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April 2022

Mystery Cruise April 20
See page 11 for details.

Exploded view of rare C7 Corvette with front wheel drive and transversely-mounted engine?

See story and more pictures on pages 18-19.

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Next Meeting: April 19
Start Time: 7:00 pm
Aquia Harbor Inn
1415 Washington Dr.
Stafford, VA 22554

ACCCording to the President
Al McCloud

Imagine sitting at a Corvette show, eating, talking, and laughing and all hell breaks loose with gunfire. That is what happened at a car show in Dumas, Arkansas on Sunday, March 20th. One man was killed and twenty-seven people were wounded, including five children ranging in age from 19 months to 11 years old, when two people got into a gunfight during the car show. The show is part of an annual community event in this small southeast Arkansas town. The event, in its 16th year, is for a worthy cause, helps to raise funds for scholarships and school supplies, also included a bonfire, a basketball tournament, musical performances, a teen party and a balloon release. We are not safe even in our own environment, and never do we expect to go to a car show and witness a gunfight. Be safe, be aware.

It would be good to see some of you that we have not seen in a while. One of the events in Joan's event calendar is a mystery cruise headed up by Skip and Marie Sizemore, and another, Captain Billy's may be a go this year. Easter is the 17th, and we have a general membership meeting on April 19th. Come on out!

I want to thank Doug Bergman for acquiring the pavilion for our picnic and Marie Sizemore for contracting the caterer. Also, a big thank you to Skip Sizemore for getting a new flag design and submitting an order. We should have new flags on our Corvettes soon!

Until next month, remember —

Most Corvettes are Red!

Al McCloud

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March 15, 2022, ACCC Business Meeting Minutes

Board Attendees:

Al McCloud – President

Joan Yaros – Vice President

Steve Argubright – Secretary/Treasurer

Skip Sizemore – Immediate Past President

Marie Sizemore – Membership Governor

Members: Chris Mendl & Barbara "BJ" Jett, David Jones (NCM Ambassador), Margaret McCloud, Nan Wehmeyer, Ron Mahaffey, MaryAnne McGovern, Al Martinez, Doug Bergner and Debi, Dean Hinkler, Bud Donner

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.

President's Report

--A motion to accept the minutes from the February 2021 general meeting was approved.

--Bud Donner was presented a Certificate in Appreciation for his eight years of service as NCM Ambassador.

NCM Ambassador Report

--Distributed brochures addressing NCM activities such the Michelin Bash, Museum activities, tours and classes.

--To maintain his Ambassador status, he must accumulate 50 points between January through December of each year. Requested that members inform him about such topics as membership renewals, brick purchases, or participation in raffle sales.

Secretary/Treasurer Report

--Checking account balance is $X,XXX.XX.

--Doug Bergner has reserved Widewater State Park Picnic Shelter 04 for 9/25/22, and he has been reimbursed with a check for $31.59.

--Mike Klein has submitted 2021 ACCC tax returns. His fee was $235.00. There is an IRS balance of $16.00, which has been paid by ACCC debit card. There is a Virginia balance of $5.00 which will be paid when a voucher is received.

Vice President Report

Upcoming Events*

April 9 – Breakfast, Juke Box Diner, Manassas

April 20 – ACCC Mystery Cruise

May 1 – Lunch, Hectors, Tacketts Mill

June 5 – Corvette Car Show, Chantilly

June 19- Father's Day Car Show, Sully Plantation

Membership Governor Report. The club has 49 active members.

Immediate Past President Report. Has been in touch with Heartland Sign Works about replenishing the inventory of ACCC club flags, American flags and stickers for an estimated $500.00. Members present voted to replenish the supplies with funding from the club treasury.

Newsletter Editor Report. The Newsletter Editor was not present. The President reiterated that articles about "What You did to your Corvette" or "My First Corvette" are encouraged.

March 15, 2022, ACCC Business Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

Old Business*.

March 17 – St. Patrick's Day celebration, Culpeper

March 19 – Cars and Coffee, Tacketts Mill

March (TBD) – Captain Billy's Seafood Cruise

September 25 – ACCC Picnic, Widewater State Park. Allman's BBQ has provided an estimate of $318.52 to cater the picnic. The estimate is inclusive, should feed 25 people, and includes delivery. Beverages are not included in the estimate. A cake will be purchased separately. Members present voted to accept the estimate. The club treasury will fund the event.

July 24 – ACCC Memory Cruise

***Detailed information on these events may be viewed in the monthly newsletter segment "ACCCording to the Vice President."**

New Business.

--The President asked for an update at the next meeting on a possible Thanksgiving cruise to the Hickory Farm in Pennsylvania.

--The President asked if there were any volunteers willing to assist with the Christmas party planning.

New Events:

--March birthdays were announced. There were no anniversaries.

--Al Martinez won the 50/50 raffle.

Adjournment: 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve

Steve Argubright, Secretary/Treasurer

Editor's Note: Steve was one of the March birthdays and he was awarded a cake with which to celebrate.

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AQUIA CREEK CORVETTE CLUB

The purpose of this organization shall be to provide educational needs for those with Corvettes, and for the preservation, restoration, and enjoyment of all Corvettes.

NOW IN OUR 35rd YEAR

Aquia Creek Corvette Club (ACCC) was formed in September 1987 by a group of die-hard Corvette enthusiasts from Aquia Harbor in Stafford, VA. The name was selected reflecting the Club's geographic and historical origins in the Old Dominion. Through hard work and commitment, ACCC has enjoyed constant growth and now boasts 54 members representing nearly 70 Corvettes, from a 1953 to 2020. ACCC membership consists primarily of Stafford County residents, but has members from Prince William, Fairfax, Fauquier, Spotsylvania, Culpeper, Loudon, Louisa counties, and two in Florida. Since September 8th, 2014, the ACCC Facebook Group has been limited to ACCC members only, except for a few that were already group members.

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ACCCording to the Vice President & ACC EVENTS
Joan Yaros

Happy Spring! Well, it may be Spring but it is cold outside as I am writing this column. Hopefully the winter clothes will soon be swapped for flip flops and lots of Corvette events!

Our only Club event in March was the St. Patrick's Day celebration on March 17th at Old House Winery in Culpeper. We had a very festive group, a good lunch selection, snacks to share and, of course, beer and wine. **Mary Anne McGovern** baked a "green" Bundt cake for us. **Becky Hamil** won a candle as the door prize. Check out the photos.

Starting in April and May there will be lots of Club events and car shows coming up. Let's get those Corvettes out of the garage and have some fun.

On **April 2nd** from 8:00 to 10:00 am, Cars & Coffee-Woodbridge has a special fundraiser for a local family at Tacketts Mill Shopping Center, 2233 Tacketts Mill Drive, Lake Ridge. All vehicles.

April 3rd there is a cruise with Battlefield Corvette Club (BCC) to the Stratford Hall Wine & Oyster Festival. Staging is at 8:30 am at the Ferry Farm Walmart on Route 3, 125 Washington Square Plaza, Fredericksburg. Departure at 9:00 am. You must have mailed your registration by now to Jack Ashburn in order to display your Corvette and get free admission.

We have a Club breakfast on **April 9th at 9:00 am** at Juke Box Diner, 8637 Sudley Road in Manassas. **Please RSVP to Joan by April 7th.**

On **April 10th,** BCC has invited several clubs to join them for a charity lunch cruise to Cooter's in Luray. Meetup is at 8:30 am at Wegmans parking lot, 2281 Carl D Silver Parkway in Fredericksburg. Departure at 9:00 am. Minimum donation is $10.00 with 100% of proceeds going to their two charities. All vehicles. 50/50 raffle and surprise raffle items.

I am really looking forward to **Skip & Marie Sizemore's** Wednesday mystery cruise to lunch and beyond on **April 20th.** Meetup is at 10:15 am at The Old Country Store on Route 29. Departure is at 10:30 am. See Skip & Marie's additional details in this Newsletter. **Please RSVP to Marie by April 18th.**

Captain Billy's Seafood Cruise is still on hold for **April 24th.** The most recent voice message at the restaurant says they will reopen on April 8th and their mailbox is full so I cannot leave a message. I will call again on April 8th but we may have to reschedule.

As a nod to Cinco de Mayo, I have planned a lunch on **May 1st at 11:30 am** at Hector's, a new Mexican restaurant in Tacketts Mill, 2233 Tacketts Mill Drive in Lake Ridge. **Please RSVP to Joan by April 28th.**

We still have our out-of-town cruise to the OBX Rod & Custom Festival in Nags Head the weekend of **May 6-8th.** Please let me know if you are interested as there is still time to make your hotel reservation.

Due to lack of interest, we canceled the cruise to Myrtle Beach for the 25th Myrtle Beach Corvette Show on **June 4th**

We are still looking for ideas for events and suggestions to enhance and celebrate ACCC's 35th anniversary year. We also need help planning the Christmas party.

I hope to see you all at an upcoming event and please plan to join us for the monthly meeting on **April 19th at 7:00 pm.**

Save the wave,

Joan

ACCCording to the Vice President & ACC EVENTS (cont'd)
Joan Yaros

ACCC Events Calendar - April

I will add new 2022 event dates as they are planned and/or available.

April 2 - 8:00 to 10:00 am - Cars & Coffee-Woodbridge has a special fundraiser for a local family at Tacketts Mill Shopping Center, 2233 Tacketts Mill Drive, Lake Ridge. All cars and trucks are welcome.

April 3 - 8:30 am-? - Cruise with BCC to the Stratford Hall Wine & Oyster Festival. Staging is at 8:30 am at the Ferry Farm Walmart on Route 3, 125 Washington Square Plaza, Fredericksburg. Departure at 9:00 am. You must have mailed your registration by now to Jack Ashburn to display your Corvette and get free admission.

April 9 - 9:00 am - Club breakfast at Juke Box Diner, 8637 Sudley Road in Manassas. **Please RSVP to Joan by April 7th.**

April 10 - 8:30 am-? BCC is hosting a charity lunch cruise to Cooter's in Luray. Meetup is at 8:30 am at Wegmans parking lot, 2281 Carl D Silver Parkway in Fredericksburg. Departure at 9:00 am. Minimum donation is $10.00 with 100% of proceeds going to their two charities. All vehicles welcome. 50/50 raffle and surprise raffle items.

April 16 - 8:00-10:00 am - Cars & Coffee-Woodbridge at Tacketts Mill.

April 17 - Happy Easter!

April 19 - 7:00 pm - Monthly meeting at Harbour Inn in Aquia.

April 20 - 10:15 am-? - Skip & Marie Sizemore's Wednesday mystery cruise to lunch and beyond. Meetup is at 10:15 am at The Old Country Store on Route 29, 18019 Old Country Store Drive, Culpeper. Departure is at 10:30 am. See Skip & Marie's additional details in this Newsletter. **Please RSVP to Marie by April 18th.**

April 24 - Hold for Captain Billy's Seafood Cruise. Date confirmed with **Mike Shepherd** but restaurant is not reopening until April 8th. I will call again to schedule or reschedule.

Looking Ahead - Mark Your Calendars

May 1 - 11:30 am - Lunch at Hector's, a new Mexican restaurant in Tacketts Mill, 2233 Tacketts Mill Drive in Lake Ridge. **Please RSVP to Joan by April 28th**

May 6-8 - OBX Rod & Custom Show in Nags Head, NC. Still time to make a reservation. See hotel info for this event included in the Newsletter. Please let me know if you are interested. **POC Joan.**

May 7 - 8:00-10:00 am - Cars & Coffee-Woodbridge, Tacketts Mill Shopping Center.

May 8 - Mother's Day

May 14 - 5:00-8:00 pm - Cars & Ice Cream at The Old Country Store, 18019 Country Store Drive, Culpeper. All cars, trucks & motorcycles. $10.00 registration, BBQ, ice cream, trophies. **Meet Skip & Marie at Gold's Gym in Culpeper at 4:15 pm** so we can cruise together. Departing at 4:30 pm.

May 17 - 7:00 pm - Monthly meeting at Aquia Harbour Inn in Aquia.

May 21 - 10:00 am-3:00 pm - 2nd Pets & Vettes Show - Hosted by A3P (Advocates for Abused & Abandoned Pets) at their location in the Dumfries Shopping Plaza. Donation of $10 to benefit A3P. Trophies, food truck. Several members attended this show last year. See flyer attached.

May 20-21 - 10:00-4:00 pm - Beachcombers Vettes at Waterside in Norfolk. Limited to 150 preregistered Vettes. Online information at www.beachcomberscorvetteclubcom.

May 28 - Vettes 4 Veterans, Staunton, VA (see flyer)

May 30 - Memorial Day

Looking Way Ahead - Mark Your Calendars

June 3-5 - Due to lack of interest, canceled cruise to 25th Anniversary Myrtle Beach Corvette Club Show.

June 5 - 9:00-3:00 pm - Northern Virginia 2022 Chantilly Corvette Show at Pohanka Chevrolet, 13915 Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy., Chantilly. Raffle, vendors, music, food. Pre-registration $25. Day of Show $30. See flyer attached.

June 19 - Father's Day 47th Sully Antique Car Show at Historic Sully Plantation, 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly. 350 classic Show cars, flea market, food, music, trophies.

July 9 - 7:30 am-2:00 pm - Vettes for Vets at Willing Warrior Retreat in Haymarket. Meet at **7:30 am** at the Boy Scout Camp on Antioch Road to cruise together. Stop at The Farm Brewery at Broad Run after the show. **POC Joan.**

July 24 - Hold for ACCC 35th Anniversary "memory cruise" to Ingleside Vineyards, 5872 Leedstown Road, Oak Grove, VA. Details forthcoming. **POC Joan.**

Aug 26-28, 2022 - C8R Corvettes #3 and #4 will compete in the Michelin GT Challenge at VIR. Weekend cruise to VIR with Battlefield.

Aug 26-28, 2022 - Corvettes at Carlisle. POC needed.

Sept 18 - Stratford Hall Wine & Oyster Festival - cruise in coordination with Battlefield Corvette Club. Details forthcoming.

Sept 24 - BCC Annual Cruz-In at Radley Chevrolet in Fredericksburg. Details forthcoming. **POC Albert Martinez.**

Sept 25 - 11:00-3:00 - Annual picnic at Widewater State Park. $10 Park entry fee. Catered by Allman's BBQ in Fredericksburg. Bring your own drink. Additional details forthcoming. **POC Skip & Marie Sizemore.**

Oct 1 or 2 - Hold for possible Octoberfest cruise.

Oct 13-17, 2022 - Free State's Corvette Weekend in Ocean City, MD. Reservation information for new hotel, Comfort Inn Boardwalk, 507 N. Atlantic Ave., direct phone **410-289-5155**. Hotel only has 24 oceanfront rooms which are probably booked by now. The hotel does have 60 other rooms, just not oceanfront. The rate for 3 nights is $485 and 4 nights is $557. Continental breakfast is included and it has a heated indoor pool. One night deposit required for reservation, $98. Cancellation is 72 hours. No contract for blocking & holding rooms. Recommend making your reservation as soon as possible. **POC Joan**

Nov 6 - Annual Hickory Bridge "Thanksgiving" cruise. **Bud Donner** will provide additional details.

Dec 3 - Annual ACCC/BCC Toys for Tots cruise to Marine Corps Museum and lunch at Tun Tavern. **POC Steve Argubright.**

Dec 4 - Hold for annual Christmas party. **If you want a party this year, we need a new POC and volunteer(s) for planning ASAP.**

NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

April 2022

Dave Jones

In addition to the stationary exhibits at The National Corvette Museum, the museum hosts a number of traveling exhibits during the year. One such exhibit is the *Corvette Powered* exhibit which is currently open in the Museum Exhibit Hall until early May 2022. Yes, the Corvette engine has performed in many vehicles besides just the Corvette. The *Corvette Powered* exhibit presents mid-century non-General Motors vehicles that utilized Corvette engines and drivelines.

The small block Chevy V8 engine changed everything. During its design in 1955 it was realized that other engines could not compete with Chevrolet's engineering of the Corvette engine. After its introduction, some manufacturers, instead of developing their own engines, purchased Chevrolet Corvette engines or drivelines for their cars. The small block Chevy V8 engine has powered both European and American sports cars, hot rods, boats and yes, even motorcycles.

The *Corvette Powered* exhibit presents select stories involving the use of the small block V8 and the reason the owners chose Corvette engines to power their vehicles. Stories from Europe and America, from simple paved roads to glass smooth lakes are presented in the exhibit. A number of vehicles, from American and European sports cars to boats and motorcycles, are on display. Among these are a 1977 Avanti II with a 350ci engine, which is a continuation car of the original Studebaker Avanti built in 1964-64. Another noted vehicle on display is a 1966 Excalibur with a 327/350 Corvette engine, which was the cover car for the 1966 Excalibur sales brochure. Visit the museum and enjoy this fine exhibit.

On another note, for those members who were not at the March ACCC meeting, it was suggested that I repeat one item I mentioned in my monthly update. The NCM has a points program for their ambassadors to encourage us to promote the museum. In order to be allowed to retain the ambassador position a minimum of 50 points must be earned during a one-year period. Ambassadors earn points for individual actions of club members related to the museum. Member actions such as purchasing a raffle ticket, getting an insurance quote, visiting the museum, becoming a new museum member or renewing a museum membership are among the actions that earn points. So if any ACCC member has contact with the NCM please just give me a short email at oneregal@yahoo.com advising of your action and I can add to my point total. Thanks.

Dave

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www.corvettemuseum.org

www.corvettestore.com

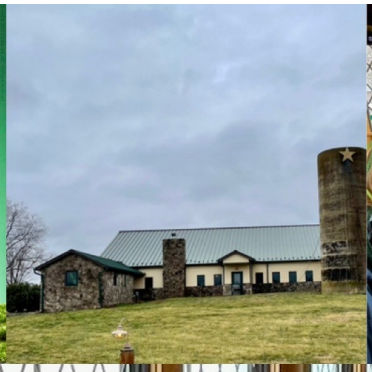
ACCC Members participated in

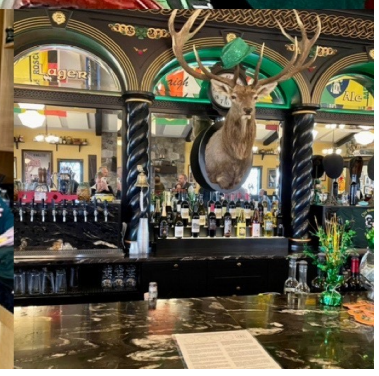
St Patrick's Day

Old House Winery, Mar 17, 2022

ACCC Members participated in

St Patrick's Day (cont'd)





Coming Up Really Soon!! April 20

???? MYSTERY CRUISE ????

by the Sizemores

Skip and I are planning a mystery cruise on Wednesday, April 20, 2022. For those interested in attending we will meet at the Culpeper Ole Country Store on route 29 at 10:15 a.m. and leave at 10:30. This will be a lunch cruise with a cost of $24.00 a person, excluding tip. We will travel around 40 miles from the country store.

To aide in planning, please let me know if you will be attending.

Thanks,

Marie Sizemore

Coming up is the OBX Rod & Custom Show

Nags Head, NC, May 6-8, 2022

Registration is open for the OBX Rod & Custom Festival in Nags Head, NC, on **May 6th & 7th.** If you plan to enter your car and participate in their activities, check out their website at the OBXrodandcustomfestival.com. Registration cost is $50.00 and non-refundable. In 2021 they donated $25,000.00 to local charities in the Outer Banks.

Registration is **not** a requirement for this trip. Some of us just want to go the beach and enjoy seeing all the great cars. Also, the Festival is not divided like last year because of COVID restrictions. It is at one location, The Southside Event Site, on 10 acres on the Roanoke Sound in Nags Head.

At this point we have 8 members going, including Lee Morton, and we are planning to stay at the **Comfort Inn Ocean-front.** This Festival has been growing in popularity each year so, if you want to go, please respond to me by **February 5th** and plan to make your reservations soon. If you need to, you can always cancel later. No room blocks.

I checked rates on the following hotels:

*** Hilton Garden Inn**
5353 N. Virginia Dare
Kitty Hawk
252-261-1290
Ocean view/balcony $299.00+ (Fri/Sat)
Full service restaurant onsite but breakfast not included with room.

*** Comfort Inn Ocean Front**
1601 S. Virginia Dare Trail
Nags Head
252-441-6333
Ocean front $259.00+ (Fri/Sat)
$179.00+ (Th/Sun)
Street side $179.00+ (Fri/Sat)
$99.00+ (Th/Sun)
Breakfast included with room.

*** Holiday Inn Express**
4701 Virginia Dare Trail
Nags Head
252-541-0454
Ocean front $279.00+ (Fri/Sat/Sun)(3-4 floor)
Street side $249.00+ (Fri/Sat/Sun)
Can use AAA/AARP
Breakfast included with room

*** Baymont Hotel**
3919 N. Croatan Hwy
Kitty Hawk
252-261-4888
$239.00+ (Fri/Sat)
$179.00+ (Th/Sun)
Breakfast included with room. Not a bag breakfast! New owners so upgrading hotel.

Thanks & Save the Wave,

Joan

Coming up in Dumfries

May 21, 2022

Humane Society of Northern Virginia

Corvette Owners Wanted!!

to participate in

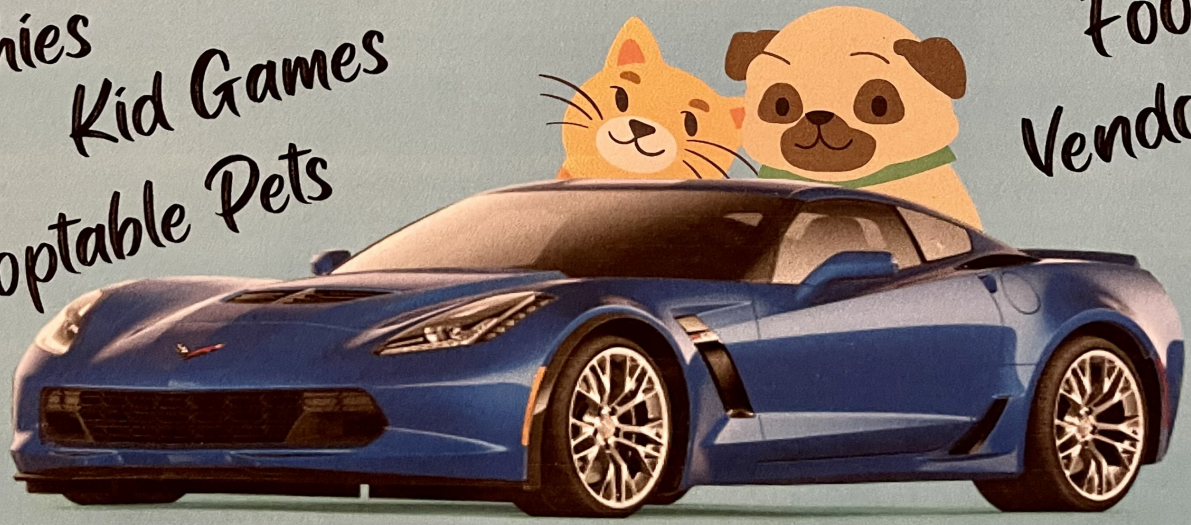
Pets & Vettes

fundraiser to benefit homeless pets

21 May 2022
10am - 3pm
17983 Dumfries Shopping Plaza

Registration begins at 9am
$10 donation per vette

Trophies
Kid Games
Adoptable Pets
Food Vendors



Contact rpebecker@verizon.net for info

Coming Up in Stuanton

May 28, 2022

Coming Up in Chantilly

June 5, 2022

Also Coming Up in Chantilly

June 19, 2022

The Sully Antique Car Show, sponsored by the GWC, MARC/MAFCA and the Fairfax County Park Authority will resume with the 47th Show on Fathers' Day, 19 June 2022. Location is the Sully Historic Site at 3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly, VA 20151.

Approximately 350 classic show vehicles, Special Displays, Flea Market, Food Vendors, Kids' Tent, Music, and Century Parade. Sully Mansion tours included with admission. Thirty classes with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies, as well as Best in Show and Sully Staff Trophies.

Registration Brochure:
http://www.gwcmodela.com/pdfs/Sully/2022/2022SullyCarShowRegistration.pdf

What Did You Do to Your Corvette?

Dave Jones, 1996 Collector Edition

On/about March 13 I decided to get the '96 out of winter hibernation and found that the battery was dead. I found this surprising as I had a maintenance charger on during the winter and the battery is only two years old. Maybe the 4+ days without power in January had some effect on the charger. I also noticed that the interior light was on so I may have inadvertently left that on when covering it up. However, I was able to get the battery recharged and have had the car out for a couple of brief trips around the area. Next on the agenda is a washing and detailing. Ah, the rites of spring.

Gene Kneibert, 2008 Roadster

Gene sold two Corvettes and bought a 2008 roadster, as seen below.

Another Corvette Story
By Steve Argubright

The Father of a good friend of mine in high school worked at the GM Fairfax Assembly and Stamping Plant (current title) in Kansas City, Kansas. No doubt using an employee discount, Jim's Father bought a new 1963 Corvette Stingray Split-Window in Sebring Silver, 4-speed, 327 CID (The base price for the coupe was $4,038.00). They had it fitted with manual exhaust under body cut outs, and when the caps were removed it became a beast!! I don't know how fast Jim ever drove it, but one afternoon (with me as co-pilot) he took it well over 110mph on Interstate-35 in Kansas City. I think it had plenty to spare!! The good ole days?? You bet!!

Corvette Spotter

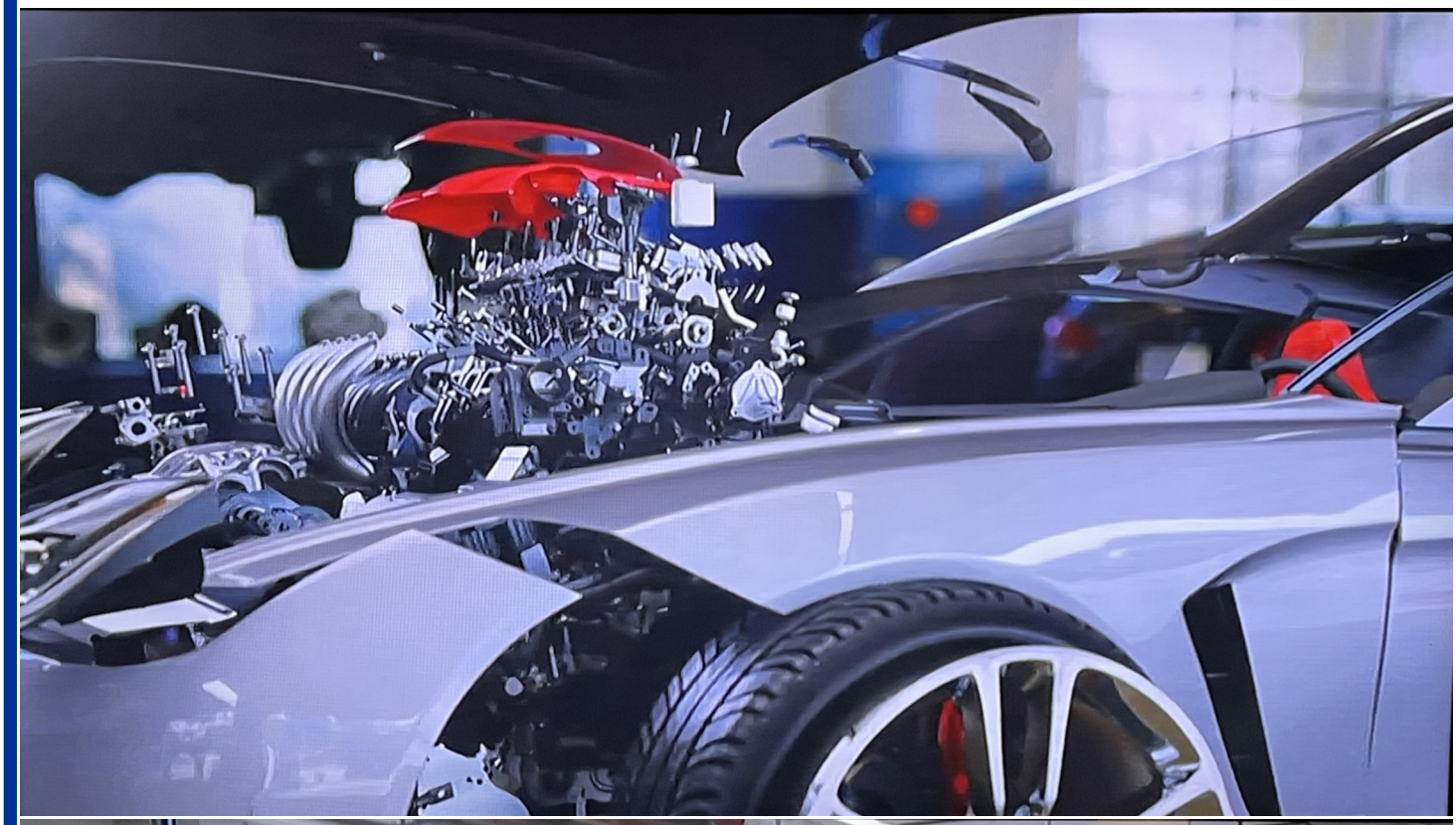
Rare C7 Corvette Spotted in TV Commercial?

Who knew there was a front wheel drive C7 Corvette with a transversely mounted engine!!?? I guess AAMCO know. Their current TV commercial shows this rare Corvette in living color, including an exploded view of its engine popping up out of the engine compartment!

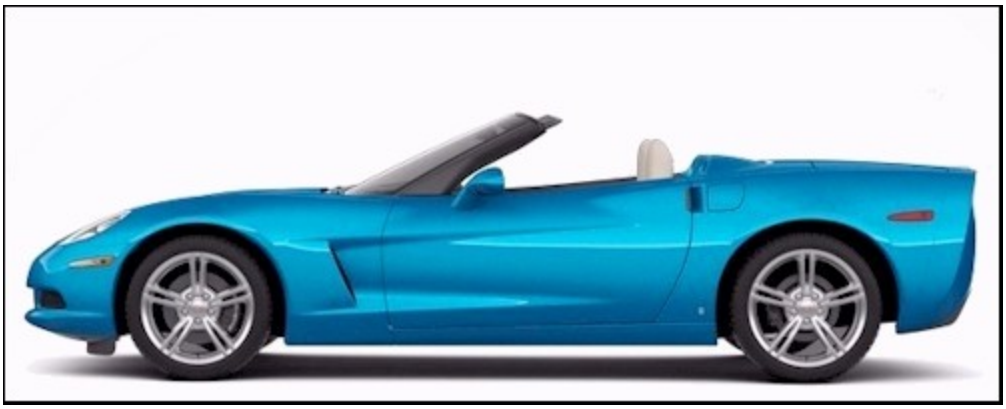
In all seriousness, there is no such Corvette. And yet AAMCO undoubtedly paid a lot of money for some advertising company to produce this sophisticated commercial. How could a company like AAMCO, who is supposed to know cars inside and out, compromise their credibility by letting this commercial reach air? How could the advertising company, who knew enough to construct a very technically detailed exploded view of a Corvette drivetrain, show the engine coming out of the engine compartment as though it had been sitting in there sideways? How could no one have noticed during the multiple reviews it must have had? Very strange.

See pictures on next page and note that one of the two exhaust manifolds is at the front, rather than on the side of the engine. Also note the bright disk-like object on side of engine, which is either a pulley that should be at the front or the flywheel, which would be at the rear of the engine.

Corvette Spotter (cont'd)



EDITOR'S NOSTALGIA - 2009 Corvette



2009 CORVETTE: ENHANCEMENTS BRING MORE CHOICES, REFINEMENT TO CHEVY'S LEGENDARY SPORTS CAR

After a milestone year in 2008 that saw the introduction of the LS3 6.2L V-8 as the new standard engine, a custom, leather-wrapped interior and more upgrades, the Corvette powered into 2009 with a raft of enhancements that further distinguished it and gave customers more choices - including a lower-priced convertible model.

Of course, that range of choices also included the ZR1, with its 6.2L supercharged engine that produced 638 horsepower (476 kW).

“The Corvette is an American icon with world-class credentials,” said Ed Peper, Chevrolet general manager. “It's the car we all aspire to own and the 2009 edition, with more choices and features, only amplifies that craving.”

The '09 Corvette lineup included the Corvette coupe and Corvette convertible, each powered by the 430-horsepower (321 kW) LS3 V-8, and the incomparable Corvette Z06. Equipped with the 505-horsepower (377 kW) LS7 engine and built on a lightweight chassis, the Z06 was a street-going descendent of the championship-winning Corvette racing program.

Nostalgia

President/Vice President: Democrats Barack H. Obama/Joseph Biden 2009 -

Oscar Winners:

Picture: "The Hurt locker"

Actor: Jeff Bridges, "Crazy Heart"

Actress: Sandra Bullock, "The Blind Side"

World Series Champion:

New York Yankees defeated the Philadelphia Phillies 4 games to 2.

National Football League Super Bowl XLIII Champion Feb. 1, 2009:
The Pittsburgh Steelers defeated the Arizona Cardinals 27 - 23.

EDITOR'S NOSTALGIA - 2009 Corvette

April Birthdays	April Anniversaries*
Ron Dingus—Apr 11 Rebecca Hamil—Apr 28 Chris Mendl—Apr 10 Bettie Shepherd—Apr 21	Marie & Dean Hinkler—Apr 15

Please Note: If we fail to list your birthday or anniversary, it may be because we don't have your dates in our membership database. If you would like to see your birthdays/anniversaries

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NOTE: See "ACCC Events" on Page 5 for the details on particular events.

ACCC Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 8AM Cars 'n Coffee, Woodbridge
3 8:30AM Cruise w/ BCC to Stratford Hall	4	5	6	7	8	9 9AM ACCC Breakfast, Manassas
10 8:30AM Cruise w/ BCC to Cooter's in Luray	11	12	13	14	15	16 8AM Cars 'n Coffee, Woodbridge
17 Easter	18	19 7PM ACCC monthly meeting @ Aquia	20 10:15AM Mystery Cruise????	21	22	23
24 HOLD for possible cruise to Captain Billy's	25	26	27	28	29	30

ACCC CLUB JACKETS

Members can order club jackets embroidered with our logo by Heartland Sign Works, 2072 Jeff Davis Hwy, Stafford Courthouse, VA 22554 (open 8:30-5:00, Mon-Fri). As show in the pictures to the left, a large embroidered club logo is on the rear; the front would normally have a smaller club logo on left chest; other options available but might be extra cost. Jackets come in **three varieties (prices do not include tax)**:

1. **Competitor Jackets** — nylon outer shell, front zipper; $61.98 up to XL; $63.98 for 2XL; $65.98 for 3XL; $67.98 for 4XL; $69.98 for 5XL; $71.98 for 6XL.

2. **Denim Jackets** (shown at left) — stone-washed indigo denim, button front; $69.98 up to XL; $71.98 for 2XL; $73.98 for 3XL; $75.98 for 4XL.

3. **Welded Soft Shell Jackets** — polyester woven shell bonded to water-resistant film insert and polyester microfleece lining, front zipper; same pricing as denim jackets, above.

(ABOVE PRICES WERE UPDATED IN FEB. 2021)

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