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Corvettes West

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**Remember...
Slow People
Never Get
The Drumstick**

**HAPPY
THANKS
GIVING**



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

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Monty Clark

Hello fellow Corvette lovers

Well, how about the Wheels and Wings car show?!? There are not enough great words to say about how the show went. To everyone who worked the show, thank you so much! It was a real treat seeing the Vietnam Vets welcoming everyone in the gate. A special thank you to John Blackledge and Randy Redden. These two gentlemen headed up the show and spent countless hours getting sponsors, handing out flyers, and maybe best of all, getting the IN and OUT food truck.

We had about 50 more cars there than we had in 2019 and we made a couple more thousand dollars if I remember correctly. After donating to the museum and the Vietnam Vets, we profited about \$4000. I sure hope we can do this again next year.

George Swift, thank you again this year for all the work you did for the

homecomings. We made just shy of \$3500 this year. This money will be well spent on some of our charitable organizations. For anyone looking to do a little more with the club, we are looking for an understudy for George. Even though homecoming season is over this year, come next August, we need someone to step up and help George with them next year.

After that, you will become the "go to" for all homecomings. George wears too many hats for the club and his neck is getting sore. And we all know that Diane is behind the scenes doing most of the work, so do it for Diane.

We still have a few members that have not paid their dues yet. You should have received an email from Diane Swift. Please get your payments in right away so you don't have to pay the late fee.

Happy Cruising,
Monty



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SPONSOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

At my most recent visit to our sponsor's facility, I had a chance to see the Corvette (C8) that had been at the Callaway Facility having additional work done on it. The color of this Corvette is orange. It is a very pretty car but I was unable to get a price on the car.

Also, on the showroom floor was a white C8 with a price of \$124,000 and change. Currently these are the only two (2) Corvettes available. It was indicated that there are no previously owned Corvettes on the lot. There is one new C8 currently in transit but no date for arrival was available.

There are also, at the factory and in production two (2) additional C8s. But again no idea of when these two cars will be arriving.

Currently Tom Bell does have one (1) new Camaro on the new car lot. They also have one (1) previously owned Camaro and they have 2 new Camaros in transit, a red one and a silver one.

When experiencing problems with your vehicle(s) please take them to Tom Bell's Service Department. When you do this, please let the Service Writer, at the time of write-up, know that you are a Corvettes West member so that you will receive the Club discount.

Save the Wave

Bill Dodge

Sponsor's Representative

HELPING HANDS

RICK & I want to thank the great helpers who showed up at 6:00 a.m. last Saturday morning for car show registration.

These super people are : Dave & LeeAnn Northrop, Jenni Clark, Jackie O'Callaghan, Danny & Cat Flores, and Kathy Clark.

ALSO, Diana Blackledge is a rock star for her help in making sure we had all our supplies for that morning, as well as coordinating delivery of our tables, chairs, & signs. Plus

getting donuts & coffee for all the members who worked the show.

So, THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR HELP IN MAKING OUR REGISTRATION PROCESS RUN SMOOTHLY.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

See you at the meeting!
Sharon MacGillivray



Vice President CORNER

Dan Flanigan



Well here we are at the end of October and this month is all about the Wheels n' Wings Car Show, which many of us have been working on. There is still one Homecoming left and that is for Linfield Christian School in Temecula on the 28th, which is always fun as they always give the drivers nice gifts. Regarding the Car Show, I want to give a Big Thanks to several members who have worked so hard to make this happen. First off there is John Blackledge for putting this all together and organizing the entire event and the countless hours he has spent working on every item of this event including building the bases for all the awards for George, and Randy Redden helping so much with sponsors.

Then George Swift made all of the incredible Trophies for all the categories that are truly very special to say the least and with the help of Les Randolph did the Judging for the awards. Les was also able to get Radio Personality "Shot Gun Tom Kelly" who helped with the Award Presentations and was also able to get his friends Awesome 1955 Buick CHP Car which the crowd loved to see and hear the many sound effects!

And then Diana Blackledge who worked countless hours providing the layout where everything was to be located, made all the graphics for the Car Shows Raffle, the In-n-Out price list, and prepared The Raffle Gift Winner Board along with many other things that needed to be done. Not sure how we would have gotten all this done without her help.

Then a big Thanks to Rick and Sharon and their Registration Team for getting all the cars into the event very smoothly and was very well organized. And a Thanks to Joan and her team for handling all the Pop Corn. Then another big Thanks to my Lovely wife Elaine for her help in purchasing the majority of the Raffle Gifts. The only problem we had is when we found a great gift and she liked it so much, we wound up keeping it! Her and her team did a great job selling tickets and then organizing the winners board. This was a very successful raffle and there were several gifts left over that were not taken so we thought would to bring them to the November meeting and we will raffle off those smaller gifts and then Auction off the major gift of the Cabo weekend, which Kristi now increased to a

week, at our Christmas Party, so bring some big money!!

Lastly, Monty did a Great Job as the MC of the event and some great news, he also agreed to stay on as President for one more year as he has change positions within his company which will reduce his travel and allow more time for our club. This was a very successful car show because of ALL of you who helped.

Then there was the Clubs Photo shoot at the Museum on the 23rd with all of our Corvettes under the wings of that giant B-52. A Big Shout out to Monty for his patience in directing all of the Corvettes under the wings which took several attempts to get all the cars lined up correctly. But he got us all lined up as the photos will show.

I hope everyone survived Halloween and now on to Thanksgiving.

See everyone on the 1st.
Thanks,
Dan Flanigan
Vice President

Editorial: The "Wheels 'n Wings" Car Show

I was not involved this year (except for helping behind the scenes on the trophies) so I would like to commend all of those who helped on this money raising event. The couple of hours that I was there I felt like it looked really professional. I hear that registration went extremely smooth compared to last time, with the help of CW members and Vietnam Vets. The Marine Corps Band was great. The DJs were terrific. The way the cars were parked looked great. Everyone was stoked about the In 'N Out truck being there. The raffle made money and the popcorn was totally under control. The way judging was done this year was so much less time consuming than having all the show participants mark ballots. And the trophies were a hit.

Thank you to the "on site" leads: MacGillivrays who headed up Registration, Dan and Elaine Flanigan who had participant parking and Raffle, Joan Redden for Popcorn, Diana Blackledge for the In 'n Out tickets, Les Randolph and George

for judging. The amount of work that goes into any event takes a massive amount of time before the big day! Thanks to Randy Redden for finding great sponsors. Thanks to Rick and Sharon for doing Registration again. Thanks to Flanigans for acquiring Raffle prizes again. Thanks to Monty for getting the Marine Corp band. Thanks to Les Randolph for getting Shotgun Tom Kelly to join us. And even though this car show was Chaired by John Blackledge (thank you John) and Randy Redden, Diana Blackledge put in an extraordinary amount of time and effort to make sure the Club pulled it off smoothly. Thank you also to everyone who helped pitch in! It takes a village!

Happy Holidays, The Editor's Wife

P.S. I am already hearing some key people (who leading up to the Car Show were saying "We are not doing a car show again") talking about what we could do for next time!

Evently Speaking

Jenni Clark

Hello Corvette family and friends. I hope everyone is enjoying the cooler fall weather. Ready or not, here the holidays come!

First of all, the car show was fantastic! We all pulled together and had a great day. So many cars came out. So many people came and fun was had by all. Thank you everyone for your participation and help. We couldn't have pulled that off without everyone pitching in.

We don't have any events planned for November since Thanksgiving and Christmas shopping will be first on our priority list. We were going to do a drive-by on Nov. 19 at Janet Curran's residence, but it turns out the home she lives in is having an event that day. We have now rescheduled that for Saturday, December 3, at 10:30 am.

I hope this works for everyone who signed up to drive by.

Janet knows we are coming and is so excited.

Then in December, we have the wonderful Christmas party at Ray and Carol Clark's house. It will be on Saturday, Dec. 17 at 12 noon. It is planned for an earlier time this year so we don't have to drive home in the dark. Don't forget to bring an unwrapped present for the bidding.

Happy Thanksgiving to all our Corvette lovers. Drive safe my friends.

**EventfullyYours,
Jenni Clark**

Events Planner Extraordinaire

HOMEcomings/PARADES

Thank you to those who helped with the Corvettes West Homecomings for 2022!

WING.....	8
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REDDEN.....	4
BARLOW	3
EMERSON.....	3
HILLIARD	2
OCALLAGHAN	2
RENNA.....	2
RIVERA	2
AUDIBERT	1
COLWELL	1
HOYT.....	1
JOHNSON.....	1
LA GRECA.....	1
LANE.....	1
LYON	1
MAC GILLIVRAY	1
L RANDOLPH	1
RICHMOND	1
SEEBREE	1
URBAN	1

Just remember whether its 1 or 8, we appreciate every member who participates to make these events just a little more special.

Christmas Parade

**We need 8 cars for the
City of Yucaipa Christmas Parade
on Saturday, December 10, 2022 at 10am**



**Corvettes
West**



Christmas
PARTY

Saturday, December 17, 2022

12:00pm



Please RSVP by December 10th (909) 795-5253

Hosted By Ray & Carol Clark

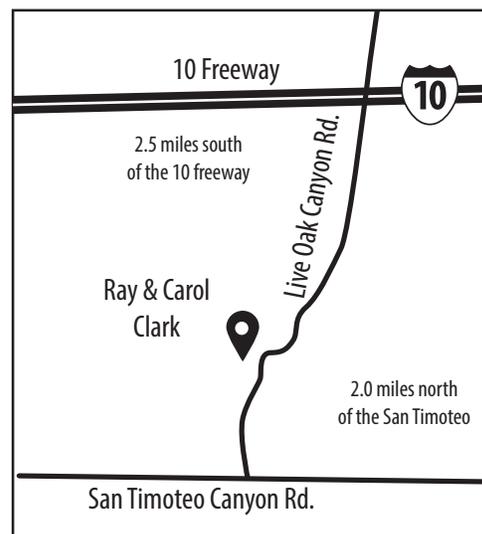
30130 Live Oak Canyon, Redlands

(Look for the “Corvettes West” banner on the fence)

*Let us know what side dish
you will be bringing to share.*

*Main dish, soda, water
and coffee will be provided.*

**Remember to bring
an unwrapped gift
for the auction.**



WHEELS & WINGS CAR SHOW WRAP-UP



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Awhile back I I mentioned that the Blood Bank, who has been listing blood drives aroun Southern California, had not listed them. Since that time the Blood Bank is listing one (1) to two (2) blood drives a week. Do they still need donors? Well heck yes they still need donors.

Remember, thy service 80 hospitals. Below is a list of Blood Bank Centers. Call them to make an appointment or just go to a center and walk in. **But whatever you do, please get out and donate.**

Donating is not a long process. I am not sure what they are giving away when you donate. That's not the important part. The important thing is donating so you can assist in saving a life.

The Blood Bank is still running their raffle with the

prize of an electric car. What you need to do is go to the following web site and get registered:

<https://www.lstream.org/raffle/>

Register and I hope you win. But you still need to donate, just not specifically for the raffle.

Save a Life, Donate

Bill Dodge

Editor's Note:

Congratulations to Bill Dodge for donating over 140 gallons of blood to date. So by my calculations you can only do 1 pint each visit, it takes 8 pints per gallon...That's 1,120 life saving pints, that's lot of blood that helps a lot of people.

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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, P.O. Box 56837 Riverside, CA 92517**

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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