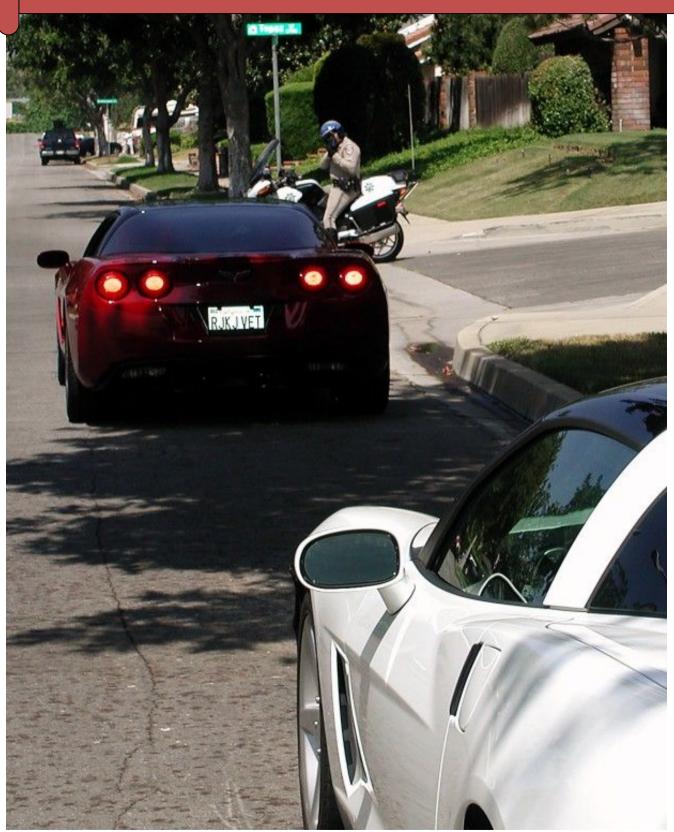
Under The Radar

The Monthly Newsletter of Corvette Super Sports Volume 51 number 1 January 2010



Corvette Super Sports is a car club made up of Corvette owners with a passion for a fine driving machine, with the goal to participate in and support auto-related activities, such as: car shows, auto-crossing, rallies, drag racing, caravans, cruises, parades, etc. We support (N.C.C.C.) National Council of Corvette Clubs, National Corvette Museum, several social, civic, and charitable organizations. CSS is incorporated as a non-profit organization in the County of Orange, California.

We welcome guests to our meetings on first Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM at "SIZZLER" Steak, Seafood & Salad Bar 1401 N. Harbor Blvd, Fullerton, CA 92835 (Harbor Blvd. at Brea Blvd.)

Corvette Super Sports Charities, By Marietta Darke: For many years, CSS has been a major sponsor for our two main Charities; H.I.S. House Transitional Shelter and CHiP's for Kids.

HIS House is a 4-6 month program for homeless men, women, and children to prepare for and secure employment, education and permanent housing.

CHiP's for Kids began with an individual **CHP** officer that spread like wildfire within their own departments. To reach out in the community to help abused, orphaned, and seriously neglected children. Corvette Super Sports was introduced to **Hillview Acres Children's Home** though our involvement with the **CHP**. Hillview brings hope through a safe therapeutic environment, to help children regain trust, a place to heal and away from serious emotional disturbances.

Through our volunteer and club events such as car shows, visits, work/clean up day, donations, garage sales, Corvette Super Sports donated not only many hours throughout the year but also monetary donations. HIS House and CHiPs, combined, have been recipients of \$5000 each year. We hope that this will continue with our SUPERSPORTS member's efforts.

Appreciate your support. As Always,

SAVE the WAVE

Marietta
CSS Charity Rep

Charity Donations

Corvette Super Sports was blessed during 2009 to have provided venues that attracted many participants. From our activities, we were able to donate to our charities as follows:

Hill view Acres \$3,500

His House, Placentia \$3,500. In addition our members donated new pillows and cases at the end of the year.

In addition to our sponsored charities, we also felt compelled to provide funding to other charities:

Alzheimer's \$500 Counsel On Aging \$500

Corvette Super Sports believes that it is our duty to participate in other Corvette Club's activities to support their charities.

Corvette Super Sports' Charities

These are the organizations and programs our members support ... because we believe in "giving back" to the communities in which we live ... and *drive* ... our Corvettes.

Marietta Darke is CSS' Charities Representative



H.I.S. House
Homeless Intervention Shelter
P.O. Box 1293, Placentia CA 92871
714-993-5774

Visit "Charity's Closet" Thrift Shop



CHiPs for Kids and its support of the Hillview Acres Children's Home

Club Liaison and CHiPS for Kids Coordinator: CHP
Officer Donnell Holmes





Who's Who at Corvette Super Sports

Officers Board of Governors

President: Cindy OrricoDonna StewartVice-President: Diane WiestJim CooperSecretary: Ginger GirvinRoger BaconTreasurer: Jennifer SpencerRon DeBartolomeisNewsletter: Geoff GirvinVicki Kump

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N.C.C.C.: Joe Orrico

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Clothing-Shirts: Rick Miller
Clothing-Jackets & Hats: Shirley Jones
Socials: Geoff Girvin
Charity: Marietta Darke

Sergeant at Arms: Scott Glover
Trophies/Awards: Tom Cuccio
Dealer Rep: Ron DeBartolomeis
Car Show Chairman: Roger Bacon

Raffle:

Meeting Hostess: Linda Norris Banquet: Linda Norris, Vicki Kump

Membership/Hospitality: Donna Stewart Phone Committee Chairman: Donna

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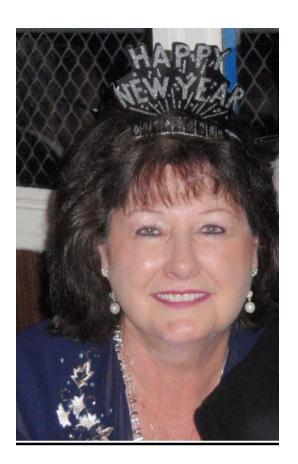
Stewart

Don't forget the Board Meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. The meetings' venue will be changed each month to add variety. Board meetings are open to all members. We encourage you to attend and welcome your comments pro and con.

Come to a board meeting and you too can be pictured here!







Presidents Message

Madam Pres

Hello From Me To You

I hope this finds everyone well, content that this is now 2010, that the holidays are over (for now) and not as many pounds gained as myself!

Joe and I were truly blessed / lucky to be able to stumble upon our new car that we now name "The 1". Wow, what a car! Joe says it's my daily driver..... I work 3 days a week and for most of January, it's been raining, so I've been driving my mom's Cavalier. It's scary to let Joe drive the car sometimes, he just stares off in the distance in his own little world. I have found out that he has traits of a dog.... I can tell he wants to go for a drive when I find him just sitting in it! I think my outward obsession in starting to show in him!

Larry Farrell was also at the right place at the right time and now owns the Clubs first Calloway Grand Sport! At the February meeting, I'm going to throw down the gauntlet and see if he wants to race in the Sizzler parking lot......

I would like to thank everyone for contributing and participating in our 2010 January Banquet! Another huge success. Special thanks to Linda and Vicki for all their hard work organizing this event. Congratulations to those that earned their milestone pins: Ed Norris for 30 years and Dave Alciatore for 40 years! Wow - that's just a little older than me! Thanks to Joe for taking over Tom Cuccio's job. While Joe was good, it just wasn't the same without Tom...... Thanks to Geoff for giving us trivia and winning lotto tickets.... Well... some got winning tickets.... Thanks to Ron for sharing moments of the 2009 Convention and Chuck for the 2009 Museum Caravan. This club is also to be congratulated for all the efforts put in to make us #1 for NCCC points for 2009! And of course that is due to fun activities and adventures. Let's keep rolling.

This is all ready January and we are off to a busy calendar!! And collecting more dates as we speak. Huh, and we thought last year was busy!! Ah, but as they say, it keeps us young! Please share any of your thoughts with Geoff about outings that you would like to see the club make happen this year.

"HOT" CSS News

The Social event for February 2010 is:

Valentines Bowl February 6th La Habra Bowl

The Club event for February is:

Homeland Security practice at Prado Range February 20th 9am

Please help us keep our records up to date.

Now you can use the new combined Membership Application/Change of Information form to let us know of changes and updates to your addresses (postal and email), phone numbers (including cell numbers), Corvette model(s), etc.

Corvette Track Days is officially on for April 10th and 11th 2010 at Pahrump. Remember what happens at Pahrump stays at Pahrump.

If you have an idea for a **Club Outing, Mystery Run, and Caravan** to someplace special for lunch, we want to make it easy for you. Jim Cooper introduced a new <u>Cruise Planning form</u> at the March general meeting; please use it to organize the details and help us publicize your event.

Editor's Corner

Do not be surprised if next August we are notified that our Newsletter, "Under the Radar" has won an award. We will be submitting it to the NCCC Newsletter contest several times this year to be judged on content and style.

Corvette Super Sports Local News

CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS -GENERAL MEETING

There is no general meeting in January. The meeting is replaced with the annual banquet where the officers for 2010 are formally introduced and installed.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Month-by-month list of **birthdays and anniversaries** celebrated by CSS members.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS	JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES
Bill Stel 1/1	Dave & Donna Stewart 1/19/1980
Dennis Dawson 1/9	Doug and Elizabeth Mariani 1/2/2009
Chris Glodery 1/10	
Marge Huhta 1/10	
Rick Miller 1/12	
Kathryn Baddley 1/16	
Arthur Huhta 1/16	
Scott Glover 1/17	
Shirley Jones 1/19	
Ann Meeuwenberg 1/25	
Dianne Wiest 1/26	
Dori Lawrence 1/29	
Dave Stewart 1/30	
Tim Pearson 1/30	
FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS	FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES
Tammy Mielke 2/9	Reg and Dori Lawrence 2/3/1979
Reg Lawrence 2/13	Bert and Diane Wiest 2/14/
Doug Meeuwenberg 2/15	
Mark Costello 2/24	

January Birthday Celebrations

Happy Corvettes Super Sports birthday to Rick Miller.

Rick had a modest birthday with Lynn, 5 children and 5 grandchildren. It was a simple dinner with lots of Hooooooop-Las. No surprises...just like most of us.

Happy Corvettes Super Sports birthday to Bill Stel.

Bill spent the New Year birthday watching the Rose Parade and the plethora of bowl games. He said there were no surprises and he makes his own choices for a present. That is how he accumulates stuff for his 1964 coupe. He is working to finish assembling the engine and expects to have a 6000 horsepower machine.

Happy Corvettes Super Sports birthday to Dennis Dawson.

I called Dennis and wished him the best. "Thanks for reminding me," he said. He had a busy birthday. He went to the Performing Arts Center for the Keb-Mo concert and then he got drunk. "It's fun," he said.

Happy Corvettes Super Sports birthday to Marge Huhta.

Apparently Marge was tired of the nice California weather and went to Walt Disney World. The temperatures were in the 50's and descended lower every day. Her favorite present was sharing this trip with Art and son Erik.

Happy Corvettes Super Sports birthday to Kathryn Baddley.

"I didn't do too much. She and Mike went out to breakfast and later to dinner. "I ate my whote birthday," she said. There were no surprised and she was happy with Mike's present (that is a secret).

Happy Corvettes Super Sports birthday to Art Huhta.

Art celebrated a week after returning from Florida. He spent his special day paying the vacation travel bills. He was pleased to be in warm, dry California. The best part of his birthday celebration was the exquisite, personal audio birthday greeting that Geoff Girvin provided in the middle of the day.

A Happy CSS Birthday to Shirley Jones.

"I had a very quiet birthday," said Shirley. She and Garry went down the hill from Big Bear for dinner and to see Avatar. She loves science fiction movies. Shirley is continuing to heal from the December 11 knee surgery. She is getting better and stronger.

Garry presented her with roses and candy. Then the snowstorm hit. They were snowe in and lost electricity. Not to worry, the snow berms were useful to store refriderated food. Even though they have eight foot snow berms blocking the house, they are planning to attend the February CSS meeting.

A Happy CSS Birthday to Dianne Wiest.

Dianne worked on her birthday and then went to the Outback with friends. This was a week of birthdays shared with family. She was surprised that office friends gave a birthday party with a cake. Opening her presents will be on January 30 along with other family birthday presents.

Social Corner

The goal of the social chairman is to post the events for the entire year so that our membership can plan accordingly.

Social events are defined as

a caravan to a place of interest where we can participate in an adventure and have time to talk with other members about recent Car Show and Rallyes that we have participated in.

The Club event is defined as

our club participating in another Corvette Club's activities to support their charities. The following is our annual schedule:

Date	Event
Jan 9-10	Milard Filmore's Birthday Party in laughlin
Jan 23	CSS Banquet, NHRA Museum
Jan 30	Homeland Security Practice at the Prado Range
Feb 6	Valentine Bowling
Feb 20	Homeland Security Practice at the Prado Range
Feb 20-21	Nascar Driver Parade (tentative)
Mar 6	USS Dewey Commissioning – Seal Beach
Mar 13-14	Wineries, Wildflowers and Camels Julian
Mar 13-14	Palm Springs Low Speed Augocross – Indio Non Sanctioned NCCC
Mar 27	Girvin's 40 th Anniversary Party 1970s theme
Apr 3	K1 Go Kart Grand Prix - Irvine
Apr 10-11	CSS High Speed Autocross – Pahrump NV.
Apr 11	Corvettes West PC Car Show Rancho Cucumonga
Apr 16-18	Long Beach Grand Prix
Apr 17	Inland Empire Corvette Club Rallye and Funkhana - Yucaipa
Apr 25	Victor Valley Vettes PC Car Show - Victorville
May 2	Temecula Valley Corvettes PC Car show Temecula
May 9	Homeland Security Practice at the Prado Range
May 15	California Dreaming PC Car Show Mission Bay
May 16	Plastic Fantastic PC Car Show San Diego
May 22	Fullerton Airport Centennial Fly & Float Car Show - Fullerton
May 29	Temecula Valley Corvettes Rallye - temecula
May 29-30	Corvette Roulette – Las Vegas NV.
June 6	OC Vettes PC Car show – Huntington Beach
June 25	Bash B4 the Big Bear Bash – Big Bear Shirley Jones
June 25-26	Big Bear Bash
July 10	Mystery Run Breakfast and Picnic - Somewhere
July 17	Pomona Valley Vettes Rallye Rancho Cucumonga
July 23-30	NCCC Convention West Palm Beach Fl
July 24	Homeland Security Practice at the Prado Range
Aug TBD	Peterson Auto Museum – Los Angeles
Aug 14	Claremont Cruise Night – Claremont 5-9
Aug 22	CSS Car Show – Surf City Garage Huntington Beach
Sep 4	Donna's Pool Party
Sep TBD	Paso Robles Wine Tasting and San Simeon Castle
Sep TBD	Homeland Security Practice at the Prado Range

Sep 25	Cruisin' for a Cure – Costa Mesa
Oct 1-2	Blue Angels Air Show – Miramar MCAS
Oct TBD	Casino Night
Oct TBD	Spring Mountain Raceway Pahrump NV
Oct TBD	Wild West PC Car Show – Apple Valley
Nov TBD	Bowling with Turkeys – La Habra
Nov TBD	Oak Glen Pie Run
Nov TBD	La Palma Days Parade
Nov TBD	Homeland Security Practice at the Prado Range
Dec TBD	Christmas Party

Current CSS events can be found at the following URL http://www.corvettesupersports.com

If you have a suggestion for a Corvette Event or a Social Event, please contact Geoff at GBGirvin@yahoo.com

Club Events for January

LAUGHLIN RUN – 2010 By our own Cindy Orrico

On a great morning in January, we were off to Laughlin for the annual Laughlin Run, put on by Desert Corvette Association in Phoenix. When the dust settled and we were able to see all the cars, there was a group of about 36 of us. Joe, myself, Chris & Jennifer, Lee & Hazel along with our adopted CSS members from Wild West Corvettes, Scott & Marilyn Davis.

No need to mention how the ride out to Laughlin was......(heavy sigh)

Jennifer had previously gotten Joe and I hooked on Pai Gow, a card game that makes my money last just a little longer. Ok, most of the time. However, while playing at the table, we learned that Laughlin has new names for drinks! Jen was drinking a skinny Bit_h, which was Vodka & Diet Coke. And after a few of those, we were making up names for the rest of the drinks, for which I can't repeat.

While I was at the biggest slot machine in town, Jennifer went over to visit hubby Chris at the bar donating to the video poker machines, when all of the sudden there was this scream of joy! No, it wasn't Chris, but Jennifer, who had just hit THE ROYAL FLUSH! Jen's buying dinner!!!! And so she did! Thanks Jen! (No explanation needed that I am not in the picture with a smile on my face by the slot machine.



On Saturday, the event was to drive out to Oatman, Arizona. Now, I remember hearing Rick Miller speak of Oatman last year, but I guess it really never sunk in. One of those things that you needed to be there. Well, on Saturday, we were there. Words can't describe it......



They have a gun fight out in the street every day at noon, upon after the shootout, WILD DONKEYS COME DOWN FROM THE HILLS AND HANG OUT IN THE STREETS IN HOPES OF SOME CARROTS!! I asked one of the store owners if someone brought these out or let them out for this display and she just shook her head and said, "Nope, they are wild and come down this time of day, every day!" Truly amazing and cute! They just loved the people, even without carrots. And all this time, I though Rick had been having jello shots when he told the story!







Speed Limit sign lost the second "0" on Route 66 back to Kingman, AZ from Oatman.



Joe and Cindy's new house after ZR1. Address: Oatman, AZ – no more needed.

We stopped at a diner back towards Kingman and Elvis was there. Jen and I agreed that the years are catching up with him!

On Sunday, when all my money was secure at the hotel, it was time to head home. Joe had the need to see if he could out run the Speed of Smell on the highway...... And he did!

Will suggest this trip next year. Low key, but fun!!!

Corvette Super Sports Annual Banquet and Officer installation

On January 23, 2010 Corvette Super Sports held its annual corporation meeting to officially install and welcome its new officers for the new year. This year's Installation and Banquet was held at the NHRA Museum in Pomona. The banquet was attended by 54 members and guests. Donnell Holmes, our liaison to the CHPs for Kids Charity that we support came with Maria Castellanos from Mattel Toys. They provided raffle prizes that were outstanding. Donnell introduced Vince Rameriz and his wife Linda, also from the CHP. Donnell said that Vince was learning the ropes so that there is an easy transition for the CHP when Donnell finally hangs up his badge.

The banquet had a fine array of food for the buffet line and no one went away hungry. Joe Orrico took over as Master of Ceremonies because our Guru of Ceremonies, Tom Cuccio was unable to attend this year. We all missed Tom, especially yours truly, who seems to have issues with trivia questions. I tried doing trivia questions like Tom does, but I just don't have his flare. I ended up going around to each table and asking simple questions about the Beetles, Don McLean, and The Lone Ranger. As it was, I had to give everyone hints just to get rid of the Scratchers. All in all, the 50 Scratchers netted all the winners together \$27.

Joe handed out the year pins to members of the club. Ed Norris had 30 years, Dave Alciatore had 40 years!!! Tim Pearson, Ron and Karen DeBartolomeis, Geoff and Ginger Girvin, and Mike and Kathy Baddley had 5 year pins awarded. He also gave us a report of the Regional NCCC meeting that occurred the same day in Apple Valley. He brought back trophies for Corvette Super Sports members and we all reveled in the fact that CSS earned more points than any other club in the region by almost double. Cindy received a trophy for being number 1 in points for the ladies in the region. Jennifer received a trophy for being second but only by a few points. Ginger won 8th place for her points in the region. Joe took first place, Ed Norris got 9th and I sneaked in at 10th place for the men's category.

Jim Cooper was awarded the Most Valuable Member award for 2009. He won the honor from a popular vote amongst the membership at large.

All in all a good time was had at yet another fantastically planned and executed banquet put on by Linda and Vicki, our in house concierges.



Mr. and Mrs Cindy



Madam Prez



Ron and Karen



Mike ande Kathy



Geoff and Ginger



Pat Works taking my picture







Donna and Dave



No One Went Hungry











Vince Marietta Donnell



Most Valuable Member Jim Cooper

Club Trivia Questions for January

- 1. Which CHP office does Vince Rameriz work at
- 2. Which CHP office does Donnell Holmes work at
- 3. Which Mattel Office does Maria Castellanos work at
- 4. What is the new Girl Scout cookie for 2010 called
- 5. Name 2 couples who are members of CSS that celebrate their 40th Wedding Anniversary this year

Recipe Corner

Souper-Bowl Feast Tortilla and Tomato Soup Serves 6

- 1 tbs olive oil
- 1 large onion, peeled and finely chopped (1 1/2 cups)
- 2 cloves minced garlic (2 tsp)
- 1 32oz can chopped fire roasted tomatoes
- 3 6 inch corn tortillas cut into squares
- 3 tbs chopped cilantro
- 1 tsp hot sauce
- 3 tbs fresh goat cheese (softened)
- 2 tbs plain low fat yogurt

Directions

- 1. Heat oil in large pot over medium heat. Add onion, saute' 7 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add garlic, and saute' 1 minute more.
- 2. Add tomatoes, 2 cups water and tortillas. Bring to a boil, reduce heat to medium low. Cover, simmer 15 minutes. Stir in cilantro, hot sauce, season with salt/pepper to taste.
- 3. Combine goat cheese and yogurt in small bowl. Ladle soup into bowls, then swirl goat cheese mixture into each serving.

Tacate/Corona Beer and chips.

Enjoy,

submitted by,

Marietta

NCCC National News

The NCCC Tentative final points for 2009 have been updated. Corvette Super Sports came in 41 place out of 240 clubs competing for points with 2246 points. The first place club was the Cornhuskers Corvette Club with 26,351 points.

Corvette Super Sports Men's Competition point standings and position within NCCC are listed below

NCCC Pos	Name	Club	Total Points	Events
2153	ALCIATORE, DAVID A.	WC-326-0010	6	1
510	NORRIS, EDWIN M.	WC-326-0014	80	5
289	ORRICO, JOE	WC-326-0055	184	33
2482	STEWART, DAVID G.	WC-326-0079	3	1
2431	GLODERY, GREG	WC-326-0134	3	1
2432	KUMP, BOB	WC-326-0151	3	1
1389	KUMP, ROBERT	WC-326-0152	20	0
2395	JOBES, RONALD L	WC-326-0165	3	1
995	NORRIS, ELGIN M	WC-326-0185	31	5
379	MILLER, RICHARD R	WC-326-0197	120	26
1930	COOPER, JIM M	WC-326-0203	9	2
2298	ERSEK, ANDREW L	WC-326-0210	3	1
689	DEBARTOLOMEIS, RON J	WC-326-0214	50	8
674	BADDLEY, MICHAEL R	WC-326-0216	52	8
961	PEARSON, TIMOTHY A	WC-326-0220	33	1
381	GIRVIN, GEOFFREY B	WC-326-0223	119	25
874	CHILDS, ED C	WC-326-0231	36	12
358	GLOVER, J SCOTT	WC-326-0242	132	26
2265	CAMP, LARRY DOUGLAS	WC-326-0244	3	1
753	HUHTA, ART	WC-326-0248	45	11
747	FARRELL, LARRY GENE	WC-326-0255	46	13
774	PLEHN, GARY R	WC-326-0256	43	12
2371	STRACHAN, MERRILL	WC-326-0259	3	1
1173	ROSEN, CHARLES F	WC-326-0264	26	5
2245	DAWSON, DENNIS	WC-326-0266	3	1
1988	BACON, ROGER J	WC-326-0272	9	2
2349	MARIANI, DOUGLAS A	WC-326-0274	3	1
1296	OWENS, CLIFFORD D	WC-326-0276	21	5
974	MAC DONOUGH, DAVE R	WC-326-0280	32	8
435	LAWRENCE, REG	WC-326-0284	99	21
1009	GIRVIN, TODD	WC-326-0286	30	0
1166	GIRVIN, TIM	WC-326-0287	26	6
613	SPENCER, CHRIS	WC-326-0288	61	18

Our Corvette Super Sports ladies Standings are as follows:

NCCC Pos	Name	Club	Total Points	Events
452	NORRIS, LINDA (WC)	WC-326-0028L	33	2
1344	STEWART, DONNA B.	WC-326-0051L	3	1
754	KUMP, VICKI	WC-326-0152L	18	1
394	NORRIS, DAWNETTE	WC-326-0186L	37	5
106	ORRICO, CINDY K	WC-326-0192L	194	33
148	MILLER, LYNN M	WC-326-0198L	120	26
1323	COOPER, ELAINE	WC-326-0204L	3	1
285	DEBARTOLOMEIS, KAREN	WC-326-0215L	50	8
281	BADDLEY, KATHRYN M	WC-326-0217L	52	8
182	GIRVIN, GINGER	WC-326-0224L	93	18
139	GLOVER, RENITA R	WC-326-0243L	132	26
1333	CAMP, ROBYNE H	WC-326-0245L	3	1
345	HUHTA, MARGE	WC-326-0263L	42	10
574	ROSEN, SUSAN	WC-326-0265L	26	5
682	OWENS, MICHELLE A	WC-326-0277L	21	5
111	SPENCER, JENNIFER A	WC-326-0278L	165	32
498	MAC DONOUGH, JENNY	WC-326-0281L	29	7
235	LAWRENCE, DORINDA	WC-326-0283L	67	11
871	LAWRENCE, DORI	WC-326-0293L	15	10

NCCC Board of Governors meeting minutes can be found at the following link

http://www.corvettesnccc.org/Meetings.html

NCCC Competition information can be found at the following link

http://www.corvettesnccc.org/Competition.html

NCCC Regional News

West Coast Region http://www.ncccwcregion.org/

For only the second time in recorded history, Corvette Super Sports is sponsoring a West Coast Region High Speed Driving School as the Event Opener for the CSS High speed Autocross events that occur on April 10-11 in Pahrump Nevada at the Spring Mountain Raceway. Based on the feedback from our High Speed Autocross last October, Corvette Super Sports will once again put on the same event. However, this year we will provide a High Speed Driving School in the morning at Spring Mountain for all those wishing to participate in the HIGH Speed Autocross but have not yet earned their NCCC High Speed Driving License.

Subject: NCCC RMD's Message 1-23-10

Hi All,

Some notes for those who attended (or not) the Regional Governors meeting today in Victorville.

The NCCC dues for a new or late renewing Primary member is \$35. Add \$10 for a Spouse. Please pass this on to your treasurer, as I sometimes get checks directly from the club treasurer and that person may not know the correct dues amount.

VP of Membership Larry Morrison told me that he had three clubs left to renew. After that he will work on the late renewals. The 2010 membership packets are currently going out. Keep in mind that the NCCC Distribution Center consists of Larry Higgins and he has to mail approximately 13,000 packets so they will be coming to your members as he gets them out.

We have had several people pass away in the region recently. If someone in your club passes away, please let me know. I would like the date if possible, but that is not necessary. The person's name will be read into the minutes at the national governors meeting in St. Louis and will subsequently appear in the Secretary's report in Blue Bars Magazine. If a Primary member dies, the surviving spouse automatically becomes a Primary member. The deceased's name will be removed from all mailings from NCCC to avoid reminding the survivor of the death.

Regional Executive Allen Morris, Regional Competition Director Joe Orrico and Regional Membership Director (me) will be going to St. Louis on February 26th for the national NCCC meetings. Please let us know if you have any questions or issues you would like us to pass on to the national organization.

That's all for now. Please let me know if you have any questions or comments. See ya, Cliff

Technical Corner

GENERAL MOTORS IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2005 THROUGH 2007 CORVETTE AND MODEL YEAR 2006-2007 CORVETTE Z06 EQUIPPED WITH A REMOVABLE ROOF.

Vehicle Make / Model:

Model Year(s):

CHEVROLET / CORVETTE 2005-2007 CHEVROLET / CORVETTE Z06 2005-2006

Manufacturer: GENERAL MOTORS CORP.Mfr's Report Date: DEC 18, 2009 NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number: 09V491000N/A NHTSA Action Number: N/A

Component: STRUCTURE:BODY:ROOF AND PILLARS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 22090

Summary: GENERAL MOTORS IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2005 THROUGH 2007 CORVETTE AND MODEL YEAR 2006-2007 CORVETTE Z06 EQUIPPED WITH A REMOVABLE ROOF. THE ADHESIVE BETWEEN THE ROOF PANEL AND THE FRAME MAY SEPARATE. IF THERE IS A PARTIAL SEPARATION, THE DRIVER MAY NOTICE ONE OR MORE SYMPTOMS, SUCH AS A SNAPPING NOISE WHEN DRIVING OVER BUMPS, WIND NOISE, POOR ROOF PANEL FIT, ROOF PANEL MOVEMENT/BOUNCE WHEN A DOOR OR HATCH IS CLOSED, OR A WATER LEAK IN THE HEADLINER.

Consequence: IF THERE IS A COMPLETE SEPARATION, THE ROOF PANEL MAY DETACH FROM THE VEHICLE. IF THIS WERE TO OCCUR WHILE THE VEHICLE WAS BEING DRIVEN, IT COULD STRIKE A FOLLOWING VEHICLE AND CAUSE INJURY AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. Remedy: DEALERS WILL INSTALL A NEW DESIGN ROOF PANEL FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING JANUARY 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT CHEVROLET AT 1-800-630-2438 OR AT www.gmownercenter.com. Notes: GM SAFETY RECALL NO. 090230. OWNERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO HTTP://www.SAFERCAR.GOV.

Since it is the beginning of a new year and we have new members who will be going on caravan events, we thought it appropriate to publish technical data on the FRS Radios. The following article was submitted by Joe Orrico:

FRS Radios

January 25, 2010

FRS Radio (Family Radio Service) is the main mode of communications during Corvette caravans these days. There are several advantages of using FRS radios over other means of radio communications:

- 1. FRS radios are handheld walkie talkies, with no need to put an external antenna on your Corvette. The CB antennas were always a problem.
- 2. FRS radios are in the Ultra High Frequency (UHF) range and use frequency modulation (FM), which is much clearer than the AM CB radios.
- 3. Range is limited by .2 watt of transmitting power so you need not listen to others a long distance away.
- 4. The radios have a squelch control, you don't need to listen to the background noise all the time.

- 5. FRS radios are inexpensive and can be purchased from \$15 to \$50 per unit.
- 6. Cellphones are not functional if you get off the main beaten path. They don't put cell sites where there are infrequent customers.

The FRS service has 14 channels or frequencies 462.5625 to 467.7125 Mhz. It should be noted that the first 7 channels are shared with General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS) and they are authorized to run up to 5 watts of power. It is recommended that channels 1-7 be avoided for that reason for caravans.

The FRS radios are also available with what they call "sub channels" or "privacy channels". The same channels 1-14 are used, however there are up to 32 selectable sub-audible tones that are transmitted with the signal. When another unit has the same sub channel or sub audible tone selected, it will only allow voice to come through when that tone is heard with the voice. This allows multiple conversations to take place on the same channel without a lot of interference.

Recommendations:

- 1. Make sure that the unit you purchase has the sub channels, should your chose to use them.
- 2. Pricing depends on the type of batteries the unit uses. Dry alkaline battery units are less expensive than rechargeable battery units. Dry batteries are fine for caravans. Plus you don't have to remember to charge the batteries before the trip.
- 3. Carry several sets of spare batteries with you in the car. The quantity will depend on how much you talk. The wagon master may need to adjust their batteries accordingly.
- 4. Most retail stores carry FRS radios, Target, Walmat, Best Buy, etc. Some recommended brands Motorola, Kenwood, Audiovox, and Cobra.
- 5. When on a caravan try to keep transmissions short, someone may need directions while someone else is being long winded.
- 6. Think about what you are going to say, before you say it.
- 7. Wait for a distinct pause before transmitting, remember other people can not hear you if they are transmitting.
- 8. Do Not raise you voice into the radio if someone can't hear you. FM radio only distorts when you talk to loud. Keep the radio close to your face and talk using a normal voice. Additional more detailed information on the rules are available at the FCC website. http://www.fcc.gov

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DATE	VENUE	TV
March 20	Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring Sebring, FL	SPEED CHANNEL.
April 17	Tequila Patrón American Le Mans Series at Long Beach Long Beach, CA	SPEED CHANNEL.
May 22	Monterey Sports Car Championships Salinas, CA	©CBS SPORTS
June 12-13	24 Heures du Mans Le Mans, France	SPEED CHANNEL.
July 10	Larry H. Miller Dealerships Utah Grand Prix Tooele, UT	SPEED CHANNEL.
July 24	American Le Mans Northeast Grand Prix Lakeville, CT	SPEED CHANNEL.
August 7	Acura Sports Car Challenge Lexington, OH	©CBS SPORTS
August 22	Time Warner Cable Road Race Showcase Elkhart Lake, WI	SPEED CHANNEL.
August 29	Grand Prix of Mosport Bowmanville, Ontario, Canada	SPEED CHANNEL.
October 2	Petit Le Mans Braselton, GA	

Consequences

