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About the CORVETTE MARQUE CLUB of Seattle

The Corvette Marque (pronounced *mark*) Club of Seattle (CMCS) was founded and incorporated in September of 1963 and has been growing at a steady rate each year. At the end of our last membership year the membership totaled 315 Full, Affiliate, Associate, and Honorary members. Our membership consists of a diverse cross section of people.

The club is founded on a Constitution and By-Laws with the purpose of providing an association of owners of America's only true sports car, the Corvette. CMCS is an organization formed exclusively of Corvette owners to provide a source of enjoyment of Corvette ownership and provide opportunities to share information and social interaction through events and regular monthly club meetings. The meetings are usually lunch or dinner meetings held at various restaurants or banquet rooms in the greater Seattle area and often times include a program of interest to the members.

In addition, CMCS sanctions extensive and varied activities to:

- Promote pride in Corvette ownership
- Further the interest of Corvette owners
- Sponsor and organize competitive events, activities, and exhibitions
- Provide technical information and promote interchange of general & technical ideas relative to Corvettes
- Encourage safe and responsible driving habits.

Examples of traditional activities include **"Wet Weekend"** in February, **Awards Banquet and Installation of Officers** in March, one-day and weekend Corvette caravan tours such as the **'50s cruise**, **School Daze** driving event at Pacific Raceways, **Thanksgiving Feast**, and **Christmas Party**.

Other regular club activities include: show & shine car shows, participation in several parades, and spontaneous tours. The club is also active in community relations such as DOT's Adopt-A-Highway campaign, our own charitable campaigns to assist the needy at Christmas, and a scholarship for the Automotive Service Education Program.

CMCS members have contributed significantly to the major sports car organizations in the Pacific Northwest. Since the founding of CMCS, nearly all the SCCA race drivers of Corvettes from the area have belonged to CMCS. The Western Washington Sports Car Council was formed largely through the instigation of CMCS members. CMCS was also instrumental in the formation of the Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs (NWACC), which is an association of Corvette clubs in Washington and Oregon. The Marque Club provided the first elected president of NWACC. The diversity of its membership, Corvette owners all, allows the club to benefit from the varied talents of its members. And yet their common interest in the Corvette welds a strong bond of friendship and cooperation. This is what makes the **Corvette Marque Club of Seattle** enjoyable to its members.



CORVETTE MARQUE CLUB of Seattle

Membership Requirements

To be eligible for membership in the Corvette Marque Club of Seattle (CMCS), the following qualifications are required:

- Applicant must be a Corvette owner or a spouse or domestic partner of a Corvette owner, or have a Corvette on order.
- Applicant must possess a valid motor vehicle operator's license.
- Applicant must have current automobile liability insurance that satisfies the Washington State Insurance Responsibility Act.
- Applicant must attend one CMCS General Membership meeting at which applicant can be voted into membership.
- A membership application must be submitted to the Membership Chairperson.
- Payment of initiation fee and first year's annual dues of \$75 (single) or \$85 (couple) due at time of General Membership meeting acceptance.
- Annual renewal dues are \$50 for a Full member (couple or single) or \$30 for an Associate Member.

An associate member is a previous Full member that no longer owns a Corvette.

Each new member will receive the following:

- A copy of the Constitution and By-Laws
- Name badge
- Subscription to the CMCS monthly newsletter "*On Your Marque.*"

**See the centerfold for a [Membership Application Form](#)
or download the form from the CMCS Web site**

www.corvettemarqueclub.com

Mail application to:

**Corvette Marque Club of Seattle
PO Box 534
Kirkland, WA 98083-0534**



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Typical Events

CMCS is very active, hosting many events and activities during the year. A number of these events are traditional or are becoming so. Some go back decades in Club history. Below is an approximate chronological listing of some of these events.

Late February - Wet Weekend

45th Annual in 2010. Caravan to a variety of destinations in the Pacific Northwest. This event "Kicks Off" the CMCS activities for the year. Often has a "theme".

March - Awards Meeting & Officer Installation

June - 50's Tour

Dress for the period if you wish and caravan to a 50's retro diner, drive-in, or similar.

July - 4th of July Picnic

BBQ lunch, potluck, games, general meeting. Held at public park. Those participating in parades attend after.

July - Lee Johnson All Corvette Show & Shop-Til-You-Drop
Sponsored by Lee Johnson Chevrolet, a primary sponsor for CMCS.

July - School Daze @ Pacific Raceways

High-speed driving instruction and practice on the road course at Pacific Raceways. Held on a weekday. This is not a race event.

August - XXX All Corvette Show & Burger Bash

Held at the XXX Drive-In located in Issaquah.

September - Seattle In September (biennial)

2010 is the 6th event. Held every two years. Three-day weekend event with a banquet. Includes valve cover races, poker runs and many other activities. Often includes a boat cruise with the banquet.

Fall - Cascade/Olympic Loop Tour

Most are overnight "Cascade Loops", over on Highway 2 & back on Highway 20. Also have made an "Olympic Loop".

November - Thanksgiving Dinner & Charity Auction

This has been a charity auction as well for the past few years.

December - CMCS Dee Esping Christmas Charity Event

CMCS has an active charity committee. Each year we visit those in need with gifts and donations paid by a special charity fund collected at the November auction. Dedicated to a CMCS member with many years of service to the Club; Dee Esping.

December - Christmas Party

This is a dressy buffet lunch with games or other activities. The perpetual **Frank Olsheski Memorial Trophy** is awarded at this party.



Show & Shine Overview

by Dennis Montgomery

As summer comes you may be hearing people in the club talk about Show & Shines. If you are already aware what a Show & Shine is you can disregard reading this and go out and start polishing those lug nuts on the Corvette. If you aren't sure, read on and we'll tell you more than you may want to know about what a Show & Shine is (at least what a CMCS Show & Shine is).

Simply stated, a Show & Shine is a Show of Corvettes that have been Shined up by their owners and then put on display at a Show & Shine event. CMCS Show & Shines are more social events than competitions and are a terrific way to get to know your fellow CMCS members and learn a little about Corvettes at the same time. They are low-key, no pressure events that are never going to be mistaken for a Concours d' Elegance or hard-core, go for the points, judged by professionals, event!

For the most part, the awarding of the trophies to the class winners is determined by a vote of any and all folks who attend the show & Shine, both those who have Corvettes in the event and those who are just attending as spectators (in other words, the "General Public"). This format is called a people's choice format and is just what it says. The Corvettes the voters like the best win the trophies!

The Corvettes are divided in classes based on year of manufacture so that C1s compete against other C1s, C2s against other C2s and so on up through C6s. The usual procedure is to try to get the cars in place by 8 am, or so, to allow for that last minute clean up. At 10, usually, the entrants are told to stop shining ("rags down") and the voting can commence. Around 2-3:00 pm, the votes are tallied and trophies are awarded.

The time between "rags down" and the trophy awards is the time to socialize, look at the other cars and just relax.

After all, one of the main reasons we bought Corvettes is drive to fun events and be around other enthusiasts. What better way to do that than a Show & Shine? We'll see you there!

"Tour" Radios Available Through CMCS

The "business" UHF radios that the Club uses to coordinate tours are available for purchase from CMCS. This is a Club courtesy/benefit to make it easier for you to join in the communications during the Club caravans and tours.

You may purchase these radios at CMCS General Meetings or by contacting the Club "radio man" Steve Yabroff:

Steve@CorvetteMarqueClub.com.

The “On Your Marque” Newsletter

Advertising Rates (Classified and Commercial)

Classified advertising must be Corvette related.

Commercial advertising must either be Corvette related or must be associated with the business/professional activities of a Club member or Club sponsor.

Personal item, non-commercial ads, up to 1/4 page, are free to members for a maximum of 3 months. Over 1/4 page is one-half of the rate for non-members published below. The 4th and subsequent months are at the full non-member rates published below. The fees must be paid in advance to the Club Treasurer.

Non-member personal item advertising, or member commercial rates

- Up to 1/4 page \$5.00 per issue
- 1/2 page \$10.00 per issue
- Full page \$18.00 per issue

Non-member/non-sponsor commercial Corvette related advertising rates are:

- Up to 1/4 page \$10.00 per issue
- 1/2 page \$20.00 per issue
- Full page \$40.00 per issue

All material must be received by the editor on or before the 15th of the month preceding the upcoming issue. The CMCS Executive Board reserves the right to limit advertising quantity and content. Please send advertising by mail to the address shown above.

Attention: Oran Petersen, CMCS Newsletter Editor
Oran@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

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