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Vette Voice



Antelope Valley **CORVETTE CLUB**

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PO Box 2588, Lancaster, CA 93539

2014 Club Officers

President - Larry G

Vice President - Bruce F

Treasurer - Nelly S

Secretary - Sheri H

NCCC Governor - Howard S

The Antelope Valley Corvette Club originated in 1969 and will celebrate its 45th birthday in 2014. Our club has meetings on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. We meet at The Sizzler, 853 W Palmdale Blvd, Palmdale. If you would like to eat dinner first, please come at 6:00. Any potential new members are welcome to attend a meeting. All new members must own a Corvette.

The club participates in several events throughout the year including:

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- 3. Entering local parades**
- 4. Entering and/or attending car shows**
- 5. Participating in fun runs**
- 6. Autocross**
- 7. Participating in other car club events**
- 8. Contribute to local charities**
- 9. Attend club socials every month**
- 10. Hold club picnics (movie runs, etc.)**

There are many different types of Corvettes in the club, from old to new, original to custom. There are also several anniversary editions and a couple of pace cars.

The *Vette Voice* is the official publication of the Antelope Valley Corvette Club. It is published Monthly just prior to the next business meeting, and is distributed to all club members in good standing, to potential members interested in joining the club and to other clubs in the area.

Articles that pertain to Corvettes, A.V.C.C members, or the Antelope Valley are always welcomed.

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www.avcorvettes.com For more information,

The Antelope Valley Corvette Club is a non-profit organization formed by those who are proud of America's greatest and longest lived sports car, the CORVETTE! We are the true meaning of "pride of ownership".

Annual membership dues are \$36 per year, per member (\$60 per couple) with a one time initiation fee of \$10 per member.

Also required to join the Antelope Valley Corvette Club, members must join our national organization of National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC).



Ponderings of a President



ANTELOPE VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

March 2014

What Will They Do Next?

Looking back at the improvements made with each generation of the Corvette, it makes me wonder what's next? With the exception of the mid 70's when the smog laws nearly ruined the car, every new generation had a modest improvement over the last. I don't think anything has step as far as this latest generation, the C7. Sure, the C4 ZR1 was far superior to the regular C4 in the drive train anyway but it was pretty limited in production and sticker price was outrageous for the time. Even the C6 ZR1 was reasonable compared to the C4, anyway...

When I first read about then saw my first C7, I fell in love with the Corvette all over again. The technology alone is amazing for a car in its price range and nothing at twice the cost can beat it on the road or track. Kemo posted a video on Facebook recently where they put a highly modified, non-street legal C6 up against an almost stock C7. The C6 had super wide and sticky tires, heavily modified suspension, and an engine putting nearly 500 hp on the ground. Before they started, the crew and the driver, the same guy drove both cars, all thought the C7 would have a good showing but there was no way it could beat the modified C6. Little did they know... After all was said and done, the C7 had the best, and most consistent lap times. The driver was the most surprised. He didn't realize the C7 was faster until after he had finished his laps, when he was shown the times. That's how well even, tame the car felt. This car will let almost anyone feel and drive it like a race car driver.

Back to my original question, what's next? The Z06 coming out next year will have a similar supercharged engine to the C6 ZR1 with similar horse power. What will the C7 ZR1 have in it? Currently, there's direct injection, composites, advanced technology, and enhanced aspiration but there are still pushrods. Could the future bring another dual double overhead cam? That hasn't happened since the C4 ZR1. I can hardly imagine what today's technology can do to an engine with the cams up top. The competitors put them up top just to be able to compete with Chevy's pushrods.

Just a thought... hope to see you all Wednesday.

Larry G.



Sunshine Report



Birthdays

March

- Augie A. - 7
- Stevette M. - 8
- Jim H. - 10
- Mary Ann C. - 14
- Larry G. - 20
- Mike I. - 25
- Howard Schiller - 26
- Marilyn W. - 26

April

- Anita R. - 11
- Lorri P. - 24
- Darlene A. - 28

Anniversaries

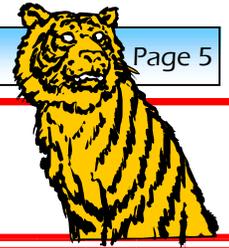
March

- Howard & Nelly S. - 9

April

- Larry & Erica G - 24

A huge welcome goes out to new members



Antelope Valley Corvette Club Does it's Part in Antelope Valley

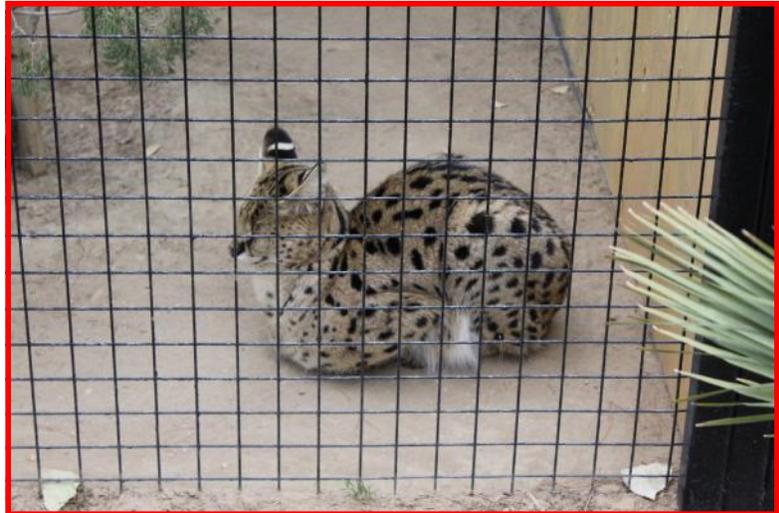
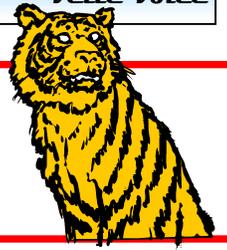


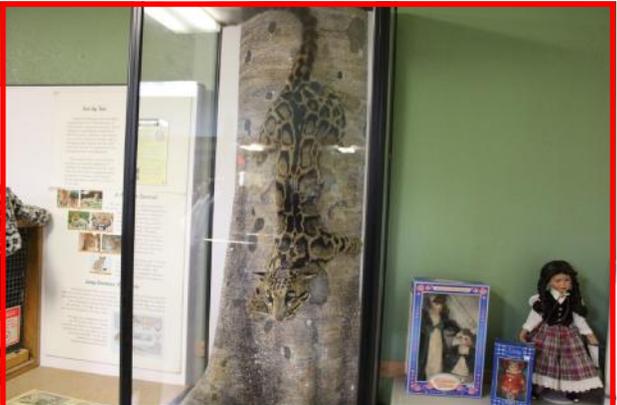
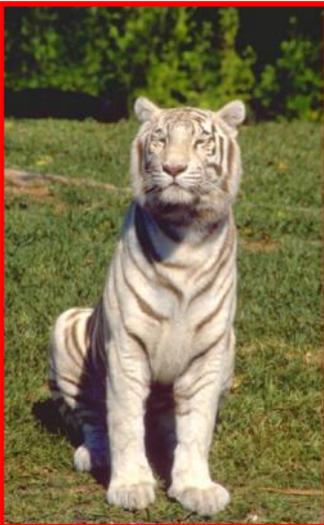
On Sunday, January 12, 2014, a large group from our club Cor-a-Vaned to the Feline Conservation Center, also known as the Cat House in Rosamond, to present them with a \$500 check. Home to over 70 of the world's most endangered felines, The Cat House is a breeding zoo and research facility founded in 1977. They are a non-profit organization run entirely on public donations. Yearly memberships are their largest form of support. All donations to The Cat House are used in the areas where they will do the most good. For every dollar donated, 94 cents goes toward the breeding, research, educational outreach programs as well as upkeep and improvements around the center.



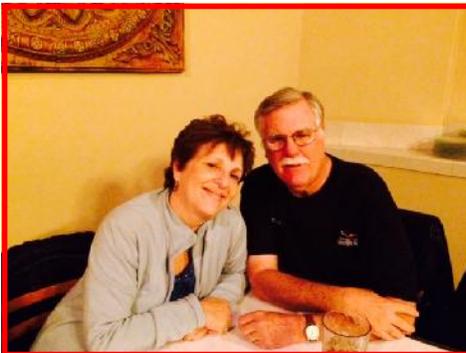
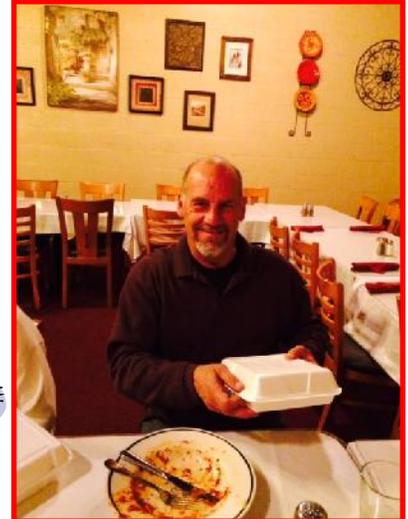


The Cat House Live Displays





Our social at Julianni's Italian Ristorante at the Lancaster Market Place. The food was really great, the portions were big, and the prices were very reasonable. Good times with good friends. It just doesn't get any better.





Our President handing over our clubs donation of \$500 to the American Cancer Society. Accepting the donation is Rebecca Humphreys.



What's Going On

March

March 5

AVCC Business Meeting – Sizzler in Palmdale - 7:00 p.m. Dinner starts at 6:00.

March 19

AVCC Social – Place to be Determined - 6:30 p.m.

March 29-30

Hotchkis Sport Suspension is putting on the NMCA West's Fontana Autocross Event at the Auto Club Dragway in Fontana, CA.

April

April 2

AVCC Business Meeting – Sizzler in Palmdale - 7:00 p.m. Dinner starts at 6:00.

April 16

AVCC Social – Place to be Determined - 6:30 p.m.

April 26 - 27

Lancaster Poppy Festival

April 25 - 26

NCCC National Governor's Meeting - St. Louis

ANTELOPE VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB
MEETING MINUTES – February 5, 2014

CALL TO ORDER:

- Larry called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. at the Sizzler Steakhouse in Palmdale.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Larry made a correction to the minutes stating the Corvette races will be in Monterey.
- January minutes were e-mailed to the members. Motion to approve was passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Nelly S. presented the report for January.

- Balance as of 12/13/13 - \$2298.86
- Deposits - \$42.50
- Outflow - \$500.00
- Balance as of 1/31/14 - \$1842.36

Motion to approve the report was passed.

PRESIDENT'S TIME:

- Mike and Donna's daughter Kimberly was a guest.
- Larry presented Rebecca Humphreys from the American Cancer Society a check for \$500.00 from the club.
- Larry stated there are additional items to be raffled in addition to the 50/50.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Discussion regarding doing a club event. Bruce had checked with Willow Springs and found it to be very costly.
- Further discussion regarding a club event involving drag racing and Auto Cross. The options at Willow Springs were costly and limited. Other venues also presented problems. A suggestion was made to attend other club's drag racing/Auto Cross events to see what is involved and do more events within our club. It was suggested to hold off a club event for another year.
- Wayne and Marilyn arranged to have the next dinner meeting at Julianna's Italian Restaurant in the Lancaster Marketplace on 2/19/14.
- Nelly had a thank you from the Feline Compound and some pictures.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Larry had a Megular's auto detailing DVD for loan.

NCCC:

- Howard stated the membership count for NCCC was over 18,000.
- They are still unsure about a Las Vegas convention.
- There will be a 2 day autocross in Palm Springs in March.
- Pomona Corvette Club will hold a car show.
- Howard had a C7 book that normally costs \$40.00. A group order would be \$20.00 and could be ordered next meeting.

ACTIVITIES:

- Bruce reviewed the information he had for Willow Springs.
- Lancaster Relay for Life will be 4/26/14-4/27/14 at Quartz Hill High School. They are asking for sponsors. Bruce will contact them.
- Bruce researched downtown Lancaster and stated it would involve a lot of work.
- Jim and Leona volunteered to host a mystery run on 4/19/14 leaving at 10:00 a.m.
- Bruce will check into making reservations for the Nethercutt.
- Bruce stated O'Reilly Auto Parts will be having their first car show in Pomona on Saturday, 3/22/14.
- Rick, Sheri, Danny, and Norma will be camping at Carpinteria. Sheri said if the club wanted to do a run on 3/8/14 they could come.
- Bruce said to send ideas for activities to him.

SUNSHINE REPORT:

- Donna announced birthdays and anniversaries for February.

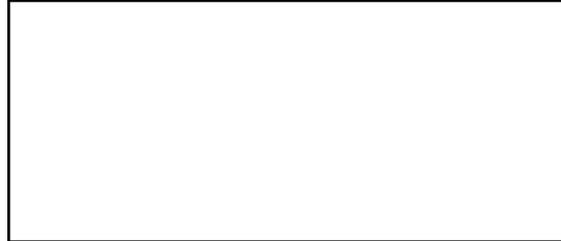
MISCELLANEOUS:

- John and Anita won the 50/50 raffle worth \$32.50.
- Jerry, Bruce, and Rick won the raffles.
- Reminder to leave a tip for our servers.

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



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