



Second Beach Cruise Car Show in Redondo Beach.

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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 Rob Weimer



#### Hi VETTE Setters,

Our 58th anniversary picnic was a huge success this year, with over \$400 being donated to our club. Thanks to all who participated and joined in on the fun. We had beautiful weather, great yard sales, music, yard games, and a bring your own lunch.

Thirteen members are off on Saturday, September 9th, going to Yellowstone, Mount Rushmore, Crazy Horse Memorial, and more. We wish more could have come along but life sometimes gets in the way.

Thanks to Chris Donlou for hosting our second **Beach Cruise car show**. We had a huge turnout with 26 cars at the show. This was such a success that I'm hoping we can do it a couple times next year.



Linda Tully spoke at our September general meeting. She thanked everyone for the flowers given from the VETTE Set and for all of the club's support during this difficult time.

Tom Grogan "won" the name badge drawing for \$40, unfortunately, he wasn't able to make the meeting. Better luck someday in the future.

Lee Williams presented a tech talk on how to select the proper tire for any car. The presentation was very informative and well received by all.

Bruce Gaines is putting together a spread sheet for Corvette repairs, either at a dealership or at other shops around the South Bay. He has many repair subjects and he's planning on adding addresses, phone numbers, and maybe even a hyperlink to their website. This will be a great tool for any of us that don't have warranty coverage. Have a wonderful September. Save the Wave,

Rob



# ACTIVITIES Jennifer Walton



#### VETTE SET ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

<u>September 7</u> -- General Meeting at 6:30pm at the Automobile Driving Museum, 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.

<u>September 9-23</u> -- Rob Weimer leads a run to Yellowstone National Park, continuing to Deadwood, Sturgis, Mount Rushmore, seeing the Crazy Horse Memorial and more. We'll be staying at Best Western Hotels. Tour is limited to 15 cars, including the Weimers. The trip will take about 2 weeks to complete. RSVP to Rob at <u>robert.a.weimer@me.com</u>.

<u>September 20</u> -- Activities Dinner Meeting at 6pm at Di Roma's, 23863 Hawthorne Bl, Torrance 90505. Bring your well researched ideas for club runs or activities. September 28 -- Ladies' Luncheon at 11:30am at The Brews Hall, 21770 Del Amo Circle E, Torrance 90503. RSVP to Jeanette at Forjweimer@me.com or (310) 941-7062.

<u>October 4</u> -- WEDNESDAY! General Meeting at 6:30pm (not October 5) to accommodate various special events at ADM. Meeting will be at the Automobile Driving Museum, 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. October DATE TBD --Harry Kenyon will lead a run to Bear Mountain and Julian, heading to Apple Annie's for some apple pie, etc. Details forthcoming.

<u>October 18</u> -- Activities Dinner Meeting at 6pm at Rebel Republic Social House, located at 1710 S Catalina Ave Redondo Beach, CA 90277. Bring your well researched ideas for club runs or activities.

<u>October 26</u> -- Ladies' Luncheon at 11:30am at The Brews Hall, 21770 Del Amo Circle E, Torrance 90503. RSVP to Jeanette at Forjweimer@me.com or (310) 941-7062.

<u>November 2</u> -- General Meeting at 6:30pm at the Automobile Driving Museum, 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.

<u>November 15</u> -- Activities Dinner Meeting at 6pm at Hop Saint Brewery, 5160 W. 190th St, Torrance 90503. Bring your well researched ideas for club runs or activities. November 30 -- Ladies' Luncheon at 11:30am at Brews Hall, 21770 Del Amo Circle E, Torrance 90503. RSVP to Jeanette at Forjweimer@me.com or (310) 941-7062. <u>December 7</u> -- General Meeting at 6:30pm at the Automobile Driving Museum, 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.

<u>December 14</u> -- Holiday Party and Awards Banquet at the Automobile Driving Museum, 610 Lairport St, in El Segundo 90245. Social hour starts at 4:30pm and more details TBA. To volunteer, please contact Dixie Foster at dixiekim@msn.com.

#### **ONLINE VETTE SET CLUB PRESENCE**

- 1. Visit our Vette Set WEBSITE: <u>https://www.thevetteset.com/</u>
- 2. Visit our Vette Set FACEBOOK PAGE: <u>https://www.facebook.com/TheVetteSetInc/</u>
- 3. New Facebook Events created for the major activities.

#### EXTRA ACTIVITIES NOT SPONSORED BY THE VETTE SET

1. <u>September 7-10</u> -- Reno-Tahoe Tour hosted by Corvettes of Fresno, celebrating its 60th Anniversary as a Corvette Club. The Tahoe Run happened every year for 50 years, excluding the past 5 years due to Covid. The tour is now the Reno-Tahoe Tour and the registration packet is available at www.corvettesoffresno.com. For more info, contact Cheryl Blackstone, (559) 232-5489, cherylbstone@comcast.net or you may contact Gerri Ware(559) 871-3902, gware53@comcast.net

2. <u>September 16</u> -- Torrance Elks has a Chili Cook-Off and Car Show 12-4 with live music and kids' jumper. Held at the Torrance Elks Lodge, 1820 Abalone Ave, Torrance. Contact Michael (Magoo) McHugh (310) 320-1948 or (310) 326-8418.

3. <u>April, 2024</u> – 7 day Corvette Pirates Cruise to Caribbean! What's more fun than being on a cruise with 50-100 Corvette people from all over the country? Bring 2 Hot Wheels Corvettes. One is for a car show held in the bar they take over, so there's liquor involved! LOL! The second car is for the drag races on another day in the bar. Then there's Pirate Night when most wear Pirate costumes to dinner in the main dining room. Contact Laurie TEX Schwab vettetex@gmail.com, (602) 790-5788, www.corvettepirates.com

<u>4. Every Friday</u> -- 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.

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

6. <u>1st Saturday of the month</u> -- 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. 7. 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.

8. <u>Last Saturday of the month</u> -- 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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#### NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

#### **EVENTS**

Sept 17 Educators Open House @ National Corvette Museum

Oct 28 Bowling Green Cars & Coffee @ National Corvette Museum

Nov 25 Bowling Green Cars & Coffee

#### **CORVETTE RAFFLES**

2024 Black Corvette Coupe Ticket Price: \$100.00 Tickets : 2000 Drawing: September 21, 2023 2:00 PM Central Time

2024 Build Your Own Corvette Stingray or \$80,000 Ticket Price: \$250.00 Tickets: 1,000 Drawing: October 19, 2023 2:00 PM Central Time

2024 Red Mist Corvette Convertible Ticket Price: \$20.00 Unlimited Raffle Drawing: April 27, 2024 3:00 PM Central Time



Saturday, September 9, from 10 – 3pm



Saturday, September 30th, from 9 am - noon

## ZIMMERMAN AUTOMOTIVE DRIVING MUSEUM



# RACE REPORT

**David Tavares** 



#### **IMSA RACING SERIES**

#### August 27, Michelin GT Challenge at Virginia International Raceway

This was the only race for the #3 Corvette in the IMSA series since last month. The 2-1/2 hour race was mostly between 2 cars, the Corvette and the pole sitting No. 14 Lexus. Antonio Garcia ran the 1st stint and brought the car in for fuel and tires at about 54 minutes into the race.

With 1 more pit stop planned, Jordan Taylor took over the wheel.

At 57 minutes left in the race, Taylor pitted the car 1 lap before the Lexus pitted. This was for fuel and tire change. Due to excellent pit crew work, the decision to short fill the fuel tank and bad luck on the part of Lexus, Taylor left the pits 3.7 seconds ahead of the Lexus. After Taylor ran a lap when leaving the pits, he was surprised to see the Lexus in the "pit-out" lane. Taylor didn't realize the Lexus driver had stalled when leaving his pit, slowing his exit. Taylor wasn't lifting his foot as he drove by the Lexus getting on to the track.

Taylor needed to save fuel and stay ahead of the Lexus.

That's exactly what he did, crossing the finish line a little more than 2 seconds ahead of the Lexus. 1<sup>st</sup> Place Finish!

Race Results: 1<sup>st</sup>: #3 Corvette, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Lexus RC F GT3, 3<sup>rd</sup>: BMW M4 GT3

There were 19 cars in the class!

Corvette racing was in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the standings going into this race.

With 2 more races left in the season, Corvette needs another  $1^{st}$  place finish to cement  $1^{st}$  place for the season.

#### Sept. 15-17 from the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Road Course.

The "Battle of the Bricks" will be Corvette Racing's next event in IMSA.

#### WEC RACING SERIES

There were no races for the #33 Corvette in the WEC series since last month's meeting.

#### September 10<sup>th</sup>, Six Hours of Fuji.

This will be the next race for the #33 Corvette.

#### **IN OTHER RACING NEWS:**

Jordan Taylor decided to leave Corvette racing and go back to Wayne Taylor racing. When IMSA eliminated the GTLM class, forcing the GTLM cars to join the slower GTD class, Taylor decided he wanted to get back into the faster Prototype classes of race cars.

Pratt Miller Motorsports will be racing the new Corvette Z06 GT3.R race cars next year with drivers Alexander Sims, Antonio Garcia, Tommy Milner and Nicky Catsburg. I can hardly wait to see how the new GT3 Z06 dedicated race car will do next year.

That's all I have for this month.

Until next time, get out there and drive your Vettes everyone!





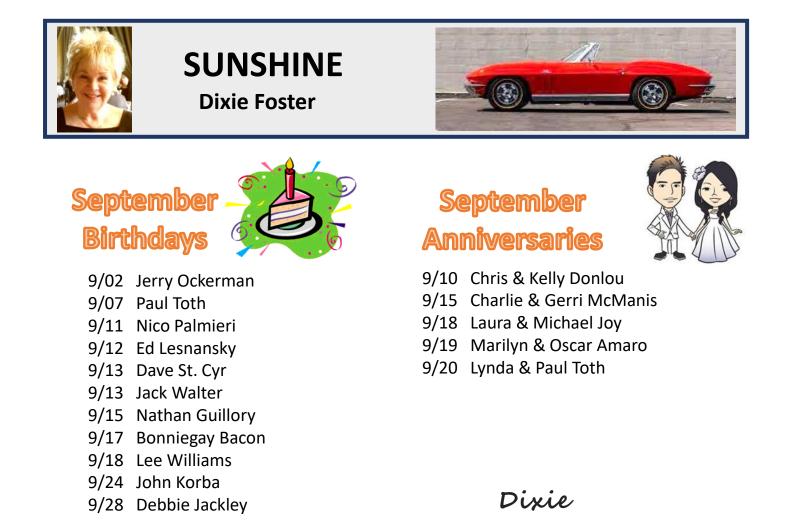
# RAFFLES Marci O'Brien



#### **Club Meeting Drawing Winners**

Name Badge Drawing (\$40): Tom Grogan, not present Next month, \$60 50/50 Drawing (\$265 collected): Marci O'Brien, \$132 TVS Club, \$133

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# PENINSULA CARS 'N COFFEE EVERY FIRST SATURDAY



# NEW LOCATION PV PENINSULA HIGH SCHOOL 27118 SILVER SPUR ROAD NORTH PARKING LOT 7:30 – 9:00 AM Please contact us at PenCnC1@gmail.com

# SATURDAY – SEPT. 16TH, 2023 12 – 4 PM TORRANCE ELKS PRESENTS THE BARB HABIF MEMORIAL 2003 CHILI TASTING - HOT DOG, CHIPS & SODA Vendors and Live Music

(\$15 Car Show Entry Fee) <u>Car Show Entry Questions Contact</u> – Robert (310) 738-1746 Preregister (see back) or ENTER DAY OF EVENT

> (No Fee Chili Cook-Off Entry) For Chili Cook-Off and Vendor Entry <u>Contact</u> Michael (Magoo) McHugh office #(310) 320-1948 or (310) 326-8418



Torrance Elks Lodge 1820 Abalone Ave, Torrance Ca.



# Torrance Elks Lodge Chili Cook-off and Car Show

#### Live Music, Kids Jumper Chili Cook Off and Car Show 9/16/23

Car Show Entry Fee: \$15.00 Car Show Awards;

Peoples Choice, Ladies Choice, Drivers Choice, Work In Progress

## Register day of or Pre-register for Car Show by sending this form and fee to: Torrance Elks Lodge 1820 Abalone Ave, Torrance Ca. 90501

Questions: Contact Robert (310) 738-1746

Car	Show	Registration	Form
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Name		Year
Address		Make
City Z	Zip	Model
Phone:		
Email:		
Club or Lodge Affiliation		

### How did you hear about our Chili Cook Off and Car Show?

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT INTO THIS EVENT BUT MAY BE PURCHASED IN THE LODGE No EZ ups allowed. Shade provided in the common area

For office use only : Paid\_\_\_

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# HISTORICAL REPORT

## 2nd BEACH CRUISE CAR SHOW REDONDO BEACH, CA FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2023



Thank you, Chris for hosting our second **Beach Cruise car show.** There was a huge turnout with 26 cars at the show. It was a perfect outing featuring friends and cars.



















## 58<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PICNIC HESSE PARK, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023









Harry & Pat's Lunch Truck. Harry brought his van and provided hot dogs, cokes and chips. Pat brought two flavors of ice cream. Thanks!



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