



Acadia Region Corvette Club

A Club for Corvette Enthusiasts Since 2008

President's Letter for December 2024



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Every year at this time when our cars have been put away for a month or more, I have the same reaction when I go to our barn for something: I find myself sighing almost audibly when I see them under cover with battery tenders glowing green in the dim light. With the winter solstice upon us next week and its promise of lengthening daylight hours, I can't help but think of cruises and other get-togethers in the new year. I hope to see more of you join our outings in 2025.

Celebrations, etc.

December Birthdays

Dan Bossert Heather Linnehan
 Kevin Crane

January Birthdays

Richard Anderson	Larry Billings
Dave Blanchard	Don Blanchette
Betsy Cabit	John Favour
Roger Dean	Carol Dean
Chris Houmiller	Barry Shepard

December Anniversaries

Ross & Anne Grant

January Anniversaries

Beth & Kevin Crane	Roger & Carol Dean
Bill Fernald & Ruth Brunetti	

2024 Holiday Party

Twenty-four club members—about half of our total membership—attended our annual Holiday party on December 14th. Our new venue, Sea Dog brew pub in Bangor, was just as pleasant as last year and certainly cozier than the Elks, which made socialization much easier. The food was good and reasonably priced (well... sort of). This year saw the presentation and retirement of the annual Scavenger Hunt award, two bottles of wine and some amazing fruit “salsa” from Monica’s Chocolates in Lubec, to Les & Franny Stackpole. Again. Despite complications from other commitments, this year Les and Franny managed to correctly identify 33 of the 50 main targets and all four of the bonus ones. And they got photos of their car at many of them. All told, over the three years of the Hunt, the Stackpoles correctly identified 151 (place several good guesses garnered a half-score) of the 183 target locations. Another highlight of the party was our annual

In a Corvette every trip is an adventure!

gift exchange. The most popular gift exchange items were the Dunkin' gift cards, the tins of popcorn, and two bottles of white wine. As the saying goes, "A good time was had by all!"





Interesting and Offbeat Corvette News

Earlier this month *CorvSport.com* had an article on "10 Impressive Records Set by Corvettes." It included the expected fastest at this and the fastest at that, but there was one that really stood out to me: The fastest average speed over a 5000-mile course. Here's what *CorvSport* had to say:

"In March 1990, the Chevrolet Corvette ZR1 further affirmed its status as 'the King of the Hill' with a series of World Land Speed records. That month, the ZR1 set a new record for the highest 24-hour-5,000-mile land speed with an average speed in excess of 175 mph (282 km/h). It eclipsed the previous 160.2 mph (257.8 km/h) record, which had stood for almost 50 years. That's not all. The ZR1 also set a 5,000-mile average speed record of 173.79 mph (279.68 km/h) and a 5,000 km average speed record of 175.71 mph (282.78 km/h). The ZR1 had launched only a few months before, and the achievements helped solidify Corvette's reputation as a serious challenger, able to compete against established European rivals." WOW! The piece was accompanied by a *Car and Driver* photo of the car, a rather ordinary-looking C4:



Corvette Autumn Car Show

If you've been paying attention to Club activities, you'll remember that we've been talking about how we can simplify our Corvette Autumn car show so that we can get greater participation in its planning and preparation. At our Christmas party, I distributed ideas to discuss at our next meeting in January. We need to resolve all this before we get too far into 2025 and I'll spend much of the January meeting trying to reduce the early ideas into a firm plan. Please come with *your* ideas so we can continue to make our annual car show the success it's always been.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roger Dean".

Roger Dean
ARCC President

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