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# The Vette Set

Colorado Springs Corvette Club, Inc. News

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"The general purpose of CSCC is to encourage planned trips, events and social activities for members of CSCC; to act as a source of technical information; to establish rules and regulations covering all activities of CSCC; to provide and regulate events and exhibitions of Corvettes; and to encourage careful and skillful driving on public highways; and to own personal property as individual to the foregoing purposes."

### Meeting Information

Monthly business meetings are scheduled the first Thursday of the month. The next meeting:

#### 7:00 P.M. Thursday August 6, 2015

Meeting Location Daniels Long 670 Automotive Dr Colorado Springs, CO 719-632-5591



#### click here for map

**After the August Meeting** 

Join us for dinner, dessert, or just drinks! Zio's 6650 Corporate Dr Colorado Springs, CO

#### Dear «Greeting»,

"Life is not a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in one pretty and well-preserved piece...but to skid in broadside, thoroughly used up, worn-out, and defiantly shouting "wow, what a ride."

#### **Board Meetings**

Meetings are held the Tuesday prior to the business meeting.

The next board meeting:

#### Tuesday August 4, 7:00 pm

Brian Dahl 4811 Constitution Ave 719-591-9093

(The chairperson for each event should attend the board meeting prior to their event.)

#### 71 Members Present at the July Meeting

John Ames Russell Greag Barrett Benson John Gue Mike Bochnak Judy Gue Winnie Bochnak Joel Haas Todd Butts Tom Hanon **Denice Butts Curtis Haynes** Chris Capshaw Tom Hoeppner Gail Creighbaum Barbara Hoeppner Jane Creighbaum Ken Hoffman Mike Curry Joe Horvath Brian Dahl Walt Jenkins Terry Darby Nancy Jenkins Susan Darby Chuck Johnson Brian Dougherty Joe Joseph Ray Fullwood

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# **Guests Present**

Name	Corvette	Meetings Attended	Sponsor
Dan & Jan McCarty	'15 Silver Conv	2-Jun/Jul	Don Anderson
Roger Grace (Kuulei)	'14 Silver Conv	2-May/Jul	Chris Capshaw
Phil & Kristine Miller	1971 Blue	2-Feb/Jul	Liz Scott
Terry Miller	1991 ZR-1	1-Jul	Rick Mendoza
Alan & Joyce Russ	2010 GS -Red	1-Jul	Vicki Ury

# **July Meeting Minutes**

The July meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Vicki Ury.

**Guests were introduced** by Rick Mendoza.

**Treasurer's Report** Paul Thompson, reported on the fund balances and available funds.

June Meeting Minutes - With a motion from Tom Hoeppner and several seconds, the June meeting minutes were approved as printed in the July newsletter.

New Cars - Upgrades & Misc -Jeff Scott announced that due to Wayne Hoskin's stroke, Wayne has put his 2010 ZR-1 up for sale. This month **Barbara Hoeppner** gathered applause, making Tom Hoeppner look good with announcement of his retirement gift to Barbara of a 2000 Coupe - another 2-Corvette family. Everyone else is just keeping their Corvettes clean for the car shows, tuned and in tires for the racing, or just out there cruising.

**Recognition Night -** With so many events so far this summer, Vicki Ury asked event participants to stand. Winners were recognized and congratulated. See articles, results and pictures in the newsletter.

**Merchandise Update –** Rick Prescott reported additional shirt sizes and styles are in.

**New Flour Spreader** – That is a flour spreader to line the autocross course a time consuming early morning task at autocrosses. Vicki Ury requested a motion to purchase a flour spreader at the approximate cost of \$200-\$220 to supplement the old one. With a motion from Brian Dahl and a second, the motion passed. John Gue suggested buying two, replacing the old one, too. Vicki Ury nixed that idea, for the time being, admitting she still had more money to request.

**CSCC Member Potluck Picnic -**

Nancy Jenkins and Vicki Ury are cochairs for the summer picnic at the Jenkins. Vicki requested a motion to approve \$300 for the picnic to purchase meat and party necessities. Cost per person will be \$5 plus potluck dishes to share. Motion was made and passed.

#### Regional Patch Awards -



Our Governor Rik Noring presented our own CSCC members placing in the top15 regional winners with their

personalized patch.

As top Regional Club Champion, all members present at the meeting also received a club champion patch.

**Upcoming Events** – Check the Events Calendar on the webpage for specific information, updates, and online registration.

July 23 – Thursday Garage Night at Paul and Nancy Rahne's RSVP and sign-up for side dish to go with International Dawg Night.

July 26 –Heat Rash Autocrosses at PPIR – CSCC event - Tom Ury/Larry Valentine/Gwenda Valentine

August 1&2 – CSCC and SCCC put on a 2-day event at Pueblo Motorsports Park; Corvettes will have their own lanes for the drags Saturday night – 2 autocrosses Sunday.

August 15 – CSCC/ Daniels Long All Chevy Car show annual charity event. Please register online soon.

August 20 – CSCC at Sky Sox Game-Under pavilion, All-you-can-eat BBQ-\$26/person. RSVP/pay by August 4<sup>th</sup>.

August 30 – CSCC Member Picnic at Walt & Nancy Jenkin's

**Door prize winners:** Cindy Robinson, Steve Smith, Denice Butts, and Jane Creighbaum. Thank you to Bob and Cindy Robinson and Daniels Long Chevrolet for the door prizes.

**50/50 Drawing-** Collected \$210- \$105 goes to General Fund, \$105 won by perspective member Dan McCarthy.

**Good News/Bad News Suitcase** -Jeff Scott returned the suitcase filled with new and old. Wesley Powell was the high bidder at \$35. Wesley will return the suitcase at the September meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm, and everyone pitched in to stack the chairs.



We offer condolences to Patrick Kiernan in the sudden and unexpected loss of his wife Marilyn who passed away in her sleep June 22<sup>rd</sup> while in California.

Members since 2012, she was a treasure to the Club! Most recently, with a smile on her face at the Fun in the Sun Car Show, she helped each of us register our Corvettes for the event. We will miss her.

(The obituary can be viewed in the Memoriam section of the CSCC Website.)



#### Car wash tip:

If you're like me, I frequently like using a power washing wand that most hand washes provide. Please remember one thing when using these wands:

You are pushing the wand to counteract the thrust of the water pressure, so if you are holding the wand close to your car, say getting that last bug off, make sure the time is not about to expire. If it does, and shuts off the power, the wand will thrust forward a few inches, maybe right into your nice paint job.

I hope this tip will possibly save you a ding in your car.

Tom Ury

		August Calendar			
Sat-	Aug 1	SCCC/CSCC Night Drag Races	Pueblo Motorsports Park		
Sun	Aug 2	SCCC/CSCC Pueblo Motorsports – 2 Autocrosses	Pueblo Motorsports Park		
Tue	Aug 4	7 pm CSCC Board Meeting	Brial Dahl's		
Thu	Aug 6	7 pm CSCC Club Meeting (6:30 for merchandise sales)	Daniels Long Chevrolet		
Sat	Aug 15	CSCC – Dealer Appreciation/Annual Charity Car Show	Daniels Long Chevrolet		
Sun	Aug 16	CSCC Newsletter Deadline	secretary@coloradospringscorvetteclub.org		
Thu	Aug 20	CSCC Sky Sox Game	Chris Capshaw		
Sat	Aug 22-27	NCCC National Convention	Poconos, NY		
Sun	Aug 30	CSCC Member Picnic @ Walt & Nancy Jenkins	Vicki Ury/Nancy Jenkins		
Tue	Sep 1	7 pm CSCC Board Meeting	Diana Dittman		
Thu	Sep 3	7 pm CSCC Club Meeting (6:30 for merchandise sales)	Daniels Long Chevrolet		
Sun	Sep 6	CSCC Fall Autocrosses at PPIR	Vicki Ury, Anne Lewis, Laurie Loewen		
Sat	Sep 12	Designated Sept " Garage Night" – Ft Carson	Tom & Vicki Ury		
	Calendar dates as of July 19, 2015.				
For the latest updates, flyers, and pictures, check out events on our webpage: www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org					
Facebook Link: <u>http:/facebook.com/coloradospringscorvetteclub</u>					

# **Pre-Registration for CSCC Upcoming Sanctioned Events:**

Support our CSCC sanctioned events Many member volunteer work opportunities available!

#### August 1-2 – SCCC/CSCC Corvette Weekend – Pueblo Motorsports Park

Saturday Night Drag Races/Sunday road course autocross http://www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org/Events/2015CorvetteWeekend/RegistrationInstructions.html

#### August 15 - CSCC All Chevy Car Show - Saturday at Daniels Long Chevrolet

Dealer appreciation people's choice car show - <u>CSCC's annual charity event</u> <u>http://www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org/Events/2015DanielsLongCarShow/RegistrationInstructions.html</u>

#### September 6 – CSCC Fall Autocrosses at PPIR – Sunday Labor Day Weekend

http://www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org/Events/2015FallAutocrosses/RegistrationInstructions.html

# Mark Your Calendar for CSCC – Non-sanctioned Summer Events

August 20 – Thursday CSCC Night @ Colorado Springs Sky Sox Game Under the pavilion – All you can eat BBQ buffet - \$26/person

August 30 - Sunday CSCC member only picnic at Walt & Nancy Jenkin's

# **Seasonal Community Events**

- El Paso County Raceway Calhan Races start Schedule <u>www.elpasocountyraceway.com</u>
- First & Main First Saturdays Car Show
- Briargate Church Car Show August 1
- Fort Carson Rod Benders Car Show at Special Events Center, Sept 12; Entry fee \$25/includes t-shirt & sticker; Register cars 8-11 am; Judging 12-4 pm; Trophies 6 pm; Spectators free; Can join them for music, food, and fun Have questions? call 526-2147

This Fort Carson event has been designated as CSCC's September Garage Night (Saturday). CSCC members can enter a car, form a group for a caravan down, or just drop by to check it out.

# **OUR BUSY 2015 AUGUST LINE UP**



The Colorado Springs Corvette Club **Potluck Picnic** 

When: Sunday, August 30, 2015 Where: Walt & Nancy Jenkins' Home 230 E. Stirrup Trail, Monument, CO Time: 1:00 to 5:00 pm (serving at 2:00 pm) Cost: \$5.00 per person (members & families) (checks payable to CSCC)



Please RSVP and PAY by August 21, 2015 to: Vicki Ury @ vlury@comcast.net or 719-233-3081 4412 Valli Vista Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80915

What to Bring: Side dish for 8 Your Preferred Drinks Your Own Chair

GAMES & CARS

Directions to Walt & Nancy's Home: From I-25, take Exit 161, Hwy 105, Go east on 105 for 1.6 miles to Furrow Road Turn north on Furrow Road for 0.9 mile to W. Stirrup Trail, Turn Right for 0.5 mile to 230 E. Stirrup Trail

# Garage Night – Daniels Long – June 18



Tom & Vicki Ury, Dave & Phyllis Ury, Larry & Gwenda Valentine, John Gue, John Ames, Mike & Winnie Bochnak, Chris Capshaw & Jonathon, Mike Curry, TJ Larson, Nick Renfro, Jeff Smith, Paul Thompson, Bob Robinson, and guest Jacob Humble.

Mike Neufeld was kind enough to host the June Garage Night at Daniels Long Chevrolet. We put a C5 Z06 up on the lift and had some fun talking about the reversed lower spoiler that was on it. For many of us, it's a great way to look under our cars in great detail and Daniels had a Corvette mechanic, Jon Meier, on duty to answer questions. We had a good crowd show up and all seemed to enjoy the catered pizza and drinks. By Tom Ury

#### Corvettes on Broadway –



# June 20

CSCC members represented by 3 C6s and 2 C5s took an early and spirited morning drive from Monument to John Elway Chevrolet in Englewood CO and the DCA's annual "Vettes on Broadway" People's Choice Car Show.

Once up there they were joined by club members sporting their new 2015 C7 Z06, bringing CSCC's representation to 6 cars spread over the C5 through C7 classes. The Trophy Gods shined upon the CSCC participants with C5 finishers in 2nd Place - Rick Mendoza and in 3rd Place - TJ Larson; C6 finishers were 1st Place - Tom Hanon and 3rd Place - Dan Oberst Schuck and finally C7 Class finisher in 1st place was Winnie and Mike Bochnak. By Rick Mendoza

# Go-Kart Track – Grand Junction – June 21



"Africa Hot" was the description of the day at the Colorado West Corvette Club's event. Ground temperature was reported at 103 degrees, with car interiors hitting 118 degrees.

Rumors have it that Roger Miller left his car running all day with air conditioner on so it would be cool when he got in to make his runs. [Maybe someone should tell Roger, there are Body Cooling Ice Pack Vests just for such occasions.]

Attending from CSCC were Roger Miller and Kitty Divis, Dave and Shauna Hall, and Walt Jenkins. Shauna Hall won Ladies FTD overall, and Kitty placed 2<sup>nd</sup> FTD overall.

# Drive Your Vette to Work Day – June 26



The Hub Diner and Car Wash was, once again, a gracious host for the annual Drive Your Corvette to Work Day which celebrates the birthday of the

Corvette, 62 years old this year. The Colorado Springs Corvette Club had 31 Corvettes displayed representing each of the seven generations in the history of the Corvette. It was quite the spectacle! Tom Ury



Those attending representing 32 cars: Gail & Jane Creighbaum, Paul & Nancy Rahne, Dave & Phyllis Ury, Derek and Dede Shibe, Rick

Mendoza, Brian Dahl, Larry & Gwenda Valentine, Lynn Wittrock, Mike & Winnie Bochnak w/daughter and son-in-law. Mike & Diana Dittman, Jerry Ludke, TJ Larson, Rick Prescott, Steve Bello, Dan Miller & Linda, Tom & Vicki Ury, Ron Gerst, Curtis Haynes, Jeff Smith, Wayne Umland, Paul Thompson, Jim Nile, Gaylord Klessig, Terry & Susan Darby, Pat Jackson, John & Colleen Williams, Barb Hoeppner, Joe Horvath, Tom Hanon, and Walt Jenkins







The new and the old. The cars. not



# Casper Event Center AutoX, Sat June 27th

Seven Colorado Springs Corvette Club members traveled to Casper, WY to participate in the Central Wyoming Corvettes two autocrosses at the Casper Event Center. The course was interesting, two parking lots connected by a sidewalk allowed for a tight tire squealing event.



Lorren Loewen had the fastest time in the morning race and Tom Ury had the fastest time in the afternoon race. Kitty Divis had the fastest time for

both races; coming in 2<sup>nd</sup>, only a single hundredth of a second behind, was Vicki Ury. Roger Miller was close to Lorren and Tom in both events. It was Dave Ury's second day of autocrossing, and he is still climbing out of his Corvette with a smile. Phyllis Ury was a spectator and cheerleader.

# Monument Parade - July 4th Pete Olejnik



The 4th of July parade went off with just a couple of hitches. A great looking 1966 Corvette

overheated at the beginning of the parade and a C-7 ZO6 had a BIG problem with its clutch. It seems that every year a couple of us have problems. We were positioned fairly well at 55 in the parade. However, it took us a long time to get started. A large crowed was on hand for the parade and the weather was HOT and sunny. The Colorado Springs Corvette Club received a trophy/ribbon for "motorized distinguished entry".



Participants included: Derek and Dede Shibe, Rick Prescott and son Matt Prescott, Joe and Joan

Joseph, Ken and Jana Hoffman, Rick Mendoza, Walt Jenkins, Jerry Phillips and his daughter Jennifer Holloway, Gail and Jane Creighbaum, John and Colleen Williams, Steve and Anita Smith, Mike and Diana Dittman, Ray and Linda Fullwood, Curtis and Cathy Hayes, Winston and Barbara Black, Tom and Barbara Hoeppner, Tom Lynch and his buddy Gary Z, Jeff and Liz Scott, Duane Back, Pete Olejnik prospective members Adam and Heather Larribas, and Dan and Jan McCarty, and a want to be member but can't make the meetings Bo Bowling a disabled veteran. After the parade, most parade participants headed for the traditional Bochnak BBQ.

See Pg 8 for July 4th BBQ Photos & Recap

# DCA Challenge at Keystone – July 4-5



It was a grand weekend with sunshine, six autocrosses, party, and fireworks. CSCC was represented by a record group: Tom & Vicki Ury, Don & Cindy McCoy, Larry & Gwenda Valentine, John Ames, David Hall, Jeff & Gina McCutcheon and daughters Allison and Julia, Lorren & cand Ames Lavia, Economictor

Laurie Loewen, Roger Miller, and Anne Lewis. For complete results see NCCC Rocky Mt Region link.



Turning a very competitive time, first time entrant, 16 year old Allison McCutcheon continues our second generation legacy.



Lorren & Tom -course watching

Laurie Loewen & John Ames take FTD's



Hmmm, Tom getting the what- for? Nah, it's just a strategy session.

It's the girls turn - Vicki Ury & Bev Landdeck of SCCC take their turn to course watch



# Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo Parade July 7



A very respectful showing

bringing up the end!

With about 20 cars, members driving in the parade were: Steve & Anita Smith, Dave & Phyllis Ury, Brian & Peggy Dahl, Derek & Dede Shibe, Duane Back, Curtis Haynes Tom & Vicki Ury, Rick Mendoza, Dan Schuck & friend B.J. Thompson, Mike & Diana Dittman, Joel Haas, Bob Robinson, Tom and Barb Hoeppner, Chris Capshaw & Jonathan, Paul and Nancy Rahne, Rik Noring & Dagne, Jeff & Liz Scott, Wayne Umland & granddaughter, prospective members Phil & Kristine Miller, and Bill Hybl with grandsons driving the Corvettes in the parade. Spectators and joining us for dinner at Johnny's Hogan were Susan Umland & family members, and Larry & Gwenda Valentine.

And just like church meetings, you have to top it off with food. After the parade, 34 gathered at Johnny's Hogan. Our CSCC members do us proud when we gather at restaurants. Yes, patience is required when we show up in force, but what an opportunity to visit! It was a great venue with room to move around. Thanks to Carol Reel for putting the parade event together and making arrangements at the Hogan. Thanks to Vicki Ury for the line-up, Chris Capshaw, Tom Hoeppner, and Gwenda Valentine for the photos.



Rahnes, Norings, Duane Back, Curtis Haynes, Dede & Derek Shibe



# CSCC Adopt-a-Highway Clean-up -July 11



"Trash-Picker" Meeting Getting instructions!

We gathered, we conquered, we ate.

Thanks to everyone who turned out: Pete & Alta Olejnik, Tom & Vicki Ury, Roger Miller and Kitty Divis, Larry & Gwenda Valentine, Dave & Phyllis Ury, Roger Grace, Tom & Barb Hoeppner, Mike Curry, Lorren & Laurie Loewen, Paul Thompson, Joe Horvath, and Paul & Nancy Rahne.

# Get to Know Your Fellow Members An Interview with Steve & Anita Smith By Diana Dittman

How long have you been a CSCC member? Joined November 2014.



What Corvette(s) do you currently own? A 2014 Blade Silver Convertible

Marital Status? They just celebrated their 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**How did you meet?** A mutual friend introduced them. They met for coffee. Their actual first date was going bowling. Steve had been on a bowling league before that. They dated for 5 years before getting married. To add to this story, since Anita worked for the police department, she did a background check on Steve saying she couldn't just date anyone. At the time, Anita was dating 3 other guys, but dumped them, and Steve won out. ©

Where are you from? Steve is from Colorado Springs. Anita was a military "brat". She was born in Germany to German and French parents. She has lived in Virginia, Alabama, then the family moved back to Germany before her father retired here in Colorado.

**Employment?** Steve owns and runs Sunset Dream Homes (since 1998). He builds custom homes and does remodeling as well. Steve was also an engineer with HP for 25 years. In 2009 he dedicated himself to Sunset Dream Homes full time. Anita worked for the Colorado Springs Police Department for 27 years as an extra duty coordinator. She has a total of 31 years working for the city.

**Kids?** Steve has 2 sons, Dylan who is 21 works with him and Wyatt who is 19 is going to college. Anita has 1 son who is 30 years old.

Pets? They have 2 rescue dogs named Benji and Henry.

**Favorite club activity?** Steve has liked doing the autocrosses as well as the socializing and eating out. Anita really liked the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and visiting with people.

**Hobbies?** Steve likes to golf and at one time was a bowler and liked to snowmobile. Anita was a foster Mom to many rescue dogs. She walks her dogs and does yard work and gardening. They also have an RV and like to go camping.

What is the best vacation you ever took? Anita said that her and her son went to Universal Studios and they really had a fun time. Steve says the golfing trip to Arizona was great. They also take their RV camping at some state parks.

What is your dream corvette? They own it!!

**How did your love of Corvettes come about?** Steve says that he has liked Corvettes since he was a kid. Later on, he always wanted to restore an early 60's model Corvette, but could never find the right one. He lost interest in Corvettes and then took an interest in Porsches. (We won't hold that against you). He has owned a 911 and a Boxster. When the C7 came along, he really liked the looks and lines of it so he decided to buy one. He knew there was a Corvette club in town, and looked it up. Upon doing that, he saw Brian Dahl's name and said hey, I used to work with a Brian Dahl and yes, it was the same guy. So he called Brian about the club and Brian had only great things to say so Steve and Anita joined. Brian was their sponsor.

**Anything else you would like to add?** They have liked all of the activities so far, saying the people are very friendly. They are really homebodies they say, but the car and club have brought them "out" more than usual. Glad to hear it!

Thanks for the interview Steve and Anita.

# Not too early to make September plans



The Colorado Springs Corvette Club and The Rocky Mountain NCCC Region Presents:





Sunday, September 6, 2015 Pikes Peak International Raceway, West VIP Parking Lot 16650 Midway Ranch Road, Fountain, CO 80817

I-25 @ Exit 122

Morning Autocross: NCCC Sanction # RM-183-009 Low Speed Autocross Afternoon Autocross: NCCC Sanction # RM-183-010 Low Speed Autocross Late Afternoon Autocross: NCCC Sanction # RM-183-R02 Low Speed Autocross

> Morning autocross - First car out at 9:00 am Midmorning autocross – <u>After</u> Morning Autocross Afternoon autocross – <u>After</u> Lunch

> > All autocrosses - \$35.00/each Enter all three autocrosses - \$90.00 Trophies for each autocross - \$15.00

Day of Event Registration closes at 8:15 am Tech Inspection is from 7:00 am to 8:15 am Driver's Meeting at 8:30 am First car out at 9:00 am Lunch catered by Roasty Toasty

Exhaust: OPEN

Car numbers need to be at least 6 inches tall, applied to both sides of the car, and of contrasting color from the car. Snell Approved helmets not more than 10 years from date of manufacture are required for all events. Class 3 cars are required to have and Class 2 cars are suggested to have a Fire Extinguisher.

Register online: Click Here

Preregistration closes on September 4, 2015 All Times are Mountain Daylight Times

Team Estrogen Chairpersons: Morning Autocross: Vicki Ury, <u>tfury@corcast.net</u>, 719-233-3081 Midmorning Autocross: Laurie Loewen, <u>laurie Joewen@gmail.com</u>, 719-510-5171 Afternoon Autocross: Anne Lewis, <u>lewis.annem@gmail.com</u>, 303-704-2223

Governor: Rik Noring Jr., riknoring@gmail.com, 719-314-9743

The NCCC policy will be in full force for the sponsored event and provide coverage for the dub and its members. Non NCCC Members brought into a claim as an individual will not have personal protection and thus would have to seek their own counsel.

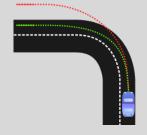


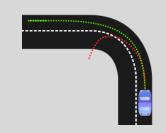
# **Over-steer vs. Under-steer:**

Many of us struggle to understand the difference between over-steer and under-steer in a car's cornering. It just does not come naturally, and when talking about a car's handling characteristics, it's as important as they come. I'll try and explain this in simple terms:

# **Under-steer:**







If you ever push your car's traction limits in a corner, chances are you will experience one or both of the steering conditions noted above.

Most often under-steer happens when your car loses traction on the front end and fails to steer as intended. This usually is because you entered the turn too fast for the conditions (tires, car, temperature, and suspension setup all affect this). If this happens at a race and you were not going that fast, try lowering the front tire air pressure.

Over-steer can happen when your front tires are tracking through a corner, but the rear end slips out. This can happen at any time in a corner, but with your Corvette, we usually experience this condition when accelerating out of a corner (rear wheels spinning). If it is just too squirrely at a race, try lowering the rear tire air pressures. Remember, tires heat up during a run and your tire pressures will soar at the same time, maybe as much as 8 psi.

When auto-crossing, we strive to learn our cars' handling characteristics and develop a feel for when the car is going to lose traction, sensing it, and backing off or going faster in the next turn. A good auto-crosser can develop the feel for the car and the track in the first few turns of a run and adjust accordingly. Even the last turns of a race can be faster simply because the heat in the tires changes the traction.

Your Corvette is a wonderful tool to explore traction limits with. It's balance is just about neutral, compared with say, a Mustang. Now, let's go out and have some fun with that Corvette.

Please keep sending me ideas or questions you may have for this article—I'm running low on topics.

Tom Ury



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The 2015 production figures are in: 34,240 Corvettes were produced. Arctic White was the most popular color (18.9%), followed by Torch Red (16.4%). If Torch Red and Crystal Red colors were combined, then red was number 1! Also, 2015 had the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest number of Museum Deliveries ever, including the 10,000<sup>th</sup> delivery which came home to Colorado, and several CSCC members who took delivery of their Corvettes at the Museum. Percentages for the 4 models were: Stingray Coupes and Convertibles, 60.6% and 14.1% respectively, and Z06 Coupes and Convertibles 20.4% and 4.9%. Black wheels and interiors were the most popular.

I'll have \$10 raffle tickets for a 2015 Torch Red **C7 coupe** at our August monthly meeting. The coupe features the 8-speed automatic transmission, chrome aluminum wheels, performance data and video recorder, 1-piece transparent removable roof panel, Corvette Museum Delivery, and more! The drawing is September 5<sup>th</sup> during NCM's 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

# July 4<sup>th</sup> continued - - Bochnak BBQ



We had 40 plus people at our house after the Monument parade with <u>good food</u>, fun time & socializing.

Joining in the fun: Pete & Alta







Olejnik, John & Colleen Williams, Mike & Diana Dittman, Jerry & Diane Stermer, Derek & Dede Shibe, John & Judy Gue, Bud & Anne Silvers, Steve & Anita Smith, Tom & Barb Hoeppner, Todd & Denise Butts, T.J. & Donna & Amanda Larson, Terry & Susan Darby, Curtis & Cathy Haynes, Walt Jenkins, Lynn Wittrock, Ray & Linda Fullwood, Nick & Sue Renfro, Rick Mendoza, Winston & Barbara Black, Brian & Pam Dougherty, Joe & Joan Joseph, Mike Curry, Dick & Pat Strauch, Dan & Jan McCarty, and Wally & JoAnn Bochnak.

Hope everyone had a good time. By Winnie Bochnak

An honorable mention Joel Haas and his "Best of Show" finish out of 110 cars all years, makes and models, at the 4th of July Westminster Car Show. Congratulations, Joel!

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- \$49.95 Oil Changes plus shop supplies and tax.
- (Corvettes only, 4 per member, per year)
- > All Parts will be offered at 25% off retail pricing.
- Service & Body Shop labor will be offered at 15% off retail rate.
- All new vehicles will be offered at \$100 over invoice (based on availability, excludes current model year Corvettes or Duramax Diesels.
- > All used vehicle inventory will be offered at \$750 under internet pricing.

Our experienced and knowledgeable sales, parts, and service teams have been notified of these benefits for CSCC members. When the VIP membership card is presented, all above pricing and benefits take precedent.

Additionally, we have a great **Thank You Cash** program, and just for being a CSCC VIP member, we want to give you EXTRA cash rewards. Start earning today! Here's how it works; contact me personally (my contact details are below), give me your name and VIP membership number along with the name and contact information of the friend or family member interested in purchasing a vehicle and I will set up an appointment with them. If your friend or family member purchases a new or used vehicle, we will reward cash benefits based on the established Prospector's Club rules.

My team is committed to providing you with an excellent sales, service, and parts experience. Stop in or call anytime...we are here to serve you!

Sincerely,

Rich Thompson, General Manager Daniels Long Chevrolet 303-944-2007 rdthompson@phillong.com

# Want to Advertise?

If you are a member of the Colorado Springs Corvette Club, you may place a *personal* "For Sale" ad in the "**VETTE SET**" at no charge to you.

The cost of advertising for business ads for nonmembers are below and members' receive a 20% discount or two months free when they purchase one full year.

Business Card 1 / 4 page 1 / 2 page \$10.00/month \$15.00/ month \$20.00/month





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With over 18 years in the auto industry and Corvette Certified, Mike welcomes your questions or requests for Corvette or other car specials.

To be added to his contact list for regular updates call him directly, or contact him by email.

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### **Email Distribution List**

To send an email to the entire club click below: <u>csccvettes @googlegroups.com</u> All new members are added to the list using their email address from the Club roster. For questions about the distribution list, contact: <u>pgt1951@comcast.net</u>

#### **Email Etiquette**

Please keep content specific to Club related items or Corvettes. The By-laws state "Misuse of the CSCC website, Facebook page, website email, or distribution email, will not be tolerated and may result in club probation or expulsion. Feel free to set up your own "group" for willing member participants for non-Club related content.

**R**efrain from using the "Reply All" function when you are replying to an email. Only reply to the person sending the message, unless specifically requested to "Reply All". Help keep the unnecessary responses to a minimum.

# NCCC Rocky Mountain Region Website

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For a list of Regional Officers, Regional Clubs, expanded list of the regional Calendar of Events, Event Results, Race Number registration form, Rules and Forms, NCCC news, and more, visit and stay informed.

This link is also available on the CSCC web site.



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