



Gazette

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Long Beach Grand Prix

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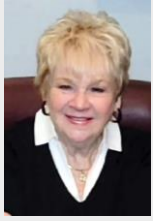
The Vette Set Gazette is a monthly publication of The Vette Set, Inc. Articles from members are always welcome, and are to be submitted to the Newsletter Editor by 6:00 P.M. Sunday, following the general monthly meeting. These meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M. at the Zimmerman Automobile Driving Museum located at 610 Lairport Street, El Segundo, CA 90245. Guests are always welcome to attend any Vette Set event.

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PREZ SEZ

Dixie Foster



Joe Cimino reported we had a great turnout at the May General meeting with 42 in attendance, even though many of our "regulars" were on vacations.

Special congratulations go out to Jane & John La Bella as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary this month.

A great big 'Thank You' to Pat Blanchard for donating her 50/50 winnings back to the Club.

"Save the Wave"

Dixie



A few members on travel yielded a shorter meeting and an earlier arrival to the Slice & Pint.



RACE REPORT

David Tavares



4/20: Acura Grand Prix of Long Beach: This was a 100 minute IMSA race.

AWA Racing team out of Ontario, Canada raced the #13 Corvette Z06 GT3.R in the GTD class. This was the team and drivers Orey Fidani and Matt Bell's inaugural trip to the Long Beach circuit.

Fidani began the race in 15th position in his class. This makes me wonder why the corvette didn't place well in the qualifying laps. However, Fidani gained 3 positions in the first 12 minutes. Great job! Fidani's first pit stop was just before the 40-minute mark. The racecar changed hands and Matt Bell rejoined the race in 14th place. Despite getting hit from behind, Bell moved to the 11th spot within a couple of laps. He managed to maneuver his way to 6th place with less than 15 minutes left in the race. Bell made a valiant attempt to pass the 5th place car in the time remaining but couldn't seem to accomplish this before the end of the race. Still, team AWA made great progress from their 15th place start.

The drivers commented on how easy the Corvette was to drive and how well the racecar was glued to the corners. But they noted it lacked some straight-line speed.

Race Results: 1st: Lexus, 2nd: BMW, 3rd: Mercedes, 6th: AWA Racing Z06 GT3.R. There were 17 cars in the class.

4/21: 6 HOURS OF IMOLA: This was the next FIA WEC race. TF Sport raced at this iconic Italian circuit in the LMT GT3 class. This was the 2nd race of the year for their new Z06 GT3.R race car and the 1st trip to Imola for Corvette.

Charlie Eastwood, Tom Van Rompuy & Rui Andrade piloted the #81 car. Daniel Juncadella, Hiro Kouzumi & Sebastien Baud, raced the #82 car. Chaos at the start of the race gave Van Rompuy the perfect opportunity to gain 4 positions on the first two laps. Both Corvettes ascended to the top 10 positions, making them eligible for points by the two-hour mark.

Andrade & Baud were up next and had to contend with driving in the rain. Both cars managed to stay on the track, unlike some of their competitors. TF Sport was the first team to switch to wet-weather tires. However, with the track retaining most of its grip, the tire swap didn't improve their lap times much. Just before the final hour the two Corvettes changed back to dry tires, but with no advantage.

Race Results: 1st: BMW, 2nd: BMW, 3rd: Porsche, 7th: #81 Corvette Z06, 8th: #82 Corvette Z06. There were 18 cars in the class.

5/9: 6 Hours of Spa-FrancorChamps: This is the next race for the LMGT3 class in the WEC series. You can view the race using the FIAWEC.tv link_

5/10-12: Laguna Seca: This will be the next IMSA race for the GTD PRO & the GTD classes. You may view this race using [IMSA.com/tv/](https://www.imsa.com/tv/) link.

In other racing news, DXDT Racing out of Statesville, NC, unveiled two Corvette Z06 GT3.R racecars running in the Fanatec GT World Challenge America race series. They are also adding Corvette driver Tommy Milner to the lineup. DXDT has two races coming up.



5/3-5. Sebring International Raceway: The DXDT #08 Corvette will be racing in Florida with drivers, Scott Smithson & Bryan Sellers

5/17-19. Circuit of the Americas: The DXDT #63 car will be piloted by Tommy Milner & Alec Udell and will race at Circuit of the Americas in Austin, Texas

Fanatec GT World Challenge America series is run by **SRO Motorsports** and can be viewed on [youtube.com/@gtworld](https://www.youtube.com/@gtworld)

That's all I have for this month. Until next time, get out there and drive your Vettes everyone!

David

	<p>BYLAWS Jerry Clement</p>	
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By Laws for the membership to consider and vote on at the next meeting:

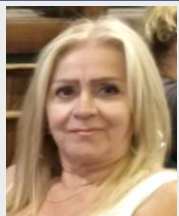
ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

SECTION 9 STANDING COMMITTEES

P. Ambassador: Responsible for greeting guests and potential members, advising them of the Club's activities, requirements for membership, and following up with them to answer any questions they might have.

Q. Tech Talk Editor: Responsible for giving presentations at Club meetings regarding automotive technical information that relates to Corvettes.

There will be discussion at the meeting regarding the final wording of these before voting.



RAFFLES

Marci O'Brien



Club Meeting Drawing Winners

Name Badge Drawing (\$40):
John Noel, not present
Next month, \$60

50/50 Drawing (\$260 collected):
Patricia Blanchard, \$130*
TVS Club, \$130

*Note. \$130 went to the club and the winner was Patricia Blanchard who donated the full \$130 back to the club. A VERY special thank you to Patricia.

Rosie, for Marcie



SUNSHINE

Pam St. Cyr



May Birthdays



- 5/2 Rob Weimer
- 5/18 Daniel Gordey
- 5/21 Ken Ficquette
- 5/21 Christine Williams
- 5/22 Tom Beuthin
- 5/28 Jerry Clement

May Anniversaries



- 5/2 Bonnielay Bacon
- 5/2 Robert & Susan Gibbs
- 5/7 Dick & Toni Whitford
- 5/13 Dalene & Ken Ficquette
- 5/14 Jack Walter
- 5/21 Tom Beuthin
- 5/25 Jane & John La Bella

Pam



ACTIVITIES

Jennifer Walton



VETTE SET ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

May 2 -- General Meeting at 6:30pm at the Automobile Driving Museum, located at 610 Lairport St, in El Segundo. We head over to Slice 'n Pint afterwards. Please bring books or magazines for Carolyn Shofner to donate to those less fortunate.

May 11 -- Harry Kenyon leads a run to the Murphy Museum in Oxnard. Meet at 9am at IN N OUT Burger, 3800 Inglewood Ave, Redondo Beach 90278, right off the 405 freeway at Inglewood Ave. Leave at 9:30am, with first stop at the market on PCH toward Oxnard. After the museum, the next stop will be at a strawberry stand by the railroad. Lunch will be on your own at a restaurant at the Factory Outlets in Camarillo. More info and maps TBA.

May 11 -- Culver City Car Show 9-3. For more info, visit www.culvercitycarshow.com or contact Nathan Guilleroy who will be attending. Nathan_guilleroy@yahoo.com

May 15 -- Activities Dinner Meeting at 6pm at Island's, 1609 Hawthorne, Redondo Beach 90278. Bring your well researched ideas for club runs or activities.

May 23-- Ladies' Luncheon at 11:30am at Cheesecake Factory, located at 605 N. Harbor Dr, Redondo Beach 90277. RSVP to Jeanette at (310) 941-7062, Forjweimer@me.com

May 25 -- All Corvette Car Show 10-2 at the Zimmerman Automobile Driving Museum in El Segundo. Meet at 7:45am at Ralph's near ADM. Car Registration is only \$20. Sign up here: https://automobiledrivingmuseum.org/event/corvette2024/#tribe-tickets__tickets-form

June 6-- General Meeting at 6:30pm at the Automobile Driving Museum, located at 610 Lairport St, in El Segundo. We head over to Slice 'n Pint afterwards. Please bring books or magazines for Carolyn Shofner to donate to those less fortunate.

June 19 -- Activities Dinner Meeting at 6pm at DiRoma's, 23863 Hawthorne Bl, Torrance 90505. Bring your well researched ideas for club runs or activities.

June 27-- Ladies' Luncheon at 11:30am at The Brews Hall, 21770 Del Amo Circle, Torrance 90503. RSVP to Jeanette at (310) 941-7062, Forjweimer@me.com

July 4 -- 4th of July Parade in Long Beach. Jennifer Walton will provide more details soon.

July 25 -- Ladies' Luncheon at 11am, hosted by Rosie Gipson at her house in Manhattan Beach. Please see the club roster for the address. She will be providing a Chinese Chicken Salad entrée, dessert and water/soft drinks. Otherwise, BYOB. RSVP by July 18 for two reasons – attendance and since she lives in a gated community, she needs to provide an

attendance list to the guard shack. PLEASE NO DROP INs.

September 21-29 -- Club Run led by Rob Weimer to Tombstone, Sedona and Prescott, Arizona. Includes participating in the All Corvette Car Show, a party at Hal Vatcher's home, a poker run and street dance in Prescott, AZ. More details TBA. So far, there are 35 going!

December 5 -- Save the **NEW DATE!** Annual Vette Set Holiday Party and Awards Banquet.

ONLINE VETTE SET CLUB PRESENCE

1. Visit our Vette Set **WEBSITE**: <https://www.thevetteset.com/>

2. Visit our Vette Set **FACEBOOK PAGE**: <https://www.facebook.com/TheVetteSetInc/>

**On our club's Facebook page, you may view photos our club members have posted of our runs and activities. You may comment on those photos and participate. Facebook Events are created for the major activities so you may RSVP or comment.

EXTRA ACTIVITIES NOT SPONSORED BY THE VETTE SET

1. Cruise at the Beach (formerly Ruby's Diner Car Show) -- 22nd Annual Car Show runs June 7-Sept 6 at the Redondo Beach Marina, 811 N. Catalina Ave, Redondo Beach 902774

2. Relay for Life of Torrance Car Show -- Sunday, July 21, 9-3 at Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center, 1935 Manhattan Beach Bl, Redondo Beach 90278. For more info, contact Annette Porter, ampdynamom@aol.com, (310) 245-4502.

3. Every Friday -- Garden Grove Car Show held on Main Street in Old Town Garden Grove 4-8pm. Entry \$3/car. David Tavares (562) 308-0390 or Jennifer Walton (562) 544-2670.

4. Every Saturday -- Caffeine Cruisers from 7-10am in Torrance, on SE corner of Artesia and Hawthorne, between Dave's Hot Chicken (formerly Starbucks) & Sizzler.

5. 1st Saturday of the month -- Morning Shift Cars & Coffee at 8am at Porsche Experience Center, 19800 Main St, Carson 90745. All makes and models. Photographers & spectators are welcome. For general info, call (888)204-7474. No fees. Free coffee. Call before going.

6. 1st Saturday of the month -- Cars & Coffee from 7:30-9:30am, at new location: Palos Verdes (PV) Peninsula High School, 27118 Silver Spur Rd, Rolling Hills Estates 90274. For more info, email club member Lee Williams at area51ufopilot@yahoo.com or PenCnC1@gmail.com August theme is Muscle Cars and Hot Rods.

7. Last Saturday of the month -- Manhattan Beach Cars & Coffee, 7:30-10am at 'The Point' Shopping Center, 850 S. Sepulveda, at the corner of Sepulveda and Rosecrans in Manhattan Beach. Enter from Rosecrans. Started by two Mira Costa high school students. Lots of C8s, C7s and earlier model Corvettes plus a huge array of other cars including old beaters. FREE. *Jennifer*



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2025 Torch Red Corvette Coupe

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Net Cruze Cars & Coffee

May 11 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

You're invited to swing by ZADM for the Net Cruze Cars and Coffee. The car meet features cars from the '30s through the '50s, both original and custom cars, as well as newer and older cars and trucks. Enjoy coffee and pastries, plus food trucks.



Mother's Day Ride 2024

May 12 @ 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

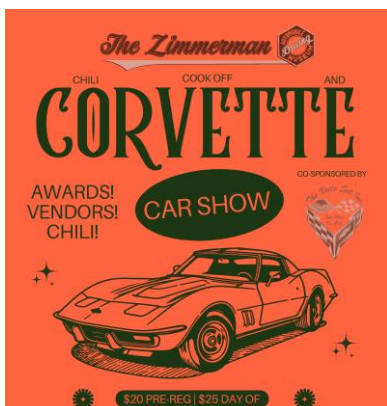
Join them for the Mother's Day Ride Celebration on May 12th, 2024. They have a special Mother's Day Ride planned for all the moms out there. Bring your mom to the Zimmerman Automobile Driving Museum on May 12th for wine tasting. After the tasting, take a ride with mom in 3 of our vintage automobiles



Reunion 2024

Saturday, May 18th 2024

Taking it back to the spirit of all things custom...from muscle cars to choppers, and everything in between! REUNION is a vintage car and motorcycle show celebrating 89's and older classics at the Automobile Driving Museum in El Segundo, CA. The fourth annual Reunion Show is happening on Saturday May 18th 2024. Register at the Museum.



Corvette Car Show & Chili Cook Off

Saturday, May 25th 2024, 10am - 2pm

It's that time of year again! The ZADM will be throwing their annual Corvette Car Show, co-sponsored by **The Vette Set, Inc.** This year we're adding some spice to it, a chili cook off! Get your Corvettes, family recipes, and crock pots out because this will be a show to see,



Malaise Daze Car Show

June 1 @ 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Join the Craze for Malaise! Get your family and friends together for a day full of Malaise. There will be a cash bar, food & coffee trucks, and live music by Modern Time Machines! What more could you wish for? This car show is open to all vehicles from the years 1972 - 1995. Purchase tickets at the ZADM.



Net Cruze Cars & Coffee

June 8 @ 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Saturday, June 8th, from 9:00 am to noon, you're invited to swing by ZADM for the Net Cruze Cars and Coffee. The car meet features cars from the '30s through the '50s, both original and custom cars, as well as newer and older cars and trucks. Enjoy coffee and pastries, plus a food truck.



Father's Day Rides 2024

June 16 @ 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Join them for their Father's Day Rides, June 16th, 2024, from 10:00 am till 3 pm, come and celebrate Father's Day at the Automobile Driving Museum! Take a ride in a classic car around the block of El Segundo, chauffeured by a knowledgeable and experienced docent from the Automobile Driving Museum. Get Tickets from the museum.



British Car Show

June 22 @ 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Get ready to be transported to the UK at the Zimmerman Automobile Driving Museum British Car Show! This show is open to all British cars, trucks, and motorcycles - you'll see see all of your favorite British makes and models! Live music, delicious food trucks and awards to end the day. Make sure you go inside to see the museum's car collection.

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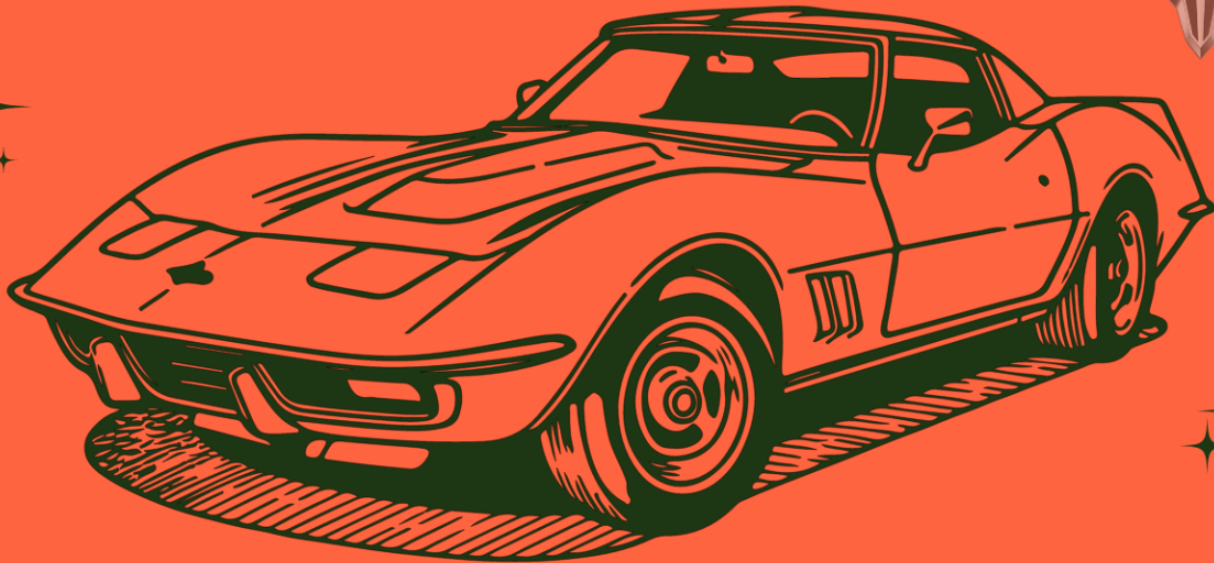
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