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President's Message By Shaun Hayes CMCS President



We have been able to run several social distancing drives during the past month and autocross events are running as well. We continue to hold our board meetings and general membership virtually, but we are looking forward to hosting our first in-person membership meeting in August.

Club meetings: We held our third virtual general membership meeting on Thursday, July 16th. Thanks for those that were able to join us for July's membership meeting. Michael and Melissa Olejniczak have graciously agreed to host the club at their home for an outdoor picnic style general membership meeting on August 22nd. We are looking forward to welcoming our membership back for our first in-person general membership meeting. We have 25 folks signed up to attend. If you plan to join us, please go to <u>www.corvettemarqueclub.com</u> to register for the event.

We plan to run the 50/50 raffle during the July 30th Mount Baker tour and the in-person meeting in August. The 50/50 raffle supports the GM ASEP scholarship at Shoreline Community College. The program supports training the next generation of technicians that could be working on your Corvette in the future. CMCS member Scott Main runs the GM ASEP program at Shoreline Community College. Scott published an article in the July Newsletter explaining how they have adjusted to delivering automotive training in the era of COVID-19. We do not know how many opportunities we are going to get to run 50/50 raffles this year so we are hoping to have a couple of very successful raffles this month. We want to continue to support the GM ASEP program and the fantastic work Scott is doing to train the next generation of GM technicians. Social distancing drives: We were able to run a very successful drive and lunch event to Wally's Drive In in Buckley this month. We had 28 cars registered for the event which was organized into two different groups to help manage the crowd at Wally's. Oran Petersen lead the early tour and Kevin Jewell lead the later tour. It was great that the tours overlapped a little to allow both groups to see and say hello to each other. There is a very nice park right behind Wally's that allowed our members to set up lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy their food. Thanks to Oran for proposing this tour and working with Wally's to ensure that they were prepared to feed such a large group. Thanks to Kevin for agreeing to lead the later departure. We have some upcoming drives planned e.g. July 30th to Mount Baker organized by Kevin Jewell and Alton Loe, and August 1st to Port Townsend organized by Mike Gleeson. We have also added a Not a Car Show, Just Lunch with Corvettes event at the XXX Root Beer Drive-in on August 2nd. Kevin is looking at some additional driving opportunities for August and September so watch the newsletter and the web site for new opportunities to join other club members for some time in our Corvettes.

Motorsports: The Viper Club held their Super Viper autocross event June 27th and 28th. The event introduced a couple of new formats. On the first day the participants ran five consecutive laps on the course - it is truly a challenge to stay focused when running five consecutive laps. On the second day they ran a three-car relay race. You could make up or lose a lot of time based on how fast you can get the baton from one car to another. It was great getting an opportunity to try out some new formats. The Viper and NWACC organizations ran their standard autocross event on July 11th and 12th. Its been great seeing a few new faces from CMCS participate in autocross this year. Autocross has proven to be quite popular. Both the Viper and NWACC organizations limit the number of participants. If you want to participate in autocross you will need to pre-register at <u>NWACC (https://scorekeeper.wwscc.org/register/)and Viper (https://www.motorsportreg.com/index.cfm/event/login.form).</u>

Cover - 1999 Navy Blue Coupe owned by Michael & Martha Clemans



In February, 2020, after 4 surgeries and 9 chemotherapy treatments, I was cleared of cancer. As a teenager in Edmonds during the early 1960's, my uncle owned a 1961 Corvette. I always dreamed of being a Corvette owner, so, since God gave me tomorrow but never promised more, I fulfilled my one and only bucket list dream. We bought that Corvette.

Martha and I met in 1968, when I was in the Army. We got married after a short courtship of only 3

months and have been together ever since. Still in love and still dancing. Well, easy on the dancing with my bad knee and her hip replacement, but we still try. We enjoy traveling. Since Martha is from north of Boston, making a summer trip to New England is average. I like sports and driving my car. She likes reading. We both LOVE being with the grandkids.



Autocross - 2020

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It has been fun to watch as more and more CMCS members have come out to try autocross. Some decide

that the sport isn't for them, but at least they gave it try. However, many are enthused, and we have a record number of CMCS members now participating. The club calendar shows the Viper Club autocross on Saturday and NWACC (Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs) autocross the following day. For the past few years both groups have been cooperating with each other, which has helped attendance at all the events. CMCS members are welcome to register for either event, or both events. As a CMCS member you are automatically a member of NWACC, so for NWACC events you pay "member" rates. Unless you join the Viper club as an associate, you will pay the non-member rates. If you have done autocross with other groups, you might remember getting three timed runs and perhaps a couple of fun runs at the end of the day. The Viper Club and NWACC have both invested serious money on new timing equipment. The new equipment has helped make the events so much more efficient that we typically get 10 timed runs each day. That extra track time has helped make autocross financially feasible for both groups. In late June, the Viper Club rented the track for the entire weekend and conducted their Super Viper event. They wanted to try out some different variations of autocross. On Saturday, each driver had one event in the morning and one in the afternoon. We entered the course for a warm-up lap and then had 5 continuous timed laps without stop. Each lap was separately timed, so we had a total of 10 timed laps. Autocross can be very intense since there is no distance between "events". Most finished the five timed laps with heart rates well into aerobic. The conclusion was this was a fun alternative, but perhaps 3-4 continuous laps would have been better. On Sunday we had a relay. The entrants were divided into teams of 3. Each driver had a handicap assigned based upon their performance over the last two years. I was worried about the safety of the hand-off of the relay baton, but they had that well covered and had devised a method that kept us safe and also challenged the teams to be creative in how to handle the hand-off. The team time was the total running time of the three entrants, including the hand-off time and any cone or gate penalties. Each team did 7 relays. The final result was determined by taking the team's best overall time and subtracting the handicap. The top three teams were awarded a cash prize.

If you have thought about trying autocross but are hesitant, reach out to any of the club members that participate. We will give you some background information, and help coach you at the event itself. The CMCS member participants, and frankly almost everyone involved, are very welcoming to new participants. After all, new participants are the future of our autocross events as participants move, sell their car etc., and leave the sport.

All events are held at Shelton, Sanderson Field. Saturday events are operated by the Viper Club. Sunday events are operated by the Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs.

Aug. 15/16 Sept. 5/6

Under the Hood by Kevin Jewell



I have been asked why I don't write more about the latest Corvette offerings. There are a lot of sources of the latest Corvette info from people who have far more knowledge than I do. I tend to write this column at least a couple of months before the publication, so much of this latest Corvette information would already be old by the time the

column was printed. However, our automotive world is huge and there are a lot of stories to tell. A lot of what I write is from personal experience, or at least related experience.

One of my favorite series of stories revolve around the 1963 Corvette Grand Sports (or Lightweights, as they were originally called). Corvette had won four straight national sports car racing titles with the C1 fuel injected Vette. When Corvette introduced the new C2 with independent rear suspension, everyone assumed that the Corvette fuelies would continue to dominate. Chevy even upped the ante by offering a Z06 version. The first outing for the new 63 Vette racers was the Oct 1962 Riverside Gran Prix. Four new Z06 models were on the grid. In photos of the start you can see several Vettes and then a lone bright red Shelby Cobra. The Cobra had VIN CSX2002, the first car built for competition and only the third Cobra. Cobra featured a rather thin aluminum body and a tube frame chassis with little in the way of creature comforts, which created a lightweight racer. Although much of the Cobra lore is based upon the legendary 427 Cobras, these first Cobras were powered by Ford's new small 260 ci engine. The first 75 Cobras had 260 engines before Ford introduced the larger 289 engine in 1963. Peter Brock (later the developer of the BRE Datsun racers) was the early development driver for the Cobra, but he was replaced by Billy Krause for the Riverside race. Not only was the Cobra a light body, but the new Ford engine was of the new "thin wall casting" technique and the engine was close to 100 lbs. lighter than the Vette 327 engine. The lone Cobra ran away from the Vettes and an hour into the race, the Cobra was over a mile ahead of the fastest Vette. Only an axle hub failure with the Cobra kept the Vettes in the running. However, the handwriting was on the wall and this race prompted Zora to start development work on the Grand Sports. The first goal was to reduce the weight of the Vette, and a thinner fiberglass body was created to fit on a tubular chassis. Then acknowledging that

horsepower was also important, several engines were developed, including the ultimate 377 ci, all aluminum engine, with 4 dual throat Weber carbs. Of course, GM pulled the plug on the Grand Sport program after five vehicles were built.

All of us watched, with some frustration, the construction of the Highway 99 tunnel. Also, I expect most of us anticipated that there would be numerous claims filed by both the State and the contractor. Most of these claims were related to the long delay in completion of the tunnel due to the failure of, and need to rebuild, the huge tunnel boring machine, which broke down in Dec 2013. In December 2019, a Washington court awarded the State over \$57 million in liquidated damages from the contractor. One of the tunnel contracting partners, Tutor Perini, then took a \$119 million charge against the books for the 99 tunnel. The other contracting partner in the project was Dragados USA. Apparently, this was not the only problem project for Tutor Perini, as the company then posted a loss of almost \$400 million for the 2019 fiscal year. I recently read that Tutor Perini directors are now considering a buyout offer from a private equity firm, which for now would leave CEO Ron Tutor in his management role. You might remember Ron Tutor as the plaintiff that sued the Hailey (Sun Valley) Idaho airport when they told him he would have to use his private jet, rather than his Boeing 737 business jet, as the 737 exceeded the small airport weight limits. Tutor lost and the court ruled his suit frivolous (perhaps stupid?), and Tutor paid all the court and defendant's costs. I suspect that the tunnel construction partners wish they had never heard of the Highway 99 tunnel.

A few months ago, I wrote about Dow Chemical's experiment using recycled plastic in asphalt pavement. In that column I also commented about Washington State's experience utilizing recycled tires in our pavement. I can add one more comment about the efforts to recycle in pavement. In 2010, the State of Illinois changed their highway specifications to allow reclaimed asphalt shingles (RAS) in paving. By 2011 the legislature had passed a bill telling IDOT to maximize the use of RAS and by 2013 the state was consuming 12 times the amount of RAS compared to 2011. An industry developed to satisfy that demand and laws were quickly passed prohibiting used asphalt shingles in the landfills unless the closest recycle facility was located more than 25 miles away. After a rash of failures in Illinois and a few other states, the Federal Highway Administration has stepped in to declare that RAS should only be used "within limits". I do note that "within limits" seems to allow a lot of discretion. Recently, a key Illinois state senator has pleaded guilty to bribery and tax evasion and is cooperating with authorities. The RAS industry has been a big campaign fund supporter of this senator, although the senator has other charges not related to RAS. Do we see any problem here? I suspect this is another example of how easy it is to promote any idea that is seen as "green" without adequate research and experience before jumping in with both feet.

I recently reported on the demise of "Autoweek" magazine and then "Automobile". Both were national/international automotive publications. In late June, our local magazine "Cruzin" ceased publication. "Cruzin" featured northwest classic cars, people and events. The notice indicated that COVID 19 did them in, and I expect it was the cancellation of hundreds of automotive events and the resulting advertising. If this keeps up, we won't have any print media left.

Has Grey Poupon been replaced? No doubt many of you remember the Grey Poupon commercials, which originated in 1981. In the original commercial, a very dignified rear seat passenger in a luxury automobile is slathering Grey Poupon on his meal. Near the end of the commercial a second Rolls Royce pulls up next to the first car and the passenger in the second car puts down the window and asks: "Pardon me, do you have any Grey Poupon?" The implication was clear, people with lots of money/ class used Grey Poupon. In his infinite wisdom, about 30 years ago, our neighbor bought a 1970 era Bentley at an auction. As he came by our house to show off his prize, he presented me with a small jar of Grey Poupon. Of course, he had the automotive marque wrong, but at the time Bentley and Rolls Royce were in the same family. I have written before about the Goodwood Racing Circuit. This racetrack is located on the Goodwood Estate, 12,000 acres of English countryside. Next to the estate, Rolls Royce has a 42 acre manufacturing facility that is definitely "green". The plant has a living roof on most of the buildings, thermal ponds, and rainwater collection among its many features. The plant also has an apiary, or bee collection, with about 250,000 English honeybees. The bees have all those acres of countryside to roam and come home to fill the hives with their special honey. Naturally, Rolls Royce is bottling that honey and selling it under the Rolls Royce brand. I suspect that this a premium-priced honey. Regardless of the pricing, kudos to RR for creating their apiary. Honeybees are endangered throughout the planet. Speaking of Rolls Royce, did you know that RR owners have access to a special phone app called Whispers, assuming you are wealthy enough to

have a 2003 or later RR. It allows the user to access special RR features, shopping, new car previews, red carpet treatment at the Academy Awards and even direct communication to the RR CEO and board of directors. Do you think Mary Barra of GM will acknowledge any of us that own a Corvette?

Laps from the Past

50 LAPS AGO: August 1970. President Frank Olsheski held a brief meeting at the home of John Thomas's parents on Vashon Island during a picnic and BBQ. Committee and official reports were waived. Frank discussed the Western States Corvette Convention held in Vancouver, BC (Hosted by the BC Corvette Club) and thanked everyone that did a lot of work and participated at the convention to help us win the big Over - all trophy for points and participation and attendance. Ernie Aoki joined CMCS. CMCS held a non-championship autocross at Seattle International Raceway. The event promo stated, "This promises to be a fast, safe, and fun event, so if you are tired of putting and playing games in small parking lots, come on out to S.I.R."

40 LAPS AGO: August 1980. Vice President Cece Nelson conducted the meeting at the home of Joe & Donna Bridgman. (Bruce Kelly was president.) Only two board officers were present at the meeting. John Paul Nelson III led a tour to the 11th Annual NCRS Picnic at Rainbow Falls State Park. WWSCC (Western Washington Sports Car Council) had an autocross at the Kent site while NWACC had events in Portland and Spokane. The NCRS National Convention was held in San Francisco. Larry Gunselman joined CMCS. Jay & Jan Cockrum were newsletter editors. Club sponsor was Lee Johnson Chevrolet. First Class postage for OYM was 15¢.

30 LAPS AGO: August 1990. President Cloyd Jackson conducted the meeting at the home of John R. Thomas on Vashon Island. This outing was always a favorite and well attended CMCS function that promised great cook-out foods, and an afternoon of swimming, water skiing, croquet, beach combing, and of course the BBQ for the world famous John R. Thomas hamburgers. Paul & Christina Hoberecht joined CMCS, bringing the total to 97. They have two Corvettes, and a child on the way. John R Thomas was newsletter editor. Club sponsors were Lee Johnson Chevrolet, Rick Stark Enterprises & Western Corvette Supply. First Class postage for OYM was 15¢.

20 LAPS AGO: August 2000. Carl & Sharon Neuswanger's 25th anniversary 1978 Corvette is the cover car. All of these cars were silver with medium gray metallic (15,283 cars were this Silver Anniversary color). President Jan Cockrum conducted the meeting at the Shoreline Community College; GM ASEP (Automotive Service Education Program) school. Ray Hedzick joined CMCS, bringing the total to 222. The meeting was adjourned early so all could enjoy the slide show on the design of the C5 Corvette, presented by C5 designer John Cafaro. Cloyd presented John with a book about Puget Sound. John also received a certificate naming him a CMCS Honorary Member. CMCS and Seaview Chevrolet (CMCS Sponsor) jointly operated the 4th annual Seaview Show-n-Shine. John Cafaro also spoke at the show. Other CMCS activities were the Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival Parade and a caravan led by Gary & Kayla Main to the Wild West Vette Fest in West Yellowstone MT. Cloyd Jackson was newsletter editor. Club sponsors were Lee Johnson Chevrolet, Rick Stark Enterprises, Western Corvette Supply & Stewart's Collision Center.

10 LAPS AGO: August 2010. Mark & Cheri VerMurlen's 2009 Crystal Red Coupe was on the cover. President Al Dager conducted the meeting at CMCS sponsor Speedway Chevrolet following a caravan from Totem Lake. Ken Dobrow became a member bringing the total to 247. CMCS participated in a Vettes for Veterans event, organized by the Glass Odyssey Corvette Club, taking the veterans who live in the Veterans Home in Retsil, WA out for a root beer float at the local A&W restaurant (Gary Main was the CMCS leader for this event). Other August activities were an NWACC autocross hosted by the Rose City Corvette Club, the Seafair & Lake City Parades, the All Corvette Show and Burger Bash at the XXX Drive-In in Issaquah, and the 5th Annual CMCS Wine Tour to Tri-Citys and Walla-Walla. An Adopt-A-Highway crew of 15 CMCS volunteers did another outstanding job.Newsletter editor Oran Petersen informed all in attendance about the CMCS database and directory. With regards to security and privacy issues CMCS would adopt the use of a consent form, allowing members to define what personal information to disclose and not disclose in the membership directories published twice per year. Joe Harvey from CMCS sponsor Speedway Chevrolet introduced their head Corvette technician, who gave a talk about the dealership services and answered member questions.

5 LAPS AGO: August 2015. Debbie & Lon Turner's 2008 Jetstream Blue Z51 coupe was on the cover. President Kevin Jewell conducted the

meeting after a road tour and lunch on the patio at the Buzz Inn Steakhouse on the Snohomish Airport (Harvey Field). This place is always "buzzing" with small airplanes, including antiques, and parachutists "dropping in". Guests were Joshua Geno & friend Rachel from Toronto, Ontario, Canada who were traveling around the US in their Corvette. New members were Fred & Susan Cruzan and Mike & Linda Sitko, for a total of 264. Included in the OYM was a Thank You letter from & photo of Chance Rupe, a GM-ASEP (General Motors-Service Automotive Education Program) student at Shoreline College and a recent recipient of a CMCS GM-ASEP Scholarship. The 6th of the series of articles reporting on the 2014 NCM Caravan, written by Steve Yabroff, was in the August newsletter. August CMCS events included the annual CMCS XXX All Corvette Show.





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General Meeting Minutes Online Zoom, July 18, 2020 By Bill Cameron

Meeting opened at 7:30 pm.

Committee Chairs / Representative - REPORTS

Membership - 250 members	Steve Yabroff				
Website					
New Autocross link on home page. New Directory Online	<u> </u>				
Charity - No Report	Marty Cameron				
Parades - Snoqualmie Parade canceled	John Kamm				
Adopt-a-Highway - Still on hold	Kevin Wilson				
Sponsor - Renewed their sponsorship	Joe Powell				
Apparel - Updating web page with garment sizing l	Bonnie Roylance				
Newsletter - No Report					
NWACC	Ken Jones				
No end of session banquet this year. XXX insurance rider refunded.	0				
NCRS	•				
Sept. 13th N.W. chapter terminator party Tolt-McDonald p still to take place.	oark in Carnation				
NCM	Kevin Wilson				
Reopened June 18th with newly remodeled section.					
Officers Reports					
President	Shaun Hayes				
ASEP 50/50 to start up during some of the tours and at the General Meeting	ne next Picnic/				
Vice President - Has radios now at \$40 dollars	Alton Loe				
Secretary - June minutes approved	Bill Cameron				
Treasurer - Financials solvent	- Joel Druckman				
2 Year Activities/1 Year Activities - Kevin Jewell/Mike H	Roylance				
July 30th Mt Baker tour					
August 1st Port Townsend tour					
August 2nd XXX get together					
August 22nd Picnic / General meeting.					
Past President - No Report	Ken Jones				
Old Business: None					
New Business: None					
Next General Meeting: August 22, 2020					





Parades by John Kamm <u>j.kamm1952@hotmail.com</u> (425) 643-2604

The most recent cancellation is our only remaining parade in Snoqualmie. We need to be in a phase 4 recovery for any such event and are only in phase 1.5. There is just no way to safely pull off this parade.

I do want to thank ALL the members who did offer their time for our parades this year. You are what the public sees when our car club is announced during a parade. You make the parades happen. Maybe next year we can even pull it off!

Look for a listing for 2021 parades on the club website around February. Also, if you know of a parade we can or should be involved in, let me know and I will research it further. Thanks again for your support, sorry we had to postpone everything. This was the best parade season that never happened.

See you all next year..... John







A.P. Van Meter and Marilyn McKinnon own a 2015 Torch Red Coupe. A.P. is from Oklahoma and this is his 2nd 'Vette. His first Corvette was a '67 L-88; only 20 were made and they are worth \$1M or more now!

A.P. loves cars and has a long history of working on all different types of cars. He loves the Chevy "skinny block" and says he's a 'bow tie man' for life. A.P. enjoys woodworking and photography. Marilyn is a WA native except a short stint in Utah. We are on our 2nd marriage and between us have 92 years of prior marriage-no excuse!

He is a graduate of Oklahoma University in Electrical Engineering. Marilyn retired from Customer Service for several different companies in different areas of WA. "We are both social and looking forward to "clubbing." Mike and Martha Clemans are members and longtime friends. They are looking forward to checking out the variety of activities CMCS offers (many after the pandemic passes). Please give A.P. and Marilyn a warm welcome! Note: Two more couples joined late in July. Their bios will be in the September newsletter due to time constraints.

CMCS Members Donate to Terminally III 5-Year Old's Bucket List

Five year old Avery, who has terminal cancer, is working his "bucket list" with the help of friends and family. One item was going to Disney, which is now not possible due to his health.

So neighbors and others, including CMCS members **Ralph & Bea Orton**, decided to bring a Disney parade to him in the form of costume characters and "fast cars" which Avery likes.

Ralph arranged for 8 "fast cars", also known as Corvettes, to participate in Avery's parade. CMCS participants included the Ortons and:

Ron & Dee Wuesthoff

John & Sandy Kamm

Mike Klumb

Gene & Gail Haubrich

The Everett Herald newspaper ran a front-page article for Avery which included the parade and a mention of CMCS. A link to the full article is:

https://www.heraldnet.com/news/avery-was-too-ill-for-disneyland-so-the-parade-came-to-him/ A Video of the parade is at: https://photos.app.goo.gl/3iy5szWh7oPhVrWy5





August Birthdays

Stephanie Siverling	3	Mark Munster	11	Mark Ryker	23
Lois Henning	4	Brianna Miles	16	Kevin Wilson	23
Judy Jewell	7	Scott Cavalier	17	Marilyn McKinnon	25
Kevin McMenimen	7	Terry McCartney	20	Jack Crowley	26
Lars-Erik Posthumus	7	Wendy Conover	21	Michael Harrington	27
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Bill Cameron	10	Aida Walden	21	Bonnie Roylance	30

National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report



by Kevin Wilson (Local NCM Ambassador) <u>kevinwilson@q.com</u> (206) 286-8750

National corvette museum named a top attraction by USA TODAY: The National Corvette Museum earned top honors in the 2020 USA TODAY 10 Best Readers' Choice travel award contest for Best Attraction for Car Lovers.

Twenty automotive attractions were nominated by a panel of relevant experts which includes a combination of editors from USA TODAY; editors from 10Best.com; relevant expert contributors; and sources for both these media and other Gannett properties. The public was invited to vote daily over a four-week period for their favorite. The Museum earned the most votes and



subsequently was named the Best Attraction for Car Lovers for 2020.

From March 19 through May 8 the Museum debuted 32 episodes of a new 'Vettecademy' video series geared towards school-age kids, offering at-home educational and entertaining episodes on various aspects of Corvette. The series was so popular that a 'Fully Vetted' series was also launched, offering viewers of any age an in-depth look at various stories behind America's iconic sports car. Vettecademy as well as all eleven episodes of Fully Vetted are available for viewing on the Museum's website.

In addition to sharing virtual video content, the Museum also hosted a virtual online car show, with over 1,000 entries, and a virtual Michelin NCM Bash event bringing together live seminar speakers, produced content and live Museum walk-throughs all via Zoom. The event welcomed over 500 live online viewers.



Upon reopening to the public on June 8, visitors were greeted with a new 'look' of two galleries within the Museum including a heavily remodeled and digitally enhanced E. Pierce Marshall Memorial Performance Gallery, featuring 180-degree video projection; interactive touch screen kiosks with additional photo, text and video content; integrated artifact displays; and a shiny display floor full of iconic Corvette race cars.

"Thanks to the generosity of E. Pierce Marshall Jr. we were able to completely overhaul the former performance and racing exhibit space into a state-of-the-art gallery that truly showcases important examples of high-achieving track Corvettes," shared Museum President and CEO Dr. Sean Preston. "Pierce shared a love of Corvette with his father and continues his enthusiasm as an avid Corvette Racing fan and track competitor himself. His C7.R is an exciting centerpiece to this brand-new gallery."

Continuing the renovations and upgrades, the Museum also gutted the design and engineering area to create a new exhibit in collaboration with General Motors on the history of the development of the mid-engine Corvette. The "Vision Realized" exhibit features iconic prototypes and experimental vehicles including CERV-I, Astro II, XP-895 Reynolds-Aluminum Corvette, XP-819 'Ugly Duckling' rear-engine, XP-987 GT two-rotor Wankel engine, and the Indy Corvette along with artifacts and a comprehensive storyline of how Corvette's first Chief Engineer, Zora Arkus-Duntov, dreamed of one day offering a midengine Corvette as a production vehicle.

"The next generation Corvette has drawn the attention of not only die-hard Corvette enthusiasts, but also fans of other marques. This highly anticipated car and exhibit is something any performance car enthusiast is going to want to immerse themselves in," shared Sean. "What's even better is that visitors can observe as new owners take delivery of their 2020 Corvettes right here inside the Museum. It doesn't get any more exciting than that!"

During the pandemic the Museum also debuted a new exhibit display for the 1954 'Entombed' Corvette which was made possible through a donation by Robin and Mary Vann of East Tennessee. The Corvette Cave-In: Skydome Sinkhole Experience also received an upgrade to the digital technology that powers the sinkhole collapse animation, showcasing the eight Corvettes which fell victim. Finally, visitors to the Museum will browse a special exhibit: "Cartoon Creatures, Kustom Kars and Corvettes: The Art and Influence of Ed 'Big Daddy' Roth" featuring candy-colored fiberglass marvels of the late 50s to mid-60s as well as the subsequent vehicles they would influence, including two Corvettes used in the Transformer films.

"Our goals during the pandemic were to keep as many team members employed as possible and use the time to upgrade our visitors' experience - taking the Museum to another level," added Sean. "Our team worked hard to update the facility so that it reflects the look and feel of the next generation Corvette. We are excited for guests to see it for themselves."



<u>Two rare Corvettes were donated to</u> the Museum in the last month

through the Will of former NCM Board Member Greg Mauzy (who sadly passed away in 2015) and his wife Michelle of Midland, Texas. First was a 1 of 2 1989 ZR-1 SS (ever heard of one?). It was a Corvette designed to compete with the Dodge Viper and ultimately was designated the "Snake



Skinner", a factory built highly modified 1989 ZR-1 with a 500 hp LT-5 engine. Only 84 1989 ZR-1's were built but only for testing & analysis, no '89 ZR-1s were ever sold to the public, but a few are in hands of private individuals. There were 2 SS's built, the Snake Skinner I, which Rick Hendrick purchased, and the Snake Skinner II which Greg purchased at a Barrett Jackson Auction in 2009. The SS's were sold by GM (from the Heritage Center) back when they had to declare bankruptcy and clear many cars out of the Heritage Center to receive a bailout package from the Government. The ZR-1 SS never went to market as it was deemed too expensive, with the regular ZR-1 starting at \$63,000 in 1990.

The second Corvette was a 1 of 3 "Active Suspension" Corvette prototype. Defying the laws of physics - that was the promise of Active Suspension. Instead of using springs, dampers and anti-roll bars to react to and manage a vehicle's dynamics, Active Suspension systems used sensors, computers and high-pressure



hydraulics to completely control a vehicle's behavior. An "active" automobile could lean into a curve while preventing any bumps in the road from upsetting the steering and cornering dynamics of the car. CPC (Chevrolet-Pontiac-Canada) Engineering established a program to evaluate the technology by building a fleet of 50 Active Suspension Corvettes with the ZR-1, 32-valve engine. The hydraulic fluid, circulating at 3,000 psi, required extra heat exchangers and vents for cooling (bringing durability into question), while the added components brought the total weight of the Corvette to nearly 4,000 pounds. With cutting-edge electronics, aircraft-grade pumps and actuators, the cost of just the Active Suspension on the ZR-1 was estimated at \$35k-\$40k - yielding what would have



been the most expensive Corvette ever made. An additional issue would have been high-pressure hydraulics allowing no room for error when it came time to service the car. Despite the shortcomings of Active Suspension, it did help pave the way to new technology in automotive design, including Active Handling in '96 and Magnetic Selective Ride Control in '03.

Greg ended up buying 26 cars from the GM Heritage Center through various auctions. In all he had 150 vehicles in his collection, 80 were Corvettes.

2021 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray offers carryover pricing with fresh content:

Corvette has always represented iconic American design, performance, technical ingenuity, and attainability. The 2021 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray retains carryover pricing - the same as the introductory model - with MSRP starting at \$59,995 for the coupe and \$67,495 for the convertible. Both models include destination freight charge.

"Our mission was to develop a new sports car, combining the successful attributes of Corvette with the performance and driving experience of midengine supercars," said Tadge Juechter, Corvette executive chief engineer. "We are thrilled with the enthusiasm the mid-engine Corvette brought following its launch and are keeping it fresh with new content for the 2021 model."

NEW FOR 2021

- Magnetic Selective Ride Control suspension available without Z51 (FE2)
- Standard Wireless Apple CarPlay/Wireless Android Auto
- Red Mist Metallic Tintcoat exterior color
- Silver Flare Metallic exterior color
- Sky Cool Gray/Yellow Strike interior color
- New Full Length Dual Racing Stripe Package colors: Blue, Orange, Red and Yellow
- Stinger Stripes in three colors: Carbon Flash/Edge Red, Carbon Flash/Edge Yellow and Carbon Flash/Midnight Silver
- Driver mode on-screen visualization and new track digital tachometer
- Standard Buckle To Drive, a safety technology that, when active, can prevent the driver from shifting the vehicle out of Park if the driver's seat belt is not buckled for up to 20 seconds; this feature is designed to help remind all drivers to buckle up before driving

<u>Current Corvette Raffles:</u> The Corvette raffles at the NCM are a major fundraiser that helps to keep the museum operating. All you need to do to enter a raffle for a chance to win one of these fabulous Corvettes is go to the NCM Raffle web page: <u>https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/</u>, click on "download an Order Form" which will enable you to open or download and print the latest form. Just fill it out & send it in to the NCM with a Credit Card number, and they will purchase the tickets for you and enter it into the raffle drawing right there in Kentucky! Also please note, there is now an "Enter Interactive Mode" button you can use to print out a form that has your Credit Card number scrambled, if you are queasy about mailing your full credit card information. To use the Interactive mode, you must have a user ID and Log in to the NCM site. Either way, please



jot down on the bottom of the form "Ticket sold by Kevin Wilson NCM Ambassador" so our club gets credit for the order. Also, please let me know if you send in an order (kevinwilson@q.com).



Here is the current Latest Winner: Shaun Dawkins of Lees Summit, MO won the July 16th raffle for the 'Build Your Own' 2021 Stingray Corvette or \$60,000 with ticket #913. 1142 of the available 1500 tickets were sold.

Current National Corvette Museum Events:

Here is the current schedule of events and adventures, both on the road (Museum in Motion events - MiM) and at the museum (NCM) for the year and a new Cruise (on a ship, not in a Corvette) was just added for 2021. So be sure to keep an eye on this space for upcoming trips to consider for your future vacation planning purposes. Registration is open on some of these events now and they fill up quickly. You can find more details about them and sign up here: https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/.

These are the events currently posted by the museum:

- MiM Colorado Springs: July 12-17, 2020; Pikes Peak Drive (Just canceled)
- MiM Northeast Ohio: August 2-7, 2020 (Just postponed to 2021)
- NCM 26th Anniversary Celebration & Hall of Fame Induction Sep 3-5, 2020 (Reg. open)
- MiM Dragon Run Presented by Michelin @ Biltmore (NC) Estate Sep 7th -10th, 2020 (1 space Open)
- MiM 'Branson Experience' Sep 8th -12th, 2020; Branson MO; (Registration Open)
- MiM National Parks Tour: Sep 20-26; AZ & UT; (Full, call to be waitlisted)
- MiM Lap of Kentucky tour 1: 9/28-10/3 (Registration opens Summer 2020)
- MiM Lap of Kentucky tour 2: 10/12-10/17 (Registration opens Summer 2020)

- MiM Lap of Kentucky tour 3: 10/19-10/24 (Registration opens Summer 2020)
- MiM Michelin Corvette Racing Weekend @ AACA Museum, 10/23-24, Hershey, PA (Summer Reg.)
- MiM Lap of Kentucky tour 4: 10/26-10/31 (Registration opens Summer 2020)
- MiM 9 Day Caribbean Cruise: 5/14 5/23/2021 (depart & return Fort Lauderdale FL) (Registration Open)

Did you know: If you feel like it's time to part with your cherished Corvette and you know that no one will care about it as much as you do, you can donate it to the National Corvette Museum? IF you are interested you can find more information here:

https://www.corvettemuseum.org/support/donate-your-automobile/

In addition, the NCM is also interested in donations of:

- Vintage Garage Signs and Gas Pumps
- Vintage Corvette Car Brochures and Manuals
- Corvette books, videos, DVDs
- Mechanic/Repair Manuals
- Automotive Collectibles
- Vehicle Accessories
- Automotive and Corvette back issues of magazines (contact us for a list of our current needs)

• Any Corvette memorabilia in good condition That's all for now - Save the Wave!

CMCS Christmas Party - Saturday December 12

Everett Golf and Country Club Noon to 4 pm 1500 52nd St SE, Everett, WA 98203 Registration deferred until November 1st (Price TBD)

Event Coordinator: CMCS Past President Ken Jones (This event requires COVID Phase 4 guidelines to be in place)

Buffet Lunch (menu pending) Apparel: Holiday Attire Welcome.

Bring a white elephant gift (one per person) - \$10 maximum value (Who knows what fabulous gift you might get in exchange)

Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup by Kevin Wilson <u>kevinwilson@q.com</u> (206) 286-8750



Adopt-A-Highway cleanups are canceled until further notice. Because of the ongoing safety and health issues due to the Corona Virus for now we aren't scheduling any additional clean-up sessions until we get the all clear from the state. Keep an eye here on the newsletter for future dates and please consider volunteering for and joining in on this fun & easy community service activity. It takes about an hour and a half to clean our section of I-5 utilizing 8

volunteers to clean up & 2 more as drivers. We typically start at 9:30 am. It's a natural way to get started in one of our many club activities. When the "all clear" is given and we schedule a session, come join us, the more the merrier!

Additional Volunteer Drivers needed for Drivers Pool: We need a few more volunteers with multi-passenger vehicles in the drivers pool to transport our clean-up crews to and from the site. It is helpful (but not necessary) for the vehicle to have a 2 inch square hitch receiver (Class 3 or 4) to hold a "Road Crew Working" sign to help protect us. When the driver pool is large enough, you only do driver services once a year. Contact me for details.

In return for our service we get:

- A sign posted along the freeway that identifies Corvette Marque Club of Seattle as the volunteer organization responsible for keeping this section of the freeway clean.
- A little fun morning exercise with other CMCS members.
- The satisfaction of supporting our community.
- To keep any good items we find (tools, cash, gift cards, other treasures).
- To wear a cool yellow hardhat and orange safety vest.
- An opportunity for "brunch" at a nearby restaurant following the clean-up.



NCRS Report by Gary Main

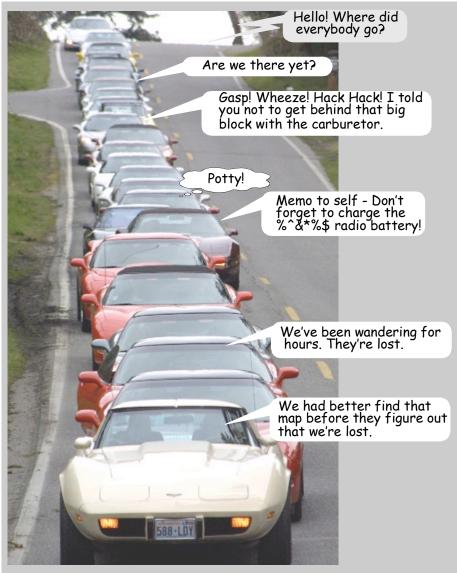
NCRS NW Chapter Terminator Party - Tolt-MacDonald Park, Carnation, WA. September 13, 2020, 10:30 am to 3:30 pm. Canceled

As always, check the NW Chapter website for schedule updates.

Due to COVID19 and canceled activities, NCRS has now offered on-line judging schools to its members as a way to increase knowledge from the safety of your own home. You will earn 1 judging point for each school you attend. You will need to log on to the national website, WWW.NCRS.ORG, go to Coming Events, and register on-line as you do for other NCRS events. Since these schools use a webex platform, you need to upload the program to your device. You will probably need 1/2 hour to get hooked up to the school so give yourself some time before the school starts. Due to the structure of the web ex, they are limiting the school to the first 80 members that sign up for clarity of the presentation. I believe you can also mute your phones and watch it in a small group on a member's big screen. This is a great way to expand our knowledge and not travel long distances to an event.

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Retro Funny Foto - Lost in Space



This photo was taken on the 2006 Wet Weekend tour. It appeared in the March 1st issue of the "Port Townsend Leader" newspaper. CMCS member Tim Cox made the photo available for our OYM. It first appeared in the CMCS Newsletter April 2006 issue.

Activities Current as of 8/21/20

Red text: CMCS Events · Magenta text: Autocross

Most activities known to be canceled have been removed from this activity list. CMCS and other activities/events <u>not</u> canceled as of the date shown in the banner above are listed below. The online version of this newsletter on the CMCS website will be modified during the month as necessary to keep it as current as possible to reflect the rapid changes per COVID-19 guidelines and to assure the safety of CMCS members. Contact the Activities Chairman or assigned event coordinator for specific event status and details.

August 2020

8/15-16	Autocross @ Shelton/Sanderson Field Page 5	Autocross
8/22	CMCS General Meeting - Member Olejniczak's Home Page 1 https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-3887416	2 Meeting
	September 2020	
9/5	Corvettes at the Marina by Corvettes of Grays Harbor	
	Westport, WA www.corvettesofgraysharbor.com	
	Canceled	Non CMCS
9/5-6	Autocross @ Shelton/Sanderson Field Page 5	Autocross
9/13	NCRS NW Chapter Terminator Party – Tolt MacDonald Park, Car As always, check the NW Chapter website for schedule updates https://nwncrs.org/2020-event-schedule.html Page 25	,
	Canceled	Non CMCS
9/12	CMCS Ft. Casey tour & General Meeting Page 12	Meeting
9/13	Seattle Yacht Club & Car Show /BBQ Page 13- Canceled	Non CMCS
9/18-19	Corvettes On The Columbia http://www.3riverscorvetteclub.net/corvettes on the columbia/	
	Canceled	Non CMCS
	November 2020	
11/14	CMCS General Meeting and Thanksgiving Potluck. Westmin Bellevue. Marty Cameron coordinator. Page 17	ster chapel,

Canceled

Meeting

December 2020

12/12 CMCS General Meeting and Christmas Party - Everett Golf and Country Club Page 24 Meeting



Thank You (In alphabetical order) to Bill & Marty Cameron, Michael & Martha Clemans, Shaun Hayes, Kevin Jewell, Ken Jones, John Kamm, Gary Main, Ralph Orton, Joe Powell, Steve Sunich, Kevin Wilson and Steve Yabroff for their **OYM** contributions.

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Search on Twitter for @CMCS63

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