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Newsletter of the Discovery Bay Corvette Club



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Meeting Schedule: First Thursday of each month, except when otherwise noted.

Location: Discovery Bay Yacht Club

Board Meeting: 6:30 PM

General Meeting: 7:30 PM

All members are urged to attend the meetings and guests are always welcome!

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**Next Meeting:
November 7th 2019 7:30 pm**

President- Mark Zupan

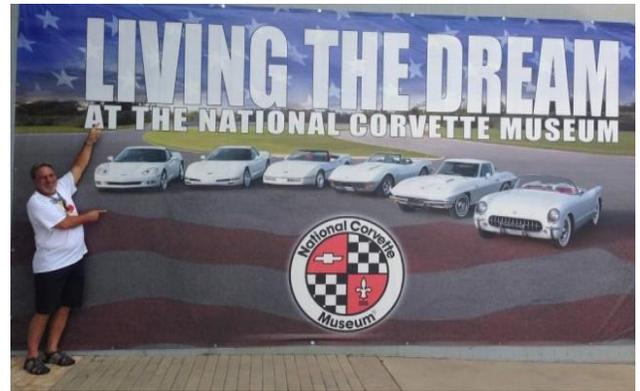
The end of the year is creeping up on us. We have our officers lined up for next term and we don't need to have a vote. I'll wait for the Inaugural to announce the new positions, I don't want to jinx anything.

I hope most of you are planning on going to the Inaugural, Lowell and Joanne have worked hard putting on this fun event for our club.

Somehow early fall has turned into wildfire season in California. I hope anyone who has family or friends in affected areas are safe, and a BIG thank you to all the firemen/women and first responders for their hard work.

I hope to see all of you at Black Oak Casino for my last official function.

Livin my Dream Mark Zupan



Songfest / Yummy Drinks and Snacks / Giving Thanks

Discovery Bay Corvette Club
Westmont "DBCC Giving Back" Songfest
Wednesday, November 20, 2019
Meet at Westmont
450 John Muir Pkwy, Brentwood
At 2:45pm



It's time for our club to give our thanks to the Westmont staff and residents for all the events they have hosted for our club, serving them drinks and goodies —
Spiked and Non-alcoholic Apple Cider and fun desserts
All while singing fun songs on a big screen TV

Questions? Call Denise Zupan at 510-326-2992

RSVP with Denise by Sunday, October 20th

Secretary - Dave Peck

DBCC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES / ORDER OF BUSINESS

DATE: 10-3-2019



Call to Order – Time 7:35 PM by President Mark Zupan, 35 Members present.

President's Report (Mark): Guests: Gil Hagar (new member).

Nominations made and approved for 2020 B.O.D.

President – Ed O'Brien, V.P. – Dave Peck, Secretary- Neva Burdick,

Treasurer – Brian Enbom, Events – Shari Peck, Publications – Laura Hardt,

WSSC – Bill Burdick, Web Master – Ralph Cernera, Quartermaster – Nancy O'Brien,

Public Relations – Diana Cernera, Sunshine – Connie Miller.

Vice President's Report (Ed O'Brien): Ed introduced Gil Hagar as new member, presented badges. Shirt pending.

Secretary's Report (Dave Peck): Please sign in. Motion to approve September meeting minutes:

Motion: Diana Cernera. 2nd: Everybody.

Treasurer's Report (Brian Enbom): \$8,200 in the bank. 2020 Dues letters sent out. They are due now.

WSSC Report (Dave Harris): No Report.

Webmaster Report (Ralph Cernera): No Report.

Publication's Report (Laura Hardt): More Caravan pictures will be coming in the next N.L.

Quarter Master Report (Diana Cernera): Diana has window decal samples.

Board Member at Large Report (Lowell Onstad): Lowell reminded everyone Inaugural is coming fast.

Need to make reservations by 10/19 to get the special room rate. 25 couples signed up so far.

Events Report (Shari Peck): ● October – 5th - Clayton October Fest. Meet @ Chase 10 A.M. ● November – 11/09 - SAVE THE DATE. DBCC Inaugural, Black Oak Casino, 11/20 – “Giving Back” Westmont Song Fest ● December -12/15 Christmas Party @ Sweeny's. \$28/person. Choice of 4 entrees.

Public Relations Report (Danica Harris): No Report.

Sunshine Report (Cheryl Flebut): Norm DeLong's 8 Bells ceremony November, 05 at DBYC.

NCM Ambassador Report (Dave Gatt): Not Present.

Old Business: Marilyn Allen requested that the B.O.D. reconsider the decision to no longer have a “verbal” Sunshine Report at General Meetings. The Board said the decision was based on potential privacy issues. Lowell has referred this back to the Board.

New Business: Job description for Sunshine presented by Lowell Onstad, originally written when position was created. Will be given to new Sunshine person. Motion made to add this description to Bylaws under “Job Descriptions”. Motion: Ed O'Brien, 2nd: Ralph Cernera. Motion carried.

Tech & Tips: New C8 retractable hard top model has been introduced.

50/50 Raffle: Winner: Cheryl Flebut \$50.00

Close: Motion to close: Motion to close: Roy Brett, 2nd: Neva Burdick

Meeting adjourned by President Zupan @ 8:20 P.M.



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Welcome New Members - Gil and Debbie Hagar!



Gil was introduced and welcomed at our October meeting. Unfortunately Debbie was unable to attend.

Gil and Debbie Hagar reside in Brentwood and own a 2006 Red Z06 Corvette.

Welcome to Discovery Bay Corvettes!



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Zupan's Christmas Open House!



Wednesday December 18th at 7 pm!

2085 Largo Court, Discovery Bay

DRESS CODE: (yup, you read it right)! Anything from a Santa Suit to an Ugly Christmas Sweater, tie or shirt or whatever!

PLEASE RSVP BY SUNDAY DECEMBER 15!



Reiff's Gas Station Museum and Truck & Tractor Museum

9/28/19

Photos submitted
by Joanne Onstad



All Original 1977 Corvette Donated to the National Corvette Museum!

Elizabeth “Libby” Smith of Garrison, KY has her uncle to thank for her love of Corvette. And her parents have Corvette to thank for keeping Libby on track! A college student at Morehead College in Kentucky, Libby’s parents told her if she stayed in school, kept her grades up and graduated, they would get her a new Corvette.

“My parents were not car people,” said Libby. “My mother and daddy knew they had to dangle something in front of me – they’d say, ‘we have to keep her going!’” Libby laughed.

Even in high school her parents knew how to keep Libby focused. “I was going steady pretty heavy, and thought about getting married,” she said. “My parents thought they better get me a Vette. The 1973 is what I traded in on this.”

Libby shared it was her uncle George who got her hooked and remembers when he brought a 1962 home. “I was about six years old and I remember him taking me for a ride and shifting gears. He said, ‘Now this is a REAL sports car Libby!’ We always had something in common with Corvettes. People used to ask me ‘what are you going to be when you grow up’ and I’d say, ‘I’m going to work and get me a Corvette!’”

Libby ordered her 1977 in October of 1976 from Larry Fannin Chevrolet in Morehead, Kentucky. “I got to pick all the options. With the ’73, my parents wouldn’t let me get the big motor, a 4-speed or convertible. This one is the L-82 and 4-speed. The convertible wasn’t offered that year. I got the gymkhana suspension slipped in because my parents didn’t know what it was,” Libby laughs.

The car arrived February 4, 1977. “The detail guys were prepping the car, and I told them to leave the plastic on it, that I was getting seat covers made.” With Libby’s car having white interior, she knew she’d have to do something to protect it. “I’m one of these people that covers everything. I had seen peoples’ cars with white seats that were dull looking and dirty.” She picked out a white velvet that could be removed and washed, and her friend made custom seat covers for her ’77, which have remained in use ever since. “I still have the plastic over the chrome and stainless buttons so it wouldn’t smudge.”

Libby’s care for her car paid off, earning NCRS Top Flight with a score of 96.8. “They counted off on the paint chips – but this is the original paint. It has not been painted, only the usual maintenance and a fan belt replaced.”

Libby remembers the year she was student teaching, and a yearbook photo of the teachers was taken by her Corvette. “One of the teachers, I saw in the photo, he sort of leaned against it. I tracked him down and said ‘You were on my car. You stay off my car.’ Everybody knew not to bother the car,” Libby chuckled.

Despite its pristine condition, Libby’s car is anything but a garage queen, as she used it as a daily driver while student teaching, in the snow and rain too! A teacher for 27 years, she is also known to have a bit of a lead foot. “I used to get drag racing tickets on the street and I’d have to go to my Uncle George to get money to pay the tickets.” Libby also was well known at the Clay City Raceway, where she competed in drag racing and was known as a ‘dark horse’ – with people who were in the know winning money on her races. The owners of the track would call and cover for her with her parents. “Every time I brought home a trophy, I had to leave it with someone else. My parents didn’t think I needed to be racing.” Eventually, those trophies made their way back to Libby though. “When I got my first teaching job, I was able to rent a house. So, I had to go track down my trophies to bring with me!”



It was that love for her car that led Libby to choose the National Corvette Museum as its forever home. “I’m single, I have no children. I do have family, but I know it would be an inconvenience for them to take care of it. I’ve been to the Museum several times, including when it opened. I’ve always been a strong promoter of it. If I was going to put my car some place, I’d want it to be where it would be appreciated, viewed and taken care of.”

Discovery Bay Corvette Members Having Fun!

Clayton Octoberfest



10/5/19



The Cernas, Pecks and Roxy having fun at Stama Winery!



Caravan Fun Shared by Vice President Ed O'Brien



First installment: CA - Nevada

These include leaving from Rio Vista (note the 1961 convertible that travelled with us had no a/c and luggage on rear rack).

Fallon Nevada Top Gun Base, and Ely Nevada train railroad shops and museum. Note final railroad passenger car with Bill and Jennifer Montgomery.





Second Installment: Utah-Kansas

Here is the next installment of our trip that included MOAB and Arches National Parks then big sky country of Kansas where Corvettes can be found at the end of day at the carwash! Picture of my car in front of Thomas County building in Colby KS, then a couple shots from the Eisenhower Museum/Library in Abilene.





Golf Clubs and Bag

Dwight D. Eisenhower, U.S., 1950s
Dwight D. Eisenhower, 64-94.1-.13

Amateur golfer Bobby Jones gave this set of clubs to Ike. It was the last set of clubs used by Bobby Jones before he quit playing after suffering a stroke. Jones helped design Augusta National Golf Club and co-founded the Masters Tournament.

Third Installment: Missouri

This was a real fun part of the trip where we had 200+ cars parked for dinner at an Airline museum in Kansas City MO. Note pictures of Patti Brunetto with her winning naming of the state fish of Hawaii, all under the watch of a TWA Super Constellation, the only operable one in existence. At this point we met up with a group from AZ and So Cal that included cars shipped into Long Beach from the HI club.

We then drove on to Cape Girardeau, the most fun stop of the trip going back. Over 650+ cars. The City rolled out the red carpet for us, where we parked down by the river and enjoyed beer gardens, bands, Vette's and rooftop bars with the locals. My car was reportedly selected as a background for the local news media! The following morning we met in a shopping center, (note picture of Rich and Patti), and had a police escort onto the interstate, then drove to Bowling Green.

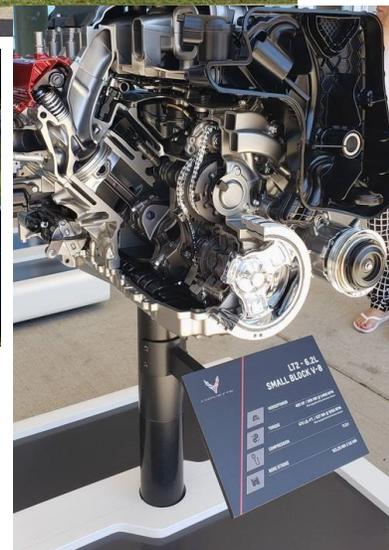




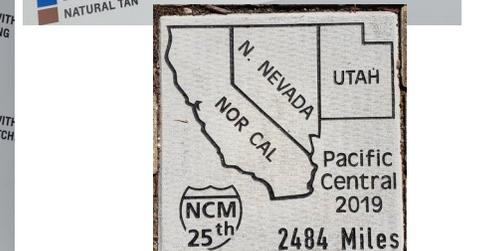
Forth Installment: Bowling Green

Here's a big one. We got to BG and, of course the C8 was a real big deal. Chief Engineer Tadge Juechter gave technical presentations and cut away models of the C8 and engine/transmission components were displayed. There was a pavilion where all the options, including wheels, seats, interior and exterior colors were shown. The C8 even has a built in wireless cell phone charger between the seats! Multiple C8s were available where people took turns sitting in the car.

Along with the many vendors present, there was also a real cool V12 C4 on display out front with the original 1953 C1. Behind the main building I found the DBCC brick in addition to this year's caravan brick. Finally, I tracked my C7 at the Motorsports facility while there.







Fifth/Final Installment: Nashville-Home

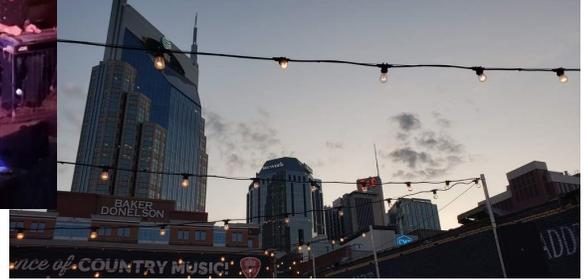
This was primarily after the Bowling Green activities were complete. First, note gas prices in the local area (and their roads are better than ours despite poorer weather)! We had a fun time in Nashville. First at the Grand Ole Opry then downtown on Lower Broadway Saturday night where Univ of Georgia was in town playing football at Vanderbilt. The Georgia bulldog fans were dressed in red and black and could be heard barking (woof! woof! woof!). It was amazing, lots of people out drinking and having fun, but nonetheless very civil. Excuse me ma'am, excuse me sir could be heard. We had dinner at Ole Red's, Blake Shelton's

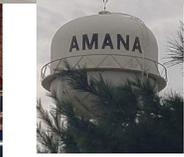
restaurant there, then visited rooftop bars before taking a tractor-drawn trailer ride around downtown hosted by Wes Cernera and his girlfriend Liz.

Sunday, Nancy and I checked out the new waterpark at the impressive Opryland Hotel, then went to an area called The Gulch where we went to the Station Inn, a hole in the wall and one of my favorite clubs there. For the price of coke and a piece of pizza we took in local bluegrass musicians playing their heart out. All ages from 12 year old kids to grandparents were rotating in and out of the group. Monday night, (after track day at the NCM), the Zupans and us saw the Time Jumpers, (with Vince Gill), play at 3rd and Lindsley, another favorite night spot of mine.

The final pictures are of our return to CA via St Louis, Hannibal MO, Amana Iowa, Minnetonka MN, Omaha, Cheyenne, Park City and Salt Lake City UT where we caught the Mormon Tabernacle Choir rehearsing for their Sunday Broadcast over radio KSL. Finally Winnemucca Nevada where we find Nancy dropping a few coins.







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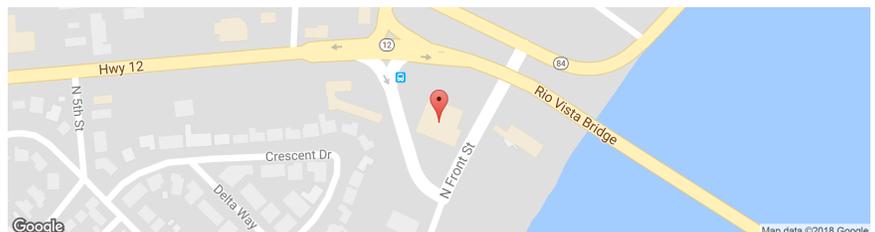


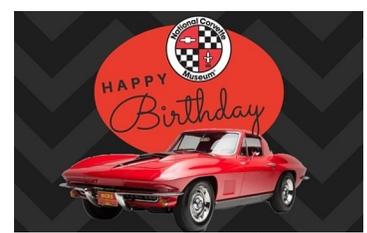
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Publications- Laura Hardt

Hi everyone!

I want to first start by thanking everyone for sending me pictures. I want to especially thank Ed O'Brien for his article and pictures of the Caravan. It looks like the Caravan was amazing! Thanks for sharing!



Are you ready for the Inaugural? We are going to have a fabulous time at the Black Oak Casino. You will not want to miss it! I am looking forward to this great event.

It has been so sad to hear about all the fires throughout California and Baja California. I can imagine how fast these fires spread because of the wind. The wind was so strong in Oakley that it actually woke me up in the early morning hours. The wind also broke tree branches on a neighbor's very large tree. Everybody please be safe.

See you soon,
 Laura Hardt

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