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What's Happening in June 2019

**Saturday June 8th** 

CV&CCC Monthly Breakfast Mama Sally's 9:00 a.m. 2010 S.E. U.S. 19 Crystal River

**Tuesday June 11th** 

Honor Flight Washington D.C.



CV&CCC Member Jo Monty will be the Guardian for Korean War Veteran Marine Paul Kobel.

The \$400.00 Cost was paid for by the CV&CCC.

Saturday June 15th

CV&CCC Luncheon Cruise Ivy House 11:15 a.m. 106 N.W. Main Street Williston.

We will meet at Hampshire Boulevard & CR491 at 9:45 a.m. and depart at 10:00 a.m. for the Ivy House. We will meet our CV&CCC Members who live in Marion County at the Wal-Mart Plaza on U.S. 41 at 10:30 a.m.

June 20 - 23rd

REV Group Indy Car Grand Prix Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin

# VETTES & CAMAROS CAR CLUB

## **CV&CCC Officers**

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# "What's Happening in July 2019"



Pack your bags for a fun filled trip to the Sarasota Classic Car Museum on July 18th. The museum is recognized as the second oldest continuously operating antique car museum in the nation! We have a group rate of \$10.50 per person for the tour of the museum!

We will be departing on Thursday July 18th from the Citrus County Fairgrounds located at 3600 S. Florida Avenue or U.S. Highway 41 in Inverness

We will be staying at the Hampton Inn & Suites directly off of I-75 at the University Parkway

Exit. The brand new University Park Town Center Mall is just south of our hotel.



## Sea Life Encounter Cruise

Friday July 19th at 1:30 we will join a marine biologist on this 1 hour, 45-minute cruise through Sarasota and Roberts Bays. Observe our Florida manatees and resident population of bottle-nose dolphins while learning about the ecology, history, and folklore of the area. Your guide will lead you on a short nature walk on an uninhabited island followed by a unique opportunity to view pelicans, herons, ibis and egrets in their nesting habitat. The highlight of this trip is the collection of a sample of marine life with a trawl net. Observe and handle some of the curious residents of Sarasota Bay: puffer fish, sea horses, stone crabs, and cow fish to name a few. Check-in is 30 minutes prior to departure. Cost is \$26.00 per person if we have 20 people! \$29.00 per person if we have 15 people.

We have a special group rate of \$99.00 per night. We have a block of 10 rooms reserved!

Hampton Inn & Suites Sarasota 8565 Cooper Creek Boulevard (941) 355-8619

## Welcome new CV&CCC Members



The CV&CCC would like to give a warm welcome to the following new members:

Wilbur & Mary Wallace

2012 C6 Coue Majestic Red

We're happy you could join us! Enjoy the ride!



# Flags for Fallen Veterans



# **CV&CCC** June Birthday's



John Buchner June 1

Ken McNally June 1

**Marty Jones June 2** 

Lynda Chiafullo June 9

Richard Verbiski June 11

**Rick Cote June 16** 

**Charlie Robinson June 16** 

Al Catania June 17

Joan Kaupp June 17

Clark Blalack June 24

**David Kyrk June 29** 

Pat Jones June 30



## Here's What Dealers Need To Do To Sell The Mid-Engine C8 Corvette

While enthusiasts are ready to experience the mid-engine C8 Corvette, dealers see the new halo model as a way to usher more traffic into their stores. However, dealers will need to enroll in one of two programs to qualify as an authorized mid-engine C8 Corvette dealership.

According to details posted to the Corvette Forum, dealers have two options. The first is the "Corvette Dealer" program, which is pretty basic. Dealers will need to send one sales specialist to Spring Mountain for education, which will cost the dealer \$3,500.

All personnel will need to undergo sales and service training as well. Finally, the dealer will need to purchase all C8 Corvette service tools, which will cost an additional \$1,500 for current Corvette dealers.

The second program is called the "Signature Corvette Dealer." To become a signature dealer, the business must "comply with the Corvette Participation Agreement" (we're not sure what that means exactly) and send a sales specialist or service advisor to Spring Mountain. Signature Corvette Dealers will also be showcased on Chevrolet's official website and will be able to sell merchandise from their dealer website, too.

Additionally, dealers can sign up for a "mobile tour." At a cost of \$16,000 for one day or \$25,000 for two days, Chevrolet will send a mid-engine Corvette expert to the dealer. Potential customers will be able to comb over the car with the expert before production begins, which is rumored for December. The expert can help customers configure and place orders ahead of production start as well.

Overall, it won't be too difficult for Chevy dealers to sell the mid-engine Corvette, but for those who want to treat the new car like a European exotic, they'll need to pony up some major cash up front.

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# Cadillacs, Camaros, Corvettes Recalled for Power Steering Problem

## GM says the problem may be caused by an electrical short circuit

General Motors is recalling 26,772 cars, including certain 2016–2018 Cadillac CTS sedans, 2017 Chevrolet Corvette and Camaro coupes, and 2017 Cadillac ATS sedans.

The electric power-steering assist may fail while the vehicle is in motion. If power steering is lost, drivers may have to steer with more effort. If this happens unexpectedly, it may lead to a crash, especially at low speeds, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Drivers may also see a warning message on the dashboard if the power-steering assist fails. Power steering may start working again after the vehicle is turned off and restarted, but may fail again later, NHTSA says. GM has already recalled over 1.7 million trucks and SUVs for power-steering issues in separate campaigns.

## The Details

Vehicles recalled: 26,772 cars, including:

- 2016–2018 Cadillac CTS sedans manufactured from July 1, 2016 through May 24, 2017
- 2017 Cadillac ATS sedans manufactured from July 24, 2016 through May 30, 2017
- 2017 Chevrolet Corvette coupes manufactured from July 27, 2016 through May 4, 2017
- 2017 Chevrolet Camaro coupes manufactured from July 1, 2016 through May 19, 2017

The problem: A manufacturing error may cause an electrical issue in the affected vehicles' power-steering systems, causing it to fail.

The fix: Dealers will replace the faulty part free of charge and will reimburse owners who paid for prior repairs out of pocket.

**How to contact the manufacturer:** Owners may contact Cadillac customer service at 800-458-8006, or Chevrolet customer service at 800-222-1020.

NHTSA campaign number: 19V086. GM's own number for this recall is N182182760

# New Lawsuit Alleges GM Fit C7 Corvette Grand Sport, Z06 With Faulty Wheels



General Motors has been served a new lawsuit that could soon become a national class-action lawsuit over bad C7 Corvette Grand Sport and Z06 wheels.

CarComplaints.com published the lawsuit information on Wednesday, which details the troubles Corvette Grand Sport and Z06 owners have with the aluminum-alloy wheels. Owners have complained to the NHTSA that the wheels bend, warp, and even crack. A cracked wheel poses a safety risk as it could puncture a tire while driving. To be clear, there is no recall for the Corvette for the complaint, but the NHTSA has documented the issue thus far.

One owner said he leased a 2018 Corvette model and took the vehicle to a shop to have them coated, but the shop took video upon his arrival that two wheels were bent already. The dealership the owner leased the car from said his driving style was the likely cause and both wheels cost \$7,500 to replace.

Eventually, GM paid the owner \$1,200 as part of the out-of-pocket cost. However, the lawsuit argues this is a breach of the car's 3-year/36,000-mile bumper-to-bumper warranty.

The proposed class-action lawsuit argues GM knew about the wheel defects beforehand or else customers would not have purchased the sports car.

Although multiple customers have filed complaints with the NHTSA, one owner characterized the problem after just 1,000 miles on his new C7 Corvette Grand Sport. The owner said vibration suddenly occurred while driving around 55 mph and a dealership said all four wheels were bent and needed replacing. GM Customer Care told the owner this issue was not covered under warranty.

The faulty wheel lawsuit was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California with Capstone Law named the firm to represent the plaintiff.

# VETTES & CAMAROS CAR CLUB

# Federal Judge Permits C7 Corvette Z06 Lawsuit to Proceed

A federal judge has given C7 Corvette Z06 owners a win with regards to a class-action lawsuit. United States District Judge Victoria A. Robert for the Eastern District of Michigan ruled this past Friday that the case may proceed in court.

It's been two years since the class-action lawsuit was filed, which alleged that the track machine is woefully incapable of keeping cool at the race track. The lawsuit specified that a defect with the Z06's cooling system can cause the car to overheat and enter "limp mode" after as little as 15 minutes of spirited track driving. Indeed, the problem was widespread enough that it showed up during Motor Trend Best Driver's Car testing years ago. The C7 Corvette Z06 was a DNF that year.

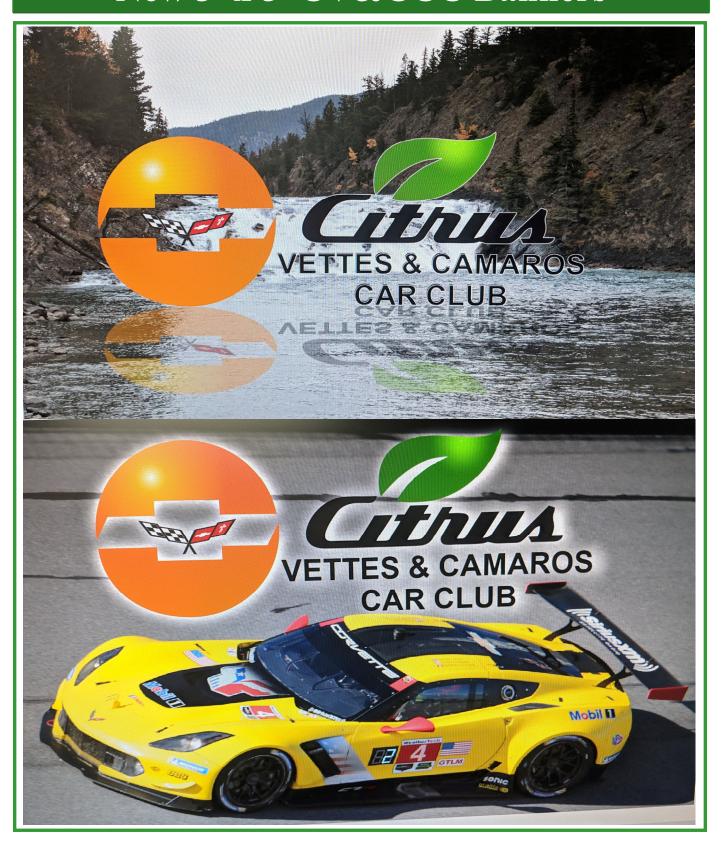
Hagens Berman Sobol Shapiro LLP, which is representing the plaintiffs in the lawsuit, argued in 2017 that as many as 30,000 Corvette Z06 models feature the defect and argued General Motors sold the car with full knowledge of the problem. The class-action lawsuit brought charges of fraudulent concealment, breach of warranty, unjust enrichment, and more. Of note, it only includes 2015-2017 model years.

"GM enticed race enthusiasts with bells and whistles, promising a car that could maintain safe speeds and power when tracked, but we believe what it sold them was far from what it promised," said Hagens Berman Managing Partner Steve Berman when the lawsuit was filed. "This defect not only damages the Z06 engine, but endangers drivers."

For GM, it said it would remedy the problem with improvements to the cooling system for the 2017 model year back in 2018.

At the time, Tadge Juechter, lead Corvette engineer, stated around less than five percent of C7 Corvette Z06 owners have experienced heat soak or overheating issues with their vehicles on the track.

## New 3' x 5' CV&CCC Banners



## New CV&CCC Personalized Office Chairs





# **New CV&CCC Personalized Office Chairs**



# WETTES & CAMAROS CAR CLUB

## Information on new CV&CCC Items

New CV&CCC 3' x 5' Banners are personalized with any picture you would like such as your Camaro or Corvette etc.

The banners come with stainless grommets and can be hung in the horizontal or vertical position.

Picture Format can be JPG, TIF or RAW Image.

Lead time is 2 weeks and the cost is \$80.00 per banner.

New CV&CCC Personalized Office Chairs come powder coated in any color along with Chrome or Carbon Fiber.

They come with either white or black upper & lower cushions.

Club logo is standard color as shown. Picture of your Corvette or Camaro or any other picture can be placed on the upper or lower cushion.

Lead time is 3 to 4 weeks and the cost for the chair & printing is \$115.00.

A padded black zippered travel bag is an option if you plan on taking your chair with you. Cost for the travel bag is \$35.00/

# **CV&CCC Spring Grand Prix**



# CV&CCC Grand Prix Championship





### CV&CCC Grand Prix Men's Results May 18, 2019

Position	Best Lap	Racer
1	71.976	Bob Malizia
2	72.961	Mac McGarry
3	72.733	Wayne Briant

### CV&CCC Grand Prix Women's Results May 18, 2019

Position	Best Lap	Racer
1	76.105	Lisa Jessing
2	98.022	Joanne

### CV&CCC Grand Prix Men's Championship Points

Position	Points	Racer
1	100	Bob Malizia
2	90	Mac McGarry
3	80	Wayne Briant

### CV&CCC Grand Prix Women's Championship Points

Position	Points	Racer
1	100	Lisa Jessing
2	90	Joanne





## Citrus Hills Car & Truck Show



Note: CV&CCC Members;

We will need volunteers for judging & parking! We don't have to worry about registration this year. Each volunteer will receive a \$25.00 gift Certificate to Skyview at Tera Vista.

Please respond by September 30, 2019.