

GET CONNECTED



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WELCOME!

Welcome to your first edition of Get Connected with Corvette Connected! This is a monthly newsletter geared towards keeping us all informed on upcoming events, announcements, birthdays and any other information that members may need to know. This newsletter will also allow us a platform to get to know our club family better. Each month, I will select a member to highlighted as the member of the month. This section will be called "In the Driver's Seat". So... buckle up and get ready for the ride!

Happy



Earnest Black 2/20
Anthony Walker 2/22

EAT MY DUST

Happy to announce that World of Wheels was a success! We had 14 members to enter and as a result everyone walked away with an award for their efforts. Surprisingly, even I placed in my class. I was totally surprised because I really didn't expect to win anything. I was just happy to be there! Congratulations to everyone! We had 3 members to do a total sweep in their class taking home 1st (James Price), 2nd (Marcus Reese), and 3rd (Stewart Johnson) place in their class! Even the members who entered their other vehicles won an award.

Want to send a special congratulations to Eric McTye for winning 1st place with his beautiful Mercedes Benz. I was salty at first, but I got over it (lmao) and congrats to T-Bone on his new C8! It was a spectacular weekend and I'm personally looking forward to next year!



FULL SPEED AHEAD

Mark your calendars for Corvette Connected Car Show! The car show will be held Saturday, June 28th at Cargo Largo. Don Reed provided flyers for the event, please get with him to get flyers to start passing out. Also, you can post the flyers to your social media to start the buzz. The club is planning on attending KLASACT Corvette Club Car Show the 3rd weekend in May in St. Louis, MO. The date for this trip is May 17th. If you have any events or out of town trips you would like the club to participate in, please bring those ideas and information the meeting to be discussed.



In the Driver's Seat

Charles Henderson

I know y'all think I'm being bias with my first choice for driver of the month, and you're right(lol)! Seeing as how it is February (the month of love), and Mr. Charlie is my Boo as well as one the original founding members of Corvette Connected, I thought it would only make sense to kick things off with highlighted him.

You all know him as Charles or Charlie, the quiet guy who's always willing to lend a helping hand and also the guy who never eats or drinks anything. He just stands around with that one arm behind his back and smiling. But did you know that he is originally from Kingstree (Myrtle Beach) South Carolina? Well yes, he is! As a young boy Charlie grew up working on the farm. He attended Kingstree High school where he played bass guitar in his high school band call The Black Movement Band. He later went on to play the bass guitar in the Sounds of Joy and Happy Family Gospel band as well. Charlie attended the tech school in his hometown where he took auto mechanic as a trade.

Outside of starting a career as an auto mechanic, he often spent time enjoying one of his favorite past times: CAR and MOTORCYCLE RACING! Now, I don't know what y'all heard but the word on the curb is that Charlie was the guy to beat and from what I'm hearing that wasn't happening. If you've ever been dusted off by him in that BMW with the juice in the trunk then you know, I'm not lying (LOL)! In his early adult life, he moved to North Carolina where he worked for IBM as an electrician for many years. While in NC, Charlie and some friends started a van club called TCA (Taking Care of America) Vanners Club. In addition to being a member of the Vanners Club, he was also a member of the Easy Rider Motorcycle Club of Sumpter South Carolina and played softball for the New Breed Softball Team.

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In 1989, Charlie decided to move to KC with his sister Betty. However, Betty didn't stay long and went back to SC. After moving here, Charlie started working for Ray's Mobile as an auto mechanic where he worked for over 30 years. He has been owner and operator of Grumpy 10/10 Garage for 10 years. You have to ask him about the catchy name because there is a funny story behind it! So, as you can see Charlie has done a lot in his lifetime and still doing great things. Not only is he master mechanic and awesome at his trade (if it's broke, he can fix it), he is a loving father and grandfather. He is simply adored by his siblings, family and friends.

Well, there it is folks... your driver of the month: Mr. Charles Henderson and now you're Connected!



Charlie and his 1985 Corvette, recently named "SASSY"!

Zodiac Corner

Aquarius

Aquarius, 2025 is the year of personal development and financial gains with the help of Saturn in your life. You're encouraged to speak your truth, but listen deeply. The planetary movement will challenge you to balance speaking out with internal reflection.

LOVE IS IN THE AIR...INTAKE

**Congratulations to
Ivan & Heather
Charles & Kisha
on their recent
engagements!**

Its Actual and Factual Corvette Fun Facts

Did you know that the Corvette is the world's longest -running passenger car that is still being produced?

Its not only the longest running passenger car that still being produced, but it has also been the pace car for Indianapolis 500. It has been the pace car for the Indy 500 more than any other car, appearing at least 18 times!

Well, now you know.



**Next exit
smiles and laughs**

It was a nice sunny day when a State Trooper was driving along and notice that there was a parking lot full of Corvettes at a roadside bar. Being the car enthusiast he was, he decided to pull over and take a look at all the beautiful Corvettes. As he was taking a gander and being in awe of how nice everyone's car was, the Corvette owners all started to come out of the bar. The officer starts to compliment them about their cars. While talking with the drivers, he notices that one of them was stumbling and talking very loud with slurred speech. The trooper immediately suspected that he was drunk and went over to confront him about it. As he's walking over, he waves goodbye to the other Corvette drivers and bids them safe travels.



Once he gets over to the intoxicated man he starts performing a field sobriety test. As he is performing the test, he's lecturing the guy about the dangers of drunk driving and how he should always secure a designated driver if he's going to get wasted. So, he performs the test and notices the guy is passing with flying colors. After passing the breathalyzer, the trooper realized that there's no way the guy could be drunk and has to let him go. So, the guy gets in his Vette and starts it up but before he pulls off, he yells back at the trooper and says, "Hey!" I don't need a designated driver because I'm the designated decoy!!!!