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Vintage 'Vettes

A couple of Corvette devotees admire each others' wheels while cruising Beach Street Sunday morning. There were chopped, channeled and flamed 'rods' as well as lovingly restored and cared-for cars — more than 300 in all from all over California

and the U.S. The proud owners found their way to Santa Cruz for the ninth Beach Street Revival over the weekend. It was a chance to relive memories and to show off reminders of that phenomenon of the '50s and '60s: Cruising.

Revival revelers keep SC police busy

Beach-goers and cruisers attracted by the fine weather and the ninth annual Beach Street Revival kept Santa Cruz police busy this weekend.

Deputy Police Chief Steve Belcher said today his officers had "a lot of alcohol-related problems" on the streets and at the beaches,

where thousands of people turned out to soak up the sun and get a glimpse of the more than 300 classic cars that cruised city streets during the revival.

Belcher said he hadn't yet compared this year's arrest total with last year's or other major holidays, but activity

was "extremely heavy."

"The number of arrests were limited only by the number of police officers available," Belcher said.

Officers spent most of Friday and Saturday night making arrests for possession of alcohol or narcotics, and issuing citations for

speeding or "burning rubber."

"It's not the participants of the Beach Street Revival that cause the problems," Belcher said. "It's the spectators who come out that give us the most trouble."

He added, "It was a party atmosphere to say the least."

Steve Stroth