



January 2021

The View from the Top.

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Hi Everyone,

Wow what a crazy year 2020 was. As of right now we have no meetings scheduled for 2021, due to state restrictions on gatherings. Hopefully things will get better soon and we will be able to start meeting again.

2020 made it hard to really be in the car hobby, having canceled numerous club meetings, The Berger Show, the club Christmas party, Hot Rod Power Tour, Route 66 Tour, Tour Missouri, Camaro Superfest, and many many more cars shows and gathering. I really hope 2021 is better.

Now moving forward into 2021 despite all of the stuff we went thru in 2020 the Club is setting very well financially. So with that said there will be no club dues for 2021, I think that money could be much better used in the pockets of our membership this year, with the current economics and outlook.

We do have many things to look forward to this year, we have the Berger Chevrolet All GM Show in August, we have all been asked to host the NMCA show again at Martin in late July.

The Berger Chevrolet show is still Our Primary focus, it is our home show. I would like to see it be the biggest ever this to coincide with Bergers 95th Anniversary. Hoping to get started with the Berger team on this in the next couple of weeks. The NMCA show is an easy deal for us, Very little prep work required from us. We

pretty much just have to show up the day of the show and do what we do, and at the end collect a check. Easy peezzy. With this show being a few weeks before the Berger show it will be a great way to promote the Berger show. Per our Contract they will be plugging WMCC and The Berger Show a couple of times each day.

There is much more I could say about 2020, but, this club is about Friends, Family and Cars, not Politics. We have many people on both sides of the fence and I choose to enjoy my Camaro family rather argue about politics with them.

I hope to see you all again soon.

Gary.

CAMARO SS 1LE HAS A SPECIAL CALIBRATION FROM CHEVROLET PERFORMANCE

The Auto-X Calibration Takes The Camaro To Another Level Of Quickness
by Lucas Allen November 17, 2020, 5:09 pm

It's not very well known, but General Motors has a competitive performance driving team that regularly attends SCCA autocross



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events. Several of them have gone to SCCA Nationals to win trophies, while others have burned the midnight oil to create absolutely wild projects, such as this Cadillac ATS-V we covered last year. Go figure that this involvement has resulted in unique performance accessories. Taking full advantage of this fact, Chevrolet Performance offers a special Autocross Calibration for the sixth-generation Camaro SS 1LE and its eLSD.



According to Chevrolet Performance, the Autocross Calibration for the eLSD (electronic limited slip differential) is the result of the Camaro engineers desire to perfect the car's on-track and street driving behaviors. During corner entry, the tuned eLSD can now decouple the differential at a faster rate based on pedal and steering inputs, enabling faster yaw rotation. On corner exit, the tune allows the eLSD to couple faster than before, getting power to both wheels sooner. To put it simply, the software upgrade is specifically designed to help the Camaro SS 1LE turn in faster, as well as to put the power down better on corner exit.

Both of these traits should prove to be useful on the tight and technical course layouts typically found at Autocross events. When you

consider that most runs only last between 30 and 90 seconds, corner entry and exit speeds can help to make or break your lap, or your timed run.

We were able to experience a Camaro SS 1LE with this eLSD calibration during an autocross event, and the main difference that we noticed from the standard cal is that the power is more eager to get to the ground. Which is perfect if you have the right tires equipped for the job; slicks, or barely-legal street tires in any case. As good as the stock tires are on the Chevrolet Camaro SS 1LE, autocrossers tend to have a specific set of tires on hand specifically for the event itself. And a choice of tire can determine what class one's Camaro ultimately competes in, with racing slicks placing the iconic pony car in highly competitive SCCA categories such as SSR, C-Prepared, or E-Street-Prepared. In other words, this calibration is made for those who show dedication to the sport, and want to take home trophies.

The Chevrolet Performance Autocross Calibration for the Camaro SS 1LE eLSD carries an MSRP of \$350 including installation, and is only available on 2017+ models. Installation of the software upgrade has to take place at a Chevrolet dealership, though that is to be expected. Combine the 1LE's impressive list of track-ready hardware with the re-flash, and the already astounding vehicle dynamics of the Chevy muscle car reaches new heights.

<https://www.musclecarsandtrucks.com/camaro-ss-1le-autocross-chevrolet-performance/>

SIXTH-GENERATION CHEVROLET CAMARO COULD LIVE UNTIL 2026 MODEL YEAR: REPORT

This Adjusted Timeline Would Keep The Current Camaro Around For Two More Years
by Manoli Katakis December 24, 2020, 2:58 pm

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As Muscle Cars & Trucks first reported way back in June of 2019, the original plans for what was to be the seventh-generation Chevrolet Camaro were dropped. The sixth-generation Camaro would fade into darkness by 2023, which would be followed by some gap years for the nameplate (again), at minimum.. Since then, there have been unconfirmed suspicions of the Camaro being reborn as an electric vehicle, with General Motors going as far as teasing what's assumed to be the silhouette of one on top of a chassis made up of Ultium battery packs. Moreover, GM is reportedly planning to build an electric vehicle at the Camaro's Lansing Grand River Assembly plant by 2024, just after the gen-six Camaro fades into darkness. However, this vehicle could just as well be a Cadillac.

Yet, there's a shimmer of hope for the current Camaro faithful: a new report coming from Australia's WhichCar details that the final model year for the sixth-generation Chevrolet muscle car will be extended from 2024 to 2026; a full two extra years.

Australia is expected to get the Camaro, along with the C8 Corvette, via the newly launched GM Specialty Vehicles (GMSV) brand. GMSV exists in lieu of the discontinued Holden brand, which has been officially discontinued after a dragged out slow death. In its place, GMSV imports high-interest Chevrolet vehicles such as the Silverado, Corvette, and soon-to-be Camaro, and either sells them or converts them into right-hand-drive (RHD) models. After the Camaro, the all-new Chevrolet Tahoe and Suburban three-row utility vehicles are expected to be next on the to-do list for RHD importing.

According to the WhichCar report, GMSV is looking at re-introducing a RHD-converted Chevrolet Camaro in both high-end SS and ZL1 trim levels as soon as the 2021 calendar year, in order to compete with the Ford Mustang in Australia's famous Supercars racing series.

While it's difficult to determine what this means for the Chevrolet Camaro beyond the sixth-generation, tacking on two more model year's to the muscle car's lifecycle could give General Motors the necessary time to come up with a plan to keep the vehicle alive for generations to come.

<https://www.musclecarsandtrucks.com/sixth-generation-chevrolet-camaro-could-live-until-2026-model-year-report/>



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.

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.

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WMCC Meeting
TBD
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.

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