

# Acadía Region Corvette Club

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# President's Letter for November 2023

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Mid-November. Cruising season events are over for 2023, most of us have put our "fun" cars away for the season, and every-day drivers should have their winter tires on. Some members have left for warmer climes; others (like us) are busy preparing homes for winter. But the ARCC has one more event this year, our annual holiday party on December 10<sup>th</sup> with fun, food, and a chance to share stories about 2023 events and set plans for next year. The party will be at the Seadog Brew Pub in Bangor, starting at 1:30 PM. I hope to see many of you there.

#### **Celebrations**

### **November Birthdays**

Bill Fernald

#### **November Anniversaries**

Bill Fernald & Ruth Brunetti

# **December Birthdays**

Dan Bossert Heather Linnehan Kevin Crane

#### **December Anniversaries**

Ross & Anne Grant

#### **Offbeat Corvette News**

Here's the article title: There's an Italian Company That's Turning the C8 Corvette into a Hypercar. The subtitle reads, "Dany Bahar's million-dollar chop shop is building the Ares S1—among other things."

### Here's the Car & Driver website:

https://www.caranddriver.com/news/a45676763/ares-s1-corvette-hypercar/

<u>Here's the teaser photo.</u> There are 18 more photos on the website.

The cars are being built by the Italian company *Ares*, which is led by Dany Bahar, the Turkish-Swiss



onetime boss of Lotus. In addition to photos, the website includes a lengthy article on the company and the other cars they have "converted." There will be just 24 of these C8-based hypercars and one will set you back somewhere over \$1M.

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# 2023 Photo Scavenger Hunt

As it is almost Thanksgiving, I'm declaring the 2023 ARCC Photo Scavenger Hunt officially "closed." And guess what. *Stackpoles win... again!* Les and Franny Stackpole were the only couple to attempt the Scavenger Hunt (at least, the only couple to submit a scoresheet and



#1 Topsider Cottages at Asticou Inn

photos) and attack it with enthusiasm they did! They had answers—and photos with their car—for all 54 riddles, from the Topsider cottages at Asticou Inn (#1) to the world's largest telephone in Bryant Pond (#54). Not all right, but answers for all.

And with Bryant Pond being some 140 miles from Ellsworth, you can see that their searches took them well away from the immediate Ellsworth area. Les



#54 **World's** Largest Telephone in Bryant Pond

says, "We found a lot of fun new places we did not know about. We had a great time sitting around the living room with



Navigator Giness

Google figuring out the clues." They are not sure how many miles they drove this past summer to get 40 of the 50 base riddles exactly right and all four bonus riddles correct, but it was a lot! And of the ten base riddles they didn't get spot on, four of their "incorrect" answers were so well thought out that I gave them either full or partial credit. All in all, there

were 58 total points available and the Stackpoles scored an impressive 50½! (But Les & Franny did own up to having help with the riddles from their "back seat navigator," Giness.) For those of you who may have tried the hunt from the comfort of the couch and want to see how well you would have done had you competed, the "correct" (at least the ones we intended) answers are posted on our club website at: <a href="https://www.acadiavettes.org/scavenger-hunt">https://www.acadiavettes.org/scavenger-hunt</a>.

# **2023 Corvette Autumn Update**

Sadly, after much discussion club officers have accepted the fact that we don't have the resources to put on two car shows in a year. So we have decided to forego rescheduling the 2023 show—there was really only a single weekend in May when it would have been possible—and focus on making the 2024 Corvette Autumn show better than ever. We have picked September 14<sup>th</sup> as the date. We hope many of you will help to make this a reality.

# **ARCC Annual Meeting and Election of Club Officers**

As noted in last month's letter, our 2023 Annual Meeting will be in January 2024 concurrent with our regular monthly meeting on January 24th. As usual, it will be an in-person meeting and also Zoomed. The main topic will be the election of club officers for 2024-2025. Please plan to attend and help set the course for ARCC over the next two years.

Happy Thanksgiving,

Roger Dean ARCC President