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Hello Corvette Enthusiasts,

November is a very special month for all of us who live in this great land of ours, the United States of America. Why, you may ask? My answer is, we get to celebrate Veteran's Day.

"They Keep Us Free"

*In time of need their will is sure
American, their freedom pure*

*Remember them while in your home,
or where you choose to freely roam.*

*Protect our life and liberty
unselfishly, they keep us free*

*Don't take for granted what you see,
some left this life, so it could be.*

*Each soldier knows what is at stake
the risk is grave, there's no mistake*

*To God I urge you all to pray,
for soldier's brave, to face each day.*

*With pride they serve our country strong.
They face each foe to come along.*

*We should be thankful, one and all,
for those who march to meet each call.*

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As Always, Be Safe & Be Well,



Jeff Mohring AACC President

AACC Meetings @ Blue Monkey



The Allentown Area Corvette Club meets at 8:00 p.m. in the **Palm Room** (upstairs) at the **Blue Monkey**, 1092-1094 Hometown Road, North Catasauqua, PA.

Full menu and bar service is available.



Upcoming Club Meetings

Nov. 12 Dec. 10 Jan. 14 (2015)

This Month

- **01—9/11 Memorial Bus Trip**, departs Park & Ride 6:30am, Easton, PA
- **11—Veterans Day**
- **12—Club Meeting and NCCC Ballot**, Blue Monkey, 8 pm, N. Catasauqua, PA (p.1)
- **15—DelHigh Rallye**, departs Starlite Diner 10am, Fogelsville, PA
- **19—Hampton Winds Dinner**, Alumni Hall, Northampton Comm. College, Bethlehem Twp., PA
- **27—Thanksgiving**

Future AACC

- **Dec 13—AACC Holiday Party**, Palace Restaurant, Allentown, PA

Time to Renew

AACC's business year runs from September 1 through August 31. That means it's membership renewal time again. Please see page 7 of this newsletter for the renewal form.

Renewals now must include a \$5 per person late fee. After Nov. 30, you must reapply as a new member.



November 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 	12 	13	14	15 
16	17	18	19 	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 	28 	29
30						

Enjoy Your Holiday Weekend!

NCCC Events www.ERNCCC.org

Please support our fellow East Region NCCC clubs.

KEY: AX=AutoX, CN=Concourse, FN=Funkhana, PC=People's Choice, RL=Rallye * =Sanctioned



There are no remaining sanctioned events for 2014 in East Region NCCC.

The East Region is one of sixteen Regions that make up the National Council of Corvette Clubs in the United States of America. Made up of a very cohesive group of Corvette clubs in Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Virginia and boasting well over 100 events per year!

For 2015, the National Convention returns to the Pocono Mountains within the East Region! Watch for more news on this annual event in the coming months.



For more on NCCC events contact AACC's Governor:
Joel Dean

610-533-2259, hjdeanasso@aol.com

DelHigh Road Rallye

Sat., Nov. 15 | Are you up for a little adventure? Join the Delhigh Power Squadron for their 2014 Land Navigation Contest (a.k.a. road rallye). The event starts at the Star-Lite Diner (Rte. 100, Fogelsville, PA). Breakfast is on your own, but be there in time for the 10am driver’s meeting. First car off ~ 10:45. The \$32pp cost includes your choice of broiled crab cakes, chicken marsala, or prime rib at the final destination. Email Michael at TJA.ML3@verizon.net to attend. Day-of registration is not encouraged due to the dinner reservations.

Hampton Winds Dinner Night

Wed., Nov. 19 | AACC returns to the Hampton Winds Culinary School Restaurant (Northampton Community College campus) for an evening of fine dining. Pre-fixe 5-course meals start at \$30pp (some menu items have a surcharge) and the restaurant is BYOB (wine). Remember to save room for their famous dessert cart!

Although the sign-up sheets are filled for the reservations at 6:00, 6:15 and 6:30pm, contact Kevin Minnich (610-530-0923, aaccnews-letter@verizon.net) to see if additional seating times are available.

Once-A-Month Meetings

The holidays are approaching, so it’s time again for AACC to go to once-a-month meetings. We meet only the 2nd Wednesday in November, December and January.



Deepest Sympathy

Our thoughts and prayers are with **Maggie Fritz** whose mother, Mildred Hummel, 97 (Bath, PA) passed away on October 2nd.



Lori Mangano lost her father, John Lysy (Bethlehem, PA) on October 5th.

On October 14, **John and Jeanne Shedlock’s** daughter, Jacqueline, 50 (Coopersburg, PA) lost her short but courageous battle with lung cancer.

Your AACC family extends our deepest sympathy.

Thinking of You

John Denning (Surgery)

Carol Jenkins (Daughter, illness)

Carmel Karch (Accident)

Scott Marakovits (Surgery)

John Shedlock (Illness)

If any club members know of a member who is in the hospital, has had surgery, or has lost a loved one, please notify VP Laura Hegyi (610-730-2695, Nicki@OmnivestGrp.com) or one of the other Board Members.

Membership Corner

As of AACC's meeting on October 22nd there were:

- 199 active members
- 7 potential members

These members were **voted in** during October:

Ed Bailey.....*Jim Thorpe, PA*..... '04 Cnv
Earl & Rita Bartha *Bangor, PA*..... '94 Cnv
Roy & Paulina Johnson *Coopersburg, PA* '13 Cnv
Mark & Christine Rawlins.....*Jim Thorpe, PA*..... '94 Cnv
Bobby Riehl*Effort, PA*..... '14 Cpe

The following are **Potential Members** as of this publication:

Jeff Gontarek..... *Red Hill, PA* '82 Cpe
John Serrao *Spinnerstown, PA* '14 Cpe
Pete Sovia..... *Emmaus, PA* '79 L-82 Cpe
Phil, Nancy, Cooper & Avia Weber.....*Hellertown, PA*..... '06 Cpe

We all look forward to seeing you at upcoming AACC meetings & events!

C7 Count: 12 and Growing!

- Ron Bauer – Laguna Blue Premiere Edition Coupe
- Bill & Moe Corwin – Night Race Blue Z51 Coupe
- Mike Cutro – Laguna Blue Coupe
- Joel & Fran Dean – Crystal Red Convertible
- Dennis & Sandy Kuhns – Lime Rock Green Premiere Edition Convertible
- Noel & Alice Peters – Lime Rock Green Coupe
- Bobby Riehl – Laguna Blue Coupe
- David & Linda Shanaberger – Night Race Blue Coupe
- Paul & Barbara Sluzinski – Laguna Blue Coupe (2015)
- Charlie Tucker – Black Coupe
- Gary & Joann Warmkessel – Laguna Blue Coupe
- George Wetherhold – Black Convertible

Len Feinberg is (not so patiently) waiting for the convertible and automatic transmission restrictions to be lifted during the fourth quarter to place his 2015 Z06 order.



Nov. Birthdays

- 4 Mark Rawlins
- 5 Cheryl Beck
- 6 Moe Corwin
- 9 Ken Greidanus
Susan Hornung
- 11 Scott Marakovits
- 15 Blair Ferguson
- 16 Dennis Sharpe
Dale Terry
- 22 Patricia Purdy
- 25 Ron Bauer
- 28 Barry Dorshimer
Chuck Habel
- 29 John Kostick, Jr.



Winner's Circle

If you won an award at a non-club-supported event, please notify the Newsletter Editors.

- Oct. 11—Salisbury HS Show, Salisbury, PA: Jim Peters, Cheerleader's Choice Trophy
- Oct. 19—Oktoberfest Car Show, Gilbert, PA: Jim Peters, 1st 2000-2015
- Oct. 19—Smithville Corvette Rendezvous, Absecon, NJ: Joel Dean, 2nd C7
- Oct. 25—Liberty Region CC Show, Philadelphia, PA: Frank Shuletsky, 3rd Stock C5



Ocean City Weekend *Len Feinberg ('13)*

Thu.-Sun., Oct. 02-05 | Between Thursday and Friday, over 50 members from both AACC and EACC headed south to Ocean City, MD for the Free State Corvette Club Weekend. Laura Hegyi made reservations at Fager's Island for about 20 of us for dinner on Thursday night. We were there for the picturesque sunset and the playing of the 1812 Overture. Friday morning was registration for the show and tech inspection for the cars. Friday night was another dinner, but this time at the Captain's Galley for another large group. Joanne and I got to the show early Saturday morning and it was cloudy, overcast and rainy (evidenced by the photos of the wet Corvettes). They still had a good-sized turnout for the show and rallye. The weather cleared and the sun came out for the rest of the show and the parade of around 475 Corvettes up the length of the boardwalk. Joanne and I headed down to Assateague Island to check out the horses and the island. When we got back to our room, there was a wedding on the beach in front of the hotel. After dinner on Saturday night, Karin and Bud Benton hosted anyone interested for dessert and coffee. Since the powerboat races were moved to June at Soloman's Island, we perused the antique shops in Berlin.

(see the event photos on page 6)



**MUSIC BY DJ
"BRIAN KEITH"**

2014 AACC HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday, December 13th, 2014

6:00—11:00 pm

The Palace Center

623 Hanover Ave, Allentown, PA 18109

\$45/person

For more info, contact Laura Hegyi @ 610.730.2695

Buffet Dinner

Hors d'oeuvres * Cash Bar

Garden Salad * Soup * Freshly Baked Rolls

Herb Roasted Chicken * Baked Stuffed Flounder

Beef Tips in Burgundy Demi-Glaze

Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes * Rice Pilaf

Green Beans & Baby Carrot Medley

Array of Cakes * Coffee & Hot Tea

Payment/Reservation accepted no later than

Monday November 24th, 2014

Make checks payable to "AACC"

PO Box 90896, Allentown, PA 18109

2014 AACC HOLIDAY PARTY

Name(s) _____

Tel. No. _____

No. of persons Attending _____ x \$45/person = \$ _____

Payment method: Cash Check # _____

Make checks payable to "AACC"
P.O. Box 90896, Allentown, PA 18109

Ocean City Photos

(Continued from page 5)

► *Yep, that C6 was chromed!*



Gary & Joann Wasmkessel and Dave & Susan Hornung both won Honorable Mention in their respective show classes.

▼ *Proof that Corvettes don't melt in the rain*



► *Sherry & Craig Richebacher*



▼ *Mickey Marty*



494 Photos @



FOTZI

Photos by
 Len Feinberg

Peddler's Village Show

Sun., Oct. 05 | Members from both AACC and EACC attended the Peddler's Village Corvette show hosted by the Tri-State Corvette Club. There were over 130 registered cars (a record for this event). The weather was crisp and the skies were clear, which probably was a good reason to attend. Trophies were awarded to Dennis Corona, Rick Serfass, Frank Shuletsky and Brad Orey (EACC).



29 Photos @



FOTZI

Photos by
 Brad Orey



Get Lubed!

Sun., Oct. 12 | 34 Corvettes from AACC visited the new Quaker Steak & Lube in Pohatcong (Phillipsburg), NJ. The generous owners not only reserved the parking lot in front of the restaurant, but they set aside the outdoor seating for a glorious afternoon meal. The staff was friendly and courteous, the drinks were cold, the wings were hot, and the sun was shining. Thanks to Mike Cutro for coordinating this road trip!



Images from Facebook

The photos at right were posted by the restaurant on their Facebook page. According to one post, Quaker Steak & Lube will host car cruises in 2015. Be sure to stop in!

2014-2015 Membership Renewal Form

Lifetime Members: MUST complete/return this form in order to show sustained interest and for your membership to continue.



Name: _____

Spouse & Dependents under age 18 (if any): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Tel#: _____ Cell Tel #: _____ Spouse Cell Tel #: _____

e-Mail: _____ Spouse e-Mail: _____

Corvette Year(s)/Style(s) Currently Owned: _____

All dues paid after 9/30/2014 are subject to \$5 surcharge. **FEES REFLECT ADDITIONAL CHARGE.** Anyone renewing after 11/30/2014 will be required to reapply as a new member and pay another initiation fee.

Make checks payable to "AACC".
 Renewal form must accompany payment. Present to club Treasurer, Janet Mohring, or mail to PO Box 90896, Allentown, PA 18109

Status	Fee	Qty.	Total
Primary Member	\$30	___	\$ ___
Spouse / Significant Other	\$20	___	\$ ___
Dependent	\$10	___	\$ ___
LIFETIME	\$0	___	\$ ___

**** ABOVE FEES REFLECT \$5 SURCHARGES FOR LATE RENEWAL **** TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

Jamison Publick House Luncheon

Sat., Oct. 18 | Once again, the Jamison Publick House (East Greenville, PA) opened their doors and blocked most of the historic dining room for our 38 AACC members to enjoy a private luncheon. Popular lunch items again were the Turkey Club and Fish & Chips. Most brought their Corvettes and took the "long way home" after lunch to enjoy the beautiful Fall weather. Thanks, Laura, for organizing the event and thanks to everyone for supporting businesses who provide donations to AACC.



Photos by
Kevin Minnich

American Legends Show

Sun., Oct. 19 | For 2014, LCCC moved their American Legends All-GM Show to Faulkner Chevrolet on Rte. 30 in Lancaster, PA. Congratulations to our AACC trophy winners — Ron Bauer (1st C7), Roy & Paulina Johnson (3rd C6), and Gary & Joann Warmkessel (Claire's House Award).

Running in Circles

Sun., Oct. 19 | Four AACC pilots ran the final Tri-County Vettes autocross of the season. Bob Levers, Jim Fagan, Tom Schneck, and Laura Hegyi showed their prowess on TCV's course and came up victorious. Laura had both a class FTD and Matching Times, while Tom and Jim each had a class FTD.



▲ Cold weather = low traction = Smoke time!



Bob Levers



Laura Hegyi



Tom Schneck



Jim Fagan



198 Photos @



Photos by
Len Feinberg



Summary of Proposed By-Laws Changes

The issue of whether the club should secure insurance from another company, rather than through NCCC, was discussed at the two regular meetings in October. It is a complex issue that likely involves amending the club’s By-Laws, as well. The table below shows the three alternatives available to the club and summarizes the implications of each option. Club members will vote on these 3 options at the November 12, 2014 meeting. Additional details of the associated By-Laws changes will be mailed to Primary, Spouse, and Lifetime members, along with a ballot(s).

YOU MUST BRING THE BALLOT TO THE NOVEMBER 12 MEETING to cast your vote in person. (Mail-ins are not accepted.) Though this may be a tedious administrative process that most do not enjoy, it is important to take part in it as a club member.

	Alternative 1 (No Change, 51% NCCC)	Alternative 2 (100% NCCC)	Alternative 3 (100% Heacock)
Insurance Carrier	Acord, through NCCC	Acord, through NCCC	Heacock
NCCC Club Membership	Yes	Yes	No
% of AACC Members Insured	Top 51%	100%	100%
Annual Membership Dues	Primary: \$25, Spouse: \$15 <i>(no change)</i>	Primary: \$45 , Spouse: \$25 <i>(increase)</i>	Primary: \$25, Spouse: \$15 <i>(no change)</i>
Membership Initiation Fee	\$10 per person <i>(no change)</i>	\$10 per person <i>(no change)</i>	\$10 per person <i>(no change)</i>
Effective Date for Dues Structure	Immediate <i>(no change)</i>	Jan. 1, 2015 <i>(new members)</i> Sep. 1, 2015 <i>(renewals)</i>	Immediate <i>(no change)</i>
NCCC Governor	Position remains <i>(no change)</i>	Position remains; <i>(no change)</i>	Position removed from By-Laws and Board of Directors
Board of Directors	Membership = 10 <i>(no change)</i>	Membership = 10 <i>(no change)</i>	Membership = 9; Governor eliminated
Member Volunteers	Non-NCCC members cannot chair/lead or volunteer at club-sponsored events	All members can chair/lead and volunteer at club-sponsored events	All members can chair/lead and volunteer at club-sponsored events
Member participation	All may participate, only NCCC members are covered by insurance	All may participate, all are covered by insurance	All may participate, all are covered by insurance
AACC pays NCCC dues only after 1st year of club membership	Yes; No Change	No; NCCC dues are paid immediately	No; Not applicable
Use of Club Points	Official; Required to determine NCCC eligibility	Not needed	Not needed

Baby Salijko Fundraiser

Wed., Oct. 29 | AACC joined Faulkner Chevy-Cadillac to support Gary Salijko III ("G3"), the 6-month-old son of a dealership Finance Manager. Friends and family enjoyed dinner at Texas Roadhouse in Easton, PA. Attendees could also try their chances for some nice prizes.



▲ G2 and G3



While G3's medical costs for his Neuroblastoma treatments are covered, the stays are rough on the family — the lodging and travel expenses add up quickly running back and forth for treatment outside the Lehigh Valley. Whether you were at dinner or not, you can still make a donation at <http://www.fundme.com/en/projects/9666-Baby-Salijko>.



◀ Sandi, Frank and Cindy manning the prize table



Photos by
 Kevin Minnich

Celebrating Our Milestone Members

As AACC's 45th year comes to a close, we take this time to recognize the following members who achieved these membership milestones.

30 Years — Joe Miklovic (1984)

25 Years — Ed Holaska, Paul Holaska (1989)

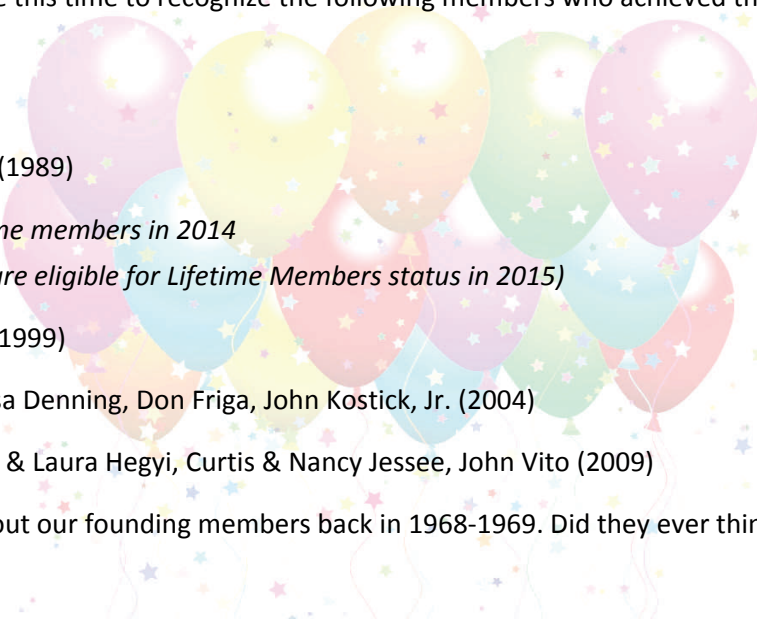
20 Years — *There were no new Lifetime members in 2014*
(David & Susan Hornung are eligible for Lifetime Members status in 2015)

15 Years — Dave & Barbara Parsons (1999)

10 Years — Sharon Carney, John & Lisa Denning, Don Friga, John Kostick, Jr. (2004)

5 Years — Pete & Alison Lileck, Marty & Laura Hegyi, Curtis & Nancy Jessee, John Vito (2009)

All of this would not have been possible without our founding members back in 1968-1969. Did they ever think we would be this strong after 45 years?



Are You a Vietnam Veteran?

Two veterans volunteered their time and money to further the memory of those who served in Vietnam. Charles Bernhardt designed a Vietnam Veterans Corvette sew-on patch and Don Zullinger followed up with the matching 3-inch round static cling window sticker. Both of these are available at NO charge to all Corvette folks who served in Vietnam.



For a free sew-on patch, send an email to Charlie@carols62.com. You must provide him with your name, address, the unit in which you served, dates of service, and location(s). For a free static cling sticker, send a self addressed, stamped envelope to Don Zullinger, 2928 Adams Drive, Chambersburg, PA 17201.

Please see Richard Deleon for more information. Rich also has both the sew-on patch and static sticker if you wish to see it in person before you order one or both. Thanks, Rich, for bringing this to our attention!

Thinking Ahead to Spring(fest) 2015 *Jeff Mohring ('04)*

Yes, I do realize it is only November, however, Springfest 2015 is approaching quickly. At our first meeting in June of 2014, Springfest co-coordinators Marty and Laura Hegyi informed our membership that 2015 would be their last year to chair the event. The Hegyis are looking for volunteers to take over this all-important show to our club. Please remember, the volunteers do not need to be a "couple", it can be two couples, or a small group of club friends. We have many new club members and it would be fantastic if a group of our new members got together to become more involved in AACC. This is a perfect way to become familiar with the inner-workings of AACC. If you have any interest in taking over Springfest, please talk to Marty or Laura. It is very important that you volunteer early, so that the Hegyis can provide leadership in learning the tasks needed to do a successful show.

Support The Troops *Jeff Mohring ('04)*

Being that in November we celebrate Veteran's Day, I thought I would take a few minutes to make everyone in AACC aware of this very important topic. Do you know someone serving overseas? Would you like to do something to help our soldiers serving overseas? Did you know within AACC we have a couple that run the not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) **Support The Troops, Inc.**? Well, we do, and they are Blair and Valerie Ferguson. I learned this during Corvette weekend in Ocean City. While talking with Valerie, her passion for this mission became obvious. Everything that they send to our troops comes from people donating items soldiers need and like.

I would like to start a monthly donation of items our club members bring to our meetings. I will set up a box at our 'flyer' table to accept your contributions. Desired items are: gum, candy, peanut butter, crackers, beef jerky, dry drink mixes (to mix with water), granola bars, raisins, dried fruit, fruit snacks, pens, envelopes, travel-size soap bars and shampoo, toothpaste, *Gold Bond*[®] foot powder, sunscreen, hand sanitizers, eye drops, *Advil*[®], *Tylenol*[®], *ChapStick*[®], socks, and magazines. Items should be fragrance free. No pork products, no glass or crushable items. Think packable!

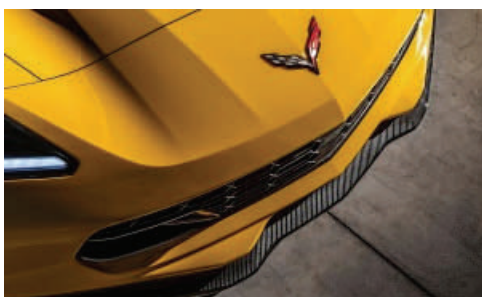
Thanks for everyone's support of this very important charity, and thanks to the Fergusons for sharing their passion!

2015 Z06 Performance Revealed *Brent Davis, CorvetteOnline.com*

Fri., Oct. 03 | The 2015 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 may have just gained rank from a sports car to a supercar. Chevy recently released some performance data for the 8-speed equipped and manual version Z06s, to include acceleration, braking, and handling. Hopefully this is just the beginning as Chevrolet sets their sights on the top tier performance cars of the world.

To start with, the Z06 accelerates from a standstill to 60mph in a blistering 2.95 seconds. For those equipped with with the 7-speed manual variety, this time bumps up to 3.2 seconds. The paddle-shifted automatic is simply able to change gears faster than even the best manual jockeys. Surprisingly, Chevy opted to stay with a torque converter on the 8L90 instead of moving to a dual-clutch system such as that found in the Porsche and several other performers. From what we have learned, there was simply no system available to fit the size and specs needed, so GM built their own, their way. However, if you are a diehard manual gearbox fan, we doubt you'd miss the 0.25 seconds.

When it comes to the quarter-mile, the times are split again with the automatic edging a win by an identical 0.25 seconds. The auto was able to break that 11 second-1/4 mark by running it in 10.95 seconds, while the stick equipped Z06 will complete the .25-mile in 11.2 seconds. Yet, they both run through the trap evenly at 127mph.



Luckily, for all of us who have yet to hone our skills in the burnout box, we have launch control to rely on. With this amazing technology engaged, even an amateur may look like John Force at the local drag strip. With a few simple steps, the C7 Z06 will launch you through space and is sure to leave a smile on your face.

The Z06 excels in both handling and bringing all that power to a stop. The new Corvette is able to achieve these results when equipped with the Z07 package, which includes Brembo carbon ceramic brake rotors, Michelin Pilot Sport Cup 2 tires, as well as an aerodynamics package that creates some impressive downforce and ability to split through the air. Aesthetically, the car just looks flat-out mean with the Z07 additions.

With all the Z07 options mentioned above, the Z06 is able to come to a stop from 60mph in 99.6 feet, the best production car performance in GM's history. To accompany that power and braking performance, the new "hotrod" Corvette pulls a tearjerking 1.2 g in lateral acceleration. This is another impressive claim for the new Corvette, as the club of cars with this level of traction is a limited one.

The combination of this astounding performance pushed the Z06 around the GM 2.9-mile Milford Road Course a full 1 second ahead of the previous record holder, the ZR1. So if you're anything like us, you are chomping at the bit to get some seat time with one of these monsters. While we know there are still a long list of differences between even a Z07 equipped car and Chevrolet Racing's C7.R, it appears that the gap in performance is narrowing.

Z06 Test Day at Nurburgring *Brent Davis, CorvetteOnline.com*

Mon., Oct. 06 | You may recall a recent video post of the new 2015 Corvette Z06 running around the infamous Nurburgring, accompanied by one impressive exhaust note. Well we were all hoping that Chevrolet was able to collect some much needed road course data and the young Z06 was rolled back into a garage or trailer for safe keeping until its next call to action. Unfortunately, this doesn’t seem to have been the case.



The Nurburgring is located in western Germany, and has been in use since 1927. The track has undergone many changes, and currently consists of a Grand Prix track built in 1984, and the “North Loop”, a 12.9-mile track built in the 1920s. This is the track most commonly referred to when discussing a car’s performance at “the ring”. Jackie Stewart nicknamed the track “The Green Hell”, and with a over 1,000 feet of elevation change it is considered by many to be one of the most challenging race tracks in the world.

Due to the length and character of the track, it has become a known “acid test” for performance cars the world over. The Z06 looked right at home in the video seen earlier, and we are anxiously awaiting to see how close to the seven-minute mark the Z06 will run the course. Unfortunately, in the quest for a full lap on the edge of traction, even the best drivers can make a mistake and find a nearby wall or guardrail.

While it is hard to gauge the level of damage from the photo shown on HotRod magazine, the gentleman standing near the car with the a fire-suit tied around his waist, resembles the GM test driver Jim Mero.

Assuming this is in-fact Mr. Mero, who was driving the car during the incident; We assume he was uninjured considering he is shown here helping to pull some sort of car cover across the Z06. Either way we hope nobody was injured in the crash and that the car will live to fight the Nurburgring another day.

Looking Back at the LS9 *CorvetteOnline.com*

The 6.2-liter LS9 was featured in the 2009-2013 Corvette ZR1 and rated at 638 horsepower with 604 lb-ft peak torque. The most powerful of all Gen IV small-blocks, it has the same bore and stroke as the LT4 but the compression ratio was 9.1:1.

GM also gave the LS9 the best internals, including forged-steel crank and titanium connecting rods. The heads sported L92-style ports and included titanium intake valves. The hydraulic roller cam spec’d out at 211/230 duration at 0.050 with .562/.558 lift. The LS9 is currently offered a GM crate engine, PN 19244099.

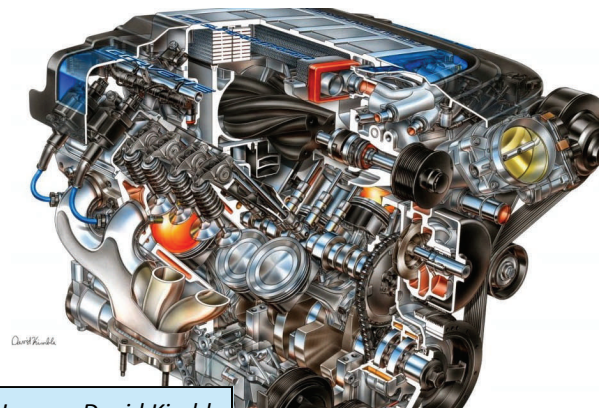


Image: David Kimble

Revorix to Debut at SEMA 2014 *Brent Davis, CorvetteOnline.com*

Tue., Oct. 13 | In a few weeks, Las Vegas, NV will be filled with automotive creations and fanatics from all over the world. One of the new brands being debuted at the 2014 SEMA show, will be Revorix, based out of Anaheim, California; yet the idea originally sparked from Japan, thanks to the CEOs of IROC Co. and Rowen.



Revorix will be using Defenderworx (most known for their work on the GM cars in the Transformers movies) as a US distributor, and can be seen in booth #21252 at this year's SEMA show, November 4, 2014.

According to a Revorix press release, they are taking a different approach to the typical "tuner market" in that they believe the power plant of the new Corvette is a great platform in its stock configuration. Hence, they will be focusing on the: aerodynamics, rigidity, and weight

of the Stingray, which will also add a high-performance level of styling to the car in addition to the mechanics.

While this certainly is a different route from focusing primarily on the engine of the Corvette, CorvetteOnline thinks that they have a definite place in the market. There are many people who are satisfied with the factory performance of the LT1 motor and/or would like to maintain a mostly stock configuration due to engine warranty concerns. Secondly, there are those who could use more improvements with handling and "road race characteristics" for autocross or club racing. The improvements Revorix is producing, will allow owners to improve their Stingrays in a different way.

2015 Z06 Zooms To 5,000 Pre-Orders *David Chick, CorvetteOnline.com*

Thu., Oct. 15 | The Z06 is proving to be a major windfall for the Corvette team at Chevrolet, as this latest bit of news shows just how popular the super-charged Stingray is with enthusiasts. Reports from the recent Midwest Automotive Media Association Fall Rally in Joliet, Illinois confirmed what we already knew about the Z06's demand, and then some.

According to Corvette Chief Engineer Tadge Juechter, the highly-anticipated Z06 has swelled past the 5,000 mark for pre-orders, taking just weeks to fill the backlogs of the manufacturing facilities in Bowling Green. It's expected that the frontrunners of the pre-order queue will receive their brand new Vette as early as December (how's THAT for a Christmas present, eh?) for the manual coupe models, while automatic coupes and convertibles will follow in January and February.



Photo Credit: Car Revs Daily

This isn't the first time that GM has had to handle in-demand Corvettes, however. When the Z06 first appeared in 2006, it accounted for over twenty percent—6,272 of 34,021—of Corvette models sold, and back then, buyers paid over

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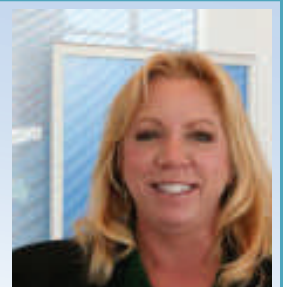
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\$65,000 to get access to an LS7, bigger and better tires and brakes, and a restyled body that cut down significantly on weight, bringing the total to 3,132 pounds.

With the new Z06, the list of features and options is enough to make any Corvette fan drool. The 6.2L LT4, super-charged to put out 650 horsepower and 650 pound-feet of torque, pairs with either a 7-speed, rev-matching manual or an 8-speed, paddle-shifted automatic transmission. In either configuration, the Z06 zips to the quarter-mile marker in less than 11.3 seconds, and 0-60 in less than 3.3 seconds.

2014 Production Numbers Released *Keith Cornett, CorvetteBlogger.com*

Mon., Oct. 20 | It was back in August that we learned the General Motors produced 37,288 Corvette Stingray for the 2014 model year and now we've got the breakdown on the production statistics.

Leading the way was the Corvette Z51 Coupe which accounted for 41% of the models built and the most popular color was Torch Red which can be found on nearly one of out of five (19%) 2014 Corvette Stingrays.

The production stats tell us a lot about Corvette buyers. They prefer the Coupes over Convertibles (71.3% vs 28.7%) and the Z51 performance package was selected more often than not (56.6% vs 43.4%). One of the most watched options is the take rate on the manual vs automatic transmissions. Nearly two thirds (64.6%) of Corvette owners selected the automatic 6-speed with paddle shifters while manual transmissions were selected by 35.4% of buyers.

Corvette owners also like their new Stingrays loaded as just over half of the Corvettes built (52.9%) in 2014 came with the 3LT Preferred Equipment Group. Other notable upgrades include 35.9% of Z51 Corvette buyers also selected the Z51 Magnetic Ride Suspension. The box for the NPP Performance Exhaust was checked off by 83.6% of buyers and the Navigation Radio was selected by 81.6% of buyers.

For the first time in a long time, Torch Red became the most popular color at 19.3% with Arctic White (16.5%) and Black (15.9%) rounding out the top three. Those three colors represent over half of all Corvette Stingrays built in 2014. The two lowest production colors were Night Race Blue which represents 4.9% and Lime Rock Green at 4.2%. For 2015, Chevrolet has discontinued Lime Rock Green and Sunrise Orange Metallic will be offered in its place.

And finally, part of the stats include export destinations for the Corvette Stingray. While 34,678 of the 37,288 Corvettes were made for American buyers, a total of 2,691 Corvettes were sold outside the country. Nearly half of those exports (1,193) went to Canada while Europe and the United Kingdom accounted for 612 Stingrays, the Middle East had 447 Corvettes and Japan's sales totaled 224.

See all the stats at <http://www.corvetteblogger.com/2014/10/20/2014-corvette-stingray-production-statistics/>.

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Stingray on Dream Cars



Oct 02 | Bowling Green's iconic sports car will be highlighted on Discovery Channel's "How It's Made-Dream Cars" show tonite. A crew filmed for four days at the Corvette Plant, and one day at the Museum recently to create the program. The 30 minute show on the Corvette will air for the first time on October 2, at 9 pm CST.

The History of the Skydome

Oct 09 | In looking through Museum Grand Opening press releases we ran across details about the iconic Skydome. Did You Know...

"We were determined to build something as innovative and dramatic as the Corvette itself," said Ken Neumann, FAIA, design principal at Neumann Smith & Associates. The National Corvette Museum's signature yellow and red, 11-story cone and light tower (the tallest structure on I-65 between Nashville and Louisville at the time) stands in tribute to the architect's understanding of the Corvettes' magic. "It looks just like the tail light assembly turned on its side," continued Neumann.



Repair work on the Skydome is still slated to begin Monday, November 10. The last day to view the sinkhole is Sunday, November 9. If you have not yet made plans to see it, your final chance is just a month away! As our guests have been saying - you have to see it in person... photos and videos do not do it justice.

Seeking Corvettes For Display



Oct 09 | We are seeking both a 1963 and a 1964 Corvette for display in our "Dealership" exhibit area of the Museum. The term of loan is typically one year and would start this Fall.

Those loaning cars for display must be a Member of the Museum.

Learn more about displaying your car at the Museum, and download our Exhibit Application Form online.

Sinkhole Remediation Plan Outlined

Sep 25 | National Corvette Museum officials met yesterday to review the plan, process and timeline for remediating the sinkhole and repairing the Skydome. Construction is slated to begin on Monday, November 10, and if everything goes according to schedule, the project will be completed by July, 2015.

Highlights of the process include: Removal of boulders; Installation of sheet piling to block the cave openings; Hole filled with 4,000 tons of fist-sized stone; Concrete slab floor removed; Electrical, Water, HVAC lines and ductwork; Installation of 46 micropiles; and New 1-level concrete floor poured.

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While the web cams will be removed during the construction process, the Plexiglas viewing window will remain so that Museum guests can watch on-going work. The FINAL DAY to view the sinkhole is just over 3-weeks away - Sunday, November 9. Make plans to visit if you have not done so already! Read the complete remediation plan online.



Celebrities Visit NCM Motorsports Park

Oct 16 | GM Racing's Johnny O'Connell, couldn't resist the temptation to take his C7 over to the NCM Motorsports Park last week. A familiar face in the Corvette community, Johnny is recognized as one of the most successful drivers in history. He's earned Championships in Corvette and Cadillac, won at the 12 Hours of Sebring a record eight times, and was the first American driver to win four class victories at the 24 Hours of Lemans. With that kind of record, we were eager to get his first impressions of the track. After going on some laps with General Manager Mitch Wright, Johnny couldn't contain his excitement. "This track is great. It is world class, super-smooth, and challenging... it's a track everyone should make plans to drive on. What was especially cool about it was how I recognized the features of Le Mans when I got to them. I know that was the objective when they were designing and building it, and as someone who has been there, I can say that they pulled it off."

Corvette Nation to Air 2nd Season

Oct 23 | Corvette Nation is a multi-episode TV series airing on Discovery's Velocity Channel. This fall features the second season of the program, which gives an inside look at the Chevrolet Corvette and the hobby that surrounds it. The first episode covers the Museum's sinkhole while future episodes of Season Two will cover the Museum's "Bash" event, the 20th Anniversary Celebration, Motorsports Park Grand Opening and National Corvette Caravan.

Find more NCM news online at www.CorvetteMuseum.com

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Remaining 2014 NCM Events

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****NEW** Black Leather Jacket** with red accent piping — Lambskin, Size L, “Corvette” lettering and crossed flags logo on back and left front chest, C1/C2 flags on both sleeves, Like New, Not worn in 5 years, climate controlled storage, Originally \$399, asking \$200 OBO. (Marty, 610 730-2846 or martin.hegyi@boschrexroth-us.com)

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