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August was a busy month with activities and civic projects. We gained a new Eray, another Corvette changed hands within the club and we lost one to a careless driver.



September is upon us and with it comes more Corvette activities. Sept. 10 we kick off the return of the "Pre-Columbian" tour. We are watching the Flat Fire in Central Oregon closely as we may need to change our route. Other members will be driving to Kennewick on 9/11 and 9/12 to begin the festivities at Corvettes on the Columbia..

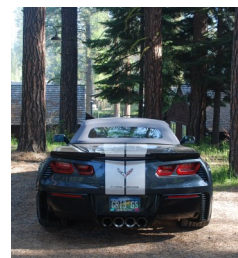
September 16, we have been invited by Willamette Valley Corvette to join them escorting the Travelling Wall to Independence, OR. Sept. 18 CCC will tour to Independence to view the replica of the Viet Nam Wall. A meeting time and location will be determined and announced.

We have once again been invited to escort the busses carrying our Honor Flight veterans on September 25. Late lunch to follow at the 99 Diner.

We have two more months of beautiful Summer and Fall weather ahead. Plenty of time to plan a tour to the Coast for lunch or a burger run or ... (insert your favorite here)

*Get your motor runnin'
Head out on the highway
Looking for adventure
In whatever comes our way*

Steppenwolf



August was heating up....

Starting August 4th at the Stan Stiles Memorial Tournament, Not A Tournament! The winning team was Mike Larion, Robert Madsen, Ken Dilger and Dennis Hough at 4 under par. The only thing this writer can say about missing the tournament is “damn yellowjackets!”

Also on August 4th for those not golfing, the club held a wonderful luncheon at Sweet Cheeks Winery. Good food, good wine and great friends.



August 6, the club held a fundraiser for SWV Honor Flight at Papa's Pizza on Coburg Rd. I'm happy to report that we raised \$1001.25. The Board has voted to add \$198.75 to bring the total to \$1200 which will fully cover one veteran on their Honor Flight.

August 8 was our General Meeting held at Riverside Park in Harrisburg. Since Nancy & I were in Coos Bay for Corvettes on the Bay, VP Gerry was going to run the meeting. That all got “blown up” when Connie was t-boned by a Cadillac while on the way home to pick up Gerry. Thankfully Gerry was not in the passenger seat! Connie is very sore and bruised, but thankfully again, no major injuries.



More August!

August 9 - "Corvettes on the Bay"

Cascade Corvette Club members did very well at this show! We won Club Participation with 15 Corvettes, CCC members took all three spots in the putting contest, Vic B. won the 50/50 and we won 5 of 8 trophies:

Rockstein - "Remarkably Futuristic"

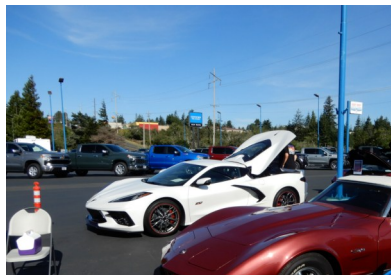
Melius - "Fast, Hot & Fun to Drive"

Vejnoska - "Judges Choice"

Czerniak - "American Patriot"

Garboden - "Pride of Ownership"

Thanks to Pacific Coast Corvette Club and Ken Ware Chevrolet for hosting the event. It was a great day at the Coast, 70 degrees and sunny.



Mike & Sandi Donnelly, along with their grandkids, went to "The World's Largest Weekly Car Show" in Orange County, CA. **3000+ cars every week!**

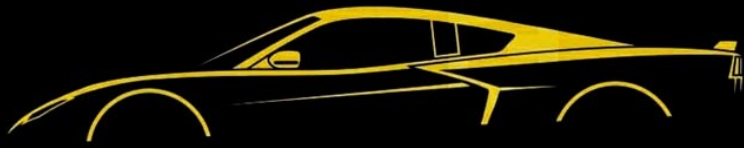
August 19, the club presented a check in the amount of \$1200 to SWV Honor Flight.



Breakfast at Pop's Branding Iron in Albany was well attended.



See other photos of club activities at: cascadecorvetteclub.com and click on PHOTOS.



Misc. Notes

September Events

Sept. 10: Pre-Columbian Tour
Itinerary will be emailed to all those
signed up and have early hotel
reservations.

Sept. 11 - 13: Corvettes on the Columbia
Contact Stan if you want to caravan to
Kennewick on Sept. 11.

Sept. 12: VP Gerry and Sec. Connie will
be officiating the meeting at Kendall
Chevrolet at 6:00 pm. After the meeting
members are invited to go to Sizzler for
dinner.

Sept. 16: As you read on page 1,
Willamette Valley Corvette Assoc. has
invited us to join them escorting the
Travelling Viet Nam Wall to
Independence, OR. We will share more
info if there is any interest.

Sept. 18: CCC members will meet at
Starbuck's in Junction City to tour to
Independence to view the Travelling Wall.
Meet early for coffee and we will depart at
9:00 am. We should arrive at the display
around 10:15 -10:30. We want to give
everyone as much time as they need to
reflect and remember. When ready we
will travel a short distance to Café 22 in
West Salem for lunch or Aspinwall's next
door for dessert. Or BOTH if you're up to
it. **Will ask for an RSVP so we can let
Café 22 know we're coming.**

Sept. 25: Honor Flight Escort.
We have one more Cascade Corvette
Club member and Viet Nam veteran
going on the September flight. We have
once again been invited to escort the
busses from the VA Clinic to the junction
of Old Coburg Rd and Diamond Hill Rd.
Meet at the VA Clinic on Chad Dr. 11:00
- 11:15 for the ceremonies. Lunch to
follow.

On our club outings and in your personal
travels, if you are so inclined to "gather"
toiletries from hotels, Simone Thomas is
collecting those to donate to Ann's Heart
Women's Shelter.

While we are discussing sharing with
Simone.... she appreciates any and all
contributions of photos and information
for the club website. Check out our club
website at:
www.cascadecorvetteclub.com

Another source of information about your
club can be found at the club's Facebook
group page. It is a private group, but ask
to join and start sharing.

Labor Day weekend, Aug. 30 - 31 &
Sept. 11 the Springfield VFW post will be
holding a chicken barbeque each day
beginning at 9 am. The address is 53rd
and Main in Springfield.



Happy Birthday!

Sept 4 - Ken Judson

Sept 12 - Connie Swartz

Sept 19 - Bob Newcomb

Sept 21 - Robert Edmiston

Sept 22 - Rhonda Honsowitz

Sept 23 - Ted O'Donnell

Sept 28 - Wanda Hinde

Sept 29 - Bob Bailey

Club Clothing

We have two options for embroidered club clothing & hats.

Fiddler's Green Golf Center
Embroidery Dept.
can order anything you like
and will embroider our club logo
for a small fee.

Or you may take in any
garment, regardless where it was
purchased and they will embroider
the club logo for you.



Tech Time

Recently, I realized that I was far behind on some scheduled maintenance on "GRIS", in particular the coolant flush and refill that should have been done before last year's Caravan. Initially, I chickened out on doing it myself, but with Leo's advice decided it could be done. Turns out it was easy.

1. Get the car off the ground. (Love my Quick Jack).
2. Remove the coolant tank cap & locate the petcock. This is on a 2019, other years of C7 may be slightly different.
3. Place a bucket under the petcock and begin draining. You will get approximately 1-1/2 gallons per drain. Add water to the system and run the engine up to temp. Continue to drain until the fluid is looking more "clear" than the first two or three drains.
4. Add the appropriate amount of DexCool and tap water.
5. Drive and recheck the coolant level.





**September 6
“Spirited” Fun Run
To Florence
(see page 8)**

**September 10-11
Return of the
“Pre-Columbian Tour”**

**September 11 - 13
Corvettes on the Columbia
Tri-Cities, WA**

**September 12
General Meeting
Kendall Chevrolet
6:00 pm**

**September 18
Traveling Viet Nam Wall
Independence, OR**

**September 25
Honor Flight Escort**

**Date Change
October 5
Chili Feed**

**December 7
Annual Christmas Party
Shadow Hills Country Club**



*Personal notes from President / Newsletter Editor. These are subjects I have tried to be diplomatic about for years. Maybe it is time to step up the rhetoric.

Nancy & I cannot attend every function of the club. This year that fact has been abundantly clear. Which leads me to this:

1. We need to ask more members to step up to plan and lead runs, tours, cruises, etc. To all those who have already volunteered ideas and carried them out—Thank You! We’re just asking for help here.
2. Administrators of the club Facebook group page have asked for more members to contribute to the page. I am asking for the same for this newsletter and our website. As I stated before, we can’t be at every function to take photos and write a report for the newsletter. Please help us by contributing those photos and notes for the newsletter and website.

Jim

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Welcome to the 3rd annual...

Cars & (NO) Coffee (NEWLY DECAFFEINATED) Espresso Run

Wind in my hair, shifting and drifting, mechanical music, adrenaline surge.

Well-weathered leather, hot metal and oil, the scented country air.

Sunlight on chrome, the blur of the landscape, every nerve aware. Drive like the wind, straining the limits of machine and man.

Laughing out loud with fear and hope, I've got a desperate plan. -Peart

WHAT: We're gonna drive our cars to Florence and eat some Chinese food. **WHEN:** Saturday, September 6th 2025. Meet 9 A.M. Depart 9:30 A.M. **WHERE:** Meadow View School, 1855 Legacy St, (off of Barger Drive, park in the school bus loop encircling the center school parking lot)

You are cordially invited to our 3rd Group Drive. This gathering is intended to be a celebration of car culture. Gathering together to share in the camaraderie and passion for their cars, car culture, and a need for the drive. After a small gathering and meeting, our group will take a drive through the woods. Leaving from Eugene, we'll be driving Highway 36, to Mapleton, continuing on to the coast in Florence. Once there, we'll have an opportunity for lunch for those who'd like it. Afterwards, the remaining group can disperse from there to explore Florence or head back towards home.

Our drive consists of leaving 1855 Legacy (Meadow View School), making a left on Barger Drive, a right turn at the roundabout onto Greenhill, then a left turn onto Clear Lake. We'll follow this road until it ends at Territorial Highway, and then we'll go straight onto Lawrence Road, and follow this over to Highway 36. After this, we stay on Highway 36 all the way into Mapleton. From there, continuing on our way into Florence, and down into Old Town. Finally ending at Chen's Family Dish (3620 Highway 101 Florence, Oregon). There should be ample parking, and we will be making reservations for those of us who RSVP that they'd like to attend lunch.

For anyone not familiar with Hwy36, it can be a challenging road to travel. Here are some things to keep in mind:

-DEER (unpredictable buggers who relish throwing themselves against shiny cars)

-ROCKS CAN BE ON ROAD (particularly at the peak of Low Pass) -PEDESTRIANS (might be on the shoulders of the highway through the "Rock Slides" section)

-SPEED LIMITS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES (Triangle Lake, Deadwood, and some other communities have much lower (and enforced) speed limits. State Troopers are known sometimes to be out there on weekends. No matter what we were just doing, slow it down in the towns.

The lead driver and the last driver of the group will have Walkie-talkies. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own radios to communicate/listen to the rest of the group. The two aforementioned drivers will communicate to keep the group together, after intersections, or if some of the group gets fast through a section, they'll slow the lead car down after that to tighten the group up again.

No passing. If we get stuck behind a slow car, so be it, it's too dangerous and sketchy to try to pass anyone on these two lane roads. Let's all get there in one group collectively and one piece individually.

And finally, we're all here to celebrate our cars, commiserate, and mostly hear, smell, and feel the joy of the drive! Spirited driving at moments is fine, (at your own risk of course), but please keep in mind we want to remain in a group and also not make anyone feel they are being pushed to drive outside their comfort level. Please RSVP to newworldman331x@gmail.com, specify how many are coming to lunch, and your affiliated club, if any.

Have fun, & Lets Drive!

September 2025

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1 	2	3	4	5	6 Cars & (no) Coffee Run to Florence
7	8	9 Board Mtg Thomas' 2:00 pm	10 Pre- Columbian Tour departs	11 Corvettes on the Columbia	12 Gen. Mtg. Kendall 6:00 pm COTC	13 Corvettes on the Columbia
14	15	16	17 	18 Traveling Viet Nam Wall	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Honor Flight Escort	26	27
28	29	30 Club Breakfast Location TBA				



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