

Michigan

“Where it all began”



Dates to Remember

2022 SACC dues > National and Chapter
Will be due Dec. 1, 2021
Please renew early

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Where have we been this summer?

Gilmore Corvette Envy
Corvettes at the Summit
Troy Traffic Jam
Corvette's America Car Show
Woodward DreamCruise
SACC Convention
Paragon Openhouse
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Don't forget our website

www.solidaxlecorvettemi.com



From President's Laptop

Sept 2021

Michigan Chapter Members,

For Michigan Chapter, after a busy summer, we are now at the mid-point of enjoying cooler Fall Events.

Corvettes at the Summit, Gilmore Museum Corvette Envy, Concours d'Elegance w/NCRS, Troy Traffic Jam, the Corvettes of America Car Show, Woodward Dream Cruise w/ NCRS & the 2021 SACC National Convention are now fond memories.

Since my last President's Memo, we had a large turn-out for the Paragon Open House on Sept 18th. It truly was a C1 'Show and Tell'. C1's everywhere. You'll be able to see the pictures on page 5 of



this newsletter. It turned out to 'be a beautiful day for a drive & car show, warm sunshine, not too hot, a gentle breeze, good food and drink, great companions and discounted car parts. All my new parts are installed so, life is good.

Sunday, October 10th will be our **annual color tour**. Something different this year. We have a 1:30 PM reservation at Aubree's Pizzeria & Grill, 8031 Main St, Dexter, MI, for late lunch/early dinner. For dessert, we have

the Dexter Cider Mill at 3685 Central Street, Dexter, MI, and for your driving pleasure, your choice of three different scenic driving routes home. **Detroit Iron is acceptable, it's for the fellowship!**

Mark your calendar for December 4th to attend our **annual Christmas Lunch**. We will have a new venue this year. We will be going to Rose's Restaurant, 201 Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI, where we held our 2021 Membership Meeting last April. We hope to see everyone, new and old, this year.

Please consider us as our next two events.

Make every mile of seat time a good memory!

Bill Huffman, Pres.

Michigan Chapter SACC

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Website Reorganization and Additions

Webmaster: David Ruby

In the previous we introduced RM Renovation Tips by Rich Mozzetta graciously offered to donate his entire archive of restoration material to Michigan Chapter SACC for use on our website.

As was noted the material was uploading to our members only website. [www.solidaxlecorvettemi.com/C1 History and Servicing Guide/RM Restoration Tips](http://www.solidaxlecorvettemi.com/C1_History_and_Servicing_Guide/RM_Restoration_Tips) . However, recent additions to the website and potential access issues have been addressed to enhance the usefulness of the website and eliminating several of the long dropdowns.

C1 History and Servicing Guide has been separated in to [C1 History](#) and [C1 Service and Maintenance](#).

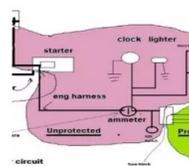
Rich Mozzetta Restoration Tips can now be accessed [www.solidaxlecorvettemi.com/C1 Servicing and Maintenance](http://www.solidaxlecorvettemi.com/C1_Servicing_and_Maintenance)

MI SACC website has limited access. Please login to website via email and a password of your choice and request to become a website member. MI SACC webmaster will respond promptly. Please, check it out.

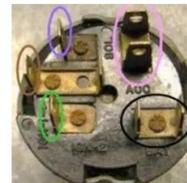
PS, Rich has also provided historical info on the Research Project 56/57 prepared by Michael Hunt in 1980's. MI SACC will be adding this info to our website in the future.

Renovation Tips - Rich Mozzetta

Contributions by Dave Zuberer & Frank Dreano



C1 Electrical Fused or Not



56-62 Ignition Switch
Ignition & Fuse Pts



Heater Motor Rebuild
Heater Motor Seized?



C1 Top Frame Rebuild



56-62 Soft Top Installation



56 Power Top Rebuild



MI SACC Chapter 2021 Event Schedule

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CHAMPION
July 10	*Corvettes at the Summit	Canton, MI	Tom Gamache tsgama22@comcast.net
July 18	*Corvettes Envy at Gilmore	Hickory Corners, MI	Mike McClain mcmclain@sbcglobal.net
July 25	Concours d'Elegance	St. John's	John Ronayne jronayne33@gmail.com
Aug. 1	*Troy Traffic Jam	Troy, MI	Joe Feko jfeko@wowway.com
Aug. 14	*Corvettes America Show	Clarkston, MI	Paul Lemieux jplvet9@gmail.com
Aug. 21	*Woodward DreamCruise	Woodward Avenue	Harry Jones choochooharry@comcast.net
Aug. 25-28	*SACC National Convention	Mechanicsburg, PA	Bill Huffman swh73@comcast.net
Sept. 18	Paragon Open House	Swartz Creek, MI	David Ruby druby@comcast.net
Oct 10	Fall Color Tour	Dexter, MI	Bill Huffman swh73@comcast.net John Ronayne jronayne33@gmail.com
Dec. 4	Rose's Restaurant	Canton, MI	Bill Huffman swh73@comcast.net

MI SACC members advise Champion if attending to allow MI SACC to enter and park as a group.

* denotes preregistration is required.



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PARAGON OPENHOUSE SEPTEMBER 18 LOOKED LIKE A SACC CONVENTION

C1s WERE EVERYWHERE.



Joe Feko '61



Ron Melaragni '62



Harry Jones '60



Jim Dillon '62



Tom Gamache '54



John Ronayne '62

Imagine you and your CI on the Color Tour in Dexter on Oct 10?



Champions: West side group > Bill Huffman

East side group > John Ronayne

**We anticipate groups forming on the east and west sides of the state.
PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHAMPIONS ASAP FOR INFO IF ATTENDING**

Bill/John will establish the time and route to Dexter

**Each group is to arrive in Dexter by 1:30 pm on Oct. 10
for lunch/dinner**

at Aubree's Pizzeria and Grill

Then OPTIONAL visit to Dexter Cider Mill

Followed by

Your Choice of a Color Tour for your trip home.

Those from the West contact:

Bill Huffman swh73@comcast.net or 517-745-8913

Those from the East contact:

John Ronayne ironayne33@gmail.com or 313-492-8206



Member information

Newsletter Update

We know that you value “Michigan: newsletter, and it may be one of the reasons you joined MISACC. We want it to remain a benefit to our members. With that in mind, we wish to advise anyone who wants to see past issues of the newsletter to visit our website solidaxlecorvettemi.com.

In addition, we are focused on the future and having the newsletter continue providing interesting news and useful information to our members. We publish the newsletter a minimum of four times a year. Please send any items or C1 information including .jpgs you wish to share to the editor.

This is the club newsletter—if there is something you would like to see, technical content, or the latest Corvette info, please let the newsletter editor know: druby@comcast.net

MISACC on the web

The web address for MISACC is:
<http://www.solidaxlecorvettemi.com>

If you have not visited the website recently there have been changes and a few improvements. The most note worthy is:

RM Restoration Tips listed under
C1 Servicing and Maintenance

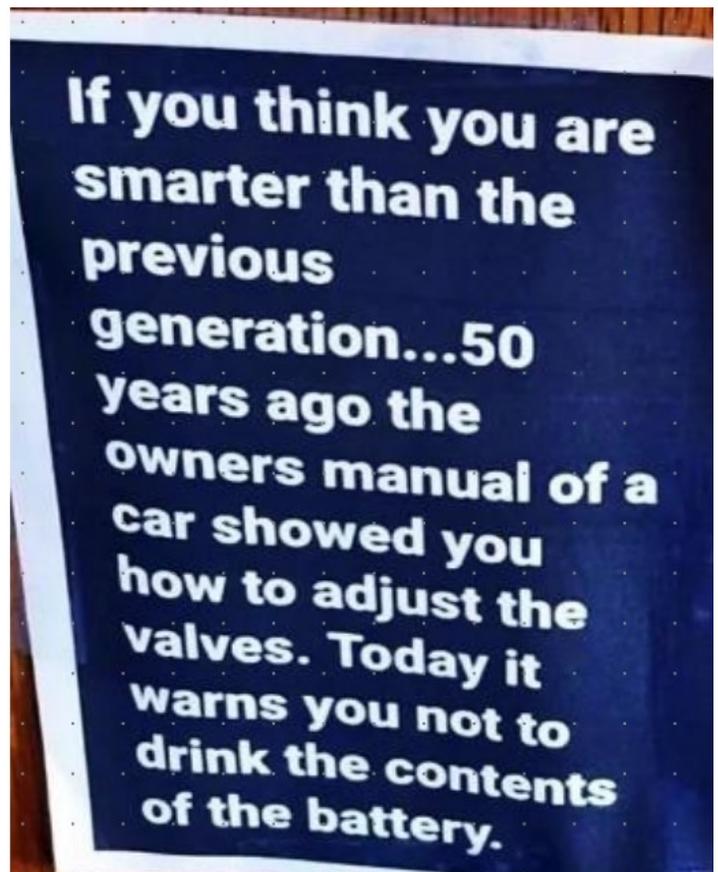
Address Corrections

With the newsletter sent to your email address, it is important that you keep your email address and phone number up to date. Why? Email is our primary means to communicate. Please send any changes to email or phone to the chapter Secretary Cheryl Lemieux at

cheryllemieux9@gmail.com

Wants and Needs ads

Send your **Wants and Needs** with .jpg photos to Editor at druby@comcast.net



**Welcome to the Michigan Chapter
SOLID AXLE CORVETTE CLUB**



Michigan Chapter SACC Membership or Renewal Application - New ___ Renewal ___ Yr. ___
Michigan Chapter Membership requires membership in the National SACC organization.

For record keeping: MI SACC collects both National and Chapter dues and submits your National dues to SACC National.

	1 year	3 years
Michigan Chapter SACC dues @ \$15.00 a year:	\$15.00.	\$40.00
Michigan Chapter SACC windshield decals: ___ decals @ \$5.00 each:	_____	_____
National SACC yearly dues, renewable December 1st :	\$45.00 *	\$130.00*
	Total : _____	_____

*SACC National and MI SACC offer one year or three year dues options.

Chapter dues include our quarterly Chapter Newsletter "Michigan"

National Membership includes the quarterly magazine "On Solid Ground"

SACC National publishes an annual membership & roadside assistance roster. The roster contains names, phone numbers, city & state, but no street address. It also has a field to indicate that you are willing to help if a traveling SACC member needs roadside assistance in your area.

If you do not want your name listed in the roster initial here: _____

If you do not want to participate in the road side assistance program initial here: _____

FAILURE TO INITIAL ABOVE INDICATES YOUR PERMISSION TO BE LISTED IN THE ROSTER.

If you are a new member: SACC National will send you a National membership number separately.

If you are an existing National member please insert your National membership # _____

Mail completed application with payment to Paul Lemieux, MI SACC Treasurer, 403 Loris Lane, Oxford, MI 48371

Questions: contact Pres. Bill Huffman > swh73@comcast.net or Treasurer Paul Lemieux > jplvet9@gmail.com

Applicant Name _____ Co-Applicant: _____

Address _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home phone _____ Work/Cell: _____

E-Mail _____ Fax: _____

Corvettes presently owned - please include the VIN # for all C-1's _____

I will enjoy participating in these club activities: Driving tours ___ Get away weekends _____

Museum tours ___ Historic site/shop tours ___ Car Shows ___ Tech sessions ___ Race events ___

Newsletter Contributions ___ Tour/Event Planning ___ Other _____

I would be interested in attending the planning meeting Yes ___ No ___

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I am currently a member of the following automotive clubs/organization _____

We will never share your personal information with anyone other than SACC members. If you do NOT want your info shared with SACC members > please check here _____.

The MISACC Newsletter "Michigan" is delivered electronically. Dues are set accordingly.

Visit our website: www.solidaxlecorvettemi.com

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Solid Axle Corvette Club

The Solid Axle Corvette Club is for enthusiasts who drive and show America's first sports car., our beloved C1's. The Solid Axle Corvette Club invites you to share our enthusiasm and dedication to the Solid Axle Corvettes, and to enjoy the fellowship of our members.

SACC is the initials of the Solid Axle Corvette Club. So, just what is a solid axle Corvette? The rear axle housing on all 1953 to 1962 Corvettes was a one-piece shell. The rear differential (rear gears) and the axles were mounted within this rear axle housing. (The rear axle housing is sometimes called a solid [or straight] axle housing.)

Beginning with the 1963 model year, Corvettes had an independent rear suspension (IRS). The rear differential is built into the center housing: universal joints and short shafts (called jack shafts) transfer power to the rear wheels. Each rear wheel reacts independently to the road surface, and has earned the nickname "rubber axle".

The Solid Axle Corvette Club (SACC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation, care, history, and enjoyment of the 1953 to 1962 Corvettes. Ours is a family oriented club with membership covering all members of your family. You do not need to own a Corvette to join.

Road Rules

The *Michigan* is the quarterly newsletter for the Michigan Chapter of the Solid Axle Corvette Club and is published four times yearly (Spring, Summer, Fall & Winter). It is published in PDF format, and e-mailed to members in good standing.

Membership in the Michigan Chapter is open **only** to members of the parent organization, the Solid Axle Corvette Club. The Solid Axle Corvette Club is a non-profit organization, serving members with an interest in 1953—1962 model year Corvettes. Ownership of a Solid Axle or any Corvette is not necessary to become a member of the organization.

The newsletter provides a forum for members to communicate with other members. As a result, the newsletter will often contain member opinions. Those opinions should not be construed as an endorsement by Michigan SACC or the parent organization, SACC.

Direct National SACC Membership questions to:

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Michigan membership dues, inquiries and corrections to the address list should be directed to the Treasurer:

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Oxford, MI 48371
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Please submit articles for publication to the editor.

Generally, articles for publication should follow the broad theme of anything of interest to the Solid Axle Corvette community". Suggested items for publication would include how-to articles, parts information, performance issues, scheduled events, restoration or repair information, and personal stories.

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