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## Welcome to Corvettes of WA Inc.

*Corvettes Of WA Inc. is dedicated to the enjoyment and appreciation of America's finest sports car the Chevrolet Corvette. The Club is based in Perth, WA (Western Australia), Australia and has an active and enthusiastic membership. New members are always welcome and visitors to our website are encouraged to browse and learn a little more about Corvettes "down under".*



## Meetings

*Club meetings are held bi-monthly at the Bassendean Bowling Club  
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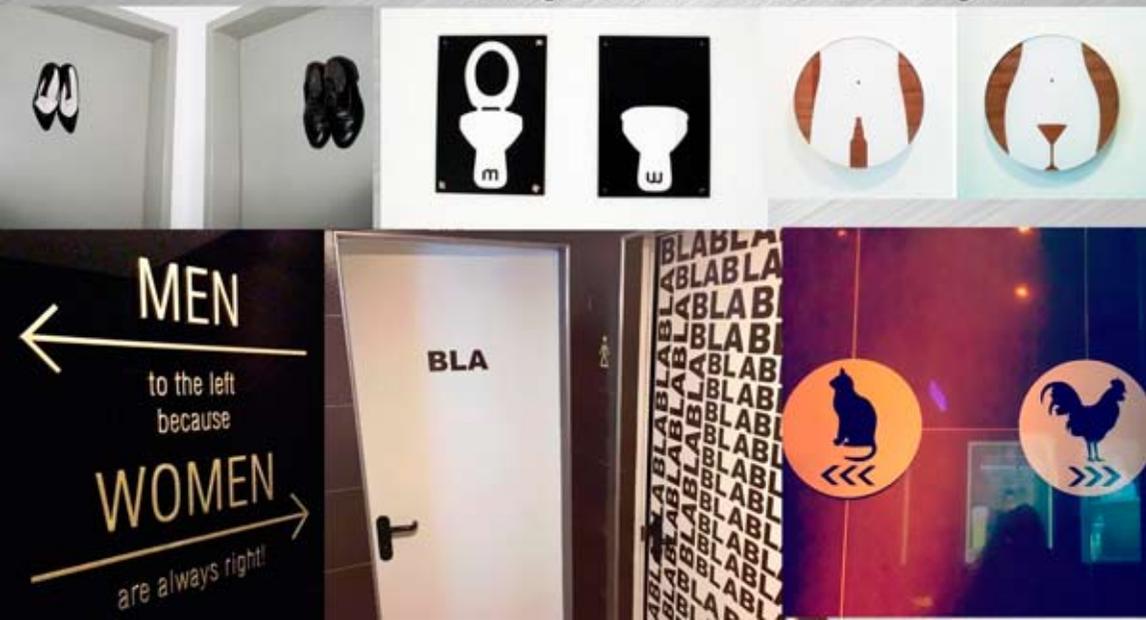
*[www.corvettesofwa.com](http://www.corvettesofwa.com)*

# PRESIDENTS

# REPORT

With 2018 creeping up on us the Convention Committee are putting together the itinerary for the Easter Weekend. It is disappointing that members put their hands in favour of the club holding this event but offer little help and I have spoken of this in the past. If you are asked to help out please think about what you can do to help, we want this event to be as a success as it was in the past. Social events are now ramping up with the weather changing for the better so keep your eye on the Social Calendar . Membership is holding steady at around 104. We are getting some young members joining the club and this is encouraging as we need new ideas to keep Corvettes of WA going into the future.  
'Till next time Safe Vetting.  
Greg Walker  
President

## *Imaginative Bathroom Signs*



# September Mid Week Run



Well the weather gods were not too kind but the True Veters turned up for the run to Grass Valley, which is 14kms out of Northam . It rained, on and off, most of the way there.

Corvettes of WA had been to the Tavern many years before and after making enquiries we were informed that it would be open and it was all go. However on getting there we found that the Tavern was closed. Not to be put off by this we headed off to Toodyay, There are always great Pubs and shops in that place.

We ended up in the Freemasons Hotel and enjoyed a great meal and warm conversation.

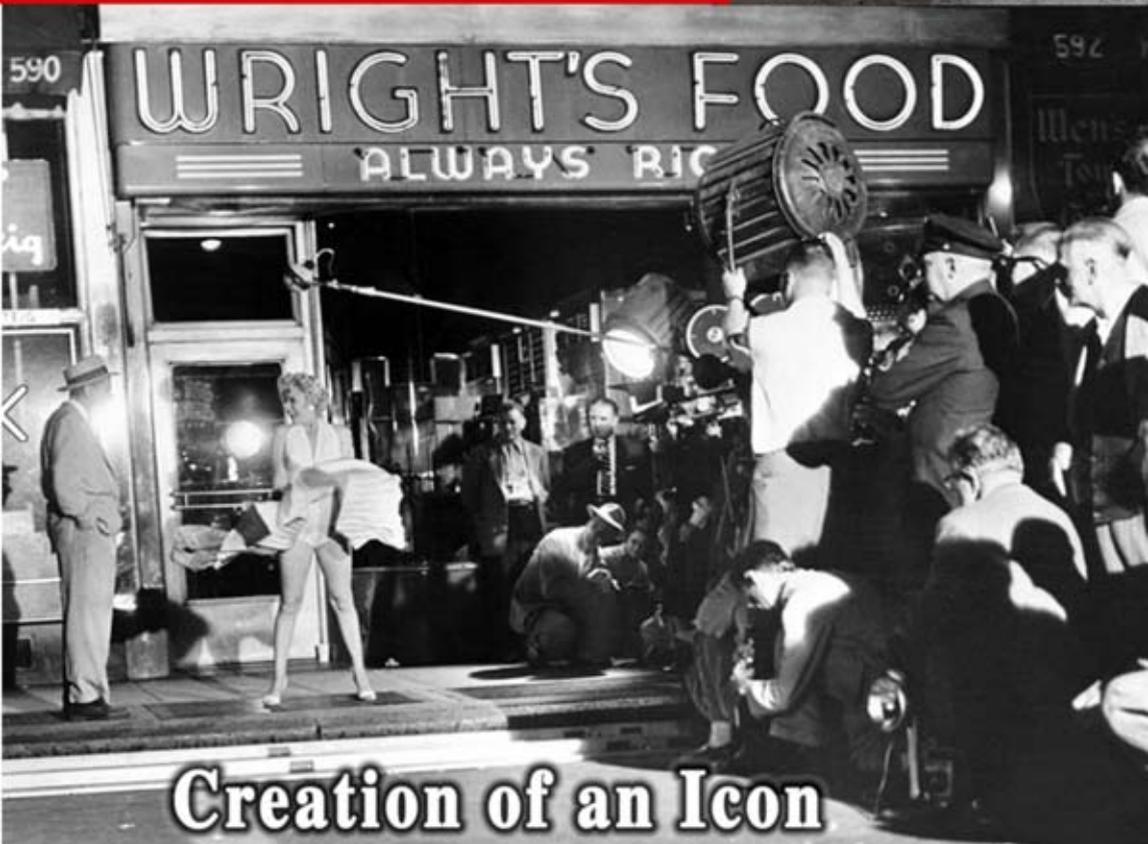
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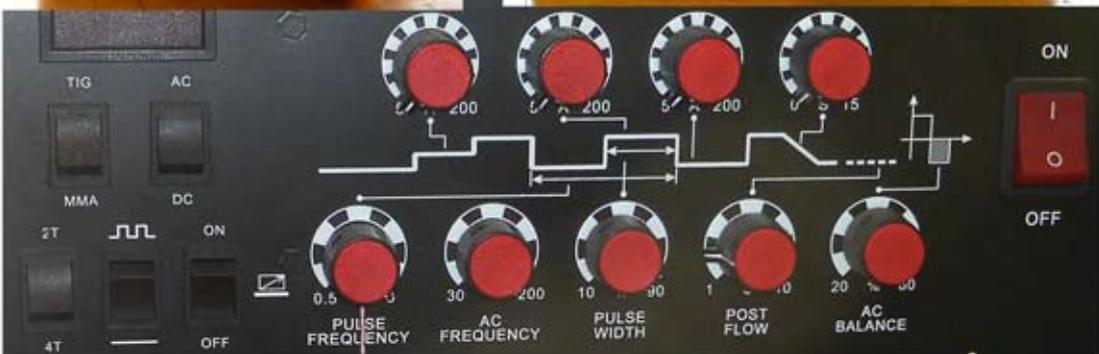
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# FIBREGLASSICS #2



Well the second "FibreGlassics" run was held on Sunday the 9th of October and Greg Morris once again organised a good showing.

Only 40 cars made the run due in part to the Bathurst 1000 being on on the same day, but never the less it was a good day for most.

Corvettes out numbered all other makes but there were some very nice cars on the run.

We stopped at Fiora Machinery in Cannington on the way. Not only do they sell a wide range of machinery but they also have a magnificent collection of cars and model steam locomotives. The two brothers, Angelo and Mick, even rebuild and create V8 Powered Trikes.

Greg Morris then sent us on our way through the hills for a great drive to the Jarrahdale Tavern. We had some great food and good company with everyone mixing together to discuss their cars.

One member unfortunately misjudged a 3 point turn and got clipped by a passing vehicle. There was no serious damage just some annoyance as he is now without wheels for awhile.

Greg Morris is only going to hold the FibreGlassics run once a year from now on.



# *Beyondblue Support*

*Corvettes of WA were invited to show off a few of our Corvettes at Langley Park by the organisers - Beyondblue. This was run in conjunction with the Targa West Rally and there were around 150 vehicles of all makes there on the day. It turned out to be well attended by the public and Corvettes of WA received a lot of attention on the day.*



*beyondblue provides information and support to help everyone in Australia achieve their best possible mental health, whatever their age and wherever they live.*

*Hi Everyone,*

*Thank you for helping and supporting me during my personal project by displaying your cars.*

*It was a great day and I really enjoyed it, we were extremely lucky to have the weather we had on that day.*

*In total we raised \$644.75 for beyondblue with no overheads.*

*Many thanks for all your help in the event, it was really appreciated.*

*It was great to see all your fantastic cars!*

*All the Best,*

*Joe Banks*



## October mid week run to the Ravenswood Hotel.

We had another good turnout for the Wednesday drive to the Ravenswood Hotel. After a number of rainy days the weather cleared for our drive. About 8 cars met at Burswood and we picked up another 3 or 4 cars along the way. The hotel was extremely busy, for a Wednesday, but we all managed to enjoy a meal outside watching the Murray river flow by. We had around 18- 20 people attend.

We have been encouraging the ladies to come along on these Wednesday drives and we were pleased to have 4 ladies attend this time. With the weather hopefully improving soon, let's get the ladies out in numbers next time!

Richard has a new battery now but had to be pushed at Burswood and jumped at Ravenswood. It was a great drive on a beautiful day.



# November Mid Week Cape Bouvard Winery



Scott and Kate Sparkes organised the run down to Cape Bouvard Winery south of Mandurah.

A large number of members, and visitors, enjoyed the run down and the mild and sunny weather could not have been any better. We were seated out in the gardens under trees so the sun was not directly on us.

The only issue was a few crafty Magpies that would swoop down and take food out of your hands. I thought that seagulls only got up to that sort of thing but it was all good.

Richard Geiger had the table in an uproar as he tried to to squeeze open his mayonnaise pack it burst and shot diagonally across the table showering Di Janssen on the chest - memories of "Something about Mary" That really topped of a great day.

Thanks Scott and Kate.





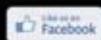
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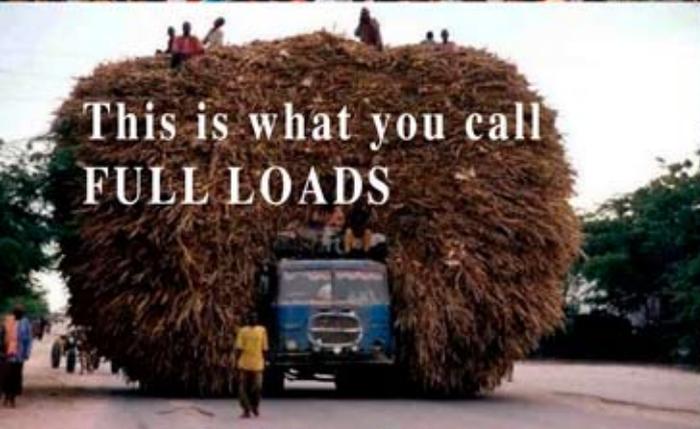
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# Who Am I?

It seems that lately my life has been getting more complicated, and I want to thank those of you who are brave enough to still associate with me regardless of what I have become.

The following is a recap of my current identity:

- I was born white, which makes me a racist.
- I am a fiscal and moral conservative, which makes me a fascist.
- I am heterosexual, which makes me a homophobe.
- I am non-union, which makes me a traitor to the working class and an ally of big business.
- I am a Christian, which makes me an infidel.
- I am older than 65 and retired, which makes me a useless old man.
- I think and I reason; therefore I doubt much that the main stream media tells me, which makes me a reactionary.
- I am proud of my heritage and our inclusive Australian culture, which makes me a xenophobe.
- I value my safety and that of my family; therefore I appreciate the police and the legal system, which makes me a right-wing extremist.
- I believe in hard work, fair play, and fair compensation according to each individual's merits, which makes me anti-social.
- I, and my friends, acquired a good education without student loans and no debt at graduation, which makes me some kind of odd underachiever.
- I believe in the defense and protection of the homeland by all citizens, which makes me a militarist.
- I'm not voting for labor which makes me a right wing extremist.

Please help me come to terms with this, because I'm not sure who I am anymore!

Newest problem – I'm not sure which bathroom I should use.

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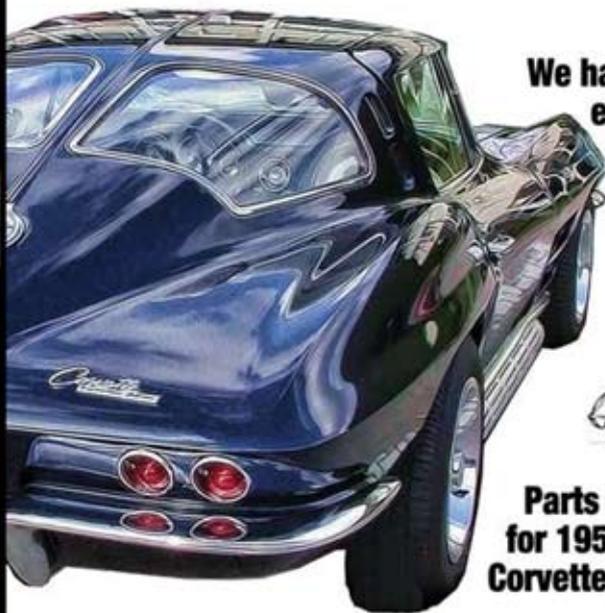
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# America in the 50's



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## Solve:

When the shovel arm hits the overpass, how fast do you have to be going to slice the bridge in half?

(Assume no effect for head wind and no braking by the driver)



I couldn't solve it either...but who cares; the pictures are great!  
P.S. The driver was supposedly on his mobile phone...

# Barbagallo Raceway

Shannon's Insurance invited Corvettes of WA to display our Corvettes at Barbagallo Raceway. The National round of Formula 5000 was being run on the same day along with Histories and Sports cars., A great day of racing was enjoyed by the members all free of charge.

13 Corvettes attended and members were allowed to take their Corvettes out on the track to do a lap. Unfortunately the person nominated to take the photo's of the Corvettes doing their lap had a doggy camera hence no shots sorry.

It was a great day ,it was a shame more members did not make the effort to come along, next year maybe.



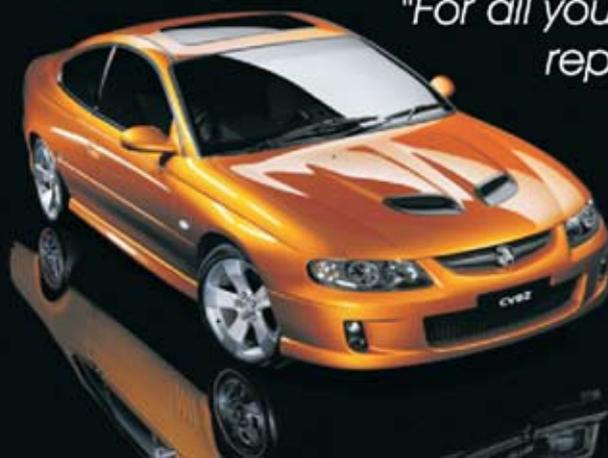
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# Show & Shine for "Make-a wish"





Corvettes of WA, in conjunction with Make a Wish foundation, put on a Show and Shine to be remembered.

This was the brain child of Andy Weatherburn and the idea was to use the new board walk area out over the water at Hillarys Marina. It was to be a fundraiser for the Make A Wish Foundation and a Membership drive for Corvettes of WA.

Andy, with a bit of help, managed to get all 7 Generations of Corvettes for Display and with a spread of Colour that really set off the scene.

This was a "by invitation only" event because of the limited space. 15 Corvettes were selected and, although there was room for more, the idea was to have a display that allowed the public to get a good look at these fine Vehicles with out the cars being walked over. The children still put their hands all over them but that happens at any show.

There were thousands of people as you can imagine Hillarys is always busy on a fine day, it was a mild 25°C not like the day before at 38°C.

Club application Forms were handed out to interested people and the Raffle tickets were snapped up, Andy managed to get Sponsors on board with great prizes including helicopter rides, a trip to Rottneest, rides in a Corvette and more. I am sure "Make A Wish" will be more than happy with the result.

A big thank you to the members and especially to Andy for his efforts.

Due to the Department of Transport Rules all Corvettes had to be in place by 7am and could not leave until 6pm. All the Members turned up on time and followed the instructions so the day went off smoothly.

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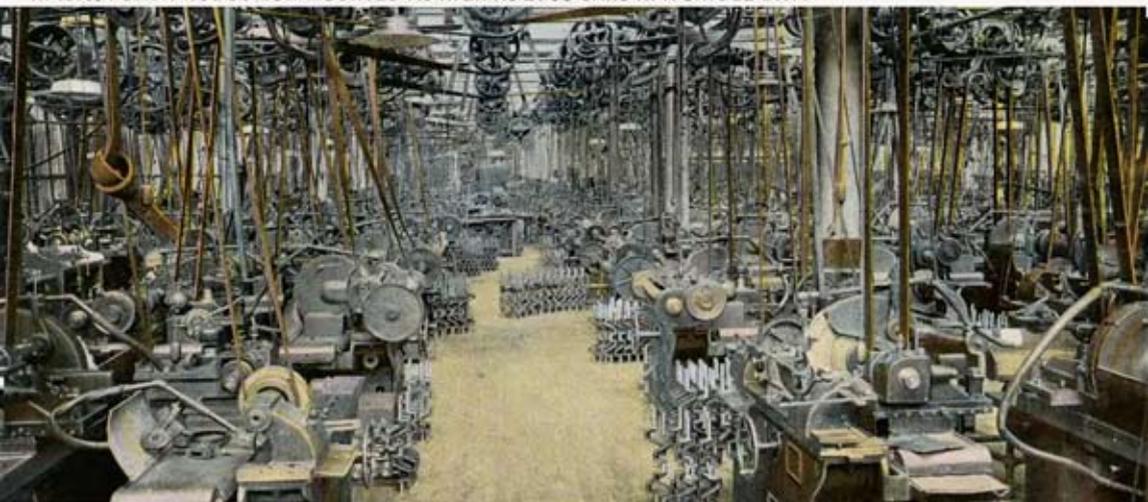


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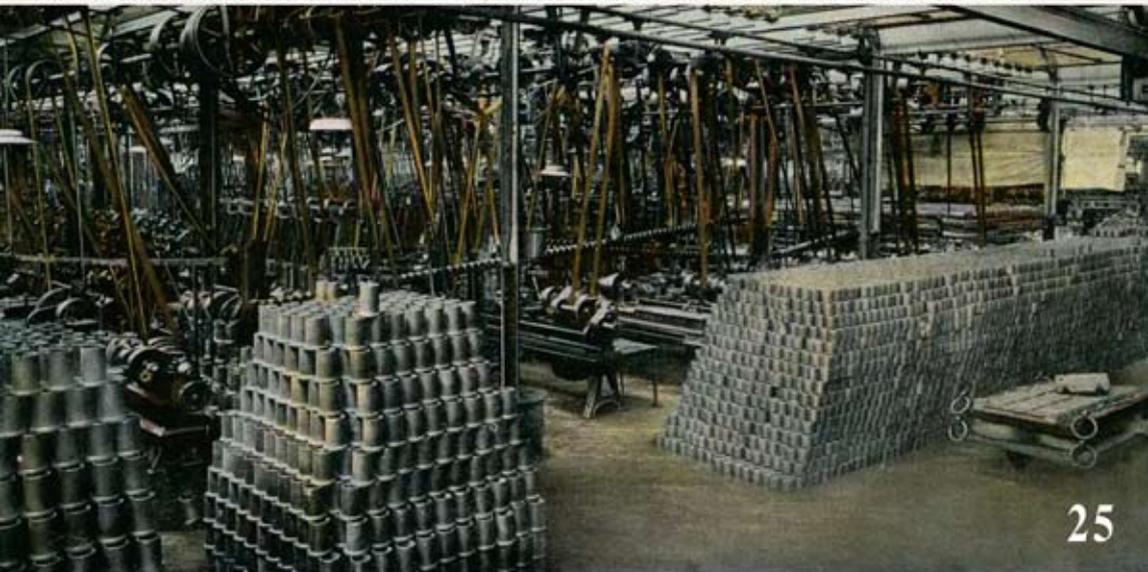
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