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## Welcome to Corvettes of Western Australia (Inc)

**Our Club encourages the preservation, restoration and enjoyment of all Corvettes.**

We are a non-profit organization.

Corvettes Of Western Australia (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

Club meetings are held on every 2nd month, details will be posted one week prior to the Meet on our Calendar.

We enjoy a Midweek Cruise and a Sunday Cruise once a Month, a great get together with all our Club Members, so even if you are not a member please make contact. Details, club contacts, calendars are all on our website.

Membership is available to all Corvette owners and enthusiasts. New members are always welcome and visitors to our website are encouraged to browse and learn a little more about Corvettes "down under".

Articles, photos, enquiries and feedback are always welcome.

[CLUB INFO](#)

## Meetings

Club meetings are held bi-monthly at the **Bassendean Bowling Club**

(Entrance via Hamilton Street)

commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Please check the club website "Events Calendar" for meeting dates.

## Correspondence

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# Presidents Report



Since the last magazine, we've welcomed a number of new members to the club and I'd like to take the opportunity to welcome you all. It's been great to see so many of our newer members already getting involved, attending events, joining us on club runs and getting to know other members. I hope you're all enjoying being part of the club.

We've had a great mix of events over the past few months, and it's been fantastic to see members getting out and enjoying their cars. Thank you to everyone who has attended events and supported the club along the way.

Planning has also begun for the 2029 National Corvette Convention, and we're looking forward to hosting Corvette enthusiasts from around Australia for what promises to be a fantastic convention here in Perth.

The AGM is also fast approaching and we'll soon be calling for nominations for committee positions. As with any club, we rely on members getting involved to keep things running. If you've ever considered joining the committee or helping out in some way, I encourage you to give it some thought. If you'd like to know more about what's involved, please have a chat with one of our current committee members.

I'd also like to thank our current committee members for the time and effort they continue to put into the club. Their contribution is very much appreciated.

I look forward to catching up with many of you at our upcoming events.

Regards,

Natalie Page

President

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By Mitch Talley -Jan 9, 2026



GM Specialty Vehicles marked its return to Mount Panorama in dramatic fashion this week, unveiling an ultra limited MY26 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 Bathurst 12 Hour Special Edition — a road legal tribute to the brand's GT3.R race effort.

The reveal comes as GM fields two Corvette Z06 GT3.R entries in this weekend's Bathurst 12 Hour. The Pro lineup features Earl Bamber, Nicky Catsburg, and Alexander Sims, while the Pro Am entry includes Prince Jefri Ibrahim, Prince Abu Bakar Ibrahim, Ben Green, and Jordan Love.

Only a dozen units – one for each hour of the Australian endurance race – will be built.

Built on the track focused 3LZ Coupe with the Z07 Performance Package, the Bathurst edition is designed as the closest road legal counterpart to the Z06 GT3.R that Chevrolet has ever offered in Australia and New Zealand.

The package includes:

- Z07 suspension with Magnetic Selective Ride Control
- Brembo carbon ceramic brakes and Blue brake calipers
- Michelin performance tires
- Full carbon flash-painted aero kit, including ground effects, high wing spoiler, and dive planes
- Exclusive Bathurst 12 Hour Track Decals



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In addition to the bespoke treatment of the vehicle, every MY26 Corvette Z06 Bathurst 12 Hour Specialty Edition customer will also receive a tailored Bathurst 12 Hour experience and ownership package, including:

- Bathurst 12 Hour Edition custom artwork print
- Indoor car cover with fully rendered Corvette GT3.R graphic
- Corvette Racing merchandise pack, including cap, polo and jacket

It joins the MY26 Corvette Stingray and E Ray in GMSV's growing performance lineup for Australian and Kiwi customers.

The Z06 GT3.R marks Chevrolet's first purpose built GT3 race car, and the Bathurst edition brings that racing pedigree to public roads.

Jess Bala, Managing Director of GM Australia and New Zealand, said the special edition is a direct response to the excitement surrounding Corvette's Bathurst debut.

"There has been huge enthusiasm for the news that the Corvette Z06 GT3.R is coming to Bathurst, and we wanted to capture that excitement in a car our customers can own and drive on the road," Bala said. Bala added that the Bathurst 12 Hour Special Edition will be the only way to secure a MY26 Z06 in Australia and New Zealand.

"The MY26 Corvette Z06 Bathurst 12 Hour Special Edition is our most focused, most exclusive Corvette offering yet for this part of the world," Bala said. "Pairing our first Bathurst 12 Hour campaign for the Corvette Z06 GT3.R with a bespoke road car for our local customers is a fitting way to celebrate the next chapter in Corvette's performance story here."





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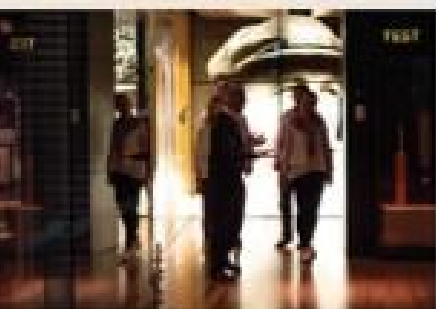


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# Welcome

## TO THE 2027 CORVETTE NATIONALS

The Corvette Club of South Australia is proud to host the 2027 Corvette Nationals as we celebrate a remarkable milestone - our 50th Anniversary.

Established in 1977, the Club has grown into one of Australia's oldest and most dynamic Corvette communities, with more than 300 passionate members.

### Why Adelaide in 2027?

In 2023, at the Presidents' Meeting held during the Corvette Nationals in Ballarat, it was unanimously agreed that South Australia would host the 2027 Nationals - an ideal way to commemorate our Club's **Golden Jubilee**.

This landmark event is set to be one of the most memorable to date, welcoming Corvette enthusiasts from across Australia, New Zealand, the United States, and beyond, to our beautiful capital city of Adelaide.

### The Heart of the Event - The Oval Hotel, Adelaide Oval.

Our celebrations will be centered around the iconic Adelaide Oval, located in the very heart of the city. March is renowned locally as "Mad March," a vibrant time filled with world-class events including the Adelaide Festival, WOMAD, and the Adelaide Fringe. We encourage attendees to immerse themselves in Adelaide's rich cultural atmosphere alongside the excitement of the Nationals.

Adelaide is a thoughtfully planned city, encircled by picturesque parklands, and our host venue features a unique hotel integrated into the Oval - an ideal central base for your stay.

Enjoy the convenience of underground parking and the reassurance of after-hours patrolled security throughout your stay at the Oval.



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## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEKEND

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**Monday, March 8:** Farewell and Safe Travels!





# CORVETTE NATIONALS ADELAIDE

## ENTRY FORM

5 - 8 March 2027

### Entrant Details:

First Name:		Surname:	
Postal Address:			
Suburb:		State:	Postcode:
Mobile:		Email:	
Club:		Dietary requirements:	
Dress Shirt (included in entry fee)		Men's Sizes S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL	
		Ladies Sizes 10 - 26 Please Advise .....	
Polo-Shirt \$50 (Additional Cost)		Men's Sizes S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL	
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### Additional Person:

First Name:		Surname:	
Mobile:		Email:	
Dietary requirements:			
Dress Shirt \$75 (Additional Cost)		Men's Sizes S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL	
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### Corvette Details

Rego	Year	Colour	Coupe / Convertible	Judge Y / N	Class: S P M
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S - Standard 0-3 modifications / P-Personal 4-8 modifications / M-Modified 9+ modifications

### Entry Fees & Charges

Please return your completed form no later than 15 January 2027 to guarantee your entry bag and shirt.  
Entry bags are limited to one bag per entrant. Payment can be made by direct deposit to:  
Corvette Club of South Australia Acct2. BSB: 105-198 (Bank SA) Account No. 071080840  
Please use your Surname and Rego as your reference.

#### Payment Details

	Payment	Qty	Total
Entrant	\$395		
Additional Person	\$320		
Additional Shirt	\$75		
Additional Polo Shirt	\$50		
Additional Port	\$25		
<b>TOTAL</b>			

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## COMMUNITY SPIRIT & GIVING BACK

Our Club proudly supports local charities, notably Heart Kids SA, to whom we have donated over \$30,000 through our Charity focussed events.

The Nationals are not just a celebration of cars but also of community and generosity.

The 2027 Corvette Nationals will be an unforgettable gathering filled with camaraderie, culture and, of course... stunning Corvettes. We can't wait to welcome you to Adelaide and celebrate this landmark year with style and passion.

Let's make history together - see you in March 2027!



An event like this simply wouldn't be possible without the generous support of our sponsors, and we are proud to showcase their support throughout our event.

Thank you for your valued support and generosity.

### CONTACTS:

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<b>Chairperson:</b>	<b>Rob McConnell</b> Ph: 0408 820 819 Email: chevhed@bigpond.com
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## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Well, another year at the helm is almost at an end and what a great year it has been. Our club membership is going well with 103 members to date.

One of the low points was the retirement of Marion Weatherburn as Social Director. I cannot thank her enough for the fantastic effort that she has put into the last few years. I know she will be following us from her new home in South Australia. Good luck Marion. I would also like to thank my fellow Committee members who have made COWA the great club that it is, working with you has been a pleasure. Also I would like to thank Ron Flood for his work behind the scenes.

With the AGM approaching that means someone has to step up and take over, in all positions as they fall vacant as of the 19th of May meeting.

Every year we BEG members to have a go and take up a position on the Committee but it seems too hard, and most would like to sit back and enjoy the ride. The "same old crew" would also like to be in that position.

This year, the Committee has come up with the idea of asking members who would be interested in coming on board as an assistant to each of the Committee Positions, they would sit in with the Committee and see that it is not that hard to take on a Committee position. Job Descriptions for each of the Committee Members have been included in this Edition of the Web Magazine and will explain what is entailed if you wanted to take on a Committee position. It is the only way correct Committee members may get to have a well earned rest.

Please keep your eyes on the Social Calendar, as there are a lot of fun coming events in the calendar.

Drive safely.  
Greg Walker,  
President COWA.



### CORVETTES OF WA CAR CLUB INC

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION

#### TO BE TABLED AT AGM MAY 2015

**Proposed amendment:**

It is proposed that the annual membership fee of \$50 per annum be increased to \$60 per annum.

**Explanation:** Club fees have not be subject to review and increase for more than 10 years. Whilst the club's balance sheet is considered a healthy one it has only been achieved through the success of the previous two annual conventions and vigorous fund raising by conducting 'autokhans' events which are now "out of favour" with members. Over the past 3 years the club has been actively supporting events through subsidies to members. This has only been achieved due to strict financial management of our asset base. With rapidly falling interest rates this capacity is now being eroded.

The committee is of the view that a modest increase is an acceptable and prudent initiative at this time.

**Dear Students,**  
**I know when you're**  
**texting in class.**  
**Seriously, no one just looks down**  
**at their crotch and smiles.**  
*Sincerely, Your Teacher.*



**Greg's Shed**




March 7th 2015: Opening of Greg's Shed. Sausage sizzle, cold beer, good company and perfect weather. Recipe for a great afternoon. (Never seen a workshop this clean... does he really do anything in here?)

### Run to Guilderton

Run Date: March 29th 2015.



Meeting Point: Hungry Jacks Carpark Joodalup.



Just visiting: Don Hill's beautiful Ford Hot Rod.



Lunch in the "Shade"



# Social Report



## Social Report

4th March 2026	Midweek Cruise to Walter's River Cafe
15th March 2026	Sunday Cruise to Yanchep Inn
18th March 2026	General Meeting
20th March 2026	National Corvette Convention – Queensland
29th March 2026	Perth Classic Car Show—Postponed due to Weather
1st April 2026	Midweek Cruise – King Road Brewery—Cancelled due to Weather
19th April 2026	Perth Classic Car Show
26th April 2026	Northam Motor Sport Festival – Flying 50 & Shannons Car Show
3rd May 2026	Sunday Cruise – Whiteman Park Motor Museum
6th May 2026	Wednesday Cruise – Baskerville Tavern
13th May 2026	General Meeting
25th May 2026	GMSV Corvette Immersion Experience

Since the last magazine, we have had a great mix of events including car shows, club outings and social gatherings, providing plenty of opportunities for members to enjoy their Corvettes and catch up with fellow members.

After being postponed due to a poor weather forecast, the Perth Classic Car Show at its new venue, Robinson Reserve in Tuart Hill, finally went ahead under much better conditions. The event provided a great opportunity to showcase our cars, catch up with fellow enthusiasts and promote the club to the public. As always, the Corvettes attracted plenty of attention throughout the day.

The Northam Motorsports Festival was another fantastic event. The Flying 50 was a real highlight and provided plenty of exciting action for spectators, while the Shannons Show & Shine featured an impressive variety of vehicles. It was a great day out and one that was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. Our club barbecue and picnic at Whiteman Park attracted around 50 members and proved to be a very enjoyable day. With great weather, good food and plenty of time to relax and chat, it was wonderful to see such a strong turnout. Events like these are a great reminder that our club is about more than just the cars – it's also about the friendships and camaraderie that come with being part of the Corvette community.

The run to Baskerville Tavern – Slumdog Brewery was another enjoyable outing, combining a great drive with good food and plenty of laughs along the way. These social events continue to be popular and are always a great opportunity to spend time together.

Fifteen members had the opportunity to attend the GMSV Corvette Immersion Experience. It was an amazing event and a unique opportunity to experience the latest Corvette models and learn more about what makes them so special. A full write-up of this fantastic experience can be found elsewhere in this edition of the magazine.

Looking ahead, our Christmas in July lunch will be held at Hillarys Yacht Club on 19 July. We have also locked in the date for our end-of-year Christmas Party at Lake Karrinyup Country Club on 15 November. Last year's event was extremely popular, so we didn't waste any time securing the venue again and look forward to another great afternoon with fellow members.

Thank you to everyone who has attended and supported our events so far this year. It's great to see so many members getting involved and helping make each event enjoyable. I look forward to catching up with you all at our upcoming activities.

WHAT'S ON



# Cruising



March 2026—Wednesday Cruise – Walters River Cafe at Point Walter



# Cruising



March 2026 - Sunday Cruise to Yanchep Inn



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# Cruising



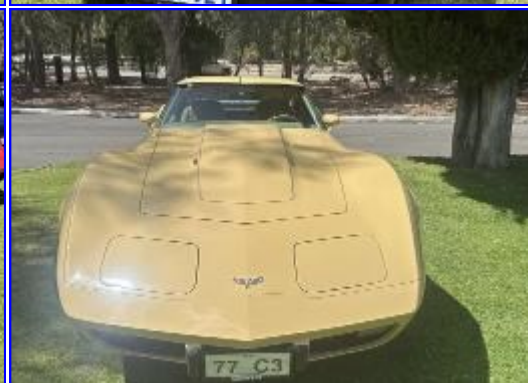
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## May 2026 – GMSV CORVETTE IMMERSION EXPERIENCE

When I received a text message from the General Manager of GMSV asking me to get in touch regarding an upcoming Corvette event, I was intrigued. I gave her a call and she asked if Corvettes of WA would be interested in attending a Corvette Immersion Experience featuring the C8 Corvette range at MotorMall Raceway in Wanneroo.

The answer was a very easy YES!

We were initially offered 10 places at the event. Six were allocated to committee members, while the remaining four were selected at random from members who had registered their interest. Needless to say, the members selected were absolutely thrilled.

Then, at around 9am on the morning of the event, I received another call from GMSV advising that they had additional time available and could accommodate another five participants. I quickly drew another five names and started making a series of last-minute phone calls. One member didn't answer the phone, another was stuck at work and unable to attend, while others shuffled appointments and rearranged their day because they were determined not to miss out. In the end, 15 members attended and we had an incredible three-hour session allocated exclusively to our group.

The day began with a presentation on the Corvette C8 range, giving us a detailed insight into the Stingray, E-Ray and Z06.

Following the presentation, we headed out to the pits where we were taken on a track familiarisation lap in a Silverado.

During the lap, the instructors explained the cones positioned around the circuit. Large cones marked the braking zones, smaller cones indicated where to begin accelerating out of corners, and green cones meant one thing – put your foot down! We were also shown a boxed area marked by four green cones where we would later experience the Corvette's launch control system.

With the track briefing complete, it was time for the part we'd all been waiting for.

We started in the Stingray with a professional instructor from the Norwell Motorplex driver training team in the passenger seat. If anyone thought this was going to be a gentle cruise around the track, they were very quickly proven wrong.

From the moment we left pit lane, the encouragement was constant.

**"Faster, faster, faster."**

**"Go, go, go!"**

As confidence grew, so did the speed.

Approaching the launch control zone, we would come to a complete stop in the area marked by the four green cones. The instructor would then reach across and activate the launch control system before directing us to place our left foot firmly on the brake and our right foot flat to the floor on the accelerator.

Every instinct tells you this is the wrong thing to do, but you follow instructions anyway.

The revs build, your heart rate increases, and then comes the command to release the brake.

Boom!

The car launches forward with an intensity that's difficult to describe. Within around three seconds, we were already in excess of 100km/h. We were encouraged to keep the throttle planted and not back off until reaching the braking marker at the end of the straight. It was an incredible experience and one that put a huge grin on every driver's face.

After our time in the Stingray, we moved into the E-Ray and repeated the process. If I thought the Stingray's launch control was impressive, the E-Ray took things to another level. Knowing what was coming somehow made it even more exciting, and the instant acceleration was simply phenomenal.

The Z06 was next, and while we didn't get to use launch control in that car, it certainly didn't disappoint. In fact, more than one member had to be reminded to brake, and one enthusiastic participant was even asked to stop and have a debrief before resuming his lap. No names will be mentioned!

As incredible as the driving experience was, the final part of the day somehow managed to top it.

Once we'd all driven the Corvette range, it was time for hot laps with the professional drivers from the Norwell Motorplex team behind the wheel.

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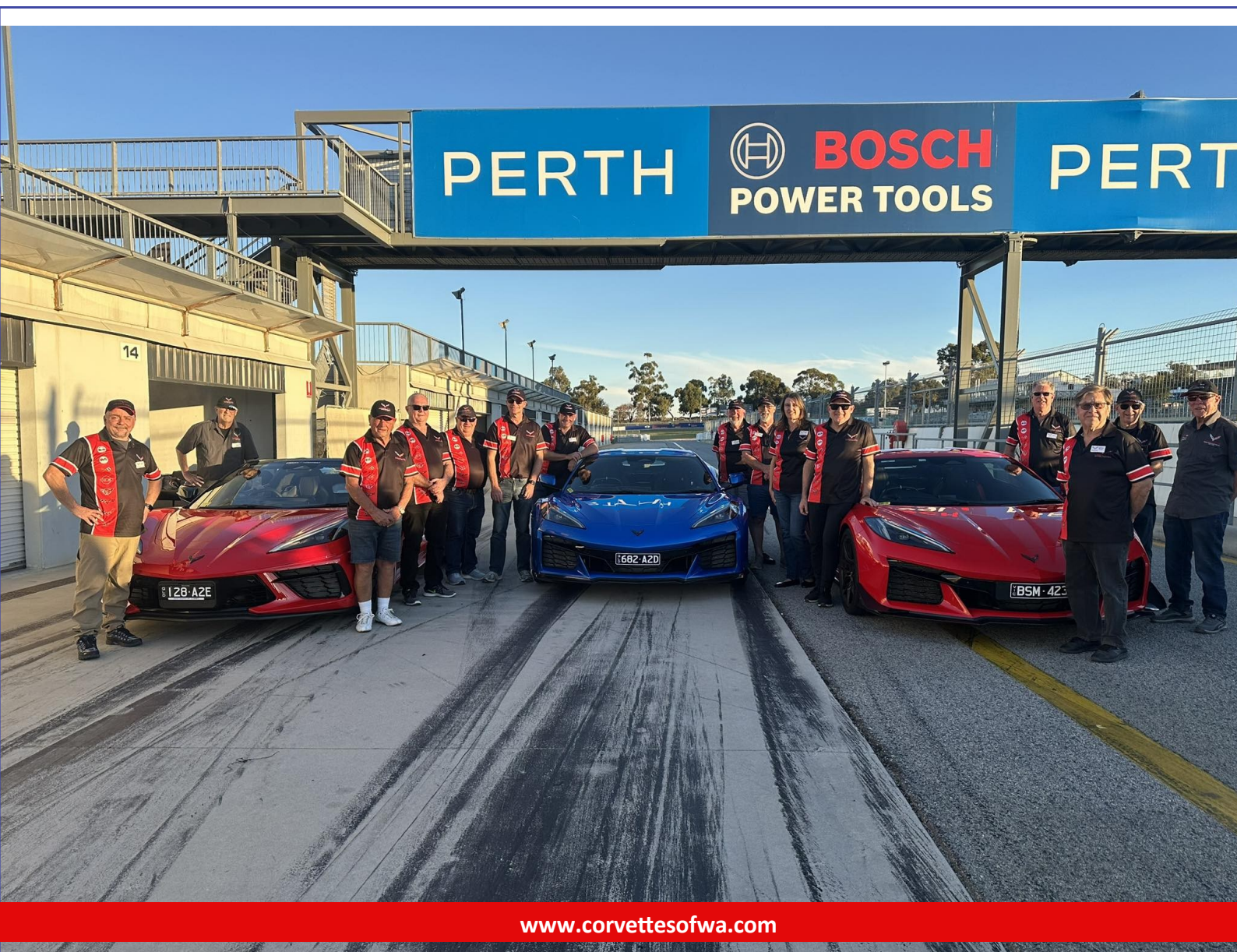
To say they know how to drive would be an understatement.

I spent most of the lap alternating between laughing, swearing and hanging on for dear life. At one point I realised I'd actually forgotten to breathe. Corner after corner the drivers demonstrated just how capable these cars really are, carrying astonishing speed through sections of the circuit that most of us had been cautiously negotiating only moments earlier. While we'd been reaching speeds of up to 160–170km/h during our own laps, the professional drivers were pushing close to 200km/h, and possibly even beyond, during the hot laps. That certainly got the adrenaline flowing.

What impressed me most about the day was that this wasn't just a standard dealership test drive. GMSV gave us the opportunity to properly experience what the Corvette platform is capable of in a safe and controlled environment, guided by professional instructors who encouraged us to explore the cars' performance while building confidence along the way.

To be honest, I would have been perfectly happy just driving a C8 Corvette around the track at 60km/h, so to be given the opportunity to experience the Stingray, E-Ray and Z06 the way they were intended to be driven was something truly special.

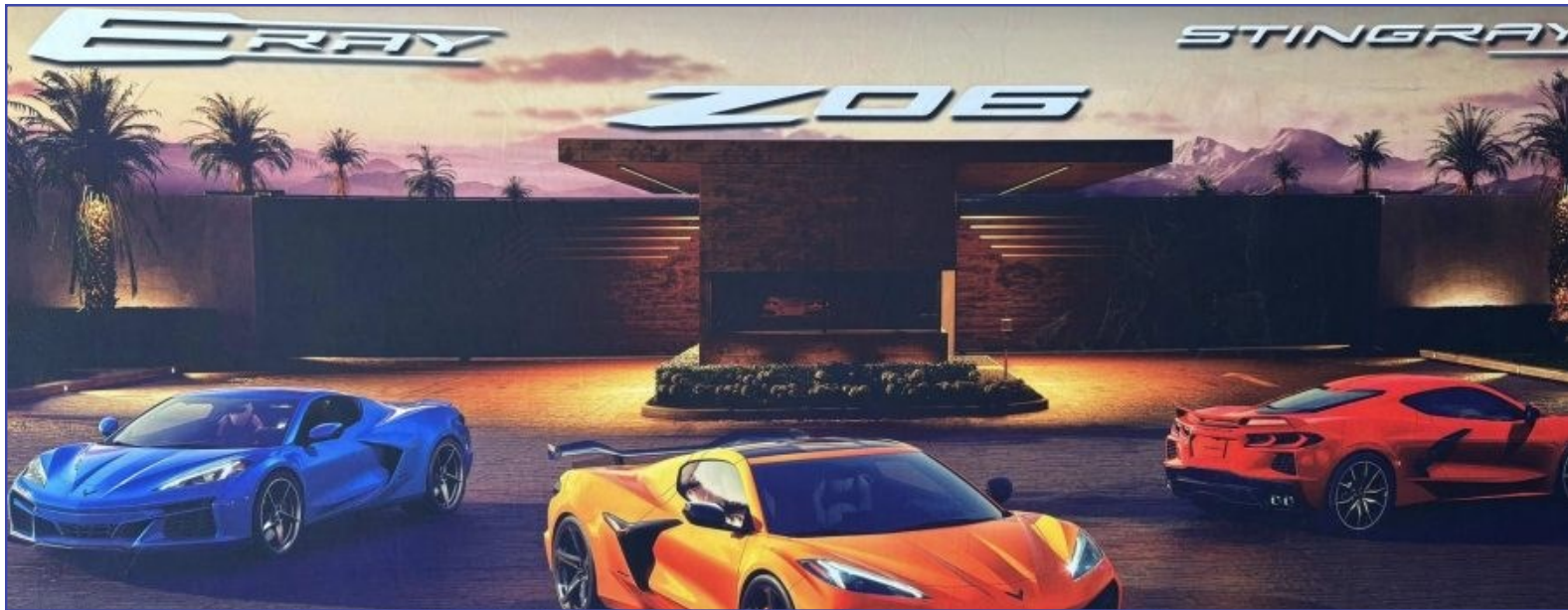
On behalf of Corvettes of Western Australia, I'd like to sincerely thank GMSV for inviting our club to be part of such an incredible experience. The event was exceptionally well organised, and every member who attended left with a huge smile on their face, although a few were looking a little pale after the hot laps. It's an experience none of us will forget anytime soon.



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# Membership Report



## Welcome to our New Members

If any of your details have changed, please email Andy - [membership@corvettesofwa.com](mailto:membership@corvettesofwa.com) with any amendments to your details.

Welcome to our New Members : **Steve & Meredith Del Basso**

**Paul Gauvin**

**Danny & Rosie Mitchell**

**Lui Pisani**



## Current Membership @ 160

### Happy Birthday to our Members

#### Ladies :

##### March

Helen F, Jessie A, Shendelle D, Misha D, Juree H, Margaret H, Jacqui K, Sue L, Christine M, Lorraine S

##### April

Heidi K, Stephanie DD, Maureen F, Heather L, Lorraine M, Julie N, Kaye B, Anna S, Cathy V, Michelle B

##### May

Nikki S, Nicole S, Pamela B, Heather G, Linda H, Gillian M, Wendy N, Janette O, Debra I

#### Gents :

##### March

Geoffrey B, Ronald B, Timm B, Craig C, Damien F, Basil L, Claudio M, David M, Rod T, Deon V, Mark W

##### April

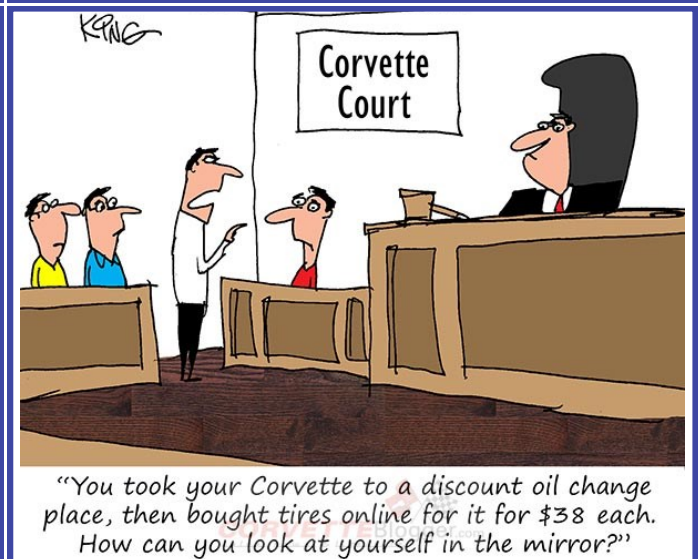
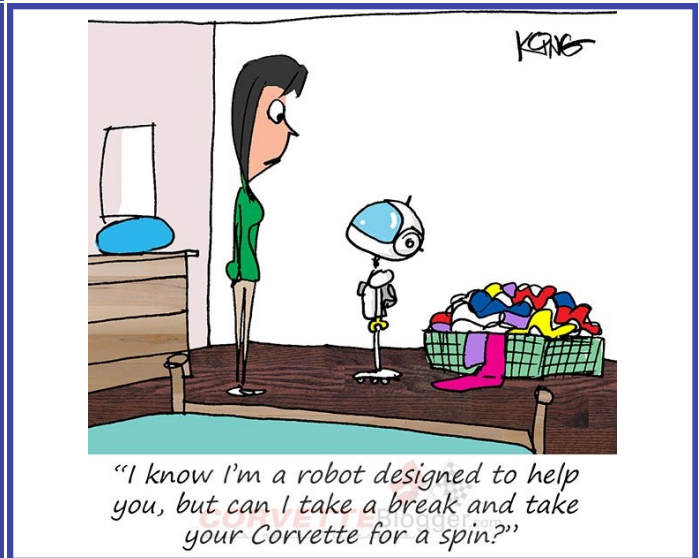
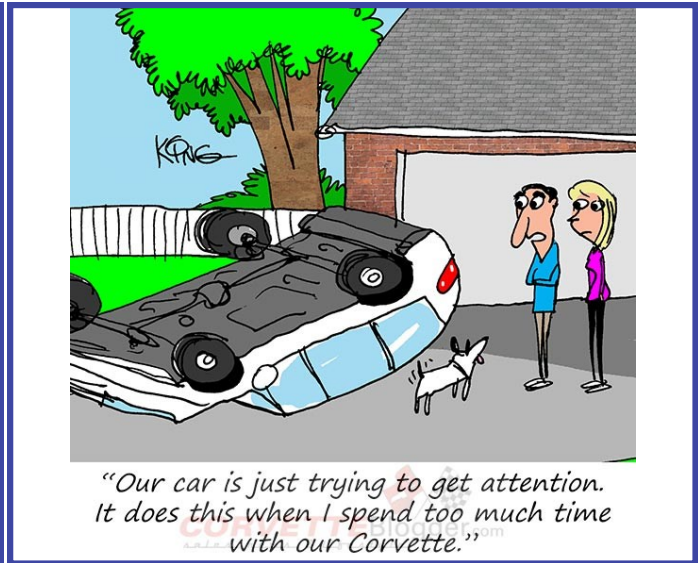
John B, Kristian B, Doug C, Luciano G, Steve K, Mark L, Bill M, Tony M, Adam N, John O, Ross O, Stephen S, Iain W, Andy W

##### May

David A, Philip B, Kevin D, Paul E, Geoff H, Kevin H, Stephen K, David M, Mark N, Scott S, Craig U, Danny W, Vis D



# Comic



## Members Cars

We are always looking for Club Members to have their Cars added to the Website.

Please send Images and Vehicle details to our Webmaster via email [webmaster@corvettesofwa.com](mailto:webmaster@corvettesofwa.com)

**Just one example below**

### Mick D

2015 Corvette Coupe C7 Z06



#### Features

Year: 2015

Model: C7

Body Style: Coupe

Engine: LT4 supercharged  
650hp

Transmission: 7spd manual

Exterior: Black

Interior: Charcoal

#### Corvette Details

2015 model

Imported new in 2016,converted by corvette clinic Melbourne

7200km on clock

LT4 supercharged 650hp

7spd manual

Absolute weapon to drive



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# Factory Racing



Corvette Racing to Have Four Entries on the Grid for the 2026 24 Hours of Le Mans



By Keith Cornett -Feb 19, 2026

Photo Credit: Corvette Racing

The FIA released the official entry list for the 24 Hours of Le Mans for its 94th running this June 10-14 and included are four entries from the Corvette Racing program.

British racing team TF Sport will be fielding three of those entries as they are currently Corvette Racing’s customer team in the FIA World Endurance Championship. It’s the third consecutive year that Corvettes will be running under the TF Sport banner as they contest the full-season championship.



The official Corvette entries include the No.33 Corvette Z06 GT3.R consisting of Nicky Catsburg, Jonny Edgar, and Ben Keating plus the No. 34 Corvette with drivers Charlie Eastwood, Salih Yoluc, and Peter Dempsey.



# Factory Racing



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In addition to those full-season WEC entries, TF Sport was able to use its automatic invitation from winning last year's European Le Mans Series with another Corvette featuring drivers from Johor Motorsports Racing (JMR). That car will race as the No. 66 Corvette Z06 GT3.R and drivers include Prince Jefri Ibrahim, Afiq Ikhwan, and Ben Green.

The fourth entry comes from IMSA with 13 Autosport (formerly AWA Racing) which will contest its No. 13 Corvette Z06 GT3.R team the driver's line up featuring owner/driver Orey Fidani, Matt Bell and Lars Kern. The team earned an automatic entry after Orey Fidani won his second straight Bob Akin Award which goes to the top scoring Bronze-rated driver in IMSA's GTD class.



The last time that four Corvettes raced together at the 24 Hours of Le Mans was the historic first outing in 1960 which featured three cars from Briggs Cunningham and the fourth by Lloyd "Lucky" Casner's Camoradi USA team. That year, the No. 3 Corvette won the GT class with drivers John Fitch and Bob Grossman.

The 2026 24 Hours of Le Mans is scheduled for June 13-14 and will be the fourth round of the FIA World Endurance Championship. You can see provisional entry list at [FIA.com](https://www.fia.com).

Source:  
[CorvetteRacing.com](https://www.corvetteracing.com)



# 1961 C1 Corvette Restoration



## 1961 C1 Corvettes Restoration

Ron has spent many hours Restoring his 1961 and it shows, see the progress images below, Part 1 was in previous Edition of magazine and now final Part 2 in this edition.



First sighting of the '61 in South Perth ,1971

### C1—1961 CORVETTE

Powered by a 283cu in ,230hp V8 .It is mated to a 4 speed manual gearbox. Fuel is by a 4 barrel Carter carburettor.

Paint and bodywork by owner. Colour is TUXEDO BLACK with a SATEEN SILVER cove.

Interior is a reproduction of the original ,JEWEL BLUE (1 year only).

The VIN # shows that this Corvette was the 414th to leave the assembly line on September 14th 1960. An early build!

OPTIONS: As chosen by the original USA owner are:

Auxiliary Hardtop. Whitewall tyres. Two tone paint. Positraction Rear Axle. AM Signal seeking radio. Heater. 4 Speed G/ Box.

This Corvette has been in the current owners possession since 1982 and has only recently been licensed (July'25) for use on WA roads after a complete 'body off ,nut and bolt 'restoration to ensure that it is as "close as possible" to the day it rolled of the assembly line.

The only non original items are RADIAL TYRES and 2K Base/Clear paints. Originally ,Duco /Lacquer. Drum brakes and no power steering make for an "interesting" driving experience. These were not available in 1961!.

# 1961 C1 Corvette Restoration



## 1961 C1 Corvettes Restoration

Painting



Sorting out body imperfections prior to paint



Getting chrome parts ready for plating

# 1961 C1 Corvette Restoration



## 1961 C1 Corvettes Restoration



Laying up the sealer / gel coat to refinish the surface



Laying up the sealer / gel coat to refinish the surface

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## 1961 C1 Corvettes Restoration



Cooking in the sun before lots of blocking, then black primer



After many hours of sanding, finally the colour and clear

# 1961 C1 Corvette Restoration



## 1961 C1 Corvettes Restoration



Same but once dry and ready for more sanding to remove any dust and nibs



Rolling chassis is now complete and ready to fire up the 283

# 1961 C1 Corvette Restoration



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Chassis and first start up



Greg W and Andy W on hand to bring the mighty 283 to life, Thanks guys well done!!

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## 1961 C1 Corvettes Restoration



The painted body being readied to be re-fitted to the chassis



Assembly

Now the "fun" part starts!

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## 1961 C1 Corvettes Restoration

Finished



Finished and ready for the road.



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# Finito

The 61 has been a very long project and has been challenging at times but the results have been rewarding and satisfying.

At this stage of my life, I'll be content to sit back and do maintenance, along with cruising on those balmy summer nights.

Cheers Ron Flood

Ps the 69 is still my favorite ride!

# Classifieds



Got something to sell why not list it on our Classifieds Webpage Page & Magazine, this is Free for Club Members, Non Members please contact the Club President for details.

## 1962 C1 Seat Frames



### Seller's Notes

For Sale, C1 Corvette seat frames .

Solid metalwork ( A light sand blast and paint to look like new) NO runners!.

Pick up in WA or will send anywhere at purchasers cost.

Make an offer to Ron 0429 347 014 or

email: [ronanddawn1@bigpond.com](mailto:ronanddawn1@bigpond.com)

They are out of a '62 but will fit most C1's.

## Corvette C6 Factory Polished Rims



### Seller's Notes

Genuine set of factory C6 – Z06 polished rims no scuff marks or scratches \$1600.00

Contact Greg 0400 754 219

# Classifieds



## Corvette C6 2006 Coupe

### Seller's Notes

**12,300km ONLY**

Colour: Victory Red

Trick Flow 225 Cathedral Port Heads

Yella Terra Roller Rockers

102mm Fast Intake Manifold

American Racing Headers with high flow cats and 3 Inch exhaust with Z06 Bi Modal Mufflers

Brian Tooley Stage 1 Camshaft

Circle D 3600 Hi Stall Converter

Full LG Motorsports Coil Over Suspension

Tough Seal paint protection

**Contact Louie: 0418 913 917**



# Classifieds



## Corvette C3 1968 Convertible

### Seller's Notes

1968 Chevrolet Corvette Convertible, L79 matching numbers engine.

Complete body off restoration with mostly original and Factory correct parts, in Phoenix, Arizona before being purchased and shipped to Perth.

Original (VIN Matching) Code L79 327 CI / 350 HP, 11.5:1 Compression, Factory installed Hi-performance cam

Original (VIN Matching) Munchie M20 4 speed transmission.

Original 3:36 Positrac differential.

List of work below:

Strip down and repaint job with excellent gaps.

Engine compartment refurbished, new wires, plugs, rotor and cap, coil, rad hose, etc.

All original or repro.

New rebuilt carb and manifold, Rochester Quadrajet as original but not matching numbers.

Original carb and manifold included

New Soft Top

Perfect chrome all round

Frame, excellent, zero rust

New Goodrich Red line 70R15 Tyres

Car comes with 2 steering wheels, original as well as 14inch

Professional new Le Mans Blue paint job

Factory correct power brakes added in 2022.

All instruments work including clock

Car Cover

Licensed in WA

Asking: Reduced \$85,000.00 negotiable.

Con Michaels

Mob: 0419 954 205 Email: con@balconi.com.au



# Classifieds



## Corvette C5 1997 Coupe

### Seller's Notes

1997 Corvette

100,000 Ks

Arctic White/Firethorn red

The C5 Corvette is an exciting and rewarding car with amazing handling and braking. The cars are all 25 years old now and in need of some restoration or repair. There are fifteen to twenty inbuilt problems which are known to occur in these cars. Some of these can be checked through the Driver Information Centre on the car . A trouble code will be present with a C for current or a H for a history . Following is a list of items repaired and replaced on this car.

Drive Train: Change engine oil filter and engine oil. Change Differential Oil. Replace Transmission fluid and Filter Replace shift cable, (fail item) replace transmission electronic selector and adjust shift pattern. Replace spark plugs and leads . Replace oil pressure sender (fail item requires removal of inlet manifold). Replace air conditioning compressor ,battery, air cleaner filter. Drain and replace engine coolant (requires removal of starter motor). Replace RHS oxygen sensor

Chassis: Replace RHF wheel bearing, brake rotors, rubber brake hoses, brake pads and all brake fluid. New tyres ,correct wheels and wheel align car. Clean all body earth points (fail item)

Body: Replace both headlight lift motors (fail item). Replace windshield wiper motor (fail item) , replace door and roof weather strips (fail item water leaks) . Replace LH window lift motor .

Interior: Remove and shampoo carpets. Repair printed circuit in dash corroded due to water leaks. Repair rocking in seats (fail item) and replace seat tilt lever in drivers seat ,a plastic item which brakes in time. Replace rear speakers ( fail item from water leak when rear hatch is opened when wet) Adjust door glass .

Body is 100% undamaged with 98% original paint.

Asking: \$49,000.00

Colin Morris

Ph: 0409 111 850 Email: [info@corvettewest.com.au](mailto:info@corvettewest.com.au)



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**Jackets \$40.00**

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**Polo Shirt \$25.00**

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**Stubbie Holders \$6.00**



**Baseball Cap \$10.00**

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