



High Desert Corvette Club

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President's Ponderings

Fall is in full swing here in Central Oregon — the mornings are crisp, the leaves are turning, and the first snowfall has already made its appearance. That's our cue that Corvette season is winding down, and it's almost time to tuck our cars away for their winter hibernation. As always, keep an eye out for that early-season gravel on the roads — the last thing we need is a chip in the paint before the cars go into storage!

I want to take a moment to thank everyone who made it to our last business meeting. It was great seeing so many members gathered together to share stories from the season and talk about what's ahead. Hard to believe, but our final business meeting of the year will be on November 12th. Let's finish the year strong with one last get-together before we swap driving gloves for snow shovels.

Before we park the Corvettes for good, we still have one last driving event — the Bend Veterans Day Parade on November 11th. This is always a special opportunity for our club to show support for those who have served and to roll through town one last time before the cars head into storage. I hope to see a great turnout and a lot of polished paint out there!

Nathon Marker

HDCC President



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President's Ponderings cont.

Looking ahead, mark your calendars for our HDCC Christmas Party on December 6th at Juniper Preserve! It's always one of the highlights of the year — great food, laughter, prizes, and plenty of time to catch up without worrying about tire pressure or road dust.

On a personal note, Rebecca and I have our fingers crossed that we'll finally get occupancy on our home remodel by Halloween. The clock is ticking, and the inspectors are circling! After months of construction dust, tight living quarters, and endless "one more thing" moments, we're ready to be back home just in time to hand out candy from our own front door. Here's hoping the treats come without any more tricks from the contractors!

As we roll into the colder months, enjoy the warmth of friends, family, and the memories made from another great driving season. The Corvettes may be resting, but the camaraderie of the club keeps going strong.

Nathan Marker
HDCC President



Can you identify this HDCC member. Man about town, with a rags to riches story, Sought after potential movie star and pursued by many a young ladies. He is still just as dazzling.



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November Birthdays

Nov. 2 Roger Petersen
Nov 4 Sande Burgess
Nov 6 Ginger Foote
Nov 13 David Schneider
Nov 19 Kristen Baffert
Nov 19 Kemi Broadley
Nov 19 Carolyn Davis
Nov 19 Joanne Lee
Nov 20 Christine Larson
Nov 21 Cliff Jackson
Nov 25 Jere Smith
Nov 29 Barbara Addessio
Nov 30 Jeff Rigen

WOW, 13 birthdays for November
Are these Valentines Day babies?
Do the math!!

November Anniversaries

Nov 3 Dean & Sandi Cowell
Nov 15 Gary Silence & Janic Torsey
Nov 20 Don & Delila Ginter



HDCC Events

Nov. 11 Veterans Day Parade
Dec 6 Christmas Party The View Rest.
Jan 28 Social Night The Gibbs (TBD)
Feb 20 Social Night Crab Feed
The Chenery's
Mar 28 Year end Banquet The View
Restaurant

Trivia

How did trucks get the name "pick up truck"?
Ford Motor Company made the first pick up truck.
They were shipped to the dealers in crates. The new
owners had to go to the dealers and pick up the
crates, assemble the trucks using the crates as the
beds of the trucks.
Hence the name **pick up** trucks. (the things you
don't know)

October 50/50 Jackpot winner

President, Nathon Marker won the 50/50 Jack-
pot in the amount of \$78.00. The winnings
was accepted by Mrs. Marker who was
cheered on by Debbie Kunzman, September's
winner.
Nate gave his winnings back to the club. Thank
you Nate

On the lighter side.



When older people say, "Enjoy them while they are young." They are talking about your knees and hips not your kids.



**YOU CAN'T FIX STUPID
BUT YOU CAN NUMB IT WITH A
2X4**



**ALL MY
PASSWORDS ARE
PROTECTED BY
AMNESIA**



The New Cars Thieves Can't Stop Stealing (And the Ones They Won't Touch)

For a [car thief](#), stealing someone's vehicle means a potentially juicy payout. For the person whose car is being stolen, it means you're suddenly faced with a major inconvenience and can look forward to hours of painful communication with an insurance company — not to mention the loss of anything that was in the car at the time of the theft.

When you're shopping for a new vehicle, the frequency with which it gets stolen should be something you research before seriously considering any model. The Highway Loss Data Institute recently shared [data](#) highlighting the most and least frequently stolen new cars, with theft rates based on insurance claim data for car models released from 2022 to 2024. Here's a look at those rankings and what the data tells us about how thieves select vehicles to steal.

2025's Most Stolen Cars

1. Chevrolet Camaro ZL1
 2. Acura TLX 4WD
 3. Chevrolet Camaro
 4. GMC Sierra 2500 crew cab 4WD
 5. Acura TLX 2WD
 6. GMC Sierra 3500 crew cab 4WD
 7. Chevrolet Silverado 3500 crew cab 4WD
 8. Dodge Durango 4WD
 9. Land Rover Range Rover 4WD
- Ram 1500 crew cab short-wheelbase 4WD

2025's Least Stolen Cars

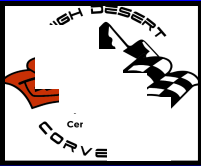
1. Tesla Model 3 4WD
 2. Tesla Model Y 4WD
 3. Tesla Model 3 2WD
 4. Toyota RAV4 Prime 4WD
 5. Tesla Model S 4WD
 6. Volvo XC90 4WD
 7. Volvo XC40 4WD
 8. Ford Mustang Mach-E
 9. Volkswagen ID.4
- Subaru Crosstrek 4WD with EyeSight (2024)

A series of electric cars topped the list of least stolen vehicles, which makes sense. Because electric vehicles need to be charged, they're more frequently stored in garages, making them much harder and more inconvenient for thieves to target. Ultimately, convenience is one of the main motivating factors for car thieves, making *inconvenience* one of the more powerful deterrents.



10 Fun Facts About The Chevrolet Corvette

1. The original Sting Ray designs were partly taken from an actual Mako Shark caught by designer Bill Mitchell while deep-sea fishing.
2. In 1960, GM gave all three Mercury 7 astronauts—Alan Shepard, Gus Grissom, and Chuck Yeager—brand new Corvettes as a publicity stunt.
3. The 1953 Corvette came in only one color option: Polo White with a red interior. The last year the Polo White color was used was 1957.
14. V8 engines were available as an option until 1955. And in that year, 90% of all customers selected the option. Since then, all Corvettes have offered nothing but V8 engines.
5. Only one 1983 model Corvette is still known to exist, and it's on display at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky. This is due to quality issues that caused GM to stop production until the problems could be solved. By the time the issues were straightened out, it was so late that the fixed Corvette was introduced as the 1984 model.
6. The Corvette boasts a family that's 2 million strong and continues to grow year after year. In fact, in 2012, Corvettes accounted for nearly 1/3 of all sports car sales in America!
7. The 2009 ZR1 was the first Corvette to be pushed over the 200 mph mark.
8. The 1963 Corvette Sting Ray Split-Window Coupe is widely regarded as the most beautiful and influential Corvette ever made.
9. The 1978 Corvette Indy 500 Pace Car was painted black and silver because it photographed better. Back then, most publications and ads were black and white.
10. Due to federal mandates, the 1980 Corvette had an 85 mph speedometer.



Corvette Odds and Ends

Some C7 Corvette Owners Are Still Waiting For Their Cracked Wheel Reimbursement

Some [C7 Corvette](#) owners are entitled to [reimbursement](#) for defective wheel sets that could crack or warp over time, leading to all sorts of issues, including tire pressure loss. Per a report published in August of 2024, affected Corvette owners should have [received a letter](#) notifying them how they can be reimbursed for the issue. GM reportedly stated that the matter is now in the hands of the third-party administrator and out of GM's direct control. If all else fails you can pray to the Corvette Wheel God.

Corvette Fuel Filler Recall: Here's How Dealers Will Fix It

The recall impacts units of the [C8 Corvette](#) Z06 produced between the 2023 and 2026 model years, as well as units of the C8 [Corvette](#) ZR1 produced between the 2025 and 2026 model years. GM found that if excess fuel spills into the fuel-filler pocket during refueling, it can leak onto the Corvette's left-side radiator or fan assembly, where it could vaporize and travel toward the engine bay and meet an ignition source, increasing the risk of a fire. To fix the issue, dealers will install a new filler neck seal panel (part number 86371991), which acts as a shield to divert any spilled fuel away from ignition sources.

You Ain't Getting A C8 Corvette ZR1 For Less Than \$100K Markup

Multiple dealerships across the U.S. are listing the [C8 Corvette](#) ZR1 well above sticker. For instance, a 2026 Corvette ZR1 Convertible 3LZ listed at [Tom Bell Chevrolet](#) carries an MSRP of \$220,000 and is posted for \$340,000, a \$120,000 markup. Similarly, [Evergreen Chevrolet](#) has a ZR1 listed for \$322,000, despite an MSRP of \$222,000, while [Peltier Chevrolet Tyler](#) shows a \$226,000 ZR1 priced at \$326,000.

Even private sellers and flippers are joining the frenzy, with asking prices averaging \$100,000 over MSRP, according to *GM Authority's* own findings. And the trend isn't limited to retail showrooms, either, with a [2026 Corvette ZR1 recently appeared on Bring a Trailer](#), where bidding reached \$333,000 before failing to meet reserve. Remember folks, it's just money or what the hell!!!!!!!

Corvette on line.com features Gary Laursen

Gary Laursen was feature on Corvette on line.com website. Great article about Gary's history as well as the many cars he has owned. There were many professionally taken photographs of Gary and his cars. The also mention the many additions that Gary has made to his C8. I had the article and some of the pictures on the newsletter but when I emailed the edition to myself as a test, they cam up as span. Sande and I both worked on this trying to figure it out. I am sure there is a way but.....



Most Popular Corvette Colors For 2025

Color	Coupe (Units)	Convertible (Units)	Total (Units)	Total Percentage	Coupe Percentage	Convertible Percentage
Arctic White	1,482	981	2,463	18.1%	60.2%	39.8%
Black	1,557	700	2,257	16.5%	69.0%	31.0%
Torch Red	1,244	693	1,937	14.2%	64.2%	35.8%
Red Mist Metallic Tintcoat	753	722	1,475	10.8%	51.1%	48.9%
Sea Wolf Gray Tri-coat	947	519	1,466	10.7%	64.6%	35.4%
Hysteria Purple Metallic	571	418	989	7.3%	57.7%	42.3%
Riptide Blue Metallic	600	341	941	6.9%	63.8%	36.2%
Competition Yellow Metallic	499	356	855	6.3%	58.4%	41.6%
Sebring Orange Tintcoat	375	272	647	4.7%	58.0%	42.0%
Rapid Blue	375	235	610	4.5%	61.5%	38.5%
Total	8,403	5,237	13,640	100.0%		

Total Corvette Production 2025 By Trim Level

Model	Stingray	Z06	E-Ray	ZR1
Units	13,640	8862	3153	180

The above information from GM Authority



Timberline Lodge Trip



Mt Hood Brewery





Timberline lodge



There are two St Bernard puppies
In there some place

