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## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



**L**IFE HAS MANY unexpected turns and, sometimes, twists. Jean and I have been thinking for a while that we need to downsize and perhaps move to an area where living is easier and less costly. We've just begun to look around, and nothing is set in stone. But it's possible that, before long, we could be moving out of King County (no lamentations over that prospect). We'd like to find a place away from the clamor of this megalopolis that stretches from Olympia to Everett. If the Lord is willing, we'll find the right place at the right time.

As long as we own a Corvette we'd like to continue in membership with CMCS. Even if we are not in close proximity to join the club in all its functions, we plan on keeping in touch and attending whatever events we can.

This brings up the subject of *On Your Marque's* production. I plan on continuing with producing OYM as long as I am able to do so. Thanks to these new-fangled things called computers and the Internet we old timers can still be useful. But I can't guarantee that I'll be on this side of the turf for any length of time. It is wise of those in positions of leadership to seek someone they can mentor to could take over their duties should circumstances require it. Such action represents good stewardship of our positions.

Thus my clarion call to whoever might have even an inkling that they would like to handle this particular job. The Board has said that CMCS could expend the little it would take to procure another copy of the publishing software I use. The cost is minimal, and as you can see, it does everything we need done without expending the hundreds of dollars some publishing programs cost. It would be my pleasure to train someone to use it effectively.

The job does take some degree of creative ability. Knowledge of the graphic arts and printing trades would be very helpful. If you are someone who thinks you'd like to give it a go, give me a call at (425) 391-3557 and we'll talk.

In closing, I'd like to encourage all our members to support CMCS's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. There are still a few days left in which you can register. I hope to see all of you there. ❖

Submitted by Gary Main



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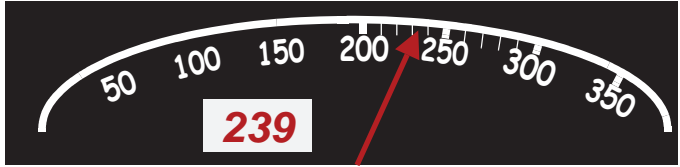
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<http://go.funpic.hu>



# THE MEMBERSHIP TACHOMETER

By Dennis Montgomery



We welcome new members Tom and Connie McGarry.

Tom and Connie live in Mukilteo and have a 2005 Magnetic Red Coupe. They just recently got their Corvette but look forward to many miles in it. They are former motorcyclists and enjoy traveling via cruise ships, cooking, the symphony and plays. They just got their first grandson and are having a lot of fun with him.



We look forward to having Tom and Connie as members and are glad to have them aboard. ❖

## HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAY!

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## CMCS BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2013

Family Pancake House - 17621 Redmond Way, Redmond - (425) 883-0922

Meeting starts at 6:00 PM.

Dinner at 5:30 for those who wish to dine there.

All members welcome

Contact: Lorrie Montgomery: VicePresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com



## ***A View Through The Split Window***

*By President  
Stan Trask*



**W**E ARE OFF to a GREAT start to summer! The weather definitely has become “Corvette Weather” as witnessed by a large crowd of CMCS Members who attended the July 4<sup>th</sup> CMCS Member Appreciation Picnic and General Meeting. A great day of fun, food and fellowship was had by all, and I would like to thank Mike and Bonnie Roylance for all of their efforts in making the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event happen again this year!

The weather gods smiled on CMCS once again for the July 20<sup>th</sup> Lee Johnson All Corvette Show & Shine. Row after row of beautiful Corvettes gathered at Lee Johnson Chevrolet in Kirkland, and the show, under the direction of Dennis and Lorrie Montgomery, came off without a hitch (as usual!) Thanks to Lorrie and Dennis for all of their efforts! Thanks as well to our generous CMCS Sponsor, Lee Johnson Chevrolet, for putting on the event and supplying all of the trophies as well as food and drinks for the large crowd.

The parade season is well under way, and thanks to Jim McDonnell for all of his efforts in organizing the cars for each of the parades throughout the summer! The highlight of the parade season is always the Seafair Torchlight Parade on July 27, seen by hundreds of thousands throughout the region. If you have an interest in participating in one of the upcoming parades, please contact Jim for details at [Parades@CorvetteMarqueClub.com](mailto:Parades@CorvetteMarqueClub.com).

The CMCS General Meeting for August will be held on Saturday, August 3, and Candy Turi has planned a great tour to the Black Diamond area with dinner prior to the meeting.

August will be highlighted by our CMCS 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration to be held on Saturday, August 17 at the Bear Creek Country Club in Redmond. This will be a once in a lifetime event as we celebrate the club’s 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, and one you will not want to miss. Please show your support for your club and register for this great event. You will not be disappointed!

On August 25, Billi and I are organizing the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Triple XXX All Corvette Show and Burger Bash. This has become one of the largest all Corvette shows in the region, and the Triple XXX Drive Inn in Issaquah provides a classic location for this great event. Mark your calendars now so you don’t miss this one!

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Lastly, special thanks to our sponsor Lee Johnson Chevrolet in Kirkland and Speedway Chevrolet in Monroe for their continued support of CMCS. As you're getting your Corvette ready for the summer driving season, please give them your support and business whenever you need service on your vehicle or when you are ready to buy that next Corvette or any other vehicle! ❖

## 2013 PARADES

**T**HIS PARADE SEASON had lots of special deals for our Corvette Marque Club members. By the time this gets published, most of our parades will have been finished. We had an excellent season with parades throughout the Greater Seattle area. For the Torchlight Parade on July 27, we furnished 24 Corvette convertibles. In August we will furnish Corvettes for the parade in Magnolia on August 3, and on August 10, a parade in Woodinville.

I should add that prior to the Torchlight parade we gathered in the afternoon at the Maggie Bluffs restaurant in Magnolia. Besides a beautiful view of a marina and Elliott Bay, the sweet potato fries are to die for. They love to see us come because we bring 45 people in for lunch.

Jim McDonnell [parades@corvettemarqueclub.com](mailto:parades@corvettemarqueclub.com) (425) 753-6658

## Saturday Socials at the Plum

Originally the Saturday Socials were designed to "fill in" the slower winter months for those members who needed a "Corvette fix." The Socials have become so popular that they had been extended into the busier months.

Because of this popularity, any and all members are invited to stop by the Plum Delicious Restaurant, 3212 NE Sunset Blvd., Renton, around 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. on any Saturday. Odds are good you will find a Corvette enthusiast to join for breakfast.

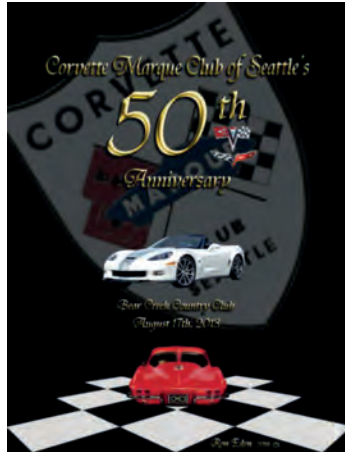
Please note that if you have an idea for an alternative location, please contact Activities, as new places are always welcome.

These Socials are a fun way to get together with fellow members to talk "shop" in a casual and relaxed environment. So if you are out and about on a Saturday morning, stop by the Plum, have breakfast, and talk Corvettes!





# CMCS 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration August 17, 2013



## In 1963, the Corvette Marque Club of Seattle was founded!!

The Club was founded by a small group of Corvette enthusiasts, and due to the dedication of a lot of people we know, and even more that we don't, the Marque Club quickly grew over the years to what it is today. Over 250 members strong and 50 years old!! What an accomplishment!!

If Chevrolet thought enough of this kind of accomplishment to release a special 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Corvette, could we possibly pass up the chance to celebrate this milestone as well? Of course not!!

So, on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013, we will gather up as many of the former members as we can find, come together at Bear Creek Country Club with our present members and have one heck of a party.

This is our chance to dress up for a more formal celebration including a Corvette display, photo opportunities, a first rate Dinner, exciting entertainment, lots of memorabilia from our earlier days, a

“Look Down Memory Lane”, and souvenirs to remind us of this milestone for years to come.

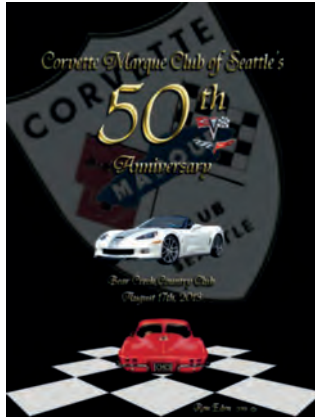
**Date:** August 17, 2013

**Location:** Bear Creek Country Club  
13737 202nd Ave NE  
Woodinville, WA 98077

**Time:** 4:00 – 5:30 Corvette Display – Special Corvette Parking Lot  
5:30 – 6:30 No-Host Cocktail Hour  
6:30 – 10:00 Dinner, Program and Entertainment

**Cost:** \$50.00 per person





## 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY RESERVATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse or Guest: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Year you joined CMCS: \_\_\_\_\_

Offices Held/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Memories of CMCS: \_\_\_\_\_

**You'll be given the opportunity to share some of your most memorable times with the club!**

**Please mail this Reservation Form, along with your check for \$50.00 per person, to:**

**CMCS  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
P.O. Box 534  
Kirkland, WA 98033-0534**

**Deadline for Reservations is July 15<sup>th</sup>!!!**

9<sup>th</sup> Annual

# ALL CORVETTE SHOW & BURGER BASH

(One of the largest all-Corvette shows in the Northwest)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 2013

XXX ROOT BEER DRIVE-IN - ISSAQUAH



Sponsored by

**LEE JOHNSON CHEVROLET - KIRKLAND**

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CORVETTE MARQUE CLUB OF SEATTLE

XXX ROOT BEER DRIVE-IN

98 NE Gilman Blvd., Issaquah, WA

8 AM - Registration Starts

3 PM - Trophies Awarded

(People's Choice)

\$20 Entry



CMCS Contact:

President@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

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**CMCS Tour to  
Black Diamond  
Bakery  
And  
General  
Membership  
Meeting**

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**Saturday, August 3, 2013**

1:15 p.m.: Meet at Redmond Target Parking Lot - 17700 NE 76<sup>th</sup> St.

1:30 p.m.: Leave for Tour to Black Diamond

4:00 p.m.: Buffet Dinner at Black Diamond Bakery @ \$23.00 per person, including tax & tip

Meal includes: Salmon - BBQ Baby Back Ribs - Fruit Salad - Chef's Rice - Garlic Mashed Potatoes - Vegetables - Bread Rolls - Coffee - Tea - Soft Drinks

5:00 p.m.: Meeting

6:00ish: For those who want dessert the tour will continue to Wally's Drive-In in Buckley - 282 Washington 410, Buckley

**Notes:**

**We will be presented with separate checks for dinner.**

**Parking is available in front of the restaurant.**

**It is not necessary to eat in order to attend the meeting.**

**For dinner, please RSVP to Candy Turi by July 22, ([Candace.Johnson@comcast.net](mailto:Candace.Johnson@comcast.net)), so we can let the restaurant know how many to expect.**

**See you there!**

**Corvette Marque Club of Seattle  
Annual Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner  
Auction & November General Meeting**

**Saturday November 9th @ 5:00 pm sharp**



St Luke's Lutheran Church  
3030 Bellevue Way NE  
Bellevue, WA 98004

CMCS will provide the turkey, gravy & potatoes.  
Attendees, bring the trimmings according to last name:

A thru F: Appetizers  
N thru S: Hot veggie/Hot side dish  
G thru M: Dessert  
T thru Z: Salads

**Auction**

**Don't miss out on this fun competition!**

Your donated items such as: Theme baskets, crafted projects, candies, cookies, cakes, breads, pie--unlimited choices to make and bake will be auctioned and all proceeds from this auction will go to the Dee Ann Esping Charity Fund.

**Many families and charities will benefit from this event.**

**\*Bake it**

Wrap it in clear plastic wrap,  
Print your name and the name of the baked item on a 3x5 card

**\*(if it contains nuts, please so identify)**

**Directions:**

**From WA-520 Heading West:**

Turn RIGHT onto 108th Ave NE  
Turn LEFT onto Northrup Way  
Turn LEFT onto  
Lake Washington Blvd / Bellevue Way  
Travel about 3/10 of a mile South.  
The church is on your left.

**From WA-520 Heading East:**

Take the Bellevue Way exit heading South  
Travel about 2/10 of a mile South  
The church is on your left.

**From I-405 Heading North or South**

Take the WA-520 ramp towards  
Seattle (West).  
Take the 108<sup>th</sup> Ave NE exit  
Turn RIGHT onto 108<sup>th</sup> Ave NE  
Turn LEFT onto Northrup Way  
Turn LEFT onto  
Lake Washington Blvd / Bellevue Way  
Travel about 3/10 of a mile South  
The church is on your left

**If you have any questions OR would like to donate a cooked turkey, please contact Billi Trask**

***Blaine 18th Annual All Corvette Show & Shine***



**Sponsored by  
Corvettes Unlimited**

Sunday, August 18

10 AM - 2 PM

Birch Bay Square - Blaine, WA

Proceeds benefit the  
Wounded Warrior Project

Info: (360) 220-6351  
or (360) 739-7798

# SOVREN Vintage Races & Success for CMCS racer Rick Stark

by J. R. Thomas

**K**EVIN JEWELL WORKED hard to organize our CMCS participation in the Corral for the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Pacific Northwest Historics–vintage races to benefit Seattle Children’s Hospital. This race series has been held at Pacific Raceways on the weekend closest to July 4 for these many years, and many Guild members for Children’s Hospital work hard to make this a financial success. As Kevin has explained, our club must guarantee payment for Corral entrants (with some limit to the number each year) by an early date, in this case May 31. We had ten participants who enjoyed the preferred parking and the parade laps. A couple of non-member Corvette drivers tried to crash our area, but the tight spacing this year did not allow them to stay. Our members who participated included Steve Yabroff, Richard Worthen and Alicelee (good to see her getting about well now), Harvey and Ada Hawks, Bill Roberts, Mike Senko, Cary Auguston, Richard Bond, Clarke Jewell, and of course Kevin and Judy Jewell and me.

Richard Worthen won 2nd place in the show and shine for the category of 1990’s and newer. He lost out to a new lotus.

Over a many-month preparation period, 49-year CMCS member Rick Stark was working to get his vintage Corvette racecar prepared to run fast with consistency. He had good engine performance in



Richard & Alicelee with 2<sup>nd</sup>-place award

Portland at their vintage races the week prior to our Historics, but he had some clutch problems. In the last week, he went through everything inside the scatter shield (clutch, pressure plate, throw-out bearing, starter motor, flywheel, etc.) to eliminate this problem. Finally, at our Historics he and the car performed perfectly and Rick had an outstanding weekend.

Our Corral participants did many different things besides the three parade laps we took during the lunch break. This parade was impressive because there were about 300 cars of many different marques in the corral. The featured and leadoff marque this year was Lotus. There were Cobras,

Camaros, Mustangs, Mercedes, Porsches and many others. The clubs in the Corral were divided into three groups for parading; thus, the first group did three laps, then the second group did three laps, and finally our group had three laps. I believe all of us, including several who have had many laps at Pacific, enjoyed these three laps. Before and after the parade, we could wander the pits to see all the vintage race cars up close or watch the six morning races and later the six after-lunch races from wherever we chose. Between races the track crossing was opened to pedestrians to walk into the infield, from where there are many great viewing spots.

I chose to find Rick's pit and then made sure to watch carefully his morning and afternoon race. He had the pole position for the first race and held onto the lead for the whole race with several more powerful cars chasing him. Thus, he got the pole for the second race. You should understand that in vintage races, a race group is composed of a varied group of cars without mixing fendered sports cars with open wheels and with an attempt to get some parity of performance. However, there is still quite a variation in performance potential. Rick runs a '69 Corvette convertible very authentic to B Production racecars of the day. He had to compete against several big

block (A Production) Corvettes plus very different cars such as a Camaro with a very powerful big block and an FIA-spec Ford Falcon, which had a big motor and very light weight. During the afternoon race, a well-prepared big block Corvette (#95 driven by Eric Dolson) managed to pull Rick down the straight after several laps, but never opened a big gap, and



Rick Stark's winning racecar

Rick held on to second. Both races were exciting to watch. It should be noted that Rick races on a shoestring budget compared to most of his competition, especially the fast cars in his group. That group, Group 5 in the Historics races, comprises what is called the big-bore production cars and so is generally most interesting to us Corvette fans.

I hope that in future years CMCS will turn out a larger group of Corvettes for the Corral, and generally, to support this Seattle Children's benefit event. We filled only 10 of our 20 allotted slots this year. This year the event attracted an exceptionally large total number of cars for the Corral, partly because the local Evergreen Lotus Car Club was hosting the West Coast Lotus Meet and included participation in this Corral as part of a four-day event being hosted for the first time in Seattle. ❖



## CMCS WINE TOUR SEPTEMBER 6 - 8



Dennis and Lorrie Montgomery will be leading a tour to the Yakima Valley, leaving XXX Drive-in at 9:30 AM on September 6th. A block of King and Double Queen rooms are reserved at the Best Western Horse Heaven Inn in Prosser for \$114.99 per night.

To reserve, call 509/786-7977 and let them know that you are with the Corvette Marque Club of Seattle

Wine Tour. To guarantee the price and availability, reservations must be made before August 2nd.

Contact Lorrie Montgomery at  
[VicePresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com](mailto:VicePresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com).

## ***Summer Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup Session Call for Volunteers Sunday, August 11, 9:45 AM to noon***

**CMCS coordinator John Thomas  
(425) 747-0431 or [jrthomas@nwlinc.com](mailto:jrthomas@nwlinc.com)**

**W**E HAVE SELECTED August 11 to minimize conflicts in a busy summer schedule. We need only a fairly small crew—about 12 to 14 is optimal, but WSDOT dictates a minimum of 10. We gather at 9:45 AM at the Metro Transit North Base in Shoreline for a briefing and preparation. Parking here is easy and safe. Please consider volunteering as a chance to meet in a small group.

CMCS has maintained a section of I-5 Southbound from the King/Snohomish county border to NE 175th St. for 15 years now as part of Washington State's Adopt-a-Highway program. The sign to announce this fact is in place on I-5.

John Thomas will give you additional directions when you contact him to sign up. We need RSVP for planning and coordination. You will be provided reflective vests and safety helmets. Cleanup workers get to keep any item of value found along the highway.



# NWACC

(NORTHWEST ASSOCIATION OF CORVETTE CLUBS)

## NWACC Autocross

A CMCS group caravans to each autocross event. If you want to take part or receive notices, let Kevin Jewell know via e-mail or phone ([kevinandjudy@isomedia.com](mailto:kevinandjudy@isomedia.com) or (425) 885-0103). He will add your name to the Corvette Autocross address book.

The groups leave north Kirkland and picks up people along the route south via I-405 and SR-167. For the Shelton events, after breakfast at a nearby Denny's it is only a mile or so to the airport runway track.

## NWACC Sponsored Autocross Dates

August 4 - at Portland International Raceway

August 11 - Shelton

September 15 - Shelton

The Classical Glass Corvette Club (CGCC) 5-Star event will not have an autocross this year.

## NWACC Sponsored Show & Shine Events

August 24 - Classical Glass Corvette Club

We expect two more show & shine dates to be announced. Check the NWACC Web site ([www.nwacconline.com](http://www.nwacconline.com)).

The 2013 NWACC Year End Awards Banquet has been **rescheduled from Saturday Nov 2nd to Saturday Nov 16th**. Rescheduling was necessary in order to secure an acceptable banquet and lodging facility at a reasonable cost and good location.

The Tacoma La Quinta ballroom has been secured for the NWACC banquet on Saturday November 16, 2013. The Tacoma La Quinta Inn is located just off the I-5 Tacoma Portland Ave exit and located on the north side of I-5 towards the Puget Sound. The La Quinta Inn has an on-site restaurant (Port of Call), cocktail lounge and guest rooms at a discounted rate of \$89 per night. The two Emerald Queen Casino's (for after dinner entertainment) are close by within a short distance.

The November NWACC Board meeting will take place at the La Quinta Inn from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. That evening the No-Host bar, in the ballroom, will begin at 6:00 PM for the social hour with dinner starting at 7:00 PM.

The street address for the Tacoma La Quinta Inn is 1425 East 27th Street, Tacoma, WA 98421 and their phone number is 253-383-0146 or 1-800-531-5900



## Moments from the July 4 Member Appreciation Picnic



**And a good time was had by all!**

CMCS Independence Day Membership Picnic

***Dessert Competition Winners***

**Best Cookie**

Apricot Chocolate chip Espresso

***Kevin Wilson***

**Best Pie**

Cherry Cobbler

***Karen Myers***

**Best Cake**

Frosted Brownies

***Ada Hawks***

**Best Overall Dessert**

Lava Chocolate Cupcakes

***George Rinehart***

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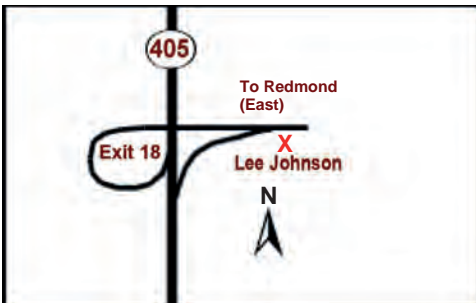
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## CMCS

### *Special Recognition – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2013*

#### John R. Thomas



**E**ach quarter the CMCS Board recognizes members for the extra effort they have made on behalf of the Club.

This quarter the club recognizes John Thomas. John joined CMCS in April of 1964. Yes, that's 1964! CMCS was founded in November of 1963, so that makes him pretty close to being a charter member!

John has held many Board positions over these past 49 years including President twice—in 1966 and 1984. And in those 49 years he has probably owned more Corvettes than any other member!

Over the years, John has participated in a significant number of endeavors, all for the betterment of the club and its members. In recent history, John has stepped up and chaired the Adopt-a-Highway program for the last few years, has been an instructor for School Daze, is involved with helping to organize and promote within our club the 2014 National Corvette Caravan, and did a tremendous amount of work to find all of the former members to invite to the CMCS 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. All this while squeezing in trips to Chile to visit his daughter.

When the club faced the prospect of losing the newsletter as we've known it, John again stepped up to produce a newsletter for the two months it took to secure a new newsletter editor.

John has a very long history with CMCS and is described as a very sincere person and someone who always makes sense.

The CMCS Board is pleased to honor John R. Thomas as its "Special Recognition Honoree" for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2013. Please offer your congratulations and appreciation to John when you see him at an upcoming event. His efforts over the years have truly been appreciated and his contributions have made CMCS a better club for all.





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There is an area identified as "Sillyville" on the West side of the fairgrounds with access from Fairview Drive. This is a great area with a combination of grassy and paved areas. We also have a 5,000 sq. ft. building for inside activities and displays.

Come and see all kinds of Corvettes—all years, modified or stock, nostalgia, drag cars, funny cars, vintage racing cars, special models, daily drivers, trailered show cars, and maybe even a barn find or two!

This is not a judged show, but there will be some special recognition awards for certain Corvettes.

Our host hotels are the Hampton Inn & Suites and the Fairfield Inn & Suites. Both are walking distance to the Fairgrounds. Check our website, [www.corvhp.com](http://www.corvhp.com) for details. . Our special rates start at \$119 at the Fairfield. These rooms are slightly larger than the Hampton rooms. The Hampton still has rooms available, but is sold out of the Queen/double occupancy rooms. Check our website regularly for updated details.

Scheduled speakers are National Corvette Museum Executive Director, Wendell Strode and NW Corvette Supertuner Tom Wong. More are on the tentative list.

This is a Friday-Saturday event. Tentative arrival time on Friday is around 1:00PM for a little socializing. We will be heading over to LeMay, America's Car Museum's grassy display field around 3:00. The details on the size limitation we may have on the tour have not been finalized with local law enforcement. Due to the size of the display field, we may be limited to 250+/- cars with the remainder on the adjacent parking lot. The Museum is inviting us to help them kick off their Corvette display which will feature approximately 25 Corvettes of varying degrees of rarity. There will be a Corvette VIP Q & A session hosted on-site with a barbecue (most likely) for our folks. Admission to the Museum will be included in our registration. Saturday, gates will open at Sillyville for entrants at 9:00AM (subject to change). Gates for the general public open at 9:30AM (subject to change). There will be ongoing events (tech sessions, car

care, state of the Corvette development, etc.). Let us know if there's someone in the Corvette world you would like to see at the show.

If you want to round out your Corvette weekend, there is an Autocross scheduled for Sunday in Shelton, WA. More details on that later.

There will be space for vendors, more along the lines of new goods and services. A Corvette For Sale Corral will also be available. The attached registration form for 500 Corvettes has been updated to provide a bit more vendor information. There is now a provision to request inside booth space, rent tables or request a power drop. We are estimating anywhere from 25 to 50 vendors might want to join us. The swap meet portion is limited to Corvette only parts, services or accessories, new, reconditioned or good used. Non-automotive goods will be considered, please contact us if you sell non-automotive items.

There will be designated club areas. If the clubs will let us know, we will provide designated space. The NW chapter of the National Corvette Restorers Society will be hosting a judging school/meet on-site in conjunction with 500 Corvettes.

Our website, [www.corvhp.com](http://www.corvhp.com), will be gearing up with details and developments as our main "go to" spot. You can also email Larry Johnson at [lwjohnson@corvhp.com](mailto:lwjohnson@corvhp.com) or call us at 360-786-8844.

Registration forms are available to download at [corvhp.com](http://corvhp.com). Deadline for pre-registration is July 10.

Tell your friends! Include show information on your Facebook page and your club newsletters.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

### **CORVETTE CAR CORRAL**

This is a Corvette-only selling area. If you want to advertise your Corvette for sale but don't want to be in a designated sale area, that's OK. The additional \$10 fee applies to any Corvette wearing a for sale sign on the grounds.

### **DINNER WITH WENDELL**

Through the efforts of Len Tucker, Classical Glass Corvette Club's National Corvette Museum ambassador, there will be a special member's only dinner Saturday evening with Wendell Strode, the National Corvette Museum executive director. Wendell will be with us Friday and Saturday for our event as one of our special VIP Corvette guests. Details for the dinner reservations will be up on our website ([www.corvhp.com](http://www.corvhp.com)) this week.

### **CORVETTE NOSTALGIA DISPLAY**

We are looking for items for our Corvette Nostalgia display. We have lockable glass display cases in our building at the show. If you have club or personnel mementos (photos, stickers, jackets, memorabilia, etc.) give us a call. How long have you been in the Corvette hobby???

### **QUESTIONS?**

Larry Johnson, [lwjohnson@corvhp.com](mailto:lwjohnson@corvhp.com) or 360-786-8844

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# Laps From The Past, Or Marque-In-Time

By Ben Benninghoff

50 Laps Ago: August '63 The Corvette Marque Club meeting held on August 10, 1963, was called to order by Bob Morse, in absence of the Chairman, Dick Stanley. The meeting was held at the summer cottage of Paul & Karen Wailes; fourteen members were in attendance. The minutes of the last meeting were not read because of the absence of the Secretary Pro-Tempore. The Temporary Chairman appointed Karen Wailes to record the minutes of this meeting. The appointed Treasurer, Bill Trippett, and his assistant, Ken Jones presented a formal statement of the financial needs of the club. Several topics of the club's start-up expenses and the club's needs to formalize a constitution and by-laws were discussed, and discussions will take place over the next several months before finalizing. It was agreed upon that starting annual membership dues would be set at \$10, plus \$1 for spouses; \$10 Initiation fees would cover the costs for a membership card, jacket patch, and car badge. Contributions from the charter members were requested by the next meeting in September, or by the time of incorporation (November-Ben). Some fund raising ideas involved tune-up sessions, dinner dances, and tours. Ed & Phyllis Baker were commended for being the first charter members to pay their dues. Activities announced included a Conference Race at Arlington following a tour led by Mo Morse, a SCCA Divisional Race at Newport Oregon, with an overnight tour led by Mo Morse, another tour & over night tour to Birch Bay over the Labor Day weekend led by Grant Westenberg, the possibility of a Club Gymkhana by Bill Fowler, and a possible tour to Laguna Seca in October. Bob Morse headed up a committee to go over the proposed club Constitution & By-Laws, and an open discussion was conducted at the meeting to go over items for clarifications. The next scheduled monthly meeting was set for September at either the Seattle Center, or at Alan Green Chevrolet. Another discussion was raised for the members to vote at the next meeting to agree upon the final name for our club: 1) Corvette Club of Washington; 2) Seattle Corvette Club; or, 3) Marque Corvette Club of Seattle. (NOTE: This is the first "recorded" minutes of a CMCS membership meeting. There is mention of at least one previous meeting in the above text, but, this is the first time minutes from the club's monthly meetings were placed in the histories. There may be previous minutes before



*this, but, they have not been submitted to the club's historical documents for safe keeping.- Ben)*

**40 Laps Ago: August '73** The monthly meeting was held in conjunction with the annual Beach Party at the home of John Thomas's parents on Vashon Island. A motion was made and approved to dispense with the usual business and make the meeting as short as possible to get on with the beach picnic. Dave & Joe Hill were voted into membership. Sharon Webster asked if the club would buy either a color or black & white Polaroid camera to take pictures of our events in order to update the bulletin board at Bill Hazelett Chevrolet. Carl Mollnow said he would donate one to the club; the membership agreed to the gift and the club will purchase film for each club function. Cindy McPherson suggested starting a club scrapbook, taking pictures of the club members, and featuring a club member each month in the newsletter. The suggestion was to be presented at the next Board meeting for discussion.

**30 Laps Ago: August '83** President Bob Johansen got the monthly membership meeting started on the back lawn of Ken & Carolyn Martin's home. The Northwest Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS) had a meeting in Bend Oregon. Other club activities for the month included a Parking Session for SIR Funny Cars, a Drag Race & Board Meeting at the Johansen's, an Adult Night Out at the Seattle Center Fun Forest, the club's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party, and an All Corvette Drag & Swap & Car Show at Seattle International Raceway (SIR). The club membership then stood at 135 members.

**20 Laps Ago: August '93** President Dee Esping got the monthly meeting started following dinner at the RAM's American Grill & Fish House at Shilshole, just south of Golden Gardens in Seattle. Treasurer Gary Main noted that the club's finances were current, reflecting a positive financial success with the SIR event, and monies received for registrations for the upcoming CMCS 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event. Cloyd Jackson and David Barlia were to help with staging the cars on the lawn of the Columbia Winery in Woodinville for the event. Gary Main also submitted a corrected version of the SIR budget that was to be forwarded to the Rain Country Treasurer. As Membership Chair Jan Cockrum was unavailable, the committee estimated that there were then 102 members, with the new members being voted into full membership-Robert Newman and Jim Gwinn. Newsletter editor John Thomas noted he was generating a 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition and had sufficient materials to make an interesting and informative edition for September. John also researched details for an overnight Wine-Country Tour in October in the Richland area. Gary Main filled in for Cece Nelson and

reported on club activities where approximately 36 cars went on the Mt. St. Helens tour, and dash plaques were given to all participants. To date, 41 dinner reservations had been submitted for the club's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner. Before the meeting closed word was received and announced that a brand new grandson was born for Dee Esping, a potential 3<sup>rd</sup> generation future CMCS member.

**10 Laps Ago:** August '03 Darrin Wong's 1989 Dark Blue Metallic coupe was featured on the OYM newsletter cover. Darrin's Corvette came with a German built 6 speed manual transmission, jointly designed by ZF (Zahnradfabrik Friedrichshafen) & Chevrolet. Darrin was a past member of the Mid-Peninsula Corvette Club in the San Francisco Bay Area before moving to Seattle in 1998. President Dennis Montgomery called the monthly meeting to order at Spiro's Pizza & Pasta Restaurant in Shoreline. Dennis mentioned the passing of member Dick D'Alessandro's mother. Mike & Colleen Thompson reported they have a new yellow Corvette convertible. Membership Chair Lorrie Montgomery announced the new membership level was at 281 including 15 new members voted into full membership at the meeting--Pepper & Pam Armstrong. James & Michelle Clark, John & Charlene Carmody, Neil & Sheri Maddy, Manish Sambhu, Bill & Marty Cameron, Ada & Harvey Hawks, and, Ron & Pat Schmaltz (*now that's a lot of pizza!* Ben). Activities Chair Ed Bloom went over the scheduled club events, including the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Seaview Chevrolet All Corvette Show and Shine in Lynnwood. The Show was not a NWACC event, but if someone wanted to organize one for next year, they were encouraged to do so. Lorrie reported for absent Charity Chair Cassie Black that there was a meeting to discuss charitable support in the coming year. Supported Charities to be included were: the GM-ASEP mechanic sponsorship program at Shoreline Community College, Snohomish County Battered Women's Fund through the Boeing StratoCruisers car club, a children's charity function for this year, and a Santa visit at a nursing home. Sheila Wylie reported on the club supported summer's parades and Lorrie reported on the club's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event progress for next month. Cloyd Jackson announced his retirement as the club's newsletter editor. Cloyd served in this capacity for 10 years. Oran Petersen volunteered to take over the duties of editor.

**5 Laps Ago:** August '08 Bill & Margaret Barker's 1966 Sunfire Yellow Coupe graced the OYM newsletter cover. Bill wore out some shoe leather before finding his baby. He was hampered in obtaining the 'right one' to accommodate his 6' 3" frame, and spent some time walking Highway 99 going through the specialty car lots and swap meets locally and in Oregon. Bill



has been a member of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America for the past 35 years, so this made sense to add a classic Corvette to his stable. A tour to the dealership was led by Dennis Montgomery from Canyon Park in Bothell, while Lorrie made the arrangements at the dealership. President Kevin Jewell presided at the monthly meeting held at Speedway Chevrolet in Monroe, which supplied pizza, salad, desert, and drinks for the club members attending. Approximately 70 members attended. Kevin introduced Joe Harvey representing Speedway Chevrolet; Joe expressed his thanks for the great turnout and talked about the dealership's ability to meet club members and other customer's needs in the very competitive automotive business. Joe then introduced Jonny Edwards, service adviser who was a graduate of the Shoreline Community College GM-ASEP program that we sponsor annually with scholarships from our Charity Committee (*NOTE: donations to ASEP from the Club come from the monthly 50/50 drawing - Ben*). Membership Chair Kayla Main introduced 3 prospective members who were voted into full membership- Dean & Linda Anderson, and, Chris Minich, bringing the total to 280. Activities Chair Cheryal Heppner reported on all the scheduled club activities, while Dennis reviewed the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Corvette Show n Shine at the XXX Drive-in in Issaquah where an estimated 200 Corvettes showed up; the entry fees were split up and donated to several charities. Jane Armstrong discussed the following month's Seattle In September (SIS) 3-day event, noting that 160 were registered to date. Gary Main announced there was a JP Patches and Gertrude statue unveiling in Fremont; sidekick Gertrude is club member Robert "Fabuls" Newman. Charity Chair Marty Cameron noted there was a need for volunteers to help serving meals at the Ronald McDonald House in Seattle next month for their Brownie Brigade" event. Marty also mentioned she had a list of items needing to be boxed and shipped to the troops overseas, and needed volunteers to help. Wes Holmes reported that the National Corvette Museum (NCM) in Bowling Green Kentucky will receive 1 cent in donations for each internet-search that goes to: goodsearch.com and enter: National Corvette Museum in the box that says "who do you goodsearch for?" Also for those who purchase items on-line through "GoodShop" at the same site, a small percentage of expenditures will be donated to NCM. Jim Mc Donnell reported on several parades members participated in, and the one scheduled in October for Issaquah, where all will enjoy a delightful lunch at the Newcastle Golf Club. Not only will a great lunch be enjoyed, but all will meet at the Krispy Crème Donuts to stage for the parade. There were currently 20 open slots for Corvettes for the parade (*but with a "dream" event like this they might get 200- Ben!*)

*More laps to come!*



# C6 Manual Tranny Owners, Avoid Clutch Troubles with this Simple Maintenance

By Steve Yabroff

**T**HE CLUTCH FLUID in the C6 (and maybe earlier generations, too) can get very cruddy in a hurry. When this happens, the clutch fluid must be changed. Otherwise you may have the clutch pedal not release, or experience other clutch problems.

So when should you change the clutch fluid? Anytime it looks dark—sorta like coffee. It should be a light honey color. Now that we know we need to do this

maintenance, how hard is it? Really very easy, normally taking less than five minutes.

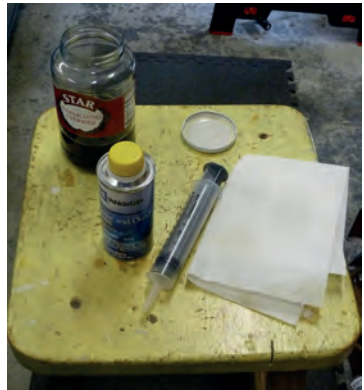
Here is what you need: A can of DOT 4 brake fluid (the owner's manual specifies GM Super DOT 4 Clutch/Brake Fluid,



which is available at Lee Johnson or Speedway Chevrolet), a medical syringe (I use a 2 oz. one) which is available for a couple of bucks at most medical supply stores. I like these versus a turkey baster, because the syringes don't dribble -important because brake fluid ruins paint!!

Finally, you will need a container for the old fluid that is removed (I like a glass Peanut Butter jar so I can see how dirty the old stuff is).

As a special precaution, I also drape a towel over the fender.



Twist off the cap on the smaller reservoir (the larger one is for the brakes), put your syringe and withdraw all of the fluid. As an extra precaution, when moving the now full syringe to the jar, I put a folded paper towel under the syringe nose to catch any potential dribbles.



Typically one draw will get the bulk of it. Fill the Clutch reservoir no higher than the full line on the reservoir side. If the rubber gasket in the cap is really gunky, carefully pull it out from the cap and gently clean it with a paper towel, reinsert it and replace the cap.

If the fluid was fairly dirty, pump the clutch about 30 times and repeat this process a couple more times. It may take a number of cycles before the clutch fluid finely stays moderately clean over a longer period of time. For example, I find that I now change the clutch fluid about twice a year and that seems to suffice. Before, I was changing fluid every couple of weeks.

This is an easy and cheap maintenance item we can all easily perform and it will save a lot of grief later on. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Good luck, and Save the Wave!! ❖

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## CMCS General Membership Meeting Minutes

July 4, 2013 - Perrigo Community Park, Redmond, WA

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m.

Board Members Present: Stan Trask, Lorrie Montgomery, John Kingston, Ken Jones, Steve Yabroff, Candy Turi and Vicki Rinehart.

### OFFICERS' REPORTS:

President's Report (Stan Trask): Stan thanked Mike Roylance for undertaking the task of organizing the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Member Appreciation Picnic. Stan encouraged the membership to sign up for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

Secretary's Report (Vicki Rinehart): The minutes for the June 22, 2013, general membership meeting were approved.

Vice President's Report (Lorrie Montgomery): There are 4 radios for the price of \$209 each available for sale and CMCS business cards.

Treasurer's Report (John Kingston): John mentioned that the club is solvent and if anyone wants to look at the records they can contact him.

### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Membership (Dennis Montgomery):** There are new members, Tom and Connie McGarry who own a 2005 red Corvette that was bought from Speedway Chevrolet. It used to belong to member, Jack Goodman. The total membership is 239 members.

#### Activities (Candy Turi):

July 6 - Car Corral at Pacific Raceways.

July 12 - Shadow of the Mountain in Leavenworth

July 14 - NWACC in Shelton.

July 20 - Lee Johnson Corvette Show'

July 28 - Majestic Glass

Aug. 3 - Tour to Black Diamond Bakery and general membership meeting. It starts at 1:30 in Redmond. RSVP required.

Aug. 4 - NWACC at Portland International Raceway.

Aug. 9 - Larry Johnson is getting together 500 Corvettes at Puyallup Fairgrounds.

Aug. 17 - 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

Aug. 25 - XXX in Issaquah

1<sup>st</sup> weekend in Oct. - Fall Leaves Tour

Nov. 9 – Thanksgiving Party

Dec. 21 – Christmas Party

**Newsletter (Al Dager):** This month and last month the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is on the cover. After that Al needs photos of cars to display on the cover along with a small article.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**Charity (Billi Trask):** Reservations were made for St. Luke's in Bellevue Nov. 9 for Thanksgiving. Billi needs auction items for donations for Eastside Baby Corner. Items will be collected for infants to youth 12 years old. Baskets and baked goods are great for the donations. Last year the funds went to Eastside Baby Corner, Toys for Tots, and a school in Bothell.

**Apparel (Karen Breen-James):** Samples were ordered and will be presented at the next board meeting with new styles.

**Parades (Jim McDonnell):** The parade today had 21 cars. There are six more parades this month and three more in August.

**4<sup>th</sup> of July Picnic and General Meeting (Mike Roylance):** Thanks to Jan Harris for reserving the facility. Mike thanked the five cooks. The winners for the desserts are; Best Pie – Karen Myers; Best Cookie – Kevin Wilson; Best Cake – Ada Hawks; Best Overall – George Rinehart.

**Adopt-A-Highway (John R. Thomas):** The next clean-up date is Aug. 11. There will be an announcement in the forthcoming newsletter. There are 7-10 more volunteers needed. The meeting place is on I5 south of the King County/Snohomish border.

**SIS 2016:** (Vacant)

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration (Montgomerys and Stanfields):** Aug. 17, 2013 – Lorrie stated the committee has been preparing this event for months and it is a huge milestone. There were over 700 invitations sent. Registration is necessary as soon as possible. It is at Bear Creek Country Club. The Corvette display starts at 4:00. The fee is \$50 pp. The buffet includes salmon and prime rib with the trimmings. There are lots of souvenirs, commemorative photos and CDs. The entertainment is a complete show by an Elvis impersonator, Shane Cobain. Raffles of wine will be available. There will be a full no host bar. It is a dressy event. The dates celebrated are from 1963 to 2013, so there will be a poster with cars of those years and photo opportunities by a professional photographer. They will be printed on site. The deadline for reservations is July 31.

**Wet Weekend 2014:** (Vacant)

**Lee Johnson All Corvette Show (Dennis and Lorrie Montgomery):** July 20, 2013 – Registration is at 9:00 a.m. and trophies at 2:00. There will be new trophies this year. Shuttles to Kirkland will be available.

**XXX Show and Shine (Stan and Billi Trask):** Aug. 25, 2013 – Registration is at 7:45 a.m. Help is needed to park cars and to check in cars at the gate. The admission is \$20. Billi needs help at registration. There are 59 trophies which are about enough for 50% of the cars.

**REPRESENTATIVES:**

**NWACC (Ken Jones):** See above under Activities.

**NCRS (Stan Trask):** July 21-26 there is an event in Hampton, Virginia and Aug. 8-11 500 Corvettes in Puyallup.

**NCM (Wes Holmes):** Absent.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Special appreciation was recognized for Gary and Fran for 1.5 years of service. 50/50 Drawing (Gary Rozmierski and Fran Bedard): The 50/50 total was \$212 and the winning ticket worth \$106 went to Carol Feveryear. The other half will go into the fund that provides an auto scholarship to a student in the GM ASEP Program at Shoreline Community College.

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING:**

The next general meeting is Saturday, Aug. 3 which is the tour to Black Diamond Bakery and the general membership meeting. 1:30 is the tour, 4:00 is the dinner and 5:00 is the meeting.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:**

The next board meeting is at the Family Pancake House in Redmond on Wednesday, July 10. Dinner is at 5:30 and the meeting starts at 6:15 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Submitted by Vicki Rinehart, Secretary



## ***The 2014 National Corvette Caravan is coming!***

**E**VERY 5 YEARS (except for 2003, when the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Corvette was celebrated), the National Corvette Museum (NCM) has an Anniversary Caravan. The NCM 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Caravan will occur during August 27-30, 2014.

Robin Forrer, who has taken on the task of organizing our trip for Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, and Alaska, is our Captain. She has been working on this since October, 2010.

If you've ever dreamed of being part of a huge road trip with some of the prettiest, fastest, iconic, All American sports cars (Corvettes), or if this is a "bucket list" item, then this Caravan is for you! Steve Yabroff (and John Thomas) will be leading this section of the group, starting out from Lee Johnson Chevrolet on Friday, August, 22, 2014. Many groups will be joining us along the way as we proceed to Bowling Green, KY.

We have a great trip planned through these areas, and I'm sure you will enjoy going through other states along our route to Bowling Green. You can read up on our caravan at: <http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/northwest>. This link gives you a rundown on each day's portion of the tour, including those groups who will be joining us. It is updated periodically with new information.

Registration is now open, so don't delay. To register, go to: <http://www.corvettemuseum.org/registration/celebration/20info.shtml>. If you would like up-to-the-minute news, please feel free to contact Robin or Steve directly at [pacificnwcaravan@hotmail.com](mailto:pacificnwcaravan@hotmail.com) or visit the NCM website under Events and 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Caravan. You can also bring up any state you are inquiring about and you may find what each of the captains are planning for you.

We hope to hear from you, and that you will be joining the Pacific NW 2014 NCM Caravan! We are looking forward to it! ❖



# TOUR TIPS

By Dennis Montgomery

ONE OF THE things CMCS members love to do is go on tours. These can be day tours or “overnighters” like the Wine Tour and Wet Weekend. We are fortunate enough to have a good number of new members, and some may like to know what to do and look for in a tour.



This is not meant to be a “RULES OF THE ROAD” item, but rather just some thoughts on how to make tours more enjoyable and less stressful for all.

## **It’s not the end of the world if a non-Corvette gets into our caravan lane.**

Too often, it is easy to tailgate, speed up, slow down or any perform some other less-than-safe maneuver in order to make sure that a steel car doesn’t get in line. It just doesn’t matter! In fact, it may be the biggest thrill the steel car driver will have all day by being in line with all those beautiful Corvettes! Sooner or later (usually sooner) the steel car will change lanes, turn off, or just vaporize, and we’ll all be back together.

## **Learn to pass correctly in a caravan, on the freeway or otherwise.**

On a freeway, it is very dangerous to try to pass someone and then squeeze back in line too soon with the other Corvettes. When you are passing and try to get back in line or get “hung out,” or a turn-off or exit is coming up, learn to leap-frog ahead of the Corvette just ahead of the passed vehicle. If the Corvette you want to get behind has slowed down (this happens all too often after passing; don’t be guilty of doing this!) keep going past the next Corvette(s) until you can safely merge back into line. It is very important that we all learn this and pay attention with what’s happening behind us. If we see another Corvette that wants to get back in line, safely allow a space for them AHEAD of you so they can get back in line easily. This leap-frog maneuver will take all the stress and most of the danger out of passing, and is a great example of teamwork. ☺



**If you don't have a radio that works with the club's frequencies...GET ONE!**

The radio allows you to relax and enjoy the drive because you are in touch with the tour leaders and others on the tour. Therefore you stand a significantly less chance of getting lost (a thoroughly not-fun experience on a tour) because you know what's coming next and what may have changed. It is also really nice to have something pointed out that might have been missed, such as bicyclists, wildlife, landmarks, Mustangs broken down on the side of the road and other items of interest. In addition, there are some pretty clever people out there who can provide some entertaining comments over the radio, too.

We all need to know that use of the radio implies taking on some responsibility. We have to be sure to use them as if our kids were listening (or even worse, our parents!) and not use profanity, off-color jokes/comments, blaring music from your Corvette's speakers, endless monologues or anything else that would be inappropriate to other members.

Remember, you bought your radio to help make the use of your Corvette more pleasant, so use your radio and have fun with it!

(Check out "CMCS Radio Tips" on page 35)

**Make sure the Corvette behind you knows where to turn.**

If you make a scheduled turn and the Corvette behind you is too far back to see you make that turn, they may miss it. The best way to make sure no one gets lost is to take a turn and wait until the Corvette behind you sees you before you proceed. If everyone did this, no one would get lost because you would be "watching out" for the Corvette behind you and the Corvette ahead would be "watching out" for you!

I hope this has been informative, and remember: have fun on those tours! That's why you bought that beautiful Corvette!❖



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# CMCS Radio Tips

By Dennis Montgomery



**N**OW THAT WE are in the cruising/parade/tour season, we offer the following tips for the use of club radios. Most of us have them and we all realize what a great tool they are to help make club events and activities more fun and less stressful. So we thought the following would help.

First, hold the radio the right distance from your mouth. There is a natural tendency to hold the radio close to our mouths because we think it will help others hear us better. Actually, holding the radio too close is the main reason a lot of us are not understood. The recommended distance is three inches from mouth to radio, but that should be treated as a minimum. A distance of four inches makes it much easier to be understood.

Second, be careful using the transmit button. A lot of us start talking before the button is fully depressed and the first part of what we say is lost. The best way to handle this is to press the transmit button, wait a second, and then start talking. The same is true when finishing our transmittal. We need to finish what we have to say and then wait a second to release to button. If we all follow this procedure we will not have any part of our “pearls of wisdom” fail to be transmitted.

Third, we must be aware of how loudly we are talking when we transmit. It is natural to speak in a louder voice than normal to make sure we are heard, but the radios we have—be they old or new—are very efficient. Loud talking or yelling is just not needed. Believe me, if we are not talking loud enough to be heard, someone will tell us!

Fourth, let’s all try to be “tuned in” to radio usage. If we hear someone who is hard to understand, we should let them know (in a nice way) so we can get used to correct usage.

Fifth, use your radio to alert others to such things as bicyclists on the road, potholes, road hazards, police presence, errors in directions, etc.

Last, use your radio to make your club activities more enjoyable for yourself and others. While the radio’s main purpose is to be used for safety and convenience, feel free to use it for those things which may make the tour or event more enjoyable for others. Such things might be to alert others to see certain landmarks, animal life, views etc. While dominating all radio usage is not a good way to go, the radio is your property. So, using common sense as your guide, have fun with your radio!❖

# August 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Magnolia Parade; CMCS Gen. Meeting
4	5	6	7	8	9 ACM 60 Yrs of Vette; 500 Corvettes	10 ACM 60 Yrs of Vette; 500 Corvettes
11 CMCS Adopt-a-Highway; ACM 60 Yrs of Vette	12	13	14 CMCS Board Meeting	15	16	17 CMCS 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniv. Celebration
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 XXX Show & Shine	26	27	28	29	30	31

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