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Northern Virginia Corvette Club

Founded 1969



Photo by James Anderson

# **GEORGE SKALKEAS BURNING UP THE TRACK** AT THE 2002 SPOOKTACULAR

# **CONGRATULATIONS NVCC ON A GREAT EVENT!!**

# **NEWSLETTER ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS:**

Deadline:	5:00 p.m. Friday after the General Council Meeting (2nd Tuesday of each month)
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Preferred format:	Email, text-format photos in .jpg format

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# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS...**



details to follow as soon as we finalize the event

# The to call for info...

# **NVCC COUNCIL MEMBERS**

President	Paul Hertel	(703) 239-1469
Vice President	Rick Poage	(703) 912-3668
Secretary	Barbara "B4" Foor	(703) 569-3584
Treasurer	Barbara Shaw	(703) 333-5284
Officer-at-Large	Judy Gregory	(703) 777-9353

# **COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

Autocross	Mike Sarver	(703) 913-0830
Concours	Collin MacDonald	(540) 338-9677
Co-Chair	Don Kerndt	(703) 759-5495
Historian	Jeff Kirk	(703) 798-4193
Membership	Judy Patrick	(202) 234-2820
Newsletter	Mark Bergstrom	(703) 333-5284
NCCC Governor	Andrej Balanc	(703) 450-2314
NCM Ambassador	Don Patrick	(202) 234-2820
Rallye	Dick Hammaker	(703) 250-8644
Publicity	Rick Poage	(703) 912-3668
Social	Judy Gregory	(703) 777-9353
Spooktacular	George Skalkeas	(703) 830-0542
Web Master	Tom Green	(703) 444-2777

# For Your Information

Please be advised that we will be holding initial nominations for 2003 Council positions at the General Business Meeting on Tuesday, October 22, 2002.

Come out and nominate your candidate so that he/she can be elected at the Elections in November at the GBM on the 26th.

# Note that this is only for the Elected positions:

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Officer-at-Large

All other positions are volunteer appointments by the newly elected Council in 2003.

Please consider volunteering for these positions. The Club needs your participation and support.

Please see the list of Committee Chairperson positions that are available in the column at left. These positions will not be filled until the 2003 Council takes over in January, 2003.

The Council will decide who to appoint to these positions based on recommendations and volunteers received from the membership.





# President's Column

With our second major event of the year in the record books, we need to start working on our third and final major event of the year; the year-end PARTY!

The decision has been made to have it in January so it will not conflict office parties and other holiday events. This will also make it easier for us to find a place as well as make it less expensive.

I have volunteered to head-up the committee but I need one or two people to help me with the planning and execution.

While there will be awards given out during the event, I want to emphasize that this will be a party. We will have door prizes, a 50/50 raffle, access to dancing, and will be held at an area hotel so you can sleep there if you get a little tipsy.

Please contact me by e-mail or talk to me at the next GBM if you are interesting in helping out.

Paul Hertel

NVCC President 2002



# **By-law Changes for Ratification:**

Please note also that the Council will be bringing several by-law modifications to the attention of the Membership for a Ratification Vote at the GBM on Tuesday, October 22nd, 2002.

These modifications were voted on and approved by the Council and require a Ratification vote by the Membership before being incorporated into the By-laws.

All modifications ratified by the Membership will be published in the Newsletter for November and December.

The Council requests your participation in these proceedings.

# **Charity Donation Checks:**

Please be advised also that the Council will be presenting checks to the Charities for 2002 at the GBM on Tuesday, October 22nd, 2002.

This year's Charities are the Duke Brain Tumor Cancer Research Center, The American Heart Association, and NAMI (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill).

Please come out to the meeting and witness the check presentation to the Charities.

# **CORNER NON**

# NATIONAL CORVETTE **MUSEUM (NCM) AMBASSADOR REPORT**

by Don Patrick

# LADIES 50TH ANNIVERSARY APPAREL IN CORVETTE STORE

New selections for ladies are available in the Corvette Store and feature the 50th Anniversary logo. These new polo and twill shirts are designed for ladies only, and are available in new colors like cabernet, amethyst and cranberry. Other new 50th merchandise including clocks, T-shirts, caps and more are available in the Corvette Store. A limited number of autographed copies of Zora Arkus-Duntov "The Legend Behind Corvette" by Jerry Burton, and Corvette From The Inside, by Dave McLellan are available in the Corvette Store. Save by purchasing both books for only \$70 for the pair, or \$39.95 each. Place your order now for new 50th Anniversary merchandise or other Corvette Store items by clicking here: http://www.corvettemuseum.com/store

## LAND CAMPAIGN GOAL ACHIEVED

With the pledges and the many contributions made to the land campaign, the \$200,000 goal has been achieved. The deed to the property has been ordered and the purchasing process has begun. "We made it happen," states Executive Director, Wendell Strode, "Hard work, team work and heartfelt dedication to see this dream come true has been the key. We truly thank everyone for making this dream a reality." Donation pledges can be finalized online at: http://www.corvettemuseum.com/land/index.shtml or by calling (800) 53-VETTE.

### JOIN THE NCM FOR A CARIBBEAN CRUISE

Cruise with Corvette celebrities and enthusiasts aboard the Golden Princess, one of the newest, most luxurious liners afloat. Visit beautiful St. Maarten, St. Thomas and Princess Cays and enjoy exclusive Corvette events and mingle with Corvette celebrities. Treat vourself to the cruise of a lifetime. Unsold cabins will be recalled after November, 11, so don't hesitate. Call 800-992-9510 or 602-992-0200 for more information. NCM members get a special discount on this special offer. Visit here for more information: http://www.corvettemuseum.com/cruise

### **CURRENT ACTIVITIES**

For information on the 50th Anniversary (June 25-26, 2003) National Corvette Caravan, join the official National Corvette Caravan mailing list for updates. To SUBSCRIBE, send a blank email message to: Caravan-all subscriberequest@listserv.corvettemuseum.com Or contact the following VA/MC/DE/DC state captain: Micky & Karen Baldwin, Forest, VA, Telephone: 434-525-3600, email address: CorvetteCaravan@prodigy.net

### BACKGROUND

NVCC is one of the founding members of the NCM (Card No. 1523). Club benefits are:

- ≻ Free individual or group admission to the NCM.
- ≻ 10% discount on NCM and Catalog merchandise.
- ≻ Free subscription to the magazine "America's Sports Car."
- 5 NVCC plague reconciliation in the museum.

http://www.corvettemuseum.com/raffle/index.shtml To find out more about the 2003 National Corvette Caravan and 50th Anniversary Celebration, visit our website at: http://www.corvettemuseum.com/

# CALENDAR EVENTS

$\succ$	April 20-23, 2003: Dale Earnhardt – Corvette
	Legends Tour
	April 24-26, 2003: C5 Birthday Bash
$\succ$	May 1-3, 2003: The Visit 3.0 – Porsche at NCM
	May 8-10, 2003: ZR-1/C4 Gathering
	May 22-24, 2003: Corvette Forum Cruise-In
$\succ$	June 23-30, 2003: 50th Anniversary Celebration
	June 23-26: National Corvette Caravan
	June 27-28: 50th Anniversary Celebration
	(Nashville, TN)
	June 29-30: 50th Anniversary Celebration (NCM)
>	August 28-31, 2003: Corvette Celebration/Hall of Fame
$\geq$	September 26-28, 2003: Camaro/Firebird Gathering

October 9-11, 2003: Corvette Pace Car Reunion

### **CURRENT NEWS**

### CORVETTE NAMED AMERICA'S BEST SPORTS CAR

Autoweek subscribers named Corvette the "Best Sports Car" in the "America's Best" poll. Corvette outpolled the Porsche 911 with 26.6 percent of the total over 25.5 for the Stuttgart machine, in the subscriber poll. "On a value-for-money basis, the Corvette is hard to beat, and the fastest Z06 model put up better numbers in our braking and skidpad tests than did the mighty Porsche Turbo" (Autoweek) A distant third place in the official voting was the Honda S2000, just ahead of the Dodge Viper. For additional information, photos and more on this special announcement, visit the Autoweek site at: http://www.autoweek.com/specials/2002\_ambest/

### DALE EARNHARDT SIGNATURE SERIES Z06 CORVETTE **RAFFLE UNDERWAY**

A special raffle is underway on a one-of-a-kind Z06 Corvette featuring a unique Dale Earnhardt Signature modification package. The exclusive Dale Earnhardt Signature package modifications are courtesy of Dale Earnhardt Inc. An unlimited number of tickets will be sold at \$25 each. Drawing for the exciting Z06 Corvette is scheduled for June 30th, 2003 as part of the 50th Anniversary activities at the Museum. For more information on the Earnhardt Signature Z06 Corvette raffle or to purchase a ticket click here:

If any NVCC members are planning a trip in the vicinity of Bowling Green, Kentucky, a visit to the home of the NCM and the Corvette factory should be in your plans. The NCM card can be borrowed from our President.

> For additional information log on to: http://www.corvettemuseum.com or call the NCM at 800-53-VETTE (800-538-3883) or contact Donald Patrick.

# MEMBERSHIP



# ORNE

by Judy Patrick

**OCTOBER REPORT** 

# We currently have 114 active members and 11 prospective members.

# **New Member:**

Gerard Bragg - 1999 Silver Coupe

# **Prospectives:**

Joseph Belotte - 1987 Silver/Grey Coupe Patrick Coffey - 1999 Black Hardtop Joyce Corbin - 1993 40th Anniversary Ruby Convertible Josh Cury - 1998 Black Coupe Rich Feucht - 1997 Sebring Silver Coupe James Gilbert - 1991 Red Convertible Jerry Land - 2002 Electron Blue Z06 Patti & Russ Puncochar - 2001 Pewter Coupe David Rankin - 1997 Black Coupe Mark Theiss - 1990 Red ZR1 James Wilcox - 2002 Black Z06

2003 dues letters were mailed on September 13. Dues have to be to Treasurer Barb Shaw by November 1 or your membership will automatically terminate. If you haven't received your letter, OR IF YOU DON'T PLAN TO RENEW FOR 2003, please email Judy at thepatricks@erols.com.

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

Additional NVCC key rings (\$6 each) and NVCC window decals (\$2 each) are available to active members. See Judy for these.

NVCC windshield banners (\$5 each) are available through Judy as well.

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# **November Birthdays**

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James Green	-
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Stewart Fox	11/03
Jerry Land	11/06
Karen Williams	11/07
Maurice Brumm	11/10
Jeff Kirk	11/15
Larry Jones	11/17
Rick Poage	
John Giaquinto	11/21
Edie Soles	11/24
James Wilcox	11/24
Willaim Eckard	11/25
Tim Weston	11/25
Joesph F. Daly, III	11/28

Happy Birhday Happy Birhday

# CORVETTES FOR SALE

I'm selling my red '88 Coupe; 4+3 Transmission; black interior; dual leather six-way heated sport seats with lumbar adjustments; Delco-GM/Bose Stereo; electronic climate control; rear window defogger and heated mirrors; power windows, mirrors, door locks; ABS; good finish; 275-45-17 Firestone Firehawks; wheels are chrome-plated (two are peeling); have four other non-chromeplated wheels; standard hardtop and glass top (slight chip); floor mats, cargo mat, dash pad.

Car has 95,000 miles on the body; engine has 30,000 miles or less on it - a long-block '91 with blueprinted f.i., heads and exhaust manifolds (AZ Speed and Marine); mild cam; custom chip; Flowmaster Race Mufflers; service manual and electronic diagnosis supplemental manual

Has passed smog, failed safety because hand brake needs adjustment. Front carpet is ragged, needs replacement. Second gear synchro needs to be replaced.

Garaged for the ten years that I've owned it. Asking \$11,000.

Larry Purcell 703-577-9702. e-mail: cpurcell1@cox.net



Friends,

I purchased a 2002 Black on Black Z06 and I'm putting my '99 Hardtop up for sale. It has been very well cared for. If you know anyone interested in an excellent car with two and a half years and 26k miles left on the extended coverage plus the extras, contact me via E-Mail @ krdenee@bellatlantic.net or at 703-758-1833.

Kirk R. DeNee

# Picture 1

<http://temp.corvetteforum.net/c4/magicdragon/kirk2.jpg>

# Picture 2

<http://temp.corvetteforum.net/c4/magicdragon/kirk3.jpg>

- 6 Speed - Z51 Suspension - Garaged and Covered - Excellent Condition - Interior Like New -23,400 miles

# Asking \$32,995

# Extras:

- Extended Major Guard Coverage 72 mo./50K miles
- Set of 4 New Firestone Fire Hawk EMT's Unmounted
- Delco/Bose Stereo System
- Compact 12 Disk Changer
- Power Drivers Seat
- SS Brake Lines
- Hawk Street Brake Pads
- Hall Tech Tric Air Intake
- 2000 Z51 Front and Rear Sway Bars
- Chrome Exhaust Tips
- AA Engines Exhaust Mod.
- Red Line Oil Trans. and Diff.
- New 6 yr Battery
- Car Cover



# **BOARDWALK AND RALLYE PHOTOS - OCEAN CITY, MD**

Photos by Mark Bergstrom







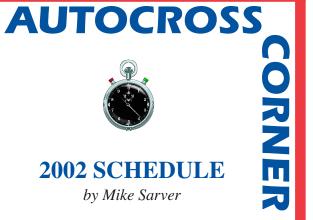












We are nearing the end of the 2002 autocross season. We have two events remaining at Old Dominion Speedway. The dates are:

20 October	(NVCC Points event)
10 November	(NVCC Points event)

These dates are subject to change. Visit here often to keep your NVCC autocross calendar up-to-date.

First car off at all Old Dominion Speedway events is at 12:00pm. The gates will normally be open by 10:30am. We will be using the computer timing equipment which needs participant data entered. Participants should arrive early or make arrangements with the autocross chairman Mike Sarver. We look forward to seeing you.

A new autocross page is now on the website at http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com/autocross/autocross.htm and includes a columnar list of 2002 NVCC Autocross dates at Old Dominion Speedway, and a link to a points page.

I'm hoping to open up some new venues next year, both track locations and layouts. If anyone has any suggestions please contact me in person or email:

sarver\_michael@tmac.com.

I am also looking for an autocross co-chairperson, prior experience is not required.











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# NVCC BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES -SEPTEMBER 24, 2002

Koons Conference Room, Tysons Corner, Va

by Barbara "B4" Foor

# Meeting Start: 7:34 pm

**President:** Paul Hertel opened the meeting with a reminder that members and guests should only park on the rooftop in unmarked spaced for the meetings. Everyone introduced themselves and most guests said that they found us through our web site.

**Treasurer Report:** Barbara Shaw presented the Treasurer's report for the month of August 2002.

Autocross Report: Mike Sarver reported that participation at the September 7 challenge event with the Capital Area Cobra Club and the Northern Virginia Mustang Club was 12 Corvettes, 7 Cobras, 8 Mustangs and 1 Viper. Three of the Cobras finished 4th, 6th and 7th overall. September 8 was the first Ladies Day event and 19 Corvettes participated. There are three more events for this year: October 5 and 20; and November 10. He mentioned that he will step down as Autocross Chairman at the end of this year. Anyone interested in taking over this position should contact Mike or one of the Council members. He is willing to be a co-chair and assist the new Chairman.

**Concours:** Don Kerndt reported that the trophies were mailed this week. The results were only mailed to non-NVCC members; members can look at the results on the web. A discussion was held on the 2003 date and it was recommended that Concours for next year be held May 4.

Historian: Jeff Kirk asked the following trivia questions:

- Q. What year did the ZR-1 first appear?
- A. 1990 (Andrej Balanc NVCC patch)

Q. What was the first year that an AM-FM radio appeared as an option?

A. Late in the 1963 Corvette. The beginning of the year offered just the AM radio.

(Mark Grigg - Spooktacular Shirt)

- Q. What was the first year a CB was offered as an option?
- A. 1978 (Bob Compton Spooktacular Shirt)
- Q. Dual 4-barrel carburetors were introduced in what year?
- A. 1956 (Bob Compton banner)
- Q. Four-wheel disc brakes were introduced in what year?
  A. 1965 (Brad Sneade 2 50-50 tickets)

**Membership Report:** Judy Patrick reported that there are 114 Active members and 13 prospective members. The "Dues" letter has been mailed to active members with a deadline of November 1. If any prospective member has questions, please see Judy after the meeting.

**Newsletter Report:** Mark Bergstrom reported that the newsletter was published and posted on the web. Please submit articles/photos for next month's newsletter by October 10. Mark will be stepping down as newsletter editor. He will provide guidance for the new volunteer.

**NCCC Governor Report:** Andrej Balanc reported that all was well with NCCC. If any member would like to see what other regional events are taking place, go to <u>www.ernccc.org</u>. He is currently working on obtaining high-speed licenses for members.

**NCM Ambassador Report:** Don Patrick reported that there was nothing new happening with the NCM this month.

### **Raffle:**

50-50	James Anderson
Shirt	Marsha Batchellor
Banner	Marsha Batchellor
Patch	Mark Bergstrom
Oil Change	James Anderson

**Rallye Report:** Dick Hammaker reported that the next rallye is November 3; Rallyemaster is Joe Daly. Since this is the final exam, be prepared for tricks. Information about this rallye will be published in the October newsletter. Dick will be stepping down as Rallye Chairman after 8 years. Please contact him or one of the council members to volunteer for this position. **Spooktacular Report:** Andrej Balanc said that the T-shirts and medals have been ordered. Mike Sarver reported that there are 50 entrants registered (9 as entrant/worker); 47 have paid by check or money order; and 9 people registered on-line. Mike sent out electronic confirmations to everyone with email addresses (40). George will send out snail mail to everyone with additional information before the event. There are 13 paid orders for T-shirts. He also stated that the track will be run counter clockwise only per Summit Point contract. In order to receive a high speed license, you need to have participated in 10 low speed events in the past 18 months or 1 high speed driving school.

Ralph gave a pitch on volunteering as a corner worker emphasizing safety as the key item. He stated the vantage points of watching the cars on the track, time permitting, can ride with one of the participants in fun runs after the events are over, discount on shirts and lunches, and if you accumulate enough worker points, you could receive a jacket or shirt at the end of the year from the Eastern Region.

**Web Master Report:** Tom Green said there was nothing new to report.

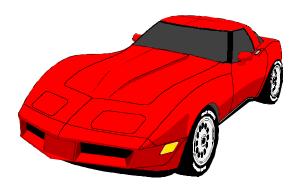
**Old Business:** Club Shirts - Barbara Shaw placed the order for the Club shirts and should be receiving them shortly. Let her know if you are going to Ocean City and she will bring them with her. The shirts will be distributed at the general membership meetings. New orders will be processed after every general business meeting.

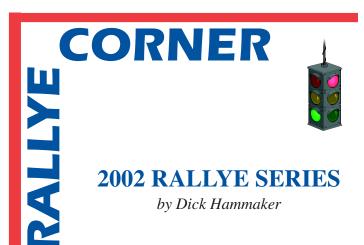
**New Business:** Joe Daly announced that TC Williams High School was looking for volunteers to participate in their homecoming parade. It starts at 11:30 am. A sign up sheet is in the front of the room. He will also send an email out to the membership.

**Other Business:** Paul is looking for someone in the general membership to produce camera ready art work for the Club, i.e., business cards. He will send an email to the membership.

Attendance: 29 members and 6 guests

Meeting Adjourned: 8:35 pm





This year's Series will include optional Poker Runs and Self-Guided Cruises.

The Official NVCC 2002 Rallye Series dates are as follows:

#5 Nov 3

Remember, Participation is the Key to Winning!!

Joe Daly III

# **RALLYE #4 ADDENDUM**

Apologies for forgetting to include Chuck and Karen Pellerin and Dick Hammaker, who did the Cruise portion of the rallye, from the list of participants in NVCC's Rallye # 4. I would also like to thank three people who were instrumental in making it a fun event - my wife, Carole Purcell, who did the initial runs for mileage, clues and some of the navigational instructions; my buddy Kevin Buesing, who did the last practice runs with me (after Carole headed back to California once again); and Kevin's and my buddy, Brenda Pamperin, who coordinated the start of the rallye, handed out instructions and was the starter - and helped with the scoring at the end of the rallye. Thank you one and all.

Larry Purcell

# The 9th Annual NVCC **"Final Exam Rallye"**

# (a.k.a. "The Rallye From Hell")

Date:	03 Nov '02
Event:	Rallye, Poker Rallye, Cruise
Time:	Registration:
Where:	Chili's in Reston on Sunrise Valley Drive (~1/4 mile east of Reston Parkway on the left)
Who:	Open to any type of vehicle, but as always we would like to see as many CORVETTES as possible
Cost:	Rallye: \$10.00/car; Poker: \$10.00/car; Cruise: FREE
What to bring:	clipboard sense of humor binoculars sense of humor pencil(s) and eraser(s) sense of humor navigator <i>(not necessary, but highly recommended)</i> and did I mention a <b>"Sense of HUMOR!"</b>
RallyeMaster:	Joe Daly - (703) 716-5468 (jdthree@comcast.net)

RallyeMaster: RallyeChecker:







**Carol Evans** 





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# **Thornton Gap - Fall Foliage Cruise**

The annual Thornton Gap - Fall Foliage Cruise is scheduled for Sunday, November 10th.

# Don't Miss It!!

The cruise starts and ends in Warrenton, VA. It runs over some of the best "CORVETTE" roads in Northern Virginia. The cruise goes to Sperryville, then up and over Thornton Gap, down to Luray and then into the scenic Fort Valley. From Fort Valley it's back to Front Royal, Markham, over the back roads to Hume and Orlean, then on to Warrenton for lunch. There may be some leaves left on the trees, but the fewer leaves the better the views!

The Cruise will start at the Red, Hot and Blue Memphis Barbecue in Warrenton. The Red, Hot and Blue is located on Business Rt. 29/15 South in Warrenton about \* mile mile South of the Sheetz gas station. It is located on the right across from the McDonalds. We plan to meet at 8:45AM with a Drivers meeting at 9:15AM and departure at 9:30AM sharp.

This puts us ahead of a lot of the sight seeing traffic and lets us have the roads pretty much to ourselves. We should be back in Warrenton around 12:30PM. We have eaten at the Red, Hot and Blue for the last two years, but I'm looking for a better place this year. I'll let you know what I find. If anyone has a suggestion, please let me know.

If you have a Family Radio, bring it along. I'll also provide you with my cell phone number in case you become "misplaced".

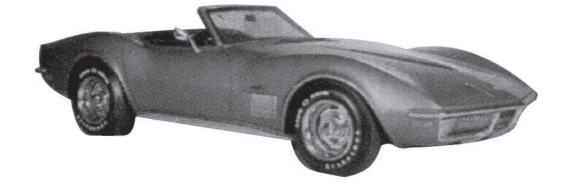
If you plan to attend, please R.S.V.P. to this E-Mail krdenee@bellatlantic.net so that I can provide a head count to the restaurant and have enough maps and directions for everyone.

See you on the 10th!!

# Kirk DeNee 703-758-1833

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# Ssssasasavethewave!





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