



# Brazos River Corvette Club Newsletter



♥ HAPPY  
*Valentine's*  
DAY ♥



**Brazos River Corvette Club**

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## 2024 BRCC Officers

President	Becky Skaggs
Vice President	Vinceen Parks
Secretary	Jill Brown
Treasurer	Robert Williams
Cruise Coordinator	Vinceen Parks
BRCC Charity	Kerri Lawson
Car Show Directors	Theresa Halford, Lead Bob Halford, Support
Charity Raffle	Bob Williams
Historian / Newsletter	Jim Hill
Member Care	Jan Walker
Merchandise	Pat Cooper
National Corvette Museum Ambassador	Michael Hokanson
NCCC Governor	Robert Williams
Email Group Manager	Pat Cooper
Web Master	Bill Mozingo

## 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

Robert Williams	Feb 3
Bob Cooper	Feb 9
Beth Batista	Feb 11
Robert VanCleave	Feb 14
Libby McHaney	Feb 18
Sammie Williams	Feb 23

## Anniversaries

Robert & Paula Mischel Feb 18

Happy Anniversary!!

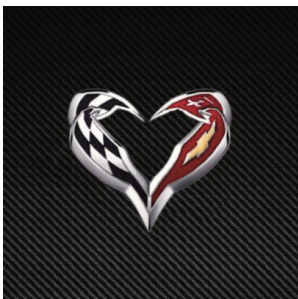




**WORDS  
FROM  
THE  
PRESIDENT**



**W**e did not have any cruises or activities other than our meeting in January, primarily due to the weather. I know several people have picked up a cold, the flu, covid, and other things. I am hoping and praying you are having a great recovery and will be ready to join us on two cruises in February.



**For February, please mark your calendars for:**

- **February 7** will be a Wednesday lunch cruise to Rattlesnake Roadhouse in Walnut Springs. This will be a nice 45-minute drive led by Bob and Jill Brown. They are only open for our club that day, so I am hoping we have a great turn out.
- **February 24** will be a Saturday cruise to Dublin to dine at Granny Clark's. We were last there in February 2020 and look forward to dining there again. David and Kathy Montgomery with Sid and Judy Fikes will lead this.

Be sure to attend our February 1st meeting at the Spring Creek BBQ on 377. We will be conducting two major activities: 1) Giving our donation to the Tolar Volunteer Fire Department. We will take a photograph with the 'big check' to have published in the Hood County Newspaper. This is a time to celebrate our car show's success in being able to support them. 2) Selecting our charity for 2024 – 2025. We need your ideas. There is a preference for something local to Hood County. Please plan to conduct a brief presentation (5 minutes) of your idea and explain what the charity organization does and how our donation could benefit them. We would like to decide, if possible, at this meeting to meet some car show deadlines. The meeting starts at 7pm, however get there early for dinner and to socialize.

As mentioned at the last meeting, we have 95 members and are looking to achieve and maintain our 100+ member target. So, get out there and recruit. If you need additional business cards to hand out or leave on corvette windows just let me know.

Hope to see you at the February 1st meeting and the two cruises lined up for February.

I appreciate all you do to help this be a successful and fun club.

All the best,

*Becky Stangs*





## MINUTES FROM THE SECRETARY

**Inauguration of new officers for 2024 led by Terry Varner:** (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer)

- Voted at November and this meeting:

President: Becky Skaggs  
Vice President: WJ Gourley  
Secretary: Jill Brown  
Treasurer: Robert Williams  
Officers were sworn in.

### **Minutes:**

Minutes were sent out via email previously and were posted in the December newsletter. There were no noted changes.

Motion to accept minutes: Terry Varner

Seconded: Charles Curtis

All in favor: all

Any opposed: none

### **Treasures Report:**

#### **Treasurer Report for November 1, 2023 through November 30, 2023 was reviewed**

Cash Balance at beginning of period: \$11,235.10

Income:

Dues: \$2,265.00

Christmas Dinner: \$1,725.00

50/50: \$35.00

Donation to Kitty: \$15.00

Total Income: \$4,040.00

Expenses Paid During Period:

Member Binders \$190.74 reimburse Becky Skaggs

Total Expenses: \$190.74

Cash Balance at End of Period: \$15,084.36

#### **Total Treasury report: Treasurer Report for December 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 was reviewed.**

Cash Balance at beginning of period: \$15,084.36

## **BRCC Meeting Minutes January 4, 2024**

**Welcome:** Becky began the meeting at 6:55

**Evening Prayer** – Led by Steve Crawford

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by Michael Hokanson

### **Member update:**

- Becky gave an update. As of today we have a total members: 95 renewed for 2024. We are only 5 away from our target membership maintenance goal of 100.

- 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.

- Let's continue our target for maintaining 100 members this year!

**Election for Vice President:** Terry Varner to lead election

Nominees:

- WJ Gourley nominated by Becky Skaggs
- No other nominations from the floor
- Voting: unanimously in favor of WJ.

Income:

New Member Dues: \$85.00

Total Income: \$85.00

Expenses Paid During Period:

Postmaster: \$166.00

Harbor Lakes – Christmas Party: \$2,218.24

NCCC \$1,580.00

Total Expenses: \$3,964.24

Cash Balance at End of Period: \$11,205.12

**Charity amount for Tolar VFD:**

\$12,750.00 total was raised

BRCC check: \$7500.00

Donations made directly to HVFD: \$5,250.00

Motion to accept the treasurer's report and the donation to Tolar VFD made by Bob Williams

Seconded: WJ Gourley

All in favor: All

Any opposed: none

• Charity for next year: open for suggestions. Will discuss with new business.

**Car show update (October 12, 2024):** Theresa Halford with Bob Halford

Tom McElroy received a big thank you for gathering the large donators

Discussion as to whether new T-Shirts are needed for car show. At this point we lost money on the last order of shirts

Terry Varner suggested raising entry fees by \$10.00 and then give the T-Shirt to all those registered (this will cover T-Shirt costs)

Action for Becky Skaggs to send thank-you letters to large donators.

**Committee Reports:**

**Member Care:** Jan

Walker - no updates

Jan will continue leading this committee

**Webmaster:** Bill Mozingo - no updates

Bill will continue leading this committee

**Email Distribution list update:** Pat Cooper is stepping down

Judy Fikes will now take over this job

**Club Merchandise:** Pat Cooper is stepping down

At this point we are looking for someone to take this position.

**National Corvette Museum:** Michael Hokanson

April 25-27 - Michelin Bash

August 29-31 - 30th anniversary

**NCCC:** Robert Williams (would like to step down from this position)

Updates:

Southwest regional CCC has a banquet in February

Updated password will be sent out to membership via email

**Events Coordinator:** Becky Skaggs (would like to step down from this position)

December 1, 2023 Christmas Party

Feedback: Good; fun; all people who attended enjoyed the party

Workers - help staff was good

Motion made to have next year's party at Harbor Lakes. Motion was unanimously passed.



## Cruises:

### January:

Lunch run to cruise to Fat Burgers & Round Table Pizza at 3701 FM 407 Suite 600, Bartonville, TX 76226. (close to Lantana).

Saturday 1/20 (with 1/27 as weather backup plan)

– Bill and Ann Mozingo leading

About 83 miles to location.

Meet at DK station corner of loop 567 and 51

9:00am – 9:30am leave

Rest stop in Springtown

More details as we get closer

### February:

**Wednesday, 2/7** weekday lunch cruise –

Bob and Jill Brown leading

Rattlesnake Roadhouse: 4173 3rd Street, Walnut Springs, TX 76690

More details as we get closer

**Saturday 2/24** cruise led by

David and Kathy Montgomery

Granny Clark's in Dublin, Texas

More details as we get closer

### March

Lunch cruise led by

Steve Hamilton and Suzy Johnson

More details later

### April

Cruise led by

Charles Curtis

More details later

### May

Sandy and Terry Varney (maybe an overnigher)

## New Business

Charity for 2024 –  
Brainstorm ideas

Suggestions for local  
charities

Animal shelters

Habitat for Humanity

Mission Granbury

People Helping People

Ruth's Place

Meal's on Wheels

Hood County Fire Department

Suggestions were given. We will vote at February meeting for our next charity.

## Ed Amos led our entertainment stories

**50/50 Raffle** – Robert Williams

\$50.00 collected

Winner is: Jim Hill

### Motion to adjourn:

Motion: Ed Amos

Seconded: Charles Curtis

All in favor: all

Any opposed: none

Respectfully Submitted by:

**Jill Brown**



# BRCC 2024 Calendar



## PAST & UPCOMING EVENTS



**Feb 7 Rattlesnake Roadhouse Lunch - Walnut Springs**  
**Bob & Jill Brown**

**Feb 24 Granny Clark's - Dublin** **Montgomery's and Sikes**

**May 27 Field of Flags**

**July 4 4th of July Granbury Parade**

**Oct 12 18<sup>TH</sup> BRCC Car Show** **Halfords 432-413-3099**

**Oct 19 Cowtown Annual Car Show**

**Oct Annual BRCC Picnic**

**Nov 25 Granbury Christmas Parade**

**Dec Christmas Party Gift Exchange**

*Always 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.*







# Brian Houser Past BRCC Member Selling his 2015 Z06

## Brief description:

- 2015 z06/Lt3 convertible
- Z07 Aerodynamic exterior: The Z07 Performance Package adds a front splitter, front dive planes, and a rear wing.
- Full upgrade performance and interior package with red Napa leather seats and interior trim.
- Automatic transmission
- Only 31,598 miles.
- Chrome wheels with red calipers.
- Great condition, no accidents.
- Original sticker was \$110,000+.
- Asking \$65,000.
- Warranties, Car & Wheels, are current and available for transfer to new owner.
- Please contact Bryan Houser at: 817-694-0668

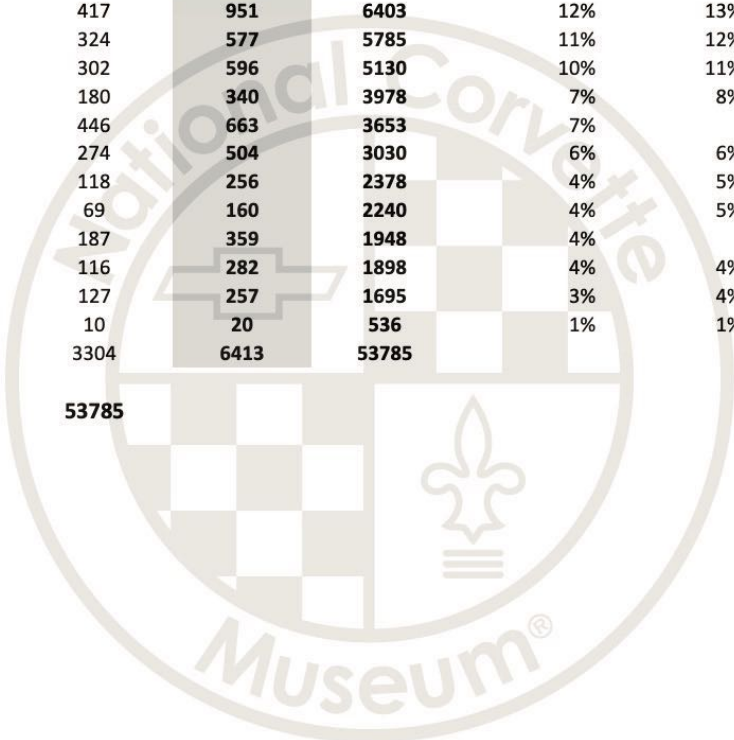






# Final 2023 Corvette Cars Produced and Colors

		Stingray Cpe	Stingray Co	Stingray Tota	Z06 Coupe	Z06 Conv	Z06 total	Overall		(w/o 70th)
Torch Red	GKZ	4008	3088	7096	392	407	799	7895	15%	16%
Arctic White	G8G	3544	3023	6567	322	327	649	7216	13%	15%
Black	GBA	3364	2088	5452	534	417	951	6403	12%	13%
Red Mist	GPH	2330	2878	5208	253	324	577	5785	11%	12%
Hypersonic	GA7	2427	2107	4534	294	302	596	5130	10%	11%
Rapid Blue	GMO	1998	1640	3638	160	180	340	3978	7%	8%
White Pearl	G1W	926	2064	2990	217	446	663	3653	7%	
Amplify	GC5	1266	1260	2526	230	274	504	3030	6%	6%
Ceramic Matrix	G9F	1264	858	2122	138	118	256	2378	4%	5%
Elkhart Lake	GS7	1227	853	2080	91	69	160	2240	4%	5%
Carbon Flash	GAR	643	946	1589	172	187	359	1948	4%	
Accelerate	GD0	825	791	1616	166	116	282	1898	4%	4%
Silver Flare	GSJ	740	698	1438	130	127	257	1695	3%	4%
Caffeine	G48	272	244	516	10	10	20	536	1%	1%
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>24834</b>	<b>22538</b>	<b>47372</b>	<b>3109</b>	<b>3304</b>	<b>6413</b>	<b>53785</b>		





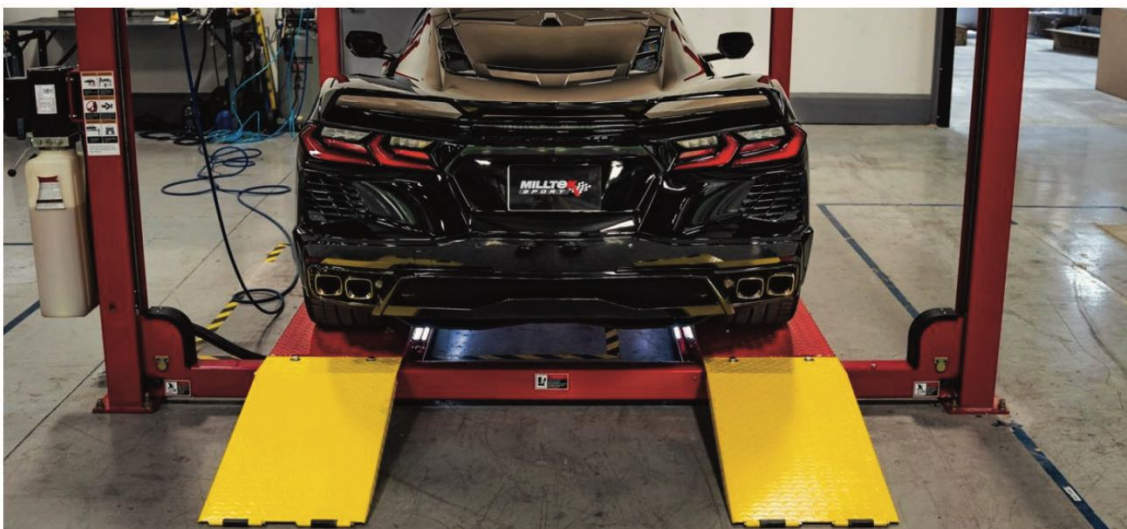
# MillTek Sport Launches C8 Corvette Stingray Performance Exhaust System

BY **TREY HAWKINS** — OCT 22, 2023



The [C8 Corvette Stingray](#) is an impressive vehicle in its own right, offering a tantalizing combination of horsepower, performance and a relatively affordable price point. However, some owners may feel as though the stock exhaust system doesn't quite cut it in the noise department. For those who find themselves in this camp, Milltek Sport has launched a new performance exhaust system for the mid-engined Vette.

Available worldwide through the company's dealer network, this new exhaust system is designed with two aspects in mind – sound and weight savings. To this end, [C8 Corvette](#) Stingray units equipped with this system boast a heightened V8 soundtrack and save almost 40 pounds over the OEM unit.







## Performance Exhaust System



Customers are also able to individualize their system to help them stand out from the crowd. To facilitate this, Milltek offers its exhaust system with a variety of exhaust tip finishes, which include a choice of polished stainless, Cerakote satin black, brushed titanium, burnt/blue titanium, and carbon fiber. Mandrel bent tubing is used throughout, while both Stingray Coupe and Convertible models – with or without the factory sport exhaust system – can be configured with this Milltek unit.

It's worth noting that this cat-back exhaust system starts at \$3,471 with either Cerakote satin black tips or with polished stainless steel tips.





# CHEVROLET CORVETTE C7 (2014-2019)

The C7 Corvette was the seventh generation of the Chevrolet Corvette, and the 2014 model was the first Corvette to include the Stingray name since 1976. The debut of the C7 came after months of hype and speculation among enthusiasts and the automotive media. The C7 was also widely anticipated as it was originally planned for 2011 but then delayed. Rumors swirled that the designers were considering a mid-engine or even a rear-engine layout, but the front engine with RWD was the eventual choice to keep costs lower. The 2014 Corvette debuted in early 2013 at the North American International Auto Show.

## HISTORY OF THE C7 VETTE

GM began planning for the C7 many years in advance of its eventual release date. Planning started in 2007 and was supposed to lead to 2011 being the first model year, but it was delayed. The lead designer for the C7 was Hwasup Lee. Lee's team completed the C7 design between 2010 and 2011, and it was approved in 2011. The design of the C7 was truly different from the C6. In fact, only two parts were the same as that previous generation--one of the air filters and the roof release lever. Everything else about the C7 was new.

The rear of the C7 was somewhat criticized for its overly styled design. The four-barreled tailpipe design was lined up in a neat row beneath the license plate, and the taillights were a trapezoidal shape similar to the Camaro of the time. Aerodynamic aids were added to just about every body panel on the C7, often accompanied by chiseled creases. Previous generations minimized the appearance of the headlights or hid them completely with the pop-up style. However, the C7 featured intricately styled headlights with LED daytime running lights fully integrated into the design. Finally, the C7 featured the brand new LT1 6.2-liter V8 engine making 455 horsepower and 460 pound-feet of torque.

## EVOLUTION AND CHANGES YEAR BY YEAR

Both coupe and convertible trims were offered on the 2014 C7 Corvette Stingray. There were three trim levels--1LT, 2LT, and 3LT. Each trim level came in either coupe or convertible layouts. All coupe and convertible cars were offered with the Z51 Performance Package as an available option. The LT1 V8 engine was the only engine for every 2014 Corvette model. At that point, this engine was the most powerful standard Corvette engine to date.



## 2015 C7

For the 2015 model year, the Stingray received an array of new features, including a new transmission, two new design packages, and the debut of the Z06 variant. The new design packages were dubbed the Atlantic and Pacific packages, respectively. The Atlantic Package offered features to turn the Corvette into a luxury sports car, while the Pacific configured it into a performance sports car. Perhaps the best improvement for the 2015 Corvette was the new eight-speed automatic transmission with paddle shifters. This replaced the previous six-speed transmission.

The all-new Z06 was the highlight of the 2015 model year. This high-performance variant featured an all-new 6.2-liter V8 LT4 engine with a supercharger. The 1.7-liter LT4 blower boosted it to 650 horsepower and 650 pound-feet of torque, which made the 2015 Z06 the most powerful production car ever made by GM to this point. It was also the first Z06 to offer the choice of coupe or convertible since the first car in 1963.

## 2016 C7

Three new visual design packages were released for the 2016 Corvette Stingray. These packages were color-themed and consisted of Twilight Blue, Spice Red, or Jet Black Suede. The C7.4 Edition was released for the 2016 model year as a direct tribute to Corvette race cars. This special edition came in yellow and black color schemes. Only 500 of these Corvettes were built, and all of them came with the Z07 Performance Package.

## 2017 C7

The newest version of the Corvette Grand Sport was unveiled for the 2017 model year. This special model was inspired by race cars with a new lightweight design, upgraded aerodynamics package, and a naturally aspirated engine. Z06 performance technologies were integrated into the Grand Sport model as well. A special Collector's Edition Grand Sport was offered in the exclusive Watkins Glen Gray Metallic color with Tension Blue graphics. GM's 2017 focus was primarily on introducing the Grand Sport, so there were no major changes to the other Corvette models.

## 2018 C7

The 65th Anniversary of the Corvette fell on this model year, and Chevrolet celebrated with the Carbon 65 Edition Corvette. This car came in either the Grand Sport 3LT model or the Z06 3LZ model and blended carbon-fiber elements with a brand new color called Ceramic Matrix Gray. On convertible models, the new color was combined with a blue top. In upgrades for the 2018 Corvette Stingray, all models now came standard with 19-inch front wheels and 20-inch rear wheels. Rumors began to swirl again in 2018 that a new generation was on the way, and the mid-engine would become a reality. However, GM was preparing something fantastic for the final C7 model year.

## 2019 C7

As the last C7 model year rolled out, it marked the arrival of the ultimate Corvette to date--the 755-horsepower ZR1. The 2019 Corvette ZR1 came with the new LT5 supercharged engine. The LT5 blower was 2.65-liters, making it 64% larger than the 1.7-liter supercharger in the LT4. This engine created 755 horsepower and 715 pound-feet of torque, which made it the most powerful Chevrolet production vehicle to date. The 2019 ZR1 also featured the first-ever dual fuel injection system made by GM. The ZR1 was naturally the centerpiece of the 2019 C7 model year, but the anticipation was also building for the next generation of Corvette set to be revealed.

## C7 CORVETTE FAST FACTS

- Won 2014 Automobile of the Year Award from Automobile Magazine
- Sales for the 2018 model were down sharply from other years of the C7
- The C7 offered the first-ever Active Fuel Management system (cylinder deactivation) on a Corvette
- C7 Corvette convertibles featured a power top that could be lowered while the car was moving at speeds up to 30 MPH
- The C7 offered increased traction for slippery surfaces with the Traction Management system

## LEGACY OF THE C7 CORVETTE

The main legacy of the C7 Corvette is that it would be the last generation (for now) of a front-engine Corvette. The following C8 generation made good on GM's earlier inclination to deliver a mid-engine car. The final C7 Corvette was a black Z06 coupe. It was assembled in November of 2019 and sold at a charity auction.



# BRCC Logo Merchandise



Pat Cooper  
 Merchandise  
 817-781-1224  
[patcooper04@att.net](mailto:patcooper04@att.net)

**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.

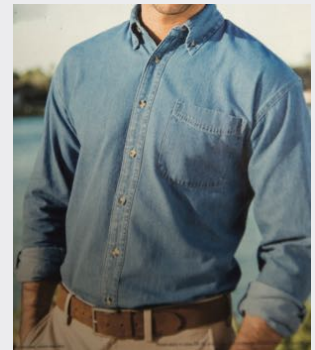
**ADD \$6.00 FOR EMBROIDERED NAMES**

**Name Tags .....\$12.95**

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

**Tote Bags ..... \$20.00**

**Key Chains ..... \$10.00**







# Next Club Meeting Feb 1st Spring Creek BBQ



*That's All  
Folks*

