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Presidents Report - Murray Forman

Dear Valued Members,

As we enter the month of April, the NCRS is pleased to announce the commencement of Chapter Judging Meets in both Sydney and Perth. These events provide a fantastic opportunity for members to showcase their meticulously restored Corvettes and celebrate the enduring legacy of this iconic American automobile. We are currently finalizing details for a Queensland Chapter Judging Meet and will provide further information in due course.

The NCRS continues to experience significant growth in membership, particularly in Western Australia. We extend our sincere gratitude to our dedicated members in this region for their outstanding efforts in promoting the Society and its mission.

Looking ahead, we are delighted to confirm two Chapter Meets for the upcoming year, with plans for additional events in development. The first meet will be held in New South Wales on May 12th, 2024, followed by a meet in Perth on April 27th. Finally, a Chapter Judging Meet in New South Wales on October 19th, 2024, will provide ample time for members in both regions to organize their schedules for Club Registration.

We are also excited to announce that Wendy and I will be attending the National Convention this July in Hampton, Virginia. This prestigious event promises to be a gathering of Corvette enthusiasts from across the globe, and we look forward to sharing a detailed report with you in the next newsletter.

In addition to Chapter Judging Meets, we would like to acknowledge the continued success of the east coast breakfast runs organised by Rod. These informal gatherings provide a wonderful opportunity for members to connect over their shared passion for Corvettes and enjoy a delightful start to the day.

The NCRS remains committed to fostering a vibrant community for Corvette enthusiasts across Australia. We look forward to a season filled with exciting events and opportunities to celebrate the timeless beauty and enduring legacy of the Corvette.

Murray Forman
President NCRS Australia



Secretary's Report / Editors

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

Please consider doing a small editorial on your vacation 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. Rather than the Newsletter being filled up with Murray & myself experiences on our travels.

Please stay safe.

Wendy Forman

Editor Secretary.

Vice Presidents Report

Nothing this Newsletter

Treasurers Comments 2023

Nothing this newsletter

New Members

Welcome to all new Members to our Chapter.

Grizzly Adams WA
William Underwood WA
David Morris QLD
Peter Jellesema WA
Linden Sutherland WA

Parts for sale

Corvette Parts For Sale in WA. Terry Martin 0448 816 067, all offers considered.

1969 /1981 4 new trim rings in the boxes 10 years old \$800.00 and 4 centre caps with Chevrolet motor division in the caps 300.00 used in good con









Parts Chris Farrer

1972 Corvette 454 with air NOS 7 blade fan (with the fingers) - \$900

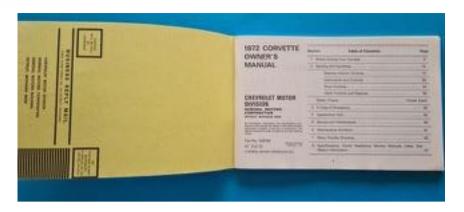
1970 - 73 Corvette Original Rocker Panels with front tab - \$800

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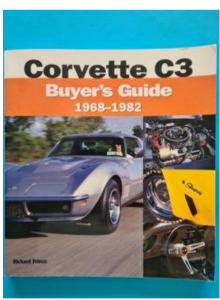
Corvette C3 Buyers Guide 1968 - 82 2nd edition vgc - \$120

Corvette 1968 - 1982 Restoration Guide vgc - \$120























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NCRS Chapter Flight Award

For a decade of excellence, the **National Corvette Restorers Society of Australia Inc.** (**NCRS Australia**) has consistently achieved the coveted NCRS Chapter Top Flight Award, securing victories in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019, and 2022. While the program was understandably paused due to COVID-19 in 2020 and 2021, NCRS Australia's dedication remains unwavering.

The NCRS Chapter Award Program itself fosters a spirit of camaraderie and knowledge-sharing among Corvette enthusiasts. Chapters are evaluated based on their participation in events, restoration expertise, and adherence to established criteria. To achieve the prestigious Top Flight Award, a chapter must not only fulfill all eight required activities but also excel in at least six variable activities throughout the program year, along with timely submission of quarterly reports.

This commitment to excellence is precisely what NCRS Australia embodies.

With eager anticipation, we await the results for this year, confident in replicating our Top Flight performance.

Preparations for the upcoming program year are already well underway, ensuring NCRS Australia's continued pursuit of excellence in Corvette preservation and community engagement.



Gary Cowans Chapter Flight Award Manager, Australia.



Shane's Hanger Visit WA Members

The roar of engines and glint of chrome filled the air as car and plane enthusiasts converged on Shane's hangar on Saturday February 2.



This was the second in the West Australian members shed visits.









The turnout was incredible, with a dazzling array of aircraft lining the space like a flock of metallic birds. But beyond the awe-inspiring machines, the real highlight was the sizzling barbecue and the warm camaraderie that filled the air.

















A heartfelt thank you to Shane for hosting such a magnificent event! It was a day brimming with shared passion, insightful conversations, and delectable food. As the afternoon sun dipped below the horizon, a gentle rumble of thunder hinted at a possible downpour. This prompted the

below the horizon, a gentle rumble of thunder hinted at a possible downpour. This prompted the Corvettes to take an early flight (or rather, hit the road!), but not before the question on everyone's lips was voiced: "Whose hangar will be the next gathering ground?" Whispers of Andrew's hidden beyon postled in the hills sperked excitement for future adventures.

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Members attending; Gizzly Adams, David Alder, Brom & Matt Alexander, Tim & Carolyn Allard, Morten Benjaminsen & Bernard, Gary Cowans, Mick Delich and his Grandson Jack, Nick Falcone, Richard Geiger & Louis, Ian Gibbings, Shane Gifford, Peter Graham, Terry martin, Colin Morris, John Neskudla, Sharon & Andrew Ridge, Aiden & Glen Shreeve, Jason Trebilcock, Blaine Ulmer and Tania & Gary Wilkinson.



Cars & Coffee Perth Feb 4th 2024

Classic Cars & Coffee is a delightful two-hour gathering held on the grounds of the University of Western Australia. This event brings car enthusiasts together to share in their passion over a cup of coffee, all while raising valuable funds for the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia.



Last Sunday's event offered a welcome respite from the scorching 40-degree days that dominated the previous week.

Seizing the opportunity, John decided to organize a group of us the Sunday gathering. The highlight of the morning was undoubtedly the impressive car display. Seven Corvettes put on a dazzling show, each one captivating the audience with its unique charm. Among them was Andrew's captivating 1960 Cadillac, adding a touch of vintage elegance to the mix. The presence of a classic 1954 Corvette alongside several gleaming new C8 models provided a fascinating contrast across generations of Chevrolet's iconic sports car.



The event was incredibly well-attended, demonstrating the strong community spirit among car enthusiasts and their commitment to supporting important causes. This turnout undoubtedly translated into a significant fundraising contribution to the Prostate Cancer Foundation, helping them in their crucial work against this disease.











Members attending; Sharon & Andrew Ridge, Aiden & Glen Shreeve, Brad Watson, Peter Graham, John Neskudla, Andrew Jaques & Gary Cowans.

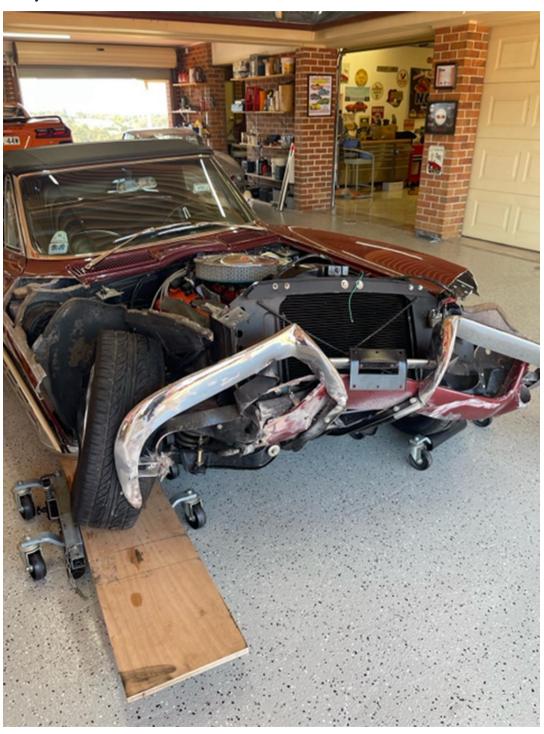






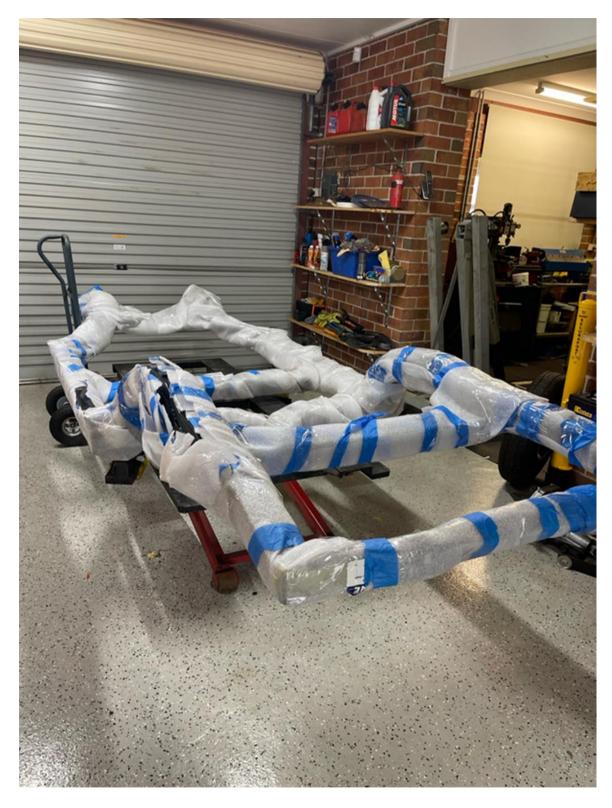
Peter's 1967

A dear friend of mine contacted me about a situation that had come up on one of his cars. In discussion with Peter, I offered to help him with the rebuild of his 1967 convertible. On receiving the vehicle, we did a dismantle and a shopping list that was required. The timeline fitted in just before Wendy & I travelled to America to attend the National Convention.









When we were in California, we went to American Finest Corvette factory where I inspected a 1967 corvette chassis & suspension parts. The decision was made to purchase these and have them shipped to LA to go into a container.



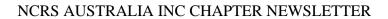
We purchased a new front clip from Coffman Corvettes along with parts from Corvette Central, Keen Parts and second-hand parts acquired by my dear friend Jimmy Hornaday

We then had all these parts shipped to another set of friends Bev & John In California where they stored all the parts until it was ready to load the container and then they dropped them to the shippers depot.

At this point, I must thank Jim Hornaday & Bev & John Legate, without their assistance, this project would have been a complete nightmare. Their input made it a lot easier A big thank you goes to you both.



At arrival in Sydney, we decided to hire a car trailer to pick up the shipment. Graham & Bill came along to assist, we filled the back of the Silverado and also the trailer with all the parts, one BIG load.







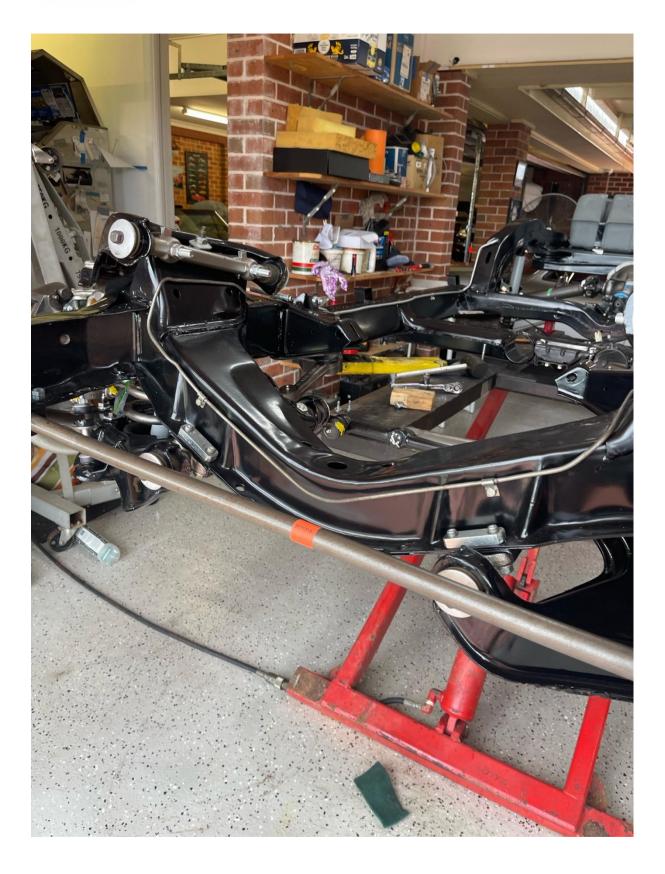
Here are some of the parts stored in my garage.



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The first project was to unwrap the chassis & suspension parts and assemble the chassis to a rolling chassis, ready for installing under the car once the front clip had been bonded on.



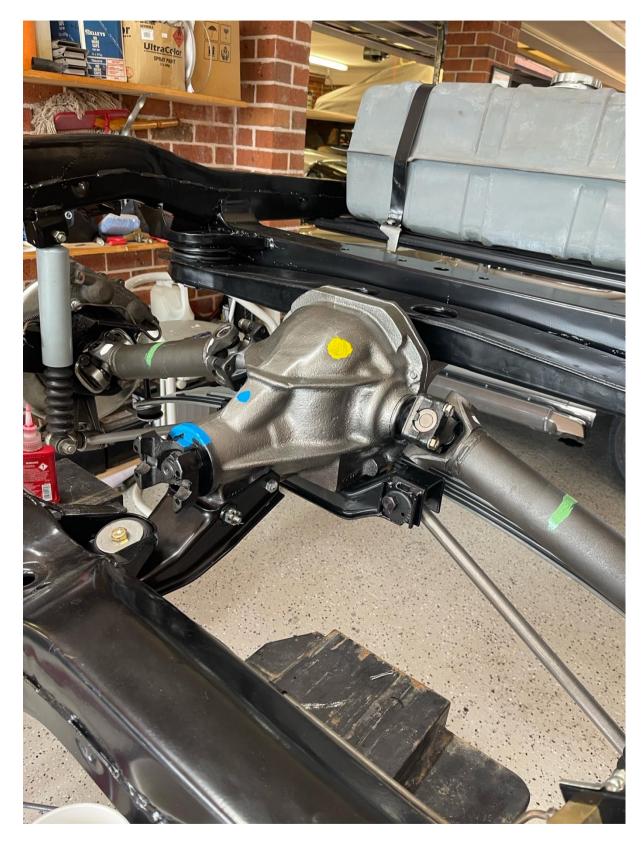






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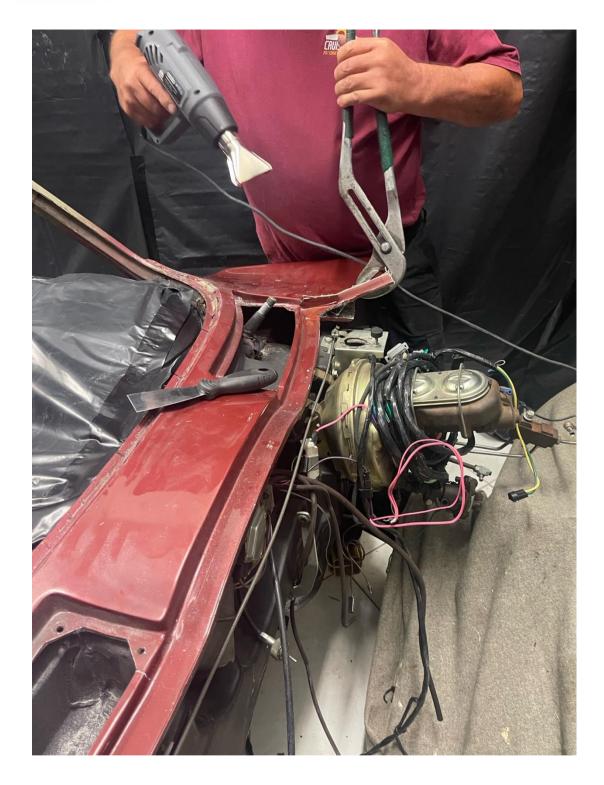




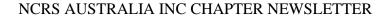
I decided to colour-code and tag some of the equipment in the chassis.



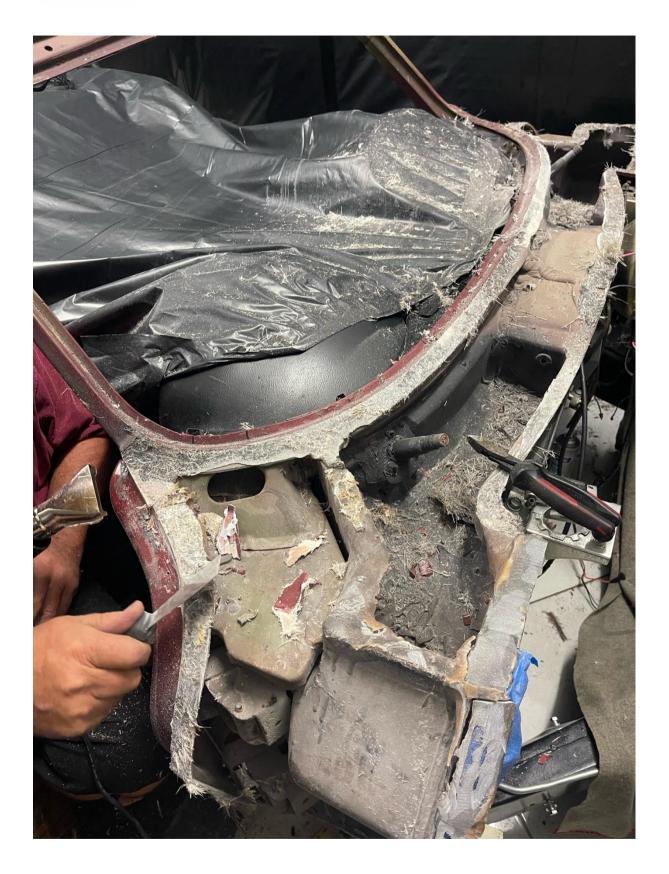




After communicating with Terry Martin, we decided to get him to come over from Perth as I have had no experience in removal & installation of a front clip and Terry has done three in the past. I was amazed how easy it was to remove the old clip using a heat gun and Terry's dental plyers.

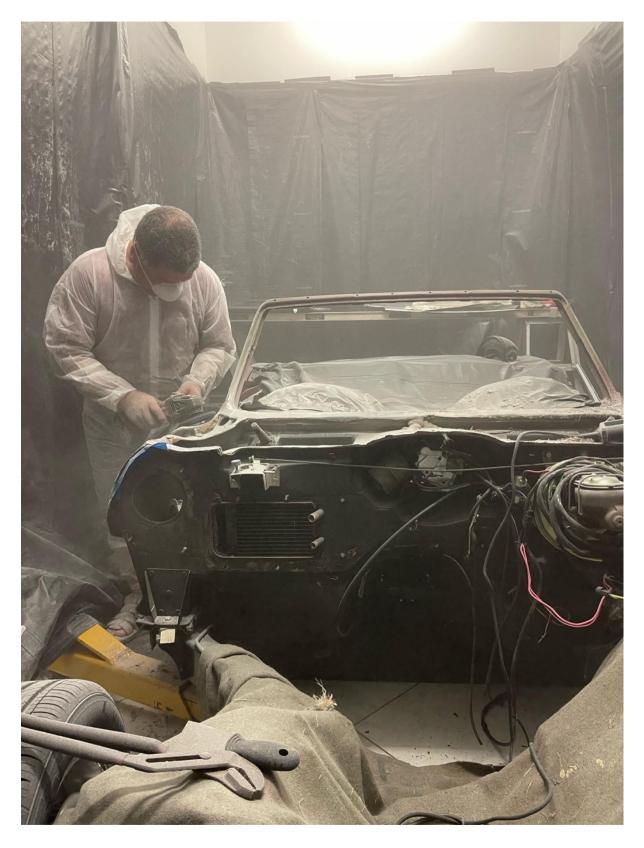






We uncovered previous damage to the heater box area, which we had to repair before we could install the new clip.





I erected a dust collection area in my garage around the 2-post hoist, to try & contain as much dust as possible.

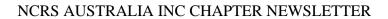




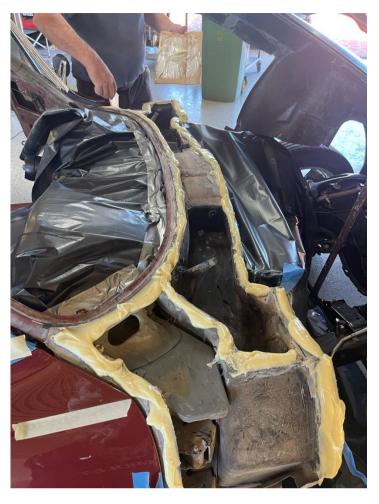


This did work, but it still let some dust out but without it, it would have been a complete disaster









After we had done a trial with the front clip, we then mixed up and installed the bonding agent.





After body work was completed, and prepared the car for the painter, I decided to install the front

grill and bumper-bars to see that everything still fitted.





Now that the front clip is on the car looks happy that it is back together again, the next step is off to the painters where the vehicle will come back to me where I will complete the assembly of the car. Another editorial will be coming in the near future, Murray.



2024 Calendar

WA Members meet at Terry Martins new workshop every Saturday 10AM-2PM. The Address Unit 1 101 Motivation Drive WANGARA WA

We are working on Chapter Meets in Queensland & NSW later this year.

NSW Members and partners welcome to the eastern states Club

Breakfast Runs held every 3rd Sunday of the month NSW.

QLD members meet on third Saturday morning of every second month at Cars & Coffee Jindalee Depart, 7-30 to drive to the venue.

NSW Flight Chapter Meet, Kurrajong Hills MAY 12th 2024

PERTH Chapter Meet Fremantle April 27th, 2024

PERTH Chapter Meet Freemantle Oct 19th, 2024

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WINDCHEATER JACKET \$52.00.00



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WOOLLEN VEST \$45.00.00



DRINK HOLDERS \$10







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.

T-SHIRTS \$35.00



CUPS \$10-00



CAP \$30-00





BLACK & GREEN POLO \$45-00







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NCRS Texas

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www.corvettesnuseum.com

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Membership Officers Report

NCRS Austral Inc. Club Membership - RENWALS

- 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:
 - o 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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