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Dave Osgood

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#### Hello Members.

We had another great meeting for September and we covered a lot of ground with upcoming events. Heather is already organized for Adopta-Family, so we thank her for the dedication to this event. Even though it is only fall, we have to plan for our Christmas Party in January. In an effort to get a consensus on where the party should be it was decided to send out a group email asking for a vote on the location. The choices are the Lions Club in Londonderry or The Puritan Back Room in Manchester. The results are due September 21st.

I am heading up the election committee along with Dave Hill. You can contact both of us should you be running for a board position. The election is held at the November meeting. We need to get these names on a ballet well before the meeting. Some members are away and can vote via absentee ballet which is submitted to the Secretary prior to the meeting. My point here, is that the clock is ticking. As I have stated in other emails and at our meetings I am always available for your thoughts or comments.

It has been my pleasure to serve as the President of the Club these past two years.

One last thing. Even before I became President I don't think I missed a meeting; however, I will not be at the October meeting. Ellen and I are going to London for business with a little pleasure to go along with it.

Best David Gate City Corvette Club, Inc. is one of approximately 600 Corvette Clubs throughout the United States and Canada. The purpose of Gate City Corvette Club is to make being a Corvette owner more fun. Gate City Corvette Club meets at 7:00 p.m. the second Friday of the month at MacMulkin Chevrolet, 3 Marmon Drive, Nashua, NH.

# Vice President Report

Dennis Corrigan

Well, we are almost at the end of the cruising season. I will be posting a couple more cruises to either a show or to a destination where we can stop for lunch. Let's get our cars out there one or two more times before we put them away for the winter.

# Secretary Report

Allie DeCampo

President Dave Osgood began the September 14, 2018 meeting by taking a dinner count for the 110 Grill in Nashua.

**Membership Director**: In Dave Hill's absence, Larry Shields introduced potential new members Steve and Gerri attending their 1st meeting (2013 Grand Sport) and Paul and Joan attending their 2nd meeting (2018 black coupe). Maurice and Carla attending their 3rd meeting (1981 blue coupe) are now official members. Warm welcome to everyone!

**Newsletter Editor**: Larry Shields requested articles and photos for the newsletter. Also, he continues to work on the club's website and plans to provide a presentation in the near future.

**Secretary**: Allie DeCampo posted the secretary's report in the August newsletter. A motion was made by Ruth and seconded by Carol W. to accept. The motion was carried.

**Treasurer**: Dean Gagne presented the treasurer's report. A motion was made by Carol W. and seconded by Ruth to accept. The motion was carried.

Officer at Large: Heather Shields provided info on the following upcoming events:

- Crystal Mall Car Show, September, 16, 2018, Waterford, CT
- Driven to Make a Difference, September 22, 2018, Great Bay Corvette Club, Newington, NH
- The 15th Annual Vettes to Vets, September 30, 2018. Meeting place is the Marriot Hotel, 270 Concord Rd, Billerica, MA.
- JANE Autocross, September 29, 2018
- Smokin' Wheels for Hot Meals, October 7, 2018, Tamworth, NH
- New England Corvette Day, October 14, 2018, Corvette Museum, Portsmouth, RI
- Annual Corvette Show, October 20, 2018, Corvette Club of Western Mass
- Many cruise nights continue through October

**Vice President/Activities**: Dennis Corrigan talked about Cruise Night at Target in Amherst. The location is convenient to Texas Road House for dinner afterwards.

Time to plan the Christmas party for January 2019! Dan Feidler made a motion to hold the party at the Puritan Conference Center in Manchester. Heather made a motion for the Londonderry Lion's Hall. (We have had the party at the Puritan for the last two years and at the Lion's Hall for many years prior.) A discussion followed about the pros and cons of each venue. Dennis will send out an email requesting everyone's preference by next Friday.

**National Corvette Museum**: Dan Feidler encouraged everyone to join the NCM. Please let him know if you sign up for a new membership or renew an existing membership so he can get credit. Tickets will soon be available for the next Corvette raffle.

Heather Shields talked about the club's charitable donations to Adopt-a-Family for the upcoming holiday season. She will coordinate a shopping trip to the Walmart in Amherst, NH. Heather and Ruth shared information about what the club has done in the past to brighten a family's Christmas.

Election of the new board of directors for 2019 takes place at the November meeting. All positions are open. Dave Osgood and Dave Hill will serve as the nominating committee. Please reach out to the "2 Daves" if you are interested in serving on the board.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Maurice & Carla. The winner of the member raffle was not in attendance.

Dave adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

# Membership Report

Dave Hill

## 73 Paid, Honored and Honorary Members

#### Welcome to our newest members: Moe and Carla Lussier!

To Join Gate City Corvette Club, visit our website <a href="http://www.gatecitycorvetteclub.com/">http://www.gatecitycorvetteclub.com/</a> and click on the Membership Info Link

For more information, please contact: Dave Hill (Membership Director) at 603-860-8737 or davennh@gmail.com

# Join us in Celebrating the October Birthdays



Jim Ecke 10/23

Dan Zelonis 10/28

If you do not see your birthday listed and want it to be included next year, please send it to Dave Hill.

#### Hints and Tips:

Coming to a browser near you, a catalog of our official club shirts and jackets. Watch this space for more information.
M and N Sports, 6 Broad St, Nashua, NH 03064, is the vendor for club items.

- If you are an Amazon shopper, use the <a href="https://smile.amazon.com">https://smile.amazon.com</a> URL to have Amazon donate a portion of your purchase price to your favorite charity, and we hope that you will select the National Corvette Museum! Every little bit helps to preserve the Corvette treasures at the museum.
- And let's not forget to become a member of the National Corvette Museum as well!
- Save the Wave

We Get Around! Dave Osgood

Here are some pictures from various Gate City attended events – the Great Bay Corvette Show, and Vettes to Vets.

















Here's the wrap you read about last newsletter on George's car! It looked great!



Dave Hill & I went down once again to join the Jaguar Association of New England (JANE) for their 2<sup>nd</sup> slalom / autocross of the season. The weather was absolutely perfect for a fun day of driving, and amazingly they only had around 11 cars show up for the event. It's disappointing there weren't more cars to look at & watch, but on the upside, the runs went much faster than usual! While I didn't set any personal bests this time out, I did put down some continued consistent times in the 40.xxx range, just none as low as my personal best of 40.396. My quest to save off another ½ second or so continues! My best time of the day was good enough for fastest street car and was 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest overall behind a dedicated TR6 track car running 110 octane race fuel... which was about 1/3 of a second faster. I think I'll take being able to drive to the event with the top down and give up the 1/3 second. We had a great time and stuck around to help them break down the site afterwards. Dave & I ended up just hanging out chatting with a few of the organizers for over an hour after breakdown was over, talking cars and other manly topics. It was a great time and I encourage more folks to join us for the Spring Slalom they'll have next year! Here are a few pics from the day.

















# That Poor Vette... Larry Shields



https://www.corvetteblogger.com/2018/08/28/accident-c7-corvette-z06-crashes-during-an-open-track-session-at-the-nurburgring/\_-- Image: Auto Addiction Media

The Nurburgring. A track where legends can be made. Just under 13 miles of extremely challenging track, where manufacturers love to come and set competitive lap times. But the track opens to the public on a regular basis, and this C7 Z06 track goer was enjoying a great run on the track when they made an oopsie. Just as he was beginning to crest a hill with a gradual right bend, he got on it a bit too fast before the car was straightened out. The back end slid out, and with the nanny systems likely turned off on the track – lost it into the barrier.

# PUBLISHING INFORMATION – The next article/ad submission date is October 20th

Please help by sharing news about trips you've taken, shows you've attended, and suggestions for club activities, as well as technical advice, cleaning tips, or anything else that you feel would be of interest to our members. The club needs your input!

Letters, articles, notices, and ads are to be received by the editor by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month for inclusion in the upcoming newsletter. Classified ads are to be submitted on a monthly basis, and will not be carried over to the following month. Please contact the editor if you know of a business interested in purchasing advertising space in the newsletter. Thank you.

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## Picture of the Month



End of the Summer

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