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President's Message



Welcome to the second issue of Crosstalk for 2011. In this issue you'll begin to see some of the changes being implemented for our club newsletter. Historically, Crosstalk has been a great tool for reporting past CCA events. However, I've asked our Crosstalk Editor, Bob Swanson, to place greater focus on up and coming events. We'll still report on past events, but we'll shorten some of the articles by moving many of the event pictures to our website for easy viewing. Don't worry, viewing pictures for a Crosstalk article will just be a click away as the article will include a link to the pictures on our website.

The new Crosstalk will provide everyone with advance information on up coming events for improved planning and participation. It will also let everyone know a little more about the behind the scenes activities being carried out by our members to bring club activities to life.

In addition to the changes in Crosstalk, George and Janet Ray are updating our website as well. I think you'll really like what you see. The public page has been improved and the "Members Only" section has been updated with improved headings and content.

Along the subject of change, the club is always looking for suggestions on how we can improve relative to supporting the activities, events and interests of our members. So if you have any suggestions, recommendations or opinions, let me know at jenriquez@cox.net.

I want to send out a big note of appreciation to this year's Board of Director. Thanks to their fantastic efforts, the CCA Calendar of Events is rapidly filling up with activities including parties, drivers and assorted events. In addition, we've had several new members volunteer to sponsor or host events. If you've been thinking of an event or have questions, please give a shout to Scott Feck or me.

Don't forget to explore events sponsored by other clubs in the NCCC Roadrunner region. A list of activities and events for other clubs is now listed at the end of our club's Calendar of Events.

Have fun, be safe and enjoy your club,

Jim



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CCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The following calendar of events is for planning and scheduling purposes and is subject to change

Last Update: 02-16-2011

To View the entire Corvette Club of Arizona 2011 Calendar of Events, visit the CCA website: www.ccofaz.com

March	April	May	June
3- Business meeting at Thorobred 7:00PM	7- Business meeting at Thorobred 7:00PM	5- Business meeting at Thorobred 7:00PM	2-Business meeting at Thorobred 7:00PM
5-Ostrich Festival Parade Bill Rhode	9- CCA Founder's Day Heavlin & Caccamo	21-Progressive Dinner & Fund Raiser Swansons/Appetizers Magees/Main course Hagans/Dessert	16-Board meeting 7:30PM at Feck's
12- St Patty's Party Marge Rhode Darlene Heavlin	16- Corvettes in the Park Jim Enriquez	8- Mother's Day	19-Father's Day
16-WED: Board meeting 7:30PM at Enriquez's	21-Board meeting 7:30PM at Hitzel's	19-Board meeting 7:30PM at Rhode's	30- 58 th Birthday for the first Production Corvette
17-St. Patrick's Day	24-Easter Sunday	30-Memorial Day	18,19- Bisbee Driver Grassels Caccamo
26-Day Driver to Tortilla Flats. Frieszs			
TBD- CCA Highway Cleanup W/the Meyers			

ROADRUNNER EVENTS CALENDAR 2011

Last update: February 9, 2011

Regional Competition Director (RCD) - Paul Hamersly - lt4ce@yahoo.com

Sanction #	Club	Type	Date	Location/Description	Info/Results
RR-543-015	ACC	LS Autocross	4/3/11	Tempe Diablo Stadium, Tempe AZ	Info
RR-543-016	ACC	LS Autocross	4/3/11	Tempe Diablo Stadium, Tempe AZ	Info
RR-543-017	ACC	LS Autocross	4/3/11	Tempe Diablo Stadium, Tempe AZ	Info
RR-332-001	CCA	PC Show	4/16/11	Chandler AZ	Info
RR-328-007	TVS	LS Autocross	4/23/11	Sierra Vista AZ	Date Change
RR-328-008	TVS	LS Autocross	4/23/11	Sierra Vista AZ	Date Change
RR-328-009	TVS	LS Autocross	4/23/11	Sierra Vista AZ	Date Change



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LOOKING DOWN THE ROAD

Members of the Corvette Club of Arizona have been busy planning events and programs throughout the year for everyone's enjoyment. To make sure you are part of the fun and activities, here's a little insight into some of our annual CCA events... Jim Enriquez

March 5th - Ostrich Festival Parade

Join the fun by driving a City of Chandler or Ostrich Festival VIP down Arizona Avenue on Saturday morning, March 5th. The crowds lining the parade route always love to see our Corvettes and it's hard to tell who drools more at the sight of our beautiful cars -- the kids or the adults. We'll finish up the morning with a CCA group lunch following the parade festivities. Bill Rhode is hosting the event and rest assured, he will not be allowed to drive his Corvair muscle car in the actual parade -- I think it's by city ordinance. So come join the fun, listen to the marching bands, waive to the crowd, notice the beauty queens and of course, be sure and avoid the horse droppings. What a wonderful day in Arizona!

April 9th - Founder's Day

Celebrate the founding of the Corvette Club of Arizona with a sun-filled scenic drive to the Sonoran Desert Museum in Tucson. Our hosts for the event are Frank and Darlene Heavlin with an assist from Bob Caccamo & Jan Adams. Between the four of them, it's clear we will have a great day celebrating the 36th anniversary of our club and sharing the day with club members and the traditional CCA anniversary cake. Details of the event to be published shortly.

April 16th - Corvettes-in-the-Park

It does not matter if you are a waxer or a racer, it's time to prep your Corvette with a gentle wash and a gleaming coat of wax in preparation for the first annual Corvettes-in-the-Park Car Show. Our spring car show has been a great success over the years and was previously held at Julio G's Mexican Restaurant in Scottsdale. However, changing economic times necessitated the move to A. J. Chandler Park in old town Chandler. The stage is set for CCA to develop our show into the largest all Corvette show in Arizona. We should set new records for the number of spectators attending our spring car show. In addition to the wonderful Ramada display area, the park is surrounded by a variety of restaurants and well placed watering holes -- what more could Corvette owners ask for?

Set your plans for being part of the inaugural festivities for Corvettes-in-the-Park. Registration fee is \$25.00 with \$10 of each registration being donated to the Chandler Christian Community Center (Food Bank). Contact Jim Enriquez for additional information or to volunteer.

May 21st - Progressive Dinner

The details are being finalized by the Swanson's, the Magee's, and the Hagan's for this year's event. One thing for sure, bring your appetite. An abundance of appetizers, a dazzling entrée and of course a spectacular array of desserts will be part of the event. And of course, a quick driver between every course just to help you make a little room for the next stop. Mark the day in your calendar and expect more information to follow.

July 4th - Fourth of July Pool Party

Looking for an event to sponsor? If so, this event is waiting for a host or hosts. Only requirement is a pool. The rest can be tossed together thanks to the easygoing nature of our club members. If you have questions, talk to Scott Feck. He can help you.

September 9th – 11th - Magical Mystery Tour

Don't know where we are going? It's all part of the charm of the event. You can be promised, no matter where the weekend trip takes you, you'll have a fun time because of the people. That's not to say Frank and Nancy Hagan won't have a great place picked out for the event. They are the resident experts in hosting MMT events. So pack your clothes for three possible summer temperature zones, fill up your tank and plan to have fun. The cost for this year's event is estimated to be \$700 - \$750 per couple. So if you need to plan a car wash to raise the funds, you've got time to get started. Make your decision early about attending, since there may only be room for 20 couples!

October 29th - Thorobred Thunder All Chevy Car Show

What can we say about the event? Well how about it's a great day for the CCA. The excitement, camaraderie and sharing among car show enthusiasts is a giant reward for the club and the event hosts. It's a lot of work, but one that pays dividends. This year's hosts are Bill Rhode and Gary Mion. So when you see them between now and the day of the show give them support and offer to help. We hope to have at least 150 cars in this year's show. Once again, we will be supporting a local charity as part of our show. Let's not forget the role Thorobred Chevrolet and Mike Terrey play in sponsoring the event as well. It takes a big group event to pull this off, but well worth the effort. Don't forget, there will be an informal dinner the evening of October 28 for those helping to set up the parking lot at Thorobred Chevrolet the night before the show.

December 3rd - Year End Banquet

December already? Yes, it will be here before you know it. That's why Sharon Lund and Nancy Hagan have already confirmed a location and band for our annual banquet. We'll be at the San Marcos Crown Plaza in Chandler for dining, dancing, awards and sharing our experiences from the past year. You'll see additional information in this issue of Crosstalk about the event. Estimated cost per person to attend is \$50.00. If you need help funding the event, be sure and invest heavily in our 50-50 drawing at every business meeting. You'll have nine chances to win between now and the banquet. Good Luck!



OK! OK!

It is early

For Your Information

Save the date for the 2011 Year-End Awards Banquet

Saturday, December 3, 2011, 6:00 pm

Crown Plaza, San Marcos Golf Resort

Chandler, AZ

You won't want to miss out on the special sit down dinner, dancing to Guilty Pleasures and all the fun with our CCA friends

For questions or suggestions

Please call

Sharon Lund or Nancy Hagan

Please watch for funny things people do through the year and report to Sharon or Nancy for special acknowledgement and prizes at the banquet...

December 17th? - Christmas Party

Available for just about any Saturday in December. This one will go quickly as far as a host(s) stepping up. It's a great event with a little extra fun thrown in with our club gift exchange. The menu can be a planned entrée, a potluck, or anywhere in between. Give the event your own personal twist when you volunteer!

That's a quick look at our annual events. But do not over look any of the drivers or special events we have scheduled for the year. To make sure you don't miss out on any of the club activities, see Scott Feck's Calendar of Events. It can be viewed on the website. Recently each CCA Member received email(s) for the following non-annual events/activities:

- 02/28, CCA Ladies – Sweet Basil Cooking School. Hosts: Esther Enriquez & Marge Rhode.
- 03/12, St. Patrick Day Party. Hosts: Marge Rhode and Darlene Heavlin.
- 03/26, Tortilla Flats driver. Hosts: Dave and Patty Friesz



PANCAKE BREAKFAST 2011 By Nancy Hagan



Well another pancake breakfast has come and gone (like everything else in life). We had a good turnout of 30 hungry C.C.A.er's. Everyone seemed to have a good time and great lip drippin. They must have been hungry as we went through 100 + eggs, 130 pancakes, and a 12 pound honey baked ham. Oh and about 20 sweet roles. Which 20 people didn't eat those? Of course a couple of pots of coffee to wash it all down with. Other than the wake me up coffee there was champagne, orange juice and bloody marys for another kind of pick me up.

After a while, before heading off, with appetites appeased, some folks sat out on the patio and just enjoyed the beautiful Arizona morning. So at this point we would like to thank everyone who came and of course our Bloody Mary Meister Bruce Lund.

Hope to see you at the pancake breakfast 2012.





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PACKAGES FROM HOME

Article by Marge & Bill Rhode

Photos by Marge Rhode and Bob Swanson



For the third year in a row, CCA has supported Packages From Home in a big way. Donations made at Thorobred Thunder came to about \$2,100. This year we had two packing parties - one on January 29th and the second on Feb 4th.



We packed a different kind of box this year - ones totally filled with candy and gum! It seems that Walgreens has been collecting money in their stores and donating literally tons of candy and gum for the troops.

Packages From Home is hurrying to get it all shipped before the weather turns hot, so we sorted, packed and labeled boxes to go to squadrons and recreation centers so the candy could be shared by many. Overall we had 31 members and guests participate in one or both of the work parties so it continues to be a popular charity event for the club.



Of course lunch at Oaxaca afterwards is always a fun way to finish up.



Thanks to all who worked with us! Marge & Bill



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CCA SuperBowl XLV Party By Garry Mion

There were some forty people in attendance for this annual event, this time held at the home of Garry & Karen Mion (hey - that's us!).



We pretty much packed the theatre to capacity and the overflow setup camp in the great room.



The matchup between the Packers and the Steelers brought two weeks of speculation: Would the experience of the Steelers repeat again (remember the Cardinals), or would Aaron Rodgers finally emerge from the shadow of his predecessor and lead the Packers to championship? In the end - who really cares? After all, it is all about the commercials - right? But for this game, I would have to say that the most of the crowd was cheering for the Packers – especially the Cheese-Wedge hat wearing Kerbers.



The game started out looking like a potential Packer route, but the Steelers came back in the second half to make it a close game, going down to a fourth-down pass that this time around did not result in a come-back win. Whether you were a Packer or a Steeler fan, it was a good game, and yes - there were some really funny commercials without any substantial wardrobe malfunctions.



Karen and I want to thank all those who attended for the wonderful food and drinks you contributed to the party, and for all the kind comments during and after the party. We had a great time, and it sounded like everyone else did as Well.

Cheers! Garry & Karen Mion



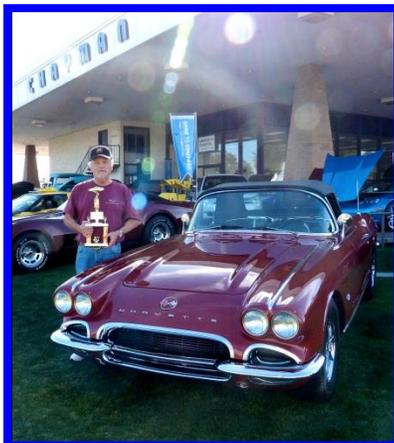
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2011 DCA Sweetheart Car Show

Article & photos by Dave & Patty Friesz

What a great day, **CCA** members had at the Desert Corvettes Association's annual Sweetheart Chevy Car Show this year. Several **CCA** members entered their Vettes and won trophies. **Barb Bassett** took home the **2nd place** award in Concours Street Stock SS-G for her C-6. The **Meyers** received a trophy for **5th place** for their C-5 Z06 in Participants Choice awards and the **Frieszs** got the **3rd place** trophy for their '62 C-1 in Participants Choice. Of course there is our member, **Bill Rhode**, who chose to show his Corvair and again won **1st Place** for his class.





It was also a special day for **CCA** because **NCCC** announced their winners for 2010 and our Club, as well as some of our members, received honors.

The Corvette Club of Arizona
WINNERS:

NCCC Competition Program, 2010 Roadrunner Region, **2nd Place Club Overall**
2010 Roadrunner Region, Corvette Competition Program, **#2 Club Participation**
2010 Roadrunner Region, Corvette Racing Series, **2nd Place Club Overall**

Pat Jenkins:

NCCC Competition Program
2010 Roadrunner Region
Ladies Overall Champion

2010 Roadrunner Region
Corvette Racing Series
Ladies 2nd Place

2010 Roadrunner Region
Corvette Rally & Car Show Series,
Ladies 2nd Place



Ray Jenkins

2010 Roadrunner Region
Corvette Rally & Car Show Series
Men's 3rd Place



Bruce Mundy

2010 Roadrunner Region
Corvette Racing Series
Men's 4th Place



Jim Enriquez

2010 Roadrunner Region
Corvette Racing Series
Men's 5th Place



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