

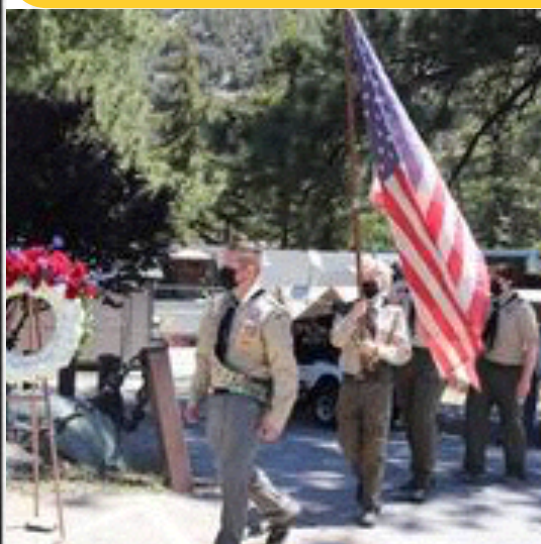


Desert Vettes

Palm Springs Corvette Club

June 2021 Part "2"

PSCC Memorial Day in Wrightwood...



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Happy Birthday Corvette

**On this day June 30, 1953
The First Corvette**



Rolled Off the Assembly Line

PSCC Memorial Day in Wrightwood...



Corvette Museum One of 9 Car Museums to see...

Travel Awaits has listed the National Corvette Museum as one of the "9 Must-See Car Museums."

Their article highlights the Museum's exciting Corvette Cave-in exhibit, where visitors can see the damage from the 2014 sinkhole, Skydome exhibit.

Visitors can see all Corvettes, old and new when they visit the Museum.



Corvette Museum Offers New Exhibit...

The National Corvette Museum is proud to announce that the Corvette Powered exhibit is opening this weekend. One of the vehicles in this exhibit is a 2015 Ridler-award winner.

At first glance, it still looks much like its stock version, but it has been chopped, lowered, shortened, narrowed, and has an altered wheelbase. It was built for Canadian construction magnate Don Voth and contains a Corvette C6 drivetrain and suspension. Lastly, it holds the nickname Impostor.



C8's Caught Sleeping in Ohio ...

That is correct, four ZR-1's and a Z06!!!

What's particularly interesting about this sighting is that the Corvette engineering team was accompanied by a film crew, which Corvette Blogger believes could signal that GM is obtaining footage of testing to include in some sort of upcoming documentary like the previously released "Corvette Stingray – The Mid-Engine Corvette Revolution."



For now, however, we're still patiently awaiting an official announcement from the automaker regarding these two exciting new models.

C8 Corvette Leads Field for 105th Indianapolis 500

The 105th Indianapolis 500 took place May 30 and the 2021 mid-engine Chevrolet Corvette Stingray Hardtop Convertible lead the 33-car field to the green flag.

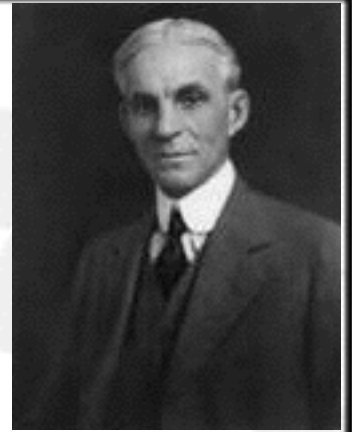
This 2021 Corvette will be the first convertible to pace the Indy 500 since 2008.



This is not the first time Chevrolet or Corvette has led the field. The 2021 Indy 500 will be the 32nd time for Chevrolet to lead the field and the 18th time for Corvette. In fact, this is the second year in a row for a mid-engine Corvette Stingray to serve as the pace car.

This 2021 Corvette Stingray Convertible has an Arctic White exterior and a complementary interior with Sky Cool Gray and Strike Yellow upholstery. The exterior of the Corvette has been festively adorned with decals for the race. These additions include Indy 500 logos, yellow and gray stripes, special Stingray decals, and more.

I Didn't Know That...



On June 16, 1903, the Ford Motor Company was established. Henry Ford was the founder. This was not his first rodeo, as he had previously operated the Henry Ford Company. He left that company and took his name with him. What became of the Henry Ford Company? They became known as the Cadillac Motor Company.

What does any of this have to do a BBQ grill? Hang on.

Ford's Model T, which would number in the millions sold, required 100 board feet of wood to build. Ford despised waste. His motto was, "Reduce, reuse, and recycle." He was also a nature-lover, an environmentalist of his time. His escape from the stress of life was camping in the great outdoors.

Frustrated by the mountains of sawdust his lumber mills created, he and his partners sought a way to utilize the scrap wood and sawdust into a useful (and profitable) product. An idea came to him one day as he was camped with some friends in the wilds of Michigan. After his party spent a long time collecting sufficient wood for a campfire, an idea spring in Ford's mind. Upon returning back to the lumber mill, he shared the idea with some of his partners and set to work on it.

The idea? Lumping a fistful of sawdust and cornstarch with a bit of tar to form a briquette. After charring it, it performed exactly what Ford imagined it would. He then built a charcoal briquette factory adjacent to his lumber mill where the waste from one became the fuel for the other. A new Model T was now frequently sold with a bonus bag of Ford Charcoal Briquettes, so you could drive into the woods to camp and not worry about finding campfire wood.

So now you know. Ford not only created the modern automobile industry which takes millions to work and back each workday, but he also created the weekend grilling and camping industries.

In 1951, the Ford Charcoal Briquette Company was sold. The new company was named after Ford's real estate partner who helped him find the land to supply wood for building the early Ford automobiles- E.J. Kingsford.

Kingsford Charcoal is the largest producer of charcoal briquettes in the world.

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

A 36 gallon fuel tank, the largest ever offered, was available as an option in the Corvette from 1963 to 1967.

The speed warning indicator option lasted only three production years ...1967, 1968 and 1969.

The '67 LeMans Racer was "DRIVEN" to the track from the airport(in place of being trailered) because the trailer was chuck full of parts!

Memory Questions.....

Q- What car was the first to place the horn button in the center of the steering wheel?

Q- What U.S. Production car had the quickest 0-60 mph time? (Answers Later in this Sidepipe)



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!



PSCC 2021 Autocross...put it in your calendars!!!

The Palm Springs Corvette Club Presents the
22nd Annual
Fall Fling
AUTOCROSS

Benefitting the Boys & Girls Club of Cathedral City



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
CATHEDRAL CITY

EVENT OPEN TO
ALL VEHICLES
regardless of make

Dates: **November 13 & 14, 2021**

Place: **Riverside County Fairgrounds**

Located at Hwy 111 and Arabia in Indio
(Enter on Dr. Carreon at back entrance of fairgrounds)

Time: **9:00 am – 4:00 pm**

Prices: **\$20 entry fee** per day, per car
Entry fee includes one free run on autocross course.

\$8 per run or 3 runs for \$20
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A total of 18 Runs! A \$144 Value for only **\$100!**

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Parking: **\$5** for cars not in the event

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- Valid drivers license and proof of insurance required.
- Helmets are required for all participants.
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PSCC has annually for 22 years utilizes the Autocross to support the Boys & Girls Club of Cathedral City. The March event last year was cancelled and again this March due to COVID. We are presently booked for November 12th, 13th and 14th assuming COVID is eradicated. I am planning for the event to GO! Therefore, we will need as many members as possible to make this a success so please put these dates in your calendar so we can continue our great support! Thanks Mike Smith.

Memory Answers...

A-The 1915 Scripps-Booth Model C. The car also was The first with electric door latches.



A - The 1962 Chevrolet Impala SS 409.



Dale Earnhardt's C5.R Racer...

The Dale Earnhardt C5.R, currently on loan from Lance Miller, is at the Amelia Concours d' Elegance in Amelia Island, Florida. Hear the sounds of the iconic Corvette as it left the Museum for the Concours.



Down the Road....

June 8 Club Meeting
June 6 NASCAR Sonoma
June 8 PSCC Club Meeting
June 11 PSCC run to Prescott Arz.
June 13 NASCAR All Star
June Diva Stud Lunches
June 20 NASCAR Nashville
June 24-27 Corvette Racing Watkins Glen
June 26 NASCAR Pocono
June 30 Corvette Birthday 68 Baby!!!!
July 2-4 Corvette Racing Canadian Tire Motorsport Pk
July 4 NASCAR Road America
July 16 Corvette Racing Lime Rock
Oct 24 Run to Death Valley

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



Five months into his coma, Brad's wife finally finds the words to bring him back to life.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



CORVETTE

