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Newsletter

Jim & Nancy Garboden duckvett@comcast.net Pres Notes:

Summer is here—Oh Yah:

Our July general meeting was held *outside* at Kendall Chevrolet and was well attended. Thank you to Kendall Chevrolet for allowing us to hold our meetings at the dealership. It was good to see Pete and Angie, Al and Mary, and Dennis and Chris, welcome back! To end our meeting we got to view a pre-sold 2020 Zeus Bronze Metallic Corvette that had just been delivered to the dealership. After the meeting and viewing we took a short cruise out to the park in Coburg for a "safe distancing" ice cream social. Thank you to everyone for wearing your masks at the meeting. We will continue meeting outside as long as the weather permits and will also need to continue wearing our masks for safety. (See below for the August general meeting location).

Our club also hosted a "tournament not a tournament" at Tokatee Golf course up the McKenzie on Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup>. Bill, Vic, Ken and Mark won the prestigious green caps. Fun was had by all!

While almost every fun summer car event has been cancelled, we are staying smart and social distancing. But we are looking forward to a tour to the Oregon Gardens and Silver Falls on August 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>. At this time we have 9 cars and 17 people attending.

As a reminder our August general meeting will be on Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> at the home of David and Christine Kopachik in Cottage Grove. This will be an outdoor meeting with food provided by the club. Board members will serve the food and please bring your own drinks. Again we request that you wear masks when inside or not eating. (See tour info later in this newsletter).

I would also like to send *get well* wishes to Sandra Donnelly who is recovering from shoulder surgery. Stan Stiles with his ongoing neck issues. And any other members that I might have missed.

We will also try to plan some impromptu tours. If you have an idea of a fun outing, please let myself or a board member know.

Your Pres, Gerry Swartz



### Men's Golf Day July 21 Tokatee Golf Club

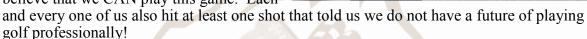
Golf is a funny game. It is even funnier when Cascade Corvette Club members and guests get together to play a round. But, it can also be great is so many ways!

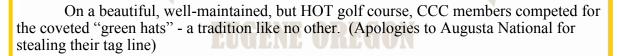
Great part #1: You have to get there and what better way than a 45-minute Corvette drive. Some of our members and guests had to get up at <u>4:30 am</u> to make it to the departure point in Thurston by 7:30. That is dedication.

Great part #2: You need to know the rules. Here we are in our reserved parking, observing social distancing, getting a refresher course on the rules of a "scramble".

Great part #3: You get to play the game with friends, mixing equal parts encouragement and trash talk.

Great part #4: Each and every one of us hit at least ONE shot that led us to believe that we CAN play this game. Each





The winning team - the 2020 C8's of Billy Wilson, Vic Wolfe, Ken Dilger & Mark S. (guest) took home the green hats this year with a team score of 66, six strokes under par. The other team scores were:

Stingrays - 70 Convertibles - 71 ZO6's - 76 Grand Sports - 80

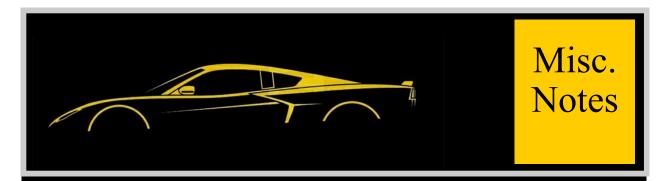


Long-drive winners were Duane Daggett and Mark S.

KP (closest to the pin) winners were Pat Melius, Bill Schrieber and Jim Garboden.

And these beauties were waiting for us to drive home afterwards.

It was a great day.



2020 has been a year of adapting to ever-changing situations. In another deviation from our General Meeting arrangements we will be meeting <u>outside</u> at David & Christine Kopachik's home in Cottage Grove on August 14. <u>Please note the time change</u>. For those traveling from Eugene and points north, we will meet at EPUD at **5:30 pm** and touring to Cottage Grove. Our Cottage Grove members can meet us at their home - 1515 W. Main.

**Parking** - There is room to park at least 15-16 Corvettes on the property (David will be there to direct parking) and there is *usually* street parking available.

Food - after a short business meeting, Board members will be serving food in individual containers. (Again, trying something new for everyone's safety, bear with us) Bring your own drinks and folding chairs. David & Christine think they have enough chairs, but bring yours just in case.

Masks & distancing are required, except while eating.

Want to go for a Corvette drive that includes lunch? Nancy & I recently had lunch on the patio at Long Timber Brewing Co. in Monroe. We can't do much as a large group yet, but you can call a couple of friends and do your own impromptu tours. Do it while outdoor dining seats are still available.

Did I read that sign right?

TOILET OUT OF ORDER. PLEASE USE FLOOR BELOW

In a Laundromat
AUTOMATIC WASHING MACHINES:
PLEASE REMOVE ALL YOUR
CLOTHES WHEN THE LIGHT GOES
OUT

Message on a leaflet
IF YOU CANNOT READ,
THIS LEAFLET
WE'LL TELL YOU HOW TO GET
LESSONS

War Dims Hope for Peace

I can see where it might have that effect!

Cold Wave Linked to Temperatures

Who would have thought!

Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges

You mean there's something stronger than duct tape?

Pete???

Notice in health food shop window:
CLOSED DUE TO ILLNESS



### **Happy Birthday!**

**August 3 - Faye Melius** 

**August 3 - Fred Willer** 

August 7 - Al Sather

August 11 - JoAnn Syron

August 14 - Vic Blomquist

August 17 - Jeff Albright

**August 17 - larry Thomas** 

**August 20 - Joyce Wittish** 

August 26 - Dave Boyd

August 28 - Joe Heidrick

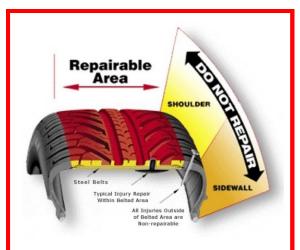


We have two options for embroidered club clothing & hats.

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.





File this one under "I hope I never need to know this".

Modern run-flat tires are technological marvels. You can drive up to 50 miles (at reduced speed) with zero pressure in order to find a repair shop. **But**...not all tire damage is repairable. Due to the material used to strengthen the sidewalls, damage to the sidewalls or shoulder, as shown above, cannot to repaired.

Run-flat tires will save you from being stranded or needing to call a roll-back tow truck in case of a flat tire, but they may not save you from needing to replace the tire.

DOES ANYONE KNOW WHICH PAGE OF THE BIBLE EXPLAINS HOW TO TURN WATER INTO WINE? ASKING FOR A FRIEND. C1 VETTE C2 VETTE C3 VETTE C4 VETTE C5 VETTE C6 VETTE

### **Coming Events**

August 14
General Meeting
David & Christine Kopachik's
See notes in this newsletter

August 15
Waterford Grand Car & Truck Show

Sept. 14 - 17 "Pre-Columbian Tour"

Sept. 18 - 20 "Corvettes on the Columbia" Pasco, WA

### (Reschedulesd)

October 9 - 11 Valley River Center Corvette Show

### (Rescheduled)

Oct. 31 - Nov. 1 Weathertech Sports Car Series Laguna Seca Monterey, CA

December 11 CCC Annual Meeting / Christmas Party Willie's Lebanese & NW Cuisine

#### Rescheduled

September 18-19 Corvettes on the Columbia Tri-Cities, WA

Another rescheduled event that will have major ramifications on our 2020.

Although this event was not originally on our radar, it is quickly becoming one of only a few events remaining. For that reason, some of the club members have reconsidered and are registering. Look for their registration form in this newsletter.

This will also have a major impact on the planned "Four Corners of Oregon Tour". We have been unable to come up with firm dates, routes, accommodations and points of interest. So we decided to throw all our eggs in one basket and plan a tour around COTC, similar to past "Pre-Columbian" tours. A tentative plan includes departing Eugene on Sept. 14 with overnight stops in Prineville, Baker City and Joseph/Enterprise. Other possibilities include wine tasting in Walla Walla.

### \*\*\*New Info\*\*\*

Yet another potential impact on our plans - The PAC-12 has (tentatively) decided on a 10-game conference schedule beginning on Aug. 19. Some of us will want to get home for the Duck or Beaver games, so there will be a Plan A: Everything stays as planned - depart Joseph on Sept. 17 and travel to Pasco for COTC. Or Plan B: Cancel our reservations in Pasco and travel from Joseph to Hood River, arriving home on Sept. 18. These are individual decisions, you can decide to follow Plan A or Plan B.

We hope we can revisit the idea of a Four Corners tour in 2021.

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# Car Stuff

### **FOR SALE**

### C7 CORVETTE INTRO-GUARD CAR COVER – SILVER

PURCHASED FOR C7 GRAND SPORT 2017 Still sealed - has never been opened. Purchased from Covette Store \$169.95

**ASKING: \$125.00** 

C5 – HOOD LINER ASKING \$35.00



DAVID BROOKS - 541-782-2478



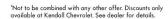
Just Arrived at the NCM Store 2020 Corvette Christmas Ornaments \$20

As your NCM Ambassadors, Jim & Nancy will be taking orders from members who would like this year's ornament.

Please email duckvett@comcast.net

Or phone 541-729-6303
We will be placing <u>one</u> order this year on August 15.

All Cascade Corvette Club members receive 20% off parts and 12% off labor at Kendall Chevrolet, your source for everything Corvette.\* And be sure to see our entire new and used inventory online at: kendallautooregon.com.







### Mid Engine Monthly Update: News On Both The 2020 & 2021 Years (John Elegant)

It is probable that the 2020 C8 production year does not end until around Thanksgiving; if confirmed this supports a statement attributed to a GM dealership General Manager that 2021 production will literally not start until January.

We await the start of the 2021 model year in terms of hard, official information from the GM Owners Guide. But if you are reading this after July 27th, the Owners Guide will now be public; also, if you are reading this after July 30th, the first batch of 2021 Corvette allocations has been given to dealers and they will have matched them with their first 2021 customer orders. 2021 allocation levels are expected to be the same as those original estimated to dealers back in early September, 2020 for the C8's first year -- but that too is not yet GM confirmed.

Speaking of waiting, we cannot wait to see the very first Red Mist Metallic Tintcoat (option code GPH). This picture could be very close, but could it be a photoshop. It's close to it nevertheless. However we do know a fair amount of what RMMT looks like. I had a conversation with the Corvette Color and Trim Manager five months ago, and while he would not confirm to me when, I then asked him, "Am I correct that the new 2021 red looks a lot like both the C5's Magnetic Red Metallic II and the Crystal Red Metallic," the look on his face was "yep!" — but of course he properly would not confirm that since it was not public info at that time. We also know that it is so beautiful that Exec. Chief Corvette Engineer Tadge Juechter has chosen this color for his "captured test fleet" (CTF) car.





Also there will be a new 2021 color is Silver Flair Metallic (option GSJ) which Tadge calls "liquid metal." Could it be that Silver Flair (or Flare) has been hiding in plain sight on the #4 C8-R?

Separately, we have confirmed that there is a known specific, major, mechanical 2021 advance, a new suspension option FE2 which couples mag ride for the entry version (no Z51 required). Also new is that Apple and Android is wireless for the upcoming year. Here's the complete GM 2021press release. <a href="https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/me-discussion-photos-videos/163168-2021-c8-officially-announced-with-first-picture-of-silver-flare">https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/me-discussion-photos-videos/163168-2021-c8-officially-announced-with-first-picture-of-silver-flare</a>

Already confirmed from a GM teaser video and partially from that above GM release are the 2021 new stripe colors of orange, red, yellow and blue. They will be joining the 2020's Carbon Flash Metallic, Midnight Gray and Sterling Silver stripe options. And a very different hood stinger stripe...

Lastly for 2021 will be two 3LT seat combinations called "Strike Yellow/Sky Cool Gray" and "Leather Jet Black with Sky Cool Gray." If you wish to join the discussion of these new colors and options and see GM's 2021 teaser video, it's here: <a href="https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/me-discussion-photos-videos/162484-such-a-tease-such-a-tease">https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/me-discussion-photos-videos/162484-such-a-tease-such-a-tease</a>

Want to have a fun weekly Corvette experience? And do it whenever you choose? Most of all listening to each one is BIG FUN! The relatively new "Corvette Today" podcast is available all the time, though each week's new episode starts on Monday. Past interviewees have included the #1 Corvette salesperson ever Mike Furman of Criswell (who has sold just under 5,000 of them), Reeves Callaway, Keith Cornett ("CorvetteBlogger"), Jeremy Welborn and more than ten other Corvette community notables. The great interviews are conducted by Steve (Bell) Garrett — the President of the Corvette Club of Kansas City, a 40+ year DJ on "the" rock station in Kansas City, a professional sports announcer and much more. Find all the episodes here, choosing in what order you wish to listen to them, though as there are now ten different ways to get to them, here's a broad link to give you the most options: <a href="https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/me-discussion-photos-videos/140039-listen-to-my-new-weekly-podcast-called-corvette-today-released-available-now">https://www.midenginecorvetteforum.com/forum/me-discussion-photos-videos/140039-listen-to-my-new-weekly-podcast-called-corvette-today-released-available-now</a>

Need your C8 fix while you wait for yours to arrive, or just a C8 model for your Corvette cave. Blue and red ones @ \$20 are here: <a href="https://corvettestore.com/2020-corvette-stingray-124-diecast-model-die2020srcp3/">https://corvettestore.com/2020-corvette-stingray-124-diecast-model-die2020srcp3/</a>

Already more C8 have been manufactured since the June production resumption than all those assembled prior to the May 16 Covid BGA shut down, e.g., around 6,000 at this time. With an estimated total 2020 C8 production being 20,000 total units, the start of the second shift at BGA cannot come soon enough. Perhaps starting soon after some of you are reading this...

Thanks again for tuning in. I am always available to do my best to assist, by your private messaging me as "John" at: <a href="https://www.MidEngineCorvetteForum.com">www.MidEngineCorvetteForum.com</a>

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9	10	11 Board Mtg Dilger's 7 pm	12	13	14 Gen. Mtg Kopachik's 6:00 pm	15 Waterford Grand Show (not a club event)
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