



# Desert Vettes

**Palm Springs Corvette Club**

**December 2022**

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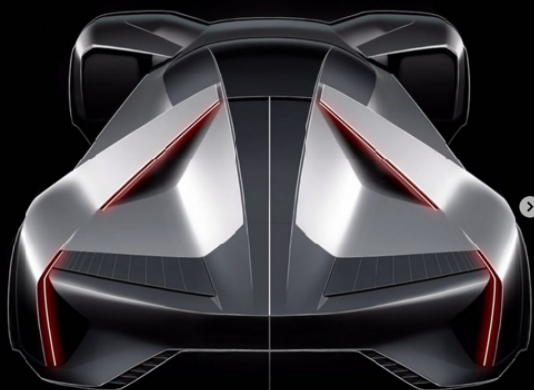
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## President's Message....

It's hard to believe that 2022 has come to an end already. First of all I would like to thank the board members for their work to make us a great club. And everyone who organized dinners, lunches and runs during the year.

2022 was a very active with several outstanding overnight runs with large numbers of members participating. If you have not taken the opportunity to go on an overnight run, you will always find it fun and exciting. There are already plans for next years runs to new destinations and events.

This year we put on our first annual car show benefiting the Boy's and Girls Club of Cathedral City. Our one day show raised almost as much as our autocross in past years. We had about 116 cars in the show raising a lot for the Boy's and Girls Club. We are planning an even larger show for next year at the same location Southwest Church.

Over the past two years the club has grown too once again be the number one club in the west coast and among the largest clubs in the nation.

Thanks again to all who supported me and the club over the past two years.

Floyd Marcoe  
President PSCC



Ho! Ho! PSCC Members!!



## 2023 Palm Springs Corvette Club Executive....

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### Corvette Facts...Did You Know....

All 1986 Corvette Convertibles were Indianapolis Pace Car replicas and came with a Pace Car decal package(to be installed at the Buyer's option)' but none had the special paint or options. The actual Indy Pace Car used at the Indy was yellow in colour.

Twenty 1986 Corvettes were sent to Lotus in England to be converted into LT5 powered prototypes for the ZR1 project.

In 1986, Corvette offered the "Malcolm Konner Commemorative Edition" with two transmissions. A 4-speed and an automatic. Only 20 4-speed manual transmissions were installed at the factory.

### Palm Springs Corvette Club Charities We Support ...



Boys & Girls Club  
of Cathedral City

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## Palm Springs Corvette Club Sponsor....

**JESSUP**  
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Jessup Auto Plaza was established in 1938. It is the premier family-owned and operated dealership in Cathedral City. We've served the Palm Springs, Indio and La Quinta CA Buick, Chevrolet, Corvette, Cadillac drivers for 80 years with new and used vehicles, service and financing. Make it a point to have a look at our inventory online at <https://www.jessupautoplaza.com>. or visit us at 68-111 E Palm Canyon Drive Cathedral City CA.



Happy Birthday Stud Mike N...





## PSCC Honours Veterans....



Palm Springs Corvette Club



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Happy  
Holidays!



Ragan chilling  
with Momma at  
Veterans Day



## Diva Lunch & Fashion Show...

### *Diva Lunch and Fashion Show*

Thursday, December 8, 11:30

Please let Liz know by 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 6,  
if you'll be attending this outstanding event  
at Mitch's on El Paseo

73951 El Paseo, Palm Desert

\$38 per person includes Non-Alcoholic Beverage,  
Choice of Four Entrees, Dessert, Tax and Gratuity.

Choose your entrée when you arrive,  
and bring cash  
to be paid to Liz or Joyce.

Fashion Show starts at noon — See you there!

A drawing will determine our  
Choice of Charity for our year's donations.

Contact Liz Brannon 760-898-8300  
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Or Joyce Sosebee 760-485-4567  
[casamaxemo@gmail.com](mailto:casamaxemo@gmail.com)





## Diva Xmas Lunch & Fashion Show...

Divas,

We went back to 2012 when the Diva's had their first lunch at the Willows and after the first luncheon decided to do something more than just go to lunch. So, it was decided to do a charity each year - that would have everyone's input. So, at our final luncheon of each year, everyone who attends has a chance to have their charity of choice chosen.

To date the following are the charities that have been chosen and the amounts that were given:

2012.	\$310.	Shelter from the Storm
2013.	505.	Angel View
2014.	500.	Coachella Valley Rescue Mission
2015.	540.	S.O.S.
2016.	900.	A.L.S.
2017.	1215.	Shriners Children Hospital
2018.	1000.	Unity House
2019.	1225.	A.L.S.
2020.	-0-	Covid
2021.	1233.	Child Help
2022.	1200.	Animal Samaritan



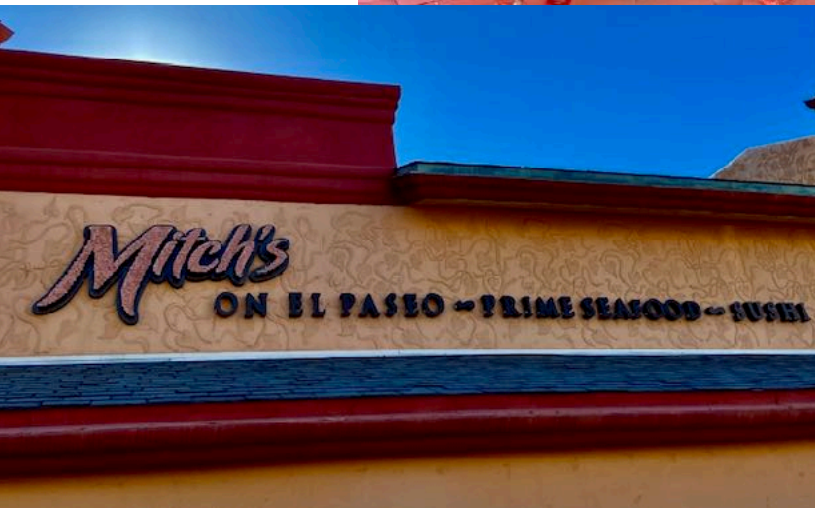
Over \$8, 600 of donations given by our generous ladies (Divas) of PSCC.

Thanks again, Liz and Joyce





# Diva Xmas Lunch & Fashion Show...





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## PSCC Dinner Nite Out....

So it goes without saying that last night was not a good experience for most of us. It is becoming more and more difficult to find places that will give larger groups individual checks. We are going to take some steps to make sure we don't just settle on a place that will give us separate checks, which is what happened last night.

I was very happy to see what a great turn out (49) we had and we will do our best to improve on the experience.

Regards, Stan



A VERY MERRY  
**CHRISTMAS**





## PSCC Dinner Nite Out....





## PSCC's Christmas Dinner & Meeting...



**PSCC's 2023 Board Members...**



**Three Musketeers!!!**



**Lull before the Storm!!!**





## PSCC's Christmas Dinner & Meeting...



Palm Springs Corvette Club

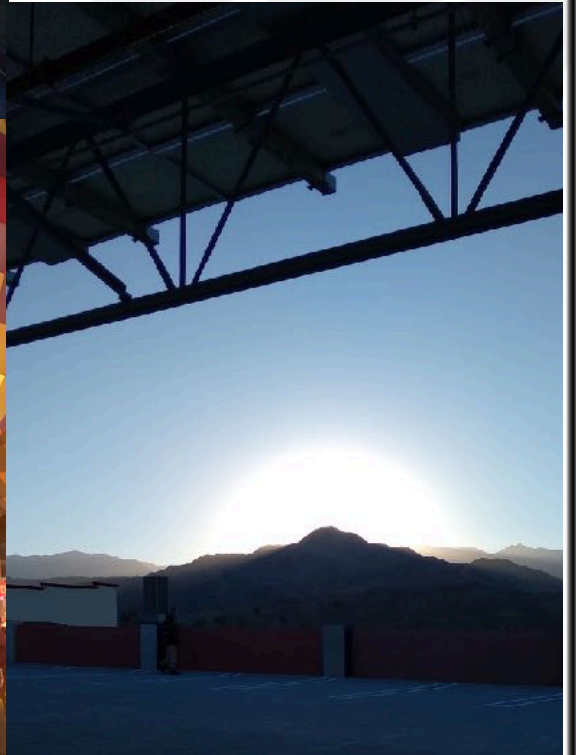


## PSCC's Christmas Dinner & Meeting...





## Balloon Glow Cars Show...





## 2023 Gambler Classic...



### 2023 Gambler's Classic Run Sign-Up

**IT'S A GO** for the Gambler's Classic All Corvette Car Show in Laughlin, Nevada on Friday and Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023! Twelve Corvettes have already expressed an interest in attending so you can start making your reservations now! **Note:** There is a \$25 discount on event registrations made before December 31st.

Signing up for this event is as simple as 1,2,3!

- 1) Register for the event online at <https://corvettesofbakersfield.org/registration-2023-gamblers-classic/>.

When you register before December 31<sup>st</sup>, the discounted registration fee is \$235 for couples and \$125 for individuals. As you complete the registration form, note that:

**We are not** attending any of the Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, activities as a Club. If you are **not** planning to caravan with the Club on Friday, please let me know.

**We are tentatively** planning to participate in Friday's (10am) Fun Run. This would require a very early departure from the Desert, and so it will be up for further discussion.

- 2) The host hotel is Don Laughlin's Riverside Resort and Casino in Laughlin Nevada. The Resort is offering GAMBLER'S CLASSIC PARTICIPANTS a Special Room Rate:

**To make your reservations, please call the hotel direct from 8am until 4pm daily at 800-227-3849; OPTION 1 – CODE: C/COB23.**

Standard Room: 2 Queen Beds w/ Mountain View

Sunday-Thursday- 59.00/night plus \$17.00 daily resort fee & tax

Friday & Saturday- 99.00/night plus \$17.00 daily resort fee & tax

Upgrades available for King or River View and Executive Room

Sunday-Thursday- 59.00/night \$17.00 daily resort fee & tax (King or River View)

Friday & Saturday- 99.00/night plus \$17.00 daily resort fee & tax (Executive)

*Rooms are blocked for this event, but limited, so please book early. **Rate and block assured until February 1, 2023.***

- 3) Once you have registered for the event and made your hotel reservations, **please email me** so I can add you to our sign-up list and send you additional information and updates as the event approaches. After checking-out on Sunday morning, you may either return home on your own or, **for those interested in continuing on a Southern Nevada run, Bob Raker will be providing more information.**

You can view the tentative Schedule of daily activities and learn more about the Gambler's Classic event sponsors at <https://corvettesofbakersfield.org/events/gamblers/>.

We look forward to seeing you at this fun-filled event!

Ron Singer, Secretary



## 1st Production '23 Z06 Rolls Off the Line...

This minty fresh 2023 [Corvette](#) Z06 still looks quite appealing. This first unit is draped in Carbon Flash Metallic paint and is equipped with the Z07 Performance Package and the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Special Edition Package ([RPO code Y70](#)), the latter of which includes:



- Optional Satin Black stripes for the Carbon Flash Metallic paint (or White Pearl metallic Tri-coat paint with optional Satin Gray Stripes)
- Two-tone Ceramic leather GT2 or Competition Sport seats
- Red contrast stitching and seatbelts
- Sueded microfiber seat inserts
- Suede steering wheel
- New badging
- Edge Red brake calipers
- Edge Red engine cover
- Unique rear bumper protector / trunk cover
- Custom luggage set
- Logos for the headrests, steering wheel, and sill plates
- Unique build plaque



As reported in January, [Chevy](#) dealer and NASCAR team owner Rick Hendrick placed the winning [\\$3.6 million bid](#) for the first-ever production 2023 Corvette Z06 when it went up for auction at a Barrett-Jackson event earlier in the year. Proceeds were donated to benefit non-profit organization Operation Homefront. Notably, Hendrick also secured the [first-ever production 2023 Chevy Corvette Z06 convertible](#), as reported in April.

Per exclusive *GM Authority* coverage published earlier today, GM is now [accepting new 2023 Corvette Z06 dealer orders](#). Previously, GM said it would [no longer accept new Corvette Z06 orders](#) for the remainder of the 2023 model year as a result of [heavy production constraints](#). Now, however, it now appears as though the automaker has backtracked on that stance.

As a reminder, the 2023 Corvette Z06 features the naturally aspirated [5.5L V8 LT6](#) engine. Under the skin is the GM Y2 platform.



## '23 Z06 Rolls #12 Spotted in Scottsdale AZ...



A friend of mine who is in Scottsdale AZ for the winter saw this C8 Z06 #12 at a local car show. VIP owner took delivery at Bowling Green. \$30 K carbon fiber option and \$15 K carbon fiber wheel option. The Color combo was great!!!





## C8 Corvette ZR1 Engine Spotted...

GM is developing a fresh twin-turbo V8 to power the upcoming [C8 Corvette ZR1](#), and now, a new image just hit the web foreshadowing the imminent arrival of the ZR1's boosted LT7 engine.

For those readers who may be unaware, the forthcoming [C8 Corvette ZR1](#) will offer ultra-high performance both on the road and on the track. The heart of the ZR1 will be the new twin-turbocharged [5.5L V8 LT7](#) gasoline engine, a boosted variant of the naturally aspirated [5.5L V8 LT6](#) cradled by the [2023 Corvette Z06](#)



The new C8 Corvette ZR1 is expected to launch late in 2023 for the 2024 model year. As such, the ongoing development of the new twin-turbo 5.5L V8 LT7 doesn't come as much of a surprise. Nevertheless, [a new image](#) posted on *Corvette Forum* confirms suspicions that the new LT7 is indeed currently in the works.

The image shows a new 5.5L V8 LT6 sitting on a wooden pallet at the [National Corvette Museum](#) in Kentucky. Critically, the pallet is marked "LT6 Gamma, LT7 Beta," confirming the ongoing development of the new twin-turbo 5.5L V8 LT7.

Official specs from GM are obviously unavailable, but at this point, there's plenty of intel we can point to when it comes to expectations surrounding the new LT7. Peak output, for example, is expected to hit around 850 horsepower and 850 pound-feet of torque, with the LT7 arranged in a dual overhead cam configuration with 32 valves. It's also worth mentioning that despite its LT designation, the LT7 will in fact have nothing in common with GM's fifth-generation Small Block overhead valve (push-rod / OHV) engine family.

Critically, the LT7 will also find its way into the upcoming [C8 Corvette Zora](#), which is expected to debut about a year after the launch of the Corvette ZR1 and will produce roughly 1,000 horsepower with hybrid electrification.



## C9 Corvette: GM Asks C8 Owners for Future...

Would you be OK with the next **Corvette becoming electrified**? That is essentially what GM is asking current C8 owners. It has sent out a survey, or query, about what the future Corvette should be. It is obviously testing the waters for where the **Corvette** should go as the corporation heads into Electricland. All automakers are pretty much on the path to eliminating internal combustion-powered vehicles by the mid-2030s. GM has already announced it will have 30 new EVs between now and 2025. One of those could be what it calls an “electric sport vehicle.”



This shouldn't be confused with **the E-Ray**, which is a pending hybrid version of the C8 Corvette. That will use electric motors to power the front wheels, and an LT2 V8 to spin the rears. Prototypes **have already been spotted** in different places, so we should be seeing these by 2023. The electric sport vehicle could mean an EV with the **Camaro** moniker. However, the likelihood is that it is the next Corvette. In a world led by SUVs and pickups of many stripes, having two sports cars with two doors probably isn't the best business plan.

It is interesting that the entire Corvette team leadership was reassigned to EV development over a year ago. Since the Corvette team is now doing EVs, maybe the next Corvette will be guided by a team of EV engineers. In other words, the same people doing the same development wearing different hats. So we're only looking to 2025 or 2026 before we can expect an entirely new C9 Corvette.

But there is nothing that says **GM must replace the C8** with the next generation of Corvette. The C8 is so popular and is at the peak of GM ICE technology, that it could be produced alongside the C9. But with a compelling C9 EV, and with the world dominated by electric vehicles by that time, GM shouldn't, and probably wouldn't, be afraid to pull the wraps off of a completely electric 'Vette. And running the two together would be great fodder for enthusiasts and marketing peeps alike.



## Update: Corvette Four-Door & SUV...

The next move for GM with its valued Corvette nameplate will be to launch a Corvette subbrand. It will include a four-door "coupe" and a sporty high-performance crossover to partner the upcoming two-seater Corvette EV.

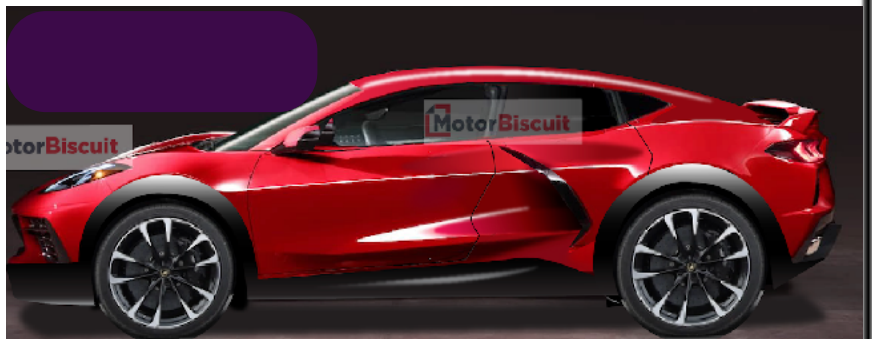


The new Corvette lineup will be positioned well above its rivals, such as a future trio of electric Mustangs.

We have already seen the [new Z06](#), and there are [several more versions](#) of the C8 still to come, including a possible E-Ray hybrid, the revived ZR1 and the even more extreme Zora hybrid named after Zora Arkus-Duntov, father of the original C1. There's also a Corvette EV on the horizon slated to use GM's Ultium architecture.

Step two of GM's Corvette brand strategy is even more ambitious and far-reaching. Starting in 2025, GM plans to launch a Corvette brand that will also include a sleek four-door coupe and a brawny crossover. Both of these future new Vettes will be EVs. A source who has seen the first proposals describes them as "copies of nothing" and as "encapsulated emotional purity." Waxing lyrical may do justice to the styling themes, but what about the bespoke content? The mechanical package apparently includes battery packs with high energy density, superfast software, a patented cooling concept, staggered Lego-like topographic packaging, miniaturized componentry, ultra-efficient inverters, high-revving electric motors, an 800-volt electrical system that provides up to 350 kW of charging power, a two-speed transmission, brake-by-wire, multi-mode four-wheel steering, and torque vectoring. The four-door coupe (think of it as more of a liftback) and the crossover add two new values to the marque: mainstream exclusivity and overt luxury. Thanks to a delicate balance of functionality and fashion, stats and style, and limited availability fueling high desirability, all three pillars are prepared for pragmatic evolution and subsequent proliferation.

"The aim is not to beat Taycan and Cayenne at their own game but to create three American legends capable of breaking new ground by making the essence of Corvette scalable. To do so, that essence must at all times be in a state of progressive flux," our source comments. Hear, hear.





## 2022 Most Reliable Cars...

Toyota and Lexus topped the latest list of most reliable car brands from Consumer Reports, which surveyed more than 300,000 owners of 2000 to 2023 model cars.



Last year's second-place finisher has replaced its [sister luxury brand Lexus](#) at the top of Consumer Report's reliability ranking list.

The two tied with a rounded-up predicted reliability score of 72, but Toyota was a few decimals better, and they were followed by BMW (65), Mazda (65) and Honda (62).

The study surveyed more than 300,000 owners of 2000 to early 2023 model year cars about 17 potential problem areas. The highest-ranked [American brand was Lincoln](#), which was also the highest mover up the list 10th with a score of 54, followed by Buick, which also scored a rounded 54.

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|--------------|-------------|-------------------|
| 1. Toyota    | 9. Kia      | 17. Cadillac      |
| 2. Lexus     | 10. Lincoln | 18. Ford          |
| 3. BMW       | 11. Buick   | 19. Tesla         |
| 4. 4. Mazda  | 12. Genesis | 20. Chevrolet     |
| 5. 5. Honda  | 13. Hyundai | 21. GMC           |
| 6. 6. Audi   | 14. Volvo   | 22. Volkswagen    |
| 7. 7. Subaru | 15. Nissan  | 23. Jeep          |
| 8. 8. Acura  | 16. Ram     | 24. Mercedes-Benz |



## Hagerty's Bull Market 2023 Vintage Vehicles to Buy...



**1992-2006 AM GENERAL HUMMER H1: \$105,000-\$127,000**

**1968-1970 AMC AMX: \$30,500-\$40,600**

**2008-2015 AUDI R8 (MANUAL) \$154,000-\$186,700**

**2001-2004 CHEVROLET CORVETTE Z06: \$31,400-\$39,300**

**1936-1947 HARLEY-DAVIDSON KNUCKLEHEAD: \$90,300-\$115,000**

**2001-2010 LAMBORGHINI MURCIELAGO: \$302,700-\$342,700**

**2004-2010 MERCEDES-BENZ SLR MCLAREN \$329,300-\$380,700**

**2003-2008 NISSAN 350Z: \$37,500-\$44,900**

**1985-1993 SAAB 900 TURBO: \$22,200-\$25,800**

**1991-1998 SUZUKI  
CAPPUCCINO \$12,200-  
\$16,700**

**1984-1988 TOYOTA PICKUP  
4X4 \$20,700 TO \$26,700**





## iPickup???

iPhone maker Foxconn reveals USA-built truck!!!

What if the [long-rumored Apple car](#) turns out to be an Apple truck?

Foxconn, the company that produces the iPhone and iPad for Apple, has unveiled an electric pickup truck it plans to build in the U.S.

The tech contract manufacturer owns a factory in Lordstown, Ohio, where it plans to [build a series of electric vehicles](#) for itself and other companies that want to license the platform.

Full details on the pickup have not been announced, but it is a midsize truck, similar to the Chevrolet Canyon or electric Rivian R1T, with seating for five.

Foxconn did say that the vehicle will be able to tow up to 6,600 pounds and carry up to 2,200 pounds, but its power and driving range were not announced.

As expected from a tablet maker, the Model V has a digital instrument cluster and a touchscreen infotainment system with just a single control knob on the center console.

It's also equipped with side-view cameras that display their images on the screen in front of the driver instead of mirrors. This technology is not yet allowed by law in the U.S., but it has been approved for use in other countries.

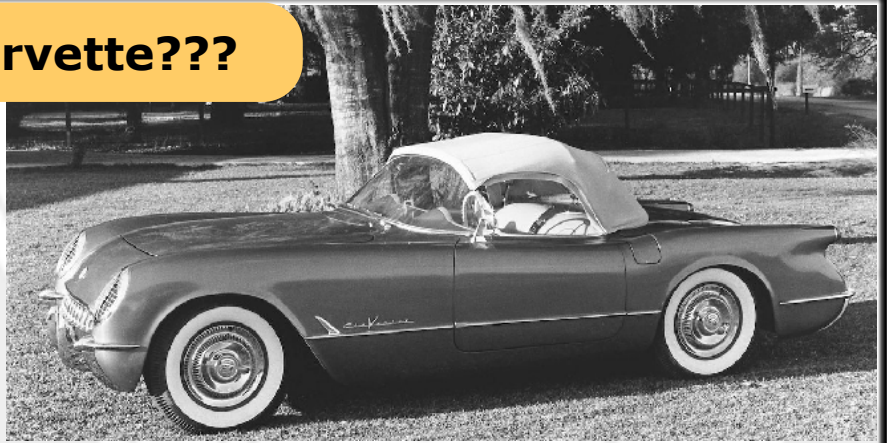
A timeline for production has not been announced, but the Lordstown factory already builds the Lordstown Motors Endurance pickup and will begin producing the Fisker Pear compact car in 2024.





## Who Named the Corvette???

The **Chevrolet Corvette** has enjoyed **seven decades of existence** to this point, which is a very long time by any automotive standard.



As such, there are many famous names associated with that success, from **Zora Arkus-Duntov** to **Harley Earl** and many others in between. But one particular name from Corvette lore that doesn't get batted around too often is Myron Scott, the gentleman that is widely credited for giving the Corvette a name that we've all come to associate with America's sports car.

Scott was inducted into the Corvette Hall of Fame back in 2002, but now, the man who also created the soap box derby will be honored once again with a spot in the Preble County Historical Society Hall of Honor, according to the **Journal-News**. Born in 1907, Scott was an artist, photographer, and art director for the Dayton Daily News for 22 years, but in 1937, GM hired him as an assistant director for its Public Relations department, where he was responsible for photographing new cars, designing press kits, graphics, and special events.





## Lamborghini's Aventador Replacement Q1 '23...

The all new Lamborghini's Aventador's will feature a V12-powered model that will be equipped with a hybridized powertrain, as will all of its models as they are refreshed in the coming years.

It's name and styling haven't been revealed yet, but Lamborghini CEO Stephan Winkelmann stated Lamborghini already has 3,000 orders for the car, which represents several years of production. Details on its powertrain, including what company Lamborghini is collaborating with on the electrification, will be released with the car.



Lamborghini has built a hybrid before being the Sian FKP 37 combined the Aventador's V12 with an electric motor powered by supercapacitors developed with MIT instead of batteries that allowed it to recapture energy more quickly as the vehicle slowed down and use it for a boost under acceleration. Only 82 coupes and roadsters were built with a starting price of \$3.5 million.

The new V12 car should cost a lot less than the Sian, but won't be cheap, as the Aventador listed for over \$500,000. It will be followed in 2024 by a hybrid Urus SUV and a successor to the entry-level Huracan sports car that's about half the price of the Aventador and will feature either a hybrid V8 or V10 powertrain.

## Porsche 911 into Off-road SUV...

911 Dakar is the brand's first two-door off-roader! Porsche has released a series of images showing its upcoming 911 Dakar off-road model undergoing testing ahead of the production car's debut on November 16. The automaker said that it has completed 6,000 miles of off-road testing. Porsche is jumping on a growing trend of custom "Safari" sports cars and it isn't the only brand as Lamborghini will soon be releasing a production version of the [Huracan Sterrato supercar](#), which features updates similar to the 911 Dakar's.





## Jay Leno Suffers Serious Burns...

**LOS ANGELES** - Jay Leno underwent surgery for serious burns suffered when flames erupted as he worked on a vintage car and remains hospitalized for further treatment, the physician overseeing his care said Wednesday.



Jay Leno is recovering from burn injuries following a gasoline fire, the former 'The Tonight Show' host told Variety.

Jay Leno is recovering from burn injuries following a gasoline fire, according to a statement from the hospital where he is getting treatment.

Aimee Bennett, a spokesperson at the Grossman Burn Center in Los Angeles, told CNN that Leno was in stable condition, being treated for "burns that he received to his face and hands from a gasoline accident in his garage over the weekend."

"He is in good humor and is touched by all the inquiries into his condition and well wishes," the statement said. "He wants to let everyone know he is doing well and is in 'the best burn center in the United States.' Jay Leno suffered face burns, in addition to his chest and hands, from a gasoline fire which broke out while he was under the hood of a car in his Burbank garage.





## 1st Time EV Owners Tale...

After Colorado resident Alan O'Hashi purchased his all-electric Nissan Leaf -- and became a first-time [electric vehicle \(EV\) owner](#) -- he thought he was ready to embark on the first leg of a 2,600-mile road trip across Wyoming.



But the eager traveler was faced with a harsh truth after a 178-mile route took 15 hours to complete, when normally it would clock in at two-and-a-half hours. "I was rudely awakened when I determined that the charging wasn't as rapid as some people would lead you to believe, likely the dealers," O'Hashi said in an interview on "[Varney & Co.](#)" Friday, "and I think people like myself, we go into it a bit blindly." O'Hashi blames the road bump on a combination of part user error and part "lack of adequate infrastructure" in the car's charging capabilities.

"I had done some research. I knew a little bit about electric vehicles, and the charging and potential obstacles, and I did some pre-planning for the trip," O'Hashi said, "but I didn't actually have any practical experience with that." "Given our battery range of up to 310 miles, I plotted a meticulous route, splitting our days into four chunks of roughly seven and a half hours each.

Wolfe had similar comments after her four-day trip was over, Wolfe claimed she spent more time charging the vehicle than she did sleeping. We'd need to charge once or twice each day and plug in near our hotel overnight," Wolfe wrote.

"It turns out not all 'fast chargers' live up to the name. The biggest variable, according to State of Charge, is how many kilowatts a unit can churn out in an hour," Wolfe explained in her op-ed. "To be considered 'fast,' a charger must be capable of about 24 kW. The fastest chargers can pump out up to 350. Our charger in Meridian, [Mississippi] claims to meet that standard, but it has trouble cracking 20."

Neither O'Hashi nor Wolfe sounded dedicated to the idea of taking an electric vehicle on another long-distance trip.

In an effort to increase the number of reliable charging stations nationwide, the U.S. Department of Transportation proposed standards and requirements earlier this year for [EV charging projects](#) funded under a \$5 billion government program.

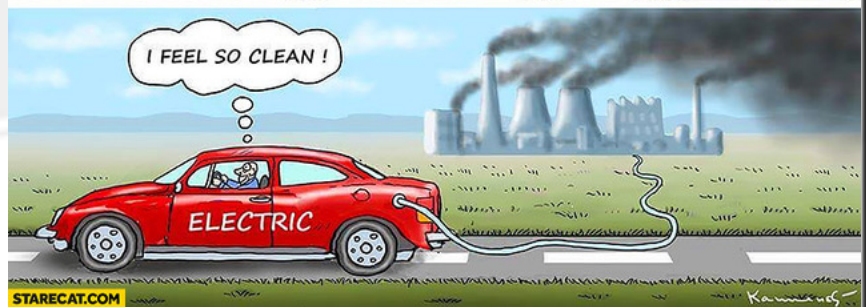
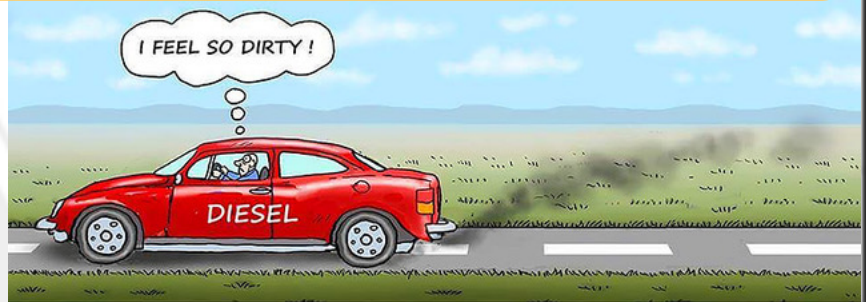


## EV Vehicles & Homes but lets create it affordably...

Clean Air Vehicles and homes - I'm all for both but lets first find out how to create affordable "electricity"!

Solar and Windmills are great in the dessert but in Canada or Northern USA with snow and slight (remember what happen in Texas!!!) I have a neighbour who has solar on his home and garage roof here in Canada and when he bought them I said, what good will that do you in the winter.

He said, he would just broom them off...never seen the solar panels cleaned off in any winter!



**Let's use batteries.**

**Lithium mining plant**



**Finished Pipeline**



**Let's get rid of the Dangerous Pipeline.**

**DON'T MIND US, WE'RE JUST BURNING HUNDREDS OF GALLONS OF JET FUEL**





Save the Date for Dr George Charity Car Show...



**SAVE THE DATE!**

California  
**FEB. 11, 2023**

**DR. GEORGE CHARITY CAR SHOW  
AT THE INDIAN WELLS TENNIS GARDEN**

INFORMATION UPDATES AVAILABLE AT:  
[www.palmspringscruisinassociation.com](http://www.palmspringscruisinassociation.com)

Register at <https://drgeorge2023.eventbrite.com>

**PALM SPRINGS CRUISIN' ASSOCIATION**

This is a reminder to please sign up for Dr. George's Car Show, Feb. 11th. This is a major fundraiser for Desert Cancer and always a great event. We have come very close to bringing home an award for the club with the most cars and I would like to see us win that this year. We have also had one of our members, Jim Lewis win best in class. Dr. George is put on by the Palm Springs Cruisin Association. They did a good job of supporting our show and we need to help support their efforts. You can sign up at Eventbrite. <http://drgeorge2023eventbrite.com>

Please make sure you put that you are with PSCC and let me know when you sign up. Thanks, Stan



## Barrett Jackson Houston Recap...Surpasses \$31.4 M



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SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. - October 24, 2022 – **Barrett-Jackson**, The World's Greatest Collector Car Auctions, is wrapping up its most successful year. In Houston, a total of 481 vehicles sold at No Reserve for over \$30.6 million, while 269 pieces of automobilia sold for over \$809,000 bringing the total auction sales to more than \$31.4 million with a 100-percent sell-through rate and more than 30 world-record auction sales achieved.

"This year has been an incredible milestone for Barrett-Jackson in so many ways," said **Craig Jackson**, chairman and CEO of Barrett-Jackson. "Throughout 2022 we have shared our passion for the collector car hobby with unrivaled events and extraordinary auction dockets that have led to one auction record after another."

The top 10 non-charity vehicles that sold during Barrett-Jackson's 2022 Houston Auction included:

1. 2019 Ford GT (**Lot #749**) – \$1,028,500
2. 2019 Ford GT (**Lot #757**) – \$990,000
3. 2006 Ford GT (**Lot #766**) – \$429,000
4. 1967 Chevrolet Corvette Custom Convertible (**Lot #737**) – \$379,500
5. 2003 Hummer H1 Predator Custom SUV (**Lot #726**) – \$323,400
6. 2008 Mercedes-Benz SLR McLaren Roadster (**Lot #745**) – \$302,500
7. 2016 Porsche GT3 RS (**Lot #746**) – \$280,500
8. 1968 Ford Mustang Eleanor Tribute Edition (**Lot #728**) – \$275,000
9. 2005 Ford GT (**Lot #735**) – \$275,000
10. 2022 GMC Hummer EV Edition 1 VIN 005 (**Lot #442.1**) – \$225,500
11. 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS LS6 (**Lot #750**) – \$225,500

Consignments are already being accepted for Barrett-Jackson's flagship Scottsdale Auction, January 21-29, 2023.



**Barrett Jackson Scottsdale January 21-29 2023...**

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## **BORN TO RACE**

### **1966 Shelby Group II Mustang Built For Legendary Driver Ken Miles**

This 1966 Shelby Group II Mustang is another chapter in the “what might have been” story of Ken Miles, and it will sell with No Reserve at the 2023 Scottsdale Auction. According to the Shelby American Automobile Club (SAAC), Shelby American World Registry and Carroll Shelby himself, this Mustang was built for Ken Miles to race. While we can ponder what Miles might have done with the car, we don’t have to imagine the racing history of the Mustang itse



## Cars You "Won't" see on the Road...



Car from 1950-1960 that were never seen of the roads. These two are the 1959 Cadillac Cyclone and the 1954 Oldsmobile Rocket F88.



## GM Dealers Repairing Tesla's...

General Motors dealerships have repaired more than 11,000 Teslas over the past year. GM President Mark Reuss dropped that surprising news in a presentation to investors late last week. The service is "a growing business for us," Reuss revealed. He offered no details on what services the dealerships have performed.

The idea points to a critical difference between Tesla [TSLA](#) and older automakers. GM's reach is everywhere. Tesla's is limited. Tesla doesn't operate stores or service centers in every state. The company has a fleet of mobile repair units that can perform many services in owners' driveways. But, for more complicated repairs, owners must bring their cars (or have them towed) to service centers that can be hundreds of miles away. Most GM dealerships now have service technicians certified to work on electric cars, with its own growing electric lineup to service. And most automakers know their competitors' products intimately. They buy competitors' vehicles for benchmark testing and study.



## Auto World Tidbits!!!

A couple of weeks after *GM Authority* reported the [capture of the upcoming Chevy small car during its validation tests](#) in the Latin country, GM's Mexican subsidiary released a teaser video announcing the launch of the new subcompact vehicle which will compete in the Mexican automotive market's most popular segment. In fact, the company projects that the Chevy small car will be a favorite among Mexican consumers.



Dodge's muscle car is bringing back this old-school feature for one last time in 2023. Dodge's muscle car is bringing back this old-school feature!!!

Oh man! Man...ual, that is.

Dodge's ultimate muscle cars, the Hellcat V8-powered Challengers, have been without a key feature for the past year. The coupes were only offered for 2022 with an automatic transmission and not the six-speed manual that had previously been standard equipment.



Volkswagen's CEO warned Germany and the EU must reduce energy prices or investments in new battery cell factories will be "practically unviable." "Unless we manage to reduce energy prices in Germany and Europe quickly and reliably," Thomas Schäfer wrote in a Monday [LinkedIn post](#), "investments in energy-intensive production or new battery cell factories in Germany and the EU will be practically unviable." "The value creation in this area will take place elsewhere," he said. Schäfer said an outline for [industrial-policy](#) cooperation between France and Germany last week, "falls short in crucial areas and does not address the envisaged priorities."



## Down the Road....

Jan 10 PSCC Club Meeting  
Jan 19 PSCC Dinner Nite Out  
Jan 20 Corvette Racing Daytona  
Jan 27 Diva & Stud Lunches  
Jan 28 Corvette Racing Daytona  
Feb 5 NASCAR Busch Light Clash  
Feb 11 Dr George Charity S&S  
Feb 16 NASCAR Daytona Duel  
Feb 19 NASCAR Daytona 500

## Ever Wonder:

Why didn't Tarzan have a beard when he lives in the jungle without a razor?

Why do we press harder on a remote control when we know the batteries are flat?

## Collecting for 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!



Check the National Corvette Museum emails/ website for activities and offerings near you!

## CAR SAFETY FOR CHILDREN

