

# Save The Wave

Central Colorado Corvette Club

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**It's not just a car**  
**It's a love affair**



# Prez Sez

Hello 4C!

Welcome to Winter 2019! With the Polar Vortex off kilter and dipping into North America and predicated to remain that way until the end of February, many 4C Corvettes will remain garaged for a while. Dave and Susan's Corvette has been on life support (trickle charger) for almost a month now. It hasn't seen this long of a spell of not being on the road since March of 2016. But fear not, the Colorado weather will change and before long we will be waking up to blue skies, sunshine, warmer temps and dry roads. With that in mind, start thinking now about spring, summer, and fall drives and events. We have several events listed below that are on the radar for this year.

Some of our upcoming drives and events:

Leaf Peeping  
National Corvette Museum BASH  
4C Birthday Bash  
This Little Piggy  
Skyline Drive  
The Scotchman  
Grand Lake Car Show  
National Corvette Museum Caravan  
Shoot'em If Ya Gott'em  
Fairmount Cemetery Car Show  
Punkin Chunkin  
Fly Boys

We have our regular social events for our members like John Parker's Thursday Lunch and Dinner at Dino's hosted by Gail and Mike. There is the 4C Bonus Dinner arranged by Jennifer Higbee and the track, autocross and drag events hosted by Mark Harkleroad. However, it's still not enough to fill the calendar, so we need your help! Several club members have suggested drives or events to me. I ask that our members continue to provide ideas and suggestions, but would also ask that you host a drive or an event yourself. Be an integral part of our club! If you'd like to captain an event, but are hesitant feel free to reach out to any of our board members. All of us are happy to help! I have said before this is your club and your participation makes us a better club!

Stay warm with your Valentine!

Dave



Next Club Meeting  
February 13, 2019

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month

Time: 7:00 p.m. at  
Ed Bozarth Chevrolet, Park Meadows  
8351 Parkway Dr, Lone Tree, CO 80124

**Dinner will be held at 5:30 pm  
before each meeting at  
a nearby restaurant.**

The dinner venues before each monthly meeting will be announced by Jennifer Higbee one week before the meeting via email and will also appear on the upcoming meeting agenda.

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# Central Colorado Corvette Club

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# Congratulations



Here is **Low Franklin's** new 2013 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Design Package Grand Sport. The car has the 6 speed paddle shift, dual mode exhaust, Selective Ride Control, 4LT interior with only 11,732 miles.

# Congratulations

Pictured is **Mark Harkleroad's** new Corvette. It is a 2017 Z06 with the 2LZ trim level, automatic 8 speed, 1,736 miles on it with one owner, Corvette Racing Yellow with Jet Black interior, Carbon fiber dash, PDR and carbon fiber stage 2 ground effects.



## Corvette Racing Yellow



**4C****In** the News**Welcome New Members**

**TOM SCOFIELD**  
**Denver, CO 80237**  
**2001 Convertible-Black**

### **A New Corvette**

If you purchase a Corvette that is new to your garage feel free to send me some photos and information on your new car and I will place an article in the newsletter similar to the ones on page 4. It's always a lot of fun to see what other club members are doing in regard to upgrading their Corvettes or adding to the ones they already own. See page 4. **Editor**



# All Corvettes Are Red

The one-millionth Corvette (1992) would be built in the next year or so. At an earlier meeting a discussion of paint quality and paint colors for future years had dragged on so long that **John Heinricy**, then leading Corvette's development group of drivers could take it no longer. "Why are we even having this discussion?" he asked. "**All Corvettes are red. The rest are mistakes.**"

The first red Corvette came out one year after the initial offering of 300 white Corvettes in 1953. It was a 1954 Sportsman Red Corvette (see page 7). Since that first red Corvette there have been many versions and hues of the red Corvette. In some years, more than one "red" Corvette has been offered. While there is really only one hue of black Corvette, there are many for the red ones. For the model year of 2019 GM will provide a Torch Red model and a Long Beach Red Metallic model.



**John Heinricy**

Corvette Hall of Fame Inductee **John Heinricy's** influence on the car and hobby can be seen by visitors of the National Corvette Museum in the 1989 Corvette ZR-1 "Record Run" display featured not only the car, but also the statues of those involved – a display that pays homage to the team that set 12 international world time / distance speed records in a ZR-1 and L98 Corvette, averaging as high as 175.885mph over a 24-hour period. Heinricy has won 11 SCCA national championships driving a Corvette, was intimately involved in developing the Corvette showroom stock racing program that won 19 consecutive races between 1985 and 1987, and was a key member of the Corvette Racing C5R effort in 1999.

## Corvette Hall of Fame



# The Red Corvettes



Here is a 1954 Sportsman Red Corvette and one of an estimated 100 that were made that year. Our club member, **Brad Beall** owns this car and it was the first year of the red Corvette. Brad is pictured here with his fiancé, Amelie at McCormick's restaurant.

This was the first year the Corvette was built in the renovated St. Louis assembly plant. It had a base price of \$2,774. A total of 3,640 units were built according to the original records. The car had 150hp and the Powerglide transmission. Gorgeous.

My father's third Corvette was a 1964 Riverside Red convertible with a base price of \$4,037. It had a white top, white interior, a Powerglide transmission and a 300hp 327 cubic inch engine. It was a little piece of sweetness.

**Brodie Garnett**



**Jennifer Higbee** purchased this 2012 Torch Red Grand Sport on Valentine's Day of 2015!

*Happy Valentine's Day*



# The Red Corvettes



**Tami Fells** received this 1994 Torch Red coupe from **Leslie Shettler**.

Leslie (right) in turn purchased this 2017 Torch Red coupe. Tami is pictured on the left. See back cover for another photo of Leslie's Corvette.



**Sherron and Brodie Garnett's**  
2015 Torch Red/Red Coupe.

*Happy  
Valentine's  
Day*



# The Red Corvettes



**Tom and Linda Fiock's** 2007 Victory Red convertible.



**Barrett Benson** takes delivery of his 2014 Torch Red coupe from the National Corvette Museum. The car is a 7-speed with a red/black interior.



**Barrett's** 2008 Victory Red convertible at the NCM Motor Sports Park in Bowling Green. The car has a 7-speed with a red/black interior.....book ends!



**Dave and Mary Ann Eloe:** If you are going to be red you might as well be Torch Red and wear Torch Red.

## Dave Cooper's Brick

The funds have been collected from our membership for the purchase a memorial brick in honor of **Dave Cooper**. Terry Cooper has worked with Leo and Phil on the design of this brick. The brick is being ordered through Dave Effler who receives a discount because he is a lifetime member of the National Corvette Museum. The brick will be placed at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Thank you for you help.

**Leo Lamanuzzi and Phil Belchar**



The deadline for submissions to **Save The Wave** newsletter is the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Any items or features received earlier will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions or ideas, please contact me. The newsletter will be emailed to the membership before the end of each month by our Webmaster, Mark Harkleroad.

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## GM Reports 3,910 Corvettes Were Sold During Fourth Quarter

GM released their [sales totals](#) for the Fourth Quarter of 2018. During the months of October, November, and December, the automaker reported a total of 3,910 Corvettes sold. This is a -36.8% decline from the number Corvettes sold during the 4th quarter of 2017. It also represents a decline of -15.7% from the 3rd Quarter for 2018 sales of 4,639. For the 2018 Calendar Year, GM sold 18,791 Corvettes in the USA, a decline of -25.1% over the 25,079 delivered during Calendar Year 2017.

The 4th Quarter 2018 sales figures represent the lowest quarterly sales period for Corvette in 2018, even underperforming 1st Quarter's 4,457 Corvettes sold during the traditional winter months. But perhaps the most interesting number is the Calendar Year sales of 18,791 which harkens back to the sales totals seen during the final years of the C6. The figure is nearly half of what it was during 2014 which saw the sales of 34,836 Corvettes during the C7's first full year of production.

One of the positive signs for Corvette sales has to do with the 2019 Corvette ZR1. Based on VIN sequence numbers, Chevrolet built an estimated total of around 1,475 ZR1s during the 2018 Calendar Year. And if you figure the average price on a ZR1 is roughly \$130K, that equals \$192 million in ZR1 sales. These are estimates but are significant for a single model.

Model	Old Price	New Price	Increase
Stingray Coupe	\$55,495	\$55,900	\$405
Stingray Convertible	\$59,495	\$60,400	\$905
Stingray Z51 Coupe	\$60,495	\$60,900	\$405
Stingray Z51 Convertible	\$64,495	\$65,400	\$905
Grand Sport Coupe	\$65,495	\$65,900	\$405
Grand Sport Convertible	\$69,495	\$70,400	\$905
Z06 Coupe	\$79,495	\$80,900	\$1,405
Z06 Convertible	\$83,495	\$85,400	\$1,905
ZR1 Coupe	\$118,900	\$120,900	\$2,000
ZR1 Convertible	\$122,900	\$125,400	\$2,500

## Speak softly and carry a big stick



The first Corvette built in 1953 had a two-speed automatic transmission called Powerglide. Powerglide was a euphemism for an acceptable transmission, which it just barely was. The car had a 6 cylinder engine with 150 hp. The Corvette almost died in those first few years. A three-speed manual transmission came in 1955. Corvette then pioneered the introduction of four-speed transmissions that would sweep the industry in 1957. The four-speed manual was what everyone wanted in a Corvette, an Impala, a GTO, a Chevelle and anything Ford and Chrysler could come up with.

One of the better Corvette four-speeds was the M-20 Muncie built in Muncie, Indiana from 1963-1975. It proved reliable. But when the big blocks came along in 1965 and 1966 a more robust tranny was conceived. It was called the M-22 **Rock Crusher** and it was a heavy-duty, close ratio four-speed manual available between 1966 and 1971. During this era the three peddle car was mandatory. The 1968 C3 finally offered a three-speed Turbo Hydra-Matic. From there on the automatic transmissions were gradually improved. However, when the 1990 ZR-1 hit the streets it had a ZF six-speed manual transmission as its only offering. And later the Z06 models followed that thinking. But now all Corvette models, Porsches and most other high performance cars feature mainly the automatic transmissions which are more efficient than the manual set up. Have we lost anything in this process? You be the judge. (Source/Corvette Black Book)

GM is raising the price of the Corvette's **8-Speed automatic paddle-shift transmission**. The transmission is currently priced at \$1,725 and will increase to \$1,995. With 80% of Corvettes sold having the 8-speed auto, that price increase will be felt by most new Corvette owners.

## Save These Dates for 2019

February meeting: February 13<sup>th</sup>

4C Annual Birthday Bash: May 18<sup>th</sup>

Spearfish, SD trip: May 24<sup>th</sup>-May 27<sup>th</sup> (Memorial Day Weekend)

Colorado Concours d'Elegance Car Show: June 9<sup>th</sup>

Castle Rock Cruise In: June 15<sup>th</sup>

NCCC 2019 Convention in Denver, CO: July 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> (**July 8<sup>th</sup> Car Show/4C**)

Scotchman Car Show: July 28<sup>th</sup>

Grand Lake Car Show: August 17<sup>th</sup>

NCM Caravan: August 28<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> (Departs August 25<sup>th</sup>)

# Merchandise

## Robin Harkleroad

**Quality Lapel Pins** is the current vendor that places our 4C logo on the shirts Ed Bozarth Chevrolet furnishes to all **new** members. These shirts will be **Royal Blue**. Quality Lapel Pins also provides our club name tags.

Quality Lapel Pins is located at 13978 West Bowles Avenue, Building B, Suite 100, Littleton, CO 80127. Visit their website at [www.qualitylapelpins.com](http://www.qualitylapelpins.com) 303-979-9103

The Merchandise Committee has found another supplier for our club shirts purchased by each member. This company has the ability to set up the logos of the various generations of Corvettes from the C1 to the C7. Their set-up fee for these logos is \$40 for each logo and is less expensive than Lapel Pins. These logos also include the models within each generation such as the Grand Sport, Z06 and ZR1. Since there is a cost to this set-up for each of these logos, it would be beneficial for club members to get together with other club members with the same generation and model of car to share the costs of this one time set-up fee.

This new vendor is: **Sindy's Threads** located at 17178 Knollside Avenue, Parker, Colorado 80134. [www.sindysthreads.com](http://www.sindysthreads.com) 720-333-9093



Royal Blue men's



Name Tag (sample)



Royal Blue women's

# Club Member Birthdays

## January

1 Chris Epp  
6 Ingrid Tryon  
8 Dave Eloy  
13 Christy Geisert  
16 Brad Beall  
17 Jerry Ballard  
18 Tom Fiock  
22 Dave Effler

## February

7 Judi Scott  
14 Heidi Stewart

## March

3 Gary Higbee  
5 Kim Allsop  
7 Barry Hawkins  
9 Connie Hodits  
10 Mike Finlay  
13 Brodie Garnett  
16 Jill Sammons  
25 Joe Babish

## April

2 Susan Effler  
5 Allen Schecht  
13 David Eubank  
17 Karen Babish

## May

1 Wanda Chadwick  
7 Lewis Kilbourn  
18 Robin Harkleroad  
19 Gail Krusen  
24 Leslie Shettler

26 Gretchen Hawkins  
27 Susie Coll  
31 Barrett Benson

## June

1 Carol Ballard  
2 Matt Elledge  
11 Craig Sammons  
15 Andrew Hill  
19 Linda Fiock  
19 Nikki Gee  
20 Jenna Hill  
20 Sean Parker  
26 John Goggin

## July

1 Gretchen Kasper  
17 John Parker  
19 Dave Chadwick  
23 Billie Persons  
24 Tom Johnson

## August

3 Linda Holliday  
4 Tom Scofield  
13 Mark Geisert  
17 Kelly Rhoades  
18 Bob Adams  
18 Lisa Gautenbein  
20 Jennifer Higbee  
21 Jim Cesario  
23 Glen Held  
25 Diane Johnson

## September

2 Les Rhoades  
4 Cathy Kenworthy

9 Bob Kenworthy  
10 Valerie Sheeley  
20 Mark Harkleroad  
22 Lisa Terry

## October

2 LynnAnn Lamanuzzi  
5 Margot Patterson  
10 Derald Lyons  
12 Rick Queneau  
14 Sherron Garnett  
21 Bob Patterson  
25 Randy Stewart  
28 Terry Cooper  
28 Barbara Seacrest

## November

1 Marty Hodits  
7 Ron Holliday  
16 Gil Hodge  
17 Jack Tryon  
30 Debby Epp  
30 John Sheeley

## December

1 Mary Ann Eloy  
3 Brian Coll  
7 Mark Gander  
10 Richard Persons  
14 Rita Schecht  
19 Leo Lamanuzzi  
21 Tim Kasper  
22 Ken Koopman  
24 Jim Scott  
31 Keith Bennett  
31 Lew Franklin



# 2019

# SNACKS

## January

Gary & Jennifer Higbee  
Leo & LynnAnn Lamanuzzi

## February

Allen & Rita Schecht  
Mike Finlay & Gail Krusen

## March

Joe & Karen Babish  
Tom & Linda Fiock

## April

John & Valerie Sheeley  
Dave & Susan Effler

## May

Mark & Robin Harkleroad  
Lisa Terry

## June

Derald Lyons  
Bob & Cathy Kenworthy

## July

Jim & Judi Scott  
Kim Allsop

## August

Gil Hodge  
Robert Adams

## September

Tim & Gretchen Kasper  
Jerry & Carol Ballard

## October

Barry & Gretchen Hawkins  
Glen Held

## November

Jack & Ingrid Tryon  
Keith Bennett

## December

Craig & Jill Sammons  
Leslie Shettler

## Thank You Volunteers

Thank you volunteers for signing up to bring the Pit Stop snacks for **2019**. The snacks are offered during the mid-meeting break and provide a welcome treat.

## THE SOAP BOX



Every month, Sherron Garnett brings a soap box to our meeting. This box is used for members to deposit any soap, toiletries, and other personal hygiene articles they have collected at hotels while traveling. These items are collected at each meeting and given to either the to the Grand Lake Community Food Bank in August or the 9Cares/Colorado Shares Drive in November. Please continue to

bring unwanted toiletry products to the meeting for collection. All of these items are greatly appreciated by people who can use and really need them.

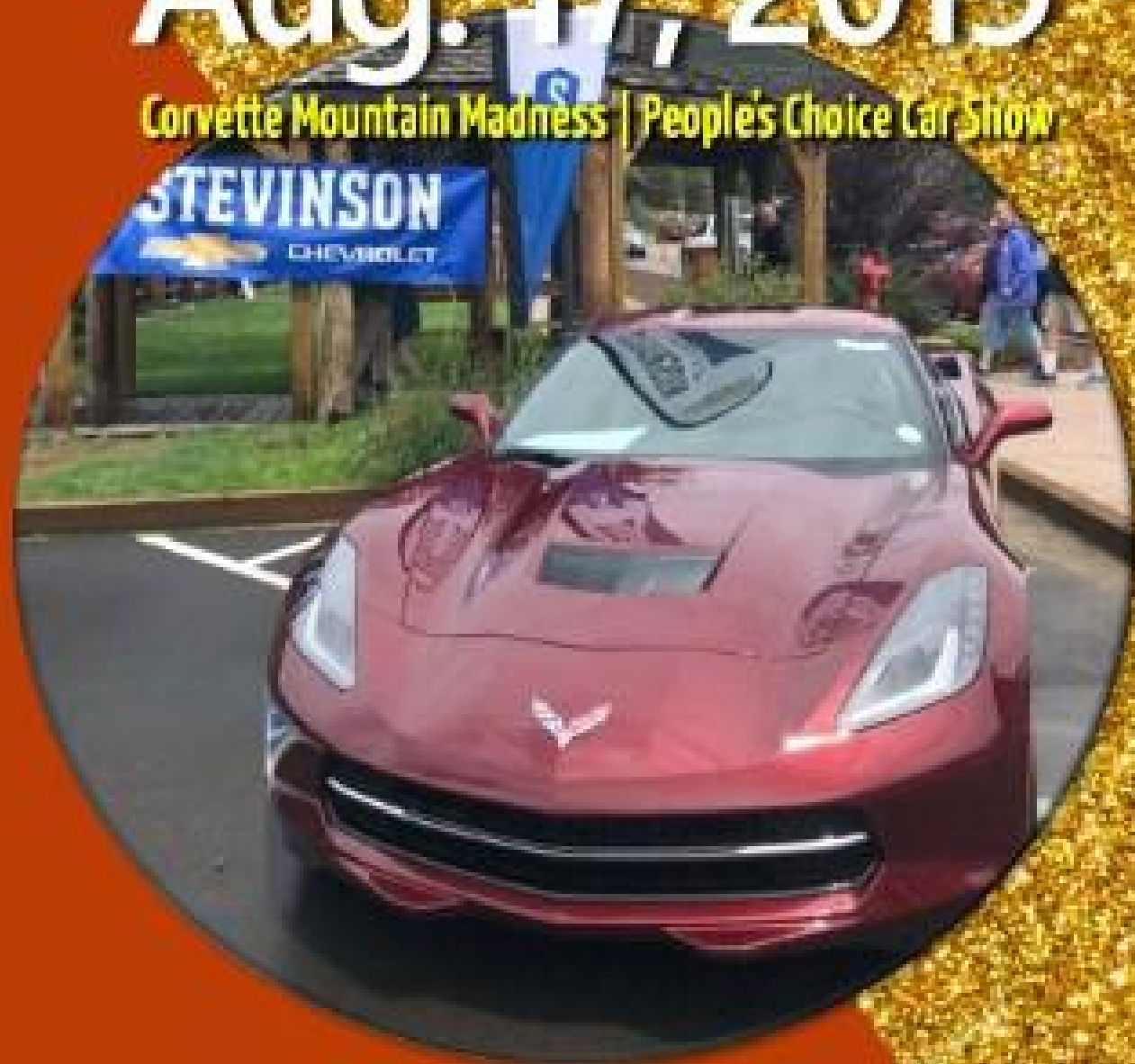
# 10<sup>th</sup> annual



Colorado Corvette Club  
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# Aug. 17, 2019

## Corvette Mountain Madness | People's Choice Car Show



# Grand Lake, CO | 10 am to 2 pm

Event Chair: Paul Eckert | paulbldr@yahoo.com | 303-807-8004

Proceeds benefit Grand Beginnings (grandbeginnings.org)

Bring your canned foods for local food banks too



Call us now!

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### Mountain Madness Car Show Grand Lake, Colorado



Trophy Plaque

Keith Bennett will be leading the Colorado/Nebraska Caravan to the 25<sup>th</sup> annual anniversary celebration for the National Corvette Museum which opened in 1994. The Caravan will be departing the Denver area on August 25, 2019 and returning on September 2, 2019.

For those 4C members unable to attend the Caravan event the **Corvette Mountain Madness** car show will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2019 in Grand Lake. This show is in its 10<sup>th</sup> year and is hosted by the **Colorado Corvette Club** which meets at Stevinson Chevrolet. This show has been well attended by the 4C over the years. Corvette owners can drive up the day of the show or stay a night or two in Grand Lake. If you have any questions, please contact Brodie at [brodiegarnett5@gmail.com](mailto:brodiegarnett5@gmail.com)

### Personalized License Plates

John Parker renewed the plates for his Corvette and received a matching placement sticker for 2020. Both the sticker and his custom plate identifies his Corvette, which is Shark Gray in color.





## 2019 CORVETTE HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES ANNOUNCED

When you think of the Corvette Hall of Fame winners one thinks of the men who have won this award. Shinoda, Brock, Duntov, Cooksey, Guldstrand, Earl, Mitchell, Miller, Bondurant, Ed Cole and others. These were real men. However, out of the past 71 winners not all were men. **Betty Skelton** won the award in 2001 and **Donna Mae Mims** won it in 2016. And now we have our third woman to win this award during the 25th Anniversary of the National Corvette Museum celebration. She is **Dollie Cole**. The induction will take place as a part of the Museum's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration August 28-31, 2019 in Bowling Green, Kentucky.



**Dollie Cole** is named in the category of Enthusiast. She is the wife of legendary GM President Ed Cole. However, Dollie made a name for herself as a respected business person and a strong supporter of the Corvette. Her resume included model, accredited test driver and pilot and senior editor for a publishing company. She served on national and local boards, including the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum and the National Corvette Museum (serving as chair in 2000 and 2001).



**Briggs Cunningham** is named in the category of Racing. The name of Briggs Cunningham is legendary in the Corvette world. Briggs was a talented driver himself and he also helped build a name for the Corvette as a racer. He had the wisdom to hire some of the best drivers, including Dick Thompson, John Fitch, Roger Penske and Stirling Moss. In 1960, one of the three Corvettes Cunningham bought to compete in the 24 Hours of Le Mans became the first Corvette to win its class with Bob Grossman and John Fitch at the wheel.



**Tom Peters** is named the winner in the category of GM/Chevrolet. Tom was a designer who shared his talents with the General for nearly 40 years. Tom worked on the C4 ZR-1, and has been involved in the past three generations which includes the C6 and C7. Tom ultimately became the Director of Design for Performance Car Exteriors for the Corvette. Tom's goal was working to create a unique personality that is still distinctively a Corvette. He said he was honored and blessed to work on the Corvette. He never took it for granted.

## Hertz 1963 Corvette Ski Car Offered at Barrett-Jackson

By Barry Hawkins



There's an emblem on the dash below the clock confirming that this is indeed a special SKI USA Hertz Rental Car.

If you happened to be hip enough to be seen on the ski slopes in Colorado back in 1963, here's something that would have made you even cooler: driving up in an exciting new 1963 Corvette "ski car" available only through [Hertz Rental Car Company](https://www.hertz.com).

Apparently, less than 10 of these special Corvettes were ever made, and perhaps the only surviving one is getting ready to cross the block at [Barrett-Jackson](https://www.barrett-jackson.com) on Friday.

Other than a new Ermine White paint job applied in 2016, this car is still pretty much the way it was when it left St. Louis in 1963, with the same numbers-matching 327/250 hp engine and Powerglide transmission intact. The original red interior is still there, too, even down to the floor mats, and the car boasts its original AM/FM radio and a complete set of working instruments and gauges. The original ski cars also had snow tires to help navigate the rugged mountain terrain.

The new owner will receive lots of proof-of-authenticity, some 70-plus pages worth to be exact, including letters between GM and Hertz, a GM Warranty Booklet to Hertz signed by Denver Chevy dealer **Joe Luby**, owner of **Luby Chevrolet**, who ordered the cars back in the day, and a detailed parts list. This car sold for \$120,000 according to Barry Hawkins, who was in attendance at this year's Barrett-Jackson auction in Arizona.



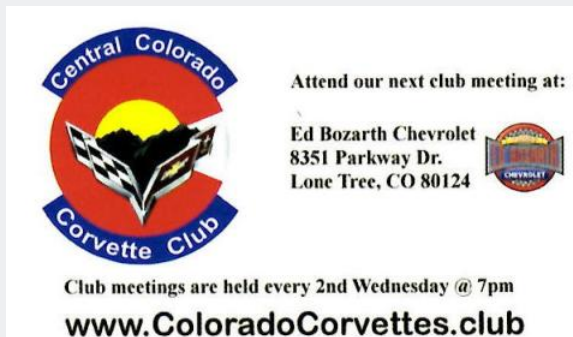


## Advertise in the newsletter

If you are a member of the Central Colorado Corvette Club you may place a For Sale or Wanted Ad for any Corvette related item in our newsletter for free. This can be done for two consecutive months.

Business cards are also welcomed and can be featured with no cost or time limit involved. All submissions must be received via email to the newsletter editor:

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