

Acadía Region Corvette Club A Club for Corvette Enthusíasts Sínce 2008

President's Letter for May 2024

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Finally! Good cruising weather has arrived, even if some days it's been a bit cool for going top-down. No more grousing about snow or talking about when to take the car out of winter storage. But now that our cars are on the road again, there are frequent decisions— spring chores or car? Some days the chores have to win. Other days, however, there's just no contest, especially if it's top-down weather. So join us and get out on the road; enjoy your Corvette and the beautiful State of Maine.

Celebrations

<u>May Birthdays</u>		<u>June Birthdays</u>	
Gary Cabit	Marshall Dodge		Kit Dodge Debbie Shepard
<u>May Anniversaries</u>		<u>June Anniversaries</u>	
(no one)		Dan & Diane Bossert	Bernie & Kay Woody
		Kristin & Joe Blanchette	e Ken & Pat Minier

Upcoming Events & Activities

Calendar: The 2024 Club calendar is posted on the website. It is still a work-in-progress as there are still regularly-scheduled annual events with unknown dates. If you know the date(s) of any events that should be on the calendar, please contact me. Noteworthy near-term firm dates include our Spring monthly meetings on May22nd, the first Seal Cove Auto Museum Cars & Coffee on May 18th, and VOCM's Bar Harbor weekend May 31–June 3.

Scavenger Hunt: The 2024 Photo Scavenger Hunt game package is available on the Club website. There are 50 new main targets and four bonus targets. If you thought this was something you'd like to try but just never got to it, 2024 may be your last opportunity.

Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens cruise: This day-long cruise to Boothbay will happen on Friday, June 7th. If you haven't signed up and still want to go, it's not too late. There's been a change of plans and now we will have lunch at the Gardens café, tour the Gardens, then head over to the brewery for a tour, perhaps some beer tasting, and a light snack or an early dinner before heading home. If you want to join the fun, email me and I'll send you details.

Seal Cove Auto Museum Cars & Coffee: The first Cars & Coffee is May 18th.

In a Corvette every tríp ís an adventure!

Vettes of Coastal Maine (VOCM) Bar Harbor Weekend: May 31st – June 2nd. Informal car show on the ball field in Bar Harbor on Saturday morning.

Millbridge Days Parade. Yes, July is a ways away, but parade organizers recently made the official announcement of their parade theme: *The Wizard of Oz*. The Parade Organizer emailed me to ask if anyone had a yellow convertible to lead the parade ("follow the yellow brick road"). I volunteered *Sunshine*. The rest of us, unfortunately, will be at our usual position near the end of the parade.

Corvette Autmn Show Car Show: The de facto show committee met on 4/30/24 to discuss plans for the show. With only a few of us on the committee, we decided to make the show as simple as possible to lessen the chances of problems. It will be a non-judged show with cars parked in the order they arrive. And unless we can find an alternative sound system and music source, we will be dispensing with music during the show. The Z-fold flyers have been delivered and are ready for distribution. We'll hand out many at the VOCM car gathering on 6/1 and provide the rest to members to distribute.

ARCC Apparel

If you've seen some of us sporting hats, vests, fleeces, or jackets sporting the ARCC logo and wondered "How can I get one of those?" the answer is simple. Contact our Activities Director, Diane Bossert (diane.bossert@gmail.com); Diane handles apparel in addition to keeping us informed of local events. She has a catalog of various items that we can order.

Interesting or Offbeat Corvette News

This month there were two articles that caught my attention. One I found myself and one came from a member of another regional Corvette club. The first one was a story on CorvetteBlogger.com about Motortrend naming the Corvette—all eight generations—as the most iconic car of the past 75 years. The article noted, "Chevy's sports car, which grew from humble beginnings at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City, 'is everywhere you look in American pop-culture history over the past 75 years' *MotorTrend* explains." None of what's in the article should come as any surprise, but it was an entertaining read nonetheless. Find the article at https://www.corvetteblogger.com/2024/03/26/its-official-motortrend-names-the-corvette-the-most-iconic-car-of-the-past-75-years/.

The other article was actually an advertisement that another Corvette enthusiast passed along. The fact that the item was in a Hammacher Schlemmer catalog should give you some idea that the advertised item wasn't going to be inexpensive. It isn't. For a mere \$29,995 you could have your very own Corvette pool table. It is a regulation 9' billiards table whose base is molded from an original 1959 Chevrolet Corvette. Check it out at The 1959 Corvette Billiards Table - Hammacher Schlemmer.



See you on the road,

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Roger Dean ARCC President Our May meeting will be Wednesday, May 22nd, at Pat's Pizza in Ellsworth. We'll meet at our normal time of 5:00 pm. The meeting will also be Zoomed.

