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I'm sure you all know that Veterans Day is rapidly approaching. Of course, along with that is the annual Albany Veterans Day parade. This parade is the largest Veteran's Day parade west of the Mississippi. Our club has been participating in the parade for many years, and I'm always amazed at the number of people who line the streets of Albany. The many thousands of people who gather this day are a wonderful testament to how they feel about the many veterans among them, along with the hundreds of veteran participants in the parade.

Our club generally has 14-15 Corvettes taking part, and most are veterans.

I am putting this email in the form of an invitation. An invitation to each of you in our club to make a commitment to participate in this year's parade. The theme this year is Bright Stars-Brave Hearts. I don't know who comes up with these names but I think this is an excellent one. I'd like to turn it around and show it as Brave Hearts end up as Bright Stars.

Every year as I drive in this parade, I think of what a terrific privilege it for me, along with our club, to celebrate the, although fewer in number every year, many men and women who have served this wonderful country we fortunately get to call home. I know with all the many other things that take time out of our days it can be easy to pass this one up.

Please don't. Please consider what your participation in this parade can and will do to show these veterans what they mean to us.

The club will provide coffee and donuts but will not guarantee a dry day. Having said that we rarely have any precipitation, and usually none. You don't need a convertible to participate, nor do you personally need to be a veteran to participate. If you have a friend who might be a veteran think about asking them to ride along with you.

The parade starts at 11:00 AM Monday November 11. We usually are near the front, however we won't know our exact place in line until we get there and check in. Those of us in the Eugene area will meet 8:15-8:30 at the former Shopko on Coburg Rd, and will depart promptly at 9. Those in the Albany area will as usual meet us just before our turn onto Queen Avenue.

Please contact me at 541-953-4201 if you have questions.

Thanks, hope you can make it this year.

Stan



7th Generation Production Notes

For the last two years the Corvette community has been consumed with news of the up-coming 8th Generation Mid-Engine Corvette. Let's take a moment to review the short but successful run of the C7. Thanks to Keith Cornett of "Corvetteblogger" for all the following information.

Bowling Green produced a total of 189,507 official production Corvettes between the 2014 and 2019 model years. The highest total came in 2016 when 40,689 'Vettes found new homes. 2018 was an extremely shortened model year that only saw 9,670 Corvettes built, the lowest number since 1959.

Overall production neared the previous generation's final count of 215,125 and the C6 was built for three model years longer.

Arctic White was the most popular overall color at 35,936 produced followed by Black at 31,084 and Torch Red with 29,758. The other color that was available through the entire production run, Blade Silver, eked out a fourth-place finish (10,954 total). Even though it was only available in 2015 and 2016, Shark Gray found itself on 5.37% of all C7s (10,174). Next up with a final tally of 9,881 is Laguna Blue. Lowest production colors were: Lime Rock Green - 1566 (0.83%), Black Rose - 1552 (0.82%) and Sterling Blue - 921 (0.49%).

The Supercharged Corvette Z06 debuted in 2015 and a total of 39,940 Z06s were built in the five-year run. 2016 was the peak year for Z06 production with 14,275 leaving the factory. Through the eight years of C6 Z06 production (three more than C7 Zs), a total of 27,994 were sold. Even with five additional years of the more comparable C6 ZR1 and the one year only 427 Convertible, the C7 Z06 outsold all performance variants of the C6 by 4,710 cars!

Between 2017 and 2019, Chevrolet produced a total of 26,280 C7 Grand Sports (21,977 Coupes and just 4,303 Convertibles). During this span, the widebody LT1 was the second most purchased 'Vette after the Stingray which sold 31,045 units (120,334 total Stingrays were produced for the C7 Generation (25,805 of which were drop tops)). The most difficult hue to find on a Grand Sport is, unsurprisingly Sterling Blue. A paltry 402 orders included the silvery shade of blue during its limited production run in 2017. After Sterling Blue are Black Rose (543), Elkhart Lake Blue (782), and Corvette Racing Yellow (885). The only other colors that have less than 1000 examples in circulation are Sebring Orange at 896 and Shadow Gray with 956. (Editor's Note: Of the 4303 GS convertibles built, only 86 are Shadow Gray :)

Of the nearly 200,000 C7s produced, the total take-rate for manual transmissions was 50,611 or 26.55%. The low-sounding percentage is one of the talking points that Tadge & Co use to justify their switch to a one transmission strategy on the C8.

As far as Chrome vs. Black wheels go; after a relatively close couple of years, Black wheels ended up winning the war. Not only did they outsell Chromies 88,131 to 56,880 but the Corvette Team decided that the mid-engine 2020 Corvette was the time to put reflective wheels out to pasture with flip-up lights and carburetors.

No matter what your thoughts are on these topics, one thing is for sure. The C7 leaves behind a legacy as the zenith of front-engine Corvettes, highly sought after by traditional Corvette enthusiasts for decades to come.





Misc. Notes

OK, pay attention!



This is of high importance!

It involves **FREE FOOD !!**

Along with the business meeting, reports, coming events and nominations to be held at the November 8 meeting, we will also be holding our Annual Chili & Cornbread Feast! We will have **gallons** of home-made chili and **mountains** of cornbread, salads and desserts. Show up hungry!

We have some **seriously good** chili chefs in our club and I expect the highest turnout of the year for the November meeting! We do ask that you bring your own drinks.

Only two more opportunities to buy raffle tickets for the Corvette Quilt. The drawing for the quilt will be at the December 13 Annual Meeting/Christmas Party.

Cascade Corvette Club is once again registered to participate in the Albany Veteran's Day parade on November 11. Meeting location and departure time will be discussed at the Nov. 8 general meeting. Instructions will also be emailed for those who may miss the November meeting. You need not **be** a veteran to **honor** veterans. Please plan on joining us for the parade.

David & Christine Kopachik's Open House was a huge success. Beautiful home they have both been working hard to update. Great food, beer, wine and live music.

Kim Bailey's memorial service was held at the VFW Hall in Springfield. Kim & Bob's story is one of love, war, intrigue, forced separation and finally reuniting and her journey to US citizenship.

Larry Simelius was honored for his service with an Honor Flight to Washington, DC.

Please remember to fill out your 2020 Membership and mail it before January 1. Please print a Membership form in this newsletter.

It's not Christmas without the **Annual Cookie Exchange !** To participate, simply show up at Izzy's at 3:00 pm on December 8. Each person brings 1 dozen cookies (or candy, or fudge, or...). Then each person chooses assorted cookies to take home. We always precede the cookie exchange with numerous trips through Izzy's buffet line.

The "Sea to Sky" Corvette trip to Canada unfortunately fell apart under the weight of high prices. But the next idea from the sick & twisted minds of Jim & Nancy could be a one-week "Four Corners of Oregon" trip. Stay tuned for more details.





Happy Birthday!

November 2 - Cathy Tracy

November 12 - Suzanne Gunderman

November 23 - Mary Evans

November 27 - Bob Gunderman



Please click the following link to read
Mid-Engine Monthly Update #14.
[#14 MEMU Newsletter](#)

Still just a germ of an idea....

How would the club feel about doing a
7-day "Four Corners of Oregon Tour"??
August? September?

Initial thoughts include:

1st day - Eugene, Florence to Brookings.

2nd day - Brookings, Grants Pass,
Klamath Falls.

3rd day - K. Falls, Lakeview, Baker City.

4th day - Baker City, Halfway, Joseph,
Enterprise.

5th day - Enterprise to Hood River.

6th day - Hood River to Astoria.

7th day - Astoria, Florence, Eugene.

**See other possible 2020 trips & events
on the Coming Events page.**



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

November 11
Veteran's Day Parade
Albany

December 13
Annual Meeting/
Christmas Party
Willie's Lebanese & NW Cuisine

April 17 - 19
Cascade Corvette Club
Valley River Center
Corvette Show

Possible 2020 Events

May? June?
Big Sky Corvette Meet
Bozeman, MT

June 4 - 6
Monterey Coast Corvette Cruise
Monterey, CA

June 5 - 6
Corvettes on the Columbia
Tri-Cities, WA

June 27
Sweet Home, Sweet Ride
Sweet Home, OR

July 13
Corvette City Cruise
Roseburg, OR

July 15 - 18
Black Hills Corvette Classic
Spearfish, SD

July 17 - 18
Corvettes on the High Desert
Eagle Crest, OR

August 28 - 30
Sea to Sky
Hosted by
British Columbia Corvette Club
Squamish, British Columbia

August ???
Vettes on the Rockies
Steamboat Springs, CO

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IMSA Race
Laguna Seca
(Monterey Peninsula)
To watch the new C8.R race

Local 2-day (weekend) cruises?
So. Oregon, Tillamook,
Walla Walla Wine Tour,
Central Oregon, Oregon Coast,
Columbia Gorge,
?????

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Car Stuff

New Corvettes available at Kendall Chevrolet/GMC/Cadillac



New 2017
Stingray Coupe
Blade Silver / Adrenaline Red interior
Z51, 3LT
\$64,283

2019
Stingray Coupe
Ceramic Matrix Gray / Jet Black interior
Z51, 1LT, manual transmission
\$62,508



2019
Stingray Coupe
Torch Red / Jet Black interior
1LT, auto
\$59,411

Used Corvette at Kendall Chevrolet

2018
Grand Sport Coupe
Arctic White
Adrenaline Red interior,
2LT, 5200 miles, auto.
\$57,774



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.

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

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW

Please join Cascade Corvette Club for our combination
Christmas Exchange / Annual Meeting / Year-End Banquet
Willie's Lebanese & NW Cuisine, Friday, December 13

400 International Way, Springfield

5:00 pm No-Host Bar, 6:00 pm Dinner

Followed by the Annual Meeting and Christmas Exchange program

For those that wish to participate in the Christmas gift exchange,
bring a wrapped Christmas gift

(\$10 - \$20 value - no a white elephant gifts please).

**Dinner menu will be Prime Rib, Chicken Picatta, Salad,
Vegetables, Mashed Potatoes, Breads and Mud Pie.**

Coffee, tea, iced tea & water.

Your cost for this annual event is \$28.00 per person
(club is paying the remaining cost of the dinner of \$13.00,
gratuity and room rental)

Registration deadline is December 1 !!

Name(s)

Amount enclosed

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November 2019

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*Board Mtg
7 pm @
Garbodens*

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*Gen. Mtg.
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Chili Feed

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*Albany
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Day Parade*


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