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cascadecorvetteclub.com Simone Thomas Hi everybody,

Some might say with the Fall, Corvette season is coming to an end but it's time to change gears and engage overdrive. Elections and the annual Christmas Banquet are in the headlights. If you have an event that you think might be fun, be sure to bring it up to a board member or come to a board meeting to discuss it.

Our normal club activities included the board meeting, the general meeting and the monthly breakfast where we auditioned Elmer's near the Valley River Mall. I'm pleased to announce we enjoyed breakfast and Elmer's is now on the circuit.

We had two great events in October...a chili feed at the Vejnoska's home and the President's Mystery Tour to the coast.

The Chili feed was well attended by both club members and Corvettes. Many tasty chilis and other dishes being sampled by the club. It was a warm day and the prevailing winds held back the smoke from nearby fires. Thanks again to the Veinoskas.

The President's Mystery Tour departed on October 27th to parts unknown (unless you were the President). The first leg departed from Junction City to Alsea where we regrouped and then headed to the Alsea Bay Bridge Museum in Waldport. Next, we headed south to Florence along Hwy 101 and then up Hwy 126 to the Gingerbread House for lunch. The contest tour included two questions, how many miles to our lunch spot and how many traffic lights did we pass. It was clarified that only lights with red, yellow and green lights counted. Jeff Albright had the closest milage guess at 105 miles (120.5 was the correct milage). The other winner, Fred Willer, guessed 5 traffic lights (the actual count was four lights). My lunch was the tallest burger I've encountered, potentially the tallest in Oregon. See the photo elsewhere in this issue.

Joke De jour

A man decided that he was going to ride a 10-speed bike from Phoenix to Flagstaff. He got as far as Black Canyon City before the mountains just became too much and he could go no farther. He stuck his thumb out, but after 3 hours hadn't gotten a single person to stop. Finally, a guy in a Corvette pulled over and offered him a ride. Of course, the bike wouldn't fit in the car. The owner of the Corvette found a piece of rope lying by the highway and tied it to his bumper.

He tied the other end to the bike and told the man that if he was going too fast, to honk the horn on his bike and that he would slow down. Everything went fine for the first 30 miles.

Suddenly, another Corvette blew past them. Not to be outdone, the Corvette pulling the bike took off after the other. A short distance down the road, the Corvettes, both going well over 120 mph, blew through a speed trap. The police officer noted the speeds from his radar gun and radioed to the other officer that he had two Corvettes headed his way at over 120 mph.

He then relayed, "...and you're not going to believe this, there is a guy on a bike honking his horn trying to pass....

Well, that's it for another month, Don't tear along the dashed yellow line...

Your Humble narrator (and President at large)
Matt Horowitz



October Chili Feed

17 Corvettes and a tin-car attended the Chili Feed at Richard & Sherry's home in the Coburg Hills. Four pots of chili, a mountain of brats, salads and numerous desserts filled the attendees while spending quality social time with fellow members and some potential new members.



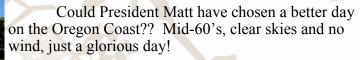






President's Mystery Tour







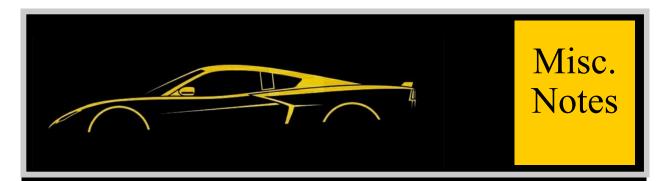
His well-chosen route was filled with great Corvette roads. An "opportunity" presented itself when the tour "tail-gunner" was separated from the pack by a pickup pulling a boat, unfortunately Alsea Falls Rd is too narrow and rough to play catch-up. But the group waited for us and once together again we enjoyed the twisties of Hwy 34 from Alsea to

Waldport. A quick stop at the Alsea Bay Bridge Museum and we were "On The Road Again" on Hwy 101 to Florence.



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I think we can all agree that Matt's burger at The Gingerbread House could be the "tallest burger in Oregon"!



Veteran's Day Parade November 11

Those who have signed up to participate in the parade will meet at Starbuck's in Junction City at 8:30 am on November 11. We will depart promptly at 8:45 am, so arrive earlier if you want a coffee to go.

We will drive up 99E and meet BSCC at I-5 Motorsports on the corner of Pacific (99) and Queen. Once we are all there we will proceed to the parade staging area as one group. Our parade entry is a joint CCC/BSCC venture this year.

Nominations for Officer and Board positions will continue at the November meeting. Immediately following the meeting, Nancy Garboden - Election Chair will begin contacting those nominated by phone or email, asking each to accept or decline. The ballot will then be sent by email to each member.

The October Monthly Breakfast was held at Elmer's at Valley River. 16 members attended - food and service was excellent. If you have not attended one of these social events, you should give it a try. We meet at 9:00 am at a restaurant to be determined. The location for November will be announced at the General meeting on Nov. 11 and an email will be sent to all members. It is a great way to get to know people in a casual social atmosphere.

Two items up for discussion at the November Board Meeting:

- 1. Nametag usage we all know to wear our nametags to the meetings, but what other functions <u>should</u> we wear our nametags?
- 2. Should we suspend the after-meeting dinners during the winter months? Several members have voiced concerns with eating that late, especially in the dark months of winter.

Results of these and all other Board meeting items will be announced at the General meeting on November 11.

Speaking of nametags....

We have the following nametags to be picked up at a club meeting.

Richard & Sherry Vejnoska

Chris Baumann & Jennifer Lineback

Scott & Jennie Orsborn

Jon & Colleen Goldman

Toby Kahler

Matt Jacks

Tony & Barbara Speck

David & Theresa Barker

Gloria Campuzano

Vicki Baker

Kelly Bennett

Donnie & Sarah Myers



Happy Birthday!

November 2 - Cathy Tracy

November 24 - Gary Hawkins

November 25 - Eric Randleman

November 26 - Sally Hawkins

November 28 - Jon Story

November 30 - Don Moulton



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.





It is NOT too early to begin discussing the 2024 National Corvette Caravan to Bowling Green. Planning for the Pacific Northwest Caravan has been ongoing since last summer.

First, a bit of background for those new to Corvettes and/or the National Corvette Museum. The National Corvette Museum held their Grand Opening in 1994 and every 5 years hold an Anniversary Celebration called the National Corvette Caravan. Large groups of Corvette enthusiasts from every corner of America and several countries outside our borders gather together and drive to the home of Corvette, Bowling Green, KY. It is "The Mother of All Road-Trips". Thousands of Corvettes travel across this great & scenic country to gather in Bowling Green.

Again this year, Nancy & I have been cajoled, coerced and compelled to act as Regional Leaders, <u>but</u> our roles increased this time to "Route and Hospitality Coordinators". (I just made those up)

What I need from you is to start thinking about this epic road-trip and decide if you are interested in going. Registration probably won't start until August of '23, so we have time to talk about the trip.



November 8 Board Meeting Thomas' 2 pm

November 11 Veteran's Day Parade Albany

November 11 General Meeting Kendall Chevrolet 6 pm

> November 29 Monthly Breakfast TBA

December 10 Annual Meeting / Christmas Party Shadow Hills Country Club

> December 18 Cookie & Candy Exchange Roaring Rapids Pizza 3 pm

> > June 17, 2023 Glass on Grass WVCA

July 20, 2024 Corvettes on the High Desert HDCC

August 22, 2024
National Corvette Caravan
Sandy, OR to Bowling Green, KY
(if you're good we'll tell you how to get back home)



Happy Halloween!
This jack-o-lantern / smiley face is Larch trees planted in a Fir forest on Hwy 18 near Spirit Mountain Casino.



Remembrance of bygone days. Al & Mary's "Circle Tour" In Coupeville, WA 2002



Cascade Corvette Club Membership Registration 2023

Annual Dues: Individual \$4 Couple / Fam	\$			
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Address				
City, State, Zip				
Home Phone				
Cell Phone(s)				
	Your	Corvette Info	mation	
Year	Model		Color	Custom Plate
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Yes / No - Permission is gran Yes / No - Permission is gran				website and newsletter.
/ We hereby apply for membersh and by-laws of the club and the reg	ip in the Cascade Corvette gulations governing its op-	e Club Inc. in the ceration as adopted	classification above. I/V by the membership.	We agree to abide by the constitution
Signature:			Date:	



Annual Meeting | Christmas Party

Please join Cascade Corvette Club for our combination

Christmas Party | Annual Meeting | Year-End Banquet

Shadow Hills Country Club, Saturday December 10 5:00 pm No-Host Bar, 6:00 pm Dinner

Followed by the Annual Meeting and Christmas Gift Exchange

For those who wish to participate in the Christmas gift exchange, bring a wrapped Christmas gift (\$10-20 value)

Dinner menu includes:

Tri-Tip Sirloin, Lemon Chicken Proscuitto, Three Cheese Au Gratin Potatoes, Caesar Salad, Traditional Spinach Salad, Fresh Seasonal Fruit Salad, Rolls, Coffee, Tea or Water

Dessert to be provided by Cascade Corvette Club

Your cost for this event is \$35 per person (club is paying the remaining cost of the dinner, gratuity and room rental)

Registration deadline is November 18!

Name(s)	
Amount enclosed _	
Please mail to:	Cascade Corvette Club
	PO Box 5248
	Eugene, OR 97405

Winterizing your Corvette

There are as many opinions about winterizing your Corvette as there are "Corvette experts" on the planet. On this page I am going to give you some options - you decide what works best for you.

- 1. Install a battery tender. C5, 6, 7 & 8 Corvettes are dependent on a healthy battery. Some Corvettes have been known to drain a battery in a matter of weeks if not driven regularly. Not all battery tenders are created equal. You want one that monitors the charge level and maintains the level, not one that has a constant (trickle) charge. My favorite battery tenders are Ctek (suppliers of the "Battery Protection Package that came with your new C7). Not cheap, but they won't burn down your Corvette or garage.
- 2. Fuel tank, full or less than 1/4? In the past we were told to fill the tank to avoid condensation, but ethanol fuel will attract moisture if the tank is full or nearly empty. Another school of thought is to have less than 1/4 tank to avoid immersing the fuel sensor for long periods of time. Um...isn't that it's job?
- 3. Using a fuel stabilizer. A fuel stabilizer like Sta-Bil will prevent the ethanol fuel from attracting moisture over an extended period of non-use. We in the Mid-Willamette Valley are blessed (?) with normally mild winter weather. There are times when we can drive our Corvettes on those rare winter days above 50 degrees and dry roads.
- 4. Start the car every week to get it up to operating temperature. Sometimes this can do more harm than good. Just starting your Corvette and letting it idle in the garage will cause condensation in the engine and exhaust system. Then you shut it off and that water has nowhere to go, so it starts eating metal. You need to drive your Corvette to get everything up to a temperature hot enough to "cook" that condensation.
- 5. Change oil & filter before or after winter storage. Used motor oil near the end of your "Oil Life Monitor" percentage is full of deposits and acid that like to sit in a cold engine and make sludge. If you change oil before winter storage, your Corvette engine sleeps with nice clean oil, but...Oil Life percentage algorithms use time in their calculations. You may change oil and reset the Oil Life to 100%, but when you take the car out of storage in April you could be down to 60-70%. If you don't have many miles on the oil, just reset the monitor to 100% with a clean conscience.
- 6. Pump up the tires to prevent flat-spotting. Modern radial tires do not flat-spot like the old bias-ply tires did, but you can raise the pressure to 35-36 psi and monitor the pressure during the winter months. Additionally, one can place carpet squares or some other type of pad to prevent cold-soak from the concrete floor. If you are running Michelin Pilot Super Sport or Cup2 tires, do not drive in temperatures lower than 40 degrees. The compound become hard and slick risking cracking and loss of traction.
- 7. If you drop insurance coverage, don't forget to reinstate in the Spring.

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