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## Looking Ahead!

September! The cool nights and crisp mornings announce its arrival here in New England! Sweaters and pullovers now adorn our daily wardrobes as the first few leaves begin to trickle down, announcing the soon-to-arrive onslaught of colors! Football is back, rendering many of us useless on Sunday afternoon! The morning iced coffee has been replaced with a hot brew. And for us here at SONHC, as the calendar flips, we have much to look forward to as some of the best events of the season are now upon us! Our popular annual caravan across the Kancamagus happens in September, followed by our return to The Publyk House next month! And in between we have parades, A Laps For Charity special event, a couple of car shows, and three more events centered around food! Some might say it's the best time of year! The invitation to join us on any or all these events is always open!

Rick Delano  
**Group Founder**

## 2024 SONHC Events

**Note: There are changes from the previous issue**

### Friday, September 6th

Laps for Charity, Oval Course,  
New England Racing Museum,  
Car Show  
Loudon, NH

### Sunday, September, 15

Kancamagus Cruise  
Lincoln, N. Conway

### Sunday, September, 22

Car Show at Lethal Premium Car  
Care Open House  
Milford, NH

### Friday, September 27

\*Woodman's of Essex  
Essex, MA

### Friday, October 6th

\*Airport Café Lunch Cruise  
(Rescheduled)  
N. Hampton, NH

### Friday, October 11th

\*Parker's Maple Barn  
Breakfast Run  
Mason, NH

### Sunday, October 20th

The Publyk House  
Bennington, VT

### Sunday, October 25th

New England Dragway  
(Rescheduled)  
Epping, NH

### Saturday, November 9th

Season Close-Out Caravan  
Hart's Turkey Farm  
Meredith, NH

### Monday, November 11th

\*Veterans Day Parade  
Elm St. Manchester, NH

### Saturday, December 7th

\*Season Closing Celebration  
Location TBA

#### \*Limited field events

*This schedule has some flexibility to add additional events as they become organized. Check the [Facebook](#) page or [web site](#) for the latest information.*

## SOMECEC Sept. 8 Caravan to Maine Classic Car Museum!

**Sunday, September 8th**, members of SO ME CORVETTES are caravanning down to the **Maine Classic Car Museum** in Arundel for an afternoon visit. Plans are also in the works for a season-ending foliage caravan event. Details will be announced in the coming weeks as we look to put the wraps on the first SOMECEC season in style.



# AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS

Mother Nature was especially cruel in August, as she caused us to either postpone or outright cancel a couple of our events. Our summer picnic wasn't meant to be this year and the first-ever **Laps For Charity "Day of Giving"** event got rescheduled for this month (September 6, see related article)! Not was all lost, as we were able to enjoy a beautiful day at Gunstock Mt. Twenty Corvettes caravanned to Gilford for an enjoyable afternoon on the mountain. We wrapped the month up with members spending a fantastic day at the Cruising Downtown Car Show in Manchester!



## Kancamagus Here We Come!

We've all driven across the Kancamagus Highway numerous times. It's one of New Hampshire's most well-travelled and scenic roads! Did you know the history of the Kancamagus dates to the indigenous Native tribes in the 1600s? In 1627, a man named Passaconaway united 17 Indian tribes across the region and formed the Penacook Confederacy. He became the tribal leader and brought peace to the region. His grandson, Kancamagus, would later rule over the tribes and lead the battle against the white Englishmen who invaded the area around 1690, before being forced to flee to Canada. Back in the early 1800s, two dead-end town roads were formed, one in Lincoln and the other in Passaconaway; they would finally be connected in 1937, forming one continuous road between the two towns. In 1959, the road was opened as a dirt road and was finally paved in 1964. Even after the road was paved, it would close during the winter months as it was considered too dangerous to navigate during the harshest times of the year. The road was first plowed during the winter of 1966, which allowed traffic to navigate between Lincoln and Conway. In 2009, the road celebrated it's 50th anniversary. We return for our fourth caravan across the Kanc on September 15th.



# Laps For Charity "Day of Giving"

**Friday, September 6 is the date!** Everyone is invited to come along and join us on this special "Day of Giving." The day starts with a caravan from Manchester up to Loudon for our private visit to the **New England Racing Museum**, followed by an afternoon **car show** on the infield grounds of New Hampshire Motor Speedway! We conclude the day with **laps out on the speedway**. The very best part is 100% of the day's proceeds goes directly to the "Speedway Children's Charities"! We hope you'll consider joining us on this special "Day of Giving"!



A promotional graphic for a car show. At the top left is the "SPEEDWAY CHILDREN'S CHARITIES" logo, which includes a heart with a checkered flag. To its right is the "SONH CORVETTES" logo. The main text "CAR SHOW" is in large, bold, white letters with a blue and red shadow effect. Below that, it says "Friday, September 6" and "SUGGESTED DONATION \$10 FOR A VEHICLE OR \$5 PER PERSON". At the bottom, it states "All proceeds benefit Speedway Children's Charities". The background shows several cars parked in a lot.

## Meeting Mark Santos

One of the highlights I got to experience on our visit to **Patriot Place** in July was getting to meet with one of the curators of the New England Patriots Hall of Fame. Growing up in New England and being an avid Patriots fan, even during the lean years, was a memorable one for many reasons. The teams back then weren't very good, very often, but one of the bright spots, year in and year out, was always listening to the voice of play-by-play announcer **Gill Santos**. First on radio and later on TV, Gill's unique and booming voice always made even the most miserable team years tolerable.

Well, wouldn't you know, one of the first members of the Hall of Fame staff to ask about all the Corvettes parked in the stadium parking lot was none other than **Mark Santos**, the son of the above-mentioned Hall of Fame broadcaster. Getting to meet his son, Mark, and chatting with him was a truly memorable experience as we recalled both his dad's career. I got to listen to Mark tell the stories of growing up around the Patriots team from a very early age on. His pride was clearly evident in every word he spoke about his dad, along with sharing just a few of the great memories

he has from being around his dad's broadcast career since the 1960s and now with the Patriot Hall of Fame organization the past 16 years. Mark is a class act in every way and if you ever get to visit the Patriot's Hall of Fame, you certainly need to find Mark and ask to chat with him for a few minutes. Trust me when I say, it will make your day!



# Should I Change My Oil Now or Later?



For the many Corvette owners who drive their cars during the summer months, a question always seems to arise as winter approaches. Even though the car is not close to the recommended service mileage to change the oil, should it be changed before it's put it away for the long winter storage?

There is no correct answer; however, many expert pundits think it's always best to change the oil prior to putting it away regardless of the mileage. When oil sits for a while, combustible gases can build up making it more acidic by raising the PH level. By replacing the oil, you greatly reduce this process and help keep the lubricating properties intact. Besides, you'll sleep better not tossing and turning every winter night with your brain saying, "I should have changed that oil."

## I Do!

Congratulations goes out to **SOMEC** leaders **Mark and Whitney Hensley** on their daughter Christina's wedding held on August 31st. The bride looked absolutely stunning as Christina and Eric exchanged their vows on the beautiful grounds at the Maine Maritime Museum in Bath, ME. We all wish the newlyweds the very best! But now we're now curious. Do son-in-laws automatically gain access to the keys of the C7?



## Sept. 22 Car Show and Grand Opening!

We've added another car show to the schedule! But not just any car show — this one has special meaning. Our friends at **Lethal Premium Car Care** are having their **Grand Opening and Open House** at their new facility in the Tractor Supply Plaza on Elm St. in Milford, NH. on Sunday September 22.

We're inviting SONHC members to come out and join us for a car show in the plaza of Lethal Premium Car Care's new home. We'll have a food truck and, of course, ice cream available. George and his team will be demonstrating some of their services along with answering questions about the proper care of your Corvette's finish.



## SEND US YOUR STORIES AND PHOTOS AT:

[sonhcorvettes.org/members-stories](https://sonhcorvettes.org/members-stories)

## Our Mission

SO NH CORVETTES was created in the summer of 2020, originally starting as an online Facebook group. It was our hope that, through the power of social media, we could bring together like-minded people who share the same passion and love for these iconic cars by promoting participation in Corvette caravans traveling throughout New England! As we now have over 1,100 group members, our media footprint continues to evolve, change, and grow — with the continued goal of making every member experience a memorable one!

# Scavenger Hunt: One Month Left!

As we enter September, we're quickly heading for next month's **Scavenger Hunt Playoffs!** Each team has the remainder of this month to solidify their positions and make a push to the October playoffs! The top 15 teams and one random drawn team will all qualify for the chance to be crowned 2024 Scavenger Hunt Season Champions! As we enter into September here are the team standings!

## Teams currently in the top 10:

Team Ramblin Roadsters	Team Sherlockians
Team Mike & Anna	Team C8 TorchRed
Team Hokey Pokey	Team Shark Gray
Team RPM therapy	Team Fast Dogs
Team Corvette Cruisers	Team The Blue Knights

## Teams 11-15 (including 1 Tie):

Team 2-Dens Cruising	Team Orange Traffic Cone
Team Cruising Cotes	
Team Besties	Team Rag Top
Team Riddle Me Orange	Renegades

## Teams currently outside the playoffs:

Team Fission Chips	Team Not Vanilla
Team VETTED #1	Team The Seekers
Team D-o-R	Team The Crean's



# Season Long Points Update!

As we close out August, here are the season-long ride points leaders heading into September.

Congratulations to the members who are leading in points so far!

Don't despair, there's still a long way to go, with tons of points remaining to be earned! In fact, there are still more points to be earned than have already been awarded!

Here are the top 5 points leaders through the end of August.

**Asselin, Frank, Donna**  
**Bettinger, Paul, Alyse**  
**Ouellette, Denis, Denise**  
**Hodgkins, John, Suzanne**  
**Santos, Scott, Cindy**



# 5/90 Raffle Update!

At the end of August, the 5/90 raffle pot is now over **\$1,300!!!**



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# Our Partnering Professionals

**A special note on one of our Partnering Professionals sponsors:** We have heard great responses from several SONHC members who have reached out to **HPM Insurance** regarding their asset protection needs and they have, in fact, switched their entire household coverage over to HPM Insurance! We encourage everyone to reach out to Lyle and his team at HPM Insurance to see what they can do for you! Their contact information can be found on our website on our Professional Partners page!

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