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**(See article inside for more of the latest details)**

# LAST CHANCE

## KMCC SPRING WEEKEND GET-AWAY

Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Explore South West Wisconsin – Racine, Lake Geneva & Delevan Area



Two Nights at the Lake Lawn Resort in Delavan, Wisconsin

Discounted \$99/night plus tax and resort fee

A hotel room block is on hold but needs to be reserved by contract –

please RSVP to Mary Lou if you intend to participate

[MaryLou@RoadAmerica.com](mailto:MaryLou@RoadAmerica.com) or 920-565-4400

Once the number of rooms needed are confirmed, a room block will be issued and reservations will be able to be called in.



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Ready to Explore SW Wisconsin – Lake Geneva & Delavan Area



## **Going along on the trip are the following:**

- Charlie & Pat Batter
- Mark & Michelle Birschbach
  - Rich & Carol Brey
  - Herb & Lou Ann Buhl
- Ron Epping & Mary Fisher
- Jon Zoran & Mary Lou Haen (Trip Organizers)
  - Gary & Susan Hoppe
  - Tim & Georgene Lubach
  - Rob & Barbi Maertz
  - Marv & Judy Paulson
    - Rick Schulz
  - Mark & Deann Thieme
  - Tom & Dawn Zimbal
  
- Bob & Cathy Brandt (off-site lodging)
- Dave & Betty Modra (off-site lodging)

## KMCC MEETING MINUTES APRIL 4<sup>th</sup> 2018

Call to order at 7:35pm by President Haen: Welcomes membership and Guest's: President Haen brings Herb Buhl to the forefront who then introduces Adriana Hilbelink, who is the Calumet Co. Director of the Salvation Army. She gave a summary on the Salvation Army Organization history and what services they provide for the smaller communities in the rural areas.

### Officer Reports:

**Secretary's Report:** Approve minutes from last meeting by Dick Halvorson and sec. by Kermit Schulz. Then approved and passed by membership.

**Treasurer's Report:** Rick Waldbauer gives financial report as said. Motion to approve by Kenny Schneider and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ron Horness. Then approved by membership. Rick also reports Sue Hoppe did the books for the club for the year of 2017.

**Vice President:** Gary Hoppe: Membership Status, points & roster. Gary reports he has nothing to report.

**Governors Report:** Dick Huibregtse: Dick reminds members to look on line at events that are going on in NCCC. Also membership brings up that NCCC sent out membership cards to people who couldn't get theirs online.

**President Report:** President Haen: Mary Lou gave out awards from the Banquet in January. Lin and Leon Wilterdink got yearly activity recognition awards. Kenny Schneider was awarded with a clock from KMCC for 25 years of membership.

### Committee Reports:

- **Sunshine:** Juliana sent out two cards to members, Charlie Batter and Robert Wood.
- **Newsletter:** Dave Modra now taking Newsletter responsibilities. Mary Lou reminds members if they're not receiving the Newsletter let Mary Lou or Dave know.
- **Website:** Joe Vopal – If any pictures need to be put on website send them to [jvpal@charter.net](mailto:jvpal@charter.net)

### Old Business:

**May Lake Geneva Run Update:** May, 4<sup>th</sup>- Mary Lou needs cell phone numbers from people who signed up. Room block being released April, 4<sup>th</sup>. 30 people participating in the trip. Departing May at 8:30 am from Falls Café in Sheboygan Falls.

**Unity Music Festival:** Happening April, 7<sup>th</sup> at Weil Center in Sheboygan. Mary Ann Waldbauer has Tickets. Concert at 7:00.

**A&W Car Show:** In Manitowoc on August, 15<sup>th</sup> rain date is August, 16<sup>th</sup>. – See Kermit or Juliana if planning to attend.

**June Sprints Tickets:** Mary Lou has \$5.00 tickets available at this meeting and next meeting in May. Deadline is June 6<sup>th</sup> mtg.

**Vilas County Northwoods Trip:** Happening on Sept.28<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>, 16 rooms already booked, 24 rooms on hold. Dick Huibregtse chairing event. Keep in mind you don't have to be a club member to go to this event. If you know someone who has a Corvette and is not a member invite them along, they may join the club!

### New Business

**KMCC Family Brunch:** Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup>, cocktails at 10:30, brunch starts at 11:30 at the Altona in New Holstein. Adults are \$10.99 while children are \$5.99. Herb Buhl sets up event. Sign up by April 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Corvette Corral:** Mary Lou reminds membership Kermit Schulz will be starting soon to arrange volunteers for the Turn 3 Corral at Road America which the club starts staffing for in June for car events only.

**Plymouth Fairground concession:** So far one date is set up which is Monday, July 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Scottsdale Arizona trip for Barrett Jackson:** Event is in January 2019. A couple of people are interested. See Dick Huibregtse if interested in attending.

**Summer Meeting Locations:** Next meeting in May is in Two Rivers at Port Sandy Bay for our Pizza Party. See flyer

**Awards Banquet in January:** **Save the date – Saturday, January 5, 2019** at the Holiday Inn Manitowoc. 10 guest rooms have been blocked at the rate of \$74/night plus tax. Call 1-920-682-6000 and block is under KM19 – flyer handed out at meeting.

**Good of the Order:** Glen Wendel looking for a used C7. Ron Epping has ordered a 2019 C7.

**Move To Adjourn:** at 8:18 by Rick Schulz and sec. by Julie Schulz Motion passed.

**Next Meeting:** Wed, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at Port Sandy Bay- 5:30pm cocktails, 6:30pm Pizza, 7:30 pm Meeting. See flyer.

Number of members present: 45

**50/50 raffle winner:** Name: Bob O'Keefe - \$ 40.00 in cash.

# **KMCC MEMBERSHIP MEETING & PIZZA PARTY**

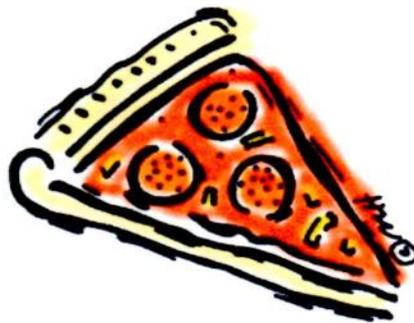
Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018

Port Sandy Bay (private room) Two Rivers, WI

**5:30 pm** Cash bar

**6:15 – 7:15 pm** Pizza buffet, salad and garlic bread  
in private room & adjoining outdoor patio

**7:30 pm** Member Meeting (space will be tight)



Cost per person: \$8.00 each (exact change appreciated)

## **Port Sandy Bay Restaurant**

Address: [6421 County Road O](#)

Two Rivers, Wisconsin 54241

Phone: (920) 793-2345

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# Here's what the mid-engine Corvette C8 will look like

Our insider information reveals crucial details of GM's upcoming supercar.



by [Don Sherman](#) // Hagerty Insurance // January 12, 2018

Today it's clear that tradition is essential to the Corvette ethos. But younger, more adventurous customers will be needed to keep the flame burning. A mid-engine layout will allow more possibilities, including special editions that will climb even higher up the performance and price scale. Although the C7 Stingray and its evolutionary descendants will surely live on for several more years, the mid-engine C8 will soon arrive to give Corvette customers a second choice. Painted with drops of leaked information from a GM Deep Throat, our rendering of the forthcoming C8 is no mere guess. In Ferrari style, the mid-mounted V-8 will be proudly visible under the rear hatch. Expect the genuine article to break cover at the Detroit auto show in January 2019.



## GAME PLAN

This is the mid-engine Corvette that GM lacked the courage to build for decades. It will first appear as a two-seat hatchback, with open editions to follow. Mounting the engine behind the cockpit facilitates lower seating and a notably sleeker hoodline. A lower center of gravity, improved forward visibility, and better air penetration are all attributable to the new architecture.

## ENGINES

Fear not, pushrod V-8 fans, your pet engine is secure. We expect the mid-engine Vette to bow with a successor to today's 6.2-liter LT1 pumped up to 600 horsepower with higher compression, more aggressive valve timing, and less restrictive exhaust. Dry-sump lubrication will facilitate mounting the engine low in the chassis. Other propulsion sources will follow, topping out at 1000-plus hybrid horsepower, with a twin-turbo V-8 driving the rear wheels and an electric motor powering the front wheels. The four-cam, 32-valve V-8 is a fantasy prompted by the LT5 designation assigned to the 2019 755-hp supercharged pushrod ZR1. GM power mongers have acknowledged interest in offering a flat-plane crankshaft V-8 mimicking the Ford Mustang Shelby GT350's but without the frightful shake. Don't be the last on your block to sell your Ferrari stock!

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Although it's recognizable as a Corvette from behind, the eighth generation (code name "Zerv") ends the quad tailpipe motif of C5–C7, moving the guns in pairs to the outer corners. A small wing lives on the rear hatch.

*Andrei Avarvarii/Hagerty*

## **TRANSAXLE**

True friends of the stick will pout over the loss of a clutch pedal and H-pattern shifter. Rather, a state-of-the-art paddle-shifted seven-speed dual-clutch automatic supplied by [Tremec](#) will be the way and the truth. Packing the transmission and differential in one box bolted to the engine saves weight and shortens the wheelbase by an estimated eight inches, in turn trimming the turning circle, quickening steering response, and sharpening agility.

## **CONSTRUCTION**

The C8 will showcase light materials. The hydroformed aluminum space frame will be assembled by automated tooling installed at the Bowling Green plant for the C7. Die-cast magnesium will reinforce the dash. Cast and forged aluminum components will be used for many chassis and powertrain components. As in today's Vettes, the bodywork will be a shrewd mix of carbon fiber, sheet molding compound (fiberglass), and reinforced reaction-injection-molded plastic. Supplier Plasan Carbon Composites invented a means of constructing full door assemblies using its fast-acting pressure press process. The fuel tank and the coolant lines will reside in a central tunnel. To ensure the C8 is the best value in the sports car class, the engineering team religiously assessed weight saving versus cost for every component.

## **CHASSIS**

Faithful suppliers Michelin and Brembo will be back. BWI continues supplying the magnetorheological dampers. Carbon-ceramic brake rotors, opposed-piston calipers, and fiberglass leaf springs are a sure thing.

## **CREATURE COMFORTS**

The latest infotainment and safety aids will be included. A cargo hold in the front of the car will swallow two sets of golf clubs. The hatch's window will afford a clear view of the engine.

## **PRICE AND AVAILABILITY**

Following its debut at the 2019 Detroit show, the eighth-gen Corvette will roll into dealerships later in the year with a base price of \$70,000.

## CORVETTE RACING AT LONG BEACH: Gavin, Milner Go Back-to-Back!



*Seventh victory for Corvette Racing, Team Chevy in IMSA at Long Beach*

- *50th victory for Oliver Gavin with Corvette Racing*
- *Garcia, Magnussen battle back to finish fourth in GTLM*
- *107th all-time class victory for Corvette Racing*

**LONG BEACH, Calif.** (April 14, 2018) – Corvette Racing’s Oliver Gavin and Tommy Milner raced their way to back-to-back victories in southern California by claiming the Bubba Burger Sports Car Grand Prix of Long Beach for the second year in a row. The duo won by 2.157 seconds in their No. 4 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Chevrolet Corvette C7.R.

It was the 107th class victory all-time for Corvette Racing and the first of its 20th season of competition. The team also won for the 16th time in the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship’s GT Le Mans (GTLM) class.

Antonio Garcia and Jan Magnussen finished fourth in the No. 3 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Chevrolet Corvette C7.R in what ended up being a comeback drive for Garcia.

Corvette Racing’s next event is May 4-6 at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course.

### **Ultimate Corvette Trivia Challenge**

**1) In 1968, a lot of colorful cows were needed to provide the leather.**

**Interiors came in every color named below except:**

**A) black B) red C) medium blue D) dark orange E) white**

**2) In what year did the catalytic converter become standard on the Corvette?**

**A) 1971 B) 1972 C) 1973 D) 1974 E) 1975**

**(answers on page 7)**

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2018**

TICKETS ONLY **\$5.00**

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Each ticket is valid one day during the June 14-17 event.

Youth ages 16 & under admitted free with paying adult.

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Midway between Plymouth & Elkhart Lake on HWY 67

See KMCC member Mary Lou Haen | [MaryLou@RoadAmerica.com](mailto:MaryLou@RoadAmerica.com)



The latest KMCC Board Meeting minutes are also available by clicking on the following link and then choosing Meetings / Newsletters:

[Board Meeting Minutes - Latest Available 2017](#)

### Corvette Trivia Answers:

- 1) E) white
- 2) E) 1975



# KMCC CORVETTE CORRAL

## FUTURE EVENTS

### SAVE THE DATES

**KMCC Corvette Corral** - "Let the Corral watch your car  
**Free Parking** while you watch the races"

**WeatherTech SCCA June Sprints,** June 16th & 17th.  
**\$5 Tickets available from Mary Lou. See flyer this issue.**

**Verizon IndyCar Series** - June 23rd & 24th

**WeatherTech International Challenge,** July 21st & 22nd

**IMSA / Continental Road Race** - August 4th & 5th

**NASCAR Xfinity Series** - August 24th, & 25th

**More info in future newsletters.**

For the latest stories, pictures, and club doings, check out the  
KMCC website by clicking on the following link:

**[KMCC WEBSITE](#)**

***KETTLE MORAINE CORVETTE CLUB, LTD.***

***2018 VILAS COUNTY FALL CRUISE***

**Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> 2018**

**Departing 9:00am from a location TBD in Manitowoc**

**Destination:**     ***Lake of the Torches Resort and Casino***  
510 Old Abe Road (Hwy 47)  
Lac du Flambeau, WI  
**715-588-9200   1-800-258-6724**  
**[www.lakeofthetorches.com](http://www.lakeofthetorches.com)**

**Rooms with 2 queen beds \$96.00/night + tax**  
**Other rooms may be available**

**18 Rooms are blocked under *Corvette Club***

**Indoor pool, hot tub and sauna**

**Those not departing Friday at 9:00AM, there will be a complete weekend schedule so you may join the group anytime**

**Please let Dick or Gail know if you plan to come and give us your cell phone numbers and e-mail address for updates and we'll send you the cruise schedule and route information.**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Dick or Gail at Corvette Sports 920-467-2833 7AM – 6PM or Sat. Mornings**  
**[dick@corvettesports.com](mailto:dick@corvettesports.com)**

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## **WANT ADS**

**KMCC members are encouraged to list Corvette or club items for sale without charge. Sales and ads are for members only!**

**Submit your ads (Include picture if possible) as you want it to read with the follow information:**

**CONTACT:**

**Person**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

**Send to: [grdsp63@mchsi.com](mailto:grdsp63@mchsi.com)**

# **FROM THE EDITOR:**

**By David Modra**



This past weekend (April 12-16) there was another Barrett-Jackson Collector Car Auction held at Palm Beach, FL. Again, there was a slue of Corvettes crossing the stage. Many of the main attractions came from the John Staluppi, *Cars of Dreams* collection. Known as one of the greatest car collectors in the world, Staluppi brought a 145 cars from his collection and sold them for \$13.96 million. At the same time, he and his wife were busy buying a huge number of new cars that were up for bid.

Some of the Corvettes that he sold had results as follows:

- '58 conv. 283/245 sold for \$99,000
- '69 conv. 427/400 sold for \$137,500
- '57 conv. 283/270 sold for \$134,000
- '63 coupe 327/340 sold for \$154,000
- '67 conv. 427/435 sold for \$176,000
- '66 conv. 427/450 sold for \$181,000
- '60 conv. 283/290 sold for \$209,000

Now for comparison as to how the market is going, I offer the following sales from the auction:

- '66 Volkswagen microbus sold for \$88,000
- '66 Volkswagen 21 window microbus sold for \$101,200
- '67 Volkswagen 21 window microbus sold for \$121,000
- '63 Volkswagen, Herbie the Love Bug sold for \$128,700 and a
- '59 DeSoto Adventurer Conv sold for \$330,000 (Should have saved my '55 Dodge)

The total four days of the auction brought in \$39.4 million for Barrett-Jackson. It seems like there is plenty of money in this economy for collector car purchases.

## C5 / C6 / C7 Fuel Gauge Malfunction

*(You may have seen this before; however, I recently ran into a Corvette owner that was having the problem and nearly spent a fortune to have a dealer repair it.)*

**Tools Required: None**

**Level of Difficulty: Very low**

As I understand it, all brands of gasoline contain trace amounts of sulfur. The fact that sulfur affects the dual tank system in Corvettes is well documented. The symptom is that the gauge drops to zero and you know that you have at least 1/2 tank of fuel.

The C5 / C6 / C7 Corvettes have two fuel tanks; a tank located behind each seat. Each tank has a separate level sensor in it. The engine management computer adds the indicated level from both tanks and sends the total to the dashboard display.

The problem is that the way the system is set up, the car drains the passenger side tank first. So, the passenger side electrical fuel sensor is constantly being exercised over it's full range while the driver's side sensor tends to be exercised over only the upper portion of it's range. Therefore, the driver's side sensor's electrical windings in the potentiometer do not get a cleaning wipe by the pick-up very often. The result is some contamination build up that effectively shorts out the lower part of the sensor. The computer then thinks the tank is empty.

Regardless of the cause, research on various Corvette forums (and experienced by several Corvette owners) indicates that 99% of the time when this problem crops up it can be solved by adding a bottle of Techron Concentrate Plus to your next fill-up. Be sure to get the Concentrate Plus! It is available at better automotive stores and is the cheapest at Walmart. This additive will clean the deposits from the lower part of the driver's side sensor. With only a few gallons of fuel in the tank, you'll be sure to clean the correct sensor and eliminate the problem. A full tank will clean both sensors, but you may want to double up on the Techron to be sure.

I'm told that Chron fuel already contains Techron and I have read that Shell fuel also has a similar additive. Supposedly, none of the other top tier fuels have the magic additive. You can also be sure that none of the off brand fuels have such an additive.

*Article courtesy of the Emerald Coast Corvette Club*

## 2018 KMCC Calendar At A Glance

- May:** Membership meeting & Club Pizza Party, Pizza buffet in private room prior to Port Sandy Bay, Two Rivers, Wisconsin. Wed. the 2nd Meeting starts at 7:15.
- KMCC Spring Weekend Getaway - May 4th - 6th,**  
Overnight trip to explore Southeastern Wisconsin. See flyer this issue.
- June:** Home of Jim & Phyllis Schnettler, 6th , Bring a dish to pass, appetizer or dessert  
752 Dartmouth Drive, Sheboygan Falls Meeting starts at 6:00
- July:** Club Picnic Bring appetizer, salad or dessert to share,  
Memorial Park, Howards Grove entrée provided by club  
**2nd Wednesday due to 4th holiday Meeting starts at 6:00**
- August:** Zimbals Home on the Lake 1st, Bring appetizer, salad or dessert to  
14533 North Shore Road, Valders entrée provided by the hosts, the Zimbels,  
6:00 PM and the Waldbauers.
- Sept:** Flip Flops at Cedar Lake 5th, Pizza and Wings, Cash bar.  
14136 Cedar Lake Rd, Kiel, WI Meeting starts at 5:30.
- Oct:** Town & Country Club, Sheboygan, 7:30, \$2.50 1/4 pound burgers, \$3.00 rail cocktails  
Wed. the 3rd.
- Nov:** Town & Country Club, Sheboygan, 7:30, \$2.50 1/4 pound burgers, \$3.00 rail cocktails  
Wed. the 7th - 2019 Elections & Membership are renewals due.
- Dec:** Town & Country Club, Sheboygan, 7:30, \$2.50 1/4 pound burgers, \$3.00 rail cocktails  
Wed. the 5th

**In case of inclement weather:** Members will be notified by email no later than 5:30 pm should a membership meeting be cancelled due to weather.



This 1963 Austin-Healey 3000 project comes in mostly bare metal and is equipped with a manual transmission, dual carburetors, wire wheels and includes the soft top frame. A great candidate for full restoration or strong parts car. The guy is asking \$5950 for this PROJECT! There must be \$5000 inside!



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