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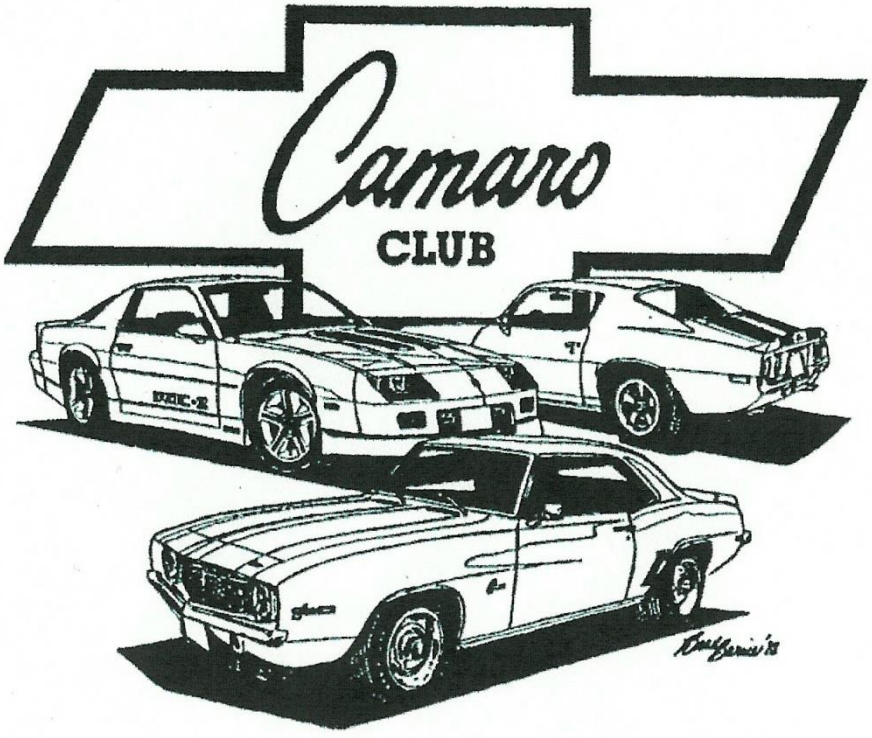

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Spring is in the Air!

And, unfortunately, there has been a lot of rain in the air as well. Hopefully you are finishing up those winter projects on your show car, cruiser, or race car in time for the weather to break!

Personally, I am waiting for my projector / halo lights to arrive so I can install them in my 92 RS. I've also picked up a donor car for an LS swap, and I have a set of SFC's that need to be welded in. But even if none of that were to get done, I am definitely ready to get out and cruise in some sunny weather!

In case you haven't heard, we have created a new Facebook page for our club members only. Search for PNWCC Insiders and join! This page is being used to share information on our club member events, such as our lover's / spring cruise, Camaros in the Cellar, and our tour of the North Cascades Loop in June. We still have our Pacific Northwest Camaro Club page as well, where we promote our club to others, now with over 1,000 members!

If you are reading this before April 29th, check out our Northwest Harvest volunteer event in Kent. It's going to be a lot of fun, and we're supporting an organization we traditionally support with cash and food donations. If you want to join us be sure to let Maggie or Natalie know activities@pnwcc.com.

ELECTRONIC OR PAPER? The Big Debate

As a club we publish a newsletter every two months. For thirty years, our newsletters were mailed out to every paying member. Back in those days, we set up "phone trees" to spread the word of an upcoming event throughout the club – anyone remember phone trees?

A couple of years ago, we began publishing an electronic version of our newsletter. The online version is filled with color pictures, live internet links, and generally more material than the printed one. And it doesn't cost any cash to produce!

If we have a good email address for you, you will be receiving an invitation to complete an online survey through Survey Monkey. We'll be asking you to provide your first and last name, and tell us if you still want to receive the printed newsletter or are you happy with just the online version. Please consider your answer carefully as you will help the club save money for other fun stuff if you go electronic.

If you don't receive the email invitation for this survey, please be sure to email me and let me know! president@pnwcc.com. Please make sure you include your first and last name, as I will not always know who is behind HappyGoLucky@email.com or whatever cool name you have come up with!

Looking forward to seeing you all out and about!

Sam Besser, 2017 President, PNWCC

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Treasurer's Corner

2017 PNWCC SHIRTS

The new shirts are in and there are now SIX Camaros on the back. With the 6th Generation now in production, we needed a new shirt design to include the latest addition to the family. Limited supply so come to the monthly club meeting to get your shirt before they run out.

We also have PNWCC ball caps as well as a few shirts left with previously release designs. Send a note to StoreManager@pnwcc.com with the size shirt you're looking for and Robert will let you know what is in stock.

Articles and Activities:

SWAP MEET REPORT!

March 2017

By Sam Besser

Corvette & High Performance Swap Meet

This year the CHP swap meet in Puyallup was held on Friday and Saturday 2/10 & 2/11. The Camaro Club had a nice display of three cars, as well as our regular club booth inside the Pavilion Building. In addition to that, members Dale Krehbiel, Jon Nidermayer, Bruce Mercer and Don Berry had a booth in the big blue and white tent where they sold lots of Camaro parts.

The weather on Friday was sketchy, to say the least, with chilly winds and cold rain for most of the time. Saturday was much better – the wind was gone, and the sun came out. And the crowds came out with the sun!

There were a few Camaros for sale, and the Rotary Club has a nice ‘69 Camaro they are raffling for $5 a ticket.

Lenore Voit, Tim Powell and Dale Krehbiel all agreed to display their cars, so we had a first gen, a third gen and a sixth gen on display right in front of our club booth. Lenore’s 50th anniversary convertible drew a lot of interest, as most folks have not seen one of these. Tim’s beautiful ‘91, and Dale’s red over red ‘67 big block SS also had their share of admirers. Parked on the other side of Dale’s car was a 2010 stroked and supercharged Lingenfelter Camaro that fit right in with ours!

We had quite a few visitors to our club table, and we got three renewals and one new member. The flyers for both of our shows were also popular take-aways.

It was great to meet new friends and renew old acquaintances as it is every year!

All's Fair in Love & Driving

By Sara Giba, Contributions By Larry DeCamp

February saw members making their way to a Lovers' Getaway at the Rosarios Resort on Orcas Island. An estimate of around 20 club members were in attendance. Legend has it, the crew met up on a Saturday afternoon to do some shopping before heading off to the resort. Sounds like fun! I wonder what they bought…..

I hear that everyone had a nice dinner at the resort (the white building in the picture) followed by a meet up in the evening in one of the couples' rooms for dessert, drinks and discussion. About what, one can only speculate. I'm guessing motor oil and pistons, plugs and cold air intakes.

On Sunday some left early while others met in town for breakfast before getting on the ferry for the trip back. Weather reported was wet and I have heard more than few complaints about that, however I have it on good authority that everyone had a good time anyway. Larry DeCamp recounts for next year, “The resort and rooms were nice although the roads could use some improvement.”

Player’s Challenge/GM Motor Sport Racing Series

From Greater Toronto Collector Car Museum Online

General Motors was a big supporter of the Players Challenge/GM Motor Sport Racing Series during the late 80’s and early 90’s sponsoring such drivers as Ron Fellows, Richard Spenard and David Empringham in the Eastern Series. The racers competed in specially built identically prepared race ready Camaro’s and trans Ams. Known by their RPO codes A4Q (1986), A4U (1987/88) and 1LE R7U (1988 to 1992), they were a well-kept secret within the racing and automotive community.

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PRODUCTION NUMBERS FOR "CANADIAN PLAYER'S CARS" (All numbers verified)

	1986	1987	1988	1989	1991 MODEL		1992
					1990	1991	
Option Code (RPO)	*A4Q*	*A4U*	*A4U*	*R7U*	*R7U*	*R7U*	*R7U*
Camaro (1FP87)	63	53	71	74	65	32	30
Trans Am (2FW87)	22	22	20	17	14	9	5
Total	**85**	**75**	**91**	**91**	**79**	**41**	**35**

Total Camaro's	**388**	***Total Players Production: 497 cars***
Total Trans Am's	**109**	

Notes
- 1991 model R7U production numbers are 97 R7U Camaro's and 23 R7U Trans Am's. The 1990/1991 breakout is verified by GM Motorsport order sheets. Production date will indicate which batch the car was built in.
- 1986 cars came with 305 L69 HO motors. A total of 74 Camaro's, 26 Trans Am's were built in 1986 with the 305 L69 HO motor.
- No known 1LE cars were imported into Canada in 1988.
- The majority of 1LE cars imported into Canada were R7U cars. See chart below:
- 1986-1988 Camaro's were IROC-Z/Z28's, 1988-89 were IROC-Z. 1991-1992 were Z28

(Read the full story here: http://gtccm.com/road-tests-gtccm/players-challenge/)

After 35 Years in Storage, Day-Two 1967 Chevrolet Camaro SS350 Back and Better Than Ever

Written by Eric English on February 20, 2017

When Bruce Mercer purchased his 1967 Camaro SS350 in 1972, he could hardly have imagined that he would still own it in pristine condition some 45 years later. Like many other 19-year-olds fresh out of high school, Bruce was living more in the moment, making money, enjoying a hot set of wheels, and living life to the fullest. In terms of the car, that meant daily driving for a couple of years as well as cruising and stoplight challenges in his hometown of Yakima, Washington. By 1974, Bruce's competitive juices were boiling over, and he turned the Camaro into a competitive NHRA drag racer.

(Read Full Article Here: http://www.hotrod.com/articles/35-years-storage-day-two-1967-chevrolet-camaro-ss350-back-better-ever/)

2017 Chevrolet Camaro ZL1 Hits the Track in New Ignition

Alex Nishimoto-Words; March 27, 2017

The Corvette is supposed to be the heaviest hitter in Chevrolet's stable, but after driving the 2017 ZL1, senior features editor Jonny Lieberman believes that crown actually belongs to the Camaro. Find out why on this episode of "Ignition."

(Find out if this is the **"better driver's car than the Z06"** and watch the FANTASTIC 15 minute video at: http://www.motortrend.com/news/2017-chevrolet-camaro-zl1-hits-the-track-in-new-ignition/?wc_mid=4035:5644&wc_rid=4035:1309046&_wcsid=2346DB63207FB06C126522EAB2C8C7A9C26FA394C9DC548E)

Members' Corner

March 2017

By Sara Giba

Our dear president, Sam Besser, has been hassling me about introducing the newest member of the Pacific Northwest Camaro Club to all of you, only this time it's not a person. It's a co-pilot. She's pretty cute, as co-pilots go, so I agreed.

Meet Aura, the therapy pomsky, and co-pilot to your 2017 VP, Sara Giba!

Aura was born on January 9th (also my brother's birthday) in Vernal Utah to Lollipop Pomsky breeders, a family originally from Sammamish, WA. She is my personal emotional support animal as well as I use her with my clients in therapy sessions. She's already riding along well in Mila, my 2015 2LT V6, manual Zombie Apocalypse Camaro. Yeah, that one. You know the one.

Since I mentioned Mila, I'm going to go ahead and expound on this introduction by introducing you all to my car!

BIO: I purchased Mila in July of 2015 at Bellevue Chevrolet after trading in my 2003 Toyota Tundra. This truck was pristine and belonged to my deceased stepfather. I promised to never sell it, but after a few universe gifts that lined things up for me financially, I began researching Camaros and test driving them at four different dealerships. Now, as the story goes, budget wise I had a choice to get a basic SS or a 2LT, which had all the interior bells and whistles. I opted for style given I was going to make her a visual badass. My dream car had always been the '67 in the movie *Better Off Dead*, and having hit the 40+ mark, it was time for my midlife crisis car.

Exterior:
Custom Decals from various internet sources; windshield, rear window, passenger and driver doors
Color Shift (green to purple) plasti-dipped wheels and red painted calipers by Dipping Unlimited
"Cannibal" center break light decal
Custom hood liner and engine details (done by myself)

Custom, refurbished apocalypse guns mounted on the hood for shows
Demon Eye decals on headlights for shows by Top Flight Labs

Interior:
Custom floor lighting, trunk and map lights (all blue to match interior stock lighting)
Zombie apocalypse puddle lights in blue, and OEM light up Camaro Kick Plates

Engine:
K&N carbon cold air intake
MRT V2 Axle back exhaust

Honors:
All Camaro Show-Class Winner. July 17th, 2016, XXX Root Beer, Issaquah, WA

Wish List:
Hurst Short Throw Shifter
X Pipe
Halo headlights

PNWCC Upcoming Events 2017

Mar 4	8AM Caffine & Cool Cars, Jim Green's Monroe
Mar 17-18	Portland Rodster Show, Portland
Mar 21	6:30PM Board Meeting, Location TBD
Mar 25	4PM ACS/GMN Meeting Round table pizza, Burien 5PM PNWCC General Meeting, Round Table Pizza, Burien Please bring a non-perishable food items for Northwest Harvest.
April 1	8AM Car Club Challenge (CCC) Bremerton Motorsports, Bremerton Go Team GM
April 7-8	Portland Swap Meet, Portland
April 8	Hot Rod Hall of Fame dinner TBD
April 22	Tulip Rally, Burlington http://www.tuliprallye.org/
April 25	6:30PM Board Meeting, Location TBD
April 29	4PM ACS/GMN Meeting Round table pizza, Burien 5PM PNWCC General Meeting, Round Table Pizza, Burien Please bring a non-perishable food items for Northwest Harvest.
May 8	8AM CCC Bremerton Motorsports, Bremerton
May 19	4PM CCC Pacific Raceways, Kent
May 13	Autocross – TBD
May 23	6:30PM Board Meeting, Location TBD
May 27	4PM ACS/GMN Meeting Round table pizza, Burien 5PM PNWCC General Meeting, Round Table Pizza, Burien Please bring a non-perishable food items for Northwest Harvest.
June 2	4PM CCC, Pacific Raceways, Kent
June 2-4	Camaro's in the Cellar, Yakima
June 9	4PM CCC Pacific Raceways, Kent
June 16	4PM CCC Pacific Raceways, Kent
June 16-18	North Cascades Loop Getaway. Overnight in Winthrup.
June 20	6:30PM Board Meeting
June 24	4PM ACS/GMN Meeting Round table pizza, Burien 5PM Please bring a non-perishable food items for Northwest Harvest.
June 22-25	7th Annual Camaro Rally, Sturgis, SD. http://www.sturgiscamarorally.com/
June 29-July 2	Cache Valley Cruise, Logan UT **http://www.cachevalleycruisein.net/**
July 2	7AM Hot Rod Hall of Fame Car Show, XXX Burgers, Issaquah
July 15	8AM CCC, Bremerton Motorsports, Bremerton
July 15	Pre-ACS Car Rally and BBQ – TBD
July 16	8AM ALL-Camaro Show, XXX Burgers, Issaquah
July 22	8AM CCC, Bremerton Motorsports, Bremerton
July 21-23	Apricot Fest, Lillooet, BC, Canada, Contact Maggie Gregory bucky12.mg@gmail.com for information.
July 25	6:30PM Board Meeting
July 29	Monroe Race Track. Celebrating the Camaro's 50th Birthday with Sprint Cars. More details to follow. Club meeting included.

Aug 11	4PM CCC, Pacific Raceways, Kent
Aug 12	10AM 6th Annual Camaro Meet at Wally's, Buckley
Aug 19	Abbotsford Car Show, Abbotsford, BC More info to follow
Aug 18-21	6th Annual RevyFest, Revelstoke, BC. Contact Maggie Gregory bucky12.mg@gmail.com for information
Aug 19	8AM CCC Bremerton Motorsports, Bremerton
Aug 22	6:30PM Board Meeting
Aug 25	4PM CCC Pacific Raceways, Kent
Aug 26	Cruise Yakima River Canyon, State Route 821.
Sept 8-10	End of the World Rod Run, Long Beach, WA
Sept 9	Langley Show (50 Camaros), Langley, BC.
Sept 9	8AM CCC Bremerton Motorsports, Bremerton
Sept 16	8AM GM Nationals, Pacific Raceways, Kent
Sept 16	8AM CCC Bremerton Motorsports, Bremerton
Sept 23	Mt St Helen's Run – TBD
Sept 26	6:30PM Board Meeting
Sept 30	4PM ACS/GMN Meeting Round table pizza, Burien 5PM Please bring a non-perishable food items for Northwest Harvest.
Oct	Cider Cruise – TBD
Oct 14	Movies, Potatoes and Pasta, The Morgan's are hosting.
Oct 24	6:30PM Board Meeting
Oct 28	4PM ACS/GMN Meeting Round table pizza, Burien 5PM Please bring a non-perishable food items for Northwest Harvest.
Nov 11	Awards Banquet – TBD
Nov 14	6:30PM Board Meeting
Nov 18	4PM ACS/GMN Meeting Round table pizza, Burien

March Birthdays

Gary Marshall Mar. 2
Steve Sauro Mar. 2
Lynda Kelstrom Mar. 3
Mike Montgomery Mar. 3
Julia Weaver Mar. 3
Bob Spisak Mar. 5
Ruth Ann Pennell Mar. 6
Andrew Hill Mar. 10
Mike Lewin Mar. 10
Soo Baus Mar. 13
Dave Oliver Mar. 17
Lucy Haris Mar. 18
Jerry Yoder Mar. 21
Cindy Main Mar. 24
Jim O'Keefe Mar. 24
Joe Pitzer Mar. 25
Rebecca Powell Mar. 27
Mike Cox Mar. 28
Julie Pierce Mar. 28
Ludy Garvin Mar. 29
Sue Bakken Mar. 30
Michael Harris Mar. 30

April Birthdays

Daryl Mobraten Apr. 1
Mark Smith Apr. 1
Holly Thornton Apr. 3
Julie Rohweder Apr. 4
Alan Bowers Apr. 6
Don Fenton Apr. 7
Ian Stuart Apr. 7
Candy Holland Apr. 8
Ashley Neckermann Apr. 8
Melissa Keough Apr. 9
Kirk Olson Apr. 9
Bonie McEwan Apr. 13
Karrlie Chetnic Apr. 16
Marc Goodwin Apr. 1
Rick Schultz Apr. 16
Mark Cornelson Apr. 17
Jim Keough Apr. 17
Jim Ross Apr. 18
Lance Owen Apr. 19
Eugene White Apr. 20
Lenny Arguello Apr. 21
Danny Davis Apr. 23
John Lindstrom Apr. 27
Rob Griffith Apr. 29

March-April Anniversaries

Jim & Erika Franklin Mar. 6
Randy & Patti Rogers Mar. 14
John & Eileen Thompson Mar. 14
Patrick & Terrie Kranjcevich Mar. 15
Mike & Vicki Lewin Mar. 16
Brandon & Carla MacNeil Mar. 16
Mary & Bob Spisak Mar. 18
Kim & Mike Mejer Mar. 28
Bill & Jackie Wallace Mar. 28
Kelly & Laura Kosko Apr. 1
Alan & Mary Bowers Apr. 2
John & Linda Serben Apr. 12

PNWCC
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NEW MEMBER _____ OR RENEWAL _____

NAME:_____ DATE:_____

ADDRESS:_____

CITY:_____ STATE:_____ ZIP:_____

PHONE#: _____ ALT PHONE#: _____

EMAIL:_____ ALT EMAIL: _____

Would you like to receive your newsletter by (check one): ____EMAIL ____REGULAR MAIL ____BOTH

Would you like to receive event and other club announcements by email? (check one): _____YES _____NO

MEMBER & FAMILY	BIRTHDAY (MM/DD)	FAMILY MEMBER	BIRTHDAY (MM/DD)
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____

ANNIVERSAY (mm/dd):_____

CAMARO	YEAR	MODEL	TYPE	ENGINE	TRANS	COLOR
#1	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
#2	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
#3	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

OTHER INFO/REMARKS:_____

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or other source?_____

Interests (circle all that apply): Cruising Shows Drag Racing Restoring Modifying

or other: _____

Please mail this application with check/cash for membership dues of **$20.00** - checks payable to:

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