

# VicVettes



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**The Victoria Corvette Club** represents Corvette owners and enthusiasts in the capital city of British Columbia. Victoria, located on the southern tip of Vancouver Island, is known as the Garden City and is a major international tourist destination. We hold our meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at the Station House Pub, 737 Goldstream Ave. We meet at 6:00 PM for dinner, and hold our meetings after we have dined. Guests and new members are always welcome.

Our members own an interesting variety of Corvettes, and we are active year 'round with Corvette-related activities: social events, show and shine, rallies, slaloms, tours, parades and more.

We are a non-profit society, and sponsor our Club charity, the Queen Alexandra Foundation for Children.

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Like, Get Merry!!!

## *President's Message*

It's that time of year once again when we all must stop and reflect on how fortunate we all are to have loving families and friends. We are fortunate to have a roof over our heads and food to eat everyday. Let us all be thankful! Season's greetings to all. Have a safe and happy holiday season.

*Cam*

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## *Our Christmas Party*

In a fine festive mood we gathered at the Station House Pub for our annual Christmas "do." After an hour or so of cheery socializing, we attacked the buffet dinner. Once we were all fed, we found that Barry had organized some brain-testing games for us. First was a trivia contest, 24 questions and a tie-breaker dreamed up by, I think, the evil twin brother of your VicVettes editor. Two tables tied, and resorted to the tie-breaker to resolve the deadlock. This involved listing in reverse order the Prime Ministers of Canada., and we got a fair way back in time before a winner could be declared.

Next was a variant of "Kim's Game," (from Rudyard Kipling's novel "Kim.") Barry placed on each table in turn a tray holding a considerable number of small items covered by a cloth. The cloth was removed for a few seconds before being replaced, and we were invited to note and remember all the items we could. The table able to list correctly the largest number of items was declared the winner. Despite a bit of psychological warfare practiced by our Cheryl McLeod (mentioning at a volume audible to neighbouring tables a number of bogus items,) our table was regrettably defeated.

We then embarked upon our Tacky Gift Exchange, and some of the tackier items produced a good bit of hilarity.

After the gift exchange, the Joseph Szymanski Memorial Trophy and the President's Choice Awards were presented. (More on these later in this issue.) Cam then spoke a few words, and invited us to enjoy a last foray to the bar, which the Pub promptly declared to be closed. And so, full of food and good cheer and clutching our tacky gifts, we drifted off homeward.

The club thanks Barry for all the work he did in organizing a most enjoyable and well-run Christmas party.



Party Time....!

**Our Club Sponsors:**

Principal Sponsor:

**Jenner Chevrolet Ltd.**

1730 Island Highway,

Victoria, BC

(250) 474-1211

Affiliate sponsor:

**Canadian Tire (Gordon Head)**

3993 Cedar Hill Road

Victoria, BC

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Our President, Cam Johnson, speaks at the Christmas Party



Bernie Talbot checking out the interesting array of liquid refreshments that Lucille has acquired.

## Coming Events:

Dec 13 Club Brunch. Watch for an e-mail with all the details.

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# OUR AWARDS

By a popular vote of club members, this year's Joseph Szymanski Memorial Trophy was awarded to our President, Cam Johnson. At a time when the club was faltering and the morale of its members sinking, Cam, a fairly new member at the time, stepped forward and accepted a position that no one else was willing to assume, that of club President. Displaying dedication and enthusiasm, he has steered the club back onto the high road of "fun," and as we attract more new members with their ideas for us, we can only expect things to get even better.

Cam gave this year's President's Choice Award to Barry Dunning. Barry, himself an ex-President, has been a member of the club for many years, and has freely offered his time, support, experience and expertise to Cam. Cam has said that Barry's invaluable assistance and support have proved vital to the successful execution of his Presidential duties.



Don Hamilton presents Cam with the Joseph Szymanski Memorial Trophy



Cam presents Barry with the President's Choice Award

The club is very grateful to Cam and Barry for all they have done for us this past year.

## Club Notes

Our secretary Cheryl Specht was unable to attend the Dec 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, and we thanked Sylvia Sessions for ably filling in.

We also thanked Barry for all the work he did to make our Christmas party so enjoyable. Barry told us that it had originally been his plan to draw for door prizes, but he explained that the Station House Pub had soon offered that idea. It seems that their quoted price per plate plus wine did not include taxes and a 15% gratuity. (15% for a buffet?) Anyway, the extra cost made the purchase of door prizes impossible if the party were to stay within its budget.

Don Hamilton said that Jennifer Jasechko from the Queen Alexandra Foundation would be at our January meeting to show us the items that our recent donation had bought.

The January meeting is also our Planning Meeting, so please bring any suggestions you might have for neat things for us to do in 2010. We hope our newer members will have some original thoughts here.

Cam indicated that Cheryl will soon have our website up and running, and Wolf Schmitz volunteered to help with the process. Thank you both.

We decided to give the single mother and her young son, whom Ruth Ann had brought to our attention, \$500.00 for Christmas. Any additional money raised will go to the food bank.

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VicVettes is happy to draw your attention to this makeshift anti-Swine Flu mask. If necessary, you can easily employ it should you find yourself in an environment where infection is likely to occur. It is certainly an attention drawer.

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## Big Days:

### Birthdays:

Barry Dunning	Dec 5
Don Hamilton	Dec 23

### Anniversaries:

Malcolm & Lucille Baster	Dec 1
Iain & Barb Swain	Dec 18
John & Maria Watts	Dec 20
Randy & Cathy Garon	Dec 23

Random Pics....

Party pics.....



Cheryl gets the gift exchange going



Sid happily plays with his new toy



Cam is obviously delighted with his Mustang magazines (Or is it the beer?)

More Random Pics



Cheryl Specht received a “Weener Kleener.” I understand she wished to give it to Rick, but feared it might be too small.



Don Hamilton and our President Cam Johnson present Lois George of the Queen Alexandra Foundation with our donation



*Seattle 7<sup>th</sup> September  
2010*



**Raffle Grand Prize - A Week in Maui**  
(Airfare not included)

**Seattle In September 2010**  
(This is the 6th biennial SIS event)  
**Corvette Marque Club  
of Seattle**  
**September 10-12, 2010**  
**Embassy Suites Bellevue**  
3225 158th Ave SE, Bellevue WA, 98008-3225  
(425) 644-2500 or (800) EMBASSY (362-2779)

**Raffle Grand Prize - A Week in Maui**  
(Airfare not included)

*CMCS SIS rates are: \$119 per night for a king suite  
\$139 for a suite with two doubles  
Includes breakfast & evening cocktail reception  
Mention "Corvette Marque Club of Seattle" for these rates*

*You may also register for a ROOM at a custom Web Site:  
<http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/SEABLES-CMC-20100907/index.jhtml>*

*Note: You must also sign up for the EVENT (See the SIS Registration Form)*

**Raffle Grand Prize of 7 days & 6 nights in a beach front condo in Maui HI**  
(Airfare not included)

<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hawaiian Reception</li> <li>• Duck Races</li> <li>• Valve Cover Races</li> <li>• Sleepless in Seattle Tour</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poker Run</li> <li>• Show &amp; Shine</li> <li>• Harbor Cruise</li> <li>• Banquet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slide Show</li> <li>• Awards Presentation</li> <li>• Raffle</li> <li>• Closing</li> </ul>

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The Corvette Marque Club of Seattle wishes to inform us of the event described in the poster above. They have expressed the hope that a VCC contingent will attend.



In an effort to defeat the Taliban by biological means, an F15 launches a Swineflu H1N1 Mk 1 missile at an enemy stronghold.

Idlings

**OUTDOOR NATIVITY SCENE** No Mary, Joseph, or Jesus. \$100  
859-261- [REDACTED]

Dec. 21, 7pm  
Great Performances :  
Nightingale (s)

Dec 21 & 24, 8pm  
Christmas with the Moron  
Tabernacle Choir (s)

**STOCKING STUFFER**  
QUALITY HORSE MANURE  
\$2/tractor scoop loaded,  
6 yd/\$60 deliv'd 528 [REDACTED]

**CALL FROM SANTA?**  
GRANDPARENTS SEE YOUR FAVORITE  
S light up when they listen to  
S VOICE ON THE TELEPHONE.  
Call is 2 minutes. MUST BE OVER 18.  
0-656- [REDACTED]  
**TE A MEMORY!**

**FRESH-CUT CHRISTMAS TREES**  
ARRIVING DECEMBER 28TH  
WE CARRY THE FULLEST  
FRESHEST TREES AVAILABLE

**LIVING CHRISTMAS TREES**

This Christmas get a tree you can enjoy long after the holidays are over. These container-grown trees are fresh and green for the holiday season. So bring the holiday to and pick one out. We've a big variety of tree sizes to choose from.

**5 GAL. SIZE STARTING AT \$19.99 ea.**

Feeder, skirts, good cond,  
[REDACTED]  
**ARTIFICIAL CHRISTMAS TREE** —  
For Sale. Like new. Needs stand, ornaments, lights, and branches. \$99.00 firm. Call [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] 7 54

**79¢**  
**Elf CUTLETS**  
In Wine  
**\$2.29** 12 oz Pkg

**Blow your own balls**

Growing up, we were always sub to making crafts during the holidays. You know — construction stars with school pictures in the, and glitter on the edges, wreaths from garbage-bag strips tied around metal hanger, paper Santa faces, cotton-ball beards. And though they be yellowed and faded and ripped, of them still adorn our parents' home every December. Handmade gift the ones that mean the most. This why not ditch the Elmer's and putty and join the Alaska Glass Studio. King St.) for "Blow your own Balls" whole family can troupe down to the studio and learn to hand-blow Christmas ornaments. The cost is

*Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah from Vic Vettes*