



January 2018 Newsletter

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Happy Holidays

Wow 2018 is here and there is some big news being announced for the Chevrolet Camaro.

The **2018 Camaro ZL1 1LE** stretches the performance envelope like a cruise missile wearing a forty-nine-cent stamp. There's the Corvette Z06–derived LT4 supercharged 6.2-liter V-8 good for 650 horsepower and 650 lb-ft of torque, the genuine carbon-fiber wing (a first for GM) designed in a Formula 1 wind tunnel that turns into the equivalent of 300 pounds of lead at 150 mph, the gaping front end that swallows 106 cubic feet of air per minute more than a regular ZL1, and the splitter and dive planes. Also, check out the rubber. GM tapped Goodyear and the tiremaker brought its Eagle F1 Supercar 3R to the table: 305/30ZR-19s in the front and 325/30ZR-19 steamrollers at the rear, which is the widest tire ever fitted to a Camaro. Goodyear says they are good for 1.10 g's of lateral acceleration, but if our well-attuned necks are any gauge, we're thinking it's even higher than that. The rubber is wrapped around forged-aluminum wheels one inch smaller in diameter than the regular ZL1's; along with the tires and compared with the non-1LE car, those rollers save 13 pounds in precious rotating inertia and unsprung mass.



SHOWS WE ATTENDED IN 2017

Throughout 2017 many DVCC members attended events all over the Tri-State area as a group and individually. The following are just some highlighted events that our members sent in for this month's newsletter.

Old New Castle's Separation Day

June 10th



Camaro Fest VII

July 13th, 14th & 15th



AACA Museum Trip

August 5th



Chesapeake City Car Show

August 5th



DVCC Picnic Hagley Museum Show

September 17th



Dew Point Brewery Car Show

October 7th



Camaro Tech Corner

How to Test an Ignition Coil

By Jack Dunbar

While driving my '69 home from a show this past summer, the motor shut off while traveling at 40 mph. I tried to kick start it to see if it would re-fire, but no dice. The motor would crank, but had no spark. The situation required a call to Allstate Road Service, and a ride home on a roll-back.

I knew the issue was ignition, but which part? I have a capacitive discharge ignition box and an electronic distributor, and I was hoping that it wasn't either of them. The easiest place to start was with the coil, so I removed it for testing.

Check with your coil manufacturer for the exact resistance specs. The specs on my coil were:

Primary Circuit: .5 -.7 ohms

Secondary Circuit: 4,500 -5,500 ohms

Using a multimeter, I first tested the primary circuit by placing the leads on the positive and negative terminals. The reading was dead-on, at .6 ohm. For the secondary circuit, you test between the positive terminal and the main lead terminal that feeds spark to the distributor. That test only yielded 500 ohms, showing that the coil's secondary circuit had failed, and there was no spark going to the distributor. That coil was 8 years old, with about 3,000 miles on it.

This proved to be the best possible (least expensive) scenario for me. I shelled out about \$40 for a new MSD coil that arrived in a few days. Thirty minutes later, the '69 was up and running again.

Contributors Wanted

If you want to have a story published or you have gone to an event and would like to tell all the members about your time, just jot down a little story, include some photos, and send it to charlesgager107@comcast.net. We will do our best to get it in the next newsletter.

Welcome

Delaware Camaro Club would like to welcome all our new members for 2017

Brad Alman, Michele Barbaccio, Fran Cathcant, Mary Clarke, Bonita Forte, Steve Hirshout, Garrick Hudson, Cesar/Sanchez Lopez, Gary Mabry, Robert Nash, Jeff Rhoads, Paula Reinert, Josue Leon Ruiz, Jon Schroer, Chris Wintemberg.

Welcome to the best Camaro/Firebird Club in the Tri-State Area. This club is all about our membership and our love of the cars we drive, in particular our beloved Camaro and Firebird.

You all make it that much better!!!



HOLIDAY PARTY



Our Holiday Party is just around the corner so mark your calendars!!!

January 27th, 2018

Tyler's Bar & Grill 5343 Limestone Road, Wilmington, DE. 19808.

Meeting Schedule

The next Delaware Valley Camaro Club meeting is scheduled for February 21st.
The location is Timothy's at the Riverfront Walk in Wilmington, DE..

Come early for dinner, and the meeting usually starts around 7:00PM. See you there!!!

[We hope to have the Website revised soon]

Check the website for the most up to date event listings.

Send suggestions for events in your area to: **charlesgager107@comcast.net**

Monthly Car Humor



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