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# Vette Gazette

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April is behind us, May is on the horizon. We can all be excused if we couldn't get too enthused about getting the Corvettes out with the typical April weather. We had cold days, wet days, REALLY wet days, windy days and one or two sunny warm days.

But I know it's Spring because our garden is planted and I'm mowing the lawn 3 times a week! It must be time for us to find a way to get the Corvettes out and play.

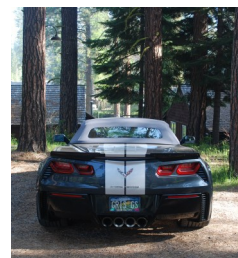
We do have two events on the calendar and a third possibility. Cascade High School Car Show is May 10. No scheduled group tour to this event, but if you're going, get your registration in soon. Several members are going to Lake Creek Lodge in Camp Sherman and we have a fun route planned to get there. I was approached by a member of the Rhododendron Festival committee and asked to share their registration with the members. You can find that attached to the newsletter email.

As you can see, there is a LOT of time available to cruise to a favorite restaurant or museum or historical site..... If you plan it, they will come.

Jim

*"Get your motor runnin', head out on the highway,"*

*Steppenwolf*



## Outstanding participation from Cascade Corvette Club members in April!

### April 24 - SWV Honor Flight Escort

Cascade Corvette Club was once again invited to escort the Honor Flight busses from the VA Clinic until they got on I-5 north of Coburg. 20 Corvettes followed the busses north on a beautiful, sunny, top-down day. Many thanks to the Coburg Police Dept. for traffic control, Coburg Fire Dept, the citizens of Coburg who lined the streets and Coburg Elementary School where students and teachers cheered and waved signs thanking our Veterans.

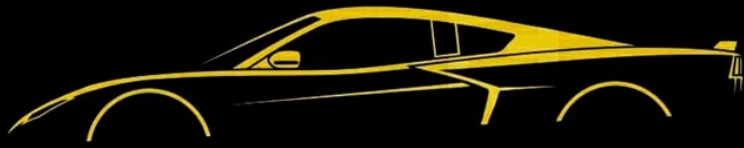


Vic Blomquist (back row, third from right)

### April 29 - Make A Wish Bubsfest

The City of Reedsport turned out to support Make-A-Wish Foundation and one of their own children. Brian "Bub" is a young man with severe health and developmental issues and his wish was to have a parade with cars, fire trucks and floats. CCC member and Reedsport resident, Sandi Donnelly invited Corvettes to show up for "Bub" and four clubs met the challenge - Cascade, Beaver State, Timberland & Pacific Coast. It was a short parade and a great day!





## Misc. Notes

Just a reminder—when we travel on tours, cruises, etc, remember to bring your Nat'l Park Pass, State Park Pass & Lane Co. Park Pass. You never know, we might decide to take a side trip to a nearby park.

Two new colors will be added to the Corvette lineup in 2026. Roswell Green Metallic and Blade Silver Metallic will replace Rapid Blue and Sea Wolf Gray.



**June 30 is National Corvette Day!**  
**Bring your ideas on activities this day to the May & June meetings.**

June 7 - PVA Show in Brooks, OR. CCC will depart from McDonald's in Coburg at **7:00 am**. Gates open at 6:30 am, so if you want to be early you can leave before the group and we'll see you there.

The Board has chosen the date of August 20 for a fundraiser for SWV Honor Flight at Papa's Pizza on Coburg Rd. Details to be finalized soon, but the hope is to distribute flyers to all car clubs & groups and make this a fundraiser / mini car show.

Connie will have a collection of women's clothing with the club logo and/or Corvette logos at the June meeting. All are small or medium sizes.

If you're like me and steal... oops, I mean collect all the "free" toiletries from hotel rooms, we have a use for them. Simone will donate all those shampoos, conditioners and soaps to Ann's Heart, a women's shelter affiliated with their church.

June 14-15 - President's (Semi) Mystery Tour. I'll tell you where we're staying overnight, but not the final destination. Please reserve your room at The Mill Casino Hotel by phone or online. 800-953-4800 or themillcasino.com. Use the booking code **11275**. They have given us a special group rate of \$200 + tax. We will depart from Ray's in Veneta at **11:00 am** with a rest stop at Three Rivers Casino in Florence. Lunch in Reedsport has been arranged at Kismet's Landing by Sandi D. After lunch will be a nice leisurely drive to North Bend to check into the hotel. The morning of June 15, we need to depart the hotel by 9:00 am to our "mystery location".

All events, functions, tours, etc that we discuss at meetings or you read about in this newsletter can also be found on the club's website: [cascadecorvetteclub.com](http://cascadecorvetteclub.com) If you have any info, event flyers or photos please send them to Simone at: [simonethomas@comcast.net](mailto:simonethomas@comcast.net)

Dinner after the May 9 meeting will be at Los Potrillos.





## Happy Birthday!

**May 2 - Billy Wilson**  
**May 3 - Larry Thomas**  
**May 4 - Suzanne Benner**  
**May 9 - Kathy Garretson**  
**May 14 - Becky Stiles**  
**May 20 - Shannon Czerniak**  
**May 25 - Jan Thompson**  
**May 25 - Barbara Speck**  
**May 28 - Gary Vaughn**  
**May 28 - Lynn Cannon**

## Club Clothing

We have two options for embroidered club clothing & hats.

Fiddler's Green Golf Center  
Embroidery Dept.  
can order anything you like  
and will embroider our club logo  
for a small fee.

Or you may take in any garment, regardless where it was purchased and they will embroider the club logo for you.



### How to get in (and out of) your Corvette

We all need a reminder occasionally about safety measures built into our cars for those rare occasions when the battery fails and we're stuck in or out of our Corvettes.

All recent generations of Corvettes have electronic door release switches. If the battery were to fail while you are



inside the car, the door release button will not work. Just pull the emergency door release lever next to both seats.

If you are locked out, you can open the rear hatch or trunk by pulling the key from your fob, insert it into the keyhole above the rear license plate and turn to open the hatch or trunk. There is an emergency door release cable on the left (driver's) side to open the left door.



**May 10  
Cascade H.S. Car Show  
Turner, OR**

**May 14-16  
Lake Creek Lodge**

**May 17  
Rhody Festival Car Show  
Florence, OR**

**May 23-25  
Big Sky Corvette Meet  
Great Falls, MT**

**May 30-31  
Function 4 Junction**

**May 31  
TC Chevrolet Corvette Show  
Ashland, OR**

**June 7  
PVA Car Show  
Brooks, OR**

**June 14-15  
President's Mystery Tour 1**

**June 22  
Toledo Classic Car Expo  
& Swap Meet  
(info at toledooregon.org)**

**June 28  
High Desert CC Corvette Show  
Bend, OR**

**June 30  
National Corvette Day**

**July 4  
4th of July Parade**

**July 13  
SpringHill/No. Albany Car Show  
Albany, OR**

**July 17-19  
VetteFest  
Boise, ID**

**July 18 - 20  
Corvette Weekend  
Grants Pass**

**July 22-23  
Crater Lake Tour**

**August 2  
Coburg Classic**

**August 4  
Stan Stiles Memorial Golf  
Tokatee Golf Club**

**August 9  
Corvettes on the Bay  
North Bend, OR**

**August 20  
Honor Flight Fundraiser  
Hosted by CCC  
Papa's Pizza**

**September 10-11  
Return of the  
"Pre-Columbian Tour"**

**September 11 - 13  
Corvettes on the Columbia  
Tri-Cities, WA**

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# Car Stuff

**Available Soon at Kendall Chevrolet**  
**2025**

**Hysteria Purple Metallic Coupe**  
**Jet Black interior,**  
**Yellow calipers & seatbelts**  
**\$101,350**  
**Arriving mid-May**  
**Call Eric Johnson**  
**541-968-2509**



**For Sale - \$19,995**  
**2000 Corvette Roadster**  
**Torch Red w/Black Leather**  
**All Options**  
**Baer Brakes, Borla Exhaust**  
**52,000 miles**  
**Call Larry Ferner at 541-974-6100**



**2001 Chevy Corvette C5 6 speed. It has 22,343 miles on it, vehicle is all original and still sits on the original tires. I've owned it since January 2006, at the time of purchase it had 19,607 miles and it has been kept in the garage. The vehicle is beautiful inside and out and has all of the options. I'm asking \$29,000.00**  
**Heather 541-953-5289**

All Cascade Corvette Club members receive 20% off parts and 12% off labor at Kendall Chevrolet, your source for everything Corvette.\* And be sure to see our entire new and used inventory online at: [kendallautooregon.com](http://kendallautooregon.com).

\*Not to be combined with any other offer. Discounts only available at Kendall Chevrolet. See dealer for details.

FIND NEW ROADS



**KENDALL**  
**CHEVROLET | CADILLAC**





TC Chevy's 3rd Annual Corvette Show 🚗  
Friday, May 31st | 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM | TC Chevy | Free Admission

Join us for a full day of horsepower, heritage, and hometown fun! In partnership with the Southern Oregon Corvette Association (SOCA), TC Chevy proudly presents our 3rd Annual Corvette Show — a celebration of America's most iconic sports car.

#### What to Expect:

- 50+ Corvettes on display — from vintage legends to modern performance machines!
- Spectator-voted trophies: Overall Favorite, Loudest Corvette, Best Classic!
- Classic American eats — hot dogs, apple pie & more!
- On-site games, giveaways, and prizes!
- 50/50 Raffle benefiting Sparrow Clubs!

Whether you're a Corvette enthusiast or just looking for a fun local event, this is one you won't want to miss.

📅 Friday, May 31st

🕒 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

📍 TC Chevy

## Cascade Corvette Club Touring Etiquette

It has been requested that we print a “refresher” regarding some touring rules and suggestions for when we are travelling as a group. These points are made with the understanding that they are to keep us safe on the road and not as punitive measures. As we all know, traffic and speeds on our highways have gone up drastically and road trips (especially on I-5) can be an “adventure”.

As the person leading many cruises for the last 30+ years, I feel I have earned the right to add some personal comments to a couple of these thoughts.

1. Please do not pass the Corvette in front of you, unless you are instructed to do so. If you pass the leader, you just became the leader, hope you know where you're going.
2. Keep up with the Corvette in front of you. If you fall behind and then try to catch up it has a rubber band effect.
3. Drive at a safe distance, don't tailgate.
4. When on a freeway, we will be driving 70-72 mph in the right lane to permit other to pass our group. This is a tough one. As everyone knows, the average speed on I-5 now is more like 75-80. Even the trucks are doing 70+ which make it extremely dicey to try and maintain a cruise-control speed and pass. There are two distinct thoughts on how this should be handled - everyone in line jumps to the left lane at one time or each car moves to the left lane when they approach the vehicle they want to pass. When we all move to the left at once, we become a rolling roadblock for those behind us who want to drive 80. Rather than endorse either passing method, I am more inclined to say “**You do what you think is safest**”. **This is why we try to stay off I-5 as much as possible!**
5. In case of car trouble, flash your headlights several times and pull to the shoulder. One or two cars should pull over with you to help. In addition, use your radio or cell phone to let the leader know what is happening.
6. Bring your Talk-About 2-way radios. CCC uses channel 6.0.
7. When turning onto another road, the last Corvette should **try** to slow or wait until the next group of cars catch up and see where to turn. **This is another one that should ONLY be done when it is safe to do.**

**BE ALERT  
BE COURTEOUS  
BE SAFE**



# May 2025

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*Board Mtg  
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*Gen. Mtg  
Kendall  
6 pm*

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*Cascade  
H.S. show*

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*Lake Creek  
Lodge*  
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*Rhody Fest  
Car Show*

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*Club  
Breakfast  
TBA*

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*Function 4  
Junction  
Open cruise*

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*Func 4 Junc  
Show*  

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*TC Chevy  
Corv. show*



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