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# CONTACTS AND CLUB INFORMATION

## Correspondence

Corvettes of Melbourne Inc  
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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 to authorised vehicles. Enquiries can be made directly to the club at [CPS@corvettesofmelbourne.com](mailto:CPS@corvettesofmelbourne.com). Members applying for the Corvettes of Melbourne Club Plate Scheme must request a copy of the Club Plate Scheme Policy and abide by all conditions as listed. Note fees are applicable for all club plate scheme vehicles, as set out in the club permit scheme policy.

Make cheques out to:  
**"Corvettes of Melbourne"**  
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Pay directly into our C.O.M Account  
**BSB:083 323 Acc: 608852877**  
Use your name as a reference

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*The purpose of Corvettes of Melbourne Incorporated is to provide a family friendly and inclusive environment that is dedicated to the 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://www.consumer.vic.gov.au/library/forms/clubs-and-not-for-profits/incorporated-associations/model-rules-for-an-incorporated-association.doc>*





# PRESIDENT REPORT

Hi everyone,

Hoping you are all in good spirits, as we go into yet another lockdown.

As you know, we were not able to have a June club meeting, we did have an outing to the Little River Hotel on 20 June 2021 with 35 people in attendance. It was great to see everyone. Unfortunately, our Christmas in July event was cancelled due to Sgt Dan. So, no events for July apart from the club meeting. We have just learnt from Sgt Dan that our August meeting will also be cancelled due to lockdown number six.

Going forward and all going well, we have an event booked for 29 August 2021 at The Pig and Whistle on the Mornington Peninsula, that's good just down the road from my place!

I am sure the events' team will have an article in this magazine telling us all about it. Let's hope we can all attend and hoping this event will not be cancelled by Sgt Dan.

Also, in the magazine will be the details for the Canberra Nationals and the Yarrowonga Chevy events. If you are interested in attending either or both events (and I would strongly encourage you to do so), you will need to book your accommodation etc.

We will be holding this year's AGM on 9 September



2021 either as our regular club meeting at the hotel or by zoom. More information will be provided as we get closer to the date.

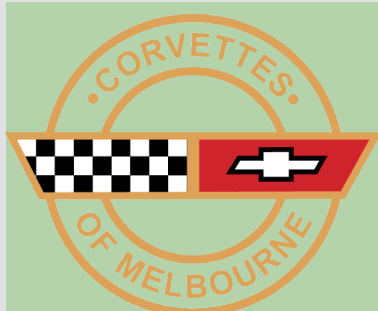
Well, that's about it from me.

Stay safe, stay well, ladies' shop online it is good for the economy and stay in touch with each other for support.

Cheers, Tony Asquith (alias Mr President)



If you need to replace a missing nametag or would like a spare one, text or email gringo via 0419 88 1500 or [gringo350@icloud.com](mailto:gringo350@icloud.com)



## Corvettes of Melbourne

### Thursday September 9th & October 14th

TOWER HOTEL HAWTHORN

Starts at 8pm or get there at 7pm for some dinner, drinks and a chat



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

## July

Jenny Bolis  
Kerstin Vogel  
Jenene Perrin  
Julie Sarros  
Gayle Whiston  
Colin Anderson  
Geoff Biggs  
Michael Bracken  
Ken Broadway  
Wayne Heale

John Luppino  
Colin Somerton  
Mark Sykes  
Kane Whiston  
Peter Whiston

## August

Betty Andre  
Meaghan Densley  
Carolynne Hetel  
Kellie Spiden  
Lisa Whiston  
Alan Dixon  
Ian Hill  
Tom McGinley  
Bob Nordlinger  
Hugo Radford  
Darrell Verdon

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.

# UPDATED

CLUB PERMIT  
NUMBER PLATE SCHEME AVAILABLE  
VICTORIA

## 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.

Officers who can sign off on  
Permit  
applications and renewals:  
Garth Bradbury 0411 131 294  
Joe Younane 0418 478 814  
Robert Jordan 0487 778 354

People who can sign Vehicle Eligibility  
and Standards Declarations (Scrutineers):  
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Garth Bradbury 0411 131 294  
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## Minutes of Meeting

### Corvettes of Melbourne Inc. No. A0023933M

#### Regular Monthly Meeting

Date: 8th July 2021 Tower Hotel, Hawthorn  
Meeting Commenced: 8.14pm  
Chair: Tony Asquith, President

#### Welcome

**Apologies:** Tania Cassidy, Nick Bolis, Daryl Verdon, Craig & Vicki O'Donoghue, Dean Cooper, Rod Randwill, Garth Branbury.

#### New members.

Mathew Dutneall.

Mark has a White C3, 350 3 speed, RHD Corvette. His project is to fix the paintwork.

**Proposer:** Dan Butters

**Seconded:** Mark Collins

Moved that Minutes of last meeting be accepted:

**Proposer:** Graham George

**Seconded:** Joe Younane

#### Reports:

##### Treasurers Report

Treasurers Report was presented by Joe Younane. Report covers from the 1st May to the 30th June. Summary of the report is as follows:

- 1st May started with approximately \$21.5k in the bank.
- Incoming receipts Included membership, merchandise, and raffle tickets.
- Expenses included badges for new members, the club also purchased several raffle items including model cars from David Martins collection, expenses were approximately \$300.
- The closing balance was ~ \$21,200.

Joe also mentioned that membership renewals are due at the end of August, which will increase the clubs balance sheet.

Moved that the Treasurers report as presented be accepted:

**Proposer:** Daniel Zadnik

**Seconded:** Robyn Chessells

##### Secretaries Report

The club received two NSW Corvettes magazines, the May and June editions.

**Proposer:** Richard Jordan

**Seconded:** Gerard Van Grinsven

##### Event Update

Adrian advised that the Little River Hotel event held in May was a very enjoyable outing. The meals were excellent and there were 18 cars in total.

The July Christmas event, which was to be held in Blam Pied, (near Daylesford) was cancelled because of Victoria's

5th lockdown.

On August 29th (lockdown permitting) Adrian has booked the Pig & Whistle, it is an English pub situated on the Peninsula.

On the 18th & 19th September, there is a run to Lake Eildon, organized by Michael. It is a weekend event, but you can go for the day. There are a couple of rooms available at the Rubicon Hotel.

Adrian will resend the email and place it in the magazine.

The 44th National Chevrolet Festival will be held at Yarrawonga in October. Fill out the Official Entry Form and return if you intend to go.

##### Merchandise

Graham reminded the audience to refer to the magazine for merchandise items and details. Please send Graham and Tania an SMS with your order.

##### General Business

Dan gave the following update regarding the Club Permit Scheme (CPS). The rules will potentially be changing.

The major change is that cars will need to be 30 years old to qualify for the CPS, previously 25 years.

Fees will increase by

\$14 for a 45-day permit to \$80.00 and

\$28 for a 90-day permit to \$160.00.

It is proposed that this will happen in October 2021.

The club permit will now be done "Online".

##### Magazine

The next edition of the magazine will cover July/August. The AGM will be held in September 2021. If club members would like to be on the committee, please nominate yourself.

The Canberra Nationals will be held in during Easter, 15 & 16th April 2022. If you want accommodation, you need to book.

Brendon Greens brother died in July; the club passes on its condolences to the Green family.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm

Next meeting: ?? 2021.

Minutes by Robert Jordan, Secretary





# AUGUST 29TH

With the latest Lockdown (No.6) some of us may be feeling a little agitated and slightly frustrated, so I wanted to give everyone something to look forward to later this month. Hopefully Sargent Dan will allow us to travel more than 10Km at this time and we can take the opportunity to get out and about. I have made a booking for the Pig & Whistle Pub in Main Ridge on the Mornington Peninsula on the 29th August. This country pub "offers a warm hospitality experience with the best British cuisine alongside Australian pub classics."

We will have two meeting points, Dan Murphy's at DFO for those that are travelling from the Northern/Western suburbs. We will then make our way to the BP on Peninsula Link Baxter where we will join those travelling from the other parts of Melbourne. If these meeting points are a little out of your way, please feel free to meet us at the Pub. We plan to arrive at the Pig & Whistle for a leisurely lunch and well deserved COVID get together around 12:00pm. Please note that the driveway to the Pub is unpaved, and given that the weather may be a little damp you may get a little mud on your cars. Please feel free to take your daily drivers if this is a concern for you. There is plenty of car parks available on site.



## Meeting points and times:

Dan Murphy Carpark DFO Essendon  
10:00am for 10:15am Departure  
100 Bulla Rd Essendon VIC 3041  
BP Peninsula Link

11:15am for 11:30 Departure  
1400 Mornington Peninsula Fwy, Baxter VIC 3911  
Pig & Whistle  
12:00pm for Lunch  
365 Purves Rd, Main Ridge VIC 3928  
<http://www.thepigandwhistle.com.au/>

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU WANT TO PARTICIPATE SO THAT I CAN LOCK IN SOME NUMBERS WITH THE VENUE. YOU CAN TEXT ME ON MY MOBILE 0419528112 OR FACEBOOK MESSENGER. NO NEED TO RESPOND IF YOU HAVE ALREADY RESPONDED IN COM CHAT.





Corvettes of Melbourne  
Inc No. A0023933M  
PO Box 8052, Camberwell North,  
Victoria, 3124

Dear Member,

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO HOLD CORVETTES OF MELBOURNE  
INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)  
FOR FINANCIAL YEAR AND ELECTION OF COMMITTEE FOR 2021-2022.**

*Please be advised that Corvettes of Melbourne Inc. is to hold its AGM on **Thursday 9 September 2021** commencing at 8.00pm following the normal monthly club meeting (pre-meeting dinner and drinks from 7:00pm as usual). All club members are welcome! Depending on COVID restrictions and any lockdown, this meeting may be held by **zoom**.*

*Normal venue: The Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthorn East, Victoria  
(Members are requested to wear their nametags for the benefit of visitors)*

*Come along and enjoy a meal with your fellow Corvette enthusiasts, whilst getting your chance to have a say and help determine the future direction of your club. Maybe you would like to consider volunteering for a Committee position and personally participating in shaping our club.*

*Yours sincerely,  
Corvettes of Melbourne Inc. Committee.*

**Yes it's time again for the club AGM! As usual all positions up for grabs and if you can spare a small amount of time per week to support the club and are interested, please come along and put your hand up, or at least to vote to determine the future direction of our club. Below you will find a brief summary of each role (more detail available from current or past position holders):**

**President:** The President is the leader of the club and is there to ensure the club is run efficiently administratively, financially and socially to support the enjoyment of our vehicles. The club president is responsible for running club meetings and committee meetings, guiding committee members, delegating tasks as necessary, and maintaining regular open communication as the face of the club.

**Vice President:** The role of the Vice President can be summarized in one word - service. The Vice President serves the President, other club officers, committees and the general membership. He or she is also expected to learn the duties of the President in order to fill in or take over as necessary.

**Secretary & Public Officer:** A good secretary is essential to the proper functioning of any club. The secretary is responsible for taking minutes, setting agenda, keeping records and maintaining all important files for the club.

**Treasurer:** The Treasurer controls the club's money, both its collection and disbursement. He or she collects member dues, maintains accurate financial records and reports these at meetings.

**Membership Officer:** The membership officer should be a welcoming face for all visitors and new members and a point of contact to guide them into the club and to meet fellow members. This involves arranging name tags and informing relevant committee members of guests and new members and is also responsible for driving membership renewals and chasing expired members.

**Events Coordinator:** This role organises a range of events for members and encouraging attendance. Events can be organised by members and you oversee and guide them, or they can be organised by you, but it is important to ensure a good calendar of events for the year and they are publicised. Additionally, you or a delegate you assign, needs to ensure the days are planned and managed.

**Gazette Editor:** The Gazette Editor is responsible for keeping the membership informed about important activities, past activities and news within the club. This involves sourcing the articles/content, creating a monthly newsletter and sending it to the club printer for printing.

**Webmaster:** A role which involves keeping the website up to date with event details for members to be able to check. It is also the key marketing face to the public, so it is important to ensure the website is up to date and contains content to draw in new potential members.

**Archivist:** Manage the historical stock of assets for the club. Ensure these are advertised to club members and made available when requested. Manage and track borrowed assets and ensure that they are returned in an appropriate manner and the same condition - ie books, etc.

**Merchandise Manager:** Manage the club's merchandise by promoting and selling it and managing stock quantities and when required, working with the committee and members to purchase more stock or create new merchandise.





**Corvettes of Melbourne**  
Inc. No. A0023933M

**PROXY VOTING FORM**

Name and Address of Member:

I, being a Voting Member of the Corvettes of Melbourne Incorporated car club appoint:

**EITHER**

☐

**The Chair of the Meeting,** if no person is named below,

**OR**

☐

Name and Address of Proxy:

to represent my voting rights, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the club to be held on **THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2019**, or any adjournment of that meeting.

I wish to direct my Proxy to vote on the following resolution(s) in accordance with the appropriate box below. The Proxy may exercise this proxy as he/she sees fit in respect of each resolution where my proxy form does not contain specific directions as to how the Proxy is to vote in respect of that resolution.

	For	Against	Abstain
Resolution 18-01: Notice of Amendment of Membership Fee Structure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Signature</b>	<b>NOTES:</b> 1. A separate Proxy Form is required for each voting member.  2. Please ensure that this form is received before 8 August 2019 by mail to PO Box 8052, Camberwell North, VIC 3124 or by email to 68cvt@gmail.com  3. For a detailed description of the resolution(s) applicable to this proxy form, refer to the Notices Accompanying Resolution(s) which accompanies this form.
<b>Name</b>	
<b>Date</b>	

# Lake Eildon High Country Cruise

## SEPT 18TH AND 19TH

**We have secured 12 rooms at the Rubicon Hotel so be quick to book!**

***6 rooms are already booked and there are 6 left***

Michael Brand and I would love to see those other rooms booked up.

**Call Melissa Creed at the Rubicon Hotel between 10am -3pm Mon to Fri on 03 5773 2251 and let her know you are with the club. You will then be allocated a room with your own contact/payment details which will be charged the Friday before arrival. There is a 200 seat bistro for dinner on the Sat night.**

**There are 11 rooms at \$109 and 1 renovated room for \$129.00**

Please let me know if you do book (0419 511 276)

We are in for a wonderful weekend!!

Cheers, Dean

### **Day 1**

Starting at Yarra Glen, through to Healesville and through the Black Spur, stopping at the Black Spur Inn for morning tea.

Then onto Alexandra and the high country, stopping for views across Lake Eildon, and onto the Eildon boat club for lunch.

After lunch, we will cruise across the dam wall to the spillway and lookout, for spectacular views of the lake and mountains.

We will then continue on to Thornton for refreshments at the Rubicon Hotel.

### **Day 2 (Optional).**

Those who take up this option will be staying at the Rubicon Hotel Thornton.

We will be cruising across to Marysville and depending on the weather, may visit the Stephenson's falls and then a cafe for a light lunch.



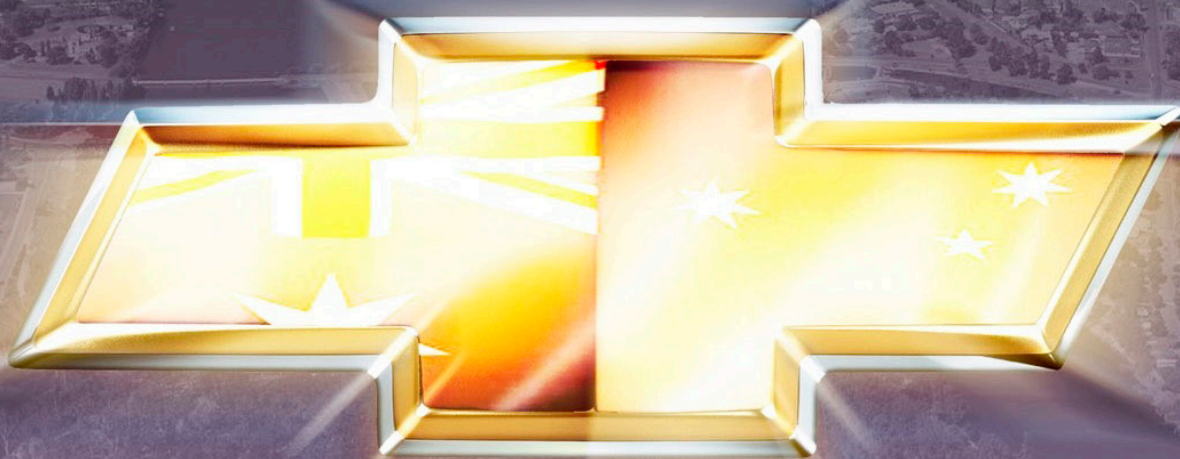
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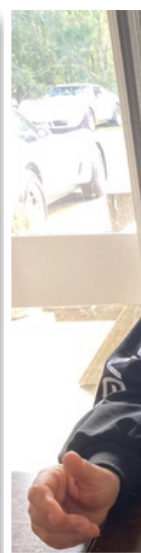


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Contact: David Shaw - Email: [chevfest2021@chevclubvic.org.au](mailto:chevfest2021@chevclubvic.org.au) - Ph: 0419 892 684



# Little River Hotel



We had an awesome day on Sunday 20th June to the Little River Pub for lunch.

It was the 1st weekend after lockdown 4.0 and we were so lucky to be allowed to travel to a regional area. The weather was perfect, and around 10 cars met at the Todd Rd service centre. We departed at the designated time for the 30 min trip down to Little River. The Corvettes looked fantastic on the road. We met more Corvettes at the venue and we ended up with 18 cars in total. A great outcome! What a wonderful sight to see all these classic cars all parked together.

After catching up and chatting for about half an hour, we went inside the pub and got our seats and checked out the menus. There were plenty of meal choices and everyone that I talked to was very happy with the quality of the food. Sebastian La Bruna had the St Louis pork ribs that looked like huge dinosaur ribs!! It was

great to see Seb as he has been pretty ill with a bout of pneumonia.

After lunch we all went outside and Tony gave a quick speech and he welcomed new members Kevin and Pauline O'Rourke with their amazing black C7 and also Matthew and Jasmin with their white C3.

It was also great to see Dave and Sarah Bolt and their beautiful red C3 who haven't been on a club run for a while.

We stayed until around 3 pm and then we all dispersed. It was a really awesome day and the vibe was happy and cheery.

Thanks to everyone who attended, and we now look forward to the Xmas in July function at Blampied( near Daylesford) on Sunday the 25 th July.

Dean







## CUSTOM PLATES



### Slimline Plates now available for Club Permit vehicles

Victoria's Club Permit plates are now available for you to purchase in slimline. The new slimline plates can be purchased as either new Club Permit number or replacement plates for existing Club Permit vehicles.

Plate Type	Available At	Price
Slimline plates (new issue Club Permit Number only)	Customer Service Centres	\$185
Pair of slimline replacement plates (existing permit number)	Online only - myVicRoads account	\$185
Single slimline replacement plate	Online Only - myVicRoads account	\$125

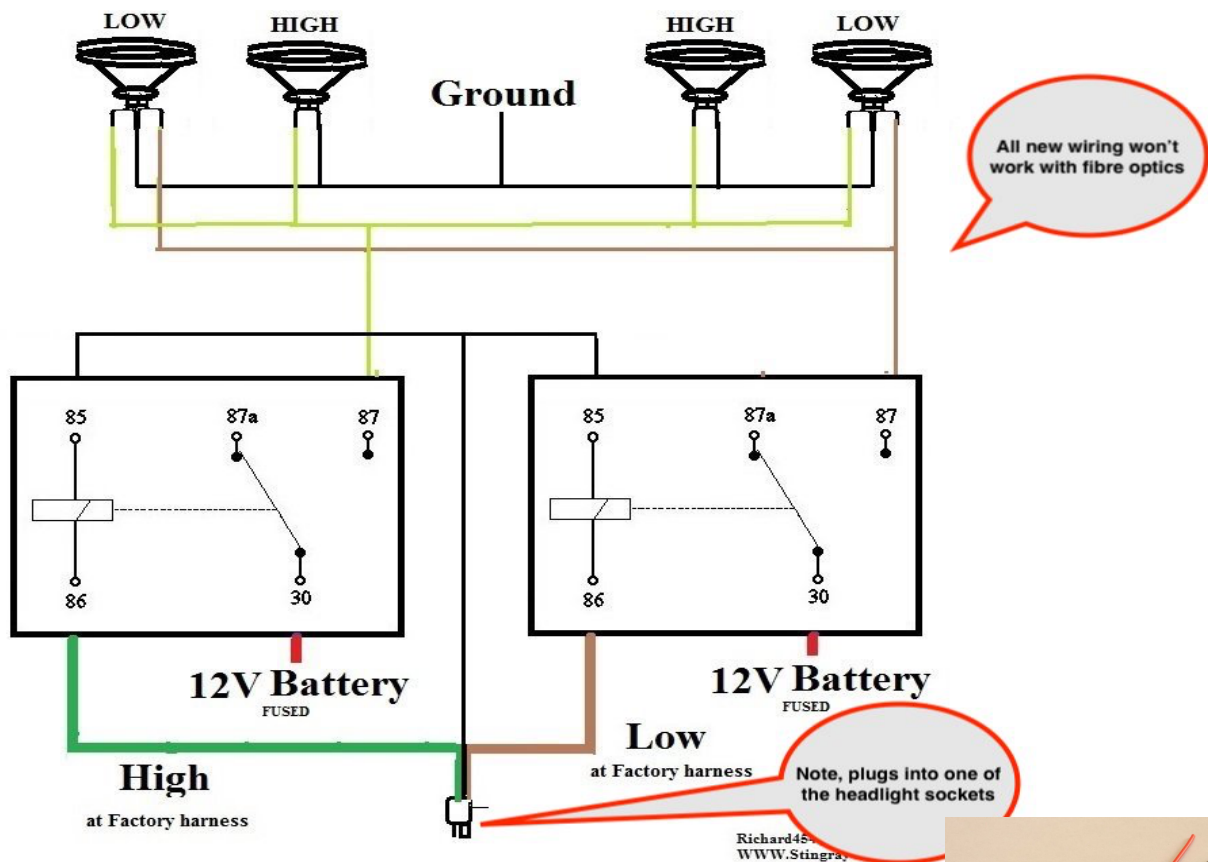




## C3 Headlight Relays

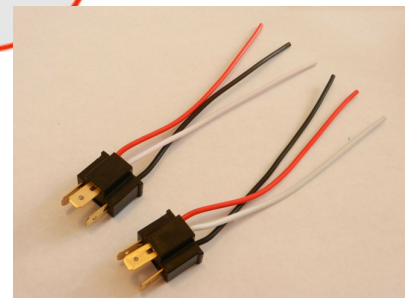
C3 headlight brightness can be improved by installing relays to eliminate the voltage drop in wiring and the headlight switch.

This approach from “Richard454” on the forum is neat in that it doesn’t require any modification of the existing harness and plugs into one of the headlight sockets. It would also allow you to use higher power halogen globes.



You’ll need a plug like this to plug into the existing headlight socket.

The two relays in the circuit are standard automotive relays. You can buy some with a 30A fuse built in to make wiring easier



Another approach is to buy a complete kit from one of the vendors like this one from CorvetteMods.

[https://www.corvettemods.com/C3-Corvette-1968-1979-Headlight-Power-Upgrade-Harness-for-Halo-Lamps\\_p\\_16146.html](https://www.corvettemods.com/C3-Corvette-1968-1979-Headlight-Power-Upgrade-Harness-for-Halo-Lamps_p_16146.html)

Happy Vetting!

The fine print...ALL CARE BUT NO RESPONSIBILITY!

I’m just a hobbyist like many of us. Happy to share what I’ve picked up along the way. These tech tips are meant to be informative but I am not infallible. If you are not sure about anything, get professional advice. If DIY make sure you have the right tools and expertise to avoid damage to your car or yourself. Cheers, Joe

# FIRST 2022 CORVETTE ALLOCATION



The new mid-engine Corvette C8 has gone world-wide, bringing American-style supercar performance to a number of international markets, including Australia. Indeed, the popularity of America's sports car is running high, as evidenced by the fact that the first 2022 Corvette Stingray allocation has already sold out in Australia.

Per a recent report from the Australian publication CarAdvice, all 250 units of the 2022 Corvette slated for delivery to Australia are already spoken for, even before the first unit has arrived on Australian shores.

According to CarAdvice, some buyers have agreed to delivery fees in excess of AU\$20,000 (about \$14,774 at current exchange rates) in order to secure their new 2022 Corvette Stingray, with drive-away prices sometimes exceeding \$200,000 (\$147,744).

The latest C8 Chevy Corvette will be sold in right-hand drive from the factory, a first for the Corvette nameplate. Australian buyers will get their new ride through General Motors Specialty Vehicles (GMSV), the new subsidiary for the Australian market, which arrived as a replacement for Holden last year.



# ALREADY SOLD OUT IN AUSTRALIA



GM confirmed that the first allocation of 2022 Corvette models for Australia was indeed already sold out, but indicated that further units would be allocated for the 2022 model year, followed by allocation for the 2023 model year as well. Dealers are expected to receive between three and five vehicles, with very little choice in terms of options or colors.

The Aussie-spec 2022 Corvette trims include the 2LT, priced at AU\$144,990 (\$107,107 at current exchange rates) plus on-road costs, the 3LT, priced at AU\$160,500 (\$118,565 at current exchange rates) plus on-road costs, and the range-topping Carbon

Edition, priced at \$189,990 (\$140,349 at current exchange rates) before on-road costs. The 2LT and 3LT will also be available in a convertible body style, as well.

For now, there's no official word if GM will offer the go-faster C8 Chevy Corvette Z06 in Australian market. That said, the automaker recently filed to trademark "Z06" in Australia and New Zealand, as GM Authority covered.

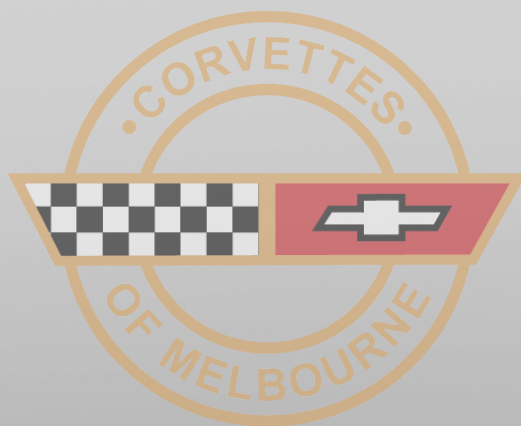
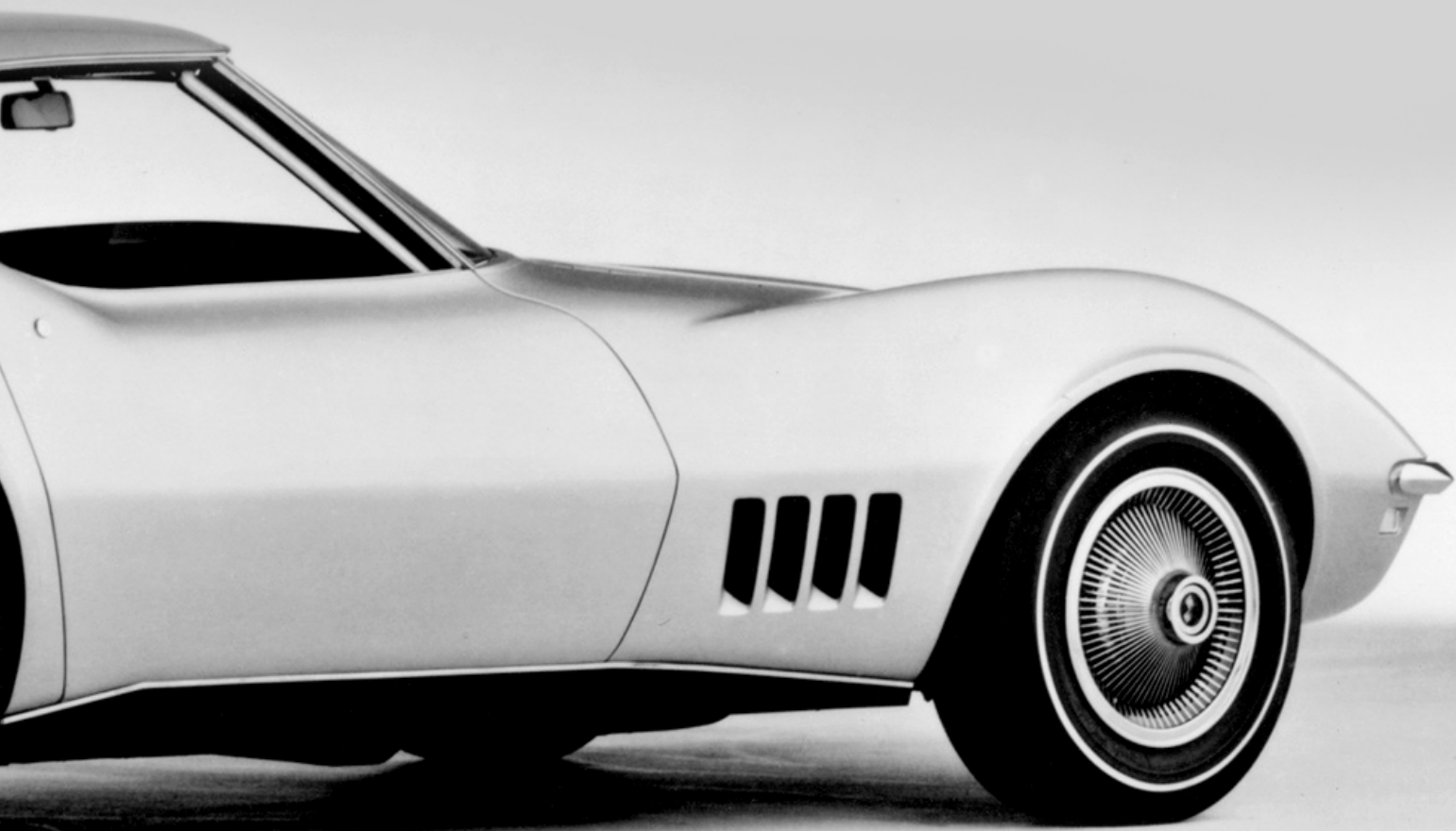
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**JULY & AUGUST**







*“White c3 Corvette coupe with a 350 chev paired with the 3-speed turbo 350 and right-hand drive.”*



Hi all,

I joined the Corvettes of Melbourne club in April of 2020 which is something I have been wanting to do for a while now. I own a white c3 Corvette coupe with a 350 chev paired with the 3-speed turbo 350 and right-hand drive. I have owned this car since September 2020 and love every minute driving it. Understandably owning a c3 at my age when I was driving around with p plates, almost everyone assumes this is either “dads’ car” or “mum and dads money car”. Thankfully now the p plate days are over, and I am enjoying driving it now more because of it. However, dad was not out of the picture when it came to buying this c3. The backstory behind this purchase goes back a bit over 8 years ago in 2012. My dad, Peter, sprays elm trees for a living

and one of his clients lives in Berwick. This client has a very beautiful elm tree in the back yard BUT as dad spotted, a very beautiful c3 corvette under a car cover in the garage. Dad and the owner spoke for a long time, admiring the car along the way. 2 years go by, and the elm tree is due for a treatment again. Amazed, dad spots the car in the same place and the owner says that he is looking at selling his c3 and mentions a price to which dad declines. Once the job was done dad sent me 2 photos that he snapped of the c3 and of course I was amazed as I have been in love with corvettes since about year 6 in junior school! Fast forward another 2 years, dad for some reason was flipping a small tin boat and the tree once again was due. Dad offers a fair lump of cash along with the tinny and things were getting close.





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Discussion was going down for a few weeks before the owner pulled out of the offer. At this point dad decided there was not much point to own the car himself as he had just picked up a ford xc which needed a lot of major work and could not justify owning two muscle cars. I piped up and said in 2 years time if it is still in his garage and for sale that I will buy it. Dad told the owner this and then came back home. Once again, 2 years go by, and the tree is due, so dad heads up to Berwick to treat the elm tree. To his surprise the c3 was sitting in the garage with no car cover, registration (this whole time it had been unregistered), four brand new tires and a wash. Shocked, dad asked what the go was with the c3 to which the owner stated that he had just got a road worthy certificate a few days ago and was putting it on the market at the end of this week! Dad jumped straight away and said that his son (me) will buy it then and there. Dad rings me while I am at work and tells me that I am now a proud owner of a corvette! Impressed but stunned I had to pull all the money I had saved over the past 2-3 years and get ready for the transfer. No less than 36 hours later I was driving home in a c3 corvette, which was for me, sight unseen and I had no test drive beforehand. Pitch dark, a very new style of driving and a speedo which I could barely read during peak lockdown from covid through metropolitan areas back to Gippsland where I live, was quite daunting all at once but I had a smile for ear to ear the entire time.

As everyone in this club would recognise, the looks people give you is as if you are driving a car from outer space and for that reason alone everyone has certainly made the right choice in owning such a cool automobile.

See you all on the next road trip,  
Matthew and my partner Jasmin





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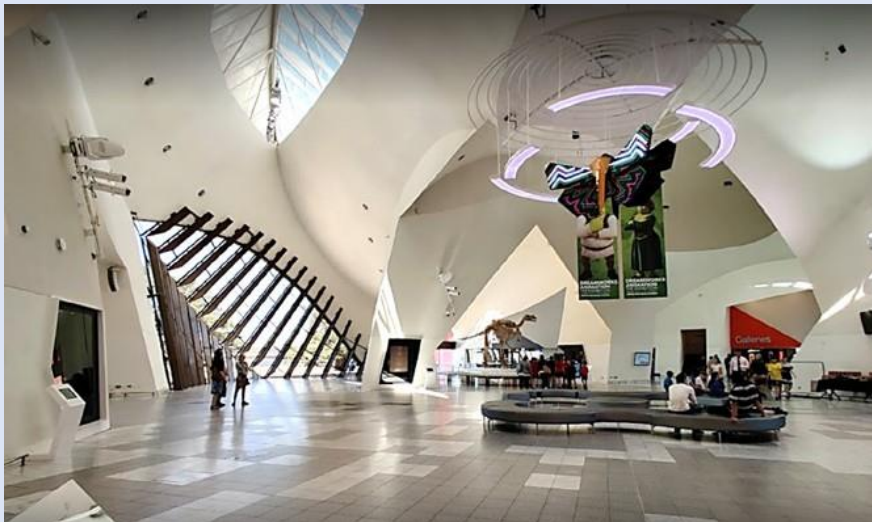


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***The Corvette Nationals is back in 2022!*** After two years of postponements we look forward to the celebrations over the 2022 Easter long weekend as we catch-up with Vette enthusiasts from around the country for a long weekend of relaxation and entertainment – and surprises – as we celebrate our favourite sportscar.

It is a time to consider the rich Vette history from the iconic early models through the high performance models to welcoming the mid-engine C8!

**We have a full weekend of activities planned! Show ‘n’ Shine, cruise and social events with interesting locations and venues.**



The National Museum of Australia is the venue for our Gala Presentation Dinner on the Saturday evening. It is an impressive venue with a great location by Lake Burley Griffin with expansive views of the city.

The Pavilion Hotel is the venue for the Nationals – with a Club Room for Vette mags, videos, conversation and gossip. It is well-located on one of the main access roads in the city and an opportunity to ride the city’s new light-rail into the city centre for its trendy shops and restaurant precincts.





## ***THE WEEKEND'S PROGRAM***

### **Friday, 15 April**

Check-in at the Pavilion Hotel  
Registration, Information Pack and Goodies Bag  
Spruce-up the Vette with washing gear provided  
Welcome Party with canapés and cash bar – wear your Club Shirts

### **Saturday, 16 April**

Breakfast  
Cruise to Queanbeyan Park for the Show 'n' Shine  
Gala Dinner and trophy presentations at the National Museum of Australia  
– wear the Convention Shirts

### **Sunday, 17 April**

Cruise to Cooma and surrounds  
Lunch with Cooma Car Club members  
Dinner at the Pavilion Hotel – neat casual

### **Monday, 18 April**

Breakfast  
Farewells until next time  
Drive safely



## ***REGISTRATION FORM***

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**Book early because the event is limited to 100 Vettes!**

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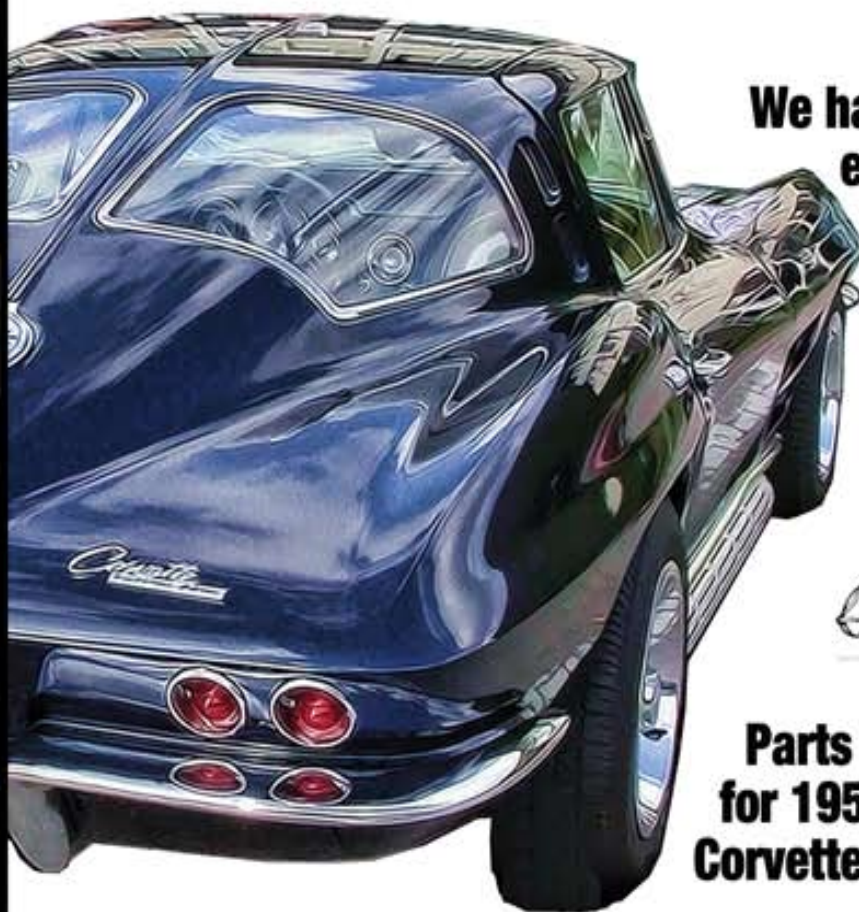
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