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**April 2006** 

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>	<b><u>Details</u></b> (further details in this newsletter & at nmcorvette.org)
April 30	Wallace Bow Day	Sandia MotorSports Park, 8 am start (racing)
May 6	NMCA Caravan*	Truth or Consequences (caravan, parade & show)
May 9	NMCA Council Meeting	Sandia Computers on Wyoming, 6:30 pm start
May 13	Wallace Bow Day	Sandia MotorSports Park, 8 am start (racing)
May 13	Mustang Car Show	Marriott Pyramid North
May 19	NMCA General Meeting	CASA Chevrolet - 7 pm
May 20	Vette-Viper Challenge*	Albuquerque Drag Strip
May 21	Museum Car Show	Old Town - Albuquerque museum, \$10 entry fee
May 27	Wallace Bow Day	Sandia MotorSports Park, 8 am start (racing)
June 2	Multi-Club Car Show	Carlsbad, NM
June 6	NMCA Council Meeting	Sandia Computers on Wyoming, 6:30 pm start
June 16	NMCA General Meeting	CASA Chevrolet - 7 pm
June 17	Wallace Bow Day	Sandia MotorSports Park, 8 am start (racing)
June 24	Route 66 Celebration	Car show at Traditions Mall & Sheraton Old Town
July 8-9	Corvette-Porsche Challenge	Sandia MotorSports - NMCA layout 7/8 - Porsche layout 7/9
July 9	NCRS Annual Picnic*	Hyde Park, Santa Fe
July 11	NMCA Council Meeting	Sandia Computers on Wyoming, 6:30 pm start
July 21	NMCA General Meeting	CASA Chevrolet - 7 pm
July 27-30	Vettes On The Rockies	Breckenridge, CO (Looking Glass Corvette 303-232-1886)
August 5-11	NCCC National Convention	Orlando, FL
August 8	NMCA Council Meeting	Sandia Computers on Wyoming, 6:30 pm start
August 18	NMCA General Meeting	CASA Chevrolet - 7 pm
August 26	NMCA Progressive BBQ*	Various locations throughout Albuquerque area

<sup>\*</sup> insufficient details provided by publication time

Further details of all above listed events can be viewed at www.nmcorvette.org in the events calendar pages.

Look at calendar and not just listed items on left side of screen. Many non-NMCA events are also in the calendar.

505-343-0400 ext 4 is the NMCA "event line" for late developments on scheduled events (please do not leave message)

To contact NMCA, send message to: info@nmcorvette.org

**Corvette for sale?** Corvette parts for sale? Looking for a Corvette? Check out www.nmcorvette.org and list your Corvette and/or Corvette parts for sale, for free. Complete details on the web site. So far this has been an under-used free service, however several individuals who have posted with us have sold their Corvette.





Russ Hague 2002 Z06



John & Sandy Castillo
2005 Black Coupe



Ronald & Jane Jones
2005 Blue Coupe



Stephen & Patti Jones
2006 Yellow Coupe



Roger Goldie
1995 White Coupe



**Brian Bennett** 1976 White Coupe

Welcome to the most exciting Corvette club in the Southwest!

**April 22nd Recap & thoughts . . .** (additional story and photos later in this newsletter)

First of all, thanks to all of you who spent a whole day of your hard-earned weekend at the car show last Saturday. I can't remember another car show that I've been to that had all six Corvette generations so well represented. I hope you had a good time and you enjoyed the "other" show that was there, too.

If you get a chance, I'd appreciate a brief email telling me what you liked/disliked about the show, so I can feed that information back to the guys at Motor Trend. Please jot down anything that you can think of like "the show was way too long for an outside car show" or "my car was torched by a roving band of thugs." You can write negative experiences to me, too.

I'd also like to mention another upcoming show opportunity. The YMCA in Los Alamos is having a charity car show on May 6<sup>th</sup> and the Corvette turnout was so big last year that this year they've added a Corvette-only category! If you want more information on the YMCA show, please email Mike Ragsdale at TerraSol@covad.net.

Wallace Bow, NMCA



### **Council Meeting Minutes - April 2006**

- The meeting was called to order by Vice President Jack Richards at 6:30 pm. Officers in attendance were President Stu Gorelick, VP Jack Richards, Treasurer Lori Jordan, Secretary Suzanne Monroy, Activities Director Larry Osborne, CSI David Judd, Membership Director Dan Bond and newsletter/webmaster Phil Ellison.
- <u>VP Jack Richards</u> stated that he and Pres. Stu Gorelick would be in Sierra Vista during the next General Meeting & Larry Osborne will conduct the meeting.
- <u>CIA David Judd</u> told the council that the Oktoberfest this year will be held 10/20 & 21 in Ruidoso, NM. He also stated that the updated membership address listing will be distributed at the April General Meeting.
- <u>Membership Director, Dan Bond</u>, requested funds to purchase additional club decals for new member packages; it was suggested that he check prices @ a couple more print shops.
- <u>Treasurer, Lori Jordan</u>, told the Council that the Club has a current bank balance of over \$8500; however, Santa Ana Star Casino has contacted VP Jack Richards and stated that we have an outstanding balance due with them. \$2000 is being set aside to cover this bill.
- She also shared that members can find registration for the *Route 66 80th Anniversary Festival*, June 23-25. Log on to the website for more information and to register @ 2006route66festival.com or contact Bruce Shaffer @ (505)821-5929 or (email: bshaffer@pldrt66.com). This is a National event w/U.S. as well as International participation & this year the Corvette is the featured car. There will be a Grand Prize awarded as well as a special award for Corvettes only.
- Phil Ellison suggested having our annual photo at the Balloon Museum; however, Larry Osborne said that
  he had already contacted them and the charge would be \$250 just for use of the grounds. Phil also asked if
  there would be upcoming information so that he could post the new sponsors logos on the NMCA website.
  Stu will be getting back with him the end of April.
- Activities Director, Larry Osborne, stated that he has received the first billing for our new storage unit; however, he also asked if we could upgrade to a larger unit (5X10) because we have already filled up the 5X5 we had originally contracted for. There is more equipment still to be transferred there. The Council voted to approve such a move. As soon as all of our current equipment is relocated to the storage unit, Larry will do a complete inventory. Dan Bond also offered the use of storage shelves so that equipment will be easy to access. VP Jack Richards will keep our timing equipment @ his home for the time being. Larry also gave the Council an update on the next Caravan, 4/23, to Los Alamos. He will contact Mike Ragsdale for restaurant locations in the area. He is also going to firm up information on the Truth or Consequences Parade 5/6. All this info will be presented at the April meeting 4/21.
- <u>President Stu Gorelick</u> asked about the May caravan date; the Super Bash is Memorial Day weekend in Tucson, AZ & we don't want a conflict. He also showed the Council a couple of Corvette flags.
- Stu asked the Council if we should upgrade our website since it has been hacked more than twice over the
  past year. The Council voted to allot \$500 for the Club to build its own website. Stu also shared that he had
  received about three C3 stories for the newsletter and that the sponsors should be in the upcoming
  newsletter as well.
- Pres. Gorelick also said that the punch cards for service work & purchases from the 3 CASA dealerships will be distributed @ the next General meeting by CIA David Judd. There will also be a special mailing to make certain all members receive a card.
- Stu asked that the charity for the Club this year be the Ronald McDonald House; the Council approved this unanimously!
- He reminded the Council about the Kripsy Kreme Saturday car shows @ Juan Tabo & Candelaria.
- <u>Vice President, Jack Richards</u>, asked Larry Osborne how the hotel contacts were coming along; he stated that Gloria is working on this.
- The next Council meeting will be @ 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 5/9 @ Sandia Computers on Wyoming; all members are welcome to attend. Next general meeting is @ 7 p.m. Friday, 4/21 @ CASA Chevrolet.
- VP Jack Richards adjourned the meeting @ 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Suzanne

Suzanne Monroy, Secretary



## **General Meeting Minutes - April 2006**

- The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Activities Director, Larry Osborne. Pres. Gorelick and VP Jack Richards were in Sierra Vista, AZ representing NMCA.
- The meeting was preceded by a BBQ catered by Powdrell's. Attendance was huge! Shane LeMon commented on what a great idea eating before the meeting was... thank you Stuart.
- Larry asked new members & guests to introduce themselves. John Pickrell just moving here from Iowa has an '05; John Castillo has an '05; Ron & Janet Jones have a '05 C6; their son Steve Jones sold his Porsche to purchase a Z51. Roger from the Los Alamos area was also in attendance.
- Public Relations Director Wallace Bow, shared information on several upcoming events: 4/22 the Motor Trend International Auto Show @ the Convention Center; 2nd St. will be closed off to accommodate the Corvettes entered in this event. May 13, will be the NMCA auto cross practice/time trials @ Sandia Motorsports in preparation for the Southwest Invitational this coming September. May 20, Vettes vs Vipers @ the Drag Strip; Wallace Bow Sr. will be there with his 1000 hp car. May 21 is the Museum Car Show; Lori suggested we get together with the Rio Grande Club & Bill Jackson suggested we go together as a group and arrive early (7 a.m) as this is a first come first serve event.
- <u>Treasurer, Lori Jordan,</u> shared that we finally received the bill from Santa Ana Star Casino for the 2005 SWI; this has been paid. Also, Lori read a letter from Presbyterian Hospital thanking NMCA for their generous \$1,000 donation to their Child Life Program.
- <u>Secretary, Suzanne Monroy</u>, shared that Brenda Logsdon and Becky Scott had medical procedures which required hospitalization this past week; flowers have been sent from the Club. Also, the DeBonoPaula family has transferred to San Antonio, TX. Mitch & Sandy Taylor are in the process of building a new home to accommodate all of their vehicles.
- Suzanne talked about the Progressive BBQ being held on 8/26; she asked members to consider offering their home for this event. There will only be two homes needed this year. She also reminded everyone that members will receive a punch card by mail to be used any time we have our cars worked on, buy parts, take a test drive OR purchase a vehicle from one of CASA's 3 dealerships; CASA Chevrolet, CASA on the Westside & Sunshine Buick Pontiac GMC. When the 10 numbers have been punched, we turn in the old card to Larry Osborne & receive a new card. All this information will be tracked by Secretary, Suzanne Monroy to be presented to CASA at the end of September, 2006. This will help CASA determine how much members are utilizing CASA's dealerships for next years' sponsorship funding. Suzanne also reminded everyone of the June 23-25 Route 66 80th Anniversary Celebration. There was a question about insurance for this event & Lori Jordan told members that Governor Ron Scott stated that our NCCC insurance should suffice. The Club has decided to participate in this event @ the Sheraton (\$25/car entry fee). Get your applications in as soon as possible (application forms available on the club web site, home page)
- Bill Jackson stated that he had just purchased *MAACO Auto Painting and Bodyworks* & he would offer discounts to Club members.
- CIA, David Judd, stated that he had several copies of the new members list.
- Activities Director, Larry Osborne, reminded members about the 4/23 caravan. Larry also stated that the Club has rented a 5X10 storage unit for all our equipment; located @ 98th & Tower (just past Central). He asked for help doing an inventory of our equipment, please contact him if you can help. Dan Bond has offered shelving to hold supplies for easier access. Larry announced that Bob DuBois won first place at the last Go Cart event (AGAIN)! Then he introduced Eric Schwartz of CASA; he asked members if they have any questions. Hugh Monroy & Shane LeMon asked when they would get a new Z06? Eric stated that he would be happy to talk to them after the meeting.
- Larry also talked about the Truth or Consequences Parade & Car Show on 5/6; he stated there would be a \$15/car entry fee. Honey Sailley stated that she would look into this entry fee and get back to Larry. The plan is to caravan down together as a group. He told members that next month Ambrozia Cafe would cater the pre-meeting supper for under \$10/person. Larry asked for a show of hands of those who would be participating in Sunday's caravan to Los Alamos. There were drawings for door prizes and then the meeting was adjourned @ 7:40 pm by Larry Osborne.

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Monroy

Suzanne

Suzanne Monroy, Secretary



Saturday April 22nd was an excellent day to celebrate Earth Day, the 300th birthday of Albuquerque, and a wonderful spring day to boot. And what better way to celebrate than with 22 shiny, proud Corvettes lined along 2nd street at the Convention Center. The 2006 Motor Trend auto show was in progress, and NMCA was a very visible part of this event. Corvettes representing all six generations were proudly displayed for all to admire. Young and old alike took pause to gaze and remark about the time classics. While the show inside was filled with cars of today and tomorrow, 2nd street had been transformed into a street from the history books. The cars inside were shiny and were all for sale. The Corvettes outside were shiny, and represented a dream for most, but all these cars were spoken for already!

Many photos of this display and event are available at www.nmcorvette.org, in the April 2006 photo album. A special thank you to Wallace Bow who was the primary coordinator between the show organizers and the Corvette owners. The show appeared to be a huge success, and one could make a reasonable guess that NMCA Corvettes will be called upon this time next year for another fantastic display. While the new cars indoors were wonderful to look at, many times the comment was heard by spectators that the Corvettes outside were the real attraction. Thank you to everyone who sacrificed their Saturday to bring their Corvette out for all to examine and dream.











### NMCA Heads North To Los Alamos - April 23rd

Start with eight, add seven, throw in a ton of hospitality and what do you get? A great day of Corvette fun where north meets south in the cool pines of Los Alamos. NMCA members took off early Sunday morning and met up with a group of members who call northern NM home. Mike & Cathy Ragsdale once again opened their arms and doors, allowing the entire gang to pit stop at their house and grab a bite to eat. A huge NMVA thank you to the Ragsdale's who always make the group feel at home in their own wonderful home. Photos supplied by Lori Jordan.









### When What

#### May 20 Vettes vs Vipers

#### **Details**

Chairperson: TBA Contact Person: TBA

Meet: Lowe's - Paseo & I-25 at 12:45, or at Albuquerque Drag Strip at 2 pm

Time: TBA Cost: TBA

Special requirements: helmet, plus adherence to all track rules (contact chairman for details) Notes: Extreme fun as driver or spectator - open track to get dial-in, then bracket racing

#### May 21 Albuquerque Museum Car Show

#### **Details**

Multi-club: open to all car show

Cost: \$10 entry fee

Arrive: entry of vehicles is 7:30 - 10 am only (arrive & park together...watch web site)

Where: Albuquerque Museum (Old Town area)

Notes: This is an annual event that just gets bigger and better every year. Awards given.

#### Apr 30, May 27, Jun 17 Wallace Bow Day - Sandai MotorSports Park

#### **Details**

Chairperson: Wallace Bow

Contact information: wjbow@wallacebow.com

Time: gates open 8 am

Cost: \$70/driver

Special notes: helmets required. This is a non-NMCA event.

#### June 24 Route 66 80th Anniversary Celebration & Car Show

#### **Details**

Requires individual registration - registration applications on web home page

Cost: \$25/entry

NMCA suggests selecting Sheraton Old Town as your show location

Featured car this year is the Corvette (last year was GTO) Details: www.oldrt66.com, or bshaffer@oldrt66.com

#### July 8-9 Corvette-Porsche Challenge

#### **Details**

Chairperson: TBA

Contact information: TBA

Meet: Sandia MotorSports Park - time TBA

Cost: TBA

Special notes: NMCA layout 7/8 - Porsche layout 7/9 - helmets required

#### July 9 Multi-club Corvette Gathering & Picnic

#### **Details**

Chairperson: TBA

Contact information: Doug Bird is the contact person for NMCA members

Meet: TBA Cost: TBA

Event: BBQ, Corvette Show at Santa Fe Hyde Park



## NMCA C-3 "SHARKS"

#### NMCA MEMBER INPUT

I bought my 1977 C3 Corvette about 6 years ago. I wanted a C3 Vette because to me they are the most exciting Corvette design. There is nothing subtle about a C3 Corvette. You always get noticed driving a 68-82 Vette. When I got my '77 it was a tired old dog. It needed just about everything redone. That's what I really enjoy about my Vette. I am just an old hot-rodder at heart and transforming the old Vette into MY CORVETTE has been a lot of fun. Granted, there has been a good amount of headaches. But that's all part of the game, right? There's really no part of my Vette that has not been improved ,modified or changed. I can really say, with pride, that this old Vette is truly MY CORVETTE. Its exciting just taking it out for an early morning cup of coffee. Or going on a run with NMCA to somewhere! ISN'T that what CORVETTES are all about?

**Note:** Jack Stephens has been a member of NMCA several years and remains active in car shows, caravans and racing events. Ask Jack about how his NMCA autocross experience saved the day, and his Corvette!

Jack's '77 with something strange popping out of the hood. Factory option?



Here's a photo is of my 1980 Vette. I bought it in June 2005 as a driver and I'm the second owner. It had 66,700 documented miles with original engine and transmission.

**Note:** Bill Lawrence is an active member of NMCA and enjoys Corvette events of all types



I found my '68 in San Francisco. I flew out there almost 5 years ago to check it out. I test drove it on the canyon road that over looks the Golden Gate Bridge. We stopped on one of the corner look-outs, and a tour bus full of Japanese tourists stopped at the same time. Every person on the bus got out and started taking pictures of the car, posing with it and so forth. It was pretty funny to watch. Anyway, I bought the car for \$9,000 cash. I realized while on the test drive that I left all of the cash in my bag in this guy's front yard. I hauled butt back and paid up. This guy was not a car guy. He acquired the car from an attorney friend a few years earlier and was now looking to remodel his kitchen. Within ½ hour after buying it I drove across the Golden Gate and took the costal hwy for a while. I only made it to Bakersfield and first thing the next morning rented a u-haul and trailer to get home. It did need some work and still does, maybe some day it will be finished. It gets track time and autocross abuse, looks like a show car, but I did not get it to have it sit around and look pretty. It's more fun to drive it hard.

**Note:** Bob DuBois is an active NMCA member always involved with autocross events and car shows. His "Hot Wheels" Corvette is always a popular attraction for the public!





### NMCA C-3 "SHARKS"

### NMCA MEMBER INPUT

#### Sometimes horsepower alone can't solve the problem:

May 1982. I'd owned my '69 for 2 ½ years. A multiple purpose trip to Seattle was needed, and I couldn't think of a better way to see the countryside than in my yellow big block head-turner. Packing for a 6 week journey and getting what I needed into the breadbox space available in a '69 was a feat in itself. But alas, I'm off. The route was planned. North 825 miles, turn left and go until you see ocean. By the time I hit Las Vegas (NM), I had determined that a C-3 was not a touring car. I'd only gone 120 miles. How would I survive my planned 600+ miles per day? No cruise control, no soft seat and simply no way to stretch out very much. Ask me later about left foot gas pedal action while the right foot took a break! On with the story . . . with butt recovering from the first day, I depart Cheyenne, WY on a warm, clear perfect midweek day. I-80 to Rock Springs. A quick stop in Rock Springs to tank up, then it's north on hwy 191 to Yellowstone. The day is gorgeous and warm. I'm about to hit "back roads USA" on a nicely paved 2 lane hwy, where there certainly won't be any cops. I had a grand vision. Hwy 191 is 111 miles long. I figured less than an hour! Tanked and ready, I'm off. This is one of those roads where you can see ahead forever. About 4 miles out of town I figured it was time to make the magic happen. As my speed increases, I look far ahead and see a very large exposured bed dump truck type vehicle starting to make a turn onto the road. Already I'm planning to wave as I sail by this working stiff. I'm catching him at an alarming rate. When I'm a few hundred yards behind him, I see what appears to be a golf ball bounce by. Then 2, then 30. Holy cow. This guy is carrying large rocks, and his bed is grossly overfilled. I'm now down to 20 mph as this jerk grinds through a few gears. Every time he hits another gear, a mountain of rocks shake loose. I back off a safe distance and try to come up with plan "B". I don't dare pass him, for fear of eating a few golf ball sized rocks. I can't turn around (I have a plan – remember). As he gets more speed, the rocks falling off are even more dangerous – now having speed and incredible bounce. I back off further. How long can he stay here? Probably going a few miles to a work site. I stick to my plan, and follow this clown from a quarter mile back, topping out at 38 mph. He never turns! 111 miles behind a loose cannon spewing rocks like mortar fire. Not once did I see a car come the other direction. and nobody ever pulled up behind me. This was truly a road meant to be driven as I had planned. I guess that plan will need to wait for another day. The good news is that my gas mileage wasn't half bad, and that I never ate one of his rock grenades. The following day I drove through Yellowstone, (late May) and it began to snow, and snow hard. I'd gone from dodging rocks to dodging pine trees . . . a story for some other time.

**Note:** Phil Ellison initially joined NMCA in 1979, has held many Officer positions within NMCA and still owns his '69 Corvette, hard seats and all.

Phil's '69 at an NMCA show, October 1985, Skaggs Alpha Beta lot, Albuquerque (I think we still have the exact same flags!)



Bill and Barb Jackson are original owners and still in possession of a Monaco Orange 1969 Corvette roadster. Bill bought it new from Ed Blacks Chevy in very late 69. It is a hardtop only 350/350 four speed. It cost \$4400.00 out the door. It currently has about 88K miles and is mostly original. It hasn't been driven in the last 13 or so years. The car has autocrossed, drag raced, driven back and forth across country and been shipped to and from Puerto Rico. Some day it will be restored after several of its ancestors are freshened up.

**Note:** Bill & Barb Jackson are long time NMCA members and actively show and enter their amazing fleet of Corvettes at shows, autocross events and club functions

Is this, or isn't this their '69 under wraps?



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#### NMCA MEMBER INPUT

In 1982 Chevrolet manufactured 6,759 Collector Edition Corvettes. How many survive is unknown but we have one in the garage. Their were only two options available for the Collector Edition, the Gymkhana suspension and the external rack to carry the T-Top (we have both), everything else was standard. The 1982's have some unique distinctions; First full production run at Bowling Green, First year with clear coat paint, Last of the C3 body style, aka the last of the Sharks. The Collector Edition also was the first model with a rear glass which could be raised. Fortunately, they improved the mechanics of this feature for the C4s and beyond. We also have another unique distinction; we have one of the "lost VIN number" cars from Bowling Green

We purchased the car from an advertisement in the *Albuquerque Journal*. It had been parked for probably 5 years and needed some TLC. The car was very original and fortunately Bubba had not been "improving" it. We also joined the NCRS. The clubs have different interests but they are all Corvettes and both are enjoyable. After a period at Scotties to make it safe to drive we begin restoring it. We have been fairly successful and have received a Performance Verification (PV), this means everything on the car works exactly as it did when it was delivered, and both a One Star Bow Tie and Top Flight Award a the 2005 NCRS Nationals. It is not a garage queen, Corvettes are to be driven and enjoyed.

**Note:** Mike & Mary Robb are active NMCA members as well as NCRS members. They often travel to NCRS shows and bring home hardware for their outstanding Collectors Edition '82.

Mike & Mary Robb with their '82 during the 2004 NMCA photo shoot in Rio Rancho





#### Mobile Phone Security (submitted by Stuart Gorelick, President, NMCA)

Here is something worth knowing if you have a mobile phone .... Have you ever wondered why phone companies don't seem interested in trying to prevent the theft of mobile phones? If you have ever lost, or had one stolen, and if you are on a plan, you still have to pay the plan approximately up to 24 months, and you have to buy another handset and enter into another contract. This is more revenue for the phone company.

There is a simple way of making lost or stolen mobiles useless to thieves and the phone companies know about it, but keep it quiet. To check your mobile phone's serial number, key in the following on your phone:

# star-pound-zero-six-pound (\* # 0 6 #)

and a fifteen digit code will appear on the screen. This is unique to your handset. Write it down and keep it safe. Should your mobile phone get stolen, you can phone your service provider and give them this code. They will then be able to block your handset, so even if the thief changes the sim card, your phone will be totally useless. You probably won't get your phone back, but at lease you know that whoever stole it can't use / sell it either.

If everybody did this, there would be no point in stealing mobile phones.

Editor's note: the above procedure didn't produce any 15 digit code on my Verizon phone . . .

... but I figure I'll be charged for a call to Australia or Sweden as a result!

### NMCA storms Arizona . . . Again!

April 22nd & 23rd a few NMCA members traveled to Sierra Vista, AZ to participate in their weekend of Corvette fun. The following is a report by NMCA President Stuart Gorelick who attended, and fought for our honor!

Autocross events are always fun, but when you have a fun, professional, and organized group like ThunderVette in Sierra Vista, Arizona putting on an event, it just doesn't get better than this.



(Your Prez, Stuart staged for run 3 on Saturday for a best time of 50.008)

What a great time and racing in Sierra Vista, AZ in late April 2006. The track was awesome, with two different layouts for each day. About 32 cars showed up for both days, from all over the Roadrunner Region. Stuart Gorelick, Jack Richards, and Steve and Teresa Rahe made the trip to participate. Stuart came home with 4 Second Place awards, Steve and Teresa came home with 1 First Place a each, and Jack Richards brought back 4, countem, 4 First Place Awards for his racing ability.

Everyone got home safe and sound, and we expect a great group from Tucson, Phoenix, El Paso, and Sierra Vista to participate in our SW Invitational (aka. Indian Summer) in late September.

( Here is Vice-Prez Jack coming down the final stretch towards a 1st Place finish )





Teresa Rahe, on her 1st Place run. Look at the beautiful mountains and skies. Wish you were there with us. Who knows, maybe next time.

Ask anyone who has autocrossed with our club, and they will tell you NMCA puts on a great event. So for those of you out there that would like more info on Autocross racing, Novice training, and safety, ask any of your Club Officers, or fellow members. Men and Women groups are at every event, and NCCC has a car class just for you, no matter what kind of Corvette you drive. It's the most fun you'll ever have driving 25 MPH!!!!

Stuart Gorelick President, NMCA





#### **APRIL**

Jack Stephens – 4<sup>th</sup>
Mitch Taylor – 8<sup>th</sup>
Larry Osborne – 10<sup>th</sup>
Donnie Marchi – 15<sup>th</sup>
Ted Osborn – 18<sup>th</sup>
Debbie LeMon – 19<sup>th</sup>
Jim Robbins – 22<sup>nd</sup>

MAY

Mary Mleczko – 1<sup>st</sup>
Barbara Jackson – 1<sup>st</sup>
Helga Judd - 1<sup>st</sup>
Janet Ellison – 3<sup>rd</sup>
Tommy Garcia – 5<sup>th</sup>
Bobby Baca – 5<sup>th</sup>
Sandy Castillo - 9<sup>th</sup>
Chuck Donoghue – 13<sup>th</sup>
Mike Robb – 16<sup>th</sup>
Ella Colman – 16<sup>th</sup>
Bill Lawrence – 23<sup>rd</sup>

Chuck & Robbie Younglund – 4/1/05 Jim & Catalina Allen – 4/4/97 Phil & Janet Ellison – 4/10/85 Al & Ella Colman – 4/23/94

Jim & Barbara Thomte – 5/1/82 Stuart & Karen Gorelick – 5/15/76 Mike & Mary Robb – 5/25/?? Donnie & Dusti Marchi – 5/31/02 Shane & Debbie LeMon – 5/31/80

# Still more NMCA event information: (late edition)

May 6th - NMCA caravans to truth or Consequences, NM for the annual "Fiesta Days" celebration.

Besides a nice long caravan, the Corvettes gather and participate in the parade through T or C (usually takes about 50 minutes - and the entire town shows up!) After the parade the cars end up at a car show with all types, ages and models, and a relaxing afternoon is taken in chatting car talk with other entrants. For those who have not made this journey, it's one you won't soon forget! Costs, meeting place and times, etc were not available at publication time. <a href="https://www.nmcorvette.org">www.nmcorvette.org</a> will have updated information when it becomes available. Hint #1: plan to depart at 6 am. Usually one stop is made for chow on the way down, and the group must be positioned inside T or C before 9 am, otherwise the road gets closed and we're out of luck. Hint #2: show up with a full tank of gas!

Your contact person is NMCA Activities Director Larry Osborne.



**Save The Wave!** 

