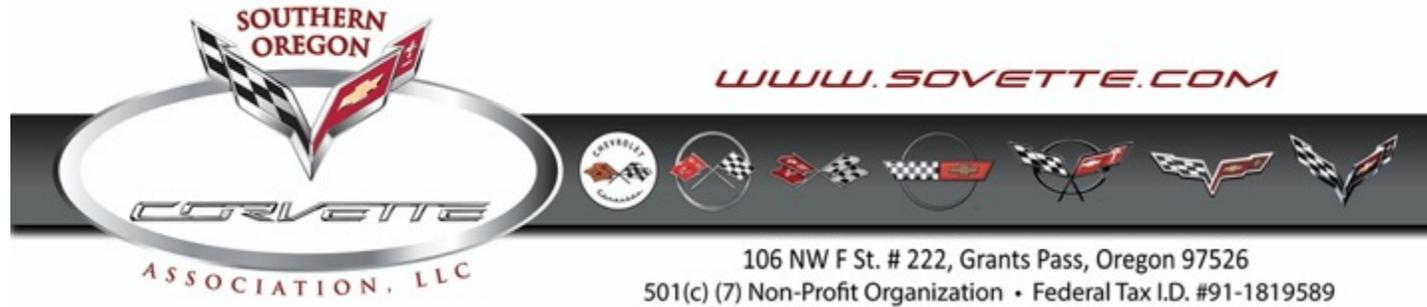


Southern Oregon Corvette Association

February 2026

Newsletter



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Club Social

The Club Social is at Black Bear Diner on February 21 at 5pm at 1900 NW 6th St in Grants Pass. For more information, see the “Events” section (page 5) and the “Activities” section (page 9) for details.

Upcoming Meetings

General Membership Meeting, Wednesday, March 4, 2026, **6:30 p.m.** at the Rogue River Community Center, 132 Broadway Street, Rogue River.

Visitors are always welcome!

Why Join SOCA?

- Promote *esprit de corps* among Corvette enthusiasts.
- Create interest in the Corvette as a true dual-purpose sports car.
- Provide a means of technical information and service to members.
- Encourage dealer and manufacturer cooperation.
- Organize and promote events of a social nature and provide social gatherings for enthusiasts with common interests.
- Sponsor or participate in activities to benefit the community through recognized charities as selected by the members of the Association.

SOCA Logo Apparel

Competitive Athletics, 105 NE 7th St., Grants Pass
(541) 479-1001

OFFICERS:



Elected Officers

President: Ron Howard
Vice-President: Dan Smith
Secretary: Debbie Simons
Treasurer: Cathy Cardoza
Sgt-at-Arms: Gar Stevens
Membership: Charles Simons

Appointed Positions

Sunshine: Sandee Anderson
Activities: Kim Moore
Communications: Gar Stevens
Internet Site: Sharon Hook-Martino, Elaine Ellis
Parade Coord: Kerry Razza
Natl Corvette Museum: Len Atlas
Facebook:: Tammi Moore
Newsletter: Rob Hill

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:



February Birthdays

Larry Bayless
George Bobo
Thomas Bozarth
Karen Calvert
Juanita Gillaspey
Tony Herrera
Aggie Ramos
Kerry Razza
Debbie Simons
John Warren
Kent Washburn
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February Anniversaries

David & Julie Allen
Scott & Jennifer Edgerton
Dan & Robin Estremado
Don & Sande Silva
Scott & Lisa Tannehill
James Tritle & Lynette Garcia

EVENTS:



2025 Southern Oregon Corvette Association (SOCA) Events

	<u>Jan</u>	<u>Feb</u>	<u>Mar</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>Jun</u>	<u>Jul</u>	<u>Aug</u>	<u>Sep</u>	<u>Oct</u>	<u>Nov</u>	<u>Dec</u>
Club meeting (Wed.)	7	4	4	1	6	3	1	5	2	7	4	2

All dates below are Saturdays, except as noted ... The dates shown are tentative and subject to change or cancellation.

- *Feb 4th – Membership Meeting at Rogue River Community Center at 132 Broadway St, Rogue River, 6:30pm
- *Feb 21st – SOCA Social at Black Bear Diner; 1900 NW 6th St, Grants Pass, at 5pm
- *Feb 28st -- The Torpedoes Band at Corvette Bar & Grill, 1831 NE Sixth St, Grants Pass, 7:30-11pm

For additional events, information, and links ... see the SOCA website "Events Page:" <https://www.sovette.com/events>

Remember to take photos at SOCA events, send them to Sharon Hook, and selected photos will appear here on the sovette.com website!



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SOCA Social on January 17, 2026



[Seven Solid Reasons to Add a Soler Performance Throttle Controller to Your C8 Corvette](#)



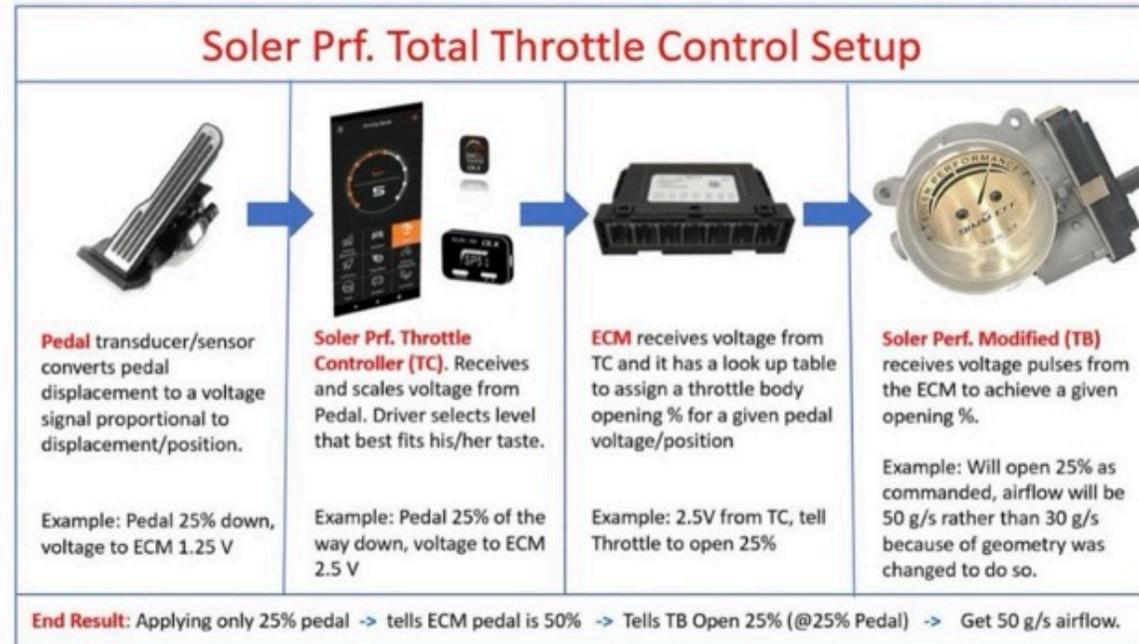
[Seven Solid Reasons to Add a Soler Performance Throttle Controller to Your C8 Corvette](#)

If you've been following along on *CorvetteBlogger*, you know I've been diving deep into ways to enhance the already stellar [C8 Corvette](#) experience without going overboard on mods. Back in September, I introduced you to the [Soler Performance Throttle Controller](#) as a [smart, subtle upgrade that unlocks untapped potential](#) in your Corvette's acceleration.

Then, in December, I shared my [hands-on review after installing one on my own 2025 E-Ray](#), and let me tell you—it delivered results that were downright satisfying.

Now, drawing from those insights and the experience from other owners who also have a [Soler Performance Throttle Controller](#), I've compiled a list of the top selling points and features that make this controller a must-consider for any C8 driver. Whether you're chasing that extra edge on the street or just want a more responsive daily drive, here's why the Soler Performance Throttle Controller deserves a spot in your Corvette.

1. Eliminates Throttle Lag for Instant Response



One of the biggest gripes with modern drive-by-wire systems—like the one in the C8—is that built-in lag designed for emissions and smoothness. The factory mapping means pressing the pedal halfway might only open the throttle body 25%, leaving you hanging during merges or quick starts. Soler’s controller fixes this by linearizing the pedal-to-throttle curve, giving you [direct, predictable acceleration](#). Owners rave about how it “wakes up” the car, making it feel more alive and powerful without adding a single horsepower. In my testing, it transformed city driving from sluggish to snappy—perfect for the high-revving LT2 or LT6 engines.

2. Super Easy Plug-and-Play Installation



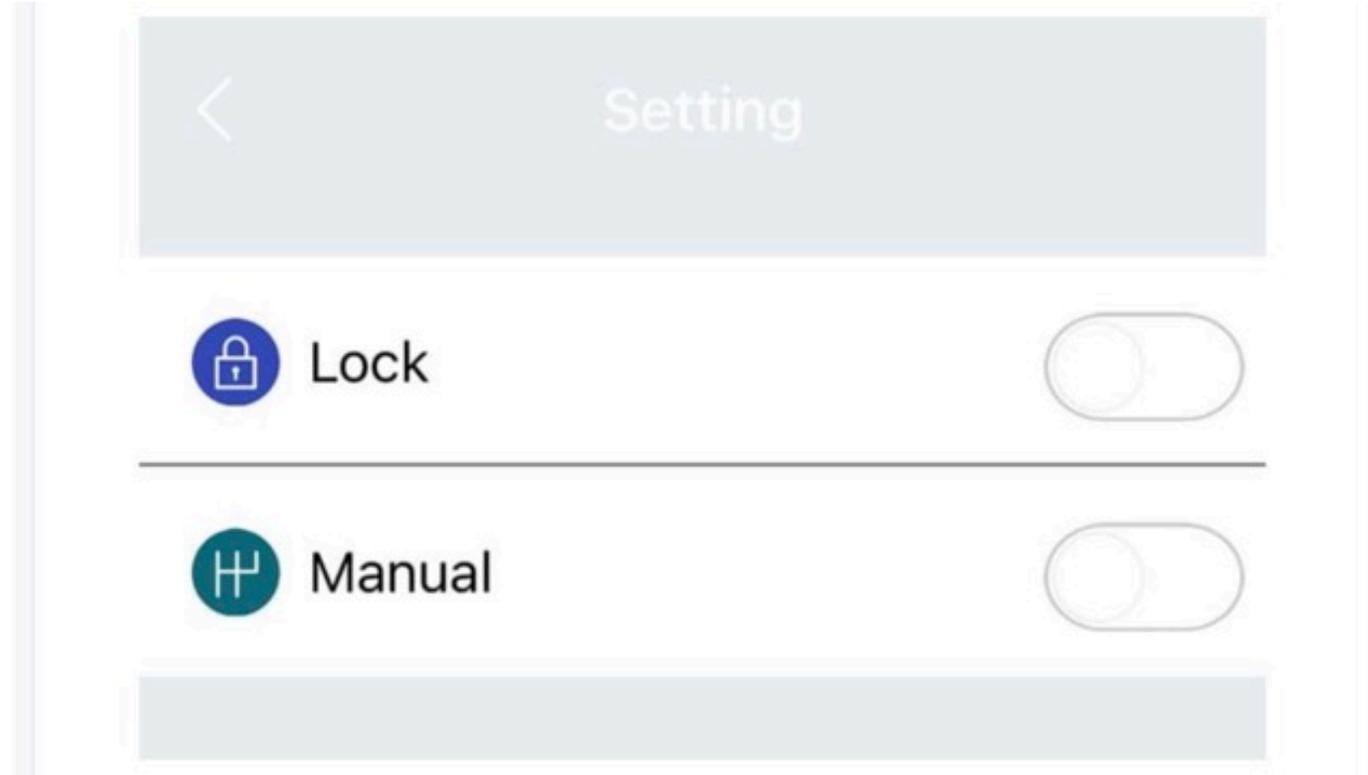
No need for a mechanic or fancy tools here. This thing [installs in about 10-15 minutes](#) with just a 10mm socket to access the pedal harness. Unplug the factory connector, plug in the Soler unit, tuck the wires neatly, and you're done—no cutting, no splicing, and no check engine lights. It's fully reversible, so if you ever sell your C8 or want to go back to stock, it's a breeze. As someone who did it myself on my E-Ray, I can confirm: zero hassle, and it keeps your warranty intact since it's not altering any core systems.

3. Customizable Modes via Bluetooth App



With 10 drive modes and 64 adjustable settings, you can tailor the throttle response to your mood or driving style—all controlled through a [free Bluetooth app on your phone](#). Options range from mellow Comfort for relaxed cruises to aggressive Sport or even Ludicrous for track days. I settled on Sport 6 as my daily driver sweet spot—punchy yet controllable—while Drag Race mode had me grinning ear-to-ear during spirited runs. It's like having multiple personalities for your Corvette, and switching is as simple as a tap.

4. Built-In Anti-Theft Protection



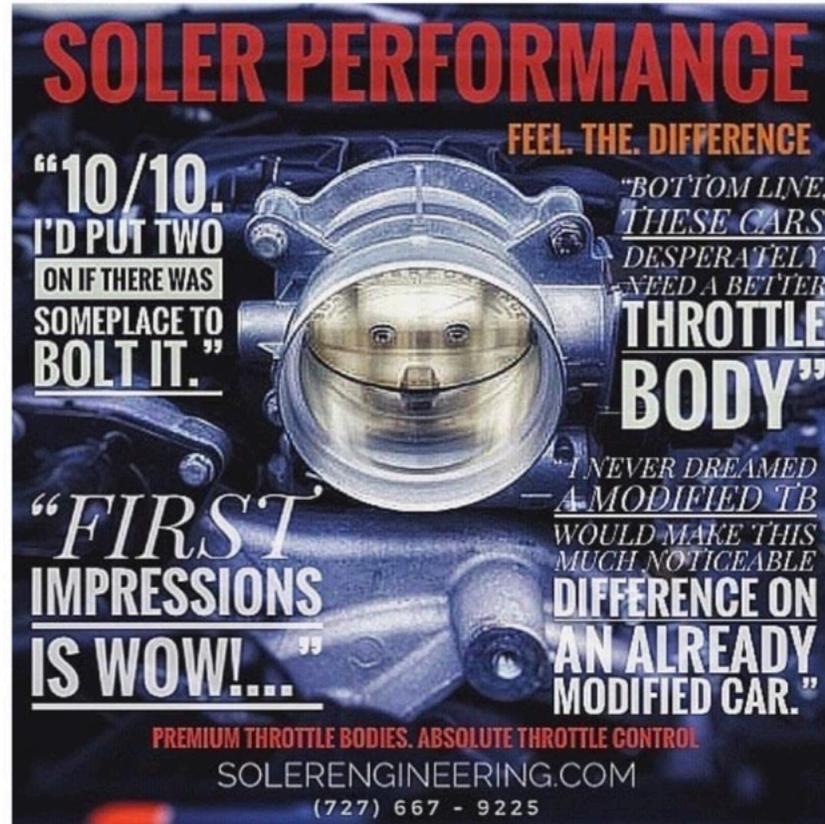
In an era where car theft is on the rise, Soler’s “Lock” mode is a genius feature. Activate it exclusively via the app, and even if a thief manages to start your C8, the throttle stays disabled—no acceleration means no getaway. It’s an [extra layer of security](#) that doesn’t require subscriptions or extra hardware, and it’s especially reassuring for those of us parking in public spots. Think of it as a hidden kill switch that keeps your prized possession safe without complicating your life.

5. Affordable Price with Great Value



Priced at \$229 (and you can save an additional 5% with **promo code CB**), this is one of the best bang-for-your-buck mods out there. Compared to intakes, exhausts, or tunes that can run hundreds more, it [delivers noticeable improvements](#) without breaking the bank. Plus, there's a 30-day money-back guarantee and optional extended warranty for peace of mind. Pair it with Soler's matching throttle bodies for even more gains, and you've got a scalable upgrade path that's accessible to all budgets.

6. Enhances Overall Driving Engagement



This isn't just about speed—it's about [making your C8 more fun and intuitive to drive](#). From reduced hesitation in traffic to sharper throttle blips during downshifts, it amplifies the Corvette's sporty character. Forum users and YouTube reviewers call it a "game-changer" or "mod of the century," especially for Z06 or E-Ray owners pushing the limits. In my experience, it made the car feel "ready to go" at all times, turning everyday errands into excuses to hit the road.

7. Broad Compatibility and Proven Reliability



Designed for [C6 through C8 Corvettes](#) (and even other GM vehicles), it's a versatile fit for Stingrays, Z06s, E-Rays, and beyond. Thousands of installations later, with glowing testimonials across CorvetteForum, Reddit, and social media, reliability isn't an issue. No reported failures or compatibility hiccups, and Soler's engineering background ensures it's built to last in high-performance environments.

For a 1-2 punch, [Soler Engineering](#) also offers ported throttle bodies for the C6, C7, and C8 Corvette. Ported throttle bodies are better optimized for improved air flow and because Chevrolet's V8s are giant air pumps, allowing more air into it will provide you with real power gains. You will absolutely feel the difference in the low to mid torque range, especially when combined with the Soler Performance Throttle Controller. You can however, use these two products independently as well. Soler Performance offers their [91mm TB for the LT2 Stingray/E-Ray](#) starting at \$300 while a [set of two 91mm TB for the LT6 Z06](#) start at \$880. Upgrades are also available for a three-year extended warranty.

Soler Performance Throttle Controller



If you're a C8 owner itching for that next upgrade, the [Soler Performance Throttle Controller](#) checks all the boxes: performance, convenience, security, and affordability. It's not about reinventing the wheel—it's about making the one you've got spin faster and smoother. Try the Soler Performance Throttle Controller and Throttle Body for your Corvette today and take advantage of their 30-day no-questions-asked full money back guarantee.