Fleet Week San Diego – Coronado Speed Festival.

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**President’s Corner**  
October 2013

Dear Fellow NCoCC Members,

Well another summer month has flown by and we are now into fall, wow time flies! Fall brings us into a busy time of year for your Club. Wayne and Marilyn Osborne are already busy planning our Holiday Dinner event at the MCAS Miramar Officers Club. This event is always fantastic so be sure to put it on your calendar (December 14th)! Also, an annual favorite in December is our Christmas Lights Run which Bob Brown has graciously agreed to lead again. It is on December 21st. Nearer term Jay has a lot of fun things planned, please check the calendar in this newsletter or on our website to see what is coming up.

One of the upcoming activities that you will see on our calendar is a trip to the San Diego Automotive Museum to view their special 60th Anniversary display of Corvettes. I bring this up for two reasons; first I think it is terrific that they are honoring the 60th Anniversary of Corvette, and secondly because my 60th Anniversary Corvette was one selected for the exhibit. So, if any of you are wondering over the next 4 months why the Club President is not driving his Corvette to Club activities you will understand why.

This past weekend we had a run to the Coronado Speed Festival which is always one of my favorite events. The weather was perfect and we enjoyed some great racing of historic race cars, some nearly 100 years old. For those of you who may not know, every car must be certified as having been a real race car back in the day. In other words you couldn’t take an old Corvette and convert it to a race car and expect to be able to compete in this event. In addition to the racing, they also have a vendor area, food booths, a car show, and a variety of Navy aircraft. My only gripe about this event was that this year they honored the 50th Anniversary of the 911 Porsche and completely ignored the fact this was the 50th Anniversary of the Stingray, which is particularly significant since Corvette has brought back the Stingray in the form of the all new C7 Corvette.

With that I will close and wish you all safe travels in your Corvette and encourage you to continue to support our fantastic National Corvette Museum, our Club charity the USO San Diego, all of our active duty military men and women, and all those veterans who served in our military.

Sam
October Birthdays

Bob Mackey 2
Gary Wood 2
Jack Miyamoto 5
Sharlene Hower 10
Terry Thompson 12
Laura Brandon 14
Borise Cota 27

60 Years of Cool

Corvettes have always represented power and performance, but Chevrolet really doubled down on power when it introduced the first big-block Corvette in 1965. The new Mark IV V8, marketed as the Turbo Jet, was a 396-cubic-inch engine that produced 425 horsepower — 50 more than the available 327-cubic-inch small-block V8. With the big-block, the Corvette could sprint from zero to 60 mph in 5.7 seconds and cover the quarter-mile in 14.1 seconds, both of which were made safer by the first 4-wheel disc brakes in Corvette history.
Club Events Calendar

October 2013

8  NCoCC Business Meeting.  The Well Church.  7:00pm
13 San Diego Automotive Museum
24 NCoCC Board Meeting.  Coco’s in Poway.  7:00pm
26 Borrego Days

November

9  Vettes for Veterans
12 NCoCC Business Meeting.  The Well Church.  7:00pm
28 NCoCC Board Meeting.  Coco’s in Poway.  7:00pm

December

10 NCoCC Business Meeting.  The Well Church.  7:00pm
14 Holiday Dinner Party
?? Santa Store
21 Christmas Light Run
26 NCoCC Board Meeting.  Coco’s in Poway.  7:00pm

January 2014

14 NCoCC Business Meeting.  The Well Church.  7:00pm
?? Bowl-a-thon
23 NCoCC Board Meeting.  Coco’s in Poway.  7:00pm

February 2014

11 NCoCC Business Meeting.  The Well Church.  7:00pm
27 NCoCC Board Meeting.  Coco’s in Poway.  7:00pm

March 2014

11 NCoCC Business Meeting.  The Well Church.  7:00pm
27 NCoCC Board Meeting.  Coco’s in Poway.  7:00pm
Monthly Club Event

Sixty Years of Corvettes
Sunday, October 13th

We will meet at the PQ Park-n-Ride at 9:30 a.m. and leave by 9:45. We will then caravan to Balboa Park and park at the Automotive Museum.

General Admission tickets are $8.50 per person or $6.00 for Seniors (over 64) or Military with ID. You can either buy tickets online in advance or at the Museum on the day of the event. After exploring the Sixty Years of Corvettes at the Museum, we will walk to The Prado Restaurant to have a casual lunch for those that desire to have lunch.

If you have not already signed up for this event, we will have the sign-up sheet at our next Business Meeting on October 8th.
Meet our New Members!

Welcome Robert and Claudia Nabours!

Bob and Claudia live in Ramona and own a 2000 Metallic Pewter C5 Coupe.

Bob is a retired Teacher and Claudia is a retired Educational Administrator. They have one son, Cody Benjamin. This is their first Corvette and it was previously owned by their uncle. They have joined our club anxious to learn more about their new car, and to enjoy our fun excursions and social events.

Other hobbies and interests; tennis, deep sea fishing, stained glass, gardening, zumba, camping, and reading.
In general, drag racing cars tend to have a short life; they’re frequently broken, crashed or rebuilt with odd parts, and generally rode hard and put away wet. Finding one in good condition can rank as a collector’s good luck, but the owners of this 1967 Chevy Corvette did far better at the Mecum auction on Saturday, selling this Vette for $3.2 million – a new auction record for any Corvette.

Corvettes typically don’t sell for millions of dollars, mainly because General Motors built so many of them over the years and because most owners cared little about swapping engines or other key parts. This car breaks that mold thanks to a secret code: L-88. Designed by famed Corvette engineer, Zora Arkus-Duntov, as a race package, the L-88 featured a tuned version of the 427 big block V-8 good for far more than the 435 hp listed by the factory. Under various racing rules, Chevy had to sell a few copies to the public – but discouraged dealers from advertising it and let its existence be known only to a select few shoppers.

This car, one of only 20 L-88s built in the 1967 model year, was bought in Portland, OR., and almost immediately taken to the drag strip, where it soon dominated West Coast NHRA racing for several years. The former owners bought the car in 1996, and found it still had the original engine, exhausts and extensive paperwork from its racing days; they later launched a full restoration, including the commission of a custom paint color to match the one it left the factory with.

The $3.2 million hammer price from Mecum doubles the previous record of $1.6 million for a Corvette at auction, set by Barrett-Jackson in 2008 with the Pininfarina-built, one-off “Rondine” coupe. Most Corvettes will never approach a tenth of the value of this L-88, but there are a few even more rare editions in existence. Thanks to the rising value of high-end collector cars, we may not have to wait another five years for this Vette record to be broken again.
Congratulations Jay and Sheila Kopelowitz!

They are the proud owners of a new 2014 C7 Corvette Stingray Coupe.

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ARTICLE II, Section 3

Currently reads:

Initiation Fees and Dues

A. The initiation fee for joining the club is $25.
B. Club dues will be paid in advance semi-annually on April 1st and October 1st.
C. Dues will be established by a majority vote of the club membership.

Proposed Change to Item B:

B. Club dues will be paid in advance annually by the October Business Meeting.
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 Awards 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.

Membership
Membership is open to anyone at least 18 years of age who owns or leases 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.