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Charity - Thank You

By Marty Cameron - Charity chairman



I would like to pass on a huge thank you to all that donated money to the charity fund this year. For you new members when you sign up for membership or renew your membership there is a spot on the form with a dollar amount that goes directly to the charity. There have been many children and families on the east side that have benefited from your donations. Please consider making a donation to the Dee Esping Charity Fund when you renew your membership or join this great club as a new member.

Cover Car - Rick Johnson's 2015 Z06



A 2LZ with a 7-speed manual. Arctic White with carbon flash stripes and Adrenaline Red competition seating.

I always wanted a Corvette. This is my first. I have owned it since April 2016. I love unique cars. I own two other fiberglass cars: Avantis, a Raymond Lowey designed 1974 Avanti I bought just out of college 40 years ago, and a rare 2003 LS1 Corvette-powered convertible for 15 years.

I often have to describe the Avanti to obviously confused people. My standard answer, "it's like a Corvette". Getting tired doing this for decades, so 5 years ago I decided the time had come to get another fiberglass car. At that time all dealers everywhere were on allocation for that car. I was able to custom order it at a dealership back east with direct delivery from Bowling Green to a local dealer. I took delivery in April 2015. It just turned 13k pleasure-use-only miles. I drive the Z06 summer only, and never in the rain.

The car is 1 of 46 configured with the Arctic White/Adrenaline Red Recaro seats & full-length carbon flash stripes & carbon flash mirrors. I like the contrast of black and white.

In summer I drive the Vette most of the time. The top has only been on a few times in 5 years as I love the convertible aspect of driving. I also love going through the 7 gears and using the rev match on the downshifts, sounds great! The Recaro competition seat option is awesome for a slender person and the stereo is as good as any aftermarket one I have ever installed.

This all equals an unbelievable Corvette driving experience. I looked at the 2020's and love them, but not enough to trade my manual Z06 in for an automatic C8, but maybe in the future.





President's Message

By Shaun Hayes
CMCS President



We are into the wet and cold weather season in the Pacific Northwest and many of you may have put your Corvette away in the garage for the winter. We expect that given the weather and the continuing challenges from COVID-19 in Washington state that we will have a limited number of opportunities to hold any type of in-person events for a while.

Club meetings: We held our November general membership meeting on-line on Thursday, November 19th at 7 pm. Thursday evenings at 7 pm seem to be working for the general membership meeting so we plan to continue this schedule for the foreseeable future. We will post the upcoming board of director and general membership meetings in the events section of the website. Its easy to register to attend these virtual meetings and you will receive a confirmation email after registering with the details on how to attend the virtual meeting. If anyone has any concerns or wants a little help using the Zoom software, please reach out to Alton Loe or myself and we would be happy to assist. We had two new members join the club this month increasing our membership to 261. Check out the web site home page for a new link to see the winners of the autocross event this year and a nice write-up by Mike Roylance. We have also added a new link on the home page to find CMCS logo apparel provided by club member Bonnie Roylance.

Events: We have moved into the low season for driving events. Kevin let folks know that we will be looking for some good weather driving opportunities during the next couple of months. We understand that several of you may have put your car away but feel free to join any driving event with your “other” car. If we see a window of opportunity and we can organize a social distancing drive, we will send out an all member email with information about how to register for the event. Kevin is also looking at organizing a Wet Weekend event in 2021-- yes, we have an optimistic attitude. The two most likely dates are March 6th or March 13th. We are looking at a drive and one-night stay. We don't think we'll be able to hold a big group dinner or have our nightly 31 competition but we're looking for ways to get out to drive our cars and have a little fun. As soon as we have a proposal to share with the club members, we will get it posted on the web site and included in the newsletter.

Club dues: Our annual renewal period will be starting in January 2021 running through March 31 and thru the April 2021 grace period. At our December meeting we will be asking CMCS members to approve our club dues structure for next year. The board completed a review of the club's finances at

our November meeting. The club is in excellent financial shape today. The core operational costs of running the club have been stable this year and we anticipate that we can continue to run the club at approximately the same costs next year. We also looked at the cost of printing and distributing the newsletter. We realized that these costs have increased from around \$20 per address a few years ago to about \$30 this year. The board recommends that the core membership cost remains the same and that we increase the cost to receive the printed newsletter and directory by \$10 to cover the higher printing and postage costs. The table below shows the current dues structure and the proposed dues structure for next year. We will be voting on the proposed dues structure at the December general membership meeting. Please mark December 17th at 7 pm on your calendar and plan to attend the meeting to vote on the membership dues proposal. If anyone has questions about the proposed dues for next year, please reach out to any member of the board and we'd be happy to speak with you.

Membership Category	Current Dues	Proposed Dues
Family - no printed newsletter	\$50	\$50
Family - with printed newsletter	\$70	\$80
Individual - no printed newsletter	\$30	\$30
Individual - with printed newsletter	\$50	\$60
Associate - no printed newsletter	\$20	\$20
Associate - with printed newsletter	\$40	\$50

In Memoriam - Robert George Renner

July 22, 1936 - October 30, 2020 - Age 84



Robert & Lois Renner joined CMCS in January 2008. They were very active in CMCS, offering their Sammamish home for meetings, newsletter assembly parties and festive events. Robert was CMCS treasurer in 2010 and again in 2014 where his CFO business experience came in handy for CMCS. They got one of the first C7 Z06's in the club, a Night Race Blue 2015 with lots of options. Robert coordinated a couple of trips to the Bangor Submarine facility, with a tour inside of a nuclear sub. These were a big hit with CMCS members.

Lois preceded Robert in death in May 2018. Robert then sold his home, gave the Corvette to family members and moved to a retirement home in Issaquah. He remained an Associate CMCS member and attended several club events with transportation help from other members. No services are planned.

A short obituary was published in the Seattle Times on November 8th. <https://obituaries.seattletimes.com/obituary/robert-renner-1080727048>.

General Meeting Minutes
Thursday November 19, 2020 @ 7:00 pm
Zoom Online
By Bill Cameron



Committee Chairs / Representative-- REPORTS

Membership - 261 members ----- Steve Yabroff

Website ----- Alton Loe

Auto cross winners for this year listed.

Charity----- Marty Cameron

At the last board meeting board approved funds for charity to use for needed families and Toys for Tots this year. The treasurer will give Marty a check and the shopping will begin. Jubilee Reach will receive gift cards this year instead of us shopping for the families due to COVID-19 issues. Sandy Kamm, Bonnie Roylance and Judy Jewell have volunteered to help Marty with shopping for Toys for Tots.

Parades - No Report ----- John Kamm

(Editor's Note: John submitted the Woodinville Lighted Car Parade after the meeting. (See Page 26).

Adopt-a-Highway - Still on hold -----Kevin Wilson

Sponsor----- Joe Powell

4 pre-owned Corvettes for sale at sponsors location.

Apparel -----Bonnie Roylance

Has a new location on the main page of our website.

Newsletter - No Report ----- Oran Petersen

NWACC-----Ken Jones

Arthur Green voted in as new president, and Bob Hopper voted in as Secretary.

NCRS -----Gary Main

NW Chapter Holiday Brunch has been canceled due to COVID. No further chapter events are scheduled for 2020. As always, check the NW chapter website for the latest schedule updates.

NCM -----Kevin Wilson

Check in our newsletter for the latest videos available from the NCM, and for the current Corvette raffles and Corvette donations and activities.

OFFICERS REPORTS

President -----Shaun Hayes

Shaun and Joel (treasurer) performed an operational review.

Vice President----- Alton Loe

Alton has someone volunteered for every Board position for next year, but if you would like to put your name in the ring feel free to let Alton know.

Secretary-----Bill Cameron

October meeting minutes approved as posted.

Treasurer - Financials solvent ----- Joel Druckman
2 Year Activities/1 Year Activities----- Kevin Jewell/Mike Roylance

No Events Scheduled at this time may be put to bed for the winter.
 Impromptu tours may still take place. Keep an eye out for them. If anyone has an idea for a tour or would like to lead a tour. Contact Kevin or Mike.
 Wet weekend tour being looked at for March 6th or 13th.

Past President-----Ken Jones

Christmas canceled for this year but has set up tentative Christmas plans for December 11, 2021

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

Next General Meeting: -----December 17, 2020

Next Board Meeting: -----December 10, 2020

Under the Hood

by Kevin Jewell



It is winter, so not the normal time we think about boats, but a recent article got me thinking about outboard engines. When I was young, I learned to water ski behind a 14' wood boat with a 25 horsepower Johnson outboard. The outboard would pull an adult skier, but only if they left from the dock. If they fell into the water, the engine did not have enough power to pull a good-sized adult from a water launch. A few years later we replaced that boat with a similar sized, but lightweight aluminum, boat with a 4 cylinder, 45 horsepower Mercury outboard. That boat would easily pull two skiers, although a dock launch was recommended. At the time we were starting to see 75-90 hp outboards, but we thought the 45 hp Merc was all we would ever need. I hadn't paid a lot of attention to outboard motors until a year or so ago when we went to the Ballard Locks to watch the salmon run and the boats in the locks. I was surprised to see an open cockpit boat with twin 300 hp outboards. Doing a bit of research I discovered how large outboard engines have grown. Honda produces a 250 hp outboard engine based upon the V6 engine in the Odyssey minivan. Mercury has a 4.6 liter V8 with 300 hp. This is a 64 degree V engine (auto V8 engines are generally 90 degrees between the cylinder banks), which I assume was done to make the outboard engine narrower. Mercury also has a supercharged 2.6 liter 6 cylinder that has ratings of 350 & 400 hp. Yamaha has introduced a 5.6 liter V8 with 425 hp. The current king of the hill appears to be Volvo Penta's Seven Marine Division which is producing a 627 hp outboard engine. This outboard is based upon the supercharged 6.2 liter GM engine found in the C7 Z06. The engine is slightly detuned, with a lower compression ratio and slightly lower boost pressure, to allow it to run on 89 octane fuel. The engine is

turned on end which requires extensive changes to cooling and oiling systems. At full throttle, the outboard will burn 1.1 gallons of fuel per minute. The article on the Seven Marine outboard included a picture of a 65' open cockpit fishing boat with five of these outboards mounted on the transom. This seems an odd combination, as I would think a couple of large diesel inboard engines would be a better power source. I can imagine that my fishing budget would be exhausted in the first minute after that 65' boat left the dock.

It is not just auto manufacturers and dealers that are suffering in the pandemic. I watch local truck builder, Paccar, as a good indicator of our economy. If consumers are buying, then freight traffic is in demand, which ultimately drives truck sales. Paccar shut down its manufacturing facilities for 5 weeks with the pandemic. Second quarter sales were down more than 50% and profits were down 76%, from the year earlier period. Sales have been slowly increasing, but still far below pre-pandemic levels.

When I bought my college car, my father provided his maintenance lecture. "Change the engine oil every 3,000 miles and change the oil filter every other oil change". I haven't heard this oil filter frequency recommendation for years, but I just happened to be reading a 1978 Corvette Owner's Manual (don't ask me why I was reading a '78 manual). Sure enough, in the manual is the statement: "Change oil each 7,500 miles or once a year, whichever comes first. Change oil filter at the first oil change and each second oil change after that, if you drive more than 7,500 miles per year. If you change oil once a year, change the filter each time you change oil." My first car did not have a spin-on filter, so an oil change was a messy affair. Perhaps the ease of changing a spin-on filter is the basis for the current recommendation to change the filter with each oil change. You are probably thinking that I should find more interesting reading material.

In the movie *Ford v Ferrari*, we watched main characters Carroll Shelby and driver Ken Miles. At the beginning of the movie we see Miles at his sports car repair shop. Miles had his own shop and also worked with Shelby as his chief development engineer and test driver. Some of you know that Judy and I also own a '67 Sunbeam Tiger, which we purchased as a used car in '76. I want to relate the story of the Tiger and involvement of Shelby and Miles. I am sure you know that Shelby developed the AC Cobra, combining the chassis/body of an AC Ace (British sports car) and Ford's new small block V8. The first Cobra was exhibited at the New York Auto Show in 1962. The Cobra was very successful in racing from almost the very first trial. This success was noted by the Rootes Group (manufacturer of Sunbeam and other English marques) West Coast manager, Ian Garrard. Garrard could see the interest being shown in the Cobra and other performance cars and tried to visualize how he could improve the sales prospect of the Sunbeam Alpine sports car, then powered by a 1.6 liter 4 cylinder. Garrard approached Shelby with the idea of installing the small block Ford engine in an Alpine. Shelby agreed to accept the demonstration project and

quoted a price of \$10,000 and estimated delivery in 8 weeks. Garrard was impatient and he then contacted Miles at his shop and asked Miles if he could perform a quick engine swap. Miles agreed and quoted the cost of about \$600. In early 1963, an Alpine was delivered to the Miles shop. Miles didn't want to wait for a 4 speed transmission to be available, so he quickly sourced a Ford 260 engine with a 2 speed automatic transmission. Again, in the interest of time, Miles simply pulled the Alpine engine and transmission and dropped the new engine in the void. The Alpine recirculating steering gear was located behind the engine, which forced the new engine to be installed very forward in the body resulting in a rather front-heavy car with resulting poor handling. However, the quick swap did prove that the Ford engine would fit without major body changes. Shelby had more time and money for his project and the major difference was that Shelby abandoned the Alpine steering gear and installed a rack and pinion steering unit in front of the cross member which allowed him to move the engine rearward providing much better handling. Garrard was very impressed with the Shelby prototype and after a few tweaks, the car was shipped to England for inspection by the Rootes Group brass. After a few lower ranking brass drove the prototype, they convinced CEO Lord Rootes to give it a try. According to the story, Lord Rootes returns from his test drive with a big smile and smoking rear brakes, as he drove the test route with the hand brake engaged. Even with the hand brakes engaged the performance of the modified Alpine with a 4.2 liter V8 vs. the 1.6 liter 4 cylinder was impressive. Lord Rootes calls Henry Ford direct, orders a batch of Ford engines, and the rest is history. Ultimately about 7,000 Tigers were built, almost all with the Ford 260 engine. Later in the Tiger period, Rootes Group spends a fortune developing a small rear engine car to compete with the Beetle and Mini, and then finances are further compromised with a long labor strike. Ultimately Chrysler acquired a controlling interest in Rootes. The original Tigers had small fender and truck badges that read "Powered by Ford 260". With the acquisition, Chrysler had a problem with the Tiger. If you have seen a Tiger engine compartment, you realize that Chrysler's small 273 engine with a rear mounted distributor would not fit without major rework of the body. However, the assembly line was running, and they still had a bunch of Ford engines. Chrysler changes the badges to read "Sunbeam V8" and even installed the Chrysler pentagram on the front fender and continued to sell the Tiger. I have an original Tiger brochure by Chrysler that simply mentions the "American V8 engine". Even today, some still think Chrysler installed their own engine, but I can assure you that every Tiger had either a Ford 260 or 289 engine. Now you probably know more than you ever wanted to know about the tie-in between the Tiger, Carroll Shelby and Ken Miles.



NWACC 2020 Autocross Report by Mike Roylance

As you can see from the below standings CMCS had 16 members participating in the 2020 autocross season. Their names are highlighted in red. Some placed and will be awarded trophies.

The competitions in the C7 classes are always tight, especially at the lower levels.

CMCS Members highlighted in RED

<i>Member Time Only</i>		<i>Prepared Super Stock</i>	
1	Jami Olerich	1	Jasmine Green
2	Rob Spring		
3	James Merryman	<i>P-3 - Prepared</i>	
4	Cory Duncan	1	David Cayton
5	John Vittone		
6	Laura Duncan	<i>P-4 - Prepared</i>	
7	Tony Zamora	1	Chuck Spittal
8	Charley Reid		
9	Bob Hopper	<i>P-5 - Prepared</i>	
		1	Randy Free
<i>NonMember Time Only</i>			
1	Tim Boedigheimer	<i>S-6 - Stock</i>	
2	Jon Steeves	1	Roger Tooker
3	Joshua Davis		
4	Robyn Symington	<i>S-7 - Stock</i>	
5	Dave Allen	1	Anthony Miles
6	Robert Todd	2	Finis Logue
7	George Ganzke	3	Mike Marum
		4	Alton Loe
<i>Novice Class</i>		5	Mike Roylance
1	Charles Twardzicki	6	Kevin Jewell
2	Russell Larson	7	Judith Jewell
3	Lindsey Ifland		
4	Mikaljames Stapleton	<i>Prepared Super Stock Plus</i>	
5	Gregg Whitfield	1	Joe Minarik
6	Brad Larsen	2	Jamie Dreyer
<i>Race Prepared</i>		<i>Super Stock plus</i>	
1	Derek Goff	1	George Rinehart
2	Arthur Green	2	--Hollywood --
3	Don Goff	3	Vicki Rinehart
4	Dave Kaiser	4	Shaun Hayes

Let's face it no one comes close to Anthony in the S-7 class, or Joe and Jamie in the Prepared Super Stock Plus class.

So tight are some of these events between Alton, Mike and Kevin that at times the separation between bragging rights for the day is measured in fractions of a second.

Here are a few examples. The difference between Alton and Mike in the last event of the year was 0.256 seconds. In the 4th event Mike beat Alton by 0.418 with Kevin just 0.352 behind Alton. In the 3rd event Kevin beat Mike by 0.953 with Alton following by 0.088! Who says a C7 Z51 can't keep up with a C7 Grand Sport?

All the while Shaun, Vicki and George in their Z06's try to keep up with us. We even let them win once in a while.

Lindsay, Mika, Gregg and Brad joined us this year and we hope they return next year. I know Lindsay is hooked. Let's not forget Judy, Bob and Dave who keep us all honest. Dave should get a Golden Wrench award this year for keeping that C3 going.

The comradery and fellowship is shared among all participants with good natured ribbing. Plus we are always modest about who is the better, faster, smarter driver with the best car and fastest line. I don't know about all that but I do know I'm better looking than all of them! Just ask my wife.

If you have ever thought about trying this sport please do. I'm sure 2021 will be more fun than ever. The dates are already posted on our web page so mark them on your calendar and keep an eye on our events pages for more info. Plan to come out and learn what you can do with your car while seldom exceeding 60 mph on a tight course. You will be amazed at what your Corvette will do.



Note: See the CMCS website CorvetteMarqueClub.com to register for the Viper & NWACC autocross events for 2021.

| May 15/16 | June 12/13 | July 10/11 | August 14/15 | September 4/5 |

Twas the Night Before Christmas - Corvette Style ***by Vince Perriello***

Twas the night before Christmas and in the garage,
 There wasn't a trace of a Ford or a Dodge.
 The presents were wrapped and the lights were all lit,
 So I figured I'd mess with the Vette for a bit.

I popped the release and I lifted the hood,
 When a deep voice behind me said "looks pretty good."
 Well, as you can imagine, I turned mighty quick,
 And there, by the workbench, stood good ol Saint Nick!

We stood there a bit, not too sure what to say,
 Then he said "don't suppose that you'd trade for my sleigh?
 I said "no way, Santa" and started to grin,
 "But if you've got the time we could go for a spin!"

His round little mouth, all tied up like a bow,
 Turned into a smile and he said "hey! Let's go!"
 So as not to disturb all the neighbors' retreat,
 We pushed the Vette quietly into the street.



Then, taking our places to drift down the hill,
 I turned on the key and I let the clutch spill.
 The sound that erupted took him by surprise,
 But he liked it a lot, by the look in his eyes.



With Goodyears a'cryin' and sidepipes aglow,
 We headed on out where the hot rodders go.
 And Santa's grin widened, approaching his ears,
 With every shift up as I went through the gears.

Then he yelled "can't recall when I've felt so alive!"
 So I backed off the gas and said "you wanna drive?"
 OI Santa was stunned when I gave him the keys,
 When he walked past the headlights he shook at the knees!

Then the small block exploded with side exhaust sound!
 Santa let out the clutch and the tires shook the ground!
 Power shift into second, again into third!
 I sat there just watching, at loss for a word.

Then I heard him exclaim as we blasted from sight,
 "Merry Christmas to all, it's a hell of a night!"

Vince Perriello was a CMCS member for a number of years before and after he moved to Bowling Green to become an employee of the National Corvette Museum when it was in its infancy. He was the CMCS NCM representative for several years both before and after the move, submitting monthly articles to our CMCS newsletter to promote and report on the NCM. He published this poem in the Dec. 2000 OYM.



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Laps from the Past

Acronyms for Organizations Mentioned in LAPS, the minutes or elsewhere.

NCRS: National Corvette Restorer's Society. An organization focused on the enjoyment and restoration of Classic Corvettes model years 1953 through 2002. Gary Main is the CMCS Representative.

NWACC: Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs. A group of Corvette clubs in the Pacific Northwest. CMCS is a member and gets insurance through NWACC. This is a club of clubs. Also sponsors autocross and judged car shows. Ken Jones is the current CMCS Representative.

55 LAPS AGO: December 1965. Ed Baker was President. Jack Goffette VP, Bruce Kelly Sec'y, Bill Fowler Treas, John R. Thomas Activities Chairman & Ken Jones Program Chairman. John R. Thomas & Sue Stanley Co-edited the newsletter which was then called *The Corvette Chronicaler*. (CMCS Archives do not include a copy of a Dec.'65 newsletter. If any of the "old timers" still in the club has a copy of the Dec newsletter, your friendly Historian would like to borrow it long enough to make a copy for the Archives)

50 LAPS AGO: December 1970. President Frank Olsheski conducted the Board of Directors meeting at the home of Chris & Kathie Clark. There was no mention in the OYM of a December general membership meeting. Pacific Trail was still making our club jackets.

Activity: A Christmas Tour was hosted by Ron McDuffie ending at Penny Horton's apartment.

Sponsor: Jeff Weymouth reported on a meeting with Westlake Chevrolet concerning their proposal to become a club sponsor. The board prepared a flyer/ballot to present to the membership for a vote on the sponsorship. A special Board meeting was held in early January to count the ballots.

1st Class postage to mail the 20page + cover newsletter was 6¢.

40 LAPS AGO: December 1980. President Bruce Kelly conducted a brief meeting prior to the Annual Christmas Party held at the Norselander Restaurant. The party, coordinated by Sandy Richards, included a buffet style turkey dinner, live dance music by *The Jesters* and, once again, *Santa's Bag* by Frank Olsheski. The newsletter published an article by John Greenwood titled "Put America First By Putting the Corvette Back Up Front" concerning an agenda for the Corvette Racing Team to take back leadership of closed course racing from Porsche.

Activity: Len Hodges headed a tour to the Arlington Tree Farm to pick out a Christmas tree. It was suggested to not use your Corvette to carry the tree. The year ended with a New Year's Eve party at the home of Neil & Noreen Millen.

1st Class postage to mail the 16 page + cover newsletter was 28¢.

30 LAPS AGO: December 1990. President Cloyd Jackson conducted the meeting prior to the annual Christmas Party held at the Bravo Ristorante in Bellevue.

Activity: Jan Cockrum requested that members with relatives or friends stationed overseas in Operation Desert Shield, let her know; so that she can send them a holiday greeting on behalf of CMCS.

Olsheski Award: Presented to **Kayla Main**.

Club sponsors were Lee Johnson Chevrolet, Rick Stark Enterprises & Western Corvette Supply.

1st Class postage to mail the 16page + cover newsletter was 25¢.

20 LAPS AGO: December 2000. President Jan Cockrum conducted the meeting of 60 members at Schumsky's All City Diner in Renton for the annual Christmas Party. Most of the usual business was waived as dinner was getting cold.

Cover: A group-hug photo taken at the summit of Stevens Pass during the Cascade Loop tour in September. A State Patrol car was in the lineup. Roger Smith supplied "Cop Food", (a box of donuts he had stashed in his trunk), offered in good humor to appease the highway patrol god to let us pass.

Membership: 235. Dues remain unchanged for next year. Chair was Alyshia Main.

Olsheski Award: Presented to **Gary & Kayla Main**

Activities:

"A Christmas Carol" theater outing coordinated by Cloyd Jackson.

"Nutcracker Suite" theater coordinated by Cece Nelson.

Annual Adopt-A-Family outing coordinated by Karen Barnott.

Special: A custom-made wristwatch with the CMCS logo on the face was offered by Jan Cockrum for \$30.

Vince Perriello published a clever Santa/Corvette poem in the newsletter.
(*This poem is reprinted in this December 2020 issue of the newsletter.*)

Sponsors: GM Dealership was Seaview Chevrolet. Others included Western Corvette Supply, Phillips Automotive & Rick Stark Enterprises.

10 LAPS AGO: December 2010. John R. Thomas's 2011 Supersonic Blue Z06 with Option Z07 was on the cover. President Al Dager conducted the meeting at the Christmas Party held at the Muckleshoot Casino in Auburn.

Membership: 257. 2011 dues were voted to be \$45 for singles and \$50 for couples. Chair was Jean Dager. CMCS member Judy Harper passed away at the end of November. She was a member since July 1996.

Charity: Chair Marty Cameron reported that the Thanksgiving Pot Luck and Craft & Home Baked Goods Auction was a big success. These funds support future year projects. This year the fund supported two families in the Redmond area with Christmas gifts and food items; and also made a donation of toys to Toys for Tots, the Marine's charity for children.

Recognition: (The member recognition was awarded monthly during this time period.) Oran Petersen received the December recognition.

Olsheski Award: Presented to Lorrie Montgomery.

Sponsors: Speedway Chevrolet & Lee Johnson Chevrolet.

5 LAPS AGO: December 2015. Lyal & Susan Schlotterbeck's 2015 Crystal Red Z51 coupe was on the cover. President Kevin Jewell conducted the meeting after a Christmas Banquet at the Collector's Choice Restaurant in Snohomish WA.

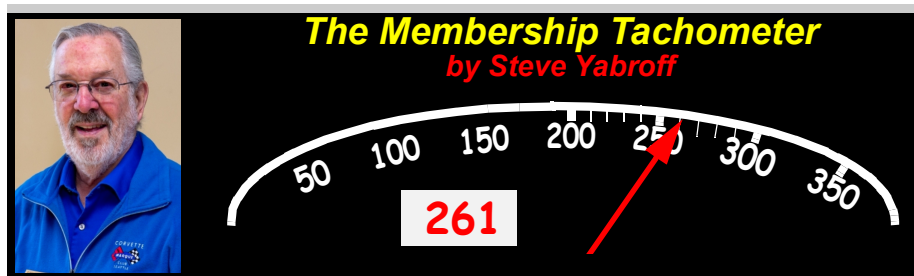
Membership: 282. Ten new members were: Dennis & Theresa Brown, Darryl & Brigitte (Getty) Phippen, Larry & Jan Bughi, Ken & Natalie Simpson and Rod & Gail Russel.

Charity: Toys for Tots delivery caravan from Cameron's home to downtown Redmond to meet Santa and the Marines. (1.3 miles and 5 minutes) Lunch at a nearby restaurant after. The newsletter held a full page on the **Dee Ann Esping Memorial Christmas Charity**, including Dee's CMCS history and the basic workings of the Christmas charities. Toys for Tots and Adopt-A-Family were the two usual charities. This year also saw donations to the Veteran's home in the Port Orchard area and to the Port Townsend Aero Museum, which works extensively with children, teaching them to fly and maintain aircraft.

4th Quarter Recognition Award: Presented to **Gary Main**.

Olsheski Award: Presented to **Bill & Marty Cameron**. The newsletter published a full-page missive explaining the Frank Olsheski Award to better inform newer members of the CMCS history of him and the significance of the award, written by long-time CMCS member Jay Cockrum.

Sponsors: Speedway Chevrolet & Lee Johnson Chevrolet.



The Membership Tachometer
by Steve Yabroff

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Dean & Jessica Hunter own a **2015 Black Z51 coupe**. It is their first Corvette. He wants to experience tours and autocross. He also likes boating, fishing and hunting. They have two adult daughters. He has a Masters in the school of hard knocks and is college educated. They are happy to be in the club and look forward to participating in some of the events and activities. *(No photo available.)*

December Birthdays

Janice Kunz	1	Sharlene Cooper	9	Bob Hopper	24
Marty Cameron	2	Francis-Damasus Garcia	11	Harold Rubin	24
Rich Reed	2	Dennis Hill	11	John DeVore	27
Lauri Milsow	4	Richard Resler	11	Bill Roberts	28
John Carmody	7	Norman Wong	12	A J LaBenz Jr	29
Sandy Kamm	8	Russell Siverling	15	Steve Sunich	29
Anthony Miles	8	Ada Hawks	16		

Fall Membership Directories Mailed

by Shaun Hayes - CMCS President

If you get a CMCS printed newsletter you should have received your fall Membership directory. Please check that your information is correct. CMCS takes your privacy and security seriously. The club operations are now managed using the Wild Apricot software so some things may be a little different. I want everyone to have a clear understanding of how the new software works and what actions you can take to get the most from our new solution. First, let us start with how the club handles your personal information. You can limit the information you share with members of the club. The club's privacy policy can be found on the CMCS website. You can update your privacy settings yourself by changing them in your personal profile on our web site at www.CorvetteMarqueClub.com. If you need help adjusting your privacy settings you can contact the membership chair, Steve Yabroff, or the Webmaster, Alton Loe, and they can help you make any changes.

If you are a club member you can log on to the web site or use the smart-phone app to look up a specific members information in the online membership directory. This view is always up to date with the most current information. The second way to find information about other members is using the full membership directory. The full club membership directory is accessible in the members only section of the website. The online version of the membership directory is updated monthly and can be printed at home. The club also publishes a twice-yearly printed membership directory for the subset of club members that have opted to receive hard-copy printed information. It can take up to six months for membership information changes to be reflected in the hard-copy print format. The information you decide to share with

other club members is the same whether it is accessed online or in hard-copy print format.

We plan to conduct our membership renewal process online this coming year. You will receive a personalized email in January with your current membership information and directions on how to complete your membership renewal online. We had many members renew online last year and we plan to keep simplifying the process. We will also have a membership renewal form that you can print out and send back to the membership chair if that is your preferred method. You will have the ability to pay online with a credit card or send a check later whether you renew online or use the hard-copy form. We will also send a reminder regarding the club's privacy policy so that you can make any changes you want to the information you want share with other club members.

National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report

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Here we are in the last month of the year! I for one am looking forward to the bright lights of the Holiday Season that chase away the darkness as we head into winter. I also look forward to turning the corner after December 21st as we slowly start seeing more daylight. Yay! Speaking of bright lights, it continues to be a good time to explore some of the bright & beautiful Corvette content on the Internet, including that from our friends at the National Corvette Museum (NCM) like “Fully Vetted” which is a series geared towards Corvette enthusiasts of all ages, offering at-home educational and entertaining episodes on various aspects of Corvette. Season 1 of Fully Vetted featured ten video episodes while Season 2 has taken on a Podcast format. Episodes can be found at this link and are available to stream online for free!

<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/learn/about-corvette/fully-vetted/> There is also season II of Vettecadamy which is up to about Episode 10 by the time you read this. It's one of several educational series produced by the NCM and is geared towards school age kids, (and kids of all ages). Season II can be found here on YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=Vettecadamy+S2

If you missed last year's episodes there are 35 of them available for viewing here: <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/educational-programs/vettecadamy/> They range in length from 3 minutes to about 12 minutes and cover a wide variety of topics related to Corvette. Perfect for a quick viewing on a cold rainy day. Here Are some more bright spots brought to you from the NCM:

Fink Fridays:

You may recall from a previous column my discussion of a special exhibit that opened at the NCM on January 31st, 2020. The NCM teamed up with Tom Peters, retired Director of Exterior Design for the 8th Generation Stingray Corvette, to put together the exhibit: “Car-toon Creatures, Kustom Kars and Corvettes: The Art and Influence of Ed “Big Daddy” Roth.



Back in the 1950s and '60s, kids like me who liked cars bought various hot rod magazines along with t-shirts, models, stickers and toys from Roth Studios. They featured caricatures of cars with giant smoking slicks and fire coming out of the exhaust, with blown engines and cartoon monsters at the wheel. Tom would begin copying those drawings, and in the process, he learned about how to draw cars with personalities and attitudes - no wonder he ended up working on Corvettes! The monsters created by “Big Daddy” were just cool. The most notable one was Rat Fink, who serves as the mascot throughout this exhibit.

Now we are a long way from Bowling Green, Kentucky where the NCM is located, so thankfully they just wrapped up a video series titled “Fink Fridays” and have made it available for all of us on YouTube. There are a dozen episodes in all (averaging about 3 minutes each) featuring some of the cool cars, the creatures, and the people that surrounded “Big Daddy”. The last installment in the #FinkFriday series features Ilene Roth, the widow of Ed “Big Daddy” Roth. Ilene reflects on the impact her late husband had on Kustom Kulture. The exhibit featuring the Art and Influence of Ed 'Big Daddy' Roth has been extended through April 2021 at the National Corvette Museum. You can view the videos here:

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=%23FinkFriday

NCM Tips from the Pros: What to Know about the C8 Corvette:



As most of you know, when a buyer purchases a new Corvette from a dealer, one of the options available is the R8C Museum Delivery Program. Some days the museum is delivering multiple new Corvettes to different customers. As a result, the NCM Delivery Team trains new Corvette owners every day on the features and options of their new car. You too

can learn from the NCM pros! Whether you are a new C8 owner (and I know our club has several already) who would like to learn more about your new machine, or whether you're just kicking the tires and interested in some features, here is a 22 minute video available on the NCM website giving you one-on-one time with one of the NCM pros.

<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/learn/about-corvette/corvette-specs/2020-corvette-specs/>

Two more Corvettes donated to the Museum:

A Beautiful and special **1961 Honduras Maroon Corvette** was donated to the museum in November by Lifetime Member, since 1991, Howard (Howie) Maxwell of Reading PA and Ocala FL. He is also a member of NCRS (National Corvette Restorers Society), which was a key organization in the founding of the NCM. Howie is not only a Corvette enthusiast, but also a judge for NCRS and Bloomington Gold. “I was actually in Bloomington looking for a '67 big block car and happened to run across this 1961, and the original owner still had it,” shared Howie. “As a kid, like many others, I couldn't afford any Corvettes. A friend of mine was a pharmacist and he had a 1961 from new, and I had the chance to drive it. That put a desire in me to someday own a '61. So, when I saw this car and realized it was original and had only the one owner, it certainly intrigued me. Long story short, I bought it.”

After purchasing the car, Howie worked to bring it back to typical factory specifications and began attending events that would certify its authenticity. “As mentioned before, to this day, the car has its original drivetrain and engine, all numbers matching, as well as all the correct date codes. The only exception is that the car got repainted early in its life (after being parked too close to a picket fence when they were spray painting the fence). Otherwise it could have been a Five Star Bow Tie car because of its originality.”

Under Howie's care, the car has received many NCRS Top Flight Awards, as well as passing a stringent Performance Verification Test before being awarded the Zora A. Duntov Award in 1991 at the California Annual Meeting of NCRS. “Mr. Duntov was there and presented the award. That was one of the highlights of my life as the majority of my family was there also.” The car received the NCRS Founders Award and Bloomington Gold Certification in 1995. Since those

certifications, the car has been invited to be shown at the Concours of the Eastern United States, Hilton Head Island Concours and many others.

After spending time on the show circuit, the vehicle was driven cross country on



Photos: Howie Maxwell rides in with, then presents the keys to his 1961 Corvette to Dr. Sean Preston, President and CEO of the National Corvette Museum.

two separate occasions (from Pennsylvania to California, and Pennsylvania to Colorado). “I never considered this car a trailer queen and have several NCRS Sam Fultz Awards for driving the car the furthest distance to a meet, while still receiving a Top Flight Certificate!”

Derek Moore, Director of Collections and Curator for the Museum shared that one of his goals has been to acquire one of every year Corvette. “One of the big things our Museum is about is presenting Corvette history and telling the story of not only the generations, but the years Corvette has been produced and been a part of the Corvette lifestyle,” shared Derek. “To have a Lifetime Member, someone who has supported this institution from the very beginning be one of the people to step up and help us fulfill that mission and goal of having one of each model year of Corvette, and to do it with such an amazing car is huge.”



“Nowadays, a lot of people are turning cars into restomods,” said Howie. “I was afraid if we sold it, somebody would just want the shell and would basically put a new car underneath it, giving them more conveniences, which is understandable. For me, I’m a history buff and I like the idea of preserving the history of

something. If I donate it to the Museum, it’s pretty much going to stay in the shape it was in when it was built. This way I know it’s in a place where lots of people get to enjoy it, not just one person.”

As for Howie, he will still be enjoying the Corvette hobby, including all the modern conveniences, this time in his Museum-delivered Zeus Bronze 2020 Corvette Stingray.

Thank you to Howie Maxwell for his generosity, in helping to preserve the history of Corvette and for entrusting the NCM with his beautiful car!

1970 Corvette Donated In Memory Of Vietnam Veterans On November

11, 2020 at 11am. “Between 1954 and 1975, around 2.7 million Americans served in the Vietnam War,” shared Derek Moore, Director of Collections / Curator at the National Corvette Museum. “Approximately 600,000 of those Vietnam War veterans are still alive today. Dr. Harry and Anne Rumzek approached us to donate their 1970 Monza Red Corvette in honor of Vietnam Veterans.” From 1959 to 1979 Major Harold Rumzek served in the United States Air Force. During his career he was assigned to B-52 bombers, including bombing missions in Vietnam. A highly decorated combat veteran, Harry's career saw 158 combat missions, including being assigned to the crew on the world's first supersonic Mach 2 Bomber. The list of Harry's accomplishments in the Air Force go on, but it was his wish to recognize others with his donation. “November is Military Appreciation Month at the Museum, and the month in which we celebrate our veterans with our annual Vets 'n Vettes event,” shared Dr. Sean Preston, President and CEO of the Museum. “We were delighted that Harry chose such a significant day to donate his car, and how he's dedicated it to his brothers and sisters in arms.” “It's an honor having my car here,” shared Harry. “I lost over 100 friends in the military - 55-60 in Vietnam. I'd rather have it here at the Museum honoring these guys.”

There's over 50 years of memories with this car - I bought it brand new,” shared Harry. “My first adventure, I went across Nevada, 399 miles in four hours from Wendover to Reno. There was no speed limit back then in Reno but I went through 10 towns there the speed limit through town was 25 mph, so I had to make sure I went from 125 back down to 25! While in Nevada Elvis was going to premier in Las Vegas - so I made a right turn and I watched him.” Harry is in the Museum's Duntov and Spire Societies, a member of CowTown Vettes where he served as Texas Motor Speedway Coordinator and a Pit Security Worker for 13 years, a National Council of Corvette Clubs Life Member and was a charter member of the Wichita County Corvette Association where he served as NCCC Governor and Vice President. He currently also owns a 2012 Crystal Red Metallic Corvette Convertible.

Current Corvette Raffles

: The Corvette raffles at the NCM are a major fundraiser that helps to keep the museum operating. All you need to do to enter a raffle for a chance to win one of these fabulous Corvettes is go to the NCM Raffle web page:

<https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/>, click on “**download an Order Form**” which will enable you to open or download and print the latest form. Just fill it out & send it in to the NCM with a Credit Card number, and they will purchase the tickets for you and enter it into the raffle drawing right there in Kentucky! Also please note, there is now an “**Enter Interactive Mode**” button you can use to

print out a form that has your Credit Card number scrambled, if you are queasy about mailing your full credit card information. To use the Interactive mode, you must have a user ID and Log in to the NCM site. Either way, please jot down on the bottom of the form “Ticket sold by Kevin Wilson NCM Ambassador” so our club gets credit for the order. Also, please let me know if you send in an order (kevinwilson@q.com).

2021 Arctic White Convertible
Limited to 1500 Tickets
Price: \$200
Drawing: Dec. 3, 2020 2:00 pm



2021 Torch Red Coupe
Limited to 2000 Tickets
Price: \$100
Drawing: Dec. 17, 2020 2:00 pm

HO, HO, HO! Here is the Christmas Red Corvette!



2021 BYO Corvette or \$65,000
Limited to 1500 Tickets
Price: \$250
Drawing: Jan. 14, 2021 2:00 pm



2021 Arctic White Coupe
Unlimited Tickets
Price: \$20
Drawing: Apr. 24, 2021 2:00 pm
These are inexpensive tickets to buy and give out as Holiday Presents!



Latest Winners: The 2021 Elkhart Lake Blue Corvette Coupe was won by Tim Flynn of Elk Mound, WI - with ticket #1208 drawn on 11/5/2020! All 1500 available tickets sold at \$150 each.

Current National Corvette Museum Events:

With the end of 2020 quickly approaching the NCM is working to balance the potential impacts of COVID 19 with the desire of Corvette Enthusiasts to safely get together to drive their vehicles and to celebrate the marque in meaningful ways. They have just added some future activities which I've posted here. Here is the current schedule (small list) of events and adventures, both on the road (Museum in Motion events - MiM) and at the museum (NCM). Be sure to keep an eye on this space for upcoming trips to consider for your future vacation planning purposes. These events are popular and can fill up fast. You can check

the NCM website for more details about them and sign up for them here:
<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/>.

These are the events currently posted by the museum:

- MiM Plantation Tour 3/30 - 4/3/2021 New Orleans. ([Registration open](#))
- NCM Michelin Bash 4/22 - 4/25/2021 ([Registration opens early 2021](#))
- MiM Dragon Run by Michelin 4/25 - 4/28/2021 @ Biltmore Estate, NC ([Reg. opens early 2021](#))
- MiM 9 Day Caribbean Cruise: 5/14 - 5/23/2021 (depart & return Fort Lauderdale FL)
 ([Full - Wait List](#))

Did you know: That the NCM Motorsports Park's west track will be transformed into a holiday wonderland of lights? Wendy's 'Twinkle at the Track' will be presented by U.S. Bank for the 2nd year in a row. It is a drive through display featuring 25 scenes and 350+ displays totaling more than one million bright lights on a 2-mile stretch of racetrack. If you happen to be in the area 'Twinkle' is the perfect opportunity for you, or your family to socially distance while having fun!

Activities Current as of 12/17/20

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December 2020

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| 12/10 | CMCS Board Meeting Zoom. Register on the website | Board |
| 12/17 | CMCS General Meeting Online. Register on the website | Meeting |
| 12/20 | Woodinville lighted car parade, Corvettes or daily drivers, contact John Kamm (parades chair) via E-mail or phone for times, details or questions. (See Page 2 for contact information) | (Parade) |

May 2021

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| 5/15-16 | Autocross - Shelton. Viper Saturday, NWACC Sunday. Coordinator: Kevin Jewell. Register on the website. | Autocross |
| 5/18 | Sub Tour. Event Coordinator: Dwain Knollman. You cannot register on the CMCS website. Contact Dwain for information. | Activity |

June 2021

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| 6/12-13 | Autocross - Shelton. Viper Saturday, NWACC Sunday. Coordinator: Kevin Jewell. Register on the website. | Autocross |
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July 2021

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| 7/11-12 | Autocross - Shelton. Viper Saturday, NWACC Sunday. Coordinator: Kevin Jewell. Register on the website. | Autocross |
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August 2021

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| 8/14-15 | Autocross - Shelton. Viper Saturday, NWACC Sunday. Coordinator: Kevin Jewell. Register on the website. | Autocross |
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September 2021

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| 9/4-5 | Autocross - Shelton. Viper Saturday, NWACC Sunday. Coordinator: Kevin Jewell. Register on the website. | |
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National Corvette Restorer's Society (NCRS) Report

By Gary Main



The December, 2020 - NW Chapter Holiday Brunch has been **CANCELED** due to COVID19. No further Chapter events are scheduled for 2020. As always, check the NW Chapter website for the latest schedule updates.

<https://nwncrs.org/2020-event-schedule.html>

Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup

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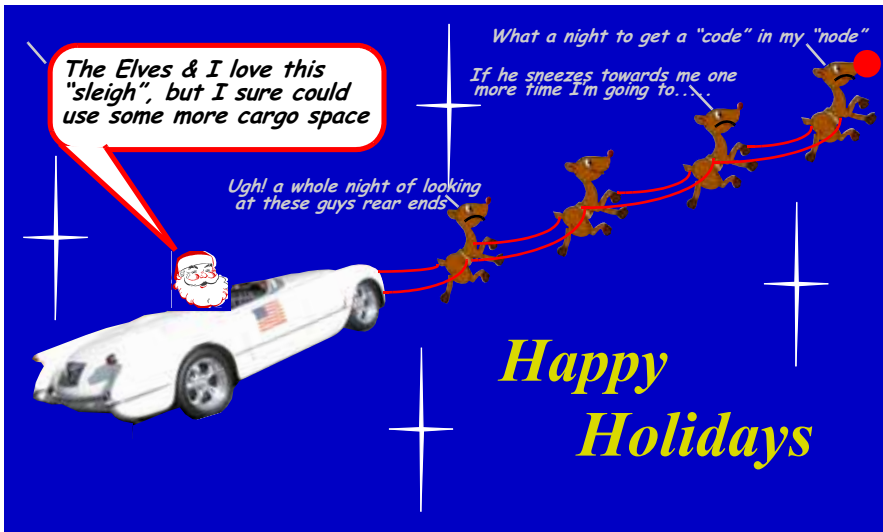


Adopt-A-Highway Cleanups STILL canceled until further notice.

Our contact at WSDOT still reports that because of the ongoing safety and health issues due to COVID-19 for now we aren't to schedule any additional clean-up sessions WITH VOLUNTEERS until we get the "all clear" from the state.

Please keep an eye here on the newsletter for future dates and please consider volunteering for and joining in on this fun & easy community service activity. It takes about an hour and a half to clean our section of I-5 utilizing 8 volunteers to clean up & 2 more as drivers. We typically start at 9:30 am. It's a natural way to get started in one of our many club activities. When the "all clear" is given and we schedule a session, come join us, the more the merrier!

Santa's Sleigh Vette





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