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PREZ SEZ

The Club had a busy schedule in December to finish out the year, starting with the annual Corvette Toy Run, Sunday Brunch at Fishlip's and ending with the annual Christmas party held at Rockledge Country Club.



As we welcome in 2019, I would be remiss for not thanking you the Club members for a very successful year in 2018. I also would like to thank and recognize our sponsors and those who made major contributions in support of Club events, Eckler's, American Muscle Car Museum, Reddick's Detail, Fishlip's, USSG, Vette Doctor, Stan's Cocoa Corvette, Blue Ridge Awards & Engraving, and N SYNC Data Services. I also want to express my gratitude to the Board of Directors, committee members, event chairs and all Club members who volunteered and worked events. A Special thanks to Randy Anderson and Brenda Teixeira for their many years serving on the Board and to George and Kristy Halkovic for their many years and countless hours handling the annual Toy Run, the registration duties for the past Eckler's Reunions and our annual car show.

In 2019 we have a full slate of social events planned, including Autocross events with Test N' Tunes and the car show. The month of January includes the Brunch at Fishlip's on the first Sunday, and Eckler's Reunion Show on the 19th and our monthly cruise-in to Shiloh's restaurant in Titusville. In February we have the Club picnic and barbecue on Saturday the 2nd, Fishlips Bunch on Sunday the 3rd, Eckler's Cars and Coffee on Saturday the 9th and the Valentine Mystery Cruise on Saturday the 16th.

"Save the Wave," Bill

WARBIRD AIR MUSEUM VETERANS DAY OPEN HOUSE

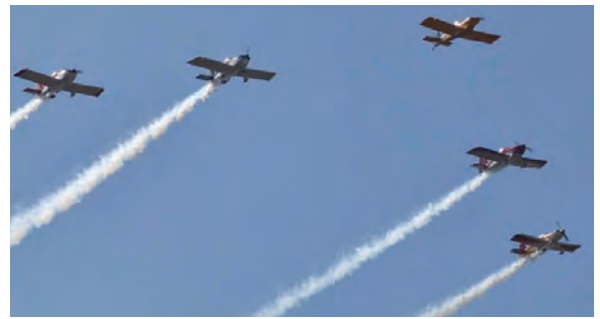
On November 10, the Warbird Air Museum in Titusville held its annual Open House to commemorate Veterans Day. Our club members were invited to exhibit their cars at the event and 20 members showed their Vettes and one brought a rat rod.

Vintage warplanes and memorabilia were on display for all to see. Spectators were able to go inside a C47 named the Tico Belle, which is the flagship of the museum. This plane was used for paratrooper drops during World War 2. Additionally, there was a nose section of a B-52 bomber available for a peek inside.

CKCC member Larry Mathis, who helps restore planes at the museum, gave us a tour of the hanger he works in, proudly showing us some of his finished jobs and works in process. A pilot who flew some of the Viet Nam era planes on display also treated us to a very informative talk about each of them.

Our group was also treated to burgers, hot dogs and refreshments. Overall it was a fun day for all.





NOVEMBER BRUNCH



DECEMBER BRUNCH



Tech Tips

By David Knowles, CKCC member

1967 CORVETTE, BIG BLOCK L36 POWER STEERING PUMP REMOVAL/REBUILD

Tools:

Flat head screwdriver, 5/8" flare nut wrench, 9/16" wrench, 1/2" wrench

Helpful info:

The power steering pump shaft bushing is made of babbitt, a soft metal that is part lead. Unless you have run the pump for a long time dry, or the pump is particularly old and rusty, leave the original bushing in there. They sell rebuild kits with and without. The video makes it look easy but with an unworn shaft you may have to do a lot of reaming to make the opening wide enough for the shaft. Use a ream instead of a file or emery cloth like in the video. Emery cloth will leave behind particles. Power steering fluid may be a better choice of lubricant during re-assembly, instead of axle grease. Better to use the final fluid, then introduce a foreign substance.

Removal

The first step is to get that pesky alternator out of the way. The outer belt is connected to it. Disconnect negative terminal of battery before starting any electrical operations. If you have the factory original radio for 1967, this

will not erase your radio presets. The alternator slides in a slot in the alternator bracket for adjusting belt tension. Loosen that bolt (1/2") first. On my car, this was not enough to remove the alternator belt. I had to remove that bolt, and the other bolt

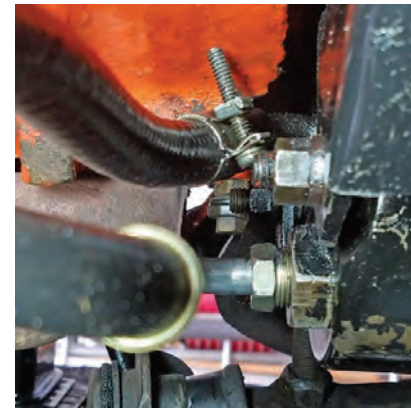
(9/16") holding the alternator in (the pivot).

After that I could remove the belt and move the alternator back out of the way.

Remove the filler cap for the PS pump reservoir.

Get an oil pan, or similar, to catch all the power steering fluid that will come out. You will need to jack up the front of the car, and put it on jack stands on both sides, under the frame rails. Never crawl under a car supported by only a jack. The input hose to the

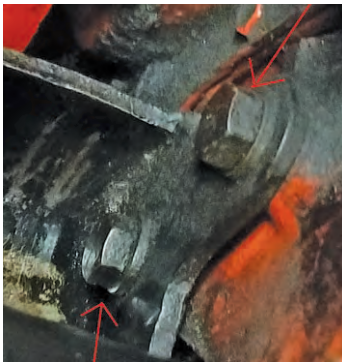
power steering pump is held in place by a hose clamp, which can be removed with a flat head screwdriver. To get to it, you have to crawl underneath the car.



The output hose is a 5/8" nut. Use a flare nut wrench to avoid stripping the nut. When you remove the input hose, fluid will drain from the reservoir. Fluid will also come out of the hose. Be prepared to catch it all. A small amount of fluid may come out of the output hose as well.

Once all the fluid has drained, remove the two 9/16" nuts holding the power steering pump in place. I could not get the PS pump out until I removed all the





Bolts in bracket



Bracket removed

brackets holding the pump and alternator to the front of the block. These were all 9/16" nuts and bolts. Then the pump came out, still attached to the bracket. It looks like the pump could be removed without removing the brackets but they were easy enough to remove and cleared the way.

With the pump out, the pulley nut can be removed with a 7/8" wrench. Use a pulley puller to remove the pulley, or tap gently with rubber mallet, rotating pulley as you go. Eventually, the pulley will come off.



A small sheet metal bracket can be removed after removing two small bolts with a 9/16" wrench.



Watch the You Tube video for pump rebuild instructions. Alternatively, purchase a rebuilt

pump from an auto parts store. The rebuilt pump reservoir looks different from the original and depending on belts and hose location, may make installation difficult if not impossible and it will look wrong.

The reservoir can be swapped from your original pump and the rebuilt pump, and when installed it will look factory original. Watch the first three minutes of



the video where he removes the reservoir. Some recommendations: Use a block of wood, not a socket to hammer on when removing reservoir; keep everything very clean; and don't mix clean and dirty parts like he does in the video. If sand blasting or using emery like he does in video, be very sure to get all the dirt out afterwards. Any sand in the rebuild will cause it to fail sooner.

Helpful References:

<https://www.corvetteforum.com/forums/c1-and-c2-corvettes/4218392-power-steering-pumps.html>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o5JTghafe8s&feature=youtu.be>

ANNUAL CLUB PHOTO

More than 60 CKCC members participated in our annual Club photo for presentation of framed and personalized 11x14-inch prints to eight CKCC sponsors in appreciation of their support. Everyone gathered in front of the Port Canaveral *Exploration Tower*, Sunday, Dec. 2 at 9 a.m., prior to our 10:00 Brunch at Fishlip's. Behind members

wearing their blue shirts are one of each of the seven generations of Vettes, graciously provided by their owners.

After the group photo was taken, Roger Wolf also took photos of all the members with their cars that couldn't be in the group photo due to the limited parking space at the site.







TOY RUN

The 2018 Toy Run may have past but the memories will last. It's one of the best feel good days of the year.

On Saturday, December 1 about 200 Corvettes departed Eckler's parking lot at 2 p.m. headed to Port Canaveral to deliver toys, gift certificates and food. When they arrived at the Port, participants lined up at the collection site and presented their gifts and non perishable food items to Canaveral Fire Rescue (CFR) firefighters and Santa Claus for distribution to needy children and seniors for Christmas. In addition, yours truly had the pleasure of presenting a check for \$753 (half the 50/50 drawing proceeds) to CFR to help with its charity work throughout the year.

In order to hold event of this magnitude you need the support and help of many CKCC members. Our thanks go to Kristy and George Halkovic, who have managed the event for many years, and this year did the initial coordination for

acquiring the services of DJ Fast Eddie and the Brevard County Sheriff's Department; to Brenda Teixeira and her crew of workers who took care of getting the insurance waivers signed; and to Kevin Charles and his group of workers who handled the parking by generation.

Thanks also go to Eckler's for embracing this wonderful cause and allowing us to use their parking lot; to the Brevard County Corvette owners who are not members of CKCC that participated in the Toy Run and helped make it a success; to Brevard County Sheriff's Office deputies who escorted and kept our Corvettes safe on the roads to Port Canaveral; to the Canaveral Port Authority for allowing us to use its parking lot; and a Special Thanks goes to the CFR team for its partnership with CKCC and collecting and distributing the toys, gifts and food.

After the event Fire Chief Dave Sargent informed me that this year's haul was the most items ever collected!

If you didn't make the 2018 event and don't want to miss the next one, mark your calendar now for the 2019 Toy Run, which once again will be held on the first Saturday in December.

Bill





2018 Christmas Party

Members and guests at the CKCC Christmas Party had a great time. It's amazing how attractive the members look when they dress up. We had three of our 2018 Club and Event Sponsors join us at the party. Stan and his wife of Stan's Cocoa Corvette, Keith and Viviana Shook of N SYNC Data Systems, and Paula Bernkrant, representing her husband, Keith's business, USSG.



The evening began with socializing and domestic and imported cheese, and assorted crackers. During this time members were able to buy tickets to put in the cups of their choice items brought in by those in attendance. The money raised with this activity was to be donated to the Central Brevard Sharing Central to help with purchasing food for Christmas.

Dinner followed with pan seared cod and a tenderloin of beef as the main dish. A vegetarian pasta primavera was also available. During the meal the Lonnie and Delinda Band entertained us. At the first band break, our president presented a plaque to outgoing officer Brenda Teixeira who was recognized for her 12 years as NCCC Governor. Veronica "Roni" Duys was presented with the Ladies Competition award and her husband Zack was presented the Men's Competition award. Roni had 1019 points and finished 3rd in the NCCC Florida region and 23rd in the nation. Zack had 599 points and finished 8th in the Florida region.

During the second band break Judi Merrill and Roni drew tickets for the prizes from the charity raffle and called the winning numbers. Several members went home with more than one prize. When the evening ended the raffle took in close to \$800 and the Club donated an additional amount to make the donation to the Sharing Center \$1000.

Members finished the evening dancing and socializing.

Patsy Shearer



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SHOW-WINNING MEMBERS

Melbourne Airport Veterans Day Show

The Airport Authority invited only Corvettes and Porsches to this Saturday, November 11 event. There were 11 CKCC Corvettes and seven



Porsches. CKCC member Larry Marshal won the Best Corvette award with his black C7 Z06 and Keven Charles won Best Antique with his late 80's Subaru (not sure how he was allowed to show it but good for him). There were some light rain showers but overall it was a nice event.

All Corvette Show

This Marion County show was held in Ocala on Saturday, November 17th. It was a judged show with more than 200 participants.



We had three cars from CKCC. John and Barbara Franklin won Best in Class C2.



Faye and I took Best in Class C6. Richard Dobsha won three prizes in the silent auction. It's always a nice show that's worth the two hour drive.

Gary Leschitz

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Dale & Marilyn Lewis



The Lewis's joined CKCC in October. They own a 2015 Torch Red coupe and live in Melbourne. Their interests include attending social events, caravanning, cruise-ins, shows, speed events, and Corvette information.

Richard & Donna Fondi



The Fondi's joined our Club in December and live in Cape Canaveral. They own a 2000 Bowling Green convertible and are mainly interested in participating in social events, cruise-ins and helping with some Club events.

NCCC and CKCC Events

Jan. 10: CKCC Social/dinner, 5-7 pm & Meeting, 7-8 pm, Merritt Island Moose, S.R. 3

Jan. 19: Eckler's Corvette Reunion Show, 8 am-4 pm, Grissom Parkway, Titusville

Jan. 19: CKCC Cruise-In, 4 pm, Shiloh's restaurant, U.S. 1, Titusville

Feb. 2: CKCC Picnic, Bob & Lois Lacoste's home, 6755 Hundred Acre Dr., Port St. John (must sign up and pay \$5 in advance)

Feb. 3: CKCC Brunch, 10 am, Fishlip's, Port Canaveral

Feb. 9: Eckler's Cars & Coffee, 9 am, Grissom Pkwy., Titusville

Feb. 14: CKCC Social/dinner, 5-7 pm & Meeting, 7-8 pm, Merritt Island Moose, S.R. 3

Feb. 16: CKCC Valentine's Cruise-In, Mulligan's restaurant, Sebastian, FL

Feb. 22-23: NCCC Governors Mtg., St Louis, MO

Mar. 2: Antique to Modern Car Show, American Muscle Car Museum, Melbourne

Mar. 2: 7 Concours Show, Naples, FL

Mar. 3: Corvette Show, Coconut Creek, FL

Mar. 3: CKCC Brunch, 10 am, Fishlip's, Port Canaveral

Mar. 9: Eckler's Cars & Coffee, 9 am, Grissom Pkwy., Titusville

Mar. 14: CKCC Social/dinner, 5-7 pm & Meeting, 7-8 pm, Merritt Island Moose, S.R. 3

Mar. 10: Daylight Savings Time starts

Mar. 16-17: CKCC 14-event autocross, American Muscle Car Museum, Melbourne

Mar. 16: CKCC Cruise-In, Location TBA

Mar. 23-24: FCC 14-event autocross, American Muscle Car Museum, Melbourne

Mar. 30: NCCC Florida Awards Picnic, Hickory Point, Tavares, FL

Convention Registration Reminder

The NCCC Convention registration opens at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time on Saturday, February 2, 2019. Please read the "Hints for Completing the NCCC Convention Registration Form." It should answer most of your questions and will save you a lot of heartburn. It's a good idea to print it out for reference as you fill out the form. You cannot make changes to your registration once it is submitted. You have to contact the Convention Treasurer to do that so she can confirm the correct amount has been paid.

Room reservations are not on the Convention registration form. Starting February 11, you will be able to call the hotel directly to make your reservation. You will be required to provide your convention number which is assigned to you by the Convention Treasurer once she has confirmed the payment is correct.

Join Our Facebook Group

If you'd like to see and post photos of members and their cars at CKCC and other Corvette events, join the CKCC closed group on Facebook.

All you have to do is be a paid up member of CKCC, go to Facebook, search Cape Kennedy Corvette Club and ask to join.

Have Your Car and You Photographed

We are adding new members and updating photos of current members with their cars on the web site so if your car is not pictured or you've changed cars, please let me know in advance if you'd like the photo taken at the monthly Sunday Brunch or at another event.

ROGER WOLF, CKCC Photographer

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Member News

Keith Bernkrant



Member Keith Shook informed me that CKCC members Keith and Paula Bernkrant would be attending the Toy Run. This was good news since Keith (Shook), Paula and I had been trying to work out a date and time when Keith (Bernkrant) would be available and coincide with a Club function or meeting to present him a token of appreciation from the Club. The Bernkrant's attended our October Club meeting but unfortunately I was out of town. The Toy Run provided a perfect setting to present Keith with signed and framed Duntov-Shinoda Collector prints the Club purchased from the Corvette Museum as special thank you for the many years his company, *USSG*, has sponsored our car show t-shirts. It was an honor for me as Club president to be able to express and show our Club gratitude to him in this manor. Keith was really surprised and appreciative to receive the prints and told me they would be hung in a special place in their new home.

Tom & Barbara Dickman



During the Christmas party president Bill presented Tom & Barbara Dickman with a plaque in recognition of their outstanding leadership and support on the 2018 *Vettes in Viera* show Committee.

Bob & Lois Lacoste

At the December Club meeting Bob & Lois were congratulated on their 50th wedding anniversary, which was on December 7.



Bill & Patsy Shearer and Judi Merrill

Long time members Bill, Patsy & Judi presented the CKCC check for \$1,000 to the Sharing Center to help feed about 200 less fortunate local residents during the Christmas holidays.



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