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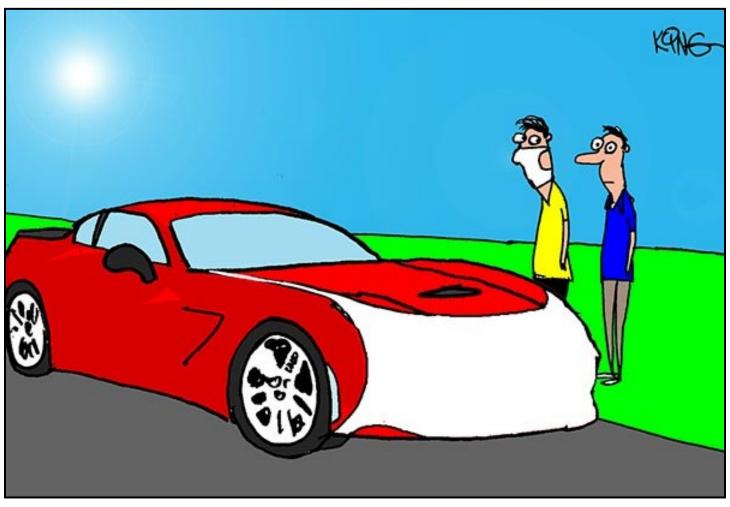


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Remember this! This is what an in-person meeting looks like. We will hold our first in-person meeting in a year on May 26th at Blackdog Speed Shop, hosted by Ray Sorenson.





"It wasn't easy finding a mask that big, but safety is a priority."

# The Tresident's Message



Eric Kirchner - President

## **May 2021**

by Eric Kirchner

This month's membership meeting will be held on May 26th.
One week later than normal.

As I take pen to paper for the last time as your president, I would like to say thank you for having elected me. It has been my honor to have served as your president. My time as president has been interesting, especially the last year. COVID has made our lives interesting. I will be staying on the board, as governor. I'd also like to thank all current and past board members, for serving on the board. NSCC, and I could not function without you. We would also be nothing without you, the membership. Please support the board, we are all in this together. At the May membership meeting the new board will be confirmed, and take their posts as of June 1st.

It may look dark some days. But it appears we might have COVID on the run. Once again the powers that be are talking about the bridge, which should start May 14th. That is a moving from phase 4 to 5. Phase 5 is now possible by June 11th. Restaurants can have more people inside, the mayor of Chicago is saying July 4th could see the opening of town. Even the auto show is going to make an appearance in July. Please be safe out there, and get vaccinated. Along those same lines, NSCC has more events in the near future. Please check our social media, and plan on participating.

The race committee held a zoom meeting recently. Details are being worked out, but be assured there will be racing this year. As there was last year, hopefully more of it. Consider coming out for an event, you might be surprised how much fun you can have.

This months membership meeting will be hybrid. Blackdog is offering their facilities for us to use. Concurrently with the live meeting, there will be a zoom connection. Keep your eye on your email for more information. Driver of the year trophies, for last year, will be presented.

Members participating in the high mileage contest, have until the May membership meeting to have their mileage recorded. If you are not planning on attending the meeting, please contact me via email, <a href="wettedriver1981@aol.com">wettedriver1981@aol.com</a> to arrange for your mileage to be recorded. If possible myself or another qualified member can record your mileage.

Looking forward to seeing many of you at the May meeting.



# To All Members



Jerry Mulick - Publications and NCM Ambassador

May 2021 by Jerry Mulick

After over a year of not being able to meet in person with our members we finally are able to be out with our Corvettes and attend our first in-person membership meeting since Illinois is moving to Bridge Phase to Phase 5. It is important that if we meet indoors that we still wear a mask per the local guidelines but outside it will not be required. A lot has happened over the past year and I know everyone wants to catch up and find out what everyone else has been doing during this time of trying to be safe.

Please note that an email will be sent out asking every member to respond to a charity survey about where they feel they can help in our charity activities.

We always ask all of our members if they would like to host an event to please contact Frank Punzio to fill out an event form. We hope to have an event filled summer and fall for our club. If anyone has an idea that may be of interest to our club members please contact any board member for any help in making an event for our club.

After a great road trip to the NCM I am also hosting a trip to Indianapolis for Bloomington Gold June 18-19 at Lucas Stadium. This year not only Corvettes will be judged for Resto-Mod and Modified and stock but Camaro's will be judged for the very first time. If anyone is interested please email me and I will give you more information on our trip and motel information.

Please see the NCM page for all the info from the BASH.

Jerry

# Safety Tip of the Month



Ken Such - Safety Chairman

# **May 2021**

by Ken Such

Its' spring and as we leave the couch and head outdoors there are things to remember about the outdoor life.

### **Mosquitos**

Mosquitos can carry some of the worst diseases. You can protect yourself by covering arms and legs and avoid bright or floral patterns which attract stinging insects. Insect repellents with DEET can be toxic. Look for repellents with 10 to 30 percent DEET which can be used on exposed skin and clothing. An alternative is products made up with picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus as both are non-toxic.

#### Tick bites

Ticks live outdoors in grass, trees, shrubs, and leaf piles. They are attracted to people and four-legged pets. Ticks are small blood-sucking bugs with 8 legs. Ticks are often harmless. However, they can cause allergic reactions and can pass diseases onto humans and pets when they bite. Most symptoms of a tick bite will occur within a few days, pain or swelling, a rash, and even difficulty breathing. Be sure to seek medical attention as soon as possible to be evaluated. Tick removal can be found on <a href="WebMD">WebMD</a> and other sites.

### Poison Ivy, Oak and Sumac

The old saying "Leaves of three, let it be!" works for ivy and oak, but sumac usually has a cluster of 7-13 leaves. These plants may include red rash, possible bumps, swelling and itching. If exposed, get first aid immediately. Rinse skin with rubbing alcohol, soap (dishwashing or detergent) and lots of water. Apply calamine lotion or hydrocortisone cream to the skin to reduce itching and blistering. In severe cases or rash is on the face seek profession medical attention.

Be safe in your yard, fields, and hiking trails.





### **CORVETTE TRIVA QUESTIONS**

- 1. The MSRP price of the 2021 Corvette Coupe with 3LT is \$71,945.00 True or False
- 2. The only colors available for the 1953 Corvette were Polo White (exterior) Soft Top (Black), Wheels (Red), Interior (White), True or False
- 3. In 1977 only (2) Corvettes were painted with the exterior color of *Corvette Chartreuse*. True or False
- 4. In 2002 all convertibles and ZO6's had a thinner windshield to save weight .True or False
- 5. On the 2004 Corvette ZO6 the Carbon fibers in the hood were all aligned in two directions to improve paint appearance. True or False
- 6. In 2003 the Bowling Green plant built the Cadillac XLR. First time of not just Corvettes being built at the plant. True or False
- 7. In 1986 (ABS) anti-lock brake system became standard for the Corvette.
- 8. In 1963 the 4-speed manual transmission changed suppliers from Muncie to Borg-Warner during the 1963 model year. True or False
- 9. In 2016 only 73 Corvette Customers took advantage of option (PBC) Engine Build experience to build their engine. True or False
- 10.RPO option R8C (Corvette Museum Delivery) was introduced in 2002. 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 <a href="Phase 4 Revitalization Plan CLICK HERE">Phase 4 Revitalization Plan CLICK HERE</a>.
- \* We must continue to wear face coverings and maintain social distancing at all times.
- \* 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 <u>Claim Company</u> 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!



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

# We're In-Person and on Zoom

NSCC will hold an in-person Membership Meeting on Wednesday, May 26th at 7:00 pm at *Blackdog Speed Shop*, 600 Barclay Blvd, Lincolnshire, IL 60069. Guests are welcome. *The meeting is one week later than normal*.

The meeting will also be on Zoom. 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

# **COVID-19 Update**

With all of Illinois in the Phase 4 to a Bridge to Phase 5 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 to a Bridge to Phase 5 CLICK HERE

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

Please see our website for all activity updates



# We're Back!

## **NSCC** to hold in-person Membership Meeting May 26th at 7 PM at Blackdog Speed Shop

The North Shore Corvette Club will hold it's first in-person Membership Meeting in a year at Blackdog Speed Shop. The meeting will be held at 7 PM on May 26th, one week later than normal. Blackdog Speed Shop is located at 600 Barclay Blvd, Lincolnshire, IL 60069. It will be hosted by Ray Sorenson, Blackdog Speed Shop Team Manager.

Per the Village of Lincolnshire, face covering must be worn at all times while indoors.

The meeting will also be broadcast on Zoom. On your computer or smart device click on the following link to download Zoom and connect to our meeting:

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We hope to see everyone at the meeting! Please plan to attend.



Ray Sorenson



### **North Shore Corvette Club Charity Team**

Charity Team Vision, Mission and Values

A email will be sent out asking all members their thoughts about charity priorities

### Vision:

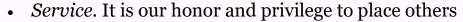
To collectively show we care about, volunteer for, and assist where help is needed in our local communities.

#### **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.





Gale Egle - Team Leader



Deb Monnier



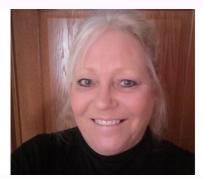
Donna McKenzie



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 <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.



### NCM BASH SPONSORED BY MICHELIN



# NSCC "On The Road Again" Bowling Green, Kentucky April 22-25, 2021



We had 12 NSCC members that were at the BASH in Bowling Green enjoying the good food and all the activities at the NCM. Since the ZO6 and the ZR1 2022 models may not be introduced until sometime in July we were only able to view the three new colors. One tradition we were able to do was enjoy the food at Montana Grill and then enjoy Ice Cream at Busters in Bowling Green. See NCM page for info from BASH.



Outside Busters Ice Cream in Bowling Green



**Enjoying Our Ice Cream at Busters** 



Our Group at Montana Grill Safe and Masked Up



Our Group at Montana Grill Unmasked



#### CORVETTE RACING AT SPA: FOURTH IN EUROPEAN DEBUT FOR C8.R

**STAVELOT Belgium (May 1, 2021)**— Corvette Racing's Antonia Garcia and Oliver Gavin finished fourth in GTE Pro at the Six hours of Spa on Saturday with their No. 63 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Chevrolet Corvette C8.R— the opening round of the FIA World Endurance Championship.

The first appearance at SPA by Corvette Racing was significant for two reasons: It marked the first race outside the United States for the mid-engine racing Corvette, and it also marked Gavin's final start with the team after 20 years.

The main target for the Spa event was to gain knowledge and experience with the C8.R in the FIA WEC ahead of August 24 Hours of Le Mans. Corvette Racing will send two of the mid-engine racers back to Le Mans after missing last year's event due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Garcia qualified fifth but the race pace of the Corvette was encouraging in a fight among three manufacturers. He drove the first tow stints on the same set of Michelin tires-a different strategy than the other GTE Pro entries-in an effort to be better shape to fight at the end.

Gavin drove the middle two stints of the race, including the race's first full-course caution. It marked the 204th appearance in a Corvette Racing entry for the veteran, who ended his career with 51 victories-including five at Le Mans— and five IMSA championships. Gavin moved up to fourth in class during his stint as one of the Porsches suffered a punctured tire.

Garcia re-entered with a little more than two hours to go. He set the Corvette's fastest race lap in his next-to-last stint-at 2:14.622 (116.383 mph) that ranked third among all GTE Pro drivers in the push for a podium finish.

Corvette Racing's next event is the Chevrolet Sports Car Classic from Belle Isle Park in Detroit as part of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship on Saturday June 12, 2021.

**OLIVER GAVIN REMARKS**. "My last race for Corvette Racing and in the C8.R and it's been quite a journey. I'm so proud to have won these overalls to represent such an amazing team in Corvette Racing and Team Chevy. To be able to compete here for the final time in the WEC has been very special: Spa-Francorchamps is an exceptional track. The emotion of it has overwhelmed me somewhat, but I'm so proud to have competed for this team for 20 years. I'm proud of that success with so many special people, not only on the race team side but on the road car side. I couldn't be prouder of what we have all achieved together. Thank you also to all the Corvette fans out there. You're unbelievable and so passionate...an amazing group that really spurs us on. I can't thank you enough.

Reprinted from Corvette Racing News

### INFORMATION FROM THE NCM





### **National Corvette Museum Announces Expansion Campaign**

The NCM opened its doors to the world on Labor Day weekend in 1994 since then it has become known as the gateway to all things Corvette. When the Museum first expanded in 2009 and almost doubled in size, it allowed for guests to experience the excitement color, and adventure that are Corvette. As the NCM continues to make necessary improvements to maintain the quality guests come to expect from our world class establishment we are progressing toward a 2 story-30,000 square foot addition to the Museum.

### Kai Spande--Bowling Green Assembly Plant Update

Assembly Plant Manager gave an update on the plant. One of the new developments at the plant is the building of the Right Hand Drive Corvette for export. So far 3.86% of the production is for export. No update at this time for plant tours but it will be back sometime in the future. Kai then showed the three new colors introduced for 2022 which are Hypersonic Grey Metallic Amplify Orange Tint-Coat, and Caffeine Metallic.

### Doug Fehan -- Hall of Fame Induction

Doug Fehan, an All American Legacy, was the man behind the Corvette Racing Program whose bright yellow vision has, for twenty years, propelled the racing team to multiple wins the Corvette.

#### Wendell Strode

We couldn't imagine the NCM without Wendell. The NCM didn't need a "car guy" in order to survive after it opened in 1994 it needed a businessman-someone who knew how to run the Museum as a business. In 1996 that person was Wendell Strode.

### Mike McCagh

A great Corvette enthusiast who was a president of NCRS and made many contributions to the Corvette hobby from racing to judging and was a great inspiration to the Corvette World for many years.

The information regarding the expansion of the NCM and the complete history of all three Members who were inducted into the Hall of Fame can be viewed on the NCM website.



Laurie Ohm 05/03David Deisinger 05/0505/11Don Zbylut Frank Kolasa 05/13**Debbie Monnier** 05/17Arlynn Liberty 05/17**Evelyn Punzio** 05/1805/21 **Brent Jarvis** 05/26 Katherine Murschel Christine Feil 05/27Al Wayman 05/27Donna Ahlgrim 05/28Chris Jentel 05/28Burke Oehrlein 05/2905/30Suzanne Oehrlein Vicky Rubin 05/31

John Jakubco 06/0106/02Sharlene Wayman Willie Smith 06/03 Joanne Kloepfer 06/12Frank Nimesheim 06/15Joann Lowry 06/1806/21 Marshall Kanter Joel Karlinsky 06/2206/23 Wanda Willard Don Fiore 06/23Jim Barnich 06/24Pamm Seifert 06/2406/25 Larry Moy 06/26 Tom Metz 06/29 Patrice Heuer 06/30Jerry Mulick Heidi Rivera 06/30





# Important Dates May 2021





Mothers Day May 9



**Armed Forces Day** May 15



National Rescue Dog Day May 20



Memorial Day May 31





**Membership Meeting In-Person at Blackdog and on Zoom**May 26



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



vvc1c sully:

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**



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 Kyllo - Governor



Sue Radder - Member at Large



Julie Jensen – Member at Large



Gale Egle- Member at Large



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



**Patch \$1.00** 



Pin \$1.00



Window Sticker



**Name Tag \$7.00** 



### **CORVETTE TRIVA ANSWERS**

- 1. TRUE
- 2. FALSE interior was Red
- 3. FALSE only (1) was painted
- 4. TRUE saved 2.65 pounds per car
- 5. FALSE aligned in one direction only
- 6. FALSE It was 2004 Cadillac XLR was built at Corvette Plant
- 7. TRUE
- 8. FALSE It was from Borg-Warner to Muncie
- 9. TRUE In fact we have a NSCC member who built her ZO6 engine.
- 10.FALSE Introduced in 2001 as NCM Delivery available option.

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# NORTH SHORE CORVETTE CLUB

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Now is the time to get your Corvette out and enjoy the good weather. We hope every NSCC member comes to our in-person meeting on May 26th with their Corvette.

**May 2021**