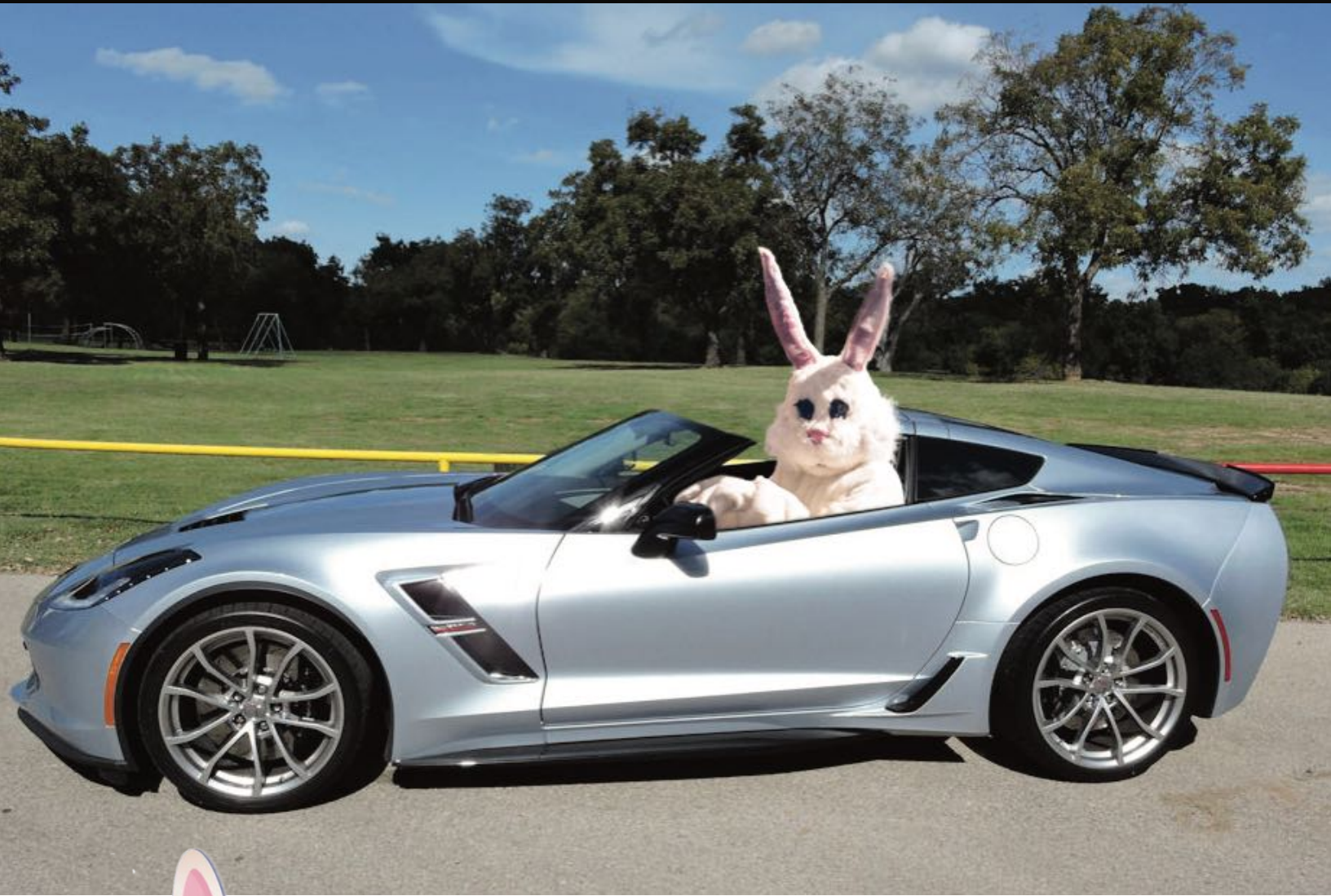




Brazos River Corvette Club Newsletter



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2023 BRCC Officers

President	Becky Skaggs
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National Corvette Museum Ambassador	Bob Mischel
NCCC Governor	Robert Williams
Email Group Manager	Pat Cooper
Web Master	Sandy Varner

Membership Meetings

General membership meetings are held the 1st Thursday of each month, exceptions are posted on the web site and members notified via group email.

Meetings are held at Spring Creek BBQ, Granbury TX, begin at 6:00 PM for socializing and ordering dinner, club business starts at 7:00 PM and usually over before 9:00 PM.

Happy Birthday

Nin Hulett April 1
Davis Cooper April 5

Anniversaries

None

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**WORDS
FROM
THE
PRESIDENT**



Spring is here. Yay! Time to get out for those cruises for which we completed two this month. We had a lunch run to Cranfills Gap to eat at the Horny Toad Grill and Bar and a Saturday cruise to Hico to eat at the Koffee Kup and to shop at Wiseman Chocolates. See the detail cruise reports and pictures in this newsletter for more detail.



We have a great cruise planned for April 8th to the Gatesville area to eat at the Feed Mill. The Feed Mill made a highlighted restaurant in 'Only Texas' on Facebook. I hope you can come along on this cruise especially if you haven't gotten those gorgeous corvettes out yet. We have such a fun group to drive and fellowship with, so don't miss out. There is a lunch run cruise in April led by Parks as well with specifics to be shared later. Looking for two of you to lead the May and June lunch cruises. Also, we need cruises led for July on.

At our March meeting we voted for 4 more corvette drivers totaling six members. This brings our membership to 89 paid members. We also had an application submitted at the March meeting for future consideration. We welcome:

- **David and Kathy Montgomery – 2019 C7 white coupe**
- **Sid and Judy Fikes – 50th anniversary C3 in Aggie red**
- **David Cooper – 2023 C8 amplify orange**
- **Buzz Taylor – 2016 C7 shark gray**

I look forward to seeing you at our April 6th meeting at the Spring Creek BBQ restaurant on 377. The meeting starts at 7pm, however get there early for dinner and to socialize.

You are an awesome club. Thanks for all you do.

All the best,

Becky Stags





**BRCC Meeting Minutes
for March 9, 2023
7pm at Spring Creek BBQ**

Meeting called to order by President Becky Skaggs.

30 members and 3 guests were present.

Evening Prayer was led by Rick Walker

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tiffany Sprong

Member update:

- Total members to date –83

- Guests
 - Mr. Ferrari from Weatherford has a 2020 White C8

 - Mark & Margarette Pohly from Joshua have a 2023 Silver Flare Metallic 2023 C8

New Members:

- Buzz Taylor has a 2016 C7 Shark Gray Corvette
 - Attended the January 19th Mingus cruise.
- Motion – Rusty Stricker
Seconded – Charles Curtis
All in favor/none opposed.
- David Cooper has a C8 2023 orange Corvette
 - Attended the January 5th meeting, the January 19th Mingus cruise and February 25th Whitney cruise.

Motion – Steve Crawford
Seconded – WJ Gourley
All in favor/none opposed.



- Sid and Judy Fikes have submitted their application. They have a 2003 50th anniversary Red Convertible. They attended the last meeting and the January 19th cruise to Mingus.

Motion – Charles Curtis
 Seconded – Jim Hill
 All in favor/none opposed

- David and Kathy Montgomery have submitted their application. They have a 2019 C7 White Coupe. They attended the January 5th meeting, the January 19th Mingus cruise, and the February 25th Whitney cruise.

Motion – Cynthia Sadler
 Seconded – WJ Gourley
 All in favor/none opposed

- Recruiting reminder that if you see other Corvette owners invite them to one of our meetings or events or leave a BRCC business card on their windshield. If anyone needs business cards, please see me at a meeting or on a cruise.
 - The target is 100 members this year!

Minutes: Accept January 5, 2023 minutes? Tiffany sent via email and the minutes were posted in the February newsletter. No updates/changes submitted.

Motion – Jim Morris
 Seconded – Bob Cooper
 All in favor/none opposed

Treasurers Report: Theresa Halford

Total Treasury report: \$332.11

Charles Curtis asked how much to Lipan Fire Department. Answer: \$12,000

Motion to accept – Sandy Varner
 Seconded – Arlene DeYoung
 All in favor/none opposed

Car show update(October 14, 2023):Theresa Halford with Bob Halford
With Charity Lead: Alan Palmer
Charity: Tolar VFD



Save the date letter going out soon.
Group out of OK reached out to Bob Halford interested in bringing about 10 cars.
Working on poster.
Will have email/mail out soon.

Committee Reports:

Member Care: Jan Walker

Card to Jackie Vaughn – had knee replacement surgery

Webmaster: Sandy Varner – new website but not loaded yet. It's very simple to use and she's looking for volunteer to help assist.

Email Distribution list update: Pat Cooper – did a big clean-up of email. New members take a couple weeks to get set up. Reminder to check junk/spam folder for BRCC emails.

Club Merchandise: Pat Cooper – distributed new member nametags. Reminded members she has decals for \$5.

National Corvette Museum: Bob Mischel – no update

NCCC: Robert Williams – Changes to manual. May have next month for voting.

Events Coordinator: Becky Skaggs

- Completed in January/February:
 - January 19th, Thursday – Larry and Arlene DeYoung led lunch cruise to Mel's Diner in Mingus. We had 14 cars of which 5 cars were guests. A great route and place to eat.
 - February 25, Saturday – Becky and Earl to lead cruise to Whitney to have eat at Texas Great Country Café and Pie Pantry.
- Planned March:
 - March 9, Thursday – Becky and Earl to lead lunch cruise to Cranfills Gap @ the Horny Toad Bar & Grill.
 - March 25, Saturday – Charles Curtis to lead cruise to Hico to eat at the Koffee Cup and Wiseman Chocolate shop stop afterwards.



- New Saint Patrick's Parade for March 16th
 - We only got 4 people who wanted to do the parade, so I declined. She asked again, so I told her I would check again at the 3/2 meeting and get back.

- Planned April
 - Terry and Sandy Varner to lead Saturday cruise on April 15 with plans to head toward Gatesville for lunch at The Feed Mill.
 - Bill and Vinceen to lead lunch cruise with date and details TBD.

- Planned May
 - May cruise TBD - Bill and Vinceen to lead Saturday cruise with date and details TBD.
 - May 26th, Friday social at Assisted Living & Memory Care' give back from 10:30 – 2:30
 - Invited by Karyn Murillo, Memory Care Director
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 - FYI – Granbury Car Club has been invited as well
 - Do we want to participate?

Still need a lunch cruise for May.

- Planned June
 - Billy Rogers with Becky and Earl Skaggs cruise with date TBD.
 - Wichita Falls – about 110 miles
 - Skaggs lead to Jacksboro, Billy Rogers lead us from there.
 - Ruben's House of Classics – Auto restoration service with full service
 - BBQ for lunch

- Parade for July 4th announced.
 - Date: Tuesday, July 4, 2023
 - Time: In place by 7:30am; Parade 9:00am-11:30am
 - Location start: Granbury High School, 2000 West Pearl St., about 4 miles to the Granbury square and back
 - Fee: \$50

- September picnic host
 - Lawson's will be letting someone else host the picnic in 2023.
 - Looking for volunteers to host and consideration for potluck with the club providing the meat or other suggestions.
 - The Halfords offered to host in October after the car show is completed. They will provide main dish and potluck for the remainder.



- Becky will send out up to date activity list on email within the next few days.
- Reminder: Need other cruises (Saturday or weekday lunch) on the calendar for summer on. Any volunteers for a month? Details can be worked out later.

New Business

- Larry DeYoung discussed MOA (Military Officer Golf Tourney)
 - We usually sponsor but budget shortfall this year.
 - April 15 cruise conflicts with tourney. Terry said he could move cruise to the 22nd.

50/50 Raffle – Robert Williams
Collection amount - \$110

Winner is Bob Halford – donated \$55 back to club.

Motion to adjourn:

Motion – Cynthia Sadler
Seconded – Charles Curtis
All in favor/none opposed

Here a way to get your C8 window sticker in a PDF format

“Corvette blog” (Might not work on all years)

So I just pulled up another car in the Chevy view inventory that was not mine and selected the Window Sticker link. This pulled up the PDF of the window sticker for that car.

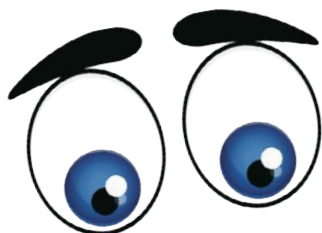
I then just replaced the VIN in the URL with my VIN and it pulled up my window sticker! So I just thought I'd share as it took me forever to find a way to get the PDF window sticker since my car was not showing in the inventory.

Here is the URL. Just click this and replace the vin in the address bar with yours: <https://cws.gm.com/vs-cws/vehshop/v2...YC3D45P5113036>

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BRCC 2023 Calendar



Looking for volunteers to host a cruise. It can be a nice drive in the country then stop for lunch or a lunch with another interesting place to visit while on the way. Don't be shy, let Becky know you're interested in setting something up. She can help with suggestions.

PAST & UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Jan 19 | Mingus Lunch Cruise | DeYoungs |
| Feb 25 | Cruise Whitney & Lunch | Skaggs |
| Mar 9 | Lunch Horny Toad Cransfill Gap | Skaggs |
| Mar 25 | Hico Koffee Kup & Wiseman Chocolats | C Curtis |
| April 8
April? | Cruise to Gatesville & Feed Mill
Lunch Cruise to Possum Kingdom | Terry & Sandy Varner
Parks |
| May?
May | Sat cruise to Waco
Field of Flags | Bill & Vinceen Parks |
| July 4 | 4th of July Granbury Parade | |
| Oct 14
Oct | 17 TH BRCC Car Show
Annual BRCC Picnic | Halfords 432-413-3099
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| Oct 21 | Cowtown Annual Car Show | |
| Nov 12 | Veterans Parade by Visit Granbury. | |
| Dec | Christmas Party | |





March 9, Cranfills Gap Lunch Cruise

Reporter: Becky Skaggs

Becky Skaggs led a Thursday lunch cruise to Cranfills Gap with eleven corvettes. We got lucky with the weather and had a great drive. We drove to Glenrose via 144, then 67 south to 203 with a left. 203 is a fun drive taking us to a right on 144 through Walnut Springs. Once we arrived at Meridian we took a right on 22 to Cranfills Gap, then a right on 3rd Street with the restaurant on the right side. You can't miss the rustic greenish building. The trip is only about 1 hour, so a very nice lunch run. You can tell spring is coming as the fields are starting to green up.

We ate at the Horny Toad Bar and Grill.

What a great place! Maybe even more rustic looking inside than outside. The burgers and such were great. I heard many saying they would go back there again for lunch. This would be a great place to take visiting friends and family for some atmosphere and good food.

We drove back a slightly different route in that we took 144 all the way to Glenrose when we left Walnut Springs.

Thanks to WJ Gourley for being the tale corvette.



[More Pictures Continued](#)



Cranfills Gap Lunch Continued





March 25 Hico Cruise & Lunch At Koffee Kup

Reporter: Becky Skaggs

A cruise was led on March 25th by Charles Curtis. We had a beautiful day with the fields and trees showing spring is here. We were fortunate to see blue bonnets as well as various other wildflowers on our ride. This cruise had sixteen corvettes with guests in a 2016 Daytona Sunrise Orange corvette. We drove west on Hwy 51 and veered left to Hwy 56 to Glenrose. At Hwy 67 we took a right, then a left on 203. 203 is popular and a great route as we also drove it on our last lunch run. Try it out if you have not yet. We turned right on 144 then into Walnut Springs where we took a right on 927. In Iredell, we turned left on 216. On Hwy 6, we took a right arriving in Hico.

Lunch was at the Koffee Kup. They had us in a separate room at the back. The food was great and for today the prices were better than in most places we have been to since prices have jumped up. Several ordered and/or took home pie, for which they are famous for.

We couldn't go through Hico without time to stop at Wiseman Chocolates. Yum! I observed that several of us had bags as we left out of the chocolate house. They had samples and the almond chocolate toffee was unbelievable. The toffee was just right, not hard and it didn't stick to your teeth. I had to buy some of this toffee. I guess that is why they provide samples.

The drive back was different using Hwy 20 to FM 2481 to 205 to 2870, then to 377 into Granbury. This was a great cruise drive that was about one hundred miles round trip.

Thanks also to Robert Williams for being the tail corvette as well as WJ Gourley in the middle corvette for relaying the messages.

A special call out to Charles for doing a great job on his first led cruise in our club!

We have April covered but looking for a lunch run cruise in May and June. We also need August – November cruises. Try leading a cruise. I am more than willing to assist you with ideas and how to plan and lead one. I have a couple of short lunch run cruise ideas right now that I could share.

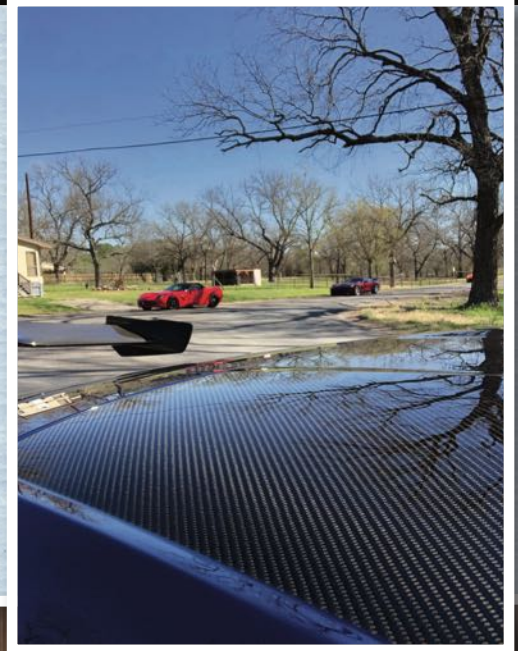
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Hico Cruise & Lunch Continued





Corvette Horsepower Rating Timeline By Year

1953-54 Corvette Horsepower

150-horsepower, 235-cubic-inch

1955

195 horsepower 265 CI V8

1956

265-cubic-inch V8, Increased to 210 horsepower

1957

Corvette engine grew to 283 cubic inches and 220 horsepower, breathing through a single four-barrel carburetor.

Options:

The 283 could be had with dual-quad carbs rated at either 245 or 270 horsepower or, best of all, with Rochester mechanical fuel injection. The Fuel injection "Fuelie" on top of that 283 increased its output to either 250 or 283 horsepower.

1958-59 Corvette Horsepower

283 small-block base single four-barrel version now making 230 horsepower, dual-quad versions were rated at 245 and 270 horsepower and the fuelie engines now made either 250 or 290 horsepower.

1960-61

Fuel-injected versions grew to 275 and 315 horsepower.

1962

V8 increased 327 cubic inches. The base four-barrel engine now put out 250 horsepower with higher output versions available in 300-340 horsepower versions. The dual-quad option was dropped, but the fuel injection system was back and it was now rated at 360 horsepower.

1963

Start of the mid year Corvettes
327 V8 was still rated at 250 horsepower. On the options sheet were 300- and 340-horsepower four-barrel, and 360-horsepower fuel-injected versions of the 327.

1964

327 V8 was still at 250 horsepower. Optional 360-horsepower four-barrel 327, and the fuelie motor was now rated at 375 horsepower.

1965 Corvette Horsepower

327 V8 250 horsepower. Optional: The "L78" 396 appeared and made 425 horsepower. As for the fuel-injected 327's— 1965 would be its last year.

1966

396 lasted only one year in the Corvette as it was superseded by 427-cubic-inch. Base 327, now rated at 300 horsepower, a 350-horse version in a single four-barrel, the "L39" 427 making 390 horsepower and the "L72" 427 rated at 425 horsepower.

1967

Base 300-horsepower 327 small-block V8 topped by a four-barrel carburetor. "L88" 427, which used aluminum cylinder heads and 12.5-to-1 compression ratio to make somewhere north of 500 horsepower while wearing a huge 850-cfm four-barrel carburetor (though Chevy would, disingenuously, only admit to 430 horses). The L88 option upon ordering it automatically eliminated the heater, radio and fan shroud. The intent was obviously racing and only 20 L88s were ever built. Today they are the most desirable of the first Sting Rays.

Also new to the Corvette option charts was an "L68" 427 rated at 400 horsepower and the L71 427 rated at 435 horsepower and featuring three two-barrel carburetors ("tripower").



Corvette Horsepower Rating Timeline By Year pg 2

1968

300-horsepower 327 small-block V8 topped by a four-barrel carburetor. The optional engines included a 350-horsepower 327 and all the big-block 427s from '67 including the awesome 500 horsepower L88."L68" 427 rated at 400 horsepower and the L71 427 rated at 435 horsepower and featuring three two-barrel carburetors ("tri-power").

1969

Corvette Horsepower
Replacement of the 327-cubic-inch small-block V8s with new 350-cubic-inch versions. As with the 327s, the 350s were rated at 300 horsepower in base form and 350 horsepower in the optional "L46." The 427s also returned carrying the same power ratings as '68's. ZL-1 was a limited production option and only two of the 585-horsepower ZL-1s were produced.

1970

Base 350 300 HP. The "LT-1" 350 370-horsepower. Two 454-cubic-inch big-block V8s — a 390-horsepower "LS5" wearing a four-barrel carburetor and a tri-power equipped "LS7" making a claimed 460 horsepower although non where sold.

1971

Corvette Horsepower
Base 350 dropped to 270 horsepower because of emissions. LT-1 350 dropped to 330 horsepower. The detuned LS5 454 now made a mere 365 horsepower. Gone was the LS7 454 and in its place was an "LS6" 454 four-barrel V8 rated at 425 horsepower.

1972

switch from SAE gross to SAE net power ratings. So the base 350 now produced a 200-horsepower rating, the LT1 made just 255 horsepower, and the sole big-block, an LS5 454, could only do 270 horsepower.

1973

Corvette Horsepower
Base 350 now rated at 190 horsepower and a new optional "L-82" 350 made 250 horsepower. The sole 454 was an "LS4" rated at 275 horsepower.

1974

Same HP as 1973 give or take a few ponies. Last year for the big-block V8.

1975

Base 350 V8 making a hideous 165 horsepower or the L82 making 205 horsepower exhaling through a catalytic converter.

1976 - 1977

The base "L48" 350 was now rated at 180 horsepower as engineers were beginning to figure out the intricacies of emissions regulations. The L82 350 jumped to 210 horsepower. Both engines breathed in through four-barrel carburetors.

1978

The base L48 350 was now rated at 185 horsepower and a new dual-snorkel intake bumped output of the L82 version to 220 horsepower.

1979

A dual snorkel air cleaner now fed the Base L48 350 and that boosted output to 195 horsepower. The L82 was treated to a new cam, larger valves, a higher-compression ratio and a more efficient exhaust system which all combined to push the engine to 225 horsepower.

1980

Base L48 350 now made 190 horsepower and the L82 was rated at 230. Californians were stuck with only a 305-cubic-inch V8 making 180 horsepower.



Corvette Horsepower Rating Timeline By Year pg 3

1981

A new, 190-horsepower "L81" version of the 350 V8 was the only engine available.

1982

"Cross-Fire Injection." This injection system boosted output of the L81 350 to 200 horsepower.

1983

N/A Since no Corvettes were made.

C4 Corvette Horsepower

1984 Start of the C4

350 V8, again equipped with Cross-Fire throttle body fuel injection and now rated at 205 horsepower.

1985 - 1986

Corvette Horsepower

Tuned Port Injected (TPI) version of the 350-cubic-inch (now more commonly referred to as a 5.7-liter) small-block for 1985. This vastly more efficient induction system bumped output of the V8 to 230 horsepower.

1987

Hydraulic roller lifters to the L98's valve train boosted its output to 240 horsepower.

1988 - 1988

New aluminum cylinder heads and a revised camshaft boosted the L98 to 245 horsepower.

1990

In the ZR1 the Lotus-designed, Mercury Marine-built, all-aluminum, 5.7-liter, DOHC, 32-valve LT5 V8 made 375 horsepower. The L98 made 245 horsepower.

1992

Corvette Horsepower

LT5 V8 made 375 horsepower. A new LT1 was rated at 300 horsepower thanks to significant revisions to the cylinder heads, accessory drives, cooling system and fuel injection.

1993-1995

LT1 was 300 horsepower The LT5 horsepower went from 375 to 405 — in real-world terms (accounting for the difference between the old SAE gross and current SAE net rating methods)

1996

LT1 changed to the "LT4" that increased to 330 horsepower.

C5 Corvette

1997 First year C5 First year for the Gen III V8 engine

LS-1 345 HP

1998-2000

LS-1 345 HP

2001

LS-1 Went to 350 HP LS-6 The 350 Cubic inch put out 385 HP

2002

LS-1 350 HP LS-6 Improved more to 405 HP.

2003-2004

LS-1 350 HP LS-6 405 HP

C6 Corvette

2005

New 6.0-liter "LS2" V8 is the sole power plant. Output is 400 hp.

2006-2007

Base 6.0-liter "LS2" 400 HP A New LS7 427-cubic-inch, 505-horsepower engine in the Z06.

2008

LS3 6.2L 430-436 HP LS7 427-cubic-inch, 505-horsepower..



Corvette Horsepower Rating Timeline By Year pg 4

2009-2013

Corvette Horsepower

LS9 6.2L supercharged small-block engine powers the ZR1 @ 638 HP

LS7 427-cubic-inch, 505-horsepower.

LS3 6.2L 430-436 HP

2014-2019 Stingray/GrandSport

LT1 6.2L 460HP

2015-2019 Z06

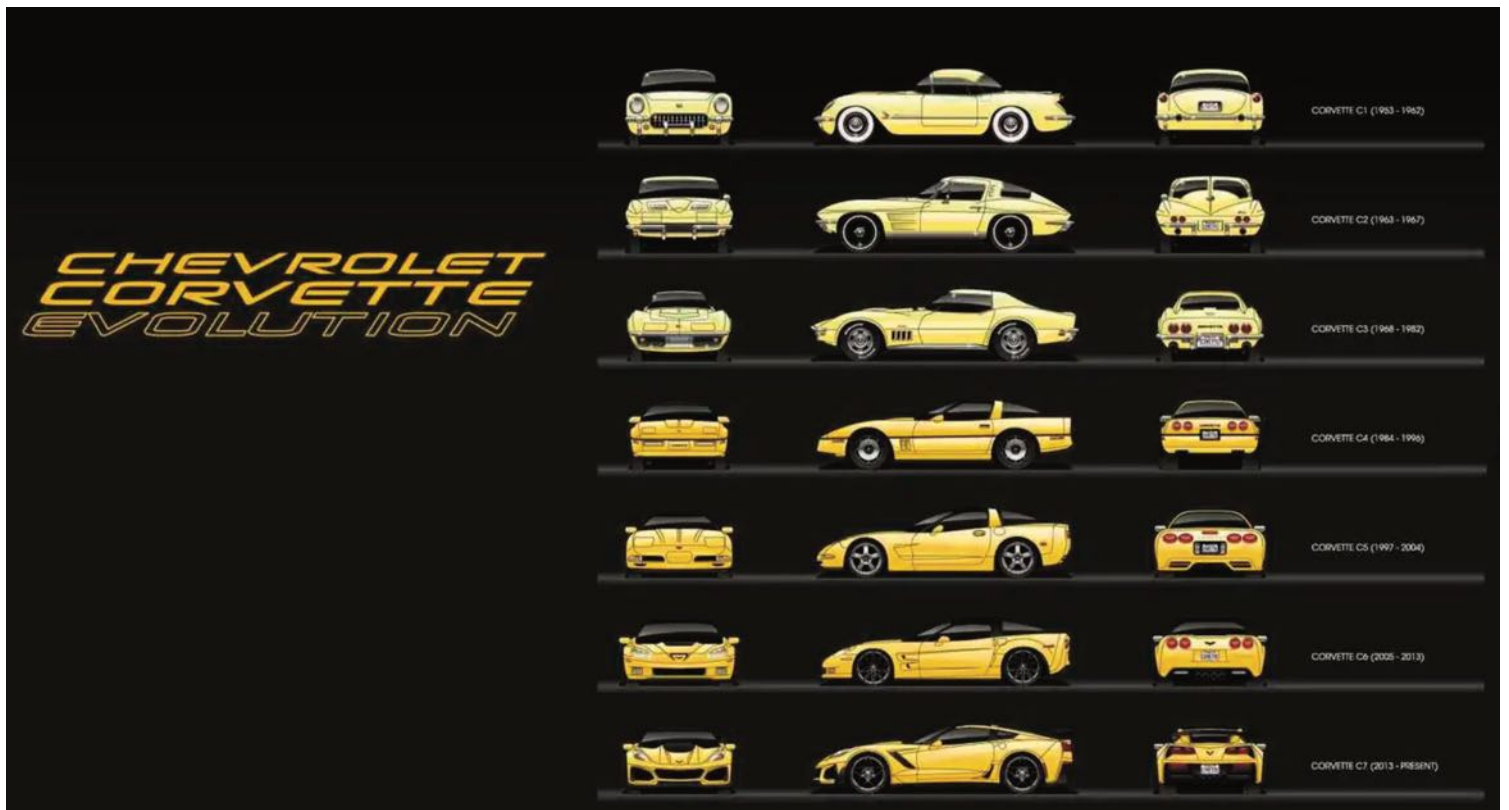
LT4 6.2L 650HP

2019 ZR-1

LT5 6.2L 755HP

C8 Corvette

2020 LT2 495 hp (NPP Exhaust) 470 lb-ft





BRCC Logo Merchandise



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Merchandise
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Pat Cooper has lots of great merchandise for sale with the BRCC logo on them. Here is a sampling of most of our items. We are open to additional items upon request.

All prices are subject to change.

Nike Polo Shirts 363-807\$ 60.00
Color options subject to availability.



Sport Wick Stretch 1/2 Zip Pullover\$35.00
Mens & Ladies styles XS-4XL
Color options subject to availability.



Sweatshirt 1/4 Zip 9-Oz Pullover.....\$35.00
Mens & Ladies styles XS-4XL & Tall
Color options subject to availability.

Long Sleeve Dress Cotton/Poly S608 \$25.00
Mens Button Down Ladies Open Collar
Color options subject to availability.



Long Sleeve Denim Mens & Ladies\$35.00
Mens Button Down Ladies Open Collar
XS-6XL and Long
Color options subject to availability.

ADD \$6.00 FOR EMBROIDERED NAMES

Name Tags\$12.95



Caps \$16.00 - \$20.00
Color options subject to availability.





Next Club Meeting April 6th Spring Creek BBQ



*That's All
Folks*

