



Next CCKC is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 20th. Meeting details to be announced later.

The Corvette Club of Kansas City was founded on July 24th, 1960 by a group of people that had one common interest – The Chevrolet Corvette, America's only true sports car! After +59 years, our club is one of the largest Corvette Clubs in the Kansas City area. We are sponsored by Hendrick Chevrolet, Shawnee Mission, one of the largest Corvette dealers in the country.

May Birthdays

- 1 Frank Escobar
- 7 Jack Mize
- 10 Jim Field
- 11 Joe Campbell
- 13 Natasha Chappelle
- 17 Sherri Vaitekunas
- 18 Robert Hill
- 20 Dianne Keith
- 21 Chuck Levenson
- 23 Hank Lavery
- 23 Jan Towell
- 25 Scott Babcock
- 26 Adam Hoehn
- 27 Wally Phillips
- 28 Chris Chushuk

May Anniversaries

- 1 Natasha & Charles Chappelle
- 3 Barb & Tom Kearns
- 8 Wendy & Ken McGowan
- 15 Claudia & Carrol Scott
- 17 Marisa & Jonathan Schmacher
- 20 Debra & Alan Gifford
- 28 Pei-In & Don Speer

April Events:

None

Future Events:

[Watch your EMAIL for any last-minute updates]

- **Detailing Seminar**, Saturday, May 16th, 10am-1pm, at 16664 W 155th Terrace, Olathe KS
Chuck Levenson & Joe Campbell will share their detailing and staging secrets. Please RSVP to Joe Campbell at RPCJLC@AOL.COM
- **CCKC May Meeting**, Wednesday, May 20th
Meeting details to be announced later.
- **CCKC Annual Picnic**, Sunday, July 26th, 3-9 pm
at Sar-Ko-Par Trails Park
- **CCKC's 9TH Annual All Corvette Show**,
Sunday, September 13th, at Hendrick Chevrolet

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April Club Meeting was canceled, no Meeting Minutes to report.

SAGA OF A 1959 CORVETTE – by Charlie Dryer

[Most of you are probably not aware that CCKC member, Charlie Dryer and his son, operate a Corvette restoration shop in Blue Springs. So, we prevailed upon Charlie to write an article about one of his restorations. The “Clown Car” a true story in Charlie’s own words.]



My name is Charlie Dryer, I joined the CCKC family in the fall of 2019 as I recall. Steve Garrett introduced me to the club through common membership in another Corvette Club, the local NCRS Chapter. For those who don't know, the National Corvette Restoration Society is aimed at a collective sharing of knowledge for the restoration of the Corvette. The goal is to return the cars to as “near as correct” condition as the day the vehicle was born. Anyway, my good friend Dave Evans, also known in Corvette circles as “Fuelie Dave” was in

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contact with another old Corvette junkie in Omaha, Nebraska who had gotten wind of a 1959 Corvette two top car that was available for sale.

It turns out this was a one owner car! Needless to say, that alone was enough to tweak my interest and once my son Aaron and I had a chance to look at it, well we bought the thing. Now here is, as the late Paul Harvey would say, the rest of the story. The first owner purchased it new in July of 1959, drove it for 40 years, ran into a ditch at least once and somehow managed to poke a hole in the driver's side rear wheel well. We know this to be true because of one, the hole and two, about 20 pounds of road gravel under the spare tire.



At the time of purchase the original owner was in an assisted living facility with no family immediate or otherwise. However, he had befriended a lady that we worked with at the Western Electric Plant in Omaha. If you remember rotary and push button phones, Western

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Electric made most if not all of them. Having no family, but a trusted friend, this lady was seeing to the liquidation of his belongings, the Corvette being one of his possessions.

Well his friend, the trusted lady, is a professional Clown. No Kidding! She performs for kids and senior care facilities around the Midwest. Her stage name, if you can believe this, is Bubblegum T. Clown and was trained by the famous Clown Emmitt Kelly (for those in my age group).

My point is, I actually bought a one owner 1959 Corvette from a Clown. Unfortunately, the original owner has since gone on to a better place, but his baby is in good hands.

So now it has been stripped down and almost put back together, it's kind of hard for me not to refer to it as **"The Clown Car"**.



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SUGGESTIONS FOR DETAILING YOUR CORVETTE WHILE QUARANTINED

By Chuck Levenson & Joe Campbell

We have suggested products that we use and know will work; however, most of you will already have something in your detailing bag that you can use.

1. Treat your dash with a vinyl product with UV protection (MEGUIARS ULTIMATE INTERIOR DETAILER) is one option. Be sure to do this before cleaning the inside of your front glass.

2. Treat all the rubber molding on your car. This maybe a good time to remove the top so you can treat the rubber on the front and back of the roof. If it has been a long time since it has been removed, we suggest you treat the exposed portion of the molding before removal and; be careful when removing the top so you don't tear the rubber!

ADAMS VRT OR MEGUIARS #40 VINYL & RUBBER CLEANER/CONDITIONER) can be an option to use. If the rubber is really in poor shape, consider using (DYNATEX SILICONE COMPOUND) for restoration. This product does not do miracles if the rubber is severally cracked or torn as replacement maybe your only option. Also, if the rubber has yellowed, especially in the engine area one option would be (ADAMS TIRE & RUBBER CLEANER)

3. Clean in inside of your glass, especially if you have already treated the dash. The outgassing of the

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plastic products leaves a film on the inside of the glass that usually requires multiple cleaning, so cleaning the inside now can save you future time. Possible products include (A/C DELCO GLASS CLEANER available from our sponsor Hendrick Chevrolet). For extreme problems you may have to use a cleaner with ammonia; HOWEVER, BE VERY CAUTIOUS WITH USING THIS PRODUCT, SO YOU DON'T GET THE AMMONIA ON YOUR DASH. Use of a microfiber applicator tool (they come pointed or just rectangular) or just a good microfiber towel is a great option to apply your window cleaner onto the towel and keep it off the dash.

4. Treating your leather seats is a great project. Leather tends to dry out, so replenishing the moisture is recommended. One product option is (LEXOL LEATHER CONDITIONER). Rather than treating the seats and wiping off the conditioner, we like to let the seats set for a period of time before use, to let the conditioner really soak in.

5. Another detailing option is to clay bar your paint. If you are not sure the paint needs clay barring, borrow a small zip lock bag from your spouse's cabinet, put your hand in the bag and rub it over the paint. If you feel rough spots, this indicates the need to clay bar to get rid of these impurities on top of the paint. You will need to wax the areas you clay bar after treatment, because

the clay bar treatment removes all or most of the wax.

6. If you didn't remove any bugs or road tar from the paint before storing your corvette for the winter, this would be a great time to do this. Most any of the products available will work for this project.

7. One last recommendation would be to start your corvette and let it warm up.

We realize that you can't go into the local auto parts stores if you need products, but Amazon or Google is always an option. Also, most auto parts stores have programs where you can call ahead, and they will bring the product out to you at the curb.



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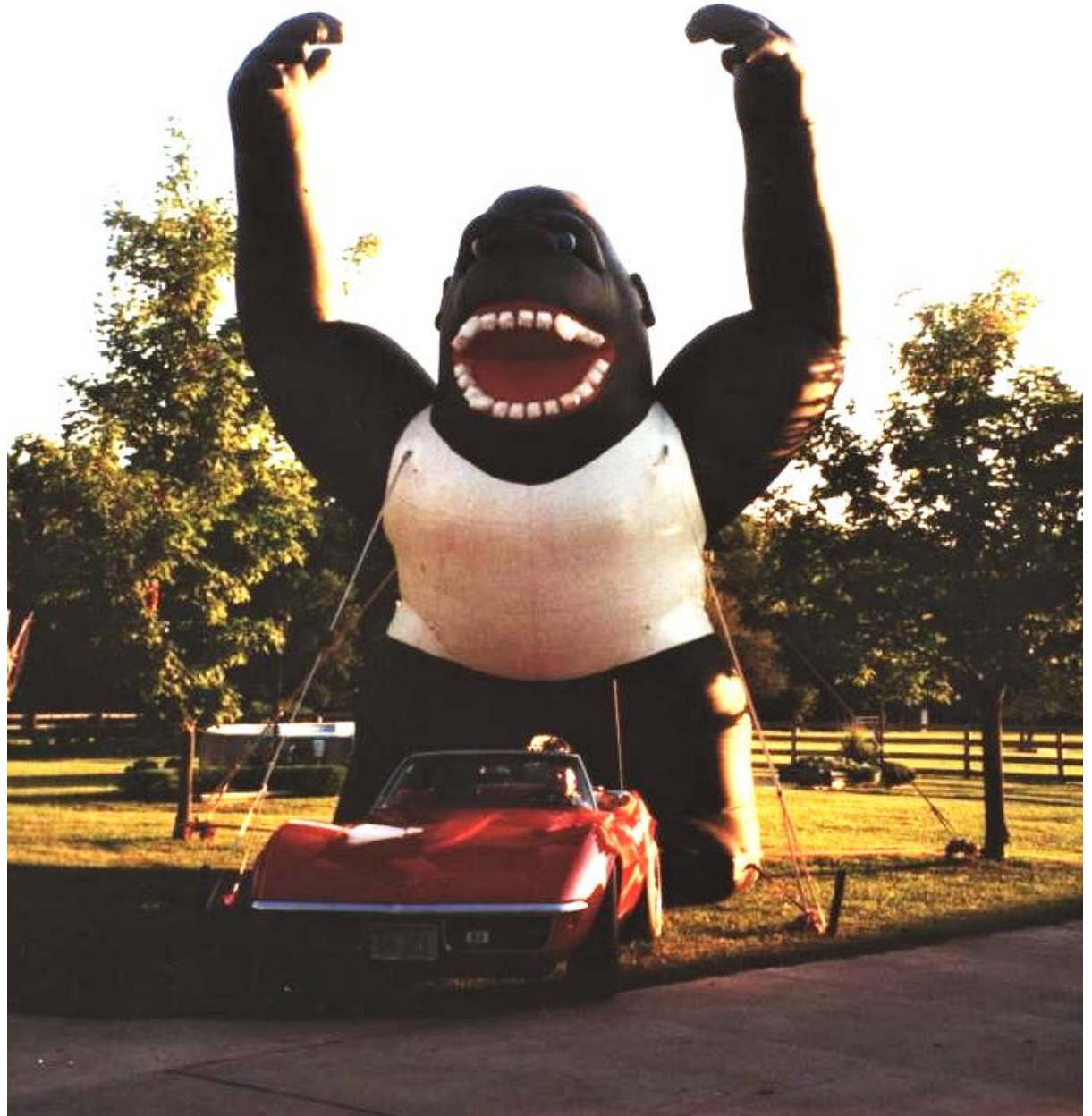
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Future C8 Model Speculations:

CORVETTE NEWS

Our CCKC President, **Steve Garrett**, has recently launched a new Corvette-centric podcast called **Corvette Today** and we highly recommend that you give it a listen. Steve is a long-time moderator on the Corvette Forum and he serves as the MC and DJ of Mid America Motorwork's Corvette Funfest.

Here is where you can find the podcasts:

CORVETTE TODAY Landing Page:

<https://anchor.fm/steve-garrett>

CORVETTE TODAY Facebook Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2718423201763136/>

CORVETTE TODAY Sign-up page:

<https://corvettetoday.ck.page>

Derby Day with Corvettes.

https://journal.classiccars.com/2020/04/28/the-fiberglass-follies-a-different-sort-of-kentucky-based-derby/?utm_source=infusionsoft-downshift&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ds&inf_contact_key=53da5d2fd42b4b3720550b0e77bb4f9d4dfbc39d7283b2cb89d5189540b69330

Year	Engine	Power (est.)	Torque (est.)	Likely Application
2021	LT2 6.2L 16-Valve OHV	490-495 HP	465-470 lb-ft	RHD Corvettes For Export
2022	LT6 5.5L 32-Valve DOHC	650 HP	600 lb-ft	Corvette Z06
2023	LT2 6.2L 16-Valve OHV Hybrid	600 HP	500 lb-ft	Corvette Grand Sport
2024	LT7 5.5L Twin-Turbo DOHC	850 HP	825 lb-ft	Corvette ZR1
2025	LT7HP1 5.5L Twin-Turbo DOHC Hybrid	1,000 HP	975 lb-ft	Corvette ZORA

Corvette Collectables:

Dan Boyd a long time CCKC member; has been evaluating his collector Corvette "stuff" since the quarantine. He finds that he has an abundance of duplicate corvette models (many he has had for 30+ years), promo models, Corvette News in binders, Blue Bar's in binders, hot wheels, etc. If you are looking to expand your Corvette collection, you could contact dan at Dan Boyd 1973redvette@gmail.com.

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CCKC Website: www.corvetteclubkc.com

National Corvette Museum: <http://Corvettemuseum.org>

Hendrick Chevrolet: <https://www.chevyusa.com>