

JUST SAYIN

The DtRC PRESIDENT

Hi again,

Well here we are in the grips of winter. I don't know about all of you but I hate winter. Trees look dead, grass looks dead and everything else is white and cold and looks dead. The only good day it seems in winter is December 22nd. Dec. 22nd is the shortest day of the winter then each day after that gets longer!!!!

We sure have had some good times this summer!! Our road trips, rally, car show and auto X have been unequaled. It is just fun to get with everyone all summer long. This is the only group I know of that can make lemonade out of lemons. We have added a few new members (friends). I'm sure that they will each realize what a special club we have after a short time with us.

I have never enjoyed any position I have had that as much as being the president of Down the Road Corvettes. Sure there have been little issues but with the help and cooperation of all our members, everything has always worked out for the best. I thank all of you for your help and support. I look forward to new leadership (blood) as well as fresh ideas. I urge each of you to support our officers next year just as you have supported me. If you don't, I will be around and I do know where everyone lives!!!!

Just Sayin,

Bill



Established 1999

Next Meeting: , January 22, 2015 (7 pm)
4th Thursday of the month
Emich Chevrolet
2033 S. Wadsworth Lakewood CO



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Thanksgiving



Veterans Day

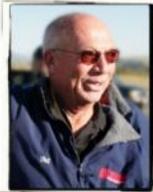
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NOVEMBER 2014



2014 DOWN THE ROAD CORVETTE CLUB OFFICERS

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Bill Schultz



Vice President
Leo Lamanuzzi



Treasurer
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2014 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Dealer Representative
Leo Lamanuzzi

2014 Rally Committee
Les and Kelly Rhoades

Membership & Directory
Cathy S. & Nancy B.

Social Committee
Cathy S., Dave C., Jani, S.

**Roving Reporter/
Photographer**
Bill S. Mike M. Les R.

**Corvette Museum
Ambassador**
Barrett Benson

**Autocross Competition
Director**
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October DtRC Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Members: 28 & Guest: 0

Old Business

Minutes Report: The minutes report was read and approved.

Treasure Report: The treasure report was read and approved.

New Business

A member suggested, and the Club agreed, that we should look into updating the DtRC Club web-page.

The club voted to give \$150 to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America on behalf of Club member Michele Wensel; Her mother recently passed.

Alzheimer's Foundation of America
322 Eight Avenue
7th Floor
New York, NY 10001

The club discussed continuing membership with NCCC, pros & cons. Following a Club vote it was decided not to continue membership with NCCC. It was also voted on the Club dues will remain the same.

Nominees were selected for the 2015 Elections. The Club will vote at the January meeting.

President: Les

Vice-President: Leo

Treasurer: Lynn Ann

Secretary: Kelly

Board Members: Mike M., Dave C., Jack and Ingrid

Master Corvette Museum Ambassador: Barrett

Volunteer Positions:

Membership Committee: Cathy

Social Committee: Coop, Cathy, Jani and LaNae

Autocross: Dave B.

Vice President's Report

Noting to report.

Governor's Report

NCCC voted on new officers.

Master Corvette Museum Ambassador

Barrett announced there were 60 newsletters submitted to the Museum for the NCM Newsletter competition. The newsletters were judged by professionals. We are a small club but represent in a BIG way. Our club voted 1st Place in the competition!

The Club voted to join the NCM as a Supporting Member. The first year is \$250 for the club to join the museum, \$150 thereafter. Membership will begin the day the NCM receives payment. Mike and Muff agreed to split the fees & the Club voted on waiving their 2015 Club dues. Thank you!

Dealer Report

Emich Sales Representative, Ryan Nordbrock.
Nothing to report; No show.

Membership Committee

The Club would like to welcome Tom and Diane Johnson. Cruising in their 2015 (C7).

Remember to pay for your family or individual 2015 Club membership dues at the January meeting. You can always pay in advance and mail your check to our Treasure, Lynn Ann. Make checks payable to Down the Road Corvettes. Contact Lynn Ann for her mailing address.

Merchandise Report

Nothing to report.

Social Committee

Cruise: There was a good turn-out on the October 4, 2014 cruise to Bishop Castle.

Corn Maze: The guys won the corn maze competition.

Track Day: Several members supported the October 26, 2014, track day at High Planes Race Track, sponsored by Emich Chevrolet.

Holiday Party: Thursday, December 11, 2014; DtRC Christmas party will be held at (THE KEG Steakhouse & Bar); Colorado Mills, 14065 W. Colfax Drive, Lakewood, CO 80401. Drinks at 5pm & dinner sponsored by DtRC at 6pm; Members attending will bring a \$25 gift and give to Santa for the gift exchange. The gift does not have to be car related.

Upcoming Events: Start thinking about a trip July 22-25, 2015 to Boise, ID; Corvette Show.

Pit Stop Snacks: Jack and Ingrid will bring the January 2015 meeting snacks.

Next Meeting & Club Dinner – January 22, 2015; Emich Chevrolet; 7pm. The club will meet for dinner at 5:30; location to be announced.

Meeting adjourned
Kelly Rhoades

Barrett Benson
Email: bsqaured@q.com



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MAJOR EVENTS Each year the major events at National Corvette Museum begin in April and conclude in November. But this year was an exception due to the Skydome's sinkhole catastrophe February 12th with the loss of the Great 8 Corvettes. Making national news, the sinkhole became the main attraction. All visitors wanted to see the sinkhole, and the Museum's attendance increased 50% once the sinkhole area and recovered 8 Vettes were on display.

Sinkhole viewing will continue through November 9th. Skydome restoration starts the next day and will include removing boulders, installing sheet piling to block the cave opening, filling the sinkhole with 4,000 tons of fist-sized stone, removing the existing concrete slab floor, installing electrical, water, HVAC lines and ductwork, installing 46 micro-piles, and pouring a new one-level concrete floor. Completion is projected by next July.

The Museum's regularly scheduled events including the April Bash, May ZR-1/C4 Gathering, and Labor Day 20th Anniversary Celebration were huge successes, displaying 2015 Stingrays and presenting great seminars. The November 6-8th Vets 'N Vettes is this year's finale.

NCM MEMBERSHIP At the September meeting, President Bill suggested that our club require individual membership in the NCM as a condition for DtRC membership. He asked me to report on his suggestion, and here are some important aspects of NCM membership to consider.

Currently one Corvette Club, the NCM Fighter Squadron in Texas, requires NCM membership as a condition for club membership. DtRC's sole condition is membership in the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC).

DtRC and NCCC dues are effective for each calendar year; the club collects both, beginning each October. The NCCC dues are sent to NCCC with a list of each member's identification number. New members are assigned an ID number by the NCCC.

In contrast, NCM membership must be paid by the individual directly to the Museum. NCM dues are based on the individual anniversary date of joining, not annually as NCCC and DtRC. The Museum assigns the ID number and will confirm individual memberships to a DtRC representative. This protocol would be workable for our club.

The dues for each organization are as follows:

	<u>NCCC</u>	<u>NCM</u>	<u>DtRC</u>	
New Member	\$35		\$50	\$35
Renewing Member	\$25		\$50	\$35
Spouse/Companion	\$10		NA	NA
Family Membership	NA		\$100	NA
Lifetime Member	\$350		\$1000*	NA

*includes spouse

Benefits for individual membership include: membership card and lapel pin, free admission to the Museum and NCM-sponsored events, 10% discount (15% for Lifetime) on NCM's Corvette Store and catalog merchandise, subscription to the American Sports Car (ASC) magazine, discount on insurance from NCM's Insurance Agency, and discount on car rentals and hotels.

Another category of membership the Museum offers is for Clubs. Currently there are 109 Corvette Club supporting members, 52 of which are Lifetime. Dues are \$250 the first year and \$150 for each subsequent year, renewable on anniversary date, with Lifetime at \$2500. DtRC could become a 2015 supporting member with an individual dues increase of about \$7 to \$10, covering the \$250 and leaving any excess in the treasury. Or, the \$250 could be paid from the DtRC treasury for 2015 without an increase in individual dues. Benefits for the club include:



Down the Road with New DtRC Members



Diane and Tom Johnson



Diane and Tom Johnson wish to thank the *Down the Road Corvette* club members for being part of our new 2015 Corvette unveiling celebration last Thursday evening at Emich Chevrolet. We thank DtRC for greeting us as new members, and we look forward to sharing and joining all of you in experiencing many new Corvette adventures.

Diane became a high school business teacher. Tom spent 18 Denver years in the cable TV business with Bill Daniels. Tom's role was in Marketing and later was in charge of the company's cable TV systems. Along the way, Tom led the Daniel's sports ventures in Boxing (the Denver Rocks and Ron Lyle) and the Indianapolis red, white & blue race car driven by 'hard luck' Lloyd Ruby. The honorary Indy pit-crew of the *Bill Daniel's Cablevision Special* was the three Apollo 12 Astronauts.



The Johnsons are from South Dakota--Tom from Sioux Falls and Diane from Vermillion. While in South Dakota they didn't know each other, even though Diane and Tom graduated from the University of South Dakota (USD). One May '66 spring morning, cupid's arrow happened. Diane, stranded, was unable to move out of her parking space in front of the **Denver** Heidelberg Apartments. At that fateful moment, Tom happened by and asked his friend to move his Corvette to free Diane's auto. Cupid's arrow found its target as Tom noticed a USD sweatshirt and its charming occupant. A romance sparked and flamed which continues with passion to this day.

Diane and Tom have two children who are both married and live within 20 minutes from the Johnson home in the foothills. Diane and Tom are delighted to have their first grandchild, Matthew, who is now 14 months old.

Tom's first Corvette is a 1984 which he recently gave to his son and wife. Now, Tom and Diane are proud owners of their dream Corvette, a crystal red 2015 C7 Stingray Z51 convertible!



A young Tom Johnson with the *Bill Daniel's CableVision Special* red, white and blue race car at the Indianapolis Speedway . (1978)

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On October 4, 17 members and one dog mascot from the club came together for a caravan cruise to visit Bishop Castle. This odd but intriguing construction project is situated in the Wet Mountains of Southern Colorado in the San Isabel National Forest located North West of Rye, Colorado.

The castle is named after its constructor, Jim Bishop. Every year since 1969, Bishop has single-handedly gathered and set over 1000 tons of rock to create this stone and iron fortress in the middle of nowhere.

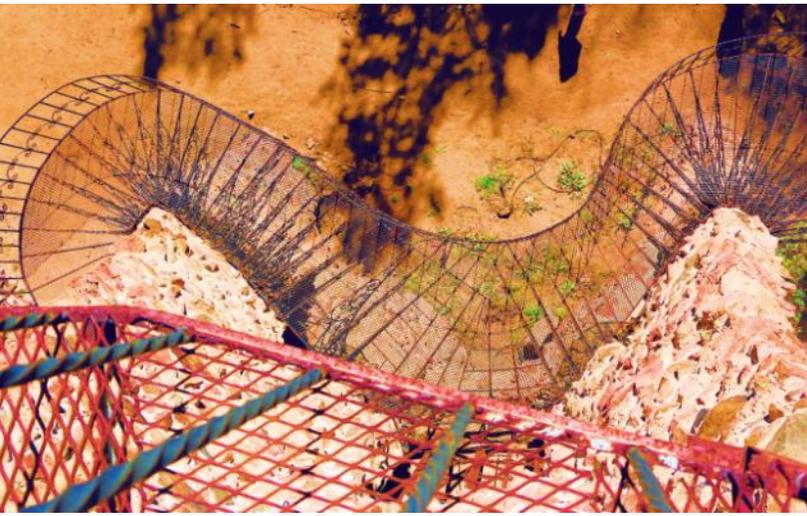
Only fitting for Halloween...enter if you dare, climb as high as your fear will allow you.

The weather was perfectly warm and sunny for a wonderful Corvette dive.... And for the eyes, the leaves were just turning color.



Before visiting the castle we stopped at the Lodge Restaurant for lunch and mouth watering fudge of many kinds. YUM!





After our short tour of the fortress we hit the road in the direction of Cañon City where we traveled along Colorado's famous Skyline drive.



Worth the short detour for sure. Skyline Drive is approximately a 3-mile stretch of paved road that follows the crest of an 800-foot high Dakota hogback. It's a one-way, one-lane paved road, just wide enough for a Corvette. Clearly not safe for an oversized vehicle like an RV.



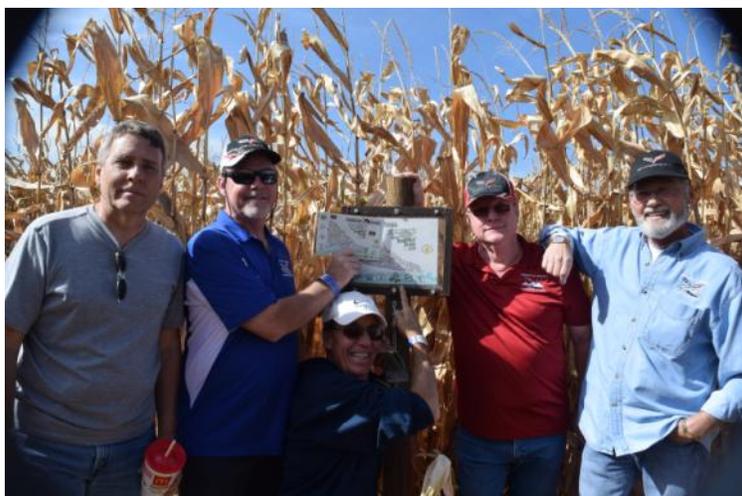
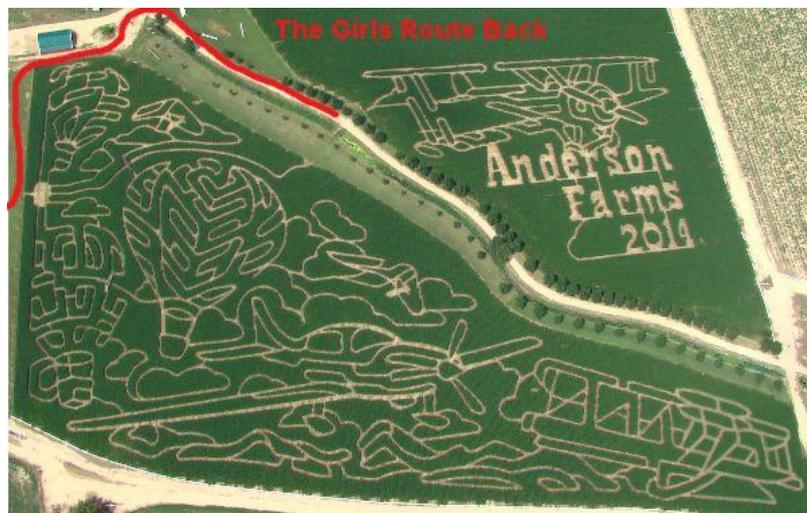
It's an utterly unnecessary road except to provide a thrilling drive and an incredible view of US 50 and the surround farm land. The hill is no wider than the pavement in some spots along the top of the ridge, and one wrong turn would mean a very quick descent into Cañon City Thanks go out to Dave Cooper and Kelly Rhoades for organizing the road trip and lunch stop....ya, I helped a little. (Les)





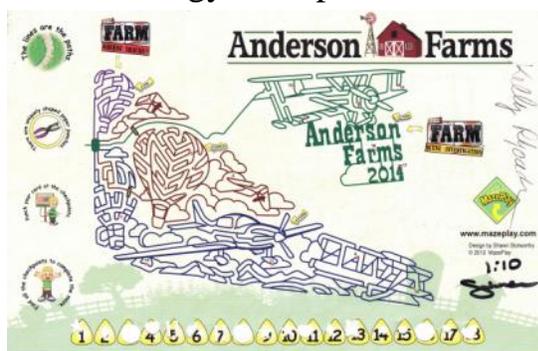
ANDERSON FARMS CORN MAZE CHALLENGE

The now yearly DtRC club Corn Maze challenge (Oct 18th) was held at Anderson Farms in Erie Colorado. The giant corn maze is carved out of 30 acres of fields with over 8 miles of trails. This year's maze was cut in the shapes of hot air balloons and aircraft. Folk lore states the adventure started out as a simple fun Fall season club outing idea that has now turned into a "no holds barred" guys against the girls competition. With few rules to follow, the team who gathered the most card punches (18 possible) in the shortest amount of time would be the winners. (a time limit was set at 1.5 hours)



Keeping Mike Malouf on a short leash was a true challenge and handicap for sure.

With quick steps and corn kernel trails to follow we were off to seek the hidden stations. Through the ruffling of dried corn stalks the guys could hear the soft sneaky whispering voices of the girls discussing some sort of strategy. Our plan was simply to move swiftly along a strategic route through the maze with reevaluation at every hole punch.



For a safety measure in case we got lost or turned around, Walt left us a trail of corn kernels to follow. Every now and again cheers of accomplishment could be heard from all corners of the maze.

In the end, the guys emerged from the maze first with all 18 card punches completed. Unlike the girls, (to this day we do not know if they actually made it to each station) Bill took photographic evidence of our accomplishment. (Guys 2, Girls 0)

By: Les Rhoades

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TRACK DAY

Emich Track Day

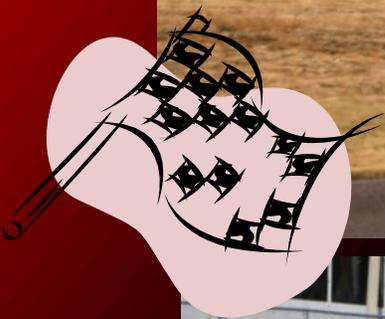
High Plains Raceway

Sunday, October 26th, 2014

High Plains Raceway



Kelly got a high speed ride in a race prepared C6





Walt Curtis



Jack Tryon



Muff Davis





Muff at yet another car show with his beautiful GTR



Pit Stop Snacks

January 2014
Bill and Cathy

April
Barrett

July
Lewis & Cindy

January 2015
Jack & Ingrid

February
Kelly & Ingrid

May
Russ & LaNae

August
Dave & Wanda

March
LynnAnn

June
Bill & Cathy

September
Colette



October
Mike & Jackie

Club Member Birthdays



January
6 - Ingrid Tryon
15 - Russ Steinhaus

June
3 - Nancy Burritt
3 - Walt Curtis
13 - Dave Cooper
18 - Mike Malouf

October
2 - Lynn Ann Lamanuzzi
12 - Cathy Schultz
26 - Jackie Malouf
26 - Muff Davis
28 - Terry Cooper
28 - Michele Wensel

February
12 - Mike Davis

March
25 - Joe Babish
27 - Cynthia Kilbourn

July
1 - Mary Davis
2 - Bill Schultz
11 - John Maxwell
19 - Dave Chadwick
24 - Tom Johnson
28 - Don Roach
31 - Jani Shoemaker
31 - Mike Shoemaker

November
2 - Tanya Roach
4 - David Burritt
17 - Jack Tryon
22 - Jacqueline Estlund

April
17 - Karen Babish

May
1 - Wanda Chadwick
7 - Lewis Kilbourn
19 - Gail Krusen
31 - Barrett Benson



August
17 - Kelly Rhoades
17 - Bruce Kinney
25 - Diane Johnson

December
16 - Tony Abeytha
19 - Colette Moger
19 - Leo Lamanuzzi
28 - Paul Estlund

September
2 - Les Rhoades
6 - LaNae Steinhaus

Classified Listings



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If you are a member of Down the Road Corvettes, you may place a For Sale or Wanted Ad for any **Corvette related** items in our newsletter for free.

Business Cards are also welcome to be featured.

Submissions must be received via email to the editor. rhoadester@comcast.net





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