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Events Calendar

July-August 2006

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Details</u> (further details in this newsletter & at nmcorvette.org)
July 27-30	Vettes On The Rockies	Breckenridge, CO (Looking Glass Corvette - non-NMCA)
August 5	Bowling Party	Santa Ana Star - 3:30 arrival - bowl 4-6 pm \$10.50/person
August 5-11	NCCC National Convention	Orlando, FL (non-NMCA)
August 8	NMCA Council Meeting	Sandia Computers, 6:30 pm
August 18	NMCA General Meeting	CASA Chevrolet - 7 pm
August 19	NMCA Rallye	Gimmick rallye & ice cream social
August 26	NMCA Progressive BBQ	Marcus & Brenda Bunting's home - 6:30 pm start time
August 26-27	NMCA Event	Sandia MotorSports (late addition to list - details to follow)
Sept 29 - Oct 1	NMCA SWI	3 days of food, fun and Corvette excitement - local

* 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.

Birthdays

Anniversaries

JULY

Karen Gorelick – 10th
Steve Hernandez – 11th
John Castleberry – 13th
Clay Kuehn – 13th
Roger Goldie – 15th
George Nail – 15th
Jan Bond – 23rd
Ken Daby – 24th



Phil & Betty Newland – 7/6/91
Ron & Becky Scott – 7/17/71
Leo & Judy Romero – 7/19/72
Chuck Donoghue & bride – 7/22/00
Larry & Gloria Osborne – 7/24/93
Clay Kuehn & bride – 7/30/81

AUGUST

Larry Hayward – 7th
Ronald Jones – 7th
Russell Gollen – 10th
Shane LeMon – 11th
Betty Newland – 17th
Barbara Morrison – 17th
Gloria Osborne – 22nd
Dan Bond – 25th
Judy Vinyard – 26th
Brenda Logsdon – 30th

Michael & Catherine Ragsdale 8/13/77
Chuck & Nelda Tipton – 8/19/42
Dan & Karen-Lynn Garza – 8/24/??



Your chance to lend a helping hand:

The NMCA annual food and toy collection efforts have begun. At each general meeting members may bring new, unwrapped toys and/or non-perishable food goods. These donations will be provided to a worthy cause in December on behalf of all NMCA members. The most basic items in your mind may make a true world of difference to someone less fortunate. The choice is yours and 100% voluntary. This is one way you can help your club and help someone else at the same time. Jackie Haydu has offered to oversee this collection and secure all donations for the coming 5 months.

NMCA members have, and have always had the opportunity to submit stories for publication. Input and sharing between members is a desirable situation. Unfortunately, members seldom ever make submissions. The monthly Tach Times newsletter is limited in size due to physical printing & mailing issues. Short submissions, space permitting, are welcome. Submissions that go beyond reasonable length or can not be afforded space in a particular edition can most certainly be published directly to the web site, with a brief summary and invitation to read the entire submission on the web mentioned in the newsletter. While the club has a newsletter editor and webmaster, the duties do not involve beating the bush for a story. When information is learned first hand, it can easily be mentioned. But just like each of you, time is limited and these days not every event can be attended personally. Your input is always appreciated. The editor does have authority and obligation to reject or edit any submission that is not appropriate for general club dissemination.
Thank you.



Council Meeting Minutes - July 2006

- Meeting was called to order by, Pres. Stu Gorelick at 6:33 pm.
- Officers in attendance, Pres. Stuart Gorelick, VP. Wallace Bow, Gov. Jack Richards, CIA David Judd, Act. Dir. Jackcuelyn Haydu, Treasurer Lori Jordon, Member Hugh Monroy, Member Larry Osborne (standing in for) Suzanne Monroy.
- Jack made a motion to reverse last month's decision, to cancel the Southwest Invitational. The motion was voted on and passed. He also discussed upcoming Regional events, and club members getting their high speed license.
- Wallace suggested that we make a list ahead of time, for subjects at future council meetings. We also voted and passed the approval for the SWI flyer, and for it to be sent out. We discussed possible changes to new member packets in the future. No firm changes yet. We discussed moving the Awards Banquet from December to January, after holidays.
- Jackcuelyn proposed trip to Haunted House in Cimarron, NM. A club bowling event will be held Aug 5th. These events are being set up. Also another caravan to the Ragsdale's in Los Alamos. And the July 20th muscle car cruise plus the progressive BBQ care also coming up.
- Lori advised that all bills are paid, and discussed the tax issue. Council members are going to talk to the IRS to see how we need to handle it.
- Stuart brought up the charity event for the Ronald McDonald house. The council also voted and passed to buy two Corvette flags for the club from Stuart.
- Hugh is going to find out dates for the charity event.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 by Wallace.

Respectfully submitted by

Larry Osborne (for Suzanne Monroy)

Suzanne Monroy, Secretary

In April NMCA President Stuart Gorelick requested members with C-3 stories to submit them.

- ❖ We received 6 (there are 10+ C-3's in NMCA)

In May Stuart requested stories about C-4's.

- ❖ We received 1 (there must be 10+ C-4's in the club)

In June Stuart requested all those C-5 owners to submit a story.

- ❖ We received 2 (a wild guess is that NMCA has 25+ C-5's in its ranks)

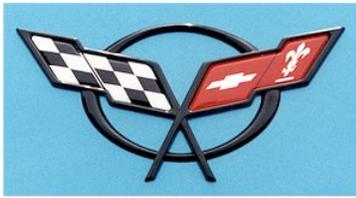
Anticipating the story count from C-6 owners for the August edition, we have ordered more paper!

In a very short time there will be a brand new reason to stay home and fire up the Internet. NMCA will soon have a new and exciting web presentation. www.nmcorvette.org is still the site, but soon with a whole new look. Later in this edition you'll learn why this new look was scheduled. August 9th is a target date for the new site to be active.

Check the site often from August 7th on, as you never know when it will change. One element that may not be active at launch will be the photo album area, which will come along shortly thereafter, with a little luck.

Event Details

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>
August 5	<p>NMCA Bowling Party</p> <p>Details Chairperson: Jackie Haydu Contact information: Jackie Haydu Meet: 3:30 pm at Santa Ana Star casino (bowling is 4-6 pm) Cost: \$10.50/person - 2-3 games anticipated - includes shoe rental</p>
August 19	<p>NMCA Gimmick Rallye</p> <p>Details Chairperson: Jackie Haydu Contact information: Jackie Haydu Meet: Lowes (I-25 & Paseo) Time: 5 pm Special notes: Expect 30 minute rallye. Requires navigator. No helmet needed.</p>
August 26	<p>NMCA Progressive BBQ</p> <p>Details Chairperson: Suzanne Monroy Contact information: Suzanne Monroy Meet: 6:30 pm - Marcus & Brenda Bunting home Special notes: Meat & soft drinks provided. Side dishes needed. Coordinate directly with Brenda Bunting as to what you are bringing. (294-3431)</p>
August 26-27	<p>NMCA CASA Appreciation Event at Sandia MotorSports Park</p> <p>Details Chairperson: Hubert Monroy Contact information: Hubert Monroy Meet: TBD Cost: TBA Event: Car show + qualified cars & drivers will be allowed on track during the night</p>
Sept 29 - Oct 1	<p>NMCA Southwest invitational</p> <p>Details Chairperson: Multiple Contact information: Wallace Bow - wjbow@wallacebow.com Event: 7 sanctioned events, 2 dinners, tons of fun Cost: Check www.nmcorvette.org for complete details and application form</p>



NMCA C-5 CORVETTES

MEMBER INPUT



Submitted by Dan & Jan Bond

1999

White fixed hardtop coupe with blue interior and 6-speed. We purchased approximately 2 years ago from CASA Chevrolet after looking for 3 years. Magnaflow custom exhaust, C6 chrome wheels and silver racing stripes, otherwise stock. Only 35k miles



Baby is our fourth Corvette. Previous were a yellow '59, a white '63, and a metallic bronze '68 w/L 71 engine and factory side pipes. All were convertibles with the removable hard top. The '99 is by far the most drivable, representing an excellent, well engineered balance between comfort and performance. It is very happy pottering around town as a grocery getter, but will hook up when pushed. It does not perform as well as the '68, (few cars could) and lacks the sports car soul and feel (stiff ride) of the '59.

Dan discusses his '99 with a spectator during the Museum Car Show this past May

Submitted by Phil Ellison

2001

The 2000 model Corvette offered a new and exciting color, Millennium Yellow, appropriately named with all the Y2K hype and events. While the new C-5 certainly had my attention, the new color was like a calling and I was forced to stop and visit the dealer. In late June 2000 after learning more about this new breed of Corvette, I sat across the table from the purchasing agent (at *another* dealership). I had checkbook in hand for my deposit, and I was prepared to order my next Corvette. We went through a long list of fill in the blanks, starting with name, etc. I made it clear that I wanted a 2001, due to begin production in mid July. No problem. We went down the list of standard features and available options. I had invested an hour with this guy as he carefully and ever so slowly entered my request into his computer. As luck would have it, the last question he asked was about color, to which I replied, "yellow". He stopped his computer entry, swung around and told me it wouldn't happen. He told me he would put the order in and take my \$500 deposit, but that I should not wait by the phone. We shook hands and I left, checkbook still in hand. A little depressed I figured it wasn't to be...some sort of sign.

Skip ahead 8 weeks. My job at the time had me out and on the road a lot. 2:30 in the afternoon, Wednesday August 29th . . . I drive by University and Lomas (where there is yet *another* dealer). The sun is beaming from the southwest straight into the showroom, drenching its light on a magnificent Millennium Yellow 2001 Corvette. One quick u-turn and I was in the showroom.

I looked at the window sticker, and this Corvette was identical to the one I attempted to order 8 weeks prior. The salesman walked over, I introduced myself and handed him my credit card to hold the car. Within 5 minutes of pulling into their driveway, I owned a 2001 Corvette. The car had arrived on Monday, pre-ordered by someone else. That buyer couldn't come up with the funding and released the Corvette Wednesday at noon. I guess this is a case of right place at right time. I'm sure that salesman never made an easier commission.



*Two yellow Corvette's . . .
. . . does anyone see a pattern developing?*

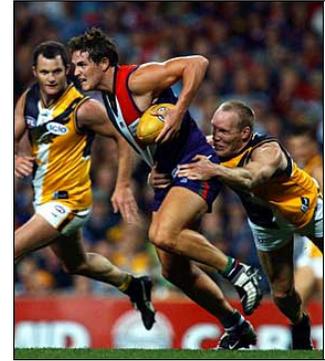
Hacked Off

You read about it all the time . . . high school seniors hack into the school computer records and change grades, or an anti-war group hacks into the Pentagon system and posts a message on the home page. Banks computers have been hacked into and funds transferred. There is a small but potent number of people out there with the expertise to manipulate computers and get past security. Web security, much like the lock on your home's front door, is designed to keep out the honest guy. If someone wants in, they can usually get in. If you leave a key to your front door under the front door mat, you're security is flawed.

The NMCA web site, as you currently know it, is much the same as a key under the doormat situation. There are people, many people, out there who know how to access the system and by-pass all so-called security. More and more frequently the NMCA web site has been attacked and hacked, with the hackers leaving their calling card, normally consisting of a new home page display and a twisted mess of administrative code to be unraveled. It's not that we want to keep leaving the front door key under the mat, with a sign that says "key under mat", but the web foundation we opted to use, (for many very solid reasons mind you), is simply venerable and inviting to those who know the backdoor entrance. If there was any possible way to seal the security gaps, we would have done so. Unfortunately, we can't, and as a result we have encountered a growing frequency of hackers having their way with our web site. We have operated our current web configuration for 3 years. During that time we've been hacked into 7-8 times. The majority of hacks resulted in nuisance type interruption. Some form of hate filled home page display and a little bit of messing with administrative commands. Each time we get hacked into, the option exists for that person to completely delete everything we've built, virtually destroying our web site. Since these hackers are probably 12 years old and more interested in seeing how many sites they can take down in a day, they typically don't hang around to deface anything. Earlier this year we had a more sophisticated hacker hit us, and he opted to spend some time in our administrative area installing some code that made it very difficult to undo and return to normal. The typical time spent to repair a hack (for us) is about 30 minutes. The hack in the spring took about 3 hours to correct. Over the 4th of July weekend we were hit twice, by the same hacker, as evidence by the message and home page display left. This time they went further than playing around, and actually started deleting files, and again altered code. As a result, 4+ front page stories were deleted, an entire photo album was deleted (the June 2006 album which took several hours to upload and title), plus they destroyed our ability to put any additional photos into the albums. Mean spirited hacking this time. Who are these hackers? Could be any kid, any person, virtually anyplace on the globe with Internet access. This is a "crime" where the hacker is virtually never caught . . .although we have managed to shut down two offender web sites!

So, that explains the past. Now for the positive news. NMCA will soon have a new web site. The new site will be almost un-hackable due to the lack of any formal or released web platform. If people can hack the Pentagon, they can hack us....but we doubt that with even the slightest bit of resistance that these hackers will spend any time at all with us, and will simply move on to the next cookie-cutter web site where they can have their way. The new club web site is being custom designed, and will most likely sport a slightly different overall look. Most important though, you will have the same important information available to you. Details about membership, meetings, points, news, club events, application forms, By-Laws plus a different yet functional photo gallery....all at your fingertips. What you won't see is an interactive events calendar, any type of survey question, or several other features that from internal evaluation showed weren't being used anyway. The other thing you won't see is the added effort it will now take to post stories and make a change to any page. Before, or currently, due to a standardized platform, making changes or additions was not overly difficult, but this old system was easily hacked. The new system will be tough to hack, but will also make the administration much more time consuming.

Bear with us as this new system is developed and installed. A temporary web page debuted July 12th after another series of hacks that morning. The new final version of the web site is scheduled to be available sometime around August 9th. Check it out and provide your feedback. If you see something that could be added, let us know. It may or may not be possible, but we're open to all input. Please keep in mind that a "good" web site may cost \$15,000+. We're pulling this off for under \$600. Think of it as a Corvette body on a Geo Metro frame. . . . looks good and will get you here to there, but without the high cost! Wish us all luck, and thank you for your patience.



**Australian football players wear no helmets.
This may suggest a reason why they provide such wonderful quotes:**

"Nobody in football should be called a genius. A genius is a guy like Norman Einstein."
Mick Malthouse - Collingwood

"I'm going to graduate on time, no matter how long it takes."
Peter Bell - Fremantle - on his University Law studies

"You guys line up alphabetically by height." and "You guys pair up in groups of three, then line up in a circle."
Barry Hall, Sydney Captain at training

Brock Maclean (Melbourne) on whether he had visited the Pyramids during his visit to Egypt:
"I can't really remember the names of the clubs that we went to."

"He's a guy who gets up at six o'clock in the morning regardless of what time it is."
Kevin Sheedy on James Hird

Jonathan Brown, on night Grand Finals vs Day Games *"It's basically the same, just darker."*

Ron Barassi talking about Gary Cowton *"I told him, 'Son, what is it with you. Is it ignorance or apathy?' He said, Barass, I don't know and I don't care."*

Barry Hall (Sydney) when asked about the upcoming season:
"I want to kick 70 or 80 goals this season, whichever comes first."

"Luke Hodge - the 21 year old, who turned 22 a few weeks ago" (Dermott Brereton)

"Chad had done a bit of mental arithmetic with a calculator." (Mark Williams)

"We actually got the winning goal three minutes from the end but then they scored."
(Ben Cousins, West Coast Eagles)

"I've never had major knee surgery on any other part of my body." (Luke Darcy)

"That kick was absolutely unique, except for the one before it which was identical." (Dermott Brereton)

"I owe a lot to my parents, especially my mother and father." (Shane Wakelin)

"Sure there have been injuries and deaths in football - but none of them serious." (Adrian Anderson)

"If history repeats itself, I should think we can expect the same thing again." (Andrew Demetriou)

"I would not say he (Chris Judd) is the best centreman in the AFL but there are none better."
(Dermott Brereton)

Garry Lyon: *"Have you ever thought of writing your autobiography?"* David Swartz: *"On what?"*

"Well, either side could win it, or it could be a draw." (Dermott Brereton)

"Strangely, in slow motion replay, the ball seemed to hang in the air for even longer." (Dermott Brereton)



General Meeting Minutes - July 2006

- NMCA VP Wallace Bow called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- As the first order of business, Wallace proposed a change to the standing rules, changing the Awards Banquet so it can be held in December or January. He read the standing rule and the new proposed rule, and we discussed it. We will vote on it next month.
- Wallace talked about SWI is back on, and the changes to it. Jack Richards emphasized that we need helpers. We also discussed personal equipment needed to be apart of it.
- Jack Richards and Hubert Monroy, brought up high speed license, and how to get it, and maintain it, so that members can compete.
- Wallace discussed NCCC upgrades to the high speed license.
- Jack talked about the website, links and changes coming up.
- David Judd announced the club competition points so far this year.
- Lori Jordan reported they are still working on the tax issues.
- The club welcomed a new member this month, Chuck Trauth, who just bought a silver 1999 Corvette. We are happy to welcome him to our NMCA Corvette family.
- Jackcuelyn Haydu reminded members about the barbeque at the Buntings Aug 26th. She discussed old business: Caravan to Jemez, and the route 66 cruise where Lori Jordan of course won lots of great awards. Also talked about the baseball game, and the muscle car cruise A great time had by all. New business: Talked about Santa Ana Star casino starlight bowling at 3:30 on August 19, and TBA gimmick night cruise and rally. Other events coming: Haunted hotel trip to Cimarron, NM.
- Jackcuelyn announced there will be a box at the future meetings to collect toys and canned goods for our upcoming charities.
- Chuck announced that a drifter with a police Corvette, wants to do a show at Indian Summer. Ron recommended checking with Honeywell Co. about doing auto crosses in there parking lot.
- Meeting closed by Wallace at 8:07 pm after a drawing for door prizes.

Respectfully submitted by

Larry Osborne (for Suzanne Monroy)

Suzanne Monroy, Secretary

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And on an unrelated house-keeping note, please keep NMCA CIA David Judd informed of current address, e-mail address, phone changes, etc. At any given time it seems there are always a handful of e-mail addresses that are out of date. This only results in the member not receiving a notice with the rest of the club. The choice is yours, but don't blame NMCA if you're last to know due to a non-active e-mail address on file with the club!



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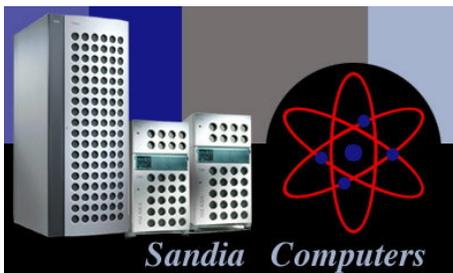
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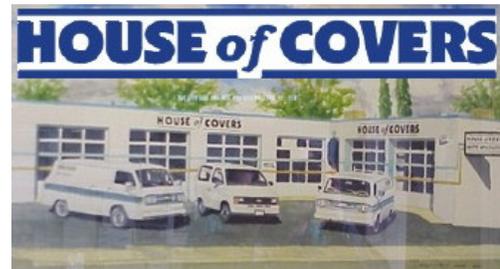
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