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President’s Message By Shaun Hayes CMCS President

We are amid the winter in the Pacific Northwest which is typically a quiet time of year for the club. 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 meetings and events. We are also keeping our options open to run socially distanced events when the weather cooperates.

Club meetings: We held our January general membership meeting on-line on Thursday, January 21st at 7 pm. The key new business item at the December general meeting was the review of the officer candidates for 2021.

Election: 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
 Secretary: Kevin Wilson
 2 Year Board: Marv Scott
 Past President: Ken Jones

Vice President: Alton Loe
 Treasurer: Robert Stone
 1 Year Board: Kevin Jewell

Our February meeting has typically been held at our sponsors, Evergreen Chevrolet, facility but we're simply not able to do that this year. I know that I'm going to miss the terrific catered lunch that Lynn Rehn has put on for the club the past couple of years. The February general membership meeting will be held via Zoom on February 18th and we will be voting on the slate of 2021 officer candidates. I'd like to encourage you to register and attend the February membership meeting. If you register online, you will automatically receive an email with all the details you need to attend the virtual meetings.

Events: Even in January we managed to squeeze in a “Not a Car Show just Lunch” event at the XXX Root Beer Drive-In in Issaquah on January 23rd. This was a last-minute decision on Thursday for a Saturday event based on a favorable weather forecast. We had 20 plus cars attend. It was great getting to see and talk to several folks that day. Jose, the owner of XXX Root Beer Drive-In, appreciates the additional business during this challenging time for restaurants. We've had good turnouts for the “Not a Car Show Just Lunch” events and we're planning to continue doing these about once a month. They will likely be very short notice events as we want to have confidence that the weather is going to cooperate so watch your email and the web site to learn what's happening.

I look forward to seeing many of you via Zoom at our February general membership meeting.

Cover Car- Dee Petersen's 2003 50th Anniversary Coupe by Oran Petersen

This Anniversary Red coupe joined us in October 2020 as the 4th Vette in the family history. First was a 35th anniversary 1988 C4 with the infamous Doug Nash manual transmission which owned us from August 1993 to June 2014 when we traded it during delivery of #3, a factory ordered 2014 Laguna Blue C7 Z51. (7HEAVEN)

Ironically, #2 was also a 2003 C5, an Electron Blue manual coupe which we bought from



a CMCS member in 2011 and sold to a CMCS member in early 2014 in anticipation of the arrival of the C7. Due a serious leg fracture Dee can no longer drive a “stick shift”, eliminating the C4 and blue C5 as viable options.

From June 2014 to October 2020 we were a “One-Vette” household. But Dee does not like to drive the C7 due to lack of visibility to the sides and rear. Near her August birthday I asked her what she wanted, to which she answered “a C5”. I chuckled and got her the customary birthday card. Later, after receiving a whine about a new computer I got, I asked again what she wanted, to which I was reminded that I had already been told. OK, tell me again, to which the answer again was “a C5”. OK, slow learner but I got it now. Evidently we really need two Vettes.

An Internet search ensued. It had to be an automatic coupe with low mileage, no damage history, highly optioned, in excellent condition with a low ownership history and either red or blue. There are lots of C5 Vettes for sale, but finding one that met the criteria turned out to be a big chore. About 300 reviews later I was numb and ready to pack it in. Then I spotted this one at a luxury car dealership in Salt Lake City, Utah that pushed all the buttons. One owner, 39k, the special anniversary version, excellent condition and no damage history. All of the anniversary special C5 cars are fully optioned and this one had both tops as well. We also really like the shale interior, including the dash, and the champagne colored wheels which had Michelin run-flats in very good condition. (We don't like running spare-less cars without run-flats.) Two days and two overnight paper deliveries later the car was paid for and ours. But it was still in SLC.

After considering the options, the weather made the decision for us. The weather during the first week of October was clear, sunny and perfect.

Probably the best week of weather in all of 2020, and we were “between spikes” in the COVID mess. So we hooked up our enclosed race trailer and the three of us, (Dee, me and Athena our dog) departed for a 4-day “vacation” trip to SLC and back, doing 500 miles to Boise on Day 1, 320 on Day 2 to take delivery in



SLC. The dealership was great to work with and had the car clean and waxed, waiting for us. After an overnight in SLC we made 500 miles to La Grande, OR on Day 3 and had a visit with my sister. Day 4 was 320 miles back home. All went well except for getting heavily splattered with nasty concrete impregnated water by a cutter doing road work, courtesy of the Idaho highway division. This completely plastered the front of the truck and trailer in a one-lane construction zone. (Thank goodness for the washer system.) Took me 2 hours in SLC to clean up the worst of it with towels and a 5 gallon water bucket. No hose.

The car also came with the audio CD option (cassette tape was also available in that era), which was perfect for Dee, who has an extensive collection of Elvis discs. And a month later we found that it also had the optional disc changer, but the cassette was missing. We found one on line and it now works perfectly. Another win!

The license plate “DEE TOY” was carried on the C4 for 21 years and let go when we traded it for the C7. We got the plate back for this C5, so once again Dee’s Toy is a plastic car and not me.

General Meeting Minutes

Thursday January 21, 2021 @ 7:00 pm

Zoom Online

By Bill Cameron



Committee Chairs / Representative REPORTS

- Membership 275 members----- Steve Yabroff
- Website ----- Alton Loe
- Charity - No Report----- Marty Cameron
- Parades - No 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----- Joe Powell
 - GM is offering employee pricing on certain cars.
- Apparel -----Bonnie Roylance
 - New ladies fleece jacket see on our website.
- Newsletter - No Report ----- Oran Petersen
- NWACC - No Report-----Ken Jones
- NCRS ----- Gary Main

- June 6th (tentative) B.C. Chapter meeting Vancouver, B.C.
- June 26th (tentative)N.W. Chapter meeting Renton, sign ups at
- <http://nwncrs.org/2021-event-schedule.html>.
- July 18-23 NCRS National Convention Palm Springs, CA.

- September 12th, 9am. to 2 pm. NW Chapter Terminator Party Tolt MacDonald Park
- Carnation, WA.
- For those who purchased the NCRS 1966 6th edition of the “Corvette Technical Information Manual and Judging Guide” you may need to request some page updates to be inserted. check page 81 to see if it states “amended August, 2020 on the bottom to the left of “2019 sixth edition, first printing.” Send a request to the NCRS On-line store at shopkeeper@ncrs.org to request your updated pages. They will be provided at no charge.

NCM -----Kevin Wilson

Still has Corvette raffles ongoing. Worlds fastest Corvette donated to NCM.

OFFICERS REPORTS

President -----Shaun Hayes

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.

Elections will be held at the February General meeting.

Secretary-----Bill Cameron

December 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:

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: February 18, 2021

Next Board Meeting: February 11, 2021

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



Two years ago, I reported that Danny Thompson (son of Mickey Thompson) had refreshed his father's Challenger 2 land speed record car in an attempt to reclaim the land speed record for piston powered vehicles. Father Mickey had been the first to break the 400 mph record in 1960 with Challenger 1 powered by four supercharged Pontiac V8s. Danny was successful with Challenger 2 and established a new piston powered record of 448.7 mph. Danny had beaten the prior record held by George Poteet. Even at the age of 72, George was not yet ready to retire and let Danny hold the record, so Poteet built a new car powered by a single big block Chevy (approx 3,000 hp) and returned to Bonneville in August of 2020. On a trial run, the car caught fire. Rather than go home to wait for 2021, his crew rewired the car overnight and did all the other work necessary to make it a contender. Bonneville requires two separate runs to establish the land speed record. If you break the old record on a pass, you park the car overnight in the impound area, to return the following day to do a verification pass. The record would be the average of your two attempts. Poteet once again holds the piston powered land speed record at 470.015 mph. Who will be the one to finally pass the 500 mph piston powered barrier?

Automotive features we didn't realize we needed until the manufacturers made them available, and perhaps some that we could easily live without. With many of our newer cars heading for at least partially autonomous driving, the manufacturers have added features like vibrating seats or steering wheels that will activate if the vehicle senses the driver is not paying full attention. Mercedes has taken this to a new level with their flagship S class vehicle for 2021. If you order the premium 1,750 watt Burmester audio, the system comes with shakers attached to the seat frames. The shakers are timed to the beat of the music to mimic extreme bass levels vibrating the entire car, without the danger of lasting ear damage. Now, I bet you will agree that this is a feature you cannot live without. However, rather dumb features are not limited to Mercedes. My Chevy SS sedan has what we call the Kazoo tube. This tube of 1" rubber runs from the air intake, just before the throttle body, and plumbs through the firewall into the interior. If you miss the sound of a carburetor's secondaries opening with that in-rush of air, you can easily imagine the intent of the Kazoo tube. I should add that the Kazoo tube does a poor job of replicating those secondaries opening under

full throttle. For those technically oriented, you should know that there is a one-way air valve in the Kazoo tube that prevents the tube from acting as a secondary air intake sourcing air from the car's interior. At least the Kazoo tube doesn't add artificial sounds. There is an increasing number of cars that have artificial exhaust sounds piped into the car via the car's stereo speakers. These added sounds come through the speakers even when the audio system is turned off. The car is reasonably quiet on the exterior, but the driver just knows he or she is driving a performance car; just listen to it. To continue this trend even further, one model (Genesis GV80) has a volume control knob to adjust the phony engine sounds in the interior (Good Grief). We also have owner manuals that have page after page of cautions simply because someone once sued a manufacturer, and the lawyers are trying to protect us from ourselves. The manuals have gotten so long and so hard to find what you need, that some new owners infuriate the various forums by asking questions for which answers are in the manual, but well hidden. I want to cite one recent example. "Forbes" magazine had an article written by an automotive writer complaining about the worst features of some of our new cars. At #11 and honorable mention was owner's manuals written by the sadistic. I cannot verify that this example was actually true, but I found it very funny. His comment: "Once I pulled into a gas station with a test car but couldn't open the door covering the gas cap after looking all over for the release lever. I looked in the manual under 'gas', 'petrol' 'lid' and any other search term I could think of. Finally, I started with 'A' and my index finger. I went through almost the entire book until I came to 'W' and found what I was looking for: 'What to do when you need to put gas in the vehicle' ". I suspect you could add a few features from your newer vehicles to the list.

The continuing problems of our automotive press. In the last year, I reported on the demise of international print magazines "Automobile" and "Autoweek", plus the local "Cruzin". I had been a long-time subscriber to the first two magazines as they had a different perspective on our automotive hobby than the more mainstream names. Starting the first of this year, the venerable "Road & Track" monthly has changed to 6 "double issues"/year. Of course, we are promised that each issue will be even greater. What is more telling is that the same notice comes with the plea to join The Track Club (the Road & Track membership at additional cost) and released the first issue of the premium magazine and access to all the digital events, privileges etc.

ALERT: For those of you with a C7 Z51, I want to relate a disturbing failure. Recently our C7 exhibited a rather loud rattle which sounded like it was coming from the right rear. The rattle was much more pronounced over bumps. Knowing how sounds seem to travel in a car, I made sure I had the trunk cubby

cleaned out, checked that the trunk battery was secure, and then jacked up the car to inspect underneath. Nothing was apparently loose, and not finding the problem, I took the car in for service. The culprit? The C7 Z51 rotors are two-piece assemblies. The rotor hat (center) has 9 radial extending fingers that are attached (internally welded?) to the vented rotor itself. Several of the welds had broken, and the rotor was somewhat loose on the hat. The two pieces of metal moving on each other were the source of our rattle. As one weld failed, it would put a greater load on the remaining welds, and I would anticipate that at some point all the welds would break and the rotor would come loose from the hat. This would not be a good thing to happen with our brakes. I cannot speak to whether the base C7 has the same rotor design (although we know the base C7 does not have the slotted rotors), nor do I know if this rotor design carried over to the C8. We do know that the C7 Z06 and GS were built with true two-piece rotors where the rotor disc is bolted to the inner hat, with a series of small bolts. Was this a freak accident? I rather doubt it, as the tech quickly diagnosed the problem. Conclusion: If you suddenly get a pronounced rattle from any corner of your Vette, look closely at the brake rotors. Postscript: After initially writing about this problem, I discovered that GM is aware of the problem and had issued a Technical Service Bulletin (TSB) 16-NA-170. The TSB indicates the problem might be related to “interation” (no, I didn't spell this wrong) between the inner top hat section to the rotor ring”. Look up “interation” and see if you find a meaning that applies. The best definition I could find for this use is that it means “separation”. Now, why didn't GM just say so?

In Memoriam - Robert Lee FABULS (Bob) Newman (Gertrude)
January 24, 1932 to December 13, 2020 (88)

Bob was “Gertrude” of the JP Patches show that aired on KIRO TV live and unrehearsed for many years in the late 50's to early 80's and made many public appearances for about an additional 30 years until the death of JP (Chris Wedes) in 2012. Bob joined the show in 1960 in a way that would be unheard of today. For the



first two years Gertrude was an imaginary figure played “off-screen” by JP. One day Bob dressed as the Gertrude we now know and when JP asked her for a ham sandwich he walked on and gave him one, with JP

having no clue ahead of time. He then played virtually every character on the show except for JP from that time forward, (approximately 17 or so characters, and they became best of friends. We could fill this entire newsletter with Bob's legacy and exploits.

Bob was a CMCS member for many years. Some references, unconfirmed, indicate that he first joined in 1976. CMCS archives show him as a member in 2000 with a 2000 Millennium Yellow convertible. He was last a member in 2012, the same year that JP passed.

Bob was on the cover of the September 2004 issue of OYM with his yellow C5 along with 5 other members and their yellow C5 Vettes. He attended a number of CMCS events and could easily be found by just following the laughter in the area.

In 2006 he sold the C5 and was an associate member for a year or two until he bought a CMCS member's 1982 Collector Edition Vette in May of 2007.

You can see a bronze statue of JP & Gertrude near the Fremont bridge, erected in 2008.

Links include:

<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/seattle-wa/robert-newman-9254046>

<https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/obituaries/bob-newman-who-brought-laughter-to-children-on-j-patches-show-dies-at-88/>

<https://www.atlasobscura.com/places/jp-patches-statue>





Parades
 by **John Kamm**
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From the Northern Command Center for Parades, I welcome all of us to 2021. Yes, we made it past the mess called 2020. During my recent contacts with parade organizers and also Seafair, I am getting the same answers to my questions about 2021 parades. And that answer is....”we don't know”.

Yes, we are in a new year, but still in Phase 1 lock down. Which is where we were most of last year. And we need to be in Phase 4 for any type of parade or large gathering. Add to the fact, just to move to Phase 1.5 lock down being a moving target and being reset often and /or delayed by the guys in Olympia, I am about to toss out my crystal ball that I have been consulting over the past year to give me a good guess on things.

At this time, I have NO formal parades, or dates, other than in December, we will be involved in the lighted car parade again. Much more on that later in the year. But if this year's lighted car parade is as huge as 2020s, with over 160 cars involved, it will be a blast to be a part of it. A great video of the 2020 lighted car parade is now on the club website and well worth viewing.

Watch the CMCS website and newsletter for updates on parades. I do expect to have something to report by March. Event planning must be well underway by then. But this virus and its spin off friends are really screwing up things, yet again. Hang in there.

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



2021 dates to pencil into your calendar: If COVID ever settles down, some of these events might actually happen:

- June 6 (tentative) BC Chapter Meet - Vancouver BC, Canada
- June 26 (tentative) Chapter Meet - Renton, WA. Details are still being worked out. In the meantime, Save the Date. Sign-ups may be done at: <https://nwnocrs.org/2021-event-schedule.html>.
- July 18-23 NCRS National Convention - Palm Springs, CA
- September 12, 9am-2pm NW Chapter Terminator Party - Tolt MacDonald Park, Carnation, WA.

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Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup

by **Kevin Wilson** kevinwilson@q.com (206) 286-8750



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

WSDOT moratorium is still in place for Adopt-A-Highway Cleanups per the Washington state Department of Transportation (WSDOT) website as of January 22, 2021: “We have suspended all Adopt-A-Highway volunteer activities until further notice as a safety precaution during the COVID-19 pandemic. To comply with “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” guidelines, we are not allowing the pick-up or drop-off of AAH equipment including any safety vests, hard hats, signs, pickers, bags or other items regularly loaned to AAH groups.”

Furthermore, volunteer groups are not to conduct any AAH activities. No specified date is set for when AAH activities may resume, but we will notify all groups by email once the suspension is lifted.

Thank you all for your patience during these times. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.”

CMCS Names David Cayton as new Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator:

This is my last article as your Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator. David Cayton has kindly volunteered to lead the AAH program on behalf of CMCS. I will work with David to ensure a smooth transition. It has been a privilege for me to serve in this role

Please watch the newsletter for cleanup schedules. Consider volunteering for and joining in this fun & easy community service activity. It takes about an 1 ½ hours to clean our section of I-5 utilizing 8 volunteers to clean & 2 more as drivers. We typically start at 9:30 am. It’s a natural way to get involved in a CMCS activity. After the “all clear” is given (hopefully by April 2021) we will schedule a session.

Photo: Kevin waves goodbye as AAH Coordinator.



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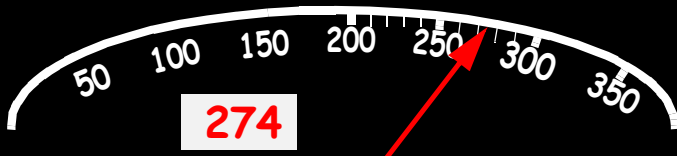
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The Membership Tachometer by Steve Yabroff



Note: This count was reduced by 1 to reflect the passing of Wes Holmes.

David & Lynda Wike have a **2016 Blue Z51 Coupe**. They were shopping for an SUV to replace Lynda’s Lincoln, and the dealer had this lovely Blue Corvette which obviously called out to them as they bought the Corvette instead (they previously had a Red 86 C4). They enjoy kayaking, motorcycles, photography and a lot more. They have two grown daughters and four grandkids. They are looking forward to trying out a number of various events, getting to know the CMCS members and talking Corvettes!

Michael Johnson owns his first Corvette, a **2009 Z51 Coupe**. He is now in the middle of rebuilding the engine after having made several performance upgrades. He is looking for advice in finding a shop to rebuild the top end of the motor (he has the parts) after car is out of the paint shop. He is a Navy veteran, married 21 years, and looking forward to getting his Corvette on the street and joining in on the many CMCS activities.

February Birthdays

Alton Loe	1	John Dodge	11	John Paul Nelson III	16
David Wike	1	Forest Faulkner	13	Dave Ormerod	16
Connie Milliken	3	Tam Larsen	13	Mark Perez	20
John R. Thomas	4	John Lucke	13	Melissa Olejniczak	24
Tim Cox	6	Jan Whitman	13	Danette Sawin	24
Max Bettman	7	Ron Luessen	15	Teri Lowe	27
Jean Rummel	8	Anita Krebs	16	Valeska Pawlak	29
Richard Peterson	10				

Laps from the Past

by Gary Main

55 LAPS AGO: February 1966. Ed Baker was President, VP Jack Goffette, Secretary Bruce Kelly, Treasurer Bill Fowler, Activity Chair John R Thomas, Program Chair Ken Jones. Newsletter was co-edited by Sue Stanley & John R Thomas. *The Corvette Marquee Mail Correspondent* (that was the monthly newsletter’s name at the time. It would eventually become *On Your Marquee*) stated that the February meeting was at the WA State Patrol headquarters office at 905 Dexter

North. Agenda consisted chiefly of nomination of new officers. The *Cooks Tour III*, an annual event that today (2021) is called “*Wet Weekend*” was held at the Log Cabin Court in Grayland, WA. It featured a Saturday night Spaghetti Feed for the whole group and Sunday morning breakfast. Cabin rentals ranged from \$7 for two to \$15 for eight. The newsletter included a long tech article (2 ½ pages on 8 ½ x 11 paper) by Roger Orth on how to improve the headlight performance of your Corvette. It was followed by another 2 pages by John R Thomas recapping Les Grands Prix at Pacific Raceways and Laguna Seca. “For Sale” page included, “1 set Mercedes Benz tire chains for Corvettes. High-tensile strength interwoven cross section. Automatic tension adjustor. Never used. New price \$70, sell for \$50. See to appreciate. Call Ken Deckman UL 2-7499.”

50 LAPS AGO: February 1971. President Frank Olsheski conducted the meeting at Wet Weekend. The Schwab's, Thomas's, & Kelly's were thanked by all for a great meal.

Membership: Tim Howard joined CMCS. (*Total was not recorded*) Members were reminded that dues are due by 3/31. \$10 single, \$11 couple IF paid ON TIME. \$12 & \$13, respectively, if LATE. Official club jackets, made by Pacific Trail were available at the Bon Marche for \$12-\$13.

Activities: 6th Annual Wet Weekend at the Beachwood Resort in Copalis Beach, WA included a snipe hunt, a kite flying contest, swimming, BBQ and the annual Football contest between small blocks & big blocks to settle the same old question of which is best. The promo stated, “Small blockers please note: A practice session will be held 30 seconds before game time.”

Officer Elections: Eleven names were presented, two for each officer position and three for the board position. Ballots were mailed to be counted in March.

40 LAPS AGO: February 1981. President Bruce Kelly conducted the meeting after dinner at Wet Weekend. Old Business was the approval of the \$1,500 lease agreement with Seattle International Raceway (SIR) for the upcoming All Corvette Charity Drag Race & Swap Meet. New Business was the nomination of officers for the coming year.

Membership: 97. There were no new members.

Activities: 16th Annual Wet Weekend at the Beachwood Resort in Copalis Beach was coordinated by Jay & Jan Cockrum. It started with a tour from the South Center Theater parking lot to the Beachwood. Dinner was U-COOK steak with baked ‘taters, French bread, salad & dessert, all, for 5 bucks per person.

30 LAPS AGO: February 1991. President Cloyd Jackson conducted the meeting at the Ram Border Cafe Sports Bar in University Village.

John Bell won the “What to do with a Corvette in the Winter” contest. His essay was a bit lengthy but was the only one received and it was well read. His main

message was to turn over the engine at least once every few weeks and provide adequate ventilation in a closed garage setting.

Membership: 111. Art & Ann Thomas were new members.

Activities: 26th Annual Wet Weekend at the Sequim Bay Lodge coordinated by Activities Chair, Kayla Main. Saturday included tours to Olympic Game Farm, Neuarth Winery, a 3-mile hike to the Lighthouse on Dungeness Spit and a drive to Hurricane Ridge near Port Angeles. Then a 7-pm dinner at the 3 Crabs Restaurant & Lounge on Dungeness Beach (operated by brand new CMCS members Jim & Linda Micus) followed by 10 pm bowling at Olympic Lanes in Sequim, also operated by Jim & Linda Micus. \$5 got you shoe rental, 3 games and unlimited silliness. Much later, back at the Lodge, there was a “31” Tournament into the wee hours, along with the first of what would become a Wet Weekend staple, Kayla’s Kreative Kontests. This one headlined, Creative Sock Contest. Sunday breakfast was at Ken Belisle’s (another Corvette owner) Belisle Seafood Broiler & Lounge next door to the Lodge.

20 LAPS AGO: February 2001. Barin Yoder's 1996 Collector Edition Sebring Silver convertible, 330hp LT4 was on the cover. President Jan Cockrum conducted the meeting at the Old Country Buffet at Totem Lake.

Membership: 253. New members were Rich & Nanette Henthorn, Jim & Sandy Shelby, Ron Oliver, Gary & Donna Embree, and, Jerry & Colleen Hines.

Activity: 36th Annual Wet Weekend at The Polynesian Condominium Resort in Ocean Shores, WA February 23-25, hosted by Dick & Lolly D'Alessandro. On Saturday evening John Bell hosted a wine tasting session he called “Wacky Wines of the World”.

Officer Elections: Ballots were mailed showing 8 candidates for 5 positions.

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10 LAPS AGO: February 2011. Two Corvettes from each generation, C1 through C6 were on the cover. President Al Dager conducted the monthly meeting at the Chengdu Chinese Buffet in Bellevue.

Membership: 264. New members were Ka'lev Hunger & Merry Walsh.

Activities:

CMCS sponsored Valve Cover Races at the Corvette High Performance Swap Meet in Puyallup, hosted by Gary Main. Stan Trask organized a CMCS booth at the swap meet.

Tour to the Tacoma Corvette Club Open House in Auburn WA. CMCS won the attendance award (There was lots of free food) *(Could those two facts be related?)*

46th Annual Wet Weekend on February 25-27 at Coupeville on Whidbey Island. Michael & Jane Armstrong were hosts. There were 66 CMCS members in attendance.

Officer Elections: Ballots were mailed showing 7 candidates for 5 positions. There were 2 for president and 2 for vice president.

Recognition: For February, Jack Goodman & Claudia Simmons received the honor. (Recognitions were done monthly at this time.)

CMCS Bylaw Amendments: Amendment proposals to clarify quorum requirements for bylaw amendments and to allow proxy voting were published in the newsletter.

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5 LAPS AGO: February 2016. Bruce & Gerry Kelly's 2015 Torch Red Z51 was on the cover. President Kevin Jewell conducted the meeting at the Plum Delicious Restaurant in Renton.

Membership: 286. New members were Pat & Dennis Stafford and David & Sheila Borneman.

Activities: 51st Annual Wet Weekend at The Breakers in Long Beach WA with a tour to the Tillamook Creamery on Saturday. February 26-28.

Officer Elections: No offices were contested so all contestants were elected by a vote of acclamation (no ballots were sent).

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National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report

by **Kevin Wilson (Local NCM Ambassador)**

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It's the month for celebrating Ground Hog Day, and if you're like me with the fallout from the Corona Virus you probably feel like you've been living in the movie "Ground Hog Day" where weatherman Phil (Bill Murray), is out to cover the annual emergence of the groundhog from its hole. He gets caught in a blizzard that he didn't predict and finds himself trapped in a time warp where he is doomed to relive the same day over and over and over again until he finally gets it right. At this point in the pandemic we can all see the light at the end of the long tunnel, but meanwhile we keep plugging away day after day, hoping to finally get it right.

Our friends at The National Corvette Museum (NCM) have been getting a few things right during this pandemic, including Vettecademy which is up to episode 14 of season 2 and is all about the history of the [Z06 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8fHxga3GwYQ&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8fHxga3GwYQ&feature=youtu.be). And "Corvette Today" weekly podcasts are up to 40 as I write this and can be found here: <https://anchor.fm/steve-garrett/episodes/CORVETTE->

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For a short month there is a lot of news out of the museum, so let's get started:

Please let me know if you have any dealings with the National Corvette Museum this year:

If you have any dealings with the National Corvette Museum this year like if you are a member, if you purchase a Raffle Ticket, if you insure your Corvette through them, if you have museum delivery of a new Corvette, if you attend one of their events, if you make a donation by buying a brick or make some other kind of donation, please let me know via e-mail. I submit a report annually to the NCM to let them know what our club is doing to support them, and with your help I can be more accurate. Thank You!

Motor Authority Names Corvette 'Best Car To Buy': While electric cars seem to be the up and coming automobile, for Motor Authority, it was the traditional performance that won this year's 'Best to Buy' award - being both fun to drive and an outstanding value. According to writer Kirk Bell, "Most importantly, it's the kind of car we want to own and drive. And the way it drives is what earned the Corvette the Best Car to Buy 2021 award." "It's one of those cars that almost reads your mind when you drive it," Motor Authority contributor Brian Wong said after a drive. "If I wanted the nose to dive in, it would. If I wanted to hang on the power and get it to move around a little in the back, it would."

Interactive Content Manager Joel Feder compared the new Corvette to a Ferrari and the best Corvette of the last generation, the ZR1, which won Motor Authority's Best Car To Buy 2019 award. "This car's steering is so much more precise. Its turn-in is so much quicker. Frankly, it reminds me a lot of the 488 Spider and that car was like \$300,000. And it's going to be 10 times more reliable." "The C8 will make kids' mouths drop open, grown adults stare, and people ask all sorts of questions. Many don't even realize it's a Corvette," Feder said.

Contributor Brian Wong pointed out an aspect of the car we can all appreciate. "I love the theater of the Corvette," he said. "When you lift up the back and you see the engine and all the carbon fiber sitting there. That's something you don't get with the old Corvette."



While the reviewers didn't all agree with every aspect of the car, they did agree on one thing. “Our bottom line goes back to how the Corvette drives. It makes us want to drive it, which is the mission of a sports car.” “When I think back to all the cars I drove this year, that is the one I will remember the most. I had the most fun with it. I went out and drove it every single day,” said Wong. Senior Editor Robert Duffer felt the new Corvette captures the essence of the sports car. “You make excuses to go out and drive it. It's a great place to be,” he said. “It gives you all the thrills you want out of a car.” Feder pointed out the Corvette's obvious value. “It's a lot of performance car for not a lot of money,” he said. “It's astounding what they did with the change to the mid-engine design.” You can read the complete review and check out the photos at Motor Authority here: https://www.motorauthority.com/news/1130818_best-car-to-buy-2021-how-we-named-the-chevrolet-corvette-our-winner

National Corvette Museum Receives 'World's Fastest Corvette': The 1984 Land Speed Record Race Car just joined the NCM Collection! Referred to as the 'World's Fastest Corvette,' this highly modified 1984 has competed and held records in several Bonneville salt flat speed trial classes, reaching over 270 miles per hour.

Juris Mindenbergs of Redmond, Wash. acquired the car stock in 1986, modifying it for Bonneville racing with the assistance of Mike Dorgan, Don Schellberg, Art Morrisson and Larry Kalsch with his expertise and dyno facility. On October 1, 1988 at a USFRA Bonneville meet, Mindenbergs achieved a top speed of 271.04 MPH with his two-way average of 266.45 MPH setting a record in the AA-GT class and breaking Mickey Thompson's longstanding mark. Hot Rod Magazine's December 1989 issue called this naturally aspirated, and gasoline powered Corvette one of the ten most awesome race cars of the 1980s.



Later, owner Bobby Moore of Tulsa, Okla. achieved many Bonneville class records, including eclipsing Mindenbergs' 1988 AA-GT class mark in 2004, which are highlighted on the vehicle's rear window.

Mindenbergs reacquired the vehicle in 2016, donating it to a Museum in the Pacific Northwest in 2019. A full story on this car will be published in the April/May/June issue of America's Sports Car Museum member magazine.

Chevrolet Documents Corvette Engineering Team's Journey To Build The Mid-Engine Supercar:

Chevrolet has release a two-part documentary entitled: "Revolution: The Mid-Engine Corvette Development Story."

Episode one, released on December 22, 2020, focused on Corvette design with the Corvette Stingray team sharing what inspired the groundbreaking design of the mid-engine Corvette Stingray.

Episode two, released on January 4, 2021, follows the Corvette engineering



team's journey to build a supercar for every day - with superior ride comfort on the highway and well-balanced handling on the track - while also chronicling the rigorous performance testing process at the most demanding track in the world. You can watch both episodes here on the NCM Website (each is about 10 minutes) <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/chevrolet-documents-corvette-engineering-teams-journey-to-build-the-mid-engine-supercar/>

The documentary was also released on Corvette's Facebook and Instagram pages and Chevrolet's YouTube channel.

Museum Welcomes Two New Board Members: Joining the National Corvette Museum's Board of Directors are Dale Ledbetter of Indian Trail, NC and Shannon Skokos of Dallas, TX. Rotating off the Museum's board was Wes Wong of Sandy Springs, GA who joined the board in 2016.

Shannon Skokos, a former Miss Arkansas and motivational speaker, is an attorney, author, photographer and philanthropist residing in Dallas, Texas. She has extensive board and executive committee experience, and when she is not volunteering her time



or working on various business ventures, Shannon enjoys preserving the history of classic automobiles.

Dale Ledbetter is an American automotive executive, entrepreneur, and consultant. Dale is best known for his involvement with classic and collectible car acquisition, vehicle restoration and business management for Hendrick Motorsports Performance Group.

President/CEO Dr. Sean Preston is leaving the National Corvette Museum:

It doesn't seem that long ago that I was announcing that after 23 long years at the leadership helm, Wendel Strode the President of the NCM was retiring. He was being replaced after a nationwide search by Dr. Sean Preston who re-located to Bowling Green, KY from Portland, OR. In fact, it was June of 2019 when Dr. Preston took over as President and CEO, and on January 13th the NCM Board of Directors announced today that Dr. Preston was leaving the organization where he has worked the last 19 months.



“We are grateful to Dr. Preston for the commitment and talent he brought to both the National Corvette Museum and the NCM Motorsports Park,” stated NCM Chairman of the Board Glenn Johnson. “Dr. Preston made a positive impact on our organization and we wish him the very best in his future endeavors and thank him for his contributions.”

Johnson said that former NCM Board of Directors Chairman and Bowling Green retired Real Estate executive Jack Matukas has agreed to serve as Interim CEO of the NCM during the transition. “We thank Jack for his willingness to once again serve the NCM,” said Johnson. The Board will engage a search firm to conduct a national search for a new CEO.

Matukas served on the NCM Board of Directors from 2002 to 2015 and was the Chairman of the Board in 2012 and 2013. He has been involved since he and his wife, Donna, visited the Museum Annex in Bowling Green in 1989, seeing the vision and becoming Founding Members. The Matukas' are Lifetime Members of the Museum, in the Spire Society, Members of the NCM Motorsports Park Acre Club and have participated in the R8C Museum Delivery Program numerous times. He can be reached at jack.matukas@corvettemuseum.org.

2021 Corvette VIN 1 Delivered at NCM: Brian Bowling of West Virginia took delivery of his Torch Red 2021 Stingray on January 4 at the Museum - the first customer-built car for the new model year - VIN 1.

Brian previously owned a 1994 Corvette, saying the mid-engine configuration is what drew him back to America's Sports Car. He initially thought he was getting VIN 3 but got a call about a month ago offering to bump him to VIN 1.



Brian has owned quite a few hot rods over the years including a 1971 Chevelle and a 2014 Shelby GT 500. Brian last visited the Museum in 1997, also drag racing at Beech Bend during his visit to Bowling Green. The NCM expects to see Brian back this summer, but at the NCM Motorsports Park in his new ride. Congrats, Brian!

Applications Now Available for NCM/NCRS Scholarship: Applications are now available for the 2021-22 school year scholarship, funded by the National Corvette Restorers Society and awarded by the National Corvette Museum. Applicants for the \$2,500 scholarship must be NCM members or children/grandchildren of NCM members.


Other criteria include that the applicants have applied and been accepted at an accredited post-secondary school, technical school, college or university and are pursuing a degree related to the automotive, museum or non-profit industry, or a field which would work in those industries (i.e. human resources, finance, IT, etc.)



The deadline to apply is February 28, 2021 you can learn more & download the application here: <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/chevrolet-documents-corvette-engineering-teams-journey-to-build-the-mid-engine-supercar/>

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 email me if you send in an order. Here is the current raffle lineup:

<p style="text-align: center;">2021 Black Coupe 2000 Tickets to be sold Price: \$100 Drawing: Feb. 25, 2021 2:00 pm</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">2021 Silver Flare Convertible 1500 Tickets to be sold Price: \$200 Drawing: Mar. 18, 2021 2:00 pm</p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;">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!</p>	
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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/.](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 'Sights & Sounds of New Orleans' 3/30 - 4/3/2021 New Orleans. (Sold Out - wait list)

- NCM Michelin Bash 4/22 - 4/25/2021 (Registration opens early 2021)
- NCM Virtual Michelin Bash 4/22 (10am) - 4/23/2021 (9:30pm) (Registration open)
- MiM Dragon Run Presented by Michelin @ Biltmore Estate; NC (Sold Out - wait list)
- NCM The Gathering | May 13 - 15, 2021 (Planning stage)
- MiM 9 Day Caribbean Cruise: 5/14 - 5/23/2021 (depart & return Fort Lauderdale FL) (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:

I asked the NCM how many new Corvettes they could deliver on any given day through the R8C delivery program? They can deliver up to eight on any given day! If you are thinking of getting a new Corvette and would like delivery through the museum check out more details here: <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/visit/delivery-programs/r8c-museum-delivery/>
That's all for now - Save the Wave!

In Memoriam - Wesley Alan Holmes

June 28, 1952 - January 13, 2021 (68)

Wes was a CMCS member since about 1975 to the present (with breaks) and was actively involved in track events, including autocross and School Daze driving events at Pacific Raceways for quite a few years. He attended many other CMCS activities on a regular basis. He was the CMCS NCM Representative for a few years as well. Wes worked for Boeing as a test engineer and flew support on many airliner test flights. He battled cancer for years and retired from Boeing early due to health issues. The photo shows Wes taking delivery on his 2006 Yellow Z06, a car he really enjoyed.



Activities Current as of 2/13/21

Red text: CMCS Events • Magenta text: Autocross

February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Board Mtg	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 General Mtg	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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02/11 CMCS Board Meeting - Zoom

Meeting

02/18 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

5/28-30 50th Annual Big Sky Meet, Billings MT. by Glass Reunion Corvette Club

<https://www.glassreunioncorvettes.com/50th-bigsky-corvette-meet.html>

CMCS is planning a caravan: <https://corvettemarqueclub.com/event-4112199>

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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