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## Club News

### Latest Information

Check the Website for the most current information regarding activities, news, and events at:

<http://www.corvetteclubofutah.org>

### Wear Your CCU Name Badge

We have lots of new members in the club, and not so new members who are still getting to know people. The only way they will be able to remember your name is if you wear your CCU name badge. We strongly encourage wearing of name badges to activities and meetings. Please wear your badge!

### Events

Please contact the Special Events Chair, Kori Jensen, regarding upcoming events.

Please contact the Secretary, Nola Emery, regarding event attendance and meeting minutes.

### Membership

If you change your contact information, please send an email to [ccu.membership@corvetteclubofutah.org](mailto:ccu.membership@corvetteclubofutah.org).

### Treasurer

Contact Diane Williams regarding membership renewals and payments for upcoming events. See Diane at our monthly member meetings for club financial break downs by quarter. The club's financial information is available if you are interested.

### Embroidered shirts

Available through Creative Graphics. Contact Andrea Bitton at 801-266-7273 or [andrea@cgprinting.com](mailto:andrea@cgprinting.com). Or visit their website at [www.cgprinting.com](http://www.cgprinting.com). Judy Corgiat has a catalog.

### Facebook

Join us on-line at [www.facebook.com/CorvetteClubOfUtah](http://www.facebook.com/CorvetteClubOfUtah).

### 2019 Charity

The charity voted for this year is the Utah Food Bank.

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## From the President

Dear Members,

As our year winds down I look back and see an amazing year! We have had fun road trips, birthday events, Super Sunday Series drives and fun dinners in the park. We have had great success in recruiting new members. I always enjoy seeing our members engaging in fun conversation at our events. We have such great members!

As my time as president for the past 2 years comes to a close I want to thank those that I have served with both past and present. All of these fun events don't just magically happen. They take a lot of work and planning. Our officers have worked very hard to make these events happen and make them successful. As officers we meet monthly to plan events and make sure that the club is going in the right direction. We work with our sponsor to ensure that they feel that their sponsorship money is well spent. Each of the officers are volunteers. Please take the time to express your gratitude for their many hours of dedicated service on your behalf.

As we break out the car covers and trickle chargers and let our cars dream of fun activities to come, I say farewell as your president. I have enjoyed my time as president and look forward to supporting the new president.

I wish each of you a great holiday season,

John Forbes  
Corvette Club of Utah  
President

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**On the cover:** View through the windshield during an early Autumn snow storm from the one lone Vette on the final Super Summer Sunday Series run over Mirror Lake Highway; September 29<sup>th</sup>.

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## New Members

Greg & Michelle Brooks      Pleasant Grove  
2006 Burgundy Coupe

Jason & Tammy Henry      Magna  
2004 Gray Coupe

Norman Ristau      Roy  
2001 Red Coupe

Duane & Sandra Whitney

## Member's Birthdays

### November

3 John Emery  
7 Kathy Rohlfing  
8 Wendy Christensen  
8 Judy Corgiat  
12 Douglas Fisher  
12 Janice Shepherd  
13 Mark Petersen  
14 Beverley Wilson  
15 Ruben Trujillo  
16 Connie Anderson  
17 Bruce Heckler  
20 Mike Smith  
20 Matthew Borger  
21 Ernie Carlson  
26 Mindy Decarolis  
29 Tammy Henry  
29 Cyndi Schmidt

### December

5 Sharon Pellow  
10 Robert Strong  
11 Paul Smith  
12 Missy Heckler  
14 Nancy Jensen  
14 Bob Larson  
15 Linda Elmer  
18 Bob Richardson  
19 Ray Bryant  
19 Diana Cooley  
19 Alan Rohlfing  
20 Josie Stanford  
21 Terri Warburton  
24 Robert Thomson  
26 Darlene Odenwalder  
26 Susan Trujillo  
30 Floyd Chase  
30 Gail Wayman  
31 Karen McCombs  
31 Shawnee Plant  
31 Jo Roeseler  
31 Dustin Sutton

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## Candidates for President

This year we have two candidates running for the position of President. Take a moment to get to know who they are and what they stand for before placing your vote.

### Diane Williams

I want to thank the members that put my name in for the CCU President position this coming year, as well as the members that have approached me since that day showing their support. I also want to thank the exiting President, John Forbes, for all the hard work he has done. It has been wonderful to see the club growing again (25 new members in 2019). John has left some big shoes for the incoming President to fill and I believe that I am the right candidate to do just that.

Ever since I was 12 years old and took my first ride in a Corvette, I knew I would have one someday. That day became a reality in February 2007. Along with purchasing my car, I joined the club and I have been a member ever since. During this time, I have been on the board four times twice as the Treasurer and twice as the Webmaster. Over the years I have also planned many trips and hosted or planned events for the club to partake in.

As with any organization there are the day to day requirements as well as areas that can be improved on. If I am elected President this is what I would focus on during the upcoming year:

1. Deepening the relationship between the club and our sponsor. In the past we have come uncomfortably close to losing the sponsorship and our meeting location. We need to continue to show LHM Chevrolet that the sponsorship fee they pay is more than justified by the benefits they receive from the club. We need to ask them – what can we do for you.
2. Reaching out to the members more and getting input on what type of activities, etc. they would like to see. A great example is the upcoming ballot asking if the members want to continue with the dinners, parties, etc. Those results will be instrumental in developing the budget and activities for the upcoming year.

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### Mike Barker

I appreciate those members that nominated me for CCU President for this next year. A little about me: I have been a member of the club all most 24 years, over the years I have been President 3 times, Vice President, Membership Chairman 3 times and even treasurer once. Some say I am stupid for running again but I believe in this club and I want to make a difference. Here are some of the things I feel we need to work on and I will do my best to see they are addressed in the year 2020.

1. Better communications with the members via emails, club web page, one on one discussions and Facebook.
2. Control excessive spending. I have looked at the budget for the last few years and I see areas where we can save money. With that said I will be voting NO on the proposed membership fee increase. We will cut spending and control the budget.
3. Keep recruiting new members and make the club fun so they will keep coming out to events.
4. Have fun by looking at events that generated good turnout, doing away with those events that had small turnouts and trying some new things.
5. Follow Article 1 of the club bylaws: The general purpose of the Club will be to promote increased enjoyment of the Corvette ownership to the Club members by providing planned, regulated, social and competitive activities, to provide support to charitable organizations and to encourage careful and skillful driving on public highways. If you have not read the club bylaws you should they are on the club website.

Above all remember this is your Club. Elections will be held on November 20 at LHM Dealership 7pm.

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3. Stay focused on recruiting new members. Continue to use what has been successful in the past while thinking of new ideas and ways to reach new Corvette owners. The long-term health of any membership club is finding new members while retaining existing ones. The club needs to be fun and exciting to both recruit and keep members.
4. Last, but far from least is watching and controlling expenses. None of the above can happen if the club just spends money without thinking. I am intimately familiar with the 2019 budget and where all the money was spent. And once we have the feedback from the members vote in November my knowledge and experience will be allow me to plan the roadmap for the club going forward. I want to assure all members that controlling spending is extremely important to me and the long-term success of the club. At the same time we need to continue keeping the activities offered through the club both fun and exciting.

Because of everything above I will be voting YES for starting a \$20 annual due for our Companion Members. This new fee comes to \$1.67 per month – less than a cup of coffee at most restaurants – while the benefits it brings are many.

It will bring in additional funds to allow the club to continue covering the costs (whole and partial) of different events. For example: 100% of the summer dinner/breakfast meetings, 50% of the Christmas and Awards banquet costs, meeting prizes, etc.

It will bring the dues the singles members pay more in line with what they receive from the club and what their fellow married/two-party members pay.

It will allow us the opportunity to look into new avenues for marketing and recruitment of additional members.

Please remember that our elections are held at the upcoming club meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. The location for the meeting is the LHM Chevrolet dealership at 5500 S State Street in Murray. If you cannot attend the meeting you may mail in

your ballot which is included in the Nov/Dec Gazette located on the CCU website. Your ballot needs to be received at the PO Box by the date of the meeting, November 20, 2019, in order to be counted.

Please make your wishes heard and vote. And, I sincerely hope that your vote for President is for me.

Thank you,  
Diane Williams

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Come out and vote. If you cannot make it to the meeting sit down right now, print off a ballot from this newsletter and mail it to the Club address ASAP. Make your vote count on the issues before you.

Thanks  
Mike Barker



Why retirees are always so happy



The following news comes from the NCM E-News, the weekly email newsletter of the national corvette museum. Subscribe to NCM E-News on the NCM Website for more news and the details.

## Corvette News

### Chevrolet Introduces First Hardtop Corvette Convertible

Open-air driving has always been a part of the Chevrolet Corvette’s heritage. In fact, when the Corvette debuted in 1953, it was available only as a convertible. The 2020 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray convertible builds off that heritage as the first hardtop and mid-engine convertible in Corvette history.



### C8.R Makes Surprise Debut at Corvette Convertible Reveal



More than 60 years of racing heritage helped set the stage for the most important debut in Corvette’s racing history tonight, as Chevy’s first mid-engine GTLM race car – the Corvette C8.R – made its surprise debut alongside the 2020 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray convertible at the Kennedy Space Center. The C8.R and Corvette Stingray represent a true technology transfer, taking lessons from the street straight to the track and vice versa.

## Corvette Raffles

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| <p><b>2019 Arctic White Stingray Coupe</b><br/>           Raffle Drawing 10/24/2019<br/>           Tickets \$150 / Limited to 1,000 Tickets<br/>           Only 449 SOLD as of 10/03/19</p> | <p><b>2019 Torch Red Stingray Coupe</b><br/>           Raffle Drawing 12/19/2019<br/>           Tickets \$100 / Limited to 1,500 Tickets<br/>           Only 230 SOLD as of 10/03/2019</p> |
| <p><b>2019 Shadow Gray Corvette ZR1</b><br/>           Raffle Drawing 11/21/2019<br/>           Tickets \$300 / Limited to 1,500 Tickets<br/>           Only 380 SOLD as of 10/03/19</p>    | <p><b>2020 Black Corvette Coupe</b><br/>           Raffle Drawing 4/25/2020<br/>           Tickets \$20 / Unlimited Tickets</p>  |



## Chevrolet Debuts Mid-Engine C8.R for Next Racing Season

*Corvette race car shows off its new colors and clean sheet design built on enhanced technology transfer*

BRASELTON, Ga. – Chevrolet begins a new chapter in its storied racing legacy with the introduction of the new mid-engine Corvette race car, known as the C8.R. The C8.R will be Chevrolet's first mid-engine race car to compete in IMSA's GTLM class and the first clean sheet race car design since the C5.R debuted in 1999. It will make its racing debut at the Rolex 24 At Daytona on Jan. 25, 2020.



The C8.R is based on the strong foundation of the 2020 Corvette Stingray. There is a deeper level of technology transfer between the race car and production Corvette than ever before, which helps contribute to many of its advancements. As a result, the C8.R shares the highest percentage of parts between the production and race car than any previous generation.

"It was important for us to develop the new race car alongside the production car, so that each product could properly take advantage of the new architecture," said Ed Piatek, Corvette chief engineer. "The benefits of this mid-engine supercar, including its incredible balance and connected-to-the-road feel, will be obvious on the street and the track."

### Engineered for the Racing Environment

Since certain features of the 2020 Corvette Stingray aren't necessary in a racing environment, the engineering and design teams found innovative ways to get benefits out of every part of the vehicle. For example, on the C8.R, a single centrally-mounted radiator was placed in the area used as the front storage compartment on the production Corvette. Ultra-bright racing headlights were packaged on the race car where the radiators are located on the production car.

In compliance with IMSA engine displacement rules, the C8.R will feature a 5.5L naturally-aspirated V8 engine, producing 500 hp and 480 ft.-lb. of torque.

A new compact Xtrac six-speed sequential gearbox was developed in order to provide room at the rear of the C8.R to package a race car specific diffuser.

"We have looked forward to racing a production-based mid-engine Corvette for a long time," said Jim Campbell, Chevrolet U.S. vice president of Performance and Motorsports. "The debut of the C8.R is the result of immense collaboration between GM Engineering, Propulsion, Design and the Corvette Racing team. As Corvette Racing enters its third decade of competition, we're excited to begin the next chapter."

### Designed to Improve Aero, Weight and Stiffness

Improving aerodynamics, increasing stiffness and decreasing weight from the previous generation car were all primary focuses of the C8.R development.

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The use of computer analytics made it possible to start the design of the race car well in advance of any production Corvette components being available. Chevrolet's state of the art Driver in the Loop Simulator was heavily utilized to evaluate numerous chassis and aero design concepts. The engineering and design teams produced thousands of 3D-printed rapid prototype parts for chassis and wind tunnel testing. The use of these development tools resulted in a race car with improved aerodynamics, vehicle dynamics and weight distribution.

The C8.R utilizes a production 2020 Stingray chassis structure produced in the Bowling Green Assembly plant. The chassis is then modified to meet race series requirements. The new C8.R chassis structure is significantly stiffer and lighter than its predecessor.

With a lower center of gravity and more even weight distribution on the wheels, Corvette Racing worked closely with Michelin to optimize the tire compound and construction to best support the unique traction needs of a mid-engine race car. The C8.R will ride on 18 inch MICHELIN® Pilot® Sport GT competition tires.

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### **Sporting Both Yellow and Silver**

While yellow continues to be a mainstay of Corvette Racing, it is now joined by a new look for the 2020 season.

The No. 4 race car features a new silver livery, inspired by the color of iconic Corvette concepts such as the 1973 Chevrolet Aerovette and the 1959 Corvette Stingray Racer that pushed the envelope both in design and on-track performance. This car also features yellow accents.

It will be joined by the No. 3 race car in a yellow color scheme with silver accents that continues the lineage of the successful GTLM racing Corvettes.

"Since the mid-engine race car is such a revolutionary vehicle, we felt it would be fitting to honor Cor-

vette Racing's legacy with both a redesigned, modern livery along with a traditional livery in Corvette yellow," said Vlad Kapitonov, lead creative designer, Chevrolet Performance Cars. "Both liveries pay homage to Corvette's Racing storied heritage, as well as the impressive engineering and design milestones that led to up to this extraordinary race car."

### **Debuts at Road Atlanta, To Race at Daytona**

Prior to its 2020 debut at Rolex 24 at Daytona, the C8.R will stretch its legs on the Road Atlanta Michelin Raceway by performing a ceremonial lap on the track prior to the 22nd annual Petit Le Mans race.

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### **Park City Miner's Day Parade**

At 8:45 am, 11 Corvettes departed Parley's Way Walmart heading to Park City to once again participate in the Park City Miner's Day Parade.

We arrived in Park City at about 9:30 am and proceeded to Swede Alley an out staging place in the parking lot at the top of the street. Once there everyone broke out the cleaning gear and started to shine up the cars getting ready for the parade.

Finally the city finished the "Running of the Balls". They put two parallel boards down Main Street for about 50 yards, the spectators buy one or more golf balls and at about 10:30 am the "Balls" are released to roll down main street. The first ones to get into the gate at the bottom win prizes.

At about 11:00 am, after Main Street is cleared and the bi-planes do a fly over, the parade begins. This year the Corvette Club of Utah was entry 11 so we weren't too far back. There is usually 60 to 80 entries and we have been back as far as about 25<sup>th</sup>. The parade runs about a mile and a half and the spectators are yelling to us to "light 'em up", but with only a car length between cars it's difficult to do. This isn't a paid event, but it sure is fun. The Corvette Club has been doing Miner's Day for 6 - 7 years now and they keep asking us back. I guess we are doing something right.

After the parade about half of us headed to Billy Blanco's for lunch. Afterwards we went our separate ways and headed for home.



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## 2019 National Corvette Caravan

The Corvette Caravan is in the bag. It was over 7,000 miles of adventure, new friends, and fun. This was my third one and I think I'm up for a fourth, but I will probably have a seat available because I'm pretty sure that Jo will tell me to pick her up at the Nashville Airport when I get there. The only disappointment was no factory tours this go around. The factory is still in the C7 production mode trying to finish up their orders before starting to retool for the next generation Corvette. Contrary to any rumors about the C8 production on the internet, the C8 is not being manufactured yet.

The caravan actually started in Rio Vista, California located on the Sacramento River Delta. Participant's from the San Francisco Area, and one from Utah, were treated to Breakfast Burritos as we took off on the back roads through the river delta to Folsom Chevrolet in Folsom, California. We were treated to refreshments and picked up Corvettes from the Sacramento area and North and headed for Lake Tahoe on US-50. We eventually arrived at Michael Hohl Chevrolet in Carson City, Nevada where we were treated with lunch. We picked up the Northern Nevada Corvettes making us about 120 Corvettes strong and continued on US-50 to Fallon, NV where we enjoyed a tour of NAS Fallon and dinner at the Officer's Club.



The next day we headed out of Fallon on US-50 and were greeted by freshly rock chipped roads for the first fifteen miles. There were various stops as we raced across Nevada with a stop in Ely for lunch while riding the steam train. Then it was off to Richfield, UT going through Milford and Beaver, UT on the old Milford Highway. Once in Richfield, we were treated to a catered dinner at their Trail Days Celebration.



As we left Richfield the next day, members of the club left from Salt Lake City joining us at the Rest Area outside of Green River, Utah. It was an interesting day because our 127 Corvette's had already passed by and were enjoying the sights in Moab, Utah. Four hours behind us were 200 plus Corvettes from the South West Caravan also heading for Moab. We chose to eat lunch in Fruita, Colorado and head on in to the motel.

The second day in Colorado we headed to Rocky Mountain National Park and spent the day in the park before heading to Limon, Colorado. Then it was off to Kansas City, Missouri. The road through Kansas is long, straight, and boring. At one of the truck stops the group bought me a Sheriff Badge and me the sheriff of the group. Yes, the toll road still exists between Topeka and Kansas City. They now accept credit cards and didn't know what to do when we handed them a fist full of quarters.



Our stay in Kansas City was interesting. We were greeted by gentleman wearing a sidearm who told us he was there to guard our cars. He had cones marking where he wanted us to park. The cars were not harmed, but John came out to see his car covered with pigeon poop and my car parked next to it was covered with pigeon feathers. The guard was gone when we got out to our cars. We think he didn't want to be around when we saw them.

From Kansas City, it was to our last stop before heading into the museum. We stopped for lunch at the Budweiser Factory and saw the Clydesdales Horses.



When we arrived at Cape Girardeau, we walked down to the street party the town had for the caravan. It was packed with live music everywhere. There were over 1,000 Corvette's there.

The next day we elected not to travel with the caravan and headed for the museum ahead of the caravan. It was the right choice. We enjoyed lightly traveled roads, were able to take pictures at the Corvette Assembly Plant before headed over to the museum and parked on the grass adjacent to the museum, and had lunch at the museum. The caravan later that night, too late to stop at the museum.

The first day at the museum we volunteered to work in the Corvette Café. While busing tables, we ran into Ruth Buzzi from the Laugh In Show who was traveling with the Lone Star Corvette Club. We also ran into Tom and MaryBeth Schmidt, former members who came up from Georgia. That evening was the Jefferson Starship Concert and they played a lot of the old Jefferson Airplane songs followed by fireworks. It was one of the better museum anniversaries we have been to.



On the second day I attended an NCM Ambassadors Meeting where the club was presented an award for their Social Media presence. When then headed up north to The Jim Beam Distillery for a tour and lunch. Several of the members bottled their private label of Jim Beam Whiskey.

On the third day, we called a time out on a very busy week of events and returned to the museum so everyone had a chance to sit in a C8 and do last minute shopping at the



Museum Store. That night, everyone was gathered around the computer in the hotel lobby building their Next Generation Corvette. There were six Corvette's on display plus the GM Engineers drove their C8 Corvette's and parked them in the parking lots so we got to see every color out in the sunlight.

Of course, all good things must come to an end so some us went home and others continued the journey by traveling North to Chicago to travel the entire length of Route 66. I knew Illinois was a union state and expected festivities in Chicago on labor day, but not on Sunday. Chicago closed off most of our route into Chicago for a big labor day parade. But we kept going and found the start before heading to Joliet for the night.



The first day we spent traveling through Illinois on Route 66 while stopping at the museum in Pontiac and the Gateway Arch in St. Louis.

The second day we traveled on Route 66 through Missouri with a stop in Uranus for some packed fudge before staying in Springfield. At Springfield, the manager took us on a tour of the motel and showed us the suite Elvis would stay in when he would come up to the local College for a visit.

The third day we traveled through Kansas and Oklahoma on Route 66 stopping at the Circle Inn for lunch in Oklahoma. We drove over the Rainbow Bridge and also stopped at the Blue Whale and Round Barn before stopping in Clinton.



Fourth day was driving Route 66 in Texas and New Mexico. We stopped at the National Route 66 Museum before leaving Oklahoma, visited the Route 66 and Devils Wire Museum in Texas, and stopped at the Blue Swallow Court Motel before stopping overnight in New Mexico.

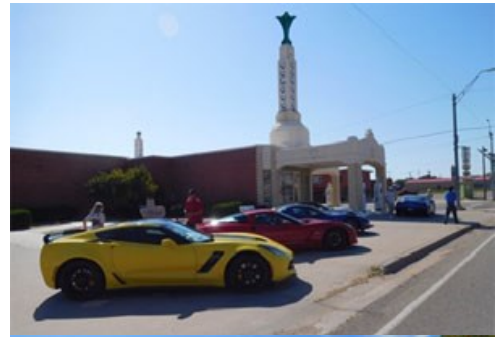
Fifth day was traveling on Route 66 through New Mexico and Arizona with stops in Winslow for lunch, the Wigwam Motel, and Seligman before arriving in Kingman.

Sixth day was Arizona and California. We found the most expensive gas in the lower 48 and unfortunately one of our members had to buy some. We got back on Route 66 in Barstow and followed it to Victorville.

We enjoyed the Route 66 Museum in Barstow and took pictures of some lowriders while they took pictures of our Corvette. We planned on following Route 66 from Rancho Cucamonga to Santa Monica but road construction forced us back on the freeway. We enjoyed a stroll overlooking



the ocean in Santa Monica before joining the traffic jam back to our hotel in Ranch Cucamonga. We got separated in the traffic and everyone took a different route back, but we all arrived within fifteen minutes, mission accomplished.



You can see more pictures of our journey on the club webpage and Facebook page.



## September Cruise and Birthday Dinner

On Saturday, September 14th, ten cars departed Thanksgiving Point for an autumn cruise which in an indirect and meandering way would lead us to Midway for our September Birthday Celebration dinner at the Corner Restaurant. Entering Spanish Fork Canyon, three additional cars had joined for the adventure. In Midway, three more would eventually meet up with us at the restaurant for dinner. Overall, we had a really nice turn out.

This was to be our autumn cruise searching for colors. We discovered only one tree in Tabionna and another lone tree near Nobletts Trailhead attempting to change color. Despite being the middle of September, these un-cooperating trees had nary a clue it was time for them to be changing colors.

Our cruise led us south to Helper where we made a

quick stop for snacks and restrooms. A nice gentleman from Scotland, travelling the states with his wife, came over and chatted us up about our Corvettes as he too loved them and had three of his own back home. As we chatted, most of the town of Helper proceeded to parade by to see the cars parked in back of the local gas station.

Departing Helper we travelled highway 191 to Duchesne. We made another stop for restrooms before continuing on to highway 35 through Tabionna and Hannah. We enjoyed a few stops along the southern slopes of the Uintah Mountain range to kill some time and take some photos.

A Utah Highway Patrol officer spotted us just north of Duchesne and proceeded to position himself right in the middle of our procession of cars. We main-

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## October Cruise and Birthday Lunch

Our last cruise of the year and our October Birthday Lunch Celebration was Saturday, Oct 12. Once again we departed Thanksgiving Point for our day of adventure. This time eighteen cars joined us as we headed south on Redwood Road to travel the west side of Utah Lake to the town of Elberta. The plan... to get photos of the cars in front of the old Elberta Sinclair Station.

After navigating through Saratoga Springs, we got a chance to have a spirited drive along the shores of Utah Lake through Mosida and then south to Elberta.

Arriving in Elberta, we were greeted with a "Welcome Home Sister Sara" sign prominently mounted to the front of... and taking up a majority of... the historic Sinclair Station. Now, we're not talking a piece of paper or cardboard sign tacked up with a few nails, but a canvas painted sign with a duct tape frame screwed onto the front of the building with over 40 sheetrock screws and 1 ½" fender washers which I felt was defacing and vandalizing a historic landmark. Well... so much for getting photos of the cars in front of this building today.

So, we turned our attention to Eureka. Being only 10 miles up the road we made an additional spirited run up the canyon.

Arriving at the only gas station in Eureka appropriately named the *Gashole*... sorry, that just cracks me up... we bailed out, started a conga line for use of the only one-holer restroom for at least 20 miles before exploring the old mining town.

Since we had arrived at 10:00 am, it was pretty early for the sleepy town to be up and going. We met the remaining survivor of the three men who moved Porter Rockwell's home from the west desert to the town of Eureka. He came out and told some stories and then proceeded to unlock some of the old buildings in town releasing their secrets to us. What a neat experience that was.

Many of us explored the mining museum and the motorcycle museum. We even had the opportunity to chat with the mayor of Eureka; Mayor Nick.

Leaving Eureka, we headed east back to Goshen. In Goshen we took an opportunity to get one last spirited run through Goshen Canyon before having to use

the freeway at Mona.

We headed north on I-15 to Santaquin, stopping at Rowley's Big Red Barn. Whether it was apples, plums, Apple Donuts, toys or ice cream, I think all of us walked away with a little something something from the Big Red Barn. What a fun place. And man, was it crowded!

Leaving Santaquin, we made a 20 minute drive up to Springville where we met up with even more club members and enjoyed a nice October Birthday Celebration lunch at the Strap Tank Brewery.



Afterwards, whoever wanted to could wander over to Legends Motorcycle Museum for even more great displays of various brands of motorcycles before returning home.

It was a great day for weather, driving and again discovering secrets this state has to offer.

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tained our Ps and Qs and drove nicely. He stayed with us for quite some time and we began to wonder if he would be joining us for dinner. He eventually gave up at Tabionna and turned towards highway 40. I guess our style of driving wasn't spirited enough for his taste.

Reaching Midway we all joined up at the Corner Restaurant. As the weather was absolutely wonderful, we occupied a majority of the tables on the front patio. We enjoyed a nice dinner on the patio and chatted amongst ourselves.

After dinner everyone returned home on separate paths as all roads lead to home.

## Super Summer Sunday Series... The Finale

Sunday, September 22... What a way to end the Sunday runs for the 2019 season. Beautiful autumn weather all week with the local TV Weather Personalities threatening snow to the valley floors by Sunday morning. I received many phone calls and emails from concerned members recommending changing the date.

I have yet to confirm this rumor, but I heard from a little birdie the newer ZO6 and Grand Sport models have tires that do not recommend driving them when the temperature is below something like 60° F and the roads are not dry. Tsk tsk... having spent so much money on something you can only enjoy on hot sunny days.

I remained firm in my choice of dates and I was going no matter what weather we had. I had made arrangements at the DeJoria Center for 20 people for a nice Sunday Brunch in Marion, UT on what was close to being the last day of summer as possible. If we had four inches of snow or less, I was taking the Corvette. Anything over four inches, I would enjoy the comfort and security of the Sierra Vette. Well, it was nothing but rain leaving Salt Lake, so you know I was in the Corvette.

Two couples joined us in Salt Lake at Walmart on Parley's Way. One brought their Vette, the other brought their CadiVette (i.e. grocery getter). Didn't matter to me. Just come out and enjoy a great day.

I thought for sure Parley's Summit would have some snow... at least on the sides of the road... but it didn't. In fact, the further up Parley's Canyon we went, the better the weather. By the time we made it to Oakley, the rain had completely stopped

and the clouds were breaking with spots of blue dotting the sky. The cold wind blew hard and strong, but the roads were dry and the colors were changing.

DeJoria treated us very well. We basically had the entire restaurant to ourselves. One other couple met us at the DeJoria for eight people total. DeJoria had a beautiful table setup decorated with flowers and real linen table cloths and linen napkins. Service was impeccable, the food was very well prepared and the views facing south out of the twenty foot floor-to-ceiling windows were incredible. It saddened me my usual Sunday Run followers were not here to experience this incredible morning.



After breakfast two couples returned home. Us in my Corvette and the CadiVette continued the morning for a nice drive over the Mirror Lake Highway to Evanston eventually returning home via I-80.

The roads were dry from Kamas through Samak and Soapstone. We picked up some rain as we started climbing to Bald Mountain Pass. Wildlife consisted of the usual free roaming cows and a few deer.

Approaching Bald Mountain Pass rain turned to snow and the road had a slight amount of slush leaving

small bare tracks for the tires to ride in. Passing over the summit, the road quickly became covered with about three inches of snow. I am still impressed at how well these Corvettes perform in the snow.

We made a quick stop at Mirror Lake. This was the first time for me to experience Mirror Lake in a snow storm completely void of any people. After snapping a few photos we continued the adventure down the north slope of the Uintah's to Evanston.

The snow continued falling as we headed north. The tree colors were incredible, nestled within the fog of the storm. Deer continued to dart across the road as we descended out of the clouds.

Leaving Evanston, the rain dissipated and the road was once again dry. With the landscape quickly changing to desert, the colors diminished but were still beautiful. What an incredible way to end the Sunday Run season.

I will fondly look back on this season. For those members willing to participate each month, I thank you. I used these opportunities to provide various driving challenges in preparation for an even bigger Club project in 2020. Throughout the season, I was eager to see who would complete all six challenges. Now the season is over, it saddens me to report not one Club member completed all six Super Summer Sunday Series challenges with me.

This was my last Sunday Series cruise. Thank you again, everyone. I really enjoyed our time together on the road.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 Daylight Saving Time Ends	4	5	6	7	8	9 Layton Veterans Day Parade
10	11 Veterans' Day	12	13	14	15	16 Birthday Lunch
17	18	19	20 Club Meeting	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving	29	30

November ● 2019

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Birthday Lunch Pearl Harbor
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Christmas Party
15	16	17	18 Club Meeting	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28
29	30	31				

December ● 2019

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# Event Summary

## November 2019

9	9:00 am	Layton Veterans Day Parade	Gentile and Talbot Dr (900 E), Layton
16	11:30 am	Birthday Lunch	Hug Hes - 2432 W 1700 S, Syracuse
20	7:00 pm	CCU Club Meeting	Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 South State, Murray

## December 2019

7	11:30 am	Birthday Lunch	Garage Grill, 1122 East Draper Parkway, Draper
14	5:00 pm	Christmas Party	Courtyard by Marriot, 10701 S Holiday Park Dr, Sandy
18	6:00 pm	CCU Club Meeting	Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 South State, Murray

## January 2020

15	7:00 pm	CCU Club Meeting	Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 South State, Murray
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## February 2020

19	7:00 pm	CCU Club Meeting	Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 South State, Murray
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## Mar 2020

18	7:00 pm	CCU Club Meeting	Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 South State, Murray
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## April 2020

15	7:00 pm	CCU Club Meeting	Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 South State, Murray
30	9:00 am	Route 66	Seligman - Kingman - Topock, AZ

## May 2020

1 - 5		Route 66	Seligman - Kingman - Topock, AZ
20	7:00 pm	CCU Club Meeting	Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 South State, Murray

## September 2020

9 - 15		Corvette Racing	WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca
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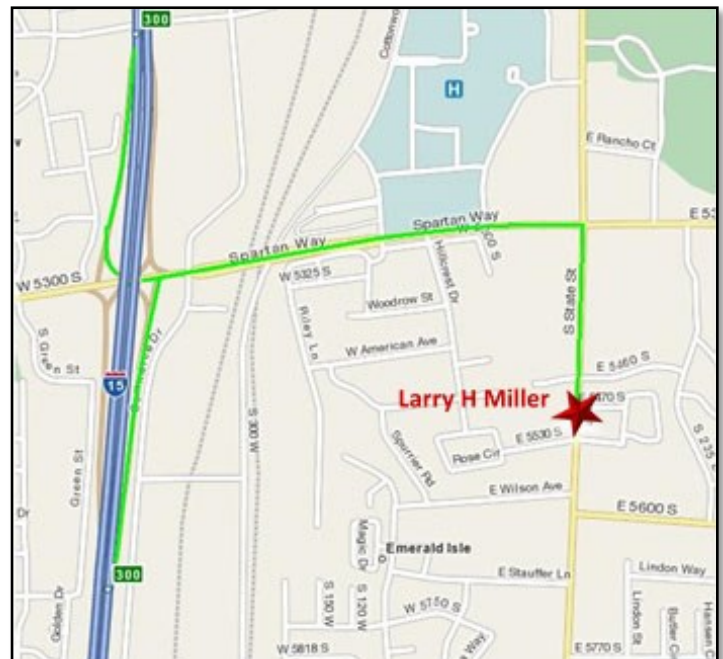
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## November & December Club Meetings

Now winter is here, we are continuing to meet at Larry H Miller Chevrolet, 550 South State, Murray. Everyone, members and non-members are welcome to attend the meetings. We will discuss activities and events followed by drawings for door prizes.

Do not park in front of the dealership. Please stay on the north side of the building to allow customers to park along the front of the dealership.

November is elections month. Print out the 2020 ballot included in the back of this newsletter, vote and bring it or mail it to the club.



Always check [www.corvetteclubofutah.org](http://www.corvetteclubofutah.org) for updated event information



## Layton Veterans Day Parade

Layton City has asked us to participate in the Veteran's Day Parade again this year. We did this last year and had good participation. This year they would like a minimum of 5 cars and have us take the Mayor and the City Council members. They will take as many cars as we want to have participate. Since the Mayor and City Council members will be riding with us we need to commit regardless of weather. They will allow us to use other vehicles instead of our Corvettes if the weather is bad.

We will meet at the corner of Gentile and Talbot Dr. (900 E) in Layton at 9:00 am on Saturday, November 9th.

Check the website for additional information.

## November Birthday Celebration



We will be celebrating members birthdays for the month of November at Hug-Hes Café in Syracuse. The address is 2432 West 1700 South, Syracuse. We will meet for lunch at 11:30 am on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

Take Exit 332 from I-15 north or south and travel west towards Antelope Island. Hug-Hes will be on the right side of the road as you travel west just before reaching Bluff Road.

Everyone is invited to attend to wish our members Happy Birthday!

## December Birthday Celebration

We will be celebrating members birthdays for the month of December at the Garage Grill in Draper. The address is 1122 East Draper Parkway, Draper. We will meet for lunch at 11:30 am on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.



Take Exit 291 (123<sup>rd</sup> South, Sandy) from I-15 north or south and travel east. Garage Grill will be on your right as you travel east towards the Wasatch Mountains.

Everyone is invited to attend to wish our members Happy Birthday!

## Christmas Party

This year's Christmas Party will be held at the Courtyard Marriot, 10701 S. Holiday Park Dr., Sandy.



Schedule:

5:00 - 6:00 pm	Social Hour
6:00 - 7:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 - 8:00 pm	Entertainment

Entertainment for the evening will be "The Bells of Joyful Sound Bell Choir."



Menu Selections:

### Lemon Pepper Chicken

Grilled chicken breast lightly seasoned  
Blended rice and vegetables  
or

### London Broil

Char-broiled marinated flank steak  
Sherry mushroom sauce  
Potatoes or rice

Both dishes served with:

Garden fresh salad  
Rolls and butter  
Desert  
Soft drinks

\$22.00 per member

Alcoholic beverages are available. Ask your server

For those wishing to stay a couple of nights, the Courtyard has rooms available for Friday and Saturday for \$89.00 / night.

Contact Kori Jensen at 801-598-6595 for more information and to order your choice of meal.

## Corvette Racing at WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca for 2020

In 2020, the C8R will start racing in the IMSA/WeatherTech SportsCar Championship races. They will be racing at the WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca near Monterey, CA from Sept 11<sup>th</sup> to Sept 13<sup>th</sup>. Join us for a week long adventure to see the races in person. It's important that you book your motel room now in Salinas or face room shortages and much higher room rates. You can always cancel if you change your mind.

Please sign up on the club website for this event. We will be notifying signed up participants when it's time to buy your tickets and your Corvette Corral pass. I will acknowledge that I have received your signup so if you don't get an acknowledgement I didn't get your signup. The agenda for the track days is tentative and will firm up after we receive the Corvette Corral and Race Agenda.



### IMSA/WeatherTech SportsCar Championship Information:

<https://sportscarchampionship.imsa.com/events/2020-weathertech-raceway-laguna-seca>



Wednesday, September 9th - We will meet at 7:45 AM and depart from the Flying J, 1605 Saddleback Blvd, Lake Point, Ut at 8:00 AM. This is the Flying J on the Tooele Exit from I-80. At Wendover, we will be heading to Ely for lunch and gas and then following US-50 (Loneliest Highway) to Fallon, NV. We will be staying overnight at the Best Western Fallon Inn & Suites, 1035 W Williams Ave, Fallon, NV 89406 Phone (775) 423-6005. AAA or Senior Rate for two queens or one king is \$107.99.

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Thursday, September 10th - We will depart at 8:00 AM. We will continue West on US-50 to Carson City. We will head South on US-395 and then over the mountains to Jackson, CA for lunch. We will continue our backroad adventure to Stockton, CA and then join I-5 to Salinas. We will be staying four nights at the Best Western Plus Salinas Valley Inn & Suites, 187 Kern Street, Salinas, CA 93905 Phone (831) 751-6411. AAA or Senior Rate for two queens or one king is \$147.60. These rates will go up and rooms may not be available as we get closer to the races.



[https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotels-in-salinas/best-western-plus-salinas-valley-inn-suites/propertyCode.05607.html](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotels-in-salinas/best-western-plus-salinas-valley-inn-suites/propertyCode.05607.html)

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Friday, September 11th - We will spend the morning at the Laguna Seca Raceway, validating our race credentials and locating the Corvette Corral. The Corvette Corral will sell out and if you did not buy the pass you will be stuck in general parking. At the Corvette Corral, we will check-in and sign-up for the Corvette Parade Lap. You will then have time to visit the exhibits, stores, and paddocks without the crowds. That afternoon, we will head for Monterey to do the 17 Mile Drive through Pebble Beach and have dinner in the Cannery Row.

Laguna Seca Raceway: <https://www.weathertechraceway.com>

17 Mile Drive: <https://www.pebblebeach.com/17-mile-drive/>

Cannery Row: <https://canneryrow.com>

Saturday, September 12th - We will leave for Laguna Seca Raceway early in the morning so we can be lined up for the Corvette Parade Lap and attend the Safety Briefing. If we miss either one, no parade lap on the racetrack. The rest of the day is on your own at the racetrack watching the various time trials, parade laps, meeting the drivers, and attending the corral events.

Sunday, September 13th - This is race day. We will at the racetrack early enough to participate in the race start events. Spectators are allowed to mingle with the cars and drivers on the starting line before the start of the race. After they clear the starting line, you can go to the bleachers across from the starting line to watch the start. It's impressive. The race will last 2 hours and 40 minutes so you can wander around to different vantage points to watch the race. This day will also be on your own.



Monday, September 14th - Time to head home. We will leave at 8:00 AM. Traffic will be heavy at times but we will take the roads less traveled to get around it as much as possible. We will take the same route as we came in stopping at Jackson, CA again for lunch. We will turn off US-50 outside of Fernley, NV and head for I-80. We will be staying overnight at the Best Western Fernley Inn, 1405 Newlands Drive, Fernley, NV 89408 Phone (775) 302-0148.

[https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotels-in-fernley/best-western-fernley-inn/propertyCode.29069.html](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotels-in-fernley/best-western-fernley-inn/propertyCode.29069.html)

Tuesday, September 15th - We will depart at 8:00 AM. We will follow I-80 home with a stop in Elko for lunch and gas. Should be back in the Salt Lake Valley in time for rush hour.

For more information contact Bob Clayton (801) 399-2557 or [robert.clayton@comcast.net](mailto:robert.clayton@comcast.net).

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