



THE VAPOR TRAIL MAY 2022



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President's Message

By Clay Beck

I understand that GM is taking orders for the 2023 model Corvettes as of May 19th. No word yet for the 2023 ZO6 Corvette. The rumor is maybe this July. Speaking of the ZO6, did anyone watch the Indianapolis 500. Well, the pace car is the new Corvette ZO6. That's a good thing, which means that the ZO6 should come out soon. I'm waiting. I understand that the number of 2022 Corvettes is about 25,000 units for the year. I also heard that 2023 June allocations are out to the dealers. The 2023 Corvette manual is also available on line now. Within this manual it claims that the ZO6 is capable of 208 mph without aero package. Wow I say.

The weather has been great lately. Definitely Corvette driving weather. We as a club have not been going on any runs lately and not sure why. Maybe the price of fuel is getting us from being too crazy about going out. Well, that's got to stop. Life is too short. Let's get out there and enjoy life.

We the board members and others, have made some safety changes to our auto crosses. In fact, we developed an auto cross procedure of protocol you might say. We also made changes to some of the terms. We now have what is called a crew chief which replaces the old term of track coordinator. This position has been performed lately by Holly and Jeff. Another new term is Work Station Lead (WSL). This lead position will be at each work station and be responsible for control of the red flag and be the radio controller. He will also direct when to pick up cones when a vehicle knocks them down and when it is safe to do so. This WSL will not up-right downed cones. He is simply a safety monitor. Our next event is June 25th. Motorsportsreg (MSR) will open on June 6th and close June 20th. We are looking for a good day of fun. Be safe out there.

Clay Beck

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Happy Birthday

May

04	Brenda Parks
12	Clay Beck
13	Patty Santmyer
30	Mark Farabaugh

June

07	Chuck Robertson
22	Stella Ahn

July

06	Janet Farabaugh
11	Brittany Fitts
22	Al Ferguson
24	Gil Truiillo
25	Jeff Bartel
29	Mike Dirkes

2022 Board Members

President	Clay Beck	709-4434
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All numbers are in the 805 area code.

May 5, 2022 VTV Meetings Minutes

By Hector Paz

The VTV meeting for the month of May was held on Thursday, May 5, 2022, at Giavanni's in Santa Maria. The attendees present were: Clay Beck, Hector Paz, Gale Haugen, Jeff and Holly Palmer, Gerry and Brenda, Chuck Robertson, and Pat Kelley.

Our President Clay Beck called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Clay started by announcing Brenda Parks' birthday on May 4th, Clay Beck's on May 12th, and Patty's Santmyer on May 13th, and Mark Farabaugh's on May 30th. Happy Birthday to all of you!!!!

Clay read an email from Larry Wright where he shared he would not be making the meeting tonight. Larry will try to resume regular club activities in June. His doctor said he was healing real well. Larry is anxious to get back to living a regular life again.

Clay shared a piece of trivia that on this day on 2011 Osama Binladen, the master mind behind the September 11th 2001 terrorist attack, was killed by US forces during a raid on his compound hideout in Pakistan.

Meeting Minutes Approval

Clay asked for approval of the minutes for the April meeting. Chuck made the motion to accept the minutes and was seconded by Gerry. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

New Business/Old Business

Clay asked Gale for a status of the Blast event. The date will be October 14th and 15th. She has checked on the menu and buffet options. Both are priced about the same. The price of rooms will be \$124 plus tax per night. She will be looking for a few leads to help with the planning and members to work the event.

Treasurer's Report—Chuck Robertsons

Chuck started out by saying that we were doing fairly well. The month of April started with, \$7,401.52 in the bank. Under income we show \$2,859, as income from the autocross; the \$35.00 was Mike Rogers' membership; the \$33.93 against "Other" was for several items; \$23.93 was for Clay's club shirt and the \$10.00 was from the 50/50. Total income was \$10,330.10. Under expenses we had \$1,000 that was donated to the Allan Hancock College Scholarship Foundation for two (2) \$500.00 each.

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Treasurer's Report—Chuck Robertsons

\$500.00 was from the April 30th and the other \$500.00 was an advance for the June 25th autocross; the \$592.92 was for the last autocross expenses; the \$250.00 was to reimburse the Governor for attending the last West Coast Regional meeting; and the \$12.48 was for file folders and paper for the printer that was used at the last autocross. We had a total of \$1,855.40 in expenses. The month of April ended with \$8,474.70.

Governor's Report—Gale Haugen

Gale attended the West Coast Regional Governors Meeting in Laughlin, NV on May 14th. Joe Orrico started the meeting at 8 am.

The National Convention in Atlantic City, NJ has 300 people signed up so far. There will be no drag races this year. The 2023 Convention will be in Bowling Green, Kentucky and 2024 in Joplin, MO which is 109 miles from Branson, MO. A question came up about hosting a Regional Convention in Las Vegas.

Regional elections are coming up. With the passing of Cliff Harris, Janet Cherry will be temporarily filling that position. If you are interested in one of the following positions please contact Joe Orrico:

1. Regional Executive Director
 2. Regional Membership Director
 3. Regional Competition Director
- Secretary and Treasurer positions are appointed.

Joe shared that Vapor Trail Vettes last autocross was a topic of conversation at the National NCCC Governors meeting held on May 6-7th in St. Louis, MO. The subject of insurance, safety and allowing non-members to our sanctioned events was discussed. No decisions will be made until next year.

Sad news was shared that Ron Peake, age 79, passed away May 7th, 2022, at Desert Regional Medical Center in Palm Springs after suffering a major heart attack. Ron and Diane were members of Inland Empire Corvette Club of Moreno Valley. They attended many of our Annual Blast events over the years. He will be missed by many who knew him.

The next Regional Governors meeting will be hosted by Millennium Corvettes on September 17th at Mimi's Café located at 2230 Griffin Way in Corona.

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Around the Room

Brenda, she just had her birthday on May 4th; "May the force be with you"; **Gerry**, everybody was asking about the police car show at Ryon Park is going to be on August 6th and they are going to have a cruise down Ocean. Gale said that it was also on our club's event calendar; **Pat**, shared that the Estrella Warbirds car show is this weekend in Paso Robles; **Hector**, shared that about three weeks ago he received a call unexpectedly from AG Chevrolet and they said that you were number one on the list and that they had an allocation for a C8 but you would not be able to have the favorite options and I said what's with that. The sales guy said that he was going to have hard time finding someone to take this allocation you are not going to have the Z51 and this and that the other on. I told him to go on to the next person and then I asked if I order would I get the MSRP, and he said "Yes". Then I asked how much it would cost, and he said \$80K and then I said that I would not spend that kind of money for something that I don't want or can't have. Then we got to the end of the conversation, and he asked me if I wanted to stay on the list and I said "Hell Yes!!!!". Clay, shared that he is number eight (8) on the list at Sunset in Lompoc for a Z06 and whenever they get their allocation, I can place my order and I will order what I want and I will give them the order to them; a lot of discussion afterwards; **Jeff & Holly**, shared Jeff's recommendations for improving the autocross safety.

Drawings

Holly Palmer was the winner of the 50/50; Bev Erickson was the winner of the name badge game. She was not present due to living in South Carolina; Gerry was the winner of the door prize.

Clay adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday, June 2nd at IHOP in Santa Maria. The reservation starts at 5:30 pm for those who would like to join us for dinner. The official meeting start is 6:30 pm.

Corvette Trivia— C2 1963 to 1967

The following was borrowed from Capital City Corvette Club.

An error was made in creating the roof panel mold in 1963, using the wrong side of the dimensions, such that all roof panels were too small. This left a gap seen in the door pillar above the door latch in all but a few 1963's to 1967's. The ones where it is not found were cosmetically covered up with body filler.

Power steering was first available in the 1963 Corvette.

Only the driver's side vent on the 1964 Corvette is functional.

The 1963 Grand Sports, while originally looking much like the production coupes, had no body parts in common. The fiberglass body panels were roughly half the thickness of production panels to save weight.

The first major tire size change in Corvette history occurred in 1965. Tire size changed from 6.70x15 to 7.75x15

While the 427 was developed first, the 396 went into the Corvette, Chevrolet, and Chevelle in 1965 due to a GM policy restricting them to less than 400 cubic inches.

The 1966 Corvette was not eligible in SCCA Trans Am, due to the upper limit of 5.0 liter on engine displacement. Chevy's only eligible car was the Corvair.

In late February and early March, 1967, some small blocks received the big block hood due to an industrial accident with the small block hood mold. These were not given the hood stripe.

Federal law mandated the removal of spinners from wheels in 1967, so the knock off wheel of 1963-66 was replaced with a bolt on wheel.

The '67 model was the first to have the "tank sticker", or the build sheet, attached to the gas tank.

An option was offered in 1967 that lasted for only three production years.. A speed warning indicator.

The maximum install fuel tank capacity was offered in the Corvette from 1963 to 1967, 36 gallons.

Capital City Corvette Club (April 19, 2022) Corvette trivia. Available <https://capitolcitycorvetteclub.org/articles/corvette-trivia/>

AHC "Rising Stars" Scholarship Banquet

By Hector Paz



Larry Wright and Hector Paz attended the 22nd annual AHC Scholarship Banquet on May 26th. This was the first one since the Pandemic. It was a phenomenal event. Larry and Hector were representing Vapor Trail Vettes handing out three \$500 scholarships to students Abraham Bernal, Victor Mendez Lemus and Juan Salinas-Benitez. All are in the automotive program. There was a total of \$570k awarded that night and attended by many attendees and guests. You could just feel the vibe.

Dinner started right away which was I think different than in past years. Testa catering sponsored the banquet. Exquisite as always.

The foundation went through literally 600 applications for scholarships and every application was reviewed 3 times before an awardee was selected. That is an amazing process.

The "Hancock Promise" is "Free, Free, Free" tuition to 1st year students.

Their motto is "Rising Stars.... you are ready to go anywhere." Wow!!!

The Keynote speaker was none other than Gloria Soto. In 2018, she was the youngest woman at age 29 to be elected to the SM City Council and only the 6th woman to hold a seat on that body. I should check to see how many years between her and the previous last woman. Actually, I had a chance to meet her & her husband. They are Hard working community young members. I connected with her personal story because I went through some of the same obstacles that she faced as she went from HS to college.

We finally met our three of our recipients.

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We met after we were directed to open and reveal their names. Some of our three (3) members were sitting close to us and one was sitting at another table. You must understand that some of these awardees had more than one sponsor. So great for them.

As Larry and I sat down to dinner we met some young men across from the table and somehow we thought they were our scholarship recipients so we started a conversation with them. Well, it turned out that neither one was our club's recipient. We were developing great connection with these fine students so it was disappointing to find out they were not getting scholarships from our club. Overall, it was a fun night. By the way, the next day 1,500 students graduated from AHC.

Annual Gamblers Classic

By Gale Haugen

Gale and Hector attended Bakersfield's 22nd Gambler's Classic in Laughlin, NV on May 12-14.

Thursday was early registration, Hors D'oeuvres and entertainment. Friday we joined a fun run to the mining town of Oatman in Arizona. It was a great road for driving our Corvettes. Oatman is a former mining town with roaming wild burros everywhere. You are not surprised when you walk in a shop and find a burro being kicked out. For being wild they are very tame with the tourists. The story of how the town got its name is very interesting. If you are a history buff go to <https://www.womenshistory.org/articles/abduction-olive-oatman>.

Saturday was the car show and poker run followed by dinner, awards and entertainment.

Bakersfield Corvettes did a great job putting on this event. It was well attended and many beautiful Covettes to enjoy.



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2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NCCC, VAPOR TRAIL VETTES & LOCAL EVENTS

Date	Day	Event	Location	Sponsor	Comments
2022 Weekly Events					
	Saturdays	Pismo Derelicts	829 N. Oak Park Blvd, Pismo Beach		8-10 am
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	IHOP, 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 6:30 pm
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	
12-14	Thursday-	22nd Gamblers Classic	Laughlin, NV	Corvettes of	

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May 2022					
14	Saturday	WC Region Governors Meeting	Laughlin, NV	Corvettes of Bakersfield	
26-29	Friday-Sunday	2022 Cruisin' Nationals	Santa Maria Fairpark	West Coast Kustoms	
27-28	Friday-Saturday	Golden State Classics Cruise & Car Show	Paso Robles	Golden State Classics	805-712-1907
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
June 2022					
2	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	IHOP, 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	Harrah's Resort—Atlantic City, NJ	East Region	
25	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
July 2022					
2	Saturday	4th of 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	Mtg start at 6:30
5-6	Friday-Saturday	Lompoc Police Car Cruise/ Car Show	Ryan Park, Lompoc	Lompoc Police	See flyer in this newsletter
6	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	
13	Saturday	Gimmick Rallye	Anaheim	OC Vettes	
27	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport track	Porsche Club	
TBD	Sat or Sun	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
September 2022					
1	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Mtg start at 6:30
9-10	Friday-Saturday	National NCCC Governors Meeting	Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO	NCCC	
17	Saturday	WC Region Governors Mtg	Mimi's Café, 2230 Griffin Way, Corona	Millennium Corvettes	
24	Saturday	Old Days Los Alamos Car Show	Los Alamos		See flyer in this newsletter
25	Saturday	Automotive Classic	1645 Trilogy Parkway		10 am—4 pm
TBD	Sat or Sun.	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	Mtg start at 6:30
8	Saturday	VTV Autocross	Santa Maria Airport	VTV	Backup Date
14-15	Fri-Sat	Annual Corvette Blast	Santa Maria Inn, Santa Maria	VTV	Call Hotel by 9/14 ask for VTV
29	Saturday	Peoples Choice Con-course	Riverside	Corvettes West	
31	Monday	Halloween			

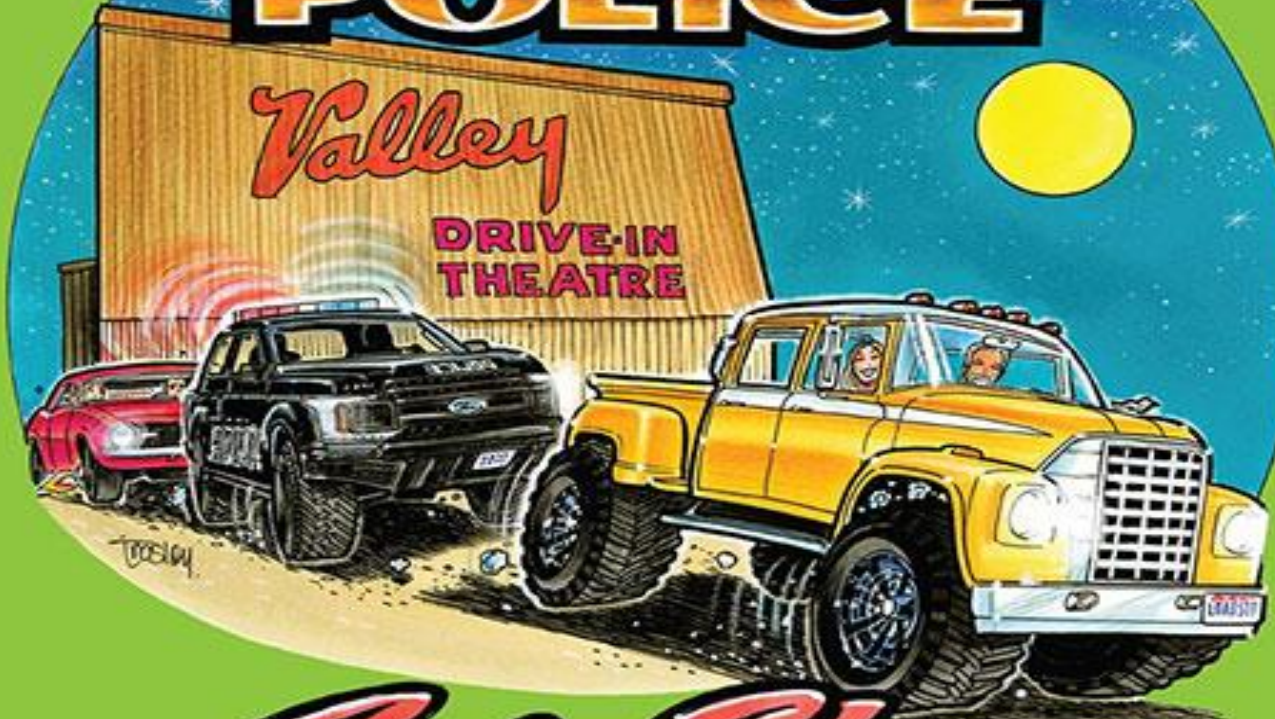
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November 2022					
3	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
5	Saturday	Porsche Club Autocross	SM Airport	Porsche Club	
5	Saturday	Pismo Vintage Trailer Rally Open House	Pismo Coast Village RV Resort		8 am- 2 pm
6	Sunday	Nojoqui Falls Fun Run/BBQ	Solvang	Central Coast Streetrods	Contact number—805-736-0759
11-12	Friday-Saturday	National NCCC Governors Meeting	Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO	NCCC	
24	Thursday	Thanksgiving			
TBD	Saturday or Sunday	Drive & Dine	TBD	VTV	
December 2022					
1	Thursday	VTV Monthly Meeting	TBD, Santa Maria	VTV	Meetings start at 6:30 pm
TBD	TBD	VTV Christmas Dinner/Gift Exchange	TBD	VTV	
2023					
12-17	June	NCCC National Convention	Bowling Green, Kentucky		
2024					
TBD	TBD	NCCC National Convention	Joplin, Missouri		

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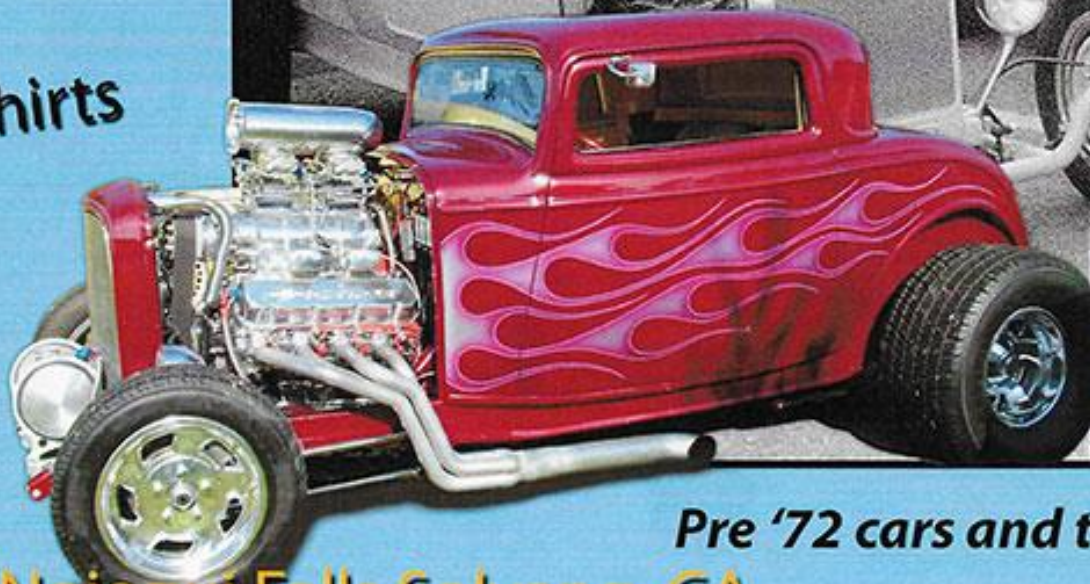
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