

# NORTHERN VIRGINIA CORVETTE CLUB

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## 'GLASS GAZETTE

### FIVE'S THE CHARM

By: George Durk

NVCC was a-rockin' for charity on Sunday, June 2. Our 5<sup>th</sup> annual Fun Show started off with nice morning weather – sunny and mild temps. I arrived at 7:15 and my first thought was -- thank goodness we had car show veterans. Our volunteers already had all the tents up! Vince Brown, Page Chevrolet's Operations Director and car show veteran, opened up the facility with the first morning rays to get things off and running. He was the key player in planning and coordinating logistics with Page.

By 8:30, cars were starting to roll in. And did they ever. In addition to 45 pre-registrants, we had another approximately 30-35 cars register at the gate. Page's east lot was packed with an assortment of clean machines, even a few C-2s that arrived late morning. The covered parking area was adorned with all C-3s, except one very special Goldwood Yellow '64 Coupe. And right in the middle were two dashing '69s serving as the club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary mascots for the day.

As the classic rock music heated things up, so did the humidity and temps as the morning approached high noon. You could begin to see a thin haziness slowly create an impressionistic-like sun and sky. But, all was good. The Ruritan food truck provided breakfast and lunch for a reasonable price and raffle prizes were flying right and left.

Voting lasted until about 12:30 and then our tabulators went into action inputting and compiling the data. In the meantime, severe thunderstorm warnings began popping-up on everyone's phones as the clouds and haze thickened. As our 1906 Stanley Steamer left the grounds, to allay any other collector owner car anxiety, our dutiful President made the decision to begin the awards ceremony at 1:30 and we were breaking down tents and tables by 2:00.

Before the awards ceremony, the 50/50 ticket was drawn and Andrej Balanc won the \$300 pot. Extra kudos to Andrej, who very generously donated the winnings to the club!

**IMPORTANT: THE NVCC PICNIC IS JULY 14**

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**(See page 19 in this newsletter)**

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### Here's a breakdown of the awards:

| Award                    | Winner          | Car                               | Club       |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Best-In-Show             | Alex McKay      | '64 Goldwood Yellow Coupe         | NVCC       |
| President's Choice       | Richard Muhr    | '90 Bright Red ZR-1 (Registry)    |            |
| Dealer's Choice          | Henry Schmitt   | '75 Bright Blue Coupe             |            |
| Charity's Choice         | Clyde Pelzer    | '66 Trophy Blue Coupe             |            |
| C2 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Alex McKay      | '64 Goldwood Yellow Coupe         | NVCC       |
| C2 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Clyde Pelzer    | '66 Trophy Blue Coupe             |            |
| C2 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place | Cary Schwab     | '67 Lindale Blue Convertible      |            |
| C3 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Barry Goodman   | '69 Black Convertible             |            |
| C3 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Michael Kulik   | '73 Candy Vermillion              |            |
| C3 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place | Doug Norman     | '69 Monza Red Coupe               |            |
| C4 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Richard Muhr    | '90 Bright Red ZR-1 (Registry)    |            |
| C4 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | David Field     | '85 White Convertible             | NVCC       |
| C4 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place | Evelyn McKay    | '90 Bright Red Coupe              | NVCC       |
| C5 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Jim McKay       | '97 Torch Red Coupe               | NVCC       |
| C5 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Jeff Givens     | '99 Convertible                   | Free State |
| C5 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place | Omar Gordon     | '03 Black Z06 Coupe               | NVCC       |
| C6 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Jim Dobish      | '08 Black Coupe Pace Car          | NVCC       |
| C6 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Bob Shoemaker   | '11 Crystal Red Grand Sport       | NVCC       |
| C6 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place | Shawn Waddell   | '12 Black Grand Sport             | NVCC       |
| C7 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | Robert Williams | '19 Sebring Orange ZR-1 Coupe     |            |
| C7 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | Karl Grill      | '18 Admiral Blue Grand Sport Conv | NVCC       |
| C7 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place | Pat Schiavone   | '17 Black Convertible             | Bel Air    |
| Race Prepared            | Paul Benish     | '00 Black Coupe (FRC)             | NVCC       |





My sincerest THANK YOU to all who contributed to the success of the show. From tee shirt and flyer design, plaques and trophies, planning meetings, fundraising, store, raffles, membership, entry gate, copying, registration, tabulating, parking, treasurer, set-up and take-down, it was a team effort and every volunteer was greatly appreciated.

Thanks to Andrej and a generous contribution from Page Chevrolet, the club will make a nice contribution to the Multi-



ple Sclerosis Society. In addition, the Ruritan food truck also gathered in some cash to help with their community service mission.

Finally, lest we forget, the disposable ponchos are stored in the club's trailer for future car shows!



## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER—JUNE 2019

I hope everyone's summer is off to a resounding start. What a year this has been so far for the NVCC. As of this writing, we have had a successful Saturday Brunch GBM, and the biggest turn-out Corvettes Care Car Show in memory. And June isn't even over.

First of all, I want to thank George Durk for taking the lead on the most successful Car Show I have had the pleasure to see for the NVCC. So much work went into this event from so many members. Events like this simply can't take place without your support. Although the numbers still need to be counted, we had nearly 80 Corvettes at the show and a commitment from Page for a \$5,000 check for our charity. This will be added to the funds that came in from 50/50 and direct donations; the club looks to have collected several hundred dollars more. Thanks also to the Sterling Ruritan Club for serving up breakfast and lunch to the Show crowd.

Your President ducked out for 8 days in May for a cross-country solo cruise to Austin, Texas to see daughter, granddaughter and son-in-law. The C6 performed perfectly for 4,000 + miles. The Corvette rolled through 12 states hitting historic sites, meeting old friends and dodging storm damage (lots of storm damage). Through some act of providence, I saw sunshine most days (sometimes with gathering clouds chasing the Vette). Dayton, Ohio was a mess. If you hear that the Midwest needs help, I can attest to that fact.

Sadly, I will be missing the great Shawn Waddell NVCC cruise to DuCard Vineyards planned for June 22<sup>nd</sup> (some of us will be in Europe with Bob Devery). This event is always special. Here's hoping that this is a great event again this year.

Thanks to all who continue to support Yas Kinashi's Corvettes and Coffee at Cascades. The NVCC folks that make these events really show what Corvette people are made of. Please check out the NVCC WEB page for details or pick up a flyer at the next GBM. These are recurring events that deserve active support.

Keep the July 14<sup>th</sup> annual Club Picnic on your calendar. As we have said, this event won't cost a penny, but the food and good times with members should not be missed. Please drop a line to Kris McCandless for the Corvette caravan out to Past President Rich Anderson's farm (again, thank you Kris). A big turn out is what we are looking for this year. Rich loves the company and you get to meet Cheryl (the reason we support the MS Society). Rich and Cheryl are great Corvette people and great supporters of the NVCC. Let's show them some on the 50<sup>th</sup>!



For all of us joining the July Club visit to Kentucky, thanks to Dick Hammaker, Jerry Lelansky and Bob Devery for their good work on this. This will be an event that will be remembered and talked about for a long time. What a privilege to be part of a club capable of these events. Also, the planning is on-going for the Stark's 1969 party. I'm sure that the Starks will need our help making this a great party. Check out the flyer for more information.

Again, for all of you going to Carlisle, we look forward to seeing you at the club tent. There will be parking for club volunteers that have signed up to man the tent. We plan a Friday night get together at our hotel that will include food and libations — hope to see many of you there. Thanks again to all of you who have volunteered to man our club tent on the Carlisle grounds.

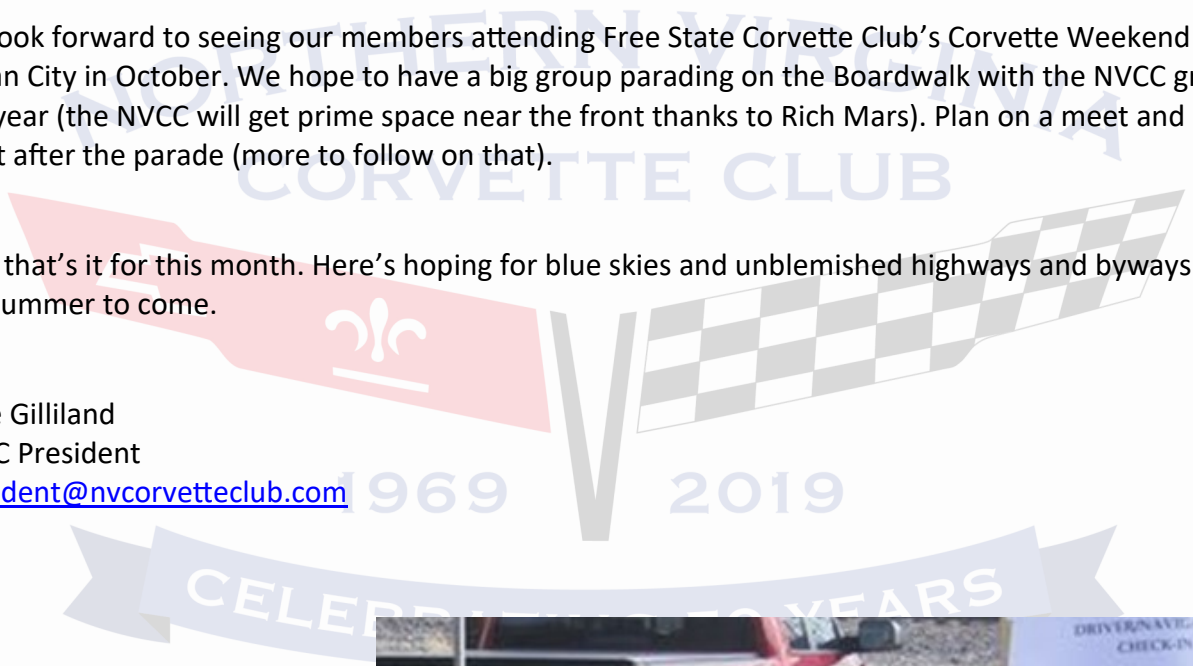
Dick Hammaker and Kris McCandless are looking forward to a big turnout for the September Fall Rallye. If you can't find a navigator, please contact Dick or Kris for help teaming you up. These events are a lot of work and deserve participation.

We look forward to seeing our members attending Free State Corvette Club's Corvette Weekend at Ocean City in October. We hope to have a big group parading on the Boardwalk with the NVCC group this year (the NVCC will get prime space near the front thanks to Rich Mars). Plan on a meet and greet after the parade (more to follow on that).

Well that's it for this month. Here's hoping for blue skies and unblemished highways and byways for the summer to come.

Mike Gilliland  
NVCC President

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## CORVETTES AT CARLISLE 2019

### OFFICIAL NVCC 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT

As you know, the Club has reserved a block of rooms for Corvettes at Carlisle in 2019. It will be one of the biggest NVCC 50th Anniversary celebrations - and rooms are going fast! Please see booking information below (and note these rooms are for the convenience of NVCC members only):

#### **NVCC ROOM BLOCK FOR CORVETTES AT CARLISLE 2019**

Block Name to Request: "NVCC 50th" group block

Rate: \$129.99/night + tax

Cancellation Policy: up to **48 hrs** prior to arrival

Hotel: Red Roof Inn

Phone: (717) 706-3862

Address: 1450 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle PA 17015

# of Rooms/Nights Reserved: 0 left of 15 rooms – Thursday (Aug 22)

Filled 23 of 30 rooms – Friday (Aug 23)

Filled 23 of 30 rooms – Saturday (Aug 24)

**BREAKFAST INCLUDED  
EVERY DAY ..... YUM**

**FIRST BLOCK SOLD  
OUT—SO ROOMS  
WERE ADDED AND  
CUT OFF DATE EX-  
TENDED. BOOK  
YOUR ROOM BEFORE  
JULY 13!**

**NOTE:** Group held until 7/13/19 or until sold out; the 50th committee will request additional rooms if they're not sold out.

**AND ...** NVCC needs volunteers to staff our hospitality tent on the Fun Field at Carlisle. We don't have exact placement yet; however, our position will be significantly improved if management sees 20+ show registrations by NVCC members. That will also earn our Club special notice, like advertising our tent location in the show program and recognition of our 50th Anniversary!

*Be sure to choose your Corvette Club membership as you register online for the show.*

Your participation in this event is important and appreciated - even an hour or a day helps your Club! Whether you stay at the Club hotel, or travel to and from the show on the same day, please let Vicki Scott know (email: [merryva@outlook.com](mailto:merryva@outlook.com)).

All NVCC members and guests are welcome at the Club's hospitality tent!

Thank you from the NVCC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee

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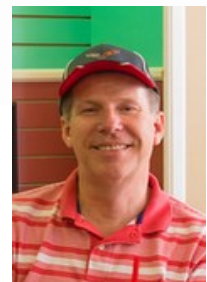
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# NVCC GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

MAY 18, 2019— EVELYN MCKAY, SECRETARY

|                   |   |   |
|-------------------|---|---|
| Officers Present: | Mike Gilliland, President<br>John Scott, Vice President<br>Omar Gordon, Treasurer | Evelyn McKay, Secretary<br>Jerry Lelansky, Officer at Large |
|-------------------|---|---|

The breakfast meeting began at 10:25 am at the Amphora Diner Deluxe in Herndon, VA and was presided over by Mike Gilliland, President. Past presidents attending were Dick Hammaker, John Palmgren, and Kris McCandless. Prospective members present were Casey McGann, Charles Fedorko and Jim Erickson-Nepomuceno.

Approval of Minutes: The April 2019 minutes were approved.

## **Car Show – George Durk**

The original art of Rich's Corvette by Marjann was on display. This drawing is also printed on the car show tee-shirts. Tee-shirts were delivered to members who pre-ordered and were for sale to members at \$15 each. Tee-shirts will also be sold at the car show.

Thirty members and four non-members are now pre-registered for the car show. More members are needed to register and attend to make this a successful show.

Please consider the car show as an opportunity to raise funds for charity (MS and the Ruritans). The show is like a cars and coffee where participants enjoy each other's company and cars. George reminded attendees that buying breakfast or lunch is a donation to the Ruritans. Ponchos will be available since the show is rain or shine.

## **NCM Cruise/Trip – Dick Hammaker**

Information regarding the trip and cruise to the National Corvette Museum was distributed at the last GBM. A flyer is available with details. Kris will lead the cruise from Gainesville, VA to Lexington. Jerry is arranging a cruise to and tour of the Maker Mark Distillery. The cruise will have a police escort and take "back" roads. The tentative agenda at the NCM includes the dedication of the NVCC brick, laps at the track, a museum tour and a simulation. In the next few weeks, Dick will have an itemized agenda.

## **Fall Rallye – Dick Hammaker**

The (excellent) roads have now been selected for the rallye.

## **Wine Cruises -- Mike Gilliland for Shawn Waddell**

On June 22, Shawn will lead a cruise to DuCard Vineyards. Club members will have use of a tent, food truck, owners view/tour of the vineyard and a wine tasting.

During the first weekend in August, Shawn will also lead the annual wine cruise to Barrel Oak Winery. A private room will be provided. Both cruises promise to be fun.

## **Corvettes at Carlisle – Mike Gilliland**

Mike thanked everyone who will help with the set-up at Carlisle. NVCC will have their own tent located near the grandstand to celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Jim Dobish is checking on a catered dinner at the hotel. During the first week in August, Carlisle sends the credentials to participants who have reserved infield spaces.

## **Summer of '69 Party/Newsletter – Vicki Scott**

The Summer of '69 party will be held at the Stark residence on July 27. John will lead a cruise starting at 4:00 pm. A costume contest will be held (although costumes are not required). Please bring a picture of yourself from the 1960's if available.

Marsha Batchellor was thanked for her efforts producing the club newsletter.



**Social Calendar – Bob Devery**

Bob thanked Rob Succolosky for a fantastic job in leading the Weekday Warrior cruise to Middleburg. Bob reviewed upcoming events. Please be sure to check out the Club's calendar.

May 25 – Cascades Cars and Coffee.

June 22 – Wine Cruise to DuCard.

Bowling Green – hotel space is still available for the NCM cruise/tour.

Summer of '69 Party – Bob will set aside a block of hotel rooms for interested members.

New ideas for social events were discussed. Information will be coming for the NY trip. There will be an event for Veteran's Day and Children's Hospital.

**Vets in the Vineyard – Omar Gordon**

The Vets in the Vineyard event is September 21. Omar will have flyers available at the car show and June GBM.

Hosts of the Wounded Warrior event will let the club know if they need assistance. They indicated they do not need the participation that was given by the club last year. However, NVCC plans to support this event. Omar also reviewed expenses and current bank balances.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Album – Doreen Kinashi**

Doreen will prepare a Shutterfly album for NVCC's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. She is working on procedures so that members can get pictures to her. Further information will be forthcoming.

**NVCC Store – Tab Tabellario**

Car show tee-shirts are available and will be sold at the car show for \$15 each.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting and Corvettes on the Boardwalk – John Scott**

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee will meet on Tuesday to wrap up events. There will be another meeting later in the year. Please wear club shirts or car show tee-shirts for the photo that will be taken of committee members.

If you will need a hotel for Corvettes at Ocean City, please make your hotel reservations as soon as possible. There is another large event during the same weekend. Bob has a block of rooms at the host hotel for club members.

**Picnic – Kris McCandless**

The summer picnic at Rich's estate will be on July 14. Kris will lead a cruise from the Dulles Town Center to Rich's house. With all the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events, it's looking like a blockbuster July!

**Car Tech Day – Paul Benish**

Please send your information to Paul regarding dates and suggestions (brakes, flush fluids, etc.) for tech day. Paul will contact Craftsman and prepare a schedule.

**50/50 – Tab Tabellario**

The 50/50 Drawing was \$90 won by Rob Succolosky.

**Trivia – Jeff Klain**

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*Thank you to all who attended our breakfast meeting! We had an informative and productive meeting with time for club members to socialize. A delicious breakfast with several food choices was enjoyed by all.*

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.

**A VOTE TO ACCEPT THESE MINUTES WILL BE TAKEN AT THE JUNE 25, 2019 GBM**

## NVCC 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY SHUTTERFLY ALBUM

Have you been to any NVCC events since the beginning of this year? Did you take pictures? Would you like to share your pictures? I'm putting together a Shutterfly album to commemorate our club's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and I'm looking for photos to include in the album. Everyone can participate. Whether a major event like the Annual Banquet or a cruise through the countryside, I'd love to get copies of your photos. I will be working on the album from now until the end of December and plan to have the album available in sometime in January.



Please send your photos to my email address at: [doreenski312@gmail.com](mailto:doreenski312@gmail.com).

Include your name, event name, date of event and location and any short comments that you would like to add.

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**MEMBERSHIP CORNER**  
**By: George Durk**

**June Report**

We currently have 109 primary members and 18 prospective members.

**Welcome New Members!!**

**Russell Banks** – '78 Coupe and FOUNDING MEMBER! Russell now lives in Florida and will rendezvous with the club in Bowling Green in July.

**Charles Fedorko** – '02 Coupe

**Scott Ives**- '18 Coupe

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**Prospective Members**

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Jim Erickson-Nepomuceno</b>      | '66 Trophy Blue Coupe (427)                             |
| <b>Alexander McKay</b>              | '64 Goldwood Yellow Coupe                               |
| <b>Todd and Elizabeth Sweet</b>     | '18 Grand Sport   |
| <b>Casey MaGann</b>                 | '90 Convertible/'02 Electron Blue Z06                   |
| <b>David Rodgers</b>                | Not indicated on application                            |
| <b>Chris and Marcy Burnett</b>      | '69   |
| <b>TJ Ward</b>                      | '18 Ceramic Matrix Gray Grand Sport (Carbon 65 Edition) |
| <b>John and Karen Provost</b>       | '66 Nassau Blue Coupe/'99 Pewter Gray Coupe             |
| <b>Charles and Gretchen Heimann</b> | Not indicated on application                            |
| <b>Paul and Carol Caporossi</b>     | '16 Artic White Z51                                     |
| <b>Joe Conway</b>                   | '13 Grand Sport   |
| <b>Aaron Nenstiel</b>               | '15 Z06   |
| <b>Alex Jones</b>                   | '03 Z06   |

5 current prospective members have completed membership requirements of attending a GBM and event that Council has invited for full membership.

**New Rides!**

Rick Poage – '11 Cyber Gray Grand Sport Coupe

Omar Gordon – '04 Torch Red Z06 Coupe

Don't forget – shoot me an email ([membership@nvcorvetteclub.com](mailto:membership@nvcorvetteclub.com)) if you change or add to your stable. Also, if my info is not accurate or incomplete.

*P.S. Do you have a few NVCC membership cards in your wallet? If not, see me at next GBM!*

**NVCC 2019 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

**JANUARY 2019**

- 22: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 26: Banquet, Maggiano's, Tysons Galleria, Vienna, VA

**FEBRUARY 2019**

- 3: 10:00 am -Test Photo Shoot; Gambrill Park & Ride
- 26: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

**MARCH 2019**

- 9: Pub Grub Dinner; Fiona's — Bob Devery
- 16: Cruise & Lunch to Shamrock's— George Durk
- 26: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 31: Corvettes & Crabs Rallye — Kris and Mike

**APRIL 2019**

- 6: Trivia Night with Optimists — Bob Devery
- 7: Club Photo Shoot-Gunston Hall - Jerry Lelansky
- 11: ERNCCC Event at NCM Motor Sports Park
- 14: Cap'n Billy's Crab Cruise; Stafford, VA
- 20: Corvettes & Coffee at Cascades—Yas Kinashi
- 23: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 24: Weekday Warriors — Bob Devery
- 27: ODCC Detail Clinic—Dick Hammaker

**MAY 2019**

- 2-4: Outer Banks Rod/Custom Festival — Jim McKay
- 3: Track Time @ Summit Point — Dave Kuhn
- 4: Kentucky Derby Day — Bob Devery
- 5: ODCC LaGrange Winery - 12 noon; Haymarket,
- 18: Breakfast GBM @ Amphora—Herndon, VA

**JUNE 2019**

- 2: 5th Annual Corvettes Care Car Show; Page Chevy
- 15: Old 55 Seneca Rocks Cruise—George Durk
- 22: DuCard Vineyards Cruise, 8:45 am @ Home Depot, Chantilly — Shawn Waddell
- 25: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

**JULY 2019**

- 4: Dinner @ Artie's and Fireworks @ Fairfax HS — Bob Devery
- 14: 10 am caravan and 12 noon NVCC Picnic at the Anderson Farm — Ganotown, WV
- 20-23: National Corvette Museum; Bowling Green, KY—Dick Hammaker
- 23: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 27: Summer of '69 Party—John & Lynn Stark

**AUGUST 2019**

- 4: Barrel Oak Winery Cruise, 9:00 am @ Home Depot, Chantilly — Shawn Waddell
- 10: 30th All Corvette Cruise In, ODCC; Manassas, VA
- 22-25: Corvettes at Carlisle—Mike Gilliland
- 27: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

**SEPTEMBER 2019**

- 7: Wounded Warriors Car Show/Picnic — Omar Gordon
- 8: Fall & Country Rallye—Dick Hammaker
- 21: Vettes in the Vineyard — Omar Gordon
- 22: NRA 5th Annual Car/Truck Show — Fairfax
- 24: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

**OCTOBER 2019**

- 4-5: Corvettes on the Boardwalk, OC MD-Dave Kuhn
- 13: Flying Circus Picnic, Bealeton, VA—TBD
- 19: Police Appreciation Day — Bob Devery
- 22: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 23: Vienna Halloween Parade — Lori Benish

**NOVEMBER 2019**

- 24: Bavarian Inn Cruise/Lunch — George Durk
- 26: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

**DECEMBER 2019**

- 7: Christmas in Manhattan — Bob Devery

**NO DECEMBER GBM**



## NVCC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gathering at Carlisle

Join the NVCC for 3 days of fun with NVCC friends and show cars at Corvettes at Carlisle. We will be promoting the NVCC at the biggest Corvette only car show in the East. Contact for details:  
gilliland\_michael@yahoo.com

August 23, 24 & 25 2019

Carlisle Room Reservations: (717) 706-3862 (NVCC group)  
Carlisle Reserved/Fun Field (Club NVCC):  
[www.carlisleevents.com/carlisle-events/corvettes-at-carlisle/](http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlisle-events/corvettes-at-carlisle/)

## RON FELLOWS PERFORMANCE DRIVING SCHOOL WORTH THE TRIP!

by Alice Hufnagle, aka Texas Rose

If you bought a new Corvette within the last year and haven't taken advantage of the discounted track rate at Ron Fellows, you're missing one of the best benefits of your new car! And even if it's been more than a year since you bought your new car or you bought a used car some time ago, the full-price course is definitely one I would recommend!

For those 'old timers' who haven't heard (or you new members that I've only had the pleasure of meeting virtually), Jack and I decided that my 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday last year was definitely the time to splurge on a brand new 2018 Stingray! Having driven 'other people's problems' for 40 years with the 79 Rose through Rose IV, Rose V is a Long Beach Red (or as I lovingly call it 'Lone Star Red') Metallic Stingray with the Z51 package. I finally got over the fact that the C7 looks like a souped-up Camaro, and with the new C8 on the horizon, it was now or never!



Although I've dabbled in NCCC-sanctioned autocrosses and drag races for years, I've never been to an official driving school. Since Jack and I both love the new car, we took advantage of the cooler spring weather to attend the Ron Fellows school in April, which is only \$1,000 for the first year after purchase instead of the usual \$2,500. That includes 2 days of instruction and track time (in their cars!), one night's lodging in their on-site condos (with kitchenette) overlooking the track, and breakfast & lunch for both track days. You can also reserve an extra night if you come in the night before for about \$175 + tax (total about

\$190.75). This is definitely also worth it, so you're fresh & relaxed starting out. Your spouse can attend all the classroom sessions, drive with the instructor, and enjoy all the meals for only an extra \$40! Definitely recommended! Note that, since you'll be driving their cars, you are liable for \$8,000 in damages if you wreck the car (\$15K if it's a ZR1), but can buy that down to \$2,000 for \$200 worth of insurance.

Each day is a mix of classroom instruction then heading out to the track to practice what you've learned. Our class was 12 people. After the initial laps around the track, the class is broken down into smaller groups of similar ability of 2 or 3 cars, each with its own instructor, so you get maximum personal instruction. On the track, the instructors communicate with two-way radios, and everyone gets to rotate as leader around one of three 10-turn tracks. You'll also practice on a





wet skid pad, ovals, and autocross-type cone turns (with the windshield blocked!). They will also give you a once-over on all the new gizmos and gadgets on your new C7 (including where to jump-start the car without having to dig through the hatch for the battery!). Throughout the two days, there are plenty of snacks, drinks, and comfort breaks. On day two, a photographer will be out taking awesome pictures as you navigate the turns that you can purchase – all the pictures on a USB stick for about \$150. Plus they do awesome acrylic pictures on wood in several sizes (I got a 12” x 18” for about \$200). He gives a 15% military/first responder/veteran’s discount that put me over the purchase edge! You’ll also want to buy the

\$30 document frame for your certificate and your badge to hang on your wall. Plus lots of other fun items (shirts, shoes, hats, mugs) are available in the gift shop in the Welcome Center.

An awesome ‘freebie’ is the car’s Performance Data Recorder – even if your personal car doesn’t have this amazing option, you can bring (or buy) a 16 GB or 32 GB SD card & all of your track exercises will be recorded for you to play back at home and analyze – complete with video, audio, gas/braking analysis, lap times, and more!

For dinner, we did the wine tasting at the Pahrump Valley Winery, followed by dinner in their restaurant (Symphony’s) the first night, which was a awesome & definitely recommended before they turn all that into a casino! During the class, the track Clubhouse offers a great dinner for only \$10-\$12! The Clubhouse also has a full fitness center, pool, & whirlpool, with racquetball courts also available.



1969 V 2019



Spring Mountain Motor Resort and Country Club is about an hour’s drive west and north into the desert from Las Vegas, in Pahrump, so you will need a rental car. Be sure to plan driving time to and from the track. And maybe spend some time in Vegas before or after the class. Note that ZR1 courses run less frequently, cost slightly more, but offer the same great benefits!! For more information, visit [www.racespringmountain.com](http://www.racespringmountain.com).





## Summer of '69 Cruise & Party Saturday, July 27, 2019

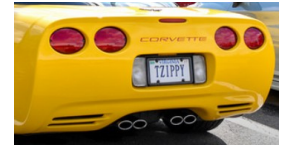
- *Cruise*
  - *Meet at Kelly Leadership Center  
14715 Bristow Rd (accessible from VA 234)  
Manassas, VA 20112*
  - *Drivers meeting 4:00*
  - *Depart 4:30*
- *Party at the home of  
John & Lynn Stark*  
*BBQ dinner*  
*Arrival approx 5:30*
- *RSVP by Wed July 24 to  
starkja82@gmail.com*

*Bring a photo of yourself from '69  
Also, Costume contest  
Were the 60s good to you?*



# TRIVIA

By Jeff Klain



Question 1: Theology: What major Old Testament biblical figure has his own line of premium car care products sold by our sponsor Odds and Ends Detailing?

Answer: Adam

Question 2: Biology: What is the common name of the species *Isurus Oxyrinchus* and how did it come to influence Larry Shinoda, the stylist for the third generation Corvettes?

Answer: The species is the shortfin mako shark and influenced C3 styling.

Question 3: Classical Studies: What is the connection between *hevea brasiliensis* and the Roman God of Fire with respect to Corvette handling?

Answer: *Hevea brasiliensis* is the rubber plant and vulcanization is the process of hardening rubber for use in tires.



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Hosted by Tonya, Jeff & Batman

**Registration & Cocktails**  
*Thursday, Sept. 19TH*  
Delta Hotel Bar 3pm - 6pm  
Cigars & Cocktails - 9pm  
Four Seasons Hotel  
@Bygone Lounge 29TH floor

**Welcome/Meet & Greet Reception**  
*Friday, Sept 20TH*  
Car Show Registration 3pm - 6pm  
@Polo Lounge & Bar  
Pool Party 7pm - 11pm  
Free Car Washing in rear lot  
Mobile Detailing Available

**Vettes in the Vineyard**  
*Saturday, Sept 21ST*  
Corvette Car Show 10am - 3pm  
@Dejon Vineyard **\$25 All Vettes**  
Top 100 Awards & Specialty Awards  
Live Music by ReMix Band & DJ  
•Wine Tasting •Cigar Bar •Raffles  
Wine Down Happy Hour 3pm - 6pm  
@Liquid Libs (9515 Deereco Road)  
After the Show Party @ 8pm  
Delta Hotel Garden Room & Patio  
Music & Cash Bar

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Deadline 8/19/19  
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Batman @ 540.498.6197



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# July 14, 2019 NVCC Picnic



Richard Anderson has again opened his farm to NVCC members & families for the Annual Picnic. Bring your family, yard games, and leashed pets. There is plenty of room to enjoy outdoor activities and show off your Corvette. The Andersons will again provide a BBQ Feast with all the Sides, Drinks, and home made Deserts.

Contact Vicki Scott if you plan to attend (703) 606-1659

## Cruisers meet at 9:30 AM – Picnic begins at Noon

### Cruise to the Picnic starting at 9:30 AM

Lead: Kris McCandless  
Dullas Town Center at Mimi's Café (West side of mall)  
21015 Dullas Town Ctr, Sterling, VA 20166  
Leaving at 10:00 AM

### For Non-Cruisers

**Address:** 281 Ganotown East Rd, Hedgesville, WV (Beware using GPS, it leads to Back Creek!)

**Directions:** Rte. 66 West to Rte. 81 North  
Take Exit 5, Rte. 51 West (drive about 4 miles on 51)  
Turn left on Rte. 45 (Apple Harvest Rd.)  
Turn right (2.5 miles) on Rte.7 (Back Creek Valley Rd.)  
Turn right (1.7 miles) on Ganotown Rd.  
Farm driveway is on the left about ¼ miles  
Park in lower field (look for the Corvettes)

*Don't Miss This Chance to Enjoy the Food, Friends, & Cars*



**PLEASE RSVP HOW MANY WILL ATTEND THE PICNIC TO  
VICKI SCOTT [Merryva@outlook.com](mailto:Merryva@outlook.com)  
FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME!**



## NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

By: NCM Ambassador Dick Hammaker

NVCC's Club Visit to the National Corvette Museum is only five weeks away! Everything is coming together with Kris McCandless leading on Saturday to Lexington, KY; Jerry Lelansky arranging tour and lunch at Maker's Mark on Sunday; and Bob Devery coordinating the hotel in both Lexington and Bowling Green. Following is a brief summary of the NCM Cruise.

### Saturday, July 20th

NVCC's mini-caravan to NCM will depart from Wegmans in Gainesville, VA for Lexington, KY. The scenic trip will be into Virginia's Piedmont and Valley and Ridge Physiographic Provinces (yes, the Geologic Minute of past cruises led by the NVCC Geologist will be given en route) and on into the Appalachian Plateau. The route will be about 600 miles but there will be well placed restroom breaks, lunch, dinner and gas stops. We should be arriving at the Guesthouse Inn around 6:00pm.

GuestHouse Inn & Suites

2261 Elkhorn Rd

Lexington, KY 40505

Rt 29 to I-64 W to I-75 S to Rt 60 W to Elkhorn Rd.

### Sunday, July 21st

Get a good night's rest as the fun continues with our new cruise-leader, Kentucky State Police Trooper Jonathan Blevins in his Official KSP Corvette. Trooper Jonathan will lead us first to Maker's Mark Distillery for a tour and lunch. The caravan will continue to the National Corvette Museum, our destination for much fun in the sun and under the dome! Upon arriving, we'll check in at NCM, get credentials, go to the store, tour, go to Hampton Inn and have dinner at Chuy's.

### Monday, July 22

Agenda at NCM follows...

8:30a - Arrive NCM,

9:00a - NVCC Brick Dedication

9:30a - Archive Tour with Derek

10:00 - Guides NCM Tour to include areas public does see like the garage storage.

11:30 - MSP Parade Laps, Karts are also an option

12:30p - Lunch 1:30p - Club Group Picture and Individual Pictures

3:00p - Corvette Simulator 4:00p - Store and depart

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Dick "HAM" Hammaker

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## The Northern Virginia Corvette Club is going to the National Corvette Museum July 20-23, 2019

### Highlights of the trip will be:

- Maker's Mark Distillery Tour
- Behind-the-Scenes NCM Tour
- Dedication of the NVCC's 50th Anniversary Brick
- C7R Simulator Challenge
- Parade laps at NCM's Motorsports Park
- Kart Races
- Corvette Assembly Plant Tour, if available

More details will be available as the agenda is finalized. All questions should be sent to the event organizer Dick Hammaker at 703-250-8644 or [dick.hammaker@cox.net](mailto:dick.hammaker@cox.net)



**NVCC annual trip to BOW!!!**  
**3623 Grove Lane, Delaplane Va 20144**  
**Sunday, August 4th, 2019**

One of Virginia's most popular wineries welcomes NVCC with a complimentary wine tasting.  
 Dogs and children are welcome as is outside food. We will be following last years route!!!  
 Barrel Oak Winery has awesome brick fired pizza, beer and of course wine!!!  
 We will be assembling at Home Depot 28000 Loudon County Parkway, Chantilly Va  
 We will arrive at 9:00 drivers meeting 9:15 departure 9:30 Arrive at BOW 11:00  
 Any questions email Shawn at [dr-wadd@msn.com](mailto:dr-wadd@msn.com)



**JOIN THE NVCC FALL AND  
COUNTRY RALLYE**

Join the NVCC for a classic timed, measured, rallye through scenic Virginia countryside beginning and ending at Glory Days, Stone Ridge Location. Good Fun, Good Food, Prizes, and Great People.

**Date:** **Sunday, September 8, 2019**

**Place:** Glory Days Grill, 42010 Village Center Plaza, Stone Ridge, VA 20105

**Sign in Time:** 9:30 am to 10:15 am

**Driver/Navigator Briefing:** 10:15 am

**First Car Out:** 10:30

**End Point:** Glory Days Grill, 42010 Village Center Plaza, Stone Ridge, VA 20105

**Price:** \$10 Members (Lunch at Glory Day is not included)

**Options One** - Participate in the "Gimmick" Rallye and Glory Days Social.

**Option Two** - Drive the Rallye route, no questions to answer, enjoy the roads & scenery, and Glory Days Social.

**Option Three** - Meet at Glory Days about 12:30pm for the Social.

**RSVP by September 4, 2019 to [dick.hamaker@cox.net](mailto:dick.hamaker@cox.net)**

### TENTATIVE EVENTS

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

Dueling Pianos at National Harbor — Organizer: Bob Devery

Skeet Shooting

Fall Picnic at the Flying Circus  
Air and Space Museum Tour — Bob Devery

Police Appreciation Day — Organizer: Bob Devery

Go-Karting or other Track Events

I-FLY Indoor Parachuting



***INTERESTED IN LEADING AN EVENT?***

***PLEASE CONTACT BOB DEVERY AT:***

***SOCIAL@NVCORVETTECLUB.COM***



Ten Commandments  
of  
**CORVETTE**  
Owners

- I. Thou shalt not loan a Corvette to anyone.
- II. Thou shalt not bring a Corvette to an automatic Car Wash
- III. Thou shalt not fail to wave to a fellow owner.
- IV. Thou shalt not swear at Corvette — for it is very temperamental.
- V. Thou shalt not cruise on an unpaved road.
- VI. Thou shalt not pass a fellow Corvette owner in distress.
- VII. Thou shalt not feed with budget grade fuel.
- VIII. Thou shalt not expose Corvette to severe weather conditions.
- IX. Thou shalt not forget to activate alarm.
- X. Thou shalt not acknowledge a Porsche or 280 Z as being true sports cars.

*Author unknown... Courtesy of ST Corvettes*

## \*\*\*NVCC's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events\*\*\*

In addition to our regular events, NVCC will host these Official 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary events during 2019:

### **NVCC Cruise to the National Corvette Museum (NCM) in Bowling Green, KY: July 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Cruise with the Club to Bowling Green for a visit to the birthplace of many of our beauties! NVCC will dedicate a new and impressive 2x2' brick to commemorate our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, surrounded by those of Club members. The NCM will provide a VIP tour of the museum, parade laps, and go-karting! . NVCC is a founding member club of the NCM, and a lifetime member of NCM. Email Dick Hammaker for details at [dick.hammaker@cox.net](mailto:dick.hammaker@cox.net).

### **Summer of '69 Cruise & Party in Fredericksburg, VA: July 27<sup>th</sup>**

John and Lynn Stark will host a 1969-themed party at their home in Fredericksburg, VA – preceded by a Club cruise led by John. More detail soon. *Get your groove on, Baby!*

### YOUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE HARD AT WORK



### **Corvettes at Carlisle, PA: August 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>**

This massive, Corvettes-only event will provide an opportunity to enjoy hot cars, a wide range of activities, merchandise, parts, and vendor offerings – and a Club hospitality tent! A block of rooms has been reserved by NVCC – email [50thCommittee@nvc Corvetteclub.com](mailto:50thCommittee@nvc Corvetteclub.com) for more information.

### **Corvettes Weekend (Freestate Corvette Club) – Ocean City, MD: October 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>**

A major Mid-Atlantic Corvette event sponsored by Freestate Corvette Club. Join in this fun-packed weekend getaway to celebrate the Club's 50<sup>th</sup>! Along with all the event attractions and activities, NVCC will host a hospitality suite, club dinner, and special placement in the boardwalk parade!

**Please Note:** If you'd like to help the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee plan and/or staff any event, email Vicki Scott at [merryva@outlook.com](mailto:merryva@outlook.com) for details about our next monthly dinner meeting.



**9.22.2019****NRA HQ** 11250 Waples Mill Rd.  
Fairfax, VA 22030**9am-3pm**


**NRA 5TH ANNUAL**  
**CAR & TRUCK**  
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**\$20 Vehicle Entry Fee**

FREE NRA Gift Packages given to 50 random pre-registered vehicle owners.

FREE NRA Museum Tours on the hour from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

NRA Café &amp; NRA Store will be OPEN during the show.

**Vendor Inquiries & Event Questions:**Contact Michael Johns at 703.267.1489 or email [Mjohns@nrahq.org](mailto:Mjohns@nrahq.org)**Limited to 500 Vehicles**

410 Vehicles &amp; 3,500+ Attendees in 2017!

**Show Attendees—FREE!****Trophies/Prizes Awarded For**

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| Vintage Ford    | Classic Corvette  | Modern Mopar      |
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| Vintage Mopar   | Antiques/Pre-1950 | Best Import       |
| Classic Mustang | Modern Ford       | Best Motorcycle   |
| Classic Camaro  | Modern GM         | Best Resto/HotRod |

**Show Registration:** Email Vehicle Photo/Info to [Mjohns@nrahq.org](mailto:Mjohns@nrahq.org)

**Save the Date**  
**Oct 4-5, 2019**

FREE STATE CORVETTE CLUB

# CORVETTE Weekend

Corvette Weekend is an annual event held in Ocean City Maryland.

Every year over 1,500 registrants take part in our:

Boardwalk Parade  
Friday Night Dance Party  
Saturday Night Awards Ceremony  
NCCC Sanctioned Car Shows and Rallyes

Come join us again and be part of the fun!

Stay Connected



**The Spartans are Coming**

Ocean City has informed us that a Spartan Sprint race will be taking place at the Inlet at the same time as our Corvette Weekend event - October 4-5.

Ocean City estimates the weekend will conceivably be bringing in several thousand additional people to town competing for hotel rooms. In light of this, we are urging our participants to consider making hotel reservations for this year's event sooner rather than later in order to guarantee you have lodging secured at your favorite location.

**Announcing our 2019 Event**

**"Driving The American Dream!"**

Our 33rd annual Corvette Weekend is set for October 4th and 5th, 2019 in Ocean City, Maryland.

The full details of the 2019 Corvette Weekend can be found on our event web site: [www.CorvetteWeekend.com](http://www.CorvetteWeekend.com).

If you're planning on staying at our host hotel, [Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel](#), we've blocked a set of rooms for Corvette Weekend participants. Be sure to call the hotel directly at 800-638-2100 and mention you're attending Free State Corvette Club's Corvette Weekend to book one of these rooms. With the Spartan Race the same weekend, hotel rooms will go fast.

**Registration opens June 1st!**

Registration will open June 1st. You can register using our on-line registration tool available from our [web page](#).



After you complete your registration on-line, you can choose to pay by check or credit card. Credit card payments are processed without leaving the on-line tool.

**Stay tuned for more information in upcoming newsletters...**

**Contact FSCC**

Email: [Registration@freestatecorvette.com](mailto:Registration@freestatecorvette.com)

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Email: [feedback@freestatecorvette.com](mailto:feedback@freestatecorvette.com)

## OLD WV 55—CURVES OR CURVEBALLS

By: George Durk



On Saturday, June 15, NVCC made its Old WV 55/ Seneca Rocks spring run. The weather was very cooperative in low 80s with intermittent clouds – a perfect day for cruisers! 17 of us met -up at Cracker Barrel in Massanas. We were a site to behold in the rear parking lot with a few patrons coming over to check-out the attraction!



Our assortment of mean machines included:

- Vicki Hulick's 2018 Black Rose Grand Sport Convertible
- Kris McCandless' 2010 Black Grand Sport Coupe
- Yas (Doreen) Kinashi's 2015 Night Race Blue Coupe
- John Palmgren's 2006 Lemans Blue Coupe
- Jim McKay's 1964 Goldwood Yellow Coupe
- John (Karen) Provost's 1999 Pewter Gray Coupe (FRC)
- Randy Taylor's 2017 Artic White Grand Sport Coupe
- Aaron Nenstiel's 2015 Shark Gray Z06 Coupe
- Joe Conway's 2013 Black Grand Sport Coupe
- Alex Jones' 2003 Electron Blue Z06 Coupe (FRC)
- Ferrell Cook's 2009 Black Coupe
- Jim (Jane) Dobish's 2008 Black Indy Pace Car
- George (Merce) Durk's 2014 Night Race Blue Z51 Coupe

It was Aaron, Joe and Alex's first event with the club and, after welcoming them, our long caravan headed west on interstate 66. Before too long we were at our first rest stop, stirring things up for a Saturday morning, at Sheetz in Stephens City.

Then, further westward we went, immediately enjoying the West Virginia country roads as we left Stephens City. On to Route 48 until we turned onto Old WV 55 on the outskirts of Wardensville. It immediately entices you to switch to sport mode for maximum enjoyment of its smooth and curvy contours.

It's hard to explain, but Old WV 55 has a personality. It lulls you into really appreciating its curvy topography, then teases with an unexpected curve ball. The last time, on the return run, we ran into a fallen tree across the roadway. This time, the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the roadway had 2 sections of loose gravel. I could feel it smiling!

After we coated our cars with dust and a few rock chips, it was time for lunch at Ponderosa's in Moorefield. Then 10 of us made the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the cruise to Seneca Rocks and enjoyed some nice twisties on the way. The parking lot was surprisingly packed at Seneca Rocks, most likely due to its popular 3-mile hiking trail to an 800-foot observatory. NVCCer's were content though with relaxing in the Discovery Center and enjoying the peaceful Seneca Creek, which flows into the Potomac River.

After about an hour, we caravanned back to Moorefield, stopping for a Dairy Queen treat along the way. To our delight, as we were getting ready to leave, the DQ owner drives up in a 2016 Daytona Sunrise Orange Metallic Coupe!



With the thought of Old WV 55's sly smile, I mentally waved goodbye as we turned onto the entry ramp for New 48/55 (Corridor H) back to Wardensville. Actually, not a bad road!





**ANOTHER EXHILARATING GEORGE DURK CRUISE  
(WV 55 PART TWO)  
BY: Jim McKay**

First it was lost on gravel roads and a miles long gauntlet of ice bombs falling of the winter trees when scoping out the Shamrock Inn cruise. Then it was a giant oak tree falling in front of us on Old Rte. 55 on the way back from Seneca Rocks.

George outdid himself today, running another exhilarating cruise into the West VA mountains.

As soon as we got on 66 in Manassas, George gave a state trooper a migraine headache... There were just too many of us to chase at once. In the mountains, speeds reached... well, I'll let you guess. But my 64 kept up with the big boys and girls. The group kept it packed tight. Three new prospective members joined us, with one Vette more exciting than the next.

Yas swept, but there wasn't too much to sweep as all kept up. At the Sheetz pit stop near Stephens City, there was a welcoming committee of local law enforcement doing a traffic stop. Of course, it took three cars to check out the 86 year old lady they had pulled over. They gave us a hard look as we pulled in. But we were good citizens one and all.

Then true to form, George had a surprise waiting for us. 5 miles of ground up gravel covered Old Rte. 55! We had to space out a quarter mile apart to avoid a rock shower from the cars ahead.

The picture shows our 13 valiant drivers in their dust covered, but undamaged cars. Then it was on to lunch in Mooresville. George passed up the taco joint because of the smell in the air. Though, I think it was the meat packing plant across the street. We settled on Ponderosa, always reliable.

Fed and happy, the group headed off for Seneca Rocks, while a few of us headed back.

Bonus on the way home...I found a country road car wash to get the dust off to be ready for the Warrenton show departing at 4 AM the next day.

Happy Father's Day George. Thanks for leading another awesome cruise! Can't wait for the next adventure... Hail, snow, birds falling out of the sky?!



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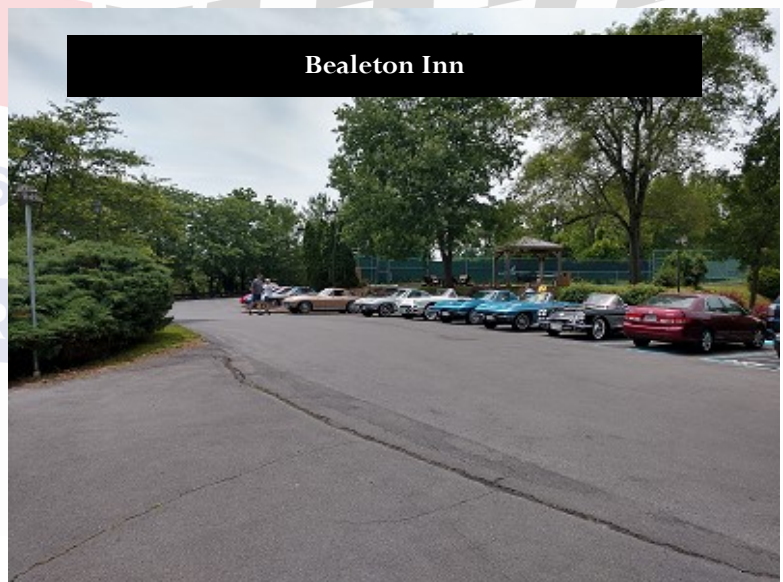
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## FINAL THOUGHT



On the way to Purcellville



Bealeton Inn

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