

DiscoVette

Newsletter of the Discovery Bay Corvette Club



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In Loving Memory Of Our Past President Calvin Jones





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Meeting Schedule: First Thursday of each month, except when otherwise noted.

Location: Discovery Bay Yacht Club

Board Meeting: 6:30 PM

General Meeting: Meeting 7:30 PM

All members are urged to attend the meetings and guests are always welcome!

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Next Meeting: February 11th, 2026

President Updates – February 2026

Hello DBCC Members:

I hope all of you had a great New Year's Eve and New Year's Day! Did you make some good New Year's Resolutions? Will you be strong and keep your Resolution for 2026? My wife and I want less Drama and more Fun!!! As I stated last month Karen and I spent New Years' on a Cruise to Mexico to bring in the New Year! This was fun and little different way to bring in the New Year for us rather than go to the Country Club or Yacht Club. There were about 25 people on the cruise ship from Discovery Bay. It sounded like some of our members in the DBCC had a good time bringing in 2026!!! I am looking forward to the New Year with our Corvette Club as we have some great runs and events already planned for this year. Last year was a Fun year but I believe we will have "great year" in 2026.

The BOD has reviewed the Standing Rule regarding the cost of running an ad in our newsletter for members and by the general public. The cost has not changed for several years and the BOD will address the changes that will be made at the next General Meeting in February.

If any of our members would like to send pictures or an article of your holiday fun or any traveling you may have done in the last month, send this to Laura Hardt...sharing a special event with your club members is a good way to get to know you better and club members will then share their experiences with the club as well.

In February the NFL Super Bowl will be played in Santa Clara, California and NASCAR's premiere race...the Daytona 500 will be run in Daytona, Florida! These are great events to attend if you have the chance to go.

"To all of our Members Happy Valentine's Day...don't forget February 14th!!! ☺

See you at our Club Meeting February 11, 2026. Be Safe & Courteous driving your Special Ride as You Represent our Club!!

Timothy L. Denham

President, Discovery Bay Corvette Club (DBCC)

tldenham@eraenergy.com



Secretary - Jerry Cellilo

DBCC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES/ORDER OF BUSINESS DATE: 1/7/2026

Call to Order - Time 7:35pm by Tim Denham at the Discovery Bay Yacht Club, Bilge Room

President's Report (Tim Denham)

Discussed a new contract will be created for the room rental at the Yacht Club.

We have changed the bank signature cards and other requirements with a new sitting board

Praised Laura Hardt for a fantastic job with the latest newsletter

Tim noted that we need more participation with new runs suggesting that if a member has an idea for a run other members will help set it up.

Vice President's Report (Bill Montgomery)

New members badge and packet were given out to new members.

New member Renee Malgradi noted a new C8 Corvette color Roswell Green which is somewhat related to Roswell, NM. They have an example in their showroom.

Bill will be handing out interest cards at the next meeting that will promote the club. Use at car events, etc.

Bylaws and standing rules are in process of getting revised. Bylaws are reviewed by the board then formal vote by members

Noted that he is leading the run to Hiller Aviation Museum 25th of April.

Treasurer's Report (Lisa Williams)

Financial Report covering November and December 2025

Revenue \$4811.00

Expenses \$ 698.70

Secretary's Report (Jerry Cellilo)

No report

Tim asked for an approval of the 11/6/2025 minutes. Kevin Metcalf moved.

Diana Cernera seconded. Approved.

Event's Report (Karen Murphy)

Events

1/31 to the Clayton Bowl - Kurt Walker Memorial Pecks are leading.

February TBD If anyone has any ideas let Karen know. Potential Auto Vino late February but open to other activities.

March run to Solvang

April run to the Hiller museum

Karen noted that Ralph has a full calendar on the member website.

Public Relation's Report (Lisa Walker)

Lisa noted an update to the Grapevine newsletter.

Also noted we on the electronic version of the Press mentioning of our meeting dates

Cars and Coffee (Marina) starts on April 18.

Quartermaster's Report (Nancy O'Brien)

Contact Nancy directly if interested in clothing or DBCC items

Webmaster's Report (Ralph Cernera)

Posted events for save the dates. Will add flyers as they become available.

Latest newsletter is posted.

Trying to move to a new service provider and a new password will be updated once we move.

Publication's Report (Laura Hardt)

Laura noted that you may receive emails that are spam. If you see an email from her, it is fake. DBCC emails will only come from the secretary. If Laura needs something from a member she will call.

Laura needs images of activities that are going on from members - Vacation trips, Birthdays, etc.



Western States Corvette Council Report (Rick Wiliams)

Rick described the WSCC noting that it is not a Corvette Club. They coordinate club activities in the region
The president of the WSCC has a seat on the National Corvette Museum
Rick noted for 2026 there are 6 planned runs to
Black Oak Casino, Chicken Ranch Casino and Murphys, CA
The WSCC has about 330 members.
Contact Rick if you want to join at \$35 a year per couple
He will do monthly updates of WSCC activities.

Sunshine Presentation (Diana Cerna)

Diana noted birthdays in December and January as well as members sick, in hospital, etc.
Requested visiting members sick at home.

Snacks for the January meeting were by Renee Malgradi and Cheryl Fleb'ut

Snacks for February meeting by Lisa Walker and Jerry Cellilo

NCM (National Corvette Museum) Ambassador (Dave Gatt)

Dave talked about a new Grand Sport for 2027 with an 6.7 liter LS 6 engine. The Stingray will also have the LS 6. Dave also noted the possibility of an adapted 6 speed manual C8.

He asked if there was interest in visiting the Monterrey Zoo/Vision Quest (Salinas)

Diana echoed how great the Monterey Zoo is.

Bill mentioned the flyer of the new building at the NCM and donations are being sought and for \$1000 you can get a tile or brick on the inside wall. Tim suggested the membership consider a donation to get a brick.

Old Business

none

New Business

Tim thanked the new board for their participation and noted that all board members are available to answer questions about the club.

Other Business

50/50 Raffle: The pot was \$100. The winner, Kevin Metcalf gets \$50 and the Club gets \$50

There being no Old or New business the meeting motion to close was made by Kevin Metcalf and seconded by Mary Hodel.

Meeting adjourned by Tim Denham at 8:25 pm



Vice President Report - Bill Montgomery

Hope everyone is having a good start to the new year. The rain has been holding off, but the ground fog has made it hard to get the Corvette out on the road. However, about a week ago, Jenifer and I took a pre-run to the Hiller Aviation Museum and then went to lunch at Harry's Hofbrau in Redwood City. We are all planned for our April 25th run. By the time you read this, you should have seen the flyer for the event.

There are more great runs being planned this year, so be on the lookout for information from our Events Coordinator.

Membership renewals have been completed, and it looks like we are at 45 memberships at this point. As the weather improves and car shows start back up, I expect that interest in our Club will increase. We are making sure that our Club name is in publications like the on-line version of The Press, and the annual "Welcome" magazine put out by The Press. We are also in the monthly magazine called the "Grapevine". If anyone has more advertising ideas, please let me know. Speaking of memberships, I have included the annual listing of membership milestones in this newsletter, produced by Ralph Cernera. Awards for the members achieving 5, 10, 15 years etc., will be given out later this year.

As some of you know, I have been having battery issues with my Corvette. It has been about 3 months now since the battery got completely drained. I charged it back up and put it on trickle charge, but even when I had a full charge showing on the trickle charger, I was getting sluggish starts. It got to the point that it would hardly take a charge, and it failed to start. The battery was only 11 months old. Yesterday I decided that I couldn't live with that unreliability and went and got a new battery (Interstate Batteries). It works great, but I have learned my lesson and need to keep it on trickle charge if I'm not going to drive it for longer than 4 days or so. By the way, I switched from the regular factory provided C7 battery trickle charger over to a "Battery Tender" brand and I rewired the connection plug to the battery, bypassing the cigarette lighter style connection in the trunk, to provide a better connection.

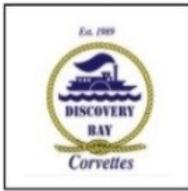
That's it for me this month. Hope everyone can find time and good weather to get their Corvettes out and on the road.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming meeting on Thursday, February 11th at 7:30pm.

Bill Montgomery/Vice President and Membership Coordinator

Billmont2@comcast.net





Our Membership Milestones - As of January 1, 2026

35-39 years

Anderson, Sue (37)
Realph, Bernie (37)
Silva, Betty (37)

30-34 years

Onstad, Lowell & Joanne (33)
Parker, Loretta (32)
Ramos, Don & Sandy (31)

25-29 years

Hardt, Jerry & Laura (27)

20-24 years

Brunetto, Rich & Patti (24)
Harris, David & Danica (23)

15-19 years

Allen, Rich (16)
Brandt, Lee (15)
Cernera, Ralph & Diana (17)
Enbom, Brian & Diane (15)
Gatt, Dave & Debbie (16)
Laughlin, Terry & Connie Miller (17)
Plonczak, Arnold (19)
Sauvadon, Paula (15)

10-14 years

Denham, Tim & Karen (11)
Fleb'ut, Cheryl (11)
Hodel, Roger & Mary (13)
O'Brien, Ed & Nancy (11)
Parker, Jack & Carlene (11)
Peck, Dave & Shari (10)

Pera, Jack & Amy (11)
Stark, Rhonda (11)
Watrous, Everett & Nancy (10)

5-9 years

Cellilo, Jerry & Judy Young (6)
Brett, Roy & Elaine (8)
Montgomery, Bill & Jenifer (7)
Murphy, Sean & Karen (5)
Williams, Rick & Lisa (5)
Zechmeister, Jerry & Kathleen (5)

1-4 years

Austin, Lance (4)
Blaz, Steve (2)
Constantin-Pau, Mahai & Andrea (3)
Craig, Rick & Kathleen (4)
Daley, Craig & Jackie (3)
de Sterke, Karen (4)
Dioso, Marc & Ceclia (1)
Mathews, Matt & Diane (4)
Metcalf, Kevin & Carol (1)
Terry, Carl & Lana (2)
Walker, Lisa (4)
Warren, Gary (2)

New Members

Malgradi, Ray & Renee

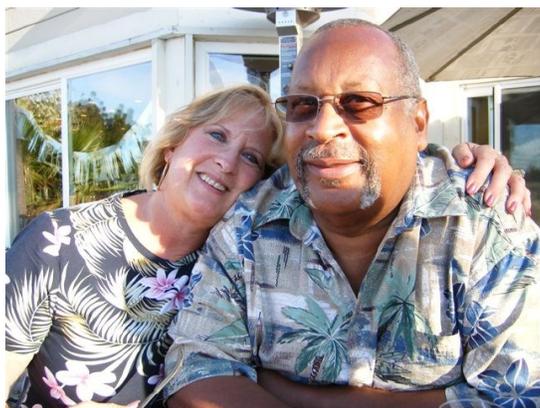
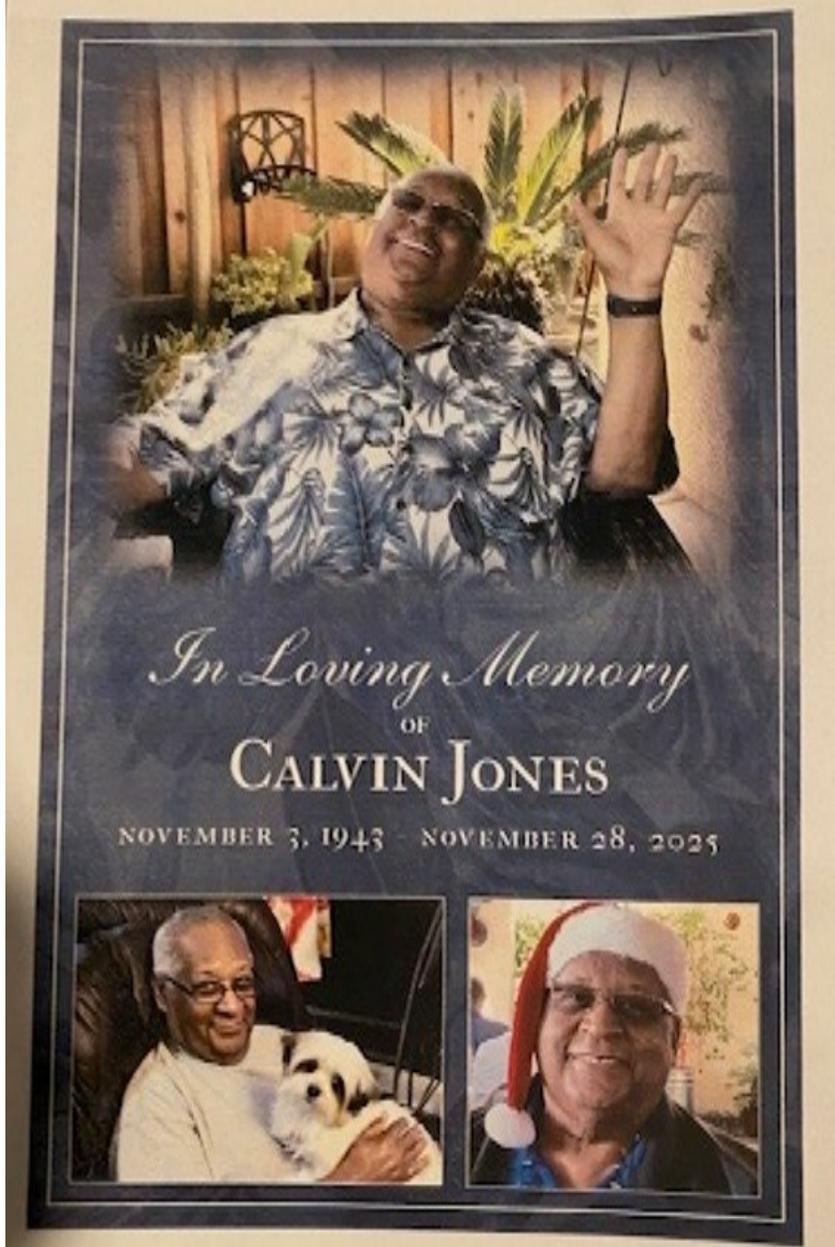
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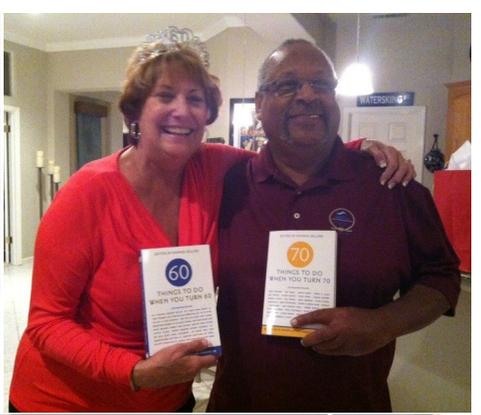
CALVIN JONES

Calvin was born on November 3, 1943, in Harlem Hospital in New York City and died on November 28, 2025, at Kaiser Hospital in Vacaville, CA. He is survived by his wife Susan Cadd Jones, of Rio Vista, daughter Faith Alexander, of Houston, Texas and granddaughter Havillyn Felder of Washington, DC, and daughter Denise Renee Jones and grandson, Calvin Tyler, both of New York. Calvin will be fondly remembered by many cousins, friends and former students.

Calvin graduated from Boys' High School in New York, and attended Hampton University in Hampton, Virginia, where he was a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He received advanced degrees from San Jose State University. Calvin worked as a teacher, counselor and administrator in the following school districts: Milpitas, Hayward, Byron Elementary and River Delta. He loved being an educator, influencing young people to be the best they could be. He also ran a retail floor covering business for a time and had a real estate license.

His interests were varied but all of them revolved around water, engines and friends. Calvin was in the Discovery Bay Corvette Club for many years and later Rio Vista Corvettes. He was a member of Discovery Bay Yacht Club and later OxBow Yacht Club. He also played at Lake Berryessa for many years and made many dear friends there. All these associations made Calvin the man he was.





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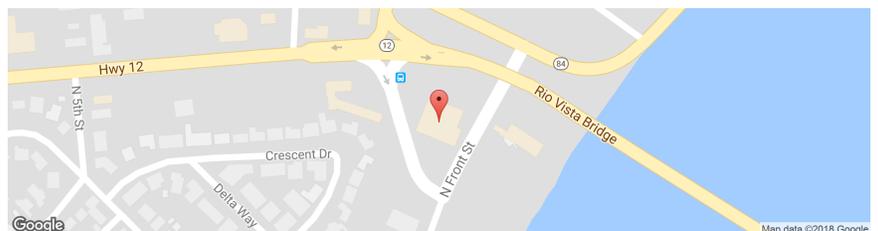


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Events- Karen Murphy

Hola DBCC Members!

Sean and I are in Puerto Vallarta. Would you believe we saw a speed boat all done up to look like a C7! Sorry, no picture.



Events will be published in the newsletter in an easy place to see what is happening. Thanks Laura! I am sorry that we did not get a January run setup. However, the Pecks have organized our February run on the 21st and it looks fun! March is the overnight to Solvang with multiple clubs. I think our club has booked the majority of the hotel rooms. If you cannot make this run, and want to lead something local, please let me know and we can have another event happening. In fact, Sean and I went to Griffs a few weeks in Cooperopolis. This is still a nice place. There seems to be plans to build more shopping, an arcade and restaurants there this year.

2025 Corvette Model Year Final Statistics

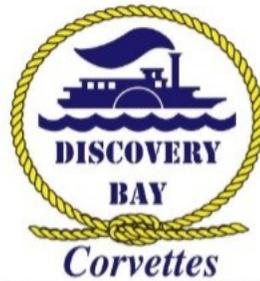
2025 Corvette Model-Year Production

With 25,835 Corvettes built in the 2025 model year*, the eighth-generation Corvette lineup set the pace for attainable supercar performance.

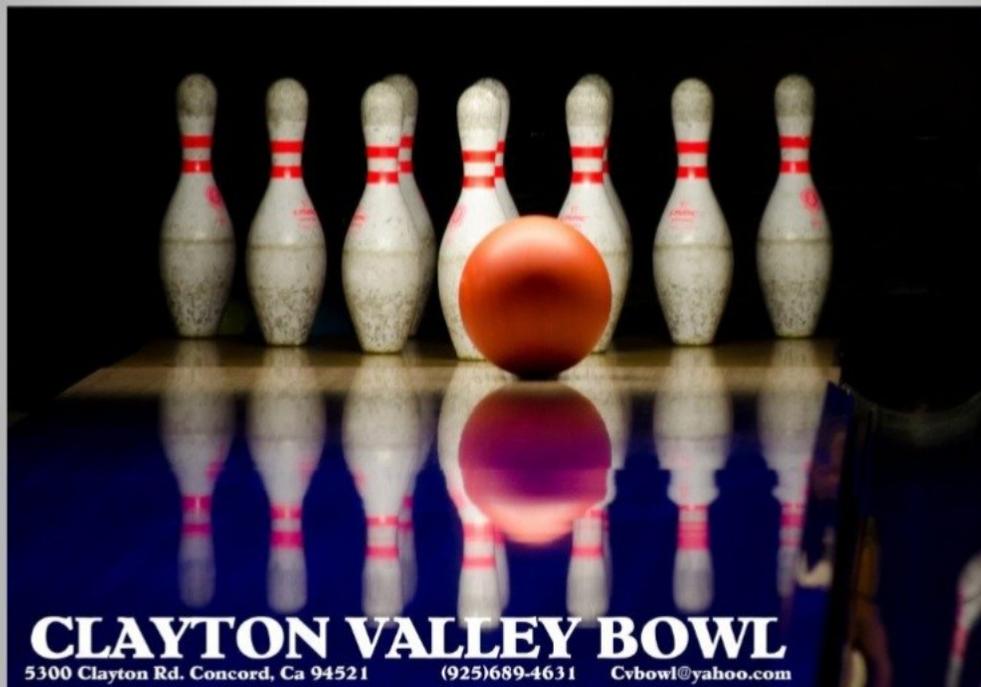
Model / Configuration	Units Produced
Stingray Coupe	8,403
Stingray Convertible	5,237
Z06 Coupe	4,786
Z06 Convertible	4,076
E-Ray Coupe	1,374
E-Ray Convertible	1,779
ZR1 Coupe	115
ZR1 Convertible	65
Total	25,835

**Totals include pre-production units.*

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*First Annual Kirk Walker Memorial Run
to Clayton Valley Bowl*



*Saturday, February 21st. Meet at Chase at 10:30am
Departing at 10:45am, Corvettes optional if raining
Mountain Mikes Pizza on premise as well as other menu items
Full Bar. Pay when we arrive. Senior (55+) pricing is \$3.75
Bowling Shoes are \$5.00 and required. Play as long as you'd like.*

*Please RSVP to Dave Peck
@ deltaflyer62@gmail.com or text to 925.784.8734
We would like a final headcount by Thursday February 19th*



*Hiller Aviation Museum Run- San Carlos - Tour and Lunch
Lunch at Harry's Hofbrau in Redwood City
April 25th 2026 - meet at Chase at 8:30am*



**We will leave Chase Bank at 8:45am.
Plenty of parking at the Museum. We will
have a docent tour at 10:30 am and then
lunch at Harry's Hof Brau at 12:45pm**

**Tour (senior pricing): \$13pp (check to DBCC)
Tour (regular pricing): \$15pp (check to DBCC)**

**Lunch will be ordered separately smorgasbord
style and paid by each member at the end of
the line. We have a reserved seating section.**

RSVP via email to Bill Montgomery by April 10th

Billmont2@comcast.net

Mail checks by 4/10/26 to: DBCC, P.O. Box 1158, Discovery Bay, CA 94505

Make checks out to DBCC

Hiller Aviation Address: 601 Skyway Rd, San Carlos

Harry's Hofbrau Address: 1909 El Camino Real, Redwood City



From The Sunshine Gal – January

I am looking forward to a year full of fun Corvette runs and seeing new places and spending time with club members. I also hope it is a year of good health for everyone.

On January 1st our family was very blessed to celebrate my Mother, Shirley's 93rd birthday! We had a lovely celebration at Merrill Gardens in Brentwood where she now resides.

In early January, Jenifer Montgomery had a stent put in. I am happy to report that she is doing quite well. So happy to hear the good news.

On a very sad note, Darlene Austin, Lances Mother passed away on January 12th. She was 86 years old. We send our deepest condolences to Lance, Julie and his entire family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

The snacks this month are provided by Jerry Cellilo and Lisa Walker, thank you both.

March treats will be from Karen Denham and Lisa Williams.

We still need one person to volunteer for both April and May. So far only one slot has been filled for each month. So, if you haven't already signed up for this year, please do so.

Happy Birthday to everyone who is celebrating in January!

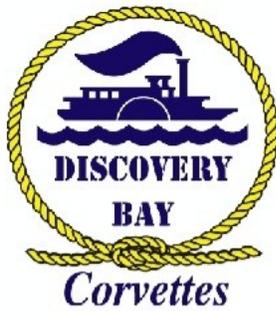
Please remember to share any happy news, vacations, or any information regarding illnesses or hospital stays of any of our members. Feel free to send me any information via text.

Diana Cerner
408-859-3594

“May sunshine surround you each new day. And may smiles and love never be far away.”
- Catherine Pulsifer



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Fitzgerald Marine Reserve



200 Nevada Avenue, Moss Beach

Sunday June 7th

Guided Tour of the Tide Pools From 9-11am

We need to be there by 8:45am

Bring layered clothes & good shoes.



<https://www.smcgov.org/parks/fitzgerald-marine-reserve>



Lunch at Sam's Chowder House @ 12:00pm
4210 N Cabrillo Hwy. Half Moon Bay

<https://samschowderhouse.com>



For those that want to make a weekend out of it we plan to go up on Saturday the 6th and attend the Half Moon Bay Farmers Market, then have dinner at Moss Beach Distillery, and spend the night at Half Moon Bay Lodge. I will send more information as the date gets closer, but feel free to call or email with any questions.

Lisa Williams lisawilliams89@rocketmail.com (925) 550-0373

Discovery Bay Corvette Members Having Fun!

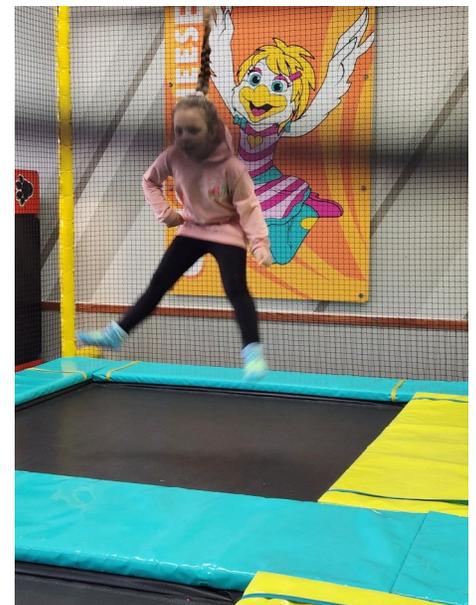
Mary and Roger looking Fabulous at DBYC's New Year's Eve Party!



Mary & Roger having fun in Kona!



A fun time with the Murphy's and grandchildren. Arabella and Dave playing Dave's favorite arcade game, "Willy Crash".



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Trudy de Leon 1/5 Rhonda Stark 1/8 Jenifer Montgomery 1/29
Jerry Zechmeister 1/30 Connie Miller 1/31



Cecilia Dioso 2/1 Nancy O'Brien 2/5 Laurie Nadelman 2/9
David Harris 2/13 Patti Brunetto 2/14 Marc Dioso 2/19
Rich Allen 2/22



Kathleen Zechmeister 3/4 Debbie Gatt 3/6 Heather Oddy 3/6
Roy Brett 3/7 Lana Terry 3/8 Betty Silva 3/10
Mike Grillo 3/13 Roger Hodel 3/15 Mary Hodel 3/16
Mihai Constantin-Pau 3/16 Rick Williams 3/23
Sean Murphy 3/29 Everett Watrous 3/30

Publications - Laura Hardt



Hi everyone!

This DiscoVette Newsletter is dedicated to Calvin Jones who was one of our past club Presidents. He was such a great man and is greatly missed. Sending Love and prayers to his wife, family and friends. Thank you Diana Cernera for providing the photos.

We have many great events planned, please check out the flyers and the Calendar of events. Please make sure to sign up as soon as possible for the event so you don't miss out. Also if you take pictures, please share them with me so they can appear in the DiscoVette.

For the next upcoming Newsletter, I am asking for members to send Valentine's Day celebration pictures. Let's see all the sweethearts!

I am hoping that in these crazy times, we all remember to be kind, considerate, and choose love instead of hate.

Wishing the best for everyone in 2026!

Calendar of Events & Flyers

Items listed in red type are DBCC events. Items in blue type are other club events.

February 21, 2026 -Kirk Walker Memorial Bowling Run

March 21st-24th, 2026 – Multi-club trip to Solvang. Please contact Craig Daley to see if there is still room to sign up: craigdaley103@gmail.com.

April 18th thru October 17th – Cars & Coffee at the Discovery Bay Marina/Yacht Club parking lot. 8am to 10am.

April 25, 2026 -Hiller Aviation Museum

May 29-31, 2026 – Pismo Beach Car Weekend. (SAVE THE DATE) More info coming soon.

June 7, 2026 – Moss Beach Run. (SAVE THE DATE) More info coming soon.

June 30, 2026 – Auto Vino Corvette Day. Woodside Vineyards, San Carlos (SAVE THE DATE) More info coming soon
<https://autovinocars.com/>

October 17, 2026 – Solano Electric Train Museum. (SAVE THE DATE) More info coming soon.



June 30, 2026 is Corvette Day. Jerry Cellilo will lead a run to Auto Vino where five area Corvette Clubs will converge to celebrate the day. June 30 is a Tuesday and the event will run from 11AM-4 PM. To avoid rush hour going home consider staying in town for dinner. There are wonderful wine bars and restaurants on Laurel Street.

Here is a link to last year's event.

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=933098045523751>

Since Auto Vino does collector car storage, the link does not show the many, many, collector cars and exotics inside the building.

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