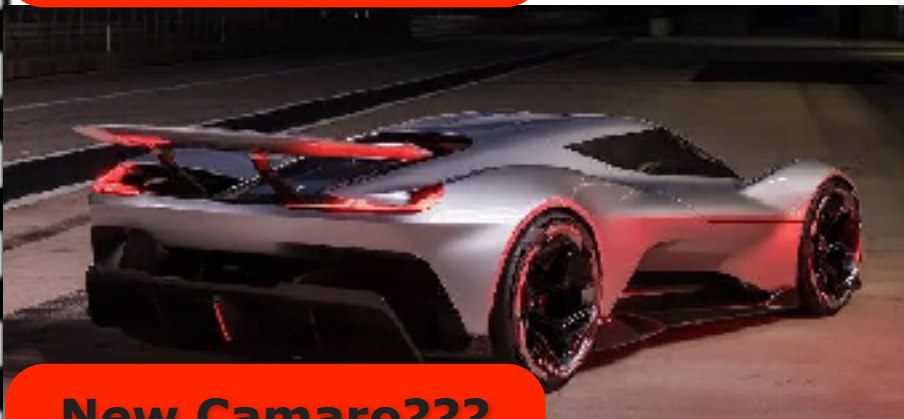




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President's Message...

As we begin welcoming our snowbirds back to the Valley, it's great to see familiar faces returning and the club getting active again.

First, I'd like to congratulate **Ray and Peggy Moraglia** on receiving our **Car of the Month** award. Their beautiful **2024 Corvette Z06 HTC** is certainly deserving of the recognition. Congratulations again, Ray and Peggy—well deserved!

On **October 1st**, we will officially be kicking off **Palm Springs Corvettes**. It's the same great people, the same great club, and the same great activities and educational programs that we've enjoyed. We're looking forward to getting this new club active and continuing to make it a great place for all of our Corvette enthusiasts.

You will soon be receiving information about this year's **Christmas Party**. It's going to be a great event and will be held at our new venue, **Palm Valley Country Club**. Once tickets go on sale, please get yours early. We're expecting a fantastic evening, and you won't want to miss it!

In the meantime, Mary Jo and I are enjoying this welcome break in the weather, and we look forward to seeing all of you at our membership meetings and upcoming events.

Thank you for being part of this great club, and as always—

Enjoy the ride!

Bill Jahn

President

Palm Springs Corvettes



Board of Directors...



Why is Corvette a Legend...

- **Revolutionary Start:** Debuted in 1953 with a daring fiberglass body designed to turn heads. [1, 2]
- **Pop Culture Stardom:** Immortalized in music by Prince ("Little Red Corvette") and [The Beach Boys](#), driven by Barbie, and featured on TV in *Route 66* and *Cheers*. [1, 2]
- **Track Credibility:** Racked up major racing wins, including multiple class victories at the 24 Hours of Le Mans.
- **Evolution to Supercar:** Transformed from a stylish cruiser into a high-performance mid-engine machine (like the modern C8) that challenges elite global supercars. [1]

While rival classics like the Porsche 911 or Ford Mustang have their own strong claims, the Corvette's mix of accessibility, Hollywood fame, and raw American muscle makes its cool factor hard to find!

Corvette of the Month...



**Ray & Peggy
Miraglia**

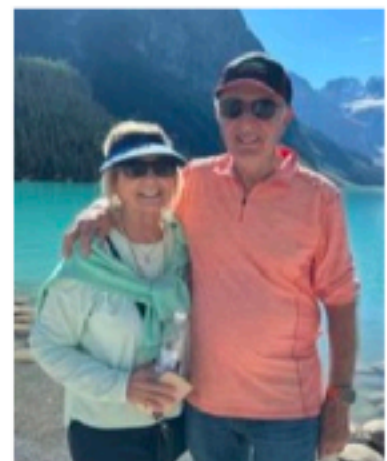
2024 Z06 HTC

Ray and Peggy are celebrating their 26th year as seasonal residents of Palm Desert, where they spend November through May at Monterey Country Club, with their primary home in Danville. Peggy retired as a Human Resources Manager with a retail company, and Ray is a retired Assistant Fire Chief from Contra Costa County.

Ray and Peggy share a passion for music, the arts, theater, golf, and motorsports – especially Formula One – and enjoy taking full advantage of everything the desert has to offer. Ray did some racing at Sonoma Raceway, Laguna Seca, and Thunderhill Raceway.

Their love for Corvettes has taken them on memorable adventures. They took delivery of their first, a 2016 C7, in Bowling Green, where they were able to do two laps at the Corvette track, then drove Route 66 back to California. Their next Corvette, a 2022 C8 Stingray HTC, led them on a scenic journey along the Oregon and California coast after purchasing it in Idaho. Today, they proudly own a 2024 Z06 HTC.

Ray and Peggy are excited to be part of the Club, where they appreciate the welcoming members, engaging activities, and shared enthusiasm for Corvettes. They look forward to becoming more involved in the coming season and to enjoying many more great times ahead.



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PSCC Participating Again in PSHS Homecoming!!!

PSCC has once again been invited to participate in the Palm Springs High School Homecoming Parade & Game.

The PSHS Homecoming has been a fun and worthwhile Club Event for many years. In appreciation, the high school makes generous donation in our name to the Boys & Girls Club of Cathedral City.

On Wednesday afternoon, October 14th we drive the Homecoming Princesses, school officials, and local dignitaries in a parade through downtown Palm Springs.

On Friday evening October 16th we drive the Princesses around the PSHS football stadium as they are introduced before the Homecoming Game.

We are in NEED of another driver for the Friday evening game and several more drivers for the Wednesday afternoon game. While convertibles are preferred for Friday night either coupes wth tops off or convertibles with tops down are fine for the parade.

Please email me if you can participate in the parade and/or game.

Thanks

Ron Singer



Stud Lunch...

Great Stud Lunch at La Quinta Brewery



super turnout for September



Thanks Mike for job well done!

A well liked gathering place



Dinner Nite Out...

A great time was had by 32 PSCC members at DNO on 9/17/26 at Shogun. We had wonderful company and our chefs provided delicious “flaming” food and great entertainment.



**Seattle and Gig Harbor
July 2026**

**A wonderful time was had by
some of our members enjoying
the many beautiful sights in
Seattle and Gig Harbor**



\$18.7 M Corvette



“Monterey Car Week in California has concluded and auction prices are getting more outrageous every year. One of the most anticipated vehicles that was offered at the auction was the 1963 Chevrolet Corvette Grand Sport sold by RM Sotheby's. This special vehicle was expected to sell for around \$11 million to \$13 million but ended up going for an astounding \$18,705,000. That makes this car the most expensive Corvette ever sold and the third-most expensive American car to be sold at auction.”

“Corvette generations offer several trims with the Stingray being the base model and the Z06 being the more powerful version. Back in the 1960s, the Grand Sport was the top of the line. The original Grand Sport was made in secret since General Motors withdrew from factory racing after the success of its small block V8 in 1955. Even though corporate support was limited, the man known as "The Father of the Corvette," Zora Arkus-Duntov, was working on a masterpiece behind the scenes.

The small block V8 was replaced with a 377-cubic-inch V8 that had an estimated output of 600 horsepower and over 600 pound-feet of torque. While the modern Grand Sports are road cars, the original was meant for racing and was not built for regular roads.

One of the most important changes to this car compared to the road-going variants was the lightweight fiberglass body, thinner panels, fixed headlamps and other weight-saving additions. Most of the steel in the car was replaced with aluminum and the wheels lighter-weight magnesium. While the regular Corvettes of this era weighed around 3,200 pounds, the Grand Sport trimmed down to 1,900 pounds. ”

“How does a Corvette command this big of a price tag? The Corvette is referred to by many as the working man's sports car. It offers the performance to compete with the best performing cars from Europe while being a fraction of the price. While that is still somewhat true today when focusing on the lower trims, auction vehicles are in a different class. ”

The 1963 Grand Sport is one of five models built by the secret Chevrolet racing program under Arkus-Duntov. It's a purpose-built race car that was made to compete with the Shelby Cobra on the track and defeated it, earning the nickname "Snake Eaters."

C9 Corvette???



How do you follow up on the most successful performance shake-up in modern American history? You build on its foundation, erase its styling controversies, and push it further into the engineering stratosphere. The upcoming ninth-generation 2030 Chevrolet Corvette (C9) is locked in to continue the mid-engine legacy. Arriving just as the automotive world balances internal combustion with high-voltage electrification, the C9 will stand as the second iteration of a mid-engine Corvette, refining the platform based on real-world lessons gathered from the C8 era.

Here is everything we know about the next generation of America's definitive sports car.

The world's longest-running sports car returns for its ninth generation in 2030. The C9 Chevrolet Corvette will be the product of many hard-earned lessons learned from the C8. For the past 30 years, the Corvette line has served as a high-performance proving ground for the rest of General Motors, pioneering technologies like Magnetic Ride Control and Performance Traction Management before they filter down to the rest of the fleet. The C9 will maintain this role at the bleeding edge of the performance envelope, acting as the rolling laboratory for GM's next era of power delivery.

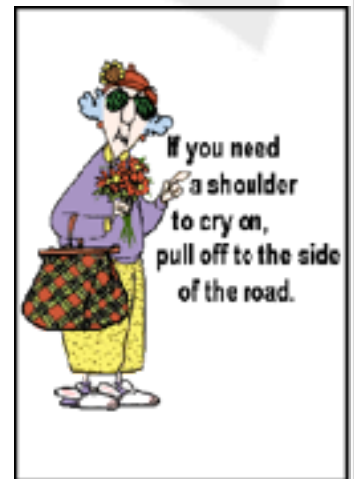
We expect the C9 to stick with a traditional pushrod V8 at the outset, though we could see a fully electric-powered Corvette join the lineup at some point in the early 2030s. The base Stingray powertrain will likely borrow a page from recent history: the 2027 Corvette Grand Sport marked the debut of Chevy's new LT6 6.7-liter V8, which outputs 535 horsepower and 520 lb-ft of torque. We strongly suspect this engine, paired with a refined eight-speed dual-clutch automatic transmission, will motivate the base C9 when it first turns wheels. The C9 Corvette is expected to officially hit showrooms in the summer of 2029, launching designated as a 2030 model year vehicle.

Chevy Addresses Complaints...

Chevrolet directly addressed long-standing enthusiast complaints by **completely redesigning the Corvette's interior**. The controversial "button wall" has been replaced with a more ergonomic and passenger-friendly layout.

The 2026 update introduces comprehensive changes to improve cabin usability:

- **The Button Wall Eliminated:** The polarizing vertical strip of climate controls that divided the driver and passenger has been removed. It is replaced by a flat, lower console layout that gives both occupants easier access to controls and opens up the cabin.
- **Three-Screen Setup:** The cabin now features a redesigned, digitized dashboard featuring a 14-inch digital Driver Information Center, a 12.7-inch center infotainment display, and a 6.6-inch auxiliary touchscreen on the driver's left.
- **Enhanced Comfort:** The updated layout integrates climate controls just below the main screen and repositions the wireless phone charger.
- **Model Lineup:** The interior overhaul and standard changes apply across the lineup, including the Stingray, Z06, E-Ray, and the twin-turbocharged ZR



Special Day for GM, Corvette & Cadillac

What a special day for General Motors and the Cadillac Racing and Corvette Racing Teams in Detroit," said Mark Reuss, President, General Motors. "Winning both classes of the Chevrolet Detroit Sports Car Classic on the streets of the Motor City is a tremendous achievement for our motorsports, design and engineering teams. Congratulations to Whelen Cadillac and Corvette Racing by Pratt Miller Motorsports teams on hard-earned victories at our home race."

New Camaro.....

The Camaro needs no introduction. Despite shortsighted executives killing it off twice (2003 through 2010, and 2025 to present), Chevrolet's pony car is bigger than the brand itself—and circumstances have aligned for its return. While General Motors flirted with bringing back the Camaro as an electric SUV to rival Ford's Mustang Mach-E, signs now point to the car returning for 2028 in the familiar form of a classic two-door, four-seat, front-engine, rear-drive coupe.



Powertrain wise, don't expect the 2028 Camaro to break any new ground, either. The base engine will most likely be a version of GM's ubiquitous LSY 2.0-liter turbocharged I-4 with power cranked up to at least match the base Mustang's 315 hp. From there, expect to see a slew of V-8 options, likely courtesy of the 2027 Chevy Silverado. We'll be surprised if the Silverado's new 5.7-liter V-8 isn't found under the hood of the next-gen Camaro SS, with output of about 500 hp. The larger 6.6-liter V-8 should also fit in the relatively trim Alpha 2-2 chassis, making it a fine basis for a Camaro Z/28 revival. Expect both six-speed manual and 10-speed automatic transmission options to be available from the jump.

Do expect the Camaro to Debut With Four Doors As A 2029 Model. Reports from GM Authority claim the standard Camaro will morph into a four-door sedan with overall exterior dimensions similar to the retired Chevy SS or midsize Malibu. While it wouldn't be the traditional form purists expect, it would at least keep the name alive while preserving rear-wheel-drive proportions.



Upcoming Events

2026 UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Recurring Events:

- Every Saturday – 6:30 AM – **Cars & Coffee** @ Aspen Mills
46-520 Washington St, La Quinta
- 2nd Tuesday – 7 PM – **General Meeting** @ Jessup Auto Plaza,
68-111 E. Palm Canyon, Cathedral City
- 3rd Thursday – 5 PM – **Dinner Night Out (DNO)** (none in Dec.)
- Last Friday – 11:30 AM – Separate **Diva** and **Stud Luncheons**
(none in Nov. and Dec.)

Nov 11 Veteran's Day Parade

Dec 5 PSCC Christmas Party

Dec 31 New Year's Party

**Jan26-29 2027 Barrett Jackson
Scottsdale Contact Michele**

**March 17th 2027 St Patrick's Day at Ron
& Sharon Burton's**

March 21-24 Solvang /Monterey

April 2027 Gambler Classic

Reminder that we ask PSC 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.

