

Viper News

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Don't forget, there's an easy way to give back to the club, order your choice of clothes and/or accessories with the Club logo on them and our club receives a portion that goes into the club fund!



2009 Holiday Party

This year's party found us at The Century Hotel in Tualatin, Oregon. We were able to secure the "Century Room" and enjoyed another great buffet holiday meal.



Member's arrived with unwrapped gifts which helped fill a giant box full of toys, that, with cash donations from the club, allowed our Club President to present a truckload (okay - an SUV load) of donations to Doernbechers.

The 2009 Member of The Year was Cody Reich - Congrats Cody, thanks

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First Club Meeting of the Year

We had great weather for the first club meeting of the year. In fact it was so nice that we couldn't resist going to Helvatia Tavern for a club hosted lunch afterwards. King Dick (Crossley) finally brought his red Gen 4 out to prove it was for real as some of us were starting to have doubts.

Nice to see a new face in the crowd. Gary joins us as a new Viper owner and is the proud owner of a yellow Gen I. Gary's son Lucky was also in attendance and the Viper spirit runs high in both of them. Gary has already stepped up to the plate and invited the membership out to his home in La Center for a BBQ run in May to kick off the driving season. Stay-tuned for more details!



President:

Vice President:

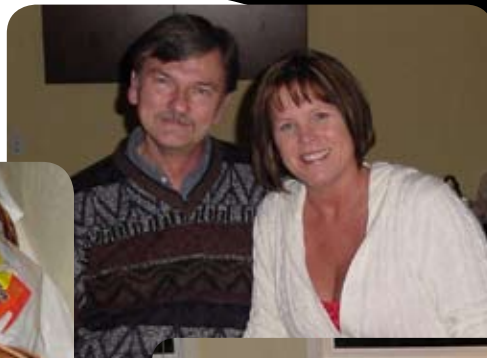
Treasurer & Secretary:

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2009 Holiday Party <continued>

for all of the club support! A special thanks to Niki who made sure it all came together without a hitch and who put together the wonderful gift baskets and made the Viper club ornaments that we each left with.



Viper Club of America Agrees to Acquire Parts for Iconic Exotic Directly from Dodge

Reinforcing Dodge brand's leadership in customer focus and performance vehicles, new agreement preserves historic and excess Viper-specific parts inventory.

FARMINGTON HILLS, MI Feb. 16 */PRNewswire (<http://www.prnewswire.com/>) – The Viper Club of America, the Dodge Viper ownership group that has represented over 25,000 members and countless other Viper owners from around the world since the mid-1990's, announces a historic agreement to acquire select Viper parts, accessories and rare historical items directly from the manufacturer. <continued - p. 4>



UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

We have a lot of work to do to get a calendar of events together, but there are some annual events that have dates for:

Seaside Muscle & Chrome: June 18th-19th, 2010

This is a Friday & Saturday event that we're thinking of maybe taking a drive to on Sat. the 19th. If there's some interest, let us know, and we can set a meeting place for those interested on heading over together.

Mopar Nationals: July 18, 2010

Celebrating the 25th annual Mopar Nationals.

It's Mopar or no car at this popular event! See Dodge, Chrysler, Plymouth, AMC and Jeep products race down the 1/4-mile.

Mopar enthusiasts' day at the track includes a car show, drag racing, swap meet, and much more. Event is hosted by Mopar MuscleCars.

www.woodburndragstrip.com

The Club will likely set-up a point to meet to drive to the event together, if you're interested in a caravan, we'll post on the web site and send out emails with updates.

Crossley BBQ: AUGUST 21, 2010

The date is set! Details to follow, but make sure you mark that day booked! This is the one event that you don't want to miss.

VOI 11: Sept 30 - Oct 3, 2010

Viper Owners Invitational 11 (VOI.11)
Salt Lake City, Utah

The dates have been set, but I haven't seen the details yet. Be sure to mark your calendars if you plan to attend.

2010 VCA Raffle!

Do you know that you're part of a select group? It's a fact—only current VCA members are eligible to take part in the VCA Raffle. For the cost of just \$125 a ticket (less if you buy three or more tickets or own a Venom membership), you have the opportunity to park a new Snakeskin Green 2009 Dodge Viper SRT10® ACR in your garage. Buy a ticket and you've got, at the worst, a 2009-to-1 shot to own this exclusive Viper offered up for raffle by the VCA.

TO COME ...

Members came up with some great potential Events for this year, and as soon as we learn more details, we'll let you know.

Another Mystery Tour in The Making?

Well, the club officer's are throwing around a few ideas, we're hoping it all comes together so we can announce some dates to see what sort of interest we get. We're thinking about the 23rd - 25th in July - we'll keep you posted.

Got an Event in Mind ...

If there's a day drive, local event, community parade that you've thought would be perfect to get the club to, if you look into the details and get it set-up, we'll get the word out to the members.

HOW TO earn MOTY (Member of the Year) Points

Here's our nifty points system:

- 50 Bonus points- attend all Oregon Club Sponsored Events
- 30 points- coordinate an event *
- 20 points- participate in an Oregon Club Event (in other words... come and join us at an event!)
- 10 points- attend a Quarterly Oregon Club Meeting
- 10 points- write an article which subsequently gets published in an Oregon Quarterly Newsletter
- 10 points- forward event photographs for use in the Oregon Newsletter
- 10 points- participate on the Oregon Club Forum (you know, the website at www.oregonviperclub.org)
- 10 points- buy Club merchandise (banners and apparel)
- 5 points- attend a non-Oregon Club Event (how will we know? Come back and tell us about it!)
- 5 points- display Viper spirit at an Oregon Club Event (this is easy- wear your Viper apparel and gear!)

▶ **GRAND PRIZE:**
2009 Dodge ACR Viper





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The agreement announced today covers historic parts such as painted body panels from the Viper Competition Coupe that raced F-16 jets at Luke Air Force Base and select excess inventory items from the Conner Assembly Plant in Detroit, where the iconic Viper is still being built today. The two parties are also looking to preserve older, legacy parts and tooling for those models that are no longer being built, such as the venerable Viper RT/10 and Viper GTS that both ended production in 2002.

For some 15 years the club has worked hand-in-hand with Dodge to strengthen the bond between the consumer and the manufacturer," said Chris Marshall, National President, Viper Club of America. "This new agreement will help fund the club while the Viper is on hiatus, provide another source for OEM parts for Viper owners, and monetize inventory for the manufacturer where they may not have realized any income previously."

The group has also announced the formation of Viper Parts of America, Inc. to provide a sales venue for these parts. The company has already received a large number of parts to start immediately offering to Viper Club members and the Viper owner community.

www.viperpartsofamerica.com

Club Renewals – Renew on-line
Renew on-line at the
www.viperclub.org website.

Standard membership \$115
Venom membership \$150

Staying in Touch

We want to remind everyone that our local website message forum is an excellent way to stay in touch outside of formal club activities, but it is under utilized.

It was discussed at the meeting that some people are more familiar using Facebook and would use that more.

If we can get people to use the message forum, or Facebook (if we end up going that route), it is easier to plan small events, such as seeing if anyone wants to meet up to go drag racing at PIR. It is a great way to make planning interactive. It's also a good way for members outside the main Portland area to get in touch with each other and plan mini-events in their local areas. Lastly, it is a good way just to stay in touch with each other that we enjoy hanging out with, but only see once in a while at club events.

Tell your favorite corvette joke, post a how-to on an upgrade you just did that others might be interested in, sell or give away stuff that other members might need, post your latest vacation pics, debate politics, tell an A-Net story or whatever. Message forums can be a lot of fun, but only if people participate.

We disabled allowing people to automatically register to the Forum, as it was impossible to control the spam otherwise, so ... e-mail Ken at Shahn56381@aol.com and let him know if you want a password for the Forum, or if you want to make sure we have your current e-mail address to be tagged when the Facebook page is up-and-running.

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VOI 11 - Salt Lake City Sept 30-Oct 03, 2010

Hosted by the VCA rather than Dodge this year, but Dodge will be supplying SRT engineers and vehicles as with other VOIs. Registration fee will be \$700 per person <down from \$895 for VOI10>

Booking will probably open up soon. Try checking out www.VOI11.com every once and awhile - it will be the website with all the info, but it is not yet up.

Hotel booking is open now:

Grand America \$179 - \$209/night 800-437-5288 / The Little America \$109-139/night 800-437-5288

24/7 secured parking

* Rates are good for a week on either side of the event if you want to make a longer stay out of it.

Miller Motorsports Park. Viper Cup race on Sunday with the new ACR-X series.

Weather:

Keep in mind, typical weather for this time of year in Salt Lake City is low to mid 70's days and mid 40's at night. Little rain. Elevation of 4200 feet.

Caravanning:

Approx 760 miles(12 hours plus stops) trip out the Dalles and down through Boise.

Most importantly, Utah is changing its liquor laws to make them a little more liberal.