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Social Media for CMCS

CMCS has Facebook and Twitter pages. Use the following to connect.

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<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Corvette-Marque-Club-of-Seattle/178035695582803>

Twitter:

Search on Twitter for **@CMCS63**



On Your Marque... Get Set... Go!

By Kevin Jewell - CMCS President



Manual vs. Automatic: Last month, I divulged that we have a new C7 on order, with the 7 speed manual transmission. I have received a fair amount of good natured ribbing over our choice. Comments like “Kevin, you realize that GM says the automatic is actually faster” to “Yeh, I used to grind my own, but now I let the computer do it”. At a Corvette gathering, have you ever walked through the group of cars and counted the standard transmission vs. the automatics? I have done this and if I had to try to average the results, I would say that 60% of the Corvettes are automatics.

So, I thought I would do a bit of research. An automatic transmission was the only choice in 1953, 54, and 82. Every other year the buyer had an option. Our current Corvette is a 2001 Z06, and there were 5,773 Z06's built that year out of a total of 35,627 cars. Even though the Z06 was only available with a 6 speed manual, 55% of all Corvettes sold that year had automatics. That means about 66% of all non-Z06 2001 Corvettes were automatics. Those numbers fit pretty well with my seat of the pants conclusion walking through a group of Corvettes.

A recent Automobile Magazine had a feature on Corvette transmission choices over the decades. When buyers were given a choice of transmission in 1955, manual transmissions greatly outsold automatics until the beginning of the “emission era” in 1971. From 1971 until the end of the C3, automatics outsold manuals 2:1. I could not find a single year since 1971 where manuals outsold automatics. The two choices came close in 1997, the first year of the C5, and in 2009 and 2013 there were almost identical numbers of autos and manuals sold.

What is interesting from the data is that the build years 1997, 2009 and 2013 were all very low total cars sold. Does this mean that there are a certain number of die hard Corvette buyers that are going to buy, even in down years, and they are only going to buy a manual? Maybe a case of “Don't confuse me with facts, I know what I want”.

I have also read that the new Rolls Royce will have an automatic transmission aided by a GPS unit that reads the road ahead to insure that the transmission is always in the correct gear. Frankly, I am not sure how that is going to work, but certainly your manual transmission doesn't do that for you.

We know that some exotic sports cars are now only available with dual clutch auto/manual transmission. Even Porsche is now mostly automatics. I suspect there is more to this than buyer choice. The new Tier 3 emission standards will take effect in 2017, with each following year through 2025 having even more stringent requirements.

Gasoline engines do best at wider throttle openings, with lower rpms. If we let the computer chose the gears, the automatic will go to the highest possible gear available for that speed in order to run in the most efficient manner. There is increased talk that we will see even more use of 8, 9 and even 10 speed transmissions as the automakers work to meet the new requirements.

As GM works to make their average fleet comply with the standards will we see the pricing structure change? Perhaps GM will make the automatic the base transmission and charge extra for the manual. Yes, I realize that with paddle shifters the buyer can control the automatic similar to a manual. However, how many owners actually do so? Every time I have driven a paddle shift car, I realize that I probably have used the paddle shifters maybe 10% of the time. The rest of the time, I just leave it in drive.

Will we even see the demise of the standard transmission? Will we finally see smaller displacement, turbo Corvette engines in order to meet the new standards? We are approaching some interesting times ahead.

On a much lighter note, I also have read that on a per-capita basis the Corvette is more popular in Montana than any other state. Do you think this has anything to do with the wide open spaces?

National Corvette Museum Passes

The club has a few passes to the National Corvette Museum that provide fee admission. We have passes for 2015, all the way to 2019. If you plan to visit the museum and could use a pass, please just ask the current president of the club for a pass.

CMCS Board Meeting - Saturday February 28th



Silverdale Beach Hotel
3073 NW Bucklin Hill Rd, Silverdale WA 98383
Wet Weekend location
Ballot Counting
4 pm - Cove Room (3rd floor)

Info: Bill Cameron: VicePresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

CMCS General Meeting - Sunday February 8th



Plum Delicious Restaurant
3212 NE Sunset Blvd, Renton, WA
4:00 pm for food
4:45 am for meeting

Info: Kayla Main: Activities@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

Cover: Morlene Schatzer's 1998 Torch Red Coupe

Editor's note: It is appropriate to have a red Corvette cover for our February Valentine issue.



My name is Morlene Schatzer and I've been a Corvette fan since the tender age of 11 when my uncle bought a new 1969 Mako Shark edition Stingray. I decided right then it was the next best thing to an airplane and needed a Corvette myself. Many years later, after the last of my teenage sons was off the family car insurance policies, I finally bought my Corvette. It was used with low miles, Torch Red, and my favorite model: a 1998 C5 base with all the stylish curves.

That was eight years ago, and I'm still enjoying driving my first Corvette every chance I get. I've even gotten used to getting noticed in this bright red car. Although I've finally talked myself into looking for a newer Corvette, my

first one has top billing on the list of favorite cars I've owned and driven.

I learned to drive in a manual-transmission 1966 VW bus on back roads in Montana when I had just finished the fourth grade, which my ranch-kid friends thought was a little late to the game. The first car I bought with my own money was a Mazda R100, which I bought because I thought the engine technology was pretty cool. Other favorites were my folks' 1957 Chevy when I was in preschool, dad's ex-Forest Service car with a spotlight and a 454hp engine when I was in high school, my 1996 Oldsmobile Regency which was as quiet and comfortable (and big) as driving around in my living room, and the funky Renault Megane I owned when I lived in Paris 10 years ago. (Why oh why does my gutless little brand-new Buick Verano car get lower gas mileage than my huge Olds and zippy Saab?)

I'd wager only the other female CMCS members will be able to appreciate my perspective first-hand (or would that be first-foot, ha ha) -- the only thing better than driving a high-performance car is driving a high-performance car in a Corvette club convoy while wearing high heels!

My professional life is more starched-collar, and apart from having fun driving a red Corvette I'm actually a fairly quiet person. I am the Controller and Director of Accounting for an international software company, and have held similar positions in the aerospace and engineering industries. I am a UW grad and earned an Aerospace MBA in Toulouse, France. Although I love airplanes I didn't finish ground school and haven't taken flying lessons. I am single, with four grown kids and five fun grandkids. I love to travel internationally when I get the chance. I live in Renton and volunteer for a community service organization that serves formerly homeless veterans in the city.

Although I've had a blast driving around the Pacific Northwest by myself, in the past couple of years I thought it would be more fun to go on drives with other people, so I looked around for other Corvette fans. I had the pleasure of meeting and driving with several CMCS members including at the Big Sky Meet in Missoula in May 2013, and on my favorite club drive of all time, Kayla's RAD

drive in September 2014 along Oregon's Blue Mountain and Hell's Canyon Highways. I wanted to be a part of more fun events like these, so I joined CMCS last November.

I'm signed up for the Wet Weekend in February, the Big Sky Meet in Billings in May, and of course I wouldn't miss the next RAD drive in early Fall. I'll enjoy going to many of the shows, drives, parades, and other events in between, and help out on committees as I can. Thank you all for your warm welcome! I'm glad to be a Marque Club member. When you see me at a future CMCS event please introduce yourselves so I can get to know you and your cars.



Parades

by Jim McDonnell

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2015 has begun and that means another season of PARADES! At the January club meeting, I began the discussion of the La Conner parade on April 11th. As always, we will meet at 9:00 at the Starbucks on SE 128th Street in Everett. Leaving about 9:30 for La Conner, we will drive past the exit to PACCAR which will also be opened for those interested in the latest truck innovations.

There are other options. Some may want to leave earlier and meet up the Anacortes Corvettes which always have breakfast at the Farmhouse restaurant. Some may want to leave later and join us at the staging area on 6th street in La Conner before the 2:00 pm parade. Whatever your decision, please let me know your intentions so I have some idea of whom to expect. More detail will follow.

The next parade event is the Bothell 4th of July parade. We are strictly limited to 20 Corvettes so get your intentions in early.

Finally, the "mother" of all parades, Torchlight will be held in late July. Last year 23 Corvettes were needed to carry select dignitaries. There is about the same need this year. Get your reservation in early.

Finally, throughout July we will need several cars in parades carrying candidates for SEAFAIR Queen. The Corvettes for each of the six parades number between five and seven. Let me know if you are interested.

This is the first of monthly messages about Parades. As always, if you have any questions don't hesitate to drop me a line. For decoration of American flags, be

sure to contact flagcaddie.com for flags to fit your Corvette. I still have some Club flags that attach to their standards available for \$12.

Funny Foto Classic - Gotta Go

OK Sniffer ...When you gotta go always find an old car like this one.
It really upsets the new car owners!



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Photo by Gary Main

Membership - Have you Renewed Yet?

You should have all received a preprinted CMCS renewal form by now, either by hand delivery or by mail.

Now it is your turn. We have done most of the work. Mark up the form as necessary and return it to the CMCS address, or give it to the membership chair or Treasurer, with your check, and you're done.

By the way, the form makes the job of our club volunteers much easier. We much appreciate you using and returning the printed form.

We have lots of events and activities planned for the year. You won't want to miss out this year.

Deadline Reminders

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| February 13 | Wet Weekend Registration |
| March 6 | Installation Banquet Registration |
| March 31 | CMCS Membership Renewal Deadline |

Upcoming Activities

Red text indicate CMCS Events.

February 2015

- 2/7 **CMCS sponsored Valve Cover Races at the Puyallup Swap Meet.**
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- 2/7-8 **Puyallup Swap Meet. CMCS has a promotion booth at the meet.**
Details: President@CorvetteMarqueClub.com.
- 2/7 NCRS Chapter Dinner/Board/General Meeting. At the Puyallup Swap Meet.
5 pm. Details: PastPresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com.
- 2/8 **CMCS General Meeting & Officer Nominations.** [\(Page 5\)](#)
- 2/14 Tacoma Corvette Club Open House. Noon to 3 pm. Corvettes of Auburn,
3401 C Street NE, Auburn WA. 98002. CMCS is invited.
<http://www.tacomacorvette.com/OpenHouse/2015/2015OpenHouseFlyer.pdf>
RSVP to Kevin Jewell for this event President@CorvetteMarqueClub.com
- 2/14 **Saturday Social at the Plum.** [\(Page 27\)](#)
- 2/21 **Saturday Social at the Plum.** [\(Page 27\)](#)
- 2/27-28 **CMCS Wet Weekend. 50th Anniversary of this event.** [\(Page 26\)](#)
- 2/28 **CMCS Board Meeting. At Wet Weekend location.** [\(Page 5\)](#)

March 2015

- 3/7 **Saturday Social at the Plum.** [\(Page 27\)](#)
- 3/14 **CMCS General Meeting & Officer Installation.** [\(Page 22\)](#)
- 3/21 **Saturday Social at the Plum.** [\(Page 27\)](#)
- 3/28 **Saturday Social at the Plum.** [\(Page 27\)](#)

April 2015

- 4/25 MG Car Club Tulip Rallye. 34th Annual. Cascade Mall, Burlington WA. For a
[Flyer & Registration](#) go to the CMCS Web Site Events > Flyers & Forms.

May 2015

- 05/22-24 Big Sky Corvette Meet "Revvin the Rims". Billings Montana.
Registration: Web Site: [Events > Flyers & Forms > 2015 Big Sky...](#)
Schedule: Web Site: [Events > Flyers & Forms > 2015 Big Sky...](#)
CMCS Coordinators: Tim & Mona Cox: gunnertac@msn.com

July 2015

- 7/22-25 VetteFest 2015 by Valley Corvettes, Boise Idaho
www.valleycorvettes.org

August 2015

- 8/15 5-Star Classic Car Show by Classical Glass Corvettes, Dupont WA
www.classicalglasscorvetteclub.com
- 8/23 **XXX All Corvette Show and Burger Bash.**

September 2015

9/5 Corvettes at the Marina by Corvettes of Grays Harbor, Westport WA
www.corvettesofgraysharbor.com

CMCS General Membership Meeting Minutes

December 27, 2014

**Everett Golf and Country Club, Everett, WA
by Mona Cox**



Editor's Note: Not published in the January newsletter due to the late meeting date.

Board members present were Kevin Jewell (President), Mona Cox (Secretary), Bob Renner (Treasurer), Kayla Main (Two Year Board / Activities), and Stan Trask (Past President). Absent were Bill Cameron (Vice President) and Candy Turi (One Year

Board).

Following a wonderful salmon and chicken dinner with all the trimmings, President Kevin Jewell called the meeting to order at 7:23 p.m., welcoming the 63 attendees.

VICE PRESIDENT Bill Cameron was not in attendance; no report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Mona Cox): The November minutes as printed in the December newsletter were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bob Renner reported that all is fine regarding the club financials. Copies of the reports are available for review at every meeting.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Oran Petersen filling in for Steve Yabroff): Membership remains at 252.

Kevin noted that Ken and Joyce Jones secured the venue for the party. Ken introduced Neil and Kathy Cummings, who sponsored CMCS at the golf club. The attendees thanked them.

ACTIVITIES REPORT: (Kayla Main)

*January General Membership Meeting: January 10, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Redmond Family Pancake House

*Wet Weekend 2015: Event organizer Oran Petersen gave an overview of the event. Check out the CMCS website for the event's registration form. You'll also find the Silverdale hotel information. Make your reservation early.

*February General Membership (board nominations) Meeting will be Sunday, February 8 at the Plum Delicious Restaurant in Renton.

*March General Membership Meeting and Awards Banquet will be at the Collector's Choice Restaurant in Snohomish.

*Check the club website for detail on all upcoming events!

NEWSLETTER: Oran Petersen is looking for cars. If your car has not yet been on the cover, or not for a long time, contact him.

Committee Reports:

CHARITY: *Kevin thanked Vicki Rinehart for her work on the Charity committee over the past year. *The Toys for Tots donation was delivered earlier this month.

APPAREL (Karen Breen-James): No report.

PARADES: *Jim McDonnell reports that the first 2015 parade will be in LaConner the second weekend in April. *He noted that there are many parades each July. Contact Jim if you'd like to participate. He also noted that parade participants didn't get rained on last summer; it was great parade weather!

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY - John Thomas noted that the next cleanup will be in April 2015.

NWACC: Board Meeting to be held February 7 at the Corvette and High Performance Meet in Puyallup.

NCRS: Stan Trask noted that it's put to bed for the winter.

NCM: Wes Holmes absent; no report.

CORVETTE AND HIGH PERFORMANCE MEET, sponsored by Larry Johnson of Olympia: The show will be held in Puyallup on February 7 and 8. CMCS will have a membership booth at the show, as well as host the Valve Cover Races. (Several club members routinely attend this event on Saturday, so our February General Membership Meeting was moved to Sunday afternoon, February 8.) Contact Kevin Jewell if you would like to work in the booth or help at the Valve Cover Races. *Ken Jones has been elected to the NWACC Board. Brian Luessen has agreed to be CMCS's new NWACC rep.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

*Each December, the Board recommends the dues structure for the next year. This year, the Board recommends that the fees remain the same as for 2014. See website for amounts. A motion to leave the dues as is was made and seconded. Motion passed.

*Kevin asked that everyone consider running for a position on the Board. We need new blood. All positions, with the exception of One Year Board and Past President, are open. Committee positions will also need to be filled. If you're interested in throwing your hat in the ring, contact Bill at VicePresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com or wlc@msn.com, or Kevin at President@CorvetteMarqueClub.com.

*The Olsheski Award is awarded annually to a member who goes above and beyond for the club. Kevin announced that Oran Petersen is this year's recipient. In addition to being the newsletter editor, Oran helped with the tour to Goldendale Hill Climb last fall, and is chairing the next Wet Weekend event. Congratulations, Oran! The trophy is kept in the CMCS trophy case at Lee Johnson Chevrolet.

50-50 Drawing (Jack Goodman; Claudia Simmons absent): John Thomas won \$103, which was half of the funds collected. The other half will go to the Shoreline Community College's GM-ASEP (Automotive Service Educational Program) to support a student sponsored by a GM dealer.

Next Meetings:

-Next General Membership Meeting: Saturday, January 10 at the Redmond Family Pancake House, at 6:00 p.m.

-Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 7 at Claim Jumper restaurant in Redmond. Dinner at 5:30 p.m.; meeting around 6:15 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Mona Cox, Secretary

CMCS General Membership Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2015

Redmond Family Pancake House, Redmond, WA

By Mona Cox

Board members present were Kevin Jewell (President), Bill Cameron (Vice President), Mona Cox (Secretary), Bob Renner (Treasurer), and Candy Turi (One Year Board). Absent were Kayla Main (Two Year Board / Activities) and Stan Trask (Past President).

PRESIDENT Kevin Jewell called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m.

VICE PRESIDENT Bill Cameron has 3 radios in stock and for sale.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Mona Cox): No report. The December meeting was held after the January newsletter deadline, so the December meeting minutes will be published in the February newsletter, along with January's meeting minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bob Renner reported that copies of the Treasurer's reports are available for review at each meeting. The club is in good financial shape.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Steve Yabroff): Joe Minarik, who owns a 2013 427 and has a new Z06 on order, and Robert Stone, who also has a new Z51 coupe on order, were voted into the club. Membership now stands at 254.

ACTIVITIES REPORT: (Gary Main standing in for Kayla Main)

*Corvette and High Performance Swap Meet in Puyallup on February 7 and 8; CMCS is hosting Valve Cover Races on Saturday morning

*February General Membership (Board nominations) Meeting: February 8, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. at the Plum Delicious in Renton

*Wet Weekend 2015: Oran Petersen has planned this 50th anniversary event to be held in Silverdale. Check out the CMCS website for the event registration form and for hotel information.

*March General Membership Meeting, Awards Banquet and Officer Installation: March 14 at the Collector's Choice Restaurant in Snohomish.

*For details on all upcoming events, check the club website.

NEWSLETTER: Oran Petersen has no cover cars in the queue. If you'd like your car on the cover, contact Oran!

Committee Reports:

CHARITY (Vicki Rinehart): No report.

APPAREL (Karen Breen-James): No report.

PARADES: *Jim McDonnell brought a collage of various parade photos for all to see. It looked like lots of people had lots of fun! The first parade in 2015 will be in LaConner on April 11. The PACCAR facility, which is open to the public only one day a year, will be open that day. Plan to tour the facility, then go on to LaConner for the parade.

*Contact Jim if you'd like to participate in any of this year's parades.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY - John Thomas absent; no report.

NWACC (Brian Luessen absent; Kevin filled in): *Board Meeting to be held February 7 at the Corvette and High Performance Swap Meet in Puyallup.

*The second annual Autocross School will be held May 16 in Shelton. This is a great opportunity to learn to autocross in a non-threatening manner. Each student will have an instructor for the entire day. An autocross will be held May 17, for new and seasoned autocrossers.

*The annual NWACC Autocross Tech Session will be held March 28 at Kevin and Judy Jewell's house. (If you have an annual tech sticker on your car, you don't have to go through tech at each autocross event.) Contact Kevin for specifics.

NCRS: Stan Trask absent; no report.

NCM: Wes Holmes absent; no report.

CORVETTE AND HIGH PERFORMANCE SWAP MEET: If you sign up to help with the Valve Cover Races or work in the CMCS booth, you receive free admission to the event. Contact Kevin.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

*The 2015 First Quarter Special Recognition recipient is Vicki Rinehart, this year's Charity Chairperson.

*Elections: If you're interested in running for a position on the Board, contact Bill at VicePresident@CorvetteMarqueClub.com or wlc@msn.com, or Kevin at President@CorvetteMarqueClub.com. We welcome having more than one candidate for each position.

50-50 Drawing (Jack Goodman and Claudia Simmons): After going winless for 9 years, Craig Turi won \$60, which was half of the funds collected. The other half will go to the Shoreline Community College's GM-ASEP (Automotive Service Educational Program) to support a student sponsored by a GM dealer.

Next Meetings:

-Next General Membership Meeting: Sunday, February 8 at 4:00 p.m. at the Plum Delicious Restaurant in Renton

-Next Board Meeting: Saturday, February 28 (at the Wet Weekend event in Silverdale) at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Mona Cox, Secretary

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2005 Roadster Z51	38k	LeMans Blue/Black	6-Speed	\$27,980
2005 Coupe Z51	28k	Magnetic Red/Black	6-Speed	\$29,980
2005 Coupe	73k	Machine Silver/Black	Auto	\$23,908
2006 Coupe Z51	9k	Arctic White/Black	Auto	\$32,980
2006 Coupe	30k	Monterey Red/Cashmere	6-Speed	\$28,980
2006 Coupe Z51 3LT	16k	Machine Silver/Black	6-Speed	\$32,980
2008 Roadster	7k	Indy Pace Car	Auto	\$39,980
2014 Coupe 2LT	29 mi	Torch Red/Black	Auto	\$61,980

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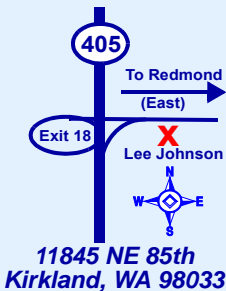
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2015 Officer Nominations - Your Club Needs You

The current CMCS board of directors is looking for club members that wish to get involved in club operations and wish to have more say in club functions; and to hold a seat on the 2015/2016 CMCS board.

Please contact Bill Cameron, your current Vice President, or Kevin Jewell, your current President.

This is a great opportunity for members to learn how the club operates and be part of the decision making process. We need members to **STEP UP NOW** for next year's board. Time is growing short.

2015 Q1 Special Recognition - Vicki Rinehart



Every quarter the board selects a recipient(s) for our Special Recognition. This quarter we honor Vicki Rinehart. Vicki jumped right into the chair position for our Dee Esping Charity. She coordinated which charities were to receive funds from our charity. Most importantly, she organized the very successful charity auction in November that raised over \$3,900 for our charity. These funds will be spent during the 2015-16 club year. The board and the Club thank Vicki for her efforts this past year.

Olsheski Award - 2014

Kevin Jewell presented Oran Petersen the Olsheski Award at the 2014 Christmas party.



Valve Cover Races at the Swap Meet

Saturday February 7th

2015 is the 7th year that CMCS (or CMCS folks) have sponsored valve cover races at the Puyallup Swap Meet, a long standing event held in February of each year. This year the races are Saturday February 7th.

Many of you have racers around from SIS or other past events. If you need information about how this works, the CMCS Web Site has full details. [Valve Cover Race Information for the Swap Meet](#)



Some points to consider:

- **Next Gen** is primarily for kids and younger adults. So consider bringing your kids, or grandkids for most of us, or great grandkids in some cases. But anyone is welcome and encouraged to attend and participate.
- A strong CMCS presence is much appreciated.
- We have “loaner” racers for those that would like to play but do not have one. So no excuses for you there. And the kids have a great time once they see how it works.

CMCS also has a club booth at the meet. Help to operate the booth is always appreciated, and helping is a good way to participate in club activities. Contact CMCS president Kevin Jewell for booth details:

president@corvettemarqueclub.com

For more details on the races, or to offer your help (much appreciated) send an email to races@corvettemarqueclub.com

Wet Weekend - Are you Signed Up?

The room block at the Silverdale Beach Hotel released on January 27th. This does not mean that you can't get a room however. Just give them a call.

What are you Missing

Some of you may be thinking this is just a short drive over the bridge and north a ways. You would be incorrect. After Purdy you will not see freeways again except for a short stretch on Saturday. Lots of country, shoreline drives, rain forest like roads and NO TRAFFIC FOR MILES.

We also have a great food event. Lunch at airports both Friday and Saturday, with great atmosphere, great food and good prices. Saturday dinner is at a beach front restaurant that you won't want to miss.

We also have a pizza event, cards, and lots of socialization.

For details go to the Events > Flyers & Forms [Event Details](#).

Registration deadline is February 13th. Don't miss this one!

NWACC Autocross School
(NorthWest Association of Corvette Clubs)



Saturday May 16, 2015

Shelton WA Airport

9 am to 3 pm

Classroom and Driving time

Any Performance Oriented car OK

Maximum of Two Students per Car

Registration Deadline April 30th

Registration is limited to 20 students (first come basis)

Helmets Required (bring one if you can)

(Loaner Helmets are Available)

Registration Form

If 2nd student in same car, please use a separate form & indicate "2 drivers in car".

Student:

Car License:

Address:

Ins. Co.:

City

St:

Zip:

Phone:

Car Year & Model:

*E-Mail:

2 Drivers in car

*Please provide email address. A registration packet, including lodging options, will be sent.

\$80 School registration fee includes

free Sunday 5/17/15 autocross (\$50 value)

Mail Registration Form & Payment (Checks payable to NWACC) to:
George Schwartz, 5905 Thornbury Dr SE, Lacey WA 98513
Email: c4cruiser@comcast.net

Laps from the Past

by Ben Benninghoff - CMCS Historian



50 LAPS AGO: February '65. The February Club meeting took place at sponsor Alan Green Chevrolet, and was called to order by Dick Stanley. All attending members and guests took turns by announcing themselves to all present. Club activities included a TYEE Rat-Fink Rally, A CMCS Autocross Practice at SIR (Seattle International Raceway), and, a Tour with the Salem Corvette Club. Wally Arrowsmith reported on the Meeting Desires Poll (Editor's Note: We believe this referred to a poll about what restaurants, speakers, etc. were desired for the general meetings). Ken Deckman (parliamentarian) noted that it is legal for the Board to recommend dues at 'this' meeting. The Board proposed membership dues of \$10, plus \$1 for a spouse, and new membership dues of \$15, plus \$1 for a spouse. The new-member fee would include a car badge, jacket patch, and a name tag. Due to a lack of members present required by Club by-laws required for a measure to be voted upon, the motion could not be passed at this time. Larry Gibson and Ron Peters showed their auto-show trophies to all in attendance. Jack Arnold reported on his experiences driving his 1965 Corvette back from the factory in St. Louis. Larry also reported on the coming car shows for March in Vancouver B.C., and April in Seattle. Individuals voted into Full Membership were: Ray & Camile Kaltenbach, Fred Bromilow, Larry Webb, Bob Wiedman, John Grosso, and Dan & Lynn Homan. Attending Prospective Members not yet meeting the requirements to join were; Mike Kamole, Roger Ellingson, Dick Guldstrand, Ray Deckman, Bill Gorsline, Nina Deckman, and Ed McCarrol. Also attending were dealer sponsors Alan & Barbara Green, and brother George Green. Ken Nearing mentioned a possible tour to Ocean Shores. Amendments proposed by the Board in January 1965 pertaining to the Membership Committee, Committee Chairman, Activities Committee, and the Duties of the President were accepted by the Club membership at the meeting. John Thomas reported on the progress of the SSCC (Seattle Sports Car Council). CMCS (Corvette Marque Club of Seattle) otherwise known as the Club, indicated by straw vote a preference for the Council name of NWSCC (NorthWest Sports Car Council), rather than the RSCC (Rainier Sports Car Council) Nominations for the new Board Officer Elections were presented by the Board, and additional nominations were then opened from the floor. Previous discussions for and against the Club Point System will appear in the coming newsletter.

40 LAPS AGO: February '75. The monthly Club meeting, called to order by President Dee Esping, took place during the Wet Weekend outing to Beachwood Resort at Copalis Beach. Susie Gillman was voted into full membership. NWACC (North West Association of Corvette Clubs) will have a meet in March called the Heidelberg Hospitality in Portland. Ernie Kahler was elected to the competition committee for the autocross & concours events. WWSCC (Western Washington Sports Car Council) announced in order to keep the Club's insurance coverage, the rate per person will be \$1.65, payable in March. A special Board meeting will take place in February at the home of Ron McDuffie to discuss the matter and report back to the membership. Newsletter editor Belinda McLees noted she needed articles on the Wet Weekend and on Sam's poker party. The Annual Awards Banquet will be held in March at the Beef & Brew in Renton at a cost of \$7.50 per person. Board Officer candidate names were presented by the Board for the coming elections; then the floor was opened for additional nominations. For some candidates, the Club waived the one-year membership requirement per Club rules to be placed in nomination.

30 LAPS AGO: February '85. President John Thomas got the monthly meeting started at the home of the Johansen's. A correction was announced pertaining to the January General Membership Meeting Minutes to note that a motion was made and passed that more than one member in a family could hold office at the same time, not necessarily just run for an office position. The 10th Anniversary Corvette & High Performance Swap Meet was held at the Western Washington Fairgrounds in Puyallup, with Larry Johnson being the contact person for more information. Neil & Noreen Millen and, John Paul Nelson III attended the recent NWACC meeting where it was decided that our Club would host an NWACC event to coincide with the upcoming Drag Race in August. There would be an Autocross and Rallye. The first event was be in May in Olympia. Glass Odyssey Corvette Club held a practice autocross session in April. NCRS (National Corvette Restorer's Society) election of their Officers took place the week following our Club's meeting. Their annual Picnic took place on Father's Day at Lake Sammamish State Park in June. The Regional Meet was in Bend in August. Frank Brese was voted into full membership. (NOTE; it would not be until the 1990's when membership 'totals' were announced consistently at meetings as the membership was not all that concerned about a total membership number at a given time frame, but rather emphasis was placed on the membership having fun and establishing close bonds with one another- Ben). The Annual Wet Weekend took place at the Alderbrook Inn in Union WA, in the Hood Canal area. A Valentine Pajama Party was hosted by the Shelly's at their home in Edmonds. John Thomas wrote a letter to the IRS explaining why the Club had been so late returning our tax form. It was decided to order 150 Club jacket patches. The Board presented their list of names to be considered for

elections, and then the floor was opened for additional nominees from the membership in attendance.

20 LAPS AGO: February '95. Bob & Sandy Lazaroff's Quasar Blue Metallic 1992 Coupe was featured on the newsletter's cover. There were only 738 Corvettes built with the RPO Z07 package, with the 6-speed transmission and other special additions. They previously owned a yellow 1974 Coupe, but have been pleasantly 'flying low' in their new Quasar Blue. President David Barlia got the monthly meeting started at Coco's Restaurant in Bellevue. Voted into full membership were Bob & Karen Barnott, bringing the total to 141. The Annual Swap Meet took place in Puyallup, while the Main's hosted a Sweetheart's Champagne Brunch at their home. NCRS noted they will host their annual Father's Day Picnic at Lake Sammamish State Park in June; it will be their 20th Anniversary hosting the event. The Annual Wet Weekend outing to Long Beach and stay at the Boardwalk Cottages would be the Club's 30th Anniversary outing. NWACC had their first annual meeting at Mitzel's in Puyallup. The Board presented their list of Officer nominations for the coming year, then opened the floor for members to place other names for consideration. Ballots were mailed out to the membership in good standing along with renewal dues notices. The annual Awards Banquet & Officer Installation event was to take place in March at The Yankee Diner in Seattle. John Thomas presented an article to the newsletter noting the history of NWACC that began in 1971. A letter of thanks from our Club to Hydroplanes Inc was put in the newsletter thanking them for our visit to their facilities last month. With the Club business concluded, guest speaker Bob Jennings of Fikse Wheels was invited to give his presentation.

10 LAPS AGO: February '05. Greg Westford's 2003 Red Z06 Corvette was featured on the newsletter cover; the photo was taken in front of the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green Kentucky. This was Greg's 5th Corvette to date and understandably his most exciting. President Tim Cox got the monthly meeting started, held at the Kirkland Old Country Buffet that morning. Membership Chair Mona Cox announced eight members eligible to be voted into full membership; Mike & Laura McGinty, David Richmand & Jangy Te, Brad & Emily (daughter) Thomsen, and, George & Aida Walden (from Republic WA). All were accepted bringing the total to 318. Mona also requested that all NCM (National Corvette Museum) members please update their personal information form so the Club's information could be current. Club activities included the Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup Session and the annual Wet Weekend outing, this time to Harrison Hot Springs in B.C. The Annual Awards Banquet & Officer Installation event will take place at the College Club in Seattle next month. Newsletter editor Oran Petersen has new calendars with member's Corvettes for sale at \$5 each. Cassie Black, Charity Committee Chair, noted the balance of unused Charity funds

from 2004 would be given to the Northwest Harvest organization. Tim Cox organized a Banner Contest to upgrade the Club's Banner used at Club meetings and sponsored events for public recognition. The winning design received a free 2005 membership. Paul Luczyk opened the floor for nominations of the Officer's Elections after the Board presented their list of nominations. Ballots were to be mailed out to all members in good standing, counted at the Wet Weekend event, with the results to be announced by the end of the month.

5 LAPS AGO: February '10. Robert & Shauna Bean's 1994 Red convertible was the featured member's Corvette on the newsletter cover. The photo shows the Beans participating in the 2009 Seattle Torchlight Parade carrying Grand Marshal Mike & Kathy Holmgren of the Seattle Seahawks. President Dennis Montgomery got the monthly meeting started at the Old Country Buffet after a breakfast before heading out on a tour. Bill Cameron noted that Shoreline Community College sent our Club a letter listing our donations supporting the Scholarship Foundation program for 2009. Al Dager reported that he had five UHF radios on hand for \$204 each. Club Activities were the 45th Annual Wet Weekend this year in Astoria, Oregon, and the annual High Performance Swap Meet in Puyallup; Gary Main reported on the Valve Cover Races he organized. Tim Cox asked for assistance putting together theme baskets for the 2010 SIS (Seattle in September) 3-day Corvette meet in September. Steve Yabroff shared information on custom T-Shirts that could be ordered through the Museum. Dennis Montgomery presented the Board's slate of officers recommended for election, and then the floor was opened for other nominations from the attending members. Officer Installations and Awards Banquet was slated to take place at Shawn O'Donnell's in March. The Board presented a motion to those in attendance to increase the yearly dues for only single members; it was passed making this a historical precedent of the Club increasing membership dues only for a specific class of the general membership.

More Laps to come...

CMCS General Meeting & Officer Installation - March 2015

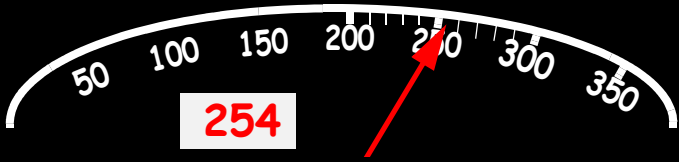


March 14, 2015
Collector's Choice Restaurant
215 Cypress Avenue, Snohomish, WA
5:30 pm Social - 6:00 pm Dinner
\$30 per person - **RSVP by March 6th**
(Check/Cash only)

Info: Kayla Main: Activities@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

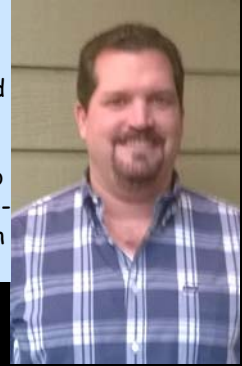


The Membership Tachometer by Steve Yabroff



Robert Stone is a retired engineer and also a long-time Corvette lover, having owned a 1986 C4, a 1998 C5, and a Monterey Red 2006 C6. He is currently awaiting his 2015 Shark Gray Z51 Stingray Coupe, looking forward to exploring the capabilities of his new Corvette and experiencing the various CMCS activities.

Joe Minarik is a long-time Corvette lover. He currently has a 2013 427 Convertible and has on order a 2015 Crimson Red Metallic Z06. He is particularly looking forward to the driving events such as auto-crossing and School Daze when he is not out on travel.



Welcome to the Club

February Birthdays

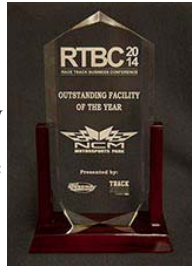
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John R. Thomas	4	Kenneth Meyer	7	Dave Ormerod	16
Tim Cox	6	Paul Gay	8	Lynne Green	18
Byron Hess	6	John Dodge	11	Bill Benn	22
Kim Quenzer	6	Barbara Snider	11	Teri Lowe	27
Terrence Strieck	6	Kelly Green	12		
Max Bettman	7	John Lucke	13		

National Corvette Museum News

by **Vince Perriello**

Motorsports Park Named Outstanding Facility

The Race Track Business Conference has awarded the NCM Motorsports Park the “Outstanding Facility of the Year” award. The plaque was presented by National Speedway Directory and Track Guide at the Performance Racing Industry Trade Show.



“The NCM Motorsports Park is the next generation venue that meets the needs of automotive manufacturers and after-market performance entities. Having a facility that is close to the Corvette assembly plant provides a unique opportunity for performance research and development.” said Tim Frost, the organizer of the event.

The previous award winner was the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

Engine Build Program Offered for Z06

Starting in March, Corvette Z06 customers will be able to assemble the 650-hp supercharged LT4 engine for their cars at the new Performance Build Center inside the Bowling Green Assembly Plant.

The Engine Build Experience is selected with order code PBC and is offered on all Z06 trim levels. The \$5,000 package includes a full day with a Performance Build Center engine assembly technician who instructs and oversees the build, a personalized engine plaque identifying the owner/builder and the date of the engine build, and professional photography of the experience.



The National Corvette Museum handles the concierge services for the customer, following up on the scheduled build date and handling logistics on the day of the build.

Dyer Family Foundation Helps Make 1983 Corvette Display a Reality

Thanks to the generosity of the Dyer Family, the National Corvette Museum is proud to finally have a proper exhibit for the only 1983 Corvette in existence. In memory of Calvin and Frances Dyer, both Corvette enthusiasts, the Dyer family presented the National Corvette Museum with a grant to be used towards a new 1983 Corvette display.



The 1983 Corvette exhibit, previously located in the Skydome of the Museum, was originally mixed in with other Corvettes, simply blending in with its surroundings. Just prior to the sinkhole, the Corvette was placed on one of the pedestals in the Skydome.

Today, while renovations in the Skydome are in progress, the 1983 is featured in the Gateway of the Museum, earning the attention it deserves.

CMCS Magnetic Plaques by Oran Petersen

Most of you probably know that we distribute magnetic plaques, previously called “Dash Plaques” (no one puts them on the dash of their car anymore) for many of our events, many personalized with member names. A while back I was asked the question “What do I do with these”?

So I am offering you our solution. Dee & I use them as mementos, and often refer to them for events of the past and our club history. I have been doing them using my color printer and business card magnets since about 2006. We have also gathered many others from other club events.

So we purchased two 2 x 3 white boards, available in most places that sell office supplies. The plaque magnets attach to these boards with ease. We also mount magnets on “outside” plaques from other club events.

We buy the magnets in bulk, reducing the cost to about 8 cents each. If you wish to get some let me know. We are now close to filling 2 boards, having collected them since 1995.



Wet Weekend 2015



50th Annual

*Best Western Plus
Silverdale Beach Hotel*

February 27, 28, 2015

Base Hotel

*Silverdale Beach Hotel, 3073 NW Bucklin Hill Rd, Silverdale WA 98383
\$90 Beach View * \$85 Street Side*

*Reservations: (360) 698-1000 * Mention "Corvette Club" for group rate*

Group Block and Rate Deadline: January 27, 2015

Make your reservation soon!

Friday February 27th

10:00 am	Tour - Depart Fry's Electronics in Renton to Silverdale
Noon	Lunch at Airport Diner, Bremerton Airport (no host)
1:30 pm	Tour - Depart Airport Diner (shoreline and back roads to Silverdale)
3:00 pm	Arrive Silverdale Beach Hotel
6:00 pm	Pizza & Salad in Hotel (Hosted by CMCS) (Cove Room)

Saturday February 28th

10:00 am	Tour to Spruce Goose Restaurant & Air Museum
11:00 am	Breakfast/Lunch (no host) at Spruce Goose
11:00 am	Guided tour of Museum \$8 no host group rate fee
4:00 pm	CMCS Board meeting & Ballot Counting (Cove Room)
6:00 pm	Saturday Banquet - Yacht Club Broiler (no host) 9226 Bayshore Dr NW (Half mile from hotel) (Order from menu, separate checks)

Event Coordinator: Oran Petersen Newsletter@CorvetteMarqueClub.com

CMCS RSVP & Fees

\$15 per person (Friday dinner, tours, booklet, personalized plaque)

Deadline February 13, 2015 (check & reservation form to club address)

For more details, go to the club Web Site [2015 Wet Weekend](#)

Reservation Form

For a Wet Weekend Reservation Form go to the CMCS Web Site *Events > Flyers and Forms > [2015 Wet Weekend - 50th Anniversary Flyer & Registration](#)*.

Or get one at a meeting, or contact Oran Petersen to get one.

February 2015 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Puyallup Swap Meet & CMCS Valve Cover Races (Page 17)
8 CMCS General Meeting. Plum Delicious Restaurant (Page 5)	9	10	11	12	13 RSVP deadline to CMCS for Wet Weekend (Page 26)	14 CMCS Plum Social (Page 27)
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 CMCS Plum Social (Page 27)
22	23	24	25	26	27 CMCS Wet weekend (Page 26)	28 CMCS Wet weekend (Page 26) CMCS Board Meeting (Page 5)

March 2015 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6 RSVP deadline to CMCS for the March meeting (Page 22)	7 CMCS Plum Social (Page 27)
8	9	10	11 CMCS Board Meeting	12	13	14 CMCS General Meeting & Officer Installation. (Page 22)
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 CMCS Plum Social (Page 27)
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 CMCS Plum Social (Page 27)
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April 2015 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 CMCS Plum Social (Page 27)
5	6	7	8 CMCS Board Meeting	9	10	11 CMCS General Meeting
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 CMCS Plum Social (Page 27)
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 CMCS Plum Social (Page 27)
26	27	28	29	30		

Saturday Social at the Plum - 9 am

Join club members and others for a breakfast social.
 Plum Delicious Restaurant, 3212 NE Sunset Blvd, Renton, WA
 The agenda is food and Corvette talk. Just show up and enjoy.
 The socials happen most Saturdays, except those with conflicting CMCS events. See the activity list.

Coordinator: Oran Petersen Newsletter@CorvetteMarqueClub.com





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Commercial advertising must either be Corvette related or must be associated with the business/professional activities of a Club member or Club sponsor.

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Non-member personal item advertising, or member commercial rates

- Up to 1/4 page \$5.00 per issue
- 1/2 page \$10.00 per issue
- Full page \$18.00 per issue

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- Up to 1/4 page \$10.00 per issue
 - 1/2 page \$20.00 per issue
 - Full page \$40.00 per issue
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