

ORIGINAL CORVETTE CLUB OF ST. LOUIS

July 2024 Newsletter



The Vette Gazette

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OCC Meetings

Are held on the 2nd
Tuesday of every Month
and are open to all
members and guests.

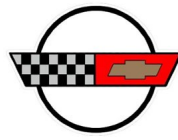
Our Next Meeting

Will Be:

August 13th, 2024

Meeting Location:

The meeting is going to
be at: Saucy's
1630 Gravois
High Ridge MO 63049
Doors open at 6 pm to
order dinner. Meeting
starts at 7:15 pm.



For Additional Information See

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The President's Report July 2024 *Kenneth Schaeffler, President* *Original Corvette Club of St. Louis*



Thank you all for coming out tonight.

- Welcome back to Saucy's. Thank you to all members that participated in the "Show & Shine" last month. We had 30 beautiful Corvettes in the parking lots and Mike Koenen was he Saucy's Gift Card winner.
- This month we celebrated Independence Day. 248 years!
- Thank to those members for participating in America's Birthday Parade. It was a rainy, ugly start to the day, but it cleared up nicely and the parade took place without any problems. The club was represented with 5 cars due to weather, and there appeared to be a number of other participants that didn't show. Jim Butler Chevrolet provided a 2025 Silverado to carry the banner this year. Ironically, it was all electric!
- I'm hoping the winners of the Cardinals tickets last meeting brought home winners.
- The Pacific Car Show was a huge success again this year and a big "Thank You" to all the members that helped out with registration and judging. Larry will talk about it a little later
- The name tags that were ordered at the last meeting have come in and I have them up here at the front table.
- I received notice that the shirts have been delivered. They were a little late in getting in due to the holiday, but now they are being embroidered. They hope to have the embroidery completed this week and ready to ship. I am also working on some other stuff to be made available through the OCC Store.
- I made a whirlwind road trip to California a couple weeks ago. The total trip was 4,400 miles and I averaged 28.3 mpg. It's obvious the only thing I stopped for was to stretch my legs or get gas. I also had a 250 mile stretch that my 50 mile averages were over 40mpg with my best topping out at 45.3 mpg.
- The next major was getting the new "CLUBWORKS" Site, the Groupworks replacement. It has been a ton of work, but I have everyone registered so you have access. A little later, I will go through the steps to show everyone how to access the site. At this time, the "EVENTS CALENDAR" is working for members to see all of our events and the calendar can also be seen by the public for events like the monthly meeting or the "Annual Jim Butler Show". The events posted can be determined at the time of adding them to the calendar as "Members Only" or "Public". They also list them in different categories like "Social Event", "Fundraiser", "General Meeting" or "Annual Event". And they're color coded on the calendar. At this time, only admin can add events, so you will need to contact me if you would like to have an event posted. Like "Winery runs", "Lunches" or similar events for members only. Events that are not sponsored by OCC, but those that we attend can also be posted to help other groups increase participation. I continue working on the website and "Clubworks" to add more things, and the next big push other than members ability to post events will be the "Forum" where members can post photos and have comments similar to the "POSTS" tab in the old Groupworks. I as mentioned last month in talking about the new format, it is extremely powerful and has many capabilities that will be useful to the Club and our social presence. I have also learned that the website can generate and email invoices automatically for membership renewals. It also has the capabilities to accept online payments, but that is something that I will be looking at closely, as there is usually a charge from card companies with credit or debit payments.
- I will also be sending a copy of the current "Member Directory" to everyone via email. You can save it to your computer or upload to your phone file for easy viewing. This may be necessary for a while until I can get the member list able to be viewed by the members on the "Clubworks" site. Please be assured that you member information will Not be public. It will be for "members only"
- I would like all members to add my email: ken-mar@sbcglobal.net and my cell number (314)956-2945 to have quick access to me directly to email or text, in the event you want to plan an event (winery run, day trip, etc.) and I can group email all members for RSVP's to assist in making your event happen. My email and Phone# are in the membership directory.
- And as always, if we have the chance to support our sponsor, please do. Butler has a parts department and offer full service on all your cars.
- Thank you again for your support and together 2024 looking to be a spectacular year for OCC.



Original Corvette Club of St. Louis
Meeting Minutes– July, 2024
Sharon Young - Administrative Assistant

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by Ken followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The opening statement by Ken was then given. A thank you to all who participated in the Show and Shine last month with 30 cars. Mike Koenen won the Saucy's gift card.

A big thank you for all of those who came to the America's Birthday parade downtown despite the wet start. Luckily it dried up in time to parade down Market Street. Our group was led with a beautiful 2025 Silverado – all electric to carry the banner from Jim Butler.

The Pacific Car Show was a huge success and a BIG THANK YOU to everyone that volunteered – Larry will touch base on that later.

Nametags arrived and are available . Also, the club shirts that were ordered have been delivered to the decorator and hope to have them by the middle of July.

Ken touched base on his quick trip to California.

Ken has been working on getting the new CLUBWORKS site going. Everyone has been registered and he will explain and give printed instructions on how to access the site. The Events Calendar is working for members and can be seen by the public. Only members are able to access the actual events to RSVP. At this time only the admin are able to list an upcoming events so please send to Ken. The next big part, will be the FORUM where members will be able to post photos and comments. We will also be able to generate and email invoices for ,membership renewal-still a work in progress.

Ken is sending everyone a copy of the current Member Directory to keep for easy access until the CLUBWORKS is totally up and running. In case anyone has questions, Ken has made his email and phone number available .

And, please sure to support our sponsor, Jim Butler as they have a parts department and full service.

Sid read the Treasurer's report. It was accepted by Tommy Kreyling and seconded by Jim Thacker.

A motion to accept the published minutes of the June meeting was approved by Ian Rendell and seconded by Rick Poepping.

Larry gave his VP report talking about the huge success of the Pacific car show even though the weather was inclement for awhile. He also went over the up coming events in the area including the trip to Meramec Caverns on July 13th with 22 people signed up so far.

On July 14th, there is the Hero's car show in Columbia, IL, August 4th Roxana Park show with 40 classes, August 10th – cars and coffee at St. John's Lutheran church with the Thackers. A lot going on the month of September, including our annual Jim Butler All Chevy Car show on September 15th. This is our car show so please plan on attending and volunteering! Also, please start asking and thinking about prizes for the raffles- we had over 47 raffles last year! We had 187 cars participating overall. And, another big event for September is our Annual Club Picnic at Cliff Cave Park. The theme this year is baseball so get your jersey ready!!! Talk to Larry for volunteering – many hands make the work light.

Check the calendar out for events coming up the rest of the year so far.

The men's luncheon will be at Crusoe's on Telegraph this month, same day as the ladies luncheon at Joey B's all on July 26th. Be sure to RSVP.

Bill Prewitt our Membership Director announced that the club has 136 members overall.

Connie had no reports of anyone and Dennis Osterman was able to be back with us this month from having heart surgery!

Rick Poepping went over a few things about the museum updates and that the Z06 is celebrating an Anniversary. See details in the newsletter.

We had 1 new member attend and join – Christian Wiggins – welcome!



The Original Corvette Club of St. Louis

NCM Ambassador Report Jul 09, 2024

Latest News:

- **Museum Unveils 30th Anniversary Z06 Convertible Raffle**

The National Corvette Museum revealed a special 30th Anniversary Z06 Convertible raffle. Featuring a one-of-a-kind Tech Bronze Graphics Package, natural two-tone GT2 seats, and 3LZ equipment package, this Z06 is spec'd out to be the ultimate rolling salute and celebration of the National Corvette Museum's 30th Anniversary.

30th Anniversary Raffle Z06 Convertible options include:

- One-of-a-Kind National Corvette Museum 30th Anniversary Tech Bronze Graphics Package
- Performance Exhaust with Black Exhaust Tips
- Spider-Design Tech Bronze Forged Aluminum Wheels
- Black-Painted Brake Calipers
- 3LZ Equipment Group
- Natural GT2 Bucket Seats with Carbon Fiber Trim
- Stealth Interior Trim Package includes Dark Finish Aluminum on Speaker Grilles, Air Vents, and Console Trim Plate
- Front Lift Adjustable Height with Memory
- Carbon Flash Exterior Side Vents and Front/Rear Accents
- Carbon Flash Exterior Badge Package
- Carbon Flash-Painted Carbon Fiber Ground Effects include Front Splitter and Rockers
- 5.5 Liter V8 Direct Injection High-Output Flat Plane Crank 8600 RPM Redline Engine
- 8-speed Dual Clutch Transmission with 5.56 Performance Ratio Rear Axle
- Power-Retractable Convertible Hardtop can be raised or lowered at speeds up to 30 MPH
- HD Front and Rear Vision Cameras
- Corvette Museum Delivery
- Please note: Due to unforeseen issues, some vehicle options may not be available as ordered.

- **New Sinkhole exhibit includes Sinkhole Corvette ignition keys**

The news coming out of Bowling Green, Kentucky on February 12, 2014, was unbelievable. A sinkhole had opened in the National Corvette Museum's Skydome during the early morning hours, swallowing eight cars. The Corvettes plunged 30 feet into a previously undiscovered cave. In the following weeks and months, visitors would flock to the Museum to see the sinkhole for themselves. Meanwhile, staff pondered how to recover the damaged Corvettes and repair the gaping hole in the floor of the Skydome.

- **2024 National Corvette Caravan**

With Labor Day weekend quickly approaching, announcing the 30th Anniversary raffle Corvette is just one of the Corvette-centric activities for the National Corvette Museum 30th Anniversary.

- With new events added to the agenda daily, the National Corvette Museum is the see-and-be-seen-at Corvette event of the year. Highlights include:
 - Corvettes of every generation (and customization) as 3,000 Corvettes descend on the National Corvette Museum for four days of non-stop, high-horsepower action.
 - Tackle the track with Corvette E-Ray and Stingray touring laps, available at the NCM Motorsports Park.
 - An engine build demonstration from the Bowling Green Assembly Plant (BGAP) Performance Build Center team.
 - National Corvette Museum Collections Staff presented 'Artifact Pit Stops,' including details about the Corvettes buried in the infamous Sinkhole.
 - Edge-of-your-seat presentations on technology, performance, and safety from the Corvette brand team, Mobil 1, Michelin, ESCORT Radar Detectors, and more.
 - An appearance by current NY-LA Cannonball record holders Doug Tabbutt and co-driver Arne Toman, sharing their experience driving cross-country firsthand.
 - The 2024 Corvette Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, with Corvette Racing Drivers Oliver Gavin and Jan Magnussen, Corvette Chief Engineer Tadge Jeuchter, and legendary automotive photographer Richard Prince honored (available as a separate registration).
 - A Saturday night Corvette celebration and free headlining concert in downtown Bowling Green, KY.
 - Event pre-registration is encouraged and closes on August 5th. The cost to attend is \$50 for National Corvette Museum Lifetime Members, \$60 for Members, and \$85 for Non-Members. Learn more at www.corvettemuseum.org/caravan/

The Caravan that we would connect up with is once again stopping in Cape Girardeau. We had a great time in Cape on a previous Caravan. The Corvettes of Southeast Missouri do a wonderful job.

[Kansas and Missouri - 2024 Caravan - National Corvette Museum](#)

- **Upcoming Raffles**

- **2024 Black Corvette Coupe 7/18/2024** Price: **\$150.00**
Tickets: 1500 Available: 1206 Drawing: July 18, 2024 2:00 PM
- **2024 Red Mist Corvette Convertible 8/8/2024** Price: **\$200.00**
Tickets: 1500 Available: 1392 Drawing: August 8, 2024 2:00 PM
- **2025 Torch Red Corvette Coupe 8/31/2024** Price: **\$20.00**
Unlimited Raffle Drawing: August 31, 2024 3:00 PM
- **2024 Black Corvette Z06 Convertible 8/30/2024** Price: **\$350.00**
Tickets: 1994 Available: 1736 Drawing: August 30, 2024 3:00 PM

Presents: The Annual Jim Butler **ALL CHEVY CAR SHOW**

LOCATION: Jim Butler Chevrolet
759 Gravois Bluffs Boulevard
Fenton, Missouri 63026

TIME: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024
(RAIN or SHINE)
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Registration 9:00-12:00 Noon
AWARD PRESENTATION @ 2:30:

Corvettes
Camaros
All Other Chevs
All Trucks
All Modified
Best of Show
Butler Pick (Sponsor Award)
Peoples Choice
Best Club Participation

ENTRY FEE:
Judged \$25.00
Display Only \$15.00

Dash Plaques to first 100 Entries
50 / 50 RAFFLE
Other Prize Raffles

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF GREATER ST. LOUIS

Ken Schaeffler: I would like to set up an event to tour the cave and other activities they offer. The attached file shows what they offer and they offer group discounts. We can have lunch at the diner there. The two activities that I would like are the cave tour and riverboat ride. For those more adventurous, they have a zip line.

We would meet at McDonalds at six flags at 8:00 and leave for the cave at 8:30.

Please email or text me for the activities you would like to do so I can make the necessary reservations. hoping for a big turnout and a fun day.

ken-mar@sbcglobal.net
(314)956-2945

Some scheduled calendar events:

- **July 13: Meramec Caverns Day Trip-** Meet at 8 am at McDonalds in Eureka. Ken Schaeffler
- **July 14:** Hot Rods for Hero's Car Show. 208 Rapp St. Columbia, Ill. Benefits Backstoppers.
- **August 4:** Roxana Park Auto Show. 40 classes. Registration 8 am til Noon. Awards at 3 pm. Judging by Give Back Pack. Roxana Community Park, Roxanna, Illinois.
- **August 10:** Cars and Coffee. St. John's Lutheran Church 3517 Jeffco Blvd. in Arnold. 8 am til 10 am. Jim and Peggy Thacker.
- **September 8:** All Chevy Show hosted by the Fabulous 50's Car Club. National Museum of Transportation. Registration 9-Noon. Awards at 3 pm. Sponsor: Sapaugh GM Country.
- **September 14:** East View Baptist Church Car Cruise. 2-6 pm. 211 Sherman St. (RT 161) Belleville, Il. James and Tony Baston.
- **September 15: Annual Jim Butler All Chevy Car Show- Gravois Bluff. This is OUR OCC CAR SHOW! Kenneth Schaeffler.**
- **September 22:** OCC Annual Club Picnic. Riverside Shelter, Cliff Cave Park in South County. 642 Cliff Cave Road. Larry Dann.
- **October 5:** Knights of Columbus Car Show. Columbia, Ill. Gene Castellano
- **December 10:** Annual OCC Christmas Gala. Orlando's Event Center, 4300 Hoffmeister Ave, St. Louis. 6 pm. Larry Dann.
- **Bob's Drive-In Cruises**-first Saturday night of the month through October. 5-9 pm.
- 5166 US Hwy 61-67, Imperial, MO. 50/50, food and drink specials, music.
- **Culver's Car Cruise- Crystal City**-third Saturday night of the month through October.
- 200 South Truman Blvd. Crystal City. 5-9 pm. 50/50, music.
- **Cloverleaf Sports Lounge Car Cruise**-every second Saturday night through October. 6070 Telegraph Road. 5-9 pm. 50/50, food and drink specials, music.

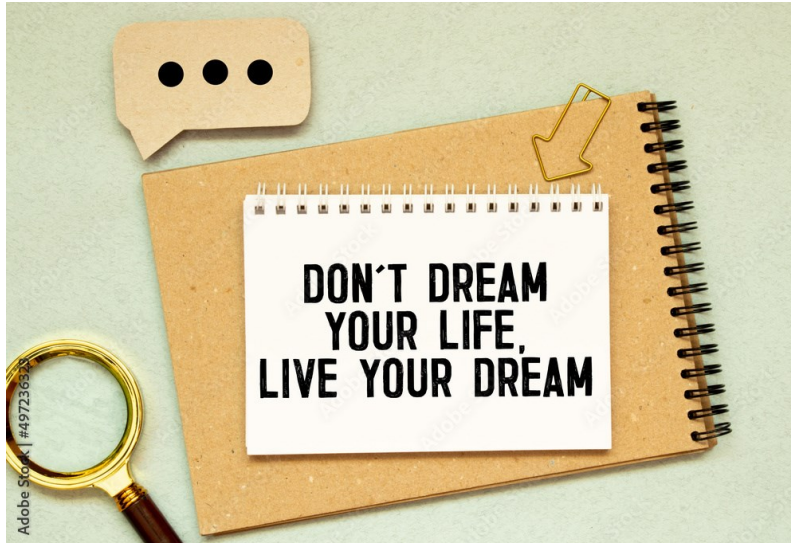
Thank you, Thank you!

To all of our members that came out and made the Pacific Car Show once again a huge success. You are all Rockstars! The weather was a little threatening but held off for the most part and the day was great. We judged 140 cars and there were 170 display cars. The threatened inclement weather predictably hurt the attendance which was about 700 cars total last year. Thanks again to you all.

Larry Dann



**IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF A NEW CORVETTE
OR VEHICLE OF ANY TYPE, NEW OR USED
GO AND SEE THE OCC'S GOOD FRIEND AND CLUB SPONSOR AT
JIM BUTLER CHEVROLET**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO EVERYONE!
FROM ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS IN THE OCC!**

July Birthdays

Jason Messenger	7/5
Jonathon Carver	7/7
Brian Jennings	7/7
Janet Flader	7/7
Joe Williams	7/8
Judy Lang	7/11
Esther Brewer	7/12
Frank Sedmak	7/20
Zane Latham	7/22
Byrle Layman	7/22
Karen Mericle	7/23
Chad Osborne	7/23
Nancy Hirsch	7/24
Valerie Brendel	7/25
Tom Kreyling	7/26
Steve Willis	7/29
Tom Nickelson	7/30



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Michael & Suzanne Koenen	7/8/1978
Bob & Janet Shissler/Mathany	7/15/1995
Rick & Liz Ann Mestre	7/26/1986
Steve & Judy Willis	7/30/2007

August Birthdays

Mary Morgan	8/4
Kira Cobb	8/5
Norma Bahr	8/5
Cindy Ness	8/11
Brandon Hoosier	8/12
Jama Rendell	8/17
Eric Stephens	8/19
Jerry Baumann	8/21
Don DeLonjay	8/25
Jim Lanza fame	8/26
Lisa Coombs	8/27
Dale Nerson	8/31

Cool Stuff

Larry Dann sent this to me and it's just something to show how much the price of America's Sports Car has increase in price over the last 52 years. I was just a twenty two year old kid in 1973 when I bought a used 1972 Stingray Coupe. I thought that it was the coolest car ever for a couple of months but with only 200 horsepower the coolness soon warmed up. This window sticker is amazing showing the 425 hp big block only costing a mere \$292.70 as an option, just a little more than the am/fm radio! Now the standard C8 stingray comes with more horsepower with the standard engine and a bunch less weight, however the price of the car is over eleven times what it was 52 years ago. This is very cool, if you run across any cool stuff like this please send it to me so we can share it with the other members.



This is exactly what my 1972 350 cid, 350 turbo looked like with the exception that I had the optional luggage rack, notice that the top didn't come off of this one either.

Jim

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15072	140 OLD YORK RD JENKINTOWN PA				
DELIVERED TO DEALER AT	IF SPECIAL PRICE APPLIES				
MAKE	CHEVROLET				
VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	120460		FINAL ASSEMBLY POINT	ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI	
MANUFACTURER'S SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE: (Includes reimbursement for Federal Excise Tax & Suggested Dealer Delivery & Handling Charge) MODEL					
19437 CORVETTE 2D SPT CPE				4321 00	
Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Delivered Prices on Options and Accessories Installed on this Vehicle by the Manufacturer					
2M20BA	4 SPD TRANSMISSION			188	30
2444AG	WHITE & RED LEATHER TRIM			80	70
2Z01AB	C&C GRP-INCLUDES INSIDE NO-GLARE MIRROR BACK UP LAMPS			16	15
2A01AA	TINTED GLASS			16	15
2900UU	RALLY RED				00
2P48AA	QUICK TAKE OFF WHLS			322	80
2A31AA	POWER WINDOWS			59	20
2U69AD	PB AM/FM RADIO			203	40
2N36AA	TELESCOPIC STRG WHL			43	05
2N32AA	WOOD STRG WHEEL			48	45
2N14AA	SIDE DUAL EXHAUST			134	50
2F40AB	SPL SUSPENSION EQ			37	70
2K66CC	TRANSISTOR IGN EQ			75	35
2P92AA	775X15 4 PLY WSW			31	85
2G81GA	POSITRACT AXLE 411R			43	05
2L78AA	425 HP V8 TURBOJET			292	70
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Here are a few pictures from the Father's Day cay show in Kimmswick, MO.

We had twelve cars there and even more people! A good time had by most, it was too hot for some, with all of the fans going I was getting a chill. LOL



Here are a few pictures from the Russel Bradford Charity Car show in
Coulmbia IL. June 23rd

We had four members of the OCC show up and a GREAT time was had by three
of them, guess who didn't get a trophy? LOL



The Give Back Pack raised
over \$6000.00

*Winners, Winners!
Chicken Dinners!*



1st Place

2nd Place

3rd Place

