

Greetings for August



***President's
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The summer is quickly slipping away. The club has been active and Louise and I can't catch our breath as we sell our home and move into our new one. This move has led to very late nights (or very early mornings depending on your perspective) and then with little sleep we keep sorting, packing, and moving. But the end result will be worth the sleepless nights!

Activities for the month of July included the Cherry Valley 4th of July parade with 16 Corvettes participating, several members working at the low speed fund raising event at Twin Lakes, WI., and the Progressive Dinner on July 27th. Some of our members were even able to attend the NCCC convention in Denver, CO.

In August, club members will be participating in the Run to Road America at Elkhart Lake, WI., the low speed fund raiser at Crystal Lake, and the picnic at Starzyk's hangar. Some of our members will be participating in the 25th Anniversary run to the museum in Bowling Green, KY.

Looking back at July again, probably the most exciting event for the month was the "Reveal" of the new C8 Corvette on July 18 in Orange County, California. The mid-engined Corvette is the sports car that most American enthusiasts have been looking forward to for a very long time. Most of us watched the unveiling through a streaming service. A couple of our members, Dale and Carolyn Samuelson, were there in person. What a once in a life time experience is that? They report that the event was very well done and high quality. This is something that they will remember for the rest of their lives.

They report that the car is very impressive. The car is promised to provide plenty of zip by going from 0-60mph in under 3 seconds. The power plant is said to provide 495 horsepower and that is for the base model. A controversial aspect of the new Corvette will be no manual gearbox. The car will come equipped with a dual clutch automatic transmission in this case an 8-speed. This will help create quick shifts (100 milliseconds) because it is all computer controlled. It was announced that the base price for the C8 will be below \$60k keeping the Corvette as an affordable high quality sports car. The car will offer 12 exterior colors to choose from. You can even order coordinating colored seat belts.

I had a lot of questions for Dale and Carolyn about the new Corvette, but if you are like me, I am anxious to see the C8 for myself once it hits the dealership showroom. So who in our club will be the first to own one of these mid-engined beauties? We will have to wait and see.

If you have any questions or concerns about the club, please let me know.

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