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VETTES ON THE BOARDS

Ocean City 2018

By: Jerry Lelansky

Twenty-two NVCC members attended the 32nd Free State Corvette Club Corvette Weekend on Oct 12-13th in Ocean City, MD.

NVCC attendees:

Jerry (NVCC Officer at Large) & Irene Lelansky
Marsha Batchellor (NVCC Newsletter) (w/ "Batch" Family)
Paul (NVCC Web) & Lori Benish
Mike Gilliland & Candace Rende
Dave & Barbara Kuhn
Jim Dobish & Jane Steiber
Bo & Ann Marlin
Rich & Rita Mars
Jim, Evelyn and Sasha McKay
John Scott (NVCC VP)
Randy Taylor
Cassidy & Amanda Nolen



A couple of weeks before the Corvette Weekend, Jerry created a list of club participants and sent the group a three-page write-up of what to expect, which included a list of some restaurants and two different sets of directions to the hotel.

On Friday, most NVCC'ers arrived at the Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel and picked up their registration package, checked out all the vendors with Corvette / car paraphernalia, and got their cars teched. After all that hard work, several of us walked over to Liquid Assets for lunch and a libation or two. After lunch, folks either cleaned their Corvette, shopped, walked around, or chilled out. Friday evening, we met at Seacrets for a club photo with our cars and then went in for dinner.

Saturday morning came a little too early, with Corvettes lined up at the inlet around 6:30 a.m. for the car show and rallies at the Inlet Park South 2nd St Ocean City. The gates opened at 7:30. Everyone in the three car shows -- Spina Bifida Friends, Fun, and FSCC Governor's choice -- lined up by Corvette generations. The rallye participants lined up separately for their trip through the Ocean City rallye route. There were four rallyes: Poker High, Poker Low, Scrabble and Gimmick. It rained off and on until about 10:30 a.m. and everyone had a good time despite the weather.

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Vettes on the Boards — Continued

The car show wrapped up at noon, a number of the NVCC contingent left the inlet for a group lunch at Carrabba's Italian Grill in West Ocean City. After lunch we met up with the rest of the NVCC group in the Carrabba's parking lot to return to the inlet and get lined up for the 4:00 p.m. Boardwalk parade. Rich Mars, past NVCC President and current member of NVCC and Free State Corvette Club (FSCC), was able to place our club toward the beginning of the Boardwalk Parade; we followed FSCC and the Bel Air Corvette Club.



Saturday night Banquet -- Bel Air club swept the awards, followed by FSCC and Gaithersburg Corvette Club. Bel Air also won the Spirit Award with 48 Corvettes and 91 members attending. Two of our club members won awards: Dave Kuhn won the C7 Governor's Award, and Cassidy Nolen won a Spina Bifida Friends award for "Gracie", his race-prepared C5. We all said our goodbyes after the banquet and headed home on Sunday.

Weekend Wrap-up: 706 Corvettes and 1,266 people registered, 556 Corvettes were in the Boardwalk parade, 86 different Corvette Clubs, 21 states and Ontario, Canada were represented. The oldest Corvette in the show was a 1954 that has been in the same family



since new. There were eighteen 2019 Corvettes!

The 33rd Corvette Weekend will be on Oct 4-5, 2019. Check www.corvetteweekend.com for updates.

We need to show up in force in 2019 to represent our club's 50th anniversary!

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER—OCTOBER 2018

At last, some real October weather - cool days, cold nights, with enough chill or frost to set the sweet juices on those apples and persimmons, and to turn the leaves to the colors that make the Virginia mountains beautiful in the fall. Just in time for some skeet shooting this weekend on October 20 at Broad Run with Jim Dobish or a Fall Cruise to West Virginia by George Durk on October 27.

Falling mercury is not keeping NVCC from carrying out their full schedule right into December with the Christmas Lights Rallye. In the meantime, your Social Chairman, Bob Devery is looking for members to attend the Police Appreciation Day on Sunday, October 21 and to visit two air traffic control centers on Sunday, November 4. I will never forget that trip to Dulles Airport seeing the new United Airlines hangar, fire department and getting up into the control tower.

And what about the Vienna Halloween Parade, led by the masters of disguise and two awesome party-makers: Lori and Paul Benish, who with some decorating help from a few key members that return every year, help us place at least first or second for many years in a row. For those who are skeptical, put those fears aside! So was I, until I tried it. Parades are soooo much fun. This will be on the Wednesday right after the GBM, October 24, so talk to Lori ASAP if you "want in!"

Reprising his role for the third year in a row, George Durk will lead everyone who hasn't stored their corvette for the winter on a brisk cruise to Shepherdstown and the Bavarian Inn for some classic German fare.

While you won't see me sitting up at the front table next year, I'm hoping to be just as active behind the scenes, heading up some activities, including possibly karting in the winter months, crafting the Spring rallye with Mike Gilliland, leading some new cruises, and, if I am a well-behaved past president, NVCC's 22nd President will let me reprise my role as Cruise Leader to the National Corvette Museum for our 50th Anniversary Brick dedication July 20-23, 2019!

Save the wave, don't brake in corners, let the friction of turning slow you down!

Kris McCandless,
NVCC President
2010 Black GS - The Bear
President@nvcorvetteclub.com





**NVCC IS PROUD TO BE A FOUNDING LIFETIME MEMBER
OF THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM**



CORVETTES AT CARLISLE 2019
OFFICIAL NVCC 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT

Name of room block for request: "NVCC 50th group block"
Rate: \$129.99 + taxes per night (from 8/22 through 8/25/2019)

Cancellation Policy: Up to 48 hours prior to arrival

Address: Red Roof Inn

1450 Harrisburg Pike

Carlisle, PA. 17015

Hotel Phone #: (717) 706-3862

Room block includes the following number of rooms/days: Thursday - 15 rooms; Friday - 25 rooms; Saturday - 25 rooms

NOTE: Per the contract, this block will be held until 6/22/19 or until sold out. Additional rooms can be requested if available (but they'll sell out quickly - so members should reserve sooner rather than later).

MEET YOUR 2018 COUNCIL



President Kris McCandless



Vice President John Scott



Treasurer John Stark



Secretary Vicki Allen-Scott



Rallye Mike Gilliland



Officer at Large
Jerry Lelansky



NCCC Governor
Andrej Balanc



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Chief Instructor David DuBois



Newsletter Marsha Batchellor



NCM Ambassador
Dick Hammaker



Bob Devery

RENEW
YOUR
DUES

Historian Jeff Klain



Store Tab Tabellario



Co-Webmasters
Paul Benish
John Palmgren



Lauri Stevens
Social Media



Membership George Durk

NVCC GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 25, 2018—JOHN SCOTT—VP AND ACTING SECRETARY

Officers Present:

Kris McCandless, President
John Scott, Vice President
Jerry Lelansky, Officer at Large



The general business meeting was held at Page Chevrolet in Alexandria, VA. President Kris McCandless presided, and the meeting was called to order at 7:40pm.

Kris welcomed all members and noted the presence of former presidents: Dick Hammaker; Rick Poage; and John Palmgren. Several new members and prospects attended, including Bob Boyd, Dave Fraley, Aaron Street, Audrey Cupples, and Bill Root.

Tab announced that the store will feature a “BOGO” sale tonight.

The minutes for the August 2018 general business meeting were approved.

Membership – George Durk reported membership is at 107, including 11 prospects. He explained a snafu with Paypal that temporarily prevented processing of membership payments. It was decided that instead of trying to add more data fields to the Paypal form, we’ll continue using the original registration form. It’s important to keep the database current, and an email will be sent to everyone with the corrected link to Paypal.

RENEW
YOUR
DUES

Warrior Transition Brigade – Paul Fineberg reported that 172 plates of food were served – another indicator of a very successful event. A total of 34 cars were displayed and USO told Paul that this had turned out to be the #1 event ever held by USO at Walter Reed!

Breaux Winery Cruise – Event to be led by Shawn Waddell, this Saturday morning. 5 cars are signed up so far, and wine tasting will cost \$20 per person (to be paid in cash).

Fall Rallye at Glory Days – Ham reported that even with monsoon-like weather, 4 cars competed in the rallye (and only 1 was a Vette)!

Upcoming Officer Elections – Kris reminded everyone that nominations for the Club’s five officer positions will take during the October GBM and during the first half of the November GBM, after which voting from members present at the November GBM will commence.

Unofficially, Mike Gilliland has agreed to be nominated for President, and Omar Gordon has agreed to run as treasurer. Vicki Allen will not run as secretary in her third eligible year and we need candidates for that position.

Fall Picnic at the Flying Circus Aerodrome in Bealeton, VA – This is a joint event with Piedmont Corvette Club, on Sunday, October 7th. Entry fee is \$10 per person and includes the air show (begins at @2:30pm and ends at 4pm). Kris will lead the NVCC cruise from Tackett’s Mill in Woodbridge, which will arrive at the Aerodrome by 11:30am.

Corvettes on the Boardwalk – Jerry Lelansky reminded everyone that this year’s event takes place on October 12-13th, as usual, in Ocean City, MD – and is sponsored by Free State Corvette Club. It has become a popular NVCC tradition and between 10-12 NVCC members have registered. Jerry also briefed everyone on arrangements for NVCC members to meet for lunch as well as dinner on both days.

Teen Driving School – NVCC will not sponsor a Fall TDS this year; however, our Club members are encouraged to help BMW at their October 21st event in Waldorf, MD.

50th Anniversary Planning –The following discussions/reporting were covered:

Member Survey: The survey emailed to members (via Survey Monkey covered several 50th Anniversary events. John Palmgren reported the following results:

Number of Respondents: 39

Interest in several 50th anniversary events

50% prefer to attend an exclusive NVCC event at the NCM in July 2019

13% prefer to attend the East Region NCCC event in April 2019

30% prefer to attend NCM's 25th anniversary celebration & caravan in August 2019

Interest in an exclusive NVCC event at the NCM (July)

61% indicated an interest in attending this event

Interest in attending and/or helping with an NVCC presence at the Corvettes at Carlisle event

79% will assist with staffing an NVCC hospitality tent (=30 members)

Interest in an NVCC anniversary celebration at Corvettes on the Boardwalk

48% of members would attend this event (=19 members)

Driving distance for a club photo shoot - for cover on the Fall issue of Blue Bars magazine

50% of members would drive 50 or more miles for a photo shoot

Other Ideas, comments

Reunion with past presidents; update the Club trailer; return to the track

50th Anniversary Events in 2019: 5 Major Events are planned so far, as follows: Annual NVCC Banquet – January 26; NVCC's Annual Car Show – June 2; NVCC at NCM – 7/17 thru 7/19; Corvettes at Carlisle – August 22 thru 25; Corvette Weekend on the Boardwalk – October 4&5.

Club Photo for Blue Bars – Mike Gilliland announced that 40-50 Corvettes are needed to form a “50” visual for an aerial photo. Gunston Hall is still the venue of choice for this Spring; however, we may also look into the possibility of a photo shoot at the Flying Aerodrome in Bealeton, VA.

Corvettes at Carlisle – Mike G. discussed the need to book a hotel as soon as possible for this very popular event.

The Club will also host a hospitality tent that must be staffed on Thursday through Saturday – so we need volunteers to help out. The tent will be marked on the event map and program and should be excellent publicity for NVCC. A poll was taken from the GBM audience and the following number of members plan to attend each day: Thursday, 14; Friday, 16; Saturday, 15 – as a result, at least 20 rooms per night will be blocked for the Club.

Rick Poage, 50th Anniversary Committee Chair, closed the 50th Anniversary discussions with the following announcements:

We may have a Spring and a Fall event at Dominion Raceway. These will feature a slalom for one, and autocross for another.

Steve Britt, owner of Dominion Raceway, will be a guest speaker at the October GBM

50th logo was shown around; the 51st+ year logo is in the works

Volunteers are needed to help all of the 50th Anniversary events happen

The next committee meeting will be held on September 27th at John & Vicki Scott's home in McLean, VA

Halloween Parade in Vienna, VA (October 24th) – Lori Benish spoke about this event (which she has led for NVCC over the last 9 years). NVCC can enter a maximum of 20 cars; however, only 8 cars have registered to date. Please remember that decorations/costumes are encouraged but not required.

Fall Foliage Cruise (October 27th) – George Durk announced that he will reprise the cruise from earlier this year, to Seneca Rocks via Old WV Route 55.

Trivia – Jeff Klain, NVCC historian, led the following trivia:

Two weeks ago, my son and I visited the Smithsonian Museum of American History. Today's questions are based on that museum's current displays and all three vehicles are currently within about 100 feet of each other. Good luck!

Name the exceptionally rare but famous General Motors sporty two seat car that was produced from 1996 to 1999 and was the subject of a 2006 documentary film. *Answer: EV1*

Maybe this car was destined to be the American Porsche 911 because it featured a horizontally opposed six-cylinder rear mounted engine. It appeared about 5 years before the first Corvette. While only 51 cars were produced, the one in the Smithsonian bears serial number 1039. After years hidden in Smithsonian storage, #1039 was finally placed on public display in the Museum of American History in 2011. It was acquired by the Smithsonian through the U.S. Marshals Service which had previously seized the car in a 1992 narcotics arrest. Instead of selling the car, the U.S. Marshals Service decided to donate the car to the Smithsonian. What is it?
Answer: Tucker Torpedo

In California of the late 1970s, if you were speeding in your Corvette, you might be pulled over by this four-cylinder double overhead cam vehicle which was made famous by Erik Estrada and Larry Wilcox in a popular TV series. Name the vehicle. *Answer: Kawasaki 1000C1*

The meeting adjourned at 8:52pm

NOTES:

No meeting break was taken due to extra time given for the 50th Anniversary committee updates.

There was no 50/50 drawing at this GBM; hopefully, everyone who bought tickets has kept them for a drawing at the October GBM.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

David & Claudia Fraley — 2005 Z51 Coupe

Evelyn McKay — 1990 Bright Red Coupe

Aaron Street — 2017 Black Grand Sport Z07 Coupe

A VOTE TO ACCEPT THESE MINUTES WILL BE TAKEN AT THE OCTOBER 23, 2018 GBM

NVCC 2018 Activities Calendar*Dates are subject to change.***MONTHLY EVENTS**

4th Tuesday monthly, January through November: General Business Meetings (GBMs) at Page Chevrolet in Alexandria, VA. Start time 7:30 pm; store open at 7:15 pm. Breakfast GBM twice a year.

2nd Tuesday of each month: NVCC Council Business Meetings at 7:30 pm; location varies.

JANUARY 2018

- 23: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 27: Banquet, Maggiano's, Tysons Galleria, Vienna, VA

FEBRUARY 2018

- 24: Dunkin Donuts Car Show; Chantilly, VA
- 27: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

MARCH 2018

- 3: Dinner & Movie
- 24: Breakfast GBM – Amphora Diner, Herndon, VA
- 25: Cruise to RDV Vineyards

APRIL 2018

- 15: Corvettes 'n Crabs Rallye, Capt Pell's Crab Shack,
- 24: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 28: Dinner and Movie

MAY 2018

- 5: USMC Museum Tour, Quantico, VA
- 19: Cruise to Auburn Heights & Woodside Creamery
- 22: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

JUNE 2018

- 3: NVCC Corvettes Care Car Show, Page Chevy
- 9: Dinner & Movie— Organizer: Bob Devery
- 23: NVCC Ice Cream Social Cruise, Annapolis
- 26: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

JULY 2018

- 8: Cruise to Barrel Oak Winery, Delaplane, VA –
- 15: Picnic—Anderson Farm; Ganotown, WV
- 21: Old West Virginia 55 Wardensville Cruise
- 24: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 28: Mason Dixon Drag Racing; Boonesboro, MD—

AUGUST 2018

- 4: Potomac Nationals Woodbridge, VA First Pitch
6:35 pm; (fireworks) — Organizer: Bob Devery

- 15: Weekday Cruise to National Harbor and Cadillac BBQ; 11:30 am; Organizer — Bob Devery
- 18: Breakfast GBM – Amphora Diner, Herndon; Organizer — Vicki Scott
- 25: NVCC Saturday Cruise to Carlisle, PA — Organizer: Mike Gilliland

SEPTEMBER 2018

- 8: Warrior Transition Brigade Car Show, Walter Reed Military Hospital – Organizer: Paul Fineberg
- 9: Fall Rallye—Glory Days, Stone Ridge, VA — Organizer: Dick Hammaker
- 25: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 29: Cruise to Breaux Winery, Purcellville, VA – Organizer: Shawn Waddell

OCTOBER 2018

- 6-7: Annual Jazz Festival, Duck, NC – Organizer: Jim McKay
- 7: Flying Circus; 10 am--Organizer: Kris McCandless
- 12-13: Corvettes on the Boardwalk
- 20: Skeet Shooting — Organizer: Jim Dobish
- 21: Police Appreciation Day—Organizer: Bob Devery
- 23: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 24: Vienna Halloween Parade, Town of Vienna, VA – Organizer: Lori Benish
- 27: Seneca Rocks Autumn Cruise — Organizer: George Durk

NOVEMBER 2018

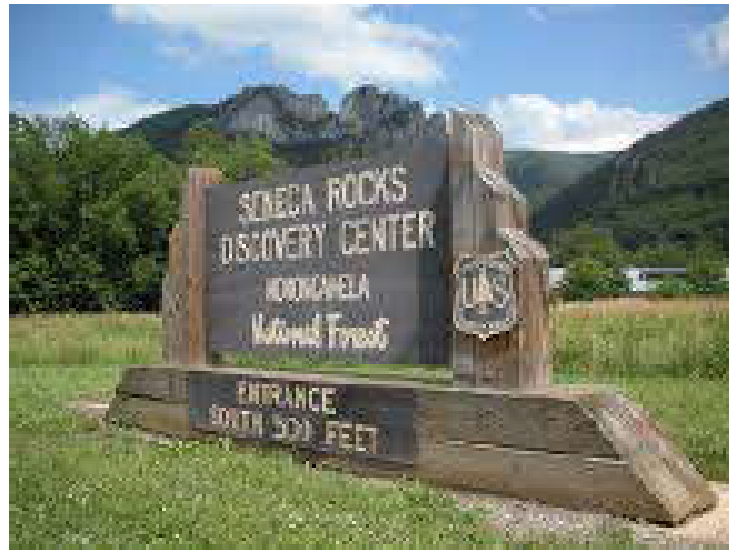
- 3: (or 4) Aviation Air Traffic Tour —10 am Chantilly Dunkin Donuts; Organizer: Bob Devery
- 18: Bavarian Inn Cruise and Sunday Brunch, Shepherdstown, WV – Organizer: George Durk
- 27: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

DECEMBER 2018

- 15: Christmas Party—Stark Residence

NO DECEMBER GBM

OLD WEST VIRGINIA 55/SENECA ROCKS AUTUMN RUN



OCTOBER 27, 2018

Meeting Place: Page Chevrolet

Meeting Time: 8:00 AM

Drivers Meeting and Departure By: 8:30

We are heading back to West Virginia for some fun and scenic driving, especially autumn foliage. We will head west to mountain country via Rt 66 and briefly turn north on Rt 81 for our first rest stop in Stephens City. Then meander into West Virginia via US 48 and onto Old West Virginia 55 for 27 miles of driving excitement. We will enter Mooresfield, WV for lunch at Ponderosa Steak House. Total miles approximately 135.

After lunch, optional and more relaxing 33-mile drive through beautiful mountain country to Seneca Rocks via Rt 220 S and WV-28/WV-55.

JOINT PCC & NVCC PICNIC AT FLYING CIRCUS AERODROME, BEALETON, VA

BY: KRIS MCCANDLESS



This baby melon fruit bowl marks the first Fall picnic of the two clubs, joining together under the pavilion of the Flying Circus Aerodrome to share good food, Corvette camaraderie, and good fun with WWI vintage biplanes doing barrel rolls, slicing a roll of paper towels at 1,000 feet, and dive bombing balloons at 100 feet off the ground.



It started for NVCC at the Tackett's Mill Commuter Lot in Woodbridge with 12 Corvettes led by your President down two-lane roads through rural Prince William and Fauquier counties, retracing many Corvettes and Crabs Rallye routes mapped by Mike Gilliland. Ted Stone set the stage for the day with his big grin as Joe and Beverly Stoltz brought an acetate-covered picture of Joe with his Shark/C3 taken on the Flying Circus grounds back in 1979 to share with everyone.



Mike drove Blanche (his white C6) as sweeper and the Bear enjoyed that unforgettable view of 11 Corvettes in my rearview mirror. Jim Dobish caught the best sun on the Corvette Car Show at the Flying Circus when we arrived at 11:30 am and were greeted by many of the Piedmont Corvette Club members already setting up the buffet line.

We noshed on fried chicken, pork barbecue, many varieties of potato salad, cole slaw, pasta salad, 5-bean baked beans (held hot in Ham's Yeti pack), cut fruit, a taco dip made by the Finebergs that many NVCCers had to dig into immediately, having skipped breakfast! Desserts were brownies, cookies, and sheet cakes. Thanks to Jan Sutton (PCC club member) for posting the foodie and people pics on her FB page!



The Flying Circus was taking participants up for rides the whole day, but at 2:30 pm is when the show began. One of the planes had taken off first with a parachutist, who came down flying the Stars and Stripes, the National



Anthem played on the speakers as many of us mouthed the words with hands over hearts. Six of the biplanes had taken off shortly thereafter and I was able to catch this shot above. It was a grand opener for what turned out to be a truly entertaining show and day.



LOCAL CARS AND COFFEE LOCATIONS

Day / Time	Event	Venue	Location
Friday (5-7 PM)	Cruise-In	Chic-Fil-A	Sterling, VA
Saturday (7-9 AM)	Cars & Coffee	Katie's Coffee	Great Falls, VA
Saturday (6-9 PM)	Cruise-In	Burger King	Manassas, VA
Sunday (7:00 AM)	Cars & Coffee	Dunkin Donuts / Dulles Landing Shopping Center parking lot	South Riding, VA
Sunday (8:30 AM)	Cars & Coffee	Market Station (203 Harrison Street SE)	Leesburg, VA

HALLOWEEN



VIENNA HALLOWEEN PARADE 2018

Wednesday October 24, 2018 at 5 PM

Summer is almost over, and fall is just around the corner. What better way to get ready than to plan some fall fun! Northern Virginia Corvette Club will be participating again in the Vienna Halloween Parade. It is a fun event and we usually get a great showing. For many years now, we have participated as a club, and have placed in ribbons since at least 2009 (since I have been running it).

**Car Decorations and Costumes are not required,
BUT STRONGLY ENCOURAGED!!**

There is a 20-car cap, so make sure to RSVP - first come, first served!

We are meeting to line up between 5-5:30 PM

(After 5:30-6 PM the roads close and are hard to get into the parking lot, so I urge everyone to come early). Our line-up # is TBD, but we typically are put in the **Danor Plaza Shopping Center** (off Maple Ave./Branch Rd) in front of **Fresh Market** (at the end of the shopping center).

Please make sure to **RSVP** with a good contact phone # in case anything changes the day of. When you arrive, you will sign the club waiver sheet and check-in with me (Lori Benish).

We will have dinner, if you want to join the group, at **Elevation Burger**, which is in the same shopping center, right around the corner from our cars. We will head over to Elevation Burger around 6 PM-ish. So, if you arrive after that, find us there to check and sign in. It does get busy, since it is limited options with the parade closing the roads down, so don't wait to order your food until last minute! The parade begins at 7 PM, but typically we do not roll out until after 7:30, plenty of time to get a bite to eat after decorating our cars.

Remember **NO BURNOUTS!** We are here to have fun, but also represent the club and make a safe environment for all the little kids that will be watching our super cool cars! Also, no throwing candy from the cars. Candy is allowed only if someone is walking along and hands out the candy, due to safety concerns for pedestrians.

DETAILS: BE AT DANOR PLAZA SHOPPING CENTER AT 5-5:30 PM

Danor Plaza: 142 Branch Rd Southeast Vienna VA 22180 (In front of Fresh Market)

DINNER WILL BE AT ELEVATION BURGER from 5:30-6:30 PM

Elevation Burger: 142 Branch Rd Southeast Vienna VA 22180 ph: 703-865-7277

Hope to see many of you there! RSVP for this event to:

Lori Ann Benish (LOCO1707@yahoo.com)

Vienna Halloween Parade Master (Paul Benish's other half ©)



NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

By: NCM Ambassador Dick Hammaker



The brand new NCM Kartplex is now open at the NCM Motorsports Park. For \$20 per person, you can arrive and drive for a fun race against your friends on the track in an eight-minute session.

Enduro Race
 20 people minimum.
 Teams of 4 to 5 drivers.
 Includes 15-minute practice, 45-minute endurance race.
 \$50 Per Person*



Grand Prix
 10 people minimum.
 Includes 5-minute practice,
 5-minute qualifier, 8-minute
 race.
 \$50 Per Person*

#22
 Dick "HAM" Hammaker
 Ambassador



Locked Out, Again

By: Jack Ludwick



Peep
and Flo

I had been attacking the treadmill in the gym strenuously enough that when I came out I was still pretty warm. So, along with my gym bag, I put my winter coat into the trunk. It wasn't until I closed [the "hatch"](#) that I realized the fob was in that coat, not my sport coat. Although the body is mostly fiberglass, evidently the trunk compartment isn't, so the radio waves didn't reach the receiver and the trunk release button wouldn't work.

After pounding my forehead a few times, I remembered that one of OnStar's features is that they can remotely unlock the doors. Fortunately, my cell phone was in my pocket, not in the coat in the car, and I had previously programmed in their phone number, so I gave them a call. After a few questions to verify that I was not actually a car thief,¹ they sent a signal to unlock the doors.

It was really eerie – there was no sound, but the lights blinked and I could now open the door, and from inside I could open the trunk, retrieve the fob and drive away.

Update: When I once again accidentally locked the key in the trunk, although this time in [the next generation 2017 Corvette Sting Ray](#), I remembered reading that the trunk lid was now fiberglass, and even that one could affix an EZ-Pass transmitter underneath. This is significant for those of us who had ordered the Performance Data Recorder – basically a dash cam on steroids – that now may be blocked if the transmitter were placed in the previous location.

So I tried the trunk release button before calling OnStar, and it popped open. One less thing to worry about.

However, it's been replaced by another! To open the gas cap one no longer has to push a button inside the car, only press the back of the cap, when it will pop open – except when it doesn't!

When the electromechanical switch fails, unlike the mechanical alternatives provided for inoperative door locks, [from both the inside and the outside the car](#), there is none!

Fortunately, one owner in desperate straits found that prying at the top and bottom of the gas cap [will pop off what is just a snap-on cover](#), exposing the inner workings, from where the errant pin can be dislodged. I now carry a screwdriver of a size that can accomplish this, should the need arise.

¹ Actually, even knowing the correct answers, a thief would only be able to gain entry – OnStar can't also remotely start the car. I queried them about this after an occasion when I hadn't noticed that a restaurant valet hadn't left the fob in car as usual, and we had stopped at a grocery store miles away on the way home. Fortunately, when my wife went inside to buy a few things I kept the car running and noticed the omission before eventually turning it off.

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NVCC ELECTED OFFICERS – Elected Annually in November

Per By-Laws enacted in October 2017

GENERAL: NVCC officers are elected for periods of one year, not to exceed three years.

PRESIDENT

The President conducts NVCC meetings and supervises official NVCC functions and activities. The President has signature authority (along with Treasurer) on Club checking account, deposits all funds within ten calendar days of receipt, and may access any Club safety deposit box, post office box, and Club charge card. The President instructs the Officer-at-Large to temporarily fill any vacated officer position for a period not to exceed 90 calendar days. The President supports the Vice President as needed, to ensure that appointed committee groups carry out responsibilities. The President is expected to attend NVCC general business meetings and council meetings.

VICE PRESIDENT

The Vice President assumes the duties and responsibilities that the President is unable or incapable of performing. The Vice President oversees activities of all NVCC committees and is expected to attend NVCC general business meetings and council meetings.

SECRETARY

The Secretary records minutes of all NVCC meetings and keeps a written copy for future reference. The Secretary prepares official correspondence and other written material deemed necessary by NVCC's council, to include business meeting minutes, Council minutes, attached Treasurer's Reports, and by-laws. The Secretary preserves all records and correspondence and maintains an inventory of current login information (i.e., user ids and passwords) for all systems and/or websites used by NVCC. The Secretary is expected to attend NVCC general business meetings and council meetings.

TREASURER

The Treasurer is responsible for the receipt, care, and disbursement of NVCC funds. The Treasurer prepares a monthly financial report to be made public at monthly business and Council meetings and has signature authority (along with President) on Club checking account, deposits all funds within ten calendar days of receipt, and may access any Club safety deposit box, post office box, and Club charge card. The Treasurer provides nametags for new members and fulfills additional orders. The Treasurer is expected to attend NVCC general business meetings and council meetings.

OFFICER-AT-LARGE

The Officer-At-Large will be familiar with the duties and responsibilities of all NVCC officers, and able to temporarily (not to exceed 90 calendar days) assume those duties as needed. The Officer-At-Large acts as Parliamentarian at meetings and is expected to attend NVCC general business meetings and council meetings.

**TIME TO VOLUNTEER OR
NOMINATE FOR ANY OFFICER POSITION
AND
REMEMBER TO VOTE IN NOVEMBER !!**

How would you like to own a 2019 Corvette? Rotary District 7730 is holding a CARS for CART contest. A maximum of 1,250 tickets will be sold. The Grand prize is, at the sole option of the winner, the choice of a New Corvette* (*a \$62,500.00 certificate toward the purchase of a New Corvette) or \$50,000.00 in cash. If the Corvette is chosen, delivery of the vehicle will be from a dealer selected by the winner. All remaining proceeds (\$62,500.00 or \$75,000.00 depending on prize selection) will benefit and support the CART FUND. (Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust) Support the CART Fund and get a chance to win. Visit www.rotary7730.org to purchase your ticket. Complete contest rules are posted on the website. Plans are for the contest to run until December 9th, 2018 or until all tickets are sold. The drawing for the "Christmas Corvette" will be held on December 15th, 2018. The contest is void where prohibited by law.



ROTARY DISTRICT 7730

IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE

THE CART CHRISTMAS CORVETTE CONTEST



The contest begins August 1st, 2018 and will run through December 9th – or until **ALL TICKETS ARE SOLD**

Tickets are **\$100** each with a total of only **1250** tickets being sold
The winner will have the choice of :

A \$62,500 VOUCHER
TO PUT TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF A BRAND NEW
2019 CORVETTE
OR
\$50,000 CASH

VISIT WWW.ROTARY7730.ORG AND CLICK ON THE CAR ON THE RIGHT TO PURCHASE TICKETS

THERE'S MORE!



For the month of August, 20 early bird ticket holders will be randomly chosen to receive a FREE extra ticket. And then again in September 20 ticket holders will be chosen. And finally, an additional 10 ticket holders in October will receive that free ticket.

The drawing for the **CART Christmas Corvette** will be held on December 15th, 2018.

DON'T WAIT.
TICKETS ARE SURE TO SELL OUT FAST!
AND GOOD LUCK!!!

For more info: carsforcart@gmail.com



***UPDATE *** Five Major Events for NVCC's 50th Anniversary Year!

In addition to our regular lineup of activities – the annual car show, a spring and fall rallye and TDS - 2019 will feature five Official 50th Anniversary events, as follows:

NVCC Banquet: Saturday, January 26th at Maggiano's Restaurant, Tysons II

This event will kick off NVCC's 50th Anniversary year of celebrations. We'll revisit our Club's history, and several past presidents and former members will join in. It'll be a blast from the past (1969-2019)!!

Escape from Winter Caribbean Cruise: February 10th-17th

Join Club members for a 7-day Western Caribe cruise on Norwegian (yep, the ship is called the Getaway), to continue the 50th Anniversary celebration! (**Itinerary:** Depart Miami FL - Roatan, Honduras - Harvest Caye, Belize - Costa Maya, Mexico - Cozumel, Mexico – Return to Miami.) Our Social chair and travel expert, Bob Devery, will lead the way. **NOTE:** If interested, please inquire/book soon because of the popular Valentine's Day-theme. Reserve your cabin by emailing Bob at "trends04@cox.net".

NVCC Cruise to the National Corvette Museum (NCM) in Bowling Green, KY: July 20—23

Cruise with the Club to Bowling Green for a visit to the birthplace of many of our beauties! The NCM will provide us with VIP tour of the museum and plant, track time, and dedication of a Club brick to commemorate NVCC's 50th Anniversary. NVCC is a founding member club of the NCM and a lifetime member as well – largely due to Dick Hammaker's diligence as NCM Ambassador and generous contributions to our Club. More details will be rolled out in the near future.

Corvettes at Carlisle, PA: August 22nd – 25th

This massive, East coast Corvettes-only event will provide NVCC members with the opportunity to enjoy hot cars, great programs and activities, endless merchandise, parts, and vendor stalls – along with our own Club hospitality tent! More details as plans develop.

Corvettes Weekend (Freestate Corvette Club) – Ocean City, MD: October 4-5, 2019

A major Mid-Atlantic Corvette event sponsored by Freestate Corvette Club (for over 30 years) will be the venue for another NVCC fun-filled weekend to celebrate our 50th. Along with all the attractions and activities that this event offers, NVCC members will enjoy a hospitality suite, a club dinner on Friday night, and special placement in the boardwalk parade! Wait for the Date! **NOTE:** Help NVCC win recognition for largest attendance by a Club!!

THANK YOU for your input regarding the above events. If you haven't completed the member survey sent out in late August, please take a few moments to do so. Your opinion and suggestions are important! **Please note:** The NVCC 50th Anniversary Committee *NEEDS YOU!* We are looking for volunteers to share in staffing these events – no experience required (!) If you'd like to help make the magic happen, please email our 50th Anniversary Chair Rick Poage at "stompandgo@earthlink.net - or Club VP John Scott at "vp@nvcorvetteclub.com".

Then and Now Logos

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**Until the
50th**

TENTATIVE EVENTS 2018

AUTUMN 2018

Punkin Chunkin/Hayride—Organizers: The Kinmans
 Wintergreen area wineries and BBQ — Organizer: Bob Devery
 Guinness Brewery, Baltimore, MD — Organizer — Bob Devery
 Weekday drive to Gordonsville VA/Exchange Hotel and Civil War Museum, followed by BBQ lunch—Organizer: TBD

*INTERESTED IN LEADING AN EVENT?
 PLEASE CONTACT AN NVCC COUNCIL
 MEMBER EMAIL:
COUNCIL@NVCORVETTECLUB.COM*



NVCC Logo Polo Shirt Order Form

The popular NVCC Logo Men’s and Women’s Short Sleeve Polo is back! Made by Devon & Jones, the polo’s feature premium Peruvian Pima cotton, rib knit cuffs, and dura-pearl buttons. The cost of a shirt is \$40.00 (plus personalization and shipping if required).

Personalize your shirt by having your name embroidered on the front right side for an additional charge. (+\$5.00)

Available Colors: White, True Royal, Black & Red

Women’s Sizes- Small, Medium, Large, XL, 2XL, 3XL (2XL and over +\$2.00)

Men’s Sizes- Small, Medium, Large, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL, 6XL (2XL and over +\$2.00)

Examples:



Order online at:

http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com/information/NVCC_STORE/NVCC_Shirts/

NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

MOTOR SPORTS PARK

SAVE THE DATE – BOOK YOUR ROOMS after 6/14/18

THURSDAY APRIL 11, 2019

EAST REGION NONSANCTION EVENT

TRACK DAY – 4X ½ HOUR SESSIONS ON THE FULL COURSE - \$200

PACE LAPS- 4 LAPS FOLLOWING A PACE CAR- \$50.00

SKID PAD FOCUSED ON CAR CONTROL - \$50.00

FRIDAY APRIL 12, 2019

TOUR THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

BOX LUNCH PROVIDED BY NCM

PLANT TOURS

75 rooms are blocked off under ERNCCC APRIL 10 – 13, 2019

BEST WESTERN – 270-782- 6933

1940 Mel Browning St.

Bowling Green, Ky.

Cost - \$105 per night

You can make your reservations after June 14, 2018

Question or information – contact John Cantelmo

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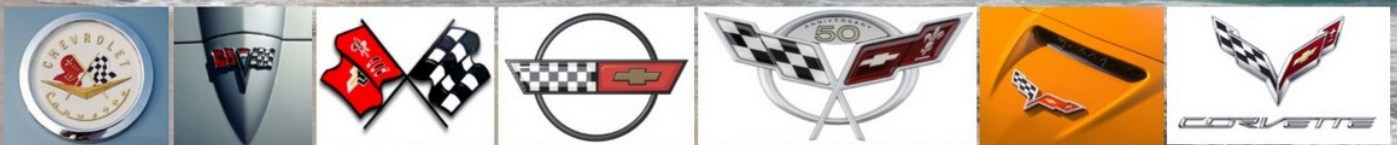
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FINAL THOUGHT



SAVE THE WAVE