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# NCCC West Coast Regional Calendar



**2020**

**June 20, August 25:**

Two sanctioned low speed autocrosses at the Santa Maria Airport in Santa Maria, CA.  
WC-518-001 Sanctioned autocross  
WC-518-002 Sanctioned autocross

**June 20:**

43rd annual Plastic Fantastic all Corvette car show at Embarcadero Marina Park (Seaport Village) in San Diego, CA.

**October 24:**

Vapor Trail Vettes Annual Blast at a location to be announced.  
WC-518-006 Sanctioned people's choice concours  
WC-518-007 Sanctioned gimmick rallye

## **NCCC National Meetings Schedule**

**July 5 - 10:** NCCC National Convention, Indianapolis, IN.

**September 11 - 12:** Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO

**November 6 - 7:** Sheraton Westport Plaza, St. Louis, MO

**For more information contact:**

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# Las Vegas Corvettes Association

## Schedule of Upcoming Events

**2020** (as of 04/25/2020)



Date	Event	Chairperson(s)
<del>May 2</del>	<del>*Cinco de Mayo Party</del>	<del>Benita Klaizner</del>
<del>May 3</del>	<del>*Autocross (RE) – LVMS Metro Lot Gate 7</del>	<del>Marvin Maize</del>
<del>May 9</del>	<del>*Car Show on Eastern</del>	<del>Rudy Blum</del>
<del>May 14-17</del>	<del>*Nevada Open Road Challenge – Ely, NV</del>	<del>Bill Bradley and Ken &amp; Tomoko DePiero</del>
<del>May 31</del>	<del>*Drags ET Bracket Series (RE) 9 am – 4 pm</del>	<del>Clayton Bromberg &amp; Co Chair – Ken Rees</del>
June 6	*Car Show on Eastern <b><u>Tentative—Stand by</u></b>	Rudy Blum
June 6	*Drags ET Bracket Series (RE) 3 pm – 9 pm <b><u>Tentative—Stand by</u></b>	Clayton Bromberg & Co-Chair – Ken Rees
June 13	C8 Findlay Chevrolet Garage Gang	Scott White
August 8	*Car Show on Eastern	Rudy Blum
August 29	Mt. Charleston Lunch (CS)	Connie Gentry
September 5	*Car Show on Eastern	Rudy Blum
September 17-20	*Silver State Classic Challenge – Ely, NV	John & Cindy Fuller
September 26	Western Chili Cook-Off	Ackeret's & Montoya's
October 3	*Car Show on Eastern	Rudy Blum
October 11	*Autocross (RE) – LVMS Metro Lot Gate 7	Marvin Maize
November 7	*Car Show on Eastern	Rudy Blum
November 8	*Autocross (RE) – LVMS Metro Lot Gate 7	Marvin Maize
November 22	Findlay Thanksgiving Car Show (CS)	Scott White
December 5	*Car Show on Eastern	Rudy Blum
December	Adopt-A-Kettle (CS)	J & B Cavallo
December	Cookie Exchange	<b>Chairperson Needed</b>

**PLEASE NOTE:** All events with a red line have been cancelled at this time. We will continue to evaluate our future club events as we follow the COVID-19 situation in our community.

\* LVCA Sanctioned/Approved Event

CS – Community Service Event

RE – Racer's Edge Competition Event

NCCC – NCCC Sanctioned Event

To schedule an event call or email the 2020 Events Coordinator

Ken Ackeret (702) 743-3181 or email [ken.ackeret@kimley-horn.com](mailto:ken.ackeret@kimley-horn.com)

### 2021

January 23	Annual Award Banquet	Scarlett Montoya
January	Laps for Charity (CS)	Connie Gentry
February 7	Super Bowl LV Party	<b>Chairperson Needed</b>
February 12—15	President's Run LVCA 48	Benita Klaizner



~General Membership Meeting ~

June 11th, 2020 @ 7:30pm

Tentative—Stand by

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**Please Remember:**  
**All articles, ads and flyers are due by the 20th of each month.**



**PRESIDENT  
LVCA 48  
Benita Klaizner**

Dear LVCA Members,

It is hard to believe that as I write this Memorial Day is upon us. With us being in these unprecedented times, I hope that you will be able to celebrate this special day the best that you can and remember to honor our Men & Women who died while serving in the U.S. Military, giving us our Freedoms and Liberty. We Thank all Military active and inactive for standing up for this Great Country.

We managed to have 2 events this month, Dylan's Family Ice Cream Parlor and LV Strip Cruise, all that turned up had a fun time, it was sure nice to see everyone that showed up, it has been way too long. Have a look at the articles and see how much fun we had. If there is an event that you think would be a good idea for us to do please by all means present it to our Events coordinator Ken, and he will help you out with any process that you need. We look forward to new and innovative ideas, New members, you may have some new ideas for us?

Our sponsor Findlay Chevrolet is still open for service please contact Slim for your service needs. They are still selling vehicles as well so if you're in the market for new or used please give them a call, they are here for us. I hope you're enjoying the articles of our members Corvettes and stories. I look forward to getting our Club back to our normal but when that will happen is still unsure, in the meantime we will do what we can do and try to have as much fun as we can under the circumstances.

God Bless you all and God Bless America,

Sincerely,

Benita Klaizner

LVCA's 48th President






**SECRETARY**

**Cheri Blum**

**Since there was no General Meeting in May, there are no meeting minutes to report.**

# June

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 E-Board Mtg	9	10	11 General Membership Mtg (Tentative)	12	13
14 Flag Day 	15	16	17	18	19	20 Summer Begins
21 Father's Day	22	23	24	25	26 "Drive your Corvette to work day"	27
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## JUNE BIRTHDAYS



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Bill Martin	6/1	Ralph Terry	6/13
Charles Hildenstab	6/4	Ken Rees	6/16
Bob O'Brien	6/8	Lin Hoernke	6/24
Bonnie Roush	6/11	Robert Florian	6/25
Angela Servoss	6/11	Bill Thomas	6/26
Jay Veneaux	6/11	Leona Beltz	6/27
Marvin Maize	6/12	Rudy Blum	6/29
Carol Alba	6/13		

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## **SUNSHINE:**

Our president Benita recovering from a bout of the shingles ,so happy to see her up and at it again.

Our condolences to Maria and Bryan Anderson on the passing of Maria's mother.

Jerry Lawrence had back surgery and had a rough time getting food. He was able to order from Nutri systems

If you see a white corvette that's Clayton Bromberg's... this means he will keep on vetting, congratulations Clayton on your new Corvette!

If you have any news for SUNSHINE please email Marlene Cunningham at: [mar.lv@cox.net](mailto:mar.lv@cox.net)

## **FYI.....**

### **1997-2004 C5: Torque Tubes and Transaxles**

The Corvette C5 may have had a \$250 million budget, but its low sales volume still forced tight budget controls and the need for hand-me-down thinking. At first, the high cost of developing the new torque tube and rear transaxle seemed to be a deal breaker. However, when it was discovered that GM Powertrain was developing a new modular bell housing and transmission case for full-sized 4X4 pickup-truck use, much of the design lessons and even certain components were adopted for Corvette use. Even though the truck transmission project cost \$80 million, the Corvette group made use of its discoveries at a fraction of the cost.

Although production C5 Corvettes were the first Corvettes ever sold without spare tires or the spare-tire well to store them, early C5 design renderings dated from July 1992 show that provisions were made for a vertically stored mini spare tire to be placed directly behind the taillight panel. By the C5's January 1997 release date, run-flat tire technology made possible the total elimination of the bulky fifth wheel.



**PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES AS PRESENTED AT THE MARCH GENERAL MEETING**

**The By-Laws and Standing-Rule proposed changes are in the April  
NEWSVETTER which can be accessed on the  
Las Vegas Corvette Association website.**

# **LVCA's Ice Cream Run**

## **Dylan's Family Ice Cream Parlor**

Our first event since our Covid quarantine was fun and very good, the Ice Cream was phenomenal and exactly what we needed to sweeten up our not so sweet uncertain times. It felt so good to get out in our Corvettes, go for a drive and meet up with everyone and enjoy some camaraderie.



Brandy thanks us all for supporting the business and she said it was so cool to see the Corvettes lined up outside, there were 20 Corvettes in all. Such a beautiful sight to see all the Corvettes.

One kid was passing by and he saw the 1st 3 and started counting he was ecstatic to see so many Corvettes. I Loved seeing the look on his face.

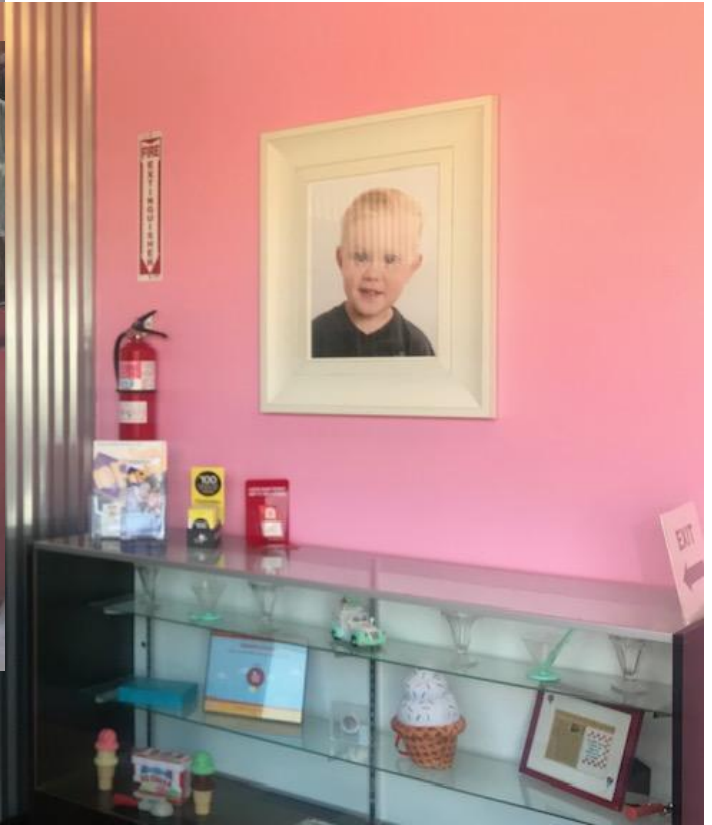


Let's do more of this, send us some ideas.

Respectfully submitted,

Benita Klaizner





# **LVCA LAS VEGAS STRIP CRUISE**

On Sunday morning approximately 27 LVCA members assembled at Town Square on Las Vegas Blvd at 5:30am, (ugh!) cruising the Las Vegas Strip to capture as much video and pictures. The collection of pictures and videos will be used in producing an LVCA montage video which can be displayed at club outings to show interested potential members some of our activities driving our Corvettes.

Mike & Marsha Borders took the lead car position with rows of red, white, blue, black, and more red, orange, and yellow Corvettes of all generations. We started the cruise at Spring Mountain Road and cruised south past the Las Vegas sign. Below are some of the photos captured during the event. This was a last minute event put together in less than a week. During these times please continue to check the website for “pop-up” events which may be added.





# Going "Topless"



By: Scarlett Stuart-Montoya

**Pictures by: Jerry Lawrence, Scarlett Stuart-Montoya, Bryan Anderson, Randy Bright, Dennis Ledwon, Linda Simpson, and Benita Klaizner**

Simply defined a convertible is a body style that can convert between an open-air mode and an enclosed one. However, a convertible is much more than that! Ask any Corvette convertible owner and they will passionately express how they love the sun on their face, the wind in their hair, and all eyes upon them.

Taking the top off a car heightens the sensation of driving! And, convertible owners have the luxury of driving their car top down only when the weather is just right!

LVCA convertibles club members would like to share their convertibles with you in this article!



My 2002 Corvette with 160,000 original miles. Custom GPS / DVD console and leather interior. I purchased my car new in August 2001.

LVCA Member  
Jerry Lawrence

This C7 3LT Z51 2014 Stingray was the perfect retirement present! What an exciting way to start a new chapter in my life! The color is "Diamond Red" with a Kalahari top and interior. Convertibles, with the top down, represent freedom to me!



LVCA Member  
Scarlett Stuart-Montoya





Our 2014 Corvette Stingray Premiere Edition Z51 3LT. This car is #415 out of 550 made for the year 2014 of which include a special color "Lime Rock Green" addition to that, the Premiere Edition package, the Stingray has Suede brown stone leather interior with matching interior stitching that matches the convertible top. The rims are only associated to the Premiere Edition model. While this is not our only vehicle, this vehicle is my daily driver. It's so much fun to drive.

LVCA Members  
Bryan & Maria Anderson



I have had 5 Corvettes in my lifetime. I had wanted a C6 for quite awhile. In 2018 I was flying back to Oregon where I had moved here from to play in a golf tournament. I was looking on line at different sites for a C6 Corvette when I found the exact Corvette I wanted, a C6 convertible with a 6 speed manual transmission, 6.0 litre 400 hp engine, all options including headsup display, GPS etc. It had the tan colored interior and top and the beautiful Lemans blue paint. The EXACT car I wanted. It was in Beaverton, Or. just west of Portland, Or. I flew to Portland got my rental car and drove to the dealer, test drove it and bought it. I left my rental car at the dealer and drove to Salem where I was staying with friends. Next day had a friend go with me back to get the rental car from the dealer so I could return it to the airport. I canceled my return flight to Las Vegas and a week later drove my new (to me) 2006 Corvette the 1,000 mile trip back to Las Vegas. What a thrill it was to drive all the way here.



LVCA Member  
Randy Bright

A few things we love about our red Corvette convertible. The faster we drive it the better the gas mileage. At 75 mph we average around 30 miles per gallon. Just one push of the button the top is dropped. Can't beat this feature. Very comfortable sports car to drive around town or on the highway. We have the Z 51 package if your like to auto cross. The suspension is a little stiffer for your auto cross course. You just can't beat a little Red Corvette Convertible.



LVCA Members  
Dennis and Nancy Ledwon

The C5 Corvette is a 2003 50TH Anniversary that Elliott and I ordered with every available option including 6 speed manual transmission. The color is Anniversary Red with Shale interior and top. We are the original owners and it has 135,103 miles on it. We have won numerous awards, including Best In Show at an all Corvette show in CA.

We also ordered the 2016 Z06 with every available option and 7 speed manual tranny. The color is Long Beach Red with Spice Red interior and top. We enjoy displaying our toys at car shows and talking about Corvettes. We seldom drive the Z06 because the C5 is Elliott's daily driver and my daily driver isn't a Vette.

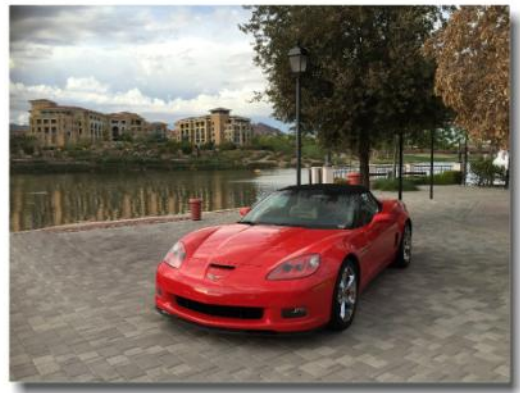


LVCA Member  
Linda Simpson



My passion for 'The Iconic All American Sports Car', "The Corvette" started at a young age and have always dreamed of owning one. Well that passion has turned into 3 Red Convertibles over time and only in Red. I turned my enthusiasm into a life long time of fun and enjoyment which in turn spilled over to Jerry. He is on his 3rd Corvette also. Our collection has spanned with C3's (2), C4, C5, C6 & C7. This car is an awesome machine and keeps getting better with the times, we are looking forward to the C8, hopefully it will be soon. "Little Red Corvette You're Much Too Fast" We Love being in the fast lane!

LVCA Member  
Benita Klaizner



The convertible is a car that says freedom more than any other.  
Freedom on the open road is a wonderful thing!



# **“Calling all Multiple Corvette Owners”**

**The NEWSVETTER wants to know**

- 1) Who you are?**
- 2) What Corvettes you own; (C1, C2, etc.)?**
- 3) The story behind them?**

**For our July edition.**

**Please send photos and a few sentences for each to:**

**[vetterinputs@yahoo.com](mailto:vetterinputs@yahoo.com)**

**Before June 15th**

**You’ve seen the “Topless” Convertibles;  
what have you got?**



## 2020 LVCA Racers Edge Championship Racing Series



### 2020 Schedule:

~~Drag Racing: Saturday, March 7, 2020 - ET Bracket Series 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. (estimated times)~~

~~Autocross Experience: Sunday, April 19, 2020 - LVMS Metro Lot, Entry Gate 6 (11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.)~~

~~Rallye: Saturday, April 25, 2020 (Time TBD)~~

~~Autocross: Sunday, May 3, 2020 - LVMS Metro Lot, Entry Gate 6 (7 a.m. - 4 p.m.)~~

~~Drag Racing: Sunday, May 31, 2020 - ET Bracket Series 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (estimated times)~~

Drag Racing: Saturday, June 6, 2020 - ET Bracket Series 3 p.m. - 9 p.m. (estimated times)

Autocross: Sunday, October 11, 2020 - LVMS Metro Lot, Entry Gate 6 (7 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

Autocross: Sunday, November 8, 2020 - LVMS Metro Lot, Entry Gate 6 (7 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

Rallye: End-of-year, (Date TBD)

Racers Edge one-time fee is \$40 for the 2020 series paid to Racers Edge Chair. Track fees are extra and paid to the LVMS, Autocross or Rallye event coordinator.

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Drag Chair: Clayton Bromberg ([cab328@aol.com](mailto:cab328@aol.com) / 702-279-4300)

Autocross Chair: Marvin Maize ([vetteautoxr@aol.com](mailto:vetteautoxr@aol.com) / 702-466-0000)

Rallye Chair: Kathy & Ken Ackeret ([kac5@cox.net](mailto:kac5@cox.net) / [ken.ackeret@kimley-horn.com](mailto:ken.ackeret@kimley-horn.com))

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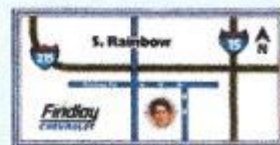
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Clean Car Award for March, April, & May 2020  
Were not awarded.....

HOWEVER...

the month of June there will be four  
“Clean Car Awards”,  
dust off and polish up those rides!



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