



Acadia Region Corvette Club

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President's Letter for December 2022



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ARCC Members & Friends—

Thanksgiving has come and gone, Christmas and Hanukkah are coming up soon, and the weather here in DownEast Maine is showing signs of becoming wintry. I suspect most of us have put our cars away for the season. Our '07 convertible is safely tucked away under its cover with the battery tender connected and various devices in place to ward



off rodents. The '72 is another matter. Before winter really arrives, it is time to do a little delayed maintenance, starting with vacuuming the heating ducts to remove the residue of a homeless encampment of mice. Once that's done, I'll have to get serious about the other work; the first snow of the season this past week said it really is time to put the cars away for the winter. After that, I suspect most of us will have to rely on fond memories of the 2022 cruising season to get us through to next spring. These include our mid-winter party at the Elks last March, resuming in-person club meetings (hurray, hurray!), a summer's worth of gatherings at the Seal Cove Auto Museum, parades (Flamingo Festival, Potato Blossom Festival, Eastbrook Days, and Millbridge Days), various car shows and gatherings around coastal Maine, our fabulously successful Corvette Autumn car show, and for at least a couple of members, the season-long photo scavenger hunt. Then on a more somber note, we remember the passing of a long-time friend of ARCC, Dennis Robertson from the Eggmoggin Reach Country Store. Looking in the rearview mirror, I can see all those members who helped make the 2022 cruising season successful. THANK YOU to all of you. I look forward to working with you to continue to strengthen our club. In the meantime, *Carol and I wish you all a very joyous holiday season*, regardless of how you celebrate it!

In a Corvette every trip is an adventure!

People & Places

Member Celebrations

December Birthdays

Dan Bossert
Kevin Crane
Jill Gaspar
Heather Linnehan



January Birthdays

Richard Anderson	Roger Dean
Larry Billings	Carol Dean
Don Blanchette	Robin Houmiller
Betsy Cabit	Shawn Morrison
John Favour	Barry Shepard

December Anniversaries

Ross & Ann Grant



January Anniversaries

Beth & Kevin Crane	John & Shelley Sala
Roger & Carol Dean	Reg & Tarnya Sanborn

Transitions: Bernie & Kay Woody put their house on the market in early November and it sold almost immediately. So, they are, indeed, already headed to their new home in Oregon. As I noted in last month's letter, we'll all miss them.

Initial Planning for Corvette Autumn 2023

Last month I was contacted by the person who publishes *Cruise Maine* magazine regarding our display ad and calendar entry for next year's magazine. He requested we provide him with the information by the end of November. As a result of his request, our Show Committee held its first planning session on November 16th. While most of the decisions to be made were easy—"same as we've always done"—we did have to decide on having a judged show or a show-and-shine event. I canvassed club members and the response was heavily weighted in favor of a show-and-shine event only. Reasons varied, but among them were the added effort and cost of putting on a judged show, the difficulty in finding truly qualified judges, and given that we are a small club in the very corner of New England, the fact that the same cars show up from year to year. Holding a show-and-shine event was a unanimous vote of Committee members attending; I hope this decision doesn't dissuade those of you who were hoping for a judged show from attending our 10th annual Corvette Autumn, slated for Saturday, September 16th, 2023.

January ARCC Meeting

Our original plan was to hold the January club meeting on January 25th via Zoom. Those attending the October meeting felt that there was a fair chance that bad winter weather would cause even regular attendees to forego coming out for an in-person gathering. But now, with the postponement of our Christmas party, the sentiment has shifted back towards an in-person meeting and we'll take our chances with the weather. Diane spoke with the folks at Pat's Pizza and they can accommodate us on the 25th. So let's all hope for good weather and plan to meet in person, starting at 5:00 pm. Should the weather turn too ugly, we'll revert to a Zoom meeting at our "normal Zoom time" of 7:00 pm. And remember, our Christmas party was just postponed, not cancelled, so the festivities we planned for the December party are still on for our January meeting. These include the Yankee gift exchange, cookie swap, and presentation of Photo Scavenger Hunt prizes. So stand by; we will email club members in early January with an update.

Corvette News

From CorvSport.com, below is the URL for a 20-minute video on the development of the C2 Corvette. CorvSport reports that the "20-minute video was produced by General Motors in the early 1960s. It chronicles the evolution of the second-generation Corvette Stingray from its preliminary design thru its production."

https://www.corvsport.com/corvette-stingray-biography-of-a-sports-car/?utm_source=CorvSport+Newsletter&utm_campaign=ae3a0bf354-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2022_05_10_04_05_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_172306e354-ae3a0bf354-366658237&goal=0_172306e354-ae3a0bf354-366658237&mc_cid=ae3a0bf354&mc_eid=bcad3f3de2.

Et Cetera...

Something Entirely Different: This has nothing at all to do with Corvettes, but... Have you seen images of the new DeLorean? Go to <https://www.topgear.com/car-news/first-look/new-delorean-new-delorean> to get a glimpse. I wonder if it will ever see production.

Merry Christmas & Happy Chanukah!



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.