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LSCC Shares in the Holiday Spirit

On December 19 LSCC participated in the annual toy run from Dallas' west End to the Ballpark in Arlington along with several thousand motorcycles. The event was a huge success, collecting toys and donations which helped to brighten many a child's Christmas.

Photos courtesy of Philip Pitalo.



Santa's helpers were all eager to take a ride in this one horse open sleigh



Arriving at the end of the Toy Run

Rewind - 2004

by: John Galletta

Well another year has passed us by and for the most part it has been a banner year for the LSCC and it's members. Of course Santa had delivered his fair share of Corvette goodies at Christmastime

in 2003 but the cold weather and other typical winter stuff kept most of our Vettes tucked comfortably in our garages or snuggled under the softness and warmth of that car cover. Somewhere around 100 members put an end to this and got the year off to a good start with our first trip of the year to the Fort Worth Stockyards. It turned out to be a fun day, the sun was out but the morning proved to be a bit cold. Other adventures took us to Omaha TX (where around half the group continued on to Shreveport), and the Lake Murray Resort in Oklahoma (where around half the group stopped at the WinStar Casino on the way home). Hmmmm, are we detecting a pattern here?

Our longer range trips led us on journeys to Hot Springs in Arkansas, the Black Hills of South Dakota, Breckenridge for Vettes on the Rockies, Reno for Hot August Nights, the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green (don't miss the April trip) and Eureka Springs where we hosted another successful poker run.

The KhanaCross, drag racing and road racing seasons were great to all who participated. If 2004 is an indicator of the coming year, start making space on those mantles and shelves, the trophies and plaques will be requiring some more room in '05.

Our Classic in May was indeed a highlight of '04 and even saw national television coverage for the club. We now can even boast a few up and coming movie stars amongst us!

LSCC ventured out to numerous car shows both in and out of the DFW area this year. Every car show we participated in found members looking for some room in the Corvette for the countless trophies and awards we have accumulated. The '04 car show season was very good to the LSCC.

The charitable works we performed in 2004 set records for the help we offered those less fortunate than ourselves. Our Classic auctions raised over \$16,000 alone for the charities we support. Services to our communities once again rivaled the work many groups and organizations perform. These works alone should make every member proud to be a part of the LSCC.

Of course no one can soon forget the great loss and pain some of our members have encountered during this past year. I will not revisit these, but I feel compelled to point out that when things go badly it is refreshing to see our membership come together to offer comfort and encouragement to those who need it. Our love for America's sports car is the common thread that binds us together. Our support of each other is merely a pleasant and refreshing by-product of this love.

Let's all get together to make 2005 another great LSCC year!

Next Meeting

Saturday, January 8 at Sneaky Pete's. See Page 2 for Details. • II:30 - I2:15 p.m. Eat & Greet • I2:30 p.m. Business

& Social Meetings

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From the Membership Desk

This past year many fantastic people have helped me as Membership Officer take care of all the details involved in this position. Most are moving on to other responsibilities within the Club. (Thank you!) Some are retiring and moving away. All will be missed.

I would like to thank Marian Nelson for her tireless effort in sending out renewal letters, maintaining the name badges and anything else I asked her for. She and Steve will be greatly missed and thankfully they are maintaining their membership and still want to volunteer for the Classic. Arkansas is not THAT far away!! Marian, I couldn't have done it without you!

You all know Jean Hill as the Club Recording Secretary, but she also mails out your renewal cards and new member packets. Hats off to you Jean and best wishes in your new Club responsibilities. I hope I can return the favor.

Club members and prospective members feel more welcome at meetings when greeted by friendly faces as they arrive. A big thanks to Terry Garrett, Ken Hill, Lisa Jackson, Lori Sullivan and all the others who make meetings a fun place to be on monthly Saturday mornings! If you would like to be amongst this group next year, please see me at the January meeting!

I am looking forward to next year as your reelected Membership Officer and to working with the many new volunteers who have stepped forward to help. There is always something for you to do within the Club so please consider volunteering a little of your time. You will get to know some wonderful people enjoying the same things you do. Corvettes! See you in January!

Judy Garrett

Corvette Named Car of the Year Finalist

Forty-eight automotive journalists from the U.S. and Canada have named the 2005 Corvette as one of the finalists of the North American Car of the Year. The announcement was made in Detroit last week and the winners will be announced on January 9 at the North American International Auto Show. The other finalists in the Car of the Year category were the Chrysler 300/300C and the Ford Mustang.

January Meeting

Saturday, January 8th

by Allen Kaus

LSCC's first meeting for the year 2005 will be at Sneaky Pete's on Lake Lewisville. This is a good easy place to meet for our NEW vice-president to take over. This is my last time to set up the club meeting (whew). A big THANKS to everyone for making the last two years meetings so successful! Meet-and-greet officially starts at 11:30 with the meeting starting at 12:30. Lunch is \$10.00 per person all inclusive. The menu is scheduled to be some kind of chicken cordon bleu, whatever? They said, that we have had it before and everyone seemed to like it.

Sneaky Pete's is located at Eagle Point Marina at Lewisville Lake Park, 15 miles north of the I35E/635 intersection in Dallas (or 4 1/2 miles north of the I35E and Hwy 121 intersection in Lewisville). Just north of Lewisville, take the 454B exit (Garden Ridge Blvd.) off I35 and go east toward the marina on Eagle Point Rd about 1/4 mile, following the restaurant signs, to the dedicated parking lot they have for us. We hope to see every one there.

Allen (Over & Out!!)

Some meeting photos from 2004





Business Meeting Minutes

December 11th, 2004

By Jean Hill, Recording Secretary

Greg Hester, president, called the business meeting of the Lone Star Corvette Club to order. The recording secretary was present. Mr. Hester introduced the 2004 officers.

Minutes of the November 2004 business meeting were presented and approved as published in the December newsletter.

Mr. Hester welcomed 14 new members and guests. Judy Garrett asked for a vote on the member applicants published in the past newsletter. All were approved. Judy announced club membership at 1065 members.

Dale Manor presented the October 2004 Financial Statement, which was approved by the membership. Dale presented the 2005 club budget. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the budget.

A motion was made and seconded to change the membership by-law as published in the December newsletter. A vote was done by the membership present and the by-law change was approved.

The 2005 officer election ballots were counted and officers announced were:

President – Allen Kaus, Vice Pres –Rusty Taylor, Comp Events – Karl Samuel, Rec Events – John Gibson, Financial – Tim Dowding, Treasurer – Cary Conwell, Communications – Pam Dale, Membership – Judy Garrett, Recording Sec – Audrey Samuel, Newsletter – John Galletta, Classic Officer 2006 – Charlie Magill.

Greg Hester adjourned the business meeting.

Mako Shark Returns to the NCM

Coutesy NCM

We are excited to have on display the Mako Shark I. On loan to us from the GM Design Center, the Mako Shark is on display in our Design Area for the next four months. XP-755, or Mako Shark was designed by Larry Shinoda, who started with elements of the not-yet-introduced 1963 Corvette design and added touches from the previous XP-700 show car. Much of the car's appearance was inspired by a Mako Shark that Mitchell had caught off the coast of Florida. Mitchell wanted the car to be painted to look just like the fish, which he had mounted in his office. After several failed attempts, his staff quietly borrowed the mounted fish and repainted it to match the car. Over time, the car went through several engine changes, finally winding up with a ZL-1 style all-aluminum 427 big block.

Drag Racing 2005



But first, we must finish up the '2004 series. We had another fun year. Overall as a team, we had fewer cars this year, but we had a higher point average. When I started, many-many years ago (well-, in '2000), our car point avg. was 1.something. This year, we were 2.something. We used to be #1 by killing the other clubs with sheer volume. Now we are #3, but with better quality. This means-that most of us were out after just one run, whereas now, we usually get two runs. OK, so maybe that's not great, it's an improvement though! In King, you may have to survive six or more runs to even get to the semi's. But where else do you get to legally burn your wheels till you can't see or breath because of all the smoke and drive as fast as you can with the gas pedal smashed all the way to the floor!!! Ok, ok, yes, I still do that on entrance ramps, but that's not legal really. If you squeal one sound out, it's exhibition excelleration (and I KNOW how \$much\$ that ticket is!). Hey, but I still have that 215' cement strip up to the barn! Can we all sav-"Private Property!"

Back on track now. We passed out our awards at the Christmas Party so now I can publish the results. (Now don't you racers take offense to my two cents, I just try to make it where those wanna-be racers can get the jest of things.) The classes are listed from the slowest to the fastest with electronics last.

<u>Class:</u> <u>Place:</u> <u>Distinguished Driver:</u> <u>Vehicle (best I remember):</u>

Stock- (turtle)

1st - Mary Kay Karraker - GMC extended cab(tow vehicle)

Hey, these guys may be slow, but it's all based on reaction time & consistency!

Factory-(most C-4's)

1st - Tim Dowding - Yellow C-4

2nd - Jimmy Nixon - C-4 (without his test nitrous)

Super- (most stock C-5's & bulked up older ones. Most our cars fit here.)

1st - Audrey Samuel - either her silver or her 50th C-5 (what a tough decision, we all should have this problem! Just picking on ya!)

2nd - John Galletta - In his immaculate White C-5 Outstanding Perf - Herb Stringer - Beige C-3

" - Bill Broughton - Yellow C-3

- Johnny Downs - (too nice to

race) Silver C-2

(See Drag Racing 2005 on Page 4)

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If you would like to help in any of the above areas or have ideas relating to that area, please contact the designated coordinator.

Your help and/or ideas are always welcome!

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January Birthdays

Jean Duck 1 Wilma Gibson 1 Bob Hardiman 1 Ken Hodge 1 Pat Hodge 1 Craig Satterfield 1 Jo Lvnn Lee 2 Edwin Beachly 3 Richard Jensen 3 Gene Roosa 3 Ronald Barker 4 Howard Lovelace 4 Lisa Mixon 4 Steve Wright 4 Fredrick Chew 6 Nickie Roland 6 Mary Barker 7 Michael Blackburn 7 Norma Lawyer 8 Jennifer Campbell 9 Michael Guiette 9 Claudia LeConte 9

NCM Notes

By Johnny Downs

Lone Star Weekend:

Plans are progressing for our trip to the National Corvette Museum in April. See details in a separate article and make your hotel reservations now.

Flint Bricks:

Evidently not a great Christmas gift because nobody bought one, so maybe they are great Valentine's gifts. These bricks from the original Corvette plant in Flint, Michigan which was recently torn down. The bricks have a commemorative plate with serial number of your choice (subject to availability) up to five digits. The price for specifically numbered bricks has been \$200.00, but it is now reduced to \$100.00 for NCM members only. I have order forms.

Memberships:

I have added to the membership incentives announced last month, so read on.

I bought some NCM member and lifetime decals and patches. For as long as they last, I will give you a patch and decal when you turn in your membership application to me. In addition, I have some nice gifts you can choose from, depending on the membership level. These include clocks, totes, owner's manuals, calendars and leather softside briefcases.

As you should know, because of our lifetime club membership, LSCC members receive a 25% discount on individual and family NCM memberships. Until recently there was no discount on lifetime memberships. However, Stephanie Morrill agreed to a \$50.00 discount on lifetime memberships. How long this will last, I do not know. If you wait, you chance losing the discount opportunity.

So, join the museum at a discount, get a free decal, patch and gift and help YOUR museum

Free Corvette Sales Brochures:

The museum has a limited supply of new Corvette sales brochures. I have received a number of them. I will have them at the January meeting. If you purchase a membership, a brick or even a \$10.00 raffle ticket, you can pick up your choice of these highly collectible pieces of Corvette history. The available years are: '83, '86, '87, '90, '91 (red cover), '92, '98, and '99.

For more information on anything concerning NCM contact Johnny Downs, 903/564-3069, 214/340-6300, ediewoww@aol.com, or Steve Jones, 972/317-2444.

King- (normally souped-up; fastest class without a roll bar & safety crap. It was the biggest class overall this year. Many of us Sunday racers stop at this point because we don't want to chop up our cars, or in my case, my daily driver!)

1st - Martha Kaus - Red (dah) Camaro SS
2nd - Gordon Karraker - Black C-3
Outstanding Perf - Pam Dale - Very bright Yellow C-5 (Z06)

- Rod Homire - White '62 Nova

Pro-

1st - Jimmy O'Neal - (he has a whole pit crew!)
Purple '90's?Thunderbird (chop-chop class) 2nd Allen Kaus - '72 Red C-3
Electronics (these are the REAL racers)1st - Larry Benson - Turquoise? C-1
2nd - Charlie Ford - Purple '82? Camaro (& A/C'd RV)

We also gave out four "wrench" awards(notice they were all C-3's??!!).

Three were "Mechanic in Training Survival Awards" for somehow racing all season with a smile despite all their breakdowns. They went to Bill Broughton, Allen Kaus, and Herb Stringer. Hey Jimmy, can you PLEASE? Help me back to the pit??

One was "Mechanic Certification" for not one breakdown this year after a bad year last year. This big smiler was Gordon Karraker.

Overall within our club (now keep in mind, this person only raced a couple of times in

'2003) wasssssssssssssssssssssssss

AUDREY SAMUEL!!! (Girls kick butt!!)

So that's it for that year. Now, '2005, we are going to try and set up an instruction class with track time (hopefully lots of it!) of course for us beginners? (including myself), probably in March so be on the watch for future articles. Remember, any one of you out there are capable of slamming that gas pedal to the floor and holding onto that steering wheel with a death grip! Well, gotta go, I hear those entrance ramps a calling.

Dallas Autorama in Planning Stages

Our yearly participation in the Dallas Autorama is in the planning stages. We will have a six Corvette display. The Autorama is February 11, 12 and 13. The cars go in on the 10th. If you are interested in participating with your car, or volunteering to help in our display during the event, please contact one of the persons listed below. We need members in the display to answer questions about our club during the event. As an incentive, if you work the display for a couple of hours, the club will reimburse your admission cost to the show. Tentative hours are 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 12 noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. To volunteer, call John Tipps, 972/406-8107, Johnny Downs at 214/340-6300 or Ken Smith, 214/704-7374.

On The Road

by: Johnny Downs

LSCC Corvette Weekend National Corvette Museum Bowling Green, Kentucky April 28 - May 1

This trip might be our best of the year in terms of participation, so do not miss this one. We have FORTY-FIVE cars already on the list to participate.

Because of the potentially large number of participants, our choices were limited to the larger hotels. We have made an agreement with the Holiday Inn - University Plaza in Bowling Green to block rooms for our event. It is a very nice hotel with full restaurant and bar. A number of excellent restaurants are also nearby. They are setting up a car wash area and special parking for us. The room rate is \$99.00. We also blocked a few suites at \$129.00. To make reservations call 270/745-0088 or 800/HOLIDAY. Request reservations for April 28. 29 and 30 in the block listed LONE STAR COR-VETTE CLUB. Reservations must be guaranteed by credit card and must be made before March 29th. I was able to block 60 rooms, but we already need at least 45, so it would be best to make your reservations now.

Plans to this point are as follows: We will travel to Bowling Green, Kentucky on Thursday, April 28th. Friday morning a tour, or tours of the plant will be conducted by the museum personnel that give the museum delivery tours. These guides are much more knowledgeable than the students that give the public tours. Depending on timing of the plant tours, Friday afternoon will be lunch with a road tour or a road tour with dinner. The tour will be over scenic back roads of Kentucky to historic locales.

Saturday morning will begin with private tours of the National Corvette Museum, including nonpublic areas where many unusual Corvettes are stored when not on display. After the tour we will have a brick laying ceremony at the front of the museum. Anyone who purchases a brick between now and March can have it installed as we watch on Saturday.

The activities will culminate with a barbeque dinner hosted by museum executive director Wendell Strode. It will be held at his country home, which was built in 1869.

We may try to squeeze in one more optional activity on Saturday. Suggestions are welcome. We will depart for Texas Sunday morning.

Help us make this the best trip in LSCC history. Join us for one of the most fun events we've done. For information, suggestions, or to indicate your interest in participating, contact Johnny Downs, office 214/340-6300, home 903/564-3069, or e-mail ediewoww@aol.com.

Open Road Racing

by: Gary Ellsworth

This was a short open road racing season for most of us. Our 2004 Open Road Racing Season only encompassed two races for those that were in competition for The Lone Star Corvette Club awards — The Big Bend Open Road in Ft. Stockton, Texas and The Sandhills Open Road Challenge in Arnold, Nebraska.

The 2004 Open Road Racing Season Winners are as follows:

1st place Driver of the Year Cynthia Turk 2nd place Driver of the Year Clement Caracciolo

3rd place Team of the Year David Robbins & Lori Russell

4th place Team of the Year Tom Whalen & Dan Caballero (BBORR) / Tommy Whalen (SORC) Rookie Team of the Year Karl & Audrey

Samuel

Navigator of the Year Audrey Samuel

We had a great open road racing year and we hope to see more of you give it a try next year.



The 2004 LSCC Open Road Racersjoin us for an open road race in 2005, you



Some of the beautiful raods you will travel during an open raod race, at speeds over 100 MPH and NO SPEEDING TICKETS

If you are interested in participating in an open road race for 2005, look for information and sign up at an upcoming meeting or contact Gary Ellsworth who will be happy to help you.

January Birthdays

Continued from previous

Joe Hawkins 10 Rodney Nevils 10 John Lawrimore 12 Morry Leahy 12 Deborah Mitchell 12 Wendy Eldredge 13 Mona Harmon 13 Carl Matthews 13 Kim McNutt 13 Chuck Nixon 18 Gary Hopper 19 Jose Perez 19 Randy Brodhead 20 Ray Rollins 21 Kav Rita Brovles 24 Bill Krause 25

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SWAP MEETS 2005

By Steve Wright

A great source for swap meets in 2005 is the web site appropriately named "swapmeettimes.com". The site lists not only swap meet particulars ie., dates, name, location, but contact information for further details. Below is a summary:

February 27th-29th Decatur: 30th Annual Wise County Antique Auto Swap Meet at Sheriff's Posse Grounds.

March 12th-14th Mineral Wells: Annual Swap Meet at Dempsy Heliport 9 miles west on US 180.

March 19th-21st Houston: Annual Swap Meet at Traders Village. March 28th Houston: Annual Swap Meet at Delmar Stadium.

April 2nd-4th Greenville: 5th Annual Swap Meet at Hunt County Fairgrounds.

April 3rd Brady: Car Show & Swap Meet at Richards Park.

April 10th-**11**th **Belton:** 21st Annual Texas Swap Meet Spring Nationals at Little Valley Auto Ranch on Hwy 190.

April 23rd-25th New Braunfels: Annual Swap Meet at Comal County Fairgrounds.

April 29th-May 2nd Ft. Worth: 32nd Annual Pate Swap Meet at Texas Motor Speedway.

May 7th-9th Chickasha, Oklahoma: Swap Meet at Grady County Fair-grounds.

May 14th-16th Carls Corner: Annual Swap Meet at exist # 374 of IH 35E.

May 14th-16th Canton: Swap Meet at First Monday Trade Grounds. The

Original "Bobs" Swap Meet.

June 4th-6th Boerne: Swap Meet at Kendall County Fairgrounds. June 11th-13th Grand Prairie: 28th Annual Swap Meet at Traders Village.

July 3rd-4th Belton: 21st Annual Texas Swap Meet summer Sunburner at Little Valley Auto Ranch's 50's Ville Tradegrounds.

July 23rd-25th Fredericksburg: Hill County swap Meet at Lady bird Johnson Park Hwy 16 south.

August 13th-**15**th **Hico:** 9th Annual Swap Meet at Hico City Park. **August 20**th-**22**nd **Garland:** Annual Swap Meet at Audobon Park.

September 9th-11th Rosanky: Annual Swap Meet at Rosanky Antique Auto Museum.

September 17th-19th Arlington: 37th Annual South West Swap Meet at the Ball Park in Arlington.

September 24th-26th Odessa: Annual Swap Meet at Kermit Highway.

October 2nd-3rd Belton: 21st Annual Swap Meet at Little Valley Auto Ranch. October 8th-10th Canton: Bob's Canton Trade Day Antique Auto Swap Meet at First Monday Trade Grounds.

October 14th-16th Chickasha, Oklahoma: Annual Swap Meet at Grady County Fair grounds.

November 6th-7th Conroe: Fall swap Meet at Montgomery County Fairground.

November 5^{th} - 7^{th} Houston: Conroe Swap Meet at Sam Houston Race Track.

November 13^{th} - 14^{th} Ft. Worth: 12^{th} Annual DFW Swap Meet at LaGrave Field.

November 19th-21st Dallas: Kruse/Leake Auction at Market Hall.

My favorites "Steve's Picks" are:

February 27th-29th Decatur: 30th Annual Wise County Antique Auto Swap Meet at Sheriff's Posse Grounds. 1st major of the year in 2005; weather unpredictable (possibly cold & rainy) but fantastic atmosphere; spaces indoors & outdoors, on concrete & dirt; old fashion salt of the earth swap meet. Need two days to view all spaces.

March 28th Houston: Annual Swap Meet at Delmar Stadium. One day of frenzy bartering. 1st come; 1st served.

April 29th-May 2nd Ft. Worth: 32nd Annual Pate Swap Meet at Texas Motor Speedway. The Granddaddy of all Swap Meets; almost ruined by relocation from original Pate Museum Site in Crescent; all spaces finally on asphalt surface "west" of Texas Motor Speedway. Allow minimum of two days to view even on smooth asphalt.

May 7th-9th Chickasha, Oklahoma: Swap Meet at Grady County Fairgrounds. Weather unpredictable (possibly windy), spaces located in and near corn field. Buyer's meet; travel time longer than viewing.

June 11th-13th Grand Prairie: 28th Annual Swap Meet at Traders Village. Flea market atmosphere; opportunity for great finds & buys. Stay as long as you can stand it.

August 20th-22nd Garland: Annual Swap Meet at Audobon Park. Small; local; quaint under the large trees. Allow ½ day to view.

September 17th-19th Arlington: 37th Annual South West Swap Meet at the Ball Park in Arlington. Another Granddaddy of all Swap Meets; Almost ruined by relocation from original IH30 site to "south" of The Ballpark. Choppy space location; need at least two days to view.

November 13th-14th Ft. Worth: 12th Annual DFW Swap Meet at LaGrave Field. Great swap meet almost ruined by several relocations in past year. New site located in Ft. Worth at LaGrave Field (home of Cats minor league baseball team). Can be viewed in one day.

Most swap meets exhibit similar characteristics. The first day (usually on Friday) is mostly vendor day meaning serious bartering between exhibitors. The second day is consumer day including tire kickers. The third day is bargain day with the event winding down by noon. Cash money talks at swap meets. Vendors range from large enterprises (semis, displays, catalogues, credit cards) to small exhibitors (items cleaned out of garage). One common thread still is evident; Swap Meets is about simpler times when barter was king and comradely was common. Experience a Swap Meet in 2005.

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FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1	2
7	LSCC Monthly Meeting - Sneaky Pete's	9
14	15	16
21	22	23
28	29	30

For Sale: 2000 Corvette convertible. Millenium Yellow, black top, black leather interior. Beautiful color combination. 34,800 miles. Heads Up Display, 6 spd, Bose, CD, Chromes, Sport suspension option, Exhaust, K&N. Texas / DFW car since new. Dealer service records. New F1 Tires all around. Just serviced. Clean Carfax. Clear Title. Paint Excellent. Bra used to avoid rock chips. Leather interior excellent. Always garaged. Pics on cars.com - search 75044 zip \$29,900 Brian 972.530.4000 Jan-Mar

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<u>May</u>

June

<u>July</u>

<u>August</u>

September

October

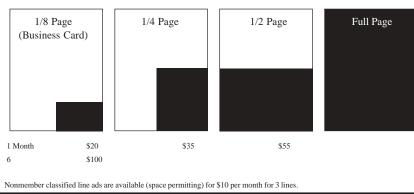
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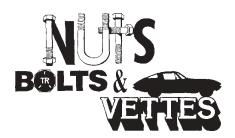
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