



CROSSTALK

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We are well into the year 2015 and if you are not having fun yet it is not the fault of the Corvette Club of Arizona. Two months into the year and by the time this article appears we will have already had eleven opportunities for social involvement, not counting board meetings, general meetings, and autocross activities. The rest of the year is shaping up to be just as busy, with a variety of activities planned to appeal to almost anyone. There are still openings in the summer for members to jump in and plan an event and the MMT is still up for grabs. If you have not tackled an event, as always there are plenty of seasoned members ready and willing to give guidance or partner up and help. I have noticed a number of new C-7's appearing in the club. On the bad side, I don't have one (yet? Gm). On the good side, maybe if everyone else gets one, my C-6 will be rarer. Regardless what year it is, enjoy your car. Remember that because you have it is the reason you are a member of CCA... and what could be better than that! *Dave*

PACKAGES FROM HOME PACKING DAYS

HOSTED BY DAVE LOTT

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On Saturday, January 24th, 15 CCA members caravanned to the Packages from Home facility in downtown Phoenix and packed 60+ boxes of chocolate bars to send to our troops. Sorting and packing this much chocolate was a true test of resistance and several packers appeared to be chocoholics. We followed this trip on Wednesday, January 28th, with 16



more CCA members at Packages from Home where we packed 60+ boxes of varied food items. If you have not been on one of these packing parties you would not believe the

amount of detail that goes into the packing of a box. We do this on a yearly basis in January and I encourage everyone to go, we're only there two hours and can only take 15 at a time due to the available space inside.. After the packing parties most of the packers went to La Canasta for lunch. This is a special event for me and I would like to personally thank all who participate.





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UPCOMING MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

March

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UPCOMING CCA EVENTS

March

7 - Ostrich Festival Parade
Bill Rhode

12 - Membership Meeting
Floridino's 7pm

14 - St Paddy's Day Party
Heavlin & Rhode



19 - Board Meeting
Hagan 7:30p

21 - Driver/Dinner
Katz

27 - Euchre Night
Lott

28&29 - TVS April Event
Car Show, Rallye, AutoCross
Sierra Vista

April

2 - Membership Meeting
Thorobred 7pm

5 - Easter Sunday

11 - Corvettes In The Park
Dave Lott



16 - Board Meeting
Mundy 7:30pm

18 - Founders Day Driver
Friesz/Lott

24 - Euchre Night
Davenport

25 - Highway Cleanup
Sample

May

2 - Vette Set Dinner
Grassel/Enriquez

7 - Membership Meeting
Thorobred 7pm

9 - Progressive Dinner
Appetizer—Katz
Dinner—Riffel
Dessert—Hagan

10 - Mother's Day

15-18 - San Diego Driver
Mion/Katz

21 - Board Meeting
Kerber 7:30p

25 - Memorial Day

27 - Euchre Night
TBD

30 - Pima Air Museum Driver
Campise

June

4 - Membership Meeting
Floridino's 7pm

21 - Father's Day

No Scheduled Board Meeting

27 - Euchre Night
TBD

30 - Happy 62nd Birthday
First Production Corvette



ROADRUNNER EVENTS CALENDAR 2015 Schedule of Upcoming Events

RR-328-001	Thunder Vette Set	March 28, 2015	TVS Spring Break/Peoples Choice Concours
RR-328-002	Thunder Vette Set	March 28, 2015	TVS April Event/Gimmick Rallye
RR-328-003	Thunder Vette Set	March 29, 2015	TVS April Event/Low Speed Autocross
RR-328-004	Thunder Vette Set	March 29, 2015	TVS April Event/Low Speed Autocross
RR-328-005	Thunder Vette Set	March 29, 2015	TVS April Event/Matching Times Autocross
RR-332-001	Corvette Club of Arizona	April 11, 2015	Corvettes In the Park /Peoples Choice
RR-426-002	Verde Valley Vettes	April 25, 2015	Golden Egg Rallye/Chance Rallye
RR-426-001	Verde Valley Vettes	May 16, 2015	Peoples Choice Concours
RR-426-003	Verde Valley Vettes	May 25, 2015	Chance Rallye/Poker Rally
RR-587-001/006	Phantom Corvette Club	July 18/19, 2015	Ken Daby Great Summer Escape
RR-328-006	Thunder Vette Set	Nov 7th, 2015	TVS Corvette Thunder/Peoples Choice Concours
RR-587-007/010	Phantom Corvette Club	Nov 14, 2015	Ken Daby Mission Trail

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS



We are John & Cathy Dunton. Originally from Wisconsin and relocated to the San Tan Valley (Johnson Ranch) in 2012. We have two daughters, Mary and Amy, and one granddaughter. Mary lives in Milwaukee and Amy lives in Gilbert with her daughter and husband. John is currently active in the American Legion. We are active in our church and enjoy spending time with our family and two grand-dogs.

Currently we own a 1994 Black Corvette Convertible and enjoy the car shows and the day trips. Our 1st corvette was a 1978 which we owned from 1994 until 2011.



CCA ON LINE

FROM WEBMASTER JIM KERBER

Have you checked our website recently? If so, you have noticed some changes. If not, check it out. We have a new banner at the top of the home page commemorating our 40th anniversary. We have also added information regarding upcoming business meetings as a place to quickly check when and where the next business meeting will be held.

In March we expect to embark on a major project to update all member profiles. While many of the member profiles have been recently updated, there are also many that date back several years. Look forward to an e-mail in the next month with your current profile and an update request. Many thanks to Bob Swanson and Howard Katz who have volunteered to provide follow-up on this project.

On a personal note, please join me in thanking George and Janet Ray for taking on the webmaster duties over the past 5 years. They have made many major improvements to our website over that time. It is much improved and sophisticated from its beginnings in 2010 when I was last involved with it. George has agreed to continue to provide technical support which I sincerely appreciate. I will continue to update you as we move forward.

VETTE SET

FROM COORDINATOR KATHY BERRYMAN

We don't have any dinners scheduled for March and April at this time, but I know there is interest in scheduling a few. If you would like to host and/or be included on the Vette Set Dining mailing list, send an email to me.

At right is a picture of our last Vette Set dinner, hosted by Diana and Roc Campise, at the Gilbert House. Normally only open for breakfast and lunch, the Gilbert house occasionally has dinner, and so was the case for Valentines Day. Everyone had fun, which included a speed round of "How long have you been married and how did you meet each other?"



AWARDS BANQUET

HOSTED BY THE ENRIQUEZES & THE RHODES

Our 2015 banquet celebration set the stage for closing out one year and welcoming an exciting new year in CCA club history.

Our January banquet marked the first time the club has held the banquet in a month other than December. Historically a December banquet is very popular but also represents a very active time of year for most club members. So after careful consideration, the Board approved a January banquet date. The timing was great since the year 2015 would mark our club's 40th Anniversary. And how better to



kick off our yearlong celebration than with a January Awards Banquet.

The January banquet date set the stage for an impressive attendance number for the banquet. Sixty CCA members signed up to share in the recognition of club members who served the club and its membership throughout the year.

As part of the banquet, a theme was not only established for the banquet, but also for the year -- "Driving into our 40th Year". You'll see the logo throughout the year and in promotional communications. In addition, a special 40th Anniversary club shirt was unveiled during the banquet. The shirt has proven to be very popular among club members as a total of 54 shirts were ordered by members.



A lot has transpired over the last forty years within the club and hopefully we'll be able to share much of that history as the year progresses. The club has come a long way, but it still revolves around our common bond, America's Sports Car, the Chevrolet Corvette.

In preparation for the banquet, it was rewarding to note the number of club members who sponsored, chaired or co-chaired an event. In many cases, multiple times! It's great to see so many active members within the club. It's a positive way to insure the club will continue to thrive for many years to come.

Our President, Dave Lott, thanked the 2014 outgoing Board for their service and commitment to CCA and introduced the new 2015 Board Members. Each outgoing

member of the Board was presented a token of appreciation for their service. It is through the efforts of an active and committed board that fuels the smooth operation of the club.

Coming up with a small gift for departing Board Members is always a challenge for the banquet hosts. So a new concept was introduced as we venture into our 40th year. In lieu of a gift being presented to departing Board Members, incoming Board Members will now receive a Board of Director club shirt as recognition of their service. Shirt colors will be alternated each year to distinguish board members from year-to-year. This year's shirt is black with the club logo and the board members office position and year embroidered on the shirt.

Marge Rhode was the star of the evening by being presented the 2014 Outstanding Member of the Year award by our 2013 recipient, Garry Mion. This is the second time Marge has received the honor and each time it has been well deserved based on Marge's contributions and support of CCA activities and its membership.



AWARDS BANQUET (CON'T)



Following the dinner and awards portion of our banquet, we entertained ourselves with an active and fun Casino Night. When I called an end to the casino night festivities, I received many disapproving looks, so I guess people were having a really good time. The Dealers were a lot of fun and helped everyone enjoy the gaming activities.

A big part of the evening's success was attributed to the ownership, management and staff of the Crowne Plaza Hotel - Thanks Frank and Darlene Heavlin! I've attended a lot of banquets and meetings at hotels across the country, and I can honestly say the meal provided by the Crowne Plaza was the best banquet meal I've ever been served.



I want to also thank Garry Mion and Barb Bassett for providing photography services. And of course Bruce and Jan Mundy for providing the sound system and music. And most notably, I want to thank my wife, Esther along with Marge and Bill Rhode for all the support, ideas and work they contributed in preparation for the evening.

Continue to look for a fun, exciting and enjoyable club experience as the year progresses!



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

HOSTED BY THE HAGANS

Another pancake breakfast on the books. I would first like to thank Bruce and Sharon Lund along with Dawn Dziezynski for all their help. Sharon and Bruce's concoction for the fabulous bloody marys were "fabulous" Also obviously everyone loved Dawn's breakfast fritatas because there wasn't a crumb left over, they were practically licked clean. I'm gonna say the potatoes were a hit too because they were demolished. Yes this club likes to eat.

O.K. so here is the scoop. We went through 12 dozen eggs, 140 pancakes, 140 slices of bacon, 60 cups of coffee, miny cinnamon muffins, 2 pans of potatoes, and 3 pans of frittatas, orange juice, bloody marys and mimosas. What a hungry bunch, hew.

Our house of 2300 sq. ft. got real crowded as 51 people showed up for their breakfast. Fortunately the weather was great and we were able to open our new bi-fold doors to the patio. We had tables set up outside and had the heaters going and the fire pit which made it just a little more comfortable for eating outdoors.

Frank did want to again say thanks to Sharon and Dawn. If it wasn't for their help he wouldn't have been able to speak to anyone. The crowd kept grabbing Nancy aside so she could explain and show all her handy work in the house, particularly the master bath.

After the "cook left the kitchen", Frank finally got a chance to socialize. I apologize to anyone who thought I avoided them, but that was not the case. It's a lot of work but we enjoyed it. Many thanks to all who came to our breakfast, until next year when we'll do it all again.

EUCHRE NIGHT

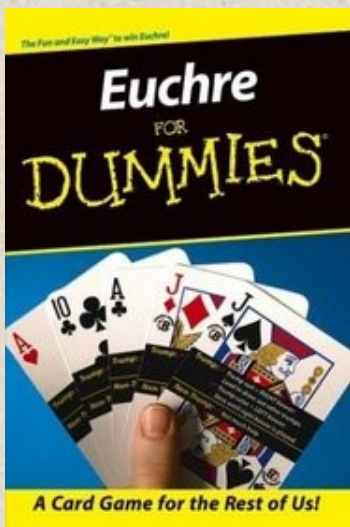
ARTICLE BY DENISE LOTT

Our monthly gathering to play Euchre started in January. Sponsored by the Rhodes and the Lotts, we meet on the last Friday of each month. The March session will be at the Lotts' house, and April's session will be at the Davenport's.



What is Euchre? Played with only 32 cards, Euchre is an easy-to-learn, fast-moving game, with just enough challenge to keep it interesting. We welcome anyone who thinks they might like to give it a try. There is no commitment from month-to-month, and we will be glad to teach you.

To host/join the group in any given month, email [me](#).



SWEET BASIL COOKING CLASS

HOSTED BY THE BASSETTS

Sweet Basil in Scottsdale welcomed back CCA with open arms. This is the second year Chef Linda has announced we are her favorite group to teach. She says we're well behaved (she really doesn't know us!). After "Flambé Jim" produced a fire (about 4 feet tall) from the pan up to the hood fan last year I was worried Chef would have the Scottsdale fire department on standby outside the store.

I love the Democratic process. This year our 7 couples voted for the choice of menu. These romantic couples chose "Italian Delights." I believe Italian is a wonderful gastronomic delight for romance.

I love to sit back and watch the dynamic of all the couples working out the menu selection they chose to prepare with each other. Your Corvette Buddies are very "centered and focused on the recipe and wanting to work well with their spouse." Ahem.....especially in public!

Following the preparation we dined from the ample production of food; displayed on a selection of interestingly shaped and sized serving plates, served buffet style. Sweet Basil provides a red and white wine, that of pares with the menu selection which I will now list:

- Cheese Ravioli with Red Pepper Sauce
- Portobello and Asparagus Salad
- Tuscan Flatbread with Roasted Garlic Eggplant Spread
- Chicken with Mustard Mascarpone Marsala Sauce
- Wild Mushroom Risotto
- Roasted Zucchini with Pecorino
- Panna Cotta with Wild Berry Sauce

We dined, sipped our wine and chatted quietly with each other telling the tale of who cooked each dish and how much we were enjoying the fragrances and interesting Italian flavors.

With our bellies full of food and our satisfied minds happy about the evening we concluded by suggesting we should prepare PIZZA or CHINESE next year. I believe those two selections were the second choices of our fantastic CCA couples group this year. This event also welcomes anyone, not just couples. The group just seems to have evolved this way, perhaps because of the romance of food.

Thank you all who attended, we had a wonderful time with all of you.



SUPER BOWL PARTY

HOSTED BY THE MIONS

If you didn't hang in till the very end of the game, you certainly missed an unbelievable (or perhaps unfortunate from your perspective) finish. For the forty six CCA members at this year's party, nobody left early.

The party got started early, with initial guests arriving around 2pm. Guess you could say we had a bit of an indoor tail-gate gathering, as members brought their favorite appetizer to go along with the various beverages. The football pool matrix filled up quickly, so at \$1/square I guess the economy is clearly on the mend (ok, that and the number of C7's in the street).

At halftime the pizzas arrived and we had dinner and dessert. I think there were enough TV's around, so nobody missed the halftime spectacular. With all the food around that afternoon, nobody should have walked away... deflated?

Karen and I want to thank all that attended. What's a party without people? We hope you all had fun as well. Cheers!



CCA REPRESENTS AT SWEETHEART CAR SHOW

ARTICLE BY GARRY MION

It was a beautiful day for a car show, and so it is no surprise to see a number of CCA members either entered into the show or simply there to look at all the cars. This was the 21st Annual Sweetheart Car Show hosted by Desert Corvette Association (DCA). It is open to all Chevy and Chevy-Powered cars, and comprises both a Participants Choice and Concours (Corvettes Only) judging, with awards for 26+ categories.

Barb and Bob Bassett walked away with a Fourth Place trophy in the C7 Participant's Choice category, and 1st Place in Concur Prepared.

Pat and Ray Jenkins went home with a 1st Place in Concur Street & Show, and Bill Rhode took First Place in his Corvair Class.



CONGRATULATIONS TO PAT & RAY JENKINS

The Roadrunner Region is full of activities across the state, and last year Pat and Ray Jenkins won an award for their participation in several of them.

- Pat received a 2nd Place Trophy for Ladies 2nd Overall in the Region.
- Ray received a 2nd Place Trophy for Mens 2nd Overall in the Region.

"Pat and I enjoy participating in other Corvette Club Events as well as our own Club Events throughout the year. By doing this we represent our Corvette Club and also get NCCC participation points that we get rewarded for at the end of the year. If enough points are accumulated throughout the year a Trophy can be won. And for our participation, we won! We would like to see more members of our Corvette Club participate in these fun events."

HEBER DRIVER

HOSTED BY THE MCSPADDENS & THE ENRIQUEZES

This time of year makes one nervous about possible weather conditions in the higher elevations of Arizona. So it was with great concern that we kept checking the weather forecast for the Heber area. Maybe cloudy, maybe windy, maybe mid-fifties...maybe, maybe, maybe. However, the final two day forecast prior to our Saturday driver was looking good so off we went. And the weather was classic Arizona winter – it's why the snow birds migrate this way for the Winter months.



The first driver of 2015 seemed so far removed from our last driver in 2014. So the stage was set for a great time – especially since the weather was so cooperative. A few members of the fourteen car caravan arrived at our departure site in Mesa early enough to fuel up on fresh, warm donuts and coffee before the first leg of our trip. We headed out Hwy 60 to Roosevelt Dam for a picturesque stop. We were basically the only cars there so it was easy posing our cars in the parking lot for our group pictures.

From there we headed through the beautiful town of Payson on our way to Heber. It was a long morning, but a gorgeous day for sightseeing and enjoying the Arizona countryside. We finally ended up in Heber for our lunch at a local's place called the Red Onion. They did a great job of accommodating our group and welcomed us as if we've been

there many times in the past. The management was extremely cooperative in every aspect when it came to setting up the reservation and making room for our group.

No matter where we stopped, we gathered spectators wanting to have a look at all the Corvettes. There are so many people who have wanted to own a Corvette or who always say: "I had a ___ Corvette and I wish I still owned it". It's a dream car for many and one we get to enjoy each and every day.

Along the way we played a game of No Card Poker. We started by recording the 2nd to the last number from the driver's license. Next stop we recorded the last number from each car's VIN. Next stop called for the last digit on the vehicle registration record number. Followed by the last number on the vehicle insurance card. And finally at our destination we recorded the last number on the odometer.

So what did it take to win? Several drivers held a pair, one had two pair. Esther and I were glad we had established a tie breaker since going into the final number, it looked like a congested finish. However, Bob and Carol McDougall eliminated the need for a tie breaker as they came in with a winning three-of-a-kind. A really different game to play on a driver and one that definitely required no poker playing skills.

It was a fun day and lots of great conversation and camaraderie along the way. I am looking forward to our club's next driver.

On behalf of Oscar, Charlotte, Esther and myself, we want to thank everyone for their participation and enthusiasm.

Drive On!



MEMORIES FROM THE PAST 40 YEARS

ARTICLE BY ESTHER ENRIQUEZ

As we celebrate CCA's 40th Anniversary, highlights from the Crosstalk archives will be presented in each issue of the 2015 Crosstalk this year. (Special thanks to Bruce Mundy for supplying a cache of hard-copy Crosstalks from the past.)

The first Crosstalk issue was published in July-August of 1975. Linda Van Scoy volunteered to create this bi-monthly newsletter with the intent to "put into writing some ideas, memories, humor, news, or general information for the enjoyment and enlightenment of our club." Members were encouraged to contribute to the newsletter which reflected CCA as an active, concerned, fun-loving club with interested members who care and plan to keep it that way.

The President's message ("Thoughts from the Wagonmaster") from recently-elected **Jim Hanson** reminded members of the basic reason for forming the club: a very active and exciting group of Corvette enthusiasts working together to enjoy their cars and each other's friendships.

Inside pages included:

- A column by the Vice-President (**Ed Van Scoy**) attempting to define the Corvette and found it defined as "an armed naval escort vessel, smaller than a destroyer; a small warship."
- Highly unsatisfied with that definition, he found the following: "The only true sports car manufactured in the USA, an automotive legend and classic in its own time; universally accepted as the measure of high performance, futuristic styling with the ultimate variety of comfort options available, a lifestyle centered around the mutual appreciation, admiration and genuine love for the Corvette automobile."
- He chose to focus on the last phrase, "a lifestyle..." reminding members that only 6 months earlier, they were all strangers with only one thing in common – their Corvettes. Since then, they had discovered a way to work together to create this organization and share the better side of life – the Corvette Lifestyle which encouraged them to use their cars for more than Sunday drives.
- Minutes from the General Meeting which included a report from the Insignia Committee which presented their designs for the club logo and a motion to create a committee to draw up the Bylaws.
- The club treasury showed a balance of \$235.67.
- Buy/Sell items such as front bumper for a '63-'67 Vette, a 4-speed transmission for Vette, C.B. radios for your Vette – only \$145.
- A page of jokes (some of which would not be considered politically correct today!)
- A roster listing the 24 current members

Cover of the first Crosstalk issue



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NCCC GOVERNOR'S REPORT

BY BRUCE MUNDT



It has been four (or is it five?) years since I last had the opportunity to represent the Corvette Club of Arizona as your NCCC Governor. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to once again be your NCCC Governor.

The 2015 first quarter NCCC Roadrunner Region Governor's meeting is scheduled for Mar 14, 12 o'clock noon at Corvette Performance Arizona.

Currently, Roadrunner Region has seven Competition Events on the calendar comprised of nineteen sanctions.

Desert Corvette's Sweetheart Car Show was held Feb 8, 2015 at Chapman Chevrolet. Pictures can be viewed [here](#).

The next RRR event, TVS Spring Break, is being held by Thunder Vette Set Mar 28, 2015 and Mar 29, 2015 at the Sierra Vista Airport. This is a fun event with a People's Choice Concours, Gimmick Rallye, and three Low Speed (LS) autocrosses. CCA usually has good representation at this event - the weather is expected to be good if a little windy.

CCA's Corvettes in the Park will be April 11, 2015 in Downtown Chandler. If you have not yet registered for the show, go [here](#) to register online, or to download a flyer and mail in your check. *[Please be sure to let all your Corvette friends know about the show as well.]*

These and other events are detailed at the Roadrunner [website](#).

If you own a C6, remember that Chevrolet has opened a Safety Recall for all 2005 - 2007 Corvettes and opened a Special Coverage update for 2008 - 2013 Corvettes. The problem is with the wiring that controls the low beam headlamps and can cause the low beam headlamps to go out. The fix is a simple wiring update and Thorobred has the parts to complete the recall now and there is no cost to you. Thanks to Mike Terrey for this heads-up.

LOOKING FOR MEMBER ARTICLES

BY GARRY MION

Everyone has a good story to tell about their Corvette (s). It could be about when you rode or purchased your first car and the experience that went with it. It could be about modification or enhancements you have made to your car and other members could benefit from how you did it or where it was done. It could be about where you have traveled with your car and would like share the experience. Whatever it is—it is something you are excited or passionate about and worth sharing with other members.

Writing an article is simple. You don't need to have any word processing skills, and you don't have to be the best speller or have a PHD in creative writing. If you can write an email—you can write an article. About the only technical skill you need would be to take digital photos—and that is only if you have pictures you would like to add to the article (they are a nice addition—and if you have trouble attaching them to an email I can help you out).

So how about it? Here are the latest dates by which I would need your article in order to make it into an upcoming newsletter.

Iss2—Apr 27th Iss3—Jun 26th Iss4—Aug 27th Iss5—Oct 26th Iss6—Dec 27th

I look forward to reading your article and including it in a future newsletter!

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