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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Well it's been quite a winter so far, all I've been doing so far is shovel the decks, sidewalks and the driveway and I am tired of it. As I write this we are to getting more this evening. Think Spring!

I'm proud to announce that the North Hills, Jim Shorkey Auto Group has agreed to be our new sponsor, with that in mind we should all support them with the needs of our Corvette.

I did receive news from the Vintage Gran Prix, as of now it is on. As I get more information I will pass it on to everyone.

We are hopefully going to have our first meeting in March. If anyone has a good location for this meeting please let me know.

Stay warm and try to get the neighborhood kids to do your snow shoveling.

Paul





WELCOME TO OUR NEW CLUB SPONSOR

# Jim SHORKEY AUTO GROUP

I am pleased to inform you that the Jim Shorkey Auto Group formally Tom Henry will be the clubs new sponsor. Gary, Joe and myself had a very productive meeting with the General Manager, Bill Eggert today. I would encourage everyone to support our new sponsor with the needs of our cars.

More information will be coming soon.



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## 2022 CORVETTE Z06

The highly anticipated [2022 Corvette](#) Z06 could be set for a July debut, according to rumors that have been circulating across the web this week.

These rumors can be traced back to speculation on C8 Corvette online forums, in addition to at least one dealership promising its customers more information would be available regarding the 2022 Z06 in July. Nothing has been confirmed by General Motors yet, though, so it's hard to say if these rumors will hold water.



GM Authority expects the [C8 Corvette Z06](#) to be powered by the upcoming naturally-aspirated [5.5L LT6 V8](#) engine, which will feature a flat-plane crankshaft. The 32-valve DOHC engine is expected to make around 600 horsepower as well as between 480 and 550 pound-feet of torque. It will be paired to an eight-speed dual-clutch transmission with paddle shifters.

Similar to previous Corvette Z06 variants, this new model will feature unique exterior styling that will clearly set it apart from the standard C8 Corvette Stingray. Spy shots [taken by GM Authority photographers](#) also confirmed [a previous report](#) of ours that indicated the high-performance Vette would be offered with a large rear wing. We believe this wing will be part of an optional Z07 performance package, which may also include lightweight carbon fiber wheels.

Additionally, our intel suggests the C8 Corvette Z06 will [roll on extra-wide rubber](#) measuring 275/30ZR20 up front and 345/25ZR21 at the rear. Sticky Michelin Pilot Sport Cup 2R tires will be on the options list as well.

The 2022 Corvette Z06 will also benefit from lessons Chevy learned racing the [Corvette C8.R](#) in the IMSA GTLM class last year. The championship-winning Corvette C8.R is powered by a 5.5L flat-plane crank V8 that is believed to be very similar to the 5.5L V8 that will come in the road-going Z06.

We'll have more on the 2022 Corvette Z06 leading up to its rumored July debut, so be sure to [subscribe](#) to GM Authority for more [C8 Z06 news](#), [Corvette news](#), [Chevrolet news](#) and around-the-clock [GM news](#) coverage.



## NO CORVETTE FOR YOU!



A Georgia man couldn't believe his luck when he won a [C8 Corvette](#) from a scratch-off lottery ticket, but he's no longer feeling so fortunate after the lottery he purchased the ticket from realized it couldn't immediately follow through with its end of the deal.

According to [Corvette Forum](#), Dennis Kahler recently purchased a scratch-off lottery ticket because it had one of his favorite cars on it, a

C8 [Corvette](#). His card ended up being the grand prize winner, much to his surprise, entitling him to a new C8 Corvette Stingray and a \$250,000 cash prize.

The problems started when Kahler reached out to Georgia Lottery to redeem his car and cash. Virtually every new C8 Corvette already has an owner, so it's been difficult for Kahler to find the vehicle he's looking for. Furthermore, many dealerships want additional markup for the vehicles that have not been spoken for.

There's another problem, too. Georgia Lottery assigned the Corvette a value of \$107,000, which would allow Kahler to receive some cash on top if his desired specification came in under that amount. He wants a Rapid Blue 2LT trim level model with the Z51 performance package, which rings in at \$80,465. The first dealership picked by the lottery affiliation, Five Star Chevrolet, placed a \$10,000 markup on the model they had in stock, which Kahler balked at.

"I used to be a general sales manager for a dealership, so I know the way things operate," he told [Corvette Forum](#) "I'm not giving up the money on my purchase by using them."

The lottery later found other dealerships that were willing to sell the car at Chevrolet's MSRP, but these stores said they probably wouldn't be able to get him a car until the third quarter of this year. That's not very surprising, seeing as the C8 Corvette is in high demand and has faced numerous production setbacks in the past 11 months or so. Despite being a lottery winner, it seems as though Kahler will have to wait until later this year to receive his C8 Corvette, just like many other eager prospective owners that are awaiting their cars.



## IT'S JUST A RUMOR—OR IS IT?

Electricity is in the Corvette's future. It hasn't been 100-percent confirmed yet, but Corvette Chief Engineer Tadge Juechter [got us to 99 percent last December](#) when he said the automaker would "get there eventually" with regards to zero-emission vehicles. Now, a new rumor from [GM-Trucks](#) claims to have inside info on a stepping stone for that zero-emission path, relating specifically to the [Corvette](#). The current rumor pegs 2023 as the year when the C8 Corvette will receive an electric boost. It won't be entirely electric though – it will come in the form of electric motors driving the front wheels to give the 'Vette its first-ever all-wheel-drive setup. Curiously, the report claims [Chevrolet](#) won't call the feature a hybrid, but rather, an eAWD option available on Stingray models.

It's unclear if one or two electric motors will be used, nor is it known if the car will be a plug-in model with an electric-only mode for short trips without the gasoline engine. If this report is accurate, it suggests GM is keen to brand the option as a performance upgrade as opposed to anything involving efficiency. Apparently in Corvette circles, *hybrid* is a four-letter word.

The information allegedly comes from internal GM documents. As such, we can't independently verify the information, and the automaker certainly isn't talking. However, we can say this new rumor is supported by [previous reports we've heard](#) about electric Corvette plans. In April 2020, [Hagerty](#) claimed to have production insight for the Corvette, which included a hybrid model landing in 2023.

More Corvette Rumors:

### [GM Renews E-Ray](#)



Details of the setup weren't known, other than it would include the 6.2-liter LT2 V8 with electric power to develop 600 horsepower. That certainly sounds like a Stingray with optional electric motors, though that report also clearly stated it would be a hybrid model wearing Grand Sport branding. Model name and hybrid talk aside, the latest rumor is a *very* tidy match for older news.

The ultimate C8 Corvette is expected to be the Zora, and it's also said to feature electric power. Current speculation says it will use a twin-turbocharged version of the 5.5-liter DOHC V8 coming to the Z06, merged with electric motors to deliver an all-wheel-drive experience with 1,000 horsepower. Such a machine isn't expected to arrive before 2025.



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### 1987 Chevrolet Corvette

1987 Chevrolet Corvette takes the top place among affordable and classic used Corvettes for sale in KY. With a simple, yet futuristic design, inspired by the 1984 model, this robust car became available as a convertible, too. Capable of hitting high speeds, the car has power windows and a removable roof. With the stunning power of a 5.7-liter engine, the car offers a breathtaking driving experience. Speed-hungry car buyers will be amazed by the engine revving and friction-less smooth rides in a 1987 used Corvette.

### 2010 Chevrolet Corvette ZR1

Talking about speed, you must know that the [2010 Chevy Corvette](#) offered a fierce competition to Porsche 911 Turbo. Chevy Corvette ZR1 packs a 6.2-liter supercharged V8 engine that provides a tremendous horsepower of 638 and 604 lb.ft of torque. Other impressive features included in the car are Bluetooth and a Premium Boss audio system.

### 2011 Corvette Z06

With magnetic shock absorbers and massive rubber steamrollers, you can feel the raw power of [2011 Corvette Z06](#) as you drive through the bumpy and uneven stretches. The car sports a 7.0-liter V8 engine and reaches 60 mph in under 3.8 seconds, which is an absolute pleasure for trained professionals. With a 6.2-liter V8, it delivers a fuel economy of 30 mpg on the highway. With built-in driver's seat memory, coordinated accents, Bluetooth, heads up display, and touch screen infotainment center.





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## CORVETTE HIGHLIGHT—1988 CALLAWAY SLEDGEHAMMER



- On October 26, 1988 at 3:45PM John Lingenfelter drove the Sledgehammer to its record speed of 254.76 MPH
- The Sledgehammer was driven from Callaway in Old Lyme, CT to the Transportation Research Center in Ohio for its record run
- This street legal Corvette remained the world's fastest car for 25 years making it the longest speed record holder

Based on a 1988 Chevrolet Corvette, the famous Callaway Sledgehammer was built by Callaway to exceed all existing top speed records and as a showcase for Callaway's industry-leading engineering expertise. For years the Sledgehammer owned the record as the fastest street-driven car in the world, having set the mark on October 26, 1988 when John Lingenfelter drove it to an incredible 254.76 MPH at the Transportation Research Center (TRC) in Ohio, an enormous facility with a 7.5 mile oval track. The record run occurred after the Sledgehammer was driven from Callaway headquarters in Old Lyme, Connecticut to TRC.

Rated at 898 HP and 772 lb-ft of torque, the balanced and blueprinted engine was hand built by Callaway Cars using a 4-bolt main NASCAR-spec GM "Bowtie" engine block, Mahle pistons on forged connecting rods, a special cam to enable both a docile drive around town and voluminous breathing at high engine speeds and Brodix aluminum heads for maximum power and durability. Extensive research was required to efficiently package the engine within the Corvette's tight confines, which also were made to accept twin Turbonetics TO4B turbochargers, matching intercoolers and all the plumbing necessary to make it all work.



Carroll Smith tuned the Sledgehammer's suspension for high speed stability by relocating the lower control arms, reducing the car's ride height by one inch. Koni shock absorbers were used in conjunction with 17-inch Dymag aluminum wheels wearing specially made Goodyear tires developed for the high speed run. Inside the Paul Deutschman-designed Callaway Aerobody is a mostly stock interior modified for the high speed run with a leather padded roll bar, 5-point harnesses and instruments for monitoring goings-on beneath the hood. And yes: it still has the factory air conditioning and sound systems!

In 2013 the Sledgehammer was inducted into the Bloomington Gold Great Hall, which "recognizes 50 people and 50 Corvettes that significantly influenced the Corvette Phenomenon" – a great honor for one of the world's great Corvettes.



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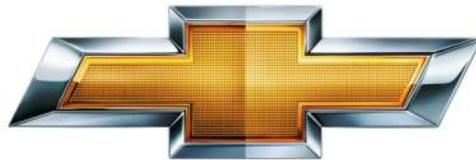
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