



# **The Vette Set**

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After a fun day of racing at the April 17th autocross,  
some of the participants posed for a picture

**Please note next club meeting will be at  
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**Deadline to submit newsletter articles and  
information is the 15th of the month.**

Email articles or pictures to:

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WEBSITE is <http://www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org>

## *Meeting Information*

**Our general meetings are always the first Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be 7:00PM Thurs June 2nd.**

***Meeting location:***  
Daniel's Long at 670  
Automotive Drive,  
Colorado Springs,  
(719) 632-5591



***After the meeting,  
we will enjoy dinner  
and refreshments:***

Texas Road House  
595 S 8th Street  
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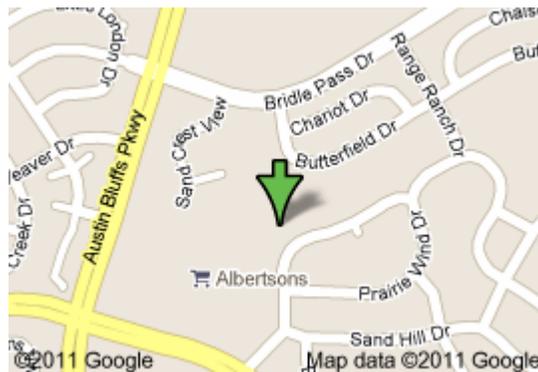


Board meetings are open to any club members. Occurs Tuesday prior to the general meeting (same week).

### **April 5th**

Larry's house  
6964 Granite Peak

Event chairperson should plan to attend the board meeting prior to event.



## Members Present at Meeting



Barrett Benson  
Barb Hoepner  
Patty Strauch  
Ray Pazdior  
**Lorren Loewen \***  
**Lauri Lowen \***  
Shauna Catt  
Melvin R Swindale  
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Tom Hoepner  
Paul Thompson  
Denise Phillips  
Jerry Phillips  
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**Laurie Loewen \***  
David Hall  
Ed Wargin  
Diana Wargin  
Juanita Bochnak  
Michael Bochnak  
Reta Rogers  
Skip Seiling  
Rob Miskowitch  
**Zora Duntov \***  
Jason Ulrich

Diane Stermer  
Rik Noring  
Dick Ary  
Bill Ryan  
Anne Silvers  
Ken Fender  
Kelly Z  
Jimmy Z  
Jane Creighbaum  
Gail Creighbaum  
Dave Cherry  
Jim Nile  
Judy Nile  
Ed Redlin  
Joel Midkiff  
Gwen Hatchell  
Todd Butts  
Denice Butts

\* Secretary notes suspicious  
sign-ins, but documented as writ-  
ten.

### **Guests Present**

Name	Vette	Meeting	Sponsor
Mark Kirk	1982	3	Rob Miskowitch
Don Anderson	2006	1	Lorren Loewen

### **NEW EMAIL LIST INFORMATION**

We have a new email distribution list. To send an email to the entire club, use the address [cscvettes@googlegroups.com](mailto:cscvettes@googlegroups.com). All members were added to the list using their email address from the club roster. If you have questions about the distribution list, please contact Mikie Ulrich at [mikie.ulrich@gmail.com](mailto:mikie.ulrich@gmail.com)

**For Sale**



1999 Corvette convertible. Pewter with black top and interior. Dual exhaust. 72,340 miles. \$19,000 Contact Gwen hatchel at [hatchellgd@comcast.net](mailto:hatchellgd@comcast.net)

<b>Meeting Minutes</b>
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May Meeting Minutes 2011

Meeting called to order by President **Patti** .

Newsletter errors as noted:

1. Corvette trivia problems
2. Gary Yale's birthday
3. After meeting dinner location
4. Board meeting location
5. Garage tour not mentioned

Minutes were accepted with noted changes.

New Business

**Patty** - Welcome to our newest Member Mark Kirk. Mark was voted into the club on May 5th. Happy Birthday to Mark as well.

**Michelle from Daniel's Long** - All of the benefits are on the last page of the newsletter. The grand opening of the new showroom will take place on the 3rd or 4th Thursday in June. There will be a VIP party. Next month the meeting will be at the remodeled Daniel's Long facility. Michelle introduced Mike, the newest salesman. Daniel's Long is the number 1 Corvette dealer in the western region. Daniel's Long has access to the most vehicles around.

**Treasurer's Report: Lorren** - Treasurer's report was read.

**Fun in the Sun: Rik** - The 19th annual Fun in the Sun will take place on May 7th. 35 cars are registered so far. Open at 7:00AM, clean stop at 10:00AM. There are 16 judges. There is a judge meeting at 9:15AM.

**Garage Tour: Wayne** - Next tour is May 19th. Everyone is invited. There are both technical and social aspects. Please RSVP

before the May 19th tour. Come hungry. There will be Ribs, potato salad, beer, and soda.

**A May-Zing Rally: Jane** - It is May 29th. Registration is 9-10. Pre-registration is \$25, day of \$30. About 60 miles. Food at end. Proceeds go to our charity.

**Autocross: Wayne** - June 5th. Larry Valentine offered to chair the event. Signup sheets were passed around.

**Spring Spree: Jimmy** - More information coming. There will be a Corvette only section. June 18th and 19th.

**Black Forest Parade: Tom** - Date is August 13th.

**Pagosa Springs: Winnie** - The hotel in Pagosa Springs is filling up fast. Register soon. Rates are \$69.99 and \$99.99 for suites. Carshow is Saturday on Lewis Street. Not sanctioned. Sept 9, 10, & 11.

**Fire Extinguishers: Lorren** - Some clubs protested our autocross events because we only have two fire extinguishers. We voted to purchase six more at \$38.00 per.

**Next Club Meeting: Patty** - We will hold the next club meeting at Daniel's Long. During the July club meeting we will vote on the location for our club meetings. The choices are Police Station, Springs Funeral, or Daniel's Long. Meeting time will be at 7:00PM like normal.

#### **Corvette Upgrades**

- Mikie and Jason upgraded to a K&N air intake and spoiler.
- New wheels and tires for Tom Ury
- New paint for Paul Thompson
- You can get your tire pressure sensors fixed by Rex's for \$8.00.
- Gwen hatchel is selling her 1999 Corvette.

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### Board Meeting Agenda

Great food at Tom's house! Great food! BBQ, salad, chips, and a great rice and broccoli dish.

1. Checks and bills
2. Fire extinguishers
3. New Members
4. Autocross PCA
5. 50th anniversary update
6. Autocross report
7. Garage tours
8. Spring Spree
9. Upcoming events

Attendees: Don Adametz, Patty Strauch, Gary Crumb, Larry Lukenbill, Rob Miskowitch, Lorren Lowen, Alta Olejnik, , Gary Yale, Wayne Umland, Susan Umland, Mikie Ulrich, Tom Hoepner

### NCCC Regional Schedule

To see the regional schedule look here: <http://www.rmrnccc.org/Google%20%20RMR%20Calendar.htm>

## UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

**Board meetings are open to all members. Please notify host if you plan to attend. The chairperson for each event should plan to attend a board meeting prior to the event. Location will be announced in the newsletter prior to the event.**

May 31, 2011 (for June)	Larry Lukenbill
July 5, 2011	Alta Olejnik
August 2, 2011	Gary Crumb
August 30, 2011 (for Sep)	Patty Strauch
October 4, 2011	Patty Strauch
November 1, 2011	



**Awards: Walt** - Patches for 200+ points were awarded to Walt, Wayne, and Rik. So far CSCC is the #1 club for points.

#### OLD BUSINESS

**Autocross: Walt** - There were 6 instructors and 12 students. Ran triangle, slalom, and mini-autocross course. Sunday had 48 drivers.

**50th Anniversary: Patty** - We will be running a 50/50 drawing at club meetings for fund raising for a 50th anniversary party. If you have other ideas please let us know. Events can donate money to this as well.

**Trash Pickup: Ed** - 18 volunteer cleaned up our road in 1.5 hours.

**Raffle Tickets: Barrett** - Barrett Benson has raffle tickets for the next Corvette Museum raffle car. Drawing will be in September. Barrett has tickets 26-50.

Thanks to Daniel's Long, Kelly, and Rattle Snake High Performance for raffle prizes this month.

**Good News/Bad News suitcase: Patty** - Is being temporarily retiring. Tom purchased it for \$41 and will not have to fill it up.



COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB



Sunday, May 29, 2011

# A-MAY-ZING RALLYE

GIMMICK AND CHANCE

REGION SANCTION RM-183-001



Trophies

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
REGISTRATION

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
TECH

10:15 a.m.  
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\*\*\* Two Poker  
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Event starts at the Golden Cereal Restaurant located at 5410 East Woodmen Road, Colorado Springs

Breakfast & Coffee can be purchased before the Rallye

Bathrooms are available

Rallye – approximately 3 hours

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Shauna Catt presents Lorrie Loewen the CSCC women's Fast Time of the Day (FTD) award and Lorren Loewen proudly displays his award for the men's FTD award. Nice Job!



The 2010 NCCC's #1 Driver (Rik Noring) takes time to wave to the camera during the April 17<sup>th</sup> Autocross. Whoever said it takes 2 hands to drive?



### **Colorado Springs Corvette Club Facebook Page**

As of October 6, 2010, we have our own Facebook page. This is a great way to share fun things with the club like photos, race results, upcoming events, how to (tips and tricks), etc. We have had some great postings so far including Tom's 'C2 Visor Repair' article, photos of the April Autocross and Daniels Long Car Show and advertising for the various club events.

The address for our Facebook page is:

**<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Colorado-Springs-Corvette-Club/157863700903775>**

People who don't have Facebook accounts, can click that link to see what our page looks like, but it would be view only...no editing allowed. To get a FB account, simply go to <http://www.facebook.com> and sign up

NOTE: In order to update the page with comments, photos, videos, a person with a FB account, must go to this page and click the Like button

If you are interested in receiving this newsletter electronically via the website please let me know at [miskowitch@yahoo.com](mailto:miskowitch@yahoo.com)



## What's all the fuss about attending our Club meetings?

We've had a lot of new members, and a group of potential members, attending our meetings in the past year...which is awesome. One question that often comes up is: "What exactly do you do at the meetings?"...so I thought I'd offer a little insight to our meetings. Like most meetings, there are the normal tasks to accomplish. We review the previous minutes; the Treasurer's report; and talk about some old business. So far it sounds sort of boring right?! Well it's NOT boring! Many of the items are LOTS of fun. Let me offer just a few examples. Chairpersons talk about previous events (old business) and fun things that have already occurred, AND we talk about upcoming events (new business). A few examples include "business" items like rallies; parades; car shows; garage tours; caravans; and oh yeah...autocrosses. I would be teased to no end if I didn't mention autocrosses because this year, our Club is going to be the top club in the Region!...and with our driver's, and the Club's participation, we can't lose!!! Gooooo Team!!!!

Pictures often tell a pretty good story, so here's a couple to enjoy. This 1<sup>st</sup> picture shows people get to socialize with friends and some funny people at our meetings, but here's a test on the picture. Can you find and name:

1. The person representing the Cinco de Mayo holiday?
2. Can you find the find and name the person that has a shocked look on their face, and can you tell why they have a shocked expression?
3. Can you find and name the 2 people that weren't paying attention?



The club also started a 50/50 drawing at the May meeting. Our 50/50 drawing is where people donate \$1 per ticket to have a chance to get 50% of the total money donated, while the club gets the other 50% placed in the treasury to

help offset costs for the Club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary party next year. The picture below shows Barb Hoepfner receiving the 1<sup>st</sup> dollar donation from Prez Patty. Tom Hanon was the lucky ticket holder and won \$37 of the \$74 donated. (Nice going Tom!)



This past meeting also represented the retiring of the “Good News – Bad News suitcase.” Whoever had the top bid got to “enjoy” the contents of the suitcase, and one never knew if it was all good news, all bad news...or a mix. This final suitcase was won with a bid from Tom Ury, and as he explained the contents, he found there was some really good news, and a few bad news items too.



In addition to the 71 members in attendance, the Club got the opportunity to vote in a new member...Mark Kirk. Mark has a 1982 Corvette, and the Club is excited to have him as a new member. We also look forward to meeting his family at future events. Then the members got to meet a potential new member...Don Anderson. Don said he's retired, that he has a 2006 Corvette, and that he's excited to see what the Club is about.

All topics at our meetings take about 1 hour to review/discuss, and then we get the opportunity to enjoy another thing I really like to do...go out and eat. Each month, our 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Mikie, selects a restaurant near our meeting place, and this time, it was HuHot on Academy Blvd. The pictures show a few of the members enjoying the food, and Wayne, who may have gotten confused by thinking the sign was indicating that seat was reserved for “Who's Hot.” We'll just say we were happy he had the sombrero on so he didn't get burned by the hot light.

# June 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29 A-May-Zing	30	31 BOD	1	2 General Meeting	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		



Please come to our future meetings to help make them even more fun.

Pictures and article by Tom Hoepner



This would be  
a nicer world  
if everyone were  
like our Corvette family!

Thanks for all of your concern,  
prayers, cards, thoughts,  
good wishes AND  
a beautiful plant!  
Getting better day by day.....

*Thanks, Dick*

To our friends & Club members,  
We appreciate the kindness you have shown us in the loss of Larry's mother.  
Thanks to the Club for the potted plants in her memory and the personal prayers, cards & visits.

Larry & Brenda &  
the Valentine family



A word from President Patty.....

## **Corvette time of the year!!!!**

Well, we're in full swing now.....the snow is ALMOST finished with us and it's pretty safe to take the Vette out without worry of needing to clean up mud splash after a ride in the sun!

There are several events within our own club PLUS many other events from other clubs to fill every spare hour you may have available. Check the event calendar on the website or contact a board member.

Speaking of the website, have you noticed all of the pictures that members have added for membership enjoyment? Those photos will be out there perpetually, so years from now we'll remember the fun times & dated conditions.

Remember, we'll be meeting @ Daniels-Long, Thursday June 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7 pm. Please try to make this meeting to see if you like meeting there. We will vote on a permanent meeting place @ the July meeting!

Do not hesitate to contact one of your board members if you have ideas you would like to see incorporated into this year's list of activities. We also appreciate the feedback you have given us to enhance the club in general!

That's all for now folks...

## NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

On May 4, 2011, Mark Reuss, GM North America President, addressed a crowd consisting of GM officials, media and supporters of Corvette. He announced GM's plans to invest \$131 million in the Bowling Green Assembly Plant. His announcement was carried by the NCM website; excerpts of the announcement are included below.

"This facility (Corvette Assembly Plant) is particularly thrilling for me to be at because I've had Corvettes, in fact, Corvette is one of the reasons why I went to work for the company a long time ago," said Reuss.

Reuss announced that the next generation Corvette, the C7, would be produced in Bowling Green and that 250 jobs would be created. He added that the current generation will continue for about two more years while work happens behind the scenes to update the facility and ensure the Corvette will continue to be the true American sports car built here for many years to come. The C7 model is predicted to be debuted Spring of 2013 for a 2014 model year Corvette.

"As you know Bowling Green is a special place to Corvette lovers around the world. This place is the mecca for those who appreciate true affordable sports car performance and they come from the four corners of the globe to see the birthplace of the American car that holds it own against Porsche, Ferrari, BMW and the rest of the legendary European sports car makers, both on the street and on the track. They come to see how on earth Americans can build such a car... a car that meets and beats the best in the world, and the world has to offer, although typically the world has to offer theirs at a much higher price point".

"Unlike any other facility in North America your doors are open to our customers who make pilgrimages to Bowling Green to see their car being built, meet the people, and visit the National Corvette Museum." Reuss also praised the Museum pointing out that it is not funded by General Motors. "I'm one of the lovers of the Museum and the heritage of Corvette and this state means a lot to me personally."

### Brick Program

With the increasing popularity of the Museum's Hexagon Brick Program, there is now an additional option to commemorate your Museum visit. The 4" Mini Hex is made of red alder wood. It includes the NCM logo on a beveled edge base and a key hole for hanging. Currently, the introductory price is \$50. For an even bigger savings, order a Mini Hex as a duplicate to your Hexagon brick order! To view the new Mini Hex and place an order, visit the NCM website at: <http://store.corvettemuseum.com/detail.aspx?ID=3389>.

Barrett Benson  
CSCC Ambassador

## “Fun in the Sun” Car Show

The 19<sup>th</sup> annual “Fun in the Sun” car show was a huge success. Not only did the chairperson, Susan Umland, do a great job of planning, she couldn’t say enough about all the terrific help she had. The flow of the event showed what hard work and great planning can accomplish. Special thanks to Rik Noring for hosting the event at the Corvette Center and for providing a number of the door prizes. Kelly Zajicek also provided some of the door prizes from her new business. A thank you also goes out to the team that prepared the lunch. The food was fantastic! A final shout goes out to Rick Renfro, the Chief Judge, and his team of judges. Great job Team!

As Rik explained during the awards presentations, there were 54 Corvettes registered for the show, but it was estimated that there were well over 80 Corvettes on display. “We had entries from a number of clubs, and that made the event one of the best,” said Rik. A tip of the respect hat goes to ALL the people that participated.

The following is a list of award categories and the respective winners.

### Concours:

Nick Renfro 1963-1967  
Peter Gregory 1968-1977  
Diana Dittman 1978-1982  
Rick Carara 1997-2004  
Bill Ryan 2005 & up

### Street and Show:

Jeff Smith 1953-1962  
Thomas Hoepfner 1963-1967  
Wayne Palmer 1968-1977



Jerry Stermer 1984-1996  
Bob Dyster 1997-2004  
Tom Hannon 2005 & up

Wash and Show:

Jim DeGree 1953-1962  
Ron Thomas 1963-1967  
Steve Brogaard 1978-1982  
Jerry Ludke 1997-2004  
Rik Noring Jr. 2005 & up

Overall Awards

Best in Show: Tom Hannon  
People's Choice: Michael Sabo  
Best Paint: Michael Sabo

Congratulations to EVERYONE that participated and took the time to prepare their cars for the show. The hard work really showed and gave all viewers some real eye candy to appreciate. See you next year.

We've included a small sample of the pictures, but be sure to go to the Colorado Springs Corvette Club web page, "Photo Album/Past Events" link to view all the pictures from this event and others.

We'll close this article with a comment overheard from what appeared to be a husband and wife. It really sums up the day. Overheard (wife to husband): "You've had all the fun you're allowed in one day...we're going home!" While Corvette lovers really enjoyed showing or looking at all the beautiful cars, one lady was overheard, telling what was believed to be her husband: "You've had all the fun you can have in one day...we're heading home!" "You



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# Happy Birthday

Mike Dittman	6/1
Tara Rising	6/2
Michelle Self	6/7
Candy Paine	6/7
Dave Beem	6/10
Cindy Tumbleson	6/10
Keith Swansen	6/22

### REGIONAL UPDATES

CCC - Colorado Corvette Club - 970-724-3506  
CSCC - Colorado Springs Corvette Club - 719-302-5472  
CWC - Central Wyoming Corvettes - 307-258-4451  
CWCC - Colorado West Corvette Club - 970-434-5120  
DCA - Denver Corvette Association - 303-980-1079  
DTRC - Down the Road Corvettes - 303 465-4664  
GRCC - Glass Reunion Corvette Club - 406-628-2224  
RMR - Rocky Mountain Region - 303-739-9515  
TORCA - Top of the Rockies - 303-678-1816

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**11th Annual Pagosa Springs Classic Car Show**

**September 9-11, 2011**

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519 Village Drive  
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

Phone: 1-888-221-8088- Number to call to book rooms

[Do not book your rooms on line](#)

Rooms: \$69.95 Suites: \$99.95

Limited Rooms -due to other events going on in Pagosa-Book your room NOW! When calling in let them know you are with the Corvette Club to get the special rate.

Car Show: on Saturday, Sept. 10th - Event flyer will be out soon. It will not be a sanction event. Any questions, please con-

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