



# Gazette

THE VETTE SET, INC.  
221 PASEO DE SUENOS  
REDONDO BEACH, CA  
90277

AUGUST 2023



Lee and Christine presented their Z06 at the August meeting.

# OFFICERS AND APPOINTEES

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,

Special thanks to Lee Williams for bringing his new C8 HTC Z06 to our August general meeting. What beautiful car.



**Lee & Christine with their Z06 at the August meeting.**

The 2024 E-Ray configurator is now on line for your build and price.

Your officers have decided to increase the name badge drawing to \$20 per month with a cap of \$100. So be sure to wear your badge at our meetings.

The club had a great turnout at the Beach Cruise car show on July 28th with over 20 member cars attending. Thank you Chris for hosting this event. Chris is hosting another one on Friday August 25th. Come on down and spend some quality time with your fellow members. Bring some food, drink, and a chair. Show up between 2 & 2:30. Let Chris Donlou know you're going so he can save a spot for you.



**Beach Cruise Car Show in Redondo Beach**

On August 20th we are having our clubs annual anniversary picnic and fundraiser. See the activities listing for more details.

Have a great August and Save the Wave,

*Rob*



# ACTIVITIES

Jennifer Walton



## VETTE SET ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

August 10 -- General Meeting at 6:30pm (not August 3) to accommodate a special event at ADM during the first week in August. 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.

August 16 -- Activities Dinner Meeting at 6pm at Hop Saint Brewing Co, 5160 W. 190th St, Torrance 90503. Bring your well researched ideas for club runs or activities.

August 19 -- 2nd Annual Wheels for Meals Car Show Fundraiser for Meals on Wheels and The Sultans Car Club, Long Beach. 9-2 at Bolivar Park, 3300 Del Amo Bl, Lakewood 90712. Contact Paul Toth for more info at [paultoth97@gmail.com](mailto:paultoth97@gmail.com). Click link for tickets: TICKETS.

August 20 -- Annual Vette Set Picnic and Yard Sale Fundraiser 11-2 at Hesse Park, located at 29301 Hawthorne Bl, Rancho Palos Verdes 90275. Bring any yard sale items and keep 50%/donate 50% to the club. We will be drawing a \$100 winner from the 50-50 tickets purchased year-to-date at our events, similar to our Awards Banquet. Bring your picnic lunch, lawn chairs, instruments to jam along, outdoor games and of course, your yard sale items.

August 25 -- Chris Donlou is organizing The Vette Set at Ruby's Diner car show held in the old Ruby's Diner parking lot, 245 N. Harbor Dr, Redondo Beach 90277. Show up at 2 pm. The Car Show is 3-7pm. Call Chris at (310) 245-9653 to let him know if you plan to attend so parking spots can be saved and we can all park together. Bring food and drinks or eat at Captain Kidd's Seafood Restaurant. \*Ruby's Restaurant is permanently closed.

August 31-- Ladies' Luncheon at 11:30am is back at The Brews Hall, 21770 Del Amo Circle E, Torrance 90503. RSVP to Jeanette at [Forjweimer@me.com](mailto:Forjweimer@me.com) or (310) 941-7062.

September 7 -- 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.

September 9-23 -- 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 [robert.a.weimer@me.com](mailto:robert.a.weimer@me.com).

September 20 -- Activities Dinner Meeting at 6pm. Location TBD. 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](mailto:Forjweimer@me.com) or (310) 941-7062.

October 4 – **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 18 -- Activities Dinner Meeting at 6pm. Location TBD. Bring your well researched ideas for club runs or activities.

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

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

December 14 -- 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](mailto:dixiekim@msn.com)

## **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/>
3. New Facebook Events created for the major activities.

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

1. September 7-10 -- 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](http://www.corvettesoffresno.com). For more info, contact Cheryl Blackstone, (559) 232-5489, [cherylstone@comcast.net](mailto:cherylstone@comcast.net) or you may contact Gerri Ware(559) 871-3902, [gware53@comcast.net](mailto:gware53@comcast.net)

2. September 16 -- 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. April, 2024 – 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

4. Every Friday -- Ruby's Cruise at the Beach Car Show, 3-7pm, May-Oct at Ruby's Diner parking lot, 245 N. Harbor Dr, Redondo Beach 90277. \*Restaurant is permanently closed.

5. 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.

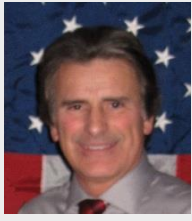
6. Every Saturday -- Caffeine Cruisers from 7-10am in Torrance, on SE corner of Artesia and Hawthorne, between Dave's Hot Chicken (formerly Starbucks) & Sizzler.

7. 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.

8. 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.

9. 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*



# RACE REPORT

David Tavares



## IMSA, Chevrolet Grand Prix, Canadian Tire Motorsport Park, Bowmanville ON, July 9

For the IMSA series, the No. 3 race Corvette raced at Bowmanville, Ontario, Canada on July 9<sup>th</sup>. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> time the C8R raced at this park. Antonio Garcia and Jordan Taylor were ready for their challenge.

Taylor started out in 4<sup>th</sup> place. At 33 minutes into the race, Taylor pitted early. He swapped with Garcia as the Corvette Racing crew changed tires and added fuel. When the Corvette left the pit lane, they were in 3<sup>rd</sup> place overall and second among the cars in their class that stopped early.

An even more critical moment came with 70 minutes remaining. Garcia moved to the lead on a restart as the two cars ahead of him ran off the track while fighting off each other. The Corvette held the proper line and moved by each. The top three cars ran less than 4 seconds apart for the final 24 minutes with the Corvette taking the win under a yellow flag. The **No. 3 Corvette C8.R claimed the season's first GTD PRO victory!**

## IMSA, FCP Euro Northeast Grand Prix, Lime Rock Park, Lakeville CT, July 22

Corvette Racing's next race was the FCP Euro Northeast Grand Prix on Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> from Lime Rock Park in Lakeville, Connecticut. Garcia maintained his 3<sup>rd</sup> place position for the first 90 minutes of the race. The Vette made a pit stop for fuel and left side tires, while the Aston Martin stayed on the track. After the pitstop, Corvette had great difficulty trying to get around the Aston Martin. This meant they needed to try to save fuel and avoid unneeded pit stops to gain track position.

Garcia brought the Vette back into the pit for the last time with 72 minutes left and from 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Taylor took over and stalled as he tried to leave the pitbox. He lost 10 seconds because the car wouldn't go back into gear. This mishap resulted in **Taylor ending the race with a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish.**

## IMSA SportsCar Weekend, Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI, August 4-6

Corvettes next race was the IMSA SportsCar Weekend at Road America on August 4-6<sup>th</sup> in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. Taylor got things started early by getting the jump at the drop of the green flag with a run from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> place by the first corner. He moved into the class lead just before the 40-minute mark. Taylor handed off to Garcia at the 51-minute mark. Having been the last of the top three cars to pit, Garcia and the No. 3 Corvette carried a fuel advantage for the race's second and final scheduled pit stop.

Garcia emerged directly ahead of the Aston Martin and barely in the lead.

Things changed, however, as the No. 3 team was forced to serve a penalty for not meeting the minimum refueling time required by sanctioning body IMSA on the final stop. Team and series officials discussed the matter. But the call stood and Garcia had to give up the lead with 24 minutes left. ***The Corvette finished third in the GTD PRO class at Road America.***

### **IMSA, Michelin GT Challenge, Virginia International Raceway, August 25-27**

Corvette Racing's next event for IMSA is the Michelin GT Challenge at VIR on August 25-27 from Virginia International Raceway in Alton, Virginia.

For the WEC side of Corvette racing, the team competed in the Six Hours of Monza in MONZA, Italy on July 9<sup>th</sup>. The team consisted of Nicky Catsburg, Ben Keating and Nico Varrone. Keating set the tone for the Corvette team early. He started in 6<sup>th</sup> place and moved his way up to 3<sup>rd</sup> prior to a safety-car period at the 15-minute mark. The Corvette crew brought the race car into the pitlane for a fuel top-off. By the time Keating made his 2<sup>nd</sup> stop at 80 minutes running, he had worked his way to 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Keating handed the car off to Varrone just past the two-hour mark. But a rare in-race mistake meant the C8.R was called in for a drive-through penalty due to speeding in the pitlane. Varrone slid back to 6<sup>th</sup>. But he steadily worked his way back to the lead with strong pace and the pit stop cycle. By the time his driving time was complete just before the 4-hour mark, the C8.R ran 3<sup>rd</sup> and less than four seconds from the leader.

Catsburg drove the final 92 minutes but was unable to make any headway. All of the leaders were from the same manufacturer and ran more than 100 pounds lighter than the Corvette. This was due to GTE AM sporting rules dictating the addition of "success ballast" due to all of the Corvette's previous successes.

The ***Corvette ended with a 4<sup>th</sup> place finish.*** The No. 33 Corvette C8.R team finished ahead of its closest championship competitors to wrap up the program's first title in the World Endurance Championship competition.

It's been a dream season for Corvette Racing with three 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes, in addition to a runner-up finish at the Six Hours of Spa.

Race Results: 1<sup>st</sup>: Porsche, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Porsche, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Porsche, 4<sup>th</sup>: Corvette

There were 12 cars total in the LM GTE AM class.

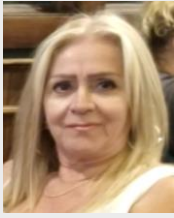
The next race for Corvette in the WEC series is the Six Hours of Fuji on September 10<sup>th</sup>.

That's all I have for this month.

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

*David*





# RAFFLES

Marci O'Brien



## Club Meeting Drawing Winners

Name Badge Drawing (\$20):

Jane La Bella, not present

Next month, \$40

50/50 Drawing (\$330 collected):

Chuck Hammer, \$165

TVS Club, \$165

*Marci*



# SUNSHINE

Dixie Foster



## August Birthdays



- 8/01 Yvonne Molinelli
- 8/09 Dalene Ficquette
- 8/11 Toni Whitford
- 8/14 Lindsey Donovan

## August Anniversaries



- 8/04 Henry & Nelie Aguirre
- 8/06 David Tavares & Jennifer Walton
- 8/27 Jerry Clement & Marci O'Brien
- 8/31 Debbie & Paul Jackley

*Dixie*

**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](mailto:PenCnC1@gmail.com)**



MEALS ON WHEELS  
LONG BEACH

2nd Annual

Hosted by Meals on Wheels of Long Beach  
& The Sultans C.C.



# WHEELS FOR MEALS

## Car Show Fundraiser



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 19TH**

**BOLIVAR PARK ✨ 9AM - 2PM**

**3300 Del Amo Blvd. Lakewood, CA 90712**

HOSTED BY:



# CAR SHOW FUNDRAISER

Saturday, August 19, 2023

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Live Music**

Set up at 7:00 AM, Awards at 1:00 PM

**Trophies**

Car Show on the grass at Bolivar Park at 3300 Del Amo Blvd, Lakewood, CA 90712

**Raffle**

**FREE Spectator Admission**

\$30.00 Pre-registration Fee, Includes Dash Plaque  
Pre-registration deadline is August 1, 2023

**Food**

\$40.00 day of show. Easy-Ups Allowed.

Vendor Spaces: \$75 / Vendor info: (562) 439-5000 ext. 9

Detach & Return this portion with your fee

For info, email or call:  
leta@mowlb.org  
(562) 439-5000 ext. 9

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry#: \_\_\_\_\_

For Official use only

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_



Make checks payable to Meals on Wheels of Long Beach

Mail to: P.O. Box 15688 Long Beach, CA 90815



Please remember to include a self addressed, stamped envelope to receive confirmation-- No refunds.

In consideration of inclusion as a participant in the Meals on Wheels of Long Beach car show, the participant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Meals on Wheels of Long Beach, its members, employees, and other volunteers from and against all liability of loss that the participant and or participating guests, including family and relatives, may sustain or incur as a result of claims, demands, costs or judgements arising from participants involvement in the Meals on Wheels of Long Beach car show.

**SATURDAY – SEPT. 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2023**

**12 – 4 PM**

**TORRANCE ELKS**

**PRESENTS**

**THE BARB HABIF MEMORIAL**



**CHILI**



**Cook-Off**

**AND**

**CAR SHOW**



**CHILI TASTING – HOT DOG, CHIPS & SODA**

**Vendors and Live Music**

(**\$15 Car Show Entry Fee**)

**Car Show Entry Questions Contact – 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**

**Contact 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

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***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*

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**Questions: Contact Robert (310) 738-1746**

## Car Show Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Make \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Club or Lodge Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

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

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***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 \_\_\_\_\_ Car # \_\_\_\_\_

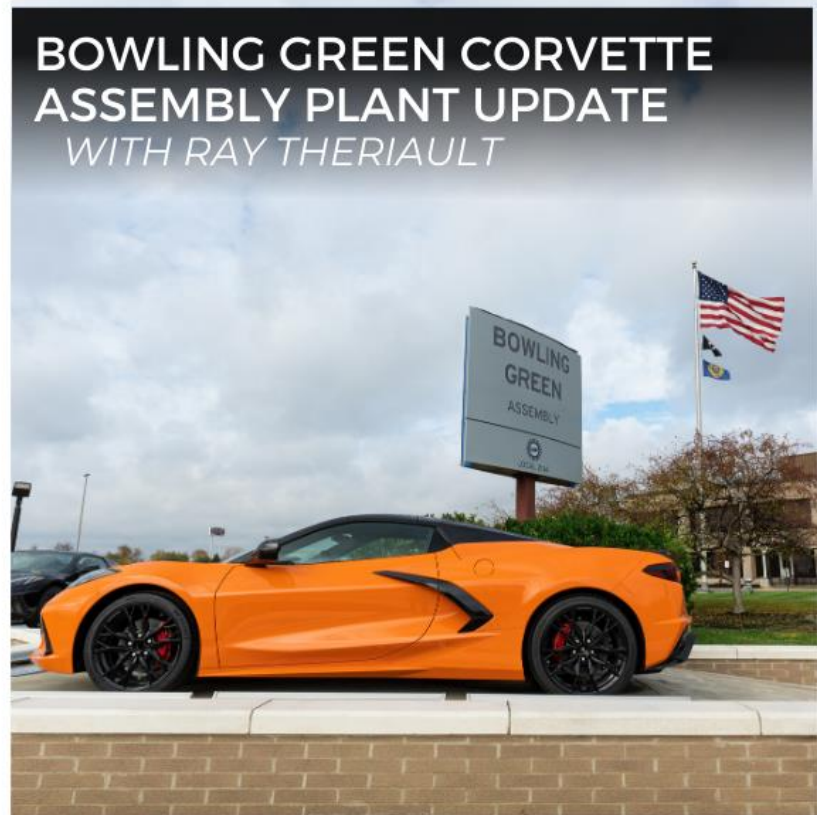
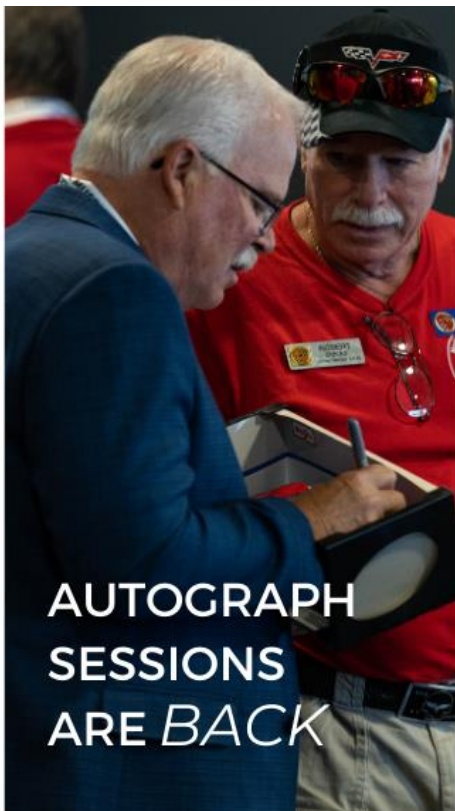


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**NCM EVENTS**

**WHAT TO EXPECT**





**WIN A BRAND NEW CORVETTE**

**2024 Red Mist  
Corvette Convertible**

DRAWING FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2023 AT 2PM CT  
TICKETS \$200 | LIMITED TO 1,500 TICKETS

[PURCHASE TICKETS](#)

Red Mist



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**2024 Arctic White  
Corvette Coupe**

DRAWING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2023  
AT 2PM CT  
TICKETS \$20 | 'UNLIMITED TICKETS'

Arctic White





# 2024 Black Corvette Coupe

DRAWING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2023, AT 2PM CT

TICKETS \$100.00 | LIMITED TO 2,000 TICKETS

PURCHASE TICKETS

Black



## ZIMMERMAN ADM

**AUTO DETAILING SUPPLIES**

**CHEMICAL GUYS**

*Detail Garage*

Sunday, August 20th @ 11am

*The Zimmerman*

Detail Garage / Chemical Guys Shop Talk

*The Zimmerman* PRESENTS

# GASSERS 9

AUGUST 26, 2023

FROM 10AM-4PM

Saturday, August 26, from 10am – 4pm

# NET CRUZE

Cars & Coffee

*The Zimmerman*

Saturday, September 2, from 9 - noon

# South Bay Classics Car Show

SEPTEMBER 9TH

HOSTED BY **GasRatz CUSTOMS** 10-3PM

**ORANGE KRUSH64**

Featuring VIP Corvair Corral

Raffles Sponsors

- FOREVER SHARP
- ALDAN AMERICAN
- MILESTAR
- GEARSTAR

Valve Cover Races!

Food / Drinks

610 Lairport St El Segundo, CA 90245

Saturday, September 9, from 10 – 3pm



**JDM CAR SHOW!**

**Japanese Car & Motorcycle Show**  
**September 28th, 2023**

**At The Zimmerman Automobile Driving Museum**  
**610 Lairport Street, El Segundo CA**

**10:00AM- 4:00PM**

[www.automobiledrivingmuseum.org](http://www.automobiledrivingmuseum.org)  
**(310) 909-0950**

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**NET CRUIZE**  
*Cars & Coffee*

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Saturday, September 30th, from 9 am - noon