure that you inform the organiser with reasonable notice or by due date allowing other members to attend.

Do not attend an event expecting a place if you have not made a prior booking.

We must respect the vendors capacity to hold the numbers allocated as this impacts their level of seating availability and staffing for meals and serving.

Not providing notice that you can't attend, could become a cost to the club if we have prepaid deposits for attendees.

RUNS

When attending a club run that has two (or more) meeting points (eg. a North and South meeting point), the organiser may designate a mid point rendezvous location. It is important to adhere to that location and timing for the following reasons.

This ensures we all arrive at the final destination as a group at the same time without creating disorganisation / misunderstandings.

If there are incidents along the way, club members will be aware to provide support to those affected.

No changes to be made to the route of the event unless approved by organiser of the event.

It is our intention to create an ethos that demonstrates professionalism and unity which in turn gives us credibility in the public arena.



Welcome to our new members

Trevor Rogers
Grant & Jenny Cirillo
Chris & Jeanine McAuliffe
Gary & Nagina Webb
Dino & Lisa Vittese
Peter Jug & Kerry Parsons
Darryl & Evangeline Smith
Greg Milsom

MAELYNS NEXT "LUCKY ENVELOPE" PRIZES



Be in it to win it!!

Tickets available
at our upcoming
meetings.

2 x Tickets for
\$5.00



TIM NEEDS A FAVOUR

If you're an owner of a Conditional Registered Vehicle with our club, our Conditional Registration Coordinator Officer - Tim would appreciate, if or when you sell your car, to please call him or one of the other C.R.V. officers and tell them that you no longer own the car. If you don't, Tim will get angry!! ☹

ALSO, IF ANY NEW MEMBERS TO THE CLUB WOULD LIKE CCSA NAME TAGS, CONTACT TIM PH: 0421 103 230 AND HE WILL ARRANGE THEM

A Tale of Woe!!

By Peter McBride

Sometime ago, (approximately 2 years), I wrote about rebuilding the engine on my '87 Corvette. As part of the rebuild, I replaced everything except for the crank & the heads, which were rebored, ported, polished & decked.

All good, so I thought..... Boy, did that come back to bite me in the ass.

As we are going over to Parkes for the Nationals, Mrs Bling says to me "I think we should take the Vette out to see if the A/C is up to a hot day".

So, on the long weekend (42-degree day), we decided to go for a run. (What could possibly go wrong?) I know you are smiling already!!

Well, we headed out North, 43 degrees & rising, all going well. A/C reasonably cold, then we got caught in stop-go traffic. After half an hour or so, the car starts to labour & then the temperature gauge goes to the red square with 160 next to it.

Time to pull over. By this time smoke starting to come out from under the bonnet.

First thought, "SHIT, grab the Fire Extinguisher & lift the bonnet carefully". This happened behind Coopers brewery, so I thought I can always get some beer to douse the fire if need be??

All good, no flames, the smoke was coming from the back of the engine so maybe an oil leak from a bugged seal (hopefully).

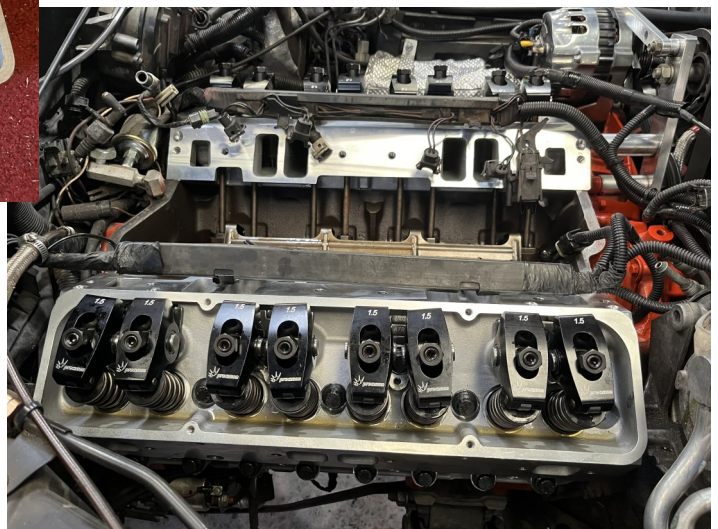
Anyway, had to check the coolant, so I decided to check the overflow & that was all good, so figured, OK still has coolant, we will cradle her home. On the way temp went from 90, 130, 160, 125, 128, 80.. lottery numbers but no sups.

Then the death rattle started. Sounded like marbles in a tin can & getting louder. Do I keep driving??

Still 42 degrees & bloody hot. I said, "we'd be lucky to get RAA today", so kept going. By putting the car in neutral at stop lights, the rattle stopped.

Ahh transmission issues?? But that was completely rebuilt with hi-stall converter & shift kit fitted. It's just getting better! Anyway, I finally got her back home, parked & said "that will be tomorrow's problem".

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A Tale of Woe!!

By Peter McBride

Next day, checked the radiator & poured 6 litres of water into radiator. OK, so where did it go? No leaks, not in the oil or transmission as I checked the oil & there was no contamination. Next day was nice & cool, so I took her out, but she rose to 130 degrees after less than 5 kms. So, I lifted the bonnet, could see it was coming through the Thermostat housing & out of the overflow. As it was so hot the day before, I thought everything was just evaporating, so maybe all is OK?? New Thermostat Sealant, Radiator Cap & she'll be good?? How wrong can I be??

After pressure testing we found the cause of the smoke was warped heads & coolant getting into the spark plugs. Hence the rough idle & hard to start.

So, damages started to build. Couldn't use the heads, so new ones required. Might as well go with racing heads, specially built to suit the Big Mother Cam shaft, oversized rings & all the good bits (after all, it's only money & you can't take it with you). That's what I keep telling myself, anyway. Needed a new Dizzy cap as that managed to be cactus (see photo). All new roller rockers & so on... replaced all the hoses & pissed the braided hose covering off as these only help to disguise emerging problems (learnt the hard way!).

After 2 weeks & more money, I have the car back & I guess there is always an upside. I have a heap more power. Boy, does this thing boogie now... New rear tyres coming soon.

And as far as the transmission, that's all good. The rattle was caused by broken bolts on the exhaust system & that was the rattle as the motor was shaking so much from missing.

So, as a result, Dodge Hellcat is going to Parkes. (Power, Comfort & Reliability). No more smartass comments about, "all should be good. I'll say, just stay tuned for the next episode".

Cheers Bling



FOR SALE

CLASSIFIELDS

George Paikos is looking to sell this lovely car.

It's a 1981 Corvette Stingray, Silver in colour. I've recently replaced the original 350 engine for a blueprint 383 crate engine and fully rebuilt the transmission with a stage 2 shift kit and a 3000 stall converter. I've also added some new centrelines and tyres. It has some chips on the front of the bumper which will need fixing.

It looks and sounds like a muscle car and hasn't even done 800 kms since the rebuild.

Real head turner for sure.

\$68,000

My contact number is 0400033569

Happy for anyone that's interested to contact me all hours of the day.



FOR SALE 1991 C4 ZR1.

6 speed manual 64ks LT5 quad cam engine

\$108,888 ono

Neil 0413009723



FOR SALE

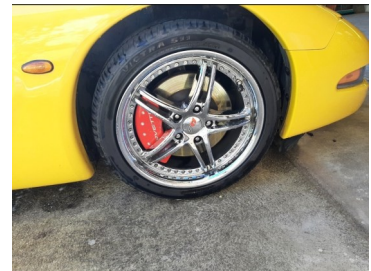
CLASSIFIEDS

1998 C5 Corvette, 54,000kms, 4 speed auto, 5.7 l 350 ci, Bluetooth cd/ radio,.

Conversion by Corvette Clinic. 18" front & 19" rear, Bullet wheels.

\$59,950

Ray PH: 0402 882945



FOR SALE

1984 Corvette C4

350 5.7ltr. Right hand converted. Detailed history.

Black and silver wrap. Good tyres and rims

All electrics work (dash, windows, seats)

Interior ok, seats need repair

Drives great

Would love to see this go to an enthusiast, so not going to put it online yet.

Not a showroom car but plenty of potential.

\$25,000.

Chris PH: 0478779214



FEELING HUNGRY???

Do you have a favourite Restaurant, Pub or Eatery?

Serge wants to hear from you.

**We're looking for members to put their hand up and
volunteer to organise a club dinner or two.**

Openings available immediately.

**Please call Serge to arrange a suitable date and arrangements on
Ph; 0418 409 560**

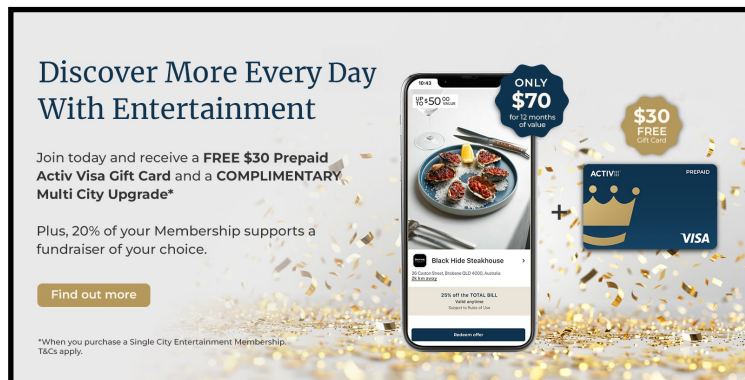
CLUB EVENTS: IF YOU HAVE AN AMAZING IDEA

As Events Coordinator, I know everyone is busy from month to month with friends and family commitments etc, but we are always looking for ideas from club members involving runs, dinners, weekends away or any other events as a social outing.

**The clubs aims at holding two events per month (usually 1 run & 1 dinner).
So please contact me to assist planning your amazing ideas.**

The structured events will then be published in our monthly newsletter and club website for all to be made aware of dates and details .

Regards Serge



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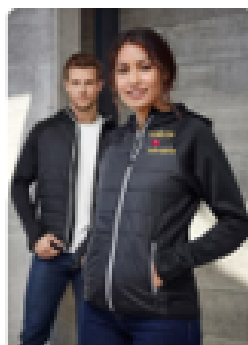


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Club Merchandise

Cooler Weather Wear



Stealth Jacket available in Mens and Ladies - \$110

100% Quilted Nylon Ripstop. Back/Sleeves: 95% Polyester, 5% Elastane Stretch Bonded Fleece. 100% Hi-loft Insulation. Poyfill. Thumb loops to keep hands warm. Insulated quilting on chest front for lightweight warmth. Contrast front zipper and pockets. Stand up collar with integrated bonded fleece hood. Modern Fit. Available in Black/Silver. Black/Red Sizes: Men S -3XL Ladies: XS - 2XL

Buller Puffer Jacket - \$130

Contemporary styling, lightweight construction. Outer 100% Nylon inner 100% Polyester lightweight fill. 2 Front Pockets, elasticated cuffs. Zip front with High collar for warmth & comfort. Available in Black or Navy Sizes: Mens S-3XL,5XL



Mens Tempest Jacket \$130

100% Recycled Polyester; Waterproof, abrasion Resistant Fabric. Seam-sealed throughout. Waterproof centre front zipper. Elasticated sleeve cuffs, hem and hood opening. Embroidery access zip in lining side seam. Front pockets with zip closure. Available in Black.

Sizes: Mens S – 3XL, 5XL Ladies 8 – 22

AP-1523 Snowy Mens Puffer Vest \$96

Lightweight warmth without bulk. 2 front welt pockets. Zip front closure. Elasticated armholes for increase freedom of movement

Available in Black or Navy

Sizes: Mens S – 3XL, 5XL Ladies 8 – 22



C8 ZR1 What a Beast!!!

GM just dropped all the juicy details on the **2025 C8 ZR1**, and let's just say—it's a game-changer.

We're talking **1,064 horsepower**, straight from the factory, in a road-legal production car. No million-dollar hypercar price tag, no off-road-only restrictions, no catch. Just a real, factory-built monster that shatters expectations. So, how did GM pull this off? Let's break it down.

The foundation of this beast is the LT6 engine from the Z06, which already cranks out 670 hp in naturally aspirated form. The new LT7 engine takes that same platform and slaps on a pair of turbochargers. Simple, right? Not exactly.

In the aftermarket, adding forced induction to an existing engine typically adds around 50% more power with just 7 psi of boost. So, using that math, it's easy to see how GM took the LT6 and turned it into a four-figure horsepower machine.

But they didn't just throw boost at it and hope for the best. The compression ratio was dropped from 12.5:1 to 9.8:1, giving it better knock resistance and durability. And in early testing, with barely any boost, this thing was already making 830 hp without even breaking a sweat. Once GM dialed it up to 20 psi, the magic number—**1,064 hp**—became reality.

Big power needs big fuel delivery. GM stuck with a proven dual-injection system, combining direct injection (DI) and port fuel injection (PFI)—a setup similar to what we've seen in the LT5 and Ford's EcoBoost engines. The DI system keeps combustion under control, while the PFI injectors step in to dump the fuel mass needed at high loads. This is one of the keys to making this much power while still running pump gas without turning the engine into a ticking time bomb.

The ZR1's twin-turbo system is smart—really smart. Under normal conditions, 20 psi gets you the full 1,064 hp. But if you're driving in hot weather or at high altitudes, where air density takes a hit, the turbos compensate by spinning harder. The system automatically adjusts to keep delivering the same power level no matter the conditions. And thanks to water-to-air charge coolers, the intake temps stay nice and stable, keeping performance consistent.

Why Turbos Instead of a Supercharger?

GM could've gone the supercharger route like they did with the LT4 (Z06) and LS9 (ZR1), but turbos just make more sense when chasing max efficiency.

Here's why:

Turbos use wasted energy from the exhaust to drive the compressor, while superchargers drain power from the crankshaft.

Less parasitic loss—a supercharger at full boost can rob triple-digit horsepower just to operate, while turbos make power more efficiently.

More tuning flexibility—a turbo setup can adjust on the fly for different conditions, where a supercharger is more of a one-size-fits-all solution.

Bottom line? Turbos are just the smarter move when your goal is four-digit horsepower in a street car that still has to pass emissions, stay cool, and remain somewhat efficient.

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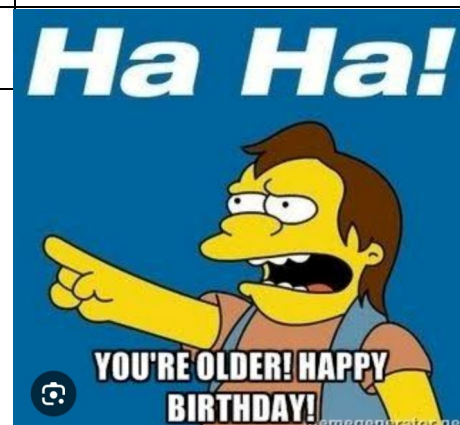
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HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY to the following members.

Arthur (R4) Hasse	Peter Monu	Anthony Catinari
David Schrapel	Karen McConnell	Neville Thatcher
Rob McConnell	Kevin Virgin	Sandra Howard
Geof Tartosie	David Askins	Christine Thatcher
Catherine Neagle	Joffrey Hochstrasser	Larry Finis
Lynda McBride	Tony Rocca	Jim Dornan
Greg Long	Daryl Chaproniere	AntonioCasiero
Richard Hilton	Dianne Pascoe	

*Apologies if you have been missed.
Club records may not have your birthday.*



Expression of Interest.

The club committee is seeking someone to join the team to coordinate Log Books.

The expansion of Conditional Registration (also referred to as Club Rego) has created some extra work for the hard-working Club Registrar and Club Inspectors team.

What was once a simple job of getting a handful of Log Books has evolved into a real job. The Club Registrar team would really appreciate an extra member to take on the role of looking after Log Books, so they can just get on with doing what they do.

The position would involve the purchase of Log Books, distribution to the team and recording of where those log books went. Arthur will help get you into the role.

Most of the work is only during the November to January period.

Any club members who are good at organising stuff and have a slight OCD bent are strongly encouraged to apply. Also, this role is considered a general Committee member that adds towards Life Membership.

President Sean.

Maelyn needs your help



Maelyn, The Club and HeartKids would appreciate any donations of items that can be used as fund raising prizes.

All items can be left with Maelyn at any general meeting.

Thanks in advance.

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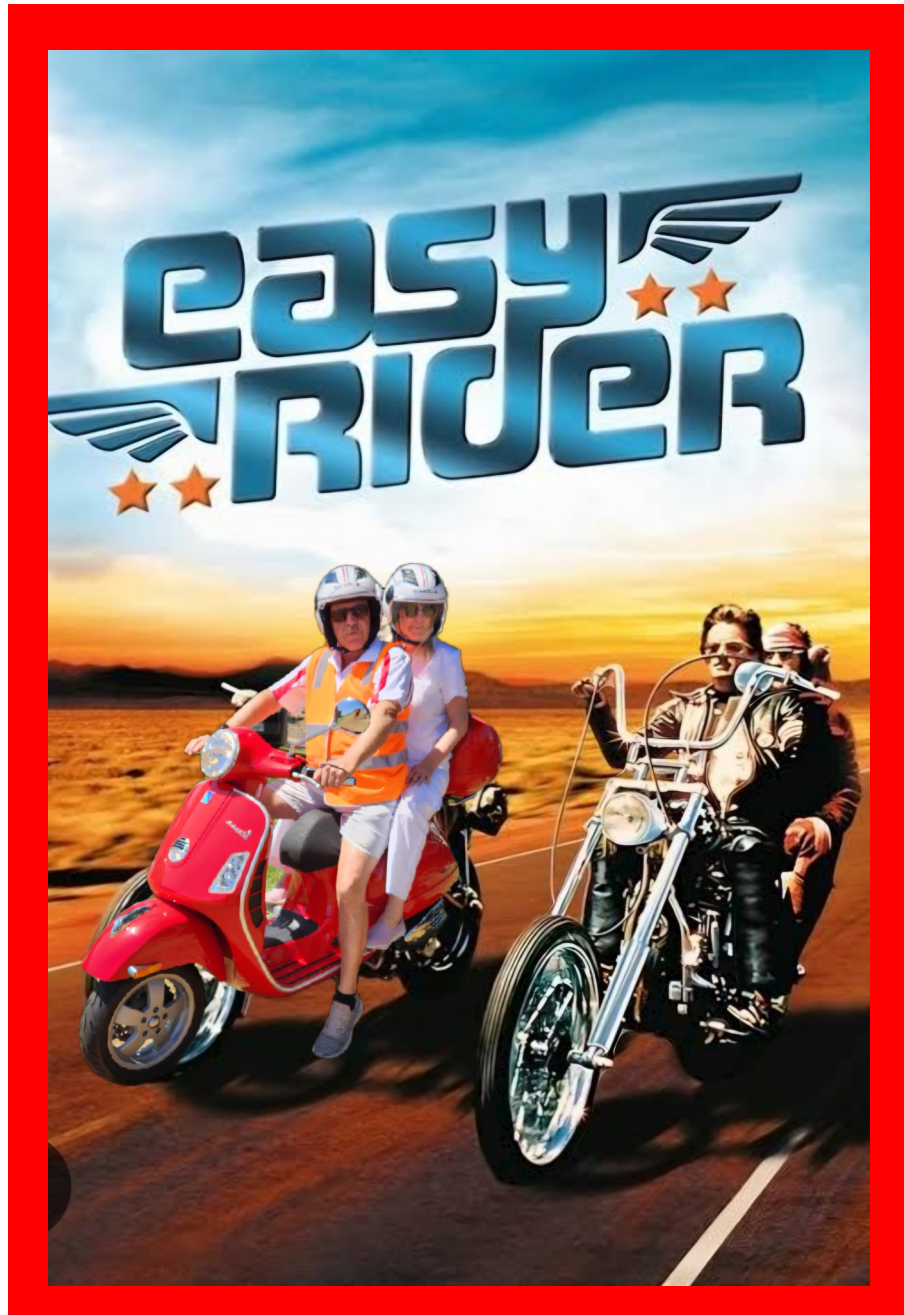
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