

Save the Date

Upcoming Events

Thursday 13 th March 2025	Club Meeting – Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthorn East.	
	Pre-Meeting Dinner/Drinks at 7 pm	
	Meeting commences at 8 pm	
Friday 28 th March – Sunday 30 March 2025	Parkes Alive In 2025 – National Corvette Convention.	
	Refer Gazette for Details.	
Thursday 10 th April 2025	Club Meeting – Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthorn East.	
	Pre-Meeting Dinner/Drinks at 7 pm	
	Meeting commences at 8 pm	
Saturday 12 th April, 2025	Ladies High Tea at National Gallery of Victoria (NGV)	
	Refer Gazette for Details	
Sunday 20 th April 2025 (Easter)	Club Run – Flinders Motoring Heritage (Easter Sunday)	
	Refer Gazette for Details.	
Sunday 27 th April 2025	Club Run – Werribee & District Car Club - Cars and Coffee	
	Cnr of Cherry & Kelly St's Werribee – 9.00am to 12 noon. Refer Gazette for Details.	
Thursday 8 th May 2025	Club Meeting – Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthorn East.	
	Pre-Meeting Dinner/Drinks at 7 pm	
	Meeting commences at 8 pm	



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y 2nd Thursday of the month at 8pm (except January) <i>Tower Hotel, 686 Burwood Road, Hawthorn East</i> Pre Meeting Dinner/Drinks at 7:00pm lers are requested to wear their nametags for the benefit of visitors.	Treasurer	secretary@corvettesofmelbourne.com Joe Younane 0418 478 814 treasurer@corvettesofmelbourne.com
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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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Doncaster Lawn Bowls - Club Event

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi everyone,

Well another month has gone, and we are now in Autumn.

Last month on 16 February 2025, we had lawn bowling at The Doncaster Bowling Club followed by wood fired pizza.

We all learnt how to correctly bowl, which is a lot harder than you think.

There were about 20 people and we had a great day. See the photos in the magazine.

As you all know on the 27 March 2025, we have a convoy of 35 people, with 18 Corvettes making our way to Gundagai, on our way to Parkes for the 2025 Nationals.

Meeting points will be advised shortly. There are still rooms available at the motels in Parkes and I have three rooms available at Gundagai, so if you want to attend, you can, please let me know asap.

I am sure the events team will have some events coming up in April and will let us know.

Apart from me cleaning my Corvette, ready for the drive up to Parkes, that's it folks.

See everyone at next meeting on 13 March 2025, upstairs at The Tower Hotel.

I must say I was really impressed with the upstairs room at the last meeting, we can now order food at the upstairs bar and get our drinks there as well, no need to go downstairs.

Hoping to see everyone there.

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 13th March and Thursday 10th April TOWER HOTEL HAWTHORN Starts at 8pm or get there at 7pm for some dinner, drinks and a

chat



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

March

Cheryl Asquith Kathy Bergin Linda Bryant Jasmine Dent Susan Morley Debbie O'Leary Cinzia Pitcher Sue Somerton Katherine Younane Chris Bevan Larry Black Nick Bolis Jordy Bridge Joe Calleja John Dunne Matt Dutneall Anthony Hacon Rusty King Scott Morden Robert Morley Shane Nordlinger Shane Nicholls Chris Pegg Gerard Van Grinsven Ryan Weir Joe Younane

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.

ZOE



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 Dan Butters 0407 726 773 Michael Brand 0425 864 359

People who can sign Vehicle Eligibility and Standards Declarations (Scrutineers):

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Corvettes of Melbourne Inc No A0023933M

Minutes of General Meeting 14th February 2025, Tower Hill Hotel, Hawthorn.

Meeting Commenced: 8.04pm.

Chair: Tony Asquith, President.

Welcome

The president welcomed all to the February 2025 meeting.

New Members: Luke Preston- 1982 bronze Coupe Corvette, Juris Rubenis- 2005 yellow Coupe Corvette, Anthony Rentzis – 1966 black Corvette Stingray.

Attendance: 39

Apologies: Andrew & Diane Farkas, Carmen & Sebastian La Bruna, Craig & Vicki O'Donohue, Katherine Younane, Cheryl Asquith, Daniel Bennett, Dean Cooper, Graham George,

Tania Cassidy, Mark Witchard, Scott Morden, Neil White, George Arhontogeorge, Darrell Verdon.

Moved apologies be accepted: Proposer; Kathy Bergin.

Seconded; Chris Bradbury.

Minutes of the last Meeting were tabled.

Moved that the minutes be accepted, Proposer; Paula Porter.

Seconded; Joe Younane.

Reports:

Treasurers report

Joe Younane presented the Treasurers report. The report covers from the months of December 2024 and January 2025.

A copy of this month's report is available to members by request.

Moved that the Treasurers report be accepted: Proposer; Greg Webster

Seconded; Dan Butters.

Secretary's report

Correspondence: Corvette Club SA, Queensland Corvette Club. Classic Restos tours with Fletch letter received. Moved that the Secretaries report be accepted: Proposer; Glenn Pellegrino. Seconded; Kathy Bergin.

Merchandise

Nothing to report.

Events

Daniel mentioned the recent Torquay Car show.

Next event Lawn Bowls on Sunday 16th February at Doncaster Bowls club.

Tony spoke about the Nationals 19 rooms booked at Gundagai Motel for the trip up to Parkes

2 rooms left. COM and Surfcoast are travelling up together.

Webby spoke about USA Carlisle trip in August. Booking 10 rooms, spoke about itinerary for trip.

General Business:

Tony announced Craig O'Donohue is stepping down from his role as Vice President. Brendan Greene is taking on the Vice President role.

Tony announced that he pushed for receipts for all attendees for the Nationals.

Dan Butters spoke about his experience at VicRds regarding obtaining a "missing" Logbook.

Meeting closed: 8.44pm Next meeting: 13th March Minutes by Michael Brand; Secretary

First Club Meeting for 2025



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A great day was certainly had by all who attended the Doncaster Bowls Event.

As the day progressed it was quite evident that there were several participants with previous experience, and it stood out.

The instructor from the Doncaster Bowling Club was a great assett and gave of his knowledge freely, and also his encouragement was excellent for the raw beginners.

Everyone had wide grins, and it was great to see Joe and Katherine's grandaughters join in the fun also.

The pizza's for lunch were a hit, and, of course the cakes and lollies supplied by Cheryl. Thanks to Daniel and Michelle for organising a fun day, and perhaps we can do it again.





























































2025 Flinders Motoring Heritage is on Easter Sunday April 20, 2025

The Flinders Motoring Heritage is an annual event run by The Lions Club of Flinders District Inc.

The event hosts a display of unique veteran, vintage, classic and modern motor cars, all displayed throughout Flinders Village. Now in its 9th year, the number of entrants and visitors has grown with up to 200 vehicles with over 2,000 visitors.

The entry fee is \$25 per vehicle. All drivers and passengers are free.

You can enter as many vehicles as you like.

When making your booking you will be prompted to answer a few questions as to your club and if you would like your vehicle to be judged for various awards. This will help us in allocating you to the correct parking space.

Categories include:

- Veteran. Pre 1919
- Vintage. 1919 to 1930
- Post Vintage Thoroughbred (PVT). English or European post 1931 to 1978
- Classic. Post Vintage (1930)
- Modified. Any vehicle that does not present as original
- Car of the Show
- Best non restored or original car "Oily Rag"

Major sponsors of the Flinders Motoring Heritage event to-date are: Mornington Peninsula Shire, Bendigo Community Bank Balnarring, and Buxton Mornington Peninsula.

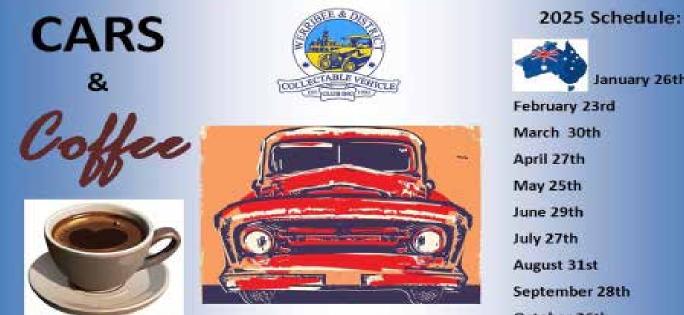
All proceeds from sponsorships, Australian Lions Foundation Matching Grants, entry fees and ticket sales will go towards fund the Prostate Scanner and Moonah House.

For all inquiries, contact Mark Holland – FMH25 Committee Chair Email: fmh@flindersdistrictlions.com.au or Mobile: 0418 541 969 www.flindersmotoringheritage.com.au



Werribee Cars and Coffee April 27th

Lunch Venue to be announced in April Gazette



Casual Sunday 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon





Corvette National Convention (CNC) 2025 Update

Some information to update you and your members for the CNC.

Accommodation is still available as follows:

North Parkes 2 rooms International 1 room North Parkes Cabins 6 Moonraker Motel 10 rooms Apollo Motel 13 rooms



Henry Parkes Centre

We have trophies available for sponsorship @ \$100 each.

Please contact me if interested on 0407709854.

The **Saturday night** venue has changed to the Parkes Golf club with transport provided both ways.

Sunday night dinner is at the Parkes Services Club, transport provided both ways.

For ladies who do not wish to go to the Show & Shine there will be a **guided bus tour** around Parkes and have lunch in town or at Cook Park where a 'Home Grown Festival' is being held, many stalls will be there.

Please let us know by 28th of February if you wish to go on the bus trip.

You will visit the Elvis Museum and the Historic Museum. Numbers are limited to 57 people.

For those people with trailers, if you are unable to find parking at your motel there is extra parking available behind the Moonraker Motel. This is a block below the Bushman's Motel. Access is via the back and a map will be provided. If you have any problems call me on 0407709854.

On Saturday morning, before the Show & Shine, we are planning a parade through the main street of Parkes to show off our cars leaving at 9am then to the Showground to set up. We hope everybody will

be involved as this helps to publicise our event.
We will have plenty of time to set up before opening at 10am.
Receipts are being sent out, expect yours soon.
Registrations will close on 28th February 2025 for the CNC.
Any other questions please ring me.
Thanks. See you there.

Peter Eldred Vice President NSW Corvette Club. 0407709854



Guess what this is.

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 our nextmeeting.

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.

Payment can be made in person or by EFT. All merchandise is provided as a service to our members and priced just over our cost.

Corvette Trivia

**In 1951 a group of Harley Earl's "Special Projects" crew began work on a GM sports car. Bob McLean designed a general layout for the car. The project was code named, "Opel".

**William Durant, the founder of GM, said a wallpaper pattern he saw in a Paris hotel in 1908 inspired the bow tie logo.

Supposedly, he ripped off a small piece of it and brought it back to Detroit.

**The man who named the Corvette was Myron Scott. Then Chevrolet's Chief photographer.

**The Jaguar XK120 is believed to have been the inspiration for the first Corvette.

**The Corvette was the first and last car with a "Wrap-Around" windshield.

**Corvette was not the first to be made with a fiberglass body, but it was the first to be built by a company the size of Chevrolet.

**Corvettes have been assembled in three different cities. Flint, St. Louis, and Bowling Green.

**"Turbojet" as first used on Corvette engine air cleaners with a horsepower rating of greater than 390hp.



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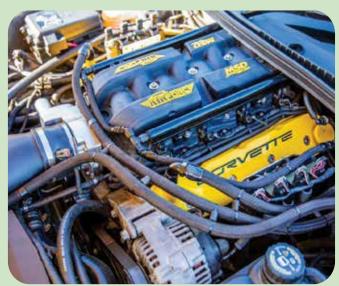
My modified LS7/ PPG sequential gearbox/ coilover suspension/ carbon ceramic disc/ wide body kit/ CCW forged wheel etc., etc C6R GT1 tribute C6 Corvette is for sale by auction on My105. com (unfinished project due to health reasons). It's truly an amazing car, registered (CVT427), and 95% complete.

See https://www.my105.com/search/details/2005-chevroletcorvette-gt1-tribute/23836f06-6317-44ca-91a0-c06b700c708d

Contact Juris Rubenis on 0403 362 413









An Invitation for all Lady Members and Partners of Members.

High Tea at the NGV. at the National Gallery of Victoria Tea Room on Saturday 12th April, 12.45pm

The NGV has parking, and is easy to access by tram and Flinders Street Station. Saturday was an option which will allow for Sunday to be free for other interests.

There are also several free exhibitions to view. Please email me at rentals@barrymarshall.com.au to book or

call or text me, Paula, on 0484 607 470.



Members Ride

What's your first name? My name is Gary.

Your partner? My partner is My Toy Poodle Kevin.

When did you join COM? The 5th February 2025.

Tell us a little about your car?

My Corvette is a 1986 C4 fitted with the Z51 handling option. Fitted with a Chevrolet 350. Still left hand drive.

What colour is your car?

Silver and white paint I believe only 695 were painted in this colour that year. Cloth trim. I have both roofs. Very clean both inside and out.

Why did you buy a Corvette?

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Just too many details to list - call me for a chat - lan





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