



# High Desert Corvette Club

Newsletter March 2022

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## President's Ponderings

March 2022

Happy almost spring 🌸! As things are ramping up with more daylight hours and more time to play outside, I know we all are looking forward to getting our cars on the road.

Until then, I would like to do a brief recap; last week many of us enjoyed wishing George Bosy a very happy 90th birthday at Moose Sisters restaurant. Our activities director Sande Burgess organized another outstanding event, to honor this milestone! And coming up on March 30th is our clubs End of Year Celebration. Hoping to see many of you come to welcome our returning and new board members, as well as our invaluable volunteers. Without these people our club would not be the outstanding group that we are!

Lastly, I would like to mention a HUGE Thank You to Harry Bongers and all the volunteers dedicating their time and talents towards our Bi-annual "Corvettes on the High Desert" event coming up in July are now going full steam ahead! Remember we can use anyone who would like to volunteer, a little, a lot, or even just to help with donations towards the silent auction. Please read the upcoming newsletters and minutes from our monthly meetings, and join in on any level you can!

Many hands can help make this benefit the best yet!

Tess Burke-Morton

HDCC President





## HDCC Events 2022

- 3/8 HDCC /COHD Business meetings Start 4:0PM Dinner 5:00 mtg 6:00
- 3/30 End of Year Banquet VFW Redmond \$35.00 ea. Prime Rib/Salmon
- 5/26-31 Seven Feathers RV Resort. Full but is a waiting list
- 5/28-30 Big Sky Corvette Meet, Whitefish MT.
- 6/10-11 Creswell, Trap/Skeet Shooting event
- 6/22-23 Trout Lake Trip
- 7/15-16 Corvettes on the High Desert
- 8/10-12 3rd Annual Wine Tour & Adventure (filled)
- 9/9-19 Corvettes on the Columbia

### March Birthdays

- 3/1 Annie Kaster
- 3/5 Harry Bongers
- 3/7 Fred Crowther
- 3/9 Charlie Thomson
- 3/10 Fredy Jenkins
- 3/20 Sue Gibson
- 3/28 Barbara Bosey
- 3/28 Lori Schneider
- 3/29 Malcom Meyers
- 3/30 Ron Massey
- 3/31 Todd Layport

### March Anniversaries

- 3/20 Rich & Tess Morton



# Happy Birthday

George





# C8 Corvette Ranks 2nd on List of Top 15 Used Cars More Expensive Than New

Top 15 Used Cars More Expensive than New - iSeeCars			
Rank (By Percentage)	Model	% Used Price More than New	\$ Used Price More than New
1	Mercedes-Benz G-Class	35.6%	\$62,705
2	Chevrolet Corvette	20.2%	\$16,645
3	Tesla Model 3*	17.8%	\$8,300
4	Ford Bronco Sport	16.4%	\$5,766
5	Chevrolet Trailblazer	15.6%	\$4,270
6	Toyota RAV4 Hybrid	14.8%	\$5,298
7	Chevrolet Suburban	12.9%	\$9,106
8	Toyota Tacoma	12.2%	\$4,530
9	Toyota C-HR	12.2%	\$3,230
10	Kia Telluride	12.1%	\$5,552
11	Kia Rio	11.7%	\$2,090
12	Subaru Crosstrek	11.7%	\$3,524
13	GMC Yukon	11.3%	\$8,258
14	Toyota Sienna	11.2%	\$5,074
15	Hyundai Accent	11.2%	\$2,010
Overall Average		1.3%	\$553

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## Bill's Big Brake 1958 Corvette

Some members of HDCC are aware of Bill Scherrer's undertaking of a frame off restoration of a 1958 Corvette Big Brake Corvette. There were 144 cars of the big brake classification produced in 1958 out of a total of 9168 Corvettes.. This is Bill's second 1958 Corvette. His first was while Bill was in the Army in Germany in 1961. He was involved in a wreck while racing at Nuremberg and spent considerable time with repairs. Bill was invited to an estate sale of several vintage Corvettes in various stages of disassembly. He was pleased to find a 1958 big brake which he purchased and brought home on a trailer and in boxes. (See picture below)

The Big Brake Corvette was designed for racing and has several distinct features. Brakes and suspension package includes special higher-rate front and rear springs and shock absorbers, a larger-diameter front sway bar, quick-steering adapter, sintered metallic brake linings inside finned drums, fresh air ducting to the rear brakes and front brake air deflectors to mention just a few of characteristics of the Big Brake.

Bill has already started the process and will keep us up to date with his progress with pictures and brief narrative along the way. His ultimate goal to qualify for the highest NCRS ranking.





Bill Scherrer





### **First Pre-Production Z06 Corvette Sells for 3.6 Million**

Rick Hendrick purchased the Z06 at Barrett-Jackson in Scottsdale. He also paid 3million for the first production C8 two years ago. The proceeds of the sales go to Operation Home Front which benefits military families in need.

Hendrick is a NASCAR team owner and owns Hendrick Auto Group which consists of over 100 dealerships. Barrett-Jackson has raised over 144 million for charities.

### **The History of 'APRONS'**

I don't think our kids know what an apron is. The principle use of Grandma's apron was to protect the dress underneath because she only had a few. It was also because it was easier to wash aprons than dresses and aprons used less material. But along with that, it served as a potholder for removing hot pans from the oven.

It was wonderful for drying children's tears, and, on occasion, was even used for cleaning out dirty ears.

From the chicken coop, the apron was used for carrying eggs, fussy chicks, and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven.

When company came, those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kids.

And when the weather was cold, Grandma wrapped it around her arms.

Those big, old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood stove.

Chips and kindling wood were brought in the kitchen in that apron.

From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables. After the peas had been shelled, it carried out the hulls.

In the fall, the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees.

When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds.

When dinner was ready, Grandma walked out onto the porch, waved her apron, and the men folk knew it was time to come in from the fields to dinner.

It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that 'old-time apron' that served so many purposes.

REMEMBER: Grandma used to set her hot baked apple pies on the window sill to cool. Her granddaughters set theirs on the window sill to thaw.

They would go crazy now trying to figure out how many germs were on that apron.

I don't think I ever caught anything from an apron – but love. [Submitted by Dee Ginter](#)



**20240 Reed Lane, Bend OR**  
**Barry and Christine Larson –Owners**

## **Sponsors**

Lithia Chevrolet– Cadillac of Bend as returned as a sponsor of HDCC. Also Barry and Christine Larson are once again sponsoring the club. Try to patronize our sponsors when you can. We want to thank Todd Layport (Redmond Liquor Store) and Jessica Anderson (Legacy Reality) for their support during the last year. We were fortunate to have three club members step forward last year to sponsor the club.

**Thank You All**



## Corvette Airplane

The **Aérospatiale SN 601 Corvette** is a French [business jet](#) of the early 1970s developed and manufactured by aerospace manufacturer [Aérospatiale](#). Sales of the type were disappointing, leading to only 40 Corvettes being constructed, including the prototypes, prior to production being terminated.<sup>[2]</sup>

In response to an open request by the French government for a compact twin-[turbofan](#) engine-equipped [liaison/trainer](#) aircraft, aircraft manufacturers [Sud Aviation](#) and [Nord Aviation](#) decided to embark upon development of a new business jet that could also fulfil the government demand as well. The joint venture's design, initially designated as the *SN 600 Diplomate*, was first publicly displayed at the 1968 [Hanover ILA Air Show](#). On 16 July 1970, the prototype SN 600 performed the type's [maiden flight](#); on 23 March 1971, this prototype was lost during a test flight. A pair of improved *SN 601* prototypes were then constructed; on 20 December 1972, the first of these prototypes conducted its first flight.

. In addition to its use as a [VIP](#) aircraft, a number of Corvettes were procured and operated by [regional airlines](#), such as [Air Alsace](#), [Air Alpes](#), Air Champagne, [TAT](#), and [Sterling Airways](#). [Airbus Industrie](#) also operated a small fleet of Corvettes for internal transportation of staff between its key sites across Europe. During late 1976, Aérospatiale, as a consequence of a low number of orders having been received during three years of production, decided to terminate production of the SN 601 Corvette. While an expanded model, known as the *Corvette 200*, had been actively studied, development was abandoned following the end of manufacture.



SN 601 Corvette

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aérospatiale\\_Corvette](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aérospatiale_Corvette)



## Tips To Stay Safe In Your Car

**Be safe when driving by avoiding distractions:**

- Don't text.
- Don't talk on cellphones. A phone conversation can be distracting.
- Don't eat or drink.
- Don't be distracted by passengers.  
Don't adjust controls.

**Keep yourself safe when you're on the road by following these tips:**

- Keep your doors locked and windows closed when you're in your car.
- If you have to open the car windows, try not to roll them all the way down.
- Try not to drive alone, especially at night.
- Carry a charged cell phone with you.
- Map out your route if you're traveling in an unfamiliar area. Try to stay on highways and major roads instead of side streets.

When you stop in traffic, try to leave enough space in case you need to move around other cars.

### **Tips for Being Safe in a Parking Lot**

When parking your car, continue to be aware of your surroundings. Here are some other tips to follow:

- Park your car in brightly lit areas.
- Don't park near large trucks or vans, dumpsters, or anything that can limit your visibility.
- If you're using a commercial garage, find one that has attendants.
- Don't leave valuables in plain view. Put them in the trunk or take them with you. Even in areas that you think are safe, don't leave your valuables on the seat unattended.
- Before you get out of your car, have a look around.
- Remember where you parked so you don't spend time wandering around the parking lot.
- When walking to your car, be alert and walk purposefully.
- Be wary of people asking for directions or handing out flyers. If you're approached, head in another direction.
- Stay away from your car if there's someone lurking around it.
- Hold your keys in your hand. Be ready to unlock your car and get in quickly.
- Take a quick look around you and inside your car before you get in.  
Once you get in, lock your doors.