



Brazos River Corvette Club

Newsletter

March 2021



Let's go for a Ride!



Brazos River Corvette Club

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2021 BRCC Officers

President	Becky Skags
Vice President	Open
Secretary	Open
Treasurer	Larry DeYoung

Cruise Coordinator	Becky Skaggs
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Email Group Manager	Sandy Varner
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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 6:00pm for socializing and ordering dinner, club business starts at 7:00pm and usually over before 9:00pm.

Happy Birthday

Theresa Halford	Mar 19
Sharon Hill	Mar 19
Neal Bellamy	Mar 24

Anniversaries

Larry & Arlene DeYoung	Mar 15
Tom & Jeanne Limroth	Mar 26
Donny & Kerri Lawson	Mar 31

Happy Anniversary!!



2021

BRCC PRESIDENT

BECKY SKAGGS

What a month February was with the wintery weather. I hope all of you came out of it okay. We had to have an irrigation system pipe repaired, so feel we were lucky that this was all that we had to fix. The COVID numbers have come down, so we are planning to have the March 4 monthly club meeting at Spring Creek BBQ. The meeting starts at 7pm, so please get there about 6pm to have dinner prior. I look forward to our first meeting this year for all of those that are comfortable in joining.

Our February 20 cruise was pushed to our alternate date of February 27 due to the weather. This was my first cruise to plan and lead, so it was a learning experience. The primary route was cruising the southern Palo Pinto county area. See the separate cruise report for more detail with pictures.

I have not heard from anyone regarding the need to fill the VP, Secretary, and Events Coordinator positions. This will be on the agenda for the meeting. I will need a volunteer to take minutes as well during the meeting. Please think about these positions and step forward to assist your club.

At the meeting, I would like to discuss the possibility of a picnic as I understand this is something we have typically done in the past on a yearly basis. We will spend time at the meeting discussing what events we would like to do this year. Bring the ideas! Be ready to brainstorm.

Feedback is always welcome. I am looking forward to our club's future activities as COVID continues to improve and the weather gets warmer. Let's have some fun!!!

All the best,
Becky

Becky Skaggs



NOVEMBER 7TH MINUTES

Brazos River Corvette Club Meeting

STILL LOOKING HIGH AND LOW FOR 2021 SECRETARY



CALL OR EMAIL BECKY SKAGS TO VOLUNTEER

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BRCC 2021 CALENDAR

PAST & UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Jan 16 | Cruise & Lunch to Hamilton Tx | Terry Varner |
| Feb 27 | Safe Cruise & Picnic Lunch | Becky Skaggs 817-239-0061 |
| Oct 9 | 15TH BRCC Car Show | Halfords 432-413-3099 |
| Oct 17 | Cowtown Annual Car Show | |

**MEMBERS NEED TO SET UP AND RUN AN EVENT
PICK YOUR DATE**

SINGLE LUNCH RUNS ARE ALWAYS ENJOYED FOR SOCIALIZING



Corvette News

The MSRP of the 2021 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray coupe and convertible at all trim levels will increase by \$1,000 beginning March 1. Customers who have event code 1100 sold orders and beyond by March 2 will not be impacted by the price increase on the 2021 Corvette Stingray. We monitor and adjust pricing on all our products regularly, and we're confident the Corvette remains a winning formula of performance and attainability.

The Chevrolet Corvette C8 is a big hit so far for GM, and while we wait for the more powerful Z06 as well as a possibly all-wheel-drive hybrid variant to emerge, Chevrolet is also busy coming up with a mid-cycle refresh for the 2023 model year Coupe and Convertible. According to Mid Engine Corvette Forum and as reported on the "MT Confidential" section of the April 2021 issue of Motor Trend, however, one crucial change may happen inside the cabin.

The C8's current central console puts a small wall between driver and passenger with its tall buttress acting as the physical barrier covered with buttons. As driver-oriented as it is, current GM design chief Michael Simcoe might not be a fan of this somewhat confusing switchgear assembly, as Mid Engine Corvette Forum co-founder John shared in Motor Trend's report.

The C8 Corvette's somewhat fussy styling was already locked and loaded when Michael Simcoe took over at GM Design Chief. But sources in Detroit say the mid-cycle re-design Simcoe had originally planned for 2025 has been put on the back

burner as GM pours money in its electrical vehicle program. However, inside say an interior redesign aimed at among other things fixing the array of button and switches cascading down the buttress on the right side of the center console has survived the bean counters. The redesigned interior will reportedly appear on 2023 C8s.





Does the C8 actually look like a Corvette?

Chip Foose doesn't think so, and he offered his opinion on how to improve the design in a video posted to YouTube.

Foose said one of things he liked most about the Corvette was the clear evolution of its design over the first seven generations. That abruptly ended with the C8, as the proportions were completely changed to accommodate an engine behind the driver.

A mid-engine layout brings significant performance benefits, which helped the C8 win Motor Authority's Best Car To Buy award, but it also erased the Corvette's heritage, according to Foose, who believes the C8 is too generic looking, and too easily confused with other mid-engine cars like the Acura NSX.



Chip Foose draws the Chevrolet Corvette C8

Foose's solution, as laid out in a sketch, takes more styling cues from the previous-generation C7 Corvette. Foose used the front-fender vents from the C7, flipping them around to serve as air intakes for the mid-mounted engine. Foose's version also has more pronounced rear haunches and a longer hood, linking it more closely to the C7 and continuing that evolutionary line.



FEBRUARY BRCC CRUISE TO PALO PINTO

On February 27, Becky Skaggs led a four-car cruise. Joining Becky and Earl were W.J. Gourley, Robert and Susie Williams, and Larry and Arlene DeYoung. The weather was foggy and drizzly off and on, which explains the low number of participants. We met at the Shell Station on the corner of Loop 567 and FM51 where we decided since our cars were already dirty let's just take off and keep our speed slower due to the wet roads. While we were waiting, a DPS Sheriff stopped by and we had a great visit. He was really looking over W.J.'s 2020 white C8 Corvette. Of course, we were all admiring it. The Sheriff told us he would take any of our cars.

We took off and had a nice drive through the countryside anywhere from 5-15 below the speed limit depending on how foggy it was and whether it was drizzling. We had a rest stop about 30 minutes into the trip and from there covered the southern part of Palo Pinto county and were in Stephens county for a short time. Lots of hilly country and a view of Palo Pinto Lake was included. We had to stop once for a cow that the two owners were trying to get back

into the field, but that cow was determined it wanted to get to the other side of the road. Eventually they got the calf back into the field.

Our final stop was lunch at the New York Hill restaurant. The food was particularly good served with warm rolls that included butter and honey however we had to be careful not to fill up on them. One person had the Homemade Chocolate Buttermilk Pie and was able to get the recipe!

We all agreed that this had to be the slowest speed ever completed on a cruise, however all were glad that we did it. It was suggested that it would be a great trip we could do again later in the year when it is sunny and green. The trip home only took us just over an hour to get back to Granbury as we took I-20 to US 281 to FM 4.

Pictures were provided by Larry and Becky. I know what those on the trip will be doing this week...washing Corvettes.

Reporter: Becky Skaggs





BRCC Logo Merchandise

Larry Sharp 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 item upon request.*

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Nike Polo Shirts 363-807\$ 30.00
Many colors, Yellow, Light Blue, Med Blue, Varsity Red, White, Black, Pink & Others

Sport Wick Stretch 1/2 Zip Pullover\$35.00
Mens & Ladies styles XS-4XL
Mens: Black, Charcoal Grey, Navy Blue, Med Blue, Forest Green, Maroon
Ladies: Black, Charcoal Grey, Med Blue, Dust Rose, Pink Rush, Navy Blue, White

Sweatshirt 1/4 Zip 9-Oz Pullover.....\$35.00
Mens & Ladies styles XS-4XL & Tall
Black, White, Vintage Heather, Graphite Heather, Light Heather, Forest Green, Dark Pink, Pink, Maroon, True Red, True Navy, True Royal

Long Sleeve Dress Cotton/Poly S608 \$25.00
Mens Button Down Ladies Open Collar
All colors

Long Sleeve Denim Mens & Ladies\$35.00
Mens Button Down Ladies Open Collar
XS-6XL and Long

ADD \$3.00 FOR EMBROIDERED NAMES

Name Tags\$9.00





Next Club Meeting March 4th Spring Creek BBQ



*That's All
Folks*