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Cruise to Durango, Colorado in August 2011.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

It seems like it took forever before the weather was good enough to start cruisin'. Summer came late and now it's already November and about time to put the Corvettes away for another winter. Maybe a few more good days left, but not many, so let's take advantage of them when we can.

I would like to thank a great group of officers who worked well together to plan an assortment of trips and activities that appealed to most if not all of our members. I would also like to thank the members who took it upon themselves to plan and lead additional trips and activities that were well attended.

The Annual Christmas Party is coming up on December 10th at the Cottonwood Club, so let's get signed up and make an evening of it, there promises to be a good time for all in attendance. See the Gazette and the web site for further information.

We have a new set of officers coming onto office the first of January. Please support them as you have your 2011 officers. They are here to make the club run smoothly and make 2012 as good a year as we have had in 2011. Above all let's have fun in 2012.

As always, if you have any comments or concerns I will be happy to discuss them with you.

Dave Ohlson

2011 CORVETTE CLUB OF UTAH OFFICERS

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To e-mail a CCU Officer, go to <http://www.corvetteclubofutah.org/> and click on 2011 Officers for a list of the officers. Click on the blue underlined title of the officer to send an e-mail to that officer.

BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER

3 Paul R. Smith
4 Anne Crawford
5 Pam Turner
7 Kathy Rohlfing
8 Wendy Christensen
8 Judy Corgiat
11 David Evans
11 Bob Mueller
12 Paulette Evans
12 Janice Shepherd
13 Mike Corgiat
14 Dennis Colsch
14 Richard Statham
14 Beverly Wilson
15 Pam Thompson
15 Ruben Trujillo
16 Connie Anderson
16 Barb Mueller
17 Teresa Margetts
21 Ernie Carlson
22 Nancy Merrill
24 Jerry Martin
25 Susan Caraballo

28 Steve Wolfley

DECEMBER

6 Robert Thompson
10 Robert Strong
11 Larry Ricketts
11 Paul Smith
12 Kit Kosakowski
12 Dee Oldroyd
13 Linda Anderson
14 Nancy Jensen
14 Bob Larson
15 Linda Elmer
18 Rob Richardson
19 Diana Cooley
19 Alan Rohlfing
21 Terri Warburton
22 Karen Ward
26 Darlene Odenwalder
26 Susan Trujillo
29 Lori Sadler
31 Peggy Patterson
31 Shawnee Plant

2011 EVENT SUMMARY

NOVEMBER 2011

- 9 Officers Meeting - Clayton
- 12 Birthday Dinner - Rib City, American Fork, UT
- 16 Officer Election/Membership Meeting - Larry H Miller Chevrolet

DECEMBER 2011

- 3 Birthday Breakfast - Corner Bakery, Murray, UT
- 7 New/Old Officers Meeting - Williams
- 10 CCU Christmas Party - Cotton Wood Club, Holladay, UT
- 14 Membership Meeting - Larry H Miller Chevrolet, Murray

JANUARY 2012

- 28 CCU Awards Banquet, Timbermine, Ogden, UT

MARCH 2012

- 2-4 Annual Parts Plus AutoRama - South Towne Expo Center, Sandy

MAY 2012

- 19-27 California Cruise

NOVEMBER 2012

- 3-10 Eastern Caribbean Cruise
- 10-17 Western Caribbean Cruise

Indicates a Non-CCU Sponsored Event

Always check the CCU Website for the latest update.

CCU CALENDAR PICTURES

If you would like to submit pictures for the yearly corvette calendar, there are a few things you should know:

First, your camera should be at least six mega pixels.

Second, select a background setting that will show off your corvette.

Finally, take pictures of your corvette from several different angles. As you take pictures of your corvette, try changing your aperture settings (which changes your depth of field). This can cause the background or foreground to be out of focus, or in focus depending on the setting. By doing this, you can make some very interesting pictures.

Experiment with your camera, the time that day, the lighting (bright sun, partly cloudy, overcast), background, angle and height of camera. After you've taken the pictures, review them, and pick out the ones you think are your best. Email or burn to a disk the pictures you like best.

Send your pictures to Mike Corgiat, CCU Historian. All pictures will be reviewed by the calendar committee for next year's calendar. If you enjoy taking pictures, and would like to take pictures on cruises, or events that you are participating in, please let me know.

Michael Corgiat, Historian

GETTING TO KNOW THE MEMBERS

JACK AND PEGGY PATTERSON

Jack and I met in High School, guess you could say we were H.S. sweet hearts. We got married at age 20 and had our 1st daughter 9 months and 1 day later. We have 2 daughters, and 4 grandchildren. We have been married for 36 years. We have lived in Sandy most of our married life. Our first love is boats, however, we have always dreamed of owning a Corvette. We were in fact at Lake Powell on the boat when we decided to go back home and look at the Vet we now own. That was approximately 2 years ago. We love our Vet and have enjoyed it since getting it. We also enjoy motor cycles. We have a Harley Davidson Ultra Classic (2009). We really enjoyed meeting the folks in the CCU and look forward to more activities with you all. Right now our Vet is sick and in with the doctor. Hope to a speedy recovery soon.

RICHARD AND CONNIE STATHAM

We are both retired from the institution of working for the man for three years now. Connie retired from Regence Blue Cross as a customer service representative in both the medical and dental departments and Richard from Gates Corporation as a systems administrator.

We both were born and raised in Park City, Utah. We were high school sweethearts. We just celebrated our 44th wedding anniversary. We have two beautiful girls, two amazing grandsons (at least to us) and one mangy cat. We were planning to buy a corvette 25 years ago but instead had our second child and so decided to put off buying one for awhile.

This is our first corvette, a 2009 C6 model, and we have named it in honor of said second child.

We own a '89 Camaro and it is in the process of being restored to road worthy condition.

We enjoy the many car shows that are ongoing all summer in the area and especially the corvettes, of which we take a little longer gazing at, before we move on to view the many other great cars on display at the shows.

We enjoy traveling and seeing the many sites available in and around Utah and neighboring states, especially while driving the vette with the top down. It makes it easier to snap pictures that way.

JERRY MARTIN

I was born In Idaho Falls Idaho, youngest of four children, grew up in Richland, Washington. Left to go to BYU, and graduated 1969, with a BS in Industrial Psych. and Masters in Org. Behavior. Married to Homecoming queen, had one daughter Ashely, and later in 1974 remarried and have four sons; Cory, Ryan, Dustin and Cameron. Service in the US Army from 1959-1962, attained the rank of 1st Lt. in Korea. Worked in Heavy construction, Electronics, Airlines, and the State of Utah as a Human Resource Manager, Director and Vice President, of Human Resource for Evergreen Helicopters. I have had over 60 cars so far, 8 of which have been corvettes, the best of them was a 1963 split window, and a 1967 conv. of which only 12 were produced, had a 427/535, no heater or radio, went like the dickens, Love to play racquetball, not that fast anymore, but still fun, was the racquetball Pro in Idaho Falls many moons ago. Retired in 2004 from the State of Utah, 3rd district court.

NEW MEMBERS

Jack and Peggy Patterson - Sandy, UT
2004 Burgundy Coupe

Richard and Connie Statham - West Valley, UT
2009 Black Roadster

Jerry Martin - Sandy, UT
1987 Silver/Black Coupe

NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM NEWS

Experience the pride and enthusiasm of being a member of your National Corvette museum. Go on-line to, <http://www.corvettemuseum.org/> and check out your membership options. Also, see me, your NCM/CCU Ambassador for more information, and Remember the Wave.

Bruce Bailey



WSCC is a proud
Lifetime member of
the NCM



WESTERN STATES CORVETTE COUNCIL NEWS

In 2010 the Western States Corvette Council (WSCC) recognized its 45th year. Having organized in 1965 and incorporated in 1968 the Council is now comprised of 28 full voting member Corvette clubs and an additional 12 Associate or non-voting clubs from 7 western states. Our Corvette Club of Utah (CCU) has been a member of WSCC since 2005 as an Associate non-voting club.

Western States Corvette Council was formed to serve as a link for, and to assist Corvette clubs throughout the west in inter-communication, cooperation, interclub events and to promote the image and to direct public attention toward America's only true sports car the Corvette. WSCC hosts many competitive and social events such as multi-club Car Shows, Corvette Rallies, Autocross, Drag Racing and an annual wiz-bang Convention. The Council is also a liaison for member clubs with General Motors and the National Corvette Museum.

If our Corvette Club of Utah can enroll 51% of our members in WSCC we will be eligible for full voting club status with the Council. You can view the online version of the REDLINE magazine and get an overview of all the activities and benefits of WSCC by going to their website, <http://www.wsc.wv> While there you can also print out an application for membership. Dues are initially \$41.00 per year with renewal of \$35.00.

As your WSCC representative for CCU I will always have membership applications with me at the CCU meetings and most events. Feel free to contact me with any questions you might have regarding the Western States Corvette Council and join with me and the other CCU/WSCC members for the fun and camaraderie.

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CORVETTE RACING

The Corvette Club of Utah fully supports the American Le Mans Racing Series (ALMS). For more details about Corvette racing check out the web site at:

<http://www.corvetteracing.com>

MOUNTAIN WEST STREET NEWS (MWSN)

The Mountain West Street News (MWSN) is a local publication that promotes and advertises area events for car clubs and enthusiasts. CCU is part of this publication. Our CCU correspondent for MWSN is Bob Tillotson. You can join MWSN and receive it's bi-monthly publication by attending the MWSN Picnic each summer. MWSN, P.O. Box 172, Roy, UT 84067 or call (801) 773-8438.

GAZETTE EDITOR'S COMMENTS

It's the end of another term for the Officers, which includes me. It's been a fun year, good trips, and good company on those trips. Speaking of the Gazette, at the October Officer's Meeting we had an officer propose to eliminate the Gazette to save money. The rationale was it duplicated what was on the website. This is not the first time this officer has attacked the Gazette while I've been the editor. It's been attacked because of its length and the outside content I add to the Gazette. The Gazette cost approximately \$2 per issue or \$12 of your dues each year. About half of that goes to postage to mail it to you. It's probably one of the only things you get back from your dues. The proposal has been tabled for now. If you want the Gazette to continue, you need to voice your opinion to the Officers or it may not be there for you.



CORVETTE CLUB OF UTAH NEWS

WEAR YOUR CCU NAME BADGE

We have lots of new members in the club. The only way they will be able to remember your name is if you wear your CCU name badge. To encourage you, only members wearing naming tags will get raffle tickets for the Membership Meeting door prizes. Come on, dig out those badges.

SALES PRESENTATIONS

Sales presentations at any of our membership meetings from any business or organization other than our sponsor must be approved at the Officer's Meeting the month prior. Please, no exceptions.

OBLIGATION OF CLUB MONIES

From Article VI Section 4 of the Bylaws - No obligation, debt or other liability will be incurred by the Treasurer without the specific approval of the majority of the officers and in accordance with the approved budget. Additionally, the following limits are placed to obligate Club monies; (a) five hundred dollars (\$500.00) by two-third (2/3) majority vote of the officers, (b) any expenditure exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) will be voted on at a monthly Club meeting in accordance with ARTICLE IV Section 6.

NOT HEARING ABOUT UPCOMING EVENTS

We try to keep you informed with the Gazette, the CCU Website, and e-mail reminders. If you want to receive e-mail updates on events, changes to the schedule (and that does happen), you need to let us know your current e-mail address. If you change your e-mail address, you need to tell us or you won't get CCU e-mail.

POP-UP SOCIALS

Tired of eating at home and need to get out of the house. Come join us for the pop-up socials. Members of the club gather at a different place to eat dinner and socialize. No pressure, no points, just fun. Check the CCU website for the latest info, dates, and locations.

UTAH FOOD BANK

The Utah Food Bank is the Corvette Club of Utah's charity for 2011. Fees from car shows that we are paid to appear in and your cash donations are donated to this charity at the end of the year, when the food bank is most in need. No club membership funds are used for this purpose. Only funds raised or donated for charity are donated. Last year the Corvette Club of Utah donated a total of \$1,950 to the Utah Food Bank.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2012

Membership dues of \$40.00 are due on Feb 28th, 2012. They can be paid to the CCU Treasurer at any CCU meeting or be mailed to the Corvette Club of Utah, P.O. Box 1207, Riverton, UT 84065.

SUNDAY CRUISE TO SNOW BASIN

On August 22nd, Paul Roach led a Sunday breakfast cruise to Snow Basin. It started when he drove in to McDonald's on a beautiful sunny day. Upon arrival he saw more Vettes than he believed would come. They talked about the planned route and stops along the way. Then at 11:18AM, they got in their caravan and departed.

The drive though East Canyon was gorgeous, the view was fantastic, and then the road to Henefer was views of rolling hills and sturdy mountains, reminding me of how great of a country that God allowed me to live in, and when we got to Snow Basin, we met with a another group that saw it on the web. They bought a 2008 Silver with Red Interior on line from Philadelphia. The food was just fair this time and the group was not as polished as others I saw.

We all came home on highway 89, the whole time, only one or two times, we were separated by one or two cars. We all enjoyed the fantastic company, made new friends, and wished all our friends that could not come, had a wonderful day like we had. Paul Roach

WEEKEND CRUISE TO DURANGO



On the last weekend in August, fourteen Corvettes headed out on a road trip to Durango, Co to ride the Durango & Silverton Railroad narrow gauge train to Silverton. The cruise down was the normal trip through the desert with a stop at the Moab Dinner for lunch. That evening, the group headed out to different restaurants in Durango. It was a free night to enjoy the nightlife in Durango.

The next day, we were up early and parked all of the Corvettes in a parking lot right in front of the train station. The ride on the train was fantastic, with the highlight being the engine blowing steam as it crossed a trestle. Upon

arriving in Silverton, everyone headed out for lunch and shopping. The ride back was a little quieter as just about everyone caught a few Z's.

That evening we headed over to the Bar D ranch for a chuck wagon dinner and show. The dinner was lacking if you ordered chicken, but the show was great. Bar D went out of their way to make a Corvette Corral for us so the cars were protected.

On Sunday, we headed back taking some back roads and finally ending up at the Natural Bridge National Monument in Blanding. It was hot, but the view of the bridges was spectacular. From there, we stayed south scooting across Lake Powel near Hite Crossing. That was a fantastic view as you came up on Lake Powel. From there, we headed down through Fruita. We went from virtual wasteland to the beautiful red sandstone canyons of Capitol Reef National Park. Just outside of Torrey, the skies opened up and we found a new restaurant on top of the hill above Torrey with a beautiful view of the valley and humming birds. We ate lunch and watched nature's fireworks. From there, we stayed on the two lane roads to Scipio, enjoying the green mountain valleys. From Scipio, it was the mad dash on I-15 going through one of the heaviest rain storms I have seen in a long time. When I got home, the bugs and dust were gone, thanks to mother nature.



beautiful day for a drive.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST

On Saturday, Sept 3rd, we cruised up to The Yolk in Kamas for our monthly breakfast. The food was good and fast in coming. It was good to see Larry Ricketts up and moving again. The names of members with birthdays in September were red. We couldn't let a beautiful day go to waste, so we cruised from Weber Canyon to Parley's Canyon going past East Canyon Dam. It certainly was a

PEACH DAYS

The Corvette Club of Utah attended the Peach Days Car Show on Sept 10th at Watkins Park in Brigham City, Utah. Peach Days events started out with a Fund Raiser Porker Run on Friday, Sept 9th. Proceeds from the Poker Run are applied to Bonneville Car Clubs charity, Breast Cancer Awareness.

On Saturday, we started the day out with the Peach Days Parade. This is a big parade for a small town. After the parade, we headed for Watkins Parks where once again, not enough parking was allocated to the Corvettes. After four wheeling through the trees with the Corvette's, we finally got everyone parked.



November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Daylight Savings Time Ends	7	8	9 CCU Officers Meeting	10	11 Veterans Day	12 CCU Birthday Dinner
13	14	15	16 CCU Membership Meeting and Elections	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving	25	26
27	28	29	30			

December 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 CCU Birthday Breakfast
4	5	6	7 CCU New/Old Officers Meeting	8	9	10 CCU Christmas Party
11	12	13	14 CCU Membership Meeting	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas	26	27	28	29	30	31 New Years Eve

CORVETTE AND CHEVY CAR SHOW



On Sept 17th the CCU held its first of what we hope are annual car shows at Sugar House Park. Despite the double booking of the park and the overnight rain, the car show came together with a beautiful sunny day and plenty of cars to show. The crowd viewing the cars was steady and it turned out to be a good car show for our first one. Our thanks to all the members that pitched in to help, all of the vehicle owners from all of the clubs who came to show their cars, and especially to Bruce Gildea who came up with the idea for a car show, organized it, and carried it out. We also want to thank all of the sponsors that donated items for the goodie bags, raffle prizes, food, and especially to our Club Sponsor, Larry H Miller Chevrolet,

for displaying a beautiful Camaro and a Corvette Grand Sport. Thanks again for everyone's support.

END OF SUMMER TRIP



On Saturday Sept. 17th, four Corvettes headed north to celebrate the end of summer. The group stopped for lunch in Idaho Falls and then spent the evening in Missoula, Montana.

Sunday found the group driving the Going to the Sun Highway in Glacier National Park. This was to be the last day the road would be completely open for the season. Road construction and intermittent rain did not seem to dampen the spirits at all. The next three nights were spent in Whitefish, Montana.

On Monday the club toured the Miracle of America Museum in Polson, Montana. To say we saw lots of "stuff" is an understatement. The drive around Flathead Lake and lunch at Betty's Diner made the day very relaxing. On Tuesday, the Vettes drove into Canada and Waterton National Park. We crossed the boarder just south of Cardston and had a very scenic drive to the park. At Waterton, we spent some time photographing the Prince of Wales hotel and then had lunch at the Lake Shore Inn.

On Wednesday, we drove south through the beautiful Salmon River Valley and Salmon, Idaho for lunch, before arriving in Sun Valley for the next two evenings. The next day gave us a little time to clean up the cars, do some shopping or get in a round of golf before attending a special showing of the movie: "Sun Valley Serenade" at the Sun Valley Opera House. A final dinner at Gretchen's in the Lodge put a nice ending on a fun trip. The four couples that went on the trip all received a small travel pack that contained travel information, dash plaques, and other misc. items.

SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The September Membership Meeting was held on Sept 21st at the Roy Library. Dave provided information about upcoming events and the upcoming Officer elections. He also expressed thanks to the members who supported the CCU Corvette and Chevy Car Show and to Bruce Gildea for organizing and setting up the car show. The meeting was adjourned to the Village Inn for dinner. A complete copy of the meeting minutes can be requested from the Club Secretary.

CCU POP-UP SOCIAL AND HOT DOG SUPPER

The club ended up with a lot of hot dogs and other snacks from the Corvette and Chevy Car Show. The membership was invited to come out to the Storm Mountain Park in Sandy to have a hot dog, socialize, and help eat the food. We had good attendance, but could of used more

to help eat all that food. It was a beautiful evening and we had a great time socializing, if nothing else.

WEEKEND TRIP TO MONTROSE, CO



On Saturday, Sept 24th, members of CCU headed out for the last overnight trip of the year. We cruised up I-80 to Park City and then US-40 to Strawberry Reservoir. We hit the fall colors just right in Utah. The colors were spectacular. We stopped at Strawberry Reservoir to see the Salmon swimming up the river by the Fish Hatchery to lay their eggs. We then headed for Vernal for lunch. The roads were great except at Roosevelt. For some reason, they decided to tear up the entire downtown district and use water trucks to keep it muddy. What a mess.

From Vernal, we went over the mountains (8,000 foot pass) into Grand Junction and then cruised up to Montrose. At the motel, we were confirming which

restaurant would be the place to eat that night and they sent us out to Ted Wilson's at the Golf Course. They gave us a private room, separate checks, no waiting, and the food was great.



Sunday morning, we were up at sunrise and headed for the Black Canyon. The canyon was unbelievable. It was as deep as the Grand Canyon, but very narrow. It was one of those hidden jewels with no crowds, and plenty of space and time to enjoy it. We were back up at 8,000 feet again so the air was pretty thin, but you just took it easy. We discovered we have at least one mountain goat in the club as he climbed on the rocks on the ledge to get a better view.

After the Black Canyon, we headed over to Gateway to see the private car collection and the Oldsmobile Concept Car that looks like a Corvette and somehow escaped the GM crusher. It's nice to view a collection that is well

maintained, but the same time, accessible to the public. Picture taking is encouraged, not discouraged.

From Gateway, we made the mad dash on I-70 and US-6 to try and get home before dark. We almost made it. Good trip, no accidents, and no tickets. Thanks to all of the members that joined me on the weekend trips. Had a great time and enjoyed sharing our bucket list with you.

CCU AT MAZDA RACEWAY, LAGUNA SECA, MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA

A brisk start and a warm sunny day on September 14 was a good omen for the group of Corvette Club of Utah members headed for the west coast and the weekend of racing at Laguna Seca. Our Corvettes headed west and spent the first night in Sparks, NV. An awesome Mexican dinner at the Western Village Inn put smiles on everyone's faces and then to the tables and the slots for a little gaming that ended our first day.

The following morning we headed for the north shore of Lake Tahoe and took the perimeter road south; lunch by the lake and on toward Salinas via some country roads right through California wine country. Of course a stop for a tasting at one of the local wineries added flair to the travel day.

Locating the Laurel Inn in Salinas was easy, just look for the Corvettes. The Western States Corvette Council (WSCC) had reserved the entire hotel for all of the incoming clubs and their members. The hotel was a 20 minute drive from the raceway which made it so convenient. On Friday morning the 16th the caravans rolled out for the first day of at the Corvette Corral and progress. Buzz Marston, WSCC NCM Ambassador the corral tent when he



racing at the track. We arrived joined the festivities in NCM Board Chairman, and was making announcements in recognized the entourage from CCU and announced to the crowd our arrival. Gee, thanks Buzz, now everybody knows we're here. We registered, picked up our back packs with all the goodies from the corral staff and settled in for some of



Corral registration on Friday morning.

Janet, Bernie and Jamie won Hot Laps.

the tech talks and visits with other Corvette club participants. A highlight talk that morning was from Ron Fellows who discussed our Corvette team's recent transition to the GT Class and some of, in his opinion, the inequities being forced on our team cars to make them less competitive among the BMWs, Ferraris and Porches. This year's race results seem to bear this out.

Then it was time for a ticket drawing for four Hot Laps AKA Vitesse, Italian for dig-your-nails-in, laps. We knew CCU was special but when three of the four tickets pulled for the Hot Laps went to CCU members we knew this was a special weekend. Janet Tillotson, Jamie Sadler and Bernie Warburton all won Vitesse laps in a race equipped Z06 and a professional driver. 140 MPH on the straights and 80 MPH through the Corkscrew will widen anyone's eyes; just ask them. Congratulations you three. Friday night was the WSCC race banquet in Seaside, CA. The four Corvette drivers spoke about the race and Corvette Chief Engineer Tadge Juechter spoke of Corvette's future.

The big ALMS round 8 in the afternoon so we the rows and rows of kiosks and sample the course, being in tent manned with lovely cheeses and crackers to pourings. CCU spent a course, came home with products.



The starting grid along the front straight.

We watched the green grandstands across from to be believed. Thirty six classes punching it down the front straight, jostling for position as they approach the first hairpin turn is a sight to see. It was an amazing racing event. The race lasted 6 hours which gave us plenty of time to walk the

race was on Saturday. It started had plenty of early time to browse automotive and racing sales BBQ and other great foods. Of California, there is a wine tasting lady wine sellers offering local sample with the not so small wine lot of time at the tastings and of a few bottles of the local vineyard

flag start of the race from the the pits. The roar has to be heard powerful race cars in four different the first hairpin turn is a sight to see. It was an amazing racing event. The race lasted 6 hours which gave us plenty of time to walk the track and see the race from all angles, particularly the Corkscrew at turn 8.



The No. 3 roars by at turn 10.

On Sunday we left Salinas as a CCU group, a topsless drive down beautiful Hwy 1 the coast highway for a visit to Hearst Castle in San Simeon. If you have seen the castle, you know what we are talking about – a classic architectural marvel. If you haven't seen it you are in for a treat. Following the castle we all split up. Some went north and some went south to continue their trip. We went south to the beautiful Old World Danish town of Solvang, CA. Awesome restaurants, and shopping opportunities for the girls that you wouldn't believe. Cute shops and boutiques and all in the heart of the Santa Barbara wine region. There were more wine tastings, shopping, beer and sausage and more shopping and wine tasting. Solvang is the place.



The wine tasting during the race added spice.

Following that we all headed for home. I thank the entire CCU entourage who supported our Corvette race team, the NCM and WSCC Corvette Corral at Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca. Our Corvette Club of Utah logo is prominently displayed on the WSCC fliers along with all of the other member Corvette Clubs. This was an important international event for our club to attend and support. CCU is recognized by WSCC and the National Corvette Museum as a full supporter of these national events.

Thanks to all who participated.

Bob T.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST

The October Birthday Breakfast was held on Sunday, Oct 16th at CJ's in Murray, UT. The names of members with birthdays in October were read.

OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND OFFICER NOMINATIONS

The October Membership Meeting and Officer Nominations were held on Wednesday, Oct 19th at Larry H Miller Chevrolet in Murray, Utah. We thank Larry H Miller Chevrolet for their hospitality once again. Results of the nominations can be viewed on the ballots enclosed in this issue of the Gazette. Don't forget to vote. A copy of the meeting minutes can be requested from the club secretary.

CCU HALLOWEEN PARTY

The second annual CCU Halloween Party was held on Friday, Oct 28th, at the Lone Peak Indoor Pavilion in Sandy, UT. This year the entire pavilion was used. We hope you came out to share your favorite chili or soup.

NOVEMBER EVENTS

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST - NOV 12TH

Saturday, Nov 12th – 4:00PM at Rib City, 648 E State Road, American Fork, UT. Come help us celebrate the birthdays of members born in November. For more information contact Larry Ricketts

Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information.

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND ELECTIONS – NOV 16TH

Wednesday, Nov 16th– 7:00 PM at the Larry H. Miller Chevrolet, 5500 S State Street in Murray, UT. Be sure to wear your name badges to be eligible for the door prizes. For more information contact Larry Ricketts.

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DECEMBER EVENTS

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY BREAKFAST - DEC 3RD

Saturday, Dec 3rd - 9:00AM at Corner Bakery in Fashion Place Mall, 6227 S State Street in Murray, UT. Come help us celebrate the birthdays of members born in December. For more information contact Larry Ricketts.

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CCU CHRISTMAS PARTY - DEC 10TH

Saturday, Dec 10th - 6:30PM at the Cotton Wood Club, 1780 East 5420 South in Holladay, UT. The menu will be your choice of Pacific Salmon with Citrus Teriyaki and toasted macadamia nuts, Fried Rice and Fresh Vegetables, or Roast Prime Rib au Jus with baked potato and fresh vegetable. For Dessert you will have a choice of Key Lime Pie with Fresh Lime and Kiwi Sauce or Black Forest Cheesecake with Cherries and White Chocolate. The price is \$25.00 per person or \$50.00 per couple. There will be a cash bar available from about 6:00 PM until about 9:00 PM. We have made arrangements with the Crystal Inn at 818 East Winchester Street, Murray, UT. Phone number 801-293-2056. Prices are \$74.00 for king or dual queen rooms. There are Suites available at various prices. They will provide a shuttle service to and from the Cottonwood Club. You can sign up tonight, the November meeting, or there will be information, directions, and an online sign up on the web in the next couple of days.

Check the Corvette Club of Utah website for the latest information.

DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING – DEC 14TH

Wednesday, December 14th – 7:00 PM at TBD. Be sure to wear your name badges to be eligible for the door prizes. For more information contact Larry Ricketts.

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FUTURE EVENTS

5TH NATIONAL CORVETTE CARAVAN - 28-30 AUG 2014



ONTARIO AND WISCONSIN CAPTAINS ANNOUNCED

I am most gratified to announce the next two caravan captains for 2014. Ron Tremblay and Sue Woodland have agreed to provide the leadership for the second caravan from our northern neighbors in Canada. Ron and Sue reside in Newmarket, Ontario, Canada, and are members of the Corvettes of Durham Corvette club. We expect a large contingent of our friends and fellow Corvette enthusiasts from up North to participate in the 2014 caravan due to the efforts of captains like Ron and Sue, and Graham Borley in Alberta. It is also great to announce that once again Ivan Schrodtt has taken on the task of leading the Wisconsin caravan to Bowling Green. Ivan is a resident of Sherwood, WI and was captain of the 2009 caravan from the Badger State. With his experience and dedication to the NCM, we can only expect that the next caravan will be even more exciting. Thanks to these fine members for helping to make the 20th Anniversary Celebration one of the biggest and most exhilarating yet.

Paul Mariano
National Chair
2014 NCM Caravan

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, NEVADA, UTAH

This is my first post to the home page for the Northern California / Northern Nevada / Utah section of the 2014 National Corvette Caravan. I am Don Herzer, Publications Director for the Western States Corvette Council (WSCC). I am coming into this much later than most of the other sections, so no firm plans have been set yet.

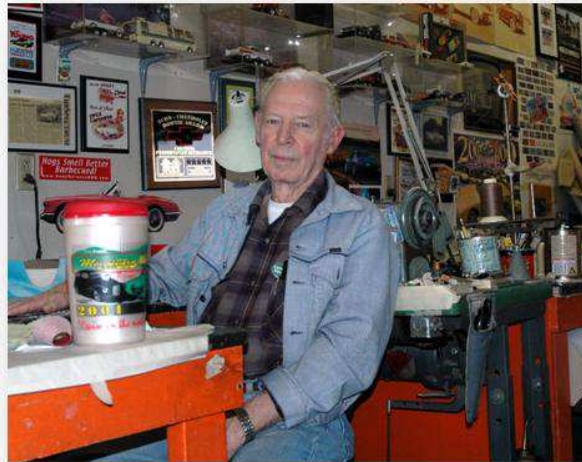
My tentative plan is to launch somewhere in the Sacramento area on Friday Aug. 22, heading to Reno, where I will set up an optional tour/dinner at the National Automotive Museum. On Day 2 we will head to the Salt Lake City area. We may be able to get on the track at Miller Motorsports, but since this is a Saturday, there probably will be track activity that takes priority over us. The following days will have stops in Cheyenne, Lincoln, and then Colombia or St. Louis before pulling into Bowling Green on Weds.

Here are some thoughts of mine about the great times we had on the [2009 NorCal portion of the National Corvette Caravan!](#)

If you would like to volunteer to help me in this venture, I would welcome that. I will also be looking for sponsors to help defray some of the costs. You may reach me via:

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IN MEMORY OF JOHN KENNEDY



In Memoriam: On the evening of Wednesday September 7, 2011 we lost a big cog in the ever turning wheel of the Utah Corvette machine. Just short of his 80th birthday our long time friend and a founding member of the Corvette Club of Utah, John Kennedy, passed away due to the effects of Leukemia. John had been battling the disease for several years and in spite of all medical attempts to halt the progress of the disease it was a slow but steady decline to the end. John was known as a steadfast devotee to Corvette's first generation cars, the solid axles or C1. In 1964 John and some friends organized the Corvette Club of Utah and in later years became a founder and host to the Utah chapter of the National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS). From his shop in Bountiful, House of Customs, John worked as a highly skilled craftsman who was nationally sought out to recreate the rare and intricate details of 1953 – 1957 Corvette convertible tops and interiors. His work on the C1 Corvettes is known from coast to coast across this country and he earned the respect of the most critical auto collectors. John was an enthusiast in the purest sense. He will be greatly missed.

IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL DONOSO

Michael Donoso, a long time Corvette Club of Utah member passed away on Sept 22nd. Our sympathy goes out to Valerie and the family.

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