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CdeO Does the Corvette and High Performance Swap Meet by Anne

As most of you know, Larry and Karen Johnson from our club put on an annual Corvette and High Performance Swap Meet at the fairgrounds in Puyallup.

This year, Don Patnoe took advantage of Larry and Karen's standing offer of a free booth to promote Vette Fest and CdeO membership.

Here is a picture of Larry and Karen with Frank Zangar.



Don marshalled help from the club.

The picture below shows Don, Tom Oenning and Mark Twardzicki working at our booth. The display included two wonderful photo collages of CdeO in action designed by Carla Green. Doesn't our booth look great?



Fred Millstead, Frank Zangar, Anne Wax and Marilyn Trogden also helped out. We met prospective members and VetteFest attendees, visited with members of the other Puget Sound clubs, and took breaks to see the vendors and exhibits.

Several club members stopped by our booth by including Jon Cox, Bill Barsanti, and Meagan and Michaela Renick. John Thompson was also at the show to sell his certified Sunbeam Tiger and his 3 novels. Novel number 4 will be published soon.



Here is Michaela Renick inviting us to her Gim-mick Rally on May 3rd

There were some beautiful Corvettes displayed, my favorite being the black Z06 Stingray shown below.



We did our club proud with our very fine display and our friendly club members. I am glad we attended and think we should do so again next year.

Heartbeat of Olympia

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Corvettes de Olympia is a non-profit organization formed in 1972. Our purpose is to:

1. Develop friendship and pride among Corvette owners and drivers,
2. Encourage skillful, safe and sportsmanlike driving habits on the highways,
3. Improve relations between the community and Corvette people,
4. Actively promote, sponsor, organize, and supervise sports car competition, outings, meetings and other Corvette or sports car activities.

Annual membership dues are Family—\$55.00, Single—\$27.50. Monthly meetings are normally held at 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at Hawk's Prairie Restaurant. Meetings are open to any and all Corvette enthusiasts.

Visit us on the web at: www.corvettesdeolympia.org

Next Meeting

Feb. 11th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant, Lacey, WA

President's Message



Oh my gosh –

Car and Driver reported they have proof Chevrolet will put out a mid-engine Corvette. Here is their artist's rendering.



What fun!

I am glad I am involved with Corvettes de Olympia and that Corvettes de Olympia supports that involvement.

Save the Wave,

Anne

<http://www.caranddriver.com/news/exclusive-mid-engine-c8-chevrolet-corvette-first-photos-news>

Past Presidents

Corvettes de Olympia

1972	Rich Lockhart
1973	Larry Johnson
1974	Rich Lockhart
1975	Terry Halliday
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1977	Bill Pollard
1978	Sandy Lockhart
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1980	Ralph Adams
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1989	Jim Turcotte
1990	Karen Johnson
1992	Tom Kuchman
1991	Ron Zielin
1993	Roy Scioli
1994	Tom Hanson
1995	Tom Kuchman
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1997	Peggy Rogers
1998	Karen Johnson
1999	Randy Harris
2000	Randy Harris
2001	Jim Turcotte
2002	Peggy Rogers
2003	Peggy Rogers
2004	Vince Puntenev
2005	Vince Puntenev
2006	Vince Puntenev
2007	Brian Cousineau
2008	Peggy Rogers
2009	Meagan Renick
2010	Meagan Renick
2011	Meagan Renick
2012	Meagan Renick
2013	Anne Wax
2014	Anne Wax

Tacoma Corvette Club Open House

TCC will hold their annual Open House this Saturday, February 14th. A caravan will leave from Hawk's Prairie Restaurant parking lot at 10:45 a.m. Hope to see you there!

Jim and Karen attended TCC's Open House last year, and wrote a great article. Please read on to hear how much fun everyone had at this event last year:

TCC Open House 2014 by Jim and Karen Robinson:

How do you get people to drive their beloved Corvette to an event in the worst rain storm of the year? You prepare a feast fit for a king! That's what the Tacoma Corvette Club did at the 9th annual open house event held at Corvettes of Auburn.

Dan cleared the work bays, set tables up and the club served BBQ brisket, ribs, roast beef and too many delicious sides and deserts to mention. Did anyone notice the size of that Caesar salad! Only 6 of us from Corvettes de Olympia braved the weather to attend this year's gathering of clubs; Anne with Marilyn (navigator), Carolyn, Arthur and us, Jim and Karen.

When Anne asked us to write a little something for the newsletter we sat down to list all the things that made this event so special. Yes the food was exceptional and, the people attending all seemed to enjoy the atmosphere, the garage itself is remarkable, complete with a dyno, it's a first

After lunch, the host, Dan, invited a spokesperson from each club to come forward and tell about their events, and if applicable, the charity that would benefit from their efforts. Yes, we can all read the flyers but it was so much more meaningful when someone stands up to announce, with enthusiasm and pride, how hard they are working to make their year's events the best yet. Anne and Arthur represented CdeO very well as always.

There were tickets being sold for a drawing to be held with proceeds to benefit the Bowling Green Museum. The winner will own a New C-7 Corvette.

If you have never attended this Open house, I suggest you give it a try. We left with a hand full of flyers and wishing we had time to do them all. So much to do and so little time! Oh, did I mention we got to see our first C-7 what a beautiful car

Check Out the 2014 Highlights and See Flyer on next page for 2015 details to attend the next Tacoma Corvette Club Open House Memory Making





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TACOMA CORVETTE CLUB

10TH ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, February 14th, 2015

The Tacoma Corvette Club is proud to host our
10th Annual Open House event

Come and join us along with other corvette clubs and fellow corvette enthusiasts for an afternoon of getting together, meeting people, hearing about upcoming events, seeing all of our corvettes, and of course a great lunch hosted by the Tacoma Corvette Club. There's plenty of room to park so we hope to see you there in your corvette!

WHEN: Saturday, February 14, 2015
 12:00 Noon - 3:00 PM

WHERE: Corvettes of Auburn
 3401 C Street NE #1
 Auburn, WA 98002

For more information about the Open House event
 contact **Kim Mejer** at blu_ii@msn.com

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Hawks Prairie Inn

January 14, 2015 7:00-8:00

Call To Order/Introductions/Approval of Minutes (Anne Wax)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Hawk's Prairie Inn Restaurant in Lacey, followed by introductions. The meeting minutes from last month's meeting were approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report (Will Trogden)

Will presented the report. Will can provide copies of this month's report to individuals if requested.

Committee Reports**Sponsorship Update (Peggy Rogers)**

Billy Paul joined the End of Year Event.

Membership Update (Billy Smith)

No news.

Sunshine Chair (Brenda Johnson)

No news.

Webmaster (Wendy Forcier)

We have the events from January – March events in the website calendar.

Tip: Check out the membership roster to make sure we have the right email and phone for you.

Wendy invites you to be a part of a Newsletter Committee – a great way to see the latest scoop early, and help send out the Newsletter sooner. Send an email to Wendy if you are interested.

Historian Update (Marilyn Trogden)

History is just starting for this year!

Scholarship Fund (Mark Twardzicki)

The club welcomed Shawn and Becky. Shawn is the recipient of the SPCC scholarship, and came to thank us for the donation. This enabled him to finish school while he's working full time.

NWACC (George Schwartz)

Going into the February meeting, we will be bringing up events for the year, we are on it!! The Autocross school is on the 16th of May.

National Corvette Museum (George Schwartz)

Museum is filling in the sink hole. The sky dome will look just like before. Only three cars will be restored. The black ZR1 was crushed, and a member donated a new one. Check out the live cam on the web site!

Vette Fest 2015 (Arthur Green/Don Patnoe)

Arthur and Don are heading up the committee for Vette fest 2015 which will be held on August 23rd. We would like volunteers to help planning, major sponsor advertising, being an ambassador for the event to other club meetings, etc. Contact Arthur or Don if you'd like to participate. Wendy has the flyer on the website, and we will be taking the event flyers to the TCC and High Performance events.

Events and Activities (Josette Miller)

Welcome to a new Corvette Year! See event calendar for details on all events.

New stuff

- April – Sunday drive and lunch
- May – back road run to a casino
- Lots of usual tours
- May go on tour of Warm Springs and Crater Lake in Oregon.
- May also do something cool in September and October since it was nice this year this fall.
- Tried to not have tours when we have autocrosses, but did have one overlap.
- Josette asked how many are interested in St. Patrick's Day – Blue Slough tour -- there was enough interest. J Blue Slough!
- Randy is going to design a drive!

Where we've been:

Holiday Parade: We drove Derik Nelson of Glee along with his brother and sister. It was a bright and cold day - a great fun event.

End of Year Celebration: 41 people came to our party - check out the newsletter for a great article on this.

Coming Up:

- **Corvette and High Performance Swap meet** – We have a booth – great opportunity to recruit new members and publicize the club and Vette fest. The meet starts at 10 am, and we need 2 people to help guide people in the morning. Will need a total of 6 volunteers, 2 hour shifts, to man the booth. A group will caravan up and possibly have breakfast – Don will send out details. Sign up on the sheet, or on the website.
- **Tacoma Corvette Club (TCC) Open House on Valentine's Day** – the best BBQ, amazing food at this event. Anne will lead a caravan. They have a really nice raffle. Lots of folks coming from all over the state. They have supported our events and it is a lot of fun to hear about all of the other club's activities.

General Membership Meeting cont. from pg. 6

- **Indoor Go Karting** – Will be March 1st followed by an early dinner at Carr's in Lakewood.
- **Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast** – The legacy continues March 21st

Old Business/New Business**Officer Nominations**

These are the current nominations -- feel free to add more:

- President: Anne Wax
- Vice-President: Don Patnoe.
- Treasurer: none
- Secretary: Shoshanah

NWACC Rules Changes

The club voted on three new policy change proposals for autocross. Please see the new NWACC website for full details on each proposal.

- Change 1: updates to tread and acceptable tires. Club voted yes for this change.
- Change 2: Moving 2009 zR1 into new SS plus class, because the performance of this car is higher than others in the class. Club voted yes for this change
- Change 3: Car Numbers. Historically, suggest side signs for number for easier judging. This would require that standard, with a sign of a specific size and include the class. However, some folks use the same car for novice and other classes (multiple drivers). Makes is difficult logistically – have to switch out between runs, rain makes it hard sometimes to use stickies. Doesn't give time for folks to do other configuration between runs, such as tires. Club voted no for this change.

Barnes and Noble Fund Raiser

Don expressed his thanks to everyone who wrapped gifts at Barnes and Noble. The club raised \$146 dollars for the scholarship fund. Next year, we will wrap on two days. Many others volunteer for next year. We will announce the dates earlier next year!

Raffle (Will Trogden)

Duster, detailer, and tire dressing applicator. Two Vettefest t-shirts available -

And the Winners Are:

Oops. We missed who won the prizes.

50/50 – 18 in the kitty was won by Don and Cynthia, who will bring the raffle prize next month.

Meeting Adjourned

NWACC Invitation By Arthur Green

Kevin Jewell of NWACC wrote the following invitation to the autocross school and events. I am forwarding this to our members. Come join the fun!

Last year, most of you attended the NWACC autocross school in June. We would like to invite you to join us at any or all of the 2015 events to use your new-found vehicle handling skills. You can always get updated information and registration forms from the web site: www.nwacconline.com.

For your calendar planning, we expect the following for NWACC autocross dates:

- May 16 Autocross School in Shelton
- May 17
- June 14
- July 12
- Aug 9
- Sept 13

Other than the school, the other dates are our points (competition) autocross dates. All are in Shelton. There might not be an autocross in Portland this year. Apparently, PIR has increased the rental rates 40%. We should have formal confirmation at the February NWACC board meeting, but for now you could assume that there will not be a Portland event. Hope to see you at the autocross series this year.

Regards,

Kevin Jewell



Quote from Arthur Green:
"Girls just wanna have fun!!!"

Officer's Election 2015

It is clear to me that CdeO is different from the average club because we find a way to have fun at everything we do, including serving as officers and committee members.

In preparation for this year's elections, here's a brief summary of the officers and their roles.

See the By-Laws for more details.

 <p style="text-align: center;">President</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. The President shall guide CdeO business. B. Shall conduct proper meeting procedures. C. Shall preside at all meetings and call all E-Board or Special meetings D. Shall cast a vote only in case of a tie.
 <p style="text-align: center;">Vice President</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Assume duties of the President in the absence of the President. B. Responsible for the publication of the monthly newsletter. C. Oversees Membership Committee.
 <p style="text-align: center;">Treasurer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Collection of all monies owed to CdeO. B. Pay from the treasury, all debts incurred by CdeO. C. Keep accurate and up-to-date records. D. Report on the financial status of CdeO. H. Responsible for all club property or inventory for sale and on order. <p>See By-Laws for more Details</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Secretary</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Take minutes at every Regular, E-Board, or Special meeting. B. Handle any and all correspondence. C. Maintain a current book of all regulatory laws of CdeO. D. Shall maintain the location and/or storage of papers. <p>Oversees Publicity Committee, if applicable.</p>

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Vette Fest XI

Sunday, August 23, 2015

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- NWACC Show 'n' Shine
- Multiple "Best" Awards
- Lunch Courtesy of Titus Will, our Sponsor

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For more information contact us at VetteFest@CorvettesdeOlympia.org or visit www.CorvettesdeOlympia.org

Test Your Knowledge:



Astronauts with their Corvettes

• A long relationship exists between NASA's astronauts and the Chevy Corvette. In 1960, Jim Rathmann – owner of the nearby Chevrolet dealership and winner of the Indianapolis 500, convinced General Motors to give the Mercury 7 astronauts brand new Corvettes for publicity and advertising benefits. Alan Shepard and Gus Grissom were known for racing their Corvettes on Florida's Space Coast highways near Cape Canaveral. Space-race pilot Chuck Yeager drove the Corvette pace car for the 1986 Indianapolis 500.



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Upcoming Events

February

Wed 11th
Sat 14th

CdeO Meeting at Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.*

10th Annual Tacoma Corvette Club (TCC) Open House at Corvettes of Auburn

Come join TCC, other Corvette clubs and fellow enthusiasts for an afternoon of getting together, meeting new people, hearing about upcoming events, viewing all the Corvettes and sharing a great lunch hosted by TCC. A CdeO caravan will be leaving at 10:45 a.m. from the Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant to join in the festivities.

March

Sun 1st

Indoor Go Kart Racing at Grand Prix Raceway in Lakewood, WA* Arrive at the Raceway by 2:00 p.m.

Best price option right now is two races for \$30.00. We'll keep checking for better pricing or a group-on discount. Dinner and drinks at Carrs Restaurant in Lakewood afterwards.

Wed 11th

CdeO Meeting at Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.*

Sun 15th

Ocean Shores St. Patrick's Day Parade, Blue Slough and Lunch* We took a vote at our last meeting, and many of us wanted to attend the parade (and have an opportunity to drive Blue Slough) again this year. We'll leave from the Barnes and Noble parking lot on the Westside at 10:00 a.m.

Sat 21st

Lacey Lions Club Pancake Breakfast and CdeO Car Show at North Thurston High School*

We'll be leaving Chinook Middle School parking lot at 8:30 a.m. to caravan together to North Thurston High School Cafeteria. We'll park our cars in the entry way for the car show. Some lucky CdeO member(s) will win the People's Choice award for favorite Corvette on display!

April

Wed 8th

CdeO Meeting at Hawks Prairie Inn Restaurant at 7:00 p.m.*

Sun 12th

Sunday Drive and Lunch* This year, we'll take some fun back roads to Allyn, Washington for lunch.

We'll be leaving at 10:00 from the Barnes and Noble parking lot.

Sat 25th

34th Annual Tulip Gimmick Rallye Meet at 8:00 a.m.; first car out at 9:00 a.m. from the Burlington, WA Mall

* Indicates Club sanctioned events that count for membership qualifications. For more meeting places, times and additional events, visit the CdeO Event Calendar at <http://www.corvettesdeolympia.org>