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HAPPY NEW YEAR



May We Ring In The New Year With Power & Speed!

Corvettes West
General meetings
are held the first
TUESDAY of the month
at Riverside Elks Lodge
#643

6166 Brockton Ave.
Riverside, 92506
Dinner 6:00 PM
Meeting 7:00 PM

Our Business meetings
are held the first
TUESDAY of the month
at 4:30 PM just prior to
the general meeting
at the same location.

Fast Track articles
are due by the 18th
of each month.

They may be hand
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or emailed to
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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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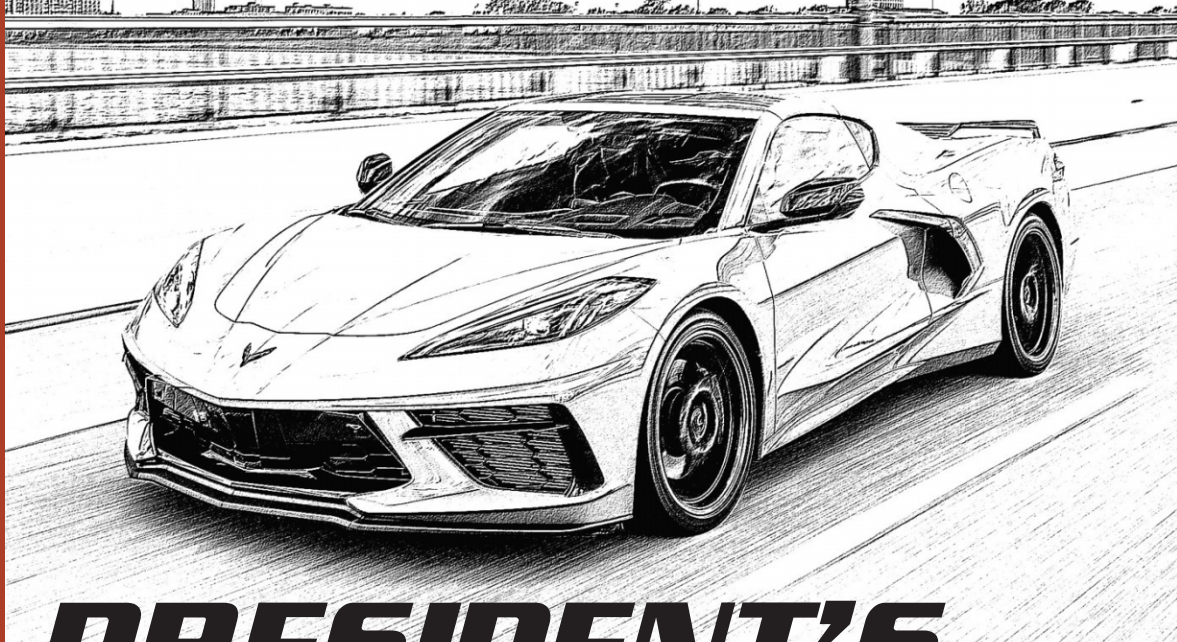
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Monty Clark

Happy New Year Corvette lovers! First of all, I want to thank John Blackledge for his years of dedication to our club. He did a fantastic job as our club President and is continuing on as treasurer. We've had our first of several meetings to go over my new duties and responsibilities.

I have to admit, it is quite overwhelming. I can only hope I do half as good as he did for all of us. Hats off to you John.

Well, 2020 was a tough year and challenged all of us in different ways. Jenni and I truly missed seeing everyone at the meetings. We were able to don our masks and hand sanitizer and do a few runs, which were great. Now, with a vaccine rolling

out, we hope that we will be meeting in person very soon.

I look forward to getting back to our monthly lunches and an occasional party. Hopefully, we'll be able to restart our Wheels and Wings car show along with other events throughout 2021.

The board will be discussing potential organizations we want to donate to this year in our upcoming meetings. Please let me, or any of the board members, know if you have an organization you think we should consider. I am very honored to be club President and I look forward to a much better 2021.

Monty Clark
President



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SPONSOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

I would like to take this opportunity to say that I hope all Corvettes West members had a very Merry Christmas. I hope it was a safe and healthy one.

On the fun side of things, our sponsor, Tom Bell, does have, on the new car lot, one (1) 2020 Corvette Coupe. At this time Tom Bell does not have any previously owned Corvettes.

Tom Bell does have 6 new 2021 Camaro Coupes including one (1) new ZL1 Camaro Coupe. Tom Bell does have a previously owned 2017 Camaro Coupe. Should you have an interest in any of these new or previously owned vehicles, please contact Derek Hanson, General Manager, at 909-793-2681 for additional information and pricing.

If you need service on any of your vehicles, please take your vehicle to Tom Bell's Service Department. When you do this, please let the Service Writer know you are a Corvettes West member so you will receive the Club discount.

Save the Wave

Bill Dodge

Sponsor's
Representative



2021 Motto:

Buy a Corvette and Catch the Roadrunner.



CONTEMPLATIONS

“The only mystery in life is why the kamikaze pilots wore helmets.”

Al McGuire

“The difference between stupidity and genius is that genius has its limits.”

Albert Einstein

“War is God’s way of teaching Americans geography.”

Ambrose Bierce

“It would be nice to spend billions on schools and roads, but right now that money is desperately needed for political ads.”

Andy Borowitz

“My opinions may have changed, but not the fact that I’m right.”

Ashleigh Brilliant

“At every party there are two kinds of people – those who want to go home and those who don’t.

The trouble is, they are usually married to each other.”

Ann Landers

“Have you noticed that all the people in favor of birth control are already born?”

Benny Hill

“The surest sign that intelligent life exists elsewhere in the universe is that it has never tried to contact us.”

Bill Patterson

“As a child my family’s menu consisted of two choices: take it or leave it.”

Buddy Hackett

“My favorite machine at the gym is the vending machine.”

Caroline Rhea

“All right everyone, line up alphabetically according to your height.”

Casey Stengel

“Never under any circumstances take a sleeping pill and a laxative on the same night.”

Dave Barry

“How many people here have telekinetic powers? Raise my hand.”

Emo Philips

“If you live to be one hundred, you’ve got it made.

Very few people die past that age.”

George Burns

Vice President CORNER

Dan Flanigan



Happy New Year to everyone and I sure hope 2021 will be a better year than 2020 and think we can all agree on that!

I also hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a nice New Year's Celebration with Family and Friends. I am sure it must have been difficult for some of your family's not being able to all be together because of this darn pandemic.

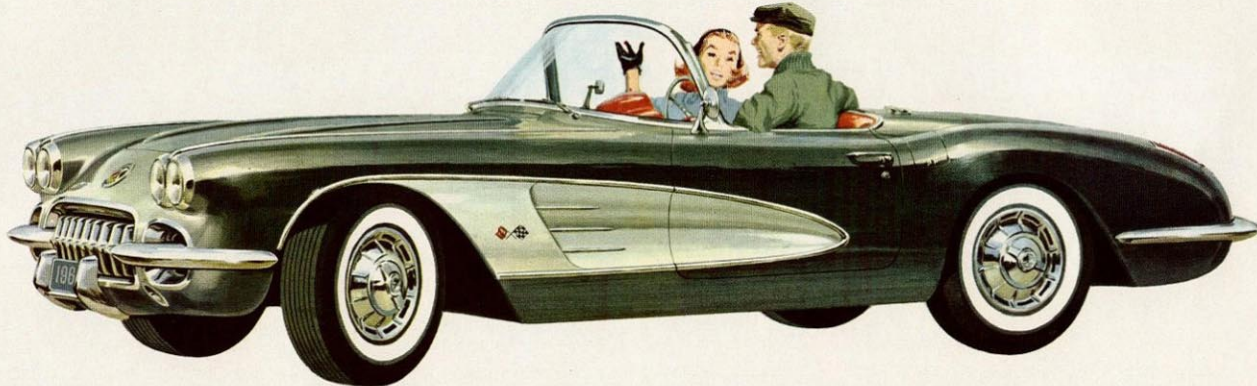
It has been difficult not being able to meet on a monthly basis but hopefully here in the next couple months we will be able to start meeting again. Speaking of meetings, it was very nice seeing those of you that brought gifts to the Elks Club for the Toys

for Tots program and then traveling to Fairmont Park where we brought our lunches and all eat together. It's always great hanging out with members of our club on these outings. Nice job Christi for putting this one together.

Looks like we won't be meeting in January and just hope we can met in February, as I have I have my mask on and my fingers crossed! So, I hope Christi can come up with another great outing for the month.

As they say, everyone "Stay Safe".

Dan Flanigan
Vice President



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Here are the
Answers to last
month's trivia



1 What year was the first "ZR1"

- ☐ 1967
- ☐ 1968
- ☐ 1969
- ☒ 1970

2 What was the last year of the first ZR1

- ☐ 1968
- ☐ 1970
- ☒ 1972
- ☐ 1973

3 What was the first year of the "Reborn ZR1"

- ☒ 1990
- ☐ 1988
- ☐ 1987
- ☐ 1989

4 Chevrolet and Who develop the new ZR1 engine

- ☐ Chrysler
- ☒ Lotus
- ☐ BMW
- ☐ Jeep

5 How many valves did the ZR1 engine have

- ☒ 32
- ☐ 24
- ☐ 16
- ☐ 8

6 Who manufactured the ZR1 engine for Chevrolet

- ☐ Jeep
- ☐ Briggs & Stratton
- ☒ Mercury Marine
- ☐ Craftsman

7 How many camshafts did the ZR1 engine have

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 3
- ☒ 4
- ☐ 2

8 What was the extra key the dash for?

- ☒ Valet parking
- ☐ Seat ejection (James Bond Mode)
- ☐ fuel injectors
- ☐ anti- theft

9 What configuration were the taillights

- ☒ square
- ☐ round
- ☐ Diamond
- ☐ narrow

10 What was the last year of the "reborn ZR1"

- ☐ 1992
- ☐ 1993
- ☒ 1995
- ☐ 1994



We are coming to the end of the year. The Club has completed its scheduled donations. The Blood Bank still needs new donors and more of them. For Corvettes West the next year's donation schedule begins on January 23rd, 2021. The scheduled dates for 2021 are as follows: March 27th, May 29th, July 31st, October 2nd, and December 4th. Please add these dates to your calendars and plan on coming to the Blood Bank and donating. Remember, when you donate, you are giving the perfect gift, the gift of life.

If you are concerned about the cleanliness of the Blood Bank, they are constantly cleaning the donation chairs and any surfaces that donors might touch. The entire staff wear masks and they follow social distancing. Periodically the Blood Bank gives away food cards, shirts, and In 'n Out cards. That's not the reason to

donate but people respond to these things and that is what the Blood Bank does to get donors. The virus has taken away their biggest donor base. It's schools. On the 23rd of January 2021, let's see a big turnout with Corvettes filling the Blood Bank parking lot. We are a community oriented group so let's show people what we do for the community. Drive your Corvette to the Blood Bank. If you do that, you will make their parking lot so much prettier.

Now is the time to give the gift of life. There is no greater gift than saving a life. Would you donate for a club member? I have many times when I am asked to.

Save the Wave by saving the Waver
Bill Dodge

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Moreno Valley Mall		Top Floor, Next to the JC Penney

Swift Comments

By Diane Swift - Club Secretary

I do not submit monthly articles to the Fasttrack, but this being the beginning of a new year I wanted to voice some "Thank Yous".

First, thank you to Monty Clark, our Club President for 2021. I for one really appreciate the fact that Monty stepped up to serve on the Board. Long time members have a lot of knowledge, but it is great to have some new blood!

Thank you to Dan Flanigan for again filling the VP spot. Part of being VP for Corvettes West is working on membership. This means talking and welcoming prospective members. And Dan is great at that!

Thank you to John Blackledge. He may have stepped down from the position of Club President, but he will serve as our 2021 Treasurer. He has held the position before and will have it covered.

Thank you to Kristi Richardson for filling the Events Coordinator position again. Kristi has a challenge finding things for us to do during this Covid time, but she perseveres.

Thank you Ron Richardson for taking on NCCC Governor for 2021. Ron has filled this position before. And I think I can speak for us all that we are happy he has improved so much health wise that he is willing to do it again.

Thank you to LeeAnn Northrop for taking on Sergeant at Arms for 2021. She and David went from selling their Corvette to acquiring another one so she is committed!

Thank you to Marjorie Randolph, serving as Products Coordinator for 2021. Is that cool or what, having this position filled by someone local who actually gets product and embroiders it herself, for the Club.

Oh yeah, how can I forget George Swift for staying on as our Newsletter Editor. The readers seem happy and George certainly enjoys working with the printer at Printpros.

AND a big thank you to those who will cover as Committee Chairs for 2021. I am not sure, at this point, of everyone that will be filling these positions. But thank you to you all.

Speaking of the CW Business Meetings, remember, any club member can attend, although at this time, that would be a ZOOM meeting.

I hope everyone had a safe Christmas and that we will all have a better 2021!

Diane Swift

CW 2020, 2021 Secretary

*Happy New Year
to everyone!*
Except George until he cleans the garage.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

As fellow Corvette owner we all have something in common to be thankful for ending the year 2020. The most popular new sports car on the market. PLUS - The 2020 Corvette Racing season ended with six wins, seven pole positions and six fastest GTLM race laps, including Nicky Catsburg on Saturday in the No. 3 Corvette. This new Corvette is not only good looking it is one mean machine on the track, In addition, the No. 4 Corvette C8-R pairing of Oliver Gavin – who made his final start as a full-season Corvette Racing competitor – and Tommy Milner finished third in the final 12 hours of Sebring.

This was truly a great year for Corvette with the C8 introduction. hailed as the best Corvette yet and the success of the two Corvette Race cars on the track. The New Year 2021 will bring production up to speed and more new Corvettes on the street. Our newest members Phil & Sandy Emerson are the 1st Corvette West proud owners of a beautiful new 2020 Gray Stingray which they bought at Tom Bell Chevrolet.

The rest of the year 2020 I think most of us would like to forget and move on to a new start.

Speaking about new starts, Monty Clark will be taking over as our new club President January 1, 2021. Monty will do a great job and I know we will have a very successful year with him as our leader.

It has been my pleasure being your president for these past three years. I have been proud to be associated with such a wonderful group of people. We have had a lot of fun and we were able to give back to the community in the process. As I always say we are a Social Club with Corvettes in common.

God bless you all and I look forward to another great year with Corvettes West and all of you.

John Blackledge

Past President Corvettes West

(The Real President after all votes are properly tallied) LOL!

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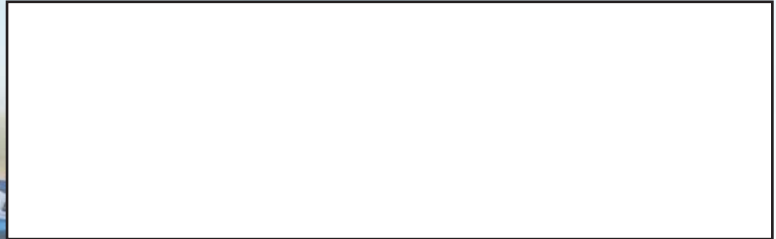
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