



## June 2015

# The View from the Top.

### June 2015

With —car season in full swing, there should be no shortage of thing to do with your Camaro. Take a look at the Calendar of Events as several more shows and activities have been added since last month. But first up on our agenda is .....

### June WMCC Club Meeting, Saturday June 13, 2015

Our June Club meeting will be at John & Christi Falkenhagens home. We will meet at their house at 12 noon on Saturday June 13th, 2015. Their address is 6900 Solomon Rd, Middle Middleville, MI 49333. Their house is just south of Solomon & Parmalee Rd intersection.

John and Christi have a nice cruise planned for us that will end back at their place where we will have our club meeting and a late lunch. They will provide Burgers and Brats on the grill, they are asking that everyone brings a dish to pass and their own drinks and lawn chairs.

This should prove to be a fun filled afternoon. I look forward to seeing you all there.

### Invitation to Track Night in America

*Below is an email I Received about this. Sounds like a great opportunity. We will discuss this more at the meeting.*

I'm India Bounds with the SCCA's Track Night in America. Together with Tire Rack, we are hosting monthly events at Grattan Raceway and Gingerman Raceway and wanted to reach out and invite you, the Western Michigan Camaro Club, your friends, and followers to join us. We have a common cause in wanting to bring people that love cars together and we want to be supportive of the clubs in the area we serve. Whether your group

chooses to participate on track, meet up, or just hang out, Track Night in America is all about fun and has many different ways to play so there's something for everyone!

Option 1: Spectator and Paced Laps FREE- We welcome spectators at Track Night and offer a session of paced laps that are open to the public. If you just want to check the event out, this is a great way to do it. You can come and show off your car, see some other sweet rides, and meet other people that are enthusiastic about the sport just like you.

Option 2: Standard Entry \$150- You and your car can get an hour of time on a quality track divided into three 20 minute sessions. The standard entry has 3 different classifications: Novice, Intermediate, and Advanced so everyone can play at the level that makes them feel most comfortable.

Option 3: Work/Run \$35- Help us out a little at the event and you'll get one 20 minute session on the track. It's a great option for someone on a budget or someone looking to learn a little more about how track and autocross events work. This is a great way to get your organization introduced to ours and learn about track event support and management

Option 4: Need to have a meeting? We've got lots of space and would be happy to share it with you.

We would love to see you and your cars at our next events:



**Doug Warren, WMCC Founder  
1953-2010**

*You will never be forgotten*

**Grattan Raceway: June 3rd, July 6th, August 10th**  
**Gingerman Raceway: June 24th, July 22nd, August 26th**

Come early, or stay late and check out the cars, sights, sounds, and people that make being at the track great!

Check out our website at [www.tracknightinamerica.com](http://www.tracknightinamerica.com) for more information and a full calendar of our events nationwide.

### **Congratulations ANNE!**

Jeremy and Anne went to the FBody show at Bak-ers and came home with the Doug Warren Memorial Award. Anne said *"I almost made Brian cry when I started to as he handed it to me!! It's an honor to get the award!!"*



### **GMMG Owners & Enthusiasts Facebook Page**

Aaron Thornton has started a GMMG Facebook page.

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/GMMGownersandEnthusiasts/973168926050395/?notif\\_t=group\\_activity](https://www.facebook.com/groups/GMMGownersandEnthusiasts/973168926050395/?notif_t=group_activity)

Please pass along to anyone interested.

### **OUR CAMARO ON THE TRANSPORT TRUCK**

Reliable Transport came to pick up Ronnie's Black Camaro IROC-Z, this morning to take it down to Belle Isle. General Motors contacted us a while back to see if we would like to bring our Camaro to be displayed in a special collection of 20 to 30 other Camaros from each Generation.

GM is unveiling the new 6th Generation Camaro at a big event on the Grand Prix track on Belle Isle Tomorrow. We will be there all day and enjoy the many events planned.

GM offered 1000 passes to Camaro Enthusiast, and I understand there is a wait list of 2600 more. This seems to be shaping up to be a big deal, with free rides on the Grand Prix track in the new hot Camaros.

GM will have our Camaro delivered back home on Sunday. We feel honored to be chosen to represent our Western Michigan Camaro Club along with a couple of other club members. If fact if you look closely at picture 3, you will see Carl and Teresa Linn's White Camaro in the truck, on the lower level. It was Doug Warren's.

Dennis and Ronnie







### **July WMCC Meeting/ Bonnie Edwards Graduation Party July 11, 2015:**

Dennis is having a graduation party for Bonnie on July 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at their home in Burlington, MI. Plan is to have a club meeting around 4:00 before the party. They will have food, fun and friends gathering with a camp fire in the evening. Please RSVP if you are planning to attend so they can plan for food at (517) 765-9929.

### **Dave Kemp is Retiring!!! (save the date)**

Help us celebrate. Retirement party, July 18th 5-10 (ish) pm. Food, fun, friends, and ????? FOP LODGE 24273 M-86 Centreville, Mi 49032. Angie is working on Hotel info. More to follow

### **Photos from the 6th Camaro unveiling at Belle Isle**











### Membership Dues

This is just a friendly reminder. Yearly membership dues are due, for most members, in January. If you joined the Club before July of 2014, your dues are now due. It's \$30 for a single membership and \$45 for a couple.

Dues may be paid at a club meeting or mailed to WMCC Membership coordinator Shelley Crippin.

Please make checks payable to:  
**"Western Michigan Camaro Club"**

### Mailing address

WMCC Membership  
 C/O Shelley Crippin  
 56138 Wilbur Road  
 Three Rivers, MI 49093

### For Sale **2001 Camaro Z28**

Fully equipped with cruise, A/C and trunk mounted CD player with remote control. Fiberglass hood with air scoop. SLP line lock.

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IN CELEBRATING  
WESTERN MICHIGAN CAMARO CLUB'S  
40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY*

*FAMILY FUN TO BE ENJOYED BY ALL ON JULY 25, 2015  
AT THE HOME OF CHERYL AND JOHN SMITH*

*Address: 23500 22 Mile Road  
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*Time: 1:30 – Until ?*

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## **2015 Events Calendar**

*(\*denotes Official WMCC Event)*

### **WMCC Monthly Membership Meetings:**

**\*Jun 13, 2015 WMCC Club Meeting - John & Christi Flakenhagens Home - see newsletter for details**

**\*Jul 11, 2015 WMCC Club Meeting - Denis & Bonnie Edwards Home - see newsletter for details**

### **All Camaro (& F-Body)/ All Chevrolet Events:**

**\*May 30, 2015 11th Annual MiFbody Meet & Greet, Bakers of Milford, Milford, Michigan**

**\*Jun 26-27, 2015 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Camaro Nationals/GMMG Reunion, Fairgrounds, Fredrick, MD**

Jun 26-28, 2015 Carlisle GM Nationals car show in Carlisle, PA

Jun 12-14, 2015 2015 Camaro Nationals, Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 2525 Wyecroft Rd, Oakville, ON, Canada

Jul 3-5, 2015 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Camaro Superfest, Riverside Park, Ypsilanti, MI

**\*Jul 25, 2015 WMCC 40th Anniversary Party, Sand Lake, MI**

**\*Aug 21-22, 2015 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Berger Chevrolet All GM Show, Grand Rapids, MI**

### **Other Automotive Events of Interest:**

Feb 5-8, 2015 Michigan International Auto Show, Devos Place Grand Rapids, MI

Feb 7-8, 2015 KAARC 52nd Annual Winter Swap Meet @ Kalamazoo Fair Grounds

Feb 14-22, 2015 Chicago Auto Show – McCormick Place, Chicago, IL

Apr 18, 2015 56th Ann Spring Swap Meet - Auto City Speedway Clio, MI [www.autocityspeedway.com](http://www.autocityspeedway.com)

Apr 26, 2015 Swap Meet & Car Show— St.Joesph County Fairgrounds South Bend, IN [www.pioneerautoassn.com](http://www.pioneerautoassn.com)

Mar 7-9, 2015 Detroit Autorama, COBO Hall, Detroit, MI 8am-2pm

Mar 22, 2015 45th Annual Swap Meet - Russ Milne Ford Macomb, MI

**\*May 3, 2015 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Mendon Dust-Off, Mendon HS Mendon, MI**

May 8, 2015 4th Annual Cruise-In Carshow Woodview Christian Church Wyoming, MI 5-8 pm [www.woodview.cc](http://www.woodview.cc)

May 9-10, 2015 28th Annual Coldwater Swap Meet & Carshow Coldwater, MI [www.coldwaterswapmeetandcarshow.com](http://www.coldwaterswapmeetandcarshow.com)

Jun 5, 2015 Cruise In for kids Burn Camp Salem Township Park Burnips, MI 6-9pm (corner of 30th st. & 142nd Ave.)

Jun 6-13, 2015 2015 Hot Rod Power Tour - <https://www.raceit.com/Register/?event=30034>

Jun 13, 2015 St. Joesph County Fair Summer Kick Off Cruise. Centreville, MI [www.centrevillefair.com](http://www.centrevillefair.com)

Jun 13, 2015 35th Annual Vicksburg Carshow Mainstreet Vickburg, MI [www.vicksburggoldcarfestival.com](http://www.vicksburggoldcarfestival.com)

Jun 20, 2015 Three Rivers Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show - Three Rivers, MI [www.trchamber.com](http://www.trchamber.com)

Jun 21, 2015 34th Annual Fathers Day Carshow Charlton Park, Hastings, MI 1990 & Older 269-945-3775

Jun 26, 2015 Sturgis Fest Car Cruise IN - Downtown Sturgis, MI 4-9pm

Jun 27, 2015 Alamos Classics in the Park - 8326 West DE Ave. Kalamazoo, MI 269-488-2160

**\*Jun 28, 2015 LLWC Carshow, Light & Life Church, Three Rivers MI**

Jul 18, 2015 19th Annual Paw Paw Days Carshow - Paw Paw, MI [www.pawpawchamber.org](http://www.pawpawchamber.org)

Jul 25, 2015 Car Capital Auto Show - Downtown Lansing, MI at Capital Building [tasteofdowntown.org](http://tasteofdowntown.org)

Aug 1, 2015 35th Annual Red Barns Spectacular, Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI

Aug 9, 2015 15th Annual Deano's Pizza & Ice Cream Car Show, Allegan MI, Noon –5pm

Aug 15, 2015 Woodward Dream Cruise – metro-Detroit area

Aug 15, 2015 Augusta Village Dar Show - Augusta Village Park Augusta, MI 269-731-5334

**\*Aug 21-22, 2015 28<sup>th</sup> Street Metro Cruise, Grandville, Wyoming, Grand Rapids, Kentwood, MI**

Sep 6-7, 2015 11th Annual Cars For Cancer - Mercy Health Lakes Village, 6291 S. Harvey St Muskegon, MI

Sep 11, 2015 14th Annual Treadway Cruise In Benefit 5-9pm 13467 Quincy St. Holland, MI

Sep 13, 2015 Muscle Cars PLUS Show & Swap Meet - Gilmore Car Museum, Hickory Corners, MI

Nov 1, 2015 Monroe Fall Auto Swap Meet - Monroe County Fairgrounds Monroe, MI [www.monroeautoswapmeet.com](http://www.monroeautoswapmeet.com)

**Please send all event dates and details to  
[wmcamaro@gmail.com](mailto:wmcamaro@gmail.com) so we can get them included in the  
calendar. Thanks!!!**



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**Don't miss the next WMCC Meeting at  
At the Falkenhagens home  
in Middleville, mi  
See Newsletter for Details.**

### **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 weekend of each month. Times and location vary, so see the Newsletter or check the club's web site at [www.wmcamaro.org](http://www.wmcamaro.org) for specific times and locations, or call one of the officers.

### **WMCC Officers**

President: Gary Crippin 269.506.0411  
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& Photographer: Ray Cochran 616.403.3941

### **Club Sponsor**

Berger Chevrolet ~ [BERGERCHEVY.COM](http://BERGERCHEVY.COM)

### **Website**

[www.wmcamaro.org](http://www.wmcamaro.org)

Watch [www.mifbody.com](http://www.mifbody.com) for the latest info on upcoming **WMCC** events.

### **Camaro Corner**



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