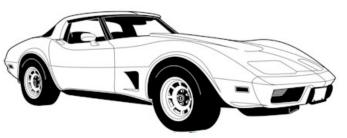
1979

A number of the features from the editions were carried



more popular Silver Anniversary over into 1979.

The high seatback from the Pace Car

design, borrowed replica, became

standard equipment. Plastic used extensively in the design reduced weight by about 12 pounds per seat. They also offered better side bolster support; access to the storage area was eased since the backs folded at a higher point, and they afforded an additional inch of forward travel for individual adjustment. An AM-Fm radio became standard equipment.

Outside, front and rear air spoilers, developed for the 1978 Pace Car, were available as options; Tungsten-halogen headlights beams were phased in to replace high-beam units for increased visibility. Modifications to muffler design and air intake permitted minor horsepower improvements to the basic 350ci engine. And, sticker price for the basic coupe exceeded \$10,000 for the first time.

The 1979 was the high-water mark in Corvette production. 53,807 coupes were made available to the motoring public, a record that still stands.