

# ANTELOPE VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB



# Vette Voice



## Caliente/Kernville Run July 23, 2011

A beautiful hot summer Saturday morning on July 23, 2011 the AVCC met at In N Out Burger for the fun run to Caliente/Kernville. There were 10 cars ready to go as John checked all the names off as we came in to make sure everyone was accounted for. We headed out by 8:30 am down the California 14 to Caliente for a delightful breakfast at the little red school house. After getting off the highway we began driving down a windy road that was fun and we did see a few cow's MOOOOO, a John Deere too, and the sunflowers on the side of the road were very colorful. There was a few houses or cabins along the way but not many. The hills were covered with dry hay like grass but the hills had green trees and large jagged rocks that had been there for years. Is there gold in them thar hills? Could be.

Everyone arrived safely around 9:45 or so and most of the cars parked in a row in the dusty dirt and walked in to meet our pleasant unhappy waitress. We all sat down and started our order's of which breakfast is what they were serving and not lunch. It took a while as there was only one cook and there was a whole lot of us, but we were patient and glad to be spending this time together. The food was good and those of you that ordered from the lunch menu had to wait a little bit longer but enjoyed it as well.

We left the little red school house at 12:00 pm noon and headed out to Kernville for shopping. We missed the 50 motorcycles that day, maybe next time. We did have a four or so motorcycles that passed us like crazy fools but we were all young once too. We hope the folks that got a little car sick are ok, it was windy but going up and down thank you for hanging in there. We finally made it to Kernville and off to the right in the mountains was a small smoldering fire but appeared to be under control as there were no sirens going off. It was a busy day in Kernville and we found places to park, there was shopping of antique stores and novelty things and best of all ICE CREAM! It was very good. We stayed until 2:00 pm and started back out of town and our temperature said it was 106 for a few moments but as we drove further up it got slightly cooler. The trip back was great too and we all arrived back around 4:15 pm in the afternoon.

Some of us went to Phil & Janie's house in Lancaster and had a great time talking and laughing. This year's run to Caliente/Kernville was a success and thank you to John & Anita and Phil & Janie! See ya next year and hopefully we can have a lot more mmooooozzziieeee on the run with us!

Diane & Bruce

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## A Message from the President...

Hi Everyone!

This month I was faced with a challenge to figure out what to talk about in my president's message. After all we missed the Caliente/Kernville run. But I could tell from the pictures and Diane & Bruce's article, everyone had a great time! As promised, I told you all at the beginning of the year, I would make a serious effort to address the membership each month. So here goes...

I decided to visit the website for the National Corvette Museum ([www.corvettemuseum.com](http://www.corvettemuseum.com)), hoping I would find something interesting about Corvettes that you all may not know about. Well to my surprise I found a lot of interesting things on their site that I didn't know about.

For instance, did you know that on February 7, 2008 The United States House of Representatives supported a designation of a 'National Corvette Day' to honor the Chevrolet Corvette? Every year on June 30<sup>th</sup> Uncle Sam says we are to celebrate the anniversary of the first Corvette built on June 30, 1953...Who didn't bring cake? :(

Did you know that you can purchase one of the actual bricks from the original Flint, Michigan Corvette assembly plant? Did you also know they just gave away a brand new Corvette Grand Sport in their monthly Corvette Raffle, uh *Opportunity Drawing*? And they are giving away another Grand Sport this month too!

For \$500 you can order a photo album with pictures of your new Corvette during various assembly stages while its being built at the GM plant. You can download screensavers to your computer if you like to look at Corvettes all day, like I do. They even have a new screensaver calendar each month so you can keep track of how many days you've been staring at the same Corvette! You can also get collector car insurance through NCM Insurance, which we did just a few weeks ago and saved lots of cash. You can order Corvette stuff from the Corvette Museum store; Sign up to receive free monthly e-newsletters; You can watch a live streaming video of people visiting the museum, and apply to become a National Corvette Museum member, and much, much more!

In less than 30 minutes time I found so much more cool stuff about the Corvette world that I'm reminded why I'm proud to belong to the Corvette community. After just a few minutes surfing through the museum's website I realized that their website has a little something extra for every Corvette aficionado. Check it out when you have a chance!

In the meantime, make a note for Bowling Green in 2013 for the NCCC Convention. It just may be the best time to visit the museum in person as we celebrate the 60th Anniversary of our beloved Corvette.

Just For Fun—How many times did I mention the word Corvette?

Happy Corvetting!

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## Upcoming Events - 2011

**Bold** indicates planned club participation.

**Red** indicates Sanctioned Events

**Blue** indicates West Coast Region Events

### August

<b>August 3</b>	<b>AVCC business Meeting - Sizzler in Palmdale, 10th West &amp; Palmdale Blvd. Dinner @ 6 p.m., Business mtg. 7 p.m.</b>
August 3-6	Hot August Nights in Long Beach - <b>CANCELLED</b>
August 14	People's Choice Car Show in Costa Mesa, Ca. - Corvette Super sports
August 14	Pomona Swap Meet
<b>August 17</b>	<b>AVCC Social—Green House Café, Lancaster, Ca - 6:30p.m.</b>
<b>August 20</b>	<b>Thunder on the Mountain car show—Tehachapi, CA</b>
August 27	People's Choice Car Show and Poker Rallye in Santa Maria, Ca - Vapor Trail Vettes

### September

<b>Sept. 7</b>	<b>AVCC business Meeting - Sizzler in Palmdale, 10th West &amp; Palmdale Blvd. Dinner @ 6 p.m., Business mtg. 7 p.m.</b>
Sept. 9-10	NCCC National Governor's Meeting - St. Louis
<b>Sept. 9</b>	<b>American Cancer Society Relay for Life—Highland High, Palmdale, CA</b>
Sept 15-18	Route 66 Rendezvous—San Bernardino
Sept. 17	NCCC West Coast Regional Governor's Meeting - San Ber- nardino, Ca.
<b>Sept. 21</b>	<b>AVCC Social—Green House Café, Lancaster, Ca - 6:30p.m.</b>
Sept 24	12th Annual Cruisin' for a Cure at Orange County Fair- grounds
Sept 24-25	High speed time trial at spring Mountain In Pahrump, NV, Vettes R US

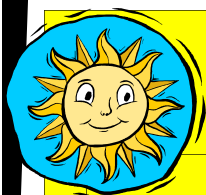
### October

<b>Oct. 5</b>	<b>AVCC business Meeting - Sizzler in Palmdale, 10th West &amp; Palmdale Blvd. Dinner @ 6 p.m., Business mtg. 7 p.m.</b>
Oct. 7-9	Corvette Roulette at Aliante Station, Las Vegas, NV - Las Vegas Corvette Association
Oct. 15	13th Annual Cars in the Park, Rosamond Park - Rosamond Rodrunners
Oct. 22	Entrant's Choice Car Show in Victorville, CA - Wild West Corvettes
Oct. 22	Two Low Speed Autocross in Lompoc, CA - Vapor Trail Vettes & New Harbor Corvettes

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*SUNSHINE REPORT*

BIRTHDAYS

<u>August</u>	<u>Sept.</u>
2-Kim E.	4-Sheri H.
12-Will E.	9-Nelly S.
14-Noriko P	11-Jeff S.
15-Marilyn C.	12-Dean E.
20-Chris G.	17-Bruce S.
25-Shelly P.	28-Terry M.

ANNIVERSARIES

<u>August</u>	<u>Sept.</u>
12-Jim & Shelly P.	3-Ron & Gayle W. - (Getting Married)
	7-John & Hillary S.
	15-Mike & Lucia B.
	25-Bruce & Chayo F.

**Antelope Valley Corvette Club**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**July 6th, 2011**

I. CALL TO ORDER

John P called to order the regular meeting of the Antelope Valley Corvette Club at 7:00 p.m. at the Sizzler Steak House in West Palmdale.

II. GUESTS

Nick & Joan, 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, Will & Kim, 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, Jack Earl – multiple meetings. They requested to join so Augie stepped in as Sgt of Arms with Jim being absent to escort them out of the room. All were voted in as new members.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes were available through Newsletter e-mail and on the club website's Newsletter link for members to read prior to the meeting. Motion to approve the June minutes was passed.

PRESIDENT'S TIME

Old Business: None

Thanks to all the helpers at the Car Show. Thanks to the Car Show committee. Thanks to Walt for his helicopter photos. Terri at American Cancer Society was called about us giving her a check. She asked that we come to her office to drop it off. She stated the money stays in Antelope Valley. A motion was made that all the money raised at car show be donated in Dave Sandstrom's name. Motion was approved.

New Business:

Rick H states Claim Jumpers ok'd for us to use outside patio for our social.

Bruce said Scramblz Café purchased restaurant in Leona Valley and might be a nice drive for a dinner there.

Nelly had a free tank top to give away from Thunder on the Lot (Darlene quickly took it).

V. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report presented by Nelly S for June was approved.

VI. ACTIVITIES

See items listed on website. John G passed out sheet with club trips highlighted in yellow.

July 23 – Caliente Run – 9am at In & Out off Ave I

August 6<sup>th</sup> – Progressive dinner. John & Lorri P – main meal, Bruce & Diane – appetizer, Phil & Janie K – dessert. Jim H will head up this event.

August 14<sup>th</sup> – Costa Mesa, Orange Co All Corvettes Car Show – NCCC show.

August 20-21<sup>st</sup> Thunder in the Mountains Car Show in Tehachapi.

September – Veterans Car Charity Show Toms at Palmdale Blvd

September 10<sup>th</sup> – Fox Airfield Car Show – more info to follow

Oct 7,8,9 – Las Vegas Corvettes Car Show

Oct 1<sup>st</sup> is a fund raiser for the Sheriff Department.

Christmas party committee formed and more info coming soon. John G to check on locations for a Saturday night in December,

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Meeting Minutes  
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- VII. NCCC REPORT  
Nothing reported for this month.
- VIII. SUNSHINE REPORT  
Darlene named out those with July Birthdays and Anniversaries. See newsletter for list. Congrats to Will & Kim on their recent marriage.
- IX. NEWS EDITOR  
Lorri's 2<sup>nd</sup> request for members to send her a story on "when did you fall in love with a Corvette". Thanks to Darlene for her recipe. See [www.avcorvettes.com](http://www.avcorvettes.com) for events and copy of minutes.
- X. MISCELLANEOUS  
Jim H. won the 50/50 \$25.  
If you need business cards talk to Darlene.  
John G reminds group that we need to have an annual ByLaw committee meeting. He will send out email for members to review the current laws so they can make notes for any changes that they think needs to be made. Will schedule future meeting at John & Anita's and have pizza and soft drinks for everyone.
- XI. Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm.

Bank Balance as of August 1, 2011 is \$6,245.95

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## BAD NEWS BAER

By Howard

The brakes on Nelly's '01 were getting worn and I've been meaning to replace the pads. Then along came Rick & Sheri with their new drilled and slotted rotors and suddenly I also had to replace rotors. Did some shopping and found a good deal on BAER DECELARATOR disks at West Coast Corvettes. They were on sale plus we get a club discount. I ordered them, but the rears were on backorder. Luckily they came in on Thursday and we picked them up on our way back from San Diego on Saturday.

I started installing them over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. The fronts went on easy and looked real nice. For the rears, if you didn't know, the parking brake shoes need to be adjusted to their smallest size. This aids in putting the rear disk on, as they have a built-in drum for the parking brake. I did this and the left rear went on quick and easy, but then I tried the right rear. For the life of me I could not get the parking brake drum over the shoes. I checked to be sure I had adjusted the parking brake star washer in the correct direction, and yes, the shoes were at their smallest diameter. I then tried the old left and right disks to see if they fit and they did with no problem. I measured the diameter of the old drum and new drum the best I could with a ruler and it appeared that the new one was smaller, but hey, that couldn't be. So on Tuesday morning I went to a brake shop and had them mic both the old and new drums and sure enough the new drum was smaller.

I called Baer Brakes around 9:30 Tuesday morning and talked to the customer rep. Of course he said "that can't be ...", but I assured him it was. He said he would have the warehouse pull some and mic the left and right to see if they were the same and call me back. About 3 hours later I got a call from him and sure enough the warehouse had checked several sets and the rights were .030 smaller than the lefts. Since I was stuck with a bad new rotor, I installed the old rotor on the right rear. Now I need new plates that read TRIPOD.

On Wednesday, the Baer Brake rep called and said that the warehouse would FedEx a replacement disk on Thursday. It arrived late Monday and I installed it that evening. It went on without a problem. Guess I don't need the TRIPOD plates after all.

If you want to replace or upgrade your rotors, there's a good step-by-step description at <http://forums.corvetteforum.com/c5-general/2771007-how-to-replace-brakes-and-rotors.html> So, Baer Brakes did come thru and Nelly likes her new brakes, thank goodness. And of course, we couldn't get just the brakes at WCC. Check out the tail lights. No, not that, we've had the euro tail lights on the car for years.

## AVCC Recipe of the Month

### Fettuccini Alfredo

*By Darlene*

#### Ingredients

1 pound fettuccini pasta  
1 tablespoon butter  
1 pound cooked shrimp - peeled and de veined  
4 cloves garlic, minced  
1 cup half-and-half  
6 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese  
1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley  
salt to taste

#### Directions

1. Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Add pasta and cook for 8 to 10 minutes or until al dente; drain.
2. In a large skillet, saute shrimp and garlic in the butter for about one minute. Pour in half and half; stir. Sprinkle Parmesan cheese in one tablespoon at a time, stirring constantly. After all Parmesan is added, mix in parsley and salt. Stir frequently making sure it does not boil. Sauce will take a while to thicken.
3. When sauce has thickened, combine with cooked pasta noodles; serve hot.

#### Funny Stuff Corner ...

##### **BEST EVER SENIOR CITIZEN JOKE**

A little silver-haired lady calls her neighbor and says, "Please come over here and help me. I have a killer jigsaw puzzle, and I can't figure out how to get started."

Her neighbor asks, "What is it supposed to be when it's finished?"

The little silver haired lady says, "According to the picture on the box, it's a rooster."

Her neighbor decides to go over and help with the puzzle.

She lets him in and shows him where she has the puzzle spread all over the table.

He studies the pieces for a moment, then looks at the box, then turns to her and says,

"First of all, no matter what we do, we're not going to be able to assemble these pieces into anything resembling a rooster."

He takes her hand and says, "Secondly, I want you to relax. Let's have a nice cup of tea, and then," he said with a deep sigh .....

"Let's put all the Corn Flakes back in the box."





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