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# The Vette Set

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"The general purpose of CSCC is to encourage planned trips, events and social activities for members of CSCC; to act as a source of technical information; to establish rules and regulations covering all activities of CSCC; to provide and regulate events and exhibitions of Corvettes; and to encourage careful and skillful driving on public highways; and to own personal property as individual to the foregoing purposes."

#### **Meeting Information**

Monthly business meetings are scheduled the first Thursday of the month.

The next meeting:

#### 7:00 P.M. Thursday February 6, 2020 Meeting Location

Daniels Long 670 Automotive Dr, Colorado Springs, CO 719-632-5591



click here for map

#### Hello Corvette Enthusiast,

February 2020

#### **Board Meetings**

Meetings are held the Tuesday prior to the business meeting.
The next board meeting:

#### Tuesday, February 4, 2020

Diana Dittman 11290 Cressman Drive, Falcon

(The chairperson for each event should attend the board meeting prior to their event.)

After the February meeting, join us for dinner, dessert, or just drinks!
Panino's Westside
1721 S 8th St.

#### 73 Members Present at the January Meeting

Don Adametz Scott Applekamp Gail Applekamp Todd Barnhardt Sue Barnhardt Steve Bello Jr. **Barrett Benson** Juanita Bochnak Tad Brown Mike Burks Andy Butterfield Debbie Butterfield Chris Capshaw Joseph Chiacchieri Pete Claus Brian Dahl

Jodi DeSchepper Todd DeSchepper Diana Dittman Mike Dittman Steve Dombrowski Brian Dougherty Pam Dougherty Kerry Ferguson Tim Ferrell Jerry Fox Dee Hamilton Russ Hamilton Doug Hantelman Johnny Harris Mike Hayes Tracey Hayes

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Guests Present					
Guest Name	Corvette	Meetings Attended	Sponsor		
Tracy DeSchepper	1982 Blue Coupe	3-Oct/Dec/Jan	Todd & Jodi DeSchepper		
Kevin Mahon	2013 Blue Coupe	3-Oct/Dec/Jan	Jack & Alice Lester		
Carl & Carol Marlar	1995 Convertible	3-Nov/Dec/Jan	Mike Neufeld		
Larry McMillin	2012 White GS	3-Nov/Dec/Jan	Dan Schuck		
Mark Muren & JoAnne Rodgers	1998 Pace Car	3-Nov/Dec/Jan	Mike Neufeld		
Colette Moger	2002 Red Coupe	2-Oct/Jan	Barrett Benson		
Doug & Karen Taylor	2015 Orange Cp	1-Jan	TBD		
Jennifer Cavaiani	2004 Yellow Coupe	1-Jan	Barrett Benson		

## **January Meeting Minutes**

The January meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Chris Capshaw.

**Treasurer's Report**- Anita Smith stated that the club is comfortable going into the new budget year.

**Secretary Report** –No corrections to the December minutes and they were approved as printed in the January newsletter.

Past Events – Brent Renholm reported on the success of delivering 125 Christmas baskets to help several local families. He thanked everyone who helped in one of the many various ways. Chris reported on the Festival of Lights parade. Had 11 cars – was a good time but it was a little cold. He also spoke about the Manitou parade and how Patty had been a true trouper even when she had the flu. Chris reported on the Christmas party. Pickle Head once again did a good job entertaining the group and a fun time was had by all.

**Unfinished Business:**Proposed changes to the Standing rules and bylaws. After lengthy discussion several changes were approved by the membership.

New Cars or Upgrades –Dan Kaplow purchased a new 2019 silver Z06, Tad Brown is the proud owner of a new 2019 Elkhart Lake blue Z06 and Chris Capshaw has a new 2019 Elkhart Lake blue Grand Sport.

Guests were introduced by Diana Dittman and Chris Capshaw; Colette Moger, Doug & Karen Taylor, Jennifer Cavaiani, Tracy DeSchepper, Kevin Mahon, Carl & Carol Marlar, Larry McMillin, and Mark Muren & JoAnne Rodgers. Tracy DeSchepper, Kevin Mahon, Carl & Carol Marlar, Larry McMillin, and Mark Muren & JoAnne Rodgers were voted in as new members. Welcome!

**Door Prizes Winners** - Thank you for door prize contributions from Daniels Long and The Corvette Center. Several winners were chosen.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Minutes by Todd DeSchepper

# We're Gonna Cruise to







# June 12 - 14, 2020

Come and join the fun as we cruise to the picturesque town of Durango. Lots of fun things to see and do there! Contact Chris Capshaw at <a href="mailto:capshaw1@comcast.net">capshaw1@comcast.net</a> or 719-440-9039, for all the details.

## February 2020 Calendar

Sat	Jan 25	Dub Bridge Party	Mike & Winnie Bochnak
Tue	Feb 4	CSCC Board Meeting	Diana Dittman
Thu	Feb 6	7 pm CSCC Club Meeting (6:30 for merchandise sales)	Daniels Long Chevrolet
Fri	Feb 21-23	NCCC Nat'l Governors Meeting	St. Louis, MO
Tue	Mar 3	CSCC Board Meeting	Brian Dahl
Thu	Mar 5	7 pm CSCC Club Meeting (6:30 for merchandise sales)	Daniels Long Chevrolet
Sat	Mar 14	RMR Awards Banquet	RMR Staff
Sat	Mar 14	St. Patrick's Day Parade	

Calendar dates as of January 15, 2020.

For the latest updates, flyers, and pictures, check out events on our webpage: www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org

# **Christmas Parades**

By Chris Capshaw

Twas the season to be jolly and be in some parades; the weather was chilly, but they weren't afraid. December is a great time of year, and a great time as well for parades. On two Saturdays, our club put a total of eleven Corvettes into the Colorado Springs Festival of Lights Parade, and the Manitou Springs Christmas Parade. Both nights were on the chilly side and thankfully some forecasted snow didn't show up; but the spectators sure did. Tens of thousands of people lined the streets of both cities to watch our decked-out Corvettes drive by. Our members put in a lot of time and effort decorating their cars, and the spectators showed their appreciation. Ron and Jeanne Urban attended both parades, as did Mike and Tracy Hayes who went full Grinch mode. Thanks go out to all our members who participated; and a special thank you to Patty Strauch who organized the Manitou Springs parade, and endured it while under the weather with the flu. What a trooper she is.



# CSCC Christmas Party – 2019

Submitted by: Barb Hoeppner and Vicki Ury

The Colorado Springs Corvette Club 2019 Christmas Party was a huge success! It was held at the Wedgewood in Black Forest. The "Black Tie" theme inspired 105 members to dust off their tuxedos, glittery party dresses, and some other "costumes", and put on the fancy shoes and enjoy a lovely evening with friends and acquaintances.

At this year's party the Holiday Season's tradition of giving was in full swing; 35 gifts worth over \$1000 were given to many lucky attending members. The gifts, for the most part, were donated by Daniels Long Chevrolet and CSCC members. Thank you for your generosity!

Rob Miskowitch once again took beautiful portraits of couples and groups that attended. These pictures were made available free to members that attended the party. Thank you, Rob, for your kindness!

The party entertainment was provided by one of our favorite performers, Wayne Faust the "Pickle Head". He too was a huge success! At the party, several members remarked that they were looking forward to another one of Wayne's shows.

As a gift from the Club, each primary member was given a grey and black tote bag with *Colorado Springs Corvette Club* written on one side. We have seen several in use already.

Barb Hoeppner and I, Vicki Ury, enjoy hosting the annual CSCC Christmas Party. We would like to thank our husbands Tom H. and Tom U. for their help in making the event special. Barb and I take pride in offering something a little different each year. We hope all members enjoyed the festivities of the evening and stay tuned for next year's exciting theme.



## Thank You From Queen Palmer Elementary School



Corvette Club, Thank you for blessing our families with your kindness. Gratefully, Anna Lockwood Community Liaison

Dear Corvette Club, We can't begin to tell you how much the food basket meant to us. Kindness like that is very rare. Thank you, very much and Merry Christmas. The Bertetto Family

Dear Friend, Thank you so much for the food and kindness. With many thanks The Millers

Dear Corvette Club, My family is very thankful for all the delicious food. I wish you knew how much it helps. Sincerely, The Davis Family Dear Corvette Club,

Thank you for the generous donations. We are very thankful for all the help that has been provided to our family. God bless you all! Sincerely,

Erives Family

Dear Friends,

Thank you for all the food that you have provided to our family. We truly appreciate you and your time. The Bratten family

Corvette Club of COS,

Thank y'all so much for our food, we really appreciate it. We are struggling and your blessing is an absolute gift to us, especially during Christmas. May God bless you. Dover-Hall Household

Corvette Club, Thank you for all the food. Boatman Family



# Colorado Springs Corvette Club 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Billiards Tournament Monday January 13, 2020



Submitted by Larry Valentine

In spite of a last-minute change of venue to Phantom Canyon Brewing Company the annual tournament proceeded as planned. Twenty club members and four spectators had a great evening of "I can't believe I missed that shot", "I can't believe my partner made that shot", and various other exclamations. Ten teams with mixed talents ("pretty good" with a "I've only played twice") made for interesting combinations of strategies and skills.

Walt Jenkins and Steven Dombrowski beat out Ron Urban and Todd Barnhart in the championship game. The "Shot of the Night" award taken by Brian Daugherty. First place prize was \$20 each, second place prize was \$10 each, and shot of the night was \$10. \$55 of the entry fees were recorded as profit to CSCC's general fund.

Special thanks to Vickie and Tom Ury, and Gwenda Valentine for making the event work.







As a follow-on to the bylaws and standing rules changes, approved by the membership at the January meeting; Robert Miskowitch has submitted the following change proposals, which will be presented, discussed at voted on at the February meeting.

#### **Bylaw Change Proposal:**

#### **Article II, 1.2 ENTHUSIAST MEMBER**

It is recommended that a path for Enthusiast members to become full members be identified. Therefore, it is recommended that paragraph C be added.

#### Current Version: N/A

#### **Proposed Version:**

C. Upon satisfying the requirements of full membership outlined in Article II, paragraph 1.0, an Enthusiast member may change their membership status to full membership by paying the difference of annual dues (including NCCC and RMR dues).

#### **Standing Rules Change Proposals:**

#### 1.0 FINANCIAL POLICY, A. Dues

For the purpose of consistency, it is recommended the annual dues for Enthusiast members be identified, as are the dues for other membership types. Approval will require the renumbering of two subsequent paragraphs to (4) and (5) respectively.

#### Current Version: N/A

#### **Proposed Version:**

(3) CSCC Enthusiast membership \$10.00 annually.

#### 5.0 PUBLICATIONS POLICY, D. Advertising

It is felt the term "Associate members" in subparagraph (2) is unnecessary and should be removed for clarity purposes. By only using the term "Club members," it would allow for inclusion of all members, regardless of membership type.

#### **Current Version:**

(2) Club members or Associate members may advertise their Corvette and Corvette related personal property for sale free of charge.

#### Proposed Version:

(2) Club members may advertise their Corvette and Corvette related personal property for sale free of charge.

**DETROIT** – The all-new Chevrolet Corvette Stingray has been selected as the 2020 North American Car of the Year by a 50-member jury of independent journalists. The Stingray was selected not only for its revolutionary midengine design, but for its level of refinement and impressive performance.

The Corvette was previously honored with this award in 1998 for the introduction of the fifth generation and again in 2014 for the introduction of the seventh generation. Corvette executive chief engineer Tadge Juechter received the award this morning at a public ceremony held at the TCF Center in Detroit.



Fun Fact: Serial #1, a red C8, just sold at Barrett-Jackson for a whopping \$3,000,000.00

#### **Get to Know Your Fellow Members**

An Interview with Bob & Bev Landdeck by Diana Dittman

How long have you been a CSCC member? **Since August of 2017.** 

What Corvette(s) do you currently own? A 2016 Torch Red C-7 Z-51. They had a C5 FRC.

Marital Status? Been married for 52 years.

How did you meet? Bob was working at Sears in management training after graduating from college. On Bob's second day he met Bev, also working at Sears...they both looked at each other and were smitten. They went dancing and many dates followed. Six months later they were married!



Where are you from?
Bob was born in Minnesota and spent his young childhood there. The family then

moved to Omaha, NE. From there they moved to California, New Mexico, and Oklahoma. Bev was born and raised in Oklahoma City.

Employment? Bob's career with Sears lasted for 21 years. They lived in Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, and Colorado. He ended up in Greeley where he was store manager for five years. He took a "golden parachute" in 1989 and left Sears. Bob then joined the Simon Property group, which is the largest mall developer. He was with Simon Property group for 20 years and retired from there in 2009. They moved 14 times between both of his careers. Bev was a stay at home Mom, raising twin daughters. She then had a career as a mortgage loan officer. She worked for Aspen Leaf mortgage in Colorado Springs and Greeley. They followed their dream to move back to Colorado in 2012, choosing Pueblo for the warm, dry climate.

Kids? They have twin daughters, five Grand Children, and one great granddaughter. It was an exciting Christmas when twin great granddaughters were added to the family on

December 28, 2019. Twins have been in the last three generations, so it runs in the family!
Pets? They currently have a Schnauzer named Pearl, who is ten years old. They have always had

Favorite club activity? Auto crossing. (See more details at the end).

dogs in the past as well.

Hobbies? They are both artists using watercolors, oil, and acrylic. (I'm told from people who have seen their work that they are REALLY true artists). Bev had her work displayed at art galleries in Oklahoma. Bob has a 1200 BMW RT motorcycle and Bev has a CanAm Spyder. They take long distance trips on those. They are proud that they can still do this even in their 70's!

What is the best vacation you ever took? Over this past summer they made an epic ride on their perspective motorcycles to Montana, Wyoming, and Idaho. They followed the west side of the Grand Tetons logging 3500 miles. They also enjoyed a family vacation on a Disney Cruise to Alaska. Their Grandson was a lead actor on the Disney ship so that was very special for them.

What is your dream corvette? The one that they own!

How did your love of Corvettes come about? After racing the Toyota's and Mazda's they decided to go back to auto crossing in a Corvette.

Anything else you would like to add? Bob and Bev have been auto crossing for 40 years. They were with SCCA and raced a Toyota MR2 and several Mazda RX7's. Bev came in seventh place at SCCA Nationals. (WOW!) Bob also road raced with a formula V racecar and then a Legends car for ten years. He was able to race at major tracks from Sebring, Florida to Sears Point in California. They were also members of the Oklahoma City Corvette Club for three years when they had their 1999 C5. They are currently members of CSCC, SCCC, CAR, and SCCA. They both enjoy all the people that they have met!

Thanks for the interview Bob and Bev!

# Governor's Corner

# **Funkhana**

This is a short note on Funkhanas. These types of events must start in a Corvette and require a driver and a passenger. Class is broken into four groups by the participants as: driver: man/woman and navigator man/women. Tech ensures the vehicle can safely partake. Funkhanas are somewhat rare - I've only seen 2 offered in the last two years. In one Funkhana – the same vehicle was used by everybody. The rules state that the participants have to start in a Corvette, but after that – well, the "Gimmicks" can be "the sky is the limit". As defined in the rule book: Gimmicks - Tasks to be performed by the driver and/or navigator during a timed run on a Funkhana course. Gimmicks can be things such as backing the car into a stall, breaking balloons, hoop toss, pushing a wheelbarrow or nearly any other devious ideas dreamed up by the Event Chairpersons. These sound like playful events and I'm surprised more are not offered. Any Volunteers?

This describes the Chairpersons/Lead assumptions/assignments for NCCC RMR CSCC events. Note, the sanction # are the same as last year:

Cone Zone Autocross Tom/Vicki/Larry RM-183-R01 RM-183-R03. RM-183-N01

Fun in the Sun Concours Show Tom/Chris RM-183-R04

Heat Rash Autocross Bob L RM-183-001-RM-183-003

Daniel's Car Show Chris/Jerry T RM-183-004

Pagosa Springs Car Show and Rallye Tom/Barb; Pete/Alta RM-183-005, RM-183-006

Fall Autocross Anita RM-183-007- RM-183-009

No-Flakes Rallye Need volunteer RM-183-010

NCCC Sanction Event submission.

Who was the first to complete submitting their NCCC Sanction, Registration and Flyer?

The folks that ALWAYS offer a great event, who pour their hearts and soul into their events, who are at all times friendly, and charming ... Yes, you guessed it – The Olejniks, and the Hoeppners!!! Some of my, and I'm sure yours as well, favorite folks in the Club. Congratulations, and thank you!!!

#### Govna wayne

As always, these are the thoughts of Wayne Umland, and may not reflect the views of CSCC, NCCC or RMR.



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#### **EXHIBIT REMODEL & C8 AWARDS**

#### PERFORMANCE GALLERY EXHIBIT REMODEL

Thanks to a private funding donation, the NCM has embarked on a major exhibit remodel. It will bring one of its earliest displays up to date with a design that truly reflects the sleek and stylish nature of America's favorite sports car.

The Performance Gallery is one exhibit that's been around since the building's grand opening in 1994. In the early days an elevated racetrack gave display cars a sense of motion and being on the grid, but difficulties with the change-out of vehicles dictated eventual removal of the racetrack. Over the years, the exhibit space has housed an interactive pit crew challenge, educational driving simulator, and various artifacts; but according to Derek Moore, Director of Collections, "it's time for an overhaul!"

The remodel will have a clean look, showcasing historic racing videos and stories about each car on display. The concept is to have a projection of each car, as well as digital labels, allowing visitors to learn more through an interactive experience. Moreover, rather than remove or paint over the existing wall's racing mural, a secondary wall will be installed thereby keeping the original mural protected and intact behind the scenes.

The exhibit is planned to open in late March 2020, with an official ribbon-cutting ceremony during the Michelin Bash April 23-25.

#### **C8 AWARDS**

Car and Driver magazine has released its 2020 list of "10Best" winners, representing the smartest, most entertaining vehicles. The editors pick the 10 winners following an exhaustive 2-week evaluation. The 2020 Corvette made the "10Best" list, competing with 92 cars, trucks, SUVs and vans. Moving the engine to the middle has not only taken Corvette's performance to new heights but has elevated it to super car status.

Edmunds, an American online resource for automotive information, has awarded the C8 Corvette Stingray as the Best Sports Car in its 2020 "Top Rated Awards" for its stellar performance and value. In its transformation to a mid-engine sports car with the kind of balance, poise, and agility one would expect from an exotic supercar, it remains usable on the commute at a low base price.

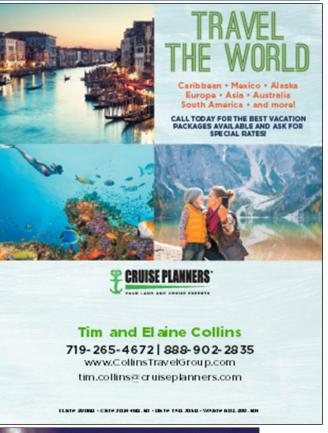
RAFFLE At the February 2020 meeting I'll have the Corvette Raffle Ticket Request Form for \$20 tickets for a Black C8 Coupe, to be drawn on April 25, 2020 at NCM's Michelin Bash.

#### Do You Want to Advertise?

Colorado Springs Corvette Club Members may place a PERSONAL "For Sale" ad in the "VETTE SET" at no charge. For Business Ads, Members receive a 20% discount (or two months free) when purchasing one full year. Non-member Business Ads:

**Business Card** \$10.00/month 1 / 4 page \$15.00/ month 1 / 2 page \$20.00/month

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All new members are added to the list using their email address from the Club roster. For questions about the distribution list, contact:

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#### **Email Etiquette**

Please keep content specific to Club related items or events. Not for personal use. The By-laws state "Misuse of the CSCC website, website email, or distribution email, will not be tolerated and may result in club probation or expulsion. Feel free to set up your own "group" for willing member participants for non-Club related content.

Refrain from using the "Reply All" function when you are replying to an email. Only reply to the person sending the message, unless specifically requested to "Reply All". Help keep the unnecessary responses to a minimum.

# NCCC Rocky Mountain Region Website

NCCC Rocky Mt Region Website

For a list of Regional Officers, Regional Clubs, expanded list of the regional Calendar of Events, Event Results, Race Number registration form, Rules and Forms, NCCC news, and more, visit and stay informed.

This link is also available on the CSCC web site.

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