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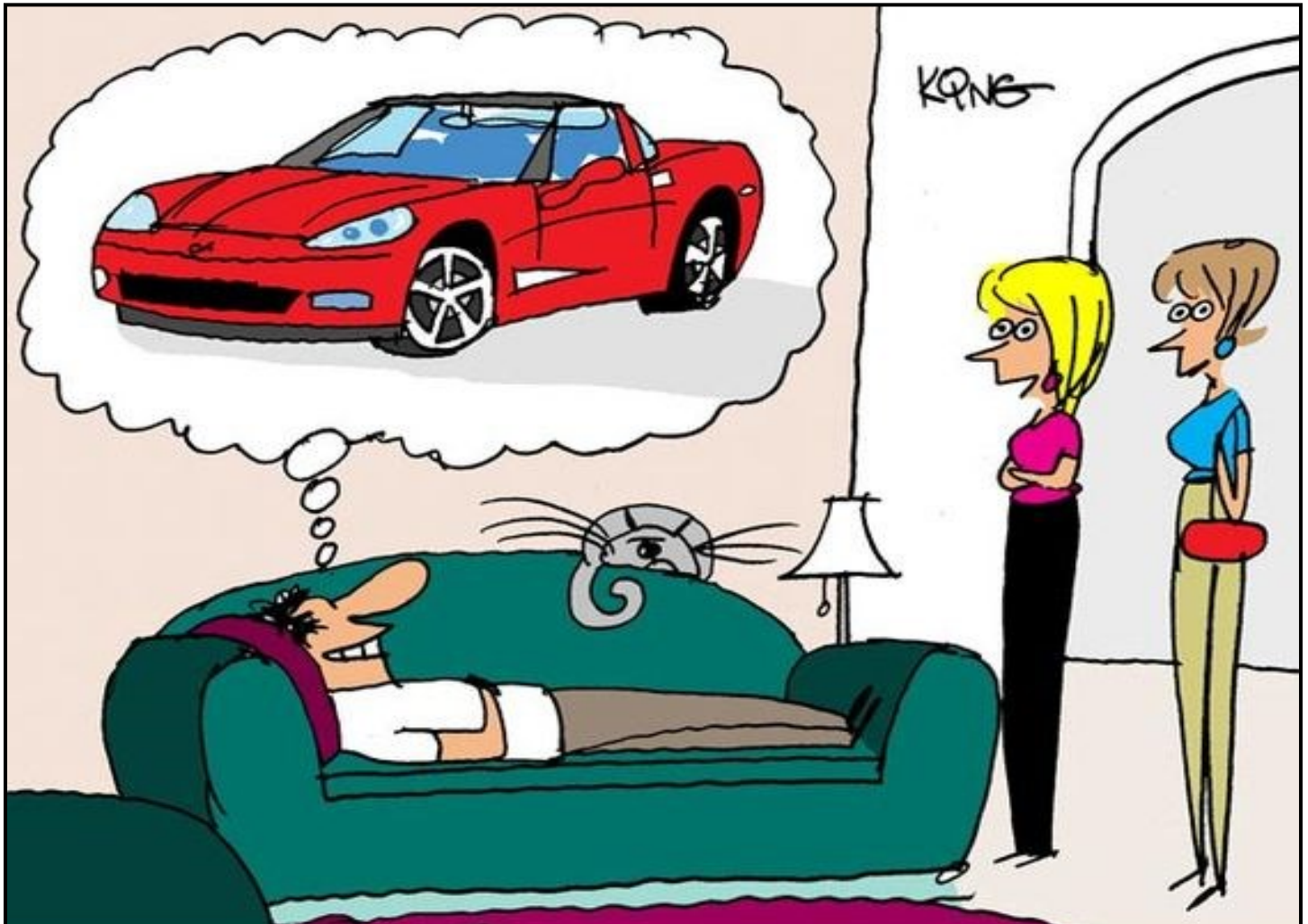


**It's time to get our Corvettes out for parades, car shows,  
activities and our trip to the Michelin NCM Bash April 22-24**

# *NSCC Comedy Corner*



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***“How sweet, he’s smiling. He must be dreaming about me.”***



# The President's Message



Eric Kirchner - President

**April 2021**  
by Eric Kirchner

Good news bad news time. The good news, millions and I mean millions of people are getting vaccinated. I hope your shot came with no side effects. Illinois was going to get to the bridge stage. A way point between phase 4 and 5.

The bad news. COVID numbers going the wrong way. There's talk of some restrictions coming back. What I'm trying to get at is, this month's membership meeting will once again be via zoom. Perhaps with some luck May's meeting might be held in person.

Speaking of in person events. spring is in the air. Corvettes are being taken out of storage. And more events are starting to populate our events calendar. Please check the web, and your emails, to keep current on what's going on.

**A quick reminder, NSCC's board election is around the corner. Inform a current board member if you would like your name to be added to the ballot.**

Once again, let's get out there and sell our club. When you are next to a Corvette at the gas pump. Ask them if they would like to belong to a Corvette club. You never know what the answer might be.

Any golfers out there, that like to drive fast? Take a lesson from Tiger Woods. From what I heard on the news, he was a bit above the speed limit. The authorities, after interrogating the black box. Have informed us, Woods, was doing mid 80's in a 45 mph zone, then hit the gas not the brake. He hit a tree doing about 74 mph. Don't drive like him.

Let's end this on a happy note. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you on the Zoom meeting this month. The birthday game and a chance to win an NCM Corvette are on the agenda. Can't wait for in person events. They will be here before you know it. Get out there and drive your fiberglass creations. Be safe.

*Eric*

# To All Members



Jerry Mulick - Publications and  
NCM Ambassador

## April 2021

by Jerry Mulick

*The March newsletter incorrectly stated that the price increase of the 2021 Corvette will be \$10,000. The correct price increase is \$1,000 as of March 1st.*

### **Corvette Info**

Corvette Blogger reports that production on the 2021 Chevrolet Corvette (which has been in production since December) is rumored to end the week of July 19th. This will also be the final month that GM will offer the *Shadow Grey Metallic* exterior color. The cited publication expects GM to offer more information on the 2022 Corvette at the Michelin NCM Bash on April 22nd. *GM delivered 6,611 Corvettes during first quarter of 2021.*

GM definitely should offer more info because everyone is looking forward to the ZO6. This will be the first performance-oriented variant of the mid-engine Corvette which will switch from traditional pushrods to a DOHC valvetrain and a flat-plane crankshaft. The LT5 in the ZO6 flexes 5.5 liters and 600-odd horsepower as opposed to the LT2 small-block V8 with 6.2 liters of displacement and a maximum of 495 horsepower. The high-revving motor breathes freely as well, which makes a huge difference over the preceding generation's LT4 supercharged V8.

The ZO6 is expected to have a center exhaust, active aero trickery, carbon-fiber wheels and Michelin Pilot Sport Cup 2 R high-performance rubber tires. GM will also roll out three new exterior colors called Amplify Orange Tintcoat, Hypersonic Grey Metallic and Caffeine Brown Metallic.

We hope to see all the new colors and get all the new information on the ZO6 at the Michelin NCM Bash. [I hope many members will join us on our trip to the Bash on April 22nd. Please let me know if you are going to join us.](#)

*Jerry*

# Safety Tip of the Month



Ken Such - Safety Chairman

**April 2021**

**by Ken Such**

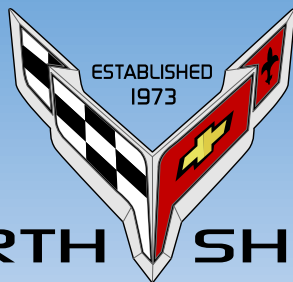
## **What to do after a car accident**

### *A step-by-step guide*

1. Check yourself for injuries and other passengers for any injuries. If you are injured or others call 911 or ask someone else to call. If you or others are seriously injured try not to move anyone until emergency personnel arrive.
2. Get your vehicle out of the road. According to the insurance Information Institute you should clear the roadway if possible pull over to the shoulder. If you cannot, leave it and get yourself to safety. Tip: An emergency kit that includes flares or reflective triangles would be handy for approaching traffic.
3. Check for damage to both vehicles. If you are not injured assess the damage, try to take pictures showing the position of the cars if they haven't been moved. This would be a good time to check with your insurance company on taking photos. They may request that the Police take the pictures due to their training. Alternatively, consider drawing a diagram to show how the accident occurred. This is usually required on a police accident report.
4. Exchange Information with the other Driver. The most important information driver's should exchange after an accident is the insurance company and the policy numbers along with drivers license and license plate numbers. Also, the type, color and model of vehicle and location of accident. Avoid discussing who is at fault. Your insurance company will determine fault by your information and the other parties.
5. Document the accident. This will help you to protect yourself by either photos or drawings. Also identify the officers name and badge number. Ask the officer where you can obtain a copy of the accident report. Get witnesses names and contact information. You may want to call your insurance while at the scene to start the claim. Also, if the vehicle has to be towed, they may be affiliated with certain repair shops.
6. Your Insurance Company may have an accident reporting brochure to keep in your vehicle with their step-by-step policy.

Happy and safe motoring,

*Ken*



## NORTH SHORE CORVETTE CLUB

### CORVETTE TRIVA QUESTIONS

1. It was possible to have a non standard exterior paint color in 1968 as Pink. *True or False*
2. Competition Yellow (exterior paint color) was discontinued 5-11-90 due to pigment photosensitivity which caused the paint to temporarily lighten after sunlight exposure. *True or False*
3. The passenger hand hold above the glovebox was eliminated in the 1966 model year Corvette. *True or False*
4. The radios in the 1964 Corvette were AM signal seeking and later were AM-FM . *True or False*
5. The “T” shift handle with positive reverse lockout was introduced in the 1958 Corvette model year with a 4-speed manual transmission. *True or False*
6. The engine power rating for the 2019 LT5 engine was 755 HP. *True or False*
7. The Magnetic Selective Ride Control option for the 2021 Corvette was available only with Z51 option. *True or False*
8. The Covid-19 pandemic did not affect the production of the 2020 Corvette. *True or False*
9. The fuel tank capacity on the 1953 Corvette was 18.0 gallons and the fuel tank capacity on the 2021 Corvette was 18.5 gallons. *True or False*
10. The weight of the 1953 Corvette was 2,886 lbs. *True or False*

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## ***A MESSAGE FOR OUR CLUB REGARDING COVID-19***

The Illinois Department of Public Health guidelines for Illinois

*We are currently in the Phase 4 Revitalization Plan and in Phase 1B of the Vaccination Rollout. Here is what this means for us as a club.*

- \* With most of Illinois in the Phase 4 Revitalization Plan (including all of northern and central Illinois), all gatherings of 50 people or fewer are allowed. All retail businesses including bars, restaurants, cinema and theatres are open with limited capacity. All non-essential employees may return to work. For more information regarding the [Phase 4 Revitalization Plan CLICK HERE](#).
- \* We must continue to wear face coverings and maintain social distancing at all times.
- \* Until further notice, all membership meetings will be held at 7:00 pm on Zoom.
- \* The final stage is Phase 5 where large gatherings of all sizes can resume and all sectors of the economy will reopen. To enter Phase 5 either a vaccine is developed to prevent additional spread of COVID-19, a treatment option is readily available that ensures health care capacity is no longer a concern, or there are no new cases over a sustained period.
- \* Visit our [website](#) for the latest information on the current guidelines for Illinois.
- \* We are now visiting the [Claim Company](#) in Vernon Hills in limited groups since they are serving inside and they practice social distancing.

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



# What's Happening

Here's an update of upcoming club activities. Visit the [Club Events page](#) 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, April 21st at 7:00 pm 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](tel:312-626-6799).

Meeting ID: [443 635 8311](#)

Passcode: [650561](#)

## COVID-19 Update

With all of Illinois in the Phase 4 Revitalization Plan, gatherings of 50 people or fewer are allowed. All retail businesses including bars, restaurants, cinema and theatres are open with limited capacity. All non-essential employees may return to work.

[For more information regarding the Phase 4 Revitalization Plan CLICK HERE](#)

Visit the [Events Page on our website](#) and watch your email for further changes regarding our club's activities.

**There are no activities updates at this time**



# 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*



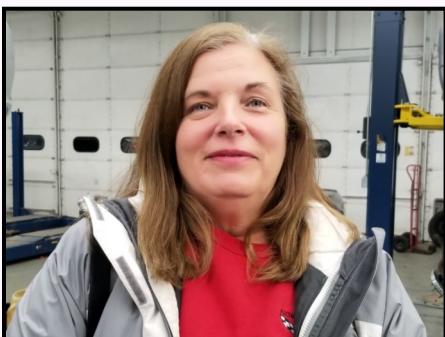
*Deb Monnier*



*Donna McKenzie*



*Jeannie Domerchie*



*Debbie Stein*



*Sue Radder*



*Mark Anderson*





# Where are the event flyers?

**They're right where they've always been...**

## **On our website!**

**Go to the [Club Events page](http://northshorecorvetteclub.org) at [northshorecorvetteclub.org](http://northshorecorvetteclub.org) 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.**



# *Getting your CORVETTE out of storage*

*Here is some tips on getting your Corvette out of storage that we gave at the last Zoom meeting. By Jerry Mulick*

1. If the battery was on a charge make sure it is up to full charge before any attempt to start the car.
2. Check underneath the car to make sure no fluids are leaking or were leaking.
3. Check under the hood and under the car and inside to make sure no rodents made a home in the car or in the engine compartment. Make sure the exhaust pipe is clear and open.
4. Check all the fluids to make sure they are up to the recommended factory specifications. This includes the oil, the radiator, the power steering pump, and the master braker cylinder.
5. Double check the anti-freeze in the radiator to make sure it was not leaking or it was not sufficient to protect the engine from freezing.
6. Check for any leaks around all the heater hoses and cooling hoses to make sure there was not leaks or any evidence of dripping.
7. Check all the belts for any cracks and wear. If cracks are evident then replacement may be necessary before using the car for an extended period.
8. Now the car can be started. If fuel stabilizer was used when the car was put in storage then it may start up right away. If the fuel tank was low and not filled and fuel stabilizer was not used then condensation might have entered the fuel tank. The car should start right away but may run rough until the fuel gets into the fuel delivery system.
9. Now is a good time to check all the tires including the spare if the car has one. The cold weather sometimes will cause the tires to lose some inflation.
10. Once the car is running check for any leaks under the car and around the engine.
11. Once the car is warmed up it is now a good time to check the automatic transmission fluid if the car has automatic transmission.
12. If the car is driven make sure you check the brakes before driving too far to make sure they are fully operational.
13. Once the car is fully warmed up check again to make sure you have no leaks and again check the engine oil. If it is dirty or passed the recommend change time then it must be changed.





## ***24 Hours of Le Mans pushed back to August***

The 24 Hours of Le Mans has been pushed back to August from its traditional mid-June slot in the hope that spectators will be able to attend the race.

The new date for the centerpiece round of the World Endurance Championship is 21-22 August, which will be only the third time in the history of the event that it has not been held in May or June after 1968 and 2020.

Last year's race was pushed back to September as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, but plans to accommodate a reduced crowd in 5000-strong fans had to be abandoned in the run-up to the event.

Pierre Fillon, president of race organizer and WEC promoter of the Automobile Club de l'Ouest, said: "Although it was a tough decision to make, it is the right one. Holding the Le Mans two hours behind closed doors for the second year running would be unthinkable. We are therefore doing all we can to avoid that happening and to give competitors a clear view of the whole season. We are working very hard to put on a safe event, with all the necessary health precautions in place."

The announcement of the new date on Thursday follows the denials of the ACO earlier in the year that it had an alternative weekend penciled in for later in the summer should the world health situation not improve. A spokesman insisted in late January that there was "no plan B for the moment". Details of the format of practice and qualifying, as well as information on tickets, will be released at the end of April. This will include whether or not there will be an official test day. This event was scheduled to take place on 6 June, one week ahead of the original 12-13 June race weekend, rather than two.

It is unclear how the change in date of Le Mans will impact Chevrolet's plans to return to the 24 Hours after its Corvette Racing GTE Pro team was forced to skip last year's rescheduled event.

The American manufacturer, which competes in the IMSA SportsCar Championship, showed its intent to be at Le Mans by entering a solo Chevrolet Corvette C8.R for the Algarve WEC round.

The new Le Mans date clashed with IMSA's Virginia International Raceway meeting, which has now been moved to 9 October—the same weekend its Petit Le Mans season final was supposed to take place. The ten-hour endure at Road Atlanta has in turn been shuffled back to a new date of November 13th.





## **Doug Fehan is back**

Nearly four months after Doug Fehan was dismissed from his position as Program Manager for Corvette Racing the good doctor is returning to the fold as a Brand Ambassador. Doug will be with the team starting with their next appearance at the Chevrolet Detroit Grand Prix at Belle Isle Park on June 11-14th.

This is great news for Corvette Racing fans as it's the side of Doug that we all know best. As a Brand Ambassador, Doug will make regular appearances in Corvette Corrals during the 2021 season as he interfaces with owners and fans, and you can bet that he will still be the go-to-guy for TV appearances and media quotes.

"This is a welcomed opportunity to help continue taking the Corvette brand forward," Fehan said as quoted by Autoweek. "We have a lot of exciting challenges ahead, but the competition engineering team is well-equipped to continue taking the legacy of Corvette Racing into the future. That's evidenced by the win at the Rolex 24. I'm definitely looking forward to seeing all of our fans during the 2021 IMSA season."

With Doug's leadership over the last two decades, Corvette Racing won 113 races including eight class wins at the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Also included are 14 Team championships and 13 Manufacturers and Drivers Championships as well.

Corvette Racing will be back home in Detroit on June 11-12 for the IMSA Chevrolet Sports Cars Classic. The race starts at 5:00 PM ET on Saturday, June 12th.

# INFORMATION FROM THE NCM



## NCM Connections to the Super Bowl

*Many NCM members did not realize the NCM had a connection to the Super Bowl. The owners of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (Ed Glazer and his wife Shari) established the **Glazer Family Delivery Program** at the NCM in 2016 to encourage quality family time at the National Corvette Museum.*

The program offers a number of perks for kids who join their parent(s) or grandparents in the R8C Museum Delivery of their Corvette.

From Ed Glazer, “One of the most memorable events of my childhood was going with my dad to pick up his first Corvette. Now other kids can experience these memories at the incredible National Corvette Museum.”

*If you cannot join us at the NCM Michelin Bash in April the museum is again going to offer all the activities as a virtual streaming option. Not only will the seminars be offered for online viewing (including repeat viewing after the seminars end) but for the first time ever the NCM will stream the Corvette Hall of Fame induction ceremony! The virtual streaming will be offered on the Thursday and Friday of the Bash, April 22 and 23. Registration is only \$20 per household.*

We still have openings for our first overnight road trip of the year to the NCM so please let me know if you are interested in joining us. I have secured a price of just \$89.00 a night at the Hampton Inn. Please check our website for the flyer and more information. Make sure you contact me if you are planning on joining our road trip.

**The NCM is now delivering 55 Corvettes a week in the R8C delivery program.**

*Jerry Mulick*

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dottie Bakirtjy 04/01  
 Eric Norlin 04/02  
 Bob Cichowski 04/02  
 Patti Lippert 04/02  
 Rick Scott 04/06  
 Dee Norlin 04/15  
 Tom White 04/21  
 Todd DeFranco 04/26

Laurie Ohm 05/03  
 David Deisinger 05/05  
 Don Zbylut 05/11  
 Frank Kolasa 05/13  
 Debbie Monnier 05/17  
 Arlynn Liberty 05/17  
 Evelyn Punzio 05/18  
 Katherine Murschel 05/26  
 Al Wayman 05/27  
 Christine Feil 05/27  
 Donna Ahlgrim 05/28  
 Chris Jentel 05/28  
 Burke Oehrlein 05/29  
 Suzanne Oehrlein 05/30  
 Vicky Rubin 05/31



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# Important Dates



**NORTH SHORE  
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**April 2021**



**April Fools Day**  
*April 1st*



**Easter Sunday**  
*April 4th*



**Zoom Membership Meeting**  
*April 21st*



**Michelin NCM Bash**  
*April 21-23*



**Earth Day**  
*April 22nd*



# WELCOME



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

**Jim and Marge Burba**

**Brent and Denise Jarvis**

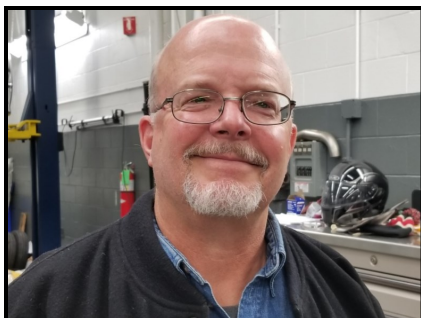
**Del and Lynn Vasey**

**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



Eric Kirchner - President



Tom Arvidson - Vice President



Donna McKenzie - Secretary



Jeannie Domerchie - Treasurer



Frank Punzio - Activities



Jerry Mulick - Publications  
& NCM Ambassador



Debbie Monnier - Membership



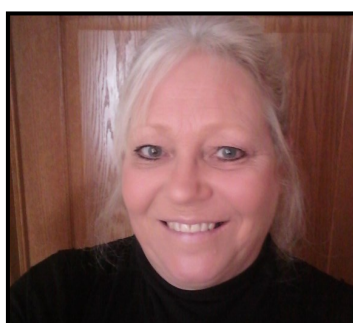
Tom Arvidson - Webmaster



Ken Such - Safety



Dave Kylo - Governor



Sue Radder - Member at Large



Julie Jensen – Member at Large



Gale Egle- Member at Large



Walt Hoepfner - Member at Large

# 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 [Membership Chairperson](#) for details or visit the [Club Merchandise](#) webpage on our website at [www.northshorecorvetteclub.org](http://www.northshorecorvetteclub.org).



**HALF PRICE**

**Patch \$1.00**



**HALF PRICE**

**Pin \$1.00**



**HALF PRICE**

**Window Sticker**



**Name Tag \$7.00**





## NORTH SHORE CORVETTE CLUB

### **CORVETTE TRIVA ANSWERS**

1. *True.* One car was painted pink in 1968.
2. *False.* Paint temporarily darkens not lighten.
3. *False.* It was eliminated in 1967.
4. *False.* This was the 1963 Corvette.
5. *False.* Introduced in the 1959 model year.
6. *False.* Option available only on the 1963 to 1967 coupe.
7. *True.*
8. *False.* Production was stopped from March 20, 2020 to May 26, 2020 due to the pandemic.
9. *True.*
10. *True .*

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**Who is ready for a trip to Bowling Green?**

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