



A gorgeous January day for a drive to Lake Wohlford Cafe!

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# **President's Corner**

February 2015

Hi NCoCC Members,



Well, I just got home form the Lake Wohlford Run. Wow, what a great day. We had about a dozen Corvettes at the event, and we had a couple of guests attend. Victor and Chuck were

in Victor's beautiful blue C4, and I think they enjoyed the run too. Chuck also has a Corvette. The weather was picture perfect and Terry did a great job of keeping all of us together in spite of the construction on Bear Valley Road and the many stoplights. The restaurant had blocked off an area for us to park and had reserved tables for our group. The owner greeted us and welcomed us to the Lake Wohlford Cafe. She apologized in advance for any delays on getting our food. The food actually came out in a very timely manner considering the size of our group. My catfish dinner was delicious! After lunch several of us headed over to the Bates Nut Farm for some shopping. All in all, it was a great day!

Shifting gears, I want to thank Renee Toomey for volunteering to lead the Plastic Fantastic Raffle. This is a big responsibility and is the primary source of funds for our club charity the USO of San Diego. Kathy Buie has volunteered to help Renee; thank you Kathy. We need everyone in the Club to get out and start getting donations for the raffle prizes. I will be sending out a copy of the donation request letter shortly along with an electronic copy of the flyer. Dave Regenhardt will have copies of the flyer to hand out at our next Business (membership) Meeting. If you are attending any Corvette related events before the next meeting, please contact Dave directly to coordinate getting flyers to hand out.

Terry Thompson, our Activities Coordinator, has been working hard to keep the activities flowing. We are looking for George Marks, our Charity Liaison, to get us a date for us to support the upcoming Marine Corp Trials at Camp Pendleton. These trials are supported by the USO of San Diego. The trials run from March 6<sup>th</sup> through the 12<sup>th</sup>. As usual, I want to remind everyone to keep checking the calendar on our website (www.ncocc.com) so you don't miss out on any of our upcoming events.

I will sign off for now and, as always, wish everyone safe travels in your Corvette. I also want to remind you to support: 1) our club charity the USO of San Diego, 2) all of our military men, women, and veterans, and 3) our fantastic National Corvette Museum.

Sam

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Doug O'Brien	25
Joe Steinmetz	26

# Membership Anniversaries

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# **Club Events Calendar**

#### February 2015

- 10 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 14 Valentine Day Run
- 26 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm



#### March 2015

- TBD Marine Corps Trials
  - 10 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
  - 26 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm

#### April

- 11 La Jolla Concours d'Elegance
- 14 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 23 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm

#### May

- 12 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 17 Plastic Fantastic XXXVIIII
- 28 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm

#### June

- 5-7 Russo and Steele Auction
- 9 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 25 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm

#### July

- 14 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 23 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm



### Valentine Run To Rancho Mirage

Saturday, February 14th



#### Las Casuelas Nuevas 70050 Highway 111 Rancho Mirage

We are going to the Las Casuelas Nuevas mexican restaruant for lunch via a scenic mountain route. This route is 117 miles long and will take about 3 hours, with a short break if needed. There are five turns the entire way so staying together should not be hard.

We will meet at North County Fair at 8:45 a.m. and leave at 9:00.

# Monthly Club Event





### Lake Wohlford Run January 24th

Why do we love living in San Diego? Because of the beautiful weather, and the day of our run to Lake Wohlford was gorgeous! A January day with the tops down for those who have convertibles.

We had cars enjoying the trip through Encinitas and up to the lake. Lunch was great and the catfish was as good as they said. If you were not able to join us, you should definitely take the trip and give it a try.





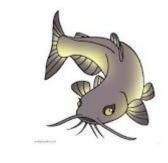


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# PLASTIC FANTASTIC RAFFLE Hello members!

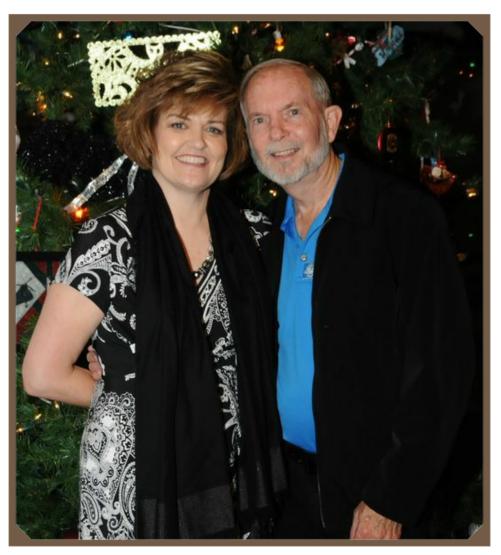
Hello members! Plastic Fantastic is set for May 17<sup>th</sup>. I have volunteered to co-chair the raffle this year with Kathy Buie.

Since your participation at Plastic Fantastic is free, we would like your help in providing prizes for the raffle. A prize with a minimum value of \$25.00 would be appreciated from each person/couple. We encourage you to obtain prizes by we encourage you to obtain prizes by you, please feel free to purchase a prize or write a check to NCoCC so that we can purchase prizes. Be sure to indicate NCoCC so that we can purchase prizes. Be sure to indicate on the check that it is for the Plastic Fantastic Raffle. Please enember the proceeds from the raffle go directly to our selected charity, the USO of San Diego, so your generosity

Start thinking about what contribution you might be able to make to the success of our raffle. When you have concrete plans, please email me at mrsr2me@yahoo.com to let me know what you plan to donate to the cause. You may also leave a message at 760-631-5748 instead if that is more convenient.

Looking forward to May 17<sup>th</sup>! Renee Toomey

# **Welcome back Tim!**



After a couple years away, Tim Bunch is rejoining our club with his new bride Debbie. They own a 1997 Black C5 Coupe. Tim is still an architect and Debbie is a Floral Designer. They have five grown children; Joy, Josh, Travis, Jake and Levi. They look forward to participating in our short trips to drive and dine. Glad to have you back Tim and nice to meet you Debbie!

#### Chevy's Corvette Z06 is a Civilized Yet Thrilling Supercar

By: Keith Griffin, Boston.com, 1/25/15

In the past six months, I've had the opportunity to drive some incredibly fast cars including the Ferrari F12 Berlinetta, the Dodge Challenger Hellcat, and the Dodge Charger Hellcat. The 2015 Chevrolet Corvette Z06 blows them all away.

And this from a guy who, until the last generation, didn't particularly like Corvettes. I found them uncomfortable to drive and lacking in any finesse on the open road.

Granted, that put me in a small minority. But now I'm an enthusiast after spending track and on-road time with the 2015 Corvette Z06 outside of Las Vegas, Nevada. Chevrolet has created the best American supercar on the road (perhaps until the new Ford GT hits the pavement in 2016).

This Corvette Z06 is equipped with a new LT4 supercharged 6.2-liter V-8 engine with direct injection, Active Fuel Management (also called cylinder deactivation), and continuously variable valve timing that is certified at 650 horsepower and 650 lb-ft of torque. With the eight-speed, paddle-shift automatic, it can hit 60 miles per hour in 2.95 seconds. It reaches 60 mph at 3.2 seconds with the standard, sevenspeed manual.

The seven-speed manual incorporates rev-matching technology for upshifts and downshifts. This driver-selectable feature is engaged via steering wheel paddles. The seven-speed is used with a new dual-mass flywheel and dual-disc clutch, which deliver greater shift quality and feel through lower inertia. Yet, for fuel efficiency you can still shift from 1st to 4th gear. Yes, I just discussed fuel efficiency in a review of a Corvette Z06.

By the way, fuel economy for the manual transmission is rated at 15-mpg city and 22mpg highway. The automatic is rated at 13-mpg city and 21-mpg highway. You'll pay a gas guzzler tax of \$1300 on the automatic but not the standard.

Here comes a heretical statement: the gas guzzler tax is the only reason to buy the Z06 with the manual transmission. The automatic is demonstrably better—especially on the track. Downshifts were spot on and acceleration out of the curves was mind blowing.

Handling and braking are also impressive. The Z06 can stop from 60 mph in 99 feet. Double-digit stopping distance is almost unheard of and it comes thanks to massive Brembo brakes with twopiece steel rotors.

The Corvette Z06 also features a smart electronic limited-slip differential. It is standard on the Z06 to make the most of the torque split between the rear wheels. According to Chevy, the system features a hydraulically actuated clutch that can infinitely vary clutch engagement and respond from open to full engagement in tenths of a second. It shifts torque based on a unique algorithm that factors in vehicle speed, steering input, and throttle position to improve steering feel, handling balance, and traction.

Corvette notches up the excitement with the Z07 track package, which adds \$7995 to the starting price of \$78,995. The automaker adds adjustable front and rear aero components for aerodynamic downforce, Michelin Pilot Super Sport Cup tires for enhanced grip, and Brembo carbon ceramic-matrix brake rotors that improve braking performance and contribute to greater handling through reduced unsprung weight.

I drove the Z07 package around the track at Spring Mountain Motorsports in Pahrump, Nevada. It effortlessly handled the twists, turns, and straightaways. It somehow made me a much better driver than I am.

There's even video proof thanks to an intoxicating feature on the Z06 called the performance data review. An option (packaged with navigation), it has received a lot of hype for recording parking valets who mistreat Corvettes but it's really designed to capture track runs. It shows all types of information like speed, RPMs, steering angle, G forces, and track overview among other data.

The Z07 package also adds larger winglets to the front splitter, along with an adjustable, see-through center section on the rear spoiler for track use. With this package, the Corvette Z06 delivers the most aerodynamic downforce of any production car GM has tested.

As mentioned, this is a perfectly civil car to drive, even at low speeds. For some people it could be a legitimate commuter car (maybe not in New England during the winter but in warmer climes). It doesn't have that restless leg syndrome feeling most sports cars do under 50 mph thanks to torque that can pull you comfortably from 15 mph to 50 mph without breaking a sweat.

One big problem? It's easy to get north of the speed limit quickly. Fortunately law enforcement along the Nevada/California border outside of Parumph must have been on break. Otherwise this review would have had to been smuggled out of jail in a laundry truck.

# **Meet our New Members!**



#### Welcome Richard and Susan Gilroy!

Richard and Susan are both retired and have a 1969 Black T-top Stingray. Richard has actually owned 8 corvettes!

They found out about our club through a previous member and are ready for some fun with our group.

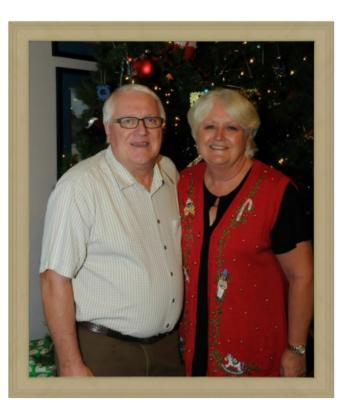
Apology from the Editor: The Gilroy's joined our Club in 2013. I apologize for the delay in getting a picture and in welcoming you to our club.

#### Welcome Dwight and Karen Alexander!

Dwight and Karen own a 2012 Black C6, and this is their first Corvette.

They are both retired now, but Dwight worked in Small Business Investments and Karen was with Sears for 40 years.

They joined our club because of the "Yellow Corvette Owners." You know who you are. Thanks for bringing us some new car friends.



# Happy Valentines Dag



# Our Club

Club members enjoy planned trips, car shows, fun runs, auto rallies, and a host of social and Corvette-related events, including a Holiday Party, an Annual Recognition Dinner, and the NCoCC Plastic Fantastic all Corvette Show at Seaport Village. We support local communities in the San Diego County area by participating in special event parades and high school homecoming events. Our members also devote a time, energy, and resources in supporting our club charity, the USO (United Services Organization).

## Meetings

Business Meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in The Well Church Meeting Room located at 13604 Midland Road, Poway, CA. We always welcome and encourage guests to attend our meetings and to participate in our club sponsored events.

For a map of our meeting location, please go to our web site at www.ncocc.com.



## NCoCC Cruise News

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Email submission for the newsletter no later than the 23<sup>rd</sup> of every month! Kregen@san.rr.com

## Membership

Membership is open to anyone at least 18 years of age who owns a Corvette. Applicants must attend two business meetings and participate in one club event before becoming a member.

Membership in NCoCC entitles you to:

A membership card for you and your significant other. Discounts on parts and service at participating dealers (Bob Stall and others). A club T-shirt. A name tag. A newsletter via Email and/or the web site.

Members are expected to attend Business Meetings, maintain current dues, and support the club by serving on committees and participating in club events. Initiation fee is \$25. Dues are paid in advance: \$75 for one year.

We hope this short introduction is helpful. If you have any questions, please contact us via email: info@ncocc.com.