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LOVE 'EM VETTES ANNUAL BANQUET CAROL CAPOROSSI



On Saturday, February 10th, we held our annual NVCC banquet at the Marriott at Dulles International Airport. This year's banquet theme was "Love 'Em Vettes". The event was a tremendous success, and we had a full house with 112 attendees. The banquet committee did a great job making everything come together in such a short amount of time. It was a great venue, with excellent food, perfect music, and plenty of friendship.

The Marriott was very accommodating and helpful. Our event coordinator, Lynn, and the hotel staff were readily available to help with our every need, and we had plenty of requests. At the front of the banquet hall was a stage, the DJ, slideshow screen, and dance floor. In the back of the hall were the raffle tables. We also had the entire hallway in front of the banquet suite. Within the hallway were the buffet stations, our reception table, photo station and bar. Many members elected to stay the night at the hotel because it was so convenient.



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The décor was black and white checkered flags with a touch of valentine hearts and red accents. We had plenty of black and white balloons on the stage, at the raffle table, and around the room. The combination of Corvettes, racing flags and valentines worked out great and set the stage for a relaxed and fun event.

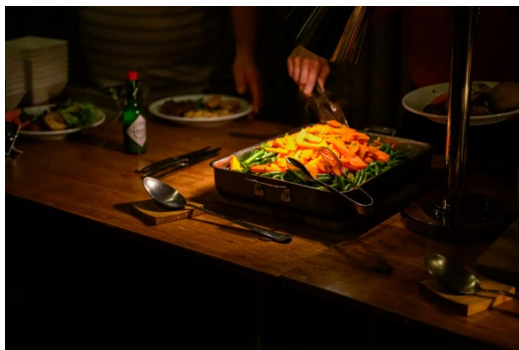
Table decorations consisted of a black and white checkered table topper, with a silver charger, checkered vase with white fresh flowers, and a splash of red and pink hearts. Then around the charger were five model Corvettes. Each couple at the table got a model Corvette. Favors consisted of a stone coaster with the NVCC logo on it with a bag of Hershey Kisses. The candy, coasters, cars, and flower arrangement were a big hit; nothing remained after the event. A special thanks to Susan LoPresti for donating the vases and flowers.

There was a slideshow playing all night that included photos from many of the club's 2023 events: people, places, and cars. It also included a tribute to NVCC members that departed in 2023. Thanks to Mark Director for assembling a great slideshow.

Paul Caporossi, Ruth Baumert, Mark Waters and Karen Shoemaker set up a photo station in the hallway consisting of a black screen with valentine red garland trim, and a large selection of photo props. A special thanks to Karen Shoemaker for managing the photo station and assisting with photos. It was a busy place all night and lots of great photos have made it to member Facebook pages.



We started the evening with a reception hour that included an appetizer station consisting of a charcuterie board presentation, cheese selection, bruschetta display, and bar. As you would expect, the bar was busy! Then, on to dinner that included soup, salad, a chicken entree, beef short ribs, roasted potatoes, green beans with carrots, bread, and rolls. And finally, then there was the amazing dessert station that consisted of New York cheesecake, chocolate cake and tiramisu. Overall, the dinner was fantastic, and no one left hungry! Also, there were many well-deserved compliments to the chef.



After dinner Paul introduced all the council members. Then Rich Mars and I joined to assist with presenting the club's annual awards. Lauri Stevens received Council Member of the Year for maintaining the club's social media presence and club store. Member of the Year award went to Jane Stieber for all her work arranging



hotel and restaurant reservations. We also had a special Dedicated Service award given to Andrej Balanc for his many years as the club's NCCC governor.

Our raffle table was very busy all night. Many thanks to Rob and Cathy Succolosky coordinating and making the raffle a big success.

This year we had raffle prizes that included: Friday at the Track, Accident Avoidance Driving Class, Detailing by Pohanka, Oil Changes by Pohanka, a Corvette necklace from Kim's Gold Dust, a two-night stay at Fairfield Inn in Mechanicsburg (for the Corvettes



at Carlisle weekend), a round of golf (with cart) at the Springfield Country Club, a Margarita Basket, a bourbon BBQ Basket, and an Odd and Ends Detailing certificate. The bourbon BBQ Basket was the biggest hit: Go figure!

We also had a 50/50 raffle with Lauri Stevens and Cheryl Mankowski selling tickets. The winner was Cathy Succolosky with almost \$500! Congratulations Cathy!





Throughout the evening, Bob Shoemaker captured the event with photography. Check out the club's Flickr page for all the photos. As usual, Bob did a great job with his photos.

With the help of Rich Mars, the DJ



and his music selection were just perfect. During the reception and dinner, the music was soft and smooth, perfectly completing the atmosphere. Then after dinner, it was cranked up and the DJ packed the floor with everyone partying. We couldn't have asked for better music. Thanks to Rich for making this happen.

I would like to thank the Banquet committee: Rob and Cathy Succolosky, Rich and Rita Mars, Karen and Bob Shoemaker, Mark and Helen Waters, Joanna and Kris McCandless, Paul Franklin and Cheryl Mankowski, John and Lynn Stark, Jane Stieber and Jim Dobish, Bob and Carol Devery, Lauri Stevens, Susan LoPresti, Ruth Baumert, and Mark Director. It was a lot of work in a very short time, and it all came together.

Most of all I would like to give a very special thank you to my husband Paul for his support and putting up with all my crazy ideas. I couldn't have gotten it all done without his help.

I really enjoyed working on the banquet. It was a lot of fun.





FUN IN THE NEVADA SUN AT SPRING MOUNTAIN

WRITTEN BY: TOM HORAN PICTURES BY: KIM HORAN



In January, I had the opportunity to attend the Ron Fellows Corvette Performance Driving School at Spring Mountain Motor Resort in Pahrump, Nevada, about 55 miles west of Las Vegas. If you are a C8 Corvette owner, the driving school is discounted by Chevrolet and a real bargain. (You have one year from delivery date to take the driving course. Dates fill quickly but Spring Mountain is accommodating if you book before your one-year mark). Don't pass up this great chance to drive the same style car you have at home on the track at speeds you can't drive legally on the highway! This course is spread over two days with both classroom and behind the wheel instruction to teach you the capabilities of the new C8.



The course covers braking and shifting, traction control/skids, serpentine turns, maintenance, track sessions with instructor lead/follow format and more all in a safe and controlled environment.



It was such fun to learn how the car handles, trying out the Performance Data Recorder (PDR) which I didn't even know the car had, participate in a competitive autocross, and meet people from all over the United States loving their new C8 while learn-



ing from professionals about the car.

Bring a guest for a nominal fee as they can also participate in the classroom instruction and be a ride along with an instructor for some of the behind the wheel fun. Spring Mountain has condominium accommodations with a full

kitchen and large bathroom in resort style surroundings. Breakfast and lunch are included both days and were varied and plentiful. Dinner is available for purchase on some evenings or there are restaurants in the local area.

I would highly recommend this adrenaline pumping, step-you-out-of-your-comfort-zone driving school.



Washington DC Auto Show with Mark Director's Car on Display



(Below) Mark Director, Andrew, Natalie and Valerie Dmytrijuk at the DC Auto Show on January 20. Mark's Vette was Valerie's favorite car of the show.



(Above) Mark Director's '62 at the DC Auto Show January 19-28, 2024 with club members attending Saturday, January 20.

[Ed: Mark holding onto Nani; I've never seen him do that before. Check out one more picture of Mark's car under Final Thought, page 25.]

Members' Plates

Each month will feature NVCC customized license plates, owner, and translation. *The unwritten club rule is everyone must eventually get personalized plates! (kidding!)*



Thomas LoPresti was combat wounded in Vietnam July 1, 1970. **We thank you for your service and dedication to our country, Tom!**



New to John Stark is Stella, a 2012 Grand Sport, with the requisite manual shifter, somewhat of a rarity in C6 convertibles.



Webmaster and club photographer, Bob Shoemaker, loves the sound his Grand Sport makes going down the road.



William Nalls is happy to show that his red C3 Stingray was built in the USA.

Northern Virginia Corvette Club 2024 Calendar of Events



Email: social.ccnv@gmail.com

Date: February 18, 2024

Event	Date	Event Chair	Event Chair Contact
Ferrari Movie with Late Lunch	Jan. 6	Bob Devery	trends04@verizon.net
Trackcross at Summit Point	Jan. 13	Andrej Balanc	andrejbalanc@gmail.com
Washington DC Auto Show	Jan. 19-20	Ruth Baumert Joanna McCandles	ruthbaumert@rocketmail.com jmcandles@constangy.com
Virginia Motorsport Park near Petersburg VA	Jan. 20	Andrej Balanc	andrejbalanc@gmail.com
NVCC Banquet 2024	Feb. 10	Carol Caporossi	carol.a.caporossi@gmail.com
Caribbean 8 Day Getaway Celebrity Cruise	Mar. 2-Mar. 10	Bob Devery	trends04@verizon.net
Old Brogue St Patrick's Day	Mar. 9	Rob Succolosky	rsuccolosky@gmail.com
Cruise to Kentucky National Cor- vette Museum	Mar. 21-24	George Durk	gadurk@gmail.com
Barrel Oak Winery Ladies Event	Mar. 23	Cheryl Mankowski	csmankowski@gmail.com
Virginia International Raceway Fer- rari Club	Apr. 8-9	Cassidy Nolen	cassidynolen@yahoo.com
The Big-Loop Cruise	TBD	George Durk	gadurk@gmail.com
Cars & Cannolis Cruise-in Sully Place Shopping Center	Apr. 14	Paul Caporossi	paul.n.caporossi@gmail.com
Lunch/Cruise	Apr. TBD	Rob Succolosky	rsuccolosky@gmail.com
FCPD Helicopter West Ox	Apr. 21	Bob Devery	Trends04@verizon.net
Rallye 101	Apr. 28	Dick Hammaker	dick.hammaker@cox.net
OBX Rod & Custom Show	May 2-4	Jim McKay	jim.mckay63@yahoo.com
Apple Blossom Parade	May 4	Al Stitt	amsprtcar@comcast.net
Devery Derby Day	May 4	Bob Devery	trends04@verizon.net
Cars & Cannolis Cruise-in Sully Place Shopping Center	May 5	Paul Caporossi	paul.n.caporossi@gmail.com
Air Force Museum Dayton, OH	May 6-10	George Durk	gadurk@gmail.com
Watkins Glen International Ferrari Club	May 8-9	Cassidy Nolen	cassidynolen@yahoo.com
Lunch/Cruise	May TBD	Rob Succolosky	rsuccolosky@gmail.com
Vettes at Waterside Norfolk VA	May 17-19	Karen Shoemaker	karenhoe@verizon.net

Mimslyn Inn / Luray Cruise/Dinner/Overnight	May 25	Jane Stieber George Durk	jacydc@hotmail.com gadurk@gmail.com
Harpers Ferry Cruise	May 30	John Provost	glide9500@gmail.com
NVCC Chantilly Corvette Show Pohanka Chevrolet	June 2	Paul Caporossi	paul.n.caporossi@gmail.com
Aarondale Nursing home	June 15	Mark Director	drdirector@yahoo.com
Sully Antique Car Father's Day Show	June 16	Mark Director	drdirector@yahoo.com
Lunch/Cruise	June TBD	Rob Succolosky	rsuccolosky@gmail.com
Classic Car Cruise	June 22	Mark Director	drdirector@yahoo.com
Cars & Cannolis Cruise-in Sully Place Shopping Center	June 23	Paul Caporossi	paul.n.caporossi@gmail.com
Lime Rock Park Ferrari Club	June 28 - 29	Cassidy Nolen	cassidynolen@yahoo.com
Vettes for Vets Car Show Haymarket VA	TBD	Jim McKay	jim.mckay63@yahoo.com
Dinner and Movie JAWS Mosaic Merrifield	July 1	Bob Devery	Trends04@verizon.net
Police Appreciation/ Lunch	July 7	Bob Devery	trends04@verizon.net
DYI Craftsmen	July 14	Paul Benish	tech@nvcorvetteclub.com
Lunch/Cruise	July TBD	Rob Succolosky	rsuccolosky@gmail.com
Hawaiian Luau GBM Pohanka Chevrolet	July 28	Carol Caporossi	carol.a.caporossi@gmail.com
Dinner Movie Saturday Night Fever	Aug. 5	Bob Devery	Trends04@verizon.net
Corvettes at Carlisle	Aug 22 - 24	Jim McKay	jim.mckay63@yahoo.com
Cars Under the Stars Twilight Polo at The Plains	TBD	Jim McKay	jim.mckay63@yahoo.com
Alaska Adventure Caribbean Cruise	Sept. 8 - 15	Bob Devery	trends04@verizon.net
Lunch/Cruise	Sept. TBD	Rob Succolosky	rsuccolosky@gmail.com
Picnic Set Up at Rich Anderson's	Sept. 21	Kris McCandless	Justhad2rahrr@gmail.com
Picnic at Rich Anderson's Farm Gerrardstown, WV	Sept. 22	Kris McCandless	justhad2rahrr@gmail.com
Cars & Cannolis Cruise-in Sully Place Shopping Center	Sept. 29	Paul Caporossi	paul.n.caporossi@gmail.com
Edgar Rohr Antique Car Show Ma- nassas VA	TBD	Jim McKay	jim.mckay63@yahoo.com
Hampshire Heritage Car Show Romney WV	TBD	Jim McKay	jim.mckay63@yahoo.com
Bomnin Chevrolet ODCC Cor- vette Cruise-In	Oct. 6	TBD	

Flying Circus Airshow Bealeton, VA	Oct. 13	Bob Devery	trends04@verizon.net
Lunch/Cruise	Oct. TBD	Rob Succolosky	rsuccolosky@gmail.com
Fall Rallye	Oct. 20	Kris McCandless	justhad2rahrr@gmail.com
Halloween Parade Vienna, VA	Oct. 23 - 30	Lori Benish	loco1707@yahoo.com
Cars & Cannolis Cruise-in Sully Place Shopping Center	Oct. 27	Paul Caporossi	paul.n.caporossi@gmail.com
OBX Custom Corvette Festival	TBD	Jim McKay	jim.mckay63@yahoo.com
Ocean City MD Car Show	Nov. 8 - 9	TBD	
Air Mobility Command Museum Dover DE	Nov. 10	Bob Devery	Trends04@verizon.net
Annual Bavarian Inn Cruise/Dinner/Overnight	Nov. 23	George Durk	gadurk@gmail.com
Christmas Light Rallye Bull Run Park, Centerville, VA	Nov. 24	Lori Benish	loco1707@yahoo.com
NVCC Holiday Weekend	Dec. 13 - 15	Carol Caporossi	carol.a.caporossi@gmail.com
Charlestown Racetrack	TBD	Bob Devery	trends04@verizon.net



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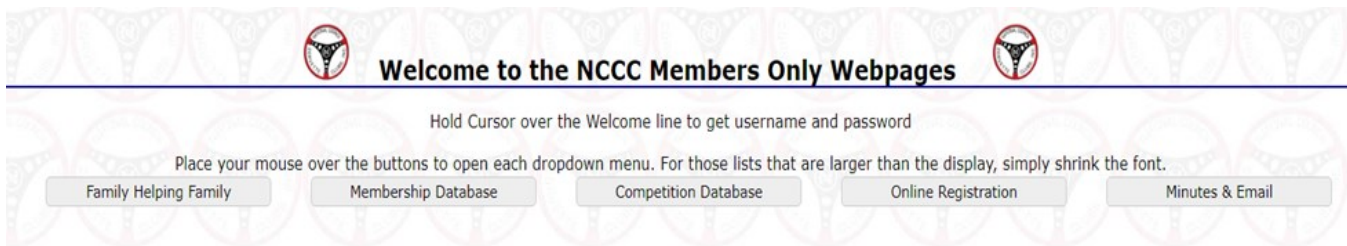
NCCC GOVERNOR FOR NVCC: SCOTT COX

Scott Cox has replaced Andrej Balanc as NCCC Governor as of this year. To stir your interest, Scott would like to remind everyone how to explore the “Members Only” section of the NCCC website and has written the following step-by-step instructions.

Go to [The National Council of Corvette Clubs, Inc.](http://www.corvettesnccc.org/) or <https://www.corvettesnccc.org/> The following screen appears:



Click on the circled "Members Only" link. A sign-in text box opens up instructing you to enter a user name and password. Enter **NCCCMember** on top line and **2024E-Ray** on bottom line. (The user name remains constant for everyone. The password will change every year on January 1.) The following selection options will pop up:



Place mouse over any one of the four buttons to open up an extensive drop down menu. For example, select “Competition Database” button:

-A new pull down menu opens up. Select “East Region:”

-A third pulldown menu will open up. Select: “List of Events” to see all the current East Region NCCC and Regional events. (Most columns are self explanatory)

-Double clicking on an event’s “Chair” will open up an email dialogue box to send the chair an email.

-The column “Flyer” with a date means the flyer has not yet been uploaded. Once it is uploaded, a small clickable text box will be added so you can see the Flyer and/or, if registration form is included, the registration form.

NOTE: The events list can also be accessed on the East Region’s web site at <https://www.ernccc.org/> under the “Competition” Pulldown

Scott will provide additional help and instruction concerning NCCC membership throughout the year. Email him with questions at ncccgov@nvcorvetteclub.com

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER - FEBRUARY 2024

January and February are always slow months for Corvette owners. This winter we had some snow, not too much, but enough to keep the cars in the garage. However, we did have a few good days to get the Vettes out. One more month to wait.

In January, several members, led by Mark Director attended the Washington DC Auto Show. It was a big event that gave the club exposure. Thanks, Mark, for coordinating this effort.

The club's big winter event is the annual banquet and marks the end of the NVCC season. It's a time to reminisce on the previous year and get ready for a new season. This year's theme was Love 'Em Vettes and was at the Dulles Airport Marriott. It was quite the event, everything came together perfectly. Thanks everyone for attending, and many thanks to Carol and the Banquet Committee for making this happen this year. Lauri Stevens was awarded Council Member of the Year, Jane Stieber Member of the Year, and Andrej Balanc received a Dedicated Service Award.

2023 was a busy and active year, and 2024 is shaping up to be another event-filled year. Keep an eye on the club event calendar and sign up early because some events have limited attendance. Now is the time to sign up for Carlisle, even though it's in August: hotel rooms and parking spots don't last long. This year, Corvettes at Carlisle is August 22 to 24. Contact Jim McKay for more information.

The club's kickoff event for the 2024 season is Rob and Cathy Succolosky's annual St. Patrick's Day lunch at the Old Brogue. Make sure you sign up, it's always a fun event. And for new members that haven't gone to the Old Brogue before, don't miss out! The Old Brogue lunch is Saturday, March 9th. Rob and Cathy also organize weekday lunch cruises throughout the year. They are always fun.

Our Motorsports Committee has been finalized and Cassidy Nolen is the committee chair. For members that have an interest in pushing their Corvettes harder and faster than public roads allow, watch for events from the Motorsports Committee. Now is your chance to drive those Corvettes as they were designed to be driven, doing it safely on a closed course, without getting arrested!

Finally, I've finalized dates for this year's Cars and Cannolis Cruise-Ins. We have five planned, three in the spring and two in the fall, with the last event coinciding with Halloween. Hopefully, we'll have a little better weather than last year.

See you at the next event and keep the RPMs in the powerband!

Paul Caporossi
2016 Z51, Procharged
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*We joined for the car
We stay for the people*

MEET YOUR 2024 COUNCIL



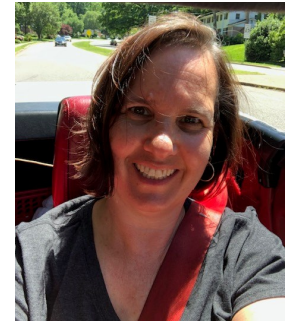
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NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

By: NCM Master Ambassador Dick Hammaker

A museum without artifacts is like a car without an engine.

That analogy sums up the important role that the Director of Collections and Exhibitions plays at the National Corvette Museum. Joining the Museum in that position is Robert Maxhimer, who comes to Bowling Green from the San Diego History Center and the Walt Disney Company.

"I am thrilled to join the incredible National Corvette Museum team and continue building out a collection of Corvettes and preserving Corvette history for generations to come," Maxhimer says. "The impact the Museum can have within the Corvette and car community is immense, and I'm energized by the opportunity to implement the art and science representative of a world-class Museum, including breakthrough exhibits and storytelling, content, programming, and museum best practices."

In his new role, Maxhimer will be in charge of the NCM's collection of historically significant Corvettes and more than 50,000 Corvette artifacts, along with leading the vision and development of exhibits through a team of archivists, vehicle maintenance specialists, creators, and exhibit managers.

"After meeting Robert, it was abundantly clear that we held a shared vision for innovative storytelling that not only resonates with our members and fans, but also crafting exhibits and content that reaches audiences no matter their automotive passion," NCM President/CEO Sharon Brawner says. "Our Collection is the heartbeat of the National Corvette Museum, and with the addition of Robert as our Director of Collections and Exhibitions, we have the leadership and the team in place to exceed the expectations of every member, guest, and museum stakeholder."

Most recently, Maxhimer served as Manager of Exhibitions and Facilities at the San Diego History Center, where he was in charge of overseeing all exhibits and operations. Earlier, he spent nearly a decade with the Walt Disney Company, where he developed a deep understanding of museum and exhibit best practices, brand management, and the ability to support these growth strategies through exhibitions and media relations, according to an NCM press release.

He and his family will be relocating to Bowling Green, joining nearly a dozen staff members added in the past two years from across the nation.

Source:
National Corvette Museum

NVCC Cruise to National Corvette Museum

March 21-24, 2024



Let's kick-off the first weekend of Spring with a cruise to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green Kentucky!

We will depart at 10:00 am from the Manassas Cracker Barrel and meander our way to Marion, VA via Rt 211 Luray toward Harrisonburg (lunch), then Routes 33 and 220 south towards Marion (I81 last 1.5 hours).

Spend the night Thursday at the General Francis Marion Hotel. Head west on Friday via Rt 16 (Back of the Dragon). Brief stop at the Back of the Dragon Welcome Center, then continue west toward the scenic Dragon Slayer (Hwy 160) of the Backroads of Appalachia crossing into Kentucky.

The posted speed limits on the twisties are fine and provide lots of fun.

Saturday is a day of leisure to tour the museum with lunch at the Corvette Café and then head over to the Motorsports Park Kartplex for some Karting. Sunday is a beeline back home to Virginia.

Hotel Info:

-General Francis Marion, 107 E. Main St. Marion, VA 24354 (276) 783-4800

-Sleep Inn 554 Corvette Dr., Bowling Green, KY 42101 (866) 900-3418

Of course, the cruise is dependent on fair weather and clean roads. Please contact:

George Durk gadurk@gmail.com (703) 473-1005

Event participation is entirely at attendee's own risk. Only NCCC members are covered by NCCC Insurance.

Cars & Cannolis

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Organized by the Northern Virginia Corvette Club
Spring: Sunday April 14th, May 5th & June 23rd 9:00am to 1:00pm
Fall: Sunday Sept 29th & Oct 27th 9:00am to 1:00pm
Sully Place Shopping Center
13932 Metrotech Dr, Chantilly, VA 20151
Free Admission, All Vehicles are Welcome
Music, Raffles & Free Cannolis!

Event Participation is Entirely at the Attendees Own Risk
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Photo credit: Gestalt Imagery
Arlington, TN - May 14, 2022: Low angle, close front corner view of a 1965 Ford Mustang Fastback Coupe at a local car show.
Reno, NV - August 4, 2021: 1971 Plymouth Barracuda Convertible at a local car show.

RALLYE 101 – RALLYING FOR BEGINNERS & PROS

WHAT YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT RALLYING BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK – LEARN THE “SECRETS” & “TRICKS OF THE TRADE” FROM THE MASTERS –

DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024
TIME: 9:15AM-1:00 PM

WHERE: GLORY DAYS GRILL
42010 VILLAGE CENTER PLAZA
STONE RIDGE, VA 20105

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RALLYE 101 WILL CONSIST OF DISCUSSIONS ON WHAT TO BRING, HOW TO PREPARE, HOW MUCH TO BRIBE THE RALLYE MASTER, HOW TO READ THE GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND ROUTE INSTRUCTIONS. LECTURE WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A SHORT (ABOUT 90 MINUTES) PRACTICE RALLYE & PAY AS YOU GO LUNCH SOCIAL.



REMINDER:

Be sure to order your Club Spirit Wear! We've got shirts, jackets, vests, hats, bags, kid's attire, etc. There's something for everyone! Here's the link:

<https://nvcorvetteclub.itemorder.com/shop/sale>



Classics Cruise to BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse, Gainesville



Saturday, June 22, 2024
(New, revised date)



Mark D's 62 C1

Rob Y's 65 C2

Rob S's 68 C3

Ruth B's 88 C4

Mid-June should be a great time for the 2nd Annual NVCC Classics Cruise to take our C1 – C4 classic Corvettes out for an easy drive on local and country roads and then enjoy lunch at BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse (which is not affiliated at all with BJ's Warehouse). Located in Gateway Center in Gainesville, this will be an easy cruise of about 25 miles each way and taking a little under an hour. While offered for owners of classics who don't want to "push" their babies, all members of NVCC and other owners of Corvettes, regardless of generation, are welcome to join us. The lunch venue offers a wide range of moderately priced good foods including burgers, sandwiches, pizza, tacos, salads, side and more (<https://www.bjsrestaurants.com/>). They also offer a wide range of locally brewed beers, wines and non-alcoholic beverages.

Our route will take us from our meeting point at Wegman's Westfields out Braddock Rd., to Bull Run Post Office Rd., then to Rt. 29, Sudley Rd. and Catharpin Rd., and ending at Gateway Center off of Linton Hall Rd. in Gainesville. Most of the trip is on either local roads or 2-lane country roads with moderate speed limits.

After the cruise and lunch, we can cruise home as a group or go our separate ways.

Come join other classics owners for a memorable, relaxing and fun afternoon. Reservations are a must for this event. Please RSVP for this event (even if tentative) including your cell phone and e-mail to Mark Director at DrDirector@yahoo.com or text/call me at 703.989.3998.

Date: June 22, 2024 (Fair weather event only; we will reschedule to another date if rain is forecast.)

Meeting Place: Wegmans/Westfields (14361 Newbrook Drive, Chantilly). Park in rear of building along the curb – easy in/out. Meet outside. Coffee, soft drinks, snacks and restrooms are available inside.

Meeting Time: 10:00; **Driver's Briefing:** 10:15; **Departure:** 10:30. Bring walkie-talkies if you have them.

All Corvettes are welcome but this will be a leisurely cruise to accommodate our C1 – C4 classics; newer cars will be at the back.



Participation in this event is voluntary and at your own risk. Participants must adhere to Covid protocols. Drivers and passengers must sign the NVCC insurance waiver form on site. NCCC insurance does not cover non-NVCC members.

Only NCCC Members are covered by NCCC Insurance.

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REVISED DISCOUNT FOR CORVETTE CLUB MEMBERS (as of April 25, 2023)

All Corvette repairs or modifications performed by Pohanka Chevrolet on NVCC Members' cars will receive **15% of labor and parts installed** up to a total discount of \$750!

OEM parts purchased from Pohanka Chevrolet will also be **discounted 15%**.

Pohanka Chevrolet also offers club members a free alignment on any members' Corvettes with any purchase of four tires.

To receive these discounts – **JUST SHOW THEM YOUR NAMETAG**



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MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Joanna McCandless



February 2024 Report

As of February 19, we have 177 members and 12 prospective members.

Welcome New Members:

Piggot, Chris – Black 2015 Z06

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Prospective Members	Corvettes	Joined
Cottle, Ron	Black 2023	11/23/23
Dubiel, Mike	2021 Coupe	10/29/23
Fishenden, Jim & Nancy	2023 Z51 Convertible	08/31/23
Fox, David	Amplify Orange 2023 Stingray Coupe	01/22/24
Hoffer, Mervin	2019 Grand Sport	01/30/24
Johnson, Walter & Angela	Laguna Blue 2015 Coupe	01/22/24
Lightfoot, Bill	1957	09/12/23
Pople, Richard	1962	11/20/23
Walrath, Shawn	Torch Red 2000 Convertible	02/04/24
Wieczorek, Rich	Cortez Silver 1969	06/04/23

Please Note: In order to become a full voting member of NVCC, our by-laws require Prospective Members to attend one General Business Meeting (GBM) and one club event within four months of submitting your application and application fee. Monthly GBMs can be attended in-person or via Zoom.

If you are a Prospective Member, have fulfilled your membership requirements, but have not received an invitation to join as a full member, please send me an email stating the GBM date and club event date that you attended. membership@nvcorvetteclub.com

NEW RIDES



John & Kara Palmgren took delivery of their Carbon Flash Black C8 convertible on the same day as the annual banquet. John is NVCC past president #35.

Do you have a new or "new to you" Corvette? Did you say good-bye to another Corvette to make room for the new one? Send me an email with any updates to your collection so I can keep the club's database current. Also, please send any address, phone, or email changes to me so I can keep your profile record current. AND send a picture of the new addition for the newsletter. membership@nvcorvetteclub.com

NVCC GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 23, 2024 - BY: RUTH BAUMERT

Call to Order 7:30pm and adjourned at 8:38 pm
 23 attendees in person, and 21 attendees via Zoom.
 Officers Present: Paul Caporossi, Rich Mars, Mark Director,
 Evelyn Yashinsky, & Ruth Baumert
 Prospective Members Present: Chris Pigott (2015 Z06), Dave Fox (2023 C8)



OFFICER REPORTS

President- Paul Caporossi

Cape May Recap-was a wonderful event. There is interest in doing it again this year.

Banquet-see below under Social Chair report. Banquet committee is doing a great job, and it is going to be a fun event. If you are interested in going, please do so ASAP.

We are resurrecting the Autocross program. It will be renamed Motorsports. Committee will focus on helping members to get into competitive and track situations in addition to HPDE (High Performance Driving education)classes. There is also a new section in the newsletter named "The Apex," which will focus on events, and latest happenings in the motorsport's world.

We are in need of an IT/tech savvy person to assist Paul Benish with email maintenance for the club. They will be responsible for server maintenance, creating new member email accounts, password maintenance, and troubleshooting member problems. Please see Paul if you have experience in this field.

Council Meetings-The second Tuesday of every month a Council meeting is held. Council members plan events and the day-to-day business of the club (membership, website, newsletter etc.). If you have an idea for an event, or a suggestion on how to make the club better, please email Paul. He will add you to the agenda, and email distribution list. Everyone is welcome to attend a Council Meeting.

Pohanka just received 2 C8s still in the wrapping if anyone is interested 1) A 2LT black convertible \$94,500, and 2) 1LT Coupe \$76,000.

Minutes from last meeting were approved.

Vice President – Rich Mars Participated throughout the meeting and provided trivia questions.

Treasurer –Evelyn Yashinsky- Carol Caporossi mailed checks to Evelyn prior to meeting.

Secretary-Ruth Baumert Present and taking notes.

Officer at Large –Mark Director

Mark provided a recap of his participation in the DC Auto Show. Due to his participation, we have 3 Prospective members (Dave Fox, Walter and Andrea Johnson). Mark thanked all who attended in support of him (11 club members attended the show Saturday).The weather affected participation, but it was a fun event and an honor to participate.

Mark is assuming the role of Historian and Quartermaster. If you have any historical information, please give it to Mark. In addition, if you have any club property (tables, projectors etc.), please let Mark know so he can add it to our inventory.

NCCC Governor-Scott Cox is our new NCCC Governor. He has experience in this role with another club. Next month he will be providing information as to the role NCCC plays. They do more than sponsor motor-sport events. Part of our annual dues goes towards NCCC.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS & OPEN DISCUSSION

Membership-Joanna McCandless

We have 177 full members and 13 prospective members (3 from the auto show)

If anyone needs tri-fold brochures or business cards, they are available.

Joanna will be ordering name tags, and will bring them to the banquet. If you need an additional or replacement name tag, the cost is \$8.

A VOTE TO ACCEPT THESE MINUTES WILL BE TAKEN AT THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED GBM

Newsletter –Kris McCandless- Deadline for newsletter submissions is 2/20/2024. Please don't wait until the last minute to submit articles. There was an overwhelming amount of people (in person and on Zoom) who indicated by show of hands, that they read the newsletter.

Social Coordinator – Carol Caporossi

Banquet-As of this time 84 people have signed up, and 3 promises to attend (not including the 10 spots for Pohanka employees). Committee has met with event planner and planned floor layout, menu and beverage, D J, raffles. Raffle prizes range from FATT (Friday at the Track), Carlisle hotel 2-night stay, golf package, ladies' jewelry, wine baskets, and stay at the Bavarian Inn. There will be a cash bar. No ticket sales at the door. All proceeds from raffle and 50/50 will go to charity. Lauri Stevens will be announcing raffles (per Paul's request).

The Calendar of Events is growing and is up to almost 50! If you have an event you would like to plan, please email Carol at social@nvcorvetteclub.com. There are some fun events coming up. It will be published in its entirety online and in the newsletter so members can plan their participation in advance.

Jane and George are planning a cruise to Luray tentatively scheduled for Memorial Day weekend. Details forthcoming.

Monthly cruises during the week will resume in March. Rob and Cathy Succolosky will be leading them. The March cruise (3/9/2024) will be to the Old Brogue Restaurant in Great Falls.

Dates for Cars & Cannoli's have been set. Paul will send out flyer. The first event is 4/14/2024.

Motorsports-see President's reports

Webmaster -John Palmgren/Bob Shoemaker – Transition is ongoing for Bob to take over. Webmaster duties. Bob has purchased software (Council previously approved).

Social Chair-Lauri Stevens-We have over 1500 members on our Facebook page. We should try to solicit members to join the club. Joanna tried but the people she picked were not in our area.

Open Discussion

Jim McKay-planning will start in February for Carlisle and OBX Rod and Custom Show. Rob Succolosky provided a recap of Carlisle to our new members. Rich Mars proposed a motion to bring a truck with supplies up to Carlisle, and park it on the back side of the building across from our tent. It was approved; however, Jim is not sure if we can bring a truck to the Fun Field. He will contact Jodi and ask her. Per Jane, we have over 30 rooms booked at the Fairfield Inn.

Trivia Questions, Answers and Winners:

Questions provided by Rich Mars:

The year is 1969, and the Apollo 12 mission was successful. Who are the astronauts who received Corvettes? Alan Bean, Charles Conrad, Richard Gordon. No winner

What color were the cars? Black & gold-Jim Dobish

How much did they pay for the cars? \$1 per year lease by the local Cape Canaveral dealer-no winner.

What magazine featured the story? Life Magazine Andy Dmytrijuk

What was the cost of the 2023 C8 S2L weekend luggage option? \$1,495. John Palmgren guessed \$1,500.

Out of the 13 colors available on the C8, there are 4 colors owners have to pay extra for. What colors are they? Orange (\$995), Red Mist (\$995), Yellow (\$500), & Blue (\$500) no winner.

50/50 winner was Dave Fox who won \$60.

Ruth Baumert
NVCC Secretary



ERRATA

On page 3 of the January 2024 Newsletter, NVCC Member Helen Waters was mistakenly listed as Karen Waters.

EVENT PUBLISHING PROCESS

If you have an idea for an event that you want to lead for the club, (1) email Social Chair at Social@NVCorvetteclub.com so that they can help you find a suitable calendar date; (2) prepare a flyer for their review; upon approval; and (3) email the flyer to Flyers@NVCorvetteclub.com. This will then be distributed to the Webmaster, Social Chair and Newsletter editor.



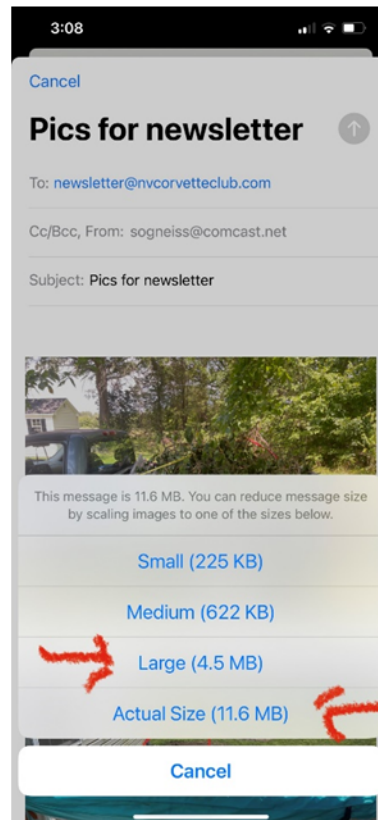
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Planning Ahead: NCM's 30th Anniversary Caravan 2024

Bob Meyer is the Virginia State Captain for the 2024 National Corvette Caravan, celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the National Corvette Museum. Virginia is part of the Carolinas, Virginia and Maryland regional Caravan. <https://www.corvettecaravan.com/>

To celebrate, the Museum is hosting the 7th National Corvette Caravan from August 29-31, 2024. Held every 5th year anniversary, the Caravan is the world's largest moving automotive event. Regional caravans from all over the US and Canada will meet up with other regional groups as they converge on Bowling Green, KY for 3 days of festivities. There will be presentations by members of GM's Corvette team, Corvette Master Technicians and vendors, vendor displays and sales, prize giveaways, food trucks galore, and more. Live entertainment is expected (Jefferson Starship performed in 2019). It's a great opportunity to meet up with 7 or 8,000 of your closest Corvette friends, learn about the cars, directly ask questions of the Corvette team, and just generally have a good time.

Corvette owners from Virginia will meet up with others in the state and from Maryland to caravan to the Biltmore, in Asheville, NC, where we'll meet up with the Carolinas and groups from other parts of Virginia and Maryland and begin the Caravan to Bowling Green. There *may* be an opportunity for interested owners to "pre-stage" in Charlotte, NC and visit Rick Hendrick's private car collection. With hundreds of Corvettes, as well as some others, it should be a bucket list experience for every Corvette enthusiast.

Planning and organizing an event of this magnitude takes a considerable amount of time, effort and expense. Each regional caravan is responsible for raising money to support its activities, which include subsidizing hotel rates, providing goodie bags, and a dinner option when we arrive in Bowling Green. We do this primarily by selling advertisements in our Caravan route book, which is given to each registered participant. We encourage individuals to take out a credit card size ad or place a photo of their license plate in the route book. If you or your business would be interested in reaching several hundred Corvette owners, please reach out to Bob Meyer at VirginiaCaravan2024@gmail.com for more information and rates. Another way to contribute is to purchase a static cling Caravan sticker of the event logo for your car for \$10. Contact Bob if you would like one of these.

Registration for the regional caravan is now open. Our blocks of discounted hotel rooms are going fast, so if you plan to join in don't wait too long. More information and the registration form can be found on the regional Caravan website: <https://www.corvettecaravan.com/va-nc-sc/>. And check out the video from an older Caravan on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/xL0IOmdJwuA>. Note that this only registers you for the regional caravan. You will still need to register with the NCM at their website. And check out the video from an older Caravan on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/xL0IOmdJwuA>. Reach out to Bob at VirginiaCaravan2024@gmail.com with any questions you might have.



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FINAL THOUGHT

"DON'T YOU DARE TOUCH MY CAR"

Mark Director giving club members the hex with his fingers as we teased him at the DC Auto Show



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