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PRESS RELEASE

THE 12th ANNUAL CORONADO SPEED FESTIVAL *Don't Miss The Fleet Week San Diego Marquee Event*

SAN DIEGO, May 18, 2009 – Fleet Week San Diego is excited to announce that the 12th annual Coronado Speed Festival will be the 2009 marquee event. Due to the Coronado Speed Festival's continued success and popularity, the Fleet Week Foundation has proudly decided to make it the marquee event. "The Coronado Speed Festival clearly demonstrates and holds true to the mission of Fleet Week - to honor the men and women of the military through public events that entertain in order to thank these heroes," said Executive Director, Alex Squires. "That paired with its popularity, makes it the obvious choice for the marquee event."

So, when you are looking for somewhere fun to spend a day or weekend and a unique experience appropriate for all ages, look no further than this year's "Race At The Base." An announcement with the dates for the 2009 Coronado Speed Festival will be coming soon.

About The Coronado Speed Festival

The Coronado Speed Festival is set against the stunning backdrop of San Diego Bay and will feature 280 of the world's most unique and pedigreed machines at one of the most distinctive racecar locations - Naval Air Station North Island, the birthplace of Naval Aviation.

The Coronado Speed Festival is produced by San Diego Fleet Week Foundation and hosted by the Naval Base Coronado and the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Program (MWR) which benefits military personnel and their families. They in turn provide positive support for the active duty military community and their families through Quality of Life Programs including single Sailor Recreation Centers, Fitness and Aquatic Facilities and the Base Theatre Free Movies. The Southern California community is given this unbelievable opportunity to thank the men and women defending our freedom in person.

About Fleet Week San Diego

With a range of major corporate sponsors that include SAIC, Raytheon, Navy Federal Credit Union, General Dynamics, The San Diego Padres, USA Federal Credit Union, BAE Systems, Lockheed Martin, General Atomics and a host of others, the Fleet Week San Diego Foundation produces events that entertain and thank our military service members and their families for their extraordinary sacrifice and selfless dedication.

Thanks to the overwhelming support from regional businesses and the people of San Diego, our Fleet Week has become the largest "thank you" to the military in the nation and has adopted the tag line, "Fleet Week San Diego, Honoring the Military throughout the Year".

Fleet Week was created by community and business leaders who sought to express their support for the military in the defense of the country and development of the community. Since San Diego's adoption of Fleet Week in 1997, the number of events held in honor of service members continues to grow.

For more information about this event or any of the other exciting Fleet Week events, visit Fleet Week San Diego's website at www.fleetweeksandiego.org.

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