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18TH ANNUAL CCR ROUNDUP APPROACHES

Our Annual Corvette Roundup will be held on Saturday, June 7th, at the Ironbridge Sports Park starting at 9AM. Check our website for show information at CorvetteClubofRichmond.com and use CCR Roundup Info link for the Roundup flyer and registration form (registration can be done online this year).



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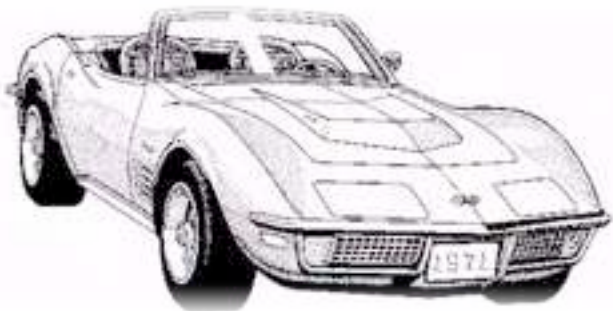
"Vettes for the Vets" supports men, women, and families of our U.S. Armed Forces with event on Sunday, 5/25.



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New C7.R wins its first race of the year; #4 Car places 3rd in GT LeMans Class





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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow CCR Members,

May is here (along with the pollen!), and the prime season for enjoying our Corvettes and fellow members by joining in on Corvette events is upon us!

Of course our next General Membership meeting is Friday, May 9th on the Southside. We will gather at King's Korner following our meeting to enjoy a terrific buffet that will include BBQ, fried chicken, shrimp, oysters, fried and baked fish, along with ice tea, lemonade and coffee. Cost will be subsidized by your club, and your cost will be \$15 per couple, \$8 single. A cash bar will also be available. I hope you will join us!

One of our long time sponsors, Zip Products, will be hosting their show on Saturday, May 10. Lunch will be provided and CCR members can take advantage of your club discount to purchase items for their Corvette! Zip has been a terrific supporter of CCR and I hope you will join me in attending. If you plan on attending, please call or drop me a note that you plan to join in on the festivities.

On Saturday, May 17, Rick Franklin is the OD for the Tank Museum event. Marcie and I plan to participate and we look forward to seeing many of you attend as well. Thanks Rick for planning this!

On Sunday, May 25 we have the Vettes for the Vets show at Williamsburg Winery. Please see the article in this newsletter for sign up info. This is a fabulous event and I hope you will join in! Please note in this month's article on this event that our meeting time at our gathering point has been revised to 9 AM.

This brings us to the CCR premiere event, the 18th Annual Roundup at Ironbridge Sports Park on Saturday June 7. This show has been terrific over the years due to the great participation and support from our members! Come on out and help us do it again! We do need items for the silent auction, so please consider what you might be able to wrangle as an auction item and get it to me. You can register for the Roundup by going to the CCR web site and clicking on the CCR Roundup info link! Pretty nifty!

May and June are going to be busy months for club activities, so please come on out and join us. They say life is a journey! I can think of no better way to make this journey than with my special gal in our Corvette! Right Paul? By the way, Save the wave!

Your CCR buddy,

Kirby



2014 Events Calendar

Friday, May 9	Membership Meeting (Southside)- 7:30 PM	
Saturday, May 10	Zip Corvette Show	Ray Wells
Saturday, May 17	Tank Museum Cruise	Rick Franklin
Sunday, May 25	Vettes for the Vets	Kirby Montgomery
Saturday, June 7	Annual CCR Roundup	Montgomery/Griggs
Friday, June 13	Membership Meeting (Southside)- 7:30 PM	Party @ Franklins
Saturday, June 14	Progressive Dinner	New Kent Contingent
Saturday, June 28	Tubin' on the James	Dolans
Friday, July 11	Membership Meeting (West End)- 7:30 PM	Party @ Montgomerys
Friday, July 18	Dinner and Dancing at County Seat	Peggy Todd
Saturday, July 19	Squirrels Game	Wayne Gregor
Friday, August 8	Membership Meeting (West End)- 7:30 PM	Party @ Todds
August 22-24	Corvettes at Carlisle	Dolans
August 23-31	National Corvette Museum Caravan	Ropers
Saturday, Sept 6	RIR Corral for NASCAR Race	Bubba Carr
Friday, Sept 12	Membership Meeting (Southside)- 7:30 PM	
Friday, Oct 10	Membership Meeting (Southside)- 7:30 PM	
Saturday, Oct 11	Heritage Corvette Show	Bubba Carr
Friday, Nov 14	Membership Meeting (West End)- 7:30 PM	
Saturday, Dec 6	Christmas Dinner-Dance	Montgomerys



MAY MEETING

Friday, May 9, 7:30PM at South Side Location

Our next General Membership Meeting will take place on Friday, May 9th, at 7:30 p.m. Many members arrive as early as 7:00 to visit in the parking lot. Feel free to come early. This month's meeting will be held at the Smith-Wagner Building in the Chesterfield County Complex, 9501 Lucy Corr Circle, Chesterfield, Virginia 23832. There is plenty of parking available.

Meeting Directions (South Side)

- From VA-288 N, take the exit for Iron Bridge Rd/VA -10 East.
- Turn left at the first stoplight onto Courthouse Road. Proceed approximately 6/10 of a mile.
- Turn right onto Government Center Parkway. Proceed approximately 3/10 of a mile.
- Turn left onto Lucy Corr Circle. The Wagner Building is directly in front of you. Enter through the center doors off of the circle drive.



Last Meeting's Big Winners



Liam Becker (grandson of Wylie and Sandy DuBose) walks away with the 50/50 drawing!



John Marshall wins the free dinner!



MAY MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to those members celebrating birthdays this month.
May there be a shiny, new surprise in your driveway!

Aldrich, Seza 05/04

Alexander, Wayne 05/31

Allen, Sandy 05/28

Blake, Karen 05/12

Campbell, Page 05/04

Clary, Barbara 05/13

Corbin, Terry 05/09

Cross, Emma 05/28

Dolan, Dave 05/17

Hall, John 05/05

Hansard, Linda 05/27

Janssen, Keith 05/24

Johnson, Douglas 05/13

Kropac, Patricia 05/10

Leigh, Barbara 05/24

Spatola, Bernice 05/20

Tresler, Brenda 05/12

Yeatts, Donna 05/01



Happy Birthday !!!



WELCOME NEW CCR MEMBERS !!



***BRANDON KINDALL
& VICKI FETZER***



Want to Become a CCR Member ?

In 1960, a small group of Corvette enthusiasts began to gather on a regular basis for fun and fellowship. The first official Club meeting took place in July of 1961. CCR is the oldest Corvette club in Virginia with membership approaching 400. To be eligible for regular membership, you must be a person of good character and own a Corvette. You must attend at least one meeting or event. If you don't own a Corvette, an "associate membership" is available. Associates can participate in all events and functions but have no voting rights. You'll make good friends, have fun and learn more about Corvettes. Club meetings are at 7:30 p.m. on the second Friday of each month. After the meetings, there is usually a party where you can enjoy socializing with other club members.

Annual dues are \$25 for pilots or \$35 for both the pilot and co-pilot (includes spouse, or significant other/child). A membership application can be found on the CCR website:

www.corvetteclubofrichmond.com



REVS & RUMBLES @ THE NCM

By Barry Roper, NCM Ambassador/Lifetime



Winter has finally given way to some version of Spring. Meeting nights find more Corvettes in the parking lot than OTC's. And more of the vettes in attendance can be seen with convertible tops down or coupe roofs removed either before or after the meeting. Whatever can it all mean?

Finally the never-ending winter of 2013-14 seems to have lost its traction, so surely Summer will

follow Spring and warm weather CCR events will be flowing like the proverbial wine. Of great significance is that the calendar's odometer shows the National Corvette Museum's 20th Anniversary Celebration to be only 3 months away. We've been counting down since we reached the two year mark and now the blockbuster event is soon to be upon us.



Well before the Celebration opens officially in Bowling Green on Wednesday, August 27th, 14 Corvettes belonging to CCR members will be hitting the road for Concord, NC, on Saturday, the 23rd, (or soon thereafter) to launch the festivities. While a few specifics of the contingent's timeline are still fluid, we know the group will depart from Heritage Chevrolet in the early afternoon after enjoying lunch/refreshments provided by CCR's valued long term sponsor. Bubba Carr spoke to this at the April meeting. Currently we're planning to be joined at Heritage by traveling groups of Corvettes from Silver Spring, MD, Northern Virginia, and Delaware. The combined motoring party will then proceed some 265 miles to our rendezvous in Concord with other National Caravan participants arriving from Corvette clubs throughout Virginia and the Carolinas.

On Sunday, those inclined can pay a fee to take their Corvettes for multiple laps around the Lowe's Motor Speedway track, starting out of Pit Row and finishing in the Winner's Circle for a photo op and a group picture. Lunch will be at the Speedway Club Restaurant while dinner both Sunday and Monday will be provided at no charge. After breakfast at Dale Earnhardt Chevrolet,





the Caravan will depart for Bowling Green, KY, with a lunch stop at the Biltmore Estate Deer Park Inn Restaurant and an overnight in Sevierville/Kodak, TN. Wednesday morning the Caravan moves out and becomes part of a choreographed arrival at the NCM around 4:15PM. And then the fun really begins!

Imagine your car being one of not just hundreds but literally thousands of Corvettes rolling into the 'Gateway to All Things Corvette'. The number of vendors and the scope of the displays must be experienced to be appreciated. The carnival atmosphere will be pervasive with one of the most highly anticipated aspects of the 20th Anniversary Celebration being the official Grand Opening of the NCM Motorsports Park. The 3.15 mile track can be utilized in four configurations and will be open to Anniversary participants to see for the first time. Parade laps around the track with attendees driving their own Corvettes will be the order of the day on Friday and Saturday. The track sits on 184 acres and has 1.5 miles of frontage along I-65 directly across from the Museum.



Certainly Caravan participation is not required for Corvette enthusiasts to attend the Anniversary Celebration. Hotel availability updates are available on the NCM website and it indicates that there are still rooms available. August 27-30 of 2014 promises to be a premier experience for those who embrace the Corvette lifestyle. Be present at the NCM if you possibly can but definitely plan to be at Heritage Chevrolet on Saturday, the 23rd, to thank our sponsor for their continued support of CCR and to mingle with the Caravan participants as they find out that, indeed, 'All Roads DO Lead to Bowling Green'.



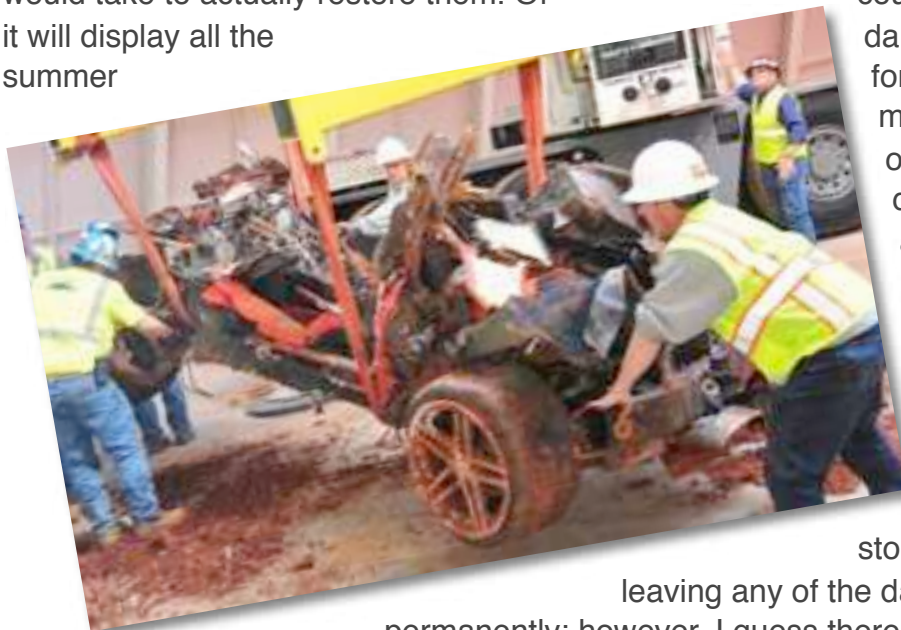


SINKHOLE UPDATE: NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM MIGHT LEAVE SOME DAMAGED CORVETTES UNRESTORED

Source: CorvetteForum.com 4/24/14

It appears the jury is still out on whether all of the “Magnificent Eight” Corvettes damaged in the sinkhole at the National Corvette Museum will be restored.

Not that it really should come as big surprise. Some of the cars like the 2001 Mallett Hammer Z06, the last Corvette removed from the sinkhole, are so badly mangled that it’s hard to imagine what it would take to actually restore them. Of course, the Museum has already said it will display all the damaged Corvettes through the summer for visitors to see. Now it seems museum officials might leave a few of the cars unrestored and on display permanently, according to an Automotive News report.



General Motors and the National Corvette Museum are scheduled to meet next month to discuss the issue and make a decision on the cars, notes GM spokesman Monte Doran in the story. Personally, I’m still not sold on leaving any of the damaged cars on display permanently; however, I guess there is something symbolic about it all considering how much attention the catastrophe has drawn in highlighting the passion for Corvettes around the world.

Here is how the vote is going...

Should all of the Great Eight sinkhole Corvettes be restored?

Yes, they all must shine again. (58%, 776 Votes)

No, keep at least one unrestored for posterity. (42%, 565 Votes)

Total Voters: 1,341 (See *CorvetteForum.com* to vote)



EVENT REVIEW

Million Dollar Quartet

Saturday, March 29

OD: Steve DuBosky

Well, the weather did not cooperate with us, and since Dean and Cheryl Maddern were the only brave souls to drive their corvette, they lead the pack to Norfolk. Thank goodness for the club radios, since it is much easier to follow a parade of corvettes than a motley crew of OTC's. But, we managed to get to Norfolk without losing anyone. With more time on our hands than we planned, we opted to get into the mood of the 50's era early by stopping for lunch at Doumar's in Norfolk.

Abe Doumar invented the ice cream cone at the St. Louis World's Fair in 1904. He then opened a chain of shops. The Norfolk location opened in 1907 and still features "car hops" (sans roller skates) to serve up their burgers and shakes. Once fortified, we made the brief mile or so to Chrysler Hall in plenty of time for the opening of the show.

On December 4, 1956, Sam Phillips, the founder of Sun Records, was having a recording session for Carl Perkins, and his new-found talent, Jerry Lee Lewis. Johnny Cash was coming over, as Phillips wanted to

renew his contract. Elvis Presley, whom Phillips had also discovered but whose contract was sold to Columbia Records because of cash flow problems (sort of like the Red Sox trading the Bambino to the Yankees), was also



coming by. When the four got together and started to jam, you can be sure there was a "whole lotta shakin' goin' on." This group rightfully was dubbed the Million Dollar quartet. That was 1956 money. Today they would be the Billion Dollar quartet. As far as a "whole lotta shakin' goin' on" these guys were tame when compared to the acts today that smash instruments, trash hotels and just generally put on abhorrent displays of over indulgence. Back then it was all about the music.

As the ovations faded, many of us proceeded to the

Norfolk Hilton to settle in for the night. Once checked in and refreshed, we headed for "the pit", which Hilton once again graciously reserved for our exclusive use for dinner and celebrating. And celebrate we did. Steve DuBosky's favorite peep, Karen had recently joined the age of antiquity when she turned 60 a couple of weeks earlier. It seemed fitting that we have a surprise Birthday party at the "Pit". With lots of help from Mary Belcher, who actually wound up doing most of the planning, Doris Brody and Joanne Schmit who helped set up the pit we were able to actually surprise Karen. Many thanks to all who showed up; it made for an enjoyable evening.

As long as there is interest Karen and I will be glad to OD again next year. We need to do a Gallup poll kinda thing to gage the show most would be interested in. As you can see below this is a scientific poll conducted in a similar fashion to political polls. No bias or preconceived ideas. Next year's shows are as follows (dates TBD):

~ **BOOK OF MORMON**

~ Sister Act

~ Camelot

~ Phantom of the Opera

~ Wicked



EVENT REVIEW

Bunny Run 18 was a Hopping Success!

Saturday, April 12th
ODs- Cecile & Ed Custer



Saturday April 12, 2014, was a beautiful perfect Bunny Run day with sun that made the 26 beautiful Corvettes sparkle as we roared into Children's Hospital. CCR members, with the help of students from Robious Middle and James River High Schools, unloaded their precious cargo of 1750 plush bunnies to the delight and applause of the patients, their families and hospital staff. It was especially fun watching everyone's reaction as Joe Cifelli and his sister, Anne Marie kept pulling bunnies out of his '66 for a total of 675 bunnies (yes, six hundred and seventy-five!) Non-CCR members Cindy & Bill Gatewood graciously offered to break in their new Peter Rabbit costume by joining us for the event. Cindy was an outstanding Peter Rabbit and was a big hit with the kids and staff. Peter Rabbit arrived in style thanks to Greg Lucyk and his beautiful '61 white and silver convertible.

After visiting with the patients, some very hungry bunny wranglers headed to Famous Dave's for lunch

where the restaurant staff once again greeted us with 50 cuddly bunnies to give us a jump start for next year.

Many thanks to everyone who participated including special thanks to:

Mike Starr, Larry Barker and Marci Montgomery for picking up bunnies from the students at Moody Middle School on Friday, April 11, 2014. The Vettes, representing 3 generations, were a big hit with the students.

Joe Cifelli for arranging for us to use Smith Turf & Irrigation as our meeting place

Bill & Cindy Gatewood for being honorary CCR members for the day.

Those CCR members who couldn't attend but sent bunnies with another member.

The Bunny Run is successful only due to your hard work and generosity with collecting and donating bunnies. So hop to it and hit all of the after Easter sales and/or ask merchants to donate their leftover bunnies so we can stock up for next year to deliver 1900 bunnies and make Bunny Run 19 the biggest and best yet. Speaking of next year, mark your calendars now for Bunny Run 19 which will be held on Saturday, March, 28, 2015.





Annual Bunny Run

Saturday, April 12



EVENT REVIEW

14th Annual Crab Cruise

Saturday, April 19th

By Lori Dolan

The weather cooperated and our 14th CCR Crab Cruise was fun and successful. Dave & I arrived early at the staging area and it was already loaded up! Easter was the next day so Mary Wells & Sheri Marshall sported their "Easter bonnets" for us. I started working the crowd, with hugs and hellos, tried to visually take roll and sell 50/50 raffle tickets. Needless to say, I was struggling. Thank God for Norma Bonner! She saved me by taking over the task of checking off names from my list and handing out directions, freeing me for selling 50/50 raffle tickets. Thank you, Norma!

Turnout this year was outstanding. We had 71 people



roped off for us. Now I got to witness all of the 43 Vettes behind us thunder in. Wow, what a sight! The road was filled with nothing but Vettes and it seemed like the line of them would never end!

Capt. Billy's Saturday tour bus left 15

minutes before we pulled in, so our new later arrival time worked out well for us. We were asked to be patient with our servers due to our large size and the fact we were ordering from the complete menu (which was sizable!) CCR did me proud. I didn't hear complaints and the restaurant did a fine job taking care of us. Dave passed out Hershey Kisses (he had jokingly promised to buy everyone dessert) and I finished selling off raffle tickets. Our first winner was Steve Balsam (Northern Neck) and our second winner was Mary Wells. They each won \$107.50. Capt. Billy's Dottie then distributed tickets to each of us for a chance at a \$50 gift certificate and Graham Wilson was our winner.

Once again this year Duane Maloy made sure Paul Murman couldn't complain about his eating utensils- he was give a fabulous Swiss Army Knife utensil set. Now if he'll keep that with him at all times, he need never complain again! Paul's bent up utensils were passed down to Ray Wells and I'm sure he'll cherish them forever!

After eating, we headed out. Several patrons were watiing to see the Vettes roar out and they got quite a show!

Many headed home but a bunch of us stopped at Hornes for a little shopping and ice cream. What a good day and a good event.

To me, CCR's events season is in full swing once we've had our Bunny Run and Crab Cruise. Folks, sign up for the events you're interested in and 2014 will be a year to remember!

(Check out pictures our raffle winners, our people and our Vettes on our website.)



and 36 Vettes at staging including several who hadn't signed up for the event. And, this year we had fewer no-shows – only 6 compared to 40 last year. In Port Royal we picked up 8 more Vettes from Northern Neck Corvette Club making our 44 Vette caravan the largest we've ever had for this event.

Being the lead car, I could only see the caravan from the passenger side mirror. We entered Maryland after the Potomac River Bridge and made our U-turn on 301 and I could finally see some of our Vettes. Awesome! Two miles later, we arrived at the restaurant and I jumped out and opened the lot that Capt Billy's had



RIR CAR CORRAL & RACE

Saturday, April 26, 2014



OD: Bubba Carr

CCR Car Corral members (and several other car clubs) all enjoyed a beautiful day at the 3rd Car Corral event in connection with the NASCAR Cup race at RIR. We met at Lowe's and cruised in to a great parking spot in the shade just at the end of the midway.

For the \$75 package we got the following:

- 2 tickets to the Toyota Owners 400 in the Dogwood Grandstands (a \$90 value)
- 2 Pre-Race Pit passes
- Designated, onsite, paved and marked space with easy entry and exit
- Post-Race Weekend Track Laps

It was a great day of fun and excitement, including a chance to walk on the race track in the afternoon to experience just how sloped the RIR track really is. The race was fantastic including a first lap crash by the lead car (see video). Now we are all anticipating taking a few laps in *our* cars next month! (but without the same results!)



[Corral Video: http://youtu.be/Otx3HQ6vLJs](http://youtu.be/Otx3HQ6vLJs)

BONUS Video- Opening Lap of race, including Turn 2 crash:



http://youtu.be/bxd_G7XVzJM



Don't miss the next one! Make sure you get on the list for the corral package for the fall NASCAR race!



UPCOMING EVENT

ZIP CAR SHOW & OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, May 10, 2014

OD: Ray Wells



Our very good club sponsor, Zip Products, will be hosting their all Corvette Show and Open House on **Saturday, May 10** ! Show time will be from **10AM to 3PM** and a sumptuous lunch will be served. Zip Products has been a supporter of CCR for many years, and in appreciation it would be nice to get a good showing of CCR members at the show! Remember, CCR members get a 10% discount on Zip products (after the ZIP/CCR membership waiting period). More details will be announced as they are available, but for now, please put this on your calendar. If you plan on attending, please call or email Kirby Montgomery that you plan on being there.

phone: 784-3173 email: kvmontgomery@aol.com



UPCOMING EVENT

AAF TANK MUSEUM TOUR

Saturday, May 17, 2014

ODs: Rick and Kathy Franklin



Caravan with the CCR to Danville, VA and tour the American Armored Foundation Tank and Ordinance War Memorial Museum. The Tank Museum was founded in 1981 as a not-for-profit charitable organization, with a mission to educate, collect, restore, preserve, and display a varied collection of military tank and cavalry artifacts. The Tank Museum has the most extensive collection of International Tank and Cavalry artifacts in the world. The self-guided tour

will take at least 2.5 hours or more to view the entire collection inside a 330,000 sq. ft. facility. The website is: <http://www.aaftankmuseum.com>. I recommend visiting the site to view the rules and regulations for the museum tour.

We will meet at the WAWA station located 12001 Great Point Dr., Midlothian, for a departure at 9:30am. The trip will take over 2 hours to drive to Danville. Upon arrival, we will stop for a quick bite of lunch (45 minutes) and then move to the museum. We will organize a return caravan beginning @ 4:00 pm.

Admission prices are very reasonable: \$12 adults, \$10 under 12 and over 60, group of 15 or more \$8 if paying in one lump sum. Sign up or show up on May 17 to join the group. Questions call Rick: home # 804.744.7023, or cell # 804.874.2111; or email: rbfranklin8@comcast.net.





VETTES FOR THE VETS AT THE WILLIAMSBURG WINERY

The day will include exhibition with over 100 Corvettes, a wine-paired lunch, music, vendors and a raffle (organized and hosted by the VFW Post 4639).

UPCOMING EVENT

VETTES FOR THE VETS

Sunday, May 25, 2014

11:00AM - 3:00PM

OD: Kirby Montgomery

The Colonial Corvette Club and the Williamsburg Winery will host the 4th Annual Corvettes for the Vets on Sunday, May 25 from 11 AM to 3 PM. Trophies will be awarded at 2:30 PM.

The day will include the exhibition of over 100 Corvettes, a wine-paired lunch, music, vendors, and a raffle (coordinated by VFW post 4639). Partial proceeds will go to the USO in support of the men, women, and families of our U.S. Armed Forces.

- Corvette Show: 1st car \$10, additional cars \$5 each
- Wine-pairing Lunch: \$25 per person, Williamsburg Winery and Carrabas Italian Grill are catering
- Lunch only, no wine: \$17 per person
- General Admission \$5, children under 8 with paid adult are free.

Sign up early on the Williamsburg Winery web site/ Corvettes for the Vets, or www.corvettesforthevets.com.

Rain date is Monday, May 26. This is a great show and I hope many of my fellow CCR members will join us! We will meet at 9:00AM at the Dairy Queen/Exxon. on Route 5 just off of I-295; the address is 3275 New Market Road, Richmond, VA 23231. Be there or be square!



18th Annual Roundup



Saturday, June 7, 2014 9 AM - 2 PM

Iron Bridge Sports Park, Chester, VA 23831



**DASH PLAQUES
VENDORS
GOODY BAGS
DOOR PRIZES
SILENT AUCTION
MUSIC DJ**

**8 CLASSES OF
TROPHIES !!**



Iron Bridge Sports Park

11400 Ironbridge Road, Chester, VA 23831



UPCOMING EVENT

4TH ANNUAL CCR PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Saturday, June 14, 2014

ODs: New Kent Contingent

Aloooo—HA! Mark your calendars (Saturday, June 14) for the 4th annual CCR Progressive Dinner, hosted once again by “the New Kent Contingent.” This year’s theme will be Hawaiian so get out your aloha-wear. As before, we will all meet at the I-64 East rest area near mile marker 213 and the caravan will DEPART at 11:30 for the first stop. The cost is \$25 a person, or \$50 a couple. All food and beverages are included. We will also have a poker run like last year. The deadline for sign up and payment is Monday, June 2. Checks can be made out and mailed to: Steve DuBosky, 11450 Brickshire Park, Providence Forge, VA 23140



(Pictures from the 2012 Event)



UPCOMING EVENT

TUBING IN SCOTTSVILLE

Saturday, June 28, 2014

OD: Lori Dolan

Are you ready for ANOTHER fun CCR event? Then, mark your calendars for Saturday, June 28, for CCR's annual tubing trip in Scottsville.

Like past years, we meet at 9 a.m. at the Goochland rest area on I-64 West at mile marker 168 and depart at 9:15. The drive should take us

about 1 ½ hours and will include a brief stop 30 minutes out of Scottsville.

Pack your super soakers, wear your bathing suit, pack a lunch and your favorite beverages (no glass containers). Shoes are required (no sandals or flip flops) so don't forget your boat shoes or old tennis shoes. This is a family friendly event that children 6 or older will enjoy. Feel free to invite friends or neighbors and drive your OTC (Other Than Corvette) to accommodate them if necessary. Don't forget to bring your Club Radio for the caravan up.

Life vests are available for those who want them--but the river is calm and shallow in most places. Trust me—I'm afraid of water but this float is very relaxing and NOT scary! Probably the scariest thing you'll encounter is me in a bathing suit!! Our float will take 2 to 3 hours depending on river conditions and midway down river, we'll pull off for lunch. After the float, we'll change into dry clothes before heading home.

As you can imagine, this is a very popular summer event. Saturdays sell out and people without reservations are turned away. Unlike many CCR events, signing the Events Book isn't enough. For this event, your advance payment is needed. Your price is \$24 per person plus \$8 for a cooler tube. *Pay me at the May meeting* so I can mail in our reservation by June 7. If you miss the May meeting, you can mail your check (make it out to Lori Dolan) to me at 4148 Old Springfield Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060. Sorry, no refunds once our reservation has been sent in.

This will be the most relaxing event we offer this year...it's like getting a 3-hour massage!



UPCOMING EVENT



TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME !

Saturday, July 19, 2014 OD: Wayne Gregor

CCR is once again taking you out to the "Ball Game" on Saturday, July 19, 2014.

For \$28 per person, each participant will receive dinner and Premium seating for the Game versus the Harrisburg Senators. Game time is 6:05 PM

An all-you-can-eat buffet in the PFG Picnic Zone within the ballpark is available from 5:05 thru 7:05. The menu can be viewed on the Flying Squirrels website. Nutsy usually visits the PFG Picnic Zone during the Buffet

and access to the "Kids Zone" will be provided for those bringing children.

Each person will also get Reserved Diamond Club Seating.

This CCR outing will be acknowledged in a Public Announcement during the Game and a fireworks display will follow the Game.

Hopefully, we will be able to park where we did last year in the private commercial lot free of charge. Parking details will be in the next issue of CCRuisin'.

In case of a rainout after the game starts, you will receive a ticket to another game but not another buffet. If the game is totally rained out and the buffet was not opened, we can try to reschedule or receive a refund.

Payments should be made to Wayne Gregor by July 1 in order to reserve



seats and finalize counts. Call Wayne at (703) 915-9679 if you have any questions.



UPCOMING EVENT

CORVETTES AT CARLISLE

August 22 - 24, 2014

ODs: Lori Dolan

CORVETTES at
CARLISLE



2014 Corvettes at Carlisle will run August 22 – 24, 2014 and registration is open! Not familiar with this event? Well then, their website will give you ALL the info you could possibly want. Check it out! Register online (<http://www.carlisleevents.com/carlisle-events/corvettes-at-carlisle/>) or call 717-243-7855 today! Pre-registration discounts are available now through July 21, 2014. If you're not going to the National Corvette Museum, you ought to consider Carlisle.

Dave and I are driving up Friday morning August 22 and you're welcome to join our caravan. We're staying closer to Carlisle this



year—at the Rodeway Inn where we always stayed years ago when we went up with Aquia Creek Corvette Club. If you want to stay at the Rodeway (1239 Harrisburg Pike, Carlisle PA 17013 -- 717/249-2800), be sure you say you're with CCR and try to get your room near us (we're in room #207).

This year, Dave and I are even going to register for the Saturday night parade through the downtown historic area. I've always wanted to do the parade and can't wait!

Whether you go to the Rodeway with us or stay somewhere else, you really need to **look AND BOOK your hotels now**. Don't wait until summer! This event attracts a huge crowd and hotels book quickly.





Cars & Coffee Richmond, held every *other* Saturday morning 8-10 AM

AREA CRUISE-INS & SHOWS

A collection of Information on cruise-ins and shows in our area

In case you can't make it to a CCR event on any particular day, or just want to see some local new and classic sports cars, here is information from the Car Club Council of Central Virginia to help fill in your calendar!

Source: Car Club Council of Central VA

DATE	CRUISE-INS
Every Other Saturday (next one- 5/3) 8-10 AM	Cars & Coffee Richmond, Corner of Cox Rd. & Broad St., Innsbrook
First Friday of Month from 5 - 9pm, weather permitting	Ironbridge Sports Park, Chester ~ April 4 to October 3
Third Friday of Month from 5-9PM	Extra Billy's BBQ, Alverser Drive off Rte. 60, Midlothian
Saturdays from 2- 6 PM	Brunetti's Express, 301 & Atlee, Mechanicsville
Saturdays from 6-9 PM	Southpark Mall between Lonestar Steakhouse and Chipotles in Colonial Heights, until September 27th
Saturdays 5PM till 9PM (weather permitting)	River City Diner, Huguenot Rd. @ Robius Rd. in the Shops at Bellgrade, Midlothian area, April 3 thru Halloween
Saturdays from 5-9 PM	Hardee's, Old Stage Rd. in Chester, through October 25
Saturdays from 6 PM	Aw Shucks Country Store/Shell Station, 6100 Pouncey Tract RD, Glen Allen
Sundays from 3 PM	Fairfield Commons Mall at the corner of Laburnum Ave and Nine Mile Rd; (4869 Nine Mile Rd Richmond)

For more info on Cruise-Ins *and* Shows, go to <http://www.carclubcouncil.com/cal.html>



IN MY GARAGE...

Steve DuBosky and Mel Belcher Share Pics of their new C7s

Both are convertibles with the Z51 package, performance exhaust, and chrome wheels.

Steve's is "Night Race Blue" with black interior and black top



Mel's is "Laguna Blue" with grey interior and a grey top.



*Thanks for Sharing
and Enjoy your New
Rides!*





CORVETTE IN THE NEWS

Corvette Assembly Plant's UAW Leader Believes Strike Can Be Avoided

by MITCH TALLEY 4/22/14

Source: corvetteblogger.com

Maybe a work stoppage can be avoided at the Corvette Assembly Plant in Bowling Green. At least that's the viewpoint of the president of the United Auto Workers Union at the plant, which has assembled Corvettes since 1981, including the very popular 2014 Stingray.

Nearly two weeks ago, workers at the Corvette plant voted to authorize a strike amidst serious concerns over safety and quality issues. Now, local 2164 President Eldon Renaud says new plant manager Jeff LeMarche seems more interested in solving the problems than his predecessor, Dave Tatman, who unexpectedly resigned in February.

"We think the previous manager had ignored some of those issues," Renaud said. "We felt it was important to bring in a new set of eyes, and he seems very interested in problem solving." The assembly plant had received two OSHA violations under former manager Dave Tatman. Renaud said he thinks General Motors will comply with the workers' request to fix those items, adding that "some of it just takes time and engineering to develop fixes."

The two sides are continuing negotiations on other manpower and quality issues. Also mentioned in earlier reports about the labor unrest at the Kentucky plant was a problem with the personnel director, and Renaud said this week the union won't be satisfied until a new personnel director is in place.

The negotiations come about a year before the local union's current contract with GM expires in 2015, but Renaud told a reporter with WKU, the public radio service of Western Kentucky University, that there were too many pressing issues to wait until then.

Did VP Biden just get his Hands on a Sweet C7 Corvette?

By [Detroit Steel](#) Source: corvetteblogger.com 4/28/14

Far be it for me to start spreading rumors, but this one here is pretty interesting, true or not.

After hearing Vice President Joe Biden rave so much about the new Corvette Stingray, it appears he might have recently taken delivery of one, according to an autoevolution report. Of course, the details are pretty sketchy as they usually are with any unconfirmed reports coming out of Washington, but that license plate that says "THE VP" certainly makes it believable following Biden's earlier discussion about how much he liked the C7 at that national UAW meeting.



I mean, hey, if I was the VP and was pulling down that reported base salary of roughly \$230,000, I'd certainly have a new Corvette Stingray in my personal garage.

There is, however, that small issue of why any of Biden's secret servicemen would agree to let him ride around in a bright yellow Corvette with "VP" plastered on his plate. Then there's also the question of whether he's the type that would feel the need to advertise his VP position on the street.

I'm sure there will probably be a lot of discussion about that later one.





CORVETTE RACING AT LONG BEACH: First Victory for New Corvette C7.R

Garcia, Magnussen dominate street race; Gavin, Milner take third-place GTLM finish

LONG BEACH, Calif. - Corvette Racing won its first race with the new Chevrolet Corvette C7.R on Saturday at Long Beach as Antonio Garcia and Jan Magnussen dominated in their No. 3 Corvette to take the GT Le Mans class of the Patrón Sports Car Showcase. The duo led all but one lap and took the checkered flag by 5.408 seconds in the third round of the TUDOR United SportsCar Championship.

Oliver Gavin and Tommy Milner placed third in class in their No. 4 Corvette C7.R. It was the fourth time Corvette Racing placed both of its entries on the podium at Long Beach since 2007.

"Congratulations to Jan Magnussen, Antonio Garcia and the No. 3 Corvette C7.R team on scoring the win today here at Long Beach," said Jim Campbell, Chevrolet U.S. Vice President, Performance Vehicles and Motorsports. "It was the first win for the Corvette C7.R and a great day. It started with a great qualifying run by Jan to put the Chevrolet Corvette C7.R on the pole, which was a huge advantage in a short, 100-minute sprint race. Antonio did a great job getting a nice lead; the Corvette Racing team had a great pit stop and Jan took it home for the win. It was also great to see Oliver Gavin and Tommy Milner put the No. 4 Corvette C7.R also on the podium. Just a tremendous effort for Corvette Racing." Saturday's victory was the fifth at Long Beach for Corvette Racing. Magnussen qualified on pole position Friday, and Garcia led the entirety of his 41-minute stint - the result of a great start that allowed him to put two slower prototypes between himself and the rest of the class. His lead grew as much as seven seconds before handing off to Magnussen. The Dane's biggest advantage was 12 seconds during his stint as he won at Long Beach for the second time; Garcia won his first Long Beach race.

The No. 4 Corvette gained one position from its fourth-place starting spot. Gavin and the two competing cars in front of him were balked by the slow prototype that Garcia managed to get around on the opening lap. Gavin also fought high tire pressures but still had the fastest race lap in class for most of his stint. After the driver change to Milner, the young American whittled down the gap to second place from three seconds to a half-second halfway through his stint. He ended the race just 0.273 seconds shy of the runner-up spot. Milner also set the fastest GTLM race lap at 1:18.954 (89.733 mph).



ANTONIO GARCIA, NO. 3 CHEVROLET CORVETTE C7.R

"It's been a really good race for us. We couldn't expect more. We saw yesterday that we were very fast. I think 50 percent of the race was done by Jan yesterday in qualifying. Today he stayed away from the walls but yesterday he was really, really close to them! That pole position made a big difference. I knew that the race was all about Turn 1 and the first three laps. I was probably a bit on the high side of being aggressive on the opening laps because I knew the prototypes were struggling to warm their tires. I made it through at Turn 1, and that was mainly it for the race. That risk made the rest of the race a little more relaxing. Taking the first victory for the Corvette C7.R is very big for us. We have been battling really hard from the beginning. All the Corvette Racing and Chevrolet guys have worked really hard throughout the offseason and into this year. A big thanks to them."

JAN MAGNUSSEN, NO. 3 CHEVROLET CORVETTE C7.R

"It was an important victory for the team and the guys who have worked so hard to get the Chevrolet Corvette C7.R ready for the season. The whole time we have had a fast car but didn't make the most of it. We had some reliability issues at Daytona and Sebring, so it's really nice that we can have a weekend like this with pole position and a win by leading from start to finish. I couldn't be happier for Antonio and myself, and for all the guys on the team. They really deserve it. A big thanks to Antonio. He did all the hard work and got a huge lead. That last hour for me was like a holiday for me! I just drove around making sure I didn't make any mistakes and stay off the wall."



OLIVER GAVIN, NO. 4 CHEVROLET CORVETTE C7.R

"It was a great result for Corvette Racing today. To get both cars on the podium and to get the first win for the Chevrolet Corvette C7.R is fantastic. It was a little frustrating for myself getting caught up behind one of the prototypes and battling with the BMWs. I was also struggling with high tire pressures for some reason. We just missed that all weekend. I don't know why but maybe we need to look at the systems we have. We kept the car in the race. Tommy got in and did a sterling job and got us right up behind the BMW but I think it was a bit too much to do to get by that car. It seemed that where we were quick, they weren't so good but then they were fast in some key spots. Tommy did all he could and drove extremely well. But the main thing for both cars is that we got fantastic results for points and the first win for the Corvette C7.R. It's a fantastic day for Corvette Racing."

TOMMY MILNER, NO. 4 CHEVROLET CORVETTE C7.R

"It was a great day for Corvette Racing. You could really see how strategy plays a part in tire wear and things like that. Great job to Antonio and Jan. They had a great race and got ahead of that one LMP car and could cruise. Our class has always been super-competitive, and it's fun to see it all play out with pit stops and strategy. It was a great day of racing here at Long Beach."

DOUG FEHAN, CORVETTE RACING PROGRAM MANAGER

"What a fantastic race for Chevrolet and Corvette Racing today at Long Beach! The team's strategy played out perfectly, and Antonio and Jan had mistake-free stints. Having Tommy Milner and Oliver Gavin join them on the podium makes this a very rewarding day for the Chevrolet Corvette C7.R program. Rest assured, we will work to capitalize on this momentum in our continued push for the first championship in the new TUDOR series."

Sources: www.imsa.com, www.corvetteracing.com



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1982 Commercial



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*And just for some eye & ear candy, this is the
new 2015 Convertible ZO6 firing up!*



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QsNJZonuMNY>





FRONT

CCR T-SHIRTS !

Get 'em before it's HOT!

Since Spring is now officially here, I will only be bringing Short-Sleeved T-shirts for sale to the meetings. Sizes S – XL are available in all 3 colors (red, black & white) for \$16, 2X shirts are \$17 and 3X are \$18.

You can still get long-sleeved tees and sweatshirts, but you'll need to call me. Tell me what you want and if it's in my inventory, I'll bring it to the next meeting or will make other arrangements to get it to you. Long-sleeve tees are \$20 and sweatshirts are \$25.



BACK

Hoodies and zipper hoodies are great for Spring when we don't need big coats. Since I don't have an inventory of these items, call me if you want one. Tell me what you want (zipper or no zipper, size and color) and when I have enough for a minimum order (12), I'll get them ordered.



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