



Reeves Callaway discussing his long relationship with General Motors and his passion for Corvettes.

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## **President's Corner**

April 2013

Hello NCoCC Members,

Only one and one-half months to Plastic! So, let's all get in gear and make it happen!



First, if you have not already sent in your Plastic Registration Form, please do so today. Since there is no fee for our members this year, I would like to see 100% attendance. After all, if we can't all support our own show, how can we expect everyone else to support it?

Second, we still need all members to help with the many tasks for the show. So, if you have not volunteered, now is the time! Don't delay because all of the good jobs will be taken.

Third, we are doing really well with our donations for the Plastic raffle (probably a total of a little over \$3,000) . . . but still need more more more! Please get out there and bring in the donations. If requesting donations is not your thing, you can always donate something that you simply buy yourself. Since members are not paying to come this year (see 1 above), you can certainly afford to buy something for the raffle.

Fourth, our Pot Luck Luncheon prior to Plastic will be on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, at noon. It will be at 9845 Erma Road, Suite 200, San Diego, CA, 92131. We will work with the donated raffle prizes and, of course, have a nice afternoon of socializing and camaraderie.

Finally, believe it or not, we will soon be half way through 2013 and it will be time to elect a new board for our Club. So, please start thinking about the various positions that are available and which one you would like to run for. Please remember that the club cannot run by itself and we need members to get involved. If you have never participated, now is your chance. Also, if you have been a member for a while and have sat back for the last few years, now is your chance to re-engage.

That's all for this newsletter. Please remember to visit our Club website at www.ncocc.com for additional info about upcoming events and to see photos from past events located in the "Gallery" section. I look forward to seeing everyone at our next Business Meeting on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

All the best,

Jay

## **Birthdays for April**

Todd Barbour

Dale Frank

Barbara Sadnick

12

Kathleen Regenhardt

17

Jeff Brandon

17

Sharon Wood

26

Jim Snook

29



### **60 Years of Cool**

The Corvette debuted as a concept car in January 1953 at the General Motors Motorama in New York, and the first production car rolled off the line June 30, 1953. Only 300 Corvettes were built that first year, mostly by hand because of difficulties in forming the fiberglass bodies, and all were Polo White with Sportsman Red interiors. Under the hood, the Corvette featured a 235-cubic-inch inline 6-cylinder engine that sent its 150 horsepower and 223 lb-ft of torque through a 2-speed Powerglide automatic transmission. With a zero-to-60-mph time of 11 seconds, the first Corvette wasn't really a world beater.



## **Club Events Calendar**

#### April 2013

- 9 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 11 Plastic Team Leader Meeting. 9845 Erma Road. 7:00pm
- 14 Ramona Wine Run
- 21 Plastic Pot Luck Luncheon. 9845 Erma Road. 12:00pm
- 25 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm



#### May

- 14 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 19 Plastic Fantastic
- 23 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm

#### June

- 11 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 27 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm

#### July

- 9 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 25 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm

#### August

- 13 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 22 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm

#### September

- 10 NCoCC Business Meeting. The Well Church. 7:00pm
- 26 NCoCC Board Meeting. Coco's in Poway. 7:00pm

## MONTHLY CLUB EVENT

## Ramona Winery Run April 14th



Meet at 11:15 in the Poway Costco parking lot. We will depart at 11:30.

This will be a half day run, with lunch, to Ramona to visit some small, quaint, and friendly wineries. There will be tasting, good converstion with friends, new and old.

This year we will enjoy lunch first at the Ramona Valley Grill. The salad bar is great along with the usual fare of sandwiches and other entrees. After lunch we will depart for the first of three wineries, all within the Ramona area and should be finished at the last stop around 4:00 p.m.

Wine tastings do have a charge \$6 to \$10 (usually with a glass to keep). The selections of wine are diverse with each winery we are going to visit, but with both white and red. The purchase of wine is obviously encouraged by the proprietors, but there is no obligation whatsoever.









## **Wounded Warrior Trials**

The North County Corvette Club, once again volunteered to help at the Wounded Warrior Athletic Trials held at Camp Pendleton in March. We had an outstanding representation for our club, with 21 attendees.

This year we supported the afternoon venues at the trials that included archery, track, cycling, volleyball, basketball, shooting, swimming and front area administration. This is the first year the weather was pleasant and sunny, making for a great afternoon to participate and mingle with the people involved in this event. We started the day meeting at the North County Fair shopping center, leaving for the base at 11:30 a.m. Wayne Osborne led us through the back country off the II5N to the San Luis Rey gate and to the event registration and assembly area. This year's registration was very streamlined and efficient. We were given a short orientation by Bobby Woods, the USO Director, and then issued USO hats, event t-shirts, and volunteer badges, "DONE." Everyone had some opportunity to choose the different venues and provide the drinks, snacks, and fruit to the participating veterans. Because we had plenty of volunteers, we ere able to observe some of the events and mix and socialize with each other and the veterans themselves. We made sure our stations were stocked well and provided encouragement and friendship to the participants. We completed our shift around 5:30 p.m., each of us making our way home from a meaningful and rewarding day.

It is an emotional experience being around the "wounded warriors" and seeing what they are doing and how they are coping with issues beyond our comprehension. I know it seems like we don't do much at the event, but quite honestly, the fact that we are there, shows these people we think of them and care to help in their quest to live a life that is meaningful and rewarding regardless of their disabilities. I spoke with one of the base Colonels and he couldn't emphasize enough how important all of the roles of the volunteers are to the success of the trials. The number of veterans who thanked us for the support was overwhelming. I speak for most of the club members, that it is us who should be thankful to them.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who spent the day at the trials. We received thanks from John Dooley, the CEO of San Diego USO. He is very impressed with our dedication and help in supporting his organization at this major event. Take care and we look forward to seeing you again at next year's trial.

Bob Belzman, NCoCC Charity Coordinator

## A Visit to Callaway Cars

By Dave Regenhardt

On Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 5 club cars and one guest car headed north to Callaway Cars in Santa Ana. When we arrived, we were met by Sales Manager, Dave Jolliffe, and were treated to coffee, doughnuts, and cookies in the main lobby of the beautiful gray and red facility.





After browsing the showroom that boasted a Corvette, Camaro, custom pick-up and a race car, Reeves Callaway gathered us around for a history of his career as a race car driver and developer of some of the most unique and custom cars on the road today. He has a fascinating history of working with various car makers as well as General Motors. Corvette's are only part of what he has applied his talent to, but are still his main passion. He then revealed their latest Corvette project, based on the new C7, and asked us for our input as current Corvette owners. There was a positive response from the group.

Next we had a tour of his manufacturing and assembly areas. They make their own carbon fiber accessories in-house and his son, Pete Callaway, explained all that was involved in that process. They are a small but passionate group of engineers who are also car guys. We saw cars that were being readied for installation of their signature product line; superchargers.



Wayne Osborne won the door prize of a bag full of goodies. A couple of us purchased T-shirts from their store then we were off to lunch. We had a wonderful lunch at Lucille's Smokehouse Bar-B-Que. We all sat together and enjoyed talk of the tour then headed home. Our guest, Tommy Davis from Corvettes of Temecula Valley seemed to enjoy himself as well. It was a great day!





Callaway Race Car

Photography by: Bob Brown, Terry Thompson, Dave Regenhardt



Callaway C6 Corvette



Callewsy Cyclone V16

Supercharged Callaway Motor



Callaway V16 Racing Engine

### In the News ~~~

Callaway's 2014 Corvette Stingray Aerowagon Concept gets Tongues Waggin' Motoramic March 18, 2013



Chevrolet never built the 1954 Corvette Nomad wagon that Harley Earl built for General Motors' Motorama traveling road show, but ever since a few hearty after-market designers have attempted to graft a taller hatch onto the Vette's rear flanks to form a proper two-door shooting brake (British for "sports car station wagon") often with questionable results. Now long-time Corvette customizers Callaway Cars has announced it may produce an add-on kit for the 2014 Corvette Stingray that would create what it calls the Aerowagon.

Callaway says its modifications would use a custom carbon-fiber bodywork and glass to the Vette, with minimal impact on its performance or mileage. Total cost for making your Kentucky-built sports car into a Ferrari FF fighter: no more than \$15,000, if there's enough interest. Which, should enough journalists win a few MegaMillions drawings over the next few months, there would be.





## Team Leaders

General/Administrative: Kathy Buie Show Flyers: Jay Kopelowitz Show Publicity: Sandy Mayer Registration: Kathleen Regenhardt

Trophies: Jim Snook Vendors: Laura Brandon Show Shirts: Sandy Mayer Food for Show: Dave Regenhardt Disk Jockey: Jack Grindstaff Show Parking: Sam Rindskopf

Scoring at Show: Kathleen Regenhardt

Raffle: Mike Bonar

## Donations

Thank you Mike & Kathy Bonar for stepping up and taking lead on coordinating our raffle donation prizes!! As of March 24th, we have 44 donations with an estimated retail value of \$4,500. Please keep them coming and email Kathy Buie with your donations.

As a reminder, bring your donations to the meeting on Tuesday, April 9th. Of course, you can still bring in donations after that date.

Thank you all for your continued support. We are looking for volunteers to sell raffle tickets at the event; please contact Mike Bonar.

Join us for a Pot Luck Luncheon on Sunday, April 21st. We will be working on our Raffle Donations!

## Plastic Fantastic

May 19th

7 weeks to go!

# Registration

96 registrations have been received!

Top Five clubs registered so far:
Pacific Coast Corvettes
Corvette Club of Arizona
Corvettes Limited
Millennium Corvettes
Orange County Corvettes

18 NCoCC members registered. Are you?









## NCoCC Cruise News

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#### **Our Club**

Club members enjoy planned trips, car shows, fun runs, auto rallies, and a host of social and Corvette-related events, including a Holiday Party, an Annual Awards Dinner, and the NCoCC Plastic Fantastic all Corvette Show at Seaport Village. We support local communities in the San Diego County area by participating in special event parades and high school homecoming events. Our members also devote a time, energy, and resources in supporting our club charity, the USO (United Services Organization).

## **Meetings**

Business Meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in The Well Church Meeting Room located at 13604 Midland Road, Poway, CA. We always welcome and encourage guests to attend our meetings and to participate in our club sponsored events.

For a map of our meeting location, please go to our web site at www.ncocc.com.

## Membership

Membership is open to anyone at least 18 years of age who owns or leases a Corvette. Applicants must attend two business meetings and participate in one club event before becoming a member.

Membership in NCoCC entitles you to:

A membership card for you and your significant other. Discounts on parts and service at participating dealers (Bob Stall and others).

A club T-shirt.

A name tag.

A newsletter via Email and/or the web site.

Members are expected to attend Business Meetings, maintain current dues, and support the club by serving on committees and participating in club events. Initiation fee is \$25. Dues are paid in advance: \$75 for one year.

We hope this short introduction is helpful. If you have any questions, please contact us via 'snail' mail at P.O. Box 500104, San Diego, CA, 92150; or email: info@ncocc.com.