



May  
2025

## APRIL 2025 - EVENT CALENDAR

**EVERY Thursday morning at 9am**, North Coast Vettes members gather at the Coyote Café, 1510 North Santa Fe, Vista (corner of Bobier and Santa Fe); no rsvp required.

**Last Friday of the month**, Noon, Monserate Winery, Fallbrook; no host luncheon.

- May 6: NCV Monthly Meeting, El Camino Country Club, Oceanside 5:30pm no-host dinner; 6:30pm meeting.
- May 21: NCV Happy Hour, 4 pm, Prohibition Restaurant and Bar, 2004 E. Vista Way, Vista, rsvp **Mike/Patty Eddy** by May 19.
- June 3: NCV Monthly Meeting, El Camino Country Club, Oceanside, 5:30pm No-host dinner; 6:30pm meeting.
- June 11: NCV Happy Hour, 4pm, Brickman's Restaurant and Bar, 1025 La Bonita, Lake San Marcos; rsvp **Dan Omniewski** and **Dianne Grosenbach**
- June 28: 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, Oceanside; rsvp **Scott White** if participating.

## ***MAY AND JUNE BIRTHDAYS***

John Boyd	May 10
Herod Howard	May 28
Ruth Kurisu	May 26
Royann McClellan	May 23
Linda Pick	May 26
John Trzcinka	May 2
Patty Daum Williams	May 12
Rick Weber	May 12

John Berumen	June 13
Bob Ekstrom	June 17
Marilyn Hatch	June 5
Lisa Lerandean	June 21
Randy Mills	June 11
Sandy Peterson	June 10
Joel Thrasher	June 23
Mark Trapolino	June 19
Donna White	June 19



## ***THAI ONE ON—APRIL'S NCV HAPPY HOUR***

*The parking lot was glorious at Thai One On in Carlsbad for the April Happy Hour of NCV. Owner "Boss Bill," who also owns a Corvette, saved the entire front lot for the parking of club cars. Upon entering the restaurant the welcome sign was obvious as was the demeanor of welcome from the owner and staff. Special thanks to **John Trzcinka** and **Kathleen Morey** for putting the event together. The food was delicious and the comraderie was terrific.*



**John Trzcinka and "Boss Bill"**







***Sandy Peterson, Marie Schilke, Susan Johnson, Patty Eddy, (Mike Eddy), Dave Schilke and Glenn Peterson.***



***Carm Finocchiaro, Donna and Scott White, Randy and Kristen Mills, Mike and Meg Merkt***



***Dan Omniewski, Dianne Grosenbach, Scott McClellan and Larry Harker***



***Mike Eddy, Doug Johnson, Dave Schilke, Glenn Peterson,  
Sandy Peterson, (Marie Schilke), Susan Johnson and Patty Eddy***

## ***NCV ATTENDS NEW VILLAGE ARTS***

**From Scott White:** NCV had 10 couples at New Village Arts for the performance of "La Havana Madrid" on Saturday, April 19. It was the story of people from Cuba and South America that immigrated to the US in the 1960s and many of them ended up in Chicago where a nightclub brought them together.

Everyone said that they enjoyed the music, dancing and immigrant stories and after the performance we went to Cicciotti's Italian restaurant for a fun time with good service and very good food. Unfortunately, we were having so much fun we forgot to take pictures....we will do better next time....

**From Susan Johnson:** The music and dancing were amazing! They even got Dan on their dance floor for the last dance in the play.

## ***DID YOU KNOW?***

**Cary Thomas** writes his own blog entitled "Cary's Corvettes." He has included two articles here for you.

The first is a salute to **John Elder**, *"I'm happy to announce that one of my very favorite C1 Corvette friends made the leap all the way to C8 last month! Congratulations to **John Elder** on his new Riptide Blue Coupe!"*

*Here is the story . . . .*

<https://carys-corvettes.blogspot.com/2025/04/john-elder-jumps-from-c1-to-c8.html>

The second article is Cary's description of the club's visit to the Grand Canyon. <https://carys-corvettes.blogspot.com/2025/04/nans-z06-road-trip-3.html>



# VETERANS' ASSOCIATION OF NORTH COUNTY – CAR SHOW

Since North Coast Vettes was instrumental in focusing on veterans for years through the Vettes for Veterans All-Corvette Car Show that we produced, this editor thought some of you might like to know about the Veterans Association of North County (VANC) Car Show in June—all those proceeds go to assist veterans. See attachment for full registration details.



Join VANC for our Annual Car Show! We'll be featuring all sorts of extraordinary cars, trucks, and vehicles. Music and Fun! Parking limited to the first 110 Entries! Breakfast, Lunch, and Drinks available for purchase! Don't miss it!

# CAR SHOW

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## ***New Corvette Concept Unveiled in UK!***



Photo courtesy of GM

Exciting news from General Motors! They've just revealed a captivating Corvette concept at their brand-new advanced design studio in Royal Leamington Spa, England. This concept, while not destined for production, offers a glimpse into the future of Corvette design, showcasing GM's "blank-page" approach.

Key highlights include sleek, aerodynamic lines, a striking "Apex Vision" spine (a modern take on the '63 Sting Ray's split window), and a lightweight, 3D-printed structure. This design exploration hints at potential EV integration and a strong race-inspired aesthetic. The UK studio, staffed with top design talent, will play a crucial role in shaping future Corvette and Cadillac EV models for the European market. GM has also announced that there will be more Corvette concepts coming in 2025. Stay tuned for further updates!

Chevrolet dealers across the U.S. are sitting on thousands of unsold C8 Corvettes, and that could be good news for potential buyers. With supply shortages, dealer markups, and production halts largely in the rearview mirror— except for the upcoming ZR1—discounts and incentives are lowering the mid-engine sports car's price by thousands. According to Chevy's latest dealership inventory tracking—hat tip to Corvette Blogger—more than 5,700 C8 Corvettes were available on dealer lots last week within a



2,000-mile radius of Detroit. Some dealers are offering incentives to help move the sports cars, with discounts available to qualifying buyers. At least one deal requires Costco membership, but even with restrictions, the discounts are amazing. When the C8 Corvette debuted, its starting price of just under \$60,000 was often overshadowed by dealer markups that pushed it well past six figures. Now, some of those same cars are available for well under \$70,000 with the Z51 package, while \$75,000 can capture an even wider selection of colors and configurations. On the higher end of the spectrum, there are more than 1,000 C8 Z06s available at or slightly below MSRP, the deepest discount seen on a Z06 right now is about \$7,000. There are even some 600 C8 Corvette E-Rays kicking around, with some cars being offered with \$10,000 on the hood. The majority of the cars available are 2025 model years as well—these aren't cars that have been sitting for months in case you're wondering. There are just shy of 900 2024 C8s sitting on dealer lots, but you're not really saving much by opting for a '24 instead of a freshly built 2025 car.

## ***TECH TALK***

**Key Provision** was recommended for key fob replacement (760.290.4759).



## DID YOU KNOW?

1. **From Glenn Williams:** Let's safely experience our Corvette's exceptional handling and performance characteristics under supervised track conditions to make us all better drivers.

**Doug & Susan Johnson and Glenn & Patty Williams** have registered for Corvette Owners Day, a Driver Education track event Saturday, May 24 at Laguna Seca Raceway in beautiful Monterey, California. We are leaving Friday morning, May 23 and staying over in Monterey Friday night May 23rd and Saturday night May 24th and coming home on Sunday May 25th.

Glenn has reserved several hotel rooms for those who would like to attend. Doug is bringing his Z06 on his trailer so he may have welcomed available space in his truck for some extra gear if room should allow. The event is booked through [SpeedSF.com](http://SpeedSF.com). There is an early registration discount of \$100, thereby costing \$350 per car instead of \$450, 2 plus hours of track time in 4 separate runs of 30 minutes each run.



2. In the Consumer Reports of April 2025, Best and Worst Car Lists:
  - a. Owners who would buy their vehicles again: Corvette at 92%, #1 response.
  - b. Top American Sports Car (2 seats), with an overall score of 87 (also #1) is the Chevrolet Corvette.
3. Anyone interested in having additional club shirts with logos contact:  
**T-Shirt Factory, 2380 Camino Vida Roble, Suite F, Carlsbad, 92011; 760.814.2224.** They have the NCV logo on file. Bring in your shirt and they will embroider the logo for a nominal fee.

## ***JUST FOR A LAUGH . . . OR TWO***



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**Cary Thomas, Glenn Williams, Scott White, and Susan Johnson.**



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