



Corvette
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2024

December

Save the Date

Upcoming Events

Thursday 12th December 2024 Club Meeting – Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthorn East.
Pre-Meeting Dinner/Drinks at 7 pm
Meeting commences at 8 pm. Remember your \$20.00 Kris Kringle Gift.

Thursday 13th February 2025 Club Meeting – Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthorn East.
Pre-Meeting Dinner/Drinks at 7 pm
Meeting commences at 8 pm

Sunday 16th February 2025 Save the Date. Club Run – Details to be advised via COM Chat / Email.

Thursday 13th March 2025 Club Meeting – Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthorn East.
Pre-Meeting Dinner/Drinks at 7 pm
Meeting commences at 8 pm

Friday 28th March – Sunday 30 March 2025 - Parkes Alive In 2025 – National Corvette Convention.
Refer Gazette for Details.

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Club Meeting

Every 2nd Thursday of the month at 8pm (except January)
Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthorn 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'. \$85.00 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 by 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 \$15.00 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. 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:

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Christmas Uncle Arthur

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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'S REPORT

Hi everyone,

Welcome to December and the festive season.

We are down to the last club magazine and last club meeting for 2024.

Since our last meeting, we have had a number of events, including:

The Point Nepean Heritage Motor Show on 3 November 2024. A few of our Club members took their pride and joy along.

The Bright Annual Hot Rod and Street Show from 7 to 10 November 2024.

A few of us made the impromptu trip, camping for this event. It was an experience but it was good fun.

Meet the Vics from 15 to 18 November 2024 at the Hahndorf Discovery Park in South Australia.

The annual Christmas lunch at Kathy & Glenn's mansion, which was a lot of fun but not so good for the waist line with all those delicious desserts, Thank you Kathy for the delicious desserts.

We would like to thank Kathy and Glenn for hosting this lunch. Thank you also to Michael and Mandy for their help with setting up. We had five lucky door prizes, this year being Christmas shopping vouchers to spend as desired. All children received a Cadbury chocolate stocking. See all photos in the magazine.

Our next meeting is on **12 December 2024** at the Tower Hotel. **We are going to make this a different experience, holding a Kris Kringle (with a twist).**

If you would like to join in the fun, you need to bring a wrapped present (unisex) up to the value of \$20.00. No self-portraits please. One present per person, so if joining as a couple, you will need two wrapped presents. The more members that join in, the better the fun.

I hope you have all enjoyed the year as all valued members of Corvettes of Melbourne.

Our first meeting for 2025 will be on Thursday 13 February 2024 at the Tower Hotel.

Merry Christmas to everyone, including your family and friends.

Cheers Tony (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



Next Meetings

**Thursday 12th December and
Thursday 13th February**

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

December

ZOE



Anna Arhontogeorge
Tania Grove
Meredith Young
Lisa Villanti
Rod Anderson
Brian Croy
Bruno Gloder
Gary Lee

Dave Lewis
Branko Miletic
Tye Oxley
Jim Peters
Darren Pelacchi
Steve Rump
Ashley Sutherland
John Weir

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.

CLUB PERMIT
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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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Permit
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Garth Bradbury 0411 131 294
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Corvettes of Melbourne Inc No A0023933M

Minutes of General Meeting Thursday 14th of November 2024.

Tower Hill Hotel, Hawthorn.

Meeting Commenced 8.05 pm with 26 in Attendance.

Chair: Tony Asquith, President

Welcome: The president welcomed all to the November 2024 meeting.

New Members: None this month

Apologies: 19 Members.

Bob Nordllinger, Colin Somerton, Daniel Zadnik, Darrell Verdon, Dean Cooper, Dianne & Andrew Farkas, Michael & Mandy Brand, Glenn Pellegrino & Kathy Bergin, Grahame George, Tania Cassidy, Christine Butters, Carmen & Sab La Bruna, Mark & Janice Witchard, Nicholas Bolis, Adrian & Lisa Villanti, Greg Webster, Neil White, Teemu Carr

Moved apologies be accepted: Proposer; Garth Bradbury. Seconded, Vicki O'Donohue

Minutes of the last Meeting (October) were tabled and as formally published in the November magazine.

Moved that the minutes be accepted: Proposer; Michelle Wier. Seconded; Andrew Leonard

Reports:

Treasurers report

Joe Younane presented the Treasurers report. The report covers the month of October 2024 and was followed by general questions from the floor. A copy of this month's report was provided to the secretary and is available to members by request.

Key (net) expenditure for the month mostly related to the final payments relating to the October Stingray run paid against earlier deposits received from attendees. Overall, the club financial position is 'in good order'.

Joe highlighted our bankers (NAB) will no longer operate cheque accounts. Our current facilities will continue for 2 additional months to 31/12/24 then new accounts based on 'funds transfer' will replace the existing facilities. 2 signatures will be required to process payments being Garth Bradbury & Joe Younane.

Moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted: Proposer; Dan Butters. Seconded, Chris Bradbury

Secretaries Report - Correspondence: No new correspondence to report.

Corvettes of South Australia magazine received this month. Queensland Corvette Club October '24 newsletter was attached to this month's meeting notice distribution by Tony. Moved that the Secretaries report be accepted: Proposer; N/A. Seconded, N/A

Merchandise –

\$500 of merchandise was sold in October.

Remember to place your merchandise orders directly with Kathy (Refer club 'contacts')

Events: (Please visit 'Save the dates' in the monthly magazine)

Past Events:

25th – 27th October – Annual Stingray Run. A detailed overview was provided to the meeting by Andrew Leonard. After deliberation of a suitable venue for the next event in 2025, it has been decided by Central Vic. Corvette group the Rusty Springs venue will be retained as the most suitable option. Deposits of \$100 are already being taken by Joe for those who want to lock in next year's attendance as it will book out once again.

3rd November – Point Nepean 2024. Another great day out in glorious weather with good club representation. Michelle suggested that we should consider formally entering as 'a club entry' in 2025.

Upcoming Events:

December 1st – Club Christmas function. Cut off for bookings was announced on the night so catering can be finalised. Our hosts are Glenn & Kathy with thanks extended for their hospitality and effort in supporting the clubs Xmas function.

November 15th to 17th - Meet the Vics 2024 - Hahndorf S.A. Glenn, Kathy, Michael & Mandy are

attending this weekend and the reason for their absence at tonight's meeting. Acknowledgement of their efforts in representing COM was made especially in consideration of the numerous club events they have been participating in over the October/November months.

2025 – March 28th to 31st - Corvette National Convention – Parkes Alive in 2025. Tony has booked 14 rooms at Gundagai. Harry Turner (NSW Organiser) has returned from an extended overseas trip and now fully focused on the convention arrangements. He has requested to those who want to attend but not yet registered to do so ASAP as shirts need to be ordered prior to Xmas and formal arrangements to be set re numbers attending. Register Now!!

General Business:

Monthly Meeting Venue Review. A formal letter was sent to The Tower Hotel management on 24th October expressing feedback as raised at the October meeting by several members. No feedback was received as at November 14th. and approach to Joe Rumoro was made prior to tonight's meeting with him stating he did not receive the emailed letter. A hard copy was provided to 'Gina' at his request with feedback to be followed up again prior to the December meeting. Consensus was that the food and service had improved over these past 2 months. Tony highlighted we had been attending The Tower Hotel for 20 years as a club.

Tony advised more club logo stickers have been ordered. Michelle suggested we should consider a supply of 'sashes' for future events. Craig will check pricing and source through CCCV.

Garth Bradbury highlighted discussions with Vic Roads re Club Plate permit renewals. Members 'MUST' keep check of permit expiry as no follow ups will be made by Vic Roads. Wayne added to be careful to also not pay twice as a refund process is almost impossible.

The 2025 Corvette Central Calendar was shown by Craig where it was highlighted the club did not approach them for free copies and postage only charges this year as we had difficulty in having members uptake the offer in full last year. Postage costs from the USA for individual calendars was highlighted as almost prohibitive. It was suggested the club consider making our own calendar next year (2026) with 12 club member vehicles featured and the calendar highlighting monthly meeting and key event dates. Craig said he would review and report back to the club with cost estimates and a proposal.

Meeting closed at 8.59 pm.

Next meeting 12h December 2024 -

Minutes prepared by Craig O'Donohue on behalf of Michael Brand, Secretary.

A History of Corvettes – Your Vette by year (Cont.)



1959 CORVETTE CONVERTIBLE PRODUCTION: 9,670 7

BASE PRICE: \$3,875.00 OPTIONAL STYLE: NONE
 SERIAL NUMBERS (Body & Chassis): J59S100001 through J59S109670
 COLORS: Tuxedo Black, Classic Cream, Frost Blue, Crown Sapphire, Roman Red, Snowcrest White, Inca Silver
 ENGINE OPTIONS: 230 HP, 283 CI (base) • 245 HP, 283 CI • 270 HP, 283 CI • 250 HP, 283 CI (Fuel Injection) • 290 HP, 283 CI (Fuel Injection)



3/4 Right Front



1962 CORVETTE CONVERTIBLE PRODUCTION: 14,531 10

BASE PRICE: \$4,038.00 OPTIONAL STYLE: NONE
 SERIAL NUMBERS (Body & Chassis): 20867S100001 through 20867S114531
 COLORS: Tuxedo Black, Honduras Maroon, Roman Red, Fawn Beige, Almond Beige, Ermine White, Sateen Silver
 ENGINE OPTIONS: 250 HP, 327 CI (base) • 300 HP, 327 CI • 340 HP, 327 CI • 390 HP, 327 CI (Fuel Injection)



Left side



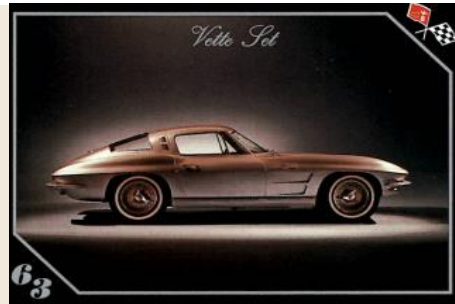
1960 CORVETTE CONVERTIBLE PRODUCTION: 10,251 8

BASE PRICE: \$3,872.00 OPTIONAL STYLE: NONE
 SERIAL NUMBERS (Body & Chassis): 00867S100001 through 00867S110261
 COLORS: Tuxedo Black, Tasco Turquoise, Horizon Blue, Honduras Maroon, Roman Red, Ermine White, Sateen Silver, Cascade Green
 ENGINE OPTIONS: 230 HP, 283 CI (base) • 245 HP, 283 CI • 270 HP, 283 CI • 275 HP, 283 CI (Fuel Injection) • 315 HP, 283 CI (Fuel Injection)



Front

Trunk Deck



1963 CORVETTE SPORT COUPE PRODUCTION: 10,594 11

BASE PRICE: \$4,257.00 OPTIONAL STYLE: CONVERTIBLE (10,919)
 SERIAL NUMBERS (Body & Chassis): 30837S100001 through 30837S121513 (For convertible, first 5 digits are: 40807)
 COLORS: Tuxedo Black, Ermine White, Riverside Red, Silver Blue, Daytona Blue, Saddle Tan, Sebring Silver
 ENGINE OPTIONS: 250 HP, 327 CI (base) • 300 HP, 327 CI • 340 HP, 327 CI • 390 HP, 327 CI (Fuel Injection)



Left rear

Engine

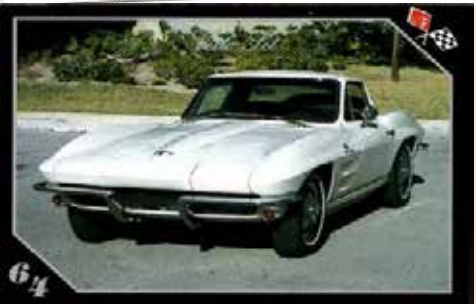


1961 CORVETTE CONVERTIBLE PRODUCTION: 10,939 9

BASE PRICE: \$3,934.00 OPTIONAL STYLE: NONE
 SERIAL NUMBERS (Body & Chassis): 10867S100001 through 10867S110939
 COLORS: Tuxedo Black, Jewel Blue, Honduras Maroon, Roman Red, Fawn Beige, Ermine White, Sateen Silver
 ENGINE OPTIONS: 230 HP, 283 CI (base) • 245 HP, 283 CI • 270 HP, 283 CI • 275 HP, 283 CI (Fuel Injection) • 315 HP, 283 CI (Fuel Injection)



Interior



1964 CORVETTE SPORT COUPE PRODUCTION: 8,304 14

BASE PRICE: \$4,252.00 OPTIONAL STYLE: CONVERTIBLE (13,925)
 SERIAL NUMBERS (Body & Chassis): 40837S100001 through 40837S122229 (For convertibles, first 5 digits are: 40807)
 COLORS: Tuxedo Black, Ermine White, Riverside Red, Satin Silver, Silver Blue, Daytona Blue, Saddle Tan
 ENGINE OPTIONS: 250 HP, 327 CI (base) • 300 HP, 327 CI • 365 HP, 327 CI • 375 HP, 327 CI (Fuel Injection)



Interior

Engine

A Christmas Crossword (Without the Crossword!!)

Across

- Name of the factory that produces corvettes?
- Where was the first corvette introduced?
- What is the name of the 2020 corvette?
- NASA Astronauts drove corvettes who all were on what mission?
- What fish inspired the look of the corvette "Sting Ray"?
- Name of the race that corvettes paced for more than 13 years?

- Who designed the Corvette?
- Who designed the corvette "Sting Ray"?
- From 1968 to 1982 the roof of corvettes were?
- The only car to offer this as a windshield?

Down

- What material are corvettes mostly made of?
- Name of Chevrolet's Sports car?
- Half of corvette owners also have?

- Where does the corvette get its name?
- First style of the corvettes built?
- These style brakes were added in 1965?
- Name of the company that produces corvettes?
- How many models of the 1983 corvette were built?
- Fastest corvette ever built?
- These came out as an option on the corvettes in 1954?

Word Bank

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| Warships | Bowling Green | Corvette | Hard - Top | Disc Brakes |
| One | Chevrolet | Wrap Around | TTops | ZR-1 |
| Indy 500 | Bill Mitchell | Mercury Seven | shark | Fiberglass |
| Convertible | Motorama | Harley Earl | Mid Engine | College Degrees |



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THE BRIGHT ROD RUN 2024



A small group of our club members again attended the annual Bright (32nd) Hot Rod Run in this most beautiful Northern Victoria township.

We had 'The Bus', a couple of Caravans and a very comfortable camper in a tent for this 'unofficial' club gathering at the picture-perfect Wandiligong camping grounds. Members in attendance were Tony Asquith, Glenn & Kathy, Michael & Mandy, Vicki & Craig.

This event is said to be bigger than ever with over 500 official entrants and probably another 200 or more just joining in to view this spectacle just like us. Bright is said to lean more towards street machines & Rods but when you consider nearby Mulwala also hosts their Rod Run (Hot Rods & Street machines) on the same weekend there must be somewhere in the vicinity of 1200 to 1500 enthusiast cars in the N.E. Vic. Region over this weekend. Tony made comment that his return home trip down the Hume Highway on Sunday was a car show in itself. Amazing!!

Not so many Corvettes aside from this stunning 'street legal' (???) car parading around town with the son driving and on 'L' Plates!!

We did see a beautiful '58 Silver C1 driving around town who we believe is a car that came down from Wodonga just for the day and of course, Glenn did our club proud with his Black Beauty tucked in tight in the back of the Bus.



On Friday, we had lunch at the Harrietville Hotel which was a great introduction to the weekend as a huge number of entrant cars also had the same idea and provided us with quite an entertaining afternoon.



THURSDAY NOV. 7th to MONDAY 11th.

Saturday, we headed into Bright to watch the amazing street cruise with so many cars on parade to the admiration of the hundreds of onlookers who lined the streets on hay bales and camp chairs to watch this spectacle.



Sunday featured the 'Show n Shine' with hundreds of cars on display at Pioneer Park that was full to the brim with display cars, market stalls, food trucks and heaps of car memorabilia. As soon as one car left the show n shine, another entered to take its place.



We all again had a great weekend and thankfully could always return to the serenity of the Wandiligong Campgrounds to escape the people, noise and car fumes of nearby Bright. We have already booked in for next year so if you have any interest, let us know!!

Meet The Vics 2024, Hahndorf SA. Mandy & Michael

Thursday 14th November Corvettes of Melbourne representatives Michael & Mandy, Glenn & Kathy headed off on the annual "Meet the Vics" event. The 2024 event was hosted in Hahndorf S.A. We had a good trip over, the highlight being Mandy's interview with the Agriculture Border Control. (But that's a story for another time).



Once settled into our accommodation we attended the Welcome BBQ meeting up with Surf Coast and S.A. Corvette members.

Friday was a drive day, meandering along the country roads to visit The Cube, which is a unique building offering tasting



of D'Arenberg wines, café, art display and garden sculptures.



On Friday it also featured a display of Corvettes including 2 custom C3 style corvettes built out of C6 chassis and running gear. The cars drew everybody's attention. We then drove on



through the picturesque countryside featuring vineyards and farming properties arriving at Lake Breeze Winery for the lunch. The cars were in a prominent position on the manicured lawns until we departed for the drive back to Hahndorf.



Saturday, we travelled by bus through the Barossa Valley on a Historical Tour. Mark Andre from Surf Coast and Rob McConnell from S.A. Corvettes were our guides giving us a brief history of the area and pointing at landmarks as we went.

Meet The Vics 2024, Hahndorf SA. Mandy & Michael



There were several stops including Menglers Hill which provided a panoramic view over the Barossa Valley. Kuchel Trucks and Hot Rods where we toured the workshop and saw their restoration projects. Seppeltsfield and Langmeil Winery.

After lunch at Tanunda Hotel, we visited the Barossa Museum which was filled with many everyday items dating back to the mid 1800's when the Barossa Valley was originally settled. On the drive back to Hahndorf we stopped at The Herbig Tree which was inhabited by J.F. Herbig for 5years (1855-1860) the tree is estimated to be 450-500 years old.



In the evening, we gathered for dinner at

Hahndorf Old Mill with lively conversation often in reference to cars, it was an evening well spent.



Sunday was an exciting morning with a cruise to the Birdwood Museum where the corvettes were displayed on the lawn for all to see. We then had the opportunity to peruse the wonderful exhibition of cars.



The parade of corvettes left the museum and cruised out of the Barossa Valley winding our way down into Mannum our destination Pretoria Hotel which has views over the Murray river. This Hotel was flooded in the 2014 floods.

We said our final farewells with plans to see many at the Nationals in Parkes 2025.

A huge "Thank you" to our host Corvettes of S.A

CHRISTMAS LUNCH - 2024



Another fantastic day of catching up with Corvettes of Melbourne members to celebrate the start of the Christmas Celebrations.

A massive thank you goes out to Glenn and Kathy for opening their beautiful home for all of us to enjoy. There was most certainly no reason for anyone to go home hungry. The presentation and selection of food was fantastic, and that's before we even comment on the desserts. Weight Watchers, here we come.

Kathy and Glenn went to a lot of trouble and hard work for us to enjoy the day, and when arriving at their property, along with the magnificent views, it was also a great scene to see all the Corvettes lined up on display.

The raffles were well appreciated, and thanks once again to Corvettes of Melbourne for yet another enjoyable day of food, fun and friendship.



CHRISTMAS LUNCH - 2024





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December



CHRISTMAS LUNCH - 2024



CHRISTMAS LUNCH - 2024



Trip to the F1 in Las Vegas



Here are some happy snaps from my recent trip. Started with an NFL game LA Chargers vs the Cincinnati Bengals. Then on to Palm Springs for sightseeing, Joshua Tree, Marilyn, Frank Sinatra's house "Twin Palms" and the aerial tramway.

Then to Las Vegas for the F1, Karting, Hoover Dam and a helicopter ride into the Grand Canyon. Enjoy !!! - Joe



Trip to the F1 in Las Vegas



Triple Eight Plots Aussie Corvette GT3 Program

Supercars powerhouse Triple Eight gears up for an exciting venture

Triple Eight Race Engineering has always been at the forefront of innovation and competition.

Known for their dominance in the Supercars Championship, the team announced on October 29 that it is now setting its sights on a new challenge: an Australian campaign with Chevrolet's Corvette Z06 GT3.R.

This ambitious project, while still in its nascent stages, promises to bring a fresh wave of excitement to the Australian racing scene.

The timeline for this endeavour, however, suggests that it may not come to fruition until 2026.

Coincidentally, it was announced on October 30 that "Jessica Dane, currently the Motorsports

Integration Manager in GM Motorsports, will become the Corvette Racing Program Manager for all Corvette GT3 programmes."

Jessica Dane is the partner of Shane van Gisbergen, and a former director and shareholder of Triple Eight.

We could perhaps assume then, that Triple Eight are well connected with the Program.

Chevrolet marked its return to the GT3 arena in 2024 with the Pratt & Miller developed Corvette Z06 GT3.R, a car that has quickly made a name for itself in various prestigious racing series.

Competing in IMSA, GT World Challenge America, and the World Endurance Championship, the Corvette Z06 GT3.R has demonstrated remarkable performance and reliability.

This re-entry into GT3 racing signifies Chevrolet's commitment to high-performance motorsport, and now, the global expansion of this program is on the horizon.

Triple Eight's entry into GT3 racing with the Corvette Z06 GT3.R could significantly elevate the profile of GT racing in Australia.

The team's reputation for excellence and their extensive fan base would undoubtedly draw attention to the series, potentially increasing viewership and sponsorship opportunities.

Furthermore, the addition of such a high-profile vehicle to the grid would enhance the competitiveness and spectacle of the races, offering fans a thrilling new dimension to the sport.

Vehicle availability is a primary concern, as the demand for the Corvette Z06 GT3.R is high worldwide.

Additionally, adapting the team's operations to suit the specific requirements of GT3 racing, including vehicle setup, pit strategies, and driver training, will require careful planning and execution.

However Triple Eight's US connections - as well as their experience and resources - position them well to overcome these hurdles and succeed.

While the project is still in its early stages, the tentative timeline points towards a potential launch in 2026.

This extended lead time allows Triple Eight to meticulously prepare for their entry into GT3 racing, ensuring that every aspect of the program is honed to perfection.

The team's methodical approach, combined with their passion for innovation, suggests that when they do make their debut, it will be a momentous occasion in the history of Australian motorsport.

Triple Eight Race Engineering's planned Australian campaign with the Chevrolet Corvette Z06 GT3.R represents an exciting new chapter for the team and the broader racing community.

Motorsport enthusiasts across the country eagerly await the day when the Corvette Z06 GT3.R roars onto Australian tracks, heralding a new era of high-octane competition and spectacle.

In the words of Jamie Whincup, “We’ve certainly got some interest, no doubt.” With such a statement, the motorsport community and Australian Corvette fans can rest assured that when Triple Eight sets its sights on a goal, they pursue it with unwavering determination and excellence.

The future of Australian GT racing looks brighter than ever with the prospect of the Corvette Z06 GT3.R gracing its circuits.





Hosted by NSW Corvette Car Club

28th March 2025 — 31st March



Corvette National Convention

IMPORTANT NOTICE – New Bank Account and Merchandise

Dear Corvettes of Melbourne Members,

Corvettes of Melbourne Inc has a new NAB bank account which will replace the existing NAB account.

Please update the bank details in your on-line banking applications. New details are ...

Corvettes of Melbourne Inc.

BSB: 083-004

Acc: 767880859

We look forward to seeing you all at the December meeting.

Remember to let Kathy know if you require merchandise. Kathy will deliver your order to the next meeting or event. If that is not convenient, she can arrange to have the items posted to you.

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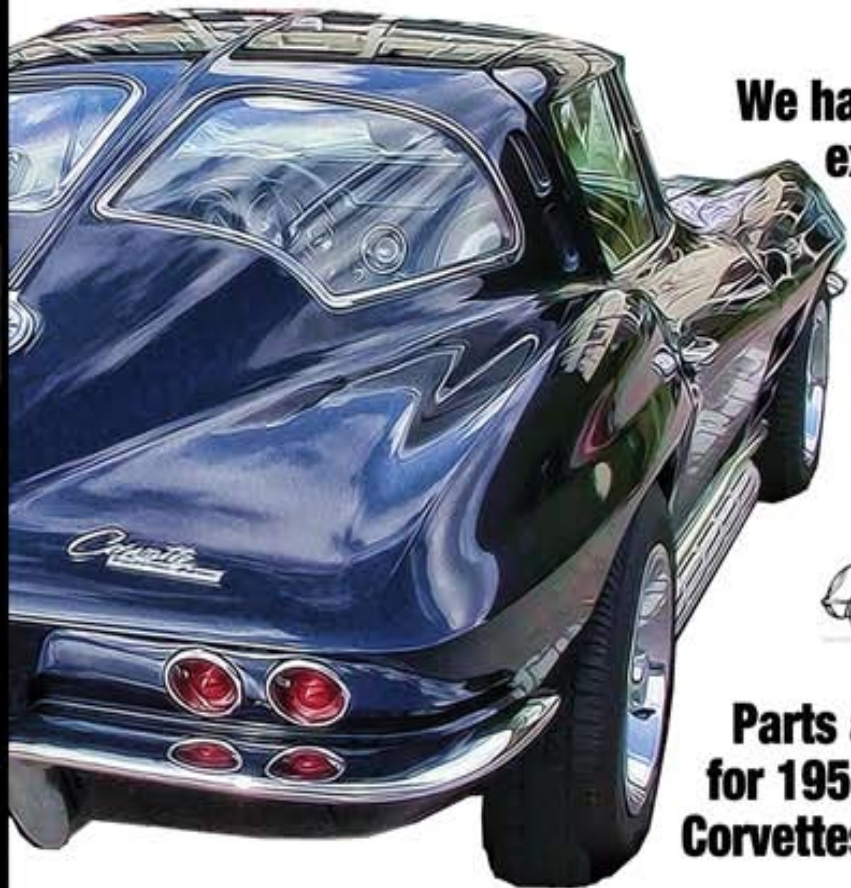
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