



# REGIONNAIRE

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A newsletter of the Southern California Region of the  
Vintage Chevrolet Club of America by and for its members



## Director's Message

Hello Chevy Friends,

It's a new year and it brings the promise of many things to come. I am once again happy to serve as director for 2022. Our tour director Jim is busily planning some events for spring so we can get out and drive our cars to some exciting destinations and come together for some fun and fellowship. Once the cold weather clears up we can get out and drive our classics. We will not have our meeting in January or March, but we should have an in person meeting in July at a location to be determined. Keep reading the Regionnaire for details and information. Also check our website ([scrvccla.org](http://scrvccla.org)) for up to the minute news about our region and it's members!

I look forward to seeing you all out and about in the coming months. Until we can meet again, happy driving, stay safe, and be well.

*Sabrina Karras, 2022 Director, So. Cal Region VCCA*

***“The Worlds Best Chevrolet Club!”***  
***“Dedicated to the restoration and preservation of all Chevrolets.”***

# The Future Electric: Charging Infrastructure

Widespread adoption of EVs will require creative thinking about charging infrastructure. Chevrolet is leveraging new partnerships to bring that vision to life.

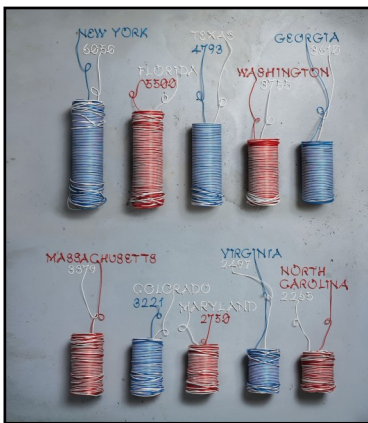
“We have to think about electric cars the way we think about our phones,” says Alex Keros, the lead architect for EV Infrastructure at General Motors. “None of us knows how long it takes to charge a cellphone, right? But you know about the convenience of plugging it in at night or maybe plugging it in at work.”

Keros believes that the key to making electric vehicle ownership more like owning a cellphone is simple, painless access to charging. If there are opportunities to charge your vehicle at home, at work, or quickly while on the road, perceived barriers to EV ownership start to fade away.

“Our team is really passionate about creating a charging ecosystem to make sure there’s charging when you need it, where you need it,” says Keros.



**CHARGE POINTS BY STATE** For the number of EV charge points in the U.S., California, at 6,983, is still leading. But other states are quickly catching up. These 10 states follow California in the number of public and private charging outlets. Chevrolet is developing that ecosystem right now in cooperation with technology partners like EVgo, the largest public fast-charging network in the nation, and Qmerit, which provides home EV charger installation services through a nationwide team of certified electrical contractors.



Qmerit makes it simple to have an EV charger installed in your home for plug-and-play charging so you can charge at home overnight and wake up to a full battery. The company’s turnkey solutions guide owners through the process, which starts with a short online form.

EVgo specializes in keeping your EV topped up while you’re away from home. The company is working with Chevrolet to add fast-charging stations to cities and suburbs across the country, especially around grocery stores, retail outlets, and other convenient high-traffic locations.

Keros says that building collaborations like those with EVgo and Qmerit enhances the customer’s experience. “No one entity is going to create a solution around electric vehicle charging,” he says. “The goal is to make the customer’s life easier.”

Making charging more accessible is one way Chevrolet is working toward GM’s aspiration to eliminate tailpipe emissions from new light-duty vehicles by 2035. Another is pushing for a national zero-emissions vehicle program, which would help fast-track infrastructure for EVs and offer incentives for the purchase of electric vehicles, among other things.

The company is also working to fit charging seamlessly into drivers’ lives, wherever they go. “We like to say that we’re working to create an ecosystem that wraps around the customer,” Keros says. “The question we’re asking both of ourselves and our partners like EVgo is how do we make charging more convenient? How do we work with them to put more charging stations into places like supermarkets, or other places where our customers already spend their time?”

The plan goes well beyond the all-electric Chevy Bolt EV, too. “As we launch models with higher power needs, not only can we put more charging at those locations where Chevrolet owners spend their time, but we can ensure those charging locations can charge at some of the most convenient, fastest rates, such as at 350 kilowatts,” Keros says. “It’s also really important to have it all powered by 100-percent renewable energy to meet our zero-emission goals.”

However, making charging more accessible is only one part of the equation. “A lot more education and awareness is needed,” Keros says. “Many people are still learning about the technology, and we all need to help raise awareness. Once you’ve been exposed to EVs, you end up going all-in.”

The transformative power of driving an electric vehicle and the ease of “switching” is something that Keros has seen in his own family (they’re on their third Chevrolet EV). “My wife loves that she never has to spend 15 minutes a week standing in the cold filling up the car at a gas station,” he says. “Now she just plugs in at home or work and goes.”

Through products or partnerships, Keros sees his job as making EV charging simple for Chevrolet customers—saving them those 15 minutes a week, and maybe making life a little easier in the process. “The EV experience is just as simple as what you’re used to with a gasoline engine,” says Keros, “but with a ton of benefits you may not have even thought about yet.”



**General Meeting – Saturday, November 20, 2021,  
Virtual Meeting Held Via Zoom Online**

**Minutes**

**Members Present:** Sandy & Mike Cromer, Colleen Ingalls, Jim & Sabrina Karras

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Director, Sabrina Karras.

**Administrative Actions:**

**Treasurer's Report:** Sabrina Karras presented the Treasurer's Report. Mike Cromer offered a motion to approve, receive and file the report, which was seconded by Jim Karras. The motion carried.

**Hat Sales Report:** Jim Karras reported that there have been 34 hats sold year-to-date for 2021.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership Committee:** Jim Karras reported that the region gained two new members for 2021 and noted that the 2021 dues are due, and notices have been emailed. Sabrina will also send a paper invoice to each out-standing member in December.

**New Business:**

**Nomination and elections of 2021 officers:** Sandy Cromer made a motion to nominate current officers to continue for 2021. Jim Karras seconded. Motion approved. Officers are Director – Sabrina Karras, Assistant Director – Jim Karras, Secretary – Jim Karras, and Treasurer – Sabrina Karras.

**2022 Meeting Dates:** Jim reported that due to the current ongoing COVID-19 health order restrictions for group meetings within Los Angeles County, and with reports that indicate health officials are estimating that surge conditions will occur throughout the winter and spring of 2022, he recommends we suspend the January, March, and May meetings but plan on a July meeting either in person or via Zoom depending on the current conditions towards the end of June 2022. Mike Cromer made a motion to suspend the next three meetings and plan on a July 2022 meeting either in-person or via Zoom based on conditions at that time. Jim seconded the motion which carried.

**Region Charter Renewal:** Jim reported that the region charter application and fee is due. Sandy Cromer made a motion to submit the application and pay the \$25.00 fee to National as required. Jim Karras seconded the motion which carried.

**All Cal Meet:** Jim reported that the Sacramento Valley Region has indicated that the 2022 All Cal will be postponed until 2023 due to COVID-19 restrictions for group gatherings in Northern California.

**60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meet Update:** Jim reported that the meet which was postponed to July 2022 is currently on-track to be held as previously announced by National. Region members known to be planning on attending include Mike and Sandy Cromer, and Jim and Sabrina Karras.

**Old Business:** No outstanding business was brought up at this time.

**Membership Comments:** Mike and Sandy reported that their 1961 Corvette restoration project has progressed, and the car is now on the road and runs great. Mike is finishing up on some final touches on Sandy's '64 which is also back on the road. Jim and Sabrina reported that the '54 Bel Air was shown at the Orange County and San Fernando Valley region All Chevrolet Car Shows in October and November. The '59 and '64 are also both back on the road.

**Additional Items:** There were no additional items offered.

**Next Meeting:** The Region's next regular meeting will be held on July 16, 2021, at 9:00 AM at a location to be determined.

**Adjournment:** Colleen Ingalls moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mike Cromer and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 AM by Sabrina Karras.

*Respectfully submitted by Jim Karras, Secretary*



◆◆◆ ◆◆◆ **Upcoming Events** ◆◆◆ ◆◆◆

January 9, 2022 - Hi-Performance Swap Meet & Car Show - 6:00 am to 1:00 pm  
Veterans Stadium - 5000 Lew Davis St., Long Beach, CA

January 15, 2022 - Slave 2 Nothing Cruisin' 2 Freedom Car Show - 1:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
OC Fair & Event Center - 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA

January 16, 2022 - Pomona Swap Meet & Classic Car Show - 5:00 am to 2:00 pm  
Pomona Fairplex - 1101 W. McKinley Ave., Pomona, CA

January 28-30, 2022 - Grand National Roadster Show - 5:00 am to 2:00 pm  
Pomona Fairplex - 1101 W. McKinley Ave., Pomona, CA



Hazel Zaricor - February 13th  
Linda Adkisson - February 27th

The Southern California Region is proud to present a podcast created and produced by Jim and Sabrina Karras. This show will highlight all the exciting things the VCCA has to offer.

**Check it out at [vccaspotlight.org](http://vccaspotlight.org)**



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**NEW VCCA LOGO**

## Purpose

The Southern California Region of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (“VCCA”) was organized to promote the restoration and preservation of Chevrolets and welcomes everyone with an interest in the history of Chevrolet and sharing knowledge and experiences about these wonderful automobiles.

Our region is comprised of both single and married members who join together at many fun events including; tours, picnics, car shows, banquets and other interesting outings.

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## Membership and Dues

An active member is defined as an individual who has paid dues to both the National VCCA and the Southern California Region. Ownership of a Chevrolet is not a requirement of membership.

*National Dues:* Dues for the National VCCA are \$40.00 per year for a regular membership or \$25.00 per year for an online membership. National Dues include membership card, badge, club decal, and monthly publication – the *Generator and Distributor*.

*Southern California Region Dues:* Dues for the Southern California Region are \$15.00 per year. Dues are payable on or before December 1st. An active member receives a bi-monthly newsletter – the *Regionnaire* and notification of all club activities. An active member may participate in the business meetings and all club events, both regional and national.

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## Other VCCA Resources

### Southern California Region Web Site

[www.scrvcca.org](http://www.scrvcca.org)

### National VCCA Web Site

[www.vcca.org](http://www.vcca.org)

### VCCA Internet Chat Forum

[www.vcca.org/forum/](http://www.vcca.org/forum/)

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## Regionnaire Publication Information

The Regionnaire is published every other month. Ads and other contributions from members are welcome for publication in the Regionnaire. The deadline for all contributions is the first Tuesday of every other month.



THE VINTAGE CHEVROLET CLUB OF AMERICA INC.  
*Southern California Region*  
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**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of the National Vintage Chevrolet club?  YES  NO

**If YES:** Your membership number: \_\_\_\_\_ **If NO:** It is a prerequisite for becoming a member of a local region. Yearly dues for National Membership are listed below and are forwarded to the National Organization. Dues for region membership are \$10.00 per year.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION DUES**..... \$ 15.00 per year  
**NATIONAL DUES**  RENEWAL  NEW  
 Membership (Member, Spouse & Children), two votes ..... \$ 40.00 per year  
**TOTAL ENCLOSED** ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** FOR INSURANCE PURPOSES ALL REGION MEMBERS MUST JOIN NATIONAL IN ORDER TO JOIN THE REGION. If you send the Region, your National dues, we will send them on to National.

**REGION:** All members receive a monthly region newsletter and information on upcoming events and tours.

**NATIONAL:** All new members will receive a club badge, decal, membership card and the national magazine, Generator & Distributor. Members are entitled to free classified advertising in the club magazine and participation in Vintage Chevrolet Club activities. Members are entitled to free classified advertising, access to member-only website features, and participation in all VCCA activities. Chevrolet ownership is not a requirement for membership. Dues are non-refundable.

The purpose of the VCCA is to promote interest in the preservation and restoration of vintage Chevrolets.

If you presently own a Chevrolet, please fill in below.

Year	Model	Body Style	Cyl.	Condition
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Recruited by (VCCA member recruiting optional) \_\_\_\_\_ VCCA # \_\_\_\_\_

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Paid \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check/Cash  
 Date Paid \_\_\_\_\_  
 Regional Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

Return complete form and mail with dues to:  
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 Applicant's Signature