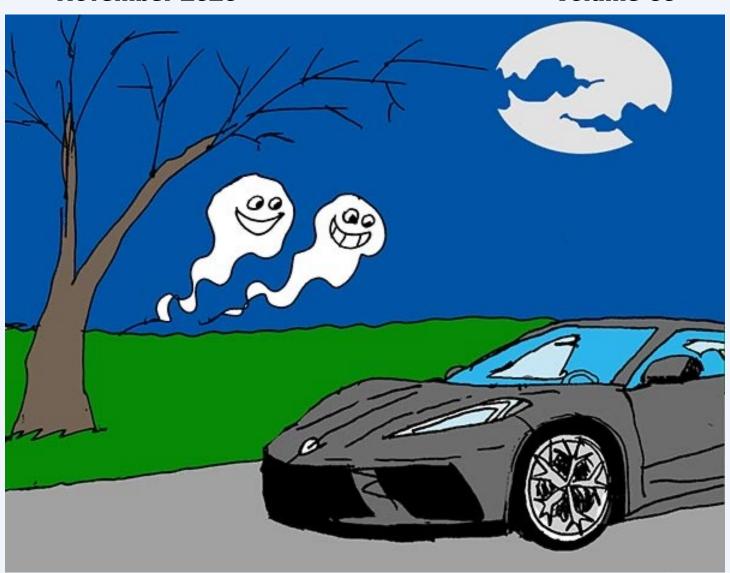
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"Lets really scare him. Let's park his Corvette somewhere else so he'll think it's stolen. We'll return it later."



The President's Message



Eric Kirchner - President

November 2020

by Eric Kirchner

It's always been a struggle, for me at least, trying to figure out what to write for *The President's Message* in the newsletter. Especially in these trouble times.

Personally, some good news. I just got back from a very nice vacation in Cancun, Mexico. Some folks believe it is a mistake to travel, however, this trip was planned back in August when things were looking a little better. I practiced social distancing and wore my mask. I spent most of my time at the hotel pool soaking in the sun and enjoying the local adult beverages. The only crowded place was the plane ride from Denver to Cancun. I believe the hotel was only about 35% occupied. I do not regret going and spending a week there.

Now, for the bad news. It was not that long ago back in August when I asked the question "Is that an express train racing towards us?", referring to the Covid pandemic and the oncoming cooler weather. Looking at the news and the Covid numbers, I believe that there really is an express train racing toward us. Unfortunately, the numbers keep getting worse and the prospect of us meeting face-to-face at a membership meeting anytime soon is looking dim. Let's hope a vaccine comes out soon.

Winter is just around the corner and folks are putting their Corvettes into storage. Member Dave Kyllo has storage available. You may contact him at 847-414-6155.

Once again, we do not have many planned events. But things could change so visit our website often to see if we have added any new events to the planner. Meanwhile, I look forward to seeing all of you at our Zoom meetings.

Please be safe out there,

Eric







Jerry Mulick —Publications and NCM Ambassador

To all members by Jerry Mulick

This is a very unusual time for our club. We can't have membership meetings but we are allowed to have Zoom meetings. We can drive our Corvettes but we don't have a lot of activities or events to attend. This is the first time that I can remember that we did not have a Halloween party for our club. Normally at this time we would be getting ready to have our Awards Banquet committee working on the final details of our banquet. This virus has stopped everything that involves our activities with our members. We are hoping and praying that we come out of this soon before we all go nuts!

We wish to thank Bob Ashton for his talk last month about the virtual MCACN event that will be held on <u>MCACNtv</u> on Saturday, November 21st. See the article on Page 7 for details.

The NSCC board wishes every member a safe and healthy Thanksgiving. We hope that all of you are able to enjoy this holiday safely with your family and loved ones.

In our next Zoom Membership Meeting on November 18th, the Charity Committee will present an idea for our club to help out some needy families for Thanksgiving so be sure to join the meeting and listen to what they have planned.

Hopefully, this pandemic will be behind us sometime next year and we will be able to resume normal activities. Meanwhile, wear your mask, wash your hands and practice safe distancing. If you follow all these guidelines you should be safe.

Jerry Mulick







Safety Tip of the Month by Ken Such

Change Your Clocks... Change your Batteries

Ken Such - Safety Chairman

You don't necessarily have to change your car battery, but you should change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors every six months. Detectors with a dead or missing battery is the same as having no alarm at all. To help you remember - when you change your clocks, change your batteries. It's important to have a smoke detector on every floor and in every bedroom. Every floor should have a carbon monoxide detector.

Smoke detectors should be replaced every 10 years and carbon monoxide detectors every 5 to 7 years. There should be a date on the back of the detector. It's a good idea to mark the front of the detector with a replacement date. The detector's alarm function should be manually checked once a month.

There are two types of smoke detectors - Ionization and Photoelectric. Ionization detectors are quicker to warn about flaming fires where Photoelectric detectors are best at warning about smothering fires, which is often the case in a garage. It's a good idea to use both types of detectors.

Carbon monoxide detectors detect a poisonous gas that can be produced by a home furnace, garage heaters, clothes dryers and fireplaces. These sources of carbon monoxide should be checked regularly by a professional. In case of a leak it is critical to get everyone to fresh air as soon as possible. These detectors can be placed on a wall about 5 feet above the floor and also on the ceiling. A carbon monoxide detector should also be placed in an attached garage.

Install detectors, change the batteries, be safe and have a great holiday season.

Ken Such



A MESSAGE FOR OUR CLUB REGARDING COVID-19

The IDPH (Illinois Department of Public Health) guidelines for Illinois

At the present time we are in Phase 4 of the COVID-19 guidelines.

Here is what this means for us as a club and what we can and can't do at this time.

- * At the present time, our membership meetings are only being held on the virtual application Zoom. In-person membership meetings may not be held at this time. We are doing this for the November Membership Meeting.
- * Meeting at restaurants is not allowed at this time as it follows the State of Illinois Phase 4 guidelines for restaurants and bars. Indoor dining is not allowed..
- * We may drive our Corvettes or vehicles to a drive-in restaurant or outdoor theater. We may also drive to attend birthdays, graduations, anniversaries, church, or any other event where we don't have to get out of our vehicle. We intend to plan several of these activities for our club if possible.
- * Phase 4 requires that we have 50 or fewer people at our events. We must wear face coverings and maintain social distancing at all times.
- * Outdoor activities are allowed. That means we can hold an outdoor activity if we follow the Phase 4 guidelines. Due to an increase in COVID-19 these are not allowed.
- * Phase 5 will begin when there is a vaccine, or a widely available and highly effective treatment, or with the elimination of any new cases over a sustained period. We will be allowed to have our normal membership meetings.
- * In the meantime we will notify all club members if local health officials change our guidelines for Illinois. For now maintain social distancing and wear a face covering when you are near other people.

STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY. WE WILL ALL GET THRU THIS SOON!



Here's an update of upcoming club activities that have been cancelled or rescheduled. Visit the <u>Club Events page</u> on our website for an up-to-date list of events and event flyers.

We're on ZOOM!

NSCC will hold a virtual Membership Meeting on Wednesday, November 18th at 7pm on Zoom. Guests are welcome. On your computer or smart device click on the following link to download Zoom and connect to our meeting:

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4436358311

Passcode: NSCC

If you are using a phone you may listen to the audio by calling 312-626-6799.

Meeting ID: 443 635 8311 Passcode: 650561

The Charity Committee will present an idea for our club to help out some needy families for Thanksgiving.

President Eric Kirchner will give a State of the Club address.

COVID-19 Update

With all of Illinois currently in Phase 4 of a reopen plan, gatherings are limited to groups of 50 or fewer people to help control the spread of the coronavirus. Please exercise caution and be safe by following all <u>CDC recommendations</u>.

Visit our <u>website</u> and watch your email for further changes regarding our club's activities.

Muscle Car & Corvette Nationals Cancelled

The MCACN show scheduled for November 21-22 has been cancelled.





Suffering from MCACN withdraw? Here's the cure.

Every car enthusiast on the planet knows that the Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals show has been cancelled for 2020. It's just another of many countless car events that have been cancelled this year due to something we can't even see. But there is some relief.

A group called "MCACN Northwest" has launched a YouTube channel called **MCACNtv**. On Saturday, November 21st at 7:30 pm CST they will give us a behind the scenes look at *The Brothers Collection*, a private collection in a new 100,000+ square foot facility in Oregon. The Brothers Collection is probably the most comprehensive collection of Muscle Cars in the country - if not the world. It features hundreds of cars from all makes... Hemi Cuda converts, ZL1 Camaros, even '57 Rancheros with factory superchargers. Anyone who has attended the MCACN show will have seen a small sample of their collection.

After a brief overview of what the collection is all about, the show will feature three Official Premier Unveilings. These cars were scheduled to be unveiled in Chicago. You will see a '68 Ram Air II Firebird that is unlike any you have ever seen and a 1969 426 Hemi Dodge Coronet R/T convertible that has been totally off the radar, even among those in the know. The third car is a Ford that is so special, and so under the radar, they can't say what it is. Only that it is an undisputed one-of-one car.

Hopefully this hour and a half show, premiering on the same Saturday evening as the cancelled MCACN show, will help ease some of the pain and suffering you are going through.

Watch a preview and the show through this link:

MCACN YouTube Channel

North Shore Corvette Club Charity Team

Charity Team Vision, Mission and Values

Vision:

To collectively show we care about, volunteer for, and assist where help is needed in our local communities.

Mission:

We of the North Shore Corvette Club Charity Team will work together with our membership body to provide our time and no club funded resources, helping and assisting a variety of local charity organizations who improve the lives of those in need.

Values:

- *Commitment*. We are committed to guiding the membership in caring and rewarding charitable activities.
- *Integrity*. We will carry out all our charity work with responsibility and accountability.
- *Creativity*. We will provide a variety of diverse and fun charitable activities for our member's participation.
- *Service*. It is our honor and privilege to place others before ourselves with our charity activities.



Gale Egle - Team Leader



Deb Monnier



Jeannie Domerchie



Debbie Stein



Donna McKenzie



Sue Radder



Where are the event flyers?

They are right where they have always been...

On our website!

Go to the <u>Club Events page</u> at <u>northshorecorvetteclub.org</u> to see flyers of all our events. Remember, our WEBSITE has the most up-to-date information.

You can even download flyers to your computer.



INFORMATION FROM THE NCM





Vets 'n Vettes event at the NCM

November 12th through 14th, 2020

In 2008 the NCM began a tradition of honoring our veterans with a new event called *Vets 'n Vettes*. Thursday kicks off with a full day at the NCM Motorsports Park. Due to COVID restrictions, participants will still be able to do a full day of touring at the NCM Motorsports Park without the local veterans. A complimentary lunch will be served to everyone courtesy of Don Franklin Chevrolet.

Friday and Saturday there will be road tours, a special Veteran's wave parade and lunch at the local VFW. The event offers veterans, and those who want to support them, a comfortable place to meet to share stories and experiences.

If you're on your way to Florida on Route 65, please stop in at the NCM and attend this event.

Next year's Michelin NCM Bash is April 22-24. Put that on your calendar and plan to attend.

Jerry Mulick



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NSCC would like to give a warm welcome to the following new members:



We don't have any new members this month.

We're happy you could join us! Enjoy the ride!



Keep in mind. When a member refers a person to the NSCC and they join the club, the referring member will receive 12 Crossed Flags points.

2020-2021 NSCC Board of Directors



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Walt Hoeppner - Member at Large

Pirelli GT4 America Sprint Pro Champion Michael Cooper







A fter claiming eleven wins out of sixteen races, Blackdog Speedshop and McLaren factory driver Michael Cooper won his fourth title in SRO America competition with the 2020 GT4 America Sprint championship jewel in his crown. To say Cooper was dominant is an understatement. A string of six straight wins in the middle of the season catapulted him to the top of the standings with the New York native never looking back, besting the likes of Pros Drew Staveley, Spencer Pumpelly and Jarrett Andretti.

Cooper's season can best be described by his performance at Sonoma Raceway, where he took his #10 McLaren 570S GT4 to the top step of the podium in each of the three races. "I like a lot of racetracks, but I just seem to be a step ahead at Sonoma. That's not to discredit anyone else but the results are there. To be honest, the move at the start of Race One on Friday really changed the complexion of our weekend. The Porsche was quicker than us in qualifying, and with how hard it is to pass here we could be talking about three straight second-place finishes. So that move Friday was really critical."

"Winning three straight here and now five in a row since VIR is a great accomplishment. It's down to the work from everyone at Blackdog Speed Shop and McLaren. We had a goal heading into this weekend of maximizing our points haul. I don't think we could have ever expected this, though! I'm grateful for the effort and happy with another great weekend at Sonoma."

Quotes like this became common as Cooper and the Blackdog Speedshop team were on point throughout the season, proven by winning the championship by a whopping 78 points over rival Staveley. "We came into the weekend and maximized the points and scored three wins," said Cooper after winning the title at COTA with two rounds left in the season. "This Blackdog Speedshop team just operates at such a high level. I think for the team this is their fifth series driver's championship and third manufacturer's championship."

Cooper summarized, "The McLaren 570S GT4 has been a great performance car for a number of years and I'm glad we could deliver championship honors with it here in North America. I can't say thanks enough to Tony Gaples, Ray Sorenson and Blackdog Speed Shop for one of the best seasons of my career."



Antonio Garcia & Jordan Taylor clinch the GT Le Mans Championships in the #3 Corvette C8.R

Monterey, California November 1, 2020



C8 Corvette Z06 spied in the wild



Spy photographers captured a heavily camouflaged mid-engine Corvette out in the wild, and we think we're looking at the upcoming Z06 high-performance variant of Chevy's flagship sports car.

There's a raft of black cladding covering nearly every panel, but it's not the body camo that caught our eye first—the wheels are covered in black discs as well. They're likely hiding some high-tech carbon-fiber wheels, a popular tactic used by engineers to reduce unsprung mass in performance cars like the Shelby GT500.

According to the spy photographer, the engine emitted a higher-pitch exhaust note than what we've come to expect from C8's small-block LT2 V-8. That's likely because there isn't an LT2 under the rear hatch of this prototype.

Read the entire article courtesy of Hagerty Insurance here.

Rumor: C8 Corvette Grand Sport to be replaced with "E-Ray" hybrid





1996 Grand Sports are among the most collectible C4 Corvettes. Mecum



1963 Corvette Grand Sport. GM

Chevrolet has built Grand Sport versions of the C2, C4, C6, and C7 Corvette. Those last two 'Vette generations have used the engine from the base model, albeit fitted with a dry-sump oiling system and squeezed inside the wider bodywork of the Z06. It's a great combination that adds road-holding grip and great looks with more than enough power for most enthusiasts to handle. However, if you were holding out on ordering a C8 Corvette until the Grand Sport debuts, you may be out of luck. According to GM Authority, the Grand Sport isn't happening and a hybrid "E-Ray" Corvette will take its place.

Read the entire article courtesy of Hagerty Insurance here.

Corvette Storage Available





Contact Dave Kyllo at 847-414-6155 kyllokars@aol.com



Looking to sell a Vette?

NSCC Member Al Ohm has a friend who wants to buy a Corvette.

He would like to purchase a C5 or C6 with an automatic transmission. He would like a coupe with 60,000 miles or less and preferably with no more than two owners. Any color is fine except for black or yellow. He will pay cash.

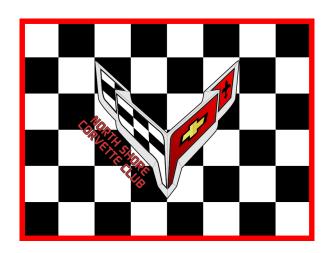
If you have a C5 or C6 Vette for sale, or know someone who does, please contact:

Isrel Friedmam at 847-921-1207

If we help him find and buy a Vette we will make him join the club!



NORTH SHORE CORVETTE CLUB FACE MASKS are the coolest masks around





NSCC has face masks available for purchase.

Mask Description

Custom fabric with design & logo printed into fabric weave. "North Shore Corvette Club" angled on one side alongside logo on a black & white checkerboard background.

The material is double layer cotton fabric with red inside color. There is a metal strip across the top to help mold to the face. Average adult size, one size fit all. Gathered sides with adjustable elastic for ears.

The masks are \$13.00 each with a suggested donation of \$2 or more donated to St. Jude Children's Hospital. The masks are in stock. If you want it mailed to you please contact Sue Radder at 847-746-0700.

ORDER FORM (for sending a check)	
Name:	Contact Phone #:
Mailing Address:	Apt/Unit:
City/State:	Zip:
# of Masks + \$ of Donation to St Jude Children's Hospita	+ Total Enclosed: Ck#
Mail Check to: North Shore Corvette Club P.O. Box 1167 Wheeling, IL 60090	

Club Merchandise for Sale







Club patches, pins, window stickers and name tags are for sale to all club members. One of each is included in the cost of a new membership.

The patch measures 3" wide by 2" high. The window sticker measures 3" square and will adhere gently to a glass surface when wet.

Contact our <u>Membership Chairperson</u> for details or visit the <u>Club Merchandise</u> webpage on our website at <u>www.northshorecorvetteclub.org</u>.



Patch \$2.00



Pin \$1.50



Window Sticker



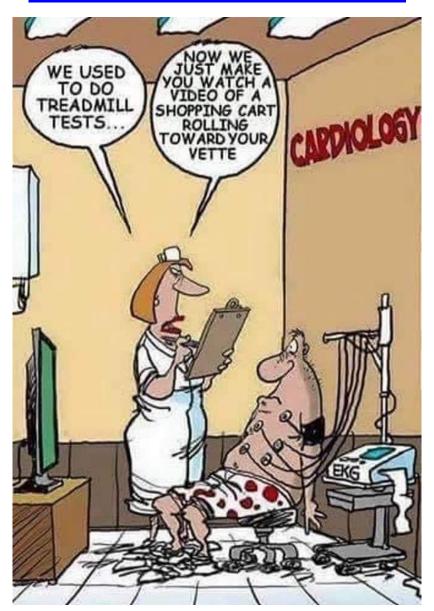
Name Tag \$7.00

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