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Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club

VETTE WAVES

JUNE 2023 Newsletter



COVER SHOT: An aerial shot of the Hulett Chevrolet parking lot taken on Sunday May 21st boasted 59 LOCC member Corvettes basking in the bright sunlight of the day. The meeting was successful in bringing both old and new members of LOCC together in admiration of America's Sportscar. More is found on pp. 11—12.

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President Funk's Monthly Report



Summer Greetings LOCC Members!

Summer is here! Great warm, sunny days are ahead for excellent Corvette cruising.

Marlin and Barb Hammond kicked off our May events, coordinating a great group trip to catch a Springfield Cardinals game on May 3rd. The 1st 2023 Hot Summer Nights followed on May 12th. LOCC had 15 Corvettes displayed at Two-Bit Town on Bagnell Dam. A great time was had by all and we recruited new members! We will set up in the same location on June 9th, being creative in parking as many Corvettes as we can in and around our designated parking area. A few LOCC members attended the Route 66 Corvette Club Show, Salute to the Troops Fundraiser on May 20th in Wentzville, Mo. A couple members returned home with some prestigious hardware. LOCC continued the 2023 trend of excellent club participation at our monthly meetings. Our May member appreciation meeting was held at Hulett Chevrolet in Camdenton. The Hulett family cleared their front lot for us to display 59 Corvettes in an orderly fashion. The showroom floor was cleared and comfortably set up for 108 members to enjoy a BBQ buffet prepared by The Tavern Smokehouse from Camdenton. Special guest, Camdenton Mayor John McNabb, welcomed LOCC to Camdenton expressing his continued support for our club. Professional Drone operator Bryant Bundick captured several photos and video over the Chevrolet Dealership for our club's enjoyment. This coverage was shared membership wide through our club communications. A few LOCC members attended a Show N Shine at the Ozark International Raceway on May 27th. The track owner has expressed interest in our club's participation at various upcoming track events. Further details will follow.

We are awaiting final 2023 Corvettes in Paradise profits before making our charitable donations.

Please follow the monthly newsletter, LOCC Face Book page and website for current information and activities. If you have any ideas for day or weekend trips you would like to lead, send your plans to me at outlaw496s@gmail.com so we can execute as many as we can.

Please continue to share club opportunities when you meet new Corvette enthusiasts at or near the Lake of the Ozarks. We always encourage and welcome new members. We have club business cards available at request.

We hope to see you at the June 11 meeting at Jones Chop House in Osage Beach.

Thanks for your continued support and club participation!

Mike



Secretary's Report

Date: May 21, 2023

Location: Hulett Chevrolet, 513 N. State Highway 5, Camdenton MO 65020

Time Meeting Started: 12:30pm

New Members: Charlie & Jacqui Leonardo

Gerry & Courtney Bisailon

James Hartman & Lisa McGinnis (Jim Hartman's son) 2003 C5

Gary & Lynn Elwick 2004 C5 12,000 miles on it when purchased!

Guests: John McNabb - Mayor of Camdenton

Welcomed LOCC to Camdenton

Thanked LOCC & Hulett family for their presence in Camdenton

Enjoys presenting the Mayor's Choice Award at the Corvettes in Paradise Car Show at Margaritaville

Gave some interesting statistics & info about Camdenton:

1. Introduced Jeff Hooker the City Administrator for the past 3 1/2 years
2. Camdenton's charter started in May 1931
3. Camdenton is the county seat
4. Population 3960
5. Occupies 5 square miles
6. Has a budget of 7 Million dollars
7. Has 50+ employees
8. Has 3 Large Projects in the works
 - A. 132 Unit Apartment complex
 - B. 150 Acre Development
 - C. 300 North Acre Development consisting of 120 condos & 50 single homes & villas

Ryan Hulett - General Manager of Hulett Chevrolet

Welcomed LOCC to their facility

Stated that Mayor John McNabb & City Administrator, Jeff Hooker are the right people @ right time for Camdenton

Shared that his office does not have a door & he welcomed anyone to take advantage of his open door policy

New/Different Cars: Mike & Sandy Funk build date for their new corvette is June 5

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Secretary's Report

Birthdays & Anniversaries: 6 Birthdays & 4 Anniversaries (totaling 124 years)

Old Business:

Dogwood Parade - 6 cars participated in Camdenton on a chilly day

Lunch @ Lake Valley Golf Course afterwards

LCTC/ Career Center scholarships - (3 @ \$1,000 each) Mike & Sandy Funk presented at Eugene High School, Eldon High School & Camdenton High School

Springfield Cardinal Game - Organized by Marlin Hammond 22 Corvette & 2 non Corvettes with 46 members attending with great weather & great food. Almost enough cars to completely fill the track (will be our goal for next year!).

Hot Summer Nights - Started May 12 (we had 15 cars) and will continue 2nd Friday each month with parking @ 2 Bit Town.

Wentzville Car Show - Fred Catcott reported that there were 157 cars with LOCC members, Fred Catcott, Don & Peggy Sturn, Carl & Kathy Edwards, & Darryle Modesto attending. Carl & Kathy got 1st Place with their C2 & Fred Catcott won Best of Show!

Officer Reports:

Vice President, David Chapman:

Welcomed new members & reported a total of 231 LOCC members.

Treasurer, Marlin Hammond:

General Fund:

Beginning Balance: \$10,857.39

Deposits: 1,821.38

Disbursements: 291.63

Ending Balance: 12,383.22

Car Show Fund:

Beginning Balance: \$17,231.44

Deposits: 4,375.00

Disbursements: 2,586.89

Ending Balance: 19,019.55

We should have about \$15,000 to donate to charities for 2023 (last year we donated \$8,000).

Things from the store:

Contact Marlin if you need name tags, key fobs, lapel pens or red cotton shirts (15.00). If you ordered a green show shirt they should be in by next meeting. Right now we only have size 2X.

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Secretary's Report

Secretary, Sherry Lantz:

of Corvettes: 59

of People: 108 (record breaking)

NCM Ambassador, Ed Carr:

NCM Club Banner is located on the Museum's "Logo" circle out front between parking lots B/C.

45 slots are reserved for the Corvette Plant Tour & slots are filling quickly.

The McMichael Family Education Gallery opened April 28th and is a 2500 square foot area focusing on the next generation of Corvette enthusiasts, engineers, designers and more.

It is encouraged for LOCC members to support the Chevrolet Corvette Brand not only by purchasing a Corvette but also by adding after-market items, buying & wearing Corvette apparel, remaining a member of LOCC and also by becoming a member of the National Corvette Museum. Please check our membership list to make sure it is accurate on whether you are a member & more importantly join the NCM!

Webmaster, Melody Spanos:

The website is a little behind posting pictures and car show winners but should catch up in the next couple of days.

Public Relations, Brian Carrara:

Lake Sun Newspaper is printing an article soon written by Sandy Funk about the car show results.

Please continue using Facebook to post items and information related to LOCC.

Newsletter, Sandy Funk:

The June Newsletter will be coming soon then after that a special Show Newsletter.

Project/Event Manager, Brenda Myers:

Pictures from the Car Show will soon be emailed to each participant.

Car Show Report:

Special Thanks to Show Committee -

Mike & Sandy Funk

Dave & Mary Chapman

David & Sherry Lantz

Pete & Melody Spanos

Parker & Marybelle Darr

Ed & Becki Carr

Ed & Lourdes Tostenrud

Brian Carrara

Steve & Brenda Myers

Jerry & Kim Ehlmann

Thanks to ALL volunteers!

Donating sponsors made several (4-5) charity suggestions that LOCC will try to honor.

Final results of funds raised is still pending.

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Secretary's Report

Marlin Hammond:

Show numbers & details - 127 paid registrations with 88 cars showing inside & 24 outside. (Some cancellations due to health & circumstances beyond control).

50/50 netted \$800 with \$400 being donated back by Annie & Bob Pessina

Mike Funk:

\$14,450 paid sponsorships

Dave Chapman:

Silent Auction profits - \$7,100 (gross) There were 31 members, 2 friends, & 26 businesses that contributed 144 items with only 3 items left over.

NCM merchandise booth sales - \$1,000 Special thanks to Jim McMillan, Gina McLachlan, & Jann Bramon for organizing the booth. NCM is pleased!

New Business:

May 27 - Ozark International Raceway Event - Ford Mustang Group invited LOCC. Mike talked with RJ the owner during Hot Summer Nights and he wants more LOCC participation.

June 24 - Ladies Day Trip - Sandy has 17 cars currently with 4 riders.

August 24-27 - NW Arkansas - Sandy has reserved 2 tables that seats 10 each for the awards banquet

Sep 9 - Walk/Run for MO Fallen Veterans - Held @ the airport and is sponsored by Camdenton Chamber of Commerce

Sept 14-16 - Corvettes at Karl, Ankeny IA - spoke with Jami Paulson @ Magic Dragon and 27-28 rooms are confirmed.

Day trips suggestions: Possible July trip to Jefferson City (State Capital Tour)

Fred Catcott asked when people can register for 2024 Show?

Jerry Ehlmann asked everyone to thank Mike Funk for all of his hard work & organizing of a successful car show!

Adrienne Mills shared of her & Jon's wonderful experience at Ron Fellows Driving School.

Jim Gillham invited everyone to a Dock Party on June 24th @ MM13 in Porto Cima 1:00pm - ??.

Don Wormsley thanked LOCC members for the purchase of a brick @ NCM in honor of his late wife.

Rudy Willingham invited everyone to a 30 minute scenic drive around Camdenton immediately following the meeting.

50/50 Drawing: Last months winner, Jim Hartman collected \$263 with \$131 going to the winner, Ellen Ensminger.

Next Meeting: June 11 (Chop House)

Continue to promote Club & recruit new members!

Meeting adjourned: 1:36pm

Sherry Lantz, Secretary

LOCC at Hammons Field



May 3, 2023 was the perfect day for a Corvette drive to Springfield to take in a ball game. Coordinated by Marlin Hammond, a large group of 17 rumbuling Corvettes, a Hyundai and one BMW all left Bear Market in a convoy stretching for approximately one mile. With the Lantz's red C8 leading the group out of Camden, they met three additional Corvettes in Buffalo, including Marlin and Barb Hammond in their beautiful Arctic white C7. The Hammonds took over lead for the group the rest of the way to Springfield. An impressive sight was seen on highway 65 as 20 sleek machines rolled down the road. Despite the long string of Corvettes, the line held strong through the Springfield traffic to Hammons Field where two more club Corvettes joined the large group.



The real excitement came as the LOCC cars took to the warning track around the ball field. One by one, the cars paraded onto the field to the cheers of present fans. Many of the cars were highlighted on the scoreboard big screen, drawing even more cheers by onlookers. LOCC members gleefully waved back at the crowds from the array of colorful Corvettes. Once the parade was over, LOCC cars were parked at the entrance of Hammons Field for all passers by at the corner of Trafficway and Sherman Parkway to see.



LOCC at Hammons Field

Inside the ball field, LOCC members ate a lunch of ball park staples: hot dogs, brats, nachos and even cheese sticks, fudge rounds and oatmeal pies. Of course there were those healthier eating members who opted for salads, but when you could go back for seconds or even thirds, many of us splurged for the less healthy options!

With all the excitement of the day, there was even a baseball game to watch! The Baby Cards, hosting a minor league team of the Seattle Mariners—the Arkansas Travelers, started off strong, jumping out to a 3 – 0 lead in the first. They held that lead through the 5th inning and in the 6th inning, the Travelers scored 4 runs. In the 7th inning, Cardinal fans were treated to a two run homer by centerfielder Antico, putting the Cards back on top 5—4. It wouldn't be enough as the Travelers scored 3 runs in the 8th inning, taking the win with a 5—7 final score. Despite the loss, it was a winning day for LOCC if measuring the amount of fun had by the group. A big thank you to Marlin and Barb Hammond for coordinating another great Baseball excursion!



LOCC Supports Area Seniors with Scholarship Awards

As Benjamin Franklin is quoted hundreds of years ago, *“An investment in knowledge pays the best interest.”*

With a similar belief, LOCC continues to support area students from the Eldon Career Center and the Lake Career and Technical Center in Camdenton pursuing further education in the automotive related fields. This year, three scholarship applicants were each awarded a \$ 1,000 scholarship after meeting qualifications.

On Tuesday, May 9th, President Mike Funk travelled to Eugene High School to attend their Decision Day ceremony. He was happy to present graduating senior, Sophie Baldwin with the first \$ 1,000 scholarship on the behalf of LOCC. Sophie and Mike are pictured below.

The morning of Wednesday, May 10th, Mike travelled to Eldon High School and awarded the second \$ 1,000 scholarship to Brock Heiland during the Eldon Senior awards ceremony. Mike is pictured in the bottom right corner presenting the certificate to Brock.

The evening of Wednesday, May 10th, Mike was privileged to attend the LCTC awards ceremony where he awarded the final \$ 1,000 scholarship award to Adrian Biddle. Mike and Adrian are pictured top right. Mike says it was one of the greatest privileges to award these honors to these graduates. Congratulations to these young men and woman!



Nothing But Blue Skies For the 2023 Inaugural Hot Summer Nights

May 12, 2023



LOCC members once again beautified Bagnell Dam Strip with their American classic machines. A total of 15 club cars made their appearance as the rain held off and two tents provided shade from the sun. LOCC is definitely an attraction for onlookers on the strip and most members make sure they support local businesses while attending. We are thankful for the Bagnell Dam Strip Association and their assistance with helping LOCC to once again secure group parking at Two Bit Town!

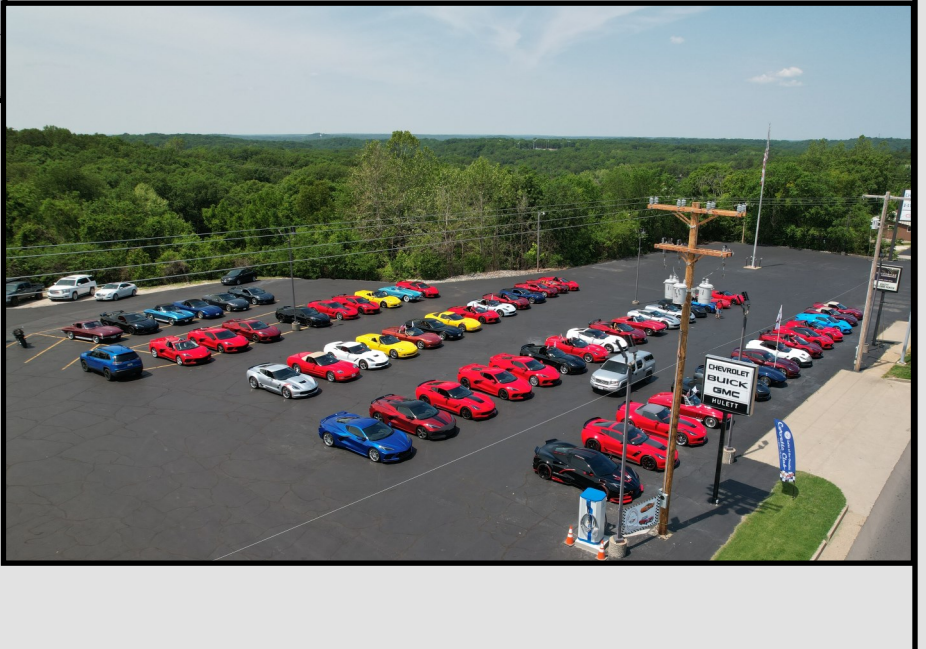
LOCC MAY 2023 MEETING HOSTED AT

May 21, 2023

The Sunday morning of May 21st began as a quiet, peaceful day in Camdenton. The sun was brightly shining, the Lake was still and the morning temperature at 10:00 a.m. was a gorgeous 66 degrees. Suddenly, a familiar, low roar could be heard in the near distance. The streets in Camdenton were becoming alive as a steady stream of high horsepower machines rolled into Hulett Chevrolet for the LOCC monthly meeting. In total, 59 gleaming Corvettes arrived for the May monthly meeting. Attending members filled the Hulett Chevrolet parking lot with an array of club Corvettes as aerial shots were taken by a professional drone operator. All present members were treated to a lunch of pulled pork and brisket prepared by the Tavern Smokehouse. A most beautiful day was shared by all as they looked out the show room windows upon rows of nothing but Corvettes glistening in the sun! The meeting was followed by a scenic drive led by our own expert touring guides, Rudy and Kathy, ending at the Tavern Smokehouse.



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LOCC Shines at Route 66 Car Show: A Salute to the Troops

Submitted by Don Sturn

A quartet of LOCC members started an early morning drive on May 20th in perfect weather to attend the Route 66 Corvette Club Show, Salute to the Troops Fundraiser in Wentzville, Missouri. Carl Edwards led the group in his beautiful 1965 Milano Maroon Coupe with Fred Catcott following in his stunning Jewel Blue 1961 Stingray Convertible, Don and Peggy Sturn in their 2020 Torch Red Coupe, and Darryle Modesto in his 2017 Torch Red Coupe. The group chose a slower route through the back roads and byways to avoid the Route 70 speedway with all of the inclusive truck traffic. The trip was most enjoyable and a great prelude to an excellent show.



The show was held at Poage Chevrolet in Wentzville and drew 157 Corvettes, the largest ever in the Club's history, which until this year, had suffered from bad weather and the pandemic recently. The dealership is modern, clean and boasted three new 2023 Corvettes in their showroom. The two highly optioned Stingrays glistened in the bright lighting while the Z06, striking in its Accelerate Yellow coat, stunned the crowd with its \$262,000 selling price which included an \$85,000 "dealer adjustment".



The show was divided into two classes, the host Club cars and guests. Another local Corvette Club (Boone Trail) did all of the judging of the host cars to ensure integrity and share in the celebration of Corvette camaraderie. A food truck was present on the lot and food and drinks were readily available, reasonably priced and excellent.

LOCC showed well with Carl Edwards taking home a Second Place trophy for C2 coupes while Fred Catcott stole the day with his C1 convertible winning Best of Show and drawing a steady group of admirers throughout the show. Getting out of the show was an adventure as the traffic was glacier in its movement. Besides the show, it was also "Wentzville Day" and the roads were at a standstill at times. The group did finally head out and driving home in a Corvette, with Mother Nature's blessing of a warm sunny afternoon, capped a great day to be in a Chevrolet.



LOCC Crashes the Mustang Club of America Show & Shine Event at Ozark International Raceway May 28th

Submitted by Keith Suchman

Corvettes shine at...wait, what? A MUSTANG SHOW?!? Yes, you read that correctly! Following an invitation from the Mustang Club of America, four LOCC member Corvettes attended the Mustang car show at Ozark International Raceway in Gravois Mills. Attending members included Rick Horsman & Diane Lewis, Dave & Linda Schroeder, Keith & Judi Suchman and Gary Cooper. The four LOCC cars placed in the "top 25" at the show. Taking advantage of the opportunity to drive the track during the event, Rick & Dave drove the challenging raceway for 20 minutes. Afterwards, an early dinner was enjoyed by the group at "Chances R" in Laurie.





Ed Carr
NCM Ambassador
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About the National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park

The idea of building a Motorsports to complete the Corvette Museum experience began in 2007. The success of our High-Performance Driving Events (HPDE) and feedback from enthusiasts who enjoyed exercising their cars, got the attention of Museum Executive Director Wendell Strode. When an opportunity came up to obtain some property adjacent to the existing NCM campus, the suggestion was first made to use it for a track, until it was decided that there wasn't enough room there to do it properly. Still, it seemed like a good idea worth pursuing later.

At that time the Museum expansion was the priority, so the track plan went on the back burner. This changed when a nearby property owner with 20 acres on the other side of the interstate, contacted the Museum offering to sell her land for future growth. An adjoining 50 acres came available as well adding up to 70 acres. Strode and the Museum Board of Directors agreed that the land should be purchased as it would be a good investment even if the track didn't wind up getting the support it needed to be built.

When the expansion was complete, the strong business case for a Motorsports Park prompted the NCM leadership to bring in track designer Alan Wilson (Miller Motorsports Park, NOLA Motorsports Park, Barber Motorsports Park and others) as a consultant, along with others who determined that more property would be

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needed to make this a world class facility it had the potential to be. A total of 184 acres were eventually purchased and as member support grew, so did the momentum and excitement. Track designer Steve Crawford (Thunder Hill, Ridge Motorsports Park) was hired to design the road course with input from Corvette Racing, resulting in a multiple, reconfigurable, track layout with features from Le Mans, making the NCM Motorsports Park the track that every motorsports enthusiast would want to drive.

The vision for the Motorsports Park is to create a safe and challenging environment where drivers of all ages, interest and skill levels can become more proficient behind the wheel. Whether the goal is teen driver safety or the excitement of high performance recreational driving, participants can learn through classroom instruction and on track with a certified instructor, designed to help students increase their ability and build skills that can be applied to the track and the real world. With over 1.5 miles of frontage on Interstate 65 and located across from the National Corvette Museum (NCM) and the Corvette Assembly Plant, the Motorsports Park is one of the most centrally located and easily accessible driving facilities in the country. The Park is situated on 419 acres.



Save the DATE™

Hot Summer Nights	Jun 9, Jul 7, Aug 11, Sep 8
Ladies Trip/Cole Camp	Jun 24
NCM	Jul 26-29
KCCA Show	Aug 11-12
NWArkansas Show	Aug 25-26
Veterans Walk/Run For The Fallen Camdenton Airport	Sep 9
Ford vs Chevrolet Show Ed Morse Ford (Lebanon)	Sep 9
Corvettes at Karl	Sep 14-16
Eureka Springs	Oct 5—8



Another shot from Hulett Chevrolet May 21st

2023 LOCC Meetings

Social Hour 11:00 am
Lunch 12:00 Noon
Meeting 1:00 pm

Jan 8	Tucker's Shuckers
Feb 19	JB Hooks
Mar 12	Encore
Apr 16	Camden on the Lake/Horny Toad
May 21	Hulett Chevrolet Dealership (Smokin' Jones Catered)
Jun 11	Jones Chop House
Jul 9	The Bistro (Lebanon)
Aug 13	Wicked Willies
Sep 10	Short Street Tavern (Montrose)
Oct 15	Willowes
Nov 12	Lake Valley
Dec 2	LOCC Christmas Party @ Encore

Be sure to RSVP to Mike Funk by June 5th if you plan on attending the June meeting at Jones Chop House on June 11th with your meal selections.

Jones Chop House
1493 KK Drive
Osage Beach



JUNE 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Jerry Ehlmann David Lantz Susanne Skjerseth	2 Linda Getz	3
4 Barb Newlun	5	6	7	8	9	10 Tammy Walker
11 LOCC at Jones Chop House 	12	13	14	15 Darryle Modesto	16 Steve Pieschl	17
18 Ron Wehmeyer	19 Jane Cooper John Shepherd	20	21 Carrie Reiner	22	23	24
25	26 Cindy Dela Roche	27 Joy McFarland Steve Chalupka	28	29 Sandy Williams Nona Nissen	30	

GOOD TO KNOW:

May 28th, 2023 was the date for the 107th running of the Indy 500. This year's pace car for the "Greatest Spectacle in Racing" was a red mist convertible Z06 featuring 670 horsepower. This marks the 20th time a Corvette has been chosen to lead the 33 car field.