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The Ozaukee Corvette Club meets the 3rd Sunday of the month unless an alternate date is published.

Upcoming Calendar Events

(See web site calendar for latest information)

June 21st - 6:00PM Wayne's Drive in, JUNE OCC MEETING*

June 24 - Thiensville Fun before the 4th Parade, see calendar

July 1 - Ozaukee Corvette Club Newsletter Cutoff for July edition

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July 16th - JULY OCC MEETING - see calendar for details

EVERY WEDNESDAY is OCC NIGHT AT WAYNES....

Newsletter Editor Note to Members:

For those of you who primarily read this newsletter on your PC or Mobile Device rather than print and read; I want to point out features I've added as part of every issue.

At the TOP of the newsletter, just below our logo and text "Crusin' since 1979" you'll see three lines showing our club website, our club Facebook Page and our club Email Address. Each of these lines is a "[hyperlink](#)". So if you click on the line, you should be taken to Website, Facebook, or Email composition depending upon which you pick. On some devices you might need to hold down the <ctrl> key and click on the [hyperlink](#). (For what its worth, the word [hyperlink](#) in this paragraph is also a [hyperlink](#), and will take you to the google definition of that word).

I've done this only as a convenience so that you can get your data right off your mobile device or PC in a single step. It is of course totally fine to access those places the way you've always done. My goal will be to use [hyperlinks](#) in articles so that you can easily access all information while reading the newsletter.

-editor

Summarized Club Meeting Minutes (May 2017):

President Jeff Myers called the May meeting to order as scheduled on May 27, 2017. Fifteen members were in attendance.

Jim Nowlen reminded everyone that our guest speaker from our April meeting, Mike Binsfeld from Ice-Kold, offered Club Members a deal at \$54.94 to have their car's air conditioning checked.

Secretary's Report: Sue Montana Myers read the minutes from The April meeting. Jim Nowlen made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Judi Krafcheck.

Treasurer Report: Sue Giese gave her Treasurer's report. Accounts current, checks written as needed, deposits made, accounts all in balance. Diane Rehm made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Judi Krafcheck.

Membership/VP Report: Ron Giese gave his report stating we need Windshield Pins for our new banner. He also talked about the St Jude Run.

Web Master: Pat Murray reported everything is good. .

Newsletter: Jim Nowlen stated everything is fine

Old Business:

Bruce and Sally Post hosted a nice breakfast ride. Ten members enjoyed the ride. Thanks to Bruce and Sally.

Jeff suggested checking the sign-up sheets for upcoming activities.

Our June meeting will be held at Wayne's Drive-In on Wed., June 21st at 6:00pm. A meeting notice change will be sent to all members.

New Business:

Our renewal Corporation Documents have been submitted to the State of Wisconsin. Memorial Day Parade is all set, see the sign-up sheet. After the parade we will meet at the Sawmill Restaurant for lunch.

There being no other New Business, a motion was made by Pat Murray to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ron Giese.

June 2017 tentative agenda

No special speaker at June meeting, but club does have to begin laying tracks to be ready for Chili Cook-off our club is organizing. We do want to request that ALL MEMBERS begin looking for items for door prizes, etc for this event. Please keep the board informed of your growing list of items. Please note we are meeting on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, 6pm at Wayne's for our June meeting.

Member Anniversaries:

Dale & Linda Doerflinger	June 10 th
Jon & Nancy Gilmore	July 3 rd
Fred & Mary Kellbach	July 3 rd

Member Birthdays:

Karen Schanen	6/7
Mary Kellbach	6/8
Thom Brown	6/11
Jan Hobler	6/12
Sue Myers	6/12
Mike Landeck	6/14
Pat Landeck	6/16
Gregg Goetz	6/16
Zhaleh Barari	6/26
Shari Brown	7/4
Periann Meyers	7/20
Jim Baker	7/26
Dana Drennen	7/30

NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION SCHEDULE:

Articles for each month's newsletter need to be sent to jimnowlen@gmail.com by or before that month's meeting.

Newsletter target publication will be the 5th of every month. To make sure we don't have to publish corrections we only publish approved minutes. This month however is based upon a draft and so if necessary; I'll make corrections in the July newsletter.

Elsewhere in our newsletter will be important dates to remember. These are also available on the club website calendar, as well as club "hootboard".

Next Newsletter cutoff is July 1, 2017

June 2017 Tech Tips from Jeff
“Tire Inflation Monitors”

On many Corvettes from the mid 80's going forward, as well as other passenger cars and trucks, there are individual wheel and tire air pressure monitors. These devices enable to Corvette's chassis computer to receive a message as to the air pressure of each tire and wheel, and display it on your Driver Information Center. Ever since the Firestone/ Ford Explorer tire scandal years ago, cars have been equipped with these air pressure sensors. By making this important information constantly available, the auto manufacturers limit their liability if your tires become under inflated and fail.

How to they work? Each tire has a sensor that is part of your tire air valve. Each sensor is also a transmitter. The air inside your Corvette's tire presses down on a small diaphragm disc, much like a barometer. There are 2 small button type batteries sealed inside each sensor. Those little batteries, that resemble hearing aid batteries, provide the electrical current to convert the tire pressure into a voltage value and transmit the information to the Corvette's Body Chassis Module (BCM) where it is displayed on your driver information center. Those batteries are good for about 8 to 10 years, and then the voltage drops to such a low level that the sensors can no longer read pressure and operate correctly. You will see a trouble code, and you will need to replace or repair the sensor.

If you are so inclined, you may take the tire off the wheel, and remove the pressure module from the wheel. Then you may remove the silicone sealer and remove the old batteries. Put in new batteries and re-seal the batteries in place with silicone. A much easier method is to go shopping online and give those online parts places the make model and year of your car(s). I have found that Dorman makes a very good module for a reasonable price- somewhere in the \$30 to \$35 range.

Once you have secured the new sensors, or replaced the batteries, you may want to go to your Corvette tech or tire shop, and have the new sensors installed. The tech tip is to shop around for these sensors because there is a big price range for essentially the same product. Once the sensors are installed, your tech or tire shop will use a electronic device to orient each wheel location to the Corvette's chassis computer so your information center readout is correct for each tire and wheel location. Once installed, you should have your tires rebalanced because tire rubber has worn away, and changed the balance of your tire. You should be good for another 8 to 10 years. Because GM is

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now using Michelin tires that deliver around 40,000 miles if driven normally, it may take you 8 to 10 years to wear out a set of tires. Another tech tip would be new sensors installed with a new set of tires to prevent having to take the Corvette in and have the tires removed so that new sensors can be installed. Another tech tip previously discussed would be inflating the tires with nitrogen. Nitrogen is a harmless inert gas that is very stable. Regardless of the outside temperature or the tire operating temperature, tires filled with nitrogen remain at a consistent pressure. This is important, because regular air expands with increases in temperature, causing the center of your tire tread to push out and wear the center of your tread. The goal is to have safe tire pressure as recommended by GM, and to get the maximum safe wear from your tires because a new set of tires are over \$1,000.

Tire pressure monitors are very useful at keeping tires inflated to safe and proper levels. Check the pressure frequently, and add air to any low tire. If a tire continues to lose air pressure as displayed in your Corvette, take time to verify the actual pressure with a good quality tire gage. If the actual readings are different than the electronic tire sensor, you will need to replace that sensor. If the tire pressures are the same or within 1 or 2 psi, you could have a small leak in the tire from a nail, a bad valve stem in the Schrader Valve, or a loss of seal in the tire bead are from corrosion. Our friends at Tire Unlimited are very good at repairing these problems. Not repairing a low air pressure situation, or waiting "until later" is not an option. Tires develop extremely high side wall temperatures if tire pressure drops too low. The tire actual starts to smoke just before it comes apart, and you no longer get to fix or maintain your Corvette on your terms. The bottom line is to constantly be aware of the tire pressures in all your tires. You will enjoy your Corvette a lot more.

Save the Wave,

Jeff Myers



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Classifieds:

2014 Corvette Stingray Coupe formerly owned by Frank Wilke. 23,000 miles, Cyber Gray Metallic with Kalahari interior. Engine 6.2L V8 DI/WT LT1 460 HP Direct Injection. 6-speed paddle shift. Call Curtis Disrud 262-567-6540 or 262-370-1693 (cell).

C-5: • Soundboard for trunk • Taillights & license plate louvers (Painted mell. yellow) • Relay for low & high beam lights (turns on both high and low headlights beams on the highway) easy to wire in • Dr. Color chip kit Mell. Yellow (never opened) • Leather steering wheel cover (yellow & black) • Emergency hood release • Touch up bottles (3) • Can of NAPA spray paint (Millennium yellow) • 2-yellow key fob rubber covers • Yellow grab handle -5. Contact Ron at: ronhgiese@gmail.com

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Member's Spotlight

Thom and Shari Brown bought their beautiful 1959 Convertible to one of the early Weayne's Wednesday events.

Members, please volunteer your car and story for the JUNE Newsletter. Thanks.



About the Corvette:

Year: 1959

Model: Convertible

Engine: 289

Color: White

Nickname: N/A

Outstanding Features:

Beautiful survivor 'vette so pretty, original!

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