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About the Cover- Andy's C3 Journey Home

The story about my old/new Vette could have been a short one.....



..... but then if you knew me - oh well, here it goes. I joined SCC in 1999 after just having purchased a 1982 C3 two tone Corvette which I restored and then displayed in a lot of shows. You can read the entire story in the January 2000 SCC Newsletter. I then purchased a C4, C5, C6 (which was highly modified) and finally a C7 Grand Sport.

Fast forward to December 2019 when I started more actively looking for a Chrome bumper C3 (1969 – 1972) to work on. I purposely left out 68 because of some special parts that I did not want to deal with. I drove a '71 from San Jose without power steering and power brakes, which was definitely not much fun. One day I spotted an Ontario orange, all original 1972 at California Classics, the same dealer where I bought my 1982. The car looked awesome in the pictures, had all the history in the area including car show receipts from Vette-O-Rama XXXI, buyers guide and original order copy. The paint was great and without any blemishes, but not show quality. One afternoon after some serious negotiations with cash in hand I drove it home.

Now the story could easily be finished here but there is more....

As I said before the car was nearly perfect – nearly. If only I could have some side pipes. I can do this! I have a lift at home and swiftly ordered some Hooker headers and a back-filler panel. The headers came in and the old, rusty



exhaust was removed without issues. Putting the new headers in, however, proved to be a serious challenge.

The passenger side header was impossible to fit, hit the frame rail underneath as well as the outside of the fender and left a gap at the header gasket. I researched several online resources where people told me “that’s normal, just bang them in place with a hammer”. With growing frustration, I decided that the headers must be out of spec and replaced them, resulting in the same issue.

That is when I called Max from Race Street Rally to help. We talked about the situation and I brought the car over to his place for headers, exhaust, minor suspension work, an engine checkup and a mini starter.

The filler panel needed to be fitted and painted as well, so the car went to BFS on Lafayette.

Manuel had several Corvettes and historic cars in his shop, worked with Chip Foose and was certainly the right man for the job. We talked about colors options and it became obvious that “Ontario Orange” is not a really “pretty” orange in the first place. Nevertheless, a paint job, although this would be the best time to do it, was not really in the budget. Later that evening he called me and made me a great offer that I could not refuse. We decided for a full, two stage paint job in “Tangier Orange” inside and out.



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President - Greg Selzer



Let me introduce you to Bryce Kelley



On May 24th we had our first Santa Clara Corvettes group event since the shelter in place order was issued and it was for a very good cause. We joined Bryce's family and friends, and the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Department and Fire Department in a drive-by birthday celebration.

Bryce's dad Ryan contacted us 4 days earlier and asked if we could help the family celebrate this year. Now 5 years old, Bryce has been battling stage 4 liver cancer for two years. Ryan explained that Bryce is quite the little car guy who can already tell the difference between Corvettes, Lambos, and Mustangs. He thought it would be great if

we could get a few Corvettes to drive by for the birthday celebration. About forty-two cars showed up.

We were joined by members from Family and Friends Corvette Club and we filled up the whole block and then some once we started to roll. Ryan told me that Bryce was a little shy when the police cars and fire trucks drove by but really lit up when he saw the Corvettes.

Through contacts with Friends and family, KTVU found out about the event and decided to produce a TV segment that was aired that night on the 10:00 news. Using event photos and video from **Bob Nastasi** and separate online video interviews with Ryan Kelley and **Ken Jacksteit** they put together a very nice tribute to Bryce. Ryan said that Bryce has watched it, 'a million times' and has even put on his own Corvette car show using some of the toys that members dropped off as gifts.

Thanks to **Ken Jacksteit** for organizing this and representing the club in the KTVU video, **Bob Nastasi** for his pictures and video, **Al Thompson** for connecting with Family and Friends Corvette Club and all the members who participated in the event.

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Greg

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What is happening with the "C8 Watch" Now?



At the time of this writing, Bowling Green restarted production May 26th with one shift. Both shifts will be fully up to speed July 1. The factory sent an email to all GM dealerships that they are no longer taking any orders for 2020 but will extend build to Nov. At the end of May they will start taking orders for 2021. I found one in Fresno, torch red, adrenaline red/black, Z51 package on [autotrader.com](https://www.autotrader.com) Sunday night. Called first thing Monday morning and was already sold. It was ordered and decided did not want it when arrived. Sales guy said they have a 200+ waiting list for the 15 allocated if owners decide to not take them when they arrive.

In my on-line searches for C8 deals, I have found that in less than a week after announcement of production stoppage used C8s are now going for \$110,000 to \$125,000. You see new ones now with \$10K added to MSRP.

I found this YouTube video. Go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZAykCY5Nxog> and watch a 19 year old get his C8 at museum delivery. I too would act just as excited as him if I picked up mine.

Stay tuned for more on the next C8 Watch.

Geno Brickey



Welcome!

Al Thompson - Membership Director

Greetings Santa Clara Corvettes.

Social clubs, not so social these days as the ramifications of COVID 19 pandemic continue to wreak havoc across the country and car club socials. Nevertheless, I remain optimistic as I anxiously await the next phase.

June the month we expect to enter Phase 3, I am hopeful I can take a road trip, an 'ode to the road' by taking a few days to explore sites in my own backyard. Keeping that in mind I have researched a few road ready apps to keep me on track and ensure road trip wellness all while saving money.

Roadtrippers - Billed as the app that is "helping travelers plan the most epic road trips", allows you to build your itinerary and plot your route. Roadtrippers will help you find novel points of interest along the way allowing you to plot seven-way points for free. Check out their itinerary library for inspiration.

Gasbuddy - The app that helps you "fuel better" by showing you the most cost-effective places to get gas on the go. GasBuddy committed to giving you cash back has teamed up with a few national retailers to allow you to dine and shop and earn gas back bucks to be used at the pump.

Audible - The world's largest producer of downloadable audiobooks offered by Amazon allows you to listen and/or learn while you drive. Audible is a subscription service and there are some benefits to be a prime member though free membership isn't one of them.

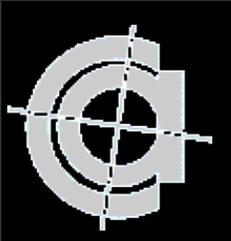
Plugshare - Like its counterpart GasBuddy, this app helps you find and review cost effective electric charging stations by simply allowing it to access your location. Use the various filters to optimize your search.

iExit - The interstate pit stop finder, takes the guess work out of wondering how many miles to stretch your legs, grab a snack, and use the restroom.

As you can see I am really looking forward to getting on the road but until then....let's check our roster: We have 178 members on our Roster and nothing has changed from the previous month, just waiting to see what phase 3 brings to Santa Clara Corvettes in these coming days.

But until then, treasure the relationships you have and enjoy the moment.

Al Thompson



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Cheryl Klynn & Linda Lariz



With the COVID-19 restrictions, there's not much happening right now. No one knows what is going to happen and when facilities will be available, but we're trying. We are constantly monitoring the lifting of restrictions issued by the authorities. So, please, bear with us. Looking to the future and making plans is difficult in this climate.

1. We had our first "virtual" TGIT, May 21st from 5:30 to 7 pm. Orchestrating a virtual TGIT using the Zoom platform involved a lot of education, time, and practice (as some of you know because you participated in our practice sessions). **Cheryl** did a great job with a lot of help from our resident expert, **Alan**. Thank you so much, **Alan**. It was great catching up and seeing each other's faces. Everyone looked so good and comfortable. However, I did miss the margaritas. Next time!!



2. Just as county restrictions on drive-by car parades were lifted, SCC received a request for a "Corvette parade" for a 5-year-old cancer patient, Bryce Kelley on May 24th. Since he is a "car fanatic" even at this young age, his dad Ryan had hoped for about 5 or 6 Corvettes (his favorite) to make Bryce's birthday special. With help from **Al Thompson**, who recruited 11 cars from the Family&Friends Corvette club to join us, our parade swelled to 42 cars. Staging the cars on the side streets created quite a stir. The whole neighborhood turned out in their yards for our parade. Everyone was cheering us and Bryce on!! You may have seen us featured on the KTUV news Saturday night and over the weekend. It was a wonderful gesture to come together and celebrate Bryce's 5th birthday. Many thanks to all who participated.

3. Another parade request has been received by **Ken Jacksteit** and will be in our rear-view mirrors when this FCG is printed. **Samantha Dorsey**, our 2019 SCC Social Media Director, has graduated from SJSU! She deserves recognition for her hard work. Her family is immensely proud of her and they want her to know it. Since all graduation ceremonies and celebrations have been cancelled, her dad, **Wayne Dorsey**, last year's club president, requested a "Graduation parade" in her honor on Saturday, May 30th. We fully expect another great turnout. Congratulations to **Samantha**! Job well done!

4. Our next Virtual TGIT will be June 18th. We'll send out an email to remind you closer to the date. Hope you can join us. It was great catching up and seeing each other's faces. We look forward to it. Let's encourage more members to join in on the TGIT calls. If you know any new members, please ask them to join the fun. We need to stay engaged and continue to share the SCC spirit with all our members, old and new.

5. The SCC Annual Picnic is still scheduled for Sunday, July 19th at Hellyer Park in the Buena Vista Group Picnic Area. The park is currently closed, but hopefully it will be opening soon. Updates will be published as soon as we have information. We are hoping and planning to have another BBQ attended to by our expert volunteer staff! I can almost taste the steak and chicken now. Mmmmm. Keep your fingers crossed for a quick opening of the parks. With all that space, we can do this social distancing.

5. Roll up your sleeves!! SCC is sponsoring "Santa Clara Corvettes Cares" Blood Drive in support of our medical communities through the month of July. This is one thing that we are still allowed to do. We have a goal of 50 pledges. Appointments are required to donate blood, so members are requested to visit the Red Cross website at <https://sleevesup.redcrossblood.org/campaign/santa-clara-corvettes-cares/>. You can make your pledge and schedule your donation right then. At the date of this writing, we have already got 11 pledges. Our first actual donation was made by a "designated donor" for the **Beck's**. Their daughter Jo, in Illinois, stepped up when Carol and Ron couldn't donate. She immediately donated in honor of **Carol** and **Ron**. Our second pledge to be completed was **Cameron Brown**. Thank you all! There are at least 5 more donations that are scheduled for next week. We appreciate everyone's donations. Thank you so much for your generosity and willingness to give in these unprecedented times.



6. Our Tehachapi Mountain Festival trip scheduled for August 15th and 16th appears to have been suspended. Their recently updated website shows the event does not have dates scheduled for 2020. We will update our calendar when we have firm information.

7. The Grand Canyon Ride the Rails trip is still on for September 27th. Grand Canyon Railway & Hotel is currently closed, but the hotel and train are scheduled to re-open on June 15th. They have cancelled all motor coach tours in the Grand Canyon National Park until July 15th. So far, we are okay. We will keep you updated as more info becomes available. So, keep your fingers crossed that everything opens before our booked time.

Our future events are on hold, waiting for the bans to be lifted. Stay safe and sane. Be prepared, stay healthy and hope that soon we will be driving and socializing together again.

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Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl and Linda

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Wayne Dorsey Throws a Parade for Frontline Workers

All right **Geno** here we go, so what does your last year's Santa Clara Corvettes president do during a pandemic??

He throws a parade!! Our Street in South San Jose, Kiowa Circle decided to throw a first responder front line workers parade for SJ police officers, sheriffs and the fire department as well as



medical workers from regional hospital. We wanted to try to bring some positive morale to officer Álvarez and her fellow officers and to all Frontline workers who have been giving all

their love to the medical workers in front of hospitals. They were overwhelmed by the Love and support from our 20+ kids and their



families holding signs as they drove by. Neighbors worked on their houses for three or four days, decorating them with



signs giving thanks to all the first responders. This brought the neighborhood a lot of joy during this tough time, they were able to focus on something fun instead of the virus. They really enjoyed the parade and preparing for it. The event was covered by Dustin Dorsey at ABC 7, it aired that



night on the local news. ABC local-ish picked up the story and sent it out nationally. As for me I was glad to bring happiness

to my neighbors, show our appreciation to SJ police, SC sheriffs, fire and medical workers for all they're doing for us. Dustin had a fun story to cover. Overall it was a success. The street was lit with happiness for this day. Be Safe.

Wayne Dorsey



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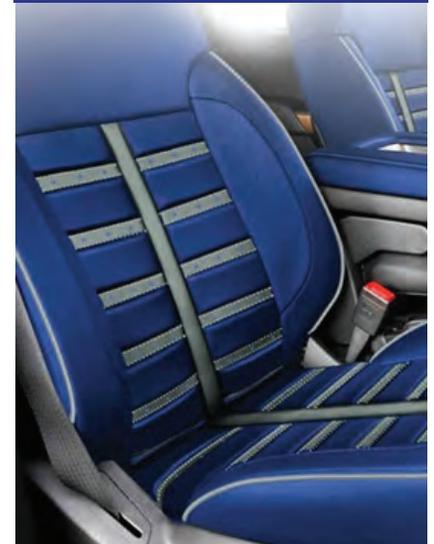
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SF to DC – Ken Jacksteit Remembers a Yojack Adventure Across the Country & Back – Part 2

Up until this time, we had traveled approximately 3,650 miles. Each stop we made was for one night. So, getting to Washington D.C. was a welcome sight, as we stayed here for five nights. Our hotel was just outside of D.C. in Falls Church, Virginia. We took a 20-minute Metrorail ride to D.C. each day. Having never been to D.C., I wanted to see everything and almost did. I would love to go back. My first stop was the White House tour. I had applied 6 months earlier for the pass. At the end of the tour I talked to a uniformed Secret Service agent who was from Hollister. He saw my SCC hat and started up a conversation.

Now everyone talks about the Smithsonian Museums, and that you can spend two weeks at the National Air and Space Museum alone. Well, I move quickly. There are 17 Smithsonian Museums in the D.C. area. I walked each one in the five days I had. I also saw all the monuments during both the day and night. There were other tours as well. I did visit the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial, where I saw the names of the 13 San Jose Police officers who were killed in the line of duty and was able to etch their names from the stone wall onto paper that the memorial supplied. I also saw a hockey game: Washington Capitals vs Montreal on their opening night. So, it was quite an eventful and fulfilling time there.

The next 3 days we spent in Dayton, Ohio and visited the Wright Patterson Field/U.S. Air Force Museum and the Wright Brothers bicycle museum. They were known for their bicycles before Kitty Hawk. I got my oil changed at a local dealership. They did have a few Corvettes for sale there, so I was puzzled when they asked if I wanted my tires rotated.

The next stop was the Indy 500 Speedway and Museum.



No, we weren't allowed to take a lap with our cars, but we did get a lap in a tour bus and had the opportunity to kiss the bricks.

We continued on to St. Louis and stayed the night there. We went up in the Arch—it was the second time for me, and I would do it again.

On our way to Branson, Missouri, we stopped off for gas at a random exit. A woman who works at Mid America Motorworks saw the Corvettes and approached us. She

said that Mid America was just down the street and invited us over. I didn't even realize we were in Effingham, Illinois. So, we went there and took photos and visited their



museum. They even did a live Facebook feed showing off our cars and talking to us. It's just one of those random things that happens on these trips.

On October 12th we arrived in Branson. Not going to sugar coat this. It's Branson. Checked it off my list, and let's move on.

While driving through Oklahoma on our way to Shamrock, Texas, I broke off and went to the Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum. This is where the bombing occurred on April 19, 1995. This museum was incredible and very moving.



Shamrock is part of the old Route 66. Picturesque as you can see from the photo. It's known for its historic Art Deco Style CONOCO Tower Station and the U-Drop Inn Café.

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SF to DC – Ken Jacksteit Remembers a YoJack Adventure Across the Country & Back – Part 2

From Branson to Shamrock was 490 miles and then to Las Cruces, New Mexico was another 450 miles, so there was a lot of driving to do. After that, we had another 420 miles to Winslow, Arizona; all of that driving was done in 3 days. During this time, I visited White Sands National Monument, Petrified Forest National Park, and the Very Large Array. You may not know what the Very Large Array is, nor did I know then as well. For those of you who saw the movie “Contact” with Jodie Foster, part of the movie was filmed here.



As you can see from the pictures, there are many large antennae dishes on this open land. In the movie, it seemed like a lot more, because they used CGI to make it look that way. There are 27 of these large dishes. I won't bore you with the details, mainly because I'm not articulate enough to explain what I heard, but it was interesting.



I now know why he was “standing on the corner in Winslow, Arizona,” because that is probably the most interesting thing to do there. No, the Meteor Crater isn't in Winslow; it's around 18 miles to the west. So, we stood on the corner and moved on to Las Vegas.

I arrived in Las Vegas for the WSCC convention and stayed there until October 21st, when I finally made my way back home. That was 32 days on the road and approximately 7,000 miles. A record for me. This was the last YoJack trip I took, and having been on all of their trips, many things are consistent. People ask how much does this cost. For hotels and gas only, it comes out to \$1.00 a mile. Then you have other expenses: food, entertainment, etc. The other consistent thing is that you will not have a better time, and you will always see something new or unexpected. I have been to 30 National Parks/Monuments/Memorials, and some of them two or three times. But I still have one more National Park on my bucket list. Yosemite. As ironic as it sounds, I have never been there. But one day I'll make it.

I'll be forever grateful for **Jack** and **Yolanda** for taking the time to make sure everyone had a good time. I would never have seen so much of this country and Canada if it wasn't for them.

Thank you for all of your hard work.

Ken Jacksteit

Historian: Keith Mendia

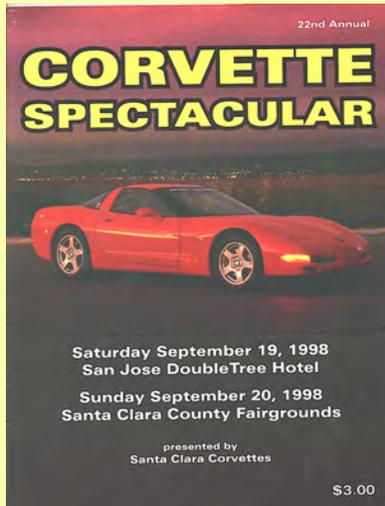


If Zora was cruising around San Jose in September, 1998, I am sure he would have loved the event that Santa Clara Corvettes was putting

on. No surprise in September that it would be Corvette Spectacular but this one was really something. Let me tell you more about the event and you will see why.

Corvette Spectacular was a 2-day event that year. Saturday, September 19, 1998 featured a Tech Session that ran all day at the San Jose Double Tree Hotel.

Here is a list of some of the speakers who were there: (This is almost the Who's Who in the Corvette world at that time):



Noland Adams, Solid Axel Club founder and President

Rupert Bragg Smith, Bragg Smith Advanced Driving School, Pahrump, NV

Reeves Callaway, Callaway Cars

David McLellan, Retired Corvette Chief Engineer

Lewis Gibbs, Product Engineering, Chevron

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In addition to meeting and listening to these people at the tech sessions, you could have your Corvette Dyno'd in the parking lot that day.

On Sunday, the action moved to the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds in San Jose for the Spectacular Car Show. There were approximately 300 Corvettes on display, most of them inside. This show was a WSCC Type 1 Car Show and Concours and featured a special display of 8 Callaway Speedsters that were twin turbocharged and could be ordered from any Chevrolet dealer as a standard option. That option brought the price to about \$175,000. In addition, there were 2 Callaway Super Speedsters also on display that had over 750 horsepower. That was really something in 1998.



The show was billed as the "Largest indoor all-Corvette car show in the country". This all came with a cost to produce of course. The price for general admission was \$6/person and there was also a very nice 36 page program available for \$3/each that had a Ron Kimble photo cover of a C-5 in color. The program was in black & white.

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Ryan's comments afterwards, "That was awesome!! I can't believe that you guys came through like that! Thank you so much!" Well, it turns out that there may be a light at the end of this COVID-19 tunnel after all. Take care and stay safe. *Greg*

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Bob, Joannie and "Black Cherry"

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her up. Everything is fantastic, the sound, how she drives and the fantastic color. **A dream came true***.

*On the way home the alternator broke, but thank god an Auto parts store was open, and it was replaced easily.

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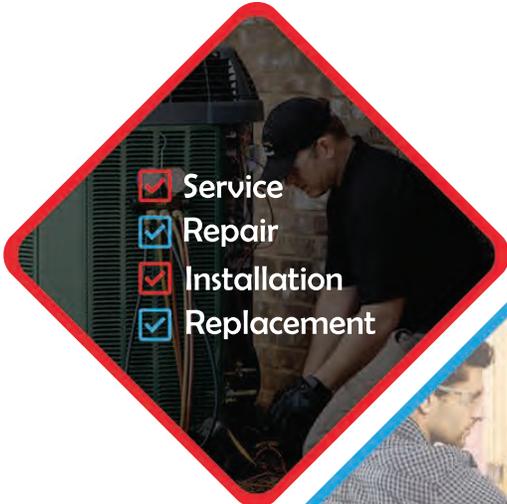
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For those that missed the Dyno event the day before, it was set up at the Fairgrounds on

Sunday for those who wanted to show off their motors. Shuttle rides were available from the hotel to the fairgrounds for \$2.



Can you imagine how much work and coordination went into putting this extravaganza together? Our member, **Skip Frenzel** was the Spectacular Chairman and made it all happen with help from lots of SCC members. Here are some current members that were on the committees that put it all together: **Jeanne Corrine, Joyce Feimer, Buzz Marston, Ruth Marston, Mim Petersen, Barbara Warner & John Warner**. Ask them about this show the next time you see them.



Another big event at this show was the charity give-away New Corvette. SCC members sold raffle tickets for this brand new Corvette at \$100 each and worked hard all year to take the car to all kinds of car events to promote and sell tickets. The proceeds from the show and raffle were donated to Via Rehabilitation, Inc of Santa Clara County who served children and adults with disabilities in Santa Clara County.

We encourage you to see much more about this amazing event by visiting the SCC website and going to the Historian portion to see pictures and descriptions of the show and also the Program discussed above. If you have not been there, go to the



www.sccorvettes.org website, go to “**about**” and click on “**club history**”, then click on “**go to detailed history**”. Then on the left side, click on the year of



your interest, in this case “**1998**”, then click on “**pictures**” (there are over 100 of this Spectacular) and after you have seen them, click on “**documents**” and if you click on “**FCGSPECT98Scan**, you will see the entire 36 page program. I think you will find it interesting and very worthwhile.

I also want to thank our member, **Pete Taylor** who donated the pictures in this article that he took back in 1998 as an attendee. These pictures gave me the incentive to write this article for you

Enjoy,

Keith

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A Remarkable 1961 Corvette

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Written by Samuel Martinez Hernandez

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When most people think of a Corvette, their thought isn't, "What car is that?"

When we hear the word "Corvette," we know what it is.

Recently inside Wardell Auto Interiors and Tops, there was a Corvette. Not just any Corvette, a 1961 Corvette. This particular model represented a lot of firsts (four taillights, new boat-tail design) and a lot of lasts (contrasting paint colors in the cove areas). When compared to other Corvettes, there was always something different about this model. You know it when you see it. That's how I felt when I saw this car that was having the interior refurbished.



In 1961, only 10,939 Corvettes were manufactured. For about \$3,934 this C1 had the new rear style, bumpers, round taillights, and new fine-mesh grill.

In 2020, fewer than half of those



Corvettes remain. Fewer than half of those are in the condition of the one that the owner brought to Wardell Auto Interiors and Tops. The owner nicknamed the Corvette "Equity," for a good reason, the exterior. When you saw the interior, you appreciated that just as much! This Corvette was truly rolling Equity, no-pun intended.

Equity's interior gave a sense of seats that had been perfectly stitched and patterned together as when it left the dream Chevrolet factory in 1961, with the owner's creative ideas along with those of John Wardell and Lucio Vidal, it

was Antonio and Clemente from Wardell Auto Interiors and Tops who handled the interior restoration project. Antonio tediously created and assembled the phenomenal seats. That was not an easy task because there weren't any seat covers ordered online from a manufacturer. Clemente took care of the all-red leather-covered dashboard with unique red dashes that pop! He put the door panels with the original door panel boards, which was no walk in the park.

The goal was to keep everything as authentic as possible, honoring how well the owner had taken care of the 59 year-old Corvette. The door panels, covered in red leather with diamond stitching, were designed and handcrafted by Antonio. His methodical work and effort required countless hours. Antonio's detail-oriented craftsmanship on the seats and door panels could never be compared to the work of automated sewing machines.

The Corvette's trunk was something to marvel! Before opening, you might have assumed there wouldn't be anything special to see. Antonio continued the concept of the red interior into the trunk with diamond-stitched panels on the left, right, and center of the trunk lining. The primary identifier sure to turn heads: Antonio's 1961 Corvette



emblem illuminating the trunk and hard work dedicated to this vehicle.

In the trunk, Antonio installed "Red Tuxedo" Loop Carpet, the same that Clemente installed with an extra wow factor, a sprinkle of black that was peppered into the loop that accented the red interior. "Red Tuxedo" gave a sense of class appropriate for the color scheme.

Clemente also fabricated and installed the white canvas convertible top with a special interior aspect for the hypothetical "cherry on top." The array of colors featured on this Corvette cannot fully be appreciated when only the exterior is admired. Complementing the silver and white exterior, the red interior made this special Corvette stand out!

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The profound efforts of Antonio and Clemente for the priceless end result started with the owner's initial creative idea. John Wardell and Lucio Vidal strategized the full restoration of the Corvette. They had plenty of options when considering the technicians who could handle this project. With easily 150 accumulated years of experience by quality technicians who daily deal with all sorts of projects, it was difficult to choose who would work on this



Reflecting on this project, I was impressed with the sense of pride and extensive cooperation among employees at Wardell Auto Interior and Tops. Everyone wants absolutely the best, no matter how big or small the task. This Corvette was no different, but because it is a classic C1, everyone was much more careful. The finished product is remarkable.

Corvette. Antonio and Clemente ultimately were the ones presented with the challenging task of complete interior restoration. With great success, they knocked it out of the park.

While Antonio and Clemente thoroughly followed the step-by-step plan, it wasn't just those two who worked on this project. It required the overall effort from everyone in the shop. From a simple opinion about the shade of red leather to another person



helping close the canvas convertible top to stretch it out to seeking another opinion about the stitching – a multitude of minor details made this Corvette a substantial success!





Collins Orton & Stuart Calhoon: Competition, Motorsports



Okay, it's nearly June, and the fate of our upcoming events is still uncertain.

Track.

The Hooked on Corvettes track day up at Thunderhill on June 5-6 is still a go. This is just a couple days after our June business meeting. Hooked on Driving has made pretty thorough preparations to keep folks safe. **Collins** and **Stuart** are planning on being there, along with **Chuck Vivian** and the **Minero's**. Not sure about other SCC members.

Autocross.

Our autocrosses scheduled for July 25-26 at the Cow Palace are still on the books. It still looks like a go according to San Mateo County rules. We will be presenting a plan of our COVID precautions for review by the Board and other interested club members. This plan needs to be given to Cow Palace management by the end of June.

We are diligently working on plans to ensure everyone's safety. This includes an assigned monitor who will ensure that all requirements are being met. We expect everyone to cooperate and help out. In addition to plans found on line, we have received input from several club members -- a physician, EMT, and an environmental expert. We have many resources within SCC and are actively engaging them.

We are constantly working on understanding what is required. We expect to learn a great deal from our friends at HOD about running these types of events on June 5-6 at Thunderhill.

There is much to be gained in trying to return to some normalcy. If you are not comfortable with

our plan, please make suggestions. Make no mistake, this a serious undertaking, and we plan on meeting the challenge. Once completed, our Health Safety Plan will be available for all to see on the SCC website.

New classing system.

Collins and I have been working on a new classing system for WSCC autocrosses. We held a Zoom meeting with interested SCC and NBCA and WSCC Board folks. After a good discussion, people bought into the new proposal, so we will be trying it out this year. If it works out, we will propose it as a Comp Code change later in the year.

There will be 16 classes total, instead of the current 52. See the following table:

PROPOSED NEW AX CLASSES FOR WSCC						
CLASS	Designation	Description	Men	Women	Qty	
					Men	Women
Stock	S1	C1 - C5 base	S1-M	S1-W	9	1
	S2	C5 Z06 - C6 all	S2-M	S2-W	16	4
	S3	C7 base & GS	S3-M	S3-W	16	3
	S4	C6 ZR1, C7 Z06 & ZR1	S4-M	S4-W	8	1
Modified	M1	C1 - C5 base	M1-M	M1-W	4	1
	M2	C5 Z06 - C7 all	M2-M	M2-W	16	1
Race	R1	C1 - C5 all	R1	R1	18	
	R2	C6 - C7 all	R2	R2	13	1
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The numbers on the right are the total number of Corvette participants in each class during 2019, had we been using this system.

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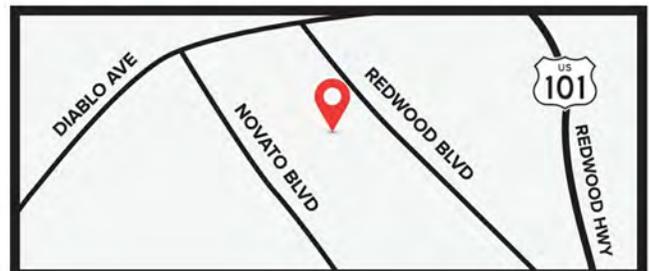
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Romulo Rimando: Competition Car Show

What is a Virtual Car Show

Early this year, we were all looking forward to a fun filled year with auto-cross, car shows, and an endless list of social events. Unfortunately, our fun was very short lived, and did not materialize. No one anticipated the serious implications of COVID-19, and how the pandemic has changed our lives in so many ways.

Today, we wear our mask, distance ourselves, and take precautions; to keep our families safe. As our federal, and state governments ease shelter in-place guidance, and many return to the workplace, there is also a new approach for the car enthusiast.

Welcome to the idea of attending and participating in car shows – virtually.

Certainly, there is no replacement for the spirit of competition, camaraderie, smell of Maguiar's Wax, and the overpriced concession stand. Let's be honest, it was a huge disappointment to see the cancellation of car shows such as Good Guys, Pebble Beach, and many Corvette shows such as, Plastic Fantastic. Smaller shows are either postponed or suspended until next year.

The idea of a virtual car show is controversial. Many assume the younger generation is more comfortable with technology, and eager to embrace virtual car shows vs. an older generation that prefers the traditional car show, which doesn't consist of a photo car show.

No matter what point of view, now everyone has an opportunity to show off their car, in a virtual car show. Whether you decide to start your own, or participate in an existing show, there are several virtual car shows, you may want to consider. Participating shows even select winners and may offer prizes from selected sponsors.

Good Guys Virtual Car Show

Fortunately, in these COVID-19 times, Good Guys has embraced online content.

You can enter via the web (by category) and see the breakdown within various timeslots.

The award ceremony is also all virtual. The top 22 cars & trucks will be recognized as winners and be posted online for all the world to see. Maybe you will be the next winner on the wall of fame.

Fox News Autos Virtual Car Show: American Muscle

If you enjoy American Muscle, Fox News wants you. Fox News has an interesting approach to the virtual car show, they have a series of car shows, each requesting a specific theme. Convertibles, 4x4s, pickups, American Muscle are

just a few to name. Each theme typically has a deadline to submit, then favorites are posted on Twitter.

Peterson Museum's Global Cars & Coffee

While the Peterson Museum is closed, they plan to stream content, provide tours, and offer archival video. All offerings are free, with the suggestion of a donation. Sign-Up is required for either Global Cars & Coffee (last Sunday of each month) or free tours. Most vehicle clips are narrated with a brief highlight, some clips even include audio of cars running. Videos are typically shared on Youtube, rules and instruction are also posted online. Winners are determined by poll.

Gilmore Car Museum

Known for their museum, and Wednesday night cruise-in, Gilmore Museum located in the state of Michigan, is an American treasure, in the heart of Hickory Corners. They do an excellent job to provide historical retrospect while paying homage to early automotive Americana. The current virtual show is open to all makes, and just requires basic information about your vehicle, and a special fact. Prizes are awarded for vehicles placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in each category.

Radwood Virtual Car Show

If you loved the 80s, and the movie Back to the Future, RADwood is the show for you. Its normally a celebration of 80-90s vehicles, lifestyle, and period correct attire. Their website contains information for live broadcasting of the next show on Instagram, Youtube, and Facebook.

Dub Show Worldwide (Dub Magazine)

For those who have an open mind, check out a modern perspective of customizing newer vehicles. Big wheels, ghost graphics, suicide doors, neon lights, or super exotic – no problem. During these COVID-19 times, online registration is available for the Virtual Dub Show. There are many competitive vehicle classes, and prizes are awarded each month. Website visitors are allowed to vote for their favorite ride.

Have Fun and Explore

These times are not easy, everyone needs something familiar for comfort, and inspiration. Exploring a virtual car show may help fill a void during this difficult period. It is an unusual way to assemble, however these alternatives are a great option until there is a clear return to our normalcy.

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- 3 Zoom Social at 6:30 and Zoom Business Meeting starts at 7:00pm
- 5 Hooked on Corvettes, Thunderhill
- 6 Track Day at Thunderhill
- 6 Cancelled NBCA Auto-x
- 7 Cancelled NBCA Auto-x
- 14 Flag Day
- 18 TGIT - Second Virtual Zoom Meeting
- 20 Cancelled Vette-O-Rama 50
- 21 Father's Day
- 24 Zoom Board Meeting starts at 6:30pm

- 1 Zoom Social at 6:30 and Zoom Business Meeting starts at 7:00pm
- 4 4th of July, Independence Day
- 12 Hillsborough Concours d' Elegance
- 19 SCC Annual Picnic
- 25 Mad Cow Auto-x #5 at Cow Palace
- 26 Mad Cow Auto-x #6 at Cow Palace
- 29 Zoom Board Meeting, Starts at 6:30pm

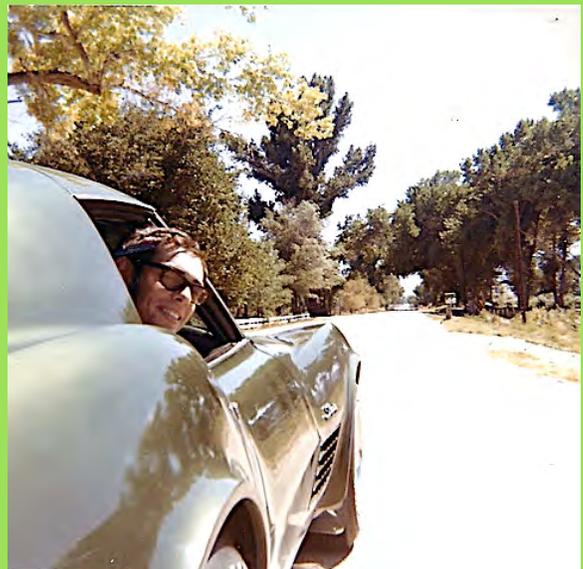
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- 05 - Andy Hoepfner
- 05 - Mary Ann Kono
- 07 - Steven Smith
- 08 - Mark Koller
- 10 - Donna Courtney
- 14 - Burt Tsubahara
- 15 - Ray Gee
- 16 - Gloria Fuerniss
- 20 - Walt Kimball
- 24 - Jaye Eriksen
- 26 - Stephanie Koller
- 28 - Arlene Kaiser
- 29 - Vanessa Collins
- 29 - Scarlett Reed

June Anniversaries

- 1995 - Ren'ee Kojack
- 2002 - Liz Bronner
- 2002 - Rick Bronner
- 2003 - Cheryl Klynn
- 2003 - Lee Klynn
- 2009 - Dave Thomas
- 2013 - Nancie Kalivoda
- 2013 - Tom Kalivoda
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