



THE VAPOR TRAIL MARCH 2022



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President's Message

By Clay Beck

Hello, Vapor Trail Vette members. I hope you all are enjoying this beautiful California weather that we are having. I want to mention that we made a change to one of our auto cross dates due to some restrictions from the National Corvette Car Club (NCCC). Instead of June 18 the new date is June 25th. So, I recommend you make some changes to your calendars. This year other dates for auto cross are July 9th and August 6th. Our first auto cross of this year is coming up on April 30th. So, planning this event will be coming up soon.

With me trying to keep up with Corvette stuff from the Corvette Blogger, they have announced that the factory at Bowling Green has been shut down again for another week. I'm sure its due to parts issues. Common America, lets get back to work. Also announced is the 2023 stingray order guide is available for viewing and downloading. The Stingray pricing to be announced soon (March 23). However, nothing yet regarding the new 2023 Z06, which I've been watching. Be patient...I say be patient.

I am working for PG&E at Diablo Canyon power plant for their refueling outage. I started March 21 and plan to work about 5 weeks. I plan to miss our next VTV club meeting on April 7th due to this short period of employment. Diablo is also having another outage this year (duel outage year) in October sometime. Not sure at this time if I will be working that one? It is fun going back to my old job and seeing everyone and how they all are doing.

Gale has come back from the last Governors meeting and made a pitch to other NCCC club for our annual blast and they are very receptive on wanting to attend. So that means that we will be making plans for this event. I'm sure Gale will have more for us at our next meeting.

Have a nice day, Clay Beck

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Happy Birthday

March

- 03 Kathy Beck
- 07 Larry Wright
- 12 Bill Deviny
- 13 Bill Santmyer
- 31 Jeff Palmer

April

- 07 Holly Palmer
- 12 Gale Haugen
- 19 Gerry White

2020 Board Members

President	Clay Beck	709-4434
Vice President	Holly Palmer	588-0246
Treasurer	Chuck Robertson	934-0694
Secretary	Hector Paz	610-7008
Governor:	Gale Haugen	610-7844
Newsletter	Gale Haugen	610-7844
Webmaster	Chuck Robertson	934-0694
Sunshine Guy	Chuck Robertson	934-0694

All numbers are in the 805 area code.

March 3, 2022 VTV Meetings Minutes

By Hector Paz

The VTV meeting for the month of March was held on Thursday, March 3, 2022, at the Pi-Hole Pizza restaurant in Nipomo. There were 8 attendees present. The attendees were:

Gale Haugen, Hector Paz, Larry Wright, Clay Beck, Jeff and Holly Palmer, Gerry and Brenda, and Bruce Potter. Our President Clay Beck called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Clay started by announcing Kathy Beck's birthday on March 3rd, Larry Wright's on March 7th, Bill Deviny's on March 12th, Bill Santmyer's on March 13th and Jeff Palmer's on March 31st. Happy Birthday to all of you!!!!

Meeting Minutes Approval

Clay asked for approval of the minutes for the February meeting. Gale made the motion to accept the minutes and was seconded by Brenda. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

New Business/Old Business – Clay Beck

Clay reminded everyone of their TSA badges. Larry still has to get his. Also mentioned, that Clay, Gerry, Brenda and two others had gotten theirs.

Next item was the Blast, but wasn't sure why he had it here on the agenda. Gale said that she would cover the subject later.

Next item, was new shirts. Clay has ordered his and Gale has asked everyone else to order theirs. The club is paying for the first logo and name embroidery.

Treasurer's Report– Chuck Robertson

Chuck was not present. Clay went over the February Treasurer's Report line item by line item:

Clay indicated that we started the month of February with \$7,548.95 in the bank. Under income, there was the \$28 under Other for the February 50/50 and Larry's shirt order. Under expenses, \$35 is for NCCC membership dues; the \$45 is for Clay, Gerry and

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Treasurer's Report– Chuck Robertson

Brenda's TSA badges. At the end of February, we had \$7,496.95 in the bank.

A motion was made by Larry to accept the Treasurer's Report and was seconded by Gerry. All were in favor.

VP Report– Holly Palmer

She started out by saying that she was waiting to hear which day would be better between April 2nd or 3rd for a drive and dine. She said she sent out an email and heard from Chuck but she said that it is still a month away. The route would be along Tepusquet Road and we would go to lunch at Rancho Nipomo which is on 166 and the freeway. Great food.

Holly mentioned a car show the following weekend at St Louis de Montfort. Gale mentioned that this event is on our calendar.

Governor's Report– Gale Haugen

Gale started out by saying that we would be taking off tomorrow for the Governors' meeting on Saturday in La Verne which is being hosted by the Pomona Valley club. The next meeting is going to be in May and it will be held in Laughlin in conjunction with the Gamblers Classic which is being hosted by the Bakersfield club.

The next subject was the annual Blast. Gale started out by saying that she has been working like crazy trying to find hotels that people can afford. Right now, she has a bid in from the Shore Cliffs where we had it the last time. They want \$353 a night and it is the cheapest. If we went with any dates in October, it would be \$399 a night. She can't seem to get the price down. She has been working with about ten (10) hotels. If we did something in the middle of the week like a Tuesday or Wednesday, we could get it down to \$189 a night plus 14.5% taxes but you probably would not get the participation that you need. She said that she is going to talk about it at the meeting on Saturday and see what people have to say.

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Governor's Report— Gale Haugen

She also said that she is still waiting for a call from the Inn of Morro Bay. They are across from the Morro Bay golf club and they have plenty of space and it is on the water.

Gale said that she wants to hear what our club has to say.

She even thought of other possibilities like renting a facility and letting everyone get their own room.

Hector said that we need to reach out to the Santa Maria Inn. Gale said that she would contact them tomorrow.

Someone asked about the Santa Maria Inn and Gale said that Kristin who used to be the coordinator there contacted her recently and said that she is now back at the Santa Maria Inn and asked Gale to contact her to see what they can do for us.

Around the Room

Larry, shared that he is looking forward to the next autocross; he is planning on attending each one; he believes that these high gas prices are not going to impact our autocross attendance; overall hoping for the best and thanked everyone for coming; **Bruce**, busy at work. His retirement is on hiatus again; He will try and help anyway he can if he is not busy working; **Gerry**, started by saying he needed more business cards; Clay said that he would get him some more; asked about club informational flyers to hand out to corvette owners. Gale mentioned that Clay had some of the three-fold pamphlets. Gerry, said that he took these pamphlets to Sunset and put them on their counter; Gerry also said that he talked to the guys at Chick-fil-A that were interested in autocross. Apparently, according to Gerry there were others there that were telling people not to join our club; Gerry, is trying to spread the word; **Holly**, complimented Larry on what he shared; also, added that she and Jeff would be at the autocross;

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Around the Room

She is enjoying her new Honda Hybrid but she drove her vette tonight; She is back to work and have cancelled their retirement; Also, she was happy with this restaurant; **Jeff**, shared that he just had a hernia operation; They told him no driving for two weeks but they didn't say anything about flying (everyone laughed); Jeff said that he should have filled the airplane with fuel but he needs to drag the house (everyone groaned); Everyone told him to listen to his doctor; **Gale**, shared that in the previous governors' meeting minutes there was a statement made about Vapor Trail Vettes being the only club contributing to the bank; She also shared that we are going to be out of town for the June 18th autocross; **Hector**, shared that he is sad that major league baseball may not be starting when they are supposed to; **Clay**, shared that he is still pursuing a "walk behind" blower that he wants to rent for the autocross. He said that we have two backpack blowers but that they are a lot of work; also, he shared that he is not going to be at the April meeting because he is going to be working; Holly asked if that is the 7th and Clay said yes and then she said that it is her birthday; Wanted to know if they could bring her a cake; Gale said that she would bring her a cake; Clay also said he would get hired around March 21st to about around April 16th. He thinks this would leave him time to get ready for the autocross; Also, shared that he and Chuck haven't had time to get together on the new software; Clay said that for the April meeting he is going to issue an email to the club about who is going to be helping. He likes to put a name to all the work assignments to get him feel prepared.

Drawings

There were no drawings because Chuck was not present.

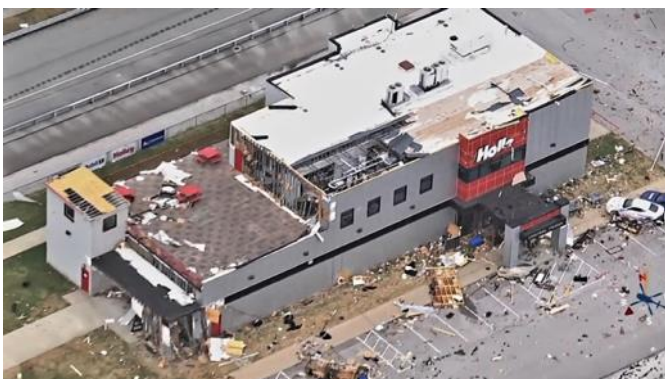
Clay adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, April 7th.

Tech Corner— Tornado Damage to Corvette Factory & Motorsports Park By CORVETTE Blogger.com

On December 10, 2021 an EF-3 tornado touched down in numerous communities in the United States, including Bowling Green, Kentucky. Unfortunately, both GM's Bowling Green Assembly Plant and the National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park sustained significant damage from the tornado and fire. The fire started as a result of the tornado activity at the Assembly plant early Saturday morning (December 11) causing damage to the facility, including the roof and an employee entrance.

Note: The newsletter editor realizes this article is former news but recent updates have been made public during this month.

Photos from the NCM Motorsports Park



Tech Corner— Tornado Damage to Corvette Factory & Motorsports Park By CORVETTE Blogger.com

Approximately 122 Corvettes that were on the assembly line at the time of the storm were determined to be unsellable due to potential of contamination and damage to the electronics from the water that got inside the plant and into the open cars. GM made the decision to destroy the cars with a crusher. The total insurance claims for the Corvette Assembly Plant were estimated at \$225 million.



The hole in the roof of the Corvette Assembly Plant. Photo Credit: Billy Joe Steen



Corvettes from the Assembly line in different stages of completion after tornado.



Heading to the crusher.

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2016 Corvette Stingray Z51 1LT
Arctic White / Jet Black Interior
Mileage: 59,823

\$48,874

Inventory & prices as of March 20, 2022. Please check with Home Motors for latest updates & prices.



For Sale ~ 2001 Corvette

6 Speed Coupe w/1SC Package

\$18,500 (Neg.) Clear Title

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- **Speedway White w/black & tan interior**
- **350 HP, 346ci Engine**
- **New clutch**
- **2 sets of wheels: 1) OEM Speedline polished aluminum
2) Black with red stripe**
- **2 Targa tops w/storage cover: 1) Factory paint 2) Tinted glass**
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- **Extras Include: Flowmaster exhaust, Z51 Sway bars, Light tinted windows, Column lock bypass, skip shift, hood seal, Corvette Racing Lloyd's floor mats,**

2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NCCC, VAPOR TRAIL VETTES & LOCAL EVENTS

Date	Day	Event	Location	Sponsor	Comments
February 2022					
3	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	IHop, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
25-26	Friday-Saturday	National NCCC Governors Meeting	Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO	NCCC	
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
March 2022					
3	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD - Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
5	Saturday	WC Region Governors Meeting	TBD	Pomona	
12	Saturday	9th Annual St Patrick's Day Car Show	1190 E Clark Ave, Santa Maria	Knights of Columbus Council	10 am—3 pm
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
April 2022					
7	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD - Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
30	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
May 2022					
5	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at
6-7	Friday-Saturday	National NCCC Governors Meeting	Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO	NCCC	
7-8	Saturday-Sunday	Porsche Club Autocross Academy Weekend	SM Airport	Porsche Club	

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May 2022					
12-14	Thursday-Saturday	22nd Gamblers Classic	Laughlin, NV	Corvettes of Bakersfield	
14	Saturday	WC Region Governors Meeting	Laughlin, NV	Corvettes of Bakersfield	
27-28	Friday-Saturday	Golden State Classics Cruise & Car Show	Paso Robles	Golden State Classics	805-712-1907
27-29	Friday-Sunday	2022 Cruisin' Nationals	Santa Maria Fairpark	West Coast Kustoms	
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
June 2022					
2	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
3-5	Fri-Sunday	The Classic Car Show at Pismo Beach	Pismo Beach		
4	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport	Porsche Club	
12-17	Sunday-Monday	National Convention	Atlantic City, NJ		
25	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
July 2022					
2	Saturday	July Annual BBQ	Shell Beach	Hector & Gale	
4	Monday	4th of July Parade	Buellton	VTV	
7	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
9	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
23	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport	Porsche Club	

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August 2022					
4	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at
6	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
27	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport track	Porsche Club	
TBD	Saturday or	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
September 2022					
1	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at
9-10	Friday-	National NCCC Governors Meeting	Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO	NCCC	
17	Saturday	WC Region Governors Mtg	TBD	Millennium Corvettes	
TBD	Saturday or	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
October 2022					
1	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport track	Porsche Club	
6	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at
8	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	Backup Date
TBD	Fri-Sun	Annual Corvette Blast	TBD	VTV	

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November 2022					
3	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at
5	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport	Porsche Club	
11-12	Friday-	National NCCC Governors Meeting	Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO	NCCC	
TBD	Saturday or	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
December 2022					
1	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at
TBD	Saturday or	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
2023					

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6 - 7:30pm

car show

saturday, May 28

9am - 2pm

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Cruise & Car Show 2022**

Friday Night Cruise, May 27, 6 - 7:30pm

Saturday Car Show, May 28, 8am - 2pm

Paso Robles, California

Cruise is \$20 by May 9, \$35 after

Car Show is \$45 by May 9, \$55 after (Car show registration includes the cruise)

Free for spectators.

www.goldenstateclassics.org

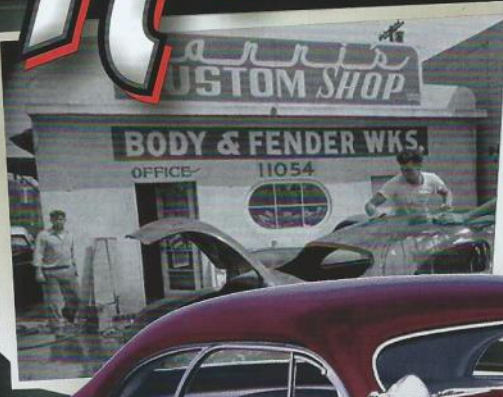
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ENTRY FEE: \$65.00 • After May 7th you may register at the Event for \$75.00

Entry fee includes vehicle entry, 2 weekend event passes, dash plaque and participation in all planned activities.

All Entry Forms Must include a Photo of the Vehicle Being Entered... No Exceptions!

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MAKE OF VEHICLE: _____ YEAR: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

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