

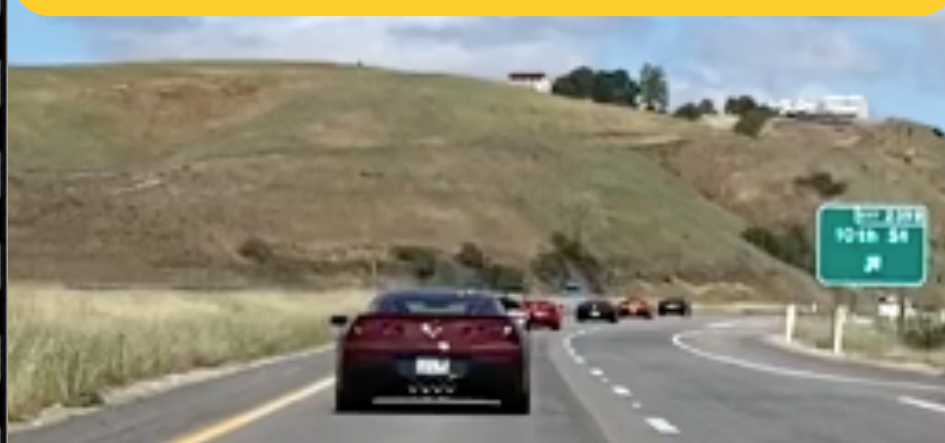


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Palm Springs Corvette Club

April 2022

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President's Message....

Floyd on the way to Club Meeting

March was again a very busy month. The highlight was a 4 night 5 day run to Solvang, Monterey ending in Pismo Beach. Ron Welshons arranged a lap around Laguna Seca track. Stan had the Monterey Corvette Club join in a cruise on the 17 mile drive and lunch. Great job by Stan Moreno!!



We also made a trip to Child Help in Banning. Let the kids sit in our cars and honk horns, how do you disconnect the horn! A great function put together by Liz Brannon and Ron Welshons.

As always please let us know of any activities you would like to do in the future. Contact Stan or me.

As April is here we have already said good by to many of our snowbirds/ Canadians.

Floyd Marcoe

PS - We had two of our Coffee Muggars celebrate Birthdays in March!



Palm Springs Corvette Club Executive....

President... Floyd Marcoe

VP ...Stan Moreno

Treasurer...Hazel Stearns

Membership... Ron Singer

Editor/Media Russell DeLong

Marketing....Garry Dean

Governor...Tom Pinard

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NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS: Articles, letters, jokes, photos, event ads and classified ads are encouraged from the membership. Please send to Mike Smith via mjsmith3@shaw.ca by the deadline of the first of each month.

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

In 1973, aluminium wheels were again listed as an option. However, their inability to maintain air pressure (much like the problems which plagued the early 1963 aluminum knock off wheels), kept them out of the hands of customers until 1976.

The rear tire mirror in the 1974 Corvette was increased to a width of 10 inches.

The last true dual exhaust was installed in 1974. After that, all exhaust gases were channeled through a single catalytic converter.

The “big block engine” made it’s final curtain call in the 1974 Corvette

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Army Field Band Photos Missed Last Edition....



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**Thanks to Kim Singer's photos from last month's Concert with the United States Army Field Band & Soldiers Chorus and local Veterans that were at the concert!!!
Singers were out of town with no wifi!**

13 Studs Lunch at Puerto Viejo...Great Turnout



23 Diva's Lunch at Oceana, everybody liked their lunch and the service was superb!

Barbara Gietzen from Childhelp joined the Divas at the end of the lunch she was able to talk to the divas for about five minutes about Childhelp and the Village.



Dinner Nite Out "On the Range"...Great Fun!!!!

PSCC Covered Wagon Adventure on St. Patrick's Day, 2022. There were two covered wagons and pulling our wagon were mules Jude and Clancy. Craig was our driver and Paul was our guide.

We traveled about a mile up the canyons and saw a portion of an estimated five-mile strip of beautiful palm-tree oases growing along an earthquake fault line. A lone coyote followed us part of the way.

On the return trip, the wagons wound through Hidden Palms oasis, so secluded you would never know you were in a desert. Back at the barn, we had an excellent dinner of barbecued brisket, chicken, coleslaw, beans, and dessert, and then dancing and ending the evening roasting marshmallows.



Solvang & Monterey Four Night Cruise...



Rosine's
RESTAURANT
MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA

'Welcome Corvette Club!'

Please choose one of the following entrees
All entrees are served with your choice of a house salad or our beef minestrone soup. Caesar 1.99 extra.

Lasagna
Pasta layered with spinach, ground beef, ricotta cheese, Monterey Jack cheese, Asiago, Parmesan cheese and our meat sauce. **17.99**

Chicken Parmesan
Breaded and grilled chicken topped with marinara and melted cheese, served over fettuccine alfredo and Marinara. **21.99**

Seafood Pasta
Salmon and prawns tossed with your choice of homemade marinara or alfredo. **26.99**

Rosine's Steak
14-oz New York steak. Served with a baked potato and vegetables. **28.99**

Salmon Florentine
A salmon filet topped with fresh sautéed spinach and hollandaise sauce. Served with rice and vegetables. **26.99**

Blackened Chicken
Grilled chicken breast topped with pico de gallo and avocado. Served with mashed potatoes and vegetables. **18.99**



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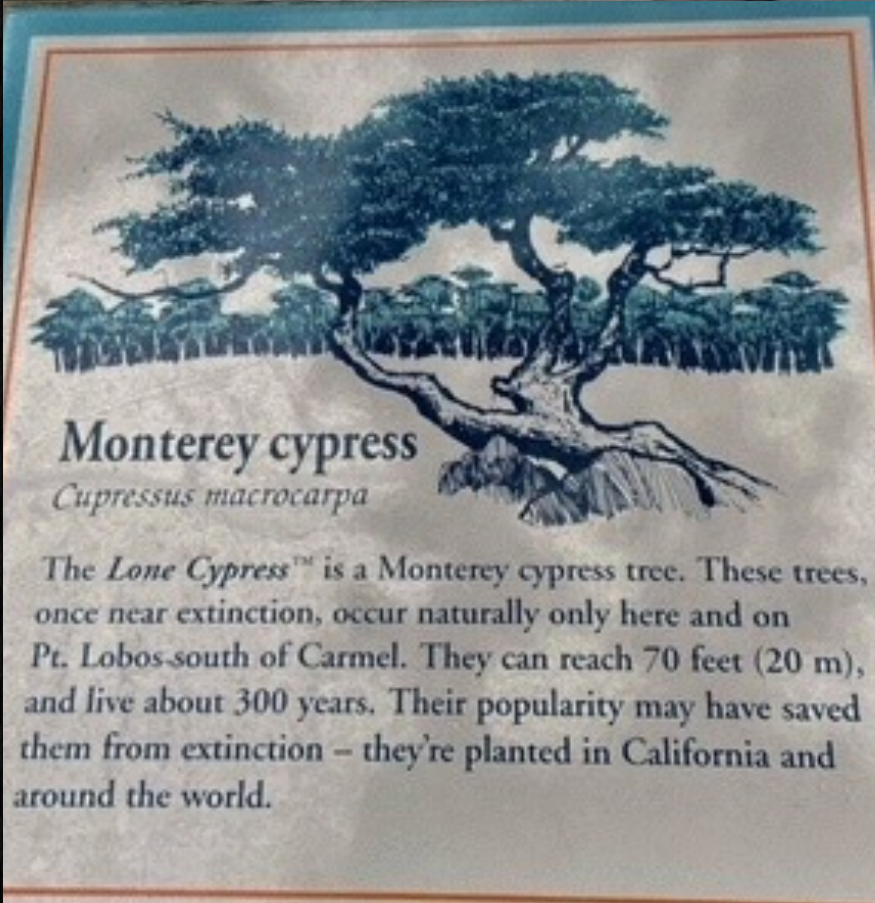
Run to Solvang and Dinner at Chomps Restaurant with 39 PSCC'ers!



Solvang & Monterey Four Night Cruise...



5 Ron's came to dinner 3/28/2022



Solvang & Monterey Four Night Cruise...



How the PGA TOUR Came to Pebble Beach

The golf course at Pebble Beach inspired legendary actor Bing Crosby that he made it the home of the PGA TOUR tournament in 1947. Crosby had been leaving a "Christmas" in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., in the 1930s, but after World War II, he decided to move his tournament to Pebble Beach.

But Crosby couldn't decide on just one Pebble Beach course, so he created the first PGA TOUR tournament hosted on multiple courses - Pebble Beach Golf Links, Cypress Point Club, and Monterey Peninsula Country Club.

Crosby also recruited his celebrity friends to play alongside the pros, giving the tournament a unique character that is still alive and well more than 70 years later.

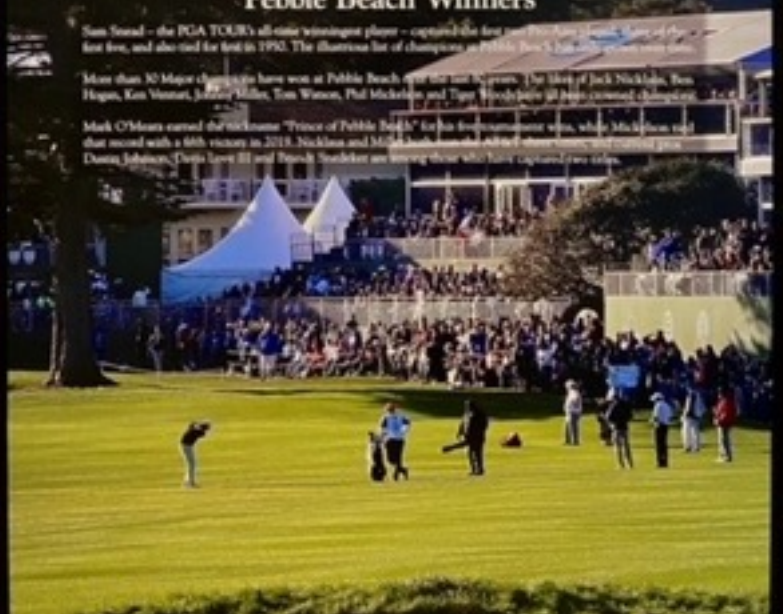
Since 1986, the tournament has been known as the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, and it is played every year in early February at Pebble Beach Golf Links, Cypress Hill Golf Course, and Monterey Peninsula Country Club. Over the years, it has also been played at Corona Point Club and Pajaro Hills Golf Course.

Pebble Beach Winners

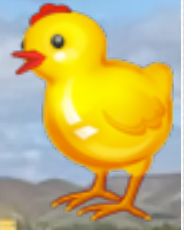
Sam Snead - the PGA TOUR's all-time winningest player - captured the first two Pebble Beach Pro-Am titles of the first five, and also tied for first in 1950. The illustrious list of champions at Pebble Beach's golf events continues today.

More than 30 Major championships have won at Pebble Beach over the last century. The likes of Jack Nicklaus, Ben Hogan, Ken Venturi, Johnny Miller, Tom Watson, Phil Mickelson and Tiger Woods have all been crowned champions.

Mark O'Meara earned the nickname "Prince of Pebble Beach" for his two consecutive wins, while Mickelson said that second with a fifth victory in 2018. Nicklaus and Mickelson made the A-list when they captured consecutive wins. Dustin Johnson, Phil Mickelson II and Spanish Swindler are among those who have captured two titles.



Solvang & Monterey Four Night Cruise...



\$1.24M 1963 Corvette Z06!!!

The 1963 [Chevy](#) Corvette Sting Ray was a clean-sheet new design that shared design elements with XP-755 Mako Shark concept car.



Our feature Chevy Corvette Z06 may be one of the lowest-mile examples extant, it has had just three owners from new, and shows fewer than 5,400 documented miles from new. One of just 199 1963 Corvette Z06s produced, it is finished in brilliant Sebring Silver metallic over Saddle Tan leather, and powered by the 360-horsepower 327 Small Block fed by Rochester mechanical fuel injection. It is Bloomington Gold certified, and has been featured in several Bloomington Gold Special Collections in addition to being a Bloomington Gold Great Hall Inductee. This Corvette Z06 is the only known copy finished in Sebring Silver over Saddle Tan hides, and is optioned with a radio and blackwall tires. This Chevy Corvette Z06 crossed the auction block at the 2022 Gooding & Co. Amelia Island auction, trading hands for \$1,242,500 inclusive of fees.

Corvette Production Halted on C8's...

Production is expected to resume Monday, March 28th. The exact component currently in short supply was not identified, however, according to GM spokesperson Dan Flores, the [Chevy Corvette](#) C8 production downtime is not related to the ongoing global microchip shortage. Flores also indicated that no other GM plants had halted production as a result of parts shortages this week. The GM Bowling Green facility in Kentucky is the exclusive producer of the C8 Corvette. The facility has served as the exclusive producer of the Corvette nameplate since 1981.

In terms of sales, the C8 Corvette continues to dominate the Premium Sports Car segment in the U.S. Last year, General Motors sold 33,041 units of the Chevy Corvette C8, up nearly 53 percent compared to the 21,626 units sold in 2020. The next-closest rival was the Porsche 911, which sold 10,042 units in 2021.

Looking ahead, the 2023 model year is set to introduce the new go-faster [C8 Corvette Z06](#), which will boast the naturally aspirated [5.5L V8 LT6](#) gasoline engine, rated at 670 horsepower and 460 pound-feet of torque.

Meanwhile, the C8 Corvette Stingray is equipped with the naturally aspirated [6.2L V8 LT2](#) gasoline engine, rated at 490 horsepower and 465 pound-feet of torque. Both models ride on the GM Y2 platform.

Sales Numbers - Premium Sports Cars - 2021 - USA

MODEL	YTD 21 / YTD 20	YTD 21	YTD 20	YTD 21 SHARE	YTD 20 SHARE
CHEVROLET CORVETTE	+52.78%	33,041	21,626	63%	51%
PORSCHE 911	+13.60%	10,042	8,840	19%	21%
PORSCHE 718	+24.51%	4,292	3,447	8%	8%
MERCEDES-BENZ AMG GT	-10.86%	3,110	3,489	6%	8%
AUDI R8	+11.70%	649	581	1%	1%
MERCEDES-BENZ SL-CLASS	-74.07%	462	1,782	1%	4%
MERCEDES-BENZ SLC-CLASS	-89.21%	229	2,122	0%	5%
NISSAN GT-R	-25.33%	227	304	0%	1%
FORD GT	-18.29%	143	175	0%	0%
ACURA NSX	-3.13%	124	128	0%	0%
BMW i8	-90.58%	18	191	0%	0%
TOTAL	+22.61%	52,337	42,685		

First Z06 Sells at Barrett Jackson Palm Beach...

The Z06 is a racing-inspired version of the Corvette with a 670 hp V8 that makes it the most powerful vehicle in Chevrolet's lineup.



It was offered at the event to raise money for the Thurgood Marshall College Fund supporting higher education for Black Americans. NASCAR team owner and car dealer Rick Hendrick won the auction with a bid of \$1 million!!!!!!

Snow, Traffic Jams, and Electric Cars...

Has anyone thought about it? If all cars were electric ... and were caught up in a three hour traffic jam... dead batteries! Then what? Not to mention, that there is virtually no heating in an electric vehicle. And if you get stuck on the road all night, no battery, no heating, no windshield wipers, no radio, no GPS (all these drain the batteries) !!!

You can try calling 911 to bring women and children to safety! But they cannot come to help you since all roads are blocked and the socialist green weenies will probably require all police cars to be electric also (if we still have police departments then) !!! And when the roads become unblocked no one can move! Their batteries are dead.

How do you charge the thousands of cars in the traffic jam? (That is a business I think I'd like to look into. Drones to deliver heavy batteries and someone to remove and install.) Same problem during summer vacation departures with miles of traffic jams. There is virtually NO air conditioning in an electric vehicle. It would drain your batteries quickly.

Down the Road....

April 12 PSCC Club Meeting Jessups
April 21 PSCC Dinner Nite Out
Apr 24 NASCAR Talladega
Apr 23 Stud Lunch & Model Train Museum
April 29 Diva Lunch
Apr 29-May 1 Corvette Racing Laguna Seca
May 1 NASCAR Dover
May 8 NASCAR Darlington
May 10 PSCC Club Meeting Jessups
May 19 PSCC Dinner Nite Out
May 13-15 Corvette Racing Mid-Ohio
May 27 Diva & Stud Lunches
June 3-4 Corvette Racing Belle Isle

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



Collecting for Ronald MacDonald 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!

