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The Connecticut Military Corvette Club, Inc. (CMCC) is a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization led by an allvolunteer Board with a mission to raise funds for numerous Connecticut non-profit entities that support programs for military veterans in need.

# June/July-2023 Newsletter



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# President's Message

Hello Everyone,

As I sit here and reflect on the start of the year I can't believe that half of 2023 is gone already! The nice thing is that now the great Corvette weather is here. We have come a long way in the last six months but we still have much to do. We have had the good fortune of bringing in new members that are very enthusiastic and have accomplished much within a short period. This is especially important since we have lost some members over the past several years for various reasons and many of them were very active. I'm happy to see that we have been filling positions within the Board of Directors that have long been empty but we have a few more positions to fill. If you find that you would like to get more involved with the club please see me if I don't approach you first!

As summer closes in we are starting to get busy. As usual, Tom P did a wonderful job organizing CMCC's involvement in The New Britain Memorial Day parade. Thank you, Tom! June 10 is our Veteran's Show in Rocky Hill run every year by Steve Poole. Thank you, Steve! On June 14 we are involved with the Cruise Night on Main Street in Middletown. We have been involved with this event for several years and it gives great exposure to our club while helping out the Chamber of Commerce in running the show. I've gotten a good response. To all of you that did respond and are attending this event, thank you! As your Board of Directors meets monthly there will be more events and opportunities to get the cars out along with our wives, mistresses, or whoever.

Looking ahead we have a great picnic scheduled for July 15. The venue is wonderful, the food is plentiful, and the price is reasonable so all we need is for you our members to respond to Tony V and attend. The picnic was always well attended and this will be the first year that we are having a picnic again since before Covid. Let's get together and enjoy each other's company.

We have our two car shows coming up in September. Nomads on September 10. Roland M. always does such a great job with this show and once again he will need our help. On September 24 we have our first Corvetteonly show in partnership with No Rules Corvette Club. The car show committee has been working hard through the year putting this together and Paul has worked on this show and just about everything else happening in the club. Thank you Paul again for your devotion and thanks to our car show committee. Sponsor money has been trickling in but we need YOU to go out and bring in sponsorship money or items for the show. We all deal with businesses and it never hurts to ask for a donation. The more that we don't have to pay for translates into more for our veterans.

Ok, my rant is finished! I would just like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone soon!

Gary

### CMCC Officers and BOD - 2023

**BOARD of DIRECTORS** 

#### **OFFICERS**

- President Gary Coviello
- Vice President Paul Vasques
- Secretary Craig Knutson
- Treasurer Tom Pedrotty

#### **DIRECTORS**

- Director of Membership Tony Veneziano
- Director of Auto Events VACANT
- Director of Social Events John Giorgio

#### CMCC - Member Highlights

#### **Gregory Scholz**



Gregory Scholz grew up in Floral Park, NY, just outside Queens. He joined the USMC in Jan 1992 and was Honorable Discharged in 1998.

Greg's duty Stations included, Camp Pendleton, CA, Okinawa Japan, and has resided in 29 Palms CA, Germany, Texas, NH, and now Connecticut

Greg is 51 years old born on 5/29/72, and married to Rebecca, (Becky) on May 20, 2017.

They have 4 children – Two 24-year-old twins, one 22 year old, and one 20 year old.

Greg's birthday and wedding anniversary were celebrated while traveling back to CT from Bowing Green, KY with their first Corvette.

Greg and Becky are proud owners of a **2023 Stingray Amplify Orange, HTC, Z51**, purchased at Paul Masse Chevrolet in Rhode Island. They traveled to the Corvette Museum for delivery on 5/18/2023 and drove home to CT over 4 days and 1240 miles.

Greg is actively involved with the C.M.C.C., as the Webmaster, Facebook Admin, Car Show Committee member, and Car Show Volunteer.

Thank you Greg for all your hard work and dedication!



#### June Birthday's

#### July Birthdays

John Wodopian

Mary Zaniewski

Michelle Wink

Joe Monarca

Rich Miller

Linda Coviello

June Fairbanks

Vivian Straub

Randy Gookin

Ron Perras

Gerry Wright

Fran Poole

Anthony Veneziano

# Sunshine

Darryl DelGiudice - Recovering from shoulder surgery

Rich Masotti - Recovering from a construction accident

# We are looking for

# **NEW Members**

Membership Application on last page



*By-Laws change to allow an increase in Membership* 

#### ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP (Amended, 10/19/2021)

Membership requires the possession of a valid Driver's License. An awareness of the needs of veterans is essential. It is the policy of the Corporation to provide membership without regard to race, color, sex, age, disability, religion, nation of origin or marital status.

Membership in the Corporation shall be open to all current, retired, or former members of the United States Armed Forces. Ownership or lease of a Corvette is required.

Membership is also open to any individual having an immediate family relationship to a current, retired, or former (including deceased) member of the United States Armed Forces. This relationship can be by grandparent, parent, spouse, sibling or children. Ownership or lease of a Corvette is required.

### Some Shots from the New Britain Memorial Day Parade





### One of our own, Craig Knutson with the V.F.W. Post 10004, Jewett City - Memorial Day Color Guard



### Cars & Coffee Events





Sunday, June /July11<sup>th</sup> @ 0900-1100 (Every OTHER Sunday)

#### Cars & Coffee

**Moroso Performance Products** 

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Sunday, June/July @ 0900 – 1200 (EVERY SUNDAY)

Cars & Coffee

Parking lot behind STARBUCKS

Somerset Square

140 Glastonbury Blvd



Sunday, June/July @ 0800-1100(EVERY SUNDAY)

Cars & Coffee

**Birdhouse Coffee** 

765 Sullivan Ave

South Windsor, CT

### NCM NEWS

### Museum in Motion

The National Corvette Museum is unlike most other museums in the world. Though located in Bowling Green, Kentucky – the Museum is proud to have members from all across the country and even internationally. In an effort to bring the Museum to the enthusiasts, a selection of excursions are offered each year. Branded "Museum in Motion", the program features tours around the United States as well as Canada, England and France. The Museum in Motion events combine the fun of driving, socializing with other Corvette enthusiasts, sightseeing and visiting unique places – including many V.I.P. and behind the scenes opportunities that only the Museum can get you.

Past tours have taken participants into places not usually accessible to the public including Milford Proving Grounds, Consumer Reports Auto Test Division, GM Heritage Center, and Pratt & Miller.

For more info on Upcoming Events visit their website:

https://www.corvettemuseum.org/museum-in-motion/

### 2023 Corvette Z06 LT6 Ticking Noise Being Investigated by GM



Some 2023 Corvette Z06 owners are reportedly hearing ticking noises coming from their LT6 engines, which has prompted GM to get involved.

The brand new LT6 powerplant present in the 2023 Corvette Z06 is **nothing short of a revelation**, a true **marvel of engineering** that utilizes **the best in old school engineering** along with plenty of new tech to boot. Thus far, we've learned all about how the LT6 was designed and what it's capable of, all of which is truly impressive stuff. However, aside from **a couple of isolated engine failures**, we're now learning that the new flat-plane crank V8 could have another potential issue – a ticking noise, which has conjured up quite the conversation right here in the *CorvetteForum* forums.

A handful of 2023 Corvette Z06 owners are reporting that their LT6 powerplants are emitting a ticking noise that's coming from the top end of the engine, though there are no other symptoms that accompany this noise. While some immediately dismissed this as injector noise, it seems as if the ticking is coming from the valvetrain, which could obviously be something that would concern owners. Turns out, it caught GM's attention

as well, prompting it to release a Preliminary Information Bulletin complete with a sound clip documenting the LT6's ticking noise, which can also be heard in the video below.



"At this time the concern is under engineering investigation," the bulletin reads. "Once a repair has been established, this PI will be updated or changed to a bulletin. No durability issues have been identified with this concern and customer can drive the vehicle until a repair is available. If the noise has been determined not to be the same as what is in the attached sound recording, please review the latest version of PIP5869 for a list of serviceable components in conjunction with following SI diagnostics."

It's obviously concerning – particularly for 2023 Corvette Z06 owners themselves – that GM is officially looking into this matter, but as of now, there's no indication that the ticking noise is the sign of a defect. That could obviously change, but the automaker could also determine that the noise is completely normal, and as of now, it doesn't appear to be something that's causing any actual damage to the engine's internals. Regardless, we'll be keeping a close eye on this situation.

### How to Get Into (or Out Of) A Corvette with a Dead Battery (C6, C7 or C8 Corvettes)

# Since 2005, a dead battery can keep you locked out of or stuck inside a Corvette. Here's what you need to learn!

The <u>C5 generation Corvette</u> was the last to come with mechanical door locks. Starting with the C6 in 2005 <u>GM</u> built all Corvettes with electronic door locks. Most of the time these are extremely convenient, and you can easily open the doors, trunk, and frunk of your Corvette. However, if you have a dead battery these electronic door locks become extremely inconvenient. In fact, it could even prove deadly. A few years ago, a man and his dog in Texas were tragically killed when they were trapped inside his 2007 Corvette with a dead battery. He was not aware of the backup procedures that he could use to escape the car. That is what we will be covering today.

We are going to show you how to get into and out of a C6, C7 or <u>C8 Corvette</u>. We will include getting access to the trunk or frunk. For the most part, the generations have very similar procedures. But they vary slightly so we will give a dedicated overview of each generation for you. Nothing here is very difficult at all. No tools or special skills are needed. You just need to have the knowledge. And to further aid you in the process we have linked a couple of YouTube videos below for you. There is one for each generation.

C6 – Opening Trunk and Door from Outside

If you are outside of your C6 Corvette and the battery has died the key fob will not work.

To gain access to the trunk you will need to -

- Remove physical key from your fob by pressing on the key release button
- Locate keyhole just above rear license plate on rear bumper
- Insert key into the keyhole and turn to open the trunk
- Locate door release cable on drivers' side inside the trunk
- Pull on the release cable and your drivers' side door will open

C6 – Opening Door from Inside

In this scenario, you are already inside your Corvette. However, the door is shut and there is not enough juice to operate the electronic door opener. Or the part simply failed.

To get out -

- Locate the emergency door handle on the floor near the door sill by the front of the seat
- There is one of these handles on each side of the car
- Pull the handle up and it will pop the door open for you

C7 – Opening Trunk and Door from Outside

If you have a C7 generation Corvette, the steps are nearly identical to the C6. However, we like to be thorough here at *Corvette Forum* so we will provide a guide just for you C7 folks.

C7 – Opening Trunk and Door from Outside

If you have a C7 generation Corvette, the steps are nearly identical to the C6. However, we like to be thorough here at *Corvette Forum* so we will provide a guide just for you C7 folks.

If you C7 has a dead battery and you need to open the trunk or doors from the outside you need to -

- Remove physical key from your fob by pressing on the key release button
- Locate keyhole just above rear license plate on rear bumper
- Insert key into the keyhole and turn to open the trunk
- Locate door release cable on drivers' side inside the trunk
- Pull on the release cable and your drivers' side door will open

C7 – Opening Door from Inside

Again, this is very similar to the C6 procedure, and it is very simple.

To get out -

- Locate the emergency door handle on the floor near the door sill by the front of the seat
- There is one of these handles on each side of the car
- Pull the handle up and it will pop the door open for you

C8 – Opening Trunk and Door from Outside

Now with the C8, the procedures are a bit different compared to the C6 and C7 generations. Once again we will begin with the scenario where you are outside of your car and the fob to open the door or frunk will not work because of a dead battery.

To gain access you need to -

- Remove physical key from your fob by pressing on the key release button
- Locate keyhole in the air scoop on the drivers' side
- Insert key into the keyhole and turn to open the door
- To open rear trunk, locate the keyhole behind rear license plate
- Insert key into the keyhole and turn to open the rear trunk
- To open front trunk (frunk) locate cable loop
- The cable loop is about 3 inches to the left of where the steering column meets the firewall
- Pull the cable loop to open the frunk

C8 – Opening Door from Inside

This procedure is largely the same as it is on the C6 and C7 cars.

But once again, to get out of the car you need to -

- Locate the emergency door handle on the floor near the door sill by the front of the seat
- There is one of these handles on each side of the car
- Pull the handle up and it will pop the door open for you

That is all there is to it. You should now be able to easily get into and out of any C6, C7, or C8 Corvette even if it has a dead battery.



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If you are interested in becoming a Sponsor or know of anyone please contact Paul, briwenv@att.net

### **Upcoming Events**

#### Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, ALL Corvettes Car Show, 10-2pm

Vettes of the Berkshires

45 Main St

Dalton, MA

#### Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, Berlin American Legion Post 68, Car Show 10-2pm

154 Porters Pass

Berlin, CT

#### Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, CMCC Club Picnic

Wickham Park

Manchester, CT

#### Friday & Saturday, Lime Rock IMSA Grand Prix

Corvette Racing

Lakeville, CT

#### Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> Vettes & Coffee, 9-12pm FREE Donuts

Grossman Chevrolet

300 Middlesex Ave

Saybrook, CT

### **Upcoming Cruise Nights**

#### Monday, June & July, EVERY Monday – 4-9pm

CT Valley Brewing Cruise Night (Bird House Coffee)

765 Sullivan Ave

South Windsor, CT

#### Tuesday, June & July, EVERY Friday - 5-8pm

Southington Drive-In Cruise/Car Show, Food, 50/50, Trophies, Music

#### Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> - 5-8pm

Monthly Cruise on the Lawn – Hanks Dairy Bar

Plainfield, CT

#### Wednesday, June & July, EVERY Wednesday - 4-8pm

No Rules CC, ALL Corvettes Cruise at Arch II Pub – 50/50, Trophies (Every Wed, May-Sep 27)

Rocky Hill, CT

#### Saturday, July 1st 15th & 29th, 5-9pm

Bristol Auto Club Cruise Nights, Downtown Bristol

#### Monday, June & July, EVERY Monday- 5-7pm

Fish Farm, 20 Dimock Ln, Bolton, CT – Food, Ice Cream, 50/50

#### Thursday, June & July, EVERY Thursday – 5-8pm

Maple View Farm Cruise Night/Show – Farm Food

192 Salmon Brook St, Granby, CT

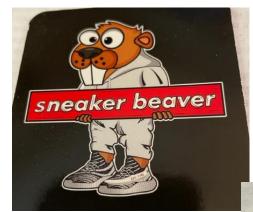
#### Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> & July 28<sup>th</sup> – 5-8pm

Powerhouse Motorsports Cruiz-in, 151 East St, Plainville, CT – Food, 50/50/ Trophies

### **Advertise Your Business**



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# For Sale

# OEM 2017 GS BREMBO Brake Pad's Front/Rear with 6k miles \$100.00





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# For Sale

4 Michelin Pilot Sport AS ZP Tires for C5 with fewer than 4K miles, 2 of which have Bead issues (Can send photos)

\$50.00

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#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM CONNECTICUT MILITARY CORVETTE CLUB, INC (CMCC)

Membership Requirements:

Membership shall be open to current/retired or former military persons in possession of a valid driver's license with a genuine interest in Corvettes and who own a Corvette, and will abide by the constitution of the corporation.

Membership is also open to any individual having an immediate family relationship to a current, retired, or former (including deceased) member of the United States Armed Forces. This relationship can be by grandparent, parent, spouse, sibling or children. Ownership or lease of a Corvette is required. Additionally, the candidate must:

- 1) Fill-out the application for membership form.
- 2) Sign the acknowledgement of risk and hold harmless agreement.

3) Mail your Application and \$50 check, payable to CMCC, Inc., to Tom Pedrotty, 8 Comfield Dr, So. Windsor, CT 06074

Note:

Members are encouraged to attend as a minimum 2 meeting, 2 events and a mandatory yearly meeting usually held in December. (Events are defined as club sponsored or endorsed car shows, road trips, cruise nights, socials and parades) Annual dues: \$50 (The spouse/partner of each member shall fall under his/her membership if they reside in the same household).

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#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily chosen to participate in the activities of the Connecticut Military Corvette Club Inc. I recognize that the activities involve risk of injury and I agree to accept any and all risks associated with them, including but not limited to property damage or loss, minor bodily injury, severe bodily injury, and death. Furthermore, I recognize that participation in the club activities involves activities and risks incidental thereto, including but not limited to, travel to and from meetings, club events, club cruises, club classes, club car shows, and the possible reckless conduct of other participants. I am voluntarily participating in the activities with the knowledge

of the risks involved and hereby agree to accept any and all inherent risks of property damage, bodily injury, or death. In consideration of my participation in the activities and to the fullest extent permitted by law, I agree to indemnify, defend and hold the Connecticut Military Corvette Club Inc., its officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers and assigns from and against all claims arising out of or resulting from my participation in the activities. "Claim" as used in this agreement means any financial loss, claim, suit, action, damage, or expense, including but not limited to attorney's fees, attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or injury to or destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting there from. In addition, I hereby voluntarily hold harmless the Connecticut Military Corvette Club Inc., its officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers and assigns from any and all claims, both present and future, that may be made by me, my family, estate, heirs or assigns. I also understand that the Connecticut Military Corvette Club Inc. does not provide any medical or dental insurance or life insurance to cover bodily injury, illness or death, nor insurance for personal property damage or loss, nor insurance for liability arising out of my negligent acts or omissions; and I acknowledge that I am completely responsible for my own insurance to cover these expenses. I further understand

that this acknowledgment of risk and hold harmless is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Connecticut and that if any portion hereof is held invalid, I agree that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect. I agree that this acknowledgment of risk and hold harmless is effective for as long as I am a member of the Connecticut Military Corvette Club Inc.

Signature of Applicant	Signature of Spouse/Partner
Printed Name / Date	Printed Name / Date //