



Spring TDS Another Big Success!

By Stewart Fox

NVCC held its Spring 2012 Teen Driving School on Saturday April 21 at Old Dominion Speedway in Manassas, VA. Under ideal conditions of clear skies and



temperatures in the mid-seventies, the turnout of nearly 30 pre-registered teen drivers and their parents represented the start of Season Number Eight for NVCC to host this important community-service. Bolstered by an excellent showing of eager volunteers from NVCC, CCA, CVCC, and BACC, worker / instructor registration and course set-up got underway at the appointed 7:30 AM. Within minutes, students and parents also began to arrive and they too were quickly and professionally channeled through registration and a compulsory safety check of each vehicle, then directed to the bleachers for a brief morning orientation.

At orientation an announcement was made regarding NVCC's own Chief Instructor: Cassidy Nolen. The group was told that he would not be in attendance due to minor



injuries suffered just two days prior, as his car was struck shortly after he left work by a vehicle that ran a red light. It was a sobering reminder to all in attendance that driving is both a privilege and a responsibility that should never be taken lightly.

Fortunately, Ahsan Sheikh stepped up from his normal Skid Pad duties to take on the classroom instruction duties on short notice, and did a fine job of presenting the classroom material that would help the students better understand the dynamics of the various behind-the-wheel exercises they would later participate in.

As always, the TDS experience for both the students and their parents consisted of the Classroom portion, plus Car Care, Braking exercise, Slalom, and Skid Pad. In the case of Skid Pad, NVCC once again relied upon the generosity of Lake Jackson Volunteer Fire Department to provide manpower and equipment needed to deliver water throughout the day to keep the pad wet.

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Membership Corner
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Please welcome our three newest members to NVCC – Tom King, Kris McCandless, and Shawn Waddell!

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Teen Driving School continued ...

The morning seemed to go by quickly and all students were out of class and either behind the wheel or at Car Care by the 11 AM session. At noon, the mandatory pizza fest was served in true TDS tradition, with pizza, sodas, and water for all, plus ticket sales for raffle items and a 50/50 drawing. New this year, we added more vehicles on display at lunch time, including TireVan's mobile service truck, the Official ODS Pace Car, two new Chevy sedans brought to the event by Dan Walker - our sponsor at Jim McKay Chevrolet, a new Chevy Volt driven by NVCC member Paul Cestone, two fire units from LJVFD and a heavy rescue vehicle provided by Coles VFD.



Afternoon sessions resumed at 1 PM and students worked on two more exercises, finishing up at 3 o'clock, followed by the wrap-up meeting on the bleachers, award of raffle items and 50/50 cash, ending with presentation of Certificates of Attendance to the students.

It must be noted that Lynn Balanc did an outstanding job of soliciting merchant support for TDS, handling on-site registration, the pizza fest and raffle. It is also important to recognize Lori Benish for her superb behind-the-scenes efforts to handle and organize all the TDS pre-registration details for the past six years. Thank you Lori! Lori is stepping down from this role and handing it off to Sue Somersall.

Finally, a big thank you goes out to all the folks that pitched in to instruct, help set-up, take-down, and otherwise pitch in to help run yesterday's event. Your efforts were all needed to make the event the success that it was. NVCC and TDS are successful because of you!



Changing the world, one kid at a time.

Thoughts from the 2012 Spring - NVCC Teen Driving School

By: Ahsan Sheikh

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of instructing, for the 6th or 7th year in a row, at the NVCC Teen Driving School (TDS). I've been processing what I saw for the last 24 hours or so because there was so much to take in. Today, at church, the message I heard was pretty clear. "God didn't put us here to simply survive this world. He put us here to change it." Wow... Talk about timing. What I saw yesterday was an example of exactly that.

I saw the volunteers and instructors, NVCC members and friends, running around all day long in the cold of the morning and in the heat of the afternoon. I saw people eagerly helping others with a smile on their face and pep in their step. I saw people who were passionate about what they were doing and people that were glad to be there. Year after year it is amazing to me that so many people do so much to make this event happen. Not just on the day of the TDS but during the countless hours of meetings and prep work in the months leading up to the event. Nobody at the TDS yesterday got paid a salary. Nobody was there serving community service. People were there because they wanted to make a difference. The sponsors donated money, time and more because they know this is a worthy cause.



We lose so many teenagers each year because they simply don't have the experience to deal with the emergency situations that they may face out there on the road. The typical risk taking behaviors of these teens combined with a feeling of invincibility almost invites tragedy. What we did yesterday was to show them how easily they can lose control of their vehicles. We showed them what their cars actually felt like when they were going out of control and how to regain control, if possible. So many people react to emergency situations with a "fight or flight"

response instead of remaining calm. That is because many of us have never been in those situations before. How do we respond? What do we do? By putting these teens in these situations and teaching them how to respond correctly, and repeating the process, I truly believe that we are making a huge difference. Not only in how they react to situations but how they react to avoid putting themselves in those situations to begin with. Safe driving starts well before an emergency actually occurs. Yesterday, I saw that they understood. Ah, the mind of a teenager... This change happened because of you NVCC and friends of NVCC. Because of what you did yesterday.



Living in the Washington DC Metropolitan area, we're all very familiar with the "way things are" around here. So many people are rushing about with their own agendas, late as usual, and focused on themselves. Everybody has work, baseball games, dance rehearsals or other activities and we barely have time to eat, much less do things for others. Trying to change the entire world is a bit optimistic. But if you think about it, we all have our own world. Our family, friends, our lives are our own world. By helping one person, by making a difference in their life, we are indeed changing their own world. What I witnessed yesterday showed me that not all Washingtonians are just concerned with themselves. What I saw yesterday was a group of caring people who were changing the world, not just surviving it. They were indeed changing the world, one kid at a time.

Thank you so much to all of our instructors, volunteers and to the following sponsors:

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Detailing Clinic at Speedy Green Car Wash in Manassas on April 14, 2012

by Doug Swanson

George Robertson of Speedy Green Car Wash in Manassas Park (www.speedygreencarwash.com) hosted a detailing clinic on Saturday, April 14th for the benefit of NVCC members. Rod Kraft of Meguiar's presented a step-by-step seminar on the use of many of Meguiar's Car Care Products (www.meguiars.com). Six club members attended (Frank Eaton, Jerry Lelansky, Dana Root, George Borlase, Kris McCandless, and Doug Swanson) and all were impressed by Rod's knowledge and came away with a deeper understanding of detailing techniques and how to use detailing products.

Speedy Green is offering club members a **30% discount** off their full service detailing package.





PRESIDENT'S CORNER April 2012

First a huge thank you goes out to those that helped with the Teen Driving School. A perfect day and event was had by all present. Regrettably our Chief Instructor, Cassidy Nolen, was involved in a traffic accident and understandably wasn't able to make it. To his credit, based on his preparation and training, all went well. This underscores one of our club's strengths we all can take pride in; we've worked as a team to make TDS a repeat success through a number of difficulties. A special thank you to those that stepped up to keep us all on track. Hopefully by the time this is published Cassidy will have bounced back ... although I understand that his vette may take a little longer.

Dan Walker informed me at TDS that the long anticipated renovations of Jim McKay Chevrolet have been started and the next GBM will be held in the service bay. This minor inconvenience should be relatively short lived and we can only wish the dealership well in transitioning to its new look.

With the weather heating up and the calendar showing more car shows, cruises and track events, I remind all that any event can become a club event by your organizing a group of members to attend with you. I encourage all of you to consider organizing attendance at an event you planned on going to anyway. Last year we had a number of club activities along this line, ranging from Corvettes at Ocean City to attendance of the Inaugural Grand Prix in Baltimore ... and a bit of everything in-between. Please let your council know if you are interested and we can help you organize club attendance at an event ... and for those that have done so in the past, you already know the drill.

I know this is the time of year that many plan their vacations. I ask that you consult your NVCC calendar when doing so in order to not miss our summer events. In particular, if at all possible, please keep in mind the NVCC Car-B-Que on Saturday, 7 July, and the club picnic on Sunday, 22 July. The Car-B-Que is a paid admission event open to all and the club picnic is a free event open to NVCC members, their families and guests.

Thank you again to those that helped at TDS and look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the GBM.

Now get out there and enjoy America's sports car!

Rich Anderson
NVCC President, 2012

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Museum Hosts Wounded Warriors

Working with Melissa Swift from the Fort Knox Wounded Warrior Transition Battalion, 22 wounded warriors were treated to a day at the NCM last Thursday. It was a welcome getaway for those soldiers still in rehabilitation after being wounded in Afghanistan and Iraq. They received a tour at the plant, a tour of the Museum, lunch and \$50 gift cards as a "thank you" for their service.

"We like the idea of doing big events for veterans," said Museum Director Wendell Strode, "but we plan to do more of these smaller events too so that those in transition from Fort Knox to hospitals closer to their homes can enjoy the Museum as well. We want to do something to brighten their day and to let them know that we care."

Pictured: Specialist Sarah Brown (standing) with her service dog Ian, who is helping her cope with disabilities she has after being injured in Iraq. "I love cars and was a heavy construction mechanic in the Army," she says. "So being at the Museum makes me want to get my tools out and get to work again."



NCM Accepting Club Submissions

We are now accepting submissions for our next two Corvette Clubs to be featured in the Corvette Enthusiasts Exhibit Area. You may submit your club for the drawing and the chosen clubs will be featured beginning Labor Day weekend 2012 for one year.

The chosen clubs will have the opportunity to be featured on a graphic board measuring 53" tall by 37" wide. This graphic will include printed information about the club, their location, history, membership, pictures, activities, contact information, etc. All information must be approved by the NCM.

In addition to the graphic board, the featured clubs will have a display case measuring 55" tall by 21" wide by 13" deep. Each case will have the capacity for three adjustable shelves. Club memorabilia will be approved by NCM.



To be included in the drawing, please submit your club name to Stephanie Morrill no later than Monday, April 30.

Callaway is Coming!

You won't want to miss our special 14-car display in the Exhibit Hall celebrating Callaway Corvettes and the 50th Anniversary of Z06 - opening Monday, April 23 and running through July 27!

The impressive list of cars includes: 1987 Red B2K coupe (Callaway #87-001); 1988 White 35th Anniversary Coupe; 1988 Silver Coupe Sledgehammer; 1989 Red AeroBody B2K Coupe; 1990 Turquoise Metallic AeroBody Convertible (Callaway Cars' Former demo car); 1991 Periwinkle 100+ AeroBody Convertible; 1991 IMSA Race Car #3; 1991 SuperSpeedster LM; 1991 SuperSpeedster Cherry Smash; 1996 Grand Sport SuperNatural AeroBody coupe; 1998 C12 Blue / Orange coupe; 2003 Silver Z06 - Power Group 3 (former Callaway Cars' demo car); Callaway C16 and 2012 SC606 Carbon Flash Centennial Edition.

In addition, the exhibit will feature three full display cases of Callaway memorabilia, some of which has never been seen before!



One Acre Club Spotlight: Jack and Dor DeLong

Lifetime and Duntov Society members Jack and Dor DeLong love the NCM. "If you own a Corvette, then this is your Museum," Jack says. "The events are great and the camaraderie that we have experienced here with people from all over the country is fantastic."

The DeLongs are just as enthusiastic about the Motorsports Park. "It's really all about the legacy," Jack says. "It's about what we can create together that we can leave behind for others. When Corvette Racing's Doug Fehan did his presentation on the Motorsports Park it made me realize that the importance of this track to the Corvette world cannot be overstated. For drivers' education, recreation, testing, hot laps or just learning to get the fun out of your car, this is something we are all going to be very proud of when it is done."



Donation for Travel Check given to NVCC ... by Bob Devery



At the last meeting, Rich mentioned the Travel for Donation idea that we hope will raise some much needed funds for NVCC. As a result, a check for \$50 was given to NVCC for a cruise booked by a referral from Lynn Balanc. Thanks, Lynn!! It's the 2nd time NVCC has gotten cash from someone traveling thru my program.

If you travel; if you want NVCC to have extra funds; if YOU want the lowest price ... check with me before you book. If I can't beat the price, book on your own. IF I match/beat the price as I usually do, why not help the Club with NO change to your plans AND guaranteed lowest price? Contact me ... Stewart wants to get us track time!

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Calling all Convertibles!!

The **City of Fairfax** Independence Day Celebration Committee (IDCC) is looking for convertible owners to carry dignitaries in its **July 4, 2012 parade**. The dignitaries will include the Mayor, City Council Members, School Board Chair and Members, Grand Marshal, Honorary Grand Marshal, and other invited State and County folks. Below is the information passed along to us from Beverly Myers, Chair - IDCC:

"The parade will take place on Wednesday, July 4 in the City of Fairfax. If you have friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. that have a convertible that might be interested, please pass this along to them. Time of arrival would be 8:00 am (due to street closures) with the parade stepping off at 10:00 am. If you are willing to help us out, please respond to this email not later than **Friday, June 8**. Please include the following in your response...

- Name
- Make/Model of Car
- How many individuals would fit across the back of the car
- Your t-shirt size
- Best phone # to reach you
- Email Address
- Mailing Address (for invitation to post-parade luncheon)

Signs will be adhered to the cars either by magnetic strip or non-waxed string. All drivers will be given a t-shirt and a hat when they arrive at the designated area (BB&T on Chain Bridge Road) as well as an invitation to the post-parade volunteer luncheon (Old Town Hall). Once drivers have delivered their passengers to the reviewing stand (City Hall) and don't want to stay for the parade and/or lunch, they will have access to leave the area via the parking lot behind City Hall turning left on 123 headed south towards Braddock Road. The majority of cars will be through the parade route around 10:30 am.

Important Note: A question that is often asked by the drivers is can they bring someone with them...it is not recommended as we need to make sure we have room for the passengers. We also tell passengers that they CANNOT take any food or beverage in the car in which they are riding.

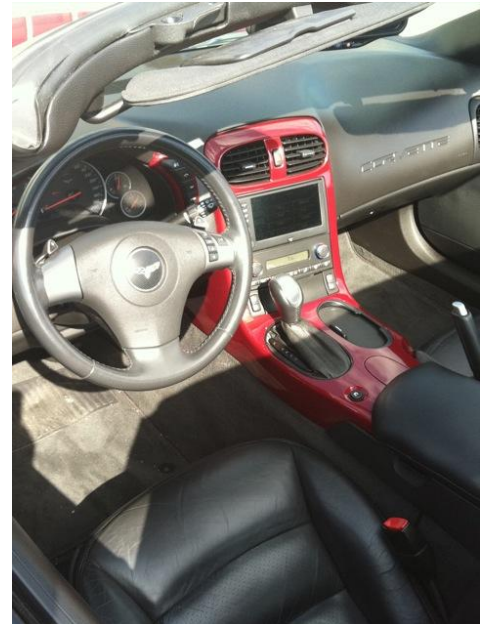
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Thanks for your time!

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A fun tidbit ... from Kris McCandless

My C6 had an all ebony interior with a dull gray dashboard surround. So I livened it up a little by ordering dashboard trim painted in the exterior color of my Vette, in this case Monterey Red. Ordered it from Zip Corvettes in Richmond.



The 2013 Corvette in Night Race Blue

by KEITH CORNETT of www.corvetteblogger.com on APRIL 12, 2012



As we get closer to the 2013 Corvette's official launch at the National Corvette Museum's Bash later this month, additional details about the final C6 Corvette are starting to trickle out. There is always excitement when GM introduces a new color choice for Corvettes and so when we came across an official Chevrolet Dealer document that shows an illustration of the new 2013 Corvette in Night Race Blue, we'll, let's just say we're very pleased with the addition of the new shade.

We sent this pic to Dave Salvatore at Kerbeck Corvette for his reaction and he told us that he has seen the actual color chip and says that it appears even darker than the blue in this illustration. So it sounds like the name is very fitting and that Corvette buyers will be able to choose between the lighter-shaded Supersonic Blue and the really dark Night Race Blue.

Let's hope that we'll see the new Night Race Blue (GXH) on an actual Corvette at the Bash. Last year when Chevy rolled out the 2012 Corvettes, they only had a rear bumper painted Carlisle Blue Metallic to show the crowd and many of us were disappointed not be able to experience the new color fully painted on a Corvette under the beautiful Bowling Green sun.

The other major appearance change for the 2013 model year is the deletion of Competition Gray wheels, with Black Painted Aluminum wheels taking their place. Here is an illustration of the new wheels:



So now that you've had a glimpse of the new color, what do you think? To comment, go to <http://www.corvetteblogger.com/2012/04/12/the-2013-corvette-in-night-race-blue/> and let us know.

NVCC Social Calendar - May 2012 by Laurie Kistner

Fri. 5/4/12-Sun. 5/6/12 – Cruisin' Biltmore 2012

Many new activities for 2012!! Here's a small sample:

Poker Run on and around the Blue Ridge Parkway

Brews Cruise in Downtown Asheville (no, we will not be taking our Corvettes!)

Chimney Rock & Lake Lure Cruise

Golf on the Donald Ross course at the Grove Park Inn

Hotels:

Doubletree Hotel Asheville - Biltmore \$119/night

Sleep Inn Biltmore - \$79/night. Call the hotel directly at (828) 277-1800 and refer to RTP Corvettes

Mark your calendars and watch this page for more details to be posted soon: <http://rtp-corvettes.com/?p=1103>

The Director of Automotive Events is Dale Ryba - DirAutoEvents@rtp-corvettes.com

Sat. 5/5/12 – CCA AutoX Primer

10 AM - 1 PM

Cost - \$15

Sanction #s: ER-001-593, ER-001-594

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Columbia, MD 21046

Email: cca@ernccc.org

More info: <http://ernccc.org/flyers/2012/ER-001-593.pdf>

Sun. 5/6/12 – CCA Double AutoX

Beginning at 8:30 AM

Sanction #s: ER-001-593, ER-001-594

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Thurs. 5/17/12-Sat. 5/19/12 – Dothan, AL to Panama City, FL Beach Caravan 2012, coordinated by Circle City Corvettes. Please visit <http://www.circlecitycorvettes.com/beach.html> for complete event details and registration.

Sat. 5/19/12 – City of Fairfax Antique Car Show, from 10am - 3pm

Co-Sponsored by the City of Fairfax and the Downtown Fairfax Coalition

Open to All Pre-1985 Vehicles

Registration: \$10 when postmarked by May 13, 2012 - \$15 at the Show - download the registration form at

http://www.nvrg.org/Tours%20and%20Events/Fairfax2012/Vehicle_RegForm2012.pdf

A portion of the proceeds are donated to the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Washington, DC. Activities for the whole family!

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Sun. 5/20/12 – Rain date for April 29 Custom Cruisers Rod Run

10 AM - 3 PM

Visit <http://www.customcruisersnova.com/> for information

OR

Cruise-in at Jukebox Diner, 8637 Sudley Rd, Manassas, VA

11 AM - 1 PM

Sponsored by Custom Cruisers of Northern Virginia

Sat. 5/26/12-Sun. 5/27/12 – CVCC HPDE. Stay tuned to the website for updates!

Coming soon...

6/2/12 – CCOR Corvette Roundup
6/3/12 – CCA Show @ Sport Chevrolet
6/9/12 – YCCC Funkhana & Triple Show
6/16/12 – SVCC All Corvette Show
6/16/12 – Cruise-In to Barefoot Bernie's
6/23/12-6/30/12 – NCCC Convention
6/24/12 – LCCC AutoX
6/25/12-6/26/12 – NCM HPDE @ VIR

The calendar is filling up with events galore...expect to find many car shows, cruise-ins, autocrosses, etc as spring gets into full swing. If you have any events (cruises, meet & eat, etc) you would like to lead, please contact me directly at social@nvcorvetteclub.com at your earliest convenience. As Social Director, I do plan several events, however, I can't lead them all...and it benefits the club to have a variety of members hosting events. If you can dream it, you can plan it...and I can provide you the support you need (website postings, emails, etc). But please contact me ASAP so that I can get everyone's events in with as few date conflicts as possible!

As any owner of older Corvettes can tell you, vehicle reliability can be unpredictable! Both vettes are still down as I type. With enough time and money, I should be back on the road at some point. For now, the 'German Corvette' (BMW) will have to do...but I promise to lead one heck of a cruise once I get a vette out of the shop! ☺

Vette Cheers,
Laurie Kistner

Parking Restrictions at Jim McKay

By Doug Swanson

Please note the parking restrictions for the upcoming GBM:

The available parking across University Drive has become more limited after the opening of another dealership there. Please see the graphic below that illustrates where we can park.



MARCH 27, 2012 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

29 members in attendance....

RICH Anderson ... discussed the McKay renovations schedule which should start @ 4/16 and last up to 3 months. For now, no changes are anticipated but if needed, we may have to look for another meeting location during the worst of the renovation.

GUESTS were introduced: Paul & Valerie MILLS as well as Ian FOSTER. Current members present did intros.

STEWART Fox ... got into the driving events by discussing the upcoming TDS. The Instructor Clinic had an excellent turnout to help build a cadre of teachers. Members from CCA and Cumberland Valley Clubs also attended.

CCA Event: Autocross 101 at the Lincoln Tech Training Center.

Volunteers were requested for the TDS Event. Stu also mentioned "Friday at the track" at Summit Point with the first one being 4/27/12.

RICH got into the social calendar as Laurie could not attend. Discussed the social calendar per the NVCC Newsletter and reminded everyone to go online to check LOTS of events. Rich also told members that they can bring up any ideas that they want for cruises etc., and get them to Laurie or volunteer to put one together. There were a couple of takers on that idea. Frank Eaton has volunteered to spearhead an effort for some cruises that he has done in the past.

FRANK Eaton showed off new name tags and is trying to gauge member interest. Orders can be done for as little as one at a time. Additionally, Frank modeled his new long sleeve NVCC log shirt which will be available for fall orders at trendy Corvette stores everywhere ... well, at least at the NVCC Store.

ALICE Arielly went over budget items as well as some recognition of members involved in sanctioned events including Lynn Balanc who finished #1 in points for workers.

The treasury balance had a start of \$5800 with revenue of \$3800 and expenses of \$5700 to give us a current balance of \$3900. Subsidies for the banquet could drop it to \$3700. RICH commented that we need at least \$5000 in the bank to consider a track event like Summit Point with costs of \$2000 per day and ODS at \$500 per day. The economy has cut into the efforts to grow. Rich commented on fundraisers needed including the idea of raising money from travel that members do as provided by Bob Devery.

STEWART added comments on "Car B Q" for 7/7/12 with an Autocross 101.

The Annual Picnic was mentioned with a date of 7/21. Rich selfishly refuses to lead a caravan from West Virginia to Northern Virginia back to West Virginia.

MIKE Rathbun went thru Membership with 4 new members paying dues. Mike encouraged everyone to let other Corvette owners know about us by putting club cards on the windshield or talking to them.

DOUG Swanson said that photos would be in the newsletter for April and online pics can be obtained thru him. He reminded us that TDS is a public service event for the kids.

WILFREDO Sauri completed the Historian Q & A as well as raffle. Stewart won the 50/50.

JOHN Palmgren spoke about TDS participation and encouraged members to get info to HOA's; etc. for teen drivers. Check out the Facebook page for NVCC; post photos of events encouraged. John made a request for any photos from the St Patrick's Day Parade.

MIKE Rathbun had some constructive comments on how not to do oil changes in a Corvette and proper use of jack stands ... "Hey hey ...let's be careful out there" (Hill Street Blues)

Meeting adjourned promptly at 9pm ... or so ... submitted by Bob Devery

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Newsletter News ...

Spring is definitely here, and summer's just around the corner ... which means it's time to wash the remaining pollen off the vette and discover some new roads to play on! I hope to visit in the coming months and join you all at an event or two ... there's plenty on the calendar to choose from!

And don't forget to bring your camera with you on your Corvette adventures. Whether it's to the racetrack, a car show, or a cruise through some pretty countryside, I'd love to have your pictures and stories to share in the newsletter. Til next time ...



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Next General Business Meetings:

Tuesday, Apr 24th at 7:30 pm

Tuesday, May 22th at 7:30 pm

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