

JULY 2026



The Orange Pits

OC VETTES PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all. It is my hope that this message finds you well and in good spirits.

Welcome to July and the long summer days. Get the BBQ out and ready for the burgers and hotdogs for the fun weekends that summer brings.

Living in Southern California with all it has to offer is truly a paradise for Corvette owners. Cruising the Coast Highway through Laguna up to Seal Beach on a weekend is almost magical. The sheer number of awesome cars and motorcycles making the drive makes it a very special place. Highway 38 into Big Bear is another fantastic drive. It's always fun to set out in the morning and take the drive up to the Village or lake for a brunch and some shopping, especially in a beautiful Corvette. We are fortunate to live in an area that has so many beautiful sites and things to do. We have some club events coming up which are always a great reason to get the Vettes out and socialize but even the trip to the grocery store in a Corvette is special. So, get that beautiful Corvette of yours out on the road and enjoy!

Please continue to drive safely, represent the OC Vettes club proudly, and look for opportunities to invite fellow Corvette enthusiasts to join us. I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming events and hearing about your latest Corvette adventures.

Until then, enjoy the ride and see the USA in your Chevrolet!

Sincerely,

Daryl Martin President, OC Vettes

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
OCV Events in Blue and Italic
For more info contact Daryl Martin
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DATE	EVENT	HOST
2026		
<i>July 4</i>	<i>Anaheim Hills 4th of July Parade 4th of July Party</i>	<i>Tony Siragusa Mike & Lori Blume</i>
<i>July 7</i>	<i>OCV Business Meeting, Santa Ana Elks Lodge, 1751 S. Lyon Street, Santa Ana. Dinner cost is \$31 per person.</i>	<i>OCV Board</i>
<i>July 21</i>	<i>OCV Social-Member Appreciation – Zito's Pizza, Orange</i>	<i>OCV Board</i>
<i>July 28</i>	<i>OCV Board Meeting @ Black Bear Diner, Buena Park</i>	<i>OCV Board</i>
<i>August 1</i>	<i>OC Vettes dues are due</i>	
<i>August 4</i>	<i>OCV Business Meeting, Santa Ana Elks Lodge, 1751 S. Lyon Street, Santa Ana. Dinner cost is \$31 per person.</i>	<i>OCV Board</i>
Aug 15	All Corvette Car Show – Corvette Super Sports (see flyer)	
Aug 16	Santa Ana Elks Lodge 10:00 – 3:00 (No flyer available)	
<i>August 18</i>	<i>OCV Social ???</i>	<i>???</i>
<i>August 24</i>	<i>OCV Board Meeting @ Black Bear Diner, Buena Park</i>	<i>OCV Board</i>
<i>September 1</i>	<i>OCV Business Meeting, Santa Ana Elks Lodge, 1751 S. Lyon Street, Santa Ana. Dinner cost is \$31 per person.</i>	<i>OCV Board</i>
<i>September 19</i>	<i>NCCC Regional Meeting Via Zoom</i>	<i>Janet Cherry</i>
September 20	Corvette Spectacular, Downtown Los Altos	September 20
Sept 24-26	Prescott Corvette Car Show (see flyer)	
<i>September 22</i>	<i>OCV Board Meeting @ Black Bear Diner, Buena Park</i>	<i>OCV Board</i>
<i>October 21-24</i>	<i>OCV Trip to Cambria</i>	<i>George & Sarah McDaniel</i>
<i>November ??</i>	<i>NCCC Regional Meeting Via Zoom</i>	<i>Janet Cherry</i>
<i>December 5</i>	<i>OC Vettes Christmas Party-Orange County Mining Company</i>	

JUNE SOCIAL at FLAMING BUFFET









JULY SOCIAL
at
ZITO'S PIZZA
156 N. Glassell Street, Orange
6:00 PM

Membership appreciation dinner.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

	BIRTHDAYS		ANNIVERSARIES	CLUB MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARY	Years
JULY					
2	Michael Dix	10	Brian & Margaret Hoiem	Gary & Judy Oedekerkerk	31
15	Daryl Martin	14	Dave & Chris Hamel	Tony & Vicky Siragusa	21
16	Angie O'Keefe	20	Cecil Blattenburg	Janet Cherry	16
17	Nancy Ward				
20	Tony Siragusa				
28	Matt Beucler				
AUG					
3	Bob Burggraf	3	Mike & Lori Blume	Henry & Sue Walker	10
4	Judy Lundal	15	Henry & Sue Walker	Matt & Pat Beucler	19
4	Bob Van der Upwich				
4	Derek Wong				
8	Lisa Tally				
20	Jim Lundal				
21	Lori Blume				
28	Ruth Worden				

OC VETTES
MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING
July 7, 2026
Santa Ana Elks Lodge

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:31 by President Daryl Martin. Vice President Janet Cherry, Treasurer Ray Cranston, and Director Steve Bronston were also present. Thirty-five members attended the meeting.
- II. Flag Salute: President
- III. General Meeting Minutes for June 2, 2026, were moved for approval by Nancy Ward and seconded by Martin Latham. The minutes were approved.
- IV. Reports -
 - A. Board of Directors
 - i. President: Daryl Martin. Daryl mentioned the birthdays and anniversaries that will be celebrated in July.
 - ii. Vice President: Janet Cherry. No report.
 - iii. Secretary: Carol Thompson. Absent.
 - iv. Treasurer: Ray Cranston. Ray distributed the financial report.
 - v. Director: Steve Bronston. No report.
 - B. Appointed Positions
 - i. NCCC Governor: Janet Cherry. No report.
 - ii. Corvette Museum Ambassador: Tony Siragusa.
 - iii. Membership: Donna Mann. Absent.
 - iv. Member News: Sue Lookman. No report.
 - v. Newsletter: Conda Takanabe. Conda asked members to send her any pictures or articles. She stated she is having surgery and the newsletter may be affected. She will try to put it out even if it is somewhat limited.
 - vi. Website: Steve Bronston. Steve asked to members of suggest what kind of photos they want to see on the website.
 - vii. Apparel Coordinator: Gary Oedekerk. No report.
 - viii. 50/50 Coordinator: Masako Burggraf. No report.
 - ix. Elks Club Ambassador: Tony Siragusa. No report.
 - x. Homecoming Fundraiser Liaison: Conda Takanabe. No report.

V. New Business

A. Board Member Election results

- i. Valerie Martin reported that 48 members voted and a quorum was reached to re-elect the board as presented below:
 - a) President: Daryl Martin.
 - b) Vice President: Janet Cherry.
 - c) Secretary: Carol Thompson.
 - d) Treasurer: Ray Cranston.
 - e) Director: Steve Bronston

B. Bishop Fall Colors Car Show Oct 2-4, 2026

- i. Valerie Martin stated that at the time of the meeting there were 13 cars signed up as interested in the trip.
- ii. Travel Lodge was contacted as an option for accommodations.
- iii. Sponsored by the City of Bishop.
- iv. The show is now held at Bishop City Park, 700 N. Main Street.
- v. Events include a poker run and a pancake breakfast put on by the Lions Club

C. Trip to Cambria

- i. Hosted by George and Sara McDaniel.
- ii. Trip dates are Oct. 21 – 24.
- iii. Lots of activities to do in Cambria.
 - I. Visit wineries and wine tasting.
 - II. Scarecrow Festival in October.
 - III. Sensorio Field of Lights Show in Paso Robles.
- iv. George has contacted the Cambria Pines Lodge and has identified that the club will get a discounted rate.
- v. All interested parties were asked to sign the sign-up sheet.

VI. Past Events

A. June 13 Capriana Senior Living Car Show.

- i. Hosted by Dave Hamel
- ii. 12 cars from the club attended
- iii. A good time was had by all.

B. June Social, June 16 at Flaming Buffet

- i. Hosted by Tony and Vicky Siragusa.
- ii. Everyone enjoyed the food and the service was great.

- C. Ladies Game Day, June 23
 - i. Hosted by Barb Hall
 - ii. The ladies had a lot of fun and will be planning another event for July.
- D. July 4th Anaheim Hills Parade
 - i. Coordinated by Tony Siragusa
 - ii. 10 corvettes were in attendance, and all were decorated with patriotic flare.
- E. July 4th BBQ
 - i. Hosted by Mike and Lori Blume.
 - ii. 35 members attended the BBQ.
 - iii. Rousing games of corn hole and pickle ball were part of the entertainment.

VII. Upcoming Events

- A. July 21, 2026, 6 PM July Social, Board-sponsored Member Appreciation Dinner at Zito's Pizza, 2036 N. Tustin St., Orange.
 - i. Hosted by the OCV 2025-2026 Board.
 - ii. Dinner is free for all members.
- B. July 27, 2026, Ladies Game Day 1-4pm 3996 Emerald Downs Drive, Yorba Linda
 - i. Hosted by Barb Hall and Elle Cranston
 - ii. A fun date of games, food and friendship.
 - iii. To attend, please RSVP to Barb at 714-423-1715 or Ellie at 714-681-0704.
 - iv. No need to bring anything except yourself.
- C. Trip to NHRA Museum. Pomona Fairgrounds.
 - i. Hosted by Steve Bronston.
 - ii. Steve is checking for good dates
 - iii. OCV will caravan to Pomona, visit the museum, and have lunch after.
 - iv. More info to come.
- D. Corvettes Super Sports sponsored All Corvette Car show, Saturday, August 15 9a– 2 p
 - i. Buena Park Elks Club
 - ii. See flyer in June OCV newsletter

VIII. Member Forum

- A. Tony Siragusa asked the members in attendance if anyone would be interested in taking over the positions he has held for the last two years; Corvette Museum Ambassador and Elks Club Liaison.

- i. Janet Cherry said that she would become the Corvette Museum Ambassador
 - ii. Valerie Martin said that she would become the Elks Club Liaison.
- B. Barb Hall recognized Ruth Nichols for her achievement of being a published author of a children's book.
- IX. Opportunity drawing of \$68 was won by Dave Tally. Additional prizes were won by Janet Cherry and Valerie Martin.
- X. Next General Meeting is August 4, 2026, at 6:30 at the Santa Ana Elks Lodge.
 - A. Agenda items for the next meeting are due to Daryl Martin by August 1.
- XI. Next Board Meeting is Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at 6:30 PM at the Buena Park Black Bear Diner, 7005 Knott Ave, Buena Park.
 - A. Come for dinner at 5:30 before the meeting starts.
- XII. Badge Fines \$4.00 paid to Ray Cranston.
- XIII. Motion to Adjourn at 7:20 by Sue Lookman, seconded by Janet Cherry. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Valerie Martin for Carol Thompson, Secretary

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The Orange Pits is the monthly Newsletter for the OC Vettes Club of Orange County, CA. This newsletter is intended to inform our membership about club news and events. Articles to be submitted for publication in the newsletter should be submitted on the night of the monthly General Business Meeting or sent via email to Newsletter Editor CondaTakanabe at: btakanabe@msn.com. All written correspondence to the club should be mailed to:

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O C Vettes (OCV) is a Corvette club based in Orange County, California. OCV is a non-profit organization affiliated with the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC). OCV is an active supporter of Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC).

O C Vettes is a club of individuals who appreciate driving Chevrolet Corvettes and enjoy socializing with fellow Corvette owners. Currently, OCV has over 100 members who enjoy a varied calendar of events. Car shows, day trips, overnight trips, extended trips or other events are usually scheduled each month. Membership is open to anyone interested in Corvettes. More information is available on our Web site at www.ocvettes.com.

O C Vettes 2025 – 2026 Club Officers

BOARD MEMBERS

President	Daryl Martin	(562) 522-5753
Vice President	Janet Cherry	(562) 544-1053
Secretary	Carol Thompson	(714) 749-1486
Treasurer	Ray Cranston	(562) 665-1709
Director	Steve Bronston	(714) 458-1675

VOLUNTEER OFFICES

NCCC Governor	Janet Cherry	(562) 544-1053
Membership Chair	Donna Mann	(714) 323-3555
National Corvette Museum Ambassador	Tony Siragusa	(714) 308-0096
Apparel Coordinator	Gary Oedekerker	(949) 293-1386
Website	Steve Bronston	(714) 458-1675
Newsletter/Historian	Conda Takanabe	(714) 595-1070
Member News	Sue Lookman	(714) 767-3451
50-50 Coordinator	Masako Burggraf	(714) 936-8528
Homecoming Chair	Conda Takanabe	(714) 595-1070