



**June 2019**

## The View from the Top.

### June 2019

WOW IT's JUNE ALREADY!!! Seem like the May meeting was yesterday. Things have been pretty busy around our house between the remodeling and preparing for Ashley's' High School graduation. We will be having a Grad party for her in July, ALL of you are invited and we hope to see you all there. Look for details in this newsletter.

### June WMCC Meeting Sunday June 2, 2019

John Smith has planned us a Nice outing for the June meeting. The meeting will be Sunday June 2nd, we will gathering at the GM plant at 1 pm. Address for GM plant is 2100 Burlingame Ave, Wyoming MI. In the newly redone WEST parking lot right on Burlingame Ave.

From there we will cruise about 50 min. to Wright Tavern and Grill for the meeting at 2 pm. Address for Wright Tavern and Grill is 18800 8th Ave. Conklin MI. 49403. See you all there.

### FYI Fall color tour extra.

The Agawa Railroad in Sault St. Mari Canada last two days of the season are October 14 & 15. This is a train ride through Agawa Canyon Canada. Ray and Ester Breiding are extending their color tour the extra days if anybody would like to join them. the web sit is [www.agawatrain.com](http://www.agawatrain.com). Ray said he got the best deal at Hotels.com on room and train tour. you can contact Ray at [rayb324@charter.net](mailto:rayb324@charter.net)

### Tour of Missouri recap

This year Cheryl and I took part in Randy Martin's "tour of Missouri" trip on April 25, 26, 27 & 28th. Our trip started on the 24th with a gracious invite to spend the night in Orland Ill. With Jeff and Deb Peloquin. Breaking up the trip down and traveling

with friends is never a bad idea. First Jeff and Deb took us to their favorite BBQ joint where we had some of the best fall off the bone ribs I have ever had and to top it off our first campfire on their back deck to finish the evening. Thank you, Jeff and Deb!

On Thursday morning we departed around 8 am. Stopping in Bloomington to drop their dog off with family and see the grand kids, traveling down the road to Litchfield Ill. Where we had lunch at the Artisan Cafe. a must do stop on Route 66. Continuing down to Jackson Missouri things were going good until Saint Louis then rush hour and the rain started at the same time. The 16's tires don't want to work very well in ponding water, so we had to slow down at times, but we made it by

### Membership Dues

Yearly membership dues are due, for most members, in January. If you joined the Club before July of 2018, 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



Doug Warren, WMCC Founder  
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5 pm, got checked in at the motel and then the trip to Randy and April's for a kickoff gathering. Gib and Tammy Loudon made the trip also. Gib was battling a cold so they skipped the gathering on Thursday night.

The group this year consist of 4 Camaros from EMCC, 2 Corvettes, 1 Honda, 1 1968 Sunbeam (



that came standard with a 302 ford V8) from the Missouri Hot Rod Club, Randy's 68 Camaro and 3 Camaros from WMCC. A nice mixed group that got a lot of looks and toured well together.

Friday morning departing around 8 am again. Heading north west to Rolla Missouri by way of Perryville. Did you know they have Paved Intersections in Missouri with NO street signs for right of way? They do and it teaches you to look both ways. Great rolling countryside and NO potholes.

In Perryville we stopped at the James M Eddiemann Military Museum/Missouri National Veterans Memorial. This is a new museum that I believe just had their grand opening May 17th. THEY HAVE A COMPLETE, EXACT SISTER WALL of the Vietnam War Memorial. You don't have to go to Washington to see it. Traffic was Waayy better. They have plans to honor all 5 branches of the military.



Supper on Friday night was at Randy's Road Kill Cafe. This is a nice casual eatery out in the country away from all the city noise. Inside Randy's Road Kill you will find a Sword Fish

hanging on the wall that if you ask Jeff Peloquin will tell you the story of how HE caught it when he was way younger.

Saturday morning was again and 8 am start. Heading north to the Lake of the Ozarks and a tour of Ozark Distillery. Still enjoying the great countryside of Missouri, Randy has picked out some great roads for the trip. Head Distiller Dave Huffman, and owner of Ozark Distillery was our tour guide which consist on a one room Pole Barn with a still and ageing vats, But the description of the process and the stores that Dave told made it Very Worth wile. Thankx Dave.

Lunch at Red Head's Grill on the Lake was a great stop also. settled into the hill side with a marina, next door to a race boat shop, lots of windows, views to the right of million-dollar homes and views to the left of old 70's trailer houses. What a contrast, something for everyone.

For supper most of the group went to a chain Steak House downtown Rolla, Deb and Jeff with Cheryl and I decided being so close we would go back to the Devil's Elbow. A stop on Route 66 that we went to a few years back. It was great to go back, the food was good, we were later in the evening than last time and it was a much younger crowd this time. Life is good. Some Late night parking lot repairs on the Sunbeam, plugs, possible a firing order problem seems ford has more than one for the 302. When they were done it ran a lot better.

Sunday started with a trip to Bob's Gasoline Alley, just outside of Cuba



Missouri. Which happened to be on Our way home. Tours at Bob's are by appointment only, with the network we had going Randy came up with the # and made arraignments. Great stop to see a bunch of collectibles. 3 buildings worth. If you ever get a chance this is a must stop.

Thankx go out to Jeff and Deb Peloquin for letting us tag along and Special Thankx to Randy and April Martin for putting on such a great weekend. THANK YOU, John Smith




## Ashley's Graduation Party


ALL of you are invited. The party will be at our home on **Saturday July 13, 2019**. Party is Scheduled 4-10pm but like many WMCC Activities it will probably go much later.

Address is 56138 Wilbur Road, Three Rivers, MI 49093

We look Forward to seeing you all there!!!!



*Ashley Crippin*  
Three Rivers Senior High School | Class of 2019



We are thrilled to announce  
the graduation of our  
daughter  
Ashley Crippin.  
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celebrate with us.  
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Class of 2019  
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**Graduation Party**  
July 13, 2019  
4 pm- 10 pm  
at my home  
56138 Wilbur Road  
Three Rivers, MI 49093

*Justons* **CONGRATS**

## Berger Show Update

Show is coming together nicely, we are working on designs for the t-shirts and awards.

We have Flyers Please pick some up at the Club Meeting or you can stop by Berger and Pick some up at the Reception Desk.

Please be Lining up those Feature Cars, We currently only have about Third of the Feature cars spots filled. Please email me names and contact info as well as the cars they will be bringing. Send info to: [wmcamaro@gmail.com](mailto:wmcamaro@gmail.com)

## Here Are The Other Changes For The 2020 Camaro



We [already knew](#) that an update to the refreshed front end of the Camaro SS was expedited for production after Chevy received a ton of [negative feedback](#) about the [controversial front end](#) of the facelifted 2019 model. Chevy officially [confirmed the new front end](#) earlier in May, and also announced a new Camaro LT1 model that will join the lineup as an affordable V8-powered model. In addition to all that, the 2020 Camaro will also see various other noteworthy changes outside of those two (rather major) items.

So, here are all the 2020 Camaro changes and updates we know of thus far.

### Powertrain

[GM 10-speed automatic transmission](#) now available in conjunction with models powered by [3.6L V6 LGX](#) engine (previously available only with 8-speed automatic transmission)

3LT now comes standard with the [2.0L Turbo LTG engine](#) (was previously standard with [3.6L LGX engine](#) and optional with 2.0L Turbo LTG)

Addition of Camaro LT1 model, which is powered by the [6.2L V8 LT1](#) engine making 455 horsepower (339 kW) and with a starting MSRP of \$34,9951 (including destination); it slots below the Camaro SS in the 2020 Camaro lineup



2020 Camaro LT1  
Exterior

New front fascia for SS models, with a repositioned bowtie emblem in the upper grille and a body-color bar between the upper and lower grilles

Rally Green exterior color

Rear spoiler available on LS and LT (previously available only as part of RS package on LS and LT models)

Dark-tinted taillamps available on LS and LT (previously available only as part of RS package on LS and LT models)

20-inch forged aluminum wheels available on LT, LT1 and SS (previously available only with RS package on LT models)

Red or orange brake calipers available on LT, LT1 and SS models (previously orange calipers were available on SS models only, orange calipers were not available at all)

Black bowtie badges and Camaro fender badge available on LT





## Interior

- Red seat belts available on all models (previously on ZL1 only)
- Red kneepads available on all models (previously also available on all models, so it's a bit strange that Chevy lists this as a new feature)
- Recaro performance seats available on LT (previously available only on LT 1LE)
- Sueded microfiber-trimmed steering wheel and shift knob trim available on LT and SS (previously available on LT 1LE, SS 1LE, and ZL1)
- Alloy pedals available on all models (previously standard only on ZL1 and not available on other models)
- Adrenaline Red and Ceramic White leather interiors now available on 2LT (previously only available on 3LT and 2SS only)



## Packaging

- 3LT trim level now comes standard with the Convenience and Lighting package (previously optional), which includes:
    - Memory Package, which recalls two driver "presets" for 8-way power driver seat and outside mirrors
    - Heated steering wheel
    - Multi-color Driver Information Center
    - Head-Up Display
    - [Rear Park Assist](#)
    - [Rear Cross Traffic Alert](#)
    - Lane Change Alert with [Side Blind Zone Alert](#)
    - [Forward Collision Alert](#)
    - Outside heated power-adjustable and driver-side auto-dimming, body-color mirrors
    - Interior spectrum lighting
- That's all we know so far about the other changes and updates to the 2020 Camaro, though

we expect that more changes will surface as we get closer to the model's launch. [Subscribe](#) to GM Authority for more [Camaro news](#), [Chevrolet news](#) and continuous [GM news](#) coverage.



## About Chevrolet Camaro

The Chevrolet Camaro is a family of sports cars that includes a two-door coupe and two-door soft-top convertible as well as various performance variants such as SS, 1LE, ZL1 and ZL1 1LE. The legendary nameplate was first introduced in 1966 and went out of production in 2002, when the model was in its fourth generation. The Camaro was re-introduced in 2009 as an all-new fifth-generation model based on the [GM Zeta platform](#).

The Camaro is currently Chevrolet's most affordable sports car, slotting below the [Chevrolet Corvette](#). The current model was introduced for the 2016 model year and represents the sixth generation of the Camaro nameplate. The model rides on the [GM Alpha platform](#) shared with the [Cadillac ATS](#) and [Cadillac CTS](#), though the majority of the architecture underpinning the Camaro are unique to it.



The 2018 Chevy Camaro represents the third model

year of the sixth-gen Camaro that deleted the [Camaro 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary](#) Edition and the Krypton Green exterior color, while adding the [ZL1 1LE Extreme Track Performance Package](#). There's also an expanded availability of the SS 1LE Track Performance Package, which is now available on the 2SS Coupe, as well as the addition of a washer fluid level sensor.

A midcycle refresh arrives for the 2019 model year that introduces new, model-specific front and rear styling, a new trim level structure for LT models that adds a new 3LT trim, and a new 1LE track performance package for the [2.0L Turbo LTG](#) engine. The 2019 Camaro also brings the new [GM 10-speed automatic transmission](#) for SS models, the [Rear Camera Mirror](#), third-generation infotainment systems, and various other enhancements.

The gen six Chevy Camaro is assembled for all markets by [GM USA](#) at the [GM Lansing Grand River plant](#) in Lansing, Michigan, USA.



Read more: <http://gmauthority.com/blog/2019/05/here-are-the-other-changes-for-the-2020-camaro/#ixzz5pGcpp5ww>

## Camaro, Corvette Won't Meet EU Emissions Laws For New Cars After August 2019



The sixth-generation Chevrolet [Camaro](#) and the C7 [Corvette](#) will soon be pulled out from the EU, as they do not meet stricter World Light Vehicle Test Procedure regulations that will be implemented starting August 31, 2019.

The new EU emissions regulations will include changes to the approval tests and procedures and will require existing vehicles to be re-certified. We imagine [General Motors](#) elected not to spend the money required to re-certify the Camaro due to its relatively small sales figures in the EU, while the C7 Corvette was already on its way out to make room for the mid-engine Corvette C8.



Britain's [Motoring Research](#) says the last batch of new sixth-generation Camaros and C7 Corvettes destined for the United Kingdom are being sold through GM dealer Ian Allen Motors, located about an hour outside of London.

"We're thrilled to be able to offer the last opportunity to own a piece of history in Corvette and Camaro," said Ian Allan Motors chairman Paul Allan. "Both models offer incredible value compared to many mid-market and commonplace sports cars, yet carry Chevrolet's legendary 6.2-litre V8 block, which is arguably one of the world's most successful performance engines."





*C7 Corvette Grand Sport Final Edition*

GM introduced the EU-exclusive **C7 Corvette Final Edition** earlier this year, which serves as the last hurrah for the C7 Corvette (and likely front-engine Corvettes altogether) in Europe. It is available as both a Corvette Grand Sport or a Z06 and is set apart by its Final Edition decals and Sebring Orange Tintcoat Metallic or Ceramic Matrix Gray Metallic paint. The Final Edition is offered in Germany and Switzerland only, with the Grand Sport Final Edition starting at 116,500 euros and the Z06 Final Edition starting at 139,500 euros.

The mid-engine Corvette C8 will debut on July 18<sup>th</sup> during a special event in California. GM has remained tight-lipped on official information, so it's not yet clear if the next-gen 'Vette will be offered in Europe.

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Read more: <http://gmauthority.com/blog/2019/05/camaro-corvette-wont-meet-eu-emissions-laws-for-new-cars-after-august-2019/#ixzz5pGro1lxR>

## **HELP WANTED**

As we move into the new year I would like to add a few New positions in WMCC and fill a couple of vacant ones. There are still several positions available if anyone is interested.

### **Events Coordinator(s)**

This person would be responsible for our Calendar of events. This person would actively look for events for the club to attend, they would be the Club contact person for special events in the club.

### **Club Photographer**

This position is just what it sounds like. This person would be responsible for taking pictures at WMCC events and meetings and getting them to me for the newsletter.

### **Member Profile Reporter**

This person would be responsible for contacting a different member each month and interviewing them for the newsletter. Finding out about them and their hobbies. About what made them join the club, why they love the Camaro, where they got it, and how long they have owned it, etc.

### **Columnist(s)**

This job could be several people. I looking for people to write columns for the newsletter. They should be car related, how to's, new product offerings, or really just about anything of interest as long as its not politics.

If you are interested in any of these positions or have another position not listed that you would like please let me know as soon as possible. You can call text or email me.

*Gary Crippin*  
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**Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

- **Open Track Day** at US131 Motorsports Park, Martin, MI - 9am - 4pm
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- Get a ride in a wheel-standing COPO Camaro (limited availability, \$75 fee)
  - Preregister at [www.bergerchevy.com](http://www.bergerchevy.com). Payment collected at event entry.
  - Free for spectators

- **Meet & Greet** at Berger Chevrolet, Grand Rapids, MI - 7pm - 10pm
  - **28th Street Metro Cruise**

**Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**

- **All-GM Show** at Berger Chevrolet - 8am - 4pm
- Featuring funny cars, DYNO, over 50 awards, GM Show Cars, feature cars, silent auction, 4th Annual GMMG reunion, classic GM vehicles, and more!
- \$15 registration fee includes free t-shirt for the first 300 entries (Registration day of show only. No preregistration for Saturday car show)
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## Upcoming Events

### **2019 Michigan FBody Meet & Greet Car Show**

Saturday, June 8, 2019 at 8 AM – 3 PM  
@The HUB Stadium 2550 Innovation Drive,  
Auburn Hills, Michigan 48326  
<https://www.mifbody.com/meetgreet/>

### **Berger Chevrolet's All GM Show**

August 23 & 24, 2019  
Berger Chevrolet  
2525 28th Street  
Grand Rapids, MI 49512  
Friday - Open Track Day at US131 Motorsports  
Park  
Friday - Meet & Greet at Berger Chevrolet  
Saturday - All GM Car Show at Berger Chevrolet  
More to Come!!! info @ [https://](https://www.bergerchevy.com/all-gm-show.htm)  
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### **20th Annual Camaro Nationals**

June 21-22, 2019  
Maryland Camaro Club  
Frederick Fairgrounds, MD  
[www.camaronationals.org](http://www.camaronationals.org)

### **Sturgis Camaro Rally**

June 27-30, 2019  
Black Hills Camaro Club Sturgis, SD  
[www.sturgiscamarorally.com](http://www.sturgiscamarorally.com)

### **28th Annual Camaro Superfest**

July 5-7, 2019  
Riverside Park  
Ypsilanti, MI  
<http://www.camarosuperfest.com/>  
Barry Hensel [barry76Lt@wowway.com](mailto:barry76Lt@wowway.com)  
734-649-3056 (between 5pm-10pm)

### **NEOCC's 26th Anniversary Camaro Fall Classic**

Sept 6-8, 2019  
Summit Racing Equipment in Tallmadge, Ohio  
<http://www.neocc.org/annual-neocc-fall-classic/>

### **Camaro Fest IX**

July 11-14, 2019  
Bowling Green, Kentucky  
<http://www.camarofest.org>

### **F-Body Nationals**

September 21-22, 2018  
Memphis International Raceway  
5500 Victory Ln, Millington, TN 38053  
<https://fbodynationals.com/>

### **Detroit Grand Prix-Camaro Corral Motor City Camaro Club**

May 31-June 2  
Belle Isle, Detroit, MI  
[www.detroitgp.com/camaro](http://www.detroitgp.com/camaro)  
866-464-prix

### **Bloomington Gold Corvettes**

Indy Speedway June 20-22, 2019  
Sturgis Camaro Rally  
June 27-30, 2019 Sturgis, SD  
Black Hills Camaro Club  
[www.sturgiscamarorally.com](http://www.sturgiscamarorally.com)

### **Camaro Fest IX**

July 11-14, 2019  
Bowling Green, Kentucky  
<http://www.camarofest.org>

### **4th Annual Sweetest Ride Around Car Show**

on World Famous Beale St  
hosted by River City Camaro Club  
July 26-27 Memphis, TN  
901-574-7692

### **15th Annual Car Cruise**

PACE - Pittsburgh Area Camaro Enthusiasts  
August 10th 11am to 3pm  
Wright Chevrolet 3800 Ohio River  
Blvd Baden, PA. 15005  
[www.pacecamaro.net](http://www.pacecamaro.net) [https://www.facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/125556788018027/)  
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### **CamaroCon 2019**

Oct 12th & 13th, 2019  
Las Vegas Motor Speedway  
<https://camarocon.myshopify.com/>

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**Don't miss the next  
WMCC Meeting  
Sunday June 2, 2019  
At Wright Tavern & Grill  
In Conklin, 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 or face book page for specific times and locations, or call one of the officers.

### **WMCC Officers**

President: Gary Crippin 269.506.0411  
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### **Website**

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

### **Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/westernmichigancamaroclub/>

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

### **Camaro Corner**



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