



## CORVETTES OF CANBERRA CLUB NEWSLETTER CLUB'S 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY YEAR

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***Dinners and Cruises postponed until Coronavirus restrictions lifted***

**Next Dinner:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month, details by text and at [www.corvettesofcanberra.org.au](http://www.corvettesofcanberra.org.au)

**Next Cruise:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month, meet at 9.30am the Eagle, Reid, for 10am departure



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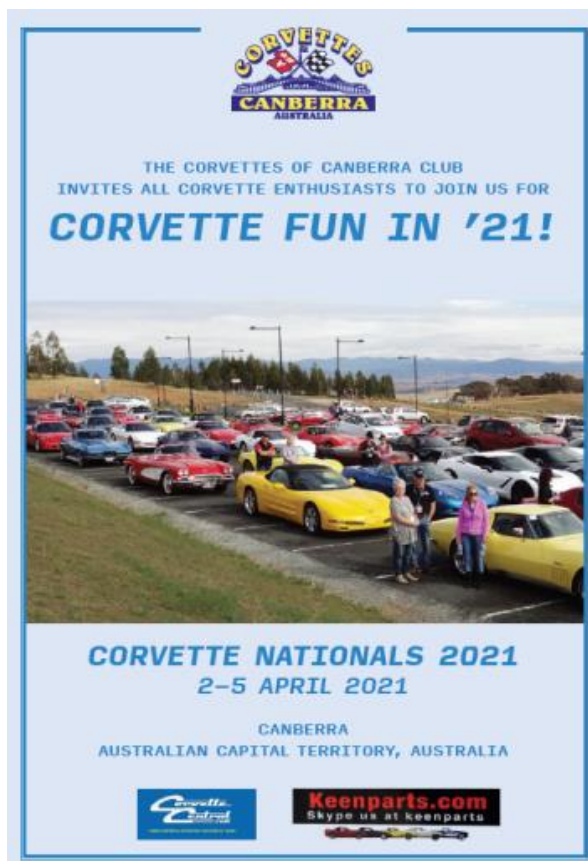
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## President's Report

Dear Members,

*I'm writing on the 40th Anniversary of our Club! Sadly we will have to postpone our celebrations until a later time after the virus restrictions are lifted.*

*We are in difficult times with the virus restrictions, but hopefully if we all do the right thing this will pass. As a car club it would be nice to keep in touch with other club members - and they are only a phone call away.*



<http://corvettesofcanberra.org.au/>

As a result of the virus restrictions, it's very disappointing that the Corvette Nationals 2020 organised by the Corvette Club of South Australia has been cancelled after many months of work needed to organise the event.

This means that the Corvette Nationals for 2021 will be held in Canberra next year during the Easter long weekend. Our Convention Committee has a great program in place as outlined in the Brochure that had been prepared to announce the event – and will soon be available from the Corvettes of Canberra Club [website](http://corvettesofcanberra.org.au/) at

Regards and keep safe. Terry

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### Important – Newsletter

*This is the last Newsletter to be mailed out to members. Please text Peter Bond 0424 122 213 if you would like to receive the Newsletter by mail.*



## **CLUB CHRISTMAS MYSTERY CRUISE AND LUNCH, George Hotel, Bungendore, 8 December 2019**

We had a good number of cars for a clever Mystery Cruise (thanks Karen! with driver Terry). Judith & Joe won the Mystery Spotting Cruise - but there were prizes for all with Secret Santa presents and games following a well-earned lunch.



**Studying or not-studying the Mystery Cruise instructions**







Which  
company  
provides  
a  
Corvette  
Learner  
Vehicle?





## CRUISE TO ROBERTSON, 1 March 2020

Perfect cruise weather and a very good number of Club Vettes for the drive to the Southern Highlands to meet with colleagues from the NSW Corvettes Club. An enjoyable two hour cruise in picturesque countryside as we built-up appetites for lunch at the Robertson Pub.



Checkout the [video!](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-5T-1Q6k7eQ)  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-5T-1Q6k7eQ>















**NSW Corvettes Club Vettes awaiting our arrival at the Robertson Pub**















Whose shout is it?

*Another great Detroit Billboard!*









**HOT OFF THE PRESS** – Thanks to Peter Steve

## HAGERTY OUTLINES THE ENTIRE FUTURE OF THE C8 MODEL LINEUP FROM LEAKED DOCUMENTS, 22 April 2020

<https://www.corvetteblogger.com/2020/04/22/hagerty-outlines-the-entire-future-of-the-c8-model-lineup-from-leaked-documents/>



In a document that was “[dropped in Hagerty Media’s editorial laps](#),” General Motors’ executive director in charge of program management, Michelle Braun issued a blanket order to suppliers that effectively pauses all future car and truck development in response to the [COVID-19 pandemic](#). This document is of particular interest around here as it tips off what GM has up their collective sleeve regarding the future of the mid-engine Corvette program.

Using these hints, other leaks, and some of their own speculations, Hagerty was able to surmise upcoming Corvette engines along with their estimated power and torque outputs, the most likely landing place for each engine, and the model year that GM had planned to put each one onto the road before the shutdown occurred. Here is what they came up with:



Year	Engine	Power (est.)	Torque (est.)	Likely Application
2021	LT2 6.2L 16-Valve OHV	490-495 HP	465-470 lb-ft	RHD Corvettes For Export
2022	LT6 5.5L 32-Valve DOHC	650 HP	600 lb-ft	Corvette Z06
2023	LT2 6.2L 16-Valve OHV Hybrid	600 HP	500 lb-ft	Corvette Grand Sport
2024	LT7 5.5L Twin-Turbo DOHC	850 HP	825 lb-ft	Corvette ZR1
2025	LT7HP1 5.5L Twin-Turbo DOHC Hybrid	1,000 HP	975 lb-ft	Corvette ZORA

This list pretty closely resembles some [previous leaks and speculation](#) that has been seen on this site and from other publications. Of the many things that really stand out is the General's apparent plan to hit the market with a new Corvette variant every year for the next five years. The C8's sophomore campaign was supposed to mark the first time that right-hand-drive Corvettes hit international markets. We are hopeful for our friends overseas that production will resume in time for them to still get their hands on the greatest export in American history, it will do wonderful things for foreign relations!

2022 is when things get extremely interesting. That is the model year that GM plans on unleashing the Z06 upon the world. The dream engine that your author has optimistically posed about many times seems like it might actually come to fruition. It is the C8.R-based [dual-overhead-cam 5.5-liter flat-plane-crank V8](#) that will shriek like a pre-turbo Ferrari and spin well past 8,000 rpm. This fantasy motor now has a name, LT6 and once it hits the showroom with an estimated 650 naturally aspirated horsepower and a speculated starting price around US\$85,000, the supercar world will never be the same.



Just one year after the revelatory Z06 is introduced, the General plans on keeping their foot to the floor with a 600 HP Grand Sport that should follow tradition and



incorporate the Z's looks with the Stingray's engine. This time around though, there is a surprise in store to the tune of a 105 HP electric boost (the first for a Corvette) that will further distinguish the GS from the base car.

If the previous two cars are going to send a shock into the market, what's next is going to kick the exotics to the ground, steal their lunch money, and leave with their girlfriend. The King of the Hill returns for the third straight generation (what a time to be alive!), this time with twin-turbos bolted to the Z06's 5.5L V8 to make an all-new LT7 with 850 ponies.

Finally, in 2025, we can expect all of the "ZORA" speculation to manifest itself in a Hybrid version of the ZR1's twin-turbo engine which will reportedly make Bugatti levels of power... in a factory Corvette!

If all of this is true, the next half of a decade is going to bring historic levels of fun to Corvette Nation!

**Source:**

[hagerty.com](http://hagerty.com)

**Related:**

[MotorTrend: The C8 Corvette ZR1 Will be a Twin-Turbo DOHC V8 Hybrid with 900 HP!](#)

[\[RUMOR\] C8 Corvette Z06 Will Have a Flat-Plane Crank Twin Turbo V8](#)

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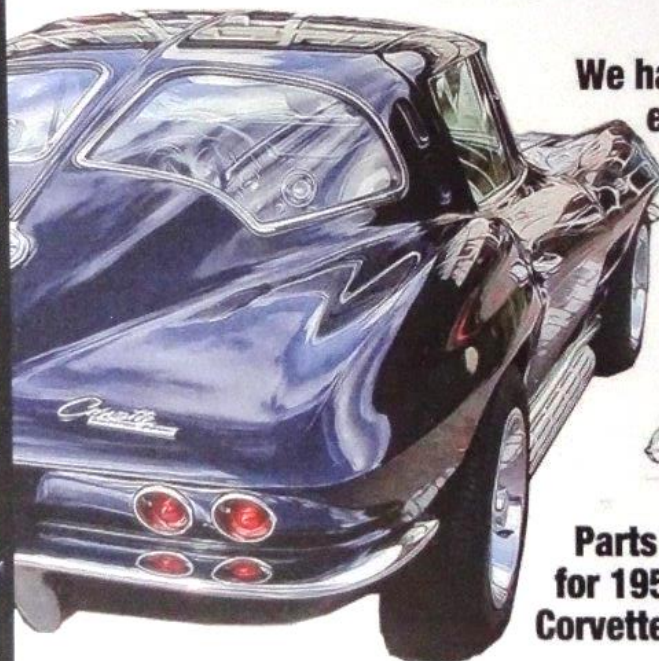
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