



## NCV Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2026

### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

President Scott White called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm at El Camino Country Club. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Don Kingery.

### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**Motion:** Larry Harker made the motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2025

**Motion Second:** provided by Marty Kuper.

**Motion:** Carried by unanimous voting by the membership present.

3. Special Presentation by CWO4 Douglas Caldwell, USMC, 1<sup>st</sup> Maintenance Battalion, 11<sup>th</sup> Marine Division. CWO4 Caldwell presented US Marine Corps Certificates of Appreciation to NCV club members who supported the 1<sup>st</sup> Maintenance Battalions Fall Festival event held on 22 October, 2025 on Camp Pendleton. Club members provided Trunk or Treat goodies to Marines, Sailor's and their families. NCV club members who were honored were: Bob Ekstrom, Gary Pebley, Scott and Royann McClellan, Glenn and Sandy Peterson, John Berumen, and Connie Cook. In addition to the certificate, we also received unit challenge coins.

4. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS: Apart from CWO4 Caldwell, there were no additional visitors present.

5. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: The club currently has sixty-six (66) active members, and thirty-eight (38) were present at the meeting. Scott McClellan reiterated his call for all members to renew their 2026 membership soonest. A new membership roster is being developed.

### 6. TREASURER REPORT:

Submitted by Dave Tracy. As of January 8<sup>th</sup>, deposits were made from the following revenue: club meeting raffle donations; dues; and Pontoon ride. Expenses included:

Christmas Party, Pontoon ride, Christmas parade, name tags, and PO Box rental. The treasury balance remains positive.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS:

Birthdays: President Scott White announced January birthdays, including Patty Williams, Maria Duncan, Bill Hatch, and Gloria Tecca. All present received a round of applause.

President Scott White announced progress on the following 2026 Club Initiatives:

- a. Firm up local Chevrolet dealer support for services. Weseloh Chevrolet had been the club's previous sponsor, but under the new ownership of Premier, the previous 15% NCV discount has not been carried forward. Scott and Dan O. intend to discuss our club's involvement with Premier in an upcoming face-to-face meeting. In addition to engaging Premier, the club leadership team intends to discuss potential discounts, and long-term service contracts with other local Chevrolet dealerships including Quality Chevrolet and Paradise Chevrolet of Temecula.
- b. The second initiative is the creation of a NCV flyer that would be given to new Corvette buyers at our sponsored dealership. The goal is to encourage new Corvette owners to investigate our club and would be included in the package of documents that new Corvette owners receive when they purchase a new Corvette. A draft of the flyer has been written and is in review.
- c. Corvette upgrade purchases:
  - a. Dave Schilke has a new white 2025 Z06 that was purchased from Paradise Chevrolet, Temecula
  - b. Mark Trapollino has a new grey 2025 E-Ray that was purchased from Simpson Chevrolet, Irvine.

## 8. CLUB ACTIVITIES:

- a. EVERY Thursday morning at 9AM, NCV members gather for breakfast at the Coyote Café, 1510 North Santa Fe, Vista (corner of Bobier and Santa Fe); no RSVP required.
- b. Review of **December** Events: There was a quick recap of the two major December events of the Christmas party and the pontoon boat trip.
  - a. Christmas party. A good time was had by all, and a special thanks to the organizers of the event.
  - b. There were thirty-six (36) members who attended the boat trip, and it was a huge success. Dan O has volunteered to begin the 2026 planning already.
- c. Planned **January** Events (unless otherwise noted, contact Royann for further details on all activities)

- a. Jan 8: NCV monthly meeting, El Camino Country Club, 3202 Vista Way, Vista.  
5:30pm no-host dinner, 6:30pm Club meeting
- b. Jan 14: Happy Hour at Jalisco Cantina, 2961 State St., Carlsbad, @ 4:00pm. Note:  
due to the Carlsbad Street Fair, parking may be a problem, so plan accordingly
- c. Jan 21 – 25 Barrett-Jackson Auction run to Scottsdale, AZ.
  - i. Jan 22 - Barrett-Jackson Auction
  - ii. Jan 23 - Musical Instrument Museum (MIM),
  - iii. Jan 24 - Penske Museum, tour at private auction house, PopStroke golf.  
Note: Royann has made reservations at the Best Western in Northern  
Scottsdale, contact her if you are interested soonest.

d. Planned **February** Events:

- a. Feb 5: NCV monthly meeting El Camino Country Club, 3202 Vista Way, Vista.  
5:30pm no-host dinner, 6:30pm Club meeting
- b. Feb 8: NCV Annual Super Bowl Party at the White House (Scott and Donna), 3541  
Corte Dulce, Carlsbad. The event starts at 2:45pm.
- c. Feb xx: NCV Happy Hour, Further details to follow as they become available,  
contact Lesly Adams.
- d. Feb 19 – 21: McCormick Collector Car Auction in Palm Springs.
  - i. Feb 19 - Aerial tramway ride and lunch
  - ii. Feb 20 – McCormick's Auction. These are cars that are in the Concours  
d'Elegance.  
Note: Royann is trying to organize a meeting with the Palm Springs  
Corvette Club

e. Planning **March** Events:

- a. Mar 19: San Diego Clippers vs. Valley Suns Basketball game. The SD Clippers are  
the NBA farm team for the LA Clippers. The event is at the Frontwave Stadium,  
3475 Hero Dr., Oceanside. Mark Trapollino is leading this event and needs a head  
count of those who are interested. Special parking will be provided. Contact Mark  
for further details.

f. Planning **April** Events:

- a. 16 – 18 Apr: The Gambler's Classic road trip to Laughlin, NV. This is a major car  
event, with multiple Corvette club's attending. Contact Royann for more details.

9. NEWSLETTER:

Yvonne Finocchiaro thanked all who provided photos and inputs for the December  
newsletter.

10. SOCIAL: Nothing significant to report

11. TECH TALK: Norty Stier provided two newsworthy Corvette items. The first item is GM's decision to replace the 6.2L engine that has been a staple in Corvette's for the past eighteen (18) years, with a new 6.7L (409 cu in) V8 starting in 2027. The second item deals with ongoing C8 transmission issues involving the internal servos. Currently, problematic transmissions have been replaced, but criticism by dealers and owners has led GM to decide to re-introduce the six-speed manual transmission back into the Corvette Grand Sport beginning in 2027.

12. DISCUSSION: Nothing significant to report.

13. ADJOURN:

President Scott White thanked all members present, asked for any more inputs, and closed the meeting.

**NEXT REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING:**

**February 5, 2025, El Camino Country Club, 3202 Vista Way, Vista.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Bob Ekstrom*

Secretary