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# Vette Gazette

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The C8 Corvette. Is it coming or isn't it? What's it gonna look like? I think it's been fascinating to follow this story. It's also been kind of funny. Funny in that Chevrolet, until just a few days ago, didn't or wouldn't acknowledge the car existed. This has to have been the worst kept secret of any previous Corvette generation produced.

To me it seems like Chevrolet is doing its best to keep this veil of secrecy going as long as possible. I'm also of the opinion that this car, the C8 mid-engine Corvette, is as important a roll out to Chevy and GM as any generation ever.

From all of the talk about whether it is or isn't going to be produced, to the recent announcement that the C8 is really going to be produced, and in fact will be introduced to the automotive world and the rest of us at the same time, on July 18, signals to me that is an absolutely critical point in the future of the Corvette.

That the car is so dramatically different than previous generations speaks loudly to that previously mentioned automotive world, that Chevy is looking to break into a younger demographic. By example, look at our own club. The big majority of us haven't seen our hair any color but gray/white/blue for a heck of a long time. And of course it isn't just us. Every show and shine or other event shows those "colors" to prevail as well.

For quite a long time we've been hearing that the Corvette is an old persons' car. Hard to argue that isn't it? I know that GM spends about a gazillion or so dollars to advertise the Corvette, and I'll bet you when this car starts rolling out of that big old building in Bowling Green that we'll see it all over the place.

So, what do we, as the old people, think of the C8? When I see a rendering of it, my first thought is "It doesn't look like a Corvette." When every other generation was introduced, whether we liked it or not, we knew it was a 'Vette at just a glance. We knew it had a bad ass motor, big ass tires, beautiful lines, and cause most of us, when really get into it, to say to ourselves (and anybody riding with us), Holy s\*\*\*. Unless the new car is vastly different from what we've been teased with, and it certainly won't be, at first glance, maybe even 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>, it won't look like a Corvette. It will certainly be a beautiful, powerful, trendy looking car, but it won't look like a Corvette. At least it won't to me. It'll be an exciting time for GM. It'll be a little sad for me. Ah progress, ya gotta love it!!!

Note: The opinions stated in this article are mine. And we all know about opinions, don't we?

Stan



## “The Bash” by Michelin

Dr. Bob, Nancy and I attended The Bash by Michelin at the National Corvette Museum, April 25 - 28. Suffice to say, we learned very little about our new 2019 C7 and virtually nothing about “the next generation” of Corvette. Members of the Corvette Team and GM employees in general refuse to utter the words “mid-engine” or “C8”. The upcoming iteration is simply referred to as “the next generation”. But wait, it gets better - more on that later.

At our first seminar we were told, “you will be amazed at what you don’t learn today” by Tadge, Harlan and Kirk. We DID learn that the official reveal will be held July 18, 2019 --- 7/18/19. Remember that date as it was the answer to nearly every question the audience threw at the 3 Corvette Managers! The balance of this seminar was info regarding production of the 2019 Corvette, particularly the ZR1. We do know that the last

C7 will be a Black ZO6 Coupe and will be auctioned at a Barrett-Jackson auction later this year. It has not yet been announced when 2019 production will end, how long the re-tooling shut-down will be, or when 2020 (?) production will begin.

On this day, General Motors CEO, Mary Barra made a special appearance at the Bowling Green Assembly Plant to announce that 400 employees from the shuttered Lordstown, OH plant have been hired to move to Bowling Green to staff a second shift at the Corvette Plant.

Other seminars we attended on Friday included “Interior & Exterior Detailing” by nationally known Corvette Tech, Paul Koerner and Corvette Racing with Doug Fehan. Doug is passionate about Corvette Racing, but in a way that had the audience laughing most of the hour. We also attended a seminar entitled “Whats New at BGA” (Bowling Green Assembly) by Kai Spande, Plant Manager. Turns out there is a lot of things new at BGA...which they can’t tell us yet!

Lots more to learn on Saturday - I attended a seminar on Mobil 1 and learned about the new 0W-40 oil requirement new for 2019 model year, but recommended for all C7 years. 5W-30 (\$6/qt) will be phased out later this year in favor of the new 0W-40 ESP Dexos 2 (\$12/qt). To be correct for your C7 Corvettes, the bottle must read ESP Dexos 2.

Nancy attended the Ladies Garage for a second year and had just as good a time as last year. While she did the Ladies Garage, I went to a Michelin tire presentation. After 30 minutes, the presentation was interrupted with an announcement for everyone to go out to the front circle for “something exciting”. All the rumors that had been quietly circulating for days was about to become fact - we were going to see “the next generation” up close. Still cloaked in it’s camouflage and drapings, but it does exist. It is real.

2019 Corvette Model Year Data Apr 1 2019 – 27868 Total

Exterior		Interior	
Arctic White	19%	Jet Black	69%
Black	18%	Adrenaline Red	17%
Torch Red	14%	Gray	8%
Sebring Orange	9%	Kalahari	6%
Shadow Gray	6%	Spice Red	1%
Long Beach Red	6%		
Blade Silver	5%		
Elkhart Lake Blue	5%		
Watkins Glen Gray	5%		
Ceramic Matrix	5%		
Racing Yellow	4%		
Admiral Blue	3%		

GJ1 Shadow Gray replaces G7Q Watkins Glen Gray  
 GS7 Elkhart Lake Blue replaces GTR Admiral Blue



**7-18-19**



## Misc. Notes

**May the Fourth Be With You**  
**Saturday, May 4**  
**1-5 p.m.**  
**ColdFire Brewing Company**  
**263 Mill St.**

The Star Wars fans at ColdFire Brewing aren't just about craft ales and lagers - they're about helping the community as well. This Saturday, ColdFire is throwing a special "May the Fourth" party with a **raffle to benefit Bags of Love**. Buy a raffle ticket (or two), or drop a cash donation into the jar ColdFire will have available. There will also be Star Wars-themed crafts for the kids and trivia from a galaxy far, far away.

Stop by ColdFire between 1 and 5 p.m. for a drink and lunch or an early dinner from the food cart Twisted Tako, which offers tacos, burritos, rice bowls, and quesadillas with unconventional ingredients. Many thanks to ColdFire owners Tamara and Dan for sharing their Star Wars Day celebration with Bags of Love!

### **Also on May 4....**

Willamette Valley Corvette Association and Capital Chevrolet will hold their first "Cars & Coffee" at Capital Chev., 10 am to noon. New address for Capital Chev is 2855 Maple Ave NE, Salem.

**Accuracy Is Our Watchword**  
**We Never Make Mistakes**

Our new website is up and running! Simone has a working version online and continues to work at adding content. Check it out at: [cascadecorvetteclub.com](http://cascadecorvetteclub.com)

At the May meeting and every meeting until December, the club will be selling raffle tickets for the Cascade Corvette Club quilt made for us by Sandy Massett. The winning raffle ticket will be drawn during our Year-End Banquet / Christmas Party.

Upcoming: two events with WVCA in Salem.

May 4 will be the first "Capital Cars & Coffee". CCC members (& guests) will meet at McDonalds in **Coburg** and depart at 8:30 am. Show runs from 10 am to noon.

June 22 is the 2nd "Glass on Grass - Corvettes at the Carousel" at Riverfront Park in Salem.

Rick & Kathy Garretson have invited the club to their beautiful home on the McKenzie River for "Corvettes on the McKenzie" - a casual cruise and picnic potluck on June 29. We will begin with a cruise beginning at \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_. Rick and crew will be grilling burgers and dogs. We ask members to bring "summer picnic" potluck items and your own drinks. Beer & wine is fine, just remember what you are driving home!! We will start dismantling and end by 3:00 pm so several members can go to the Garth Brooks concert at Autzen Stadium.

Gerry & Connie are doing another "Hot Dog Rally" July 13 - stay tuned for more info!



# Happy Birthday!

May 2 - Billy Wilson

May 3 - Simone Thomas

May 9 - Kathy Garretson

May 14 - Becky Stiles

May 17 - Angie Lightcap

May 28 - Lynn Cannon



Ahh, April. What can we say about April this year? It's over? It was nearly the wettest April on record? We weren't able to do much at all with our Corvettes? All true. On a positive note, drought concerns seem to have been lessened and the landscape is green.

**BUT WE WANT TO DRIVE OUR CORVETTES!! Somewhere! Anywhere!**

### Numbers are my life

Cascade Corvette Club currently has 71 Corvettes in our garages.

By generation:

C1 - 4	5%
C2 - 5	7%
C3 - 6	8%
C4 - 5	7% (surprised by this #)
C5 - 22	31%
C6 - 14	20%
C7 - 15	21%

By color:

White	6	8%
Black	3	4%
Red (bright)	17	24%
Red (dark)	12	17%
Blue	12	17%
Green	2	3%
Gray	3	4%
Yellow	6	8%
Silver	7	10%
Pewter	2	3%
Orange	1	1.5%



## 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.





## Up Coming Events

May 4  
Capital Cars & Coffee  
Salem, OR  
WVCA & Capital Chevrolet

May 4  
May the Fourth Be With You  
Coldfire Brewing Co.  
Benefit for Bags of Love

May 24 - 26  
"Big Sky Meet"  
Missoula, MT

May 31 - June 1  
"Corvettes on the Columbia"  
Pasco, WA

June 22, 2019  
"Corvettes at the Carousel"  
WVCA  
Salem, OR  
(see registration pg 8)

June 29  
"Corvettes on the McKenzie"  
Details TBA

July 12 - 14  
"Corvette Weekend"  
Hosted by SOCA  
Grants Pass, OR

July 13  
3rd Corvette City  
Hosted by Timberland Corvette



Seen at The Bash

July 17 - 20  
"VetteFest"  
Boise, ID

July 20  
Crescent Park Senior Living  
Annual Show-n-Shine  
(CCC trophy sponsor)  
(see registration pg 7)

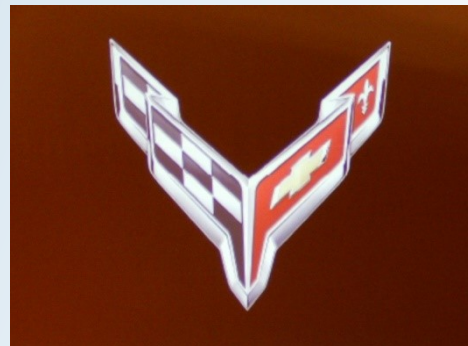
July 27, 2019  
OPVA Car Show  
Salem, OR

August 8  
Men's Golf Day  
Tokatee Golf Club

August 10  
Salute to Veterans  
Car & Motorcycle Show

August 22, 2019  
Departure from PNW  
National Corvette Caravan

August 28 - September 1, 2019  
25th Anniversary Celebration  
National Corvette Museum  
Bowling Green, KY



New C8 Crossed Flags Logo

**Cascade Corvette Club**  
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846 Goodpasture Island Rd.  
Eugene, Oregon

# Car Stuff

Now at Kendall Chevrolet/Cadillac/GMC



New 2017 Coupe  
Blade Silver, Adrenaline Red,  
Z51, 3LT, auto  
\$69,993



2019 Coupe  
Ceramic Matrix Gray, Jet Black,  
Z51, 1LT, 7-spd manual  
\$66,780



2019 Grand Sport Coupe  
Arctic White, Jet Black,  
2LT auto  
\$82,620



2019 Z06 Coupe  
Ceramic Matrix Gray, Jet Black,  
1LZ, auto  
\$88,275



2019 ZR1 Coupe  
Elkhart Lake Blue, Jet Black,  
3ZR, auto  
\$156,685



2005 Coupe  
Magnetic Red, Ebony  
18,150 miles, auto  
\$28,782

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](http://kendallautooregon.com).

\*Not to be combined with any other offer. Discounts only available at Kendall Chevrolet. See dealer for details.

FIND NEW ROADS 

**KENDALL**  
CHEVROLET | CADILLAC



Saturday, July 20  
10:00am-2:00pm

Receive a free  
dash plaque with  
each registration!



Classic Vehicles ▪ Festive Music ▪ BBQ ▪ Silent Auction ▪ Raffles  
Call or email Kristi for more information: 541-342-1755 | [kreeser@spectrumretirement.com](mailto:kreeser@spectrumretirement.com)

2951 Coburg Road, Eugene, OR 97408 | [CrescentParkSeniorLiving.com](http://CrescentParkSeniorLiving.com)

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**MAIL OR DROP OFF Registration to Crescent Park Senior Living | 2951 Coburg Road, Eugene, OR 97408**

**REGISTRATION \$20 ▪ Please make checks payable to Cascade Coast Alzheimer's Association**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Type & Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-order your t-shirt by July 12th for \$10 (circle your size): SM MED LG 1XL 2XL 3XL

Please select your class:  Pre-'40's  '40's  '50's (excluding Tri-5's)  Tri-5's  '60-'67  Foreign (up to '76)  
 Pick-up (up to '76)  Motorcycle (any year)



# Registration Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email (for confirmation and last minute info):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliation (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Number in car: (1)\_\_\_\_ or (2)\_\_\_\_ (check one)

Year \_\_\_\_\_ (C1)\_\_\_\_ (C2)\_\_\_\_ (C3)\_\_\_\_ (C4)\_\_\_\_ (C5)\_\_\_\_ (C6)\_\_\_\_ (C7)\_\_\_\_

Coupe \_\_\_\_\_ Convertible \_\_\_\_\_ Modified \_\_\_\_\_

ZR1 \_\_\_\_\_ Z06 \_\_\_\_\_ Grand Sport \_\_\_\_\_

Participant #1 (driver/owner) Print: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant #2: Print \_\_\_\_\_

Local hotel/motel information can be reviewed here:

<https://www.tripadvisor.com/Hotels-g52053-Salem-Oregon-Hotels.html>

If you are interested in staying in Salem please check \_\_\_ and we will get back to you with available rate specials.

**Liability waiver: Willamette Valley Corvette Association, Capitol Chevrolet, Vendors and all associated facilities assume no responsibility or liability for any theft or damage to vehicles, and/or displays and related items during move-in, show hours, or move-out.**

***I have read the above Liability Waiver; I understand that it is a release of any and all potential claims regarding my participation in this event, and accept the provisions of the waiver.***

Participant #1 (driver) signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/2019

Participant #2: signature: \_\_\_\_\_

We also have some very nice T-shirts for sale in sizes s r m l xl xxl and xxxl in two color schemes: black/red and lime green/black (see pic on right).

The shirts are \$15ea or 2/\$28 if you are interested and you can pay for them with this registration form if you would like. Yes I would like \_\_\_ (blk/red) or \_\_\_ (green/black) in size S M L XL XXL XXXL these shirts are gender-neutral



Make checks payable to WVCA P.O. Box 20576, Keizer, Oregon 97307

**(entry fee is \$25 after May 22nd \$20 before) Questions?**

Call Stan @ 971-218-9951 or email: [president@willamettevalleycorvettes.com](mailto:president@willamettevalleycorvettes.com)



# May 2019

Sun

Mon


Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

			1	2	3	4 <i>Capital Cars &amp; Coffee Salem</i>
5	6	7 <i>Board Mtg Mart's 7 pm</i>	8	9	10 <i>Mtg @ EPUD 6:15 Dinner @ Los Potrillos</i>	11
12	13	14	15 	16	17	18
19	20	21 	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 <i>Function 4 Junction</i>	