



Desert Vettes

Palm Springs Corvette Club

October 2025

PSCC & Guide Dogs of the Desert!!!



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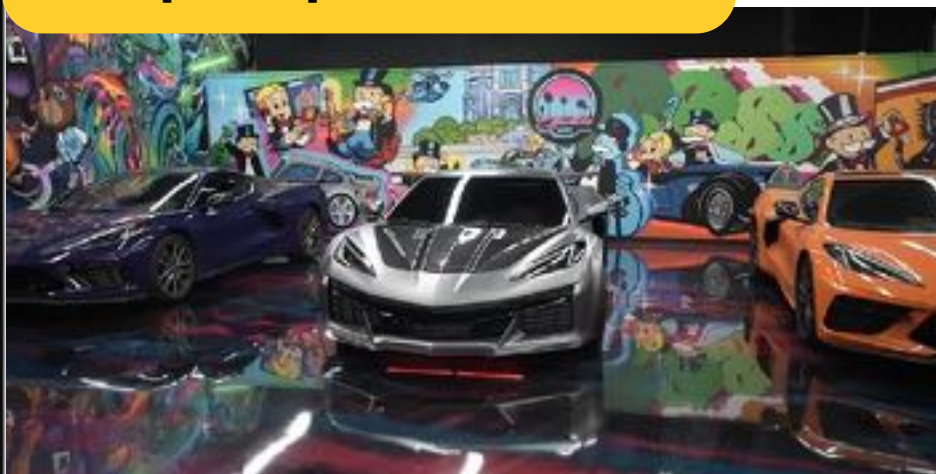
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Day



President's Message....

October will be a fast start to our fall season. Along with our regular monthly events we have a road trip to Tucson, organized by Michele Langley, Palm Springs, homecoming, parade, and football game, as well as our first Car Show of the season at the Palm Springs air Museum. I hope you are going to join us for these upcoming events.



Other events coming up include our Christmas party at Heritage Palms. Our Christmas committee is putting the final detail details on the event and we will be sending out an email shortly so that you can start to make your reservations. It is December 6th so make sure you mark your calendars. Also, on that day, we are the featured club for the Palm Springs Cruising Associations, Christmas Cruise-in. It will be from 10 AM to 2 PM so we will still have plenty of time to get to the Christmas party. We do not have to stay the entire time. They are recognizing us for our contribution to the car community in the valley and I really need support on this. We usually gather at Cars And Coffee on Saturday morning so I will plan on meeting our group there and departing at 9:30 AM for the cruise in. Also Dan Jessup will be part of this.

Corvette of the month goes to Tony & Vivian Vecclarelli's 2022 Caffeine colored Stingray. (one of my favorite colors) Please see the article on Tony & Vivian in this month's Desert Vettes.

As our year and my extended term as President winds down, I am very optimistic with the way our board and committees are shaping up for 2026. Special thanks to Michele Langley for her leadership and also Elaine Hansch for out of the box recruiting skills! 2026 will be a year of change and growth.

See you at our next meeting, Oct 14th.

Regards,

Stan



Corvette of the Month....

**Tony and VIVIAN
VECCHIARELLI**

Tony and Vivian have been married for 58 years, and have three children, six grandchildren and one great grandchild with another on the way.

Tony and VIVIAN have been coming to Palm Desert since 1982. Purchase their Palm Desert home in 2010 and currently are splitting their time between Sun city and Tucson. Tony and VIVIAN are first time Corvette owners, purchased their 2022 beautiful caffeine colored stingray.

Tony and Vivian have enjoyed being members of the Corvet Club, and meeting new friends with similar interests



2025 Palm Springs Corvette Club Executive....

President...Stan Moreno

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Secretary ...Ron Singer

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PSCC Website Feature ...

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AWE Exhaust

Extreme Online Store

Evol Auto Works

Jessup Chevrolet, Service / P&A, Cars

NoviStretch Bras

Soler Performance

Wheel Craft

Abel Aguirre: : Paint Protection | Ceramic Coating | Window Tinting

The website also has our Calendar & Events, Meeting Minutes and back issues of our Newsletters, along with Pictures and our Corvette Store.

www.palmspringscorvetteclub.com

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Palm Springs Corvette Club Sponsor Discounts

Palm Spring Corvette Club

Jessup Auto Plaza would like to offer all current members the following discounts on Parts and Service.

Over the counter parts will receive a 15% discount up to \$250.00.

Mechanical repairs will receive 15% discount on parts and labor up to \$500.00, excluding maintenance and tires.

All maintenance services will receive a 10% discount.

All customer pay body shop repairs will receive a 15% discount up to \$250.00

Tires are sold with our 30-day price match guarantee. We guarantee the lowest price on any General Motors program tires. Tires are not eligible for discounts due to our price match guarantee.

We appreciate your loyal patronage and look forward to many more years of our partnership.



Ron Austin
Service Manager
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Check - PSCC Members Discounts currently covering Parts & Accessories, Jessup Chevrolet Parts & Service, New C8 Stingray & E-Rays, Paint Protection, Ceramic Coating and window tinting (PP, CCC and WT).

Don't Forget!!!!!!

PSCC "Get Acquainted...."

Get Acquainted

Meet the members of our Corvette club!

Go to palmspringscorvetteclub.com, click on Get Acquainted, and enter our current password. Scroll through the pages and "Get Acquainted." If you've forgotten our password, email Charlene at palmspringscorvetteclub@gmail.com and she'll remind you. If you don't have a page yet, follow the instructions in the Get Acquainted section.



Corvettes cost money, of that there's no doubt.
And then you need friends, to tell your fun about.



We want to know you, put a name to your face.
What's your background? We know you're an Ace!

What is your name? Are you short or tall?
How will we know you? Blonde, brunette or bald?

Where do you hail from? Why did you come here?
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Do you like short events? Or do you prefer long runs?
Do you play tennis or golf? Bike, deal cards or other fun?

Send in your info, a story or two,
a picture of your car, and one of you.

Your photos we'll size, your info we'll take.
We'll type it, arrange it, and your page we'll make.

Before your story is put online,
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Review it you will, change it you can.
Your bio will shine, 'cause that's the plan!



Get your page on "Get Acquainted"

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Gambler's Classic 2026...

Mark your calendars and “rev up” your anticipation, because Gambler's Classic 2026 is on the horizon. Corvettes of Bakersfield's Gambler's Classic 2026 - All Corvette Car Show is scheduled April 16-18 2026 at Don Laughlin's Resort and Casino in Laughlin, NV. We are Celebrating our 25th Gambler's Classic & 100 year of Route 66!

Registration is now open!

🚗✨ Gambler's Classic 2026 – Don't Miss It! ✨🚗

Get ready for an unforgettable weekend packed with Corvettes, fun, and celebration!

🍦 **Thursday Night:** Ice Cream Social + our **First-Ever Corvette Glow Show Parade** – light up the night or cheer from the sidelines!

🚗 **Friday Morning:** Fun Run to Kingman, AZ for the **100th Anniversary of Route 66**.

🎉 **Friday Night:** Celebrate our **25th Gambler's Classic** with dinner, Silent Auction, dancing, and group photos.

🚗 **Saturday:** Corvette Car Show (new categories + pro car wash), followed by the **Poker Run** and awards.

🏆 **Club Participation Award:** Biggest club turnout wins a donation to their favorite charity!

✨ From glowing Corvettes to Route 66 adventures, this year's Gambler's Classic will be one to remember. Mark your calendars and join the fun! April 16-18, 2026, at Don Laughlin's Resort and Casino in Laughlin, NV.

Please [REPLY](#) to this e-mail to let Stan know as soon as you have [REGISTERED](#).

Thanks,
Stan Moreno
President



Veteran's Day Parade Nov 11th...Current List!!!

Current Participants: Floyd Marco, Bill Jahn, George Olivas, Ron Welshons, Jack Cartier, Mitch Albert, Jim O'Connell, Garry Dean (Brother and ister-in-law) Jim Lewis, Norm Casson, Eric Lewis (alternative for a veteran ride along).



If you would like to participate, there is still room for two more! The only requirement is you or your rider MUST be a Veteran!

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Key Points

- Automakers say Biden-era emissions rules are “not achievable” with targets that require up to 56% EV sales by 2032, far beyond current demand and infrastructure.
- Federal EV tax credits are expiring, the \$7,500 consumer subsidy ends Sept. 30, and a \$3,000-per-vehicle battery production credit could disappear next year.
- Industry seeks revisions, not repeal, carmakers want the EPA to scale back standards to “feasible levels,” while Democrats push to keep the rules intact.



10 lovely Divas had
a delicious lunch at
French Corner Cafe
on 9/26/25



Diva Luncheon...

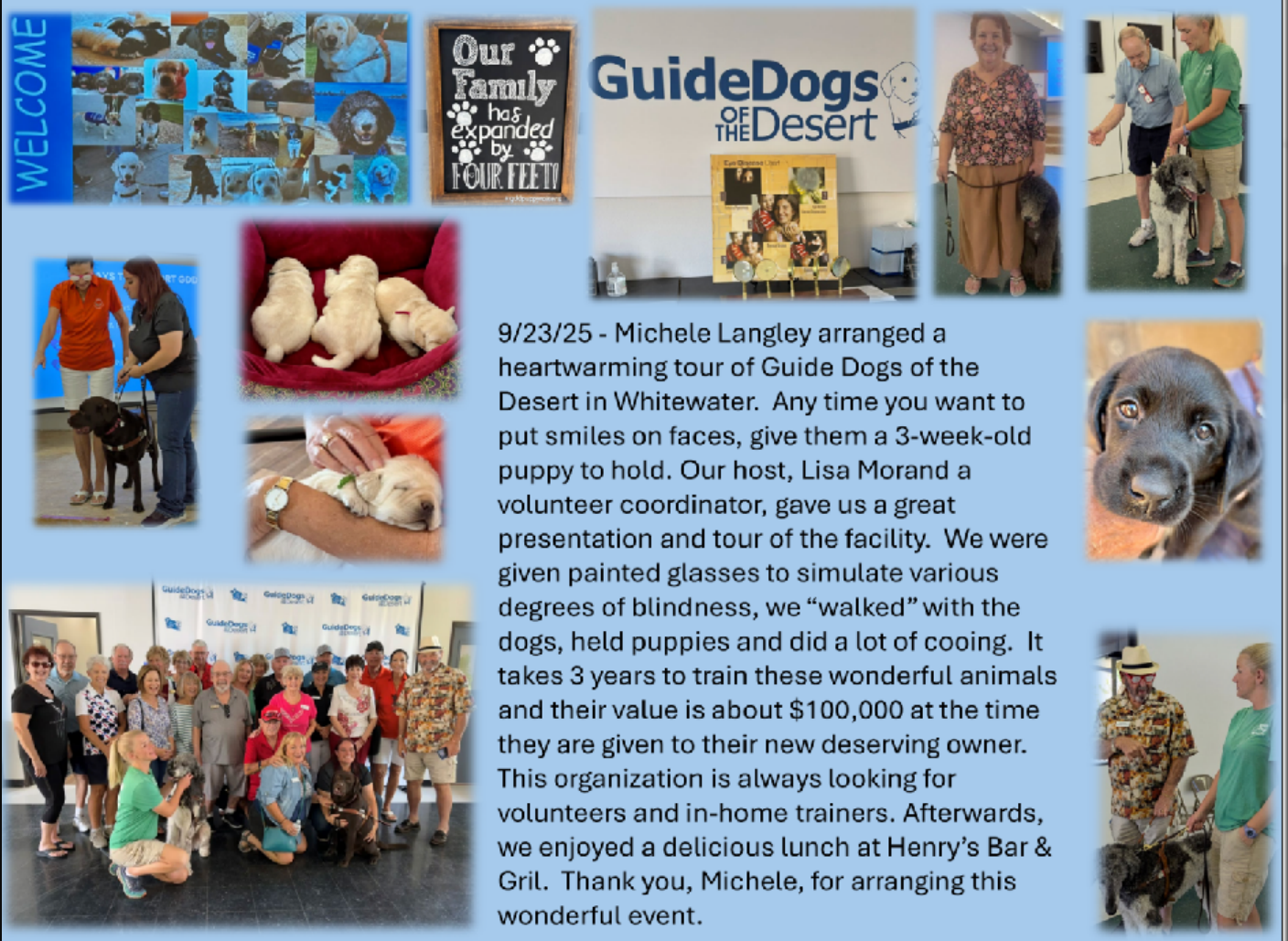


Even though it was
a rainy evening, a
great time was had
by all at Waldos for
DNO on 9/18/25.
We also enjoyed the
birthday fireworks
for Tom Pinard.



Dinner Nite Out...





Afterwards, we enjoyed a delicious lunch at Henry's Bar & Grill in Cathedral City.



Southwest Romp...



The stops included Zion, Bryce Canyon, Kodachrome, Capitol Reef, Mesa Verde, Petroglyphs, Standin' on a Corner in Winslow, Montezuma Castle, and Prescott.

Michelle Lenhert and her mom, Vicki Nichols, executed a perfect loop of the Southwest in early September. Four corvettes, Mike & Vicki Nichols, Lance & Michelle Lenhert, Tom Pinard and Doug Utash (a long-time friend from another club) had a nice drive, ate a lot of great food, and managed to see at least one new site for each person.



Shaq's Super C8 Vette...

Effortless Motors is the company that undertook stretching a **C8 Corvette Z06 by 20 inches** to accommodate the frame of their “largest” client, NBA legend Shaquille O’Neil. We’ve all seen the



video of the car being delivered and Shaq taking the car out for a drive, but many of us wanted to know more about exactly what was done to modify it.

The guys from Effortless Motors are back with Shaq’s “SuperVette” and they have two standard C8 Corvette Stingrays in the showroom that offers an easier way to contrast the differences of Shaq’s Z06 to those of the regular Corvettes.

The car was stretched by 20 inches and then a number of other changes had to be factored in including new doors, upholstery, and new door glass (which we saw had cracked during the first video.) The seats were also lowered by another three inches so that Shaq’s head could fit in the car. Another change was a much larger steering wheel as the standard wheel in Shaq’s hands makes it look like a golf cart steering wheel.

To showcase some of the differences, a tape measure was brought out and used to show some of the differences between the standard C8 Stingray and Shaq’s SuperVette. For example, he shows the Z51 wing being 57 inches (not the most precise measurements were taken) and then he measures the wing on the SuperVette and it’s 74.5 inches wide. Shaq’s Corvette also retains a removable roof panel but it’s much larger. The tape measure shows it was modified to be 12 inches longer than then standard removeable roof panel which are 24 inches. They also measure the length of the new center console and its 54 inches long.

Not all Corvettes are built the same—and when you’re 7’1” like Shaquille O’Neal, the standard Z06 just won’t cut it. That’s why we took a brand-new Corvette Z06 and stretched it a full 20 inches to create a one-of-one supercar built for a legend.



Gambler's Classic April 16 2026

SAVE the DATES

Gambler's Classic 2026 - All Corvette Car Show April 16-18, 2026

Don Laughlin's Resort and Casino in Laughlin, NV.

The Corvettes of Bakersfield invite you to Gambler's Classic 2026. We will be celebrating our 25th Gambler's Classic and the 100th year of Route 66.

Event registration will open in the Fall of 2025.

*The event is limited to the first 300 people.
The event sold out last time.*



**Fun Run
Car Show
Poker Run
Silent Auction
Dinner & Dancing**



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Music - Raffles - Fun Run - Poker Run - Car Show - Awards - Fun

Register Now & Save \$25.00*

**Must register by January 10, 2026*

Registration Final Deadline March 15, 2026

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U.S. GM Sales Post Healthy Growth!!!

GM sales increased eight percent to 710,347 units during the third quarter of 2025 in the United States. Sales increased for the Chevrolet, Cadillac and GMC brands, while decreasing for Buick.

“No one is in a stronger position for a changing U.S. market than GM,” said GM senior VP and president of North America, Duncan Aldred. “We have the best lineup of ICE and EV vehicles we’ve ever had. Our brands have grown market share with consistently strong pricing, and low incentives and inventory,” he added.



Skid Pad Stunt!!!

Skid pad stunt ends with bruised pride as, sliding Pontiac G8 Passenger Falls out Window, Loses Pants!!!!



Ford Recalls Thousands!!!

Ford has **issued a recall** for more than 14,000 trucks that could lose steering control due to a defective part. The recall, announced through Transport Canada, affects 14,125 vehicles from the 2020 model year. On certain vehicles, the upper steering shaft could separate and cause a loss of steering control," the notice said. Ford warned that a sudden loss of steering control increases the risk of a crash.



The recall included **all** “2020” Ford: F-250 CHASSIS CAB, F-250 SUPER DUTY, F-350 CHASSIS CAB, F-350 SUPER DUTY, F-450 CHASSIS CAB and the F-450 SUPER DUTY!!!

Down the Road....

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Recurring Events:

- **Every Saturday** – 6:30 AM – **Cars & Coffee** @ Aspen Mills
46-520 Washington St, La Quinta
- **2nd Tuesday** – 7 PM – **General Meeting** @ Jessup Auto Plaza,
68-111 E. Palm Canyon, Cathedral City
- **3rd Thursday** – 5 PM – **Dinner Night Out (DNO)**
- **Last Friday** – **Diva** and **Stud Luncheons**

Oct. 15 & 17 - PS High School Homecoming and Parade

Oct 25 - Palm Springs Air Museum Car Show

Nov 2 - Rock the Ride Big Rock Car Show

Nov 3 - How the Grinch Stole Christmas, The Musical

Nov 11 - Veteran's Day Parade (Veterans Only)

Dec 6 - 10am PSCC Featured at PSCA

Christmas Cruise at the River in Rancho Mirage. We will caravan there after Cars & Coffee

Dec 6 - PSCC Xmas Dinner Party, Heritage Palms (Quests Welcome)

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[Check the National Corvette Museum emails/website for activities/offerings near you!](#)

Ronald McDonald House...

Reminder that we ask PSCC Members to collect toiletries from motels, soaps, shampoos and can pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House in Loma Linda. This is a great cause and saves you throwing them in the recycle or garbage. Just put them in a bag and bring them to each meeting for Vicki and Mike Nichols. The kids will thank you so much, and Ronald will too!

