

# FAST TRACK

Club Newsletter Featuring America's Favorite Sports Car

## Corvettes West

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*Let's  
Spring  
into the fun  
of the  
Open Road*



Corvettes West  
 General meetings  
 are held the  
 first TUESDAY  
 of the month at 6pm  
 at Riverside Elks  
 Lodge #643  
 6166 Brockton Ave.  
 Riverside, 92506  
 Dinner 6:00 PM  
 Meeting 7:00 PM

Our Business meetings  
 are held on Monday  
 before the general  
 meeting via ZOOM.

Fast Track articles  
 are due by the 18th  
 of each month.

They may be hand  
 delivered to George Swift  
 or emailed to  
 corvettenews@gmail.com  
 Email is preferred

# MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- STEVE URBAN .....09
- SANDY SEBREE .....10
- BARBARA RENNA .....17
- DAVID BULF .....20
- CAROL CLARK.....25
- KRISTI RICHARDSON .....25
- DAVID NORTHPROP .....31



# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Monty Clark

Hello fellow Corvette lovers,

Well, I have to say that February was a fantastic month. I'm not really sure what made it so amazing. Let's see, was it the beautiful weather? No, the weather wasn't that great. Hmm. I just can't put a finger on it. Oh, wait, there was something else. One little minor significant event. **THE CHIEFS WON THE SUPER BOWL!!!!!!** I'm pretty sure that everyone in the club is just as thrilled as I am... well except for Phil...I think he's a little off his rocker. In fact, we may change the membership form to ensure new members have to pledge alliance to the Chiefs. What a great idea.

Even though the month could have ended after the Super Bowl and everything would have been fine, it did go on and we had a great evening at Napoli's for our annual sweetheart dinner. They always have great food and we all had a great time. Thank you to our beautiful events planner for setting everything up and getting the flowers for all the ladies. To top it off, we supported the Black History Month parade in Riverside with four cars. Thanks to Mike, George, and Danny A. It turned out to be a really nice day. I was excited to do my first parade in my convertible.

The board is going to work on our budget for the year. Our main focus is to create a budget for each of our events so we don't get too crazy. We will also decide on what charities we will donate to for the year. Once a decision is made, we will pass it on to the rest of the club.

Last of all, I was driving home on Van Buren and I saw a broken down Corvette on the other side of the road. As I got a little closer, I noticed it looked a lot like George's 60. Then I got a closer and noticed one of the guys looked a lot like George. Then I realized it WAS George. Come to find out, his fuel pump crapped out on him. I pulled in behind him so he at least has some emergency flashers to warn the traffic. As we sat there waiting for the tow truck, we got quite a few looks, thumbs up, and horn honks. It was like a mini car show on the side of the road.

GO CHIEFS!!!  
 Happy Cruising,  
 Monty





# Eventfully Speaking

Jenni Clark

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Hello there all you Corvette enthusiasts! I hope you are all well and toasty warm indoors. Personally, I am freezing my butt off. The rain has made everything green and gorgeous, but I have had enough of it.

Weren't the February events fantastic? The Super Bowl party was wonderful. So much delicious food and drinks. Talk about a great football game. It was so exciting and being a Chiefs fans, it definitely had a happy ending. Thank you Dan and Elaine for always being the host with the most. Then the sweetheart dinner at Napoli Italian Restaurant had a wonderful turn out of people. It was deeeelish and we all had so much fun visiting. February was definitely fun.

I'm still trying to plan a day to go to the Day Family Car Museum in Corona. I have put in messages to them but haven't heard back yet. As soon as I do, I will let everybody know. I was trying to plan that for March or April. Still to be determined.

May will be the month for the progressive dinner in which Joan is planning. The date has not been set yet. Joan will give us all a heads up when she has a tentative date.

I wish you all a Happy St. Patricks Day! See you soon. Drive safe and stay warm.

Eventfully Yours,

Jenni

Event Planner Extraordinaire

## SPONSOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

Currently our sponsor Tom Bell Chevrolet has a lot of trucks on the lot. What they don't currently have is the new C8 Corvettes. This is due to the factory being shut down due to a lack of parts from suppliers. The factory just reopened and I was told that there is a pearl white 70th Anniversary Coupe that will be coming to Tom Bell's facility but no date for this is supplied.

Tom Bell does have 2 previously owned Corvettes. One is a 2019 white Corvette with 20K plus miles and a 2010 red Corvette with 30K plus miles. This car was previously owned by a club member.

As for Camaros, the dealership currently

does not have any new Camaros nor does it have any previously owned Camaros. I was told that there are 4 new Camaros currently in transit but no date for arrival was given.

As always, if you need service on any vehicles, please take your vehicle to Tom Bell's service department. And when you do this, please let the service writer, at the time of write up, know you are a Corvettes Wet member so you will receive the club discount.

*Save the Wave*

Bill Dodge

Sponsor's Representative



# Vice President CORNER

*Dan Flanigan*



My Goodness where did the month of February go and I know it's a short month but it still went by fast? Mercy, was February a cold and rainy month or what! I know we needed the rain but it got very cold towards the end of the month and so cold that it snowed at our house and I think several other members also. It snowed for many hours and what a beautiful site it was to see that blanket of snow everywhere.

Speaking of February which was a fun month for activities for sure. There was the Super Bowl Party at our house on the 12th. We had a great time with the majority of the members rooting for Kansas City, especially our President who jumped up and screamed several times when the Chiefs scored. Speaking about our President, did you notice that photo of him that I found in his Marine uniform and with a clean-shaven face also? No wonder what Jennie fell for this handsome Marine!



***"Our President when he was in the Marine Corps and clean Shaven!"***

There were a couple of pools at the party and I was lucky enough to win one of the big pots. Then later that evening I found out that I had also won the big pot at my sons Party so it was a great day for me and yes, I am giving myself a 1099 as added income!

Several members, not mentioning any names, but George and Phil enjoyed the game so much they decide to take a little nap during the game, see photos! I was always told if someone takes a nap during a party that's means they feel very comfortable around their friends, so it's obvious they both felt very comfortable that evening dozing off the way they did! I was going to get pillows for both the guys but I didn't want to miss any of the game! LOL!

As always there was a lot of food left over and those who stayed late left with a lot of food, right Gordie!

Then on the 16th we had our Annual Valentine's Dinner at Napoli's. We had a fun evening and understand several members were ill and weren't able to attend but there was still a nice turn out. It was also nice to see that Joe only had one Ice cream dessert that evening rather than his usual 4-5 as seen at the Awards Banquet! And, all the ladies left with a very nice flower arrangement made by Jenni. Just another fun evening with great friends.

Looking forward to March with several Family Birthdays and of coarse St. Patty's Day where I will have some green on for sure and have some Ice Tea that evening!

Everyone stay safe if you have to get on the road as more rain is on the way.

See everyone on the 7th.  
Thanks,  
Dan Flanigan, Vice President



Couple of guys resting up for the second half of the game.

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West**

# SUPER BOWL PARTY



PHOTO WRAP-UP



# CW 2023 CALENDAR

MARCH		
Tues. 7TH	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	
TBA Jenni	trying to set up a meal at the Tartan-maybe lunch-mid month	in Redlands
TBA Jenni	trying to get a call back about a trip to the Day Family Car Museum	in Corona
APRIL		
Tues. 4th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	
MAY		
Tues. 2nd	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	
TBA	Progressive Dinner in Riverside	
JUNE		
Tues. 6th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	
JULY		
TBD	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	Date TBD (1st Tues. is the 4th)
AUGUST		
Tues. 1st	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	
TBA	Annual Summer Party	
SEPTEMBER		
Tues. 5th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	
OCTOBER		
Tues. 3rd	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	
Sat 21	CW Wheels 'n Wings Car Show @ March Air Museum	
NOVEMBER		
Tues. 7th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	
DECEMBER		
Tues. 5th	CW General Meeting @ Elks Lodge 6166 Brockton Ave, Riverside, CA Meeting @ 7pm Come early to eat	
TBA	Annual Christmas Party	



As I have mentioned in a past article, I had stopped donating platelets and Blood Bank staff indicated I should take some time off from donating. So I did just that. I took off about a year from donating. And then, recently I was in contact with the Blood Bank staff person who previously had been doing my sticks. She wanted to check my veins to see if, instead of platelets, could I donate whole blood. Well she not only checked my veins but stuck me for a whole blood donation which went well. So I am back donating, only now it will be whole blood. Actually, it felt good to be able to donate again. My waiting period of 56 days is almost up and I will try to donate again.

On other news, the Blood Bank is looking to replace their blood storage fridges and freezers. The current

ones are nearing the end of their usefulness. They are looking for people to donate cash to help them, the Blood Bank, to purchase new ones. I will try to get more information on this for the next newsletter.

As always, pick a donation center from the list below and either make an appointment or just walk in and donate. The process does not take long and you will be somebody's hero.

Save the Wave by saving the Waver

**Bill Dodge**

**BLOOD BANK CENTERS ARE LOCATED AS FOLLOWS:**

- San Bernardino .....Phone: 909-885-6503.....420 E. Hospitality Lane Suite A7 & A8
- Ontario.....Phone: 909-987-3158.....1959 East Fourth Street
- La Quinta .....Phone: 760-777-8844.....79-215 Corporate Centre Drive
- Riverside .....Phone: 951-687-2530 .....4006 Van Buren Blvd.
- Victorville .....Phone: 760-843-9700.....12520 Business Center Drive
- Murrieta .....Phone: 951-973-7777 .....40365 Murrieta Hot Springs Road, Suite 1
- Rancho Mirage.....Phone: 760-797-8496 .....42390 Bob Hope Dr., Suite 1B
- Hemet .....909-386-6803 EXT. 181 .....3377 W. Florida Ave.

# VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER



# Corvettes West

444 Everest Peak  
Beaumont, CA 92223

## 2023 Membership/ Renewal

November 1st, 2022 Through October 31, 2023

Membership dues are \$100.00 for a period of one year, due November 1st. This includes a spouse, significant other, or designee and NCCC memberships. Renewal dues postmarked after November 1st will be considered delinquent and member will be assessed an additional \$10.00. New members are prorated. Complete application in its entirety. Do not indicate "same as before." **(If your NCCC is through another club, your dues are \$70.00)**

**Please print. Mail this form and a check for \$100.00 or \$110.00 made out to "Corvettes West"  
Mail to: Corvettes West C/O Gene Renna, 444 Everest Peak, Beaumont, CA 92223**

### MEMBERS' INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Month & Day) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse/Designee \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Month & Day) \_\_\_\_\_  
Current NCCC# (Yours) \_\_\_\_\_ (Spouse/Designee) \_\_\_\_\_  
How did you hear about us?  Website  Event  Member  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you owned a Corvette before?**  Yes  No. If so, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Corvette(s):** Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_  Coupe  Convertible  
Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_  Coupe  Convertible Do you still own:  Yes  No  
Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_  Coupe  Convertible Do you still own:  Yes  No  
Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_  Coupe  Convertible Do you still own:  Yes  No

**OTHER CLUBS?** Name(s) of other Corvette clubs to which you belong:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ NCCC# \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ NCCC# \_\_\_\_\_

**INTERESTS?** List events or activities that would be of interest to you:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

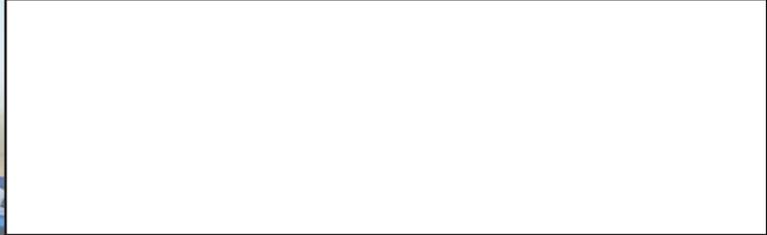


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