

# *Under The Radar*

*The Monthly Newsletter of Corvette Super Sports*

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**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** through 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



### Pop Tab Program

#### Orange County Ronald McDonald House

Our House is a "home-away-from-home" for families of children and children who are receiving medical treatment for cancer and other serious illnesses at all the area medical facilities. It is open to families of those children who are hospitalized and to those with chronic illness who are receiving treatment at outpatient clinics. Over 1700 families have stayed at our House since our opening in November, 1983.

The "house that has built" offers 20 bedrooms with private bathrooms, a living room, family room, kitchen, and a play area.

#### Pop Tab Trivia

Get your trivia:  
1 book + 1 pop tab  
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Everyone can get involved!

• Schools

• Churches

• Companies

• Civic Organizations

• Practice in your neighborhood

Remember... it all adds up!

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We need your efforts!

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# Who's Who at Corvette Super Sports

## **Officers**

**President:** Cindy Orrico  
**Vice-President:** Diane Wiest  
**Secretary:** Ginger Girvin  
**Treasurer:** Jennifer Spencer  
**Newsletter:** Geoff Girvin  
**Webmaster:** Doug Mariani  
**N.C.C.C.:** Joe Orrico

## **Board of Governors**

Donna Stewart  
Jim Cooper  
Roger Bacon  
Ron DeBartolomeis  
Vicki Kump  
Linda Norris

## **Chairpersons**

**Clothing-Shirts:** Shirley Jones  
**Clothing-Jackets & Hats:** Shirley Jones  
**Socials:** Geoff Girvin  
**Charity:** Marietta Darke  
**Raffle:** Renita Glover  
**Meeting Hostess:** Linda Norris  
**Membership/Hospitality:** Donna Stewart  
**Phone Committee Chairman:** Donna Stewart

**Sergeant at Arms:** Larry Farrell  
**Trophies/Awards:** Tom Cuccio  
**Dealer Rep:** Ron DeBartolomeis  
**Car Show Chairman:** Roger Bacon

**Banquet:** Linda Norris, Vicki Kump  
**Historian:** Pat & Jan Works

Don't forget the Board Meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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!**



## ***Hello From Me To You – Take II***



### **Madam Pres**

## ***Hello From Me To You – Take III***

For the second time this year, and I pray the last for a long time, Corvette Super Sports once again had to gather and send a big Corvette Wave, this time to our Big Guy, our Gentle Bear, Dave Stewart. Dave is all ready surely missed, however, will always remain in our hearts. I would like to comment that Joe and I attended a funeral for a mother of 10 children the same morning of Dave's Memorial. While being well attended, I must say that Dave's Memorial had a higher attendance. That's say a lot for our Corvette Family

Ah, as the Green Tequila and Beer are wearing off from the month of March, we are looking at getting into full swing and driving to our warmer weather events.

Personally, March has been a whirlwind for Joe and I. My boss, Clayton, is relocating our office, which means he'll be out of town that week, for which indeed, he is. And that leaves all the moving for me. So..... I happen to empty all the shredded paper in one of my boss's desk drawers, well, guess he deserved it! Since Clayton (who I actually dearly love like a brother) has been out of town the last 2 times we have moved the office. I see payback in his future and I'm sure mine too!

Joe and I had our first trip to Knott's Berry Farm together (and being our first trip to any amusement park!) since my niece, hubby and 3 kids came out to see us from Texas. I remembered Knott's being much cheaper as a kid! Anybody remember when there wasn't an entrance fee for Knott's??

Our Corvette Family went out to Seal Beach to see the USS Dewey Commissioning. What a sight! (And hike up and down those stairs!) We had a great turnout for this event and I would like to again express my appreciation to Art for setting this up for us to witness.

There were other such events that we unfortunately were not able to attend, such as the Autocross in Palm Springs, Larry Camp's Retirement Party and another Autocross in Lompoc for Vapor Trail Vettes. I think we have new NCCC Points Chasers that attended these events?

Oh boy..... then there was the time warp Girvin 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party! The 1970s. Amazing I used to dress like that and think I was cool!! Needless to say how funny it was to see everyone's memories in how they dressed to this party! Actually, I thought it was a pretty good thing that at our age, we still remembered all the stuff!! VERY creative ideas! Even when it came to the food! And of course it was a pleasure to share the special occasion with Geoff and Ginger. Thanks for including us in your special day!

April is almost here! This Saturday is our first annual Easter Bowling! The one thing I truly love about this club is that we will do most anything! Vicki, Linda & Robyn once again had extra time on their hands to organize this event and we so graciously thank you – again. Bowling is a good way to limber us up for April events.

Our ever so popular Spring Mountain/Pahrump Racing starts on April 10<sup>th</sup>. For those who don't attend, don't worry, it's just another weekend of lounging around in our chairs on asphalt eating and drinking. Then some of us lose some rubber on the tires as the curves in the track challenge our tires. "Some" of us have a good time at the casino (That would be me!). Looking at my list of who is going this time, I want to truly thank all those 'non-racers' for going with us – there are 9 of you. We either believe that it doesn't take much to entertain you and you are easily amused. I, personally, really enjoy that everyone comes out and if you talk to anyone who goes to Pahrump, they can attest that there is nothing like it!! We are going to have special appearances this time! Relatives of Mike and Kathy Baddley will be coming out along with my nephew, that is in the Air Force and will just so happen to be in Vegas for that weekend, so we will get him out to Pahrump. I'll just ask him not to tell him folks! Also, we have Jennifer with her new Z06! I hear squealing tires!!! Anyone want to wager a dollar her car will get dusty??

We also have the Long Beach Grand Prix, the Inland Empire Rallye, Go Karts, Pomona Valley Car Show. Oh, yes, and I have to sadly return my Go-Go Boots.... ☹ Gee, slow month, huh?

Whatever you do, wherever you go, may we see each other often! Let your hair blow in the wind and your tires run smoothly on the road!

With Pride for Corvette Super Sports,  
Cindy Orrico  
President - 2010

# CSS News

**The Social events for April 2010 are:**

**4/24 2pm K1 Go Kart Grand Prix** Anaheim, CA

**The Club events for April 2010 are:**

**4/10-4/11 High Speed Autocross** Pahrump, NV and Car show –see flyer for details

**4/17 Inland Empire Corvette Club Rallye & Funkhana** Yucaipa, CA

**The other events for April 2010 are:**

**4/11 Corvettes West People's Choice Car Show** Rancho Cucamonga, CA

**4/16-4/18 Long Beach Grand Prix Corvette Corral**

**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.■

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 [Cruise Planning form](#) at the March general meeting; please use it to organize the details and help us publicize your event.

## Corvette Super Sports Local News

### **CORVETTE SUPER SPORTS –GENERAL MEETING**

**General Meeting**  
**Tuesday March 2, 2010**  
Sizzler Restaurant – Fullerton, CA

**Officers in Attendance:** Cindy Orrico, Dianne Wiest, Ginger Girvin, Jennifer Spencer, Geoff Girvin, Doug Mariani, Joe Orrico.

**Board Members in Attendance:** Jim Cooper, Vicki Kump and Linda Norris, Ron Debartolomeis

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Larry Farrell. We had a quorum and everyone was welcomed.

1. There was a moment of silence for Dave Stewart who joined the Lord.
2. As emotional as it was, Ilona's memorial was heartwarming and well attended.
3. Dave Alciatore was energetically welcomed back and he received his 40 year pin! Congrats Dave!
4. It is green month and the head officers were donned in green with green tiaras along with the member being in the spirit.
5. Last month's minutes were accepted by Joe then seconded by Ann.
6. Our newest members were given their badges: Annette and Gary Watkins, Tracy & Linda Sanderson and Ginger accepted one for Dad Girvin!
7. **Happy News:** Bob & Vicki's son got a puppy, Bert & Dianne's grandson is engaged!
8. April 16 is the Long Beach Grand Prix- get info from Cindy.
9. Don Winters of Inland Empire Corvettes invited us to their event on April 17: Yucaipa High School. Craig and Rosemary Clark attended our meeting with Don. Welcome!
10. Linda and Vicki need people to sign up for goodies April, May, Oct. and Nov.
11. We need to order more CSS stationary and envelopes
12. Our two guests this evening were: George McMullan from La Habra and Jason Alciatore, Dave & Ilona's son. Welcome and we hope to see you again!
13. Future events were stated: Laughlin, March 26-28, Santa Maria March 27, Wildflowers March 13-14, Spring Mt. CSS Driving School and High Speed Autocross. April 10-11, Cal Rods Mar. 21, Vintage Cars, La Habra May 8,
14. Happy Birthday to Tom C, Bert, Carol B, Pat Works, Teresa C., Ron D, Elizabeth M.
15. Happy Anniversary to Geoff and Ginger, Ron and Katie!
16. Jennifer reported our financials.
17. It was voted on by the Board that CSS members would not be charged the \$35.00 to advertise on our club website. Non members will still be charged.
18. Doug reported that the website is great and we need more people to submit to him a picture of themselves with their cars.
19. Joe gave the NCCC report.



20. Easter bowling will be April 2, at the La Habra lanes. Dinner to follow. See website for details soon.
21. **Car Show Report** Roger stated everything is moving forward. New name for car show is **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Surf City Car Show presented by CSS**. Roger to supply around 6,000 flyers soon. Cindy will not be doing registration this year. Roger needs a computer savvy helper!
22. Marcia suggested we have the car show in honor of Ilona Alciatore and Dave Stewart.
23. Ann and Doug composed a letter that they requested by typed and sent to Buena Parks & Recreation in appreciation for the use of their facility for Ilona's Memorial.
24. Renita conducted the 50/50 raffle. Roger won and donated his portion back to the club. Thanks Roger!!
25. **Newsletter;** Geoff discussed past events; Prado, bowling, NASCAR. Future events Anza Borrego, Girvin Party, Dewey.
26. Renita won the dinner raffle!
27. Art thanked the club for donating \$100 to the Navy League. He will present it on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> when we attend the Commissioning of the Dewey.
28. Next board meeting will be held at Original Mike's in Santa Ana on March 16<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM

Respectfully submitted by Ginger Girvin, Secretary for Corvette Super Sports

## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

Month-by-month list of [birthdays and anniversaries](#) celebrated by CSS members.

<b><u>MARCH BIRTHDAYS</u></b>		<b><u>MARCH ANNIVERSARIES</u></b>
Tom Cuccio Jr.	3/03	Geoff and Ginger Girvin 3/21
Bert Wiest	3/09	Ron and Katie Kennedy 3/24
Carol Bacon	3/14	
Pat Works	3/17	
Teresa Cruz	3/26	
Elizabeth Mariani	3/26	
Ron DeBartolomeis	3/30	
<b><u>APRIL BIRTHDAYS</u></b>		<b><u>APRIL ANNIVERSARIES</u></b>
Armando Sanchez	4/1	Chris & Jennifer Spencer, 4/21
Jim Cooper	4/5	Greg & Chris Glodery 4/21
Linda Norris	4/16	Ron & Karen DeBartolomeis 4/27
Vicki Kump	4/17	Rick & Lynn Miller 4/29
Lynn Miller	4/17	
Jennifer Spencer	4/25	
Jay Lynch	4/27	

## March Birthday Celebrations

Happy Corvettes Super Sports birthday to Tom Cuccio....

Tom's daughters arranged a surprise birthday dinner with family. The feast was at Lucilles Smokehouse BBQ in Rancho Cucamonga. His family recommends this restaurant and that is the end of the commercial.

Happy Corvettes Super Sports birthday to Bert Wiest .....

Bert and Dianne had dinner and the evening at home. The real celebration is on the 20<sup>th</sup> with the grandson's birthday party. There is more to this story but that is a secret and I can not mention it.

CSS wishes Teresa Cruz a Happy Birthday,

Teresa spent the day with her family. There were no surprises and she received her favorite gift...money. Now she has to think how to spend it.

Happy Birthday to Carol Bacon, Pat Works, Elizabeth Mariani, and Ron Debartolomeis. I did not get to talk to them, but did convey our best wishes.

## 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
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 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party 1970s theme
Apr 10-11	CSS High Speed Autocross – Pahrump NV.
Apr 11	Corvettes West PC Car Show Rancho Cucamonga
Apr 16-18	Long Beach Grand Prix
Apr 17	Inland Empire Corvette Club Rallye and Funkhana - Yucaipa
Apr 24	K1 Go Kart Grand Prix - Irvine
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](mailto:GBGirvin@yahoo.com)

## **The Waxers Corner – Commentary from our Sgt At Arms**

In response to your e-mail of a few days ago I have pondered how I would reply for awhile now. The problem I have is that I don't feel that I really need any more competition at the shows I attend. If I give all my secrets away to just any Johnny-come-lately and they enter the same shows I do and they beat me, well you can imagine how I will feel.

Let's face it, I LIVE for them thar trophies!!!! They are so tasty with a nice Chianti and some fava beans.

Actually there are no secrets to any type of car show except the cardinal rule: CLEANLINESS. Your car has to be clean top to bottom, inside and out, so simple, yet sometimes so hard. Yet still most car shows are subjective to the whims of the judges whoever they may be, whether they are your fellow entrants or assigned judges. I actually went to a show last year for a friend(non-NCCC) and it was a non -entrant judged show. The judges knew squat, 2 sports car entered, my ZR1 and a 1990 Viper. The trophy for the NEWEST sports car at the show did not go to me, yet I had one of the best times I have ever had at any show because of the people I met, which, besides trying to recruit for the club, is the main reason I go to shows.

My many blessing throughout my life have enabled me to race boats, and cars, both circle and drag and to have many show cars. After years of drag racing, and showing cars, I looked around my den and figured out how much money each one cost and that no amount of Chianti or fava beans would make them edible, I just stopped cold-turkey. When after all of kid raising, mom tending and realizing it was 'Larry' time, I joined CSS with NO INTENTION of either racing or waxing. Since I lost my need for speed a long time ago, I guess it was just natural to wax. And car shows are my thing, I love to BS and meet new people, I have never gone to any show expecting to win anything, and that is the true secret of waxing.

Larry

**The March General meeting was just as inspirational as the first meeting. As you can see from the following pictures, the officers have a lot in common:**



## **Club Events for March**

### **USS Dewey Commissioning**

"Run the turbines up to 100 percent," squawked the inter-comm and the engine room sailors started the General Electric LM-2500 gas turbines. "Full port rudder," ordered the captain. "Cast off bow," and the forward hawsers were released. "Ahead one-third." "Cast off stern."

The USS Dewey was going to sea with only a portion of its crew onboard. On Friday, March 6, she made this emergency and unplanned sailing.

On the day of the 8.8-magnitude earthquake off Chile's coast, a tsunami warning was sounded for the southern California coast. Commander Buller received orders to sail past the Seal Beach breakwater before noon. The crew's rapid response saved the ship from hull damage. A few hours later the sea level at the Seal Beach Naval Weapons Station wharf was too low to support the USS Dewey. Its sonar dome would have been crushed as the ship grounded.

The next day, we attended the ship's commissioning. The rain and clouds disappeared as the ceremony began. I was prepared for long speeches. I was pleased that Congressman Dana Rohrabacher delivered a strong speech about taking the war to the terrorists. I thought Admiral Mullen's speech was political with policy statements.

Watching the crew bring the ship to live with the attended ship bells, sirens, and whoosh of the torpedo launchers was exciting. I am proud that this ship and its theme, "Fight", represents the United States. The crew looked smart, confident and represented outstanding Americans.

This is a war ship and it knows it.

Cmdr. Huhta USN Ret.

SEAL BEACH, Calif. (NNS) -- USS Dewey (DDG105) was formally commissioned today in a ceremony on Naval Weapons Station Seal Beach, marking the first time a warship has been commissioned in the Orange County city.

The new destroyer honors Adm. George Dewey (1837-1917) who commanded the Asiatic Station from the cruiser Olympia. Shortly after the onset of the Spanish-American War, Dewey led his squadron of warships into Manila Bay on April 30, 1898. The next morning, his squadron destroyed the Spanish fleet in only two hours without a single American loss. A widely popular hero of his day, Dewey was commissioned admiral of the Navy in March 1903. Two previous ships have proudly carried his name.



Adm. Michael Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the event's principal speaker, addressed the new ship's crew and called on them to provide leadership and dedication to each other and the mission.

"Let you be guided by that sense of duty which knows not the timidity of those who stay silent when they see something wrong," Mullen said. "And let you be inspired by the strength and the fortitude of your families whose high expectations of your conduct are—or should be—exceeded only by those you hold for yourselves."

Dewey is the 55th Arleigh Burke-class destroyer. The ship will be able to conduct a variety of operations, from peacetime presence and crisis management, to sea control and power projection. Dewey will be capable of fighting air, surface and subsurface battles simultaneously and contains a myriad of offensive and defensive weapons designed to support maritime warfare in keeping with "A Cooperative Strategy for 21st Century Seapower," which postures the sea services to apply maritime power to protect U.S. vital interests in an increasingly interconnected and uncertain world.

Mrs. Deborah Mullen, the ship's sponsor, culminated the ceremony with the traditional order to "Man our ship and bring her to life!" emphasizing that the ship is truly alive with the Sailors that are serving now and will serve on Dewey in the future.

Cmdr. Warren Buller, of Concord, Mass., is the first commanding officer of the ship and leads the crew of 276 officers and enlisted personnel. He was proud to see this day come, marking the beginning of the ship's life and pointed to the ship's flag flying from the yardarm with the echoing Adm. Dewey's exhortation "Fight" in Navy blue on a field of gold above four white stars.

"Our command's philosophy; fight the ship, fight for your people and know why you fight for the country," Buller said. "We are ready to join the fleet, we are ready to fight."

The 9,200-ton Dewey was built by Northrop Grumman Shipbuilding in Pascagoula, Miss. The ship is 509 feet in length, has a waterline beam of 59 feet, and a navigational draft of 31 feet. Four gas turbine engines will power the ship to speeds in excess of 30 knots.

Dewey, her crew and their families will call San Diego home after commissioning.

The day from Joe and Cindy's perspective:

The weather was damp and dreary on Saturday, March 3, 2010 as our Corvette Super Sports Caravan launched towards the Seal Beach Naval Station. It was rather appropriate that our members were parading their Corvettes onto the Naval Base as the Corvette was named after a type of Naval Frigate a "Corvette".

Once we assembled at the dock, the weather improved and sunshine was evident as the ceremony began. Several of the Club members were in uniform or with American Legion cover and proudly saluted as the colors was hoisted and the music played. Every time the National Anthem is played, a proud feeling of patriotism overcomes us.

I cannot put into words how the bond and comradeship between the men and women who serve or have served our country feels, as it spans many decades. That comradeship, pride and determination of our new Dewey Sailors was evident.

Admiral Mullens and Congressman Dana Roarbacher were given a 19 round volley; I can't say I've ever been present when such high ranking representatives of our country were attending. The ceremony was filled with accolades for the builders and the new crew; it was moving to see that we are giving our military the best tools to make the world a better place.

Once we were touring the ship, we ran into the commanding office of the ship and Cindy and I had the opportunity to shake his hand and offer our words of encouragement.

Overall it was a great day filled with emotion and pride. It was trip down memory lane for some of us and a great day to be a proud American Veteran.

Joe & Cindy Orrico



## A Celebration 45 Years in the Making

Geoff and Ginger wish to express their sincere thanks for making their 40 Wedding Anniversary party so special. Geoff, never the one to miss a chance to dress up especially wants to thank those that joined he and Ginger to dress as if we were back in the 1970's. As you can see in the following pictures, we had a lot of fun, but some people were completely unrecognizable.







## **Wildflowers, Wineries and Camels?**

What a weekend excursion we had. The caravan left in two groups. Group 1 left from Keno's consisting of Gary Plehn and his daughter Shelly, Geoff and Ginger and Jennifer. Group 2 left from Garden Grove consisting of Gary and Annette. Group 1 headed east and Group 2 headed south. We ended up at the visitor center at the Anza Borrego Desert State Park at noon and proceeded to join forces and hunt down the wild flowers. Before Group 2 arrived, Group 1 found a spot out of the wind to eat lunch and watch an impromptu harmonica concert. As you can see by the pictures, my pre harmonica event advertising was not so good. After a little lunch and State Park contraband (liquid refreshment), we joined up with Gary and Annette and headed out to the fields. The flowers were beautiful, but sparse. I am not sure what I was expecting, maybe something like the Keukenhoff tulip fields in Amsterdam, but the ground did have color and I was assured by the park rangers that in just a few months, it would just be sand colored wherever we went. I guess I was thinking it would look like the tulips below on the left but it looked like the photo on the right. Some of the flora that we saw follows.









There were yellows and blues, and purples, and reds and golden yellow. But once we had seen the colors available, and because it was hot and dry, we decided more liquid refreshment was in order and headed off to Julian to find the wineries.

We checked into the Julian Lodge, B&B, and were met by a delightful couple who owned the place. They made us dinner reservations, a short walk from the Lodge, and pointed us to the nearest winery (across the street). Wicked Creek had some very nice wine and some 12% alcohol hard cider that is amazing. After closing them down, we headed out to the Menghini Winery where we were met by their greeter, Shakespeare. Shakespeare told me he was an experienced lady's man and showed me how to sit in the car to attract the ladies. It is his nonchalant look, he said, that attracts them. We then tasted their wine and met a transient rooster. They had something for everyone.





After closing them down, we headed off to the Julian Grille for appetizers and more wine before dinner. They had a jalapeño ravioli that was an amazing wakeup call that the Riesling softened perfectly and some brie that I had to arm wrestle Jennifer for. I lost. Eventually we headed back to the Lodge to freshen up before dinner. Dinner was at O’Ramanno’s, having recently changed its name in honor of St. Patty’s day. There we ordered sumptuous Italian meals and 2 liters of Chianti. Wow what a night uh ....day-evening-night. Good thing the restaurant was a short 2 minute walk from the Lodge.



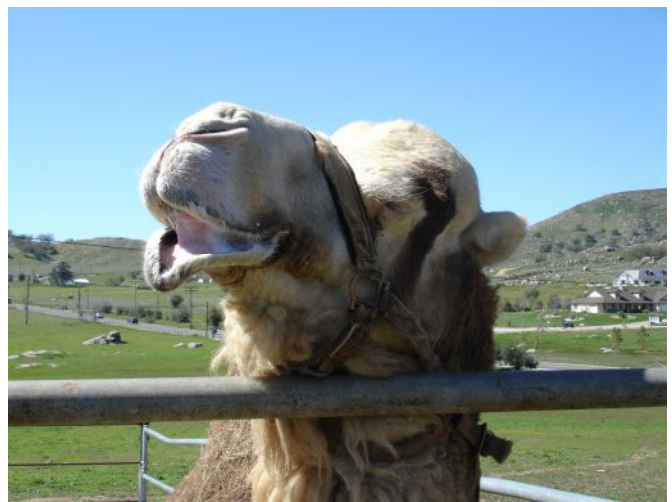
Sunday morning, after losing sleep over Daylight Savings Time coming back, we had a delightful breakfast at the Lodge. Raphael, the new owner, made us feel welcome and like we were family. This is a great place and has made itself a great reputation. Another car club has the entire 23 room lodge reserved for a weekend in October during Apple season. After breakfast, we toured Julian and since the wineries were not open, we had to watch the apple pies being made, examined the pistols and petticoats at a store of the same name, and visited the Julian Cider Mill.



Then we were off to visit a rustic antique store in Santa Ysabel on the way to see Clyde. Now Clyde is an amazing camel who lives at the Oasis Camel Dairy. The dairy is the only one of its kind in the US and the tour there was jaw dropping. There are 22, soon to be 23, camels at the dairy and these animals are



the sweetest, most mild mannered animals you would ever want to see. I think my beard was attractive to the girl camels because they kept nuzzling me. Gil and Nancy own the Camel Dairy and you can tell that they love their camels. They told us about why no one would want a male bull camel because he just has one thing on his mind and that is why they keep him away from the girls. The whole time we were there he kept calling out to his harem and staring at them.



We found out that only owners of camels can actually drink unpasteurized camel milk, so they are starting a time share camel ownership program. They take their camels to the San Diego county fair, and do nativity scenes at Christmas too. To make ends meet they have the monthly tours, camel rides for the kids, sell camel soap, and take their Tom Turkeys to Turkey Stampede races. They say these turkeys are so dumb they don't know how to race but when Gil puts their favorite feed in a remote control dump truck, they follow it around and around the track.



One of the high lights for me, besides all the nuzzling, was the milking demonstration. Female camels have to be coaxed by their calves into providing milk each time the calf gets hungry which is every 2 hours. The female is not like a domesticated cow that gives birth and then gives milk for the next 12 months. Camels fill their milk glands with 90 seconds of milk each time the calf shows he is hungry. If a calf does not come around then the female cannot be milked. Gil and Nancy milked one female for 90 seconds and got 2 liters of milk so when it comes – look out.



But of all the camels, Clyde is the best. He loves people and he loves handicapped children. He seems to have a special affinity to kids. He likes to lean up against people to get their attention. His nose and lips are as smooth as silk and his breath could stop a steam locomotive in its tracks. He does not compete with the other bull because he was, well, you know, --fixed.





I can say without a doubt, that we need to all go back again. They gave us preferred parking and treated us like family. Even the pot bellied pig was cordial, well he slept the whole time, but he was nice.

We then all headed back to Chateau Spencer for dinner prepared by Jennifer's personal chef complimented by Jennifer's personal collection of fine wine bottles from Lion's Peak. It was a perfect outing with perfect weather and a perfect ending. I highly recommend that we do it again!

## **Santa Maria Autocross**

**On March 27<sup>th</sup> CSS members participated in the Annual Santa Maria Autocross sponsored by the Vapor Trails Corvette Club. This event will be detailed in next months edition of Under the Radar, but we can say that our very own Treasurer, in her recently purchased C5 Z06 took first place in her division. Way to go Jen!!**

## **A Last Farewell to Dave Stewart**

**On Friday March 20<sup>th</sup> over 200 friends and family met at the Elks Lodge in Buena Park to bid farewell to our long time friend and CSS member, Dave Stewart who was taken home to be with the Lord on February 27, 2010. The Elks have a tradition to call out the name of a dearly departed so that they know we miss them. We shouted his name with thunder. Then many people told stories of the "Gentle Bear". He will be missed.**



## Trivia Corner

What is the command to the camel to get it into this position?



**Trivia Question 2.** The person with the most correct answers to the data on the Dewey wins

<u>Overall Length:</u>	ft	<u>Waterline Length:</u>	ft
<u>Extreme Beam:</u>	ft	<u>Waterline Beam:</u>	ft
<u>Maximum Navigational Draft:</u>	ft	<u>Draft Limit:</u>	ft
<u>Light Displacement:</u>	tons	<u>Full Displacement:</u>	tons
<u>Dead Weight:</u>	tons		
Hull Material:.			
Number of Propellers:			
Propulsion Type:			
Accommodations:	Officers:	Enlisted:	

# **NCCC National News**

**Saturday February 27, 2010 -- National governors meeting**

President Dick Yanko opened the meeting by announcing the names of the members who have passed away since the last meeting in November. He was adding some notes about some of the members so my count got confused, but I got 23 members. That's the most I've ever heard (my previous high was 12), so we're losing them at a faster rate than in the past.

Tom Blair from the National Corvette Museum made a presentation about the new motorsports park they are working on, which is on the other side of the freeway from the museum. He started off by showing a video that was made by Jim Van Dorn. You might know him from his Corvette shop he had in Palm Springs (or was it Palm Desert?). He's now Auto Masters of Bowling Green. Tom said they bought 70 acres and realized they needed more land so took an option on 300 more. Then they got another option on 200 more but haven't figured out how they're going to pay for all this land. They're moving ahead with plans and currently are working with Corvette Racing and Pratt & Whitney. The current plan looks very much like Le Mans, complete with Mulsanne Straight and the hook in the middle. There is also a Nurburgring ring. There are currently two road courses that can be run separately or joined. The plans also include a drag strip and two cart tracks. They expect the majority of their income to come from motorcycle races. I don't know what's up with that, but that's what he said. They are looking for clubs or individuals to "buy an acre" for \$15,000. For that you get \$15,000 in credit for the future use of the venue. Check out <<http://www.motorsportspark.org>>.

The National Kidney Foundation raffle car will be a Grand Sport. They have not yet bought the car, so don't know what color it will be. Because of the extra cost of the car they are asking people to buy more tickets than usual to cover the cost. Your club can become a "100% club" if every member of your club buys a \$10 ticket. 100% clubs will be recognized at the 2010 Convention in Florida.

Business Manager Hal Tumbleson told us that the NCCC Certificate of Insurance is available on the NCCC web site. I don't know what's up with that. I thought they mailed individual certificates to each club governor, but that's what he said.

Some NCCC officers' positions will become available at the end of this year. President Dick Yanko has reached his term limit and someone else will be President next year. Also terms are ending for VP of Membership, Treasurer, Parliamentarian and PR Director. The current officers have not reached the term limits, so they can be reelected if they choose to run. NCCC is looking for nominations for these offices, so submit your resume if you're interested in one of these positions.

**Send your info to the nomination committee.**

**Director of Publications Sylvia Hoaldrige (that fancy title means Blue Bars Editor), said she is still working on getting the periodical rate for Blue Bars. The new rate will save between \$12k to \$15K per year, so this is a substantial amount. The latest request from the Postal Service is to put the subscription price on the magazine, so it's been set at \$10 per year. They have already been given a copy of the membership application form and are now asking for an amendment to the Rule Book to spell out the subscription rate. This type of stuff has been going on for over a year now.**

**NCCC has started the process for the 2012 Convention. The current plan is to coordinate the 2013 Convention with the Corvette Homecoming in Bowling Green.**

**The governors voted to amend the Rule Book to add that \$10 of each Primary member's dues goes to a subscription to Blue Bars Magazine.**

**Treasurer Bernyce Molenda said she will start emailing financial reports to the governors about a week before each national governors meeting. This will save on printing costs for all the reports and will allow the governors to review the reports before the meetings instead of picking them up at the meetings as they do now.**

**That's all for now. Let me know if you have any questions or comments.**

**See ya,**

**Cliff**

From: NCCC Webmaster [mailto:NCCCWebmaster@corvettesnccc.org]  
Sent: Sunday, March 28, 2010 5:53 AM  
To: Debbie Lindsey -Director of Sponsorship  
Subject: NCCC-Corvette Central Coupon

03-22-2010

Corvette Central enclosed a coupon for a discount in each membership packet that was to expire on March 15, 2010. They have decided to extend the use of the coupon through May 15, 2010 so please tell your club members about this opportunity. Spring is here and the Corvettes are out of the garage so take advantage of this opportunity.

Debbie Lindsey NCCC Director of Sponsorship

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

**<http://www.corvettesnccc.org/Meetings.html>**

# National Competition News

## NCCC Competition Committee Minutes 2/26/10

Sheraton Westport Conference Center

St. Louis, MO.

Competition meeting Open Session began at 6:30 p.m. CST. Present were VPC Jack Wilson plus 12 RCDs and one proxy representing all 14 Regions, which were CA (medical absence), EO Chuck Stephens, ER/NE George Gallant (proxy), FL Manny Montgomery, IN Mike Godfrey, MI David Johnson, MW Paul Haack, RR Paul Hamersly, SE Don Parks, SW Joe Reese, WR Jerry Koraleski, WC Joe Orrico, WO Jim Asbury, and RM Rik Noring Jr.

### Introductions:

RCD introductions were made and a welcome was extended to George Gallant as proxy RCD for ER/NE. Dave Johnson was elected as Michigan Regions RCD. There was also a gallery of members present to witness the meeting.

### VPC Comments:

Jack opened the meeting with a moment of silence for the passing of Ray Meesseman since the last meeting.

High Speed and Novice cards were made available for distribution.

Jack announced that Rich Kirkland, NE RCD contacted him regarding his health status that would prevent his continuing as RCD. Brian Gallagher, ER RCD, will again cover the NE as RCD in addition to his ER until another NE RCD is found. Thank you goes to Brian.

We have a copy of the Certificate of Registration from K&K Insurance on file for our competition records.

Jack announced he will be making a statement for the national record at Saturdays Gobs meeting regarding the OFTD (Overall Fastest Time of Day) award for High Speed Group 1 & 2 at the 2009 Convention. Due to a change in the track conditions between Group 3 and Group 1 & 2, it was decided there would have to be one man recognized for OFTD for Group 3 and one man for OFTD Group 1 & 2. Recognition was missed during the award ceremonies at convention. Aaron Quine took Grp 3 and Bruce Wentzel took Group 1 & 2.

### Meeting Minutes Approval:

Paul Hamersly made a motion to approve the Nov. 13, 2009 meeting minutes. Joe Orrico seconded. Motion carried.

### 2010 Sanctioned Event Status Review:

Final Point Standings for 2009 have been finalized and all Top 15 Men, Ladies, and Clubs will be announced at the Sat. Gobs' mtg.

Jack asked the following adjustments be made by the RCDs for 2010:

Send Sanction Requests & Flyers separately. This will help the VPC entering them into the correct file when downloading.

Stop entering Region into Sanction Number Column on Sanction Requests, i.e. MW-167-052. Only enter club and sanction number, i.e. 167-052. This will prevent the VPC from having to delete the region from each line when loading into the Sanction Log. Notify your clubs of the change so they will come to you correctly in the future.

It was recommended the form be changed accordingly so it won't ask for the region designation. Jack agreed to have the form changed.

2010 High Speed Driving Schools Approved:

3/27 & 28 SE Region, at Nashville, TN.

**4/10 & 11 WC Region, at Pahrump, NV.**

5/7 WR at Tulsa, OK in conjunction with 13 H/S at Hallett

Drag Records:

The Drag Record Listing has been updated with one index changed in Mens Group 3 RPB from 10.07 to 10.17.

There are four scheduled 2010 Record Drags Scheduled so far:

1.  
SW 5/30/10 Thunder Valley Raceway Park, Noble, OK.

FL 7/29/10 Nat'l Convention, Palm Beach, FL.

WR 10/9 Kearney Dragway, Kearney, NE.

SW 10/17/10 Thunder Valley Raceway Park, Noble, OK.

All the teardown equipment that needed to be replaced or updated has been received and paid for. Joe Reese identified the SW has constructed an improved equipment transportation box for safer storage and movement of this equipment. Joe turned in a supplies bill covered within the budget. Thanks to Joe and the SW Region for their attention to this equipment and care.

Clarification(s):

There were three clarification submitted:

1. MW – Pages 5-1, Sections 5.2.2 & 5.2.3, and Page 5-4, Section 5.7.2.  
Question: Is it legal to use a GPS system during/in a Rallye, as last year some entrants had and used a GPS system which gave an advantage over those that did not?  
Answer: The sections cited, does not preclude GPS systems. The only restriction on using a GPS system is with TSD (Time-Speed-Distance) Rallies.
2. MI – Page 2-31, Sec. 2.7.1.13 (Wheels), Item 1 vs. Note 2 (wheel and tire chart)  
Question: Item 1, listed at Req'd for both Groups 1S & 1, states: "1982-OLDER – Any type 15" wheel, all 4 same size, 8.5" width maximum." Note 2 states, "Refer to the current ALLOWABLE wheel and tire size chart...." This chart lists stock wheel sizes which for many years prior to '82 that are much narrower than the stated 8.5" max. limit. Up to now, 8.5" wide have been legal in groups 1S & 1 on cars '82 and older. Are 8.5"x15" wheels still legal on 1963 in group 1S or does the new chart now add new restrictions?  
Answer: Yes, you can still run 8.5"x15" wheels on a 1963 group 1S as in the past. There is no intent to add any new restriction with the wheel and tire chart.



**NOTE:** It was identified in the Sat. Govs mtg. that the chart on the NCCC Website will be renamed to the “Stock Corvette Wheel & Tire Chart”. The note on page 2-31 will be changed to eliminate the word “allowable” and insert the “Stock Corvette Wheel & Tire Chart” to avoid any future confusion.

3. MI – Page 2-31 Section 2.7.1.14 (Tires), Item 1 vs. Note 3 (wheel and tire chart)  
Question: Item 1, listed as Req’d for Group 1S states: “1982-OLDER – All tires must be same size and construction, minimum profile is Series 60.” Note 3 states in part, “Refer to the current ALLOWABLE wheel and tire size chart....”  
Up to now, ANY width tire, 60 series or greater, that could be fitted on the allowable max 8.5” wide wheel have been legal in group 1S on cars ’82 and older. Is a 222/60x15” street tire still legal on a 1963 in group 1S or does the new chart now add new restrictions?  
Answer: Yes, you can still run 222/60x15” street tires on 1963 in group 1S as in the past. There is no intent to add any new restrictions with the wheel and tire chart.  
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# NCCC Regional News

**West Coast Region** <http://www.ncccwcregion.org/>

## **NCCC West Coast & Northwest Region 2010 Competition Calendar**

Refer to NCCC WC Region Web Site and Club Flyers For Additional/Detailed Information  
 San = Sanctioned, Non-San or ns = Non-Sanctioned, Reg-San = Sanctioned For WC Region  
 Points Only

(Does not Apply For National Points)

\* In Saction Type Column Indicates Revision Or Addition Of An Event Since Last Revision

<b>Request Order &amp; Future Sanction Type</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>WCR Host Club</b>	<b>Info / Location</b>
	<b>FEB</b>			
	26 Fri	National NCCC Meetings		St. Louis, MO
	27 Sat	National NCCC Meetings		St. Louis, MO
	28 Sun			
	<b>MAR</b>			
	6 Sat			
	7 Sun			
WC-340-002NS	13 Sat	Low Speed Autocross	Palm Springs Corvette Club	Indio, CA
WC-340-003NS	14 Sun	Low Speed Autocross	Palm Springs Corvette Club	Indio, CA
	20 Sat			
	21 Sun			
WC-518-035	27 Sat	Low Speed Autocross	Vapor Trails Corvette Club	Lompoc, CA
WC-518-037	27 Sat	Low Speed Autocross	Vapor Trails Corvette Club	Lompoc, CA
	28 Sun			
	<b>APR</b>			
	3 Sat			
	4 Sun			
Regional	10 Sat	High Speed School	Corvette Super Sports	Spring Mountain, NV
WC-326-013-014	10 Sat	High Speed Time Trial	Corvette Super Sports	Spring Mountain, NV
WC-326-015-016	11 Sun	High Speed Time Trial	Corvette Super Sports	Spring Mountain, NV
WC-302-018	11 Sun	PC Car Show	Corvettes West	Rancho Cucamonga
WC-552-019	17 Sat	Poker Rallye	Inland Empire Corvettes	Yucaipa, CA
WC-552-020	17 Sat	Poker Rallye	Inland Empire Corvettes	Yucaipa, CA
WC-552-021	17 Sat	Poker Rallye	Inland Empire Corvettes	Yucaipa, CA
WC-552-022	17 Sat	Poker Rallye	Inland Empire Corvettes	Yucaipa, CA

WC-552-023	17 Sat	Poker Rallye	Inland Empire Corvettes	Yucaipa, CA
WC-552-024	17 Sat	Game Rallye	Inland Empire Corvettes	Yucaipa, CA
WC-552-025	17 Sat	Game Rallye	Inland Empire Corvettes	Yucaipa, CA
WC-552-026NS	17 Sat	Funkana	Inland Empire Corvettes	Yucaipa, CA
	18 Sun			
	24 Sat			
WC-507-036	25 Sun	PC Car Show	Victor Valley Vettes	Victorville, CA
	30 Fri	National NCCC Meetings		St. Louis, MO
	<b>MAY</b>			
	1 Sat	National NCCC Meetings		St. Louis, MO
WC-500-027RS	2 Sun	PC Car Show	Corvettes of Temecula Valley	Temecula, CA
	8 Sat	Regional Governors Meeting	O.C. Vettes	TBD
	9 Sun			
WC-514-039	15 Sat	Corvette Dreaming Concours	Corvettes of San Diego	San Diego, CA
WC-514-038	15 Sat	Corvette Dreaming PC	Corvettes of San Diego	San Diego, CA
	16 Sun			
	22 Sat			
	23 Sun			
WC-500-009	29 Sat	Rallye Game 1	Corvettes of Temecula Valley	Las Vegas, NV
WC-500-010	29 Sat	Rallye Game2	Corvettes of Temecula Valley	Las Vegas, NV
WC-202-004	29 Sat	Concours Car Show	Las Vegas Corvette Assn	Las Vegas, NV
WC-202-005	29 Sat	PC Car Show	Las Vegas Corvette Assn	Las Vegas, NV
WC-202-006	29 Sat	Rallye Timed	Las Vegas Corvette Assn	Las Vegas, NV
WC-202-007	29 Sat	Rallye Gimmick	Las Vegas Corvette Assn	Las Vegas, NV
WC-202-008	29 Sat	Rallye Poker	Las Vegas Corvette Assn	Las Vegas, NV
WC-202-011	30 Sun	MT Autocross	Las Vegas Corvette Assn	Las Vegas, NV
WC-202-012	30 Sun	LS Autocross	Las Vegas Corvette Assn	Las Vegas, NV
	<b>JUN</b>			
	5 Sat			
WC-325-001	6 Sun	PC Car Show	Orange County Vettes	Huntington Beach
WC-401-040	12 Sat	PC Car Show	The Vette Set	AES Los Alamitos
	13 Sun			
	19 Sat			
	20 Sun			
WC-395-044NS	24 Thur	Low Speed Autocross	Vettes R Us	El Torro, CA
WC-302-041RS	25 Fri	PC Car Show	Corvettes West	Big Bear, CA
WC-302-042	26 Sat	Low Speed Autocross	Corvettes West	Big Bear, CA
WC-302-043	27 Sun	Rallye	Corvettes West	Big Bear, CA
	<b>JUL</b>			
	3 Sat			

	4 Sun			
	10 Sat			
	11 Sun			
WC-434-028	17 Sat	Gimmick Rallye	Pomona Valley Corvette Assn	Rancho Cucamonga, CA
WC-434-029	17 Sat	Hidden Time	Pomona Valley Corvette Assn	Rancho Cucamonga, CA
WC-434-030	17 Sat	Poker Game	Pomona Valley Corvette Assn	Rancho Cucamonga, CA
WC-434-031	17 Sat	Poker Game	Pomona Valley Corvette Assn	Rancho Cucamonga, CA
WC-434-032	17 Sat	Game 1	Pomona Valley Corvette Assn	Rancho Cucamonga, CA
WC-434-033	17 Sat	Game 2	Pomona Valley Corvette Assn	Rancho Cucamonga, CA
WC-434-034	17 Sat	Game 3	Pomona Valley Corvette Assn	Rancho Cucamonga, CA
	18 Sun			
	23-30	NCCC Convention	North Florida Corvette Assn	West Palm Beach, FL
	24 Sat			
	25 Sun			
	31 Sat			
	<b>AUG</b>			
	1 Sun			
	7 Sat			
	8 Sun			
	14 Sat			
	15 Sun			
	21 Sat			
WC-326-017	22 Sun	PC Car Show	Corvette Super Sports	Huntington Beach, CA
	28 Sat			
	29 Sun			
	<b>SEP</b>			
	4 Sat			
	5 Sun			
	10 Fri	National NCCC Meetings		St. Louis, MO
	11 Sat	National NCCC Meetings		St. Louis, MO
	12 Sun			
	18 Sat	Regional Governors Meeting	Corvettes West	Marie Calendars, Redlands, CA
	19 Sun			
	25 Sat			
	26 Sun			
	<b>OCT</b>			
WC-446-xxx	2 Sat	Car Show	Millenium Corvettes	
	3 Sun			
	9 Sat			
	10 Sun			

	16 Sat			
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	<b>NOV</b>			
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# Technical Corner

## Carbon Limited Edition

### Taking track-to-street technology to a new level

2010-03-10

DETROIT -- When the 2006 Corvette Z06 was introduced, it represented the closest connection to the Corvette race cars ever. The 2009 Corvette ZR1 closed the gap between racing and production even further. This year, Corvette continues its tradition of track-to-street technology transfer with the 2011 Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition.

“Designed to further incorporate technology developed through racing, the Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition is a tribute to the 50th anniversary of Corvette’s first race in the 24 Hours of LeMans,” said Jim Campbell, Chevrolet General Manager. “With a limited production of 500 units, this car is a must-have for the true Corvette collector and driving enthusiast.”

The Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition is another example of the expanded Corvette line-up. Five years ago, customers had the choice of a Corvette coupe or convertible. With the addition of the Z06, Grand Sport coupe and convertible and ZR1, Corvette enthusiasts now have more choices than ever.

“For track use, the Z06 Carbon is the best balanced Corvette yet. It combines the lightweight and naturally-aspirated Z06 engine with the road-holding and braking of the ZR1,” said Tadge Juechter, Corvette Chief Engineer. “For technical tracks like Laguna Seca, the Z06 Carbon could shave up to three seconds off the Z06 lap time.”

This limited edition Z06 will boast Brembo carbon ceramic brakes with specific dark gray metallic calipers. These powerful brakes were first introduced on the ZR1. Black 20-spoke 19-inch front/20-inch rear wheels complement the car’s Michelin PS2 tires. Other mechanical features include Magnetic Selective Ride Control for the first time on the Z06 and enhanced cooling. The car also features a special carbon pattern engine cover.

The Corvette Z06 Carbon will be available in two colors: Inferno Orange and the all-new Supersonic Blue. Black headlamps and mirrors, a ZR1-style body color spoiler, body color door handles, carbon fiber raised hood, and black carbon fiber rockers and splitter enhance the Z06’s dynamic design and reduce mass and aerodynamic lift. For track events, customers can also install the Euro-styled racing numbers that come with each car.

The Z06 Carbon’s ebony leather and suede interior is complemented by blue or orange seat stitching to match the exterior color chosen. Other features include a unique steering wheel emblem, sill plate and logoed headrest. The suede used on the steering wheel, shifter, seat inserts, armrests and doors add to the luxury of this limited edition Z06.

An optional Z07 performance package that includes the mechanical upgrades introduced on the Z06 Carbon can be added to a regular 2011 Z06. This package also includes Competition Gray 20-spoke wheels and all the chassis and cooling upgrades.

The CFZ Z06 carbon fiber package includes black carbon fiber rockers, splitter and roof panel with the full-width body color spoiler. It can also be purchased with or without the Z07 package on regular Z06 models.

The 2011 Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition, as well as the new Z07 and CFZ Z06 option packages will be available in late summer.

# Consequences

