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Retro Funny Foto - Under Age and Un-belted





President's Column By Bruce Boyd CMCS President



It stands to reason that July and August are the busy months in the northwest for car activity. It seems that I have been to an event every weekend since early July.

For CMCS we had several successful events including the "Driveway Sale", Triple X All Corvette Show and the Anniversary event at LeMay. Throw in activities like the July 4th Membership Appreciation Picnic, Mt Baker Drive, Adopt a Highway, Blue Angels Jet Blast and all the Parades and we were a very busy club.

The CMCS All Corvette Show at the Triple X Drive-In had near record attendance. Last count by Marv Scott was 130 cars in attendance. Marv and his team did a great job with this show, and we are looking forward to another great show next year. Thanks to all involved.

Our most recent event, celebrating the 60th anniversary of CMCS and the 70th anniversary of Corvettes was one for the record books, last count was 107 Corvettes on Haub Field with participation from many of the local clubs. There was a successful raffle, beautiful weather and just a great day.

We held a brief membership meeting with guest speaker Craig Bennett from Evergreen Chevrolet who shared information about the Corvettes available through the dealership. And we heard from new members, Johnnie and Lisa Bragg and Jason Leznek.

Following the meeting, several of the members attended a wonderful catered dinner at the museum. It was excellent food and entertainment was provided by a magician who had us all mesmerized.

Kevin Wilson and his wife Dianne put this project together along with a dedicated team of volunteers. Congratulations to everyone involved.

September is beginning to settle down as far as major club events but there are still plenty of events on the schedule. September 9th is the Tacoma Corvette Club car show, September 17th is "Corvettes on the Columbia" with several CMCS members attending. We have our general membership meeting in Monroe on September 23rd including a tour. Watch the CMCS website for more events.

As I write this, there is rain in the forecast. Fortunately, Corvettes don't rust and you can wash them. So don't let a little damp weather deter you from coming out of the garage!

Cover - Von Kelly's 2022 Torch Red HTC



Von is retired from Microsoft. His hobbies include music (playing in 3 Bands). He is married and has 3 Children (1 Boy & 2 Girls), 3 Grandchildren and 1 Great Grandchild. He has owned many performance cars including 7 Corvettes: 1973, 1987, 1995, 2001, 2005, 2017, & 2022. He is an avid boater and fisherman. He has multiple college certifications. He has been a CMCS member since November of 2022.





Jet Blast at the Museum of Flight - Report What a Blast! by Harvey Hawks

On August 5 & 6 the Jet Blast Bash at the Museum of Flight featured twenty beautiful Corvettes each day in a public display in conjunction with the Blue Angels Seafair Air Show, music, food and several activities.

The event was super successful and much appreciated by the Corvette owners, the visitors, and the museum. In addition, tours of the museum were conducted both days by docent Harvey Hawks. The flight program consisted of



the CAF B-17 and B-25, Navy F-18 Growlers, PBY Catalina, plus the LOUD Navy Blue Angels











CMCS Members Celebrate Club's 60th Anniversary by Kevin Wilson

CMCS members gathered at LeMay - America's Car Museum in Tacoma the evening of August 19th, following a Corvette Show and our regular club meeting, to celebrate our Club's 60th Anniversary. Those in attendance enjoyed a fun filled magical evening overlooking the car collection on the main floor of the museum.

The sumptuous appetizers, salad, main courses, and desserts were catered by Jonz Catering of Tacoma. The Club provided soft drinks and snacks, and members Kevin & Dianne Wilson donated wine & beer for the event. The club also provided a cake to mark 60 years of having a blast together.

After socializing, dining, and celebrating for a few hours, members were entertained by Magician & Comedian Cary Durgin who astounded us with his close-up magic and kept us in stitches as he performed his sleight of hand. If you missed this event, you missed a good one - but not to worry, we no doubt will be doing another in about 10 years!



XXX All Corvette Show - Event Report

data supplied by Marv Scott Photos by Steve Yabroff & Oran Petersen

The 2023 show was held on July 30th in perfect weather conditions. There were a total of 130 Corvettes at the show after 16 pre-registered no-shows. The series breakdown was: C1:13. C2:16, C3:18, C4:3, C5:17, C6:21, C7:35: C8:23.

First Place Trophy Winners









C2-Bruce Green C3-Craig Powers



C5-Pat Cain Jr



C6-Derek Lucas Second Place Trophy Winners



C7-Andy Mosalsky



C8-John Elegant XXX Trophies



C2-Michael Vercheak C8-Steve Weigel Michael J Vercheak





XXX All Corvette Show Award Winners

Series	Year	Award	Name	Club
C1	1957 1st Stephen Kyle CMCS		CMCS	
C1	1958	2nd	Randy Fuller	
C1	1958	CA	Jim Blodgett	SACC
C1	1959	CA	Craig Mcinerny	None
C1	1959	CA	Edward Strauser	SACC
C1	1962	CA	Scott Forster	
C2	1963	1st	Bruce Green	NW NCRS
C2	1967	2nd	Michael J Vercheak	NCRS
C2	1967	CA	Larry Russell	
C2		CA	David Amcrod	
C3	1969	1st	Craig Powers	
C3	1969	2nd	Ron Alexander	
C3	1973	CA	Scott Cavalier	CMCS
C3	1978	CA	Larry Krueger	
C3	1980	CA	Richard Sundene	NW Classic Chevy Club
C4	1988	1st	Neil Maddy	
C4	1993	2nd	Bob Stark	
C5		1st	Patrick Cain Jr.	
C5	1998	2nd	Robert Hand	
C5	2003	CA	Harvey Hawks	CMCS
C5	2003	CA	Cindy Grinolds	
C6	2006	1st	Derek Lucas	Yakima Valley Vettes
C6	2006	2nd	Steve Hulett	
C6	2005	CA	James Emmi	Beacon Hill Corvette Club
C6	2007	CA	Dee Wuesthoff	CMCS
C6	2007	CA	Linda Scott	CMCS
C6	2011	CA	Ron Wuesthoff	CMCS
C6	2012	CA	Jessica Lauderdale	Glass Odyssey CC
C7	2017	1st	Andy Mosalsky	CMCS
C7	2017	2nd	Russell Mackenzie	Vancouver Island
C7	2014	CA	Don Stork	
C7	2014	CA	Steven Wix	CMCS
C7	2017	CA	Kendall Kunz	CMCS
C7	2015	CA	Joe Songstad	
C8	2023	1st	John Elegant	Mid Engine Corvette Forum
C8	2023	2nd	Steve Weigel	CMCS
C8	2020	CA	David Roberts	Vineyard Vettes
C8	2022	CA	Robert Stone	CMCS
C8	2022	CA	Marvin Scott	CMCS
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Laps from the Past



by Gary Main

60 LAPS AGO: September 1963. The monthly organizational meeting of the group of Corvette owners who would, a couple months later, be chartered as a formal club met at the home of Chairman Dick & Sue Stanley. There were 32 members present. Old Business: Discussion of a name change to include the

geographical location of the club. A vote was taken to adopt the name of **CORVETTE MARQUE CLUB OF SEATTLE** as the complete name of the club. It was decided that meetings would be held the 2nd Wednesday of every month at club sponsor **Alan Green Chevrolet**. New Business: Included a review of the services to be offered the Club as well as what would be expected of the club members if the sponsorship offer of Alan Green was accepted. It was. Two drawings were submitted by Phyllis Baker of possible selections for Club shields. Discussion continued regarding the establishment of a points system.

Activities:

- Puget Sound Sports Car Club Gymkhana.
- Grand Prix-Kent.

Article: A long winded recap of member Ken Deckman's performance at the August SCCA Divisionals at Newport, Oregon and the trials & tribulations of the members' road tour to & from the event.

Dealer Sponsor: Alan Green Chevrolet

50 LAPS AGO: September 1973. President Ernie Kahler conducted the meeting at sponsor Bill Hazelett Chevrolet in Kent. Belinda McLees, who already was Chair of the club's Program Committee, took over as Newsletter Editor. (Belinda is a CMCS member in 2023.)

Activities:

- NWACC Meeting/Party & Concours D'Elegance at Bill Hazelett Chevrolet.
- NWACC "Labor of Love Autocross" at Seattle International Raceways, cohosted by CMCS & Corvettes de Olympia.
- CMCS Progressive Dinner starting at Neil Millen's
- New Car Showing featuring the 1974 Corvette at Bill Hazelett Chevrolet

Articles:

- "Temperamental Tri-Power Tech Tips" by Don Schwab.
- "The Grand Sport Story" by Bob Paterson, that detailed the history of his 1963 Grand Sport, chassis serial # 1000003.
- Book review of "CORVETTE, America's Star Spangled Sports Car" reviewed by Neil Millen

• "EDMONTON IN FIVE DAZES" by John Thomas (*still a member in 2023*). A recap of the adventures of CMCS members, Thomas, McDuffie & Weymouth traveling with and being the pit crew for Rick Stark Racing (*Rick is still a member in 2023*) at the Trans Am Race in Edmonton, Canada.

Membership: New members were Kit & Judy James and Arnie Blankers. Diane Star joined as an Affiliate member. (Membership total was not published.)

Dealer Sponsor: Bill Hazelett Chevrolet

40 LAPS AGO: September 1983. President Bob Johansen conducted the meeting at Mother Trucker's Food Experience.

Membership: 135. Dee McDufflie was chair. New members were Gary & Marion Bryon.

Activities:

- Tour to Leavenworth in conjunction with the Washington State Autumn Leaf Festival departed from Northgate.
- CMCS Drag, Swap and Show at Seattle International Raceways. A rain-out moved this event from August to September.
- "Hell of a Weekend" Auto-cross at Woodburn Drag Strip, hosted by Willamette Valley Corvette Association.

Article: "Reunited" by Jan Cockrum. A report on the CMCS 20th Anniversary Celebration held at the Red Lion Sea-Tac Motor Inn with over 100 members and past members in attendance. Included Bruce Kelly's opening speech and a list of past members who attended.

Dealer Sponsor: Lee Johnson Chevrolet

30 LAPS AGO: September 1993. President Dee Esping conducted the meeting at the home of John Paul & Cece Nelson in Seattle.

Membership: 103. New members were Don & Carol Reddaway.

Activities:

- CMCS 30th Anniversary Celebration: Held at the Columbia Winery in Woodinville, WA. Food was a BBQ by Armadillo. Attended by 81 people.
- A car show took place at the north end of the Burgermaster Drive-In.

Articles:

- "Yes S.I.R., There's Nothing Like It" by John Bell. Report on the recent School Daze held at Seattle International Raceway. (School Daze was a "Driving Event", not a race, held annually for a number of years in this era.)
- "Mt. St. Helens Tour '93" by Gary Main. 37 Corvettes from 5 clubs, and some with no club, attended.
- "1973-1983 Reminiscing" by Valerie Johansen. A comprehensive and thorough report of CMCS during this '73-'83 era for CMCS. Highlighted many special events.
- "Sunday Golf" by Glenn Cunningham, about his adventure while buying his Corvette from (then club sponsor) Roy Robinson Chevrolet.



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20 LAPS AGO: September 2003. Rick & Lauri Milsow's 2003 C5 Millennium Yellow Convertible was on the cover. President Dennis Montgomery conducted the meeting at the museum of flight in conjunction with the CMCS 40th Anniversary Celebration.

Gary Main had new-car discount certificates for GM cars.

Newsletter editor Cloyd Jackson stepped down after a 10-year run. Oran Petersen took over as editor.

Membership: 284. New members were Michelle Clark and Michael Rapkin **Activities:**

- Cascade Loop tour led by Rick Milsow. 30 Corvettes participated.
- Woman's Only Weekend (WOW). Held at Cannon Beach with an overnight stay. (The guys probably went to HOOTERS, instead!)
- CMCS 40th Anniversary: Included a car show at Crista Ministries in Shoreline, and a formal dinner at the Museum of Flight in Seattle.
- CMCS Adopt-a-Highway clean-up led by Paul Luczyk.
- Articles:
- "Saying Goodbye is Really Tough" by retiring CMCS Newsletter Editor, Cloyd Jackson.
- "Editorial Comments" by incoming CMCS Newsletter Editor, Oran Petersen.
- "The 11th Annual Aquasox Outing & Progressive Picnic Tour" Event Report, by Ben Benninghoff.
- "Valley Corvettes of Boise" Event Report, by Dave & Rachelle Woodcook.

Dealer Sponsor: Seaview Chevrolet

10 LAPS AGO: September 2013. Clarke Jewell's 2002 Silver Z06 was on the cover. President Stan Trask conducted the meeting at the Slider's Café in Carnation, WA.

Membership: 245. Dennis Montgomery was chair. New members were Gary & Jody Olson.

Special Recognition: Al Dager received the award for the 3rd quarter.

Activities: In addition to the meeting

- Wine Tour to the Yakima Valley
- Vettes for Vets to Retsil Veteran's Retirement Home.

Non-CMCS Sponsored

• NWACC Autocross in Shelton

Articles:

- "Adopt-a-Highway Summer Cleanup Report" by John R. Thomas
- "4th Annual Lee Johnson All Corvette Show" A report and results of the show held in July.

- "CMCS 50th Anniversary Celebration" by Dennis & Lorrie Montgomery and Frank & Mary Stanfield
- "Celebrating 60" by Jeff Layton of the Seattle Times
- "NWACC" (author unknown) A discussion on NWACC activities
- "Too Much Information? Not from Corvette Stingray". Reprint from General Motors submitted by Gary Main.
- "Laps from the past, Or Marque-In-Time" by Ben Benninghoff.
- "2013 CMCS All Corvette Show & Burger Bash" Report on the 9th annual show and judging results.
- "The 2014 National Corvette Caravan is coming!" (author unknown).
- "Tour Tips" by Dennis Montgomery
- "CMCS Radio Tips" by Dennis Montgomery.

Dealer Sponsors: Lee Johnson Chevrolet and Speedway Chevrolet

5 LAPS AGO: September 2018. Mark Perez's 1990 Polar White Convertible was on the cover. President Ken Jones conducted the meeting at the Rhodes River Ranch Restaurant in Oso WA., following a tour from Pateros WA that ended the Cascade Loop Tour, held the same weekend.

Membership:247. Steve Yabroff was Chair. There were no new members.

Activities: In addition to the meeting and tour:

- Four Saturday Socials held at the Plum Delicious Restaurant.
- Cascade Loop Tour with an overnight in Pateros WA

Non-CMCS Sponsored:

• NWACC Autocross in Shelton WA

Articles:

- "2019 National Corvette Caravan Information" by Dennis Milliken
- "Under the Hood" by Kevin Jewell. Discussed very high end exotic cars and autonomous cars.
- "Wheels Removing Wheel weight Goo" by Steve Yabroff.
- "E-mail Spoofing Be Careful Out There" by Bill Roberts.
- "Laps from the Past" by Ben Benninghoff.
- "National Corvette Museum Report" by Kevin Wilson (Local Representative)
- "National Corvette Museum News by Vince Perriello (On-site Representative)
- "My Club" (unknown author). A poem with a theme of what being a good club member means.

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Under the Hood by Kevin Jewell



Subscriptions: Subscription service costs are escalating. Do you remember when you bought a new computer and paid a fee for the latest Microsoft program. You owned that program until you were finally convinced several years later that you needed to upgrade. Sometimes we were forced to upgrade simply because Microsoft no longer supported the older program. Now we

"lease" the latest program and pay an annual fee (our bill is \$99.99 + taxes) for the right to continue to use that program. When I bought my Chevy SS sedan, it didn't have a CD player or even an SD card reader for music. It did have a USB port in the console, but that port was almost unusable unless I decided that the console couldn't hold anything but the USB. Consequently, after my "free trial" of Sirius that GM included with the vehicle, I renewed the music service. Every year I would call Sirius to discuss what my fee would be for the next year. It was clear that if I simply allowed the service to automatically renew that I would pay at least twice as much per year than if I was persistent about the cost. I finally let the service lapse and now just use my phone for music. Sirius hasn't given up on me. Now I get frequent reminders that "We miss you" and offering me a reduced rate of \$5/month for the first year to renew. This past week I got a new email offering an expanded service for their Traffic and Traffic Link, which will show traffic flow maps, parking locations/price, fuel stations etc. The new traffic link is initially offered at an additional \$3/month and after the first year the link will renew at an additional \$5.99 + taxes/month. Of course, being a monthly charge of only about \$7 it is assumed that the user will hardly notice the credit card bill on the monthly statement. Since this is an additional fee, if I was to simply ignore the renewal cost, I expect that the monthly charge would be more than \$30. We used to have the option to buy cruise control on our vehicles for an initial cost. Do you want Super Cruise on your new GM vehicle? Be prepared to pay monthly/annually for the service. A recent survey by Autolist.com revealed (what should be obvious) that car buyers do not want subscription services with their vehicles. Only 7% supported the subscription model. Interesting to me was that higher-earning households, who typically buy higher price vehicles, were the most vehemently opposed to subscription services with fully 83% saying they would reject those services. Boomers, regardless of income, were also negative on subscription services, while 20% of Gen Z shoppers were more accepting of paying for these services as they are more accustomed to paying monthly fees for many items.

Auctions: I have written before about auction sites. I enjoy watching (and dreaming about) both the on-site auctions and the on-line auctions. Anyone that has ever bought a car at auction knows that there are probably some hidden

defects, or even worse some outright fraud. The more popular auction sites will often indicate that a Ford is certified by the Marti Report, or a GM vehicle has been certified by Doug MacNeish. Both services bring big value to the collector vehicle supposedly proving "it really is what is promoted". Some might remember my admission that I once bought a fake 69 Camaro Z28 at a Silver Auction. I knew enough to be dangerous, but not enough of the little details to be fully protected. It wasn't until I had to replace the mechanical fuel pump that I was certain that while my "Z28" had the required engine, transmission, and some other details, it was actually the combination of several vehicles. I won't bore you with the differences, but if you are interested you can ask me the difference between the normal Camaro fuel pump and the Z28 fuel pump. Now that I know, I look for the special fuel pump on every 1st generation Z28 that I see with an open hood. However, it is not just the outright fakes that might create caution, it is the condition of the actual vehicle once you get looking beyond the shiny new re-sale red paint job. One clue that I often see on televised auctions is to look at the tail/brake lights. As that 62 Impala SS leaves the auction podium you might see that one taillight, or even one side of the taillights, does not function. This is a vehicle that just sold for say \$70K and yet the seller didn't fix the taillights. Maybe that fix simply requires a new bulb, but if so, I would expect that it would have been fixed before the auction. Rather I expect that some significant new wiring will be required. This gets more complicated with newer vehicles as some of these items might be controlled by a computer module and require significant expense to fix. If the seller hasn't fixed something as obvious as a taillight, what else needs corrective work? The next time you watch a Mecum or Barrett Jackson auction look for the bad taillight(s). Howie is a collector car enthusiast that has a significant following on his YouTube channel. In one of the later shows, Howie describes buying the 1970 Hemi powered Plymouth Superbird on Bring a Trailer (BaT). He admits that the seller wasn't very forthcoming during the auction period, but he knew that his options to pick up a real Hemi Superbird were limited and this one was presented as being complete, if not totally original. For instance, it had an aftermarket larger Hemi engine, but was an original Hemi car. Howie continues to bid as the auction proceeds and was the successful bidder at \$130K. When the car arrived via the car hauler, he found that it was not even drivable with the current suspension. When he corrected the suspension issues, he then found that the car overheated with even a short drive. The seller was unresponsive to all the issues and finally BaT agreed that the sale was so flawed that BaT refunded the buyer's commission to Howie. However, that \$5K was peanuts compared to what it finally cost Howie to make the car even drivable. If you are interested, do a You Tube search for Howie's Superbird purchase. It might make you even more skeptical than normal about bidding on something you can't even drive in advance. None of this is going to stop me from dreaming about what I will buy when I win the Lotto, but dreaming and buying are totally different experiences.



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Johnnie and Lisa Bragg have a 2003 50th Anniversary Convertible. Johnnie grew up Military (his Dad was Air Force and retired at McChord AFB). Johnnie lived in and went to school in Tacoma. He played Basketball, Tennis and Baseball. Johnnie went to Green River CC on a Basketball scholarship, then to PLU (Pacific Lutheran University). He attended night

school at City University where he met his beautiful spouse Lisa! He has been married 31 years and has 3 kids, all college graduates. Johnnie worked for General Motors (GMAC) for 20 years after college. He was an Olympia Torchbearer for the 2002 Olympics held in Salt Lake City. He now works for Chrysler Financial and Lisa is Finance Director for the Marriott. They live in Lakewood. He has always had a passion for the Bowtie ever since he was employed at General Motors. Now he has a chance to enjoy this passion with others of the same mind! Hobbies: Golf, travel, good Bourbon, Kayaking, and sharing life with good friends and those with like passions!

September Birthdays

Cynthia Lucke	7	Ralph Orton	17	Bruce Boyd	26
John Valaas	9	Jean Yabroff	18	Andy Mosalsky	26
Elizabeth Glazov	10	Gretchen Echols	19	Jo Spurr	27
Craig Turi	10	James Stenson	22	Cary Auguston	28
Pamela Kyle	11	Steve Weigel	23	Rick Milsow	28
Robert Koehne	16	Julie Lozier	25	A.P. Van Meter	29





August General Meeting Minutes

by Robert Stone LeMay - America's Car Museum, Tacoma August 19, 2023, 4:30 pm

Meeting Called to Order: By President Bruce Boyd at 4:35 PM, following social time. He thanked everyone for attending

this meeting. The 70th Corvette Anniversary event went well, with around 107 cars. Bruce thanked Kevin Wilson for all his hard work on today's events.

Committee Chairs / Representative - REPORTS:

Membership: Lynn Boyd: We currently have 257 members. Two new members were with us tonight:

Jason Leznek has a 2016 Z06 which he purchased in January. He has had many Corvettes (15-20 Hot Wheels versions).

Johnnie & Lisa Bragg have a 2003, 50th anniversary, convertible. After his three kids graduated, he bought a Corvette. Lisa picked the color.

Newsletter: Oran Petersen: Not present, no report. He always needs cars for the cover of the newsletter, get in touch with him if you would like your car on the cover.

Website: Shaun Hayes: Send him any pictures of this event, he will get them on the website. The September meeting is on the web site and the October meeting will be on the website soon.

Facebook: Linda Scott: If you have trouble posting to our page email Linda and she will get them on the Facebook page.

Parades: John Kamm: Not present. Bruce reported that all four Seafair parades went great. Two more parades this month, Snoqualmie Railroad Days (today) and another in Monroe coming up this month.

Adopt-a-Highway: Dave Cayton: Not present. Bruce reported that the next cleanup is on Sunday, October 7th. Sign up on our web site. We need a total of 10 volunteers. We currently have five.

NCM: Kevin Wilson: He will have an article in the next OYM. The Southwest Parks Museum In Motion event has two slots available, Kevin highly recommends this event. There is a special NCM Lifetime membership offer available through the end of the year in honor of Corvette's 70th anniversary for a tax deductible and reduced price of \$1953. The usual price is \$2500. He passed around raffle ticket applications.

NWACC: Ken Jones: Not present, no report. Bruce reported that NWACC is evaluating the current insurance coverage.

Sponsor: Steve Yabroff: Bruce introduced Craig Bennett from the dealership. Craig has four convertibles and a Z06 on the way and has two slots opening next week: one a non Z51 and a Z06. If you are interested get in touch ASAP. The five new ones will be available at MSRP. The new order price for the standard Corvette will be at MSRP and the Z06 will be 30% over list.

If you have any issues at Evergreen let Steve know and he will assist you to resolve the issue.

Evergreen has been a terrific sponsor and helped in many ways. Evergreen will be providing breakfast for the departure of the NCM caravan next year.

Charity: Diane & Chad Gudjonson and Mike & Dawn Gaz: Not present, no report. Chad and Mike were here during the show. Today's raffles went very well.

NCRS: Danette Sawin: Not present. Due to turmoil within NCRS Danette has resigned her membership in the NCRS and will no longer be the club representative. The board decided to wait until things settle down at the NCRS before we seek a new representative.

2024 NCM Caravan: Shaun Hayes & Steve Yabroff: Shaun reported that registration opened on August 1. There is a \$50 fee/person for the PNW Caravan. There will be an additional charge from NCM. The hotel list will be released on Sept. 6. Everyone who has registered will get an email about the opening of the lodging reservations. Make your reservation immediately as rooms go fast. Steve said the caravan web site is www.PNWCaravan.com. If you have any questions, get in touch with Steve or Shaun. There will be meetings to answer questions starting in January for those CMCS members who have signed up.

All Corvette Show: Marvin Scott: The show went well with around 132 cars. Donations of around \$2100 for our charity fund and around \$720 to the XXX LEO fund will be made. The LEO funds mission is creating homes and enriching lives for individuals with developmental disabilities. Marv asked that his thanks to all the volunteers that made the show a success be added to his report.

Autocross: Kevin Jewell: Not present, Shaun reported that there is one last event on the weekend of 9/9.

Board/Officer - REPORTS:

Vice President: Dave Cayton: Not present, no report.

Treasurer: Kevin Wilson: The books are balanced and up to date. We are in good financial shape. He has copies of the July financial reports available for review. He offered for sale: club tour radios for \$35, CMCS license plate shields for \$20, CMCS metal shields for \$15, and CMCS window clings for free.

Secretary: Robert Stone: Asked for any corrections to the July meeting minutes as published in the August OYM newsletter.

Motion received, seconded, and approved to accept July membership meeting minutes as published in the OYM.

2 Year Activities/1 Year Activities: Steve Weigel/Lars Posthumus: Next meeting will be at Tuscano's in Monroe on September 23rd. Dave Cayton will be the lead for the event. There may be a caravan. October will be at the Black Diamond Bakery with a caravan.

Past President: Shaun Hayes: Nothing to report.

President: Bruce Boyd: Wants everyone to know that the event at the Shop has been canceled. Emails were sent to those who signed up alerting them to the cancellation.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

There is a place to get C1 and C2 parts in Edmonds, in conjunction with Classic Corvettes. They will be closing the business by the end of the year so if you are interested get in touch soon. There will be something posted on the website.

50/50 Drawing: The drawing raised \$167, the winner of half the collection was Steve Weigel, the other half of the proceeds go to the General Motors Automotive Service Education Program (GM-ASEP) scholarship fund at Shoreline Community College.

Next General Meeting: September 23rd, Tuscano's, Monroe.

Next Board Meeting: September 14, 2023 - 5 PM Family Pancake House 17621 Redmond Way, Redmond.

Meeting Adjourned: At 5:17 PM.



Parades by John Kamm j.kamm1952@hotmail.com or (425) 643-2604

WOW, where did the summer go? This year we did eight major community parades. Everyone in each parade had a blast. There was energy in the air. Thousands saw our Corvettes and we

showed very well for the club.

Having done parades for many years, it seemed that the crowds were bigger this year along every parade route. I also want to Thank every member who took time out to join us in these events.

Our next parade is the **Lighted Car Christmas Parade** in Woodinville in December. Stay tuned for more info. This is a Christmas time event not to be missed.

Thanks everyone for a great parade season. Looking forward to next year!

Unleashing the Beast: The Fabled Mystery of the 1967 L88 by Danette Sawin



Today, we delve into the captivating world of classic Corvettes, where legends are born, and mysteries abound. Join us as we unlock the vaulted secrets surrounding the enigmatic 1967 L88 Corvette, a true beast that has captivated collectors and enthusiasts for decades.

The 1967 L88 Corvette stands as one of the most soughtafter and revered models in Corvette history, but its story is

shrouded in intrigue. At first glance, the L88 may appear similar to its siblings of the era, but under the hood lies a powerhouse that defied convention.

To understand the allure of the L88, we must transport ourselves back to 1967. Amidst the muscle car era, Chevrolet engineers sought to create a Corvette that could dominate both on the street and the racetrack. The L88



was born from this ambition. At its core, the L88 featured a monstrous 427 cubic-inch V8 engine, but its true potential lay in its raw power.

Officially, Chevrolet rated the L88 engine at 430 horsepower, a figure that paled in comparison to other high-performance Corvettes of the time. However, this was a deliberate understatement



to placate insurance companies and evade excessive taxation. In reality, the L88 engine produced well over 550 horsepower, thanks to its high-compression ratio, a solid-lifter camshaft, aluminum heads, and a massive Holley four-barrel carburetor.

But what truly sets the L88 apart is the rarity of its production. Only 20 L88 Corvettes were produced in 1967, making them incredibly scarce and highly coveted by collectors. The L88 option was not initially promoted to the public, and buyers had to be persistent to even have a chance to order one. This exclusivity and the mystique surrounding the L88 have elevated its status to legendary proportions.

Moreover, the L88 Corvette was not built for the faint of heart. It lacked creature comforts and amenities, such as a radio, heater, power steering, and power brakes, to shed weight and enhance performance. This no-frills approach solidified its reputation as a purebred track machine.

The L88 Corvette's racing pedigree is equally as intriguing. It was a dominant force on the track, winning numerous races and championships. Notably, at the 1967 24 Hours of Daytona, an L88 Corvette clinched victory in its class, leaving its competitors in awe of its power and agility.

Today, the 1967 L88 Corvette is a prized possession in the hands of fortunate collectors. Its scarcity, untamed power, and racing prowess have made it a symbol of performance and desirability.

As enthusiasts, we are drawn to the stories and mysteries that surround classic Corvettes like the 1967 L88. They remind us of an era when power and performance reigned supreme, leaving an indelible mark in automotive history.

We hope this glimpse into the fabled world of the 1967 L88 Corvette has ignited your curiosity and deepened your appreciation for this remarkable machine.

CMCS Spearheads Gathering to Celebrate 70th Anniversary of Corvettes

by Kevin Wilson

Early this year the CMCS board was discussing two important Corvette Related Anniversaries coming up this year. The first was our CMCS 60th Anniversary (article elsewhere in this issue of OYM), and the second was the 70th Anniversary of Corvettes. We decided both were more than worthy of celebrating.



When thinking about where to hold a celebration we realized that the Corvette 70th Anniversary was bigger than just our club, so we decided to engage the other Salish Sea area clubs. We selected LeMay, America's Car Museum in Tacoma as a venue to hold the celebration, as it was central to all of the nearby clubs and reserved the date of August 19th. Kevin Wilson agreed to lead the effort on behalf of our club.

At the Tacoma Corvette Club's open house at Corvettes of Auburn in March, we presented the idea and a save the date flyer. Other clubs were enthusiastic about the event and were interested in making it happen. Contacts were established with 10 other Corvette Clubs in our area who provided input and support by keeping their membership informed of the event and encouraging them to attend. We decided to title the event "70th Anniversary Gathering of Corvettes: America's Halo Sportscar at LeMay - Tacoma". We decided this would be a celebration of Corvettes, rather than a judged car show.

Planning began in earnest in April & May. We teamed up with LeMay to obtain reduced price entry tickets to visit their vast collection of automobiles & memorabilia. It seemed that since CMCS members were going to be attending the Gathering, we may as well hold our regular membership meeting there too, so we obtained space for that. Finally, since so many of our members were going to attend either the Gathering, or the monthly membership meeting, we might as well hold our own 60th Anniversary Celebration there too, since LeMay has some great spaces. We decided upon the mezzanine overlooking the main floor collection of cars.

So, after months of nitty gritty detail planning, August 19th came and the events for the day unfolded, thanks to the efforts of the volunteer members from CMCS that made it happen. 103 Corvettes were present on the field and on the

plaza entry into the museum. We also raised almost \$600 for our charity fund through raffles at the event.

Our enthusiastic and helpful volunteer work left everyone I spoke with feeling great about attending this event and reflected so positively on our Club. The leadership team at LeMay complimented our members numerous times on pulling off a successful day for both us and for them. The only way to succeed with this kind of event is with the help of members who stepped up and volunteered. So many of our volunteers went well beyond their assignments to ensure the event ran smoothly. I can tell you this event was successful ONLY because of our Club's leadership efforts





Huge Thanks goes to all our volunteers (if I've missed someone, forgive me) and their work that made this event a success:

Bruce Boyd, Chad Gudjonson, Cheryl Hayes, Christa Motz, Dawn Gaz, Diane Gudjonson, Dianne Wilson, Dwight Motz, Jason Leznek, Kevin Wilson, Linda Scott, Martha Clemens, Marv Scott, Mashele Giesinger, Mike Clemans, Mike Gaz, Nick Schmidgall, Oran Petersen, Pamela Kyle, Robert Stone, Russ Siverling, Shaun Hayes, Steve Kyle, Steve Yabroff, Troy Giesinger.



National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report



by Kevin Wilson (Local NCM Ambassador) kevinwilson@q.com

Hopefully September will continue to provide continuing fantastic weather and ample opportunities to get out and enjoy our Corvettes. There are car shows planned for every weekend in our area, so if you are into participating in those, you can take your

pick. Other activities like autocross are winding down, but September is a prime month to get out for a scenic & lengthy drive to enjoy the beauty of our Pacific Northwest. Meanwhile, all the way across the nation in Kentucky, there is plenty going on at the National Corvette Museum, and here is some information from our friends there to share with you this month.

Special pricing on NCM Lifetime Membership: To celebrate America's love affair with Corvette and the icon's 70th Anniversary, the NCM is rolling back lifetime membership prices to \$1,953 through the end of the year! Join over 38,000 Corvette enthusiasts from across the globe by becoming a member of the National Corvette Museum! You can purchase your lifetime membership, or other membership levels, and discover other unique ways to support the museum here:

https://corvettestore.com/catalogsearch/result/?q=memberships





If you decide to join the NCM at any membership level, please let me know so our club gets credit for your joining.

NCM Artifact of the Month - Dan Binks Autographed Helmet: Dan Binks was no stranger to professional auto racing. Back in the 1980s, he was Tommy Kendall's crew chief when Kendall dominated IMSA's GTU division in a Mazda RX-7. Binks had also worked on Jack Roush's NASCAR team during the 1990s. By March 2003, he faced a new challenge. The 12 Hours of Sebring would be his first race as crew chief and tire changer on the Corvette Racing No. 3 car.

The helmet that Binks wore on that memorable day is the NCM August Artifact of the Month. Painted yellow to match the car, the famous Corvette crossed flags appear prominently on the front of the helmet. A checkered flag pattern swoops around the sides to the back, leaving just enough room for an American flag emblem and grinning skull and crossbones above the nickname "Big Daddy." Complete with a set of goggles, this helmet is generously on loan from Binks

himself. He joins John Amgwert and David Wickman in the Corvette Hall of Fame class of 2023.

Binks used this helmet from his first race at Sebring through the end of the 2008 ALMS season at Laguna Seca. It bears the markings of a long career in motorsports. Along with the usual dents, scuffs, and scratches, the helmet displays an impressive set of autographs. They include racing legends Jackie Stewart and Phil Hill, motorsports journalist Chris Economaki, and astronaut Bruce Melnick.

Binks and the No. 3 Corvette team won that race at Sebring. After the No. 4 Corvette dropped out in the 11th hour with a gearbox problem, the No. 3 took over the lead in the GTS class and led the rest of the way. It was the first victory for Binks on the Corvette team, but far from the last. He remained the crew chief of the No. 3 until his retirement in 2020, becoming one of the most respected members of Corvette Racing. Binks is celebrated today for his mechanical skills and efficient pit stop coordination. His helmet is a unique piece of Corvette racing history, and a reminder of how races are often won in the pits."



National Corvette Museum Raffle Delivers 2023 VIN 001 70th Anniversary

Corvette Coupe: Since it began in 1999, the National Corvette Museum raffle has raffled off 432 Corvettes to fans of America's Sports Car. While every winner's story is special, Cliff Payne of Jacksonville, FL, hit the Corvette jackpot with a set of winning circumstances that rival a green-white-checker finish. As the proud new owner of the 2023 VIN 001 70th Anniversary Carbon Flash Corvette Coupe, Cliff's raffle ticket purchase resulted in a one-of-a-kind new Corvette and the surprise of a lifetime. As a lifelong Corvette lover, whose previous Corvettes have all been black, Cliff received the call he won while visiting Bowling Green, KY, for the National Council of Corvette Clubs annual convention, and his number was drawn during the grand opening gala for the National Corvette Museum's new exhibit, An American Love Affair: 70 Years of Corvette.

"When I got the call, I couldn't believe it," explained Payne, who took delivery of his new Corvette on July 27th through the R8C delivery program. "I purchased the ticket after my wife, Fran, bought hers earlier that day, and she insisted that I buy one. This was our 40th National Council of Corvette Clubs' annual convention, and I never expected to be celebrating this way. The new Stingray is just incredible, and to have that special VIN has been a dream come true."





Upon hearing that he won, Payne came to the Museum and was greeted by a who's who of the Corvette community, including recently retired Bowling Green Assembly Plant Director, Kai Spande, Chevrolet Corvette and Camaro Product Marketing Manager, Harlan Charles, and National Corvette Museum President and CEO, Sharon Brawner.

"Our Corvette raffle is a great program that not only furthers the Museum's mission but also gives Corvette fans a chance to drive their dream," explained Brawner. "This was such a special drawing - taking place during the opening of our new exhibit, under the backdrop of our new Skywall, and Cliff being an avid Corvette fan and active Corvette Club member."

Each month in our newsletter, and at our monthly meetings, I present the Corvettes currently being raffled. You could be a winner like Cliff and have your own unique story to tell. Read on to see the Corvettes currently being raffled, and how to enter.

Current Corvette Raffles: 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: https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/ click on "download an Order Form" (near the bottom of the page) 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 also an "Enter Interactive Mode" button (midway down the page) you can use on the same page 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). Or make it easy & just purchase your entry from me at a meeting. Here is the current Raffle line-up:

2024 Black Convertible

Price: \$100

Limited to 2000 Tickets

Drawing: September 21, 2023 2:00 PM



2024 2024 Build Your Own Corvette Stingray or \$80,000 10/19/2023

Price: \$250

Limited to 1500 Tickets

Drawing: October 19, 2023 2:00 PM



Here is the latest lucky Corvette Raffle winner:

The 2024 Riptide Blue Corvette Coupe was won by Henry Villafranco of Summerville, SC with Ticket #547. Tickets were \$150 each and limited to 1500.

Current National Corvette Museum Events: This month marks the official end of Summer and the events scheduled by the NCM are well underway, so keep an eye on this column. Also, there are still a few spots left in the Southwest Parks trip (which is the closest trip to us). This is a fabulous tour out here in the West



covering The Grand Canyon, Zion, Canyon Lands, Navajo National Monuments and more. I've been on this trip & added Route 66 as well. It's fabulous! Here are the latest events and adventures, both on the road (Museum in Motion events - MiM) and at the museum (NCM) You can check the NCM website for more details about them and sign up for them here:

https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/

- MiM Southwest National Parks Tour 9/24 9/30; (A few spots left)
- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (1) 9/25 9/30; (Registration Open)
- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (2) 10/2 10/7; (Registration Open)
- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (3) 10/9 10/14; (Full, Waitlisted)
- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (4) 10/16 10/21; (Full, Waitlisted)
- MIM NYC: America's City 10/22 10/26; (Registration Open)
- MiM NCM Corvette Racing Weekend @ The AACA Museum, 10/26-10/28 (Reg. Open)

Did you know: The Corvette Assembly Plant managed to do something that has only been accomplished twice before in the 70-year history of the Chevrolet Corvette? Workers at the assembly plant have surpassed 50,000 Corvettes for the model year. Corvette Blogger's actual count including Monday's (8/21/2023) production total now stands at 50,298 for the 2023 model year. The 1979 model year was the first time that production had surpassed 50,000 and that year is still the record holder with 53,807 new Corvettes produced. Second on the leader board is the 1984 model year which was extended following the delay and then cancellation of the 1983 models. A total of 51,547 Corvettes were produced for the 1984 model year which was the inaugural year of the C4 generation. And now we have the 2023 Corvette at number three all time and still climbing the charts! It will most likely surpass the 1984 Model year.



Saturday Socials - Plum Delicious

Breakfast most Saturdays at 8:30 am Oran Petersen - Social Coordinator orandeep@comcast.net (425) 277-6141

In September and beyond our socials return to the Plum Delicious every week. The Plum was the "home" of the socials beginning in November of 2011 until the pandemic and the Plum being closed for 8 months due to a car crashing into the building. Dino's was a good alternative during this interval but the background noise (speakers), flashing screens and other issues caused a number of our social regulars to default to the Plum every week, and is preferred by others.

Contact me if you plan to attend for the first time so I can add you to the "Social Email List". This allows me to contact you if circumstances change at the last minute, such as when weather or other issues arise.

Please join us for a fun relaxing informal morning visit with other Corvette folks while having a nice breakfast.

For Sale - 2003 Millennium Yellow Convertible



CMCS Member Rick Milsow (206) 484-1460

Z51 suspension, 6 speed manual, mag wheels, head-up display, leather seats, Bose sound system, climate control, dual power seats, memory driver seat, leather steering wheel, tilt and telescope steering wheel column, remote keyless entry, cruise control, power locks, power windows, power mirrors, tire pressure monitoring system, fog lights, 12 disc cd changer, fitted nose bra.

Metal Shield Mounts for C5 Series Now Available

Many of our CMCS Corvettes (C6, C7 & C8) have a metal CMCS shield mounted using the rear license plate mount screws. Because the plate is recessed and adjacent to the backup lights on the C5 series, this mount method does not fit. An alternate design fitting between the split exhaust



pipes was available, but these are difficult to make and hide the plaque in that location. The photo shows this earlier mount and a new one that uses the license plate screws. This one is easier to make and does not impact the plate, backup lights or the plaque. It is easy to install and remove as it does not require removing bumper shell attachment pins like the earlier unit.

If you have a C5 and would like to "join the crowd" by displaying the shield, contact Oran Petersen to have one made. They are the same price as the others: \$20. This is \$15 for the shield and \$5 for the mount.



Activities Current as of 8/30/23

Red text: CMCS Events • Blue text: Social
• Magenta text: Autocross

	September 2023	
9/2	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am Page 28	Social
9/9	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am Page 28 (I-405 closed Between Sunset Blvd and Coal Creek Parkway this weekend.)	Social
9/9	Gamlin Chevrolet Corvette Show by the Tacoma Corvette Club . For a flyer: https://tacomacorvette.com/GamblinChevShow/2023/2023GamblinChevShowFlyer	
9/9-10	Autocross Weekend. Sanderson Field, Shelton. https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5050472	Autocross
9/14	CMCS Board Meeting. Redmond Family Pancake House. https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5254994	Board
9/14-16	Corvettes on the Columbia by 3 Rivers Corvette Club, Richland WA 99352 https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5049560 To join a possible cathe site, register for the caravan on the CMCS website.	aravan to
9/16	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am Page 28	Social
9/23	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am Page 28	Social
9/23	CMCS General Meeting. Tuscano's Italian Kitchen, 14919 North Kelsey St, WA, 98272. 2 pm start. Register on website. Order from menu. Caravan. https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5384977	Monroe
	nttps://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5564977	Meeting
9/30	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am Page 28	Social
	October 2023	
10/7	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am Page 28	Social
10/7	CMCS Adopt-a-Highway Clean-Up Event https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5254996	Activity
10/12	CMCS Board Meeting. Redmond Family Pancake House. https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5255000	Board
10/14	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am Page 28	Social
10/21	Social Plum Delicious 8:30 am Page 28	Social
10/21	CMCS General Meeting. Black Diamond Bakery & Restaurant, 32805 Railr Black Diamond WA, 98010. Register on website. 2 pm start. Order from menu. Caravan. https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5390578	oad Ave, Meeting
	November 2023	
11/09	CMCS Board Meeting. Redmond Family Pancake House. https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5254997	Board
11/11	CMCS General Meeting & Charity Silent Auction. Griot's Garage Page 31 https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5281471	Meeting
	December 2023	
12/9	CMCS Holiday Membership Meeting. Everett Golf and Country Club.	Mooting

https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5281478

Meeting



12/14 CMCS Board Meeting. Redmond Family Pancake House. https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5254994

Dec Lighted Car Parade

Board (Parade)

August 2024

8/22-28 2024 National Corvette Caravan. NCM 30th Anniversary. https://www.corvettemargueclub.com/event-4700366

Charity Silent Auction & General Membership Meeting Griot's Garage

3333 S 38th St, Tacoma, WA 98409 (800) 345-5789 Saturday November 11th Schedule

11 am to Noon: Griot's Car Care Demonstration

Noon to 1 pm: CMCS General Meeting

1 to 2 pm: Catered Lunch

Silent Auction throughout the event.

Details are still in work. See the website for current information. https://www.corvettemarqueclub.com/event-5281471

Donations Appreciated

Contact: Chad & Diane Gudjonson (206) 931-3912



Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup - Oct. 7th

by Dave Cayton
CMCS Adopt-a-Highway Coordinator

Our next Adopt-a-Highway cleanup is on Saturday Oct 7th. We still need a few club members to volunteer to help clean our section of I-5, located approximately 11

miles north of Seattle. This is a great community volunteer opportunity and a chance to hang out with Corvette people for a few hours.

If you are interested, please see the CMCS website for more details and to register for this fun event. Remember, you get to keep any good stuff that you find! So far, the record is a \$400 cell phone!

Thank you!





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