

President's Message – November 2020

The weather is beginning to turn colder and wetter which is going to limit the activities the club can conduct for a few months.

Club meetings: We held our October general membership meeting on-line on Thursday, October 15th at 7PM. We've landed on Thursday evenings at 7PM for the general membership meetings to free up weekends and dinner time for folks, It was great seeing all of the members that were able to attend our on-line meeting. I know we are all getting better using Zoom and figuring out how well our video camera and microphone work. The Thanksgiving dinner has already been cancelled and we expect that the Everett Country Club will let us know soon that they will not be able to host the Christmas party. As the weather turns colder, limiting outdoor meeting venues, and the Covid situation continues to challenge us its unlikely that we'll be able to hold an in-person meeting for a number of months so please watch your email, website and newsletter for announcements of when the upcoming general membership meetings will be held. Joining a general membership meeting using Zoom is very simple and if anyone has any concerns or wants a little help please reach out to Alton Loe or myself and we would be happy to assist.

Events: We were able to hold a few events this month. First up on October 3rd, we held another "Not a Car Show, Just Lunch" event at the XXX Root Beer Drive-In. The weather held for the day with a bit of overcast and fog in the morning, but it began to clear and warm-up by noon. We have about 40 Corvettes attend the event during the day. I spoke with Jose, the owner of XXX Root Beer Drive-in and he very much appreciates the support he has had from the various car clubs during this very challenging year. I for one am looking forward to being able to run a proper car show next year.

We also ran a very successful Dyno Day at Carberator Connection in Kirkland. This was the first time in a number of years that the club has sponsored a Dyno Day and the turnout was well beyond the minimum of four cars that we needed to run the event. In total we had 11 cars participate in the event and everyone was able to get a solid dyno reading. The Carb Connection team was very professional and did a great job getting every car ready for their big moment. Kevin Jewell commented that it appears GM is doing an excellent job delivering consistent powertrain performance as we had a number of identically equipped cars which produced results within 2% of each other. Given how popular the event was this time we will look at holding another dyno day in the future.

Lastly, we held a Last Chance Fall Leaves tour on October 11th. Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate and with rain and a chance of snow for Blewett and Steven's passes. This reduced turnout and the chance of snow forced a change of plans with a drive over Snoqualmie Pass to the Cle Elum Bakery. We grabbed coffee and pastries and found some great outdoor seating with the sun beating down on us. Oh well, those are the breaks as we move into late fall and winter in the Pacific Northwest.