

CAMARO CORNER

MAY 2005



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THE VIEW FROM THE TOP

by Doug Warren,
WMCC President

May 2005

With many of us having our Camaros out of storage for last month's Club meeting, the "Camaro season" has officially begun here in Michigan! The May Camaro Club meeting will be our first outing of the season, as we'll be attending the Mendon Dust Off car show.

May WMCC Club meeting:

As mentioned above, we'll be attending and participating in the 42st Annual Old Car "DUST OFF" Car Show in the town of Mendon, Michigan. The show is on Sunday, May 1st. Many members will be staying in nearby Three Rivers on Saturday evening so we can get to the show in Mendon very early on Sunday morning. We will be meeting in the Three Rivers Inn parking lot at 7:00AM Sunday morning! The lot is located on the southeast corner of US-131 and Broadway St in Three Rivers. It is right across the street from the Meijers gas station. This is near the Holiday Inn Express in Three Rivers, where many of us will be staying. This should put us in Mendon, and in our parking

spots at the High School before 8:00am. There will be a Pancake Breakfast available to get us all jump started (our bodies, not our Camaros!). We'll enjoy the show for a while and some of the other festivities in town, then, we'll gather together around our cars (or inside the gym, depending on the weather) at around 12:30pm to have our Club business meeting. Be sure to bring your folding chairs! So, pray for nice warm and sunny weather! (Unlike last year!) It should be a great time! Remember, if you're not staying in the area on Saturday, you'll need to meet up with us at 7am in the parking lot of the Three Rivers Inn (269-273-9521 for directions if needed). Three Rivers is located about 70 miles south of Grand Rapids on US 131, you can't miss it!

For those not meeting at Three Rivers Inn, the show is located in Mendon, MI in the High School parking lot. Take M-60 east out of Three Rivers to Mendon (about 13 miles), stay on M-60 to Nottowa St. and go left on Nottowa (Wise Motors on corner). Go about 5 blocks and look for the football field on your right. Turn Right on the road that runs next to field. Follow the signs. You have arrived at the Show.

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April 3rd, and our first trip to the beach for 2005. The sun was out, but with temps in the low 40's, and a stiff wind off Lake Michigan, we didn't stay outside for very long!



Getting ready for the meeting and lunch inside Sam's Joint Restaurant near Muskegon. Front row, L to R: Anita Warren, Tammy Loudon, Gib Loudon. Back Row, L to R: Doug Warren, John Falkenhagen, Christi Falkenhagen, Cheryl Smith, Tracey Cochran.

Worldwide Camaro Club/CCI Memorial Day weekend show:

We'll have information about this show with us at the Club meeting, but if you are planning on attending this show in Manitowoc, WI, you should already be registered (by May 1st.)

Camaro Superfest 2005:

I know the 4th of July sounds like it's a long way off, but I'm sure it will be here before we know it! Plans are being finalized, and the show registrations are coming in fairly steady. Everyone is hoping for a rebound from last year's lower attendance. I think the weather will play a major role in how many Camaros actually show up to the event, so let's all start praying for nice weather now! Event fliers have gone out to the past participants, and letters to many companies asking for goodie bag stuffers, and door prizes. Brian Malmquist and I are working on an Event T-shirt design together this year. We'll be going over the WMCC work schedule at this month's Club meeting as well as what our responsibilities will be. We need everyone to commit to making Superfest the very best run, most organized and friendliest Camaro event our participants have ever attended. We have a great group of members that all pitch in and work very well together, so I'm anticipating a great event. Remember to check in often at the event website: www.camarosuperfest.com, for all the latest information.

Hot Rod Power Tour:

Many of our WMCC members are eagerly anticipating the start of the Hot Rod Power Tour. If you've never gone on this week long odyssey, you owe it to yourself to do it at least once!

LAM Benefit Car Show:

Nancy Stevens health has recently taken a turn for the worse, as her LAM lung disease continues to progress. She is very much looking forward to the show, and getting the word out there about this rare, but serious condition. We should have fliers ready to pass out by the Club meeting.

Berger Chevrolet ALL CHEVY SHOW:

We have just begun to make plans for this year's Berger Car Show. We're working with the folks at Berger, and should also have a flier for this show ready by the Club meeting.

Last Month's Club meeting:

It was nice to see some Camaros out last month, and I would like to thank Dennis Mykols for supplying photos of some of our activities.

A personal note to our Camaro family:

With everything that's been going on with the Warren Family lately, I feel a little out-of-touch, Camaro-wise, consequently the newsletter is a bit shorter than usual. We would like to thank everyone from the Club for your support and prayers. BreAnna came through her stomach surgery very well, and is recovering nicely. Five year olds are amazingly resilient. She's pretty much back to eating "regular" food.

Anita's mother has amazed everyone and is doing quite a bit better. It looks like the doctors have controlled the flesh eating bacteria, and even though it messed up her arm quite badly, she has pulled through. She has been moved to Kent Community Hospital for long term care, where she's continuing to recover and having skin grafts. She has just been taken off the respirator, and is now breathing on her own. They are looking at a rather serious heart surgery for her once she recovers enough to handle that procedure, so she's not completely out of the woods, but looking better.

We'll see everyone in Mendon!

-- Doug Warren



Tracey Cochran, Anita Warren (behind Tracey), Doug Warren & Gary Crippin. The Cars: Doug & Anita Warren's 1996 Camaro SS and Al & Jan Boyer's 1968 Camaro Convertible.



Hanging out in the Sam's Joint parking lot before the Club meeting!



All lined up at the beach for some photos.



May 2005 Recipe

LOWFAT ICE CREAM SANDWICHES

Submitted by Ray Cochran

These easy to make low fat treats are just the thing with warm weather coming on.

Ingredients:

- 1 box Chocolate Graham Crackers
- 1 tub Fat Free Cool Whip

Directions:

Spread Cool Whip on a Graham Cracker about 3/4" thick and top with another Graham Cracker. Put each "sandwich" into a sandwich bag and place in the freezer overnight. Easy and goooood!

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays:

- May 1st, Josh Loudon
- May 2nd Angie Kemp
- May 25th, John Smith, Brian Malmquist
- May 28th, Kyle Cochran, Nancy Stevens
- May 29th, Dale Rogers

Anniversaries:

- May 7th, Patrick & Carla Long
- May 8th, Dale & Angela Rogers

2005 EVENTS CALENDAR (NOTE: Events marked with a * are Official WMCC Events)

WMCC MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:

*May	1	2005	WMCC Club Meeting at Mendon "Dust Off" car show
*Jun	18	2005	WMCC 30th Anniv. Party / June-July Club meeting @ the Smith's in Sand Lake
*Aug	13	2005	WMCC Club Meeting/Berlin Raceway Outing
*Sep	4	2005	WMCC Club Meeting T.B.A.
*Oct	2	2005	WMCC Club Meeting T.B.A.
*Nov	6	2005	WMCC Club Meeting T.B.A.
*Dec	11	2005	WMCC Club Meeting – Christmas Party T.B.A.

ALL CAMARO / CHEVROLET EVENTS:

May	13-15	2005	Super Chevy Show, Norwalk Raceway Park, Norwalk, OH
*May	27-29	2005	CCI/WCC North Central Memorial Day Classic, Manitowoc, WI
Jun	10-12	2005	Super Chevy Show, US131 Motorsports Park, Martin, MI
Jun	10-12	2005	Ontario Camaro Nationals, St. Catherines, Ontario, Canada
Jun	24-26	2005	All GM/Camaro Nationals, Carlisle, PA
*Jul	1-3	2005	Camaro Superfest 2005 @ WCC in Ann Arbor, MI
Jul	14-17	2005	Super Chevy Show, Indianapolis Raceway Park, Indianapolis, IN
*Jul	17	2005	LAM Benefit Car Show – Standale, details to follow
Jul	20-24	2005	31st Ann. CCI/WCC International Convention, West Chester, OH
*Jul	30	2005	Gembinski Party – Imlay City, Michigan (Tentative)
Aug	12-14	2005	Super Chevy Show, Route 66 Raceway, Joliet, IL
*Sep	2-3	2005	Berger Chevrolet All Chevy Show @ Berger Chevrolet in Grand Rapids, MI
Sep	15-17	2005	F-bodies @ Bowling Green, KY, Corvette Plant, Bowling Green, KY
Sep	17-18	2005	NEOCC Fall Classic @ Summit Racing, Tallmadge, OH
*Oct	7-9	2005	WMCC Hot Rod Fall Color Tour – Suttons Bay, MI
Oct	7-9	2005	Super Chevy Show, National Trail Raceway, Columbus, OH

OTHER AUTOMOTIVE EVENTS OF INTEREST:

*May	7	2005	Cruise for a Cure – Car Show, Night Hawk Bar, Whitneyville Rd & 68th St.
May	27-28	2005	17th Annual Lane Automotive Cruise-In & Car Show, Watervliet, MI
June	4 -11	2005	Hot Rod Magazine Power Tour
Jun	18	2005	Holland Car Show, at Holland Outlet Mall, Holland, MI
Jun	24-25	2005	2nd Annual NMCA Hot Rod & Muscle Car Nationals @ US131 Motorsports Park
Jul	23	2005	Funny Car Nationals, US131 Motorsports Park, Martin, MI
*Aug	6	2005	7th Annual Fred Gibb Memorial Open Car Show in LaHarpe, IL
Aug	6	2005	UAW / DELPHI / GM Day at the Races, Berlin Raceway, Marne, MI
Aug	6-7	2005	Red Barns Spectacular XXV Car Show & Swap Meet, Gilmore Classic Car Museum
Aug	11-13	2005	IHRA Northern Nationals, US131 Motorsports Park, Martin, MI
Aug	13	2005	Del Shannon Memorial Car Show – Coopersville, MI
*Aug	20	2005	11th Annual Woodward Dream Cruise
Aug	20	2005	20th Elvis Memorial Car Show, Gilmore Classic Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI
Sep	11	2005	West Michigan Muscle Car Show and Swap Meet, Gilmore CCM, Hickory Corners, MI
Sep	28-Oct 2	2005	Fall Carlisle Swap Meet, Carlisle, PA

Western Michigan Camaro Club Monthly Club Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2005 Meeting Notes

Attendance: Anne Kohler, Shelley & Gary Crippin, Amy Kugel, Brian Vonk, Doug & Anita Warren, Tammy & Gib Loudon, Dave & Angie Kemp, Greg Gornick, Kyle & Tracey Cochran, Cheryl Smith, John & Christi Falkenhagen, Al & Jan Boyer, Nat & Becky, Alan Boyer, Dennis & Bonnie Edwards, Dave & Gay Verburg, Dennis & Ronnie Mykols, Pat & Karen Lewis, Dennis & Nancy Stevens, Carl & Teresa Lins, Dave & Sandy Edlund, Tim & Marge Drooger, Brad Van Hemert.

Introduction of new people and Pat Lewis gave out WCC magazines with car show information in it. Thanks Pat!! Scott Settlemire had a message for the Club, via Pat's cell phone.

Memorial Day Weekend:

WCC show in Wisconsin

Applications were passed out.

Taking the ferry over to Wisconsin from Ludington.

\$59 to \$65 per person, \$106 per car.

Information can be found on the website.

Superfest:

Company lists need to be checked & sent out.

Doug would appreciate help with this.

May Meeting: May 1st

Mendon Dust-off

Many stay in Three Rivers the night before.

Comedy Club for Angie's birthday, in Kalamazoo on Saturday night.

Benefit spaghetti dinner & March of Dimes announcement

Thank you from Doug & Anita for the support for their family.

Dave Verberg was ill last month, he has heart problems.

July 17 LAM Benefit Car Show flyers will be ready for next month's meeting

WMCC 30th Birthday Party

June/July meeting in Sand Lake at John & Cheryl Smith's home.

Fred Gibb Memorial Car Show, LaHarpe, IL

Tammy has 9 rooms booked already.

Talk to her if you need a room.

Club Meeting is moved to August 13, 2005.

CLASSIFIEDS

2002 Berger SS Camaro "Johnny Benson" Edition Phase II 435 H.P., Chrome Illusion Paint w/black stripes, 6 speed, T-tops, Graphite Leather Seats, 17" Fikse Wheels, chambered exhaust. All other Berger SS content. Less than 10,000 miles. VERY RARE. Truly one-of-a-kind collector Camaro SS. Please call Tom Siegler @ 989-826-5373. Asking \$60,000



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The Western Michigan Camaro Club is dedicated to the enjoyment, preservation and promotion of the Chevrolet Camaro as the premier four passenger sports car ever. The club was formed in 1975.

Meetings

The WMCC holds monthly membership meetings on the first Sunday of each month. Times and location vary, so see the newsletter or check the club's web site at www.wmcamaro.org for specific times and locations, or call one of the officers.

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