

DiscoVette

Newsletter of the Discovery Bay Corvette Club

September 2025



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Discovery Bay Corvette Club Executive Board 2025

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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: October 2nd, 2025

President's Message



Hello DBCC Members,

Dave and I had a fun Labor Day weekend in one of our favorite places in the Sierra Foothills, Plymouth in Amador County. We frequented our favorite wineries, where we always get treated like royalty, Helwig and Villa Toscano. They both have beautiful scenery and more importantly, great wines.

I am now semi-retired, just looking for a part-time job that is fun. Please note my new cell number is now 925-784-8470, so look me up in your contacts and please revise it. Delete the 925-341-9433, 925-784-0120 and if you still have our land line, delete 925-513-7532. Thanks!

At the September General Meeting, I opened the nominations for the DBCC 2026-2027 Board of Directors. Here is a list of the nominations that were made at the meeting. Any position marked "Open" had no nominations or anyone who was interested in the position. Any position marked "remaining" means the current person holding that office has agreed to stay on for another term. You can still nominate a person for these positions as well. Nominations will close at the October general meeting during Old Business.

There will be an election for any disputed position via email or USPS. I have included Article VII - Section A of the current bylaws which explains the nomination process.

These are the current nominations:

PRESIDENT: Tim Denham / Bill Montgomery

VICE PRESIDENT: Open

TREASURER: Lisa Williams (Remaining)

SECRETARY: Jerry Celilo

EVENTS: Dave Peck

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Karen Murphy

QUARTERMASTER (orders club logo wear and other Corvette related attire): Open

PUBLICATION: Laura Hardt (Remaining)

WSCC REPRESENTATIVE: Rick Williams

ARTICLE VII - SECTION A -

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS 1. THE NOMINATION OF OFFICERS SHALL TAKE PLACE DURING THE BUSINESS MEETING IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER. NOMINATIONS MAY BE MADE BY ANY MEMBER INCLUDING A MEMBER ON THE BOARD. NOMINATIONS OF FAMILY MEMBERS TO THE BOARD ARE ALLOWED. 2. NOMINATIONS WILL BE CLOSED AT THE END OF THE OCTOBER BUSINESS MEETING. 3. ANY MEMBER RUNNING FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT MUST HAVE BEEN AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE CLUB FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR AND SERVED IN THE PAST OR CURRENTLY SERVING ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. NOTE: (ACTIVE MEMBER IS DEFINED AS: ~80% MEETING AND ~50% CLUB FUNCTION PARTICIPATION

For those of you that do not have access to emails, you can send in your nominations to my attention: Shari Peck, 2284 Winchester Loop, Discovery Bay, 94505.

For the Inaugural/Christmas party, if you haven't signed up yet, don't wait until the last minute, just because the date to have the checks to Dave Peck is now October 24th. If you haven't already done so, you need to reserve your room as soon as possible. We have been given a special link for a discount on the rooms, \$180 for a standard and \$195 for a balcony room. Call or text me if you need me to resend you the link via email at 925-784-8470.

Laura has attached the new revision to the newsletter, and we will be sending periodic reminders as well as the details of the Annual Discovery Bay Community Toy Drive.

See you at the General Meeting on October 2nd at 7:30pm.

Cheers, Shari



Shari Peck

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Vice President Updates

Hello DBCC Members:

The weather may be changing but it is the most beautiful weather of the year. It is a good time of year to put the top down as it is not too hot. We still have some fun events coming up this year for you to participate in and have some "fun". One of the runs coming up (October 19) to the Cobra Museum in Martinez. Anyone that went last time enjoyed the run and they do add new cars to the museum.

As I mentioned last month we have 53 memberships in our club and some new prospective members that may join our club this month. At the last Cars & Coffee this month at the Marina we had several Corvette owners interested in our club.

Several of our members have been traveling and participating in other club events. Please send pictures of your travels and where you have been to Laura so she can place it in the Newsletter. We My wife and I just returned from Portugal one week ago and will send pictures to Laura next month. It was a lot of fun and the people are incredible...very nice and always helpful...Food, wine, and the beauty of the country was Fantastic. Also Port Wine is a specialty in Portugal and it is very good! .

At the Inaugural (and Christmas Party) in November it will be a lot of fun. It is at the Chicken Ranch Casino that is a new hotel & gambling casino. Our BOD will be updating everyone on the milestones and presenting certificates for members that have been in the club for 5, 10, 15, & some 20+ years. If you have not signed up for this event please see the flyer for information or contact Dave Peck.

Anyone that would like to be on the DBCC Board, we need a Representative for WSCC (Western States Corvette Council). WSCC is becoming more involved like they did in the past with various runs and events. There are some other openings still open on the Board if you are interested.

See you soon at the club meetings or at the DBCC run planned for this year...Be Safe...Keep it under 100MPH!

Timothy L. Denham

Vice President, Discovery Bay Corvette Club (DBCC)

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*Discovery Bay Corvette Club Inaugural/Christmas Party
November 15, 2025 at Chicken Ranch Casino Resort
9100 People of the Mountain Rd., Jamestown, CA
6pm in the Brama 1 & 2 Ballroom*



Option 1: STARTER: Shrimp cocktail with zesty sauce, MAIN: Pan-seared salmon w/ lemon beurre blanc; wild rice pilaf; sautéed baby carrots DESSERT: Key lime pie with whipped cream \$45 pp

Option 2: STARTER: Mediterranean mezze platter with hummus, tzatziki, olives, and pita bread, MAIN: Chicken with mushroom marsala sauce; vegetable stir-fry with Jasmine rice; roasted baby potatoes DESSERT: Chocolate lava cake with vanilla bean ice cream \$51 pp

Option 3: STARTER: Caesar salad with parmesan crisps and garlic croutons, MAIN: Filet mignon with red wine demi-glace; herb-roasted fingerling potatoes; asparagus spears DESSERT: New York style cheesecake with mixed berry compote \$57 pp

Tax and Gratuity are included. We have a bar tender in the room and beverages are not included.

DBCC has factored the subsidy of \$25 per person towards your dinner.

Person 1 Option ____ Person 2 Option ____

Total \$ _____

*Please send a check made out to DBCC to Dave Peck
@ 2284 Winchester Loop, Discovery Bay, 94505
We need all checks in hand by October 24, 2025*

Secretary - Bill Montgomery

DBCC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES/ORDER OF BUSINESS DATE: 9-4-2025

Call to Order: Time: 7:33pm by Shari Peck at the Discovery Bay Yacht Club, Bilge Room. *31 Members were present. 2 Guests present.

President's Report (Shari Peck): *Shari started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. *Guest introductions (2 Guests tonight): *Renee Malgradi: She has a 2023 70th Anniversary Edition – White. She is part of the F.H. Dailey family with a dealership in San Leandro. She turns in cars about every 3,500 miles. *Bob McKenna: Owns a black 2025 C8 Z06. *The Inaugural party is November 15th. (see old business below)

Vice President's Report (Tim Denham) *Looking for new members.

Treasurer's Report (Lisa Williams) : *(not present – report by Bill Montgomery) *Lisa reported the amount of money in the account as \$13,375.35. Income was \$1,692.00 for the August period, with expenses being \$120 mainly for Wed Service renewal. The ending balance was \$14,947.35. Upcoming expenses are: Inaugural and Insurance. *Membership is at 53.

Secretary's Report (Bill Montgomery): *Be sure to sign the sign-up sheet. *There was a call for approval of the August meeting minutes from the 8/7/25 meeting (see August DiscoVette). Motion to approve made by Mary Hodel and seconded by Ed Obrien. Everyone was in favor. No one opposed it. Motion was approved and carried.

Events Report (Karen Murphy): *Run plans for 2025: **September:** September 4-6th: WSCC Sparks, NV. (contact Tim for questions) September 13th: Wings and Wheels in Rio Vista (Sean Murphy to lead). Abel Chevrolet is a sponsor. Now having a dedicated Corvette Area. RSVP by September 11th to Karen or Sean Murphy. September 20th: Cars and Coffee from 8am-10am, at the Marina parking lot. **October:** October 11th (Saturday): Stama Winery in Lodi. This is a Lodi Corvettes event that we have been invited to. See Flyer. October 18th (Saturday): Last Cars and Coffee for the season. It is a Car Show, so there are registration fees. Held at the Discover Bay Yacht Club. October 19th (Sunday): Cobra Experience in Martinez (Tim Denham is coordinating.) October 23rd (Thursday): Trunk or Treat at Delta Valley Athletic Club in Brentwood. (Murphy's are coordinating). Contact Karen with questions. **November:** November 15th: Inaugural/Christmas Party. Location is the Chicken Ranch Hotel near Jamestown. (RSVP with money to Dave Peck as soon as possible). November 22nd (Saturday): Morris Nursery Run and lunch. (run leader not yet announced). **Other Potential Runs:** Copello Museum in Scotts Valley – TBD. Gimmick Rally moved to next year (tentative) (Ralph is leading). Be sure to bring your Toys for Tots donation to the November General Meeting if you are not attending the Inaugural.

Public Relations Report (Lisa Walker): *(no report)

Quarter Master Report (Nancy O'Brien): *Pam Agostini of the Yacht Club is helping us with DBCC shirts. Nancy showed many examples of the new shirts that can be ordered. *Nancy can also order jackets for members, in both a women's and men fashion. Nancy also has decals for cars still available.

Webmaster Report (Ralph Cernera): *(not present) *The August Newsletter and recent flyers are now posted to the website. *Bill will send the potential new members, our recent Newsletter and Website address.

Publication's Report (Laura Hardt): *(not present): *Be sure to send Laura your photos of Club events, and photos from your events. Email sending is preferred, but texting will work.

*Laura's email is: corvettenewsletter@hotmail.com.

WSCC Report (OPEN): *Details will be found at www.WSCC.net. when posted

Sunshine Report (Diana Cernera): *Snacks for the September meeting will be by Mary Hodel and Shari Peck. *September and October birthdays were announced. (see further Sunshine details in the August DiscoVette newsletter)

NCM Ambassador Report (Dave Gatt): *(not present) (No report)

Board Member at Large Report (Dave Peck): *(see Old Business below regarding the Inaugural/Christmas Party)

Old Business: *Any volunteers for the Club Historian position? *The Inaugural/Christmas party is progressing with meal selection and event money being collected for all those that want to attend. Please turn in money and meal selection to Dave Peck as soon as possible.

New Business: *Nominations were opened up for all Board positions for the 2026-2027 term (2 years) except Webmaster and Treasurer (these incumbents are retaining their current positions). Nominations are open until the end of the October 2nd meeting. If an election is needed, then an email ballot will be sent. Ballots will be returned to Lisa Williams or Ralph Cerna.

Here are the current nominations:

Sunshine: Diana Cerna (would like to hand off, but will remain until someone steps forward)

WSCC: Rick Williams accepted the nomination.

Publications: Laura Hardt was nominated (not present to accept tonight)

Quartermaster: Open

Public Relations: Karen Murphy accepted the nomination.

Events: Dave Peck has accepted the nomination

Secretary: Jerry Cellilo: Probably accepting the nomination

Vice-President: Open

President: Both Tim Denham and Bill Montgomery have been nominated for this position, and both have agreed to this nomination.

Close: *50/50 Raffle: Lisa Williams won \$55.00 (pot was \$110.00), split 50/50 with Club.



Discovery Bay Corvette Club Run to Morris Nursery



Saturday November 22nd

Meet at the Chase Parking Lot at 8:45am

Depart for Riverbank at 9am

BRING YOUR WALKIE TALKIES—Ch07

Lunch after at the Ripon Roadhouse

Please bring CASH as we are ordering off the menu

Checks will be per table

*RSVP to Dave Peck @ deltaflyer62@gmail.com
We need a final headcount by November 14th*

Kevin Metcalf's Experience at the Ron Fellows Performance Driving School

I had the pleasure of attending the Ron Fellows Performance Driving School in Pahrump Nevada. Most likely several of our members have attended, but for those of you who have not I thought I'd share my experience.

First of all, if you have not attended, I highly recommend it. The staff and facility are absolutely outstanding. I attended the Corvette class; they also have a Cadillac and Radical Racing Academy along with karting. The facility has a very nice restaurant and bar, along with a pool, gym and racing simulators among other things. I stayed onsite in their condo's, nice room with a small kitchenette. The facility is exceptionally clean and safe; it's gated with a guard shack. The Ron Fellows Driving School owns more than 300 corvettes, so basically, they're everywhere.

The course is definitely designed around spirited driving, but it also exposes corvette owners to the capabilities of their car. The course is two days, if you own a C8 Stingray then you drive a C8 Stingray; if you own a C8 ZO6 then you drive a C8 ZO6. Nothing is changed on the cars, they're all stock, so the experience is identical to your car. The course is split between class room and track time. You'll perform ABS exercises in wet and dry conditions, learning the stopping capability of the car. You'll perform launch control exercises. Figure eight exercises in the wet, using weather mode, which was amazing. There is also an auto cross competition, and plenty of track time. The best part of the class for myself was the "ride along" with a track instructor. Basically, they drove your class car, with you in the passenger seat and talk their way around the track. They do two laps, spirited driving. When I mention spirited driving, to put that into perspective, they change tires every 1000 miles on the corvettes. When we returned to the class room following the ride along, we were asked what impressed us the most. The common response was braking, driving on the road we don't use brakes at that level. The brakes on a C8 are unbelievably good.

One important point regarding the class. Most people are nervous getting on a track. The track sessions are done in small groups of three to four cars with an instructor.; and they're very well ran. Each person does two laps following the instructor, then on the straight the person following pulls over and the next car proceeds to follow the instructor. The instructors are in constant radio contact with all cars at all times, providing coach and guidance. The instructors will match your speed or comfort level. If you start pushing, they will increase their speed; if your comfort level is a bit slower, they will slow down. Basically, there is never a situation that will place you out of your comfort zone.

All in all, the class is an excellent learning tool, and a really fun way to spend two days. I suggest registering early before your desired attendance date, they seem to fill up pretty quick.





DISCOVERY BAY CORVETTES
October 19th, 2025
Cobra Experience
Martinez

Meet at Chase Bank at **9am**. We will leave at **9:15**

Museum opens at 10am. Plan on spending 2 hours.

Lunch on your own at DelCielo Brewery. Parking maybe limited until 1pm due to the Sunday Farmers Market.

Reference a Save the Date email from Aug. 14th for more details.

NO LATER THAN October 9th- RSVP to Tim Denham

tldenham@eraenergy.com

Optional Activities:

Go on your own to a Kids and Cars event. This starts at 8am at the Cobra Experience parking lot.. After lunch you can walk right next door for Mini golf and Pin Ball or just walk around Martinez.



Wings & Wheels

9/13/25

Well, another event along the lines of “Vettes and Jets” although no Jets this time. But we had a few experimentals surrounding some of the more practical private small planes, in the plane exposition area. An early start to the morning at Chase, Dave by himself as Sheri needed her beauty sleep and the rest of us, 10 cars total, headed for the airport at 7:30 AM. Reason being was to avoid the anticipated general public parking. Escorted to the live taxiway set aside for Corvettes, Lee and Dave Gatt already had Lee’s C2 on display. Parking was easy as our group of 10 outnumbered what was already there. In fact our club attendance was almost half of all Vettes. Somehow I was expecting more, as the airport reached out to 4 other Vette clubs, Lodi included. Later I heard other events were running that day.

Anyway, pancake breakfast was enjoyed by us all with minimal waiting as we were ahead of the crowds. The crowds did stop by our little Vette display and many good comments were heard, some a little puzzled about the tank of Nitrous in one of the C8 frunks! Lee’s C2 was a standout especially when he would start it to “charge the battery”! We were even visited by some outworldly types, dressed accordingly. Star Wars comes to mind.

All in all, a quiet day and we were allowed to leave a little early, prior to the end of the show. Ralph and Diana can fill us in on the Jet flyover that Karen and I missed(I’ve seen a few of them lately, HaHa). Again, fun times and the airport is keeping our club in mind for upcoming shows.

Thanks,
Sean





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Register at: www.motorsportreg.com

100 Car Show Limit* - Gates OPEN at 8:30AM

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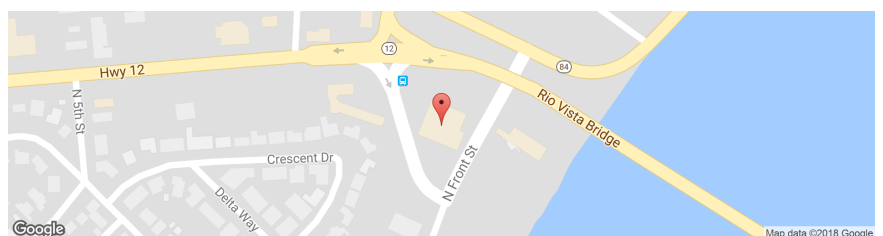


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Events- Karen Murphy

Hello DBCC Members,

September was a fun month for driving our cars. Sean led a run to the Rio Vista Airport where we had 10 cars participate in the Rio Vista Airport Day. He has written his impressions in another article.

Coming up:

October 19th: Tim Denham is leading a run to the Cobra Experience in Martinez. I previously sent a Save the Date email. Flyer coming soon.

Regards,

Karen Murphy

(408) 666-9310 Mobile



From The Sunshine Gal –September 2025

No detailed report from me this month.

Treats this month are made with TLC by Lana Terry. Thank you for the seasonal dessert! We will also have Halloween candy to munch on during the meeting supplied by me.

November treats will be from Laura Hardt and Paula Sauvadon.

Please think about which month you would like to sign up for next year. Thanks to Cheryl Fleb'ut and Renee Malgradi for taking care of January. The sign-up sheet for treats is available at every meeting or you may text me to request your month. Thanks in advance for your help.

Diana Cerna
408-859-3594

“Happily we bask in the warm September sun, which illuminates all creatures.”
- Henry David Thoreau

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Jack Parker 9/2

Andreea Constantin-Pau 9/5

Karen Krowl Denham 9/25

Jerry Cellilo 9/29

Justin Sampson 9/29



Joe Pimentel 10/19

Paula Sauvadon 10/21

Lance Austin 10/28

Lee Brant 10/28

Diana Cerna 10/29



Ed O'Brien 11/14

Amy Pera 11/25



Discovery Bay Corvette Members Having Fun!



Cerneas, Pecks and Zechmeisters listening to music at Jesse's Grove.

Bill and Jenifer Montgomery in Athens, Greece, one of the 9 ports they visited with NCL Cruise Lines. Countries they visited besides Greece were Montenegro, Croatia, Slovenia



Members at the WSCC 60th Anniversary Celebration



Publications - Laura Hardt



Hi everyone!

I had a great time at the WSCC 60th Anniversary Celebration. I met a lot of amazing people and had a fantastic time. I really enjoyed spending time with everyone. I would encourage our members to participate in WSCC events. I included just a few pictures in this Newsletter but will include more pictures and share more of my experience in the next Newsletter.

I want to thank you for nominating me for the Publications position. It takes a lot of time but I love creating it for you. I will accept your nomination and thank you for the trust you have in me to create our DiscoVette Newsletter.

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