

Acadía Region Corvette Club

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President's Letter for September/October 2025

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I had such good intentions of getting a September letter out at the start of the month, but preparations for our car show took over. Donated merchandise to get, people and jobs to organize, signs and posters to make, donation and raffle jars to make, and numerous emails to coordinate everything. So here we are, early October, with our car show behind us, our Annual Meeting coming up on October 22nd, and thoughts about putting our cars away for the winter. But who could complain about the weather we've had this cruising season? After the 13 wet weekends in a row this spring and early summer, recent days have been pretty close to perfect. And this includes this year's Corvette Autumn show. More about that on the next page. But between now and your car-away day, I hope you can take advantage of the last few days of good weather. Carol and I certainly will!

Celebrations

September Birthdays

Debbie Cates Anne Grant



September Anniversaries

Dave Blanchard & Meg Smallidge Bruce & Debbie Cates Doug & Ann Lee Les & Franny Stackpole

October Birthdays

Cassandra Babbit Bethany Crane Ann Lee Donna Shea Franny Stackpole

October Anniversaries

Larry & Jane Billings John & Donna Shea Barry & Debbie Shepard

Events in September

- September 13th, the Deans and the Kellys participated in VOCM's Vettes to Vets. VOCM assembled about 40 cars to caravan over to the Veterans' Home where we were greeted by many of the residents. All seemed to really appreciate the show and those who could oohed and ahhed over the cars. Afterward, we all adjourned to the Augusta Elks Lodge for a fantastic pig roast dinner. VOCM raised over \$6000 for the Veterans Activity Fund. (Photos from the event are at the top of the next page.)
- September 27th, several members attended the Autumn Gold car show in Ellsworth. I have no photos because Carol and I went to Corvettes of Southern New Brunswick's Moonglow show and poker run. But the Miniers report that Pat won an award with her "M&M," her 1980 brown coupe. Good on ya! (If any of you have more to report, let me know and I'll include it as a PS in my next letter.)







- Corvette Autumn car show. Our 11th annual show was a great success; we raised \$1500 for Sarah's House, surpassing last year's total of \$1200.
 - Friday's gathering at Pat's Pizza was attended by eighteen (or so) of the club "regulars."
 We talked about final show preparations and then went on to the main purpose of the gathering, socializing with friends.
 - We had 40 cars registered for the show, with three no-shows: one prior commitment, one for health reasons, and one that was on site but in Darling's repair bay. Not quite what we had in 2022 and 2024, but quite respectable nonetheless.
 - O Denise Marrs from Calais won a \$50 gas card for being the most distant show participant.
 - o Richard Anderson won the Dealer's Trophy with his yellow 1988 convertible. His car was the one that had a clutch problem last year and left the show on a flatbed before the show even started. The People's Choice trophy went to Barry & Debbie Shepard with their red 1964 convertible. And Sarah's House Director Heather Massey chose our (the Deans') Accelerate Yellow C8 as the car she would have liked to take home if we let her.
 - Former (and maybe future) member Scott Lawson provided the sound system and the music. THANK YOU, Scott.
 - Later this month Roger will deliver the \$1500 donation check to Heather Massey, Sarah's House Director.

- Photos from our show are at the end of this newsletter. More will be on the website whenever I get to it.
- September 27th & 28th, Carol and I went to Corvettes of Southern New Brunswick's Moonglow show and poker run. The show had somewhere around 60 cars, 40 of which did the poker run. And the run was fantastic! It took us to St. Martin on some roads that Carol and I didn't know about despite the fact we've been to St Martin numerous times. And being a fan of Vette vanity plates, there were some very original ones. (See below.)







The cruising and event season is rapidly drawing to a close. The Seal Cove Auto Museum's last Cars & Coffee for the season is on October 11th, our Annual Meeting is set for October 22nd, and our Holiday Party is scheduled for December 14th. Diane will send out additional information on the party as we get closer to December. If you know of something that I've missed, please let me know.

October 22nd, Our Annual Meeting

The most important "next event" is our Annual Meeting. It will be at Pat's Pizza on October 22nd, starting at our usual time of 5:00. We will vote for next year's officers, discuss the structure of ARCC going forward, and talk about the future of our car show. We have four candidates for five of our six officer positions: Roger Dean, President; Terry La Combe, Vice President; Carol Dean, Secretary; Carol Dean, Treasurer; and Diane Bossert, Activities Director. We have no candidate for Historian. It should be obvious that having only four candidates for six positions isn't ideal. I hope that some of you will consider helping to lead ARCC and decide to run for one of the six positions. If you are willing to help, let me know and I'll put you in touch with our nominating committee, Pat Minier & Donna Shea.

Interesting or Offbeat Corvette News

This month has a Corvette-related entry and a decidedly non-Corvette story. But I just had to include the non-Corvette entry because of its technological brilliance and sheer horsepower.

The Corvette article I found comes from *Hemmings.com* and is about the Corvette CX & CX.R Vision Gran Turismo concept cars that were shown during Monterey Car Week on August 15th. As the article notes, "Monterey Car Week 2025 saw many jaw-dropping concept car and new car unveilings, with the Chevrolet Corvette CX & CX.R Concepts commanding a large majority of the public's attention." Designed by the Chevrolet Performance Studio in Warren, Michigan, these concepts are truly amazing.



You can find the full article at: <u>Chevrolet's Bold Vision: Corvette CX & CX.R Vision Gran Turismo</u> Concepts Debut at Monterey | The Online Automotive Marketplace.

The other article I found is about the new world speed record holder for a production car: a jaw-dropping 293 MPH (although one report I read said 308 MPH)! Sadly, it is not a US or even a European-made car. It is an all-electric car that comes from the Chinese manufacturer BYD. It is called the Yangwang U9 02 and features four electric motors, one on each wheel. Together they produce just under 3000(!!!!) horsepower.



While that is about three times the rating of the newer Corvettes, that's still just 1/100 that of a commercial jet liner. Read one of several articles about this beast at

https://electrek.co/2025/09/17/byds-new-3000-hp-ev-supercar-puts-ferrari-to-shame/.

And if you want some amusing comments on measuring horsepower, see https://www.jalopnik.com/1899838/jet-engine-commercial-plane-horsepower/.

See you on the road,

Roger Dean

ARCC President

Our next meeting will be on October 22nd at Pat's Pizza at the usual time of 5:00 PM.

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