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Leesburg July 4th parade Thank you!

From Lori Benish, NVCC Webmaster

I want to send a big thank you out to the 5 other drivers that brought their Corvettes out for a beautiful July 4th parade in Leesburg this year. 6 total Vettes escorted Special Olympic athletes, flanked by more walkers and volunteers, down the main streets of Leesburg, showing our patriotic best. Every single athlete was excited to see the cars and meet the drivers, some are still sending me emails thanking the club for our time. It was a great day had by all, and I hope I speak for the other drivers when I say, it is so moving to see the connection between the athletes and the community. Thank you again Doug Swanson, Dick Hammaker, Bob Devery, Tab Tabellario, and Ben Duling, who joined me and Paul Benish in this great event.

Thanks and I look forward to possibly making this an annual tradition!



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Membership Corner

83 Active Members <u>2 Honorary Members</u> 85 Total Members

20 Prospective Members











PRESIDENT'S CORNER July 2014

First and foremost, a huge thank you to those attending the 2014 NVCC picnic. It was near perfect weather and things flowed smoothly (I think). A special thanks goes out to Master Desert Chef Anne Costolanski, who came in Friday afternoon and worked most of the time (like until 3:00 am two nights) until she left after the picnic, baking and organizing.....no store bought deserts for NVCC. Hopefully many of you got a chance to reconnect with Anne during her visit here. Special mention is also warranted for "Back Creek Mike" for taking lead on grilling and passing on organizing another corvette mud pull. As always, Stewart earns honorable mention for his military precision in directing clean up outside. In truth, so many of you chipped in throughout the event that it made light work for me, allowing me to actually eat at a NVCC picnic....my stomach and I certainly appreciate that. It was Cheryl and my pleasure to again host the picnic and hope all of you thoroughly enjoyed yourselves.

As announced at the picnic, we have started registration for the NVCC Car Control Clinic (aka C3) <u>http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com/Registration/CarControlClinc/</u>. This adult version of Teen Driving School is designed to hone your skills whether you are a fairly conventional commuter type driver normally stuck in traffic or one interested in progressing in competitive performance driving. In-car instruction is tailored to the individual's experience, so it will neither be over your head nor insultingly simplistic. This program is easily one of the bargains in the region for hands-on instruction.

This is our "*return to the track*" after a number of years and is key to whether we can offer (read as financial afford) such educational and performance driving events in the future. As noted in the flyer, the event is not limited to corvettes, nor to performance vehicles. The last one we held even had a Prius. I ask all of our members to consider signing up...or volunteering as a worker....or even arm twisting a neighbor or coworker into taking the course. Financial and organization success here is essential to reestablish a viable NVCC driving program, so please help if you can.

I am sad to say that Summer Thunder 2014 has been cancelled. This is a real loss to car buffs of all descriptions and I can only hope that the glitches of this year are ironed out in order for there to be a Summer Thunder 2015. Also, I thank those that had volunteered to work this year's show and trust you will be available to volunteer next year if required.

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

Rich Anderson NVCC President, 2012/13/14





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SEND FOR INFO ... <u>Bdevery@cruiseshipcenters.com</u> Visit: <u>www.cruiseshipcenters.com/bobdevery</u>





2014 UPCOMING EVENTS

Summit Point HPDE August 25-26

20th Anniversary Celebration / Corvette Caravan August 27-30

MiM 1-Lap of KY Tour September 23-27, 2014

MiM 1-Lap of KY Tour Sept. 30 - Oct. 4, 2014

MiM 1-Lap of KY Tour October 7-11, 2014

Vets 'n Vettes November 6-8



Interesting Facts

Our marketing team has been monitoring the promotion and activity on our website and other venues and have some interesting statistics:

- 1.7 million website visits since February 12 (this is an increase of 274% over last year).
- 872,420 unique visitors (this is an increase of 255% over 2013)
- The average time spent on site is 3 minutes, 47 seconds which is an increase of nearly 46% over 2013.
- 49% of website visitors are new to our site.
- We have tracked 7,309 TV and radio stories from February 12 through July 23 which is a value of \$15.4 million in TV alone.

Speaking of news articles ...

Check out the latest article featured on Yahoo Travel " Be Careful Where You Step: the Freakiest Sinkholes Around the World". The National Corvette Museum is featured as #1.

To read the complete article, click here.

GM Creating Special Museum Anniversary Raffle Cars

In celebration of the National Corvette Museum's 20th Anniversary, General Motors is modifying two of their show cars to be used for fundraising raffles by the Museum. Both cars will feature special 20th Anniversary graphics and stripe packages and those designs will be revealed at a later date.

2014 20th Anniversary Torch Red Coupe Thursday, August 28 at 3pm CT

This car features a 6.2 liter V8 460hp engine, Z51 performance package, 6-speed paddle shift automatic transmission, multi-mode performance exhaust, magnetic selective ride control, black aluminum wheels with red calipers, 3LT equipment group with adrenaline red heated and vented



Last week at the NCRS Convention in Kansas City, the original of Dana's work, "The Resurrection", was auctioned. NCRS Members Richard and Jane Hein were the lucky recipients of the art. Dana and NCRS donated the proceeds of the auction to the Museum - and that amount combined with their previous sinkhole donations brings the total to \$26,000 contributed. "We're very proud to

have an increasing presence financially with the NCM and hope it continues to escalate," said Dana. "Much of the money collected came from local chapters."

Prints of Dana's work can be purchased through the Corvette Store here.

Tickets are \$125 and the raffle is limited to 2,500 tickets.

2014 20th Anniversary Arctic White Convertible Friday, August 29 at 3pm CT

carbon fiber interior package, carbon flash painted spoiler and mirrors, and Corvette Museum Delivery.

seats, head-up display, MyLink navigation, Bose 10-speaker system, sueded microfiber-wrapped upper interior trim package,

This car features a 6.2 liter V8 460hp engine, Z51 performance package, 7-speed manual transmission, multi-mode performance exhaust, magnetic selective ride control, black aluminum wheels with red calipers, 2LT equipment group with adrenaline red heated and vented seats, head-up display, MyLink navigation, Bose 10-speaker system, black convertible top, carbon fiber interior package, carbon flash painted spoiler and mirrors, and Corvette Museum Delivery.

Tickets are \$300 and the raffle is limited to 1,000 tickets.

Purchase your raffle tickets online here.

Summer Giving Campaign

There's always something new and exciting happening at the National Corvette Museum. and this year has brought more excitement than expected. Plans have been underway for our 20th Anniversary and the 5th National Corvette Caravan, and the Motorsports Park project kicked into high gear last summer when we held our groundbreaking ceremony. What we had not planned was the excitement of the sinkhole that garnered international attention.

At the Museum we are making plans for sinkhole repair, sprucing up the building and grounds for our 20th Anniversary, improving and expanding exhibits, completing the

construction of the Motorsports Park and more. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization we depend on the generosity of our friends to help do all of these activities and maintain the Museum as a destination.

Those who make a gift of \$100 or more by September 30 will receive the pictured dash plaque designed to commemorate the sinkhole that has made the world aware that there is a National Corvette Museum. Donation checks can be mailed to 350 Corvette Dr., Bowling Green, KY 42101 with "sinkhole fund" on the check. Or give online here and mark "sinkhole fund."

Artist and NCRS Contribute to Museum

Dana Forrester is not only a well-known Corvette artist, but also a member of the board of the National Corvette Restorers Society and the National Corvette Museum. After the sinkhole occurred at the Museum, Dana had the idea to create a work of art to help raise funds for the Museum.











NVCC Picnic!!!

A very special thanks to Rich and Cheryl Anderson for being gracious and generous hosts of this year's NVCC picnic on July 20. They not only opened their house to everyone (including a few members of other local car clubs who came to join us) but provided all the food and drinks as well.

There was plenty to eat ...

And drink ...





We had beautiful weather and a great turnout!



Special thanks to those that pitched in to help ... even the neighbors got involved (thank you Dave and Diane!)





There were plenty of people to talk to and catch up with ...



And there was Rich's car collection to check out if you needed to stretch your legs after eating all that good food.





I think it's safe to say that a good time was had by all. Thanks Rich and Cheryl, and everyone who attended!

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Northern Virginia Corvette Club proudly announces our newest driving event: "C³: Car Control Clinic"

What: Car control exercises include: classroom instructions, a low speed autocross session, threshold braking exercises, a wet slippery skid pad, and some medium speed sessions restricted with pylons to keep speeds under 80 MPH

All entrants are paired with an instructor in their car at all times

 When: Sunday September 21, 2014
 07:00am to 4:00 PM
 Where: Summit Point Raceway on the Jefferson Circuit

 Cost: Car Control Clinic is
 \$190
 Taste of the Track is \$40 (see description below)

Morning exercises, multimedia presentation, and afternoon lapping will keep attention and energy high, since there is much to learn in just one day. This event is limited to a small set number of drivers in each group, for maximum amount of seat time.

We even have a feature called a "Taste of the Track"! This venue will allow drivers to experience a single 20 min. session (at a GREATLY reduced rate) on the track at highway speeds, and one 20 min. classroom session. A total of 10 openings will be available for the Taste of the Track, at the low cost of \$40 for the partial day.

Cars of all makes and models are welcome and encouraged to come out. NOTE: Helmets are required for ALL groups EXCEPT the Taste of the Track event. They must be an automotive helmet (SA 2000 or newer; no motorcycle helmets please) and can be rented (or purchased) from OG Racing (<u>www.ogracing.com</u>) if you do not already own one. These events can fill up quickly; register ASAP to secure your space!

The cut off date for applications and final chance for refunds is September 14th -so sign up early!!

What else do I need ?

No trucks, vans, or SUVs. Sorry, NO PETS allowed.

This event runs RAIN or SHINE, please make sure to show up regardless of weather and dress accordingly! Make certain that you have a full tank of gas and check tires for proper inflation prior to the event. Remove all loose items from the vehicle prior to arrival, including items in the trunk. Spare tire and related equipment are OK. Loose bowling balls, wedding cakes, or Tiffany chandeliers will not fair well in your car.

Questions? For driving/ event questions, email David DuBois at <u>chiefinstructor@nvcorvetteclub.com</u>. For registration questions, please email John Stark at <u>c3@nvcorvetteclub.com</u>.

A schedule and details for vehicle safety checks will follow as a confirmation of registration via email, so please provide your email information to stay informed and get more details about the event.

NAME:	EMAIL:	
ADDRESS:		
PHONE NUMBER: (preferably a mobile phone you will have the day of the event)		
Years of Driving Experience (street driving as a licensed driver):		
Year, make and model of vehicle,,,,		
Do you have any track experience? If so, please list the event(s) you have previously attended.		

Car Control Clinic: (helmet required, NO SUVs, Vans, or Trucks)	Cost \$190
Taste of the Track (no helmet required ,NO SUVs, Vans, or Trucks)	Cost: \$40

Visit our website at <u>www.nvcorvetteclub.com</u> to register online and pay with your credit card via PayPal, or return this form at any of our club events (ie GMBs, Club Picnic, etc)!

July NVCC Event Calendar

For more details about these or other upcoming events, check out our webpage!

25th Annual All Corvette Cruise-in Hosted by ODCC

Date: August 9, 2014

Location: Manassas VA

The cruise-in will be held at its traditional location - Sudley Town Plaza, 7787 Sudley Road, Manassas, VA 20109. Check out the event flyer <u>here</u>.

NVCC Mini-Caravan to the National Corvette Museum

Date: August 9 – 12, 2014

Location: Bowling Green KY

Kris McCandless will be leading a miniature "Caravan"/cruise to the Museum starting on Saturday August 9, 2014. The caravan will include a leisurely trip down to Bowling Green on August 9, a visit to the NCM on Sunday August 10 and a tour of the Corvette Factory Plant on Monday morning August 11. For more information, contact Kris at <u>sogneiss@comcast.net</u>.

Finish the Race Ministries Car and Motorcycle Show

Date: August 16, 2014

Location: Sterling VA

Finish the Race Ministries will be hosting its Annual Summer Car & Motorcycle Show from 12:00 - 4:00pm Saturday, August 16, 2014 on the grounds of Calvary Temple Church in Sterling, VA. Registration is FREE. Dash Placques will be given for the first 100 Cars to arrive. For more information visit: <u>http://www.finishtheraceministries.or</u> email to :<u>events@calvarytempleva.org</u>.

Timed Slalom Autocross, Tri-County Vettes / Pocono Autocross Club

Date: August 24, 2014

Location: Tannersville, PA Join Tri-County Vettes and the Pocono Autocross Club for a timed slalom Autocross. See the flyer here.

I2th Annual Vettes at the Beach

Date: September 13-14, 2014

Location: Pensacola Beach, FL

Come join the Miracle Corvette Club for a weekend of Fun & Sun on Pensacola Beach, FL! See the flyer here.

2014 First State Charity Car Show

Date: September 20, 2014

Location: Harrington Casino, DE

First State Corvette Club Charity Car Show at the Harrington Casino, located at the Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington DE. The car show is undercover in two large concrete floor pavilions. For more info, see the flyer <u>here</u>.

Allentown Area Corvette Club Triple AutoX

Date: September 20, 2014

Location: Bethlehem, PA

Open to all cars, not just Corvettes. Three NCCC-Sanctioned Low-Speed Autocrosses. For more info, see the flyer here.

Mopar Madness

Date: September 20-21, 2014

Location: Virginia Motorsports Park

All Mopars Saturday! Car/Truck Show, Swap Meet, Car Corral, Vendor Midway. Mopars vs. The World on Sunday. Check out <u>www.VirginiaMotorsports.com</u> for more info.

Double AutoX

Date: September 20-21, 2014

Location: Columbia, MD

Sponsored by Corvette Club of America. Autocross School on Saturday Sept 20, with autocross on Sunday Sept 21. For more info, see the flyer <u>here</u>.

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Corvette Weekend at Ocean City MD

Date: October 3-5, 2014

Location: Ocean City, MD

Hosted by Free State Corvette Club. Events include a dance party, OC boardwalk parade of Vettes, fun shows, and rallyes. Extras include raffle, 50/50, vendor tables, more. For more info, see the flyer <u>here</u>.



Picture of Cassidy Nolen, John Palmgren, and Stewart Fox next to their cars (in respective order) during an HPDE at VIR at the end of June. Chuck Hawks is actually hiding in the white car ... Cassidy let Chuck take "Gracie" out on the track for some much needed "therapy"!

Additional pics from June VIR HPDE

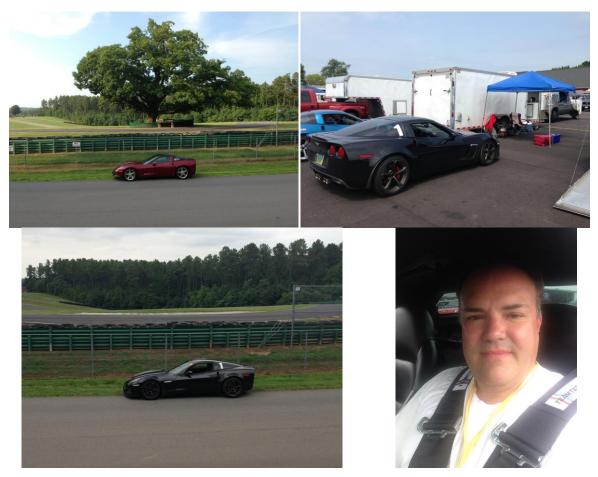
From Stewart Fox and John Palmgren



Shots from Kris McCandless at July HPDE at VIR

From last year: the famous VIR Oak Tree!

Paddocked with CCA member Bob Couse



The Oak Tree turn (without the Oak Tree) in Kris' 2010 GS (#1 car!)

A new twist on the selfie ... in your race car (cause why not?)

Alex Lunsford and Virginia St John slaying the Tail of the Dragon over the 4th of July holiday weekend



A Maine Vacation

Shawn Waddell took a road trip in his Corvette up to Maine to visit family. Below are pictures he sent to make us all jealous ...



Giant lobster – it's what's for dinner (cause what else would you eat in Maine?)

LL Bean in Freeport

Bay side of the ocean, Reid State Park



View from my uncle's house in Reidfield

My cousin's horse in Albian, Maine

Islands near Bath, Maine

Welcome to the Northern Virginia Corvette Club Store!



This is the place to find all your NVCC goodies! Go to the link: <u>http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com/NVCC_STORE/</u> to buy items we currently have for sale, which can be purchased through PayPal. Thanks for supporting the Northern Virginia Corvette Club!



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Newsletter News ...

Hello NVCC,

I enjoyed seeing those who came to the picnic at Rich and Cheryl Anderson's – it was a really nice turnout. It was probably my last NVCC event, and it was a great one to end my time with you all.

I have really enjoyed doing the newsletter over the past 2.5 years, but it's time for me to step away. Rich will be taking over and serving double duty as President and Editor for the next few months til his time as President is over.

Thanks for all your kind words and contributions over the years. I hope someday I'll have a chance to come back and visit – I've made many friends over the 10 years that I've been associated (on and off) with NVCC. Take care until that time!



Anne Costolanskí

Next General Business Meetings:

Tuesday, July 22nd at 7:30 pm Tuesday, August 26th at 7:30 pm

<u>GBM Meeting Location</u>: Page Chevrolet 6500 Little River Turnpike Alexandria, VA 22312