



# *THE ENLIGHT'NER*

## September 2020 NEWSLETTER

### Majestic Glass Corvette Club

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**Our club sponsor is: Rallye Auto Sales, 1010 Old Highway 99 North Rd, Burlington, WA 98233. (360)757-7770. <https://rallyeauto.com/>**

**Club Supporters are: Corvette Alley, 1103 – 23rd St., Anacortes, WA 98221. (360) 299-9303  
Village Pizza, 807 Commercial Ave., Anacortes, WA 98221. (360) 293-7847 or 293-8009**

#### 2019 CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT----- LINDA GILBERT  
VICE-PRESIDENT----- SANDY RUCH  
SECRETARY----- KRISTIE SWEET  
TREASURER----- DOUG GILBERT

#### APPOINTED POSITIONS

Activities----- All Members  
Web Master----- Bill Amman  
Statistician----- Bill Ruch  
Car Shows----- Open  
Elections----- Karen Amman  
Newsletter Editor----- John Lucke  
Membership----- Kristie Sweet  
Sergeant at Arms----- Bryan Pierson  
PAO----- Bill Amman

#### MEETING SCHEDULE:

**Meetings on hold until further notice!**

#### ACTIVITY SCHEDULE:

#### OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, Gray's Harbor Corvettes at the Marina *This event has been cancelled as of Aug. 28!*

*Activities may be curtailed due to the Corona please check with the responsible parties.*

#### September Birthdays

7 Cynthia Lucke	24 Bonnie Sundsmo
18 Ann Marie Humphreys	24 Gary Hammer
19 Susan Harrison	27 Madeline Norman
23 Tom Norman	30 Doug Gilbert

#### September Anniversaries

4 John & Bobi Ann Phillips
12 Dave & Sandy Overton
18 Bruce & Sherry Brickner
25 John & Therese Kingsbury
30 Doug & Linda Gilbert

## MGCC Board Meeting

**August 4, 2020**

In attendance: Bill & Karen Amman, Doug & Linda Gilbert, John & Cynthia Lucke, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Kristie Sweet.

Treasurer's report was given. City reimbursed us for our ad in Cruzin' Magazine for \$550.00. We need to re-apply with the city for next year. We still need dues to be paid since this is our only income for this year. Bill will send out a reminder email.

Cruzin' Magazine has shut down. There will be no ads so we will need to advertise a little differently. John will email the clubs he has contacts with, we will place ads in the newspapers and post on facebook and blogs.

Linda spoke with Paul about the trailer. Now is a good time to get an estimate for repair cost. Linda will check with the insurance company to see if this is covered. The plates have expired, we voted to do away with the personalized plates due to cost.

The Christmas Party is tentative depending on the situation at that time.

**Any events will be planned to maintain proper distancing and please bring your mask.**

### ***BLAST FROM THE PAST, Remember when?***

**From August 1999**

#### **Minutes of the July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1999 at Round Table Pizza.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the president.

Members in attendance were: Overton, Reeds, Gilberts, Duckens, Julia, Fosters, Fixs, Hammers, Telles', Humann, Shafer, Stroebel, Noltensmeyer, Olson, Pages, Barker, Stoupas, Smiths, Nelsons, Hart, Mitchelles, Strowbridges & NEW MEMBERS: TOM & SUSAN KELLOGG.

Minutes of 22 Jun 99 meeting were read and accepted as presented.

The financial report was provided by the treasurer.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Reports provided on Lake Chelan, Hot Pikes Peak, and Grand Coulee trips.
- B. Possible location for next year's Big 3 Show in Anacortes during Shipwreck Days in July 2000.
- C. The sound equipment project was discussed.
- D. Linda G discussed the activity schedule for upcoming events and the club picnic.
- E. The anniversary party will be delayed until later in the fall to allow more participation by past members. There will be a regular club dinner on the 31st of July at the Cranberry Tree Restaurant in place of the anniversary party.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Donna discussed selling excess club equipment no longer required.

#### **(Minutes of July 13, 1999 continued)**

- B. Donna discussed activities from other clubs and recommended donating some extra show T-shirts to an organization to use in making a quilt. Members voted to do so.
  - C. The secretary discussed the results of the member survey that was included with the ballot.
  - D. Tom & Susan Kellogg joined the club at this meeting.
- There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM. Next meeting will be at Village Pizza on 27 July 99.

Penny Fix won "Joker Up"

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#### **Minutes of the July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1999 Meeting at Village Pizza.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by the president.

Members in attendance were: Overton, Reeds, Gilberts, Duckens, Nelsons, Olson, Fosters, Telles', Smiths, Noltensmeyer, Mitchelles, Shafer, Strowbridges, Hershaws, Oistens, Fixs & Hammers.

Minutes of 13 July 99 meeting were read.

The financial report was provided by the treasurer.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Membership non-renewals were discussed.
- B. A report on the club picnic was made.
- C. Possible locations for the Jerry Smith car show were discussed. More details to follow.
- D. Brief report on the Kellogg wedding was given.

**(Minutes of July 27, 1999 continued)**

- E. Radios arrived for members who ordered them.
- F. A CD player has been acquired for the club and Ken N. donated some other electronic equipment.
- G. Linda Gilbert discussed activities for August.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Donna appointed Ron Foster to "Chair" a Charity Committee. Members include Gilberts and Hammers.

- B. Proposed activities for year 2000 were discussed.
- C. Donna discussed activities from other clubs and activities.
- D. Happy birthday was sung to Lucy Mitchelle.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM. Next meeting will be at Round

Table Pizza on 10 Aug 99.

Ron Telles won "Joker Up"

**Kristi's notes from the club's Newhalem Picnic on Saturday, August 8, 2020**

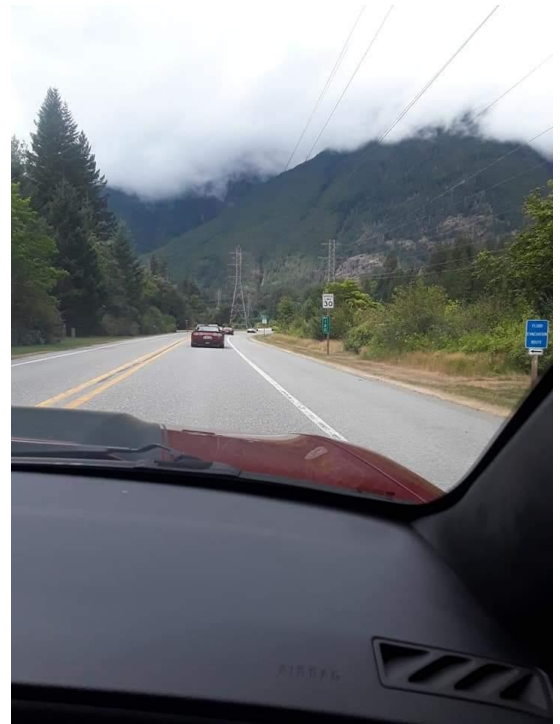
Attendance: Bill & Karen Amman, Nancy Burress, Doug & Linda Gilbert, Dale & Patty McAtee, Mel Paul, Bill & Sandy Ruch, Kristie Sweet.

We met at Petco and left at 9:30am. We traveled on highway 20 and went on the detour. We weren't sure on how the road work was coming along so just to be safe we took the detour route. It's a nice, beautiful way to go. It was a cloudy day and sprinkled on us off and on while on the road. Nothing bad.

Once we arrived at Newhalem, the store was closed, but the visitor's center was open. The main bathrooms were closed but there were porta pottys. There were very few people there. No one in the park area. We set up our chairs in a large circle in the grass to be sure to follow social distancing. We had our lunch and a very nice time visiting with everyone.

It was a great to get the cars out and enjoy talking to everyone.

On the way home we passed several groups of cars heading east. Groups of hot rods, motorcycles, sports cars and even a group of Lamborghinis and a McLaren. Everyone was happy to be out on the road. It was a great day to be out for a drive.



Why does this look like nap time?



## **UPDATE: I Bought a c8 by Tom Noonan**

Since I last wrote, Chevrolet has discontinued production of the 2020 c8 coupe and began filling orders for the 2020 convertible.

I was contacted by a dealer representative in early June to confirm I still wanted the car. I think my answer was something like, "Hell yeah." Then in mid-July my salesman informed me about the cancelation of the 2020 and that I needed to come in and redo all the paperwork to place an order for a 2021 model.

Bad news...I have to wait a few more months. Good news...researching internet comments from initial 2020 c8 owners I was able to fine-tune my selections a bit. As a result I moved to the 2LT version and added the front end lift system.

Obviously, I can't wait to take delivery. According to the salesman I didn't lose my place in line. I haven't seen any production numbers, but I believe Chevrolet produced about half the 2020 models which were pre-ordered.

Hopefully, they will call me on Christmas Eve with good news and climate change will see us with sunny and warm December/January days. Not holding my breath though. I can't wait to show all you (or you-all if you prefer) fellow club members a 2021 c8!

## **How I spent my summer vacation!**

As an extension of Bill Amman's report last December, I had been scheduled to attend the GL Corvette Owner's School in March 3 days after Spring Mountain was forced to shut down due to the pandemic. I was able to reschedule to this summer (the C7 program will be ending shortly as the new cars are all sold and the C8 program ramps up).

It was a great week long road trip across eastern Oregon and down through the Nevada highways utilized for the Pony Express road races which Bill Strowbridge used to do. And no with Cynthia's Ford Fusion we did not attempt to replicate Bill's speeds!

The one downside was the heat (the car thermometer indicated 118 after lunch when I went out on track) and the smoke from the California fires.

The school was great and the instructors didn't yell at anyone and no one got off into the weeds. It is amazing how hard you can push the C7 Z51's into the corners. It may have been the tires but where my C6 would skim the tires exiting corners I never experienced any breaking away of the tires either in cornering or acceleration.

They even provided me a car exactly like mine except for the black stripe and red stitching on the dash. They indicated all of their cars are fully optioned to get the best value on resale. They were all immaculately maintained.

[Spring Mountain Motorsports Experience images and one lap video](#)



## Corvette News:

### Where did all of the C8 Corvettes go?

When we arrived at Spring Mountain, we were greeted by this:



Since last summer they have been running the GM dealer's training program for C8's. Each dealer was allocated a number of slots for sales and service personnel based on Corvette Sales. There was some secrecy about the C8's but we were told they had **100** on site, about half belonging to the school and half belonging to GM. We did meet one owner who was there for a C8 school and the morning we left the C8's were all lined up for class.



Can't get over front engine Corvettes, how about this:



### How Pratt & Miller Made the Ultimate C6 Corvette With an 8.2-Liter V8

In presenting its first C6RS at SEMA, Pratt & Miller unleashed a 500ci Corvette with 600 horsepower and 650 pound-feet of torque long before GM could reveal its first "Blue Devil" ZR1, a flagship that came with a supercharged LS9 producing 638 horsepower and 604 pound-feet of torque. Yet massive linear power wasn't the only trick up Pratt & Miller's sleeve.

<https://www.thedrive.com/news/35951/how-pratt-miller-made-the-ultimate-c6-corvette-with-an-8-2-liter-v8>

### Corvette Racing:

After going 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> on August 2<sup>nd</sup> at Road America, on August 23<sup>rd</sup> Antonio Garcia and Jordan Taylor drove the No. 3 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Chevrolet Corvette C8.R to victory in the Michelin GT Challenge at Virginia International Raceway.

It's the second win in a row for the Garcia/Taylor combo, their third of the season and the fourth consecutive win for Corvette Racing – the first time that's happened for the team since 2014. Garcia and Taylor extended their lead in the GT Le Mans (GTLM) Driver's Championship, as did Chevrolet in the Manufacturer's standings.

Oliver Gavin and Tommy Milner placed fourth in the No. 4 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Corvette C8.R, just missing making the podium again with their teammates. The result was enough to keep Gavin and Milner third in GTLM points heading to Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta in two **weeks**.



[Read the full story here](#)



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Please check <http://www.majesticglass.org/> for more event information.

September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	Sep 1	2	3	4	5
				Convites at the Marina, Grays Harbor, Westport Inn, 2501 Westport, WA 98595. <b>Cancelled</b>		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		7pm Club Meeting <b>Cancelled</b> at Vernon Cntr				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		7pm Club Meeting <b>Cancelled</b>				
27	28	29	30	Oct 1	2	3



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***SAVE THE WAVE!***