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## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



I'M SURE YOU'VE seen those TV ads that announce "The Italians are coming!" with all the pretty ladies getting excited and running into town to greet what you might think is a contingent of handsome Italian scallions. Instead, you are treated to the sight of a bunch of puny Fiats tooling around the town with everyone all atwitter, as if the car were something to drool over.

It's laughable, really. Fiat?

When I think of Italian cars I think of Ferrari, Lamborghini, Maserati, Lancia. Maybe even Alfa Romeo. But Fiat?

Not to say Fiat isn't a fine car (I've never owned one, and never will), but it's hardly one to make the ladies swoon.

Now, Corvette? That's a-somethin-a to get all-a-exited about-a. Especially the new C7 Stingray.

It took a while for the C6 to grow on me, mainly because I once believed that Corvettes should have retractable headlights. But as I've grown fond of the C6 these past few years, out comes the C7 that took no time at all to grow on me.

And now it has arrived at our sponsor's showroom floor. Lee Johnson Chevrolet received its first C7 on October 18. What a beauty. (Even if it is yellow.)

Stop by Lee Johnson Chevrolet and take a look.

A prospective new member submitted a performance chart from Motortrend comparing the Stingray with the 2014 Ferrari F12 Berlinetta and the 2013 Porsche 911 Carrera 4S. The Stingray as tested (\$70,770) costs less than half the Porsche (\$151,260) and almost six times less than the Ferrari (\$434,144)! But in all the specs, and performance trials listed, Corvette matched or beat one or both of the others. Not to mention that the Stingray's fuel economy was superior as well.

You can see the comparison chart on page 30.

Alas, at this stage in life, unless some kind patron among the CMCS members should bequeath to me a generous stipend out of admiration or just plain kindheartedness—maybe even just because he pities me—I fear I will never own a C7 Stingray. But who knows? Miracles do happen.

And speaking of contributions: thanks to all who have contributed to *On Your Marque* since I took over. The articles and information are a vital part of informing and entertaining our readers.

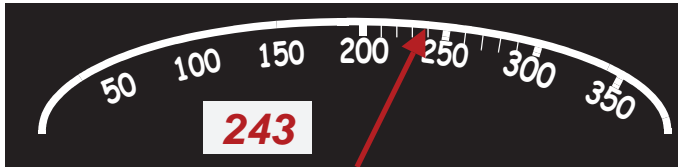
As I mentioned before, Jean and I are looking to move once we get our house sold. So far we've had a couple of nibbles, but nothing concrete.

I'll still be able to do the newsletter, and we intend to remain members as long as we own a Corvette. But the move may put an added burden on my ability to continue producing *On Your Marque*. So if there is anyone out there who would like to fill my tiny shoes, let me know. ❖



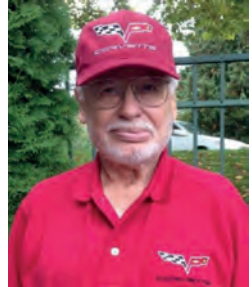
# THE MEMBERSHIP TACHOMETER

By Dennis Montgomery



We welcome new members Ken Meyer and Marlene Moeller.

Ken and Marlene just bought a 2007 Victory Red coupe from Joe Harvey at Speedway Chevrolet. This is their first Corvette and they are excited to have it. In the past, they have owned a Jaguar, Toyota MR2, Triumph motorcycle, Mustang, and Porsche, to name a few, so it is about time to own a Corvette!



Among their "avocations" is having owned a sailboat, racing a sailboat to Maui, hiking, skiing, owning and piloting small aircraft and a host of other things.

We are really pleased to have Ken and Marlene as members and look forward to spending time with them.❖

## HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY!

Tony Zimmerman	2	Marlys Green	22
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## NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Saturday, November 9, 2013**  
**during our Thanksgiving dinner & auction**  
**(Details on page 8)**



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

*By President  
Stan Trask*



**It must be** October, as I find myself writing to you again from the beach in Kihei, Maui. (It's a tough job, but someone has to do it!) I can report that the car scene on Maui is for the most part unchanged since I reported to you in October, 2012. The *Valley Isle Corvette Club* (30 cars) is still going strong and still includes in their club charter no rules, no dues, and no formal meetings; Just meet once a month to eat and "talk story" as they call it on the island. Seems like a perfect personification of the island lifestyle!

As we enter the month of November, I would be remiss if I did not thank Butch and Carol Feveryear for leading the Fall Colors Tour on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Butch and Carol are always willing to lend a hand whenever needed, or plan a tour such as this one.

Also, November means it's time for the annual CMCS Thanksgiving Dinner, General Meeting and Charity Auction. This is one of the most important events of the year for CMCS. This year's event will be held on Saturday November 9<sup>th</sup> and further information can be found on the flyer in this newsletter. The Charity Auction associated with this event is the primary fundraising event for CMCS and the Dee Esping Charity Fund. Please give this event and the auction your support, as the money raised through the auction goes entirely to fund the charitable causes in which the club is involved during the holiday season and throughout the year.

At this point, the umbrella in my drink has blown away and it's time for a refill, so I will sign off for the month by reminding you to support our great club sponsors, Lee Johnson Chevrolet and Speedway Chevrolet whenever you need maintenance on your Corvette or you're looking for a great deal on your next Corvette!

Keep the Shiny Side Up and as they say on Maui -



Stan

## FABULOUS FALL COLORS TOUR

THE FALL COLORS Tour on Oct. 5th was a great tour of Monroe, Snohomish, Lake Stevens, Granit Falls & to Arlington for lunch. After lunch we went through Silvana and worked our way back to Marysville for dessert at Dairy Queen. Most everyone departed from there. Ten of us made it back to Snohomish and stopped at the Buzz Inn for a cocktail while watching the parachute jumpers. What a great way to end the tour.

And the weather was fabulous!

### CMCS BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 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

## 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, 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!



**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

G thru M: Dessert

N thru S: Hot veggie/Hot side dish

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 to Thanksgiving Dinner:

### **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:**

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Turn LEFT onto  
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Travel about 3/10 of a mile South  
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**If you have any questions or would like to donate a cooked turkey,  
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## **NWACC BANQUET**

### **La Quinta Inn Tacoma**

**T**HE 2013 NWACC  
Year End Awards  
Banquet will be held  
**Saturday, Nov 16th.** in the  
Tacoma La Quinta ballroom  
The Tacoma La Quinta  
Inn is located off the I-5  
Portland Ave. exit on the  
north side of I-5 towards  
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The La Quinta Inn has  
an on-site restaurant (Ports  
of Call), cocktail lounge and guest rooms at a discounted rate of \$75 per  
night. The two Emerald Queen Casinos (for after dinner entertainment) are  
close by.

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 serving at 6:00 PM for the social hour with dinner  
starting at 7:00 PM.

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The street address for the Tacoma La Quinta Inn is 1425 East 27th  
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1-800-531-5900



## COVER CAR GARY & DONNA EMBREE



**O**UR FIRST CORVETTE was a 1967 coupe, red with a black air scoop. The 427 engine generated 390 horsepower with a four-speed transmission. We enjoyed our Corvette quite a bit. I (Donna) got one ticket—which Gary has not let me forget—and he got 0 tickets.

We took a wonderful road trip to California with a new baby sleeping behind the front seats. She was not strapped in, and in today's world it would be known as child abuse.

With our second child on the way we sold our Corvette in 1969 and bought a station wagon. We knew we NEEDED another Corvette, but it would have to wait.

Our second (and current) Corvette was bought on December 19, 2001. It is an all-black C5 roadster that we drove off the showroom floor from Seaview Chevrolet who was our club sponsor at the time. With the top down and the heat cranked up, we were driving down I-5 when two ladies began waving and honking their horn at us. A week later we saw them again when we joined the Corvette Marque Club. They were Cassie Black and her mother Kari.

Gary has always had a love for fast cars.

As a child I (Donna) remember watching the Greenwood parade, wishing I was in it, and now I drive in the same parade—and other parades as well—which I enjoy doing. I have had to drive in the parades for the last 12 years by myself, and now I have the luxury of having a new passenger, my husband, joining me due to retirement.

In 2003 we enjoyed caravanning to Bowling Green Kentucky with 36 other cars from the club. By the time we arrived at the Corvette factory there, more than 12,000 beautiful Corvettes surrounded us. ❖



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# ***Wet Weekend***

## ***FEBRUARY 21-23, 2014***

### **PRELIMINARY INFORMATION**

Plans for Wet Weekend are in full swing. We have the hotel booked, meals are being planned, and routes are being determined.

Where are we going? Wait for it . . . Exciting  
**Battle Ground, Washington!**

The host hotel: Best Western  
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We may be leaving quite early Friday morning from Fry's as we have a pretty extensive back-roads tour planned to Battle Ground. We may not arrive at the hotel until around 5:00 or so - still working out the details. The plan now is to have some kind of dinner catered at the hotel, so we will not have to leave again, once we all check in.

For Saturday, we are looking at planning a choice of different tours - ranging from wine tasting, to visiting antique stores in Battle Ground, and various other possible locations. We will be having different members lead the different tours. We have a fun place reserved for dinner that evening.

Registration forms will be forthcoming.

If anyone wants to lead a tour, or have any great ideas - let me know: Candy Turi - [Candace.Johnson@comcast.net](mailto:Candace.Johnson@comcast.net) 425-747-4264



## ***STINGRAY*** **THE BOOK**

The new book, *CorvetteStingray: The seventh Generation of America's Sports Car*, normally retailing at \$40.00 + tax, is being offered to CMCS members for \$20.00 + shipping.

GM granted author Larry Edsall exclusive access to engineers, designers, and other Corvette team members, as well as its own photographic archives, to create the complete inside story of this top-notch sports car. With more than 300 historical and behind-the-scenes photographs that take you as close to the car as you can get without sitting behind the wheel, Corvette Stingray is a must-own book for any serious gearhead—whether you're a long-time 'Vette junkie, a sports car devotee, or simply an admirer of beautiful machines.

Hardcover, 192 pages, 9.5 x 10.875 in.  
Illustrations: 350 color photos  
Item Number: 200268  
EAN (ISBN-13): 978-0760343845  
Publication Date: November 30, 2013  
Publisher: Motorbooks  
Licensed: by GM  
MSRP: \$40

Also, CMCS members are again being offered the 2014 Corvette-a-Day calendars at a substantial discount. Normally they retail at \$14.99 + tax. But the publisher is making a special offer to us for \$ 6.00 + shipping for 15 or more calendars (I'll hold orders until right after the November meeting so we can receive them by our December meeting).

As I did last year, I will collect an extra \$2/calendar and \$5/book for the shipping, and refund the difference between the amount collected and the actual prorated shipping cost.

So if you, your special love, or a friend would enjoy either or both of these, here is your chance to save some \$\$.

You can contact me by return email, in person, at 425-486-4458 or at [PastPresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com](mailto:PastPresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com).

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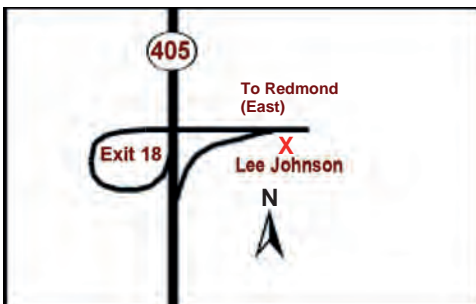
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# ***Laps From The Past, or Marque-In-Time***

By Ben Benninghoff

**50 Laps Ago:** November '63 Dick Stanley called the monthly meeting to order in the Alan Green Chevrolets' showroom. Dick made the announcement that the Club has been officially chartered by the state of Washington as of 7 November 1963. He also noted that the Board of Trustees would submit their slate of prospective officers at the February meeting, and at that time would entertain other nominations for Club officers from the floor; balloting would then take place by ballots through the mail. The subject of club jackets and car emblems were gone over with several submissions concerning different art designs, colors, sizes, shapes and prices. Ken Knowles was asked to combine several of the items and come up with proposals in the near future for the membership to vote upon. Discussions moved on to the "point system" used for awards as a basis to determine the recipient of the General Motors yearly award, or any other such award sponsored by the Club. Bill Fowler made a motion with Dick Stanley seconding, and the proposal passed. With this meeting being the last opportunity to become a "charter member" of the Club, the merits were pointed out by Dick Stanley, giving all present a last chance in becoming part of this select few. George Green showed samples of the jacket mentioned at the last meeting. Several members tried them on while Ed Baker motioned that we accept them as the official Club jacket, was seconded by Bill Trippet, and was carried by a majority votes. An order was then placed for a number of the jackets. Activities for the month noted a rally took place starting at the Union 76 station on Mercer Island. A letter from Mr. Pike, assistant merchandising manager of Corvette News, expressing acknowledgment of our new club in their magazine. A vote was taken on the submitted designs for the club emblem, and was accepted. George Green of Green Chevrolet mentioned that a new car called the Cheeta was in the works of production, with a short discussion following. Slides were then shown of the trip to California. Following the meeting, Dick, the manager of Alen Green, conducted a tour of their parts department.



**40 Laps Ago:** November '73 President Ernie Kahler gets the monthly meeting started at the Meat Market Restaurant, and introduced guest speaker Bill Phillely from the Northwest Rallye Club who gave a talk on the subject of rallying, while demonstrating with slides. Finance reported WWSCC received



a refund from their insurance coverage, while we, CMCS, owe the MGCC club funds for timing. CMCS dues are due in January, and, one person per club can have a vote at the autocross meeting. A vote was taken in favor of having the usual sit down dinner for the Annual Awards Banquet. The Club also agreed to host the Sports Car Spectacular for the Juvenile Parole Services next year. A motion was made & seconded to have Track in Tacoma become an associate member instead of them dropping out. Ernie asked if anyone was interested in taking over the WWSCC rep. duties due to Sharon's full schedule. Tom Marzullo reported on the Awards Banquet in Salem Oregon for NWACC, and noted the new officers for the coming year. WSCC is continuing with plans of regionalization; we could join them next year. Jim Hobbs read some possible rule changes of NWACC autocrossing for next year. Club activities noted a Casino Night in Redmond. There was a Practice Session at SIR in the middle of the month. Bob & Valerie Johansen, and, Ron & Mary Anderman were voted into full membership. Jim Hobbs gave out trophies from the Labor of Love Autocross. Kevin noted he can obtain trophies cheaper from the Philippines. Ernie encouraged everyone to begin thinking about elections for next year's officers.

**30 Laps Ago: November '83** President Bob Johansen presides over the monthly meeting held at his home. Joe Oaks was elected President of NWACC for the coming year; their next scheduled meeting is slated for Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> at the Puyallup Fairgrounds, along with their Swap Meet on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Barry Long was voted into full membership, bringing the total to 141 members. Val discussed that she has been doing all the writing and assembly of the monthly newsletters, and asks for assistance. Club activities included an outing to Moonlite Bowling. Len Hodges reported on Practice Sessions at SIR, and advised that Jim Rockstad was very good to deal with & we should firm up our schedule for the coming year. At the Autorama both Mike Shelly and Ken Martin placed first in their category. Ken & Neil Millen are putting together a display for a February car show. A motion was passed to purchase decals to sell to Club members. Candidates for officers need to be considered. A discussion followed the meeting regarding distribution & use of treasury profits. Jeff Schmidt presented a revised version of the Drag Race video tape.

**20 Laps Ago: November '93** President Dee Esping gathers the members together for the monthly meeting, following a pot luck Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Bob & Val Johansen, seeing 29 members attending. The Treasurer's report noted the ever present "\$50 petty cash" has been missing all year. John Paul Nelson III reported for Cece of the following new members being voted into full membership; Joe & Marie Cowan, Michael & Stephanie Hagestad, and, Dave & Teddy Olufson, bringing the total to 111. There is no scheduled Board meeting in December, but the annual party will be held at the Select Grill.

Cloyd Jackson & Bob Lazaroff are planning the next newsletter together and would appreciate any contributions from the membership. The Club is current members with NWACC and has our insurance through their organization.

**10 Laps Ago: November '03** Dennis & Lorrie Montgomery's two Corvettes are featured on the newsletter's cover; a Turquoise '91 ZR-1, and, a '03 Anniversary Edition convertible. President Dennis Montgomery gets the monthly meeting started at the Kirkland Community Center, sandwiched between the annual Thanksgiving Feast and the Baked Goods Auction, with the proceeds going to the Dee Esping Memorial Charity Funds. Dennis mentioned that Greg Westford, one of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Caravan participants, is in the hospital with pneumonia; a get well card was circulated during the meeting. The Treasurer noted all bills were paid, and even paying out deposits for next year's Seattle in September event. Del & Ernestine Hoffman, Debbie & Robert Payne, and, Steve McCutchen were all voted into full membership, bringing the total to 295. NWACC rep, Dick D'Alessandro, reported that there would not be any more "judged" NWACC events. Cassie Black, chair of the Charity Committee, noted we will be hosting a pizza party for 30 students at the Seattle Urban Academy High School in downtown Seattle. There will be gifts for the students and food baskets as well. Gary Main has 14 GM certificates available to Club members. Each certificate provides the bearer major savings on the purchase of a new GM product.

**5 Laps Ago: November '08** Bill Farren's 1998 "Hot Wheels" convertible "nitrous" Pace Car Corvette is featured on the newsletter's cover. President Kevin Jewell gets the monthly meeting started in between the annual Thanksgiving Banquet and the Baked Goods & Home Craft Auction at the Kirkland Seventh Day Adventist Church in Kirkland. Kevin noted that credit cards would be acceptable for auction purchases as well as with the silent auction items. Packages put together by Club members were mailed to Iraq veterans overseas, and, since there were insufficient orders for the proposed CMCS throw-blanket, the sample was included with the auction items. David Ormerod noted the Club now has a supply of radios available for purchase. He also mentioned he is preparing an updated list of the Club's inventory items. Kayla Main noted membership stands at 283. Charity chair Marty Cameron read thank you letters received from recipients of the Christmas families, the Ronald McDonald House of Seattle, and U.S. Troops in Iraq. CMCS's own Ken & Jean Fiorentino's son-in-law in Iraq happened to be one of the recipients and was especially pleased to read the Club's newsletter. Stan Trask, the Club's NCRS rep. announced that the NCRS Holiday event planned for December would take place in Longview WA. Wes Holmes encouraged attending members to purchase \$10 raffle tickets he had for annual National Corvette Museum raffle

of a 2009 Victory Red Corvette, drawn over the Labor Day event. CMCS will host next year's NWACC year-end banquet. Mike & Jane Armstrong were presented thank you gifts and the Club's thanks for their work in organizing the past Seattle in September. Gary Main announced the Club has been invited by the Corvette High Performance Club to put on a valve cover race at their swap meet in February at the Puyallup Fairgrounds. A newsletter article noted the past Seattle in September event saw over 170 attendees at the 3 day event, with 14 different clubs, and just over 90 Corvettes attending. Too many highlights to report here, but for the opening Friday, events saw the hungry being satisfied by a hamburger BBQ feast, then Gary Main's Valve Cover Racing, while Tim & Mona Cox led 40 Corvettes on an evening outing of the Sleepless in Seattle tour of Mercer Island and the Seattle skylines.

More Laps to come....

## ***CMCS Fall Cleanup for Adopt-a-Highway, Sunday, November 3***

For almost 15 years CMCS has had the responsibility for cleaning a 2-mile stretch of the shoulder of Southbound I-5 from about the King-Snohomish County border to 175<sup>th</sup> Street in King County as part of the WSDOT Adopt-a-Highway program. We shall carry out our fall cleanup session Sunday, November 3, 2013. This On Your Marque edition will appear very shortly before the pickup date, but we might still need a volunteer or two.

If interested please contact John R. Thomas by phone at (425) 747-0431 or e-mail with address [jrthomas@nwlink.com](mailto:jrthomas@nwlink.com).

As background information, we will meet about 9:40 AM on Sunday morning at the North Metro Transit Base near NE 175th St. and I-5. After a short meeting, we use 2 support vehicles to take the clean-up workers to the curb-side work area. Each worker walks about a mile along the green area, and we should be done by 11:30 although nominally we say noon. It is a good opportunity for new members to meet and talk with just a small group of our members. After the work session we'll have brunch/lunch at a nearby Sheri's for those who choose to stay and chat. Sometimes a pickup worker will find an item of value and the worker may keep it.



## **CMCS General Membership Meeting Minutes**

October 12, 2013, Plum Delicious Restaurant  
Renton, WA

In President Stan Trask's absence, Vice President Lorrie Montgomery called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

**Officers Present:** Lorrie Montgomery, Vicki Rinehart, Candy Turi, Ken Jones, and Steve Yabroff

### **OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

**President's Report:** San Trask     Absent.

**Secretary's Report:** Vicki Rinehart: The minutes of the Sept. 14 meeting were approved.

**Vice President's Report:** Lorrie Montgomery: The radios are sold out. Lorrie is ordering more, which are \$5 more than before. They will arrive in about a month. Corvettes from Carlisle are looking for one more Corvette driver for a trip in August to the largest Corvette show in the northwest, and then they will continue on to Bowling Green for NCM.

Some members stepped forward to run for offices. All offices are open this year other than the 1 year board (Candy Turi) and the past president (Stan Trask). Volunteers are Kevin Jewell, Bill Cameron, Bob Renner, Mona Cox and Kayla Main. If there are any other members who wish to step forward to run for office, please contact Lorrie.

**Treasurer's Report:** John Kingston: Absent. The financials were reviewed and approved at the board meeting and were attached to the board meeting minutes.

All of the bills are paid and the club treasury is in great shape.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**Membership: Dennis Montgomery:** CMCS wine glasses from the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary are \$10 each and DVDs of all the pictures from the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary are \$2 each. New members voted in were Ken Meyer and Marlene Moeller. They have a 2007 red coupe. We now have 243 members.

**Activities:** Candy Turi: November - Charity auction at St. Luke's church in Bellevue.

Christmas - Dec. 21 at Everett Country Club

**Newsletter:** Al Dager: Absent. He has plenty of cars for the cover of the newsletter.

**Charity:** Billi Trask: Absent. Lorrie reported for Billi, that the Thanksgiving auction is Nov. 9 at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Bellevue. It is a potluck turkey dinner and the proceeds support Eastside Baby Corner, Toys for Tots, and families in need of help and services. Quality items are needed such as baked goods and baskets.

**Apparel:** Karen Breen-James: Karen presented new apparel and new order forms. Both men's and women's apparel are available to order. The old inventory will be auctioned off at the Thanksgiving event.

**Parades:** Jim McDonnell: Convertibles are needed. The next parade is in La Conner the second week in April.

**Adopt-a-Highway:** John Thomas: Nov. 3 is the next clean-up date.

#### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

**Wet Weekend 2014:** Craig and Candy Turi: Battle Ground will be the location, and Best Western will be the motel.

**2014 NCM Caravan:** Steve Yabroff and John Thomas: All hotels are now open along the route for reservations. The plant tours system got overloaded and crashed. There will be continuous factory tours. Jan. or Feb. the information on seminars will be available. The seminars will be repeated.

#### **REPRESENTATIVES:**

**NWACC:** Ken Jones: Nov. 16 is the date for the annual NWACC banquet and awards at La Quinta Inn near the Tacoma dome. Registrations forms are available. Several members of the club did well at autocross during the season and will get awards. The fee is \$36 per person for prime rib, salmon or fettuccini. Cocktails are at 6:00 and dinner at 7:00. To stay overnight the fee is \$89. Contact Ken Jones for details and to register.

**NCRS:** Stan Trask: Absent.

**NCM:** Wes Holmes: Absent.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Steve Yabroff was contacted by the publisher for 2014 Corvette-a-Day calendars for \$6 plus \$2 shipping. The new book, "Corvette Stingray, Seven Generations of American Sports Cars," sells for \$20 plus \$5 shipping, normally

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\$15 plus tax, normally \$40 plus tax. Checks for payment need to be in by the next general meeting. The merchandise should arrive by The CMCS Christmas meeting.

**50/50 Drawing:** Joyce Jones was the lucky winner of \$64. In addition \$64 will go into the fund that provides an automotive scholarship to a student in the GM ASEP Program at Shoreline Community College.

**Next General Membership Meeting:**

Saturday, Nov. 9 CMCS annual Thanksgiving charity auction at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Bellevue. It starts at 5:00 p.m. sharp.

**Next Board of Directors Meeting:**

Wednesday, Nov. 13  
6:15 pm (5:30 for dinner)  
Family Pancake House  
17621 Redmond Way  
Redmond WA  
425 883 0922

The meeting was adjourned at 10:41.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Rinehart, Secretary

***BC CLUB LOOKING FOR CARAVAN PARTNERS***

We are looking for one more couple/Corvette to join us on a trip next August to the largest Corvette Show in the US "Corvettes of Carlisle", from there we are joining the New Jersey Caravan to Bowling Green for the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Corvette Museum, and joining the other BCCC members and other Corvetters who are traveling with the Pacific North West Caravan.

We are shipping our cars in a covered trailer (6 cars per trailer) from Seattle and will fly out to meet them about a week or so later to save driving approx 2700 miles (equal cost) and will drive home at a relaxed pace after the Bowling Green weekend taking in some of the sites such as Nashville, Lexington etc.

Rooms are getting booked fast so an imminent decision needs to be made.

I have much more information and details, so email or call me if you are interested. Nigel Wheway, BC Corvette Club Past President - 604-999-7669 [vetteroadster@shaw.ca](mailto:vetteroadster@shaw.ca) Web site: [www.bccorvetteclub.ca](http://www.bccorvetteclub.ca)



## ***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 August 22-27, 2014, with events at Bowling Green from August 27-30.

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! ❖

# 200-mph Corvette 'wagon' slated for production

Callaway AeroWagon brings Corvette shooting brake concept to the real world. Gentlemen, start your grocery lists.

By James Tate



DO YOU LIKE the new Chevrolet Corvette Stingray, but wish it had just a *touch* more cargo room? Do you find the Ferrari FF to be both too expensive *and* too subtle?

Connecticut-based Callaway Cars, high priests of make-things-go-fast, are known for taking Chevrolet cars and even some trucks to intense performance levels, whether in the form of its 540-horsepower Silverado 1500-based SportTruck, its nearly 600-horsepower Camaro, or its famous modified Corvettes.

Along the way, Callaway has continually redefined its ultimate expression of the performance sports car, currently offering customers the 650-horsepower [C16](#). As the seventh-generation Corvette Stingray is being released, Callaway is once again taking it in a new direction by announcing a production run of its AeroWagon shooting brake concept. (Originally conceived as a vehicle to carry hunters, guns and game, a *shooting brake* is loosely defined as 3-door vehicle that is a cross between a coupe and a wagon.)

Initially revealed back in March of this year, the AeroWagon concept set off intense discussion all over the Internet. Debates ranged from whether the proposed "extended hatch" version of the new Stingray looked better or worse than Chevrolet's production version, to whether or not it would ever actually be made.

The AeroWagon will go on sale in January, Callaway's Mike Vendetto told us.

In what is perhaps the AeroWagon's design masterstroke, it manages to keep the Stingray's targa top intact, taking it to a whole new level of cool. That cool won't come cheaply, however. The full carbon bodywork runs \$15,000, which is on top of the cost of buying the base Chevrolet, of course.



For another \$22,995 Callaway will boost the V8 engine to 610 horsepower and add the company's other performance modifications (as well as a 3-year/36,000-mile warranty) that will be featured on its upcoming 2014 Callaway Corvette. With the performance package, the AeroWagon's slippery design and light materials should ensure that it will be close to or even faster than the standard Callaway Corvette.

Just how fast could the AeroWagon be? Callaway claims both its Corvette and AeroWagon will be capable of hitting 200 mph. Now for the most important aspects: Callaway hasn't released figures yet, but says the increase in cargo area volume will be "significant," and that its package won't change the front fascia or interior of the Stingray.

As for whether designer Paul Deutschman was influenced by the Ferrari FF, Vendetta isn't too sure – but shooting brake bodies like the Mercedes-Benz CLS Estate and Jaguar XF Sportbrake are officially back in style.

"The timing was strange," Vendetto said. "As he was sharing the AeroWagon with us, we started to see drawings of the FF."



It is easy for some to dismiss the AeroWagon as gimmicky, silly – gauche, even. But for some, this unique take on the quintessential American sports car is not only welcome, but an improvement on an already well-received design. If automobiles can be considered art (and at this point, who doesn't allow for the possibility?), then we might advise those clutching their pearls that at its best, art is as much blasphemy as it is rapture. Nothing screams "right kind of wrong" to us like a 600-horsepower, 200-mph, targa-top shooting brake. We can't wait to see it in action – just don't forget the milk.

[Sources: CarBuzz; Callaway; photo via Callaway]

# 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 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 26)

**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!❖

**COVER CARS NEEDED**

If your Corvette has never been featured on our cover, or it it's been a long time since, please consider submitting a short bio of yourself, and your love affair with your Corvette, present and/or past (or even future, if it's in your plans). If you have a suitable favorite picture of your Corvette, please submit that also.

Contact Al Dager at:  
newsletter@corvettemarqueclub.com or (425) 391-3557.

# 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!❖

## CMCS

### *Special Recognition – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2013*

#### Al Dager



**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 Al Dager. Al and his wife Jean joined CMCS in May, 2003. When they joined they had a beautiful 1993 Ruby Red 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Convertible—and they still have it today, as beautiful as ever!

Al has held many Board positions over these past 10 years including Two-Year Board (Activities), President, Vice President and Past President. He has been

the club's "expert" on Robert's Rules of Order, even though it is hard to follow them with all of the "collaboration" the Board Meetings bring!

Over the years Al has participated in a significant number of events including all but one Seattle in September since he and Jean joined. He led many tours for these events and would step up and help wherever needed. He loves driving his Corvette and leading tours, and seldom misses a chance to participate in the annual Seafair parades.

In recent history, when the club was looking for a newsletter editor to produce the on-line version, Al immediately stepped up to take that task on, and has done a remarkable job of putting out a quality product every month. Al also stepped up to help with the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration planning, offering his thoughts and ideas for the Logo and Wine Glasses, arranging for the etching and producing the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary booklet which was given to each of the attendees at the Celebration...all while getting out the August Newsletter.

Al is a kind and gentle man who would help anyone in need. He brings those same characteristics to CMCS, always trying to ensure that whatever we do is for the benefit of the members.

The CMCS Board is pleased to honor Al Dager as its "Special Recognition Honoree" for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2013. Please offer your congratulations and appreciation to Al 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. ❖



***The following was submitted by Orville Cox, who is looking to buy his first Corvette and join CMCS:***

*I think I will just step up and buy the Ferrari rather than the Stingray. It is less car, less comfortable, does not stop as quickly even with CCCP brakes, does not get as many MPG, is not measurably faster, but costs so much I can hardly resist spending seven times as much money for it!*

Even though I have owned seven Porsches over the years, I would rather have the new Stingray regardless of price, and that is something, coming from a 37-year member of the PCA.

I'll bet the Stingray with the new 8 spd rev matching tranny will be even better.

FYI: The new 2014 Cadillac CTS V Sport which comes out next month has the rev matching 8 spd already.

This new Stingray is a world beater and changer.

~ Orville

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	2014 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray Z51	2014 Ferrari F12 Berlinetta	2013 Porsche 911 Carrera 4S
<b>BASE PRICE</b>	\$54,795	\$322,638	\$106,580
<b>PRICE AS TESTED</b>	\$70,770	\$434,144	\$151,260
<b>VEHICLE LAYOUT</b>	Front-engine, RWD, 2-pass, 2-door hatchback	Front-engine, RWD, 2-pass, 2-door coupe	Rear-engine, AWD, 4-pass, 2-door coupe
<b>ENGINE</b>	6.2L/460-hp/465-lb-ft OHV 16-valve V-8	6.3L/731-hp/508-lb-ft DOHC 48-valve V-12	3.8L/400-hp/325-lb-ft DOHC 24-valve F-6
<b>TRANSMISSION</b>	7-speed manual	7-speed twin-clutch auto.	7-speed twin-clutch auto.
<b>CURB WEIGHT (F/R DIST)</b>	3444 lb (49/51%)	4003 lb (47/53%)	3394 lb (39/61%)
<b>WHEELBASE</b>	106.7 in	107.1 in	96.5 in
<b>LENGTH x WIDTH x HEIGHT</b>	177.0 x 73.9 x 48.6 in	181.8 x 76.5 x 50.1 in	176.8 x 72.9 x 51.0 in
<b>0-60 MPH</b>	3.7 sec	3.6 sec	3.9 sec
<b>QUARTER MILE</b>	12.0 sec @ 118.4 mph	11.3 sec @ 131.7 mph	12.3 sec @ 114.4 mph
<b>BRAKING, 60-0 MPH</b>	95 ft	106 ft	098 ft
<b>MT FIGURE EIGHT</b>	23.9 sec @ 0.82 g (avg)	0.99 g (avg) (est)	23.9 sec @ 0.88 g (avg)
<b>EPA CITY/HWY FUEL ECON</b>	17/29 mpg	12/16 mpg	19/26 mpg
<b>ENERGY CONS., CITY/HWY</b>	198/116 kW-hrs/100 miles	281/211 kW-hrs/100 miles	177/130 kW-hrs/100 miles
<b>CO2 EMISSIONS</b>	0.93 lb/mile	1.43 lb/mile	0.90 lb/mile

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## DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

12/21 Christmas Banquet

### GO TO THE FOLLOWING LINK TO WATCH THE CORVETTE FACTORY BUILD A C7:

<http://www.stingrayforums.com/forum/stingray-corvette-discussions/834-wow-watch-them-build-c7.html>



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All classified advertising must be Corvette-related.

Commercial advertising must be either Corvette-related, or must be associated with the business activities of a CMCS member or sponsor.

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Full page: \$40.00/issue

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