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President's Message

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Hello Everyone!

As December rolls in, our Corvettes are safely tucked away for their long winter's nap, ready to rest through the cold months ahead. While our beloved beauties take a seasonal break, many of us will be driving our trusty "metal cars" as we navigate winter. Even so, our club spirit remains warm and lively!

The holidays are upon us, bringing a chance to celebrate the season and the friendships we've built through our shared passion. This year, we're inviting members to spread some festive cheer by submitting photos of their homes decked out in holiday style. Whether you're showcasing a sparkling light display or a more traditional touch, we'd love to see how you're celebrating. Selected photos will appear in our next edition of the Gazette, spreading joy throughout the club.



To our many new members, we're thrilled you've joined our Corvette family. A little note as we look ahead: our club's cruises are planned and hosted by members, not solely by the Social Director. If you have a favorite route or destination, (Christmas Light Tour, perhaps?) consider organizing a cruise in the upcoming season. It's a wonderful way to share your interests, contribute to the club, and build connections. Don't worry—experienced members and our Social Director, Eric Hart, are always happy to offer guidance if it's your first time leading a cruise.

Finally, we want to remind everyone that the Gazette thrives on your contributions. We have one more for 2024 and the last until March. Whether it's a favorite Corvette story, a technical tip, a trip/long weekend you took, or any interesting article, your contribution keeps our newsletter engaging and vibrant. And in this holiday season, as mentioned, photos of your festive homes are perfect! Participation truly is the heart of our club. It's what turns a collection of cars into a community of friends.

Thank you all for making this year so memorable. From everyone on the EMCC Board, we wish you a joyful holiday season and looking ahead to a fantastic start to 2025.

Cheers!
Gerry Criscenzo
President, EMCC



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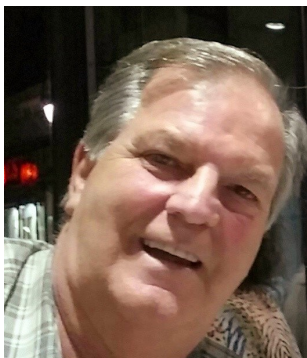
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Eastern Mass Corvette Club is a non-profit social club for Corvette owners.

EMCC sponsors and attends many Corvette events throughout the year, including: regional car shows, Corvette displays, cruise nights, Fall Foliage Cruises, multi-club Corvette cruises throughout N.E., and seasonal get-togethers.

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2024 Club Calendar

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Standing Events

- **SEE YOU IN 2025!** Our Tuesday Static Cruises have ended for 2024. In April 2025 they will resume at 4pm, Dairy Queen, 122 Main St. Foxboro.
- **IN 2025** 2nd Tuesday each month is Pizza Static! Website and emails for details!
- **Wednesday Lunches: All Year!** Wild card and always a great time. Website and emails for details!
- **NEW: Breakfast Brunch: All Year! 3rd Friday each month.** At Four Points Sheraton, 1125 Bos-Pos_RD (Rt1), 8:30-10AM. \$17.95 all you can eat hot breakfast buffet. \$17.95 +tax, tip
- **Board Meeting:** Last Monday of every month.
- **Member Meetings:** 1st Monday of every month, 7pm. Conrad's, Walpole. Dinner before the meeting at 6 PM. Website and emails for details.



Special Events/Cruises

These are Save the Dates. All updated/current info is on our [Website](http://www.easternmasscorvetteclub.org). Also watch for emails for updates or check with Social Director, Eric Hart, at erichart1964@gmail.com

- Dec 8th, Christmas Brunch
- Jan/Feb Salem Cross Inn sleigh ride/prime rib dinner. Phil Wesalowski contact.
- Mar/Apr Fisherman's View Restaurant Sandwich, MA. Phil Wesalowski contact.
 - May 26th – 28th, 2025 White Mountain Valley Resort N Conway NH

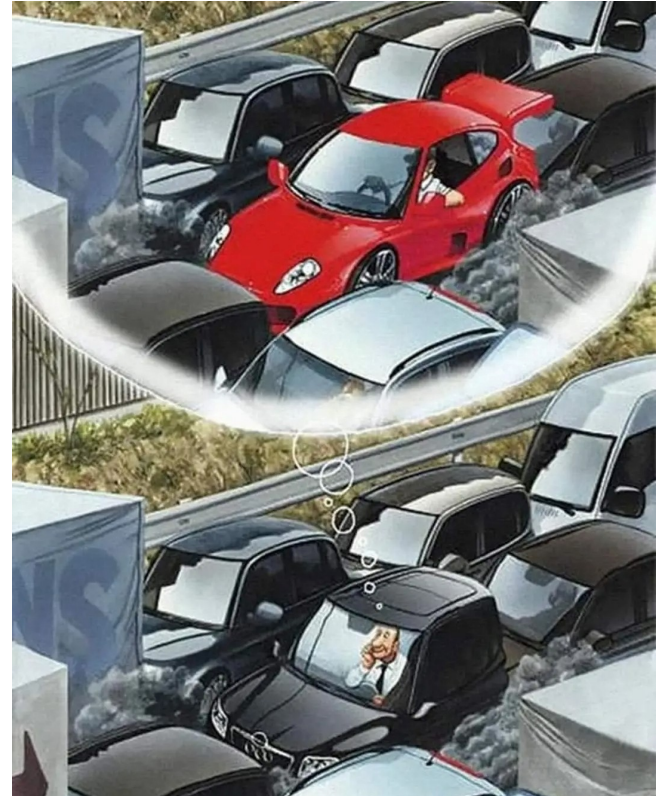
WEBSITE HAS ALL DETAILS AND WILL ALWAYS HAVE THE MOST CURRENT UPDATED INFORMATION!

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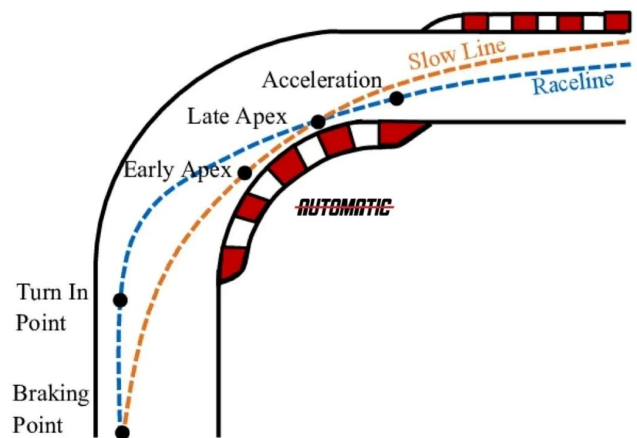


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*When you're on your daily commute
but still drive like this*





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Happy Birthday

December

- Jay Godino
- Todd Allen
- Michael Cannistraro
- Paul Bettencourt
- Mike Saltzman
- Steve Bottazzi
- Gerry Criscenzo
- Mike Keefe
- Harry Nanos
- David Shorey
- Steve Sullivan

January

- Rich Ryan
- Glenn Cosgro
- John Pinciario
- Steve Wilson
- Alan Factor
- Paul Milman
- John Siraco
- Fran Blake
- Larry Lepore





New Members!

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Billy Butts

Norwood, MA

2000 C5 Coupe, Blue

1st Corvette

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Member Submission!

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Dial 911!

By Steve Campbell (EMCC VP)

Most of you know that I spent 30 years as a Millis fire-fighter. My career saw many changes to the Emergency Medical System or EMS. Going from the town ambulance response was more “scoop and run” as quickly as possible to the ambulance crew being all trained Emergency Medical Technicians or EMT’s where first response also included first aid.

In subsequent years hospitals provided an emergency response unit with trained paramedics that would intercept the ambulance and have a paramedic board the ambulance to start triage, insert an IV, and start communications with the receiving hospital. Today, most if not all our towns and cities provide a direct, paramedic initial response through either their fire department, or a private contracted company. The importance of this response is to provide the most effective medical care during what responders and emergency room personnel call “The Golden Hour” where the chances of patient survival are greatest.



I am bringing this all up because I am asking all my friends and EMCC family to not dismiss using this important service. Most of us fall into the age group where a situation requiring medical intervention is required. All too often I hear friends who are suffering from an unknown medical condition rely on a family member or spouse to transport them to the emergency room. While a laceration that is bleeding but controlled doesn’t necessarily require paramedic care, symptoms such as shortness of breath, dizziness, chest pain, unresponsiveness or a fall and inability to get up, trauma or a head strike all require immediate care.

Once the call is made, EMS starts. Responding personnel assessment, communication with the ER, and quick transport will have the necessary hospital personnel waiting for the patient and initial treatment having already begun in the ambulance. The critical Golden Hour finds the patient well on their way to a hopeful recovery.

It all starts with a call to 911. Don’t hesitate to make it.

Steve Campbell

Millis Deputy Fire Chief (ret.)



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Ronald McDonald House

Gerry Criscenzo

On Nov 9th, the EMCC members pictured in the photo drove to the Providence Ronald McDonald house to present them with a \$9000 donation from the EMCC! David Yee, matched the club's donations of \$4500. This was double the amount donated in 2023.

From: Tina Ledo, Chief Operating Officer & Director of Strategic Partnerships, RMHC New England

Hi David,

Thank you again! You and the EMCC are so generous, and we truly appreciate it. You are just amazing and kind-hearted people and we're lucky to have you as part of our RMHCNE family.

It was wonderful showing everyone around the House. As you can tell, I love it and love sharing it with other people. I'm so glad I got to introduce you and Marilyn to my Mom too!

Will you please ask Gerry to send me the check presentation picture? We'll share it on our social media pages to acknowledge your generosity.

Once I talk with my colleague, Ellen Simmons, I'll let you know which space in Providence will be named for the EMCC.

I can't properly express how much your generosity means to us. Thank you.





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Recipe of the Month

Submitted by Donna Crandall (EMCC Secretary)

White Chocolate Cranberry Pecan Clusters by Timeless Recipes

Ingredients

- 2 cups white chocolate chips
- 1 cup dried cranberries
- 1 cup pecans, roughly chopped
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 teaspoon salt (optional)

Directions:

1. Melt the White Chocolate: In a microwave-safe bowl, melt the white chocolate chips in 30-second intervals, stirring in between until fully melted and smooth. Be careful not to overheat the chocolate.
2. Add the Mix-Ins: Stir in the chopped pecans, dried cranberries, vanilla extract, and salt (if using) until everything is well coated with the melted white chocolate.
3. Form the Clusters: Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Drop spoon full of the mixture onto the sheet, forming clusters. You can make them as big or as small as you like.
4. Let Them Set: Allow the clusters to set at room temperature for about 1 hour, or place them in the refrigerator for 15-20 minutes to speed up the process.
5. Serve: Once the clusters are firm, they are ready to enjoy! Store any leftovers in an airtight container at room temperature or in the fridge.



The Secret of the Recipe

Adding a pinch of salt enhances the sweetness of the white chocolate and balances the tartness of the cranberries, creating the perfect sweet-and-salty flavor!



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Veterans Day Breakfast

Gerry Criscenzo

This was the first annual Veterans Day breakfast that will be an annual event each Veteran's Day honoring our EMCC Veterans. It was held this past Veterans Day at the Four Points Sheraton in Norwood.

Veterans that joined us: Gary Crandall, Joel Baker, Joe Doyle, Michael Campopiano, Bill Schroeder.

EMCC Veterans that had prior Veteran's Day commitments who we hope will join us next year.

- Steve Bottazzi
- Larry Colvin
- Sheldon Epstein
- Francis Favara
- Robert Gardner
- Robert Gaulin
- Brian Gately
- Chris Golden
- Mal King
- Joe O'Connor

Thank you all for your service!





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The Corvette Name Will Not Become it's Own Brand for GM

By [Daniel Rufiange](#) , Sept 23, 2024. Photos: Chevrolet

<https://www.auto123.com/en/news/chevrolet-corvette-no-brand-gm/71867/>

Submitted to Gazette by: Scott Sutcliffe

Several years ago, rumors surfaced that General Motors was considering making the Corvette name a sub-brand within its automotive empire. These rumors included the marketing of several different models bearing the Corvette name, including a sedan and an SUV, in addition to the traditional variants of the familiar sports car.

We don't know what's happened behind the scenes since then, but it appears that plan is dead and buried. During an episode of Jay Leno's Garage devoted to the new 2025 Corvette ZR1, GM president Mark Reuss ruled out the idea of the Corvette name becoming a brand in its own right.



Reuss thus confirmed that the Corvette will remain within the Chevrolet family, making the point that it embodies the very essence of the brand - the best of all worlds in terms of value for money, here in the case of a high-performance model.

Corvette badging on the Chevrolet Corvette ZR1 | Photo: Chevrolet

Deliveries of the 2025 Corvette are due to start soon, but the ZR1 variant is not expected until next year. Prices haven't been announced, but considering the level of performance, we can expect it to be the most expensive model in the range. We can expect a price point somewhere between \$170,000 and \$225,000 in Canada.

Incredibly, the ZR1 variant could be eclipsed by another performance version. Test models have been spotted and could well be the Zora variant (named after one of the Corvette's fathers, Zora Arkus-Duntov), which would combine the 5.5L twin-turbo V8 of the ZR1 variant with the electric motor of the E-Ray hybrid variant.

The ZR1 version already offers 1,064 hp. It's hard to imagine how far this madness could go.





Member Submission!

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Trivia, 50 Years Ago, November 1974!

Submitted by Gary Crandall (EMCC Treasurer) Sources: Corvette Trivia AND <https://www.onthisday.com/>

- Freedom of Information Act was passed broadening public's access to government Actions.
- Lake Buena Vista Club opens in Orlando.
- UN recognizes Palestine's right to sovereignty.
- Richard Petty wins the 24th NASCAR Sprint Cup.
- Russia and US agree to a framework for the SALT II Treaty reducing nuclear weapons.
- Irish Republican Army (IRA) is outlawed from Britain after the death of 24 people.
- George Steinbrenner suspended for 2 years after he was convicted of illegal political contributions.
- John Lennon makes his last concert appearance.



Corvette Trivia 1974

What was the base price of the 1974 Corvette Convertible?
\$5765.50



Celeb-Vette

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Robert Downey Jr.!

Source: <https://www.corvetteforum.com/articles/11-celebrities-drive-corvette/>



Robert Downey, Jr., star of the *Iron Man* films, is another celebrity with an extravagant car collection. His 1965 Corvette Stingray is a standout timepiece among his Mercedes G-wagon and Ford F-150. Although Tony Stark owns (and destroys) a bevy of impressive automobiles in *Iron Man*, it's clear that Downey, Jr.'s real life collection surpasses it with this classic Stingray.



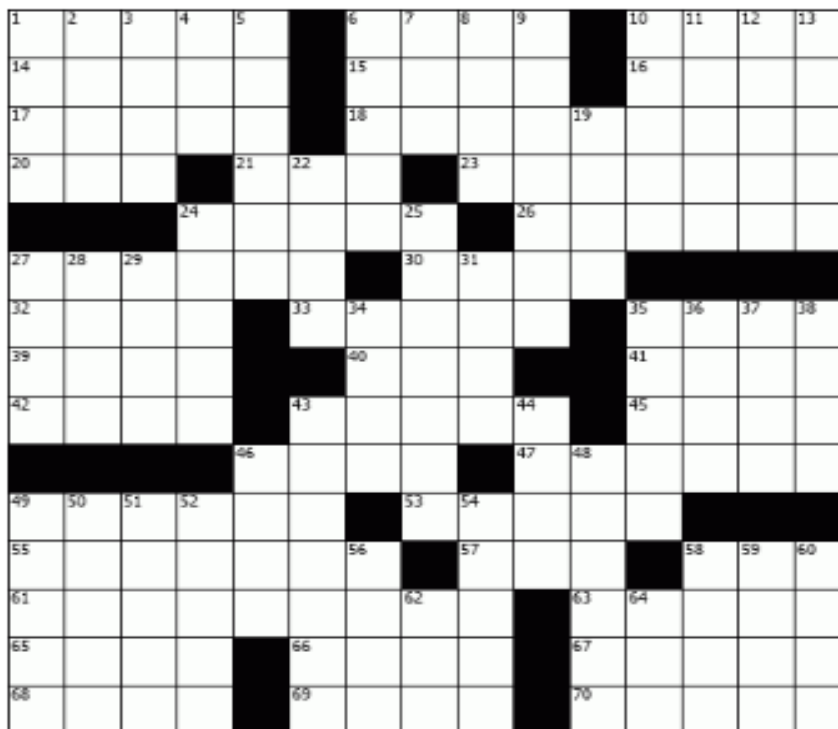


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Across

1. Warning signal
6. Swiss mountains
10. Spanish house
14. Forbidden
15. Boxing contest
16. Bullring cries
17. Greased
18. Accord
20. Use a lever
21. Superlative ending
23. Opposite
24. UFO pilot
26. Alphabet part
27. Spanish party
30. Forewarning
32. Engrave
33. Stately home
35. Munitions, for short
39. Farm measure
40. Recipe measure (abbr.)
41. Hawaiian cookout
42. In this manner
43. Recorded
45. Robbins and Allen
46. Audition tape
47. Biblical mount
49. Throws
53. Peeler
55. Copy
57. Was ahead
58. Chatter
61. Reckless one
63. Piano exercise
65. Throat-clearing sound
66. Richard ____ of "Chicago"
67. Too soon
68. Young men
69. Neutral color
70. Williams and Griffith



Down

1. On the peak
2. Animal's den
3. Competently
4. Caviar base
5. Early car (2 wds.)
6. Diminish
7. Pilot's diary
8. Cat's sound
9. Pittsburgh player
10. Tailed celestial body
11. Wide-awake
12. Feel
13. Purple flower
19. Level
22. Thailand, formerly
24. Campfire remains
25. Continuous
27. Accomplishment
28. Skin irritation
29. Light brown
31. Brood
34. Minute particle
35. Church feature
36. Naturalist John ____
37. Papa's partner
38. Expel
43. Savings (2 wds.)
44. Challenge
46. ____ Sea Scrolls
48. What Moses parted (2 wds.)
49. Wave type
50. Nebraska city
51. Fathered
52. Pipe parts
54. Back street
56. Continually
58. Three feet
59. Confederate
60. Lock openers
62. Pension plan (abbr.)
64. Tuna container

Solution

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