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Victoria

### Club Meeting

Every 2nd Thursday of the month at 8pm (except January)  
Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthore East  
Pre Meeting Dinner/Drinks at 7:00pm  
Members are requested to wear their nametags for the benefit  
of visitors.

### Membership Fees

Joining fee \$20 (1 time fee)

Annual Single membership Including access to an electronic  
copy of the monthly club magazine, 'The Gazette'. \$80.00 per  
year

Annual Family membership Including access to an electronic  
copy of the monthly club magazine, 'The Gazette'. \$100.00 per  
year

All Membership subscriptions are due for renewal in  
September each year

### MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

Annual Subscription 'The Gazette' hardcopy:

Opt-In subscription to receive a printed copy of the monthly  
club magazine mailed to your address,  
\$50.00

### Additional Member Name Tag(s)

Your initial Joining Fee includes personalised name tags to each  
single member and two family members. Additional name tags  
are available for \$10.00 per tag.

### Annual Club Permit Scheme Fee:

Opt-in administration fee applicable only to members who  
participate in the CPS scheme through the CoM.  
NB: the existing 'CPS Year In Advance' fee payment policy will  
be retained unchanged.

Club Permit Scheme is available through Corvettes of Melbourne  
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at CPS@corvettesofmelbourne.com . Members applying for the  
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listed. Note fees are applicable for all club plate scheme vehicles,  
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enjoyment and appreciation of the Chevrolet Corvette sports car.  
A copy of the Model Rules that have been adopted by Corvettes of  
Melbourne as our club's standing rules can be found at: [https://  
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## PRESIDENT REPORT

Hi everyone,

As you can see from the picture beside this article, I won a trophy at the Torquay car show held by the Rotary Club. This meant that we could not go home at our designated 2pm time, we had to wait until around 4pm to take my trophy home with me. Such a shame!

We had a great weekend which was organised by the Surfcoast Corvette Club. The Club organised a Great Ocean Road Cruise and Saturday lunch followed by a Saturday night Cabaret and auction, raising \$2,000 plus for the Rotary Club. On the Sunday morning, nice and early, we had the cruise to the Torquay car show where the Surfcoast Corvette Club also provided lunch and drinks. We had approximately 28 Corvettes, a great display was achieved by all who attended, well done for another great weekend event and well done to the Surfcoast Corvette Club. I have sent into the magazine a variety of photos and I believe Garth is going to put some words together.

For the remainder of the year, I have organised with the Tower Hotel to use the upstairs meeting room for our meetings, as we know at the last meeting the airconditioning was not working and we had a great support of around 40 people in attendance making it up close and personal. I can only hope that this will take place from our next meeting and hoping to see you all there.

As we all know, Holden as we know it are closing. We currently have a booking for the Lang Lang proving ground on 5 April 2020. At this time, I do not know whether this event will happen or not, we are still waiting on a response from the people at Lang Lang. So watch this space until we can find out what is happening.

We also have an event coming up at the St Andrews Brewery in Fingal on Sunday 22 March 2020, our events team will send out emails and COM chat will be updated to let people know of the cruise details etc.

Don't forget the Corvette Nationals are coming up very quickly, if you want to go you need to book. Book now and join us, it will be fun.

Well that's it from me,  
Cheers Tony Asquith, alias Mr President



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

All the best to our members who are having a special month

## March

Cheryl Asquith  
Linda Broughton  
Susan Morley  
Debbie O'Leary  
Karen Rowley  
Sue Somerton  
Katherine Younane  
Nick Bolis  
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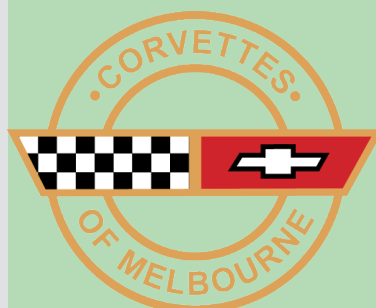
Have we missed someone's Birthday ?!  
Or are you having a Special one (a big 'O') ?  
Let Brendan (gringo) know and we'll update the list.



## CORVETTES OF MELBOURNE



If you need to replace a missing nametag or would like a spare one,  
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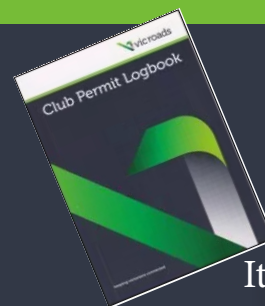
## Corvettes of Melbourne

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TOWER HOTEL HAWTHORN

Starts at 8pm or get there at

7pm for some dinner, drinks and a chat



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## Notice about membership:

It is important that your membership is current during the time of you participate in the CPS.

There is an overlap between when club membership subscriptions fall due and when your CPS will expire. To overcome this the Committee has decided that members on the CPS will pay a once off extra annual membership payment to ensure they are members of the club during the time they are on the CPS. Should you leave the club or no longer partake in the CPS a refund will be made to you.

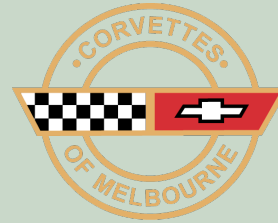
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## Corvettes of Melbourne Inc. No A0023933M

### Minutes of regular monthly meeting

Date: 13 February 2020

**Chair: Tony Asquith President**

#### Welcome:

**Apologies:** Robert and Richard Jordan, Glen and Kathy Pelligrino, Neil White, Mark and Betty Andre, Daryl Verdan

No new members

**Minutes of meeting:** 12 December 2019

Discussion: Moved minutes of last meeting be accepted.

**Proposer:** Tania Cassidy **Seconded:** Ron

#### **Reports:**

**Treasurer's report** (as attached)

Treasurers report tabled by Joe Younane. Summary of the report is as follows:

- January 2020 closing balance; \$14,917
- Raffle raised \$475.00
- Xmas party \$1986.00. Insurance \$1790,
- Merchandise sales \$752.00

Moved that the treasurer's report as tabled be accepted.

**Proposed:** Graham George **Seconded:** Ron Dan butters

#### **Secretary's Report:**

Vale Dave Martin, Carolynne Hetel reflected on Dave's life and work around the club and that he would be sadly missed.

Magazines were received from Chev Car Club (their last in hard copy) and NSW Corvettes

Moved that the Secretary's report as presented be accepted.

**Proposed:** Tania Cassidy **Seconded:** Michael Brand

#### **General Business**

#### **Events Update:**

Cruzin' the Coast was a resounding success; 27 cars, over \$,2200 raised for charity, Tony won best Corvette in Show at Torquay car Show,

Mornington New years day car show was fun for those who had chrome bumpers, and finished up at Dan and Christine's for nibbles and refreshments.

**2020 Events:** Phillip Island Historics 6-8 March  
Lang Lang Proving Ground 5 April  
St Andrews brewery on Mornington peninsula 22 March. There are 3 pick up points.  
1. DFO Essendon, 2. BP East Link outbound, 3. BP Peninsula Link Baxter.

#### **Gazette:**

Remember the Web address: [corvettegazette@outlook.com.au](mailto:corvettegazette@outlook.com.au)

We can never get enough articles about members interests.

Get you articles in by 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

#### **Merchandise:**

Great range still available. 2019 Christmas orders will be at March meeting.

#### **Nationals:**

**2020:** Adelaide: 10-13 April at Victor Harbour.

Good turn out expected with major hotel accommodation booked out.

**2022:** First Committee meeting scheduled for end February early March.

#### **Other Business:**

Garth to check with Darren Pelacchi regarding timing equipment pa speakers and marquees.

A bushfire help weekend is being explored by events team.

**Meeting closed:** 8:57pm

**Next meeting:** 12 March 2020, Tower Hotel Hawthorn. Dinner from 7:00pm



Hi everyone,

As you are all aware, the COVID-19 virus is with us for a while and to what extent we do not know. As you already know, we had to cancel the drive and luncheon at the St Andrews Brewery, Fingal on 22 March 2020.

The Lang Lang event on 5 April 2020 has also been cancelled .

The Nationals in South Australia over Easter have been cancelled.

Last month's magazine for March, will not be a printed magazine, it will be emailed.

The club magazine, The Corvette Gazette will be only available on email and not the printed version until further notice. If you have any articles you would like to put in the emailed magazine, please send them to [gazette@corvettesofmelbourne.com](mailto:gazette@corvettesofmelbourne.com).

As regards our future general meetings at the Tower Hotel, the next meeting on 9 April 2020 has been cancelled. At this time, we will cancel all future meetings until further notice.

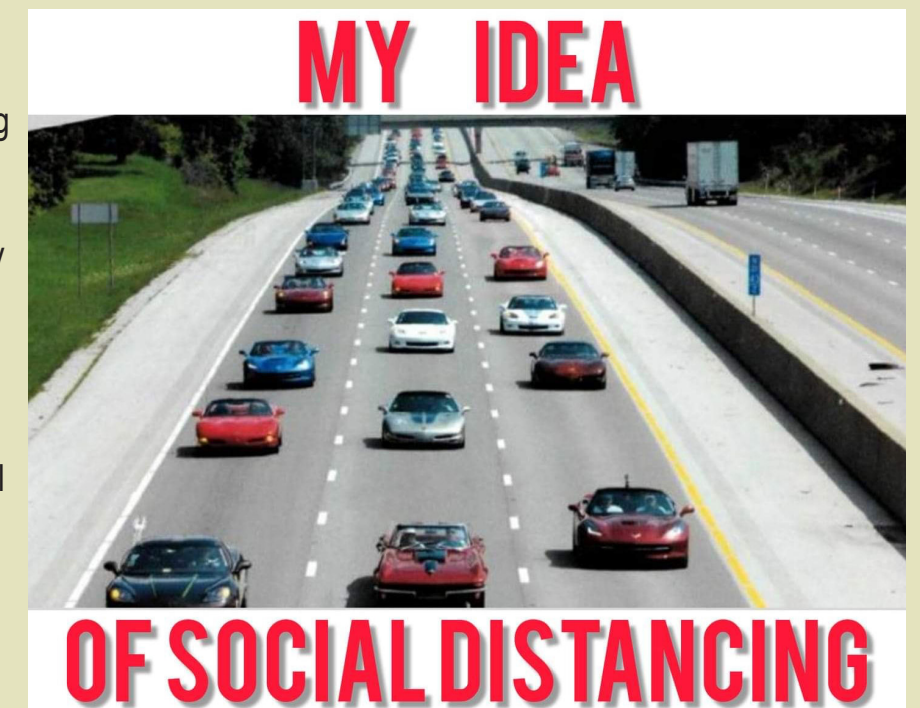
Once we have a clear understanding of when we can all meet again as a group, you will all be notified.

I wish everyone all good health, stay safe, stay well, stay in touch and keep smiling.

Remember you can still go for a drive in your Corvette, so all do that and have a safe time out, with social distancing of course!

Until we meet again,

Cheers, Tony Asquith





32ND CORVETTE NATIONALS  
CORVETTE ENCOUNTER



2020 SOUTH AUSTRALIA  
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10TH APRIL TO 13TH MAY 2020  
<http://2020nationals.corvettesouthaustralia.com.au/>

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Register before 31st December for early bird draw!

GMH Landmark Proving Ground Visit



APRIL 5TH

**MONTHLY LAUGH**

Mr. Spock  
(The Vulcan) actually had 3 ears.  
The left ear, the right ear and the final front ear.

A Duck walks into a bar .....  
"Got any Bread?"  
"No."  
"Got any Bread?"  
"No."  
"Got any Bread?"  
"No."  
"Got any Bread?"  
"No, and listen. If you ask me one more time I'm gonna nail your beak to the bar..."  
"Got any Nails?"  
"No."  
"Got any Bread?"

At a first date :  
Thaess: What do you do for work ?  
Neil : I work with animals everyday !  
Thaess : Oh how sweet, what is it that you do ?  
Neil : I'm a butcher.

HA HA HA HA !



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## 2nd Annual Cruizin' the Surfcoast.

Another great weekend organised by our friends at Surfcoast Corvettes led by Pete, Mark and Betty. We hauled ourselves out of bed at some ungodly hour expecting the worst of travel conditions from Berwick to Geelong only to find we arrived an hour early.

The weather on Saturday was a bit muggy and cool but that didn't stop another 26 cars with about 50 Corvette members from Surfcoast, CoM, Vic Vettes and and Central Victoria being there for breakfast at North Geelong. After a long leisurely breakfast and a briefing from our organisers we convoyed around Geelong and on to Torquay then along the Great ocean Road to Lorne. Here we met up with the rest of the Surfcoast members for a BBQ and a few refreshments. After a few drone fly overs and photo grabs it was back to the Peninsula Hotel in Moolap. We arrived at about 4pm, so in the best Corvette fashion an impromptu gutter party just happened. This didn't finish until we were advised that our function at the peninsula was about to start....oops.



A sit down dinner and charity auction for about 60 with music provided by local husband and wife turned out to be a very good night. The auction raised over \$2,200 for local charities with most participants being very generous with bids for a whole host of items. With the conclusion of this function some tried to kick on with the result being a few very dusty characters the next morning. When will we ever learn.

Sunday found most up early, bright eyed and bushy tailed with the exception of the culprits who thought they were still in their twenties.

We assembled at some pub on the Torquay Road and then convoyed south to the Torquay Rotary Club Car Show. This is one of the coast's big gigs. Over 400 cars with some 30 Corvettes present. Just about every car manufacturer was represented with some very old and different vehicles and owners prepared to share stories about their cars. President Asquith drained another trophy from the organisers for his C6. Rumour, just rumour has it that his trophy cupboard collapsed with the weight of all the awards he has collected for this beautiful car.

Anyway we don't live on the surfcoast, but it would be nice, so about lunchtime we packed up and headed home.

Thank you to all the hard working members of Surfcoast Corvettes for organising such a great weekend.

Garth Bradbury







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# Miss MARCH







# MY RIDE

## JIM PETERS

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Your Partner? Patricia

When did you join CoM? 7/2/2020

Tell us a little about your car (Year, Coupe/ Convertible, engine):  
67 Convertible L71 427/435hp Tri Power  
3 year body off restoration completed December 2019 in Australia

Why did you buy a Corvette?  
Dream car since 17 years old  
Dream became reality at 55 years of age.

What do you Enjoy Most about being a Corvette Owner?  
The thrill of owning an iconic American classic car.



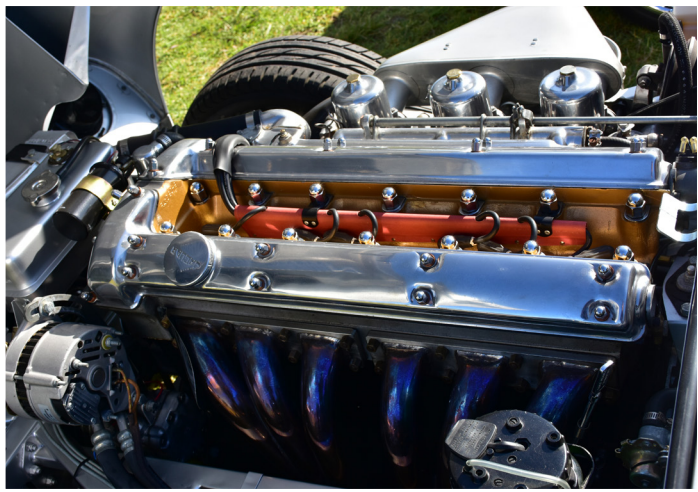




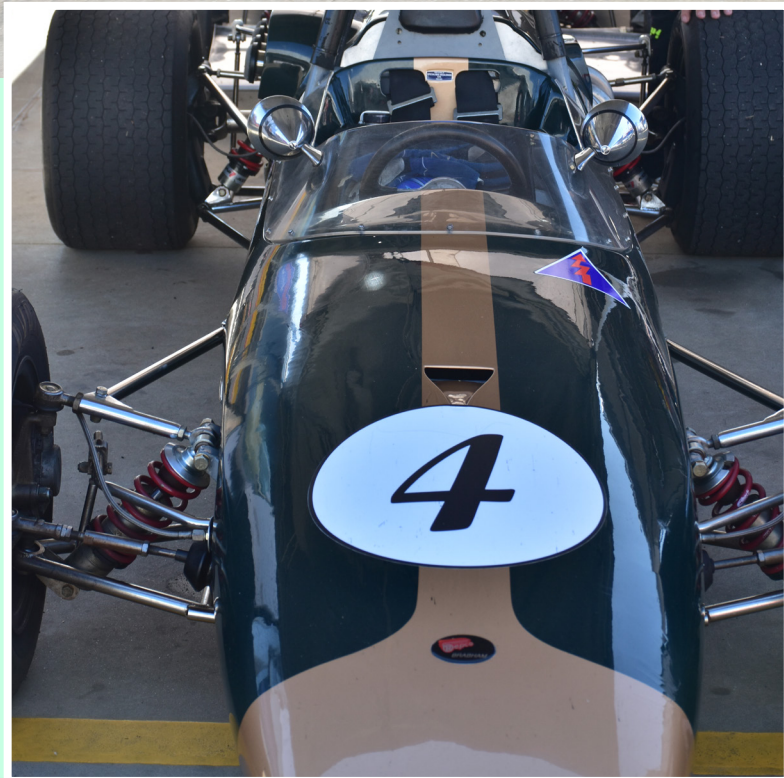
# PHILLIP ISLAND HISTORIC DAY

















# CLUB MERCHANDISE



## 1.SCARF \$20

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Black



## 2. BEANIE \$12

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## 4.Jacket \$65

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Jumper



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## 7. Hoodie \$45

Colour: Red  
Zip up Hoodie  
Jumper

## 8.Moto Shirt \$45

Colour:  
Red/Black



## 9.Short Sleeved Shirt \$35

Colour: Black

## 10.Long Sleeved Shirt \$35



## 11.V Neck Tshirt \$25

Colour:  
Gunmetal

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not come with the  
cage!)



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