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Presidents Report

Sept. 2009

Just another couple of months until we kick off the holiday season, I know that no one is looking forward to hearing that, but the truth is the days, and the year are just flying by.

I hope that everyone had a great time on the Run to Reno with the Caravan Kick-off '09, and I hope those that took the entire trip, are safe and not having any problems on the road.

Another exciting Auto X, and there was even someone who tried to take out the timing lights, luckily nothing was damaged, and they were able to continue for the weekend. (Of course it was not intentional)

Speaking of end of the year, I hope everyone is thinking about going to the WSCC year end award banquet, it's a great opportunity to support your fellow club members who are competing for points. Look forward to more info in upcoming newsletters, and you can also check the WSCC website.

Looking forward to a drive through wine country, look for the flyer about this month's social.

I hear the new license plate frames are here, hope to see them at the next meeting.

Please also watch the newsletter about information for the holiday season, we need your help or suggestions on a few things, so please be on the lookout for that.

I hear next months event is a Tin Lizzy event, but you never can tell how the weather is going to be especially in October. We are all hoping for good weather the last weekend of October I know that one.

Looking forward to seeing you at the next Auto X and of course the meeting on September 9th.

President,
Heather Torres

SAVE THE WAVE



Timing Light pieces "flying"

Photo courtesy Helen Landis's sister.

No pieces were permanently harmed in the Capture of this photograph.



Timing Light pieces "at rest"

Photo courtesy Helen Landis's sister

North Bay Corvette Association

Minutes of General Meeting August 12, 2009

Presiding Officer –Heather Torres

Meeting called to order – 7:00 PM

Held at Hamilton Field, Marin Power Squadron

Membership Director Karyn Kambur introduced two guests at the meeting. Margaret Gill from Mill Valley, and her friend John Fraser from Sausalito, arrived together in John's 2007 C6 Corvette convertible. A hearty welcome to our visitors, and a wish to enjoy the top-down weather we're having right now.

Secretary Richard Dullea announced that the minutes were sent to board members, then newsletter editor Steve Jackson, after which they were published in the newsletter. Jane Rittler made a motion to accept the minutes; Bill Donnelly made the second. Unanimous.

Newsletter Editor Steve Jackson reported that the North Bay Corvette Association Newsletter had been sent electronically. Paper copies were available at the meeting and were distributed as needed. The due date for the September newsletter is Wednesday, August 26th. Steve also sends out a "Thank You" for the articles and photos submitted, and a reminder to send in articles if you have one. To send your articles to Steve electronically, submit to: sjackson@ffic.com

Home Page Editor Ron Whittemore reported that all systems were go and in fine order. Thank you Ron for keeping North Bay Corvettes in the clouds. Visit our online home page at www.northbaycorvettes.com

Publicity Director Dan Divita reported that with the help of Shirley Hill, who provided club artwork, that they were able to produce an update of new publicity materials. Dan presented samples of a new business card and a new tri-fold pamphlet. All new materials stress the club's web site, and mention the second Wednesday, monthly meeting. Samples of each were passed around for club members to examine. Next Dan will conduct a price comparison among printers, and prepare a recommendation for the next meeting, after review at the board meeting.

Member at Large Eric Larson presented a Photo scrapbook for display, showing the earliest days of the North Bay Corvette Association. Eric said he

would also show the scrapbook at the pizza parlor after the meeting.

Treasurer Geoffrey Smith reported a healthy bank balance, with income from monthly raffles and upcoming autocrosses continuing a positive cash flow.

Social Director Les Brown, after receiving a huge "welcome back" from club members, described upcoming "Old Cranks" outings. If you'd like to join the Old Cranks, contact Les Brown for details, at lcbpe@sbcglobal.net All Old Cranks outings begin with breakfast.

Next club event, Thursday night, Aug. 20, Cruise Night with a Wave By, from club members starting in Sonoma. Sonoma Marina is the starting point, on Highway 37. Leave at 6 p.m., head east, then left on Lakeville Highway to Petaluma, end at Phyllis's Giant Burgers in Novato. Watch your email for the next social outing.

This month's Autocrosses, on Aug. 22-23, are official club and social events, Les said. Attend and you could be put to work, and even take a ride with a driver on the course.

Caravan to Bowling Green – First leg to Reno. Les circulated a flyer for members to show interest in participating in the first leg of the caravan to Reno. Rooms for the overnight are still available. Contact Les Brown for further details, at lcbpe@sbcglobal.net

Les presented thank you gifts to Pam Walter and Rick Dullea for covering the raffle in his absence. Ralph Brabo received a nice thermometer as a thank you for "stepping up" and planning the July social event. Corky via Dan also received a nice wall display from Les as a thank you.

The Classy Ladies group is taking July and August off. Peri Hogya said she has a September plan in the works, on Sept. 19th, in the St. Helena area. Watch for email notices.

Vice President Mike Walter gave a special bottle of wine to Bill Donnelly, for not winning last month. Mike also announced that help is always needed at Autocrosses. On weekends of Autocrosses, meet at 5 p.m. at the Solano Community College parking lot. Mike also said lots of help is needed on Sundays as well.

Ken Albers continued to spread the word about C6 wheel hub nuts. GM has recognized that the single nut used in production, needs to be reinforced with a second, or double nut, or risk the axle hub becoming loose. Obtain the sets of nuts to reinforce the wheel hubs from your Chevy dealership. Thank you Ken for staying on top of this technical issue.

New Business.

Skip Zeller reported paying a visit to former North Bay Corvettes members in Madera, CA. Cleve says "Hi" to the club.

Bill Donnelly reported that he researched a better pizza parlor for the post-meeting social gather, and suggested Red Boy Pizza as an alternative to the Novato Round Table, both in size and ambiance. After discussion, club members agreed to give Red Boy a try for this meeting.

Skip Zeller made a motion for the Board to be authorized to spend up to \$650 to cover expenses of the updated printed matter – tri-fold, biz cards and

timing sheets. Tom Reimer seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Dan Divita suggested that instead of our use of pre-printed timing sheets, we begin using post-it notes, as is done by other clubs, at our Autocrosses.

Eric Larson made a motion to buy beverages after the meeting. Mike Walter made the second. The vote was unanimous.

President Heather Torres reported that the E-Board will hold its meeting at Mike and Pam Walter's house on Wednesday, August 26th. Pam said dinner will be at 6 p.m.

Jane Rittler moved to adjourn the meeting. Heather Torres made the second. The vote was unanimous.

Submitted by Club Secretary Richard Dullea

It sure is nice walking up and down Fremont Street under structure that covered the street. The temperature was at least 15 degrees cooler in the shade.

Classy Corvette Ladies

September , 2009

The ladies are taking a break this month so there is nothing to report.

September, 2009

Carol Zeller

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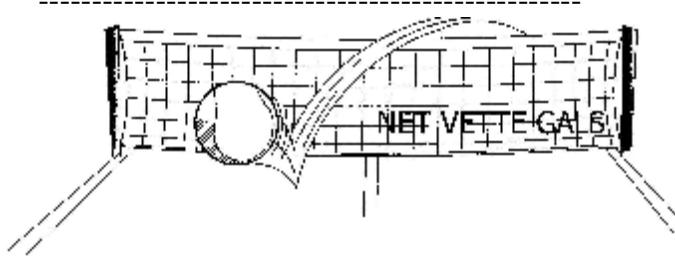
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husband who recently passed away.

At Mellow Motors in Greenbrae ask for Rick



Court Chatter from the Net Vette Gals

Not much to report this month.

We are: The Net Vette Gals
Save The Wave and
Tennis Anyone?

MEMBERSHIP



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<http://www.northbaycorvettes.com> for further information.

Visitors at August meeting .

Margaret Gill and John Fraser '07 C6 Conv.

AutoCross 2009 dates

The next weekend for autocrossing is:

Sep. 12th & 13th
Oct. 24th & 25th

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our Sept. meeting will be held in Novato on
the old Hamilton Air Force Base, at the :

Marin Power Squadron
789 Hamilton Parkway
Novato, CA 94949

Arrangements have also been made for the social hour
after the September meeting at :

Round Table Pizza
1565 S. Novato Blvd.
Novato, CA 94947

A map with directions from the meeting location to the
Round Table Pizza is also included in the newsletter.



September Social Director's Report

I am back from my yearly trip to the east coast and I find the club healthy and going strong. We have four months left in this year and already we are starting to think about what we want to do next year. We already

have ideas for Jan, Feb, and Mar; our traditional Tin Lizzie event months. We welcome more. Members who have taken on a monthly social have found them to be very rewarding.

Raffles

Your generosity continues as our charity fund is now over \$800, well on our way to our \$1,000 goal. Now is the time to start thinking of which charities we would like to donate to. In the past we have given to Hannah Boy's Center and Matrix.

I would like to propose that we divide the money up equality amongst four charities selected by the members via ballot at our November Meeting. We already have Matrix, Hannah Boy's Center, Hospice of Marin, American Cancer Society, and the Breast Cancer Society. Send me your favorite charity to add to the list. We will publish the list in the October newsletter and discuss it at that meeting. We will vote at our November meeting; each member can vote for their four favorite charities.

August Social Events

Nord Fjord 52 AutoX Solano Jr. College, Fairfield, CA

We had another great AutoX in August. VVV had 88 cars run on their day and we had 85 on ours. I understand that some of our members came out to watch on Saturday. I hope they had a good time. Look elsewhere in this newsletter for the results of the AutoX.

Our next AutoX is on Sunday, September 13 with VVV's holding theirs on the 12th. If you're interested come out and see us then. Look for Neil's flyer in this newsletter.

Cruise Night – Phyllis's Giant Burgers 19 August

My first cruise night back was supposed to duplicate one we did last year where the group from Sonoma Marina met the group from Petaluma on the Lakeville Hwy. When we met we could practice the "wave."

We forgot one thing – Race Weekend at Infineon. This caused a minor hiccup and caused one member to become so frustrated he went directly to the restaurant.

Well Dan was in charge of the northern group and he pulled the wool over my eyes leading me to believe that there were several cars there. When we met on Lakeville, he and Corky were the only ones from the north!



Only one car from the north!

Neil was the smart one and brought his own hand to wave at Dan & Corky. Dan beat us to Phyllis's and directed traffic when the rest of us arrived.



Is Dan trying to hide behind that tree?

We all had a good time and good food. Two members from CSC made it to the restaurant along with Ron. Thank you all!

**09 NCM Caravan
Vacaville to Reno and Back
29/30 August 2009**

We had twelve Corvettes leave the scales on Hwy 37 at 10:00 Saturday the 29th of August to start a weekend of fun driving our cars. We were going to escort the National Corvette Museum 09 Caravan as far as the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno. Ken & Marci and Bill & Lee were our club members who are going “all the way” back to Bowling Green. They have a great trip ahead of them.

Ken & Marci wanted the whole experience so they spent the night in San Jose where the caravan started. We, on the other hand, wanted food! Bill & Lee were joined by Les, Larry, Steve J., Big Bob, Heather, Eric & Lynn, Ed & Peri, Colleen & Nanette (daughter,) Sandy & Doug, Tom & Sandy, Bill D & Pony, and Dan & Corky (gee, why did I put them last?)



Staging at the scales on Hwy 37



Here we are, ready to go!

We headed to Original Mels in Vacaville where we met friends from VVV and where Pam had arraigned for us to have breakfast/brunch/lunch. Thank you Pam for making that happen, it was good food and service.



Les receiving Ken's call.

After everyone was full and content we left for our staging area on the Allison St onramp. We were supposed to meet four cars from VVV but Ken's early phone call did not allow us to wait for them. Tom and Sandy joined us for the ride to Vacaville but had to return home. We enjoyed their company while they were with us.

Ken and Marci flew by in their 59 before we were all staged so we played a game of catch up. There were forty of so cars that left SJ so we blended in quite well. Even if you got split off from our group there plenty of other Corvettes to hang with.

Our next stop was in Rockland at Sierra College where ten porta-potties awaited us. Corvettes came and went as we chatted with friends from other clubs. It was about 100 degrees so we didn't stay long. We were off again but soon got separated going to Donner Summit. We pulled off at that rest area to regroup as Ken & Marci went whizzing by.



Last pit stop before getting to the hotel.

We reached the Grand Sierra Resort around 4:30 and checked in. There was no formal program for the evening so we went around in small groups and all enjoyed our own interests. As I understand it,

one member and her daughter went line dancing until the wee hours while another's girl friend danced with her son!

The next morning I was up at 5:00 a.m. to see our members off. Bill & Lee and Ken & Marci were already outside by the lobby. There was a driver's meeting where the cars were parked and the group was off at 6:05 for just west of Salt Lake City, UT.



5:30 a.m. drivers meeting – getting of the maps!



Ken & Marci with the top up.



Bill & Lee – are you sure this is our car?

I went back to check out of the hotel and hang out at Starbucks waiting for our members to group for our return trip.

The ride home

We were down to six cars; Les, Larry, Dan & Corky, Bill & Pony, Eric & Lynn, and Steve & Heather. We lost Big Bob, Ed & Peri, Sandy & Doug, and Colleen and Nanette. We couldn't have chosen a nicer, more beautiful, Corvette trip home. We headed south on US395 to US88W under blue skies and great temperatures (although we knew it was going to get hot.)

We left right around 9:30 a.m. Our trip was full of false stops, turns and other side adventures that you have come to expect from our group. Our first stop was for gas. The first station I stopped at only took cash – back on the road again. At the gas station we stopped at near Minden, NV we decided we would stop in Jackson, CA for lunch.

US88 is a beautiful Corvette road. Even though a lot of the road is being repaved, they weren't working on Sunday. We were able to stay as a group of six cars pretty much the entire route. US88 also known as the Carson Pass Highway tops out around 8,500 feet in elevation. No problem for the vettes. We did have a few passing situations that proved to be no problem either. We passed pristine blue lakes/reservoirs, awesome valley views, and granite rock outcroppings as we drove the speed limit + five.

When we got into Jackson we were all pretty hungry but had trouble finding a restaurant that we wanted to stop at. We decided to turn into a shopping center and by accident came across a burger joint called Hoot'N Annie's Bar and Grill, Good Eats Grill and Watering Hole. It was great! We liked it so much we spent over an hour there.

Back on the road again we soon came to Rte 12. Now we are into traffic but we are still able to stay pretty close together. A word about "my" Jill. Jill constantly tries to take me home the fastest way, not necessarily the way I want to go. You cannot program Jill. After leaving Hoot'N Annie's she tried to redirect me off our course. I caught her error in time and got the group redirected. I turned off her vocal chords.

We were approaching I5 on Rte 12 when Bill yelled out that he wanted ice cream and HE knew where there was an ice cream shop – NOT. After another

miscue we turned the lead over to Larry who took us to Gemma T's Drive In for ice cream. While we were enjoying our frozen delights, the owner's daughter was outside taking pictures of our cars. Heather noticed a picture of a Corvette on the wall with a VVV decal on it. Maybe one of our pictures will be up there.

We were about to begin the last leg of our return. Radios were collected and good-byes exchanged. Larry and I were going to head south on I80 while the other four cars were going to continue on 12. I got home around 5:30 p.m. We traveled around 380 miles in the two days over some great roads with great scenery. It was a great Corvette weekend. Sorry, if you missed it.

September Social Event *19 September*

Ed and Peri are in charge of this month's social event. They have a wonderful day planned for us to travel to St. Helena for lunch at Taylor's Automatic Refresher and then on to [Domaine Carneros Winery](#) in Napa. Wine tasting is available for an additional cost. We will be leaving Cattleman's Restaurant in Petaluma at 9:30 a.m. If I don't have time to put a flyer in this newsletter I will email one next week and bring some to the meeting.

After we finish our visit to the winery we have been invited to Bill's house in Sonoma for an afternoon barbeque. Bill says "Bring your swimsuits to sit by the pool!" There will be a nominal charge of \$10 per person for this portion of the event to cover the cost of the barbeque and soft drinks. BYOB for all alcohol drinks. Side dishes always welcomed. Just give us a call and let us know what you are bringing.

Christmas Party

It is not too early to start thinking about our Christmas Party, It is being arraigned by Lynn and will be at the Deer Park Villa. We are having another successful year and I want to approach you, our members, about allocating \$2,000 of our funds to help defray the cost of the party.

I am not asking now, but would like you to start thinking about it. If we have an equivalent turnout as last year this would result in about \$20 per member. So work those brain cells!

Submitted:
Les Brown, Social Director

2009/10 NBCA Social Calendar

September

- 2nd 8th Cruise Night
- 9th Monthly Mtg., Marin Power Squadron, Novato
- 13th Nord Fjord 53, Solano Jr. College, Fairfield, Neil
- 15th Old Cranks Outing, Les
- 16th 9th Cruise Night
- 19th St. Helena Trip, Ed & Peri
- 23rd Eboard Mtg.
- 27th Pini Hardware Car Display
- 30th Final Cruise Night

October

- 14th Monthly Mtg., Marin Power Squadron, Novato
- 18th Run to Apple Hill, Lv scales on Hwy 37
- 20th Old Cranks Outing, Les
- 25th Nord Fjord 54, Solano Jr. College, Fairfield, Neil
- 28th Eboard Mtg.

November

Tin Lizzie Events

- 11th Monthly Mtg,
- 13th – 15th Wine Tasting, Madera, Carol S.
- 17th Old Cranks Outing, Les
- 22nd Holiday Shopping at Pier 39, Lv Larkspur Ferry Terminal, Larkspur, CA

December

Tin Lizzie Events

- 5th Xmas Tree Cutting Party, Jane & John, Sebastopol
- 5th Eboard Mtg.
- 9th Monthly Mtg., Marin Power Squadron, Novato
- Xmas Party
- 12th Xmas Party, Deer Park Villa, Fairfax, CA
- 15th Old Cranks Outing, Les
- 24th Breakfast run to Mel's Diner, SF

January 2010

Tin Lizzie Events

- White Elephant Party
- 13th Monthly Mtg. Marin Power Squadron
- 27th Eboard Mtg.

February 2010

Tin Lizzie Events

- Super Bowl Party
- 10th Monthly Mtg. Marin Power Squadron
- 24th Eboard Mtg.

March 2010

Tin Lizzie Events

- St. Patty's Day Party
- 10th Monthly Mtg. Marin Power Squadron
- 24th Eboard Mtg.



Three old cranks showed up at the scales on Hwy 37 for the run to Napa. Dan, Neil, and Les left the scales at 9:30 a.m. to run up to Hwy-29 Café for a great huge breakfast. Neither of the valley boys was able to

make the breakfast.

After breakfast we decided to take in a movie at Rowland Plaza in Novato. We decided to go see District 9. EVEN though we had just eaten, two out of the three had to have some popcorn (go figure.)

None of us really liked the movie and I would not recommend it to you. Enough said. After the movie we decided to pester Dennis at Pini

My First Corvette

By Richard Dullea

Serendipity

Readers of this column might remember Super Bowl Sunday this past year, and the party at Ed and Peri's house in Petaluma. Fellow club member Steve Avanzino co-piloted as I drove my Corvette. Steve demonstrated his GPS, which was my first look at the new navigation tool.

Anyway, as we drove to the Super Bowl Party, it became apparent that my shifter gave me trouble. It was as if I could push in the clutch, but it wouldn't go in all the way. The culprit, readers my recall, was an empty master cylinder for the hydraulic clutch system. Initially, and subsequently, adding Dot 3 brake fluid kept me going and going. The leak was slow.

Yesterday, after half a year, I had my master cylinder replaced with a genuine AC Delco replacement. To reach the old cylinder, the side panel by the battery was removed, as well as the battery. This gave good access to the cylinder. Here comes the serendipity – when removing the battery cables, the negative cable had corrosion affecting

Hardware. We told the receptionist to tell him that the “Old Cranks” wanted to see him. He came out smiling and we chatted for a few minutes. He didn't have the tool we needed so he sent us to Napa Auto Parts where we were successful

Rooster Brown
Old Cranks Coordinator

the ground. (Serendipity is a fun word that describes what happens when, on the way to performing one task, another, wonderful discovery is made, like finding lost keys, or in my case, a bad ground).

Suddenly, the reason for my pulsating light display on my dash, and the oddness of other electrical components, became clear. I haven't written about the pulsating light display, but for the past few months, while driving at night, the dash lights would go spontaneously from bright to slightly less bright, going in and out of intensity. Moreover, the temperature display, for the past few months, upon warming up, gave me an incredible display of garbled characters, constantly changing, as if the system needed time to warm up.

Well, the light shined brightly yesterday, as removal of the battery revealed a grounding fault. On the way home, my displays were rock solid as they should be. For those keeping count, my hydraulic system is now intact, and my electrical oddities have ended.

I'd like you to meet Lisa...

The first time I saw the GPS tool work when Steve brought it along on Super Bowl Sunday, I knew that I would like to have my own. Later in the year, we kept hearing Les Brown talk about his

friend Jill, while driving to the convention in Las Vegas, and to other club events. Jill would give us ideas on where we could stop for food, and where we could stop for refueling. Jill is the name that Les gave to his GPS tool. While at the convention, and I'm now wearing my 'shame hat,' I co-piloted with Janet Nogara, and her onboard GPS kept giving us directions back to her home in Greenbrae. Frustration grew, because we both couldn't program her onboard GPS. And me, the navigator!

A few weeks ago, I talked up my quest for a personal GPS, and a friend mentioned that Costco had a great deal going on a unit. I drove there that day and bought a Garmin nuvi 260W GPS with all the bells and whistles. The problem we had in Janet's Corvette, was that the GPS kept directing us to her home, instead of the motel's address, which we needed to load. Hindsight is so valuable!

I put my GPS to work right away in my volunteer work. I became a residential property inspector, as a representative of Mediation Services of Marin County. Map Quests after Map Quest were printed in the past, as I began my first inspections. Then came my GPS, and believe me when I say, my world of navigating the Bay Area has been simplified and foolproof, the latter being

particularly important in my case. And the county office is saving computer paper, to boot.

Next, I needed a name for the electronic helper that tells me street names, when to turn, and my expected arrival time. For a long time I considered a few names. At first I settled on Carmen, since I found myself saying things like, "Where's my Garmin?" The rhyme seemed to work. But there was no sparkle with the name Carmen. Back in 2000, I met a woman from Texas who led our pilgrimage to Europe. We became friends, and as you can guess, her name is Lisa.

So, my Garmin officially became Lisa last night, as I introduced Lisa to some friends as we drove to a distant address in San Francisco. An interesting side note: Showing off my Garmin after a meeting last month, Pete Herley showed me many of the yet learned features, including, to my surprise, the name of the voice loaded in the unit – Samantha. In all fairness, the name Samantha lacks the same sparkle that Carmen does.

A special wish to all Corvetters out there: Congratulations on owning America's favorite sports car.

~~ Richard Dullea~~

Western States Corvette Council Calendar of Events – 2009

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT NAME</u>	<u>TYPE/SANCTIONED</u>	<u>CLUB SPONSOR</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
<u>March</u>					
<u>April</u>					
<u>May</u>					
<u>June</u>					
<u>July</u>					
<u>August</u>					
<u>September</u>					
9/11	HNV Drag Racing	V S	HNV	Paul Bloch	702-451-6365
9/12	HNV Autocross	V S	HNV	Paul Bloch	702-451-6365
9/12	Onion Peel Autocross	I S	VVV & NB	Dan Barber	707-449-1320
9/13	Nord Fjord Autocross	I S	VVV & NB	Mike Walter	707-449-4702
9/20	Corvette Spectacular CS	I S/P&S	SCC	David Johnston	408-255-2183
9/27	Marina Autocross	I S	SCC	Rick Bronner	408-629-7660
9/27	Super Run Rockin Rallyes	V S	HNV	Paul Bloch	702-451-6365
9/27	Salute to Corvettes CS	I S/P&S	CCC	Kim Hills	707-694-4828
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10/2	HNV Drag Racing	V S	HNV	Paul Bloch	702-451-6365
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10/8-10	Corvette Corral Laguna Seca	V S	WSSC	Buzz Marston	408-353-3500
10/11	Vettes & Jets	V S	RioVista	Rolf Sabye	707-374-5053
10/18	HNV Autocross	V S	HNV	Paul Bloch	702-451-6365
10/24-25	Halloween Autocross	I S	VVV & NB	Dan Barber	707-449-1320
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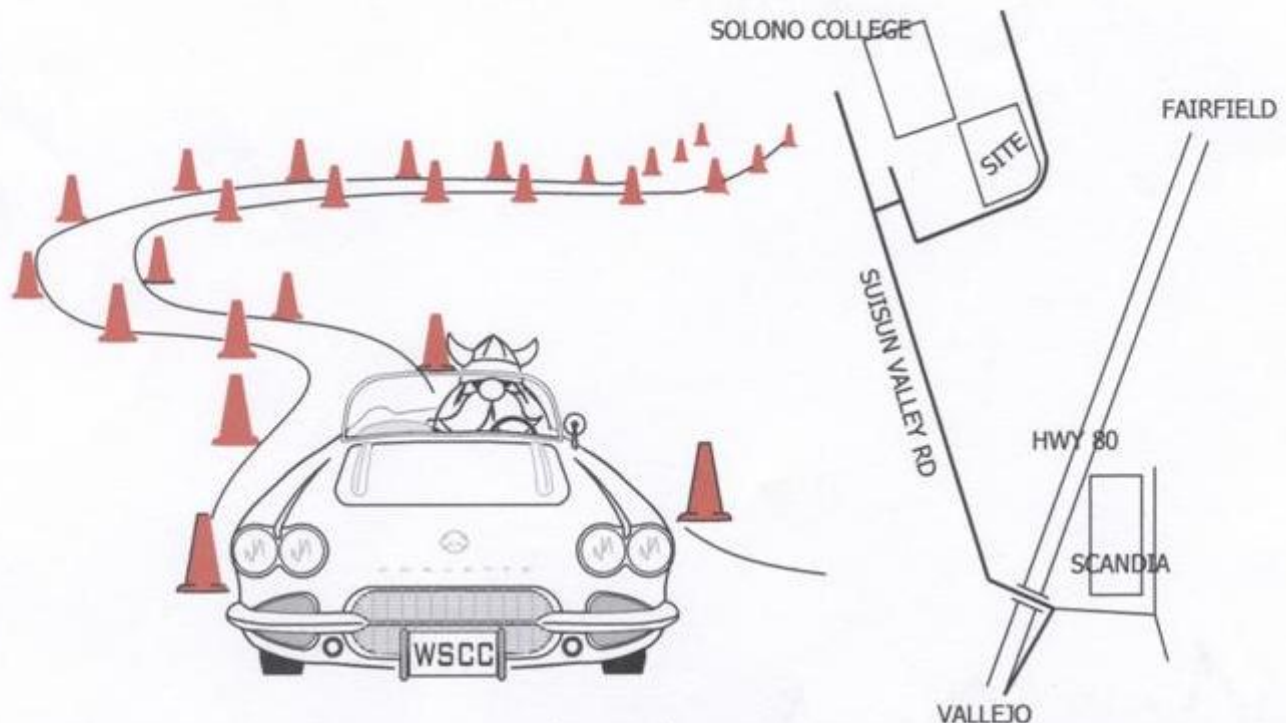
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FUTURE EVENTS

NORD FJORD 54 -- OCT 25, 2009



REQUIREMENTS : VALID DRIVERS LICENSE , SEAT BELTS , HELMET
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September Birthdays

<i>Denyce Codoni</i>	<i>9/1</i>	<i>Tom Reimer</i>	<i>9/17</i>
<i>Peri Hogya</i>	<i>9/12</i>	<i>Ken Albers</i>	<i>9/27</i>

2010 Corvette Official prices

2010 Corvette Coupe	\$49,880	CC3 Glass Roof instead of Painted Roof	\$750
1LT Base Equipment Group	\$0	CCR Special order option	\$0
2LT Equipment Group	\$1,195	D30 Color Combination Override	\$590
3LT Preferred Equipment Group	\$4,205	F55 Magnetic Ride Control with Drilled Rotors	\$1,995
4LT Premium Equipment Group	\$7,705	MN6 6-Speed Manual Transmission	\$0
2010 Corvette Convertible	\$54,530	MXO 6-Speed Paddle Shift Automatic Transmission	\$1,250
1LT Base Equipment Group	\$0	NPP Dual Mode Exhaust	\$1,195
2LT Equipment Group	\$3,190	PYD Grand Sport Competition Gray Wheels	\$395
3LT Preferred Equipment Group	\$6,200	PYE Grand Sport Chrome Wheels	\$1,995
4LT Premium Equipment Group	\$9,700	Q44 Z06 Competition Gray Wheels	\$395
2010 Corvette Grand Sport Coupe	\$55,720	Q6B ZR1 Chrome Wheels	\$2,000
1LT Base Equipment Group	\$0	Q6J ZR1 Competition Gray Wheels	\$395
2LT Equipment Group	\$1,195	Q76 Z06 Original Chrome 10 spoke Wheels	\$1,495
3LT Preferred Equipment Group	\$4,205	Q8A Z06 Spider Chrome Wheels	\$1,995
4LT Premium Equipment Group	\$7,705	Q9V Chrome 5 Spoke Wheels-Coupe and Conv Only	\$1,850
2010 Corvette Grand Sport Convertible	\$59,530	QX1 Split Spoke Competition Gray Wheels	\$395
1LT Base Equipment Group	\$0	R8C Museum Delivery	\$490
2LT Equipment Group	\$3,190	U3U Navigation 6.5" Screen	\$1,750
3LT Preferred Equipment Group	\$6,200	US9 6 Disc CD Changer	\$395
4LT Premium Equipment Group	\$9,700	Z15 Grand Sport Heritage Package	\$1,195
2010 Corvette Z06	\$75,235	**6 Two-Tone Seating	\$695
1LZ Base Equipment Group	\$0	0B1 Cross Flag Embroidery on Headrests	\$300
2LZ Preferred Equipment Group	\$2,665	45U Velocity Yellow Premium Tintcoat	\$850
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2010 Corvette ZR1	\$107,830	89U Crystal Red Premium Tintcoat	\$850
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OPTIONS Next Column

C2L Roof Package – Includes Painted and Glass Tops \$1,400

The 2009 National Corvette Museum Caravan

By Ken Albers

The National Corvette Museum Caravan back to Bowling Green, KY started at Club Auto Sport in San Jose on Sat., but a little background first.

We decided to drive our 61 Corvette because we wanted to drive back by way of Route 66, and it would be much more fun in the 61 than in the new 07, even though it would be more comfortable in the new car.



Ken off to get more gas!

So, I had to make the car ready. The previous owner put in a new crate 350 engine, new exhaust, wiring, brakes and tires, and rebuilt the entire front suspension and steering. I continued from there. I previously put in a new radiator, and in the last few months I put in a new rear end (3.08,) clutch, rear wheel bearings, seals, rebuilt wheel and master cylinders, universals.

In the last month, I added AC, an MP3 radio and a new soft top and frame. I was working nearly daylight to dark trying to get it ready. Finally Friday morning at 7am I was able to resolve the final problem with the AC. I told Marci that noon was the deadline before we changed to the new car. Of course there were several issues with everything, late delivery of parts, parts missing and/or not working as we were told, etc. It was really down to the wire.

A special thank you goes out to Billy Lakes for spending 3 days helping me get the AC in and

working, and Eric Larson for staying until 12:30 one night to help get the top on. A quick wash and wax, and the car was as ready as it would ever be. I figured I covered every mechanical area that could go wrong.

Saturday morning we showed up for a great breakfast provided by the fire dept. and about 40 Corvettes headed out at 11 am escorted by the CHP. The CHP blocked all the intersections and even stopped the freeway traffic so we could all get on at one time. I'm sure some of the people that were stopped were not very happy, but it was pretty cool to get on the freeway with all the traffic stopped behind us. The weather was nice, so we started out with the top down, and I was the leader. That didn't last long as many of the drivers of the new cars didn't care for my 5 over the speed limit pace. At any rate, all went smoothly.

We picked up 14 cars in Vacaville from North Bay Corvettes and Vaca Valley Vettes. Our first stop was at Sierra College in Rocklin to pick up more cars. It was a bit warm, somewhere between 103 and 105. It was definitely warm with the top down, but the wind helped make it tolerable. But then Murphy showed up. I used this stop for my first gas stop, but just as I started out, the speedometer quit! Nothing I could do about it there, so we headed out, and it started getting cooler as we went over the mountain and it was a beautiful drive.

After getting settled in Reno, we went to gas up, an activity that has been happening way too often. As I was starting out from a stop, I noticed that the emergency brake light was flashing. I'm thinking, what else can go wrong, because I never saw that light work before. I wiggled the brake lever and it stopped. Next intersection, the same thing happened. Then I realized it was only flashing while going around a left turn. Putting 2 and 2 together, I realized that when I was trying to disconnect the speedo cable, I knocked one of the turn signal bulbs loose, and obviously I put it back in the wrong hole!

End of day one, and everything still in good shape. Hopefully this will continue.

to be continued...

Ken



Bunko Goes Pink



Saturday, October 17, 2009
Solano Community College
4000 Suisun Valley Road, Fairfield
Bldg 1400 - Cafeteria

Bunko starts at 2:00 pm
Doors open at 1:00 pm

Presale ticket price \$20 per person & \$25 at door

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and a group of Bunko Friends have put together a fun filled afternoon playing Bunko as a way of raising money to help in research efforts. All funds raised will go directly to:



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Light snacks & dessert provided
Come join us for a fun afternoon with
prize drawings and **Bunko!!!**



Corvettes at the Castle



Third Annual Car show and Wine Tasting at Ledson Winery in Sonoma. Co sponsored by NCCA and Ledson Winery



DATE: Saturday September 26
TIME: 10:00 AM Gate Opens
11:30 AM JUDGING STARTS
3:30 PM Awards Presentation
VENUE: Informal Car Show and Relaxed Day at the winery to socialize

Judging and Prizes of Ledson Wine will be done and Awarded by Ledson Staff ... Parking AND REGISTRATION will done by NCCA staff

This is not a WSCC event... It is simply a fun day at the winery with the chance of coming away with some of the best wines California has to offer



- Open to all Corvettes
- No Charge to Enter
- Wine Tasting Included
- Must Register in advance with NCCA
- Email: publications@nccacorvettes.org
- Call: George Robinson 650-508-8747 evenings / weekends
- Number of cars is limited by available space

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Corvettes at the Castle



REGISTRATION SHEET



NAME	YEAR / COLOR	MODEL / LICENSE
CLUB AFFILIATION	EMAIL	PHONE

Date: Saturday September 26 Time: 10:00AM Gates open Judging will start about 11:30 Awards of Ledson wines will be about 3:00PM. **This is an INFORMAL car show.** We are not going to have any rags down time. The hood can be up or down (engine will not be judged). **Ledson will provide judges who will be looking at the outside, inside and wheels/tires but only the sidewalls on the tires.** There will be a prizes for C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6 and C5/C6 Z06 (judged separately from the base C5/C6 categories). In addition there will also be a Peoples Choice prize. There is no charge for the show. Wine tasting passes (5 tastings) will be given to each registrant and passenger. Ledson has a deli for food and any wine purchases will be at the club members discount price if you purchase a case. The ONLY alcohol present should be the Ledson wines. **NCCA will organize the parking and registration. No cars will be permitted in the circle until NCCA arrives to set that up (approximately 10:00AM).** Registrations will cut off at approximately 60 cars (about 45 will fit in the circle and overflow will extend out the gate)

Fill out and email to: publications@nccacorvettes.org or FAX: 267-501-8747 or Mail: George Robinson 3024 San Juan Blve. Belmont CA 94002

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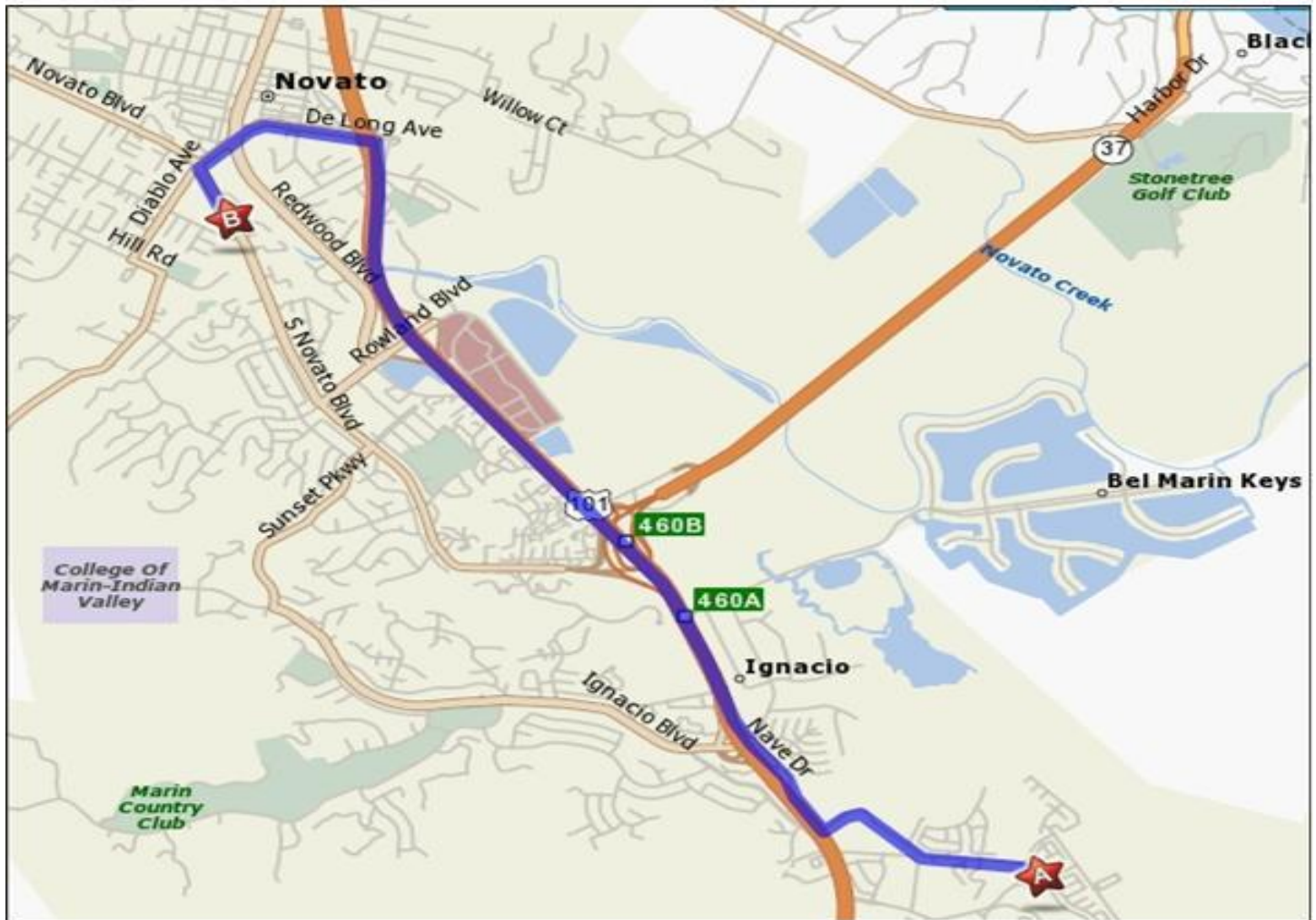
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Wednesday Sept. 9th 2009

after meeting

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Round Table Pizza
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Wednesday Sept. 9th 2009

North West on Hamilton Pkwy (.9 mile) to
Right Nave Dr (.5 mile) to
Straight to 101 N. Entrance (2.8 mile) to
Merge left 2 lanes (otherwise its Hwy37)
Exit 101N at DeLong Ave.
Left DeLong Ave. (.6 mile)
Becomes Diablo Ave. (.1 mile)
Left S. Novato Blvd (.2 mile)
Right into shopping center (Fernando's on right)
(Corvettes enter at an angle)
Take 1st or 2nd isle on right back to Round Table.

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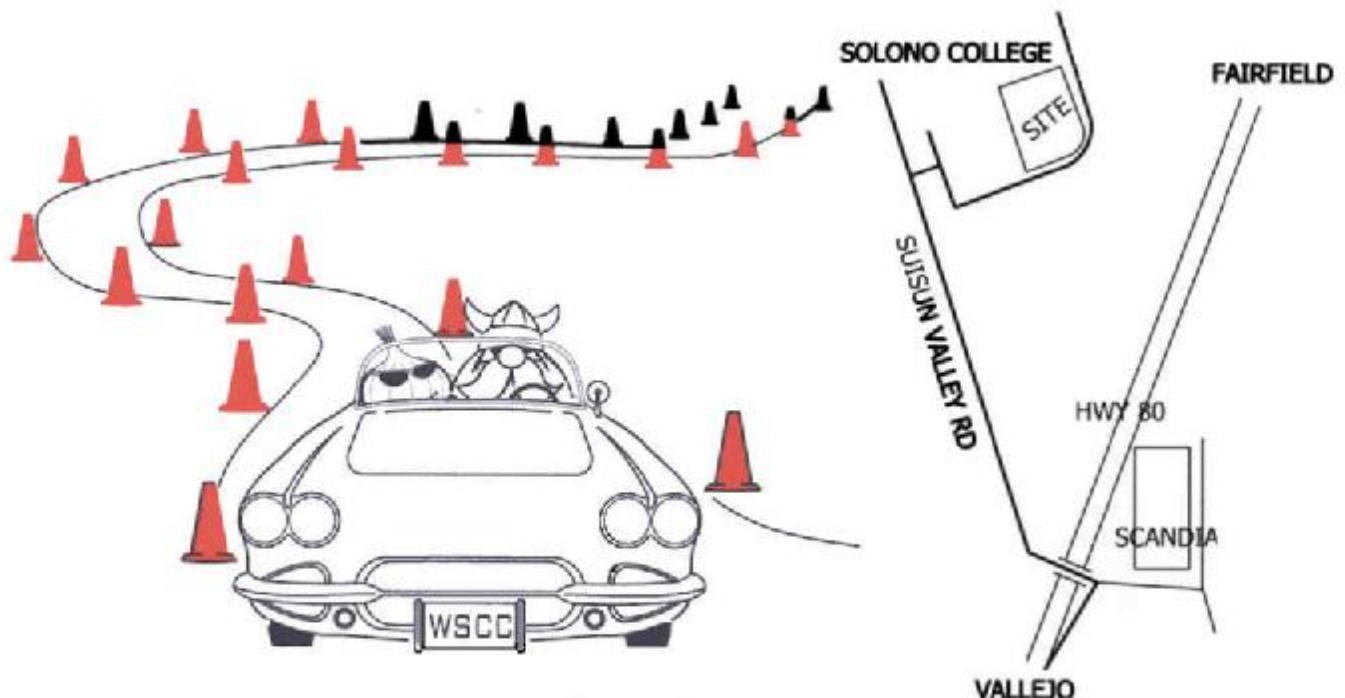
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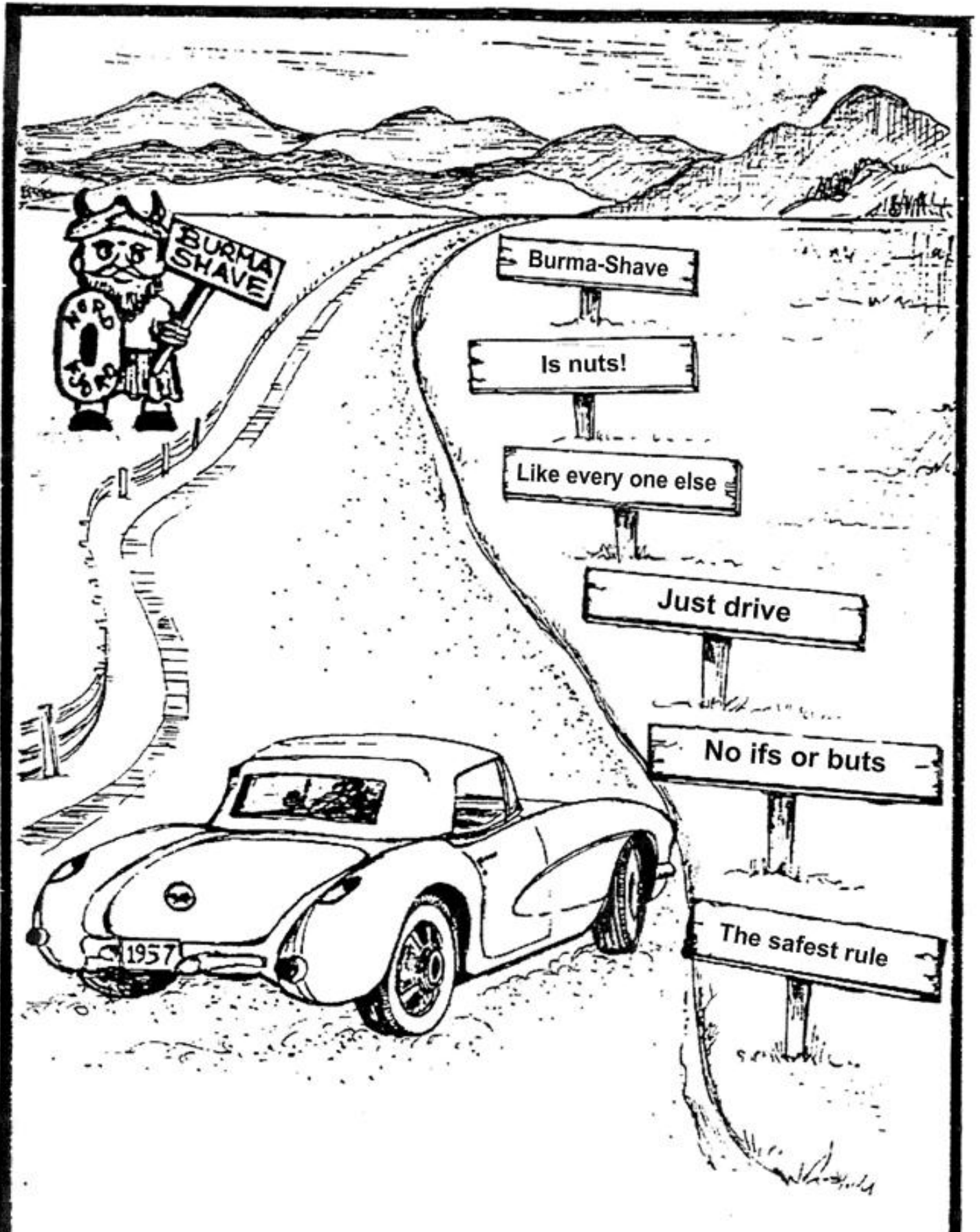


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