



Acadia Region Corvette Club

A Club for Corvette Enthusiasts Since 2008

President's Letter for November 2022



Club Officers

President	Roger Dean	Treasurer	Dan Bossert
Vice President	Sally Howard	Activities Director.....	Diane Bossert
Secretary	Carol Dean	Historian.....	Pat Minier

ARCC Members & Friends—

The imminent departure of long-time club members and past officers Bernie and Kay Woody and my recent efforts helping friends pack up their worldly possession in preparation for a move has motivated Carol and me to do a little cleaning out of our own. In addition to trying to whittle down collections of unused coffee mugs, old clothing in sizes that we'll never see again, a mountain of ancient—very ancient—receipts and other papers, and anything else we felt could go (hope we don't come to regret some of those decisions), I came across the Corvette poster shown on the next page. I bought it in 1971, give or take, when I had my first Corvette, a Daytona Yellow coupe. So I took it out of its storage tube, put it under a rug for about a month to flatten it, and framed it. Now I have to find some wall space to display it; maybe I just need to find a few more things to put in the tag sale pile.

On a **more serious note**, several club officers continue to receive phishing emails from a Roger Dean **who is not me**. Others may have as well. If you don't want to read any of this letter, at least **[read the explanation of this on page 4](#)**. It might just save you some money.

Recent New Members

As reported at the October meeting, Ray Daries recently joined ARCC. Ray has three cars: a '62 Honduras Maroon convertible, and '82 red coupe, and an '02 electron blue coupe. Dan Bossert reports that Ray has been coming to our Corvette Autumn Shows for years displaying his 1962 Honduras Red Corvette with which he has won many "Best of Show" awards.

ARCC-Embroidered Apparel

Diane Bossert has assumed responsibility for all ARCC embroidered apparel. She has a catalog of available items that includes color choices and sizing information. Please do not go to Logo Motion on your own; work through Diane for anything you might want.

When I placed the first order for denim shirts, I ordered one extra. It is available for \$35. It is a men's light blue Port & Company "value" shirt, size XL. Contact me if you'd like to purchase it.

In a Corvette every trip is an adventure!

People & Places

Member Celebrations

November Birthdays

Dave Billings
Bob Davis
Pat Minier
Rick Gaspar Jr.



December Birthdays

Dan Bossert
Kevin Crane
Jill Gaspar
Heather Linnehan

November Anniversaries

Gary & Betsy Cabit
Bill Fernald & Ruth Brunetti



December Anniversaries

Ross & Ann Grant

Transitions: Past officers Bernie & Kay Woody returned from their recent trip out west and report that they have purchased a house and will be moving soon, likely spending Christmas in their new place. I think I can safely speak for the entire club in wishing you the best. You will be missed.

Upcoming Activities

Our club Christmas party on Sunday, December 11th at the Elks Club, 2:00–6:00 pm. We will do a gift exchange. It will be a potluck affair with the Club providing a ham. There will be both a cookie swap and a Yankee swap during the party; the Yankee swap has a spending limit of \$15. Look for more information on the party as the date gets closer.

Corvette News

From the “Hang on to your Checkbook” department, a recent post in Corvette Mike’s *Thundering Thursday* weekly email notes, “Pricing starts at \$106,695 for (the 2023) 1LZ coupe, but if you select every option, the 3LZ Convertible can be spec’ed to more than \$156,000.” This includes a “Z07-specific suspension with Magnetic Selective Ride Control, carbon ceramic brakes, and new carbon fiber aero bits.” WOW!



Reimagining the C2. From *Corvsport.com* comes this report of a fanciful C2, rendered by AutoEvolution's CGI 3D artist Hugo Silva (<https://twitter.com/hugosilvadesign>). Corvsport says this imagined C2 "looks about ready to steal your kids' Halloween candy and laugh while doing so. As you can see, this thing looks *mean*." Don't know what you think, but I certainly agree! Click on the following *Corvsport.com* link to see more photos: <https://www.corvsport.com/3d-rendered-corvette-c2-looks-mean-enough-to-terrify-small-children/>.



Useless Corvette Information... Some of you may have wondered at one point or another just how fast you can drive in reverse. A story I found on *Carbuzz.com* has the answer. The headline reads, "OFFICIAL: Chevrolet Corvette Is the Fastest Car in Reverse." A fellow named Scot Bruner runs a YouTube channel called 'Always in Reverse,' on which he shows how fast cars can go on the track in reverse. In June he set a world record, certified by Guinness, driving a C7 Corvette in reverse at the NCM Motorsports Park with an average speed of 48 mph. (The article does note, however, that the outright top speed in reverse record is 124 mph.) You can find the article at <https://carbuzz.com/news/official-chevrolet-corvette-is-the-fastest-car-in-reverse>.

Et Cetera...

Phishing Emails: I wrote about this scam last month, but it bears repeating: Several club officers, including Carol, continue to receive vague emails, supposedly from me, asking for some sort of unspecified help, gift cards, or a return email concerning something they need help with. **DO NOT respond to those emails. They are not from me**, even though the sender identifies him/herself as "Roger Dean." I got the same sort of email from "our Treasurer" asking for help with an invoice. Needless to say, it wasn't from Dan. So far, it is only club officers who have been targeted with this scam (and none of my other contacts), I'm guessing that some lowlife intercepted one of the emails transmitting these President's letters, read the officers list, and decided to go phishing.

There are two ways to know emails like these are bogus. 1) For a questionable email from anyone, look at the sender's email address, not just the "sender's" name. If it's a phishing email, it will have some different-but-official sounding email address that is NOT the one you know to be the real sender's address. 2) Read the email carefully. If it doesn't specifically tell you what the email is about, it is not from me. I will always identify a very specific reason for the email, not just "I have a vendor problem," or "contact me," or "can we meet..." or "send me some gift cards..." *And always, if you have any doubts whatsoever, call me on the phone to check. I'd rather be called than know one of our members has been taken in by these criminals.*

Photo Scavenger Hunt: Tuesday, November 15th is the last day to submit your scoresheets for the photo scavenger hunt. The winning couple (or team) will be announced at the Christmas party. Letitia Baldwin of the *Ellsworth American* says she will include a short piece (and photograph) on the winners in a subsequent *Heard Around Town* column.

Corvette Autumn Car Show: In case you missed my November 7th email, it is time to think about planning for next year's Corvette Autumn car show. Our Show Committee will hold its first meeting on November 16th and it wants your input on whether or not to hold a judged show. We know that some members say "yes," others "no," and some have no preference. But we don't know the split between the three options. Before the Show Committee makes a decision about this, I'd like to hear from club members about your preference. If you haven't already responded, please let me know your thoughts by return email before November 14th. Your input will help guide our decisions as we work toward a successful 10th annual Corvette Autumn show.

Next Year's Cruises: As Diane noted at our meeting last month, it is time to think about cruises for next year, especially any overnight ones. Carol and I plan to take a 3-day trip to Vermont next summer to cruise the beautiful roads along the spine of the Green Mountains. I'm sure there are other cruises that members might like to go on so please think about hosting one. We all would welcome anyone else who is willing to organize a club cruise—single day or overnight—somewhere next summer; there is certainly no shortage of candidate places in our part of New England!

Don't forget: There is NO ARCC club meeting in either November or December.

**The next regularly scheduled Club meeting is on January 25th
via Zoom starting at the usual "Zoom-only" time of 7:00 pm.**

Look for an emailed reminder with final details a few days before the meeting.



Roger Dean
President, ARCC

If you have photos from an ARCC event— or any other Corvette-related photos that you think others in the club would be interested in seeing— please send them to me for possible inclusion on the website and in a future President's letter.