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Labor Day Car Show

From Laurie Kistner





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The Labor Day Car Show was a huge success! Great turnout from NVCC and NVMC, fantastic weather, and the 30+ car caravan on the way over with our police escort went very well. Our "VIP" parking at Trummer's on Main (formerly the Hermitage Inn) was spectacular! Lots of great cars to eyeball, including American muscle, classics, antiques, street rods and hot rods. Can't ask for a better day! Thanks to all club members who got up at the crack of dawn to participate.

The folks working hard for you

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Membership Corner

We currently have 130 active members 1 honorary member and 22 prospective members.

Prospective Members:

Joseph Penca - 1972 Coupe, White Mark Devine - 2008 Coupe, Blue Dan Carrier - 2006 Conv Silver

Karen Spence – 2003/2008 LeMans Blue/Red

Mary Wilds - 1972 Coupe White Kevin Fry - 2003 Coupe Black

Noah Malgeri – 2008 Z06 Atomic Orange

Larry Shaffer – 1995 Green

Donald Crabtree - 2003 Conv Burgundy

Bob Williams - 2008 Conv Blue

Mark De Agazio - 2003 Z06 Red

Tricia Johnston - 2003/2007 Coupe/Z06 Black

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Iris Ferguson - 03/07 coupe/Z06 Brian Feezle - 2007 Z06 Silver

Gary Foster -

Sandye Blalock - 2008 Conv Red

Ted Cahall – 2001/2006 Z06/Z06 Black/Silver

You remain a "prospective" member until you pay your membership dues and return your NCCC form.

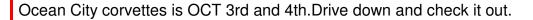
PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Exciting times at NVCC. Patty Williams took delivery of her 2009 ZR1.638 horsepower should make her commute much easier. (read the gory details in Patty's own words herein).

Spook-make sure you send in your registration forms. October will be here soon.

Teen driving school is Nov 1. A big Thank you to Mr. Sheikh for your generous donation.

Rallye-The last rallye of the year was a good time. Thanks to Manny for the free coffee to get our rallye started at Caribou Coffee in Kings Park (pic at right). Lets keep rallye going next year.



Turn off the TV go drive the corvette.

Rich Mars



NVCC Event Calendar NVCC Social Calendar September 2008 Laurie Kistner, Social Director

Fri. 10/3 and Sat. 10/4 – Corvettes at Ocean City, sponsored by the Free State Corvette Club. Please see www.freestatecorvette.com for complete event details. Preregistration is now closed but late registration will be available on Friday, October 3 at the Holiday Inn, 67th and Coastal Highway, Ocean City from 11:00AM to 8:00PM



and also on Saturday, October 4 at the Inlet Parking Lot, from 7:30AM to 10:30AM. There is something for everyone, including fun and judged shows, rallies, with the highlight of the weekend being the boardwalk parade of Corvettes. This event benefits Spina Bifida.

Sat. 10/4 - TC Williams High School Homecoming Parade. This event is TENTATIVE at this time, the school is undecided about doing the parade this year. Stay tuned for more information. If the parade is a go and you are not going to Ocean City, consider helping out a few hours locally!

Sun. 10/5 - NVMC Annual Car Show & Picnic, to be held at Algonkian Park in Sterling, VA (Shelter #1), from 10am-3pm. NVMC & NVCC Members are invited and the cost is FREE! Food and refreshments catered by Virginia BBQ, music and entertainment by JJ-DJ. The car show is Top 20 Popular Vote Format, plus trophies for Best In Show, Best Paint, Best Interior, and Best Engine. There will also be raffles, 50/50, and much more. Let's celebrate a great 2008 car season! This event is free, but feel free to contribute a snack or dessert if you wish. Directions: from the Beltway (I-495), take Route 7 west 11 miles to Cascades Parkway north, and drive 3 miles to the park entrance. Please PRE-Register to Ceece Coburn at Enforcir@gmail.com

Sat. 10/11 - Sunset Hills Vineyard Tour, starting at 12PM. This event is organized by club member Michael Woods. Did you ever wonder where do the skins and seeds go when making wine? Why oak barrels? How long does fermentation take? When are grapes harvested? Come find out about wine making from our host Mike Canney, a past Northern Virginia Corvette Club member who races in the SCCA Koni Challenge when not making wine.

Sunset Hills Vineyard produces high-quality Bordeaux style wines, recently winning gold and two silver medals in the 2008 Eastern Seaboard Wine Competition. Located at the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, their soil and climate conditions are well suited for producing outstanding wines. They will produce about 36,000 bottles of wine this year including; Chardonnay, Viognier, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Petit Verdot.

Mike also has a neighbor who has an awesome selection of prized Corvettes and hopes to bring a couple over to the vineyard. Bring your vette and sample some of the finest wines in the area! Contact Mike Woods at michael_woods@fanniemae.com with your full names and # attending ASAP and any questions you might have. The address of the winery is 38295 Freemont Overlook Lane, Purcellville, Virginia 20132.

Directions: Take Rt. 7 West, then take the Rt. 287 exit. At the stop light turn RIGHT, it will be about 4 miles on the right. If you hit the Rt. 287 stoplight, you went too far.

Sat. 10/18 and Sun. 10/19 – Spooktacular. 14 High Speed Autocross events on the 1.1 mile, multi level, blind/late apex-laden, 7 turn Jefferson Circuit at famous Summit Point Raceway in West Virginia. This is a HIGH SPEED event, which means speeds 80 mph and up, and NO cones! You get a flying start to the start timer. We run the course clockwise on Saturday and counter-clockwise on Sunday. We generally get three cars on the track at the same time, however, you are separated by a 20 second interval and corner workers keep things in control. You must have a high speed license to drive. We are also in need of workers for the event. Contact Andrej Balanc at urtoslo@yahoo.com and see the website for registration forms and more information.

Sat. 10/18 - American Legion Community Motorsports Day from 10 AM - 3 PM at the Ashburn Capital Community Church on 20430 Ashburn Village Boulevard, Ashburn, VA 20147. The cost is FREE! Billed as a "Motorsports Day", it is a fun display of patriotism and American iron focusing on cool cars and motorcycles, family/kids, free admission, etc. with a few sponsors and donations accepted. Join us for music, children's games, child fingerprinting, safety demonstrations, and plenty of surprises! Proceeds to benefit the Fisher House, located at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. Contact Jim Beaupre at zorvette@cox.net for more information on this event if you do not plan to drive or work Spooktacular.

Sat. 10/25 – Fall Skyline Drive Cruise. Corvette Forum's Jim Strathearn and the Shenandoah Valley Corvette Club are again sponsoring this year's Fall Skyline Drive Cruise to benefit Toys for Tots. For those who remember past Skyline Cruises, we always have a blast! Skyline attendance usually is 100-200 'vettes!!! This is an annual event that several Corvettes on the eastern seaboard regularly attend.

Registration fee (day of): \$15 per car OR a new unwrapped toy (no stuffed animals, please), collectible on the day of the cruise in Front Royal. All registration proceeds to benefit Toys for Tots.

Or, you may pre-register for \$12, check MUST be made payable to Toys for Tots and must be received at the following address NLT 10/17/08: Jim Strathearn, PO Box 332, Shrewsbury, PA 17361

We will meet at the Newgate Shopping Center parking lot (corner of Routes 28 and 29 in Centreville) at 7:30 AM, drivers' meeting at 7:45 AM, leaving at 8 AM SHARP! We should arrive at the Front Royal Chevy dealership at around 9:00 AM, where those organizing the cruise will begin distributing goodie bags and door prizes. Representatives from the local Toys for Tots group will be there collecting the donations. They will also have coffee and donuts for us. The Young Marines will also be there to assist with parking, etc.

The cruise route will include Skyline Drive in Shenandoah National Park and some other nice curvy roads for a scenic drive to check out the fall foliage. We usually have a large group picture we pose for at one of the overlooks. You will need to pay a \$15 fee to enter the national park (the pass is good for 1 week).

Please e-mail me at lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com ONLY if you wish to join the Centreville caravan to the cruise starting location.

Directions to the caravan start point are as follows: From 66 Westbound, take Exit 53A to Route 28 South and then take the Route 29 South Exit, immediately turning right into the parking lot. There is a Sunoco gas station, Joann's Fabrics, Trader Joe's, and a Fast Eddie's in this plaza.

Wed. 10/29 – Vienna Halloween Parade. TENTATIVE. OK, folks it's that time of year again...time to start working on your leg's clutching muscles for a parade through downtown Vienna! Anyone who lives in this area knows how big a parade this really is! This is a great opportunity to get the club out in front of our own community, and the cost is FREE!!!

The Vienna Halloween Parade is always a good time. We have won 1st place at this event in the past and have had as many as 30 cars - lets see if we can top that this year! The theme this year is "An Old Fashioned Halloween". Let's see if we can get some of the older Corvettes in the club to come out for this event!

Staging will be @ 6:00 PM, parade kicks off at 7:00 PM. Staging location details TBA. Several people have asked if we are decorating our cars - that is entirely up to you! Costumes are also optional. Any additional people are welcome to attend to help carry the club banner. Also, you are not allowed to throw candy from the cars. (It can however be handed out by participants on foot.) Come support the club! If you are interested please contact Joe Daly at: (703) 478-3259 or idthree@cox.net for more information.

Coming soon...

Sat. 11/1/08 – Teen Driving School

Sun. 11/9/08 – Annual Bonefish Grill Cruise-In (tentative)

Sun. 11/16/08 – Annual NVCC/NVMC Brunch & Billiards Day (tentative)

December ??? – 5th Annual Christmas Dinner Cruise (tentative)

BUYING A ZR1-My First Race Car BY Pattysue ZR1-no34

Sometime in the Spring of 2008, the 'buzz' about the new Corvette ZR1 started. I bought and read every magazine that had an article. I bought the poster from Chevy Mall thinking "at least I can have the poster". The more I read, the more I wanted that 'BLUE DEVIL'!! My daughter said, "One Corvette is enough." My neighbor said, "I don't want to hear about you buying another Corvette!" No one understood! So I kept my Impossible Dream to myself.

On June 1st, 2008 during the Concours held at Koons I told Mandou I wanted a ZR1 and I wanted it 'fully loaded'.

I forgot about the conversation until about 3 weeks later. Mandou called on Tuesday, June 24th, about 4:00. He wanted me to come in and sign the papers. When he told

me the cost, I told him I couldn't afford it. He persuaded me to come in and 'talk'.



This was the night of the GBM, so I thought I'd talk, tell him I had to have a certain amount for my Mustang, they would say no and I could gracefully get out of it. Carl was there, too. He said OK to my request, so I had to decide if I wanted to gamble that my banker would come through with the rest. Mandou and I came home to bring the Mustang back. While I was signing the Mustang away, George, NVCC's past President came down and saw what I was doing. He proceded to go back to the meeting which had started and tell everyone I was downstairs buying a ZR1.

I was a complete basket case!!! What if I couldn't get the rest of the money? What if I lost the Mustang? I was more concerned that people would know I had no business sense than I was of losing the Mustang (@\$20,000.). I decided Plan B would be to leave town quietly if that happened!

Sleep was out of the question for me for three days. I called my banker, and told him what I wanted to do. He researched the car, told me it was a really good investment. He would make it happen for me. I finally slept.

Then came the long wait. I had originally wanted Museum Delivery. Back in the spring I had signed up for the Anniversary Celebration held every year at the Museum. My accommodations, thanks to Judy Patrick, were with the Museum Director's and his wife's Bed and Breakfast. My Museum Delivery had been scheduled for August 9th with a VIN no. of 34. There was a HOLD on all ZR1's for quality control. Lori was not sure when My ZR1 would come to Koons.

I started to think about driving the ZR1 back home 800 miles without the invisible mask or Lojack. I consulted several people and decided to divert the car to Koons.

I enjoyed my stay at the celebration. I toured the Assembly Plant and the new addition to the Museum which is under construction. I attended two dinners, met the Manager of the Assembly Plant. I asked him when he would release my ZR1. He said, "Very soon." I also met one of the Corvette test drivers – Buzz Marston – and his wife. They were staying at the Bed and Breakfast, too. There were lots of stories at night while we relaxed in the family room.

At the Museum, I met Lori, who had helped me arrange the Museum Delivery. She had told me I was the first woman to buy a ZR1. I also met an author who had written a book about corvette owners and their stories. He wants to put my story in his next book.

I called the next week to see if the ZR1's had been released. They were released Friday, Sept. 5th.

On Tuesday, Sept. 9th, I was enroute to the NVCC Council meeting. Mandou called and said the truck with my ZR1 was due at Koons. I arrived to find my car in the showroom with the other Council Members drooling. Someone there, a Koons employee, Jennifer, had a camera. She took some awesome pictures and a video of me starting the car.

Cassidy volunteered to help me bring it home the next day. I had not had much practice with a stick. Carol had let me drive her ZO6 a couple of times. It had been decades since I'd driven a 'stick'. When I got home the pictures were in my e-mail. I sent some out to friends who were not at the meeting. I could not sleep!!

On Sept. 10th I got to Koons in the morning about 10:30. All the people there have been so gracious and kind. There were papers to sign, etc. People came by Mandou's desk to say congrats. Or help. It had been previously decided to keep the VIN no. on the tag to read: **ZR1-no34**

Then in walks Ed... But that's another story!!!!

That evening Cassidy and Nicole picked me up. Cassidy rode shotgun on the way home: Shopping Center to practice, Beltway, Braddock Road, Parkway, Home. I drove it home with Cassidy coaching me.

Since then I have put 170+ miles on it, parallel parked, and 'punched' it a couple of times. I've had lots of comments, questions, horns blowing, waves, etc.

Friends and Neighbors have come to admire it.

I would not trade this experience for a \$million\$ which is exactly what the First ZR1 sold for at auction.



DRAG DAY

By Laurie Kistner

Saturday, September 20th was the last drag day of the season. It was a great weather day with great friends and I got a few new "bests" (60' times and ETs), however I am sad to report one of our members had a bad encounter with the jersey wall. I am happy to say that Noah walked away from a very hard impact...a testament as to how well our Corvettes are built.

The above incident gives rise to NVCC publishing the following GM Service Bulletin. While the cause of the incident is under investigation, an initial suspect is outlined below.

2004 - 2008: Service Bulletin: Stabilitrak/Active Handling Light On, Service Stabilitrak/Active Handling Message on DIC

Subject: Stabilitrak/Active Handling Light On, Service Stabilitrak/Active Handling Message on DIC, DTC C0710 Steering Wheel Position Sensor (SWPS) Signal Set (Install Clip in SWPS Connector) #06-02-35-002B - (10/19/2007)

Models:

2004-2008 Cadillac XLR 2005-2008 Chevrolet Corvette with Steering Wheel - Tilt, Telescoping (RPO N37 or N38)

Condition

Some customers may comment on a Stabilitrak® or Active Handling System light being illuminated. Also, this warning light will be accompanied by a SERVICE STABILITRAK or SERVICE ACTIVE HNDLG message on the DIC.

Diagnosis with a scan tool may reveal a DTC C0710.

Cause

The most likely cause of a DTC C0710 on a vehicle equipped with telescoping/tilt steering wheel is high resistance in SWPS connector C202. Fretting terminal corrosion may be present in the SWPS connector due to the telescoping motion of the steering column. When the steering column is telescoped in and out, the female terminals within the SWPS connector may move on the male terminals of the SWPS. This movement between the terminals may cause a high resistance condition in the SWPS connector.

Correction

Remove the driver's side closeout (insulator) panel.

Locate the SWPS connector that connects to the steering angle sensor, located on the lower center of the steering column.

Install the clip (1), P/N 19179794, into the connector. This clip will act as a terminal positive assurance (TPA) and prevent any movement of the terminals.

General Motors bulletins are intended for use by professional technicians, not a "do-it-yourselfer". They are written to inform those technicians of conditions that may occur on some vehicles, or to provide information that could assist in the proper service of a vehicle. Properly trained technicians have the equipment, tools, safety instructions and know-how to do a job properly and safely. If a condition is described, do not assume that the bulletin applies to your vehicle, or that your vehicle will have that condition. See a General Motors dealer servicing your brand of General Motors vehicle for information on whether your vehicle may benefit from the information.

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15TH ANNUAL SPOOKTACULAR! OCT 18,19, 2008 NO.VA CORVETTE CLUB ALL MARQUEES WELCOME SUMMIT POINT RACEWAY, WV

14! High Speed Autocross events at famous Summit Point Raceway in West Virginia

Summit Point Motorsports Park lies 20 minutes from Winchester, VA in the west and Charles-Town, WV in the East.

Directions to Summit Point Raceway: From Washington DC area. Go west to Leesburg, follow Route 7 West towards Winchester, follow rte 7 past Berryville turn right on 632 Crums Church Road, Right at "T" onto Old Charles Town Road, Next stop "T" turn right, 300 yards entrance to Summit Point—Event is on the Jefferson Circuit.

From North: I-81 S to INWOOD, WV exit. Take 51 East to Town of Middleway, Take right on the Leetown Road, Drive 5 miles to STOP sign, turn Right onto Summit Point Road, Route 13, 1 mile track on the left.

From EAST, MD, Baltimore:
From Frederick, MD follow I-70
to West 340 to CharlesTown,
WV. Follow Route 51 through
CharlesTown, after passing
through town come to a 3-way
stop intersection, turn left onto
Summit Point Road, Rt 13, Drive
8 miles, track is on your left.



NOTHERN VIRGINIA CORVETTE CLUB

PO BOX 3458 McLean, Virginia 22103-3458 SPOOKTACULAR!!! Saturday—7 events, Sunday—7 events on a 1.1 mile, multi level, 7 turn Jefferson circuit at Summit Point Raceway.

Contact Event Chairperson Andrej Balanc urtoslo@yahoo.com or (703) 220 8228

for more information or send registration to: Andrej Balanc Attn: Spooktacular, Andrej Balanc, 604 S Dogwood St. Sterling, VA 20164-4704 More information: www.nvcorvetteclub.com

This event does sell out so get your registration in early.

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Fees; before 10/01/08-\$25.00 ea., \$ 280.00 for all 14, after 10/01/08-\$30.00 each

Track open 7am each day. Exhaust: OPEN Drivers Meeting: 8:30am each day

Parade Laps: 8:45am each day First car out: 9am each day

Amenities: Food, air, water, gasoline, restrooms on site-camping allowed

Note: 1. All vehicles must be in compliance with NCCC tech and safety regulations. In addition, NVCC reserves the right to make final determination on the adequacy of car numbers. No refunds after 10/1/2008 except in the case of vehicles barred from running for rules non-compliance.

National Corvette Museum (NCM)



CURRENT NEWS and ACTIVITIES

<u>Kentucky – Bowling Green</u> – USA TODAY (September 18, 2008)

General Motors said that it will slow production in October at its assembly plant here and that layoffs are possible. A plant spokeswoman said any layoffs would be plant-wide and not on a particular line. The plant, which has about 800 workers, assembles Corvettes and Cadillac XLRs.

<u>Corvette ZR1 by the Numbers</u> - Chevrolet announces performance results and pricing for the new ultimate-performance Corvette

Oshawa, Ontario (August 26, 2008) – The official 2009 Corvette ZR1 performance numbers are in:

- 0-96 km/h in 3.4 seconds
- 0-160 km/h in 7.0 seconds
- Quarter-mile elapsed time of 11.3 seconds at 210 km/h
- Unmatched performance and efficiency for the dollar at \$125,195 MSRP

The Corvette ZR1 has a top speed of 330 km/h (205 mph), making it the fastest Corvette ever produced and ranking it among the global super cars of commensurate performance. A favorable power-to-weight ratio gives the ZR1 an advantage over the competition.

"The ZR1 is an incredible car by any measure," said Marc Comeau, vice president of sales, service and marketing for GM of Canada. "There's simply no other vehicle in the world that does a better job of balancing performance, fuel economy and the entire value equation."

Under the carbon-fiber hood, a new LS9 6.2L supercharged small-block engine powers the ZR1. Heavy-duty and lightweight reciprocating components support high-rpm performance, while a new, sixth-generation Roots-type supercharger and complementing charge-cooling system (reduces inlet air temperature for maximum performance) help the LS9 make big power and torque across the rpm range. The engine is hand-assembled at GM's Performance Build Center, in Wixom, Mich.

In addition to the engine, the ZR1 is a technology powerhouse, designed with lightweight and unique components that reinforce its performance with a confident feel on either a highway or road course. Together, these elements enable the ZR1 to deliver super car performance while also achieving fuel economy levels that competitors can't match. (estimated fuel consumption 15.6 L/100 km city and 10.2 L/100 km highway)

Options

The standard ZR1 comes with content based on the Z06, including lightweight seats and other lightweight components. The available up level interior package includes power-adjustable, heated and leather-trimmed sport seats (embroidered with the ZR1 logo); side air bags; Bose premium audio system; navigation system;

Bluetooth connectivity; power telescoping steering column; custom leather-wrapped interior available in four colors and more. Chrome wheels are the only other available option on the ZR1.

Congratulations "Build Your Own" Z06 Raffle Winner!

Congratulations to Jeff Hicks of Atlanta, Georgia drawn September 18 as the winner of the "Build Your Own" Z06 raffle – ticket number 78. Jeff has owned Corvettes in the past and has participated in our raffles before – and this time he was drawn as the winner! "You have made my day!" he shared with us and even called back to be sure he had really won. Thanks to everyone who purchased a ticket on this raffle.

Your next chance to win is coming up on Thursday, October 30 when the NCM will draw a winner for the 2009 Cyber Gray Corvette Coupe limited

to only 500 tickets to be sold at \$250 each. Find out more and get your tickets <u>online</u> or by calling NCM at: (800) 53-VETTE.

Motorsports Team Members and Friends make a visit

The NCM had a great time welcoming Rick Hendrick and team members of Hendrick Motorsports along with special guests Jim Mike Desmond and Gary Claudio for a very special Museum on Wednesday, September 17. Rick Hendrick, Jimmie Johnson, and Gordon along with Bryan Moss, President of Gulf Stream Aerospace, delivery of new Corvettes.



Perkins, delivery Jeff took

Casey Mears and Dale Earnhardt Jr. also had new Corvettes included as part of the group delivery, but were unable to join their teammates for the occasion. The NCM had a wonderful time hosting the group for a VIP tour of the Museum and lunch in the conference room. "We always love coming to the Museum." Hendrick shared with us during the visit. He also presented the Museum with a donation to the Building Campaign for the hard work and coordination put into their special visit.

Document the Build Process of Your New Corvette

The NCM have opened a new program that is an exciting opportunity for new Corvette owners who want to document their Corvette's "build process" at the GM Bowling Green Corvette Assembly Plant! Whether you are taking delivery at your Chevrolet dealership or participating in the Museum Delivery or Buyer's Tour programs, we invite you to preserve your Corvette's history with a "Corvette owner's photo album".



This 20-page photo album captures the complete build of your new Corvette and includes a letter of authenticity and congratulations letter from the Corvette

Assembly Plant Manager and Executive Director of the Museum. The photo album is created with the highest quality photo paper and preserved in a padded leather album. It will be a great addition to your new Corvette purchase and is available exclusively through the NCM. If you are planning to order a new Corvette, we invite you to find out more about the Corvette owners photo album by visiting the NCM website or by calling them at: (800) 205-4248.

<u>Corvette Afghans – New Style in Stock</u>With cooler weather approaching, now is the perfect time to wrap up in style with our new Corvette Beyond Fast afghan. This attractive, heirloom-quality, woven keepsake makes a perfect gift for any Corvette enthusiast.

This colorful afghan is made of 100% cozy cotton tapestry and features the "Corvette Beyond Fast" design. Size: 60"x 48"x 2.5". Find this and other Corvette items online or by calling NCM at: (800) 53-VETTE.

GM Next 100th Anniversary CelebrationNCM Members who participated in the Historic Motorama II enjoyed a memorable adventure including being a part of GM's 100th Anniversary festivities. Participants had a chance to participate in many of the celebration festivities, including the opportunity to meet and greet GM VIPs.

If you were unable to be a part of GM's 100th Anniversary Celebration activities, you can see everything you missed or might want to catch a second time via GMnext. Look for a full scope of the Historic Motorama II journey in the November/December issue of our member magazine "America's Sports Car".







VETTES AT THE BEACH

By Laurie Kistner

Better late than never! A small group of NVCCers attended the annual Vettes at the Beach show in Sylvan Beach, NY at the end of July and had a great time. Close to 500 vettes attended making it one of the largest private club fun shows in the northeast. We lucked out and got parking right on the water's edge, making for some great photos.

For sale by member:



2006 Z06 LeMans Blue w/Ebony-Titanium interior, Nav, custom fuel rail covers, Z06 hood insulator, chrome wheels, custom mats, garage kept, 6700 miles. I need to sell, \$50K. Contact Jim Robinson at corvettes4ever@comcast.net

All members please note that nominations for club officers opens at the October General Business Meeting. This is your opportunity to take a more active role in the club.....or reaffirm your faith in and support of our current leadership.

Northern Virginia Corvette Club

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Newsletter News...

OK folks I'm late again. Setting excuses aside, I hope by next month the farm will have a high speed internet connection and I won't have to try to squeeze in time down in Sterling to get the newsletter out.

This issue contains a once in a lifetime first-hand account of stepping over the edge and doing the unexpected. While buying a ZR1 isn't quite like joining the foreign legion, it is a rather daring step taken by a select few including our own Pattysue. I was very pleased to be present as it was offloaded and for when Patty screeched to a halt in front of the showroom. I can only imagine what some of Koon's customers thought of the council drooling all over Patty's car and generally tying up that end of the dealership.

While not everyone can have a ZR1 (or anything more modern than a C4 in my case), I'd love to publish your story of acquiring a vette, so send them on in.

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Next General Business Meetings:

Tuesday, Oct 28th at 7:30pm
Koons Chevrolet
2000 Chain Bridge Road
Tysons Corner, VA