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About The Cover

This C1's journey began on Labor Day Weekend - 2011.

After weeks of contemplating on a potential Corvette candidate, to replace my 1968 LeMans Blue Corvette (long story - ask me sometime). I flew into Phoenix to look at the car, it was a toss-up between a convertible bronze 1968 Corvette, and the 1960 Corvette. I am positive my selection would have been the C3, if it wasn't for a young teenager, and his girlfriend cruising a Tasco Turquoise C1 Corvette, next to Valley Fair Mall, several weeks before my search.

Although, the C1 involved more work, more time, and more money, I decided to have the car towed back to California.



It was definitely not a looker, but more of a **ja-lop-y** [*an old car in a dilapidated condition*]. If I can only show you the look on my wife's face.

Almost 10 years later, the car has gone through a significant transformation. The car started with the removal of an incorrect 327 engine, then Renninger's Frame performing the frame off work and suspension restoration; including new king pins, shocks, and springs. This portion of the build was a long tedious process and included many tow truck dispatches - yet this point was only the beginning. While saving for the paint job, I purchased a matching 283 (230HP) engine block, so the car was period correct. I consistently purchased dozens of individual engine parts until complete. My goal was keeping the car original using the NCRS guidelines as a reference, and give many thanks to Rare Corvettes, in Capitola for many original parts. Race Street Rally has also assisted with many of the unexpected mechanical repairs along the way.



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In 2017, Miracle of Pleasanton, performed some extensive fiberglass work, and gel coated the body before painting the car Honduras Maroon. Once the car was painted, of course, the transmission failed - requiring a total rebuild from Peninsula Transmission. Subsequently, the wiring harness was purchased, and I spent Christmas of that year rewiring the entire car. The remaining to-do list included: rebuilding the starter, generator, installing the engine, new

exhaust, and having all gauges rebuilt. Last but not least, searching for original seat frames, seat belts, and seats. Prior to having the interior installed, new door panels, carpet kit, and seat covers were ordered from Al Knoch interiors. The seat belts were professionally refurbished by Snake Oyl in Texas. Recently, the interior was fitted by Artistic Vinyl, and Mountain View Auto Interiors. In early October, the hardtop was finally shipped home, after being restored in Pennsylvania, for 16 months. Glassworks had over 100 tops in their shop waiting to be overhauled, not to mention COVID-19 which impacted many of their suppliers.

Funny side note, which seems simple, but one of the most difficult tasks to complete was having DMV submit the YOM (year of manufacture) black on yellow license plates. Purchasing the plates and making sure they were "all clear" was the easy part. DMV originally took four hours (this was after my battery terminal disintegrated through the drive-up inspection) during my original appointment, since no one in the DMV office had ever submitted these types of plates, and I had to wait for someone to come back from lunch, so they could review the SOP on how to complete the paperwork. A month later, I was notified by DMV Sacramento that I needed a 1960 sticker on the plate, or they would be considered invalid. Remember in those days California did not yet have month and year renewal stickers. Fortunately, the company who restored the plates referred me to someone in Solano County who provided new stickers for YOM use. Finally, after 4 months, I got the car properly registered with correct vintage license plates after faxing an image to Sacramento with the 1960 sticker.



I have been told I am a pretty patient person. I was truly tested with this project, for sure. Restorations are surely not for the faint hearted, but it's certainly true that good things come to those who wait. It's an absolute fact, I have been blessed in so many different ways.



Ramulo Rimando

President - Greg Selzer



We made it

Actually, we didn't just make it, we did very well. For the community around us as well as for ourselves. COVID has hit us all real hard but we have responded. We figured out ways to stay connected to each other with Zoom, and helped others stay connected with drive by celebrations for birthdays and graduations. We helped a blood bank, two food drives, and a toy drive. When wildfires added insult to injury, we responded to that as well, supporting the Santa Cruz County Fire Response Fund.

I want to thank everyone who has stepped up and supported the community around us in this very difficult time. Through your generosity and with matching funds, Santa Clara Corvettes members have collectively raised over \$15,000 this year. That's outstanding.

It doesn't stop there either. Some car clubs folded up their tents this year because they couldn't figure out what a car club was without face to face car events, front and center. SCC members have stepped up to that challenge as well.

We kept doing what we always did, just with a different spin on it to address our COVID

realities. First of all we kept producing First Class Glass. When it wasn't safe to have face to face meetings, we learned how to have online meetings. When we couldn't have our big social events we started having smaller online events-but we kept in touch. Individual members met, outside in small groups of 3 or 4, socially distant, like when **Cliff's** new C8 arrived. And when we lost **Buzz**, we mourned outside at his memorial service or in our cars as we drove by silently.

We monitored the state and county Health Orders, looking for guidance and a safe opening to gather together again. That opportunity finally opened up for our Motorsports team and they safely ran 7 days of first class Autocross events.

When the Veterans Day parade was cancelled, we created a new page on our website to honor our Veterans. To acknowledge the significant reduction in our usual club activities, membership renewal dues were waived for 2021. While all that was going on, we even improved our website.

Thanks to everyone who pitched in this year to make this all happen.

I wish you all a happy and safe holiday season.

See you next year!

Greg

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Welcome!

Al Thompson - Membership Director

Welcome Santa Clara Corvettes!

It is all about the journey when you are rolling in America's sports car, the Corvette. The Gemini Crew is gassed up, provisions and luggage loaded, and wine in

tow as no road trip would be complete without it, we take to the highways and byways.

Road tripping gives you the freedom to explore different scenery along the way. Calaveras County had plenty to do and see. Check out our itinerary:

Lunch in Copperopolis. Baldi's located in The Square at Copper Valley offers great American faire that satisfies the most sophisticated palate. Try the crab salad sandwich or x-rated grilled cheese.

Shopping in Murphys. A charming town reminiscent of yesteryear with one of kind artisanal craft shops like The Spice Tin. The Spice Tin has well over a hundred varieties of herbs, spices, salts, and sugars. This husband and wife duo travel the world to collect spices. **Shari** picked up

some espresso and gingerbread sugars and I am told they will make an appearance this holiday season as a sugar-rimmed cocktail or atop a snickerdoodle.

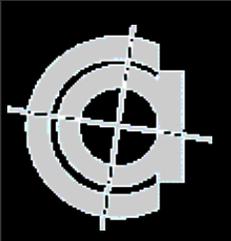
Columbia. Cowboy boots optional at Columbia State Park. A little western town steeped in Gold Rush history is a fun place to explore. Saddle up to the Douglass Saloon and enjoy a homemade sarsaparilla, make a personalized horseshoe at Parrotts' Blacksmith, or mine for gold.

After coloring the Sierras, I turned to club business and explore membership:

At the close of November our membership went from 183 to 184. Yes, we got a new member, so let us welcome Patrick Murphy to the Santa Clara Corvettes, he has not one but two Corvettes, a C2-1967 Black Convertible with 350 HP and a C3-1969 Green Convertible with 390 HP.

This is a SCC reminder that 2021 WSCC dues of \$35.00 are due no later than the 15th of December. Please don't be late.

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Social Directors

Cheryl Klynn & Linda Lariz



Hopefully by now all of that Thanksgiving turkey has been enjoyed as your primary meal, leftovers and turkey sandwiches. This year is certainly a different celebration for most of us but nonetheless we can be thankful that we are still progressing toward finding a vaccine and being turned loose again!

Our “Give Thanks” TGIF zoom call was very entertaining. Much of the call was spent in discussion of the problem with C7 Grand Sport/Z06 wheels cracking. After x-raying **David Johnston’s** very cracked wheel **Lee Klynn** is pulling together an article (for future publication) regarding his findings. There was talk of using the cracked wheels as Christmas tree bases and art projects.

Soon our conversation turned to Thanksgiving traditions and what some of our families do to celebrate. **Sandy Mendia** shared her family’s traditional celebration at her brother’s farm. They always get a big bang out of it (if you want more details, talk to **Sandy!**).

Sadly (but wisely) the Southern Oregon Corvette Association has decided to cancel their July event. (Many of us had planned to go and have already made our hotel reservations.) We are disappointed but understand. Here is their message:

“The Southern Oregon Corvette Association (SOCA) Board of Directors has decided to cancel plans for the SOCA Corvette Weekend in Grants Pass, Oregon, scheduled for next year from July 9 to 11, 2021.

We were hoping the positive news of the development of effective COVID-19 vaccines would allow us to continue plans to host this very

popular Southern Oregon event that supports local charities. However, who would have believed back in March of this year the State of Oregon Department of Health restrictions on large-gathering events would still be in effect eight months later?

The SOCA Board believes there is too much remaining uncertainty to go to the effort to plan an event the size of Corvette Weekend, only to have it cancelled at the last minute by Oregon State health mandates. In addition, we do not want to create a situation that could create a coronavirus transmission that results in severe illness or death to participants.

We very much appreciate your past support of the first 28 Corvette Weekend events, and we hope to be able to schedule the 29th Corvette Weekend after 2021.”

With any luck and good vaccine distribution perhaps we will be able to move forward with Jim Agar’s plan to visit Bryce and Zion in September of 2021. (BTW, he is a member of the Fresno club, not the Monterey Club).

Our next virtual TGIT will be on December 17 (5:00 – 7:00) – this TGIT will be themed “Ugly Sweaters”. Break out those sweaters that only get worn once a year and join the party. We would also like to see the worst “white elephant” gifts as well.

Onwards friends....

Cheryl and Linda



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What is happening with the "C8 Watch" Now?



Here is the latest info I was able to find out on the C8 Watch. At the time of this writing, GM has things looking better than ever for C8 production, as Corvette Action Center reports that production has stabilized with two shifts churning out 186 cars per day on average. As a result, the start of production of the 2021 model is being moved up significantly. In a production update released to Chevrolet dealers on Thursday morning, GM said that 2021 Chevrolet Corvette production is now set to start December 8 - nearly a month earlier than it had been expected to begin.

Zero to 60 mph in 3 seconds not fast enough for you? Excerpts from GM Authority article by Sam McEachern on Nov 26, 2020 wrote this about a new supercharger for C8. 'Now Kansas City-based company ProCharger claims to have developed a solution to the problem. The company's new centrifugal supercharger system for the C8 [Corvette](#) is allegedly capable of boosting the output of the factory [GM 6.2L LT2 V8](#) engine from 495 horsepower to over 700 horsepower. The details on this new C8 Corvette compatible supercharger system are slim for the moment, but the company says that it will be a bolt-on intercooled system that can run on pump gas. ProCharger also released a video this week of one of its supercharged C8 Corvette development cars revving and doing a burnout, which was accompanied by the tagline: "What does a 700 horsepower LT2 sound like?" "Thanks to the amazing engineers at ProCharger, the world's first bolt on supercharger system for the Corvette C8 platform, is just around the corner," the company said on its website.'

So if you do not want to wait for the Z06 you can wait for ProCharger to come out with their bolt on supercharger coming soon they say. Check out the link to the article and the video. <https://gmauthority.com/blog/2020/11/procharger-announces-supercharger-kit-for-c8-corvette-video/>

Stay tuned for more to come on the latest C8 Watch.

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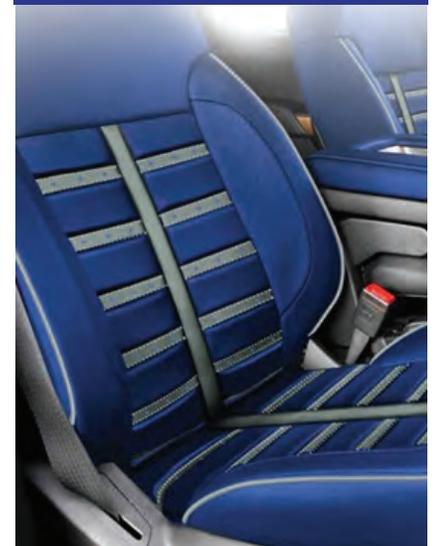
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The 2020 Corvette Earns a Spot on Wards 10 Best Interiors for 2020

After years of being the Rodney Dangerfield of car interiors, at least in the eyes of some magazine reviewers, the [C8 Corvette](#) is finally getting some reverence.



The latest show of respect came this week when Wards named the new mid-engine Corvette to its list of the 10 Best Interiors for 2020.

“A passerby need only look through the window,” Wards gushes, “to recognize the latest Corvette interior takes a monumental leap in styling, quality and materials relative to past efforts.”



They further note that the “groundbreaking achievement” of the 2020 interior is evident to any driver lucky enough to climb behind the wheel, praising its “premium leather-wrapped instrument panel, the tastefully applied carbon-fiber trim, the handsomely configured push-button transmission that saves precious room in the center console, and the microsuede used generously on the instrument panel, center console, door trim, steering wheel, headliner, and pillar trim.”

One juror wrote that despite the use of several materials, the interior was “well done” and “achieved great harmony between the metal, plastic, carbon fiber and microsuede.” Along those lines, another juror praised Chevy for being able to match the shade of the various materials in the Natural Dipped interior, in particular.

They even liked the most controversial part of the interior – the long row of buttons descending on the center console between driver and passenger, pointing out “still, the driver does not feel penned in and all controls are ergonomically accessible” in “the comfiest Corvette yet.” They even said the design seems to wrap the driver in a “high-performance cocoon.”

Chief Engineer Tadge Juechter also earned praise for insisting that no corners be cut in building the new interior, “and for that we thank him,” Wards says.

Lest you think it was just the premium \$11,950 3LT interior that caught the eye of the reviewers, Wards says owners “should be impressed with whichever interior you choose.”

Also earning plaudits was the “remarkably quiet” cabin, even with the 495-hp V8 roaring at high rpm just inches behind the ears of the passengers.

The new powerplant, by the way, earlier earned a spot on Wards 10 Best Engines & Propulsion Systems for 2020 thanks to its “excellent sound management” among several other reasons.

Wards summed up its appraisal of the C8 interior by borrowing a phrase from “Top Gun”: “The sexy, C8 Corvette’s alluring exterior is writing checks this dramatic interior is fully capable of cashing.”

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Cathedral of Faith Toy Drive-thru

It was a cool Fall morning and all were in a good mood-ready for one of the most popular of the annual events. In a “normal” year we would be arriving at the Cathedral of Faith ready to partake of their famous pancake breakfast and check out the assemblage of eclectic cars assembled for the San Jose Classic Chevy Club’s car show/toy and food drive. This year, however, due to Covid-19 restrictions, after we assembled in the VTA Park and Ride lot across from the Cathedral we performed a “drive-thru”. Sixteen Corvettes (plus one Honda Fit, one Viper and one Lambo) slowly entered the parking lot



and drove past the pop-up tent stopping only to transfer the toys to the volunteers from the SJCCC. Then we followed the twisty road to exit the grounds, saluting Romulo who was near the exit counting cars and, one-by-one, disappeared into the still-early morning.



Felt good about the toy drive donations and seeing our Corvette buddies (if only for 20-30 minutes) but sad about missing the show and having a longer time to socialize with the other SCC members. That's 2020 for you.

Dave Johnston

TPS CARS and COFFEE 11-15-20

On November 15, 2020 the monthly gathering of Cars and Coffee at Bass Pro Shops parking lot in San Jose was well attended.

Mike Mak of TPS Motorsports, one of our club sponsors and also a sponsor of the San Jose Mustangs encouraged the Santa Clara Corvettes members to attend the monthly gathering. There were over 200 cars including ~20 Corvettes and many other cars including a McLaren, Lamborghini, Challengers, Cobras, Camaros, and many Mustangs. It was a nice casual get-together with face masks being worn & social distancing followed. This event occurs monthly with the next one on Sunday, December 20.

Jeanne Corrinne

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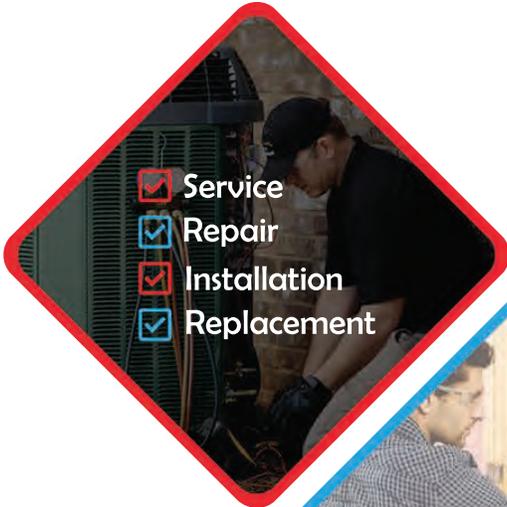
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Copycats?

Did Corvette designers copy an Italian design that pre-dated the legendary 1963 Sting Ray split-window coupe by at least 10 years?

One could certainly make a case that the concept of the split window coupe sports car originated with the Alfa Romeo BAT cars displayed first at the 1953 Turin Auto Show. From 1953 through 1955, Alfa's three BAT concepts, the BAT 5 (1953), the BAT 7 (1954) and the BAT 9 (1955) were all shown consecutively at each year's annual show in Turin.



BAT was the popular abbreviation for the styling by Berlina Aerodinamica Tecnica and the three cars were designed and built for Alfa Romeo by fellow Turin firm Carrozzeria Bertone. The design was intended to explore the limits of aerodynamic design on a production-car chassis (a new Sprint 1900). The split-window theme was carried throughout the three generations and aided in producing a still-stunning 0.23 coefficient of drag. The 2,200-lb, 115-hp coupe was able to reach 124 mph without the use of wind tunnels or computer-aided design.

After the third car was designed and built the three were never shown together in public until the 1989 and 2005 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance although they have been featured lately at the Blackhawk Museum in Danville where a number of SCC members viewed them after a WSCC car show at Blackhawk Plaza. The BAT trio have been the property of a single owner since the '89 Pebble Beach showing. They have recently been auctioned off and sold for \$14.8 million.

Compare the 1963 Corvette and the BAT cars and you can see the similarities of the rear split-window but also some of the "boat-tail" design influences. Remember, the BAT cars were first shown in 1953 while the Corvette appeared in 1963. Do you think that Larry Shinoda, principal designer of the '63 Corvette, was influenced by Frank Scaglione, designer of the BAT cars? Was GM a copycat?



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On Saturday morning, Nov 14, **Bob and Joannie Nastasi** drove 1-1/2 hours north to Lodi to meet up with a friend who is a "Corvettes of Lodi" member. We were guests of the Club and cruised with 18 Corvettes (C5's, C6's, C7's and one C8.) After a brief driver meeting, we headed up

We had to cruise the entire couple of blocks of main street downtown (Old Rt. 49), past all of the antique stores and



Hwy 88, Hwy 104 and Hwy 49 then on into Sutter Creek, about 45 minute drive.

shops to get to the public parking lot where there was plenty of parking for us all. Lots of attention, cameras came out and lots of waving from the shoppers as the "eye candy" of Corvettes went by! How fun!



A Lodi club member's daughter works at the historic Hotel and we were all treated to VIP service at the outdoor back patio with

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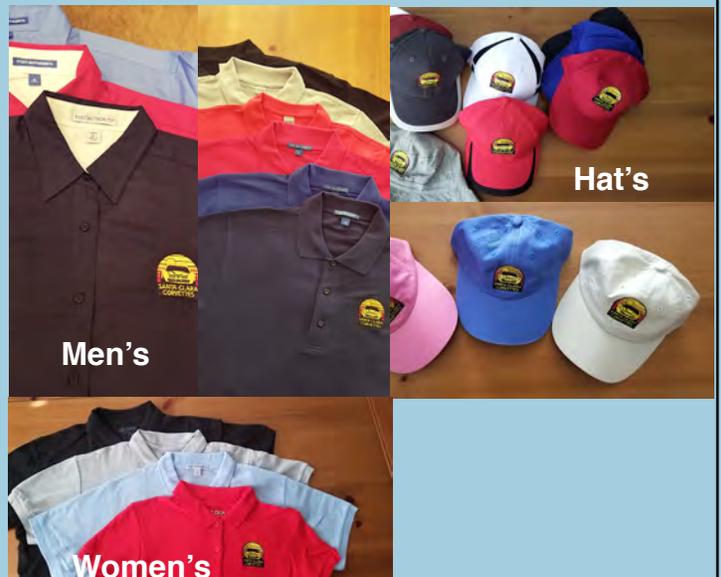
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What's News?

A Suite Gem in the Sierras by Shari Thompson

Longing for the great outdoors or simply itching to get off the grid? Pack your bags and explore your wanderlust at this rustic-luxe bed and breakfast. Rewards of savory food, fantastic wines and exceptional service await you at this off the beaten path establishment. Black Bear Inn is a hidden jewel amongst the big trees in Arnold, CA.



Proprietors of the all-suite bed and breakfast Wendi and Bruce Davison have thoughtfully created a warm and inviting space for you to celebrate or relax and simply be. Wendi and Bruce go above and beyond to make you feel special. From the wine and cheese reception that includes authentic wines and a mini charcuterie board curated to your taste, the Lindt chocolates and Riedel wine glasses in the room (a welcomed surprise



compared to the waxy paper cups offered at other spots) to the hand-made hospitality. Wendi knew we were Corvette enthusiasts and worked with the local baker to have individually wrapped gourmet car shaped cookies with all our names as a 'welcome in' treat.

Black Bear Inn offers five exclusive private uniquely designed suites. We stayed in the Tuscan inspired suite with the built for two jacuzzi tub and old-fashioned free-standing fireplace.

Every morning our culinary trained host prepared a delicious and plentiful breakfast to start the day. Prior to our arrival we discussed our dining options and worked with Bruce to craft a Gemini Crew centric menu and secure reservations at a local restaurant named Dogwood for our second night. The restaurant, which seemed more like a house as serves up elite classic American cuisine and was within walking distance of the Inn, no designated driver needed.

After dinner we returned to the Inn grabbed our drink of choice be it wine, beer or bourbon and relaxed to the funky sounds provided by DJ Lisa P.

New Disney+ Series Makes for Good Corvette Spotting

By [Corvette Museum](#) October 22

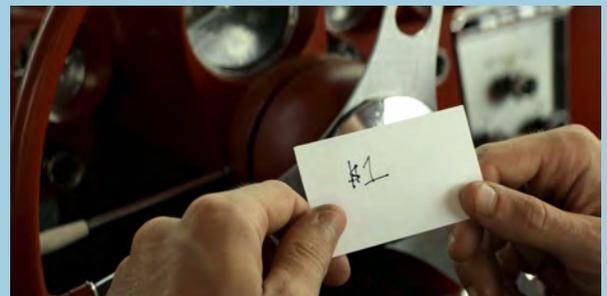
National Corvette Museum News



The Star Voyagers known as Astronauts and Corvette have a connection known by many in the Corvette world. A new series on the streaming platform, Disney+, entitled The Right Stuff tells the story of the Mercury Seven and what it takes to be the first of firsts. The series based on the bestselling novel by Tom Wolfe follows the 7 men vying to become the first man in space.

After being put through rigorous training these former test pilots still have a need for speed, one of them being Alan Shepard. In episode 2, Shepard takes a trip to Rathmann Chevrolet where he encounters Jim Rathmann.

Shepard is looking to make a deal for a part-time driver during his stay in Florida and Mr. Rathmann makes him a deal he just can't refuse. For a small fee of \$1, Shepard drives off the lot in a new Corvette.



Corvettes are seen numerous times in the following episode being driven by the other members of the Mercury Seven who made a visit to Rathmann Chevrolet as well. Three episodes of the 8-part mini-series are now available on Disney+ with a new episode dropping each Friday. The entire series will be available for viewing on Friday, November 20th.



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Collins Orton & Stuart Calhoon: Competition, Motorsports



Stuart Calhoon and Collins Orton
Co-Motorsports Directors for 2020
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All Auto-X Results for 2020 can be found at <https://sccorvettes.org/event-results/>. Thank you to all the SCC members that supported our Auto-X events in 2020. It was tough, difficult but that little bit of normalcy that we all crave right now.

The world-famous Pink Tire 'B' Hat was being held by **Ron Minearo** up until the final Auto-X day Nov. 1. **Collins Orton** wrested the award away from **Ron** and is now the proud holder of this coveted award. This special hat is awarded to an SCC Auto-X competitor that qualifies using an elaborate handicapping system administered by **Stuart Calhoon**. **Collins** will be required to wear the "Pink Tire 'B' Hat" at all SCC events until a new winner is declared after the first Auto-X event in 2021. The competition for the Tire 'B' Hat will be intense! Join the fun.

Auto-X plans for 2021. We expect to be back at the Cow Palace in 2021. The facility has many good attributes and is really the only site that is consistently available. We are working on a schedule and hope to have at least 4 weekends and 2-3 single day mixed in. There may be some partnering opportunities as well with the other Auto-X clubs. We have made many new friends with the other clubs and want to continue to cultivate those relationships.



For 2020, Stanislaus County has seriously restricted any activity at Crow's Landing due to Covid 19. We hope 2021 is better for those groups using this site.

NBCA plans for two weekends, in 2021, at Thunderhill. Dates are tentatively June 5-6 and Sept. Please consider making the trip to help our fellow



WSSC club with their events.

Our Auto-X efforts are only possible because of the Auto-X Army. **Stuart** and I want everyone, in the Auto-X Army, to know how much we appreciate all your help. SCC volunteers and some from other clubs make these events work. To improve our performance in 2021 we are looking for a couple of club members



that can help with some specific tasks. We need a computer tech that can help to run MotorsportsReg.com, our online registration system. **Stuart Calhoon** has developed this system into a fine, well running tool but we really need a second person to take on some of the responsibility. Please contact **Stuart** or me to discuss. You do not have to be an Auto-X racer to assist with this. A second area where we need to add qualified technician is our Timing system at the events. The system is really working quite well but again we would like to train a couple more operators to create a wider knowledge base. Some computer skills are needed. Please contact **Stuart** or me.

There is a Comp Code Revision Committee forming to work on the reduction in the number of car classes for auto-X. We ran a trial this year that reduced the number of classes from 52 down to less than 20. This helped us run better events. More cars in class makes for better competition. **Stuart** will be the lead for this work with WSSC. Volunteers to help with this work are requested.

Stuart Calhoon and **Collins Orton** have agreed to continue as SCC Co-Motorsports Directors in 2021.

Thank you to everyone that participated, and made possible, our successful Auto-X season.



Collins Orton and Stuart Calhoon

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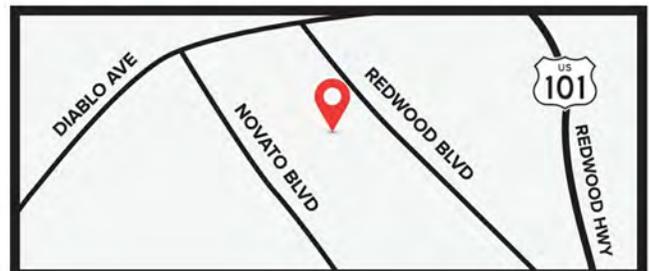
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Romulo Rimando: Competition Car Show

Who Had the First Express Oil Change?

As the automobile became a common fixture into the 1930's, testing became more prevalent into World War II,

on cars, and airplanes ultimately recognizing SAE-30 as an industry standard. Throughout the years, advancements have been made with synthetic oils for maximum lubrication, and engine life, and how we service our vehicles.

Like car washes, the oil change industry began its transformation in the 1970's. Jiffy Lube's documented history goes back to Ogden, Utah - 1971. Removing drivers from the constraints of the dealership - car owners now had another vehicle service option. On their website they do claim one of the industry's first quickie oil changes. In addition, Jiffy Lube would also like to receive recognition for the oil change sticker on the windshield.

Edwin Washburn is credited to have started a franchise



of Jiffy Lube locations throughout Utah. Fast forward to 1979 when football coach James Hindman purchased an estimated seven locations and started what is known as Jiffy Lube International. Today it is currently a publicly traded company that is a subsidiary of Pennzoil Oil, and well known car care establishment. Coincidentally, Jim Lunceford also started Express Oil, circa 1979, this time in Birmingham, Alabama.

It's very interesting that Oil Stop also would like us to know that they occupied an abandoned gas station in Petaluma, Ca in 1984, which is also an early player in the quick lube industry. If you disagree with these oil change pioneers, lets take a look at Auto OilLube; then you are on the right track to the earliest roots of the express oil change. Auto OilLube's history actually traces back to a gentleman named Dick Wellington, residing in Mansfield, Ohio. Costa Oil's research actually dates Auto OilLube's 10 minute oil change back to the Fall of 1966.

This article is from September 23rd 1966 in the "News-Journal" Publication of Mansfield Ohio.

10-Minute Car Service To Open

A unique auto service will open in Mansfield next month because Dick Wellington, 214 Abbeydale Rd., had to wait two hours for a grease job and oil change.

The wait gave Wellington time to figure out how he'd speed up the process.

His 10-minute Auto OilLube ser-

vice for the complete operation will open Oct. 3 at 1065 West Fourth Street Rd.

"It will be similar to the car washes," he said. "We'll drive the autos in over a pit."

All work will be done to manufacturers' specifications and warranties will be valid. A safety check also will be done on every car.

Further extension of service will be free pick-up and delivery for persons who must depend on their cars in their work.

Company officers are Mr. and Mrs. Wellington and Atty. David Arbaugh, who also serves as agent for incorporation papers soon to be filed.

If all goes well, Wellington

said he hopes to franchise the service in another six months.

Wellington is the former owner-operator of Rust-Stop, Rust-Proofing.

Mandatory Belts

PORTLAND, Ore (AP) — A bill that would make seat belts mandatory on school and commercial buses will be introduced in the 1967 Oregon Legislature.

In modern times it is very normal to see oil change services not only at your local dealership, but at many garages which now provide oil changes as a value add to their offering of personalized services. Midas Mufflers, Pep Boys, Oil Changers, Speedee, Firestone, and even Walmart are just a few to name of many established oil change garages. Additionally, many of these service providers can also offer change of light bulbs, coolant, windshield wipers, air filters while you are getting an oil change.

Oil changes, and car care are important in the winter months, but is also good time to follow-up on any required service for your Corvette, or daily driver. SCC vendors may offer similar maintenance services, and specialized repair, for your convenience. It is always a good idea to review your vehicles maintenance schedule, and check the last time your vehicle had an oil change.

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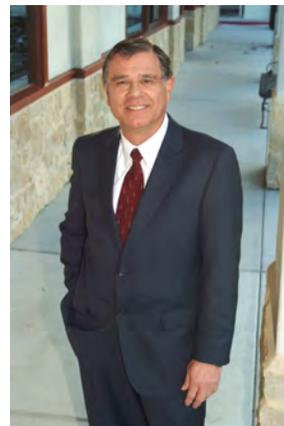


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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30	31		

January 2021

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- 2 Zoom Social at 6:30pm and Zoom Business Meeting at 7:00 pm
- 10 Hanukkah begins
- 17 TGIT "Ugly Sweaters", 5-7pm
- 21 Winter Begins
- 22 Zoom Board Meeting starts 6:30 pm
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 Kwanzaa begins
- 31 New Years Eve

- 1 New Years Day 2021
- 6 Zoom Social at 6:30pm and Zoom Business Meeting at 7:00pm
- 18 Martin Luther King Birthday
- 27 Zoom Board Meeting at 6:30 pm

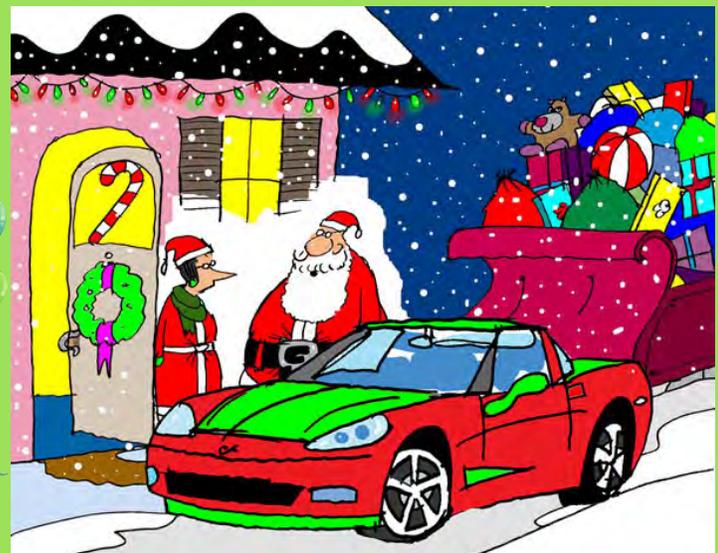
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December Birthdays

- 01 - Gary Jones
- 03 - Sue Clark
- 05 - Carol Beck
- 06 - Sandy Davis
- 07 - Brian Barlow
- 10 - Julie Bradford
- 14 - Tom Halcin
- 14 - Cynthia Jacobson
- 14 - David Jacobson
- 14 - Patrick Murphy
- 17 - Ken Jacksteit
- 19 - Greg Selzer
- 22 - Geneva Leighton
- 24 - Jerry Svindal
- 27 - Ron Minearo
- 28 - Mike O'Rourke
- 31 - John Warner

December Anniversaries

- 2008 - Jack Atkinson
- 2012 - David Katz
- 2014 - Sue Kennedy
- 2014 - Tim Kennedy
- 2015 - Joe Costellano
- 2016 - Dawson Mabey
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