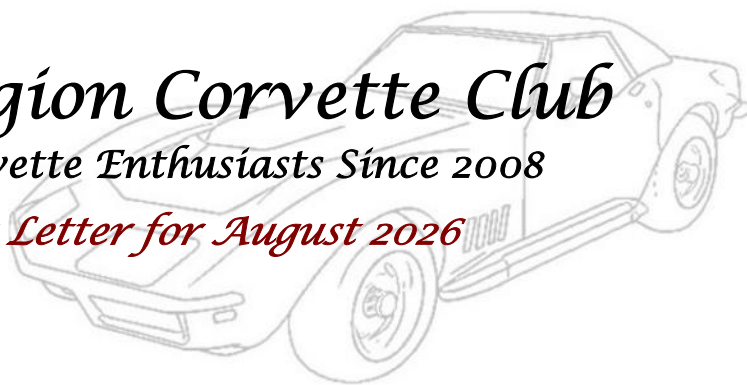




Acadia Region Corvette Club

A Club for Corvette Enthusiasts Since 2008

President's Letter for August 2026



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July is always ARCC's busiest month and this year was no exception. We started the month with another one of Activity Director Diane Bossert's now-monthly club dinners, this one at the Cilantro Indian Bistro in Ellsworth. Sadly, your club photographer (me) got so engaged with all the talking that he neglected to take any photos. So you'll just have to trust me when I say, if you missed it, you missed another fine club outing. The main events of the month were the Flaming Parade and the Millbridge Parade, where I did remember to take photos. Sadly, the parades fell on the same Saturdays as Cars & Coffee at the Seal Cove Auto Museum, so those who were parade-bound had to forego the museum. As I said, a busy month...

New Members

Thanks to Charlene Clemens, we had two new members join ARCC in July: Randy & Juli Everett from Ellsworth. Charlene accosted them at the June 27th Cars & Coffee and invited them to our Club dinner on the 1st. And they came! Randy is brand new to Corvettes, having bought a really nice 1993 torch red C4 targa top coupe after he decided that his Smokey-and-the-Bandit Firebird was getting too expensive to maintain. They jumped right into club activities, participating in both the Flamingo and Millbridge parades. Let's all make Randy & Juli welcome!



Celebrations

August Birthdays

Annie Ertel Ken Minier
Shawn Kelly Les Stackpole
John Linnehan Bernie Woody

August Anniversaries

Jim & Cassandra Babbitt
Shawn & Jackie Kelly
John & Heather Linnehan



In a Corvette every trip is an adventure!

ARCC Heads to the Southwest (Harbor)

July 11th was a fine day for a parade! Bright skies, calm winds, not a hint of showers, and a not-too-warm temperature. We showed ten cars at the parade with us (the Deans) and the Miniers each bringing two. Daughter Sonja and son-in-law Perry drove our C8 while Carol, Cookie, and I were in the C3. Pat and Ken drove their C7 while their grandson Jake and wife Lexi were in Pat's C3. Two of us had standard transmissions and you don't realize there is a hill in Southwest Harbor until you drive Main Street in a parade! After the parade, we all headed to Miniers' for a fine flamingo-themed lunch. A good time was had by all!





(More photos will be on the website when I get to it...)

ARCC Goes to Millbridge

If July 11th in Southwest Harbor was a fine day for a parade, Millbridge was just as nice. July 25th was a *perfect* summer day in Downeast Maine. Temperature around 80°, clear skies, and calm winds. Parade participants included the Deans, Kellys, Miniers, Everetts, Lees, Dave Billings & Sharon Bates, Larry Billings, Ruth Brunetti-Fernald & Bernard, and Ed Dailide. And many thanks, again, for Pastor Darlene Bearce opening up the Methodist Church to us as we waited for the parade to start. Afterward, most of the participants gathered at our house for a burgers & dogs cookout. And again, a good time was had by all! (In addition to the photos here, there's a good video of our part of the parade at: [ARCC @ Millbridge Days Parade.](#))











New ARCC Promotional Card

Recently, Darling's Marketing asked if we had any sort of descriptive material on ARCC that they could include with a "new Corvette owner" information packet. Since we didn't, I created one. Here is a "rack card" (a 2-sided 4"x9" card) Darling's will include in their info packet. I have extras if you think you want a few to distribute.

Acadia Region Corvette Club

www.AcadiaVettes.org



The ARCC is a non-profit social club established in 2008 and centered in Ellsworth in Downeast Maine. We promote responsible ownership and enjoyment of Corvettes through participation in Corvette-related activities and events such as cruises, car shows, parades, information sharing, and social gatherings.

Our cruising season starts in the late spring and continues until late fall. Destinations and events are primarily those in the Downeast and Acadia regions. We'll even venture into eastern Canada on occasion.

To learn more about ARCC or to contact us, go to our website, www.AcadiaVettes.org. There you will find a brief history of the club, recent club newsletters, a membership application form, and a contact link to send us an email.



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Upcoming Events

This list is the same as we've had for the past several months, with one exception: the Winter Harbor Car Show on August 7th.

August 1st & 2nd — Wings & Wheels Airshow (& car show). Owl's Head Transportation Museum, Owl's Head, ME.

August TBD?? — David Priest car show at the Bangor Vocational School on Hogan Road.

August 7th — Winter Harbor Lobster Festival Car Show. 20 School Street, Winter Harbor; 5:00–8:00.

August 8th — Seal Cove Auto Museum Cars & Coffee. 1414 Tremont Road. 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Theme is "Dog Days of Summer."

August 22nd — Seal Cove Auto Museum Cars & Coffee. 1414 Tremont Road. 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Theme is "Global Rids: Imports."

August 26–30, Corvettes at Carlisle weekend.

Interesting or Offbeat Corvette News

This month I came across an article on CorvSport.com whose URL name invited further investigation: *"8 names that secretly saved the Corvette."* How could I resist, so I clicked on the link. The article tells about eight men who most of us probably never heard of who, after the three names we all know (Earl, Duntov, and Cole), are largely responsible for the rides we enjoy today. The article's full title and subtitle are: ***"The Ghost Architects: 8 Names That Secretly Saved Or Shaped The Corvette — Think you know the whole story? CorvSport delivers a visual, fast-scrolling dive into Corvette figures you have probably never heard of—the engineers and rogue execs whose hidden fingerprints are baked into the fiberglass of the cars we drive today."*** And the last line of the story summarizes their importance: "They are the architects who built the foundation, fought the bean counters, and successfully kept the American dream on four wheels." To read the story of these eight remarkable men, go to https://www.corvsport.com/the-ghost-architects-8-names-that-secretly-saved-or-shaped-the-corvette/?utm_source=CorvSport+Newsletter&utm_campaign=08fcb4be51-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2024_12_30_08_45_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0-a3ee9f8a0e-366658237&goal=0_172306e354-08fcb4be51-366658237&mc_cid=08fcb4be51&mc_eid=bcad3f3de2

A Special Offer from our Sponsor, Darling's Chevrolet

Operating on the principle of you don't get what you don't ask for, in July I approached Connor Darling, Darling's Chevy operations manager, about the possibility of a discount on routine Corvette services. After coordinating with Darling's Marketing Department, they graciously agreed to offer a 10% discount to ARCC members on oil/filter changes. Each of our member families will get a card that must be presented when you check in for service. I handed out cards to those club members who participated in the Millbridge Days parade. I'll also have them at club events between now and our September meeting. If I don't see you at or before the September meeting, look for your card to come in the mail. And the next time you are in Darling's, be sure to thank them for this generous addition to your ARCC membership.



Nametags

For those of you who ordered nametags, they are finally done! I will be picking them up on July 31st and will have them at our Bunkers Seafood and Spirits lunch on the 7th. If you ordered a nametag and can't make the lunch, we'll have to wait for Cars & Coffee on 8/22, Cars & Coffee on 9/5, our next club gathering (either a club lunch/dinner). or our next scheduled club meeting on September 23rd. The cost is \$11.50 each.

See you on the road!

Roger Dean



ARCC President

SPECIAL NOTE: ARCC will not hold a monthly meeting in August. Monthly meetings will resume their normal schedule starting September 23rd at Pat's Pizza. The usual time, 5:00 pm.