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**Newsletter**

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## **Santa Clarita Valley Corvette Club**

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**Website: [santaclaritacorvetteclub.com](http://santaclaritacorvetteclub.com)**

Regular Meeting at Mulligan's on the First Wednesday of the Month

**Social Hour at 6:30 p.m.**

Meeting At 7:30 p.m.

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*Next meeting: March 3, 2004*

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# Cambria Run

January 24, 2004. We had a great turn out for weekend run up to Cambria. There were 10 cars and 20 people in the group. While the weather didn't fully cooperate we still managed to have a great time. We met at Star Bucks Coffee shop on the Old Road behind the Shell gas station around 8:00am and after the morning coffee or hot chocolate. It was a bit chilly and I was glad I brought a few extra cloths. I also brought a couple of extra radios and handed them out to those that didn't have their own. After a brief radio check we were all ready to go.

With Bill and Judy Thomas leading the way we headed up The Old Road and onto Hwy 126 out past Fillmore and Santa Paula. The radios worked really well as we were able to keep tabs on the whereabouts of everyone as well as "boggy" reports from the Radar detectors. Soon after hooking up on the 101 North it began a slight drizzle and this continued as we pulled in for lunch at the Spyglass Inn and Restaurant in Pismo Beach.

Lunch was really good and had it not been for the sprinkles I'm sure the view out along the shore would have really been spectacular. It was great to chit chat with everyone and swap stories. It's one of the main reasons why I joined the club. As I have found in real life, it's not the destination that's so important, but the experience of the journey that makes it all worth doing. After lunch we all got back on the road again heading North towards Cambria.

As we approached the 200 mile mark, I radioed to "Senior" and asked how he was doing on fuel. Remember, those of you with the newer Corvettes are spoiled when it comes to gas mileage. Bill had about ¼ tank left in his '64 Coupe, and said he was good to go for a little bit longer but he'll be looking for fuel soon. We made it to Cambria and stopped short of the hotel and got gas. We then traveled the short remaining distance to the hotel to check in. Jack and Carol Barber, Gene and Cindy Schmidt, and Bob and Cindy Siecke had access to a private home and so they went their separate way and would meet up with us at the hotel.

Upon checking in at the Cambria Landing on Moonstone Beach Drive each couple was given a complimentary bottle of wine. The rooms were nice, with a gas log fireplace, TV/VCR with free movie videotapes and a small refrigerator. Most of the rooms had good views of the ocean. After a couple of quick games of "sock wars" (snowball fight with rolled up socks) with my younger son Matthew, it was time to get together and drive a few miles up the coast to see the elephant seals.

We all headed up the highway and pulled off into the parking lot. Because of the rain, it was a little dirty and sandy, but with a little careful it wasn't too bad. After parking the car and walking towards the view area, I was puzzled for just a moment as all I saw were rocks, but as I got closer, these weren't rocks, but THOUSANDS of elephant seal mothers and their newly born pups. I was amazed at the sheer number and their size. I was told they weigh up to 2.5 tons and their babies gain about 10 pounds a day after being born. The mothers are very protective of their young and if another seal gets too close she lets them know in a hurry. Male elephant seals were also present and we saw a couple of them battling each when one got a little too close to the other.

After viewing the seals we traveled back to the hotel and other points around town. As a group we decided to eat at the Moonstone Beach Bar and Grill as it eliminated the need to regroup drive, and park, etc. We met for dinner around 6:00pm and dined on whatever our palates desired. From all accounts, the food was good, but the lively conversation was the best. After dinner and a few drinks we all made it back to our rooms.

The next morning we were treated to a beautiful sunrise. The sky was clear and the drizzle/rain was nowhere in sight. A complementary breakfast (muffin, coffee, juice, and fruit) was delivered. Some left early to beat the traffic back to Santa Clarita. A few of us walked along the beach before heading home. Matthew and I headed to Hearst Castle and took in the movie presentation. Maybe next year we'll do the whole tour. It was a great weekend run and I wish to thank Bill and Judy Thomas for all their hard work in setting this trip up. If you didn't go this year, be sure to make plans to join us on the next run.

See you all at the next meeting,

Howard

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## SCVCC ACTIVITIES

**note!!!! Feb 14 - 15 - Valentine's Day in Solvang cancelled.** It being a 3-day holiday weekend the trip will be rescheduled at a later date so more people can participate.

**Feb 21 - Classic Car Gallery in Glendora.** The club decided this would be a good day trip run. They have a really neat showroom of collector cars and hot rods as well as a huge inventory of Car\Route 66 merchandise. <http://www.classicautogallery.com> We will meet at Denny's off of Hwy 14 & Sand Canyon exit. Plan to leave at 8:30am, so arrive a little earlier if you want coffee or breakfast. The game plan is to drive up Sand Canyon\Little Tujunga Canyon and pick up the 210 Freeway east towards Glendora. There are a couple of restaurants near by if we decide to hang out and have lunch.

**March 12-14 - Gambler's Classic.** Let's join Corvettes of Bakersfield for their annual gathering of Corvettes in Laughlin, NV. I think last year there were approx 500 Corvettes. Poker Run and other activities including prizes are planned. You must register for this event. You can get additional information along with the registration form at <http://www.corvettesofbakersfield.com>. After Feb 1, 2004 it will be \$120. The registration is per car of two people. Make your reservations at the River Palm Resort (800) 835-7904. Be sure you use the code of COB2004 for the special discounted room rate of \$39.00/night. **Special Note:** Redline Corvettes and Simi Valley Corvette Club would like to caravan up with us. So far we have 11 cars signed up which is great!!!

**Who's going???** Wayne & Marci Simon, Barrie & Linda Bennett, John Noble & Linda Kite, Donna & Patty Bledsoe, Jack & Carol Barber, Bob & Cindy Siecke, Bill & Judy Thomas, Joel & Linda Ogden, Howard & Tricia Yamamoto, Gene & Cindy Schmidt, Howard Butler &? (My kids have school, so I'm either driving solo, or may grab a friend to tag along.) Let me know if I have missed anyone.

**April 10 - 2nd Annual SCVCC Corvette Trivia Challenge Fun Rally.** Since we all had such a grand time last year, we're going to promote this to other Corvette clubs. I got a lot of great feedback from last year's inaugural run, so expect more this year. Don't wait until the last minute to cram for this exam. I've had a whole year to think about it, so you've been warned. :-) We'll have a spectacular lunch along with prizes and awards. You don't want to miss this one!!!

**April 24 - Wine Tasting and tour of the Agua Dulce Winery.** Now that they have re-opened we plan to sample their finest wines and take a behind the scenes look at the wine making process. Space is limited so let me know if you plan on coming. The cost is \$10 and you get to keep the glass. Agua Dulce Wine Club members are free. At the January meeting it was approved that the club will pay for some snacks (cheese & crackers), but bring a sack lunch and we'll have a picnic afterwards. We'll meet at Denny's off of Hwy 14 & Sand Canyon exit. Plan to leave at 10:30am so get there a little earlier. We'll caravan out Soledad Canyon Road to Agua Dulce Canyon Road and then over to Sierra Highway.

**May 14-16 - Kernville Run.** We'll be staying at the Whispering Pines Lodge (877) 241-4100. <http://www.kernvalley.com/whisperingpines> I called yesterday and they have 4 rooms left and so if you're planning on going get your reservations made ASAP. Naturally, River Rafting will be the highlight of the trip, but there is a complementary country gourmet breakfast that I hear is just out of this world.

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There is a 2004 Corvette Raffle being conducted in the Conejho Valley. See recent e-mail. Tix at \$100 and up to 1000 will be sold.

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**More to come**

**SUPER BOWL XXXVIII (That's Thirty-eight) Party**

## (Also known as the Janet Jackson Show.....)

Seems like old news already but New England won the game with 4 seconds left on a field goal.

Oh yeh!, the SCVCC Party..... Well there were about 35 club members gathered at Fred and Sara's house for our annual fest. A couple of old members, Butch and Pat West (neighbor's for Fred and Sara) stopped by to renew some old friendships -- I mean OLD in the good nostalgic sense.

The A through K's came through with some terrific appetizers, the L through S's (assigned the entree's) came presented us with everything from home made enchilada's and chili to nice warm KFC and subway sandwiches. The T through Y's brought great desserts -- including good old chocolate cake and ice cream. The Club furnished beer and two-buck chuck and soft drinks -- there was actually some beer and wine left -- Thanks!!

Back to halftime....yes, we did have a digital recorder going so those of us out on the street admiring the 12 Vettes parked on Crystal Springs Road got to see what all the screaming was about. The street never looked better. Even better than Janet.

A BIG hit of the party, at least when it got dark after halftime, was the digital projection TV Howard arranged for -- along with full state-of-the-art digital sound!! The screen was about 15 feet diagonally on the living room wall -- it was great. For those of you would are too nice to ask...no, that TV did NOT have the digital recorder mentioned above.

We had two pools going, including one started at Route 66 at our last social. Howard set them up to pay \$5, \$10, and \$15 for the first, second and third quarters (one member who won all of the first three quarters didn't like this system) and the big prize of \$70 for the final score. A lot of people got pretty excited during those last 5 minutes of the game, but in the end, the big winners were Joe Ramieri (from the Route 66 pool) a and Wayne Simon. Wayne's money will probably go to the first 70 square feet of tile for his garage -- it would make the ZR-1 look even better!! Joe's will probably go for surfboard wax....

We didn't take an official vote about the best of the Super Bowl commercials, but I'll tell you that the two commercials that came on after the Budweiser flatulent horse didn't stand a chance -- we were all laughing so hard nobody even noticed what they were!!!

Well, that's about it for the party. Great time, Great friends, Great Cars, Great Game --- it doesn't get much better than that....

Just think, only about 5 months until NFL training camp starts!!

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Still more to come -- its a make up for not getting one our last month

The next, and last item, was going around the office internet (i.e. spam) that I thought you might enjoy that deals with the first three words in our Club name, not the last two words:

Mattel announces the release of several models of Limited Edition Barbie Dolls for the Santa Clarita, California market:

**Westridge Barbie:** This princess Barbie is only sold at Town Center Mall. She comes with an assortment of Kate Spade handbags, a Lexus, a longhaired foreign dog named Honey, and a cookie cutter house. Available with or without tummy tuck and face lift. Workaholic Ken sold only in conjunction with "augmented" version.

**Canyon Country / Newhall Barbie:** This tobacco chewing, brassy-haired Barbie has a pair of her own high-heeled sandals with one broken heel from the time she chased her beer-gutted boyfriend Ken out of her double wide. Her make-up is dark red lip liner with your choice of lips covered in a sparkly pink or no fill-in at all. Her ensemble includes low-rise acid-washed jeans with assorted colored G-strings that stick out the back and a white see-through halter-top. Accessories include: CD-player equipped with Bon Jovi and a rusty old Ford pick up.

**Northlake Barbie:** This trendy homemaker Barbie is available with your choice of Lexus SUV or Ford Windstar minivan. She gets lost easily and as no full time occupation or secondary education. Traffic jamming cell phone Sold separately. Optional matching gym outfit.

**Palmdale Barbie:** This recently paroled Barbie comes with a 9mm handgun, Ray Lewis knife, a Chevy with tinted windows, and her own Meth Lab kit. This model is available after dark and can be paid for only in cash, preferably small, untraceable bills, unless you're a cop and then of course we don't know what you're talking about.

**Stevenson Ranch Barbie:** This yuppie Barbie comes with choice of a BMW sports car or a souped up Hummer 2. Included are her own Starbucks cup, credit card, and country club membership. Also available for this set are Shallow Ken and Private School Skipper. But you can't afford them anyway.

**Castaic Barbie:** This pale model comes dressed in her own Wrangler jeans two sizes too small, a Harley Davidson shirt and has a tattoo of a Tweety bird on her shoulder. She has big, stiff hair, a six pack of Bud Light and a Lynard Skynard CD set. She may enroll part-time at COC. She can spit over 5 feet and can kick Mullet-haired Kenny doll's ass when she's drunk. Purchase her pickup truck separately and get its NASCAR bumper stickers absolutely free.

**Sand Canyon Barbie:** SC Barbie comes with cowboy shirt, real Levi's, saddle and Arabian horse. Card carrying John Birch Society member. You can get either the Mormon version with her 6 well educated home-schooled kids

or the Stunt woman version complete with camel, lama, or bear cage. SC Ken would own 3 horses and spend every spare moment working on the "Trails Committee". The blissfully happy couple would, of course, be best friends with Buck McKeon, like everyone else in Sand Canyon says they are.

There might be a very limited edition of Ken to represent the 10 or so Corvette owners -- as opposed to the Suburban, Ford F250 duellie, horse trailer, and Hummer H1 owners.

**Bridgeport Barbie:** This collagen injected, rhinoplastic Barbie wears a Leopard-print beach outfit and drinks cosmopolitans while she entertains friends at the water front house. Percocet prescription available.

**Valencia / Saugus Barbie:** This soccer mom Barbie comes with a Suburban or Minivan and comes equipped with TV, VCR and DVD player and baby car seats or boosters for the 8 kids permanently attached to the seats of the vehicle. This toddler toting Barbie comes with cell phone, pager, Palm pilot, and is dressed in gym clothes with Nike Air tennis shoes. Vehicle of choice comes with Jesus fish and stuffed Tiger with suction cup paws to stick on rear window. Chuck E. Cheese and Honor Roll Student bumper stickers optional.

\*\* Bet you can't guess which sentence the editor added?

OH yeh -- **SAVE THE WAVE**

**ROUTE 66 ON THURSDAY, FEB 19**