



June 2007

NMCA EVENTS CALENDAR:

No details on any events have been supplied to the editor.

Events you should block your calendar for: (details announced when chairperson(s) provide details)

- ☼ June 15th – general meeting combined with BBQ at Shane LeMon’s place of business*
- ☼ June 17th – caravan*
- ☼ July 15th – caravan, Corvette gathering & BBQ – Hyde Park (Santa Fe) (www.nmcorvette.org/events)
- ☼ August 18th – BBQ at the Buntings*
- ☼ September 8th – NMCA autocross at Route 66 Casino*
- ☼ September 28-28-30 – NMCA Southwest Invitational (registration form available on NMCA web site)
- ☼ December – awards banquet*

* insufficient details available at publication time

Check out NMCA events, plus other non-NMCA car events at <http://nmcorvette.org/events>

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MEETING CALENDAR:

July 10 – Council Meeting – 6:30 pm – 2420 Midtown NE, Suite A
 July 20 – General Meeting – 7 pm CASA Chevrolet, 7201 Lomas NE

August 7 – Council Meeting – 6:30 pm – 2420 Midtown NE, Suite A
 August 17 – General Meeting – 7 pm CASA Chevrolet, 7201 Lomas NE

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Birthday candles burning June & July:

☼ June ☼

- Doug Bird – 2nd
- Richard Sherman – 2nd
- Sue Conrad – 8th
- Mark Logsdon – 8th
- Kathy Berry – 9th
- Ken Pepin – 10th
- Bill McKerley – 10th
- Phil Anderson – 12th
- Jay Innes – 14th
- Kevin Wagner – 16th
- Ron Scott – 20th
- Mike Mansur – 21st
- Juanita Romero – 24th
- Stephen Hopkins – 26th
- Jim Allen – 28th

☀ July ☀

Karen Gorelick – 10th
Stephen Bender – 12th
Roger Goldie – 15th
George Nail – 15th
Cyril Bock – 15th
Arlo Dornhoff – 20th
Jan Bond – 23rd
Ken Daby – 24th
Robin Markham – 26th
Doris Faust – 26th

Wedding anniversary bells ringing in June & July:

☀ June ☀

Bruce & Debra Behrends – 6/4/77
Mitch & Sandi Taylor – 6/5/74
Bill & Barbara Jackson – 6/6/70
Marcus & Brenda Bunting – 6/10/67
Larry & Lori Jordan – 6/10/98
Lee & Coreen Carrillo – 6/13/??
Jack & Collene House – 6/14/58
Steve & Jean Haydu – 6/14/97
Bob DuBois & ??? – 6/15/95
David Buckner & ??? – 6/18/68
Stephen & Cindy Hopkins – 6/22/79

☀ July ☀

Ron & Robin Eschinger – 7/3/65
Phil & Betty Newland – 7/6/91
Jack & Robin Markham – 7/8/00
Ron & Becky Scott – 7/17/71
Larry & Gloria Osborne – 7/24/93
Bill & Jennifer McKerley – 7/26/69
Bryan & Jocelyn Glas – 7/28/02

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NMCA NEWS

East Mountain Rallye:

Shane LeMon and Steve Schultheis plotted, planned and researched countless hours in order to provide 12 NMCA teams with a fun, entertaining 70+ mile run through and around the east mountain area on Sunday May 20th. Besides a pleasant drive through the countryside, these devious minds had created a 45+ questionnaire to be completed along the way. Teams with the most right answers would be showered with gifts at the completion. This was one event where your Corvette or driving skills didn't really factor at all. The ability to follow directions and identify landmarks, signs and other elements along the way were paramount on this day. And true to their word, Shane and Steve had us travel down some roads that we probably never would have driven otherwise. The event was well planned, had each team traveling about 70 miles in 2 hours start to finish, and was quite entertaining. Picked by insiders as favorites and the team to beat, "Team Ellison" failed to make it into the top 7 finishers, and they are still out in the east mountains looking for two signs and a phone number! The only driving skills that came into play were members ability to make a u-turn so that they could go back and look again for an answer to the question at hand. A special thank you to Shane LeMon and Steve Schultheis for a ton of effort and planning in order for NMCA members to enjoy an afternoon. A good time was had by all, and if you happened to miss this event, hopefully another equally fun and challenging day will come along shortly.

NMCA becomes a mandatory NCCC car club:

(repeat story due to importance factor affecting all NMCA members)

By a majority vote at the April NMCA general meeting, NMCA will now mandate that all members, except Social and Dependent, be NCCC members as well. While this new situation has many positive factors, there will be some rustled feathers among the ranks. The new mandate went into effect May 1st. Any new member joining May 1st or afterwards will pony up extra to be an NCCC member also. This October when NMCA dues are collected, any existing NMCA member who is not currently an NCCC member will be required to submit a new NCCC application. Complete new dues structure is now available for review at the NMCA web site, <http://www.nmcorvette.org/clubinformation>. NMCA hopes the tremendous benefits afforded by this sudden shift in policy offsets any negative issues that arise. Suggestions have been made that NMCA membership dues be examined and possibly reduced. NMCA financial stability needs to be maintained, and all reasonable approaches should be given consideration.

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PROCEDURES & REGULATIONS

First and foremost, as a member of NMCA you are obligated to act in a manner becoming of NMCA whenever participating in a club event (social or competitive), or when representing NMCA in any official capacity. This includes, but is not limited to, obeying all traffic laws, acting in a courteous manner, and respecting all property, private or public. If there are rulebook challenges or disputes, these issues need to be brought to the attention of the NMCA Governor and event chairperson in a civil, professional manner. When participating in a club organized event, you the member, represent NMCA to other members and to the general public which may be observing or somehow associated with our event. Treat the club, its' members and associates with respect and you can expect no less in return.

As we enter a new season of Corvette fun and activities, the time is right to once again review some of the rules and guidelines we must all be aware of. This edition of Tach Times deals with funkhanas. NMCA is an NCCC car club and is obligated to follow the official rulebook as closely as practicable for each event. The rulebook is established to afford a safety factor for all participants while still affording maximum enjoyment. Since NCCC provides an umbrella of insurance protection, we must make all reasonable attempts to conform to the common sense rules set forth.

Recap of procedures:

Over the past 5 months you've had detailed descriptions about funkhanas, autocrosses, caravans, Corvette shows and activities that are normally presented each year for NMCA participation. While each event has a few specific quirks and rules, the overall message is to conform to the NCCC rulebook, be knowledgeable of the event you're entering and plan to come prepared. Common sense is king and safety is the primary concern. Enjoy the event, respect the chair-person and their wishes and offer constructive input to make the event better next time around. The best way to make a difference is to become directly involved yourself as a chair-person. Even the simplest of events requires a level of preplanning and coordination.

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FOR SALE

The NMCA web site accepts For Sale and Wanted listings related to Corvettes, at no charge by private parties. This list is constantly changing, with many Corvettes sold within a short period of being listed. Corvettes added to or postings updated on the For Sale list within the past 30 days include:

- ☀ 1989 Convertible – Red – \$19,900 (Chicago area)
- ☀ 2001 Coupe – Yellow – \$27,000

Review all For Sale & Wanted listings at <http://nmcorvette.org/forsale>

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NMCA PLACARDS

With a bunch of new and welcomed members, we should take a moment to advise that you can have a custom placard created for your Corvette. A sample placard and complete details can be found at <http://www.nmcorvette.org/clubinformation>. When you're involved in a car show, these placards stand out and provide the public with interesting details and trivia about your Corvette. To place an order NMCA needs to have a few members involved. Currently only one member is awaiting his placard to be created. If you are interested, please visit the club web site above, and submit your request. \$10 will get you a nice, 12" x 18" color placard.

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NEW WEB ADDITION

The NMCA web site has expanded, and now boasts a new section titled "Southwest Invitational". This new area not only contains all relevant information about the pending SWI event, but also looks back at previous years and offers a brief recap and photo collection for viewing.

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NMCA MEETING MINUTES

Council meeting minutes and General meeting minutes are available for review anytime at: <http://nmcorvette.org/newsletters>

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Test your Corvette IQ:

☀ The base price of a 1955 Roadster V-8 was:

- A - \$2,774
- B - \$2,817
- C - \$2,865
- D - \$2,909

☀ In 1957 Corvette offered a 4 speed manual transmission as an option. This option would set you back \$188.30. Of the 6,339 Corvettes built during this model year, how many left the factory as 4 speed manual models?

- A - 519
- B - 664
- C - 722
- D - 776

☀ Back in the "good old days", there was a laundry list of options that you could order on your new Corvette. Corvette offered the choice also of deleting standard equipment and receiving a credit. So basically, everything was an option! In 1989 Corvette built at least 1 Corvette without a radio, deleted at the purchasers request(s). How many Corvettes left the factory line without a radio in 1989?

- A - 1
- B - 3
- C - 7
- D - 14

☀ What was the least most popular exterior color for the 1999 Corvette?

- A - Artic White
- B - Sebring Silver
- C - Magnetic Red
- D - Nassau Blue

(answers at the end of this newsletter)

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Member input is always welcome. If you have photos and/or comments about a Corvette event or NMCA event, and wish to share those thoughts, please submit to info@nmc Corvette.org. If you have comments about this new Tach Times distribution method, or if you know of a member who is unable to receive this monthly e-mail newsletter, please send a note indicating the member and the reason why they are unable to receive this, and steps will be taken to insure they are provided with a hard copy of this same newsletter.

You should anticipate a monthly message similar to this arriving approximately 3-4 days prior to the NMCA general meeting date. Minutes of the Council meeting and General meeting will continue to be posted on the club web site in the newsletter section.

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About NMCA:

Mailing address: NMCA, PO Box 91355, Albuquerque, NM 87199-1355
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Corvette Trivia Answers:

- ☀ (D) The 1958 Roadster V-8 base price was \$2,909 (they have appreciated slightly since then)
- ☀ (B) 664 Corvettes were factory equipped with 4 speed manual transmissions for the 1957 model year.
- ☀ (A) In 1989 Corvette records indicate 1 radio delete on the build sheet.
- ☀ (D) Nassau Blue was the least produced color in 1999 (only 1,034 Corvettes factory painted this way)

