



From The Trenches



By: Sean Riley, President

I hear that voice in the morning when it calls me, the Corvette reminds me of the road just ahead....

Yes, it's almost a mystical experience. Owning and driving a Corvette conjures up emotions of almost epic proportions. As I'm fond of saying, "A Corvette is more than a car, it's a way of life." Whether you focus on its cutting-edge design or superlative performance, it's making a piece of heaven tangible on earth. What a blast, what a kick. Something this fun must be illegal or immoral, right? Well, it's neither. A Corvette is why we're in this club and is the cement hat binds us together. People who enjoy a fine car and good company, that's who we are and why we belong to **RED-LINE CORVETTES**. We put aside religion and politics, color and national origin. You can be short or tall, fat or thin, old or young. Those differences count outside the club, but not within. To maintain your sanity everyone needs an escape, a diversion from the pressure and demands of life. Your car club and enjoyment of that Corvette is your therapy, your calm port in a stormy sea. Thank you for joining us in this adventure. **RED-LINE CORVETTES** can't be anything but enjoyable as long as you keep your eye on the goal... enjoying America's sports car and the company of people who share your passion.

That having been said, what's new as we move towards the last half of the year? The car show on September 16th is **RED-LINE CORVETTES** premier event. What is there not to like about a Corvette car show?

Well, nothing, and there is plenty to like about this car show. The setting at Conejo Creek Park is excellent. Where other shows are often on blacktop or concrete, ours is on pleasant grass punctuated with fountains and rolling hills. There will be interesting booths, food and drink to be had, and lots and lots of Corvettes. Add to this the raffle and auction prizes and you've got yourself one fun Sunday. Tony Panchenko is the guiding force behind this event and he's gotten it down to a science. Please consider volunteering to help. It's for a worthy cause and you'll be helping to maintain the reputation **RED-LINE CORVETTES** has for hosting as good an all Corvette car show as you'll find anywhere. Try it, you'll like it!

October 18-21 is the very popular Laguna Seca Run that centers around the Corvette racing team's participation in the Laguna Seca races. By all accounts, this was one of the best, if not the most successful club run of the entire year. Ron Cohen arranged lodging in Carmel and Emery & Holly Yuhasz organized accommodations near the track. With such options, members were able to pick what suited them best. Great weather, successful races and the association of friends in the club combined for a memorable and exciting event. Please consider going even if you haven't registered. It will be time very well spent.

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The Holiday Party is scheduled on Saturday, December 15th. This is the wrap-up of the year where you enjoy the companionship of your fellow members and... good food, music, prizes, election announcements, etc. Your club funds will be subsidizing this activity so please join us in making it a success.

So much for major highlights, now how about a grab bag of miscellaneous information.

The Saturday club breakfast is firmly on track to establishing itself as a predictably enjoyable outing. There is no sign-up required. Come when you have the time. It doesn't take much of your early Saturday morning so that you can set about all your range of Saturday activities. Held at Brent's Deli, the setting is great, the food very good, and the prices quite reasonable. Along with this we're attracting a consistently good number of members who stop in and enjoy the event. Please stop in for what many of us have gotten in the habit of anticipating, a weekly fun activity requiring little time and an excellent way to start your weekend.

The **Weekend Update** I produce shows on the last Sunday of each month "Supercar Sunday" as the activity of choice. It has become such an extraordinary event that I can't urge you enough to please attend one of the gatherings. I say gatherings because this activity is just that, a huge gathering of spectacular cars. It is sponsored by the

Village Coffee Roaster in Calabasas which is just off the 101 Freeway and the Mulholland-Valley Circle Blvd. exit. From the 101 you've probably seen the Islands Restaurant, Vons market and McDonalds. That's were motor enthusiasts "gather" to check out all manner of cars. There are hundreds to see... exotics, sports cars, muscle cars, hot rods, bikes, etc., etc. It's an amazing conglomeration of cars you might never see in the course of your daily life. As I say, this "gathering" is free! As with the club breakfasts, I've noticed a steady increase in our member's attendance. It is just so fun that I try my best to always go. This is true of many others of you as well, because I see you there. If you haven't gone, check my **Weekend Update** for the next scheduled Supercar Sunday and join **RED-LINE CORVETTES** members for a genuine automotive spectacle.

The ladies run is over, Tony's BBQ chronicled another success, and other events are pleasant memories. However, there is still much more to be involved in this year. You have chosen a great club to belong to and it's important that you enjoy the experience. Please communicate your recommendations on how we can do better so that you always feel a part of this dynamic organization.

Best wishes

Sean Riley

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SEPTEMBER IS CAR SHOW MONTH!



Greetings everyone!

We are just a couple of weeks away from our 14th Annual Corvette show and I would like to bring everyone up to speed with everything.

As of Labor Day we have 45 Corvettes pre-registered which tops last years numbers which where 41. I estimate we will have over 50 pre-registered and another 40 to 50 arriving the day of the show, that seems to be the pattern that we have had over the 14 years.

The greatest distance to be traveled so far is a 1967 modified from Northern California - Livemore to be exact and it will be driven!

Advertising is right on plan as scheduled. We have received calls requesting information from articles in the Ventura Star, Daily News, The Acorn, Miss Calendar of Events, Drive Magazine and the Community Billboard on Channel 25. K-Earth 101 Oldies has been and is handing out our flyers at various events thru out Southern California along with a few 15 second spots on the air.

This year we have several new vendors supporting us such as Verizon Wireless(thanks to Bill and Sue), LAPD(thanks to Michael), Motoring Accessories (thanks to Ken) and of course returning ones from last years show as well.

Our silent auction and raffle prize committee has and is doing a tremendous job with efforts in making this years silent auction a successful one.

Here are a few of items that will be at the silent auction, Corsa Performance complete exhaust system for a C-6 M.S.R.P \$1,600.00; Bulova Grandfather Clock \$4,500.00; a 3-day 2-night stay for 2 at the Spyglass Inn at Shell Beach-\$250.00.

I encourage everyone to keep working on the raffle prizes and donations and please do not forget to get the value, description of the item and the source obtained and forward it to Bill and Sue Abby by no later than Thursday, September 13th. If you already have an item please bring it to the general meeting on Tuesday with the same

information requested. If you are unable to attend please call Bill and try to make arrangements to get the item to him. You may also bring it to the bag stuffing party but having it sooner would be greatly appreciated as we need to forward all the information to the sign and banner company. Also, T-shirts are on order and will be available for purchase at the the bag-stuffing party as well as the day of the show. This year we have ordered more women's as requested and youth sizes too @ \$10.00 your choice.

Car show weekend re-cap:

Friday, September 14th.

Bag Stuffing @ Don & Denise Sturdevants @ 6:00 P.M.

Bring all goodie bag items as well as your raffle prize.

Pizza will be provided by the club and BYOB. For directions call Don & Denise.

Sunday, September 16th.

14th Annual Redline All Corvette Car Show @ Conejo Creek Park.

We would appreciate everyone to be present to later than 7:00 A.M. for the exception of those teams that need to be there @ 6:00 A.M.

Gentlemen bring a 12-pack of water and Ladies bring a 12-pack of a Coke product of some sort.

Following the car show the T.O Elks will stay and provide us with dinner @ \$ 10.00 per person. You may bring your choice of wine and beer but please no alcohol consumption during the show, park rules not mine.

Thanks for all of your hard work and efforts in making this 'your' most successful and most importantly.... a 'fun' show!!!

Respectfully,

Tony



SEPTEMBER

BIRTHDAYS

- 9-1 John Siedel
- 9-6 Maurice Leveille
- 9-7 Joe Monetti
- 9-8 Wayne Long
- 9-10 Antone Beck
- 9-11 Carole Sherman
- 9-13 Al Kirilouckas
- 9-15 Steve Wimpres
- 9-21 Jim Reece
- 9-23 Wendy Reece
- 9-24 Ron Ostlund
- 9-26 Evie Bystrom
- 9-24 Bill Roberts
- 9-30 Ramona Mastrangelo



ANNIVERSARIES

- 9-6 Bruce & Janice Fuhrman
- 9-15 Steve & Kim Bantle
- 9-17 Bill & Janet Guzman
- 9-26 Jim & Debbie Hebert





MEMBER SPOTLIGHT!

Jerry & Sandy Norton



Corvette: 1964 - Saddle Tan (Gold)
1968 427 Coupe - Silver

Occupation: Technical Illustrator & Photographer - Retired

Member: 1995

Jerry Norton and his wife Sandy have lived in Conejo Valley since 1970. His 1968 Corvette 427 has 400 horsepower & air-conditioning. For that make and model, that was rare.

He is retired, but in between having fun driving his light blue 1967 Chevy El Camino, 68 vette and 64 Gold Corvette, he delivers cars for a car rental agency part time.

He is helping out with the Redline Corvette Show this month as the official photographer and Sandy will help make sure there are enough doughnuts and coffee on hand for everyone working the show.

RUN HIGHLIGHTS!

Ladies Run



The ladies run was held August 18th. As you see by the picture, they all had a great time; but then who wouldn't with a corvette to drive, beautiful California weather and a nice stop for lunch at a bistro in Carpenteria.!

Silly boys, Vettes are for girls!

Labor Day BBQ



While not exactly a "run", I'm sure the neighbors were impressed, as always, with the showing of all those corvettes at Tony Panchenko's house over Labor Day. This annual event is a crowd pleaser as well as a belly pleaser! Thanks to everyone who helped make this a fun, relaxing day. Great beginning to September and with the car show in the middle of the month, September is remembered as a busy fun-filled time with great friends.



THE ROAD AGAIN!

EVENTS

(Be sure to check out the web site (www.redlinecorvettes.com) to view more details on each of these events! They are under "Calendar")

Date	Event Name	Sponsor
Sun. Sept. 16	Car Show	Tony Panchenko
Sept. – TBA	Duke's Malibu	TBD
Th. Oct. 18-21	Laguna Seca Races	Emery Yuhasz/Ron Cohen
November		
Sat. Dec. 15	Christmas Party	Sue & Holly & Committee
Mon. Dec. 31	New Year's Eve Fillmore Train	Terry & Judy Sellers
TBA 1 st Sunday?	Santa Paula Airport Run	
TBA Saturday	Seebee Museum (Oxnard)	Ron Widdel

Christmas Party Info: from Holly Yuhasz

Date is Saturday night, December 15th. The cost will be \$35 per person. The SIT DOWN dinner includes appetizers, salad, choice of 3 entrees (filet, chicken or salmon) and yummy desert. (I am trying not to give it all away!)

There will be a cash bar, entertainment, including the DJ (subsidized by club funds). \$35 is the cheapest it has been since our first year as members. Many have already signed up! Don't be left out!

Any complaints, comments or suggestions regarding this newsletter, please address to:

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My Vette is a "medium spiral gray metallic" 2003 convertible.

