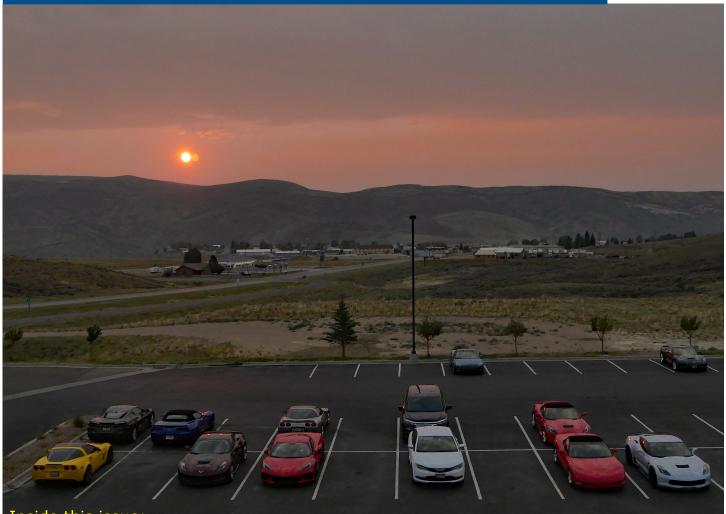


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Club News

Latest Information

Check the Website for the most current information regarding activities, news, and events at:

http://www.corvetteclubofutah.org

Wear Your CCU Name Badge

We have lots of new members in the club, and not so new members who are still getting to know people. The only way they will be able to remember your name is if you wear your CCU name badge. We strongly encourage wearing of name badges to activities and meetings. Please wear your badge!

Events

Please contact the Special Events Chair, Kori Jensen, regarding upcoming events.

Please contact the Secretary, Nola Emery, regarding event attendance and meeting minutes.

Membership

If you change your contact information, please send an email to ccu.membership@corvetteclubofutah.org.

Treasurer

Contact Diane Williams regarding membership renewals and payments for upcoming events. See Diane at our monthly member meetings for club financial break downs by quarter. The club's financial information is available if you are interested.

Embroidered shirts

Available through Creative Graphics. Contact Andrea Bitton at 801-266-7273 or andrea@cgprinting.com. Or visit their website at www.cgprinting.com. Nola Emery has a catalog.

Facebool

Join us on-line at www.facebook.com/CorvettecClubOfUtah.

2021 Charity

The charity voted for this year is the Utah Food Bank.

From the President

Hello Corvette Family!

We have had a fun-filled summer and our calendar for September and October is filled with activities such as, a parade, an overnight Birthday Celebration, day runs and a few week-long trips! Please check the website for the most current information, and choose an event that interests you. I hope the weather this fall is spectacular!

Thanks to all who participated in the parade on July 3rd. We, as a club, had a great turn out and it was good to see the Veterans and the crowds out to celebrate our great Veterans and our Country! So good to feel like we are getting back to normal! Thanks to all who helped to shop, set up and clean up after the BBQ at Larry H Miller. On a more personal note, a Silver Mont Blanc pen was lost at the staging area near the jewelry store. There is a reward offered if anyone found it, please contact me.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank those who took the time to join us in making the car show at Cross-Action Computer Specialists a great fund raising event for our charity, The Utah Food Bank. They gave the club a check for \$300.00. They Barbequed hamburgers and had drinks and chips for us. It was a fun show and there was a community garden to pick vegetables and fruit for free! Everyone had a great time! Congratulations to Don Schmidt, 2nd place and Bob Clayton, 3rd place, each taking home a trophy!

I am impressed at the number of new members that have joined this year! We are looking forward to seeing you and getting to know you better!

Let's make the rest of the year a great one and please, everyone, stay safe!

Regards,

Scott

On the Cover: Morning sunlight over Kemmerer, WY filtered by smoke from the California/Oregon wildfires

Member's Birthdays

September

October



The following news comes from the NCM E-News, the weekly email newsletter of the national corvette museum. Subscribe to NCM E-News on the NCM Website for more news and the details.

Museum News

Corvette Raced by Couple Donated

David and Linda Goebel donated their 2007 Corvette Race Car to the National Corvette Museum on Wednesday, August 11th. Both David and Linda have an impressive racing past. David began in Drag Racing and the pair autocrossed with multiple NCCC championships before moving into the SCCA Regional and National Divisions, as well as Pro Racing. This Corvette will be used by Andy Pilgrim at the NCM Motorsports Park for Hot Laps and more!

Stingray Grill is NOW OPEN

The Stingray Grill, an all-new dining experience at the National Corvette Museum is NOW OPEN. The art gallery-esque venue "has a similar level of quality and feel, as each element compliments others to create and impression on all your sense. The Corvette Stingray itself has something for every sense, except taste, and the Stingray Grill now adds that," said Consulting Curator of Exhibits Tom Peters.

Contact your NCM Ambassador to join the National Corvette Museum or for Membership Information. Can't find a C8, ask your Ambassador how to get one through the NCM raffle drawings. He can help you get the Raffle Order Form.

Your NCM Ambassador for the Corvette Club of Utah is Bob Clayton.

Meet our new members

Rick and Bonnie Jefferis of Clinton, UT.

Rick is a retired Customer Rep from Boeing and is currently still working for the DOD.

Their first Corvette was a white 1978. They currently own a 2002 Z06 which was rebuilt with tiger shark front and rear facia, projector lights and Targa/Hatch configuration.

This is the only Z06 Rick knows of that is not an FRC. He would like to have an expert check it out.





CORVETTE RACING AT LE MANS: FINALLY... THE RETURN TRIP

- · Program makes return to 24 Hours of Le Mans after missing 2020
- · First race for mid-engine Corvette C8.R at Le Mans
- · Nine hours of testing Sunday to set stage for endurance classic
- · Catsburg, Sims rejoin regular IMSA lineup in pair of Corvette C8.Rs

DETROIT (Aug. 11, 2021) – Corvette Racing is set for its long-awaited return to the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Only days following its most recent IMSA race at Road America, the program heads across the Atlantic for the French endurance classic.

The twice-around-the-clock race is set for Aug. 21-22 around the 8.4-mile circuit that is a mix of permanent racetrack and public roads. Corvette Racing and other teams – including seven other entries in GTE Pro – will have nine hours of track time Sunday during the official Test Day.

This year's Le Mans is significant for many reasons, but two loom largest: it's the first time in France for the mid-engine Chevrolet Corvette C8.R, and this year's race marks Corvette Racing's return after missing the 2020 due to impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

It ended a run of 20 consecutive years at Le Mans that started in 2000. In that time, the program claimed eight victories with three different generations of Corvette... all with the engine in the front.

This year things are different. The debut of the mid-engine Corvette C8.R is a highly anticipated one, especially given its success since its first race in January 2020. Corvette Racing swept the GT Le Mans (GTLM) Manufacturers, Drivers and Team titles of the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship a year ago, and the team finished 1-2 in the Rolex 24 At Daytona to start the 2021 season.

Although the C8.R is new at Le Mans, it has a race in Europe to its name. Corvette Racing ran a single mid-engine Corvette in the Six Hours of Spa in May with Antonio Garcia and Oliver Gavin. It gave the team experience with a different set of rules than in IMSA – mainly pit stop sequences, yellow-flag strategies and other sporting situations.

Garcia, Jordan Taylor and Nicky Catsburg were the winning drivers at Daytona, and they will reunite in the No. 63 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Corvette C8.R at Le Mans. Garcia and Taylor have won four times and lead this year's GTLM standings.

On the other side of the garage, the No. 64 Mobil 1/SiriusXM Corvette will see Tommy Milner, Nick Tandy and Alexander Sims back together. Milner and Tandy were victorious in a non-points race at Detroit, and the combination of Tandy and Sims won a 100-minute qualifying race at Daytona.

Corvette Racing's lineup has combined for seven victories: Garcia with three; Milner with two; and Tandy and Taylor with one each.

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Eastern Utah Trip



We headed east in July to Eastern Utah and Western Colorado.

On Friday, we headed to the Canyon portion of Dinosaur National Park. Some of the members in

shape walked the mile out to the canyon viewing area and got some fantastic pictures

of the canyon with the Yampa River flowing through it. The rest of us headed for the Dinosaur Quary and were able to make the last tram before heading to the hotel.





The next day, it was over the mountain pass at Rangley, CO to Fruita, Co. From there, we went to Colorado National Monument. What a hidden jewel. Lots of tunnels, overlooks, and even Big Horn Sheep right next to the road. After lunch in Fruita, it was off to Moab via the Colorado River Scenic Byway. Our timing for the light was just perfect with the reds and shadows perfect for viewing and

pictures. We finished the day at Dead Horse Point with fantastic views again.

On Sunday, we headed home via the San Rafael Swells. The morning light was perfect to bring out the light colored rocks in the formations. After several



stops to view different formations and buy Indian jewelry, we missed a turn and had to endure some road construction on I-70. But we were able to move right along and got to Nephi for our farewells as planned and on time.

North Eastern Utah Trip



In August we headed out to Kemmerer, WY to visit the Fossil Butte National Monument. We stopped in Malad City for

lottery tickets and then headed cross country to Montpelier, ID for lunch. We left through Montpelier Canyon and traveled down the ID/WY border to join up with US 30 again.





After visiting Fossil Butte (It was free with no admission charged), we then headed to the JC Penney Mother Store in Kemmerer while the wives shopped. It brought back a lot of memories of the old JC Penney Stores along the Wasatch front.

Kemmerer has been going through some rough times and we found the restaurants closing different days of the week and it looked like all of downtown Kemmerer was for sale. As explained at the start of the cruise, it is the journey, not the destination for this cruise.



The Hotel was very nice and we headed home via Bear Lake. We didn't realize how smokey it was until we got to Bear Lake and couldn't see anything. A few of us stopped at the Sonic in Brigham City and it was the first visit to Sonic for most of us. Food was good and we headed home by early afternoon.

Murray Fun Days Parade



On the beautiful morning of July 3rd, the membership came out in full force to celebrate our Veterans, our Country and our Freedom! The crowds were out in full force

too! It was like the whole world was back to normal. They wanted the Corvette Club to move over to the west side of the mall to await entrance into the parade, so, while I



stayed back at the staging area to let other members know where to be, there came lots of parade entries asking me where they should be! I guess with a clip board and a pen, I must have looked official. The excitement of hearing marching bands, seeing the clowns, the beauty queens, and all the other entrants was so much fun! Pete Schwager was 1st in line with his beautiful



white car and Tony Rice with his dad's awesome Red Split '63. We had such a great turn-out that there were more members than veterans to ride with us. The fly over of the F-15's was a

sight to behold! So many kids waiting for the taffy to be thrown and their parents holding them back from the street! The BBQ at the dealership afterwards was a huge success thanks to many volunteers doing the work. Thanks to our sponsor, Larry H Miller and Greg Johnson for allowing us this honor to make this celebration one I will always remember with great pride!



July Club Meeting



July's Club Meeting was held at Murray Park. It was cloudy but no rain. Burgers on

Wheels food truck was there for the club to enjoy charbroiled burger, onion rings and

French fries! We had a great turn out and potential new members were there to check us out too! Thanks everyone



for recruiting this year!



July Birthday Celebration and Cruise



Members met at Golden Corral for breakfast and a short cruise. John and AnnaMarie Forbes happened to be in town, so we got to see them for a short while before we went inside the restaurant. We miss those two so

much. Judy Taylor won the drawing for the B-day. We traveled north to Malad and picked up lotto tickets, then up to Idaho for a cruise through Weston Idaho, Cache Junction and Newton Utah, back to Honeyville and home on I-15.



August Birthday Celebration



Club members met at the Walmart parking lot on Parley's way on a smoky morning to enjoy a Birthday Cruise and lunch. We traveled up to Highway 40 and into the quaint little town of Midway. From there we found the newly paved twisty highway to Cascade Springs and the Alpine

Loop. We had many photo opportunities in the beautiful scenery. We enjoyed lunch at DP Cheesesteak in Lehi. Roger Lee was the lucky recipient of the drawing. (what's up with that? He won it last year too!). Everyone enjoyed the cruise and each other's company!



August Club Meeting

On a RAINY Wednesday, our club meeting was held at the Falcon Park Pavilion. It was misty by the late afternoon, so we were able to





avoid a downpour of rain. Pat's BBQ catered this with their award winning menu of Pulled Pork and Barbequed

Chicken, along with rolls, coleslaw, beans,

BBQ sauce and cornbread with butter and honey. Another great turn out for the membership despite the soaking rain earlier in the day.



Cross-Action Computer Specialists Car Show

We had a nice turn out for this fun car show! Ken Cross hosts us every year and donates to the club for our Charity, The Utah Food Bank. They



Barbeque hamburgers for us and spoiled us with free drinks and chips too! We met a lot



of people who came with their cars and many people want to join the club just from us recruiting them! We got a little sprinkled on, just enough to ruin our wash jobs on the cars. We had some brand new members

come, the Hoover's! A good time was had by all! Bob C. and Don S. took home trophies too! Thanks to all who participated!







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19	20 Diego's Car Show	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	28	30		

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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17	18	19	Club Meeting	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

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Event Summary

September

6	8:30 am	Park City Miner's Day	Park City, UT
6	3:00 pm	Richard Cundey Band	Magna VFW, 9027 W 2700 S
9/8-	-9/14	Corvette Racing	WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca
11	8:00 am	43rd Annual Peach Days Car Show	Pioneer Park/Watkins Park—Brigham City
11	4:00 pm	7th Annual Riverwalk Carnival and Car Show	1570 West 11400 South (In the field)
1 5	6:30 pm	CCU Club Meeting	Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 S State, Murray
18	9:00 am	Birthday Cruise and Dinner	Lava Hot Springs, ID
20	6:00 pm	Diego's Car Show	Emma Russel Park, 4300 W 5700 S, Roy
Octob	er		
2	8:00 am	Birthday Celebration/Mystery Cruise	4160 E Emigration Canyon, SLC
● 10/4	4 - 10/9	Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta	Albuquerque, New Mexico
16	6:00 pm	Halloween Party	Bicentennial Park Pavilion, 530 E 8680 S Sandy
20	6:30 pm	CCU Club Meeting	Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 S State, Murray

November

13	11:30 am Birthday Lunch	TBD
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17 6:30 pm CCU Club Meeting (Elections) Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 S State, Murray

December

10 5:00 pm cmischas rarey	18	5:00 pm	Christmas Party	TBD
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20 6:30 pm CCU Club Meeting Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 S State, Murray

August (2024)

8/25—9/2 2024 Nat Corvette Caravan Corvette Museum, Bowling Green, KY

September/October Club Meetings

We are back to having our monthly meeting at Larry Miller Chevrolet, 5500 S State, Murray. Since Larry Miller is now closing early, our meeting time has changed from 7:00 pm to 6:30 pm.

Everyone is welcome to attend the meetings. We will discuss activities and events followed by drawings for door prizes.

Do not park in front of the dealership. Please stay on the north side of the building to allow customers to park along the front of the dealership.

Do not forget, October is nominations for Club officers. Be thinking of not only who you feel would make a good officer, but seriously consider taking an opportunity of becoming an officer yourself.

Always check www.corvetteclubofutah.org for updated event information

September Birthday Cruise and Dinner

We will be taking a nice drive on September 18, 2021 through Bear Lake to Lava Hot Springs, a late Lunch will be at the Royal Inn Pizza at Lava around 2:00 pm

Depart from the Smiths parking lot at 665 W and 5300 South Arrival will be 8:45 leaving at 9:00

At 9:40 will meet the North Utah CCU at Willard Bay at Exit 357 head right on the ramp stopping at Flying J. Departure will be at 10:00 am

At 10 am follow signs for us 91 Main Street.

Logan Utah Head North on US 91N/us 89 N/UT 30 Main Street destination Federal Avenue. approximately 39.1 miles 50 minutes go through Logan Canyon at the shell on the corner, we turn left US 89 Bear Lake Blvd.

Arrive at Bear Lake Blvd. approximate 11:00 am. We will be stopping at the Bear Lake Overview and stop at the Rest Area. about 11:30 get pictures and leaving at 11:45 to 11:50.

We should be in Garden City Utah approximately, which would be 12:20 on our way to Paris Idaho , this will be on US 89 N/N Bear Lake Blvd. toward Rasmussen Ln.

Paris Idaho is approximately 15 minutes, so approx. time would be 12:40 US 89/N Main St toward 2 North Main Street toward E Second North.

Montpelier, Idaho is approximately 30 minutes so arrival should be 1:10 heading west on US 89 heading toward Soda Springs

Soda Springs is 24 minutes from Montpellier Idaho Head west on US 30 W/ Idaho 34/e second toward 1st E from Soda to Lava is 24 minutes

Lava Hot Spring to the Royal Inn Pizza we should be arriving at 2:00 pm

John and I reserved a hotel room at the Lava RV and Spa for the evening, everyone is invited to stay to overnight to enjoy the Hot Springs, the hotels are:

Lava Hot Springs RV and Spa. Phone Number: (208) 776-5589, Queen \$70.00, King \$80.00.

Bristol Cabins are \$63.00 a night. Phone: (208) 540-1278

Home Hotel Lava Hot Springs is \$103.00 per night. Phone: (208) 776-5050

Lava KOA Campground run \$300.00

The Lava Hotel - (208) 776-5800. The Lava Hotel has an outdoor pool.

Tumbling Waters in and Le Cascade Village (208) 776-5000.

October Birthday Breakfast and Mystery Cruise Sat, Oct 2

The Corvette Club of Utah will be celebrating members birthdays that take place during the month of October. Everyone is invited to attend and wish them a happy birthday. We will be having breakfast at Ruth's Diner in emigration Canyon. Be on time or even a little bit early as they open at 8:00 am and they get busy.

There will be a mystery cruise after Breakfast so let's get our cars out and have some fun together!!

Halloween Party



Bicentennial Park Pavilion 530 East 8680 South, Sandy

Sat, Oct 16 @ 6:00 PM

We are having another Halloween party. There will be some great photo opportunities to catch your fellow "CCUers" looking their best. Please bring soup or chili to share. If that's not your specialty, please bring rolls, chips and dip, or a dessert

Corvette Racing at Laguna Seca

The closest opportunity for the club to watch Corvette Racing in action is at the WeatherTech Raceway Laguna Seca near Monterey, CA. The IMSA schedule has change again, just like last year, and the Corvette's will be back at the track for the Hyundai Monterey Sports Car Championship on Sept 10-12th. This late in the game lodging will be expensive and hard to get. https://www.co governm links/we ticket-in need a 3 Admission which w person. download print it contains the corvette will cost

We have organized a trip to watch the races and the details are on the club webpage. Prices have already started changing in Salinas and that will be the biggest challenge in going to the races. Get a room where you can and at a rate you can afford. We can meet up as a club at the hotel on the webpage or at the track each day. When you book a room, make sure you are getting a refundable rate.

Tickets are on sale at Laguna Seca through Ticket Master at

www.co.monterey.ca.us/ government/governmentlinks/weathertech-raceway/ ticket-information. You will need a 3-Day General Admission & Paddock ticket which will cost \$90 per person. This ticket you download to your phone or print it out and bring it with you. You will also need a Corvette Corral Ticket which will cost you \$150 for the driver and \$125 for your passenger. This will give you access to the corral parking, the corral tent, the Corvette Parade Lap on the track, a gift bag, food, and drink at the Corvette Corral. These tickets will be mailed to you. I suspect they will be wrist bands.

The track has taken over the corral physical setup and sets the prices for the corral. They are trying to make it a premium experience and have added food and beverage service at the corral. GM has

agreed to support the corral with a track TV, snacks, speakers, and meet/greet with the drivers. If you still want to go to the races but don't want to pay for the corral experience you can also buy a Preferred Parking ticket for \$40 which allows you to park at the lakebed near the car corrals but you will not be allowed to park with or participate in the Corvette Corral Activities.

The 2022 IMSA Provisional Schedule has been released and the Long Beach Street Circuit race will be occur on April 8-9th and the Weathertech Raceway Laguna Seca race will follow on Apr 29 - May 1st. The date for Lemans has not been released and could change all of this. These dates also conflict with the club's annual Route 66 Fun Run. After the schedule is finalized, I'll look and see if it's possible to put a trip together for the races in 2022.

2024 Corvette Caravan

The National Corvette Museum (NCM) has announced that the 2024 Corvette Caravan activities will occur on Aug 29th through Aug 31st at the Museum. For those of you not familiar with the caravan, every five years Corvette Owners from around the world travel in caravans back to the museum in Bowling Green.

In 2014 and 2019 the club traveled with the Northern California, Nevada, and Utah Caravan to Bowling Green. In previous years we have traveled by ourselves. I frequently hear from members that they would like to participate but two weeks is too long to be away from work.

For 2024, we are planning on leaving on Saturday, before the caravan arrives in Utah, and arrive at Bowling Green on Monday Night. This would give us Tuesday and Wednesday to visit local sites and take in tour at the Corvette Assembly Plant. We would then visit the NCM on Thursday, get our caravan credentials, t-shirt

and watch the caravan's arrive. We could even meet up with our caravan if you want to join the traffic jam. You can participate in the caravan activities on Friday to include the exhibits, laps at the motorsports park, and the closing concert on Friday night at the NCM. You would still have to register for the caravan through the NCM even though we are traveling separately to get your credentials for the events being held at the museum. On Saturday, we will head home arriving in SLC on Monday, Labor Day, in the evening. This will you to participate in the caravan and only have to take 5 days off of work to to join us. We are working the hotels in Bowling Green now and will release the details on year out.

Contact Bob Clayton (801) 399-2557 or robert.clayton@comcast.net you have questions or comments about these trips.

"An Event Like No Other"

ALBUQUERQUE INTERNATIONAL BALLOON FIESTA

October 4—October 9, 2021

For nine days in October, the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta creates an enchanted world of special-shaped balloon rodeos, twilight balloon glows, and vibrant balloon filled skies. Brisk autumn mornings in the Rio Grande Valley create an otherworldly backdrop for the breathtaking majesty this most popular event, the Mass Ascension of the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. The event began with 13 balloons in 1972 and today is the largest hot air ballooning event in the world. Join Steve and Karen DeSmet as they enjoy early morning and evening balloon events, as well as touring thru some of New Mexico's most scenic byways and historic towns.

Day 1: Monday, October 4

Meet at Thanksgiving Point in Lehi for drivers meeting at 8:45 AM, departing at 9:00 AM for lunch at the Moab Diner. We'll be staying at the Holiday Inn Express in Farmington, NM. Call 505-325-2545 for reservations booked under Corvette Club of Utah; 12 kings available at \$80 + tax. Free hot breakfast is served in the lobby 5:00 -7:30 AM; self-serve after 7:30 AM.

Day 2: Tuesday, October 5 Leave for Albuquerque via Grants, where we will see iconic Route 66 sites before going to the Pueblo of Acoma. It is the gateway to Acoma "Sky City," part of New Mexico's cultural heritage, as the oldest continuously inhabited settlement in North America. Acoma history is also the story of the Southwest, from its initial role as the home to the Anasazi people, to the thirteenth century founding of the Pueblo, which is still alive and well as a community and touchstone for Native Americans in the area and nationwide. We'll be staying at the Best Western Airport Albuquerque. Call 505-242-7022for reservations booked under the Corvette Club of Utah; 12 kings available at \$169 + tax. Hot breakfast included. Dinner is at the Country Line BBQ, with a ride after on the Sandia Peak Tram, America's longest aerial tramway. Once atop the peak, the view is a panorama of Albuquerque's night lights below.

Day 3: Wednesday, October 6
Rise 'n shine! We'll be on the
field bright and early for the
Dawn Patrol Show at 6:00 AM.

Dawn Patrol pilots take off in the dark and fly until it is light enough to see landing sites. Fellow balloonists appreciate the Dawn Patrol because they can watch the balloons and get an early idea of wind speeds and directions at different altitudes.

This is followed by the Krispy Crème Morning Glow at 6:30 AM. Next at 7:00 AM, pilots from around the globe will be participating in the Flight of the Nations Mass Ascension followed by the Remote Controlled Balloons exhibition. We'll return to the hotel for a rest, and then head out to explore Historical Albuquerque and have lunch. Dinner is at the Route 66 Diner, followed by a cruise through the heart of the city along Central Avenue. This historic highway leads travelers through some of the city's most beloved neighborhoods and by many Route 66 landmarks ending at the Route 66 Casino and Hotel.

Day 4: Thursday, October 7
We get to sleep in today! We will venture out to explore the
Turquoise Trail after breakfast at the hotel. This includes exploring
Santa Fe, New Mexico's capital

city known for its relaxed pace, stimulating culture, fantastic food, historic architecture, and charming stores. Lunch to be determined. After lunch we will visit Madrid, where Wild Hogs was filmed, and travel the trail back to Albuquerque. We'll park the Vettes, get in the vans and head to dinner at El Pinto for dinner just 15 minutes from the balloon fiesta field. Our evening session on the field includes the Shape Glowdeo followed by the AfterGlow Fireworks show.

Day 5: Friday, October 8

We say goodbye to Albuquerque and began our drive home. Lunch is in Chama, NM, home of the Cumbres & Toltec Railroad. Ride on the Chama High Noon, half day train trip with a bag lunch from one of the local restaurants. We'll spend the night in Durango at the Hampton Inn. Call 970-247-2600 for reservations booked under Corvette Club of Utah; 8 kings and 4 queens available at \$119 + tax. Hostess served hot continental breakfast from 6:00 – 9:00 AM.

Day 6: Saturday, October 9

Leave for home thru picturesque countryside on our way to Pagosa Springs, CO. Lunch to be determined. After lunch we will head home.

Additional costs:

- Acoma Pueblo Sky City tour Adult \$25 + tax; seniors \$22 + tax
- Balloon Fiesta admission: \$15 per person for each of the 2 sessions; tickets available in July at 855-725-1824 or balloonfiesa.com
- Van rental for nighttime activities and Balloon Fiesta Field is approximately \$60 per person plus gas. Please note that each van has seating for 12; we will need a second driver for a larger group.
- Sandia Peak Tramway round trip tickets: Adult 21-61 \$29; seniors
 62 up \$24
- Cumbres and Toltec Railroad experience: Coach \$95; group rate available for 20 or more.

Note: October gets chilly at night so bring some warm clothes, and folding chairs, so you don't sit on the grass. And don't forget

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