



# Corvettes of Western Australia

## General Meeting Minutes

**16 September 2026 – Meeting opened 7.00pm**

### **1. Attendance & Apologies**

#### **Attendees**

- Natalie page
- Andy Weatherburn
- Don Hill
- Frank Vitalene
- Stephen Simmons
- Barry Foster
- Rod Ross
- Don Barker
- Greg Walker
- Rod Tunnercliffe
- John O'Hara
- Neil Felthouse
- Sue Tulip
- David Jennings
- Richard Webb
- Damien Fraser
- Kevin Donetta
- George Veskovich
- Rex West
- Craig Tickner
- Ron Flood
- Brad Watkins
- Paul Noone

#### **Apologies received:**

- Geoff Haley
- Bob & Lorraine Sterling
- Peter & Lesley Dabelstein
- Wes Hewett
- Mark Williams
- Neville Dunn
- Murray Pesse

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No additional apologies noted.

## 2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Members confirmed they had read the minutes of the previous meeting.

**Moved:** Neil Felthouse **Seconded:** Greg Walker **Carried**

No business arising from the previous minutes.

## 3. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented the financial report:

Club finances continue trending upward. Spending remains controlled and below annual income. Upcoming major expenditure: **2028 Convention deposits.**

Club is also subsidising more social activities (hoist day, BBQs), but increased membership supports this.

**Motion to accept report: Moved:** Richard Webb **Seconded:** Ron Flood **Carried**

## 4. Membership Report

Current membership: **149**, only one down from last year. Membership numbers remain strong and continue trending upward.

**New members welcomed:**

- **Corey Latiolais** – 1965 C2
- **Deborah Champness** – 2024 C8 LT2 Stingray (pink vinyl wrap)
- **Lucy Dichiera** – 2024 C8 LT2 Stingray (satin black vinyl wrap)

**Non-renewals (12 members):**

Many did not respond to follow-up contact.

**Membership Draw:** Prize was **\$300**. Winning number: **67** – **Tony Katavitis**(not present). **Jackpot increases to \$350** for next meeting.

**Motion to accept membership report: Moved:** Richard Webb **Seconded:** Rod Tunnercliffe **Carried**



## 5. Webmaster Report

- Additional cars added to the website.
- Pink C8 Stingray highlighted as a standout addition.
- Website currently lists **67 cars**, though total club Corvette car count is approx. **162**.
- Members encouraged to submit photos and details.

## 6. Magazine Editor's Report

- Latest magazine released.
- Limited content due to fewer cruises.
- Editor welcomes contributions.

## 7. CMC Report

- New delegate has registered and begun receiving communications.
- Next meeting will cover **concessional licensing rules**, including clarification on multi-day trips (e.g., Margaret River overnight runs).
- Club will provide updated guidance after the October meeting.

Members reminded to lodge **impromptu run entries** regularly to demonstrate active use of 404 vehicles.

## 8. Social Report

Recent events:

- **Christmas in July – 19 July**
- **Henley Brook – 5 August**
- **Avocados (Kelmscott) – 16 August**
- **Hoist Day at Andy's workshop – 12 cars attended, BBQ provided**

Upcoming events:

- **27 September – Ledge Point Family Fun Day**
- **7 October – Mid-week run (destination TBA)**
- **11 October – Fremantle WA Day Display**
  - New location near Cicerello's
  - Free lunch vouchers provided
  - Larger event with expanded entertainment
  - Safe parking onsite to be confirmed by social director
- **25 October – WA Racing Museum (Byford) + King Road Brewery lunch**
- **15 November – Christmas Party**

## 9. Mail & Correspondence

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#### **Invitations received:**

- **Aquinas College Car Show – 8 November**
  - Public entry fee applies
  - Club participation to be considered
- **Fremantle Markets Display (Mall area)**
  - Club to explore dates for early 2027
  - Ropes and stands available for vehicle protection

#### **2027 South Australian Convention (5–8 March 2027):**

- 60+ rooms already booked
- Government grant of \$50,000 supporting event
- Participant entry fee value expected to be more than doubled due subsidies.
- Early booking recommended
- Entry forms available – contact social director.

#### **2029 WA Convention:**

- Planning meetings underway
- Next meeting: 7 October
- Members welcome to participate

**General enquiry:** A south-of-river Corvette owner seeking mechanical assistance was referred to **Corvettrics**. The secretary will email him to advise.

### **10. General Business**

**Club Stickers:** Available for members needing replacements. Contact Andy if you need any.

**Veteran & Vintage Car Club Visit:** Members reported an impressive facility with extensive catalogued parts, workshops, and volunteer activity.

**Member Welfare:** Update provided on **David Maroney**, former Treasurer:

- Fell ill during overseas holiday
- No longer able to drive
- His 1958 Corvette is being sold on his behalf. Andy Weatherburn is the best contact as he is assisting with the sale. It is in Perth at present.

Members expressed support and concern.

**Charitable Donations:** Discussion continued from previous meeting. Suggestions included:

- Supporting **Lionheart**, a grief-support organisation for children and families
- Identifying tangible donation opportunities (equipment, experiences, toys)

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- Avoiding large charities where funds may be absorbed administratively

A motion to donate \$1000 to a charity in the 2026/ 2027 FY was proposed by the Secretary to the meeting. Support was unanimous by those present. The \$1000 is not a cash donation. It will be in the form of equipment or gift to the charity based on a tangible need.

Members are requested to consider a Charity they would like the club to support. The member should bring the proposal to the next general meeting for discussion. At the next meeting a vote will be held on which charity to support based on proposals given at that meeting by members. Proposals can be submitted in advance to any member of the committee.

Members should contact the committee if they have any questions in advance of the meeting.

## **11. Meeting Close**

Meeting closed at **8.10pm**.

Next General Meeting: **11 November 2026**