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### Club Glove Back as eNews Sponsor

The Southwest Caravan eNews staff is pleased to announce that Club Glove USA, maker of premium Corvette luggage, has stepped once again up as a presenting co-sponsor of the eNews.

Club Glove, well known in the golf community as a maker of the finest, most durable, made-in-USA golf luggage available and the choice of PGA Pros, is also a maker of GM-licensed, premium luggage, custom embroidered with a variety of Corvette logos.



For the '20-'22 Stingray, Club Glove has specially-sized luggage to fit both the "frunk" and the rear cargo area.

Club Glove introduced its, Corvette luggage in early 2018. It received rave reviews of automotive media and early customers because of its insightful design, durable construction and timeless style. Section Captain, Bill Herold, is a Sales Representative for Club Glove's Corvette products and facilitated the company's support of the Southwest Section. Both then-Captain, Tony Megowan, and Section XO, Hib Halverson, were early-adopters of Club Glove's premium Corvette luggage. Since

the product's introduction four years ago, discriminating Corvette owners continue to choose luggage by Club Glove. The eNews Staff thanks Club Glove for supporting the Southwest Section.

## **Other News**

## **Sponsors: Apply Here**

A Section Captain from Caravans past once said, "Sponsors are the mother's milk of Caravan planning." The Southwest Caravan Organizing Team has a more than 20-year tradition of staging one of the best regional Caravans in the National Corvette Caravan. We're only able to do that with support from a great group of Sponsors.

A key reason to be a Caravan Sponsor\* is exposure to 400 Corvette owners through coverage in Southwest Section media—the eNews and Caravan Route Book—and participation in Caravan events. The eNews will post 15-25 issues over the next 30 months during which it may post coverage of major sponsors. With the Route Book, Caravaners in each car are a captive audience viewing sponsor advertising over and over again six hours a day for an entire week. Another way to gain exposure is to sponsor door prizes or raffle items given away at the Southwest Section's Departure Event the night before the Caravan begins.

A great way for individuals to lend extra support Southwest Caravan Organizing Team during the early stages of Caravan organizing is to become a Southwest Caravan Patron. Each patron will be listed in a specific part of the Sponsor's page of the Caravan Route Book. Southwest Caravan Patron donations start at \$100.00. Donations of \$500.00 or more will receive Route Book advertising space as well as listing as a Southwest Caravan Patron.

#### **PreRun1**



When the Caravan gets off I-15 at the end of the first day, you can't miss the M Resorts's huge sign.

In mid-February, the Southwest Section XO's, Commander Hib Halverson, did a two-day prerun trip into southern Nevada to inspect streets, parking structure and outlying parking lots at The M Resort, Casino and Spa. All of that infrastructure will be used by Southwest Caravaners when they arrive at the end of the Caravan's first day and depart on day two.

"The M is going to be great as an overnight," Halverson wrote in his report to Section Captain, Bill Herold. "It's pretty easy to access the property after you get off I-15 at the Nevada State Route 146 exit. The parking structure is quite large and should have no problem accommodating all the Caravan cars. The M has a lot on the east end of the property which will be perfect for staging the Caravan before departure on the morning of the second day. It's huge." the Section XO continued. "I bet it could hold a thousand cars, so there'll be plenty of room for our 200 or so. Also, it's pretty easy to get to I-15 from there—a plus when we have a couple hundred cars and want to get going to

Spring Mountain for a mid-morning arrival. The M is just going to make a great overnight stop."

The next day, the second part of PreRun1 had Halverson driving the route from The M to our first stop on the second day of the Caravan, the Ron Fellows Performance Driving School at Spring Mountain Motorsports Ranch. "The last time I drove Nevada SR160, between Henderson, where the M is, and Spring Mountain," Hib said, "most of it was under construction, being widened from two to four lanes."

PreRun1 determined that the construction, from I-15, through Blue Diamond, over the pass between the Las Vegas and Pahrump valleys, and all the way to about a mile short of Spring Mountain is complete. The highway is now four lanes and, with the exception of a short section through the pass itself, the speed limit was raised to 70-MPH. The Team feels Nevada SR160 is now better suited for Caravan use. The trip to the Ron Fellows School was shorter than was originally projected during early route planning.



Four lanes and a 70-MPH limit means less quicker trip to Spring Mountain. Image eNews Staff



Sometimes, there is not much traffic on SR160 across the desolate Pahrump Valley. Image eNews Staff.

Typically, Caravan Lead Cars run 0-5-MPH over the posted speed limit. Image eNews Staff

As Halverson's destination was his home in Goleta, after leaving Spring Mountain, he continued on 160 into Pahrump, turned left on SR372 which turns into CA SR178 headed for Baker. "I hadn't driven that road in many years," Halverson told the eNews. It's not going to be used for Caravan but it's a really fun drive in the "Blue Bullet," our 2012 ZO6. While these days, it only gets used for pre runs," Hib explained," folks who were on the 2014 trip will remember it as the Lead Car for that Caravan. The BB definitely shortened the time to get to Baker."

#### **PreRun2**

The Southwest Caravan Organizing Team will continue it prerunning of Caravan routes which will change in 2024. Captain Bill Herold will lead a three-car trip to pre-run parts of the first, second and third days of the Caravan. Capt. Herold, along with Commanders Halverson and Campbell will pre-run parts of the 2024 route in the high desert of California, Southern Nevada, and Southwestern Utah over four days early next month. Coverage of PreRun2 will be in the next issue of the Southwest Caravan eNews.

Thanks for reading Yeoman L. Sharke, Editor

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