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CSS News and Upcoming Events

The Social event for January Annual CSS Banquet - John Force 1/19
The Club event for January

Other events for January



All members are welcome to attend the Board meetings. As you can see, many did

You can also see that we do have a good time too.



Who We Are

We are 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.

Corvette Super Sports was blessed during 2012 to have provided venues that attracted many participants. From our activities, we were able to donate \$3,200 to our charities.

HIS House \$800.00
CHIPS for Kids \$800.00
Council On Aging \$800.00
Operation Home Front \$800.00

CSS Family Updates

Please remember Jackie Lyon as she mourns the loss of her Dad on 12/22

































Madam Prez

As the year comes to a close it is time to reflect on the good times we have had as a club. We started the year off with our Annual Banquet held at the Elk's Club. We had a miniature golf tournament-I didn't know we

had that many duffers-I mean aces-in our midst. We went to car shows and showed our support for other clubs, had our own car show at Connell Chevrolet, traveled to Pahrump, partied at Donna's pool party, bowled for Valentines and Turkeys (you know who you are-either a Valentine or a Turkey!) and ended our year with a Holiday party at Callaway's.

WHAT A FUN FILLED AND BUSY YEAR IT WAS.

My hope for us all would be a:

Healthy
Active
Productive
Plentiful
Yummy

Neat Exciting Wonderful

Youthful Energetic Amazing Rejoicing

As Alfred, Lord Tennyson stated Ring out the old, ring in the new, Ring, happy bells, across the snow: The year is going, let him go; Ring out the false, ring in the true.

And to all I say Happy Holidays and L'Chaim- TO LIFE.

Thank you all for making this year very special for me.

Dianne

VP and Director of All Things Social

The month of December is usually very quiet. Clubs tend to curtail activities to get ready for the holidays. But just like so many months prior, December



became paced with many adventures. At the beginning of the month several members went racing at the Bondurant Race track in Phoenix. Of those that did not go, many of the ladies went to a cookie exchange at Ginger's house and the guys went to Bob Reed's house for some R&R. One member went to Pahrump to eat up some Porsches and most of us went to the Callaway Dealership for our annual Christmas party. The month was rounded out by the Homeland Security team getting some practice and points at the Prado shooting park at the end of the month.

Now lucky for me, we have stories written by our roving reporters to fill our pages so I can concentrate on my annual "Year in Revue" oopsie Review as I am not going to sing it. We have Jennifer Spencer's commentary about racing at Pahrump in freezing weather, John Manfred's account of the racing at Bondurant, Ginger's description of the cookie exchange and their future plans, and nothing about the time spent at Bob's house during the cookie exchange because what happens at Bob's house stays at Bob's house!

And as the year comes to a close I want to thank all of you for expressing your confidence in me to be your CSS President for 2013. This coming year, with our annual banquet as our first event, should be very interesting and fun filled as well. Your new board has already started thinking about next year so I invite you to send us your suggestions for social events as soon as possible so that we can get them into our calendar.

In addition, I want to thank every one for providing me with so many opportunities to write about over the last 12 months. I have truly been blessed by everyone's volunteerism and support of CSS.

So, Keep Driving and Having Fun and Save the Wave

Geoff Girvin

































Roving Reporter John Manfred

Corvettes at Bondurant, Chandler AZ by John Manfred

As Bob Bondurant said, "Welcome to the first annual Corvettes at Bondurant." Hopefully

there will be many more. Michele and I, along with Joe and Cindy, headed out to Chandler to what turned out to be quite an enjoyable weekend. Since Spring Mountain is being so inhospitable as of late, it looks like Bondurant wants to step into the void.

Upon arrival, everyone was divided into three run groups. First group went to Firebird International Raceway for 1/4 mile drag racing, the second went to an autocross course, and the third to the racetrack. Joe and I were in the first group. This was the first time I've run the Z in the 1/4 mile. Michele and I went to Qualcomm in San Diego, where they have 1/8th mile drags, and we ran there once and ran a 7 something at 90. At Firebird we turned a 12.47 at 123 in the quarter mile. Could not get it to hook up. Still, low ET of our group. Lost out overall to a gal who was "assisted" by many admiring Bondurant employees on Friday. She ran a 12.05

We went to the racetrack next and did some lead and follows. They weren't skimping on the speed so we had a lot of fun even before they turned us loose for hot lapping. It's a nice track and even though Joe and I both did some agricultural plowing, it was a blast.

Our next rotation was the autocross course which turned out to be a lot tighter than it looked. We really liked how they had all of the activities planned out and we moved from one to the next throughout the day. Joe and I wanted to camp out on the racetrack but they wouldn't let us.

Before dinner, they pulled out four Corvette School cars and gave hot laps at 2 for 25 bucks. Best 25 I've spent. Bob Bondurant drove one car and at 79, he hasn't lost a thing on the track. The other drivers were: Johnny O'Connell of Corvette Racing fame; Andy Lee, 2012 Pirelli World Challenge GTS Champion (Camaro); and the CEO of Bondurant, Darren Law, former Porsche *cough cough* GT3 driver.

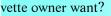
These guys were crazy. Real racing inches apart and just an amazing time. As people got out of the cars after the rides, it was fun to see them searching for words to describe their experience.

Dinner in the Bondurant Museum was very nice and we were

treated to racing stories by the aforementioned drivers. Also speaking was Doug Fehan, Program Manager, Corvette Racing. Quite an entertaining speaker who let it slip that the C7 may or may not have square taillights and that the lights may or may not be LEDs; very informative.

Sunday was more of the same, but everyone seemed to drive a little better and a little faster. Aaron Pfadt of Pfadt Racing was there and he was helping me set up my Z since it has the Pfadt Coilovers. I asked if he would mind driving it to see if it was set up correctly. I drove the first session and Aaron provided a lot of tips to help me drive a little smoother and faster. During the next session, he took the wheel and OMG. Riding with a professional driver in your own car really opens your eyes as to how much you're leaving on the table. I think he was quicker than me everywhere except entering the pits. Truly a once in a lifetime experience. He's also a nice guy.

Hopefully more of us can go next year and take advantage of the facilities. Nice hotels are close, good restaurants nearby and a casino right across the street. What more could a Cor-







































Cars and Coffee (yet another "Cor-sche" Event in beautiful Pahrump, Nevada) December 15-16, 2012

By Jen Spencer

Once again, I braved Spring Mountain in December (bbbrrrr) and once again, it proved to be a chilly one. It poured on Thursday so the drive out was miserable.

The drive between Baker and Pahrump took an hour longer than usual, not because of the rain, but the puddles (or small lakes from where I was sitting).

Friday's weather cooperated rain-wise (not that I saw much of the weather from the Pai Gow table).

Saturday started off a little slow (literally). While the fabulous crew at Spring Mountain did their best to pump the water off the track, there was still some standing water and it was just darn cold. Using my very best Rodney Dangerfield impression, here are a few "famous" quotes about the first run of the day.

The track was so slow...

- "It was like racing on snot." Lisa from the San Diego Corvette Club
- "I don't know which drive was hairier. Driving in from Vegas through the snow or the track." – Dale from Las Vegas
- "I usually get 6 miles to the gallon, but instead, got 12!" Randy also from San Diego
- "My g-meter usually hovers around 1.0+ but never got higher than 0.58!" - Larinda from Las Vegas

No respect I tell ya!

So like all good students, we used the first run to work on our lines to hit the turns better (wink, wink out to Scott & lan, my instructors on Saturday). Somehow, Solomon, the organizer of this event, was able to have a new part of the track opened for us that is usually reserved for members (drum roll please), The Bowl. This new section mimics a skateboard bowl in that you dip in, climb the wall and then turn somewhat sharply and drop out. Pretty cool once you get over the fact that when you're going up the side, you can only see sky As the day got relatively warmer, we eventually got our speeds and adrenaline up to normal.

Sunday was thankfully uneventful so everyone was able to drive their cars home/back to the hotel. I got back just in time to watch the Raiders win on tv so it was the perfect ending to a great day.

Since the weather was going to get ugly again on Tuesday, I decided to come home on Monday. Having plenty of time to think on the drive, I realized I remembered tasting chicken (Porsches) over the weekend but what really hit the spot was the spaghetti and meatballs (Ferrari and Masarati)! Yum!



Notice: 7:30am 31 degrees!

YIKES!

Notice the ice on the Windshield!





Yikes! Snow!



































CSS First Annual Cookie Exchange

By Ginger Girvin

Our first and soon to be annual CSS Holiday Tea and Cookie Exchange was held on December 9th

at Ginger and Geoff's home. Thirteen women from our club brought 10 dozen cookies each along with their recipes to exchange with each other. Everyone who came was also asked to wear their special "Tea Hat". After a fun filled afternoon of sipping various teas, munching on Christmas shaped sandwiches, and playing games, each attendee departed with a big box of 130 cookies.

While the women partied all afternoon, their husbands gathered at Bob's house for male bonding. But what happened at Bob's house stays at Bob's house so we will never know what went on over there.

It was a day of fun, food, and fellowship for all. From the pictures below, you will see their favorite hats, and the fun we had.

p.s. All my cookies were gone in 2 days. I can't wait for next year for more.







































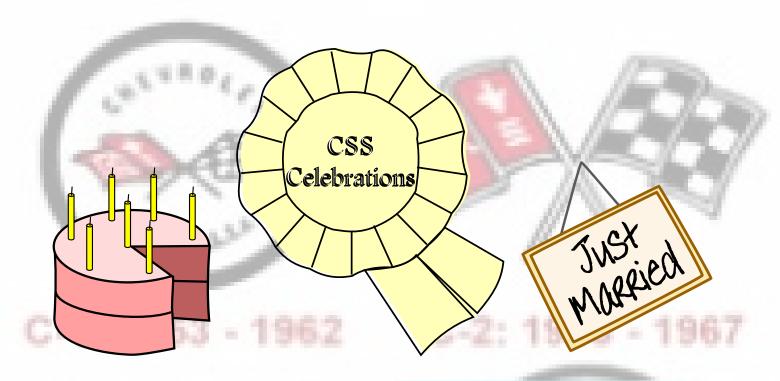












December Birthday	ys
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Hortencia Sanchez	12/5
Joe Orrico	12/12
Sandra McMullen	12/15
Doug Lyon	12/17
William Darke	12/28
Robyne Camp	12/29

January Birthdays

William Stel	01/01
Chris Glodery	01/10
Marge Huhta	01/10
Rick Miller	01/12
Kathy Baddley	01/16
Art Huhta	01/16
Scott Glover	01/17
Shirley Jones.	01/19
Ann Meeuwenberg	01/25

December Anniversaries

Dave & JennyMacDonough		12/15/??
Art & Marge Huhta		12/16/67
Pat & Jan Works		12/19/??
	John & Michele	12/24/?
	Roger & Carol Bacon	12/26/82
	Bill & Marietta Darke	12/31/??

January Anniversaries

None























General meeting minutes December 4, 2012

Officers present: Dianne Wiest, Bert Wiest, Marge H., Joe O., Geoff G., Doug M.

Board members present: Ron D., Jim C., Vicki K., Linda N., Gary P., Donna S.

Members present: 47. A quorum was present.

President Dianne opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Charities chairperson Bob R. talked about Chips for Kids. Support the Enlisted could not be present to receive their charity check. They sent a nice note which Bob read to the club. Bob called Teri Niebuhr to the podium and presented her with the club's charitable contribution of \$800.00. Teri thanked the club and spoke about H.I.S. House.

Dianne gave the board report.

Donna announced two visitors. Ted Albinez and Dave Beltran.

Dianne announced that the voting for club officers and board and MVP award would begin and instructed the passing out of the ballots. The club then took a few minutes to vote. And the ballots were collected and given to the tellers for their tally.

Geoff thanked the newsletter contributors Marcia L. and Art H. A good time was had at the La Palma days parade. Birthdays were: Hortencia S., Joe O., Sandy M., Doug L., Bill D., Robyn C. The anniversary celebrants were: Art and Marge H., Pat and Jan W., John and Michelle, Roger and Carol B., Bill and Marietta D.

A good time was had at the John Force show; the club possibly could have had a few more members there to see the check presented to Chips for Kids. The club Christmas party is on December 15th at Callaway's.

Bob R., presented the check for Council on Aging to Bill D., who thanked the club.

Marge read the treasurers report. The checkbook balance is \$11,496.15. NCCC dues of \$1465.00 were paid. Paula the server at the Sizzler was presented with a check for \$100.00.

Bert mentioned that the banquet is coming along nicely, reservations and checks are still being accepted.

All is OK on the website.

Roger B. shared about the John Force car show.

Joe O. told that 25 rooms have now been booked for the NCCC mini west coast convention in Las Vegas, most from CSS. CSS are the regional champs for the 4th straight

Men's results are: Dave A. - 1st, Joe O. - 2nd, Ed N. - 3rd, Geoff G. - 7th.

Women's results are: Jennifer S. - 1st, Cindy O. - 2nd, Jackie L.-3rd, Linda N.-10th.

Dianne announced the officers and board for 2013. They are: Pres. Geoff Girvin VP. Art H. Secty. Vicki K. Treasurer Marge H. Webmaster Doug M. **Newsletter Geoff G** NCCC Governor Joe O. Board members Jim C., Ron D., Gary P., Don P., Bob R., Donna S.

Sue R. won the dinner raffle.

There is no board meeting in December.

Donna won the 50/50.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Bert Wiest, CSS Secretary































On Saturday, December 15th, the Callaway Dealership in Santa Ana graciously agreed to host our annual Christmas party at their facility. What a blessing it was for all of us to be able to wander around their shop and talk to their engineers about how they install their superb super chargers as well as be able to socialize at the end of a successful and eventful year. It was certainly a delight to listen to Reeves Callaway describe the pilot car for the 25th commemorative year RPO BK2 in their showroom. At the conclusion of the party, David Jolliff of Callaway invited us back next year.





































































And now for the Year In Review:

January: Even though there were no NCCC events, we made up for it by celebrating 2011 at our annual banquet and the changing of the guard. It was a night to remember with the venue planned by Karen and her entourage. Awards were presented, But what is a party without music. Bert did a fantastic job with the music and the music themes for all the people coming up to the podium for awards or business. Donna and her court handed out awards for the 2 bowling events held last year and Gary and I got the best awards. We got bowling pins to use to practice before the February 11th Valentine Bowl since we seem to need practice based on our scores from last year. Geoff called 17 people to the stage to hand out the awards for Homeland Security. The Top gun awards this year went to Michele for the Women's high score and to Art for the Men's high score. All the rest of the agents received an award as well with their official CSS Badge and a clay pigeon with their qualifying scores. And of course there was dancing.

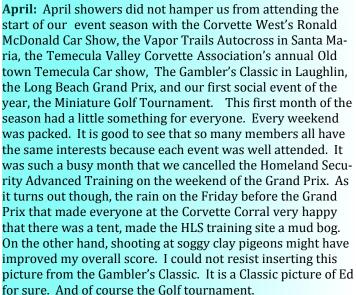
February On February 11th, we met at the La Habra Bowling Alley to once again strain our backs, do the Hokie Pokie on the approaches and attempt to look like bowling professionals. And once again, we succeeded to have more fun than a barrel of monkeys or a bowling alley of monkeys. I wish that we had a movie camera available because I think that if we posted Donna's bowling ball dance on YouTube, it would go viral and we could make money on it. Afterwards we had another great pot luck dinner and got our trophies and told lies. We also started a new venue for Homeland Security by doing sporting clays, This, as it turned out, became very difficult and our scores dropped like rocks.

March: March again was a slow month. There were no NCCC events but we did continue with Homeland training.



To ward off boredom, our members reverted to more of their reptilian background and disguised themselves at the meeting. In addition Joe and Cindy found a venue for a road trip. For those of you who enjoy taking weekend trips with some interesting places to stop along Route 66, you may want to think of the Roadkill Café in Seligman, Arizona.









May As it turned out, May is one of the months where the NCCC point chase has not really warmed up yet but we seem to have no trouble in finding things to do including the commissioning of the USS San Diego (LPD22) is an amphibious transport dock, and chasing Porsche's for dinner at Pahrump on Memorial Day weekend. May was one of the months where both of the events that we wanted to go to as a club were events that I just could not attend. Lucky for me, I had my "Cub Reporters" who went instead and took pictures and wrote stories for this issue.



On board the USS San Diego



Joe at Pahrump



















































June: Finally! Point chasing came alive. June was Autocrossing in Santa Maria at the beginning of the month and the Big Bear Bash at the end of the month with a list of 3 separate car shows in the middle along with the NCCC convention in a Kansas corn field. Here are just a couple of pictures to remind you:



Out front of Garry and Shirley's at the Bash B4 BBB



Joe picking out his hat for the hoe down in Kansas

July: Almost 3 years ago to the day was my previous attempt at setting up a mystery run. There are many similarities between that run to Mount Palomar and our mystery run this month to Jackson Lake in Wrightwood. I bring this up because it is very possible that the aliens are back. Remember back in 2009, we had a string of very odd occurrences that could only be attributable to an infestation of aliens. Well this year's mystery run members had to fend off another attack of the aliens. Steve and Eli's car suffered a blow out from a rock that missed 3 other cars. It could only be the work of aliens in my mind!

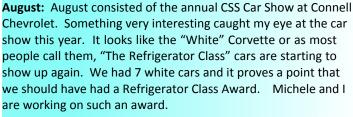
On July 21st, 5, hoping to be lucky couples from CSS. attended the OC Vettes Poker Run. The attendees were Jen and Dave A, Joe and Cindy, Chuck and Sue, Doug and Jackie and Bob and Kelli. According to those who know, the best hand anyone in CSS got was a pair of 2s.



The Mystery Run Gang



The Poker Run Gang



On Sunday August 12th, Corvette Super Sports attended once again the BBQ and Car Show at the Sunrise Senior Center coordinated again by Marietta Darke This is an annual event for our members who show off their cars to the folks that live at the center and give them an opportunity to look at and touch our beautiful machines. I have seen that wispy look in several of the seniors when they look at our cars and they are probably thinking about their own adventures parked out by a lake or out in a field and getting the windows all fogged up. Their eyes light up and so do their smiles. This is a great way for us to help benefit the Alzheimer's Association. A great time was had by all.



September: September is the month that our award winning Newsletter, "Under the Radar" got a long needed upgrade. On September 14-15, 6 CSS cars converged on our friends from Vapor Trails to participate in their annual car show and rally. Friday was made up of Car racing in the pub, and Saturday was the Car Show, Rally, Games, food and awards.. On September 22nd, Donna invited us all to her annual Pool Party. The pool, as always was colder than the hot tub so you know where most of us resided.

























































October: On Sunday, October 7th CSS had a very large turn out for the Mystery Run and Poker Run. Fifteen cars left from Coco's, our starting point, and traveled to our check point one. But first let me talk a bit about the gathering of the members. The final destination was the Calicinto Ranch in San Jacinto. The Ranch is a very special place and we had to see it with our own eyes to appreciate the good work they do. The CHP and Chips for Kids sponsors the ranch too. The ranch provides a safe haven for the children of parents that are in jail. These kids, without a program like this follow in their parent's foot steps 70% of the time. It is very sad. But the ranch is fixing that. The ranch provides a 2 week camping experience at no cost to the kids where they are taught to not hate or fear police officers, which in turn translates into respecting authority. They also learn that they can be loved through the love of God



While some of us were in Santa Maria, CSS held its High Speed Tie Trials at Pahrump at the Spring Mountain Raceway. This event coincided with the Porsche Days and again we know that Porsches taste like chicken. At both venues, CSS members cleaned up!



Trophies half way through the event.



John on the track at Pahrump

November: This month is for giving thanks. We did it with our families over Thanksgiving and with our CSS family while bowling with "Turkeys" As you know, we all look forward to seeing Donna do her little dance on the alley to get her ball to go the way she wished it would. Also some of us participated

in the annual La Palma Days Parade using our cars to carry dignitaries down the parade route.



Two of our bowling "Organizers"



The staging area before the parade

December: December is our month for elections, and to celebrate the end of another fun filled year and to prepare for the holidays. We did send several cars to race at the Bondurant Raceway in Phoenix as well as another Porsche eating event at Pahrump. You will see these events on the previous pages.

As you can see, we have had a fun filled year. From the Sweet Heart's Bowl to the Turkey Bowl and lots of events in between. This year we saw many of our sister clubs in Southern California curtail their activities. Two of our regular events that we have always participated in were canceled due to low attendance the previous year and the current year's economy. But CSS was not to be deterred. We ran our Car Show in August and just dealt with the low turn out of entries. For those clubs that did run events, we turned out en-mass to participate and support their charities. I also should mention that each month our intrepid Homeland Security Agents have met at one of our favorite ranges to humiliate ourselves and try our best to obliterate an orange disk called a clay pigeon. Some of the December pictures follow:



































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RACING AT WORLD FAMOUS SPRING MOUNTAIN RACE TRACK ON THE 5TH

AM Low Speed Host Club: Vettes'R'Us PM TimeTrials (High Speed) Host Club: Corvette Super Sports (The two racing clubs in the Region)

(Convertibles without roll bars not permitted -Track Rule- NCCC rules apply at all events otherwise)

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CAR SHOW ON THE 6TH IN THE Morning Host Club: The Vette Set (45 years' Experience)

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