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### FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's so nice to look outside today and see blue sky and some green (well maybe not so green) grass across the street, but then I look at my yard (north facing) still with a few of inches of snow and snow covered sidewalk. I have to admit I have cabin fever and if Merry would just say the word we would be off to San Diego or southern Arizona. I was just reviewing

the next Vette Gazette and day dreaming about the first big trip of 2013, Route 66. Bernie is working on the final details and you should soon see them on the club website. As a reminder keep a check on the club website for any changes or new things we add. Dave is on top of anything going on within the club and will have it on the website as soon as he hears about it. If it's something critical we will have Lynne send out a group e-mail. If you're not getting our e-mails you might want to check with Vicki or Lynne to make sure we have your correct e-mail address. If you change your e-mail please make sure that you notify us of the change. Looking through the club roster it looks like we only have 6 members who don't have an e-mail address. That is great for a club as large as ours.

If you have an event or trip you would like to plan you can contact Larry Rickets and let's see if we can work it into the schedule. The officers will help you plan your trip if you have never done one before. Let me offer some tips. Plan the route, and then block motel room(s) where you plan to stay. We recommend no less than 20 rooms considering the size of our club. Most hotels will let you release unreserved rooms 14 to 30 days before a trip without penalty. Now you are the leader or Caravan Captain. It is not necessary to plan all the meals, that is just too much work and many members do not feel like they need all that attention. As leader, it is nice to keep track of your caravan members but remember people like to have some freedom to do things on their own. As a participant, if you plan to break away on your own for all or part of the day it is courtesy to let the leader know beforehand. This way, we should not get concerned unless you don't show up at the motel that evening. Most of us now travel with a cell phone so get a list of your group member's cell numbers and create a list to share with everyone. This is a great way to keep in contact. While on the road and where we are close in a pack a CB radio works great. CBs are inexpensive, provide a great way to keep the group entertained and if Garth is along you get all the great old jokes. Best of all there are no formal FCC requirements and you are not required to be licensed as with the HAM radio. If there is anyone in the club that is willing to help (or even charge) to install CB radios let me know so we can let others know.

Our sponsor Larry H. Miller Chevrolet has once again asked us to park on the north end of the building when we have a club meeting there. This will leave spaces for customers during their business hours. The dealership's General Manager, Kasey, told me that they still have a few Corvettes available and would be anxious to talk to anyone interested in a purchase of a new or used Vette. If you're planning a used car purchase give them an opportunity to find what you are looking for. If you get a chance please thank anyone that works for LHM for their continued sponsorship of our club.

Mike Barker, President

### 1980 D.A.R.E. CORVETTE – SOUTH JORDAN CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

Items needed to restore the Corvette:

Corvette America

Interior:

A/C compressor		\$	
T-top molding	#44702	\$65	"Eklers"
Gauge lens	#X2009	\$44.99	
Door repair kit	#43446	\$65.00	
Speakers & Sound System	Unknown		
Post molding	#4058	\$120	
Header molding	#4064	\$65	
Dash	#4025	\$479	
New door glass	#36937,36938	\$160.00	tinted each

Mechanical:

Rebuild engine

## 2013 CORVETTE CLUB OF UTAH OFFICERS

**President**

Mike Barker

**Vice President**

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**Vice President**

Nona Ellis

**Vice President**

Mary Beth Schmidt

**Secretary**

Lynne Hicks

**Treasurer**

Vicki Ricketts

**Gazette Editor**

Bob Clayton

**Special Events Chair**

Larry Ricketts

**Membership Chair**

Lloyd Laycock

**Historian**

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**Webmaster**

Dave Ohlson

**NCM Ambassador and  
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Bob Tillotson

To e-mail a CCU Officer, go to <http://www.corvetteclubofutah.org/> and click on 2013 Officers for a list of the officers. Click on the blue underlined title of the officer to send an e-mail to that officer.

Please contact the Special Events Chair, Larry Ricketts, regarding upcoming events. Contact the Treasurer, Vicki Ricketts regarding renewals and payments for upcoming events. Please contact the Secretary, Lynne Hicks, regarding event attendance and meeting minutes.

## BIRTHDAYS

### March Birthdays 2013

1 Dennis Barker  
2 Chuck Baker  
2 Kathleen Barker  
2 Scott Stanford  
2 Cheryl Woolston  
4 Linda Hoefnagel  
6 Bonnie France  
8 Janet Blood  
10 Char Ohlson  
13 Denny Holder  
14 Marlene Cummings  
14 Steve Roper  
15 Sally Allen  
17 Patrick Holden  
19 Ken Frailey  
19 Brenda Peters  
19 Kathee Richardson  
20 Jeff Zornow  
21 Nona Ellis  
21 Lance Parker  
22 Jim Aird  
22 Betty Saxton  
22 Dave Meents  
25 Bryon Simpson  
25 Scott Strong  
27 Paula Colosimo  
27 Constance Logan  
27 Lynn Spencer  
27 Janet Tillotson  
28 Peggy Larsen  
29 DeAnn Clark  
30 Rob Probert  
31 Michael Clark  
31 Bernie Warburton  
31 Teddy Wardle

### April Birthdays 2013

1 Garry Parker  
3 Dianne Allen  
3 Kathy Rocco  
4 David Nagel  
4 Don Ward  
6 Marie Liston  
8 Paula Poelzl  
9 Shirley Simpler  
10 Keith Sizemore  
12 Jackie Howell  
16 Marilyn Sizemore  
19 Cal Butterfield  
19 Luke Hoefnagel  
23 Judy Anderson  
23 Karen DeSmet  
23 Shirley Zupon  
25 Robert Callaway  
27 Lynne Hicks  
28 Chris Barney  
29 Sherrie Spencer  
30 Don Sommers

## 2013 EVENT SUMMARY

### MARCH 2013

- 9 Birthday Breakfast – Golden Corral, Midvale, UT
- 13 CCU Officers Meeting - Laycock
- 20 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H Miller Chevrolet, Murray, UT

### APRIL 2013

- 10 CCU Officers Meeting – Clayton
- 13 Birthday Lunch – El Matador, Bountiful, UT
- 17 CCU Membership Meeting – Larry H Miller Chevrolet, Murray, UT
- 20 CCU Poker Run for the Dare Corvette – Layton Hills Mall Flagpole
- 26-27 April Action Car Show – Moab, UT

### MAY 2013

- 2-6 Historic Route 66 Fun Run - Kingman, AZ
- 8 CCU Officers Meeting - Corgiat
- 15 CCU Membership Meeting – TBD
- 18 Ron Thorne Ford Collection – Bingham High School Parking Lot

### JUNE 2013

- 1 Mustang/Corvette Picnic - TBD
- 2 33rd Anniversary MWSN Picnic - Sandridge Park, Roy, UT
- 7 Historic 25th Street 11th Annual Car & Motorcycle Show - Ogden, UT
- 8 RC Willey Car Show – Syracuse, UT
- 12 CCU Officers Meeting – Hicks
- 14-15 Cruisin' the Boulevard – Coats for Kids – Bountiful, UT
- 15 South Jordan Country Fest Parade and Car Show – South Jordan, UT
- 19 CCU Membership Meeting – TBD
- 27-30 CCU Shakespeare Festival Cruise – Cedar City, UT
- 29 Snake River Club 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Corvette – Twin Falls, ID

### JULY 2013

- 4-6 Cache Valley Cruise In - Logan, UT
- 10 CCU Officers Meeting – Ricketts
- 13 Coalville Super Cruise – Coalville, UT
- 17 CCU Membership Meeting – Roy Municipal City Park, Roy, UT
- 20 Kaiser Bill Car Museum Cruise – Duchanse, UT

### AUGUST 2013

- 1-3 43<sup>rd</sup> Yellowstone Rod Run 2013 – West Yellowstone, MT
- 10 Under the Stars Car Show – Sunset City Park, Sunset, UT
- 14 CCU Officers Meeting – Ricketts
- 17 Cruisers For Kids Car Show – Midvale City Park, Midvale, UT
- 21 CCU Membership Meeting – TBD
- 24 CCU Poker Run for the DARE Corvette - TBD

### SEPTEMBER 2013

- 6-7 Peach Days Poker Run and Car Show – Brigham City, UT
- 11 CCU Officers Meeting – Tillotson
- 14 Mystery Day Cruise - TBD
- 18 CCU Membership Meeting – TBD
- 20-23 2013 Intermountain Concours d'Elegance – Thanksgiving Point, UT

### OCTOBER 2013

- 9 CCU Officers Meeting - Schmidt
- 16 CCU Officer Nomination and Membership Meeting – Larry H Miller

### NOVEMBER 2013

- 13 CCU Officers Meeting - Ohlson
- 20 CCU Officer Elections and Membership Meeting – Larry H Miller

### DECEMBER 2013

- 7 CCU Christmas Party – Cottonwood Club, Cottonwood Heights, UT
- 11 CCU Officers Meeting - Barker
- 18 CCU Membership Meeting – TBD

Always check the CCU Website for the latest update.

## GETTING TO KNOW THE MEMBERS

### TROY AND MARCI MCKENZIE

My wife Marci and I have been married for over 22 years and we have four children. I graduated from BYU with a degree in Chemical Engineering and work as a water treatment consultant. We enjoy attending our kids' recitals and sporting events, riding our RZR side x side on the beautiful trails in Utah, serving in our church, and of course driving our Corvette. When life gets stressful, it only takes a few minutes in the Corvette to put a smile on my face! We look forward to meeting all of you and participating in club activities.

### NEW MEMBERS

John and Shauna Gibby – Layton, UT

1999 Black Coupe

Jim and Diana Crane – Sandy, UT

2013 Black Grand Sport

Doug Harper – Ogden, UT

2007 White Z06

Troy and Marci McKenzie – Layton, UT

2010 Red Grand Sport



### IT'S THE RETURN OF THE STINGRAY

View all the specs, this release and more photos on our website at: [www.corvettemuseum.org/specs/2014/](http://www.corvettemuseum.org/specs/2014/)

Chevrolet is redefining modern performance with today's debut of the all-new Corvette Stingray. And only a Corvette with the perfect balance of technology, design and performance can wear the iconic Stingray designation.

The 2014 Corvette Stingray is the most powerful standard model ever, with an estimated 450 horsepower (335 kW) and 450 lb.-ft. of torque (610 Nm). It is also the most capable standard model ever, able to accelerate from 0-60 in less than four seconds and achieve more than 1g in cornering grip. It is expected to be the most fuel-efficient Corvette, exceeding the EPA-estimated 26 mpg of the current model.

"Like the '63 Sting Ray, the best Corvettes embodied performance leadership, delivering cutting-edge technologies, breathtaking design and awe-inspiring driving experiences," said General Motors North America President Mark Reuss. "The all-new Corvette goes farther than ever, thanks to today's advancements in design, technology and engineering."

The all-new Corvette Stingray shares only two parts with the previous generation Corvette. It incorporates an all-new frame structure and chassis, a new well as completely new exterior

An interior that includes real leather materials, two new seat magnesium frame for exceptional driver/infotainment screens

Advanced driver technologies, Selector that tailors 12 vehicle and a new seven-speed manual anticipates gear selections and matches engine speed for perfect shifts every time



powertrain and supporting technologies, as and interior designs. Highlights include:

carbon fiber, aluminum and hand-wrapped choices – each featuring a lightweight support – and dual eight-inch configurable

including a five-position Drive Mode attributes to the fit the driver's environment transmission with Active Rev Matching that

An all-new 6.2L LT1 V-8 engine combines advanced technologies, including direct injection, Active Fuel Management, continuously variable valve timing and an advanced combustion system that delivers more power while using less fuel

Lightweight materials, including a carbon fiber hood and removable roof panel; composite fenders, doors and rear quarter panels; carbon-nano composite underbody panels and a new aluminum frame help shift weight rearward for an optimal 50/50 weight balance that supports a world-class power-to-weight ratio

A sculptured exterior features advanced high-intensity discharge and light-emitting diode lighting and racing-proven aerodynamics that balance low drag for efficiency and performance elements for improved stability and track capability

Track-capable Z51 Performance Package including: an electronic limited-slip differential, dry-sump oiling system, integral brake, differential and transmission cooling, as well as a unique aero package that further improves high-speed stability.

"Stingray is one of the hallowed names in automotive history," said Ed Welburn, GM vice president of global design. "We knew we couldn't use the Stingray name unless the new car truly lived up to the legacy. The result is a new Corvette Stingray that breaks from tradition, while remaining instantly recognizable as a Corvette the world over."



The new Corvette Stingray will be built at GM's Bowling Green, Ky., assembly plant, which underwent a \$131-million upgrade, including approximately \$52 million for a new body shop to manufacture the aluminum frame in-house for the first time.

"We believe the Corvette represents the future of modern performance cars because it delivers more power, more driving excitement and better fuel efficiency," said Tadge Juechter, Corvette chief engineer. "The result is better performance by every measure. The 2014 Corvette delivers the fastest acceleration, the most cornering grip, the most track capability, the best braking performance and what we expect to be the best fuel economy ever for a standard Corvette."



The 2014 Corvette Stingray coupe goes on sale in the third quarter of 2013.

Handcrafted, high-tech interior:

Premium materials including genuine aluminum and available carbon fiber trim

More connected driving experience through the smaller-diameter steering wheel and two new seat choices

Advanced technologies including standard dual, high-resolution information screens and available color head-up display.

The new Corvette Stingray interior blends fine materials and craftsmanship with advanced technologies that contribute to a more connected and more engaging driving experience, said Helen Emsley, interior design director.

"Every feature and detail in the interior is designed to enhance the driver's connection to the Corvette," Emsley said. "It starts with the fighter jet inspired wraparound cockpit; continues to build with the smaller steering wheel, more supportive seats, and high-definition, configurable screens, and is finished in gorgeous materials."

The smaller, 14.1-inch-diameter (360 mm) steering wheel fosters a more direct, immediate feel to directional inputs. The attention to the driver extends to the smallest details, including the flat, precise stitching on the steering wheel designed to provide a smooth, consistent feel.

Precise and elegant stitching also is seen in the available Napa leather trim of the all-new seats.

Two seating choices will be offered: a GT seat for all-around comfort and a Competition Sport seat with more aggressive side bolstering which provides greater support on the track.

The frame structure for both seats is made of magnesium for greater strength and less weight than comparable steel frames. They're also more rigid, contributing to the enhanced feeling of support during performance driving.

Additional performance-enhancing details of the interior resulted from designers' "field trips" to GM's Proving Ground in Milford, Mich., where high-performance driving experiences spurred the design and implementation of several features, including a steel-reinforced grab bar on the center console for the passenger and soft-touch materials on the edge of the console, where the driver naturally braces during high-load cornering.

High-performance driving also influenced elements of the configurable display screens and available head-up display, which vary depending on the driving mode, including the Track display inspired by the C6.R.

The performance-supporting complemented by quality, including the sweeping seamless transition of the line

All models feature a fully-covered with premium, soft-touch the trim level, include Napa suede.



elements inside the new Corvette Stingray are unprecedented attention to detail and build arch motif over the driver cockpit trim and the from the instrument panel to the door.

wrapped interior, where every surface is materials. Available materials, depending on leather, aluminum, carbon fiber and micro-

A blend of hand craftsmanship and machined precision is intended to ensure the fit, finish and ambience of the cabin is first-rate. The leather-wrapped instrument panel, for example, features hand-selected and hand-stretched materials for better grain matching with stitching performed by robots that deliver perfect seams.

There's even a micro-LED screen for the passenger's climate control placed below the vent on the on the dash away from the performance features on the instrument panel.

"To ensure the high quality of the interior, we spent time working on the line alongside the team that builds the Corvette every day at Bowling Green Assembly Plant," said Ryan Vaughan, interior design manager. "And thanks to that collaboration between design, engineering and manufacturing, we were able to make adjustments that allowed us to maintain the integrity of the design, improve the assembly process and ultimately deliver what we believe to be a world-class interior."



Driver-oriented technologies:

Driver Mode Selector optimizes 12 vehicle attributes

Configurable screens and head-up display can be tailored to the driver's preference

Central touch screen uses gesture-recognition technology.

At the core of the Corvette Stingray's driver-focused technologies is the cockpit-mounted Driver Mode Selector, which allows drivers to optimize the car for their driving preference and road conditions via five settings: Weather, Eco, Tour, Sport and Track.

"The all-new Corvette Stingray is really three cars in one: It provides the comfort and functionality of a long-distance GT car, the connectedness and infotainment of a daily driver and the acceleration, grip and braking of a capable track car," said Harlan Charles, product manager.

"With the Driver Mode Selector, we wanted to give the driver an easy way to tailor virtually every aspect of the car to fit their driving environment. The result is a more rewarding, more confident experience, whether you're commuting in a downpour or charging through the corkscrew at Laguna Seca."

The Driver Mode Selector is easy to use via a rotary knob near the shifter. The Tour mode is the default setting for everyday driving; Weather mode is designed primarily for added confidence while driving in rain and snow; Eco mode is for achieving optimal fuel economy; Sport mode is for spirited road driving and Track mode is for track use.

"Early in the development process, we spent time on the track, driving Corvettes hard. That experience shaped many parts of the interior, such as the instrument display in Track Mode," said Vaughn. "At 120 mph, you experience a sort of tunnel vision, as you concentrate on the next turn. At that moment, you don't need to know the next song playing on the radio."

Twelve performance parameters are adjusted with the selection of each mode, including:

Gauge cluster configuration: The Tour, Eco and Weather modes feature displays for trip data, audio and navigation; Sport mode shows classic, easy-to-read sports car gauges; and Track mode's configuration shows a gauge design based on the Corvette Racing C6.R race car display with lap timer

ETC (Electronic Throttle Control): Adjusts the throttle input curve for the selected mode for improved responsiveness

Paddle-shift automatic transmission: Adjusts shift comfort and shift points

Active Fuel Management: in normal mode, the LT1 engine uses V-8 power during acceleration and V-4 power when coasting; in Eco mode the engine remains in V-4 mode to improve fuel economy until aggressive acceleration is needed



Exhaust (active exhaust system): The system adjusts the timing of the electronically controlled exhaust valves to enhance audible feedback from the V-8 depending on the drive mode

Electronic limited-slip differential (Z51): Adjusts the rate at which the limited slip engages, to balance between steering response and stability in different driving conditions; more aggressive performance in Sport and Track modes

Steering: Assist effort is adjusted in the modes to provide the driver with the correct steering feel for the driving condition

Magnetic Ride Control: Adjusts shock damping based on road conditions, from optimized comfort to performance driving

Launch control: Available in Sport and Track modes for manual and automatic transmissions, providing maximum off-the-line acceleration

Active handling (StabiliTrak stability control): A "competitive" setting is available in Sport and Track modes and is more suited for on-track conditions. It can also be disabled, giving the driver complete control

Traction control: Weather mode tailors traction control and engine torque for driving in inclement conditions

Performance Traction Management: Available in the Sport and Track modes and offers five settings of torque reduction and brake intervention for track driving.

Three configurable displays, including a pair of eight-inch screens and color head-up display, deliver personalized information and convey the different performance parameters of each drive mode.

The two eight-inch screens offer excellent visibility in direct sunlight, with 650 cd/m<sup>2</sup> of brightness for the one integrated into the instrument cluster and 1,000 cd/m<sup>2</sup> of brightness for the one in the center stack, making it among the brightest

screens in the industry. The screen in the center stack also features touch-screen control with gesture recognition and can be lowered to reveal a hidden storage that includes a USB input for device charging or uploads.

The Corvette Stingray delivers an advanced infotainment system, featuring Chevrolet MyLink and high-definition radio, as well as enhanced OnStar with 3D navigation maps. An additional USB port in the center console, a stand-alone audio input jack and an SD card slot provide seamless connectivity.

An available premium 10-speaker audio system includes a bass box and two subwoofers – and speakers with rare-earth magnets that deliver greater sound quality with reduced weight and size.



Every line counts on Corvette Stingray's functionally elegant exterior

Aerodynamic design integrates strategies from Corvette racing

Signature lighting includes distinctive frosted light-emitting diode daytime driving lights, high-intensity discharge headlamps and indirect-LED taillamps

Carbon fiber hood and removable roof panel enhance front/rear weight balance

Corvette Stingray's provocative exterior styling is as functional as it is elegant, said Ken Parkinson, executive director of global design.

“Developing a new Corvette, while every designer's dream, is not an easy task,” Parkinson said. “The goal was a bold design statement that embraced the advanced technology of the car, while enhancing its overall performance in everything from the wind tunnel to the track. The result is a new Corvette Stingray – a fantastic car that breaks new ground yet remains true to the fundamental elements that make a Corvette a Corvette.”

While no single detail is repeated from previous generations, the new Corvette Stingray include the distinctive profile defined by a long dash-to-axle ratio and the greenhouse evoking the canopy of a fighter jet with dual-element taillamps. To this foundation, designers built a form vocabulary from two very different sources: aerospace and nature.

“For the new Corvette to be called a Stingray, it had to deliver an incredible, purposeful visual impact – just as the original did in 1963,” said Tom Peters, exterior design director. “That visual impact is evident in fighter jets and the Stingray animal itself. Their beauty comes from their purpose, designed to cut through air or water as quickly and efficiently as possible. As with aircraft and living forms, every transition on every surface of the Corvette Stingray serves a purpose executed with beauty and proportion.”

Lighting is a signature element of the Corvette Stingray's design and reinforces its high-tech aesthetic. At the front, indirect white LED lamps form a distinctive daytime styling cue. They are set in a black-chrome lamp housing with standard HID projector headlamps. The turn signals feature edge-lit amber LED lighting.

All-new, dual-element taillamps represent the greatest departure from tradition and are among the car's most dramatic elements. The three-dimensional, sculpted lenses house innovative indirect LED lighting. The state-of-the-art lighting uses hidden LED lamps that cast their light up from the bottom of the housing into a reverse reflector, creating an even glow. LED lamps are also used for the white backup lamps. The taillamps integrate functional aircraft-style air outlets for the available differential and transmission coolers.

“From the front or rear, the signature lighting brings the new Corvette to life,” said Peters. “It looks beautiful, sinister and more than a little intimidating. It gives the Corvette a nighttime appearance unlike anything else on the street.”

When it comes to aerodynamics, the new Stingray is in a league of its own. Advanced computer-aided modeling programs were employed to predict and track airflow over, under and through the new Corvette's body. Engineers and designers also relied on data gleaned from the Corvette Racing program – the most successful program ever in the American Le Mans Series and the 2012 GT class champion – to help balance front and rear grip for high-speed stability.

Many hours were spent in the wind tunnel hand-sculpting surfaces for aesthetics and performance. Functional exterior elements include:

# Mar 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9 CCU Birthday Breakfast
10 Daylight Savings Time Starts	11	12	13 CCU Officers Meeting	14	15	16
17 St Patrick's Day	18	19	20 CCU Membership Meeting	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Easter						

# Apr 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 April Fool's Day	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 CCU Officers Meeting	11	12	13 CCU Birthday Lunch
14	15 Tax Day	16	17 CCU Membership Meeting	18	19	20 CCU Poker Run for the DARE Corvette
21	22	23	24	25	26 April Action Car Show	27 April Action Car Show
28 April Action Car Show	29	30				

All models have a new grille/radiator arrangement and hood vents. Venting air out of the hood reduces total front-end lift for improved steering response at high speeds

The front fender side coves also help vent underhood air pressure to reduce aerodynamic drag

Models with the automatic transmission or Z51 Performance Package feature a functional vent on driver's left side directing air over a heat exchanger for the transmission fluid and a similar arrangement on the passenger side that directs air over a heat exchanger for the electronic limited slip differential

Airflow through the differential and transmission heat exchangers exit through the aircraft-inspired taillamp vents and lower-rear fascia air outlets

The Z51 Performance Package also includes brake-cooling ducts, a unique rear spoiler and additional air deflectors for enhanced track capability.

"Every square inch of the 2014 Corvette's exterior is designed to enhance high-performance driving," said Kirk Bennion, exterior design manager. "The team delivered a great balance of low drag for efficiency and performance elements for improved stability and track capability – all in a sculpted design that excites in all the ways that a Corvette has for six decades."

Engineered to race, built for the road:

New aluminum frame structure is 57-percent stiffer and 99 pounds (45 kg) lighter than the current steel frame

Innovative use of composite materials, including carbon fiber the hood and roof panels, lightweight Sheet Molding Compound for the fenders, doors and rear quarter panels, and carbon-nano composite for the underbody panels help reduce the weight of the body by a 37 pounds (17 kg)

New LT1 V-8 uses advanced technologies to produce more power with less fuel and is paired with an industry-exclusive seven-speed manual transmission with Active Rev Matching for more precise up and down shifts.

The new Corvette Stingray takes advantage of lightweight materials, advanced manufacturing techniques and technology transfer from the Corvette Racing program to produce an ideal 50/50 weight balance and to deliver a world-class power-to-weight ratio.

"Chevrolet has a long history of using racing to improve production cars, and nowhere is that more evident than with Corvette," said Jeuchter. "We continually apply technologies and strategies developed for Corvette Racing directly to the production car. That influence can be seen in virtually every aspect of the new Corvette Stingray, from the aerodynamic design to the use of carbon fiber, to the cooling techniques and even in the brake system.

The technologically advanced foundation is an all-new aluminum frame structure that is 57 percent stiffer and 99 pounds (45 kg) lighter. The greater torsional rigidity reduces

Compared to the previous generation, which used continuous hydroformed main frame rails with a constant 2mm wall thickness, the new Corvette's frame features main rails composed of five customized aluminum segments, including aluminum extrusions at each end, a center main rail section and hollow-cast nodes at the suspension interface points. Each segment is tuned – varying in thickness from 2mm to 11mm – tailoring the gauge, shape and strength properties to optimize the requirements for each frame section with minimal weight.

The frame is assembled at an all-new welding shop at the Bowling Green Assembly Plant using a unique laser welding process in which a computer-controlled beam of high energy joins the components with exceptional precision and tolerances of about 0.001-inch.

Supporting the frame's greater strength and lower weight are complementing chassis elements, including hollow-cast aluminum front and rear cradles that are approximately 25-percent lighter and 20-percent stiffer than the solid cradles used on the previous structure.

The innovative use of materials includes a standard carbon fiber hood and roof panel, as well as underbody panels created with carbon-nano composite technology, an advanced blend of traditional composite material and carbon fiber, which allows lighter underbody panels without a loss of strength or stiffness. Fenders, doors, rear quarter panels and the rear hatch panel are made with lighter-density Sheet Molding Compound than the previous generation. Combined, these materials save approximately 37 pounds (17 kg) versus the previous body structure.

The lightweight elements of the Stingray contribute to the ideal 50/50 weight balance. Combined with its estimated 450 horsepower (335 kW), the new Corvette delivers a better power-to-weight ratio than the Porsche 911 Carrera or Audi R8.

Those 450 horses are generated by an all-new LT1 6.2L Small Block V-8 engine, which produces an estimated 450 lb.-ft. of torque (610 Nm). More importantly, it generates 50 lb.-ft. more low-end torque than the previous 6.2L engine, matching the 7.0L LS7 engine from the 2013 Corvette Z06 from 1,000 to 4,000 rpm.



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## WESTERN STATES CORVETTE COUNCIL NEWS

Check out the WSCC web site link below for the latest event calendar information just released. Also, click their Newsletter link and scroll through the back issues of the REDLINE magazine. More than 40 Corvette clubs are members of the 'Council and their club activities are posted in the REDLINE. <http://www.wscs.ws>

The Western States Corvette Council was formed to serve as a link for, and to assist Corvette clubs throughout the west in inter-communication, cooperation, interclub cooperation, interclub events and to promote the image and to direct public attention toward America's only true sports car the Corvette. WSCC hosts many competitive and social events such as multi-club Car Shows, Corvette Rallies, Autocross, Drag Racing and an annual wiz-bang convention. The Council is also a liaison for member clubs with General Motors and the National Corvette Museum. Our Corvette Club of Utah (CCU) has been a member of WSCC since 2005 as an Associate non-voting club.

You can get an overview of all the activities and benefits of WSCC by going to their website, As your WSCC representative for CCU I will always have membership applications with me at the CCU meetings and most events. Feel free to contact me with any questions you might have regarding the Western States Corvette Council and join with me and the other CCU/WSCC members for the fun and camaraderie.

Bob Tillotson [bobt@skyplanner.com](mailto:bobt@skyplanner.com)



## CORVETTE RACING

The Corvette Club of Utah fully supports the American Le Mans Racing Series (ALMS). For more details about Corvette racing check out the web site at:

<http://www.corvetteracing.com>

## MOUNTAIN WEST STREET NEWS (MWSN)

The Mountain West Street News (MWSN) is a local publication that promotes and advertises area events for car clubs and enthusiasts. CCU is part of this publication. Our CCU correspondent for MWSN is Bob Tillotson. You can join MWSN and receive it's bi-monthly publication by attending the MWSN Picnic each summer. MWSN, P.O. Box 172, Roy, UT 84067 or call (801) 773-8438.



## CORVETTE CLUB OF UTAH NEWS

### WEAR YOUR CCU NAME BADGE

We have lots of new members in the club. The only way they will be able to remember your name is if you wear your CCU name badge. To encourage you, only members wearing name tags will get raffle tickets for the Membership Meeting door prizes. Come on, dig out those badges.



### **NOT HEARING ABOUT UPCOMING EVENTS**

We try to keep you informed with the Gazette, the CCU Website, and e-mail reminders. If you want to receive e-mail updates on events, changes to the schedule (and that does happen), you need to let us know your current e-mail address. If you change your e-mail address, you need to tell us or you won't get CCU e-mail.

### **JANUARY BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST**

On January 12<sup>th</sup>, we celebrated the birthdays of members who were born in January at the Corner Bakery in Salt Lake City. Member's names were read and recognized. For a cold and snowy Saturday, we had a great attendance at the breakfast. Come join us to celebrate birthdays of club members.

### **JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

The January Membership Meeting was held on Jan 16<sup>th</sup> at Larry H. Miller Chevrolet. The meeting started with the dealership providing information on sale prices available to Club Members on the Corvette's they have in stock. Larry H. Miller will continue to be our sponsor in 2013. Please honor their request to park and enter the dealership from the North side of the dealership. Mike started the meeting out by reading the purpose of the club from the bylaws. He then presented a bylaw change that will make more members eligible to run for office. Mike then announced we would continue to support the Corvette Dare Car and our charity for this year will be the Utah Food Bank. Mike then announced that Ron Probert will be the Utah 2014 Corvette Caravan Captain and Nona Ellis will be responsible for club clothing this year. He also announced that the Mustang Club will host a Mustang/Corvette Picnic on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Bernie announced the preliminary details on Route 66 which he plans to run backwards this year. Watch the website for a signup and details. Vicki presented last quarters expenses and informed the membership that \$1100 will be donated to the Utah Food Bank and \$300 to the Fisher House for 2012.

A full copy of the meeting minutes can be requested from the Club Secretary.



### **DARE CAR**

The DARE car is getting it's chassis components donated by a club member. Our thanks to those that have kept this project going.





### **CCU AWARDS BANQUET**

The annual CCU Awards Banquet was held on Jan 19<sup>th</sup> at the Timber Mine Restaurant in Ogden, UT. Member of the year was Cal and Linda Butterfield. Runner up was Dave and Char Ohlson and Ned and Judy Anderson.

#### **5 YEAR AWARDS (2008)**

Jim and Colleen Aird  
Bruce and Judy Bailey  
Bob and Connie Anderson  
David and Janet Blood  
Mike and Julie McFaddin  
Kathy McKean and Steve Hamilton  
Cal Schenk  
Bruce and Alta Laurence  
James and Julie Sims  
Doug Spencer

#### **10 YEAR AWARDS (2003)**

Kirt and Sally Allen  
Ardell and Dona Brown  
Cal and Linda Butterfield  
Paul and Jalee Cox  
Vern and Shirley Harrington  
Curtis and Amber Gaylor  
Linda Hoefnagel  
Dennis and Georgiana Nelson  
Dave and Char Ohlson  
Lane and Beverly Wilson  
Dave and Pat Meents

#### **15 YEAR AWARDS (1998)**

Paul and Beverly Roach

#### **20 YEAR AWARDS (1993)**

Garth Sawyers

## **SUPER BOWL PARTY**

On Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>, CCU held a Super Bowl Party at Vaughn and Dianne Williams' home. They were gracious enough to open their home to the club this year. There was plenty of food and drink and the game was a nail biter right to the end.

### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST**

The February Birthday Breakfast was held at the Red Rock Brewery in Murray, UT on February 9th. The names of members with birthdays in February were read. This was again, a nice diversion for snowy Saturday Afternoon. The food and service was good as usual.

### **FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

The February Membership Meeting was held on Feb 20th at Larry H. Miller Chevrolet. Mike Barker and Bob Tillotson present the proposed bylaw to change officer eligibility. The bylaw change was approved by a majority of the members present and will be added to the bylaws on the website. We are collecting can pull tops to fund kidney dialysis at the Primary Children's Hospital. We have a member whose grandchildren, four of them, need dialysis. We are attempting to fill up a five gallon bucket at every membership meeting. Lloyd introduced new members Jim and Diana Crane. Larry covered the events on the calendar for March, April, May and June. Dave reminded the members there is a form to record those special events on Club Trips so they can be recognized at the awards banquet.

A full copy of the meeting minutes is available from the club secretary.

## **MARCH EVENTS**

### **MARCH BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST – MARCH 9TH**

Saturday March 9th – 9:00 AM at the Golden Corral, 665 East 7200 South in Midvale, UT. Come help us celebrate the birthdays of members born in March. For more information contact Larry Ricketts.

Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information.

### **MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING – MARCH 20TH**

Wednesday, March 20th – 7:00 PM at Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, 5500 South State St in Murray, UT. Be sure to wear your name badges to be eligible for the door prizes. For more information contact Larry Ricketts.

Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information.

## **APRIL EVENTS**

### **APRIL BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST – APRIL 13TH**

Saturday April 13th - 11:00 AM at El Matador, 606 South Main in Bountiful, UT. Come help us celebrate the birthdays of members born in April. For more information contact Larry Ricketts.

Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information.

### **APRIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – APRIL 17TH**

Wednesday, April 17th – 7:00 PM at Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, 5500 South State St in Murray, UT. Be sure to wear your name badges to be eligible for the door prizes.

For more information contact Larry Ricketts.

Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information.

### **DARE CAR POKER RUN – APRIL 20TH**

Poker to support the rebuilding of the South Jordan 1980 DARE Corvette. Half the funds collected will go into our account to help purchase needs parts. South Jordan Police Dept. will match whatever funds we raise for this project. The other half goes to the winning poker hands.

WHEN: April 20, 2013

COST: \$5.00/hand

WHERE TO MEET: North members meet at the Layton Mall flag pole at 10:00am meet up with the rest of the group at 11:00am at the Smith's on 665 W. 5300 S. We will draw our 1st card here.

2nd card at the Wal-Mart parking lot in Saratoga Springs. South members could meet us here rather than driving to SLC. Approx. 12 noon.

3rd card drawn at either Fairfield Inn or the old military cemetery.

4th card drawn at Tooele.

5th card drawn at In and Out Burger, 7785 Jordan Landing Blvd., West Jordan, Utah. We should arrive there around 3-3:30pm.

## FUTURE EVENTS

### UTAH SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL CRUISE – 27-30 JUN

Come join us on a trip to the Utah Shakespeare Festival in Cedar City, Utah. During the days side trips to Bryce and Zion national parks are planned.

For the Shakespeare Festival, those interested in attending the plays will need to get tickets through the Utah Shakespeare Festival Web Site (<http://www.bard.org/tickets/index.html>).

Attend one, two or all three, your choice. Ticket prices range from \$27-\$72 depending on seat selection. Here are the plays that we are looking at attending:

Thursday, June 27th, "Love's Labour's Lost"

Friday, June 28th, "The Tempest"

Saturday, June 29th, "King John"

Hotel: Best Western El Rey Inn & Suites (\$97.74/Night)

80 S Main Street

Cedar City, Utah, 84720-3337, United States

Phone: 435/586-6518

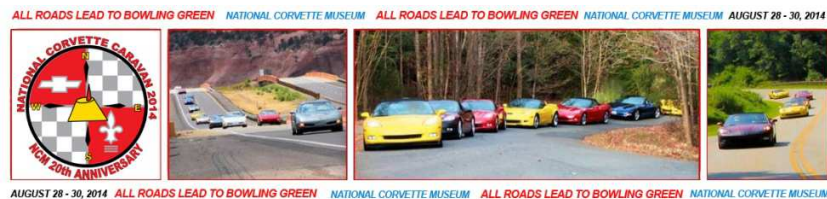
Depart from the Layton Hills Mall flag pole around 8:00 AM and the Maverick Station at the Thanksgiving Point exit around 9:30 AM.

For more information contact Wil or Maurie Gardner.

### SNAKE RIVER 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE CORVETTE – 29 JUN

THE SNAKE RIVER CORVETTE CLUB is planning an event for THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CORVETTE. The event will be held at Centennial Waterfront Park in Twin Falls, Idaho. The event will be Saturday June 29, 2013 from 9:00a.m-6:00p.m. The cost is \$25.00 per car. This includes: food and drink and a dash plaque. We will have t-shirts on sale at a cost of \$15.00 per shirt. We also have many activities planned. p.s. tell a friend. Contact MIKE CASEL 208-490-1348.

### 5TH NATIONAL CORVETTE CARAVAN - 28-30 AUG 2014



They come from miles around...lines of colorful Corvettes, all generations represented, traveling from every continental United State and even a few foreign countries to gather in the Home of the Corvette. 2014 will bring the 5th National

Corvette Caravan and will mark the 20th Anniversary of the National Corvette Museum. Leading the spectacle is Paul Mariano of Huntersville, NC, a 20-year Museum member who is not only a lifetime member of the Museum but also a founding member.

Registration is in progress. In one significant change from the past there will be only a single registration for both the 20th Anniversary Celebration and the National Corvette Caravan. Base registration is for the on-site event and there are options to add your Caravan selection, the Hall of Fame Induction Banquet, event shirt and, for Lifetime members, the Lifetime/VIP dinner.

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, UTAH

This is my third post to the home page for the Northern California - Northern Nevada - Utah section of the 2014 National Corvette Caravan. I am Don Herzer, Publications Director for the Western



States Corvette Council (WSSC). Plans have firmed up a little bit since my initial post, but I am open to suggestions.

Please note that even if you are not going all the way to Bowling Green, you are welcome to join in the Caravan out of CA to Reno, as many have done in the past. If you register for the Caravan (see below) or just want to escort us out of Ca., please email me ( [corvdon@wssc.ws](mailto:corvdon@wssc.ws) ) so that I can add you to the list for our Section.

Launch: Vaca Valley Corvettes have offered to host the formal launch of our section on Friday Aug. 22, 2014, somewhere in Solano County, thus providing a somewhat central location for No. Cal. Participants. I envision a late morning timing for the launch, so haven't planned on setting up an evening before gathering. If you would like to see that added, please let me know, and if numbers warrant, I will work on that also.

If numbers/interest warrant, I will work on having a pre-launch gathering in the San Jose area for those coming from the South Bay to caravan to the formal launch point.

From the launch point, we will head to Reno on I80, with a rest stop (most likely in Rocklin) along the way. I am working on having an optional side trip to the National Automotive Museum in Reno for a tour and dinner Friday evening.

Saturday, we will head to Salt Lake City. Our Corvette friends in Utah are working with the Miller Motorsports Park to arrange for us to get on the track for parade lap(s).

On Sunday, we will head to Cheyene, where we will link up with the NW section.

On Monday, August 25, 2014, we will head to Lincoln, NE, and be treated to a "Welcome to Nebraska" event hosted by the Nebraska Section.

On Tuesday, we will stage for a visit to the Museum of American Speed and then caravan on to Columbia, Mo.

The final leg is yet to be worked out as we will have to comply with arranged arrival times at the Museum, but we will travel to Bowling Green and stage for our dramatic entrance.

Registration for both the Caravan and the festivities is now open. Go to:  
<http://www.corvettemuseum.org/registration/celebration/20info.shtml>

You may register two people but information must be entered separately - only one name to a field.

To register a second person, check the 'add a guest' box at the bottom of the registration form

Registration fees subject to verification of membership status

Event Credential is printed according to how you enter the information

Use upper and lower case type as you fill in information so your name is printed with the correct characters

No refunds issued after Early Registration closing

Early-registration before June 28, 2014 (8:00 am CT) includes:

Admission to the NCM during the event

Seminars

Free Road Tours

Custom Event credential and lanyard - Shows each activity registered for.

Commemorative dash plaque and lapel pin

Promotional Materials: Caravan flags (\$15 ea.) and window decals (\$10 ea.) are available through Caravan Captains (me), so get your orders in and start helping us promote the 2014 Caravan.

I will be working on blocking sets of rooms at hotels along the route, but I don't expect registration to be available until approximately fall of 2013.

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209-586-3079

Ron Probert  
CCU Captain

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