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President’s Message By Shaun Hayes CMCS President



We are at the end of 2020, a year many of us are anxious to put in the proverbial rear-view mirror. I hope that all of you had a joyful and safe holiday season. I am looking forward to 2021 and remain cautiously optimistic that we’ll be able to have a fun and exciting calendar of events during 2021. I expect that the club will continue to hold virtual meetings for the next few months, so look for announcements on the website with details about when the meetings will be held and remember to register to attend the membership meetings. Registering for the events online will automatically send you an email with all the details you need to attend the virtual meetings. We will also be keeping our options open to run social distancing drives when we expect that the weather might cooperate.

Club meetings: We held our December general membership meeting online on Thursday, December 19th at 7PM. Thanks to Jo Anne and Dwain

Knollman who attended with their Santa hats on and started a trend. I believe Kevin Wilson must have an extensive collection of hats as it seemed he had a new hat on every five minutes. It was great to see folks joining in with their hat collections and having a little holiday fun during our virtual meeting. The key new business item at the December general meeting was the review and approval of the 2021 membership dues structure. I am pleased to report that the membership approved the 2021 membership dues recommendations put forth by the board. The new dues structure has been implemented on the web site and we have opened up membership renewal on the site. We have already had several members complete their renewal on-line. If anyone has any issues renewing their membership, please contact Steve Yabroff or Alton Loe and they will be more than happy to help.

The second major piece of new business at the December membership meeting was the presentation of the Frank Olsheski Award. The 2020 winner of the Frank Olsheski award is Alton Loe. Alton has been instrumental in helping the club navigate a challenging 2020 as we moved from in-person to virtual. He has spent countless hours building and maintaining our web site and helping the club adapt to quickly changing conditions during the past year. The website was nominated for a National Corvette Museum award and ending up taking 3rd place for best web site this year. Alton also helped the club design and plan our new social distancing drive series that has attracted over 200 cars this year to come out to enjoy the company of fellow Corvette enthusiasts and a social distancing drive in your Corvette. Thank you Alton for everything you do to help the club continue to be a vibrant organization.

Events: Even in December we managed a couple of social distancing drives. First up was a drive on December 5th from the XXX Drive-In in Issaquah to Snohomish. I believe that day broke the temperature records for Seattle. I don't think we could have asked for better weather. There is nothing like a sunny warm day to bring out the Corvettes and we had 20 cars join us for the event. We had a couple of new C8 owners find the event on the website and join us for the drive that day. Both couples ended up joining the club leading to an exceptional month recruiting new members. Next up was a drive on December 23rd. Another sunny but much cooler day. We started the tour in Monroe and ended at the Tulalip Casino. We had 12 cars join the tour. The day started off cold and the first 20 miles through the backwoods of Monroe involved a bit more snow and ice on the road than we were expecting. I think we may christen that drive

our Winter Wonderland cruise. The road conditions improved greatly after we reached Granite Falls and a few of us even dropped our convertible tops for the last 30 miles. It made me appreciate heated seats and heated steering wheel even more. Thanks to Kevin and Judy Jewell for organizing both drives. If we see additional opportunities 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.

Club elections: Our annual board of directors' elections are planned for the February membership meeting. Alton Loe has done a fantastic job recruiting members to run for a board position as well as fill key committee chair positions. First on the committee chair front I'm pleased to announce that Bruce and Lynn Boyd have agreed to take on the Membership role. Bruce and Lynn will be partnering with Steve Yabroff during this year's membership renewal process and will be taking on the role full time starting in April 2021. I want to thank Steve Yabroff for his many years of service to the club in the membership chair role. We have had a terrific year recruiting and retaining members and looking forward to continuing success in 2021 and beyond. Next, I'd like to announce that Dave Cayton will be taking on the Adopt-a-Highway role starting in 2021. Adopt-a-Highway is currently on pause, but we are optimistic that this activity will be restarted sometime in 2021. I'd like to thank Kevin Wilson for his many years of service leading Adopt-a-Highway. He often drives by the stretch of highway we maintain, and his assessment is that it still looks pretty good. I am sure that first clean-up is going to next a few extra bags of trash.

Now on to the board of directors' positions. The following people have agreed to stand for election to the board of directors at the February meeting. If anyone else is interested in running for election this year, please contact Alton Loe to let him know of your interest.

President: Shaun Hayes

Vice President: Alton Loe

Secretary: Kevin Wilson

Treasurer: Robert Stone

2 Year Board: Marv Scott

1 Year Board: Kevin Jewell

Past President: Ken Jones

Marv Scott and Linda Scott joined CMCS this past year and its great to see them stepping up to help drive the club's event calendar. I will be making a motion at the February general meeting to waive the CMCS Bylaw requirement to have been a member for one year before running for a board position. This is a club of volunteers and it's great to have

members like Marv and Linda who want to jump in and help make the club a fantastic place to join with and participate in Corvette related activities.

Happy holidays and see you in the new year.

Cover - Mike Stapleton's 2016 Black Coupe



Mike Stapleton recently bought a 2016 Black Stingray Coupe from our CMCS sponsor, Evergreen Chevrolet. He previously owned a 1999 C5 convertible. He is a Harley Davidson rider, and a senior golfer. He is especially interested in autocross & track days. He has been a CMCS member since April 2020 and wants to meet more CMCS members.

General Meeting Minutes

Thursday December 17, 2020 @ 7:00 pm
Zoom Online
By Bill Cameron



Committee Chairs / Representative REPORTS

Membership 270 members----- Steve Yabroff

New members: Ed Werner, Michael Kapoustin & Kathy Goodwin, Randy Black & Carmen Prissnotti, Bruce & Elizabeth Wange, and Ken Pekola & daughter Payton Pekola.

Editor's Note: Gary Bachmeier joined after the meeting to make the count 271.

Website No Report----- Alton Loe

Charity----- Marty Cameron

At the last board meeting the board approved funds for charity to use for needy families and Toys for Tots this year. The treasurer gave Marty a check and the shopping began. Jubilee Reach received monies to purchase gift cards this year instead of us shopping for the families due to COVID19 issues. Toys for Tots: Toys were shopped for and delivered by Judy & Kevin Jewell, Bonnie & Mike Royslance, Sandy & John Kamm, and Bill & Marty Cameron.

Parades ----- John Kamm

Christmas parade Woodinville Sunday 12/20/2020

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

Dave Cayton to take over chairmanship from Kevin this next year.

Sponsor - Call Tony to check availabilities----- Joe Powell

GM is offering employee pricing on certain cars.

Apparel - No Report -----Bonnie Roylance

Newsletter - No Report ----- Oran Petersen

NWACC-----Ken Jones

No awards this year to include club participation award.

NCRS----- Gary Main

NW Chapter Chairman Dan Johnson announced on Dec. 15, 2020 that, since nearly every 2020 NCRS NW Chapter activities were canceled due to COVID19, the board has approved that all current members in good standing will have their dues waived for 2021 and remain a chapter member.

No further Chapter events are scheduled for 2020. As always, check the NW Chapter website for the latest schedule updates.

NCM-----Kevin Wilson

Still has Corvette raffles ongoing.

OFFICERS REPORTS

President-----Shaun Hayes

See new business

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.

Here are the members that have volunteered so far.

- President: Shaun Hayes
- Vice President: Alton Loe
- Secretary: Kevin Wilson
- Treasurer: Robert Stone
- 2 Year Board: Marvin Scott
- 1 Year Board: Kevin Jewell
- Past President: Ken Jones.

Secretary-----Bill Cameron

November 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 - No Report-----Ken Jones

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

2021 Membership dues Proposal made and approved by vote of members present.

2021 Membership renewal process explained. Online renewals available.

Olsheski award Winner for 2020: Alton Loe started the impromptu tours to allow members to get out for a drive during these COVID restrictions. He also set up and maintains our award winning website which has allowed almost immediate updated information for our members. Alton is also serving on the board of directors helping to make a club for all members to enjoy.

Congratulations Alton this award is well deserved.

Next General Meeting: January 21, 2021

Next Board Meeting: January 14, 2021

Under the Hood ***by Kevin Jewell***



California has announced that as of 2035 you will no longer be able to buy a new gasoline powered car in the state. It seems we are constantly searching for an alternative to the standard gasoline engine auto. Just a few years ago, many (especially Europe) were climbing on the diesel bandwagon since diesels are more energy efficient. In fact, many

Europeans looked down on us backward Americans because we had not fully embraced diesels as they had. The diesel movement had momentum until the VW diesel-gate emissions cheating fiasco. Now we are banning diesels from downtown areas in many parts of the world. There was a time when auto manufacturers around the world were exploring gas turbines as alternatives. We often find new advances in technology happen at the racetrack, and gas turbines were no exception. Rover (England) had been developing a gas turbine in competition with Rolls Royce. RR won the competition, but Rover continued work on their turbine. Rover built some turbine powered road cars as development vehicles. Rover then joined forces with BRM (English race car builder) and entered a gas turbine car for LeMans in 1965. I have seen video of this car, and while it didn't have a lot of acceleration, once rolling the top speed was competitive. The car finished 10th overall that year. The Rover-BRM is on display at the Heritage Motor Center in Gaydon, England. You might remember the STP-Paxton gas turbine Indy 500 racer from 1967, which probably had the most success, and certainly the most publicity. Ken Wallis designed a unique shaped Indy race car that featured a Pratt &

Whitney gas turbine and all-wheel drive. Wallis initially offered the car to Dan Gurney and then Carroll Shelby; but both declined. He then approached Andy Granatelli of STP, who immediately visualized the advertising value of the unique racer. The STP-Paxton 1967 car was driven by Parnelli Jones. Jones qualified sixth at 166 mph, about 3 mph slower than the faster car. However, Jones qualified the car in full race trim, while everyone else was running a “stripped” qualifying trim. Jones absolutely dominated the race, leading most of the laps, until a bearing failure with 3 laps to go allowed AJ Foyt to claim the win. Shelby was never one to ignore a smack across the head and approached Wallis about building two cars for the 1968 race. The Shelby cars were sponsored by Botany 500 (the clothing manufacturer) and Goodyear. After the STP car domination of the 67 race, USAC (Indy governing body) established an inlet size restriction for the turbine. The inlet restriction was similar to the NASCAR carburetor restrictor plates for NASCAR's faster tracks. By limiting the inlet air area, USAC was limiting the ability of the turbine engine to generate power. During practice, before official qualifying, the Shelby cars were even faster than the STP car, despite the inlet restrictions. Phil Remington was Shelby's chief engineer and Phil discovered that at speed the Wallis design allowed body work deflection that effectively increased the inlet area. Phil immediately resigned from the team. Goodyear, always concerned about bad publicity, withdrew support. Both Shelby cars were withdrawn, before Indy 500 qualification, and neither ever raced. The STP car returned for 1968, but a crash ended its race. After the 1968 race, USAC banned both gas turbine engines and all-wheel drive, ending the Wallis gas turbine venture. Among domestic auto manufacturers, Chrysler experimented the most with gas turbines. Chrysler had been working on gas turbine design since the late 1930s. Chrysler first installed a gas turbine in a 1954 Plymouth, then a 56, 59 and 61. All of these cars were sent on cross country trips and other demonstration projects which garnered much publicity. In 1964 Chrysler built 55 special turbine cars. The bodies were designed by Ghia in Italy and were very advanced looking. The first 5 cars were development prototypes, but then 50 road cars were produced. The cars were not sold, but a competition was held in which drivers could request to be considered to “borrow” a Chrysler turbine car. Ultimately about 200 drivers, from 130 cities, were given the chance over the next two years to drive the turbine cars. They accumulated over one million road miles. At the conclusion of the test, Chrysler reclaimed all 50 cars, and destroyed most of them. Chrysler retained two cars, five are in major museums and

two found their way into private collections. The experiment proved that the turbine cars were smooth in operation and durable. However, the downsides were a rather complicated starting procedure and poor fuel economy. At least for the 1960's, the Chrysler experiment ended gas turbine automobile development.

Here are three of my automotive trend dislikes:

1. **Subscription services.** Yes, we know that Amazon, Apple, Netflix, and many others have got us hooked and have our credit card numbers to bill us monthly for subscription services. All of us GM buyers are familiar with Sirius, the monthly/annual music subscription service. First the automakers eliminated what I thought was the best ever music system, CDs, and then at the same time GM gives us a 3-6 months trial to Sirius hoping that you will become a life time member. Yes, you can use Apple Play, but of course you pay a continuous service fee to Apple as well. Now Cadillac has Super Cruise, which is Cadillac's version of autonomous driving. Not well publicized is that Super Cruise is a subscription service. Of course, these subscription services are a ready-made profit center, since it is often an automatic charge, not closely monitored by the consumer.
2. **The dashboard screen that looks like a glued-on tablet.** I blame Tesla for this trend as Tesla went the big tablet route to appear to be techier than the other manufacturers. However, it didn't stop with Tesla. Now many of our current buying options have ever larger tablets/screens that are not integrated into the dash. Do you remember when auto stereo theft was such a problem, that many stereos, or at least the stereo faceplate, could be unplugged and removed from the vehicle? Perhaps our next automotive feature will be a removable tablet from the center of the dash, so that we can use it on the patio. Please manufacturers, you all have large interior design staffs; at least try to integrate these screens into the dashboard.
3. **The demise of the sporty sedan or coupe.** I realize that many buyers want a SUV or crossover type vehicle. However, the demand for SUVs is so high, that many of our domestic manufacturers are deleting many, or all, of what we used to call regular cars. Impala is no more. Ford no longer makes a large sedan. Lincoln Town Car is no more. I don't covet a Town Car, but I had anticipated that the Lincoln Town Car type vehicle would survive seemingly forever as our airport livery of choice. I cannot imagine how a Ford Explorer is a better police vehicle than a Crown Victoria or Caprice PPV. The only attribute of the Explorer as a police vehicle that I can understand is that it sits higher, so the officer can see over all the other SUVs on the

highway. Everybody is entitled to buy a SUV if that is what they want. My regret is that it appears the manufacturers are deleting so many conventional cars that some of us cannot buy what is not available.

After a slow start the two C8R teams came roaring back to dominate the IMSA GTLM (Le Mans) class. Car #3 driven by Jordan Taylor and Antonio Garcia won the last event in October held at the rain drenched Charlotte Motor Speedway. This race was part road course and part oval. This last win cemented their 2020 championship in GTLM winning 6 of 11 races. Congratulations to the C8R teams. We will all watch to see what happens with Corvette in IMSA. Will Corvette move to the GTD (Daytona) class as some have speculated due to declining participation in GTLM? In other C8R news, former Porsche hot shoe Nick Tandy (Age 36) is replacing long time Corvette racer Oliver Gavin (Age 48) who says he is retiring. Really? Stay tuned.

Laps from the Past

From the Editor: Ben Benninghoff was the curator of our CMCS archives and the primary editor of "Laps from the Past" for many years prior to his passing in January 2019. **Gary Main**, a very active member of CMCS for over 30 years, was able to capture the archives from Ben's estate and became the CMCS historian by default. He has spent many hours organizing and protecting this valuable club asset, which includes a copy of almost every newsletter: **On Your Marque** and those prior to adopting OYM as the official newsletter name for CMCS.) He now prepares the LAPS for each issue of the OYM by mining the archives and his own extensive knowledge of CMCS. His work assures that we capture and retain our rich CMCS history.

50 LAPS AGO: January 1971. President Frank Olsheski (eventually) opened the meeting at Competition Development Inc. in Seattle (advertised as, "*Corvettes are our specialty, not a sideline*") after a tour of the company's facility & a dyno demonstration, followed by pizza & beer for \$1 per person, followed by movies furnished by Competition Development. A 2-part Tech Tips Article in the OYM, penned by Jeff Weymouth, (1) provided a detailed description of how to modify a distributor to reduce erratic ignition timing, and (2) provided tips on how to properly fit tire chains to your Corvette (Yes, members actually drove their Corvettes in the winter back then. Go figure) 63-67 Corvettes with 7.75x15 tires required removal of the inner lip of the fender and relocation of the hand brake cable on the trailing arms to use standard link chains. Larger tires required the use of aircraft cable-type chains that were made for radial tires.

Sponsor: Westlake Chevrolet became the new CMCS sponsor by a unanimous approval vote of the members. Mike Maramoto from Westlake suggested we show our CMCS cards when buying parts and gave information of what to do if warranty work was done.

Postage to mail the 24 page + cover OYM was 12¢.

40 LAPS AGO: January 1981. President Bruce Kelly conducted the meeting following a brunch at the Flame restaurant in Kirkland. Past President Ernie Kahler asked if anyone had done anything about a nominating committee. Ernie was promptly made chairman of the nominating committee. The monthly board meeting was held at the home of John & Cece Nelson.

Membership: 96. Tom Nothom from Hawaii joined.

Activity: An impromptu tour to Frank & Judy Diss's home followed the meeting.

Postage to mail the 16page + cover OYM was 15¢.

30 LAPS AGO: January 1991. President Cloyd Jackson conducted the meeting at the home of Bob & Valerie Johansen including a "Soup's On" menu prior to the meeting. The monthly newsletter OYM had a *Historical Perspective on CMCS* article by John R. Thomas that included a chronological listing of all of the elective officers and committee chairs from 1963 thru 1990 plus all of the club's sponsors for the same period.

Membership: 108. Joel Moody joined CMCS.

Activity: There was a cross country skiing outing scheduled, weather permitting, that was the highlight of activities for the month.

John R. Thomas reminded us all of a "What to do with a Vette in the Winter" contest and that the winner(s) would be announced next month.

NWACC: CMCS insurance (through NWACC) was \$5.28 per family unit. CMCS volunteered to host the NWACC year-end banquet.

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

Postage to mail the 16 page + cover OYM was 25¢.

20 LAPS AGO: January 2001. Bill & Laurie Preston's 1966 Ermine White coupe, 327 CI 350 HP 4-speed was on the cover. President Jan Cockrum conducted the meeting prior to a tour of Hydroplanes Unlimited, home of the Miss Budweiser, in Tukwila. Loren Sawyer, CMCS member and member of the pit crew, acted as host for the tour. After the tour the group departed for pizza at a nearby Round Table Pizza.

Membership: 244. New members were Wayne Borrmann & Brenda Witham, Bob & Naomi Thomas, Don & Marcia Hardesty, Wayne Kanaby, John & LaVonne Bellinger, and, Greg & Yvonne Lether.

Sponsors: Seaview Chevrolet, Western Corvette Supply, Rick Stark Enterprises, and Stewart's Collision.

10 LAPS AGO: January 2011. Jerry Harper's 1996 Torch Red LT4 roadster was on the cover. (Jerry's wife Judi passed away November 2010) This was a retro cover first on the December 1996 issue.

President Al Dager conducted the morning meeting at the Old Country Buffet in Factoria. CMCS members attended a memorial for Judi Harper in the afternoon. CMCS made a donation to the Highline Cancer Center in her name. The newsletter held a page on Judi's life.

Membership: 262. New members were Mike Senko, John & Brian Eames, and Gary Rozmierski & Fran Bedard. Jean Dager was Chair.

Apparel: Chair Bonnie Royslance had CMCS shirts, jackets, and other items for sale.

Newsletter: The Board created a new "Advertising Chair" and solicited a volunteer to fill the position. *(Note: No one came forward and the position was later dropped.)*

Recognition: Marty & Bill Cameron received the January Award. (Awards were monthly at this time but were later changed to quarterly.)

Website: A new feature, "Ask the Mechanic" was new on the CMCS website. Questions posted to the site were answered by auto experts at our CMCS sponsors.

Sponsors: Speedway Chevrolet and Lee Johnson Chevrolet.

5 LAPS AGO: January 2016. Shawn Pollard's 1999 black coupe was on the cover. President Kevin Jewell conducted the meeting at Denny's Restaurant in Kent WA.

Membership: 282. Candy Turi was membership Chair. There were no new members. Personalized membership Renewal Forms were mailed.

Activities: An extensive list of activities were listed during the meeting, all in future months. January held only 5 Saturday Socials at the Plum.

Sponsors: Speedway Chevrolet & Lee Johnson Chevrolet.

National Corvette Restorer's Society (NCRS) Report **By Gary Main - NCRS CMCS Representative**



NCRS-NW Chapter Chairman Dan Johnson announced on 12/15/20 that, since nearly every 2020 NCRS - NW Chapter activity was canceled due to COVID19, the board has approved that all current members in good standing will have their dues waived for 2021 and remain a chapter member.

No further Chapter events are scheduled for 2020. As always, check the NW Chapter website for the latest schedule updates.

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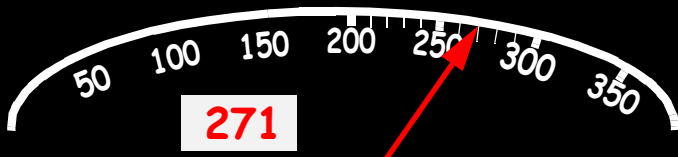
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The Membership Tachometer

by Steve Yabroff



Ed Werner was born “a car nut” and now owns a **2016 Z51 Blade Silver Metallic Coupe** with the license number “V8 Music”, his first Corvette. He moved to Washington to be near his grandsons after 35 years with Alcoa. He is a devoted toy train enthusiast now working on his third and last train layout that's about 85% complete after five years. He wants to get out and drive, do tours, maybe shows and do autocross; and wants to meet CMCS Corvette devotees.



Michael Kapoustin & Kathy Goodwin are enjoying their **2020 C8 Red LT3 convertible**. Michael has had a varied and most successful career in martial arts and business, living in Central & South America, the Middle East, Saudi Arabia and Europe. They like travel, sciences, the arts, sports cars, and philosophy. With a passion for sports cars, he has had Ferraris, Lamborghini and Porsches from his twenties. This C8 is a stepping stone to a 2022 C8 Z06. Michael enjoys track days. Some tours and autocross are possible also. They are looking forward to meeting CMCS Corvette aficionados.



Bruce & Elizabeth Wange are long-time Kirkland residents and first-time Corvette owners, enjoying a **2020 Black C8 convertible**. They learned about CMCS at the recently organized CMCS drive and are looking forward to more tours and drives with CMCS members! They enjoy gardening, hiking, biking, and baseball. They also like to smoke meats on their Traeger and have friends over.

Ken & daughter Payton Pekola have recently added a **2016 Shark Gray Z51 Coupe** to their fleet, joining a 2000 Light Pewter convertible that's been in the family for four years. Ken drives the C7 and daughter Payton drives the C5 Wouldn't 'we all have liked Ken as a dad! Ken is an avid track driver, and spent a good part of the summer at Pacific Raceway. He plans on going to more tracks in 2021. His hobby is road trips! Loves to drive! He fuels his fun by being a Commercial Real Estate Lender in the Olympia/Lacey area.

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Randy Black & Carmen Prissinotti are welcoming a **2013 Cyber Gray GS Coupe** to their WA home. It's little sibling, a **1995 C5**, lives in southern California and enjoys a warmer winter climate. They love to travel, so Randy, retired from Alaska airlines, can do a lot of travel. Randy & Carmen are checking out the variety of CMCS activities, such as tours/drives, shows, and perhaps some autocross. And they are especially looking forward to getting to know CMCS members and talking Corvettes!

Gary Bachmeier owns a **2017 Arctic White Z06 coupe**. This is his first Corvette. He likes cars and car shows. He is an avid fisherman, salmon, halibut, steelhead, tuna and walleye. He wants to do more driving: tours, track and perhaps autocross. He looks forward to socializing with other CMCS members.

January Birthdays

Gary Hintz	2	Carmen Prissinotti	17	Janice Krein	26
Ernie Fletcher	3	Gene Haubrich	18	Shaun Hayes	27
George Rinehart	5	Peyton Pekola	20	Murray Krebs	27
Oran Petersen	8	Lynetta Showaker	20	Jon Echols	29
Joe Powell	8	Lon Turner	20	Bruce Kelly	29
Jan Cockrum	9	Anh Bianco	21	Scott Main	29
Gretchen Sibley	11	Joyce Jones	21	Vicki Rinehart	29
Stacy Diaz	14	Bea Orton	23	Fran Munster	30
Michael Clemans	15	Julie Main	24	Jan Riediger	30
Jack Goodman	17				

National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report

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Happy New Year! I'm hoping for a much better year for all of us filled with more opportunities to get together and enjoy our Corvettes. Now that Winter is officially underway, it continues to be a good time to explore some of the great 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 (up to 6 episodes now). 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 13 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 winter's day. Here's some more news brought to you from our friends at the NCM:

Corvette Named a 'Best Buy' by Consumer Guide:

Consumer Guide® Automotive, the leading publisher of authoritative, unbiased new-car reviews for 54 years, announced the recipients of its 2021 Best Buy Awards. A Consumer Guide Best Buy represents the finest balance of attributes and value in its class. For 2021, nearly 50 Best Buys have been awarded in 21 classes, providing clear, easy choices for consumers. Making the cut for 2021 is the 2021 Chevrolet Corvette. The car was deemed a Best Buy because “This level of overall performance and 'curb appeal' usually costs thousands - if not tens of thousands - more.” The article also points out that the base-model Corvette can even spring from zero to sixty in only three seconds.



The guide stated that “Chevrolet engineers took on a monumental task in re-imagining the Corvette as a mid-engine vehicle while staying true to the styling and engineering character, relative practicality, and relatively affordable pricing that have long been Corvette trademarks. By our account, they've succeeded with flying colors. And despite the Corvette's super-car design, it's reasonably practical and comfortable in everyday driving, boasting a broad range of available comfort and convenience features and enough luggage space for an extended weekend getaway for two.”

Tom Peters, Retired GM Design Chief, Joins NCM Team:

A familiar face from General Motors is re-emerging from retirement to join the team at the National Corvette Museum. Tom Peters, former Director of Design for the GM Performance Car Studio and 2019 Corvette Hall of Fame inductee, has joined the Museum's curatorial team effective January 2021 as Consulting Curator of Exhibits. Tom is no stranger when it comes to assisting with Museum exhibits, having co-curated 'Car-toon Creatures, Kustom Kars and Corvettes: The Art and Influence of Ed "Big Daddy" Roth, a special exhibit that officially opened in January 2020 and continues through April, 2021. I covered details of this exhibit in last month's newsletter.

"Sean (Dr. Sean Preston, President and CEO of the NCM) had the thought to see if Tom would be interested in being involved with the Museum in a more official capacity after his co-curation of the Rat Fink exhibit," shared Derek E. Moore, Director of Collections / Curator at the Museum. "Of course, his design background with GM is huge and we figured the best use of his talents would be in aiding us in the overall visual experience of our exhibits at the Museum."

The Museum's collections team, including Derek and Associate Curator Bob Bubnis, collaborate to develop a narrative plan and storyline for each exhibit, with plans to bring Tom into the fold to dig even deeper into the stories and the look of the exhibit. "We want Tom to help build up our exhibits, tapping into his first-hand experience behind GM's closed doors," said Derek. "Tom can take those stories that are text on a label and help us bring them alive visually. We will look at how we can use the cars and artifacts we have to make our exhibits as much of a visual experience as they are educational - balancing the storyline with something visually interesting for our guests. With over 18 months of leadership at the National Corvette Museum under his belt, Dr. Preston, is excited to continue investing in exhibits and Corvette history. "We have Corvette Racing's Andy Pilgrim as our resident track pro at the NCM Motorsports Park, and now Tom Peters as a resident design pro at the National Corvette Museum. We are not only preserving and showcasing Corvette history, now we have a direct connection to that history - someone who was not only there to experience it, but who made that history during his career. This is truly a historic hire for the National Corvette Museum. We care deeply for the cars and artifacts in our care, but we also curate Corvette culture. Tom has a wealth of experience and

understanding in both areas. He will be a welcomed addition to the already successful Curatorial and Collections team.”



Photo: Tom Peters, pictured with the Corvette Stingray Concept which was also used in the second Transformers film, co-curated the Ed Roth / Rat Fink exhibit at the National Corvette Museum where the car is currently displayed.

“I think the Museum has a great relationship with GM but bringing Tom on board just makes those connections even stronger,” added Derek. “I’m excited to tap into his nearly 40 years of experience with the iconic automaker.” Even General Motors is excited about the move and looking forward to how Tom’s skills can be further utilized to preserve, educate, and promote the iconic Corvette. “I can’t think of a better choice for this position than Tom Peters,” said Mark Reuss, General Motors president. “His institutional knowledge of Corvette and his enthusiasm for it are unmatched. Through the years, he has played a crucial role in maintaining Corvette’s status as America’s Sports Car, and, as Consulting Curator of Exhibits, he will ensure the National Corvette Museum remains the ultimate caretaker of Corvette’s storied history and its dynamic future.”

First up for Tom will be helping to refine the new Enthusiast exhibit area, and Damsels of Design exhibit - which was fully funded by Elfi’s Silver Pearl Sisterhood, a female-led philanthropic giving society of the Museum. “The invitation to work with the National Corvette Museum, the first thing that struck me is that it’s a fabulous honor,” shared Tom. “I’ve always felt that working with the Corvette team was not only a dream and a privilege, but an incredible adventure and I’ve always regarded Chevrolet and Corvette as family. This is an extension and

continuation of that. Working with Chevrolet and the Corvette team becomes more than just a job, it's part of your life and lifestyle.”

2020 Corvette Final Model Year Stats:

The Coupe was the most popular of the two models available with 82.4% of the 20,368 total 2020s produced. As for color line up, Torch Red was the most popular for 2020 with 25% of the cars in that hue. The complete final color line up is as follows:

Torch Red (25%); Arctic White (15%); Black (11.7%); Sebring Orange (6.8%); Elkhart Lake Blue (6.7%); Rapid Blue (6%); Ceramic Matrix Gray (5.97%); Blade Silver (5.55%); Shadow Gray (5.45%); Long Beach Red (5.25%); Accelerate Yellow (3.38%); Zeus Bronze (2.69%).

Carbon Flash Badges were the most popular with 91.6% of the cars. The Z51 package was selected on 76%. 3LT was the most popular package with 46.4%. Front Lift was opted for on 58.4% of the cars while performance exhaust (NPP) is on 89.2%. The GT2 seats were the most popular pick with 61.6%. Painted Carbon Flash Open Spoke Wheels were the most popular with 41.7%, closely followed by the Bright Silver Open Spoke with 36.9%. The National Corvette Museum will have delivered 943 Corvettes for the 2020 model year.

Doug Fehan is stepping down from his role as Program Manager for the Corvette Racing team

On Wednesday December 16th it was announced that after 25 years fan favorite Doug Fehan is stepping down from his role with the Corvette Racing team. Doug was one of the architects of what would become the most successful GT race team in the world. Together, the team would take the overall win at Daytona in 2001, 8 class victories at Le Mans, 113 worldwide victories, and 13 Manufactures Championships, which is more championships than all of their competitors COMBINED since the team started racing.

In addition to his work as Program Manager, he also served as a spokesperson for Corvette Racing where his interactions with the fans became legendary. With uncommon humor and candor, he would talk about the challenges of racing, while always emphasizing how Corvette is the best example there is today of technology transfer between race car and street car. Consequently, he saw every Corvette owner as a valuable member of the Corvette Racing team as they provided the support that fueled the team's success. There is some controversy surrounding Doug's leaving the team, with some reports saying he was asked to leave, and

others reporting that he was retiring. Either way, he will be missed. Doug is a member of the 2020 Corvette Hall of Fame at the NCM.

Fehan began with GM Racing in 1988 and worked on a number of the company's motorsports programs including the Chevrolet Beretta Trans-Am, Chevrolet Intrepid GTP and Oldsmobile's World Sports Car efforts.

Following Fehan's promotion to program manager in 1996, he and the Chevrolet Motorsports team worked for more than two years on the development of the Corvette C5-R race car, the racing version of the Corvette C5 production car. The C5-R debuted in January 1999 at the Rolex 24 At



Daytona and produced a podium finish in the GT2 class. Fehan was also in on the development stages of three more model updates of the Corvette race car, including the C6.R, C7.R and this year's mid-engine C8.R.

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). Here is the current raffle lineup:

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



2021 Red Mist Convertible
1500 Tickets to be sold
Price: \$150
Drawing: Feb. 4, 2021 2:00 pm



2021 Black Coupe
2000 Tickets to be sold
Price: \$100
Drawing: Feb. 25, 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 Arctic White Corvette Convertible** was won by Brian Loffredo of North Grosvenordale, CT with ticket #869 drawn on 12/3/2020. 1429 of the 1500 available tickets sold at \$200 each.

The **2021 Torch Red Corvette Coupe** was won by Don Davenport of Omaha, NE with ticket #1396 drawn on 12/17/2020! All 2,000 available tickets were sold at \$100 each. Don shared with the NCM that he does not currently own a Corvette, but he has owned nine different ones over the years. I'm sure he's excited to get a new one back in the garage!

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 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 Daytona Rolex 24 | January 27 - February 1, 2021(Planning stage)
- MiM Plantation Tour 3/30 - 4/3/2021 New Orleans. (**Sold Out - wait list**)
- NCM Michelin Bash 4/22 - 4/25/2021 (**Registration opens early 2021**)
- MiM Dragon Run Presented by Michelin @ Biltmore Estate; NC (**Registration opens early 2021**)
- NCM The Gathering | May 13 - 15, 2021 (Planning stage)
- MiM 9 Day Caribbean Cruise: 5/14 - 5/23/2021 (depart & return Fort Lauderdale FL) (**Just Canceled**)
- MiM Branson Experience | June TBD (Planning stage)
- MiM 24 Hours of Le Mans (London, Paris, Le Mans) | June 4 - 15, 2021
- NCM Le Mans Race Weekend Viewing Party | June 12 - 13, 2021 (Planning stage)
- MiM Colorado Springs | July 11 - 16, 2021 (Planning stage)
- MiM Northeast Ohio | July 11 - 16, 2021 (Planning stage)
- NCM 27th Anniversary Celebration | September 2 - 4, 2021(Planning stage)
- MiM National Parks Tour (AZ & UT) | September 19 - 25, 2021 (tentative dates)
- MiM One Lap of Kentucky | October (Planning stage)
- NCM Vets 'n Vettes presented by Mobil 1 | November TBD

Did you know:



General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant Manager Kai Spande not only works on the Corvette brand, he's also a long-time enthusiast. Having owned a number of models over the years he's excited to share his latest with visitors to the National Corvette Museum - a 1966 427 Big Block in Milano Maroon. The car will be

displayed for the next several months in the lobby's turntable display.

That's all for now – Save the Wave!

Retro Funny Foto - Big Butt



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Retro Funny Foto - Gotta Go!



Gary Main's 1967 Sunfire Yellow Roadster

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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!

Charity Report

by Marty Cameron - Charity Chair



COVID19 couldn't hold Santa's elves from accomplishing their mission. Sandy Kamm, Judy Jewell, Bonnie Roylance and Marty Cameron headed out on a toy adventure for Toys for Tots. We shopped separately filling our Corvette trunks, then stopped at Coldwell Banker Bain in the Bella Bottega parking lot in Redmond to deliver the toys. It was a drive-thru drop-off of the toys but, we all were excitedly welcomed.

Jubilee Reach was the other charity we helped. Last year the club helped 8 families and 21 kids. This year the need was tremendous. Our donations helped 29 families. We didn't shop for the kids as in the past, but donated money so that Jubilee Reach could purchase gift cards for the families. Thank you all for your generous donations that helped these kids and families put a Christmas smile on their faces.



Activities Current as of 1/29/21

Red text: CMCS Events • Magenta text: Autocross

January 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>New Year</i>	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 <i>Board Mtg</i>	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 <i>General Mtg</i>	22	23
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

01/14 **CMCS Board Meeting - Zoom**

Meeting

01/21 **CMCS General Meeting - Online**

Meeting

May 2021

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

6/12-13 **Autocross - Shelton. Viper Saturday, NWACC Sunday.**

Coordinator: Kevin Jewell. Register on the website.

Autocross

July 2021

7/10-11 **Autocross - Shelton. Viper Saturday, NWACC Sunday.**

Coordinator: Kevin Jewell. Register on the website.

Autocross

August 2021

8/14-15 **Autocross - Shelton. Viper Saturday, NWACC Sunday.**

Coordinator: Kevin Jewell. Register on the website.

Autocross

8/28 Northwest Association of Corvette Clubs Car show. Save the date.

September 2021

9/4-5 **Autocross - Shelton. Viper Saturday, NWACC Sunday.**

Coordinator: Kevin Jewell. Register on the website.

Autocross

December 2021

12/11 **Christmas Party - Everett Golf and Country Club**

Activity



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