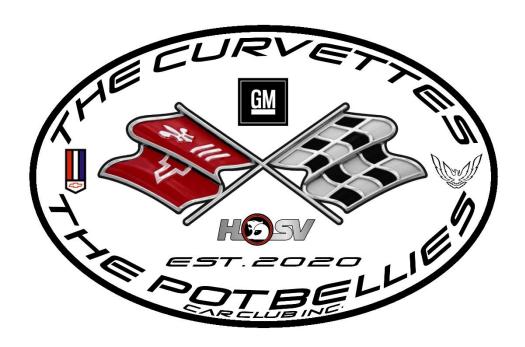
# The Curvettes & The Potbellies Car Club Inc.

## Quarterly Wheel-Letter



2<sup>nd</sup> Edition 2024

#### Welcome to the Club's Newsletter!

The Curvettes & The Potbellies Car Club Inc (CPCC) is a non-profit, voluntary organisation whose focus is on bringing car enthusiasts of all makes and models together and to ensure all members have a fun, easy-going social experience.

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These club members put a large amount of time and effort into keeping your club operational and organising events for your participation and enjoyment, where you can, please participate.

#### From the Editor's Drivers Seat

Welcome to you all to our 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the club's newsletter.

I would like to thank you all for being apart of our little Car Club and hope you all enjoy coming out to meet us and drive your pride and joys!

Well where to begin.....

Happy Easter to You all and hope that Mr Easter Bunny surprised you all and bought you some yummy Chocolates!!

A Couple of Club Runs are in the works for May & June Plus our Quarterly Meeting is Scheduled for May at our club run.

If you have any ideas, please let our Secretary, Dianne know so we can make a plan to meet up and get the girls & boys out on the road

That's it from me for now!!!

If you have anything of interest you would like to share with our members, please send them through for our next edition!

Mandí xx

#### **Word from Mr President**

Hi Everyone,

Firstly I would like to say a big warm welcome to Robert Forester & Chris Hunkin who are our newest club members. Welcome aboard Robert & Chris, I am looking forward to meeting you both on a run in the near future.

We had a few members out and about this month, with Sharron & Myself heading north to Rockhampton for Rockynats 4.

Dave, Di, Darryl & Mandi headed south to Albury for the Camaro Firebird Nationals and they spent some time to take in the sights on the way home, the site seeing looked amazing as well as the car events.

A big congratulations to Darryl Phillips for taking 3rd place in the modified class. Darryl's Camaro looked amazing, well done with around 150 cars attending.

We did see a few pictures of Dave's Camaro on the trailer, I must say it was looking good. However I believe he had some sort of issue after driving it a few hundred kms. I have no doubt Dave will sort it out ready for the next run.

Take care all, hope to see you on the road in your beautiful cars soon,

Remember "smokem till ya chokem"

Regards Markos Christofis

#### A Word from our Sponsors

The Curvettes & The Potbellies Car Club Inc is grateful to our wonderful sponsors, who enable us to keep our membership fees low and running costs covered.



## 2024 Club Sponsors are:

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We are pleased to announce that we have another Minor Sponsor on board for 2024.



Local Family run business in Molendinar.

#### **Giggling Gertie's Gut Busters!**

#### Jokes to "QUACK" you up!!!

Q: What's Orangs and sounds like a Parrot?
A: A Carrot

Q: Where to Cows do for Entertaimment?
A: To the MOO-VIES

Q: What do you call a pig that does Karate?
A: A Pork Chop

Q: What do you call a sleeping bull?

A: A bull-dozer.

Q: How do you fit more pigs on your farm?
A: Build a sty-scraper!

Q: What did the farmer call the cow that had no milk?

A: An udder failure.

Q: Why do gorillas have big nostrils?
A: Because they have big fingers!

Q: What do you get from a pampered cow?
A: Spoiled milk.

Q: Why are teddy bears never hungry?
A: They are always stuffed!

Q: Why do fish live in salt water?
A: Because pepper makes them sneeze!

Q: What do you get from a pampered cow?

A: Spoiled milk.

Q: Where do polar bears vote?
A: The North Poll

Q: What did the judge say when the skunk walked in the court room?

A: Odor in the court!

Q: What sound do porcupines make when they kiss?
A: Ouch!

Q: Why didn't the chicken cross the road?
A: Because there was a KFC on the other side!

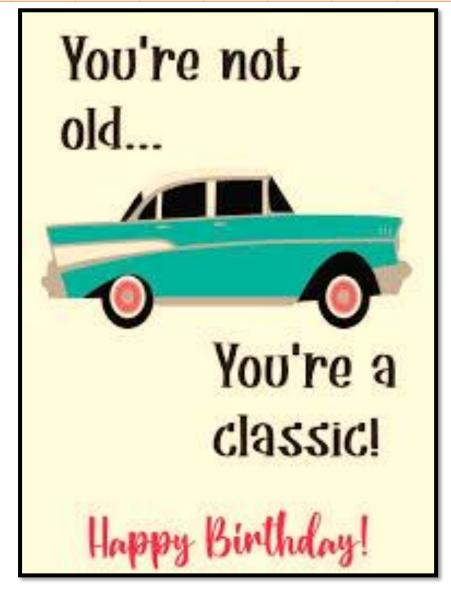
Q: What do you call a bear with no ears?
A: B!

"HOPE THESE BRIGHTENED YOUR DAY"

## Member's Birthdays April to June

Curvettes Potbellies

<u>APRIL</u>								
Sharron		19th						
				<u>MAY</u>				
Diane V		16th				Gary		30th
				<b>JUNE</b>				
						Peter		4th
						Neil		10th



#### **CP Dodgy Drives**

Every week, we update our Financial Page with all the local car runs and events – Courtesy of Eliminators Hot Rod, Car & Bike show page!

If you are looking for somewhere to go over the next few months, here is a list of runs that the club will be doing:

#### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May** 12pm (May Day Long Week-end) **Woodlands of Marburg Mansion**

We have a new event concept and its going to be epic!

Meet up at Midday at Woodlands of Marburg Mansion for

Cars n Coffee. Cruise from 2pm to Hayes Oval at Harrisville for
the final event from 3pm for street food, live music, kids fun,
markets and beers at the bar!

Will be posting this on our Financial Page with details of meeting points – Stay Tuned

#### Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May to Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June BEACHFEST No. 10 2024

The Club has gone to this event for the past few years. Please let us know if you are interested in attending so we can organise a space for the club - See below links for entry form

You will have to enter yourself!!!



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## Other Events that are being held around the area! Sunday May 19th David Hack Classic Meet

#### Sunday 19th May 2024





8:30 am to 2:30 pm
AEROTEC HANGAR Spitfire Street
TOOWOOMBA CITY AERODROME

Exhibitors: \$10 per vehicle (gate open7:00 am)

Public: Adults \$15, Children 12 and under FREE,

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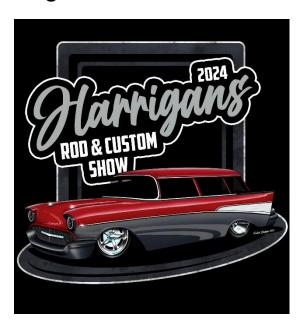
#### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May

### RaceWay Hangs Queenslands Raceway- 5:30pm to 8:30pm

- Come hang with us at Queensland Raceway under lights, FREE entry for everyone and all makes & models of Cars & Bikes are welcome.
- Meet and Greet: Connect with fellow enthusiasts, show off your ride, and chill out at one of the best racetracks in the country!
- Twilight Laps: watch on as cars take to Queensland Raceway under the twilight sky for family-friendly cruise laps. Tickets available on the day if not sold out prior, passenger tickets also available.

Join us for an evening of cars, community, and chill vibes at Queensland Raceway!

### **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October** *Harrigans Rod and Custom Show*



#### **Pre-Entry is Now Open**

https://www.harrigansrodandcustomshow.com/ https://www.facebook.com/harrigansrodandcustomshow

### Please check out their Facebook pages for Entry information











#### The Road to RockyNats 2024

Gday everyone,

As some of you know Sharron & I went to Rockhampton for Rockynats 4.

Sparrow had been off the road for repairs and upgrades since August 2023.

I did get it finished and ready to go with a day to spare. We loaded up the car trailer in the pouring rain on the Tuesday afternoon for a 3:30am escape to Rockhampton. We were both soaked to the bone, the drive there was great as we left in the pouring rain and drove out of it about 2 hours out of Rockhampton.

Day 1 We arrived at lunch time, pulled Sparrow off the trailer and gave him a wash. We then went over to scrutineering, so many gorgeous cars in one place. I believe Rockynats entrance for the street parade were over 1500 cars this year.

Day 2 was the Thursday and we once again spent most of the day at Scrutineering watching the cars & Bikes come rolling in.

Day 3 the Friday was street parade and OMG was it hot. All the locals lined the streets and the atmosphere was amazing. We went over to Autobarn for the Friday night meet and the car park was jam packed, including Bunnings car park. Some amazing cars at the meet.

Day 4 Saturday morning 9:00 am street Drags. Sparrow lined up against Jarrod & Peter's 1977 Trans am at the tree, Jarrod took off and left me standing at the tree as my side was not working. I took off and did a good pass until my power steering and alternator belt flew off. Jarrod only got one more pass in for the section so it wasn't too bad. We ended up getting a belt from Autobarn and had the Sparrow ready to go again by lunchtime.

Day 5 Sunday eliminations, loose a race and you are out. My first race I lined up against an LS Turbo Nissan Patrol he beat me however broke out of the class. Sparrow moves on, race 2 lined up again the other car broke out. Sparrow moves on race 3 Lind up against a HSV Senator he beat me by 1.5 seconds, all due to my terrible reaction time at the tree. Sparrow is OUT.

We then went over to the museum and had a look at the interceptor and all the beautiful cars in Quay St. We meet a lovely couple Dan & Nikki Visser they had transition issues and had to leave there 1979 Tran Am at home. The asked if we could go over for pictures of the 3 Trans Am's. There TA is a 455 Blown and is super

We loaded Sparrow onto the trailer Monday afternoon for an early departure Tuesday morning just as we started to load it poured down with rain & we got soaked again. Tuesday morning we were an hour into our return trip and I hit a pothole and blow a tyre and wheel on the left front of the trailer. I have never seen so many potholes in all my life. We made it home safe with no further issues.

Rockynats 5 will not be over the Easter break next year the dates have been changed to 4th - 6th of April 2025 that works well for us as it doesn't clash with the Pontiac Nationals in Redcliffe with track days at Qld race way.

Take care all see you on the road "Smokem till ya chokem" - *Markos* 

The Road to RockyNats 2024























#### Road-Trip to CFNats 2024 Albury NSW

### Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April "Bumble Bee & Fred"

**Day ONE** - Dave, Di, Darryl and I loaded up and hit the road for Albury for the CFNats in the rain.

Travelling together, we made our first stop in Coffs Harbour for a leg stretch. Dave noticed that one of the wheels on his trailer was not straight. After inspection, he found that the Stub Axel had broken away (Excitement No. 1)

So we took Darryl's Camaro (Bee) off our trailer and put Dave's Camaro (Fred) on it, Darryl drove Bee to Kempsey (Our first night stop-over)

Day TWO – Dave got up early and went on the hunt for a local welder who could make the repairs to the axel for him! He found one who was able to fix it on the stop for a cold carton of the amber fluid – Yes, bottleshops in Kempsey are open from 6am!!! We got back on the road and headed for Sutton Forest.

 Having been travelling for some hours, it was decided to stop off at Freemans Waterhole – about 20Km out of Newscastle. It was quickly discovered that my
 Amarok was loosing a shit-ton of oil as it was everywhere, including all over the front of Bee and even some got on to Fred. Calling RACQ and having a good look under

the bonnet, it was the inspection plug that was missing from the Block.

Dave & Di took off to Cardiff VW for the part & oil. No Part in Cardiff but there was ONE in Gosford VW. So RACQ was called again and organised a tow and emergency accommodation for the 4 of us for the night. Upon arriving in Gosford, it was quickly determined that our accommodation was definitely interesting.

Day THREE – Amarok all sorted so we started off for Albury.

We had a stop at Sutton Forest for Lunch – Absolutely beautiful, stopped at Holbrook Submarine Museum then arrived in Albury.

Day FOUR – Headed to Bright, Victoria for a run with all the Camaros & Firebirds who got to Albury early. Beautiful scenery and cute little towns we passed through. Unfortunately, Fred just made it back to Albury with his alternator not doing what it was supposed too ♀

Then headed out for the night at a local Brewery house and meet up with some amazing people – Yes, all crazy like us!!

**Day FIVE** – Show N Shine in the Park by the Murray River.

Dave left Fred in the car park of our Motel for the day.... Not Happy, Jan! Made our way with about 100 Camaros & Firebirds to Bellbridge and Lake Hume to check out the scenery – Stunning!

Parked up at a local Show Grounds for "Drive-In" night and watched 2Fast 2Furious on the big screen – lots of hooting going on when the 1969 Yenko Camaro came on!

Day SIX – Track Day ONE. Darryl took Bee on the track for a few laps – well about 30 - with other machines. Then we headed to the Ettamogah Pub for lunch. Presentation Night was helded at the local Sports club in town.

Watching the Premier of "Build #33 - The story of the restoration of the legendary Bob Jane 69 Camaro – very interesting!

Darryl was awarded 3<sup>rd</sup> place – 2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Camaro – Modified Class Well Done BEE!!!

Day SEVEN – Track Day TWO. Back on the track again and this time, I got to speed around as well – but not as fast as Darryl, of course!
 Watch as a GMC & Dodge Ram hit the track – boys and their toys LOL!!!
 Had a great meal at the local Mexican Restaurant to end the CFNats for 2024.

Day EIGHT – Bright and early we started off on our way back home.

Heading to Dubbo for a couple of days to go to the Western Plains Zoo.

Stopping off at Temora for Morning Tea, then going to the Car Museum at Forbes,
Seeing "The Dish" at Parkes, checking out an abandoned Holden Dealership at Peak
Hill with a Brand New VS Commodore and several EH just sitting in the shop – very
sad. Arriving at the Rhino Lodge Glamping Site. Lucky we stopped as the bearing
decided it had had enough on Dave's Trailer – opposite side to the axel breaking.
So we spent a few hours hunting down the tyre that went bush – Found it!!!!

Day NINE – The boys got up early and went into town for a new bearing for the trailer. After the repairs were carried out.... We headed to the Zoo – Yippee!!
 The sun was shining and the lions were roaring and the Golf Cart had a full charge on the batteries, we trekked around the zoo for the day.

Day TEN – Armidale, here we come. After leaving Dubbo behind us, we need to get fuel. The closest was in a sleepy little town in Dunedoo... however, when we got out and just about ready to pump the diesel, the nice chap in the shop came out and proceeded to let us know that the power had gone out – No power, No Fuel. He told us that the servo up the road had power BUT no diesel... so we had to wait – haha! But it didn't take long before the power came on and the pumps were working again. Our travels continued to Armidale with out any dramas, but the rain made it's appearance. Arriving in Armidale to a beautiful old house for our night's stay... extremely comfortable and could have quite happily stayed there for a week!

**Day ELEVEN** – Homeward Bound....Rising to the rain settling in, we decided to go to Grafton Via Mountain Goat country... hair raising at times along the Great Dividing Range road but an adventure. Stopped off at Grafton for lunch and then headed home.

All in All, we had an amazing adventure and with a few hiccups along the way, a Road-Trip to remember and can't wait to do it all again at CFNats 2026

Stay Safe on the Road and "Drive it, like you stole it!!"

#### Mandí xx



















#### **Member's Business Directory**

Some of our Club members have their own businesses, we have included them in our Wheel-Letter to show them our support.



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If you would like to be included in our business directory in the next Wheel-Letter, please let us know!!!

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For members on Concessional Registration wishing to use their car on an Impromptu Run, you need to register your run on our Facebook page.

For an Impromptu Run to be valid, the registered car owner must be a current financial member of The Curvettes & The Potbellies Car Club Inc at the time of the event.

An Impromptu run can be started as soon as it is logged on to our Facebook page. Events cannot be placed on the Facebook page after the event, as this will be automatically regarded as invalid. Impromptu runs cannot be work related.

When creating an Impromptu event on our Facebook page,
you must include:Your name
Car details and
Registration number of car
Start time and date Destination
Estimated finish time and date

Non compliance of these rules may compromise the car owners insurance and registration.

For further information concerning Concessional Registration please check the Transport Department website link - <a href="https://www.qld.gov.au/transport/registration/register/conditional/about-conditional">https://www.qld.gov.au/transport/registration/register/conditional/about-conditional</a>

Concessional Registration is a privilege, as is Impromptu Events, do the right thing, please don't abuse it.

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> We hope you have enjoyed the 2nd Edition of Wheel-Letter Stay Safe on the Roads Drive it like you stole it.

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