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North Bay Corvette Association (NBCA)

Meets on the second Wednesday of each month

At 7 pm.

Currently held on ZOOM

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WEDNESDAY 2 JUNE 2021
NBCA DRIVE AND DINE

THURSDAY 3 JUNE 2021
SUE G BIRTHDAY

SATURDAY 5 JUNE 2021
NBCA AUTO X

SUNDAY 6 JUNE 2021
NBCA AUTO X
COFFEE & CARS NOVATO

WEDNESDAY 9 JUNE 2021
6:30 PM - SOCIAL MEETING
7:00 PM - MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SUNDAY 13 JUNE 2021
CORLISS D BIRTHDAY

TUESDAY 15 JUNE 2021
JEFF F BIRTHDAY

SATURDAY 19 JUNE 2021
MIKE R BIRTHDAY
NICK K BIRTHDAY
NBCA SOCIAL SEE ARTICLE

WEDNESDAY 23 JUNE 2021
WILLIAM D BIRTHDAY
6:30 PM - E BOARD MEETING

FRIDAY 25 JUNE 2021
KELLIE K BIRTHDAY

SATURDAY 26 JUNE 2021
BARBARA B BIRTHDAY

TUESDAY 29 JUNE 2021
PEDRO F BIRTHDAY

WEDNESDAY 30 JUNE 2021
STEVE K BIRTHDAY

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July

THURSDAY 1 JULY 2021

LEE A BIRTHDAY

SATURDAY 3 JULY 2021

RENEE S BIRTHDAY

SUNDAY 4 JULY 2021

COFFEE & CARS NOVATO

WEDNESDAY 7 JULY 2021

**BETTY M BIRTHDAY
DRIVE & DINE (TBD)**

WEDNESDAY 14 JULY 2021

**6:30 PM NBCA SOCIAL
7:00 PM NBCA GENERAL
MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

THURSDAY 15 JULY 2021

LYNN L BIRTHDAY

SUNDAY 25 JULY 2021

PAUL S BIRTHDAY

WEDNESDAY 28 JULY 2021

**HEATHER T. BIRTHDAY
E-BOARD MEETING
(CLUB SONOMA)**

THURSDAY 29 JULY 2021

**POKER @ CLUB SONOMA
(SEE WILLIAM FOR INFO)**

North Bay Corvette Association

General Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2021

Social Hour: At the suggestion of President Farber, a social hour was held at 6:30 P.M. Many members attended and it was great to have everyone's participation

President Jeff Farber called the meeting to order at 7:02 on ZOOM due to the virus problems, and it was again a resounding success, thank you Heather. President Farber then asked for committee reports.

Membership Director: Barbara Boyer reported that one guest was present, Woody Robinson, who has a 2006 Z06. He has completed his application and attended two events. He is now a new member.

Robin and Lee have badges. Getting new badges for Ken and Marcy. She is sending out brochures to five new prospects.

Secretary: Don Drummond requested that the minutes for the month of April be approved. It was so moved, seconded and passed unanimously.

Director of Publications: Heather Torres reported that articles for the newsletter are due every month on or before the 22nd.

Webmaster: Stephen Buttrick was not able to be present. However, he sent a message saying that the website has been updated. Steve will put a new link on the website.

Public Relations Director: Bill Donnelly reported that he has lots of cards for car washes. Two cars for sale, a 1979 and a 1981, both in excellent condition. Also, Mike needs T-Tops for his 1980. Drive will be on Saturday, May 15, 2021; leave from the Marina, through Sonoma with lunch at The Mill in Glenn Ellen.

Member at Large: Dan Divita had no report.

Treasurer: Steve Boyer reported on deposits and expenses. Financials are in good shape. He wrote checks to WSCC for \$72 and to Heather for \$260.20. He made deposits from Mt. Mike's and Horgan's.

Social Director: Betty McKinnie reported:

The wine tasting drive was a big success.

The Drive and Dine on May 5 ended up at Grazzi's; 8 cars participated and it was much fun.

Bill Donnelly will lead the drive on May 15. Needs volunteers for Drive and Dine.

Bill suggested an outing to the Sonoma Drags

Christmas is confirmed for December 4

Sunshine Report: Lynn Larson was unable to be present.

Vice President Dan Divita reported that there will be a ZOOM meeting for WSCC but otherwise not much going on

President Jeff Farber reported that there have been 54 registrations for the June autocross. Planning is going fine; Steve Boyer is putting on the scoring screen and the Kellys are on top of waivers. The Gathering Committee is hard at work, will soon present its plan to WSCC. In general the plan is for a trip of about one week, to Oregon.

Old Business: A reminder to wear our pins was made. Ken Albers reported that he has no word from Chevrolet yet for IMSA. A discussion was had on timing and set up for autocross.

New Business:

Bill asked for pictures of new Corvettes. Suggested June meeting for eBoard at Mt. Mike's.

Announcements:

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm on ZOOM; Social at 6:30

Jane Rittler moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded which passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald Drummond, Secretary

President's Message – The Race Results are In - Great Experience

Last month I wrote about my plans to participate in the 2021 Nevada Open Road Challenge. It took place May 16, 2021 on Nevada Highway 318. I brought a friend with whom I played softball and he navigated for me. It was the first time he and I spent significant one-on-one time and we got along really well. Robert is a pretty good partier and I had reservations that we wouldn't be compatible. But it worked out great.

On the drive to Ely, NV where the pre-race activities were located, we stopped at Middlegate Station, an old saloon type restaurant on Highway 50. This place is a very popular stop about 70 miles from the next town. Robert was tempted to try the 4 pound burger challenge, where if you can eat the whole thing, you get your meal for free and a tee-shirt. Robert came to his senses as we had four more miles of driving to get to Ely from there.

Robert works with numbers as a construction guy and that experience really helped him with fast accurate calculations. I witnessed how hard it is to navigate, while I was driving. The navigator has to hit the right button on a stopwatch, write down a time and compare the time to a target time, report to the driver the difference, tell him to speed up or slow down, then restart the watch. While that sounds basic and simple, the stories of accidentally failing to stop the stopwatch or subtract when you were supposed to add are numerous. In fact, we had three total stopwatches in case he hit the wrong button.

We entered the 110mph class, which is in the Touring Class (95,100,105, and 110.) First time racers have to enter the Touring Class. There were 95 total drivers, and 24 of them signed up for the 110mph class, the largest most competitive class. We came in fifth place, just a bit more than a half second from our target time after 122 miles of driving. The time of 0.55 off our target would have placed us first in seven of the other 14 classes.

I had spent a good deal of time getting prepared for the race. I changed the oil in both my Z06 and my truck. I also needed a fresh set of rear tires on the Corvette. I also read as much as I could about the race rules and the race itself. The only thing I didn't do was watch videos of the race. That specific lack of prep led to some excitement through the Narrows, a four mile stretch of road with some tight curves. About half of the people I spoke to before the race told me to drive slower than 110mph through the narrows, the other half said 110mph in my car would be fine. I decided to take the narrows at 95mph and after I finished the narrows I knew taking them faster would be okay. On the way back, I took the narrows at 110mph, and it was definitely exciting. If I had memorized the turns it would have been much less exciting, as the turns come up close and some are quite tight and off camber.

There are several disqualification rules that were very well explained. The top speed I could drive was 124, and if I was caught going 125, I'd be disqualified. My hit was 123 which didn't seem fast in my car, but being so close to 124 going downhill, made me nervous. Luckily I was able to keep from going faster than the allowable speed.



There was something that occurred that is memorable. With about five miles left to go in the race a Coyote ran across the road. The Coyote was the perfect distance away from me. It was close enough for me to easily see what it was when it entered the highway, but not so close that I had to lift my foot off the gas. But when I passed it, I didn't miss it by more than

a few hundred feet. Items come pretty quick at 109 mph, which is the speed I was driving when he decided the other side of the street was the better side.





Here a guy had broken down and was not allowed to move for three hours until the race was done- BUMMER. By the way, you can't see him, but he is safe about 50 yards to the right of his car behind a highway fence.

This was a great event and I look forward to entering in another one soon.

Upcoming [Major](#) events

- June 5 & 6 - Club hosted auto-x at Thunderhill Raceway
- August of 2022 - Club hosted WSCC *Gathering* to Oregon
- August of 2024 - Caravan to the National Corvette Museum

Be sure to patronize our sponsors & Save the wave!

- Jeff

VICE PRESIDENT - Dan Divita

As we continue to exist under uncomfortable Pandemic conditions we have been fortunate to share a few in-person club events in recent weeks. While not on the magnitude of activities over past years, any opportunity to safely get together is welcome. I'm sure Betty McKinnie will discuss our most recent outings elsewhere in this newsletter. Thank you to those who participated.

(Please note that there is absolutely no pressure for anyone attending to do anything with which they are not comfortable. Anyone may remain masked, keep their distance, and otherwise stay protected as they wish.)

President Jeff Farber has been working very diligently to ensure that our upcoming Auto-X on June 5 and 6 will happen. He has been interfacing with representatives of both "Hooked on Driving" and "Thunderhill Raceway". While some of their former Covid restrictions have been eased, the principal safety protocols remain in place. Masks will be worn everywhere on the raceway, and social distancing will be observed. Casual spectators will not be allowed. Our usual track safety standards will be strictly followed. We now have formalized guidelines for participants so they will be aware of revised conditions when they arrive at the track. These will be provided to participants prior to the event.

Due to the lack of our activities, there isn't much to report. WSCC continues to try to schedule club events as it appears that they may actually happen. With restrictions on gatherings, many of our car show and other group events have been temporarily put on hold. Hopefully, these will open up as conditions improve. Please check the WSCC website to remain current on their activities.

Please continue to be cautious with your health. While conditions are greatly improved, there is still time to be careful.

Enjoy a good Spring...

North Bay Corvette Association
Treasurer's Report
May 12, 2021

Checks: There were 2 checks written and cleared last month:

1. To WSCC for 2 new membership dues.
2. To Heather T. for website renewal.

Deposits: There was 1 deposit made last month:

1. Mountain Mike's Pizza, for advertising.

Uncleared Transactions: There were no uncleared current transactions.

Other Actions: I sent Don D. a car wash ticket for winning the Wheel "O" Car Wash at the end of last month's meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven R. Boyer,

Treasurer



My first sports car was a 1965 Austin-Healey Sprite, Mark III. I auto crossed it as a member of the Bremerton Sports Car Club in the late '60's, early '70's.

If you've ever been to my 4th of July Bar-B-Q, then you have had some of my Best In the West Baked Beans. They're great! My late wife got the cookbook when she lived in Augusta, GA, back in the '70's, before I ever met her. I've used it a lot.



Best in the West Baked Beans

Serves 12 - 16

From: Second Round, Tea-Time at the Masters, Junior League, August, GA

Ingredients:

*1 lb bacon, chopped
1 medium onion, chopped
1 lb ground beef
½ c ketchup
½ c barbecue sauce
¼ c molasses
¼ c prepared mustard
1 tsp chili powder*

*½ tsp salt
½ tsp pepper
1 16-oz can pork and beans, un-drained
1 16-oz can Lima beans, un-drained
1 16-oz can kidney beans, un-drained*

Preparation:

1. In a large heavy skillet, brown bacon, onion, and ground beef. Drain.
2. Add ketchup, barbecue sauce, molasses, mustard, chili powder, salt, and pepper. Mix well.
3. Add all beans. Mix well.
4. Pour mixture into greased 9" X 13" baking dish.
5. Bake at 350° for 1 hour.

Notes:

I like to make it up the day before and let it sit in the refrigerator overnight. Then I bake it for an hour just before I plan to have guests over.

I have made this recipe many times over the years and recently have found utilizing black beans instead of pork and beans is great. I also have utilized cannelloni beans instead of kidney beans and utilized butter beans instead of Lima beans. They all work quite well together.



Public Relations: Hi gang; hope all is well with everyone. Well a lot of our advertisers & sponsors are paying there bill to be in our newsletter so let us start using them to keep them around! Well we had a good social drive on the 15th, thru Sonoma and around the airport thru Napa great winding roads, into Glen Ellen for a great lunch at the mill on the creek! Was fun!

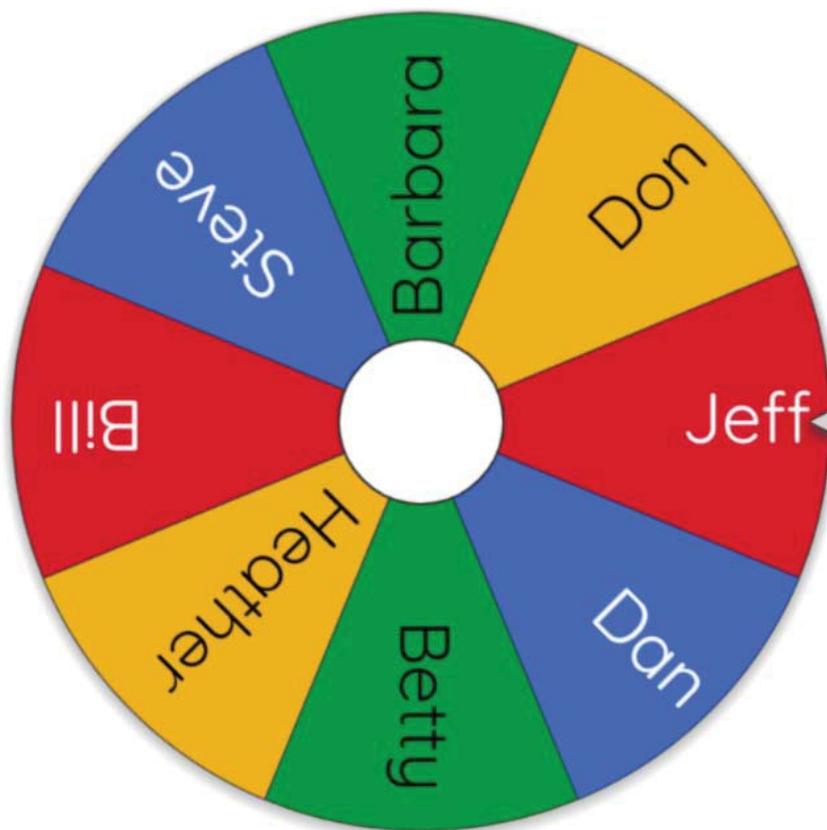
Now a side note; when my new car comes in I'll get all the paperwork and all the instructions on how to go fast out of they way mid week, then have him keep it in the show room until a Saturday, then anyone that wants to go on a drive with me to Dillon Beach and have lunch at William Tells in Tomalus will be welcome!

More details when car comes in! Well that is it for now, remember Life Is Good!

Brain teaser...what is the Vampire Spider attracted too?????

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Woody Robinson and his wife Courtney, have applied to join the NBCA. Woody owns a 2001 Silver Z06 and hopes to participate in auto crossing. He has participated in two club meetings and was on the 5/5 Drive n Dine social. He has known Les Brown for a long time.

Join us at the Monthly Membership Meeting for your chance to win the Wheel 'O' Car Wash!



SOCIAL REPORT - Our first for the year Drive/Dine was on May 5th and **8 cars** were in attendance. Thanks to Steve Boyer we met at Novato Chevrolet at 5:45pm and we left at 6:00pm. We had a beautiful drive out Lucas Valley Rd., Nicasio and back to Novato. We had to change restaurants due to Las Guitarras was too busy and did not honor my reservation. We had 12 at dinner at Grazie which was Italian on Cino de Mayo but we were so enjoying each other's company it didn't matter!

Saturday, May 15th was our monthly drive and Bill Donnelly did not disappoint. He hosted this drive and we met at 9:45am at the Sonoma Marina on Hwy. 37. At 10:00am we left and Bill led the group of **6 cars** through the town of Sonoma, Sonoma's airport, Ramel Rd., Napa, Trinity Rd., and Glen Ellen. Lunch was at the Glen Ellen Mill. Bill reported the food was excellent. Thank you Bill!

June's Drive/Dine will be on Wednesday, June 2nd and hosted by Eric Larsen. We are meeting at 5:45pm at the Century Regency Theaters at 280 Smith Ranch Rd., San Rafael. We will leave at 6:00 pm and have dinner at Gott's Roadside, 302 Bon Air Center, Greenbrae. Please RSVP to me at 707-315-5474 so I can let the restaurant know how many are attending.

Our June Drive will be Saturday, June 19th. We are meeting at Novato Chevrolet, 7123 Redwood Blvd., Novato at 9:45am and we will leave at 10:00am. We will end our ride at Dinucci's Italian Dinners, 14485 Valley Ford Rd., Valley Ford. Please RSVP to me at 707-315-5474 so I can let the restaurant know how many are attending.

This is going to be a great start to our summer!!! See you soon!!

Respectfully,

Betty McKinnie
Social Director

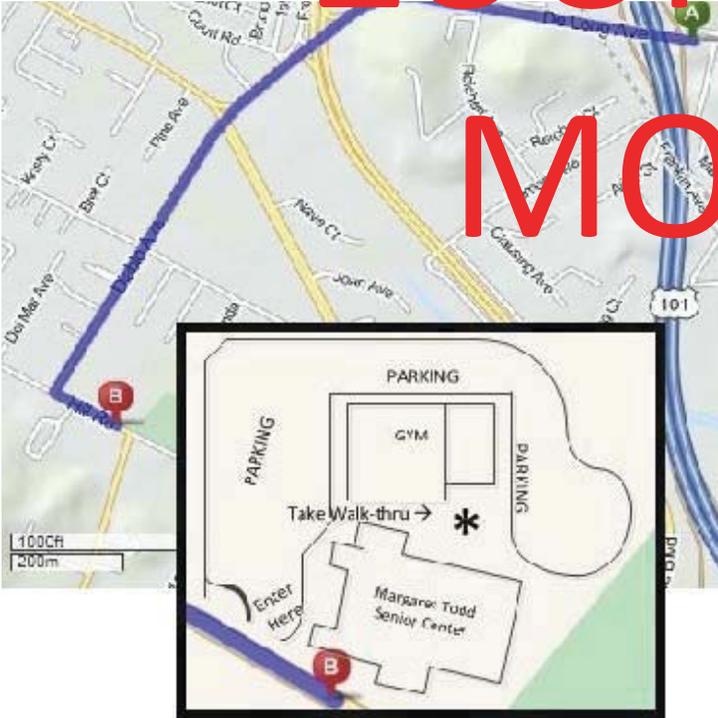
JUNE SOCIAL PICTURES



Meeting Location

MEETING IS ON ZOOM THIS MONTH

Your meeting will be held in the Hill Community Room. This room is at the Margaret Todd Senior Center.
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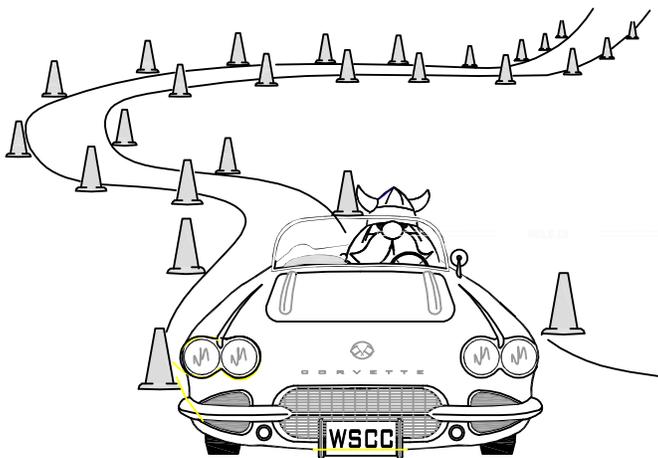
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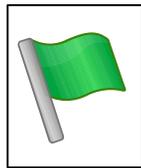
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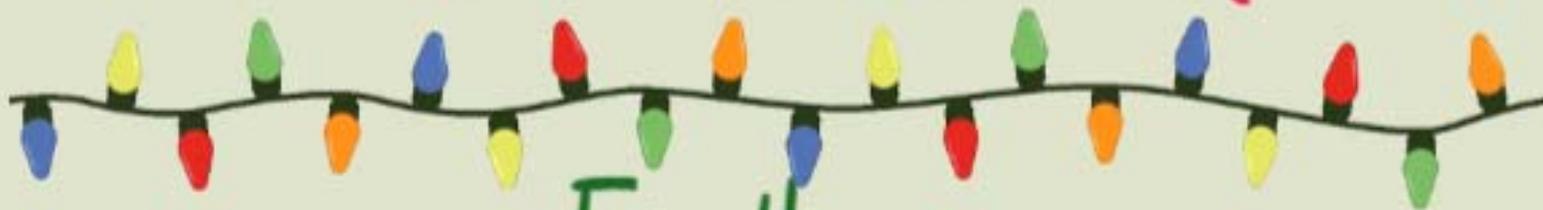
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Save a Tree Party
December 4th



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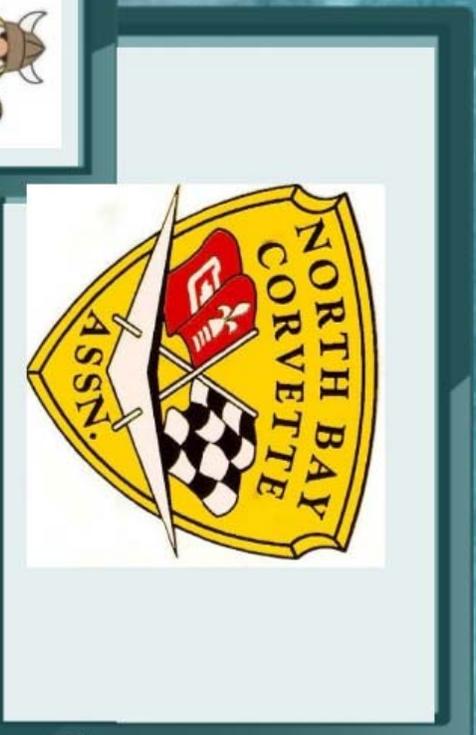
NBCA Christmas

Party

December 11th

INDIAN VALLEY GOLF COURSE

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Time: 06:30 PM

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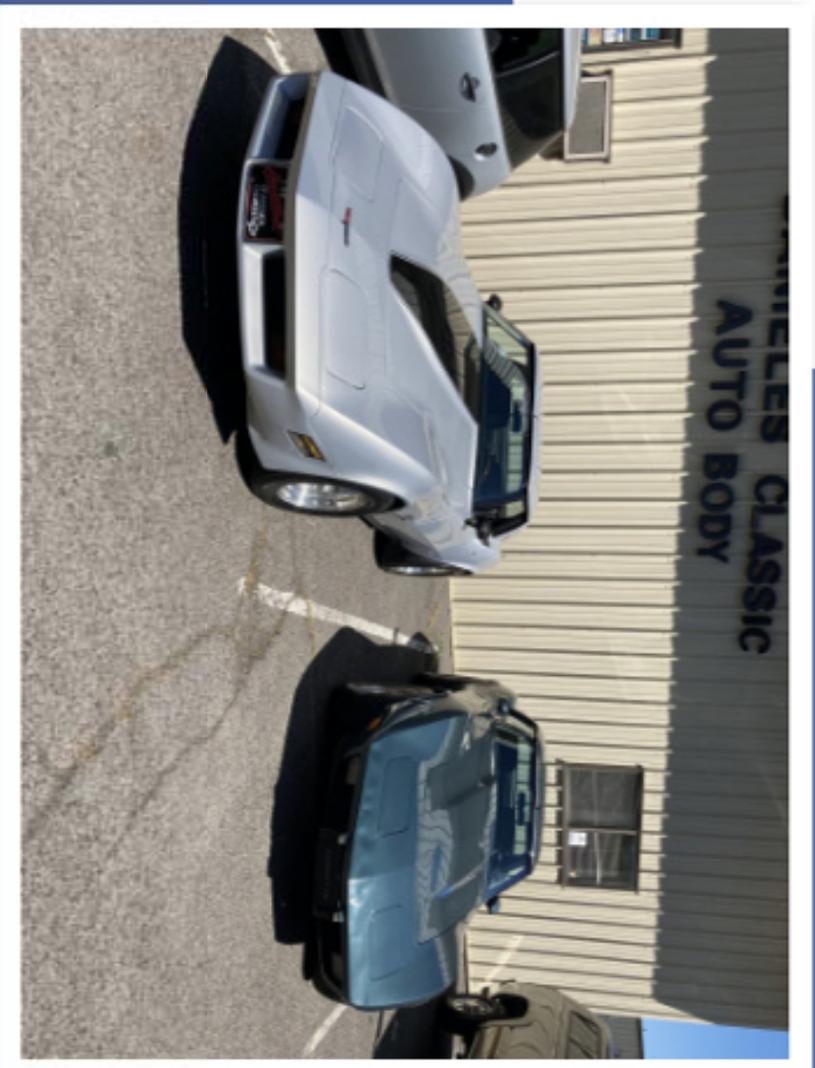
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Drawing: July 22, 2021 2:00 PM Central Time

2021 Silver Flare Corvette Coupe 7/22/2021



2021 Torch Red Corvette Coupe 9/4/2021
Price: **\$20.00** Unlimited Raffle
Drawing: September 4, 2021 3:00 PM Central Time

2021 Torch Red Corvette Coupe 9/4/2021

Brain Teaser Answer: The smell of human feet!!!!

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JUNE 24 - JUNE 27 | SAHLEN'S SIX HOURS OF THE GLEN
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JULY 1 - JULY 2 | WATKINS GLEN INTERNATIONAL
Watkins Glen, NY



JULY 16 - JULY 17 | NORTHEAST GRAND PRIX
Lakeville, CT



AUG 6 - AUG 8 | IMSA SPORTSCAR WEEKEND
Elkhart Lake, WI



SEP 10 - SEP 12 | WEATHERTECH RACEWAY LAGUNA SECA
Monterey, CA



SEP 24 - SEP 26 | ACURA GRAND PRIX OF LONG BEACH
Long Beach, CA



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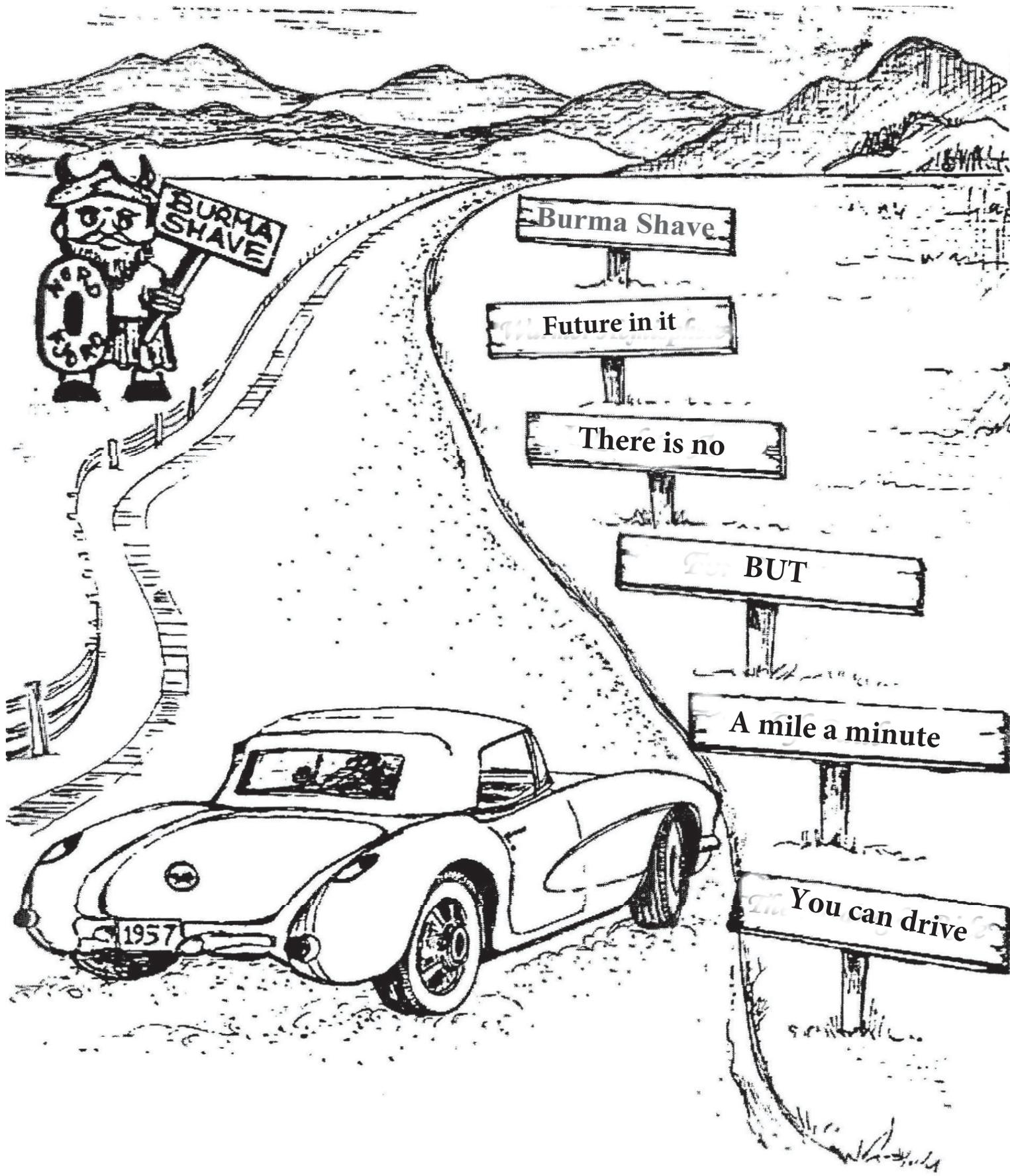
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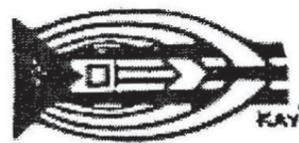
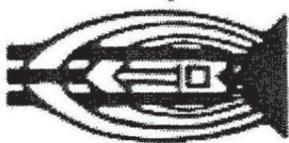
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