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## *First Word*

**David Osgood**

Hello Members,

We are heading down the road to the end of this year, and what a year it has been. I am amazed at how many things we managed to get in this season even with a long stretch of rain. I am grateful to our members for their enthusiasm and commitment to our club. Also, I am especially grateful to our Board of Directors who contributed their time and talents to make this an enjoyable year for all.

As part of the Corvette community, our members possess an array of knowledge and experience. We are probably best known for hosting an extraordinary "point judged" show in the spring. We have, however, encountered some challenges. First, we had Covid concerns (like every other club) and then after many years of hosting our show on the grounds of Anheuser-Busch, the brewing company decided to go in a different direction with weddings and business functions rather than car shows. We will all need to focus our efforts on locating a venue if we wish to continue this tradition.

During the year we tried different meeting nights and had success early on with Thursdays but in the end decided to go back to our usual Fridays. **Our next meeting will be held on Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at Lui Lui Italian Restaurant in Nashua. Please see the meeting flyer on page 7 for details.** (This is the last meeting of 2021 as we typically don't have a meeting in December.) Also at our November meeting we will elect our officers for 2022.

Congratulations to MacMulkin Chevrolet for being the Number 1 Corvette Dealer in the entire world!! They provide awesome sales and service and we are grateful for their support.

November is the time to be thankful, a time to remember and embrace those who enrich our lives. I have much to be grateful for and that includes all of you. Wishing you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving!

Hope to see you at the November meeting!

Best,

*David Osgood, President*

Gate City Corvette Club is one of the hundreds of Corvette clubs throughout the United States and Canada. The purpose of GCCC is to make being a Corvette owner more fun. GCCC meets at 7:00 pm the second Friday of the month at MacMulkin Chevrolet, 3 Marmon Drive, Nashua, New Hampshire.



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## Activities Corner

As I sit here writing this article we are in for a week of rain and high winds. This could cut our season down by a few weeks as the cold creeps in with this double storm. But time will tell, after all this is New England and let's just wait a couple of days to see if things change.

Well, Susan and I just got back from the Ron Fellows Corvette Driving School at Spring Mountain Motor Resort outside of Las Vegas, Nevada. It was a very interesting 2-day course to take. Yes, there were many, many laps around the race track following the instructor. But this course was not about showing how to race your Corvette. This was a course to show you what the car is capable of doing to make you a better driver on regular roads. We had classes on how the ABS brake system functions and how you can still steer your car with the brakes fully pressed down. They also put us on a wet figure 8 course making the car slide and turn as we hit the gas in corners then when "Weather Mode" is selected on the Driver Mode Control traction control took over with no slippage. There was class room time to explain the functions of the car and what was going to happen as we climbed into the cars for the next exercise. Everyone had a car assigned to each of us as we followed the instructor around the course with 2-way radios. It was an exciting 2 days!







Susan and I then spent 2 full days in Las Vergas walking the strip, seeing a show and visiting several casinos. We also spent some time on Fremont Street (original Vegas Strip) taking in the many street shows and vendors.



It's five o'clock somewhere!



This year our club had many cruises around the state and also Vermont, Maine and Massachusetts. We are always looking for new ideas and places to cruise to so let us know if you have ideas.

We have one more Club meeting coming up on Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. The Board came up with an idea of having a pizza party so the Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting place will be Lui Lui Italian Restaurant located at 258 Daniel Webster Highway Nashua, N.H. The Club will buy the pizza and sodas and a cash bar is available to purchase other beverages if you desire. This meeting is also “election night” for the Board of Directors. The get-together starts at 6:00 PM, meeting at about 7:00 and we have the room until 9:00 PM. We know that’s an earlier starting time so don’t worry if you need to arrive a bit later. We will, however, need a head count for the restaurant prior to that evening. **The season is coming to an end so let’s all get together to socialize and have a pizza party before the holidays begin!**

**(Remember the November meeting is on Friday November 12<sup>th</sup> at Lui Lui Italian Restaurant - NOT AT MacMulkin Chevrolet.) Please see meeting flyer on page 7 for details.**

*Norm Wood*

Vice-President



*Cars & Coffee at the Land Rover Dealership in Bedford, NH*





**Let's get together!**  
**Gate City Corvette Club**  
**Pizza Night\***

**Friday, November 12, 2021**  
**6:00 – 9:00 pm**

**Lui Lui Italian Restaurant**  
**259 Daniel Webster Highway**  
**Nashua, New Hampshire**

**Please RSVP by November 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Liz Stewart or Allie DeCampo**

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**What's more fun than friends and food?**

**\*Replaces November meeting at MacMulkin Chevrolet**

**President:** The October 8, 2021 Gate City Corvette Club meeting was held at MacMulkin Chevrolet in Nashua. After we all admired the new Corvettes in the showroom, David began the meeting at 8:00 pm.

**Treasurer:** Dean Gagne updated on the status of our taxes. He reviewed the treasurer's report. A motion was made and the report was accepted by the membership.

**Membership Director:** Tom Stewart reported he has been in contact with potential new members.

**Secretary:** Allie thanked members for their contributions to the newsletter and asked that everyone send photos and write-ups after attending any type of Corvette activities or events. Cover photos are needed...please submit your favorites. There is a new section in the newsletter with news about the National Corvette Museum and New England Caravan 2024 written by Larry Goelz, ambassador to the NCM. A motion to accept the secretary's report was made and accepted.

**Vice President/Activities Director:** Norm Wood plans to attend a Corvettes and Coffee at the Landover dealership in Bedford, NH on Sunday, October 10th. The "all car" show is from 8 – 12 noon. Please join him if you are available.

The GCCC Corvettes in Autumn Cruise is scheduled for October 16<sup>th</sup>. Along the way stops include the Vermont Country Store in Rockingham, Vermont and Papagallos Restaurant in Keene, NH.

**Officer at Large:** Brent AuCoin was unable to attend the meeting.

**NCM Ambassador:** Larry Goelz updated the membership on National Corvette Museum news. He also talked about the New England Caravan to the Museum planned for 2024. (He was wearing the new and attractive 2024 Caravan shirt.) Please see Larry's report beginning on page 16.

Heather talked about the "Adopt-a Family" shopping night. A motion was made and accepted to approve a charitable donation. The shopping night may be moved up to a date before Thanksgiving due to an expected shortage of all goods this holiday season.

Dave Hill is heading the nominating committee for election of officers to be held at the November meeting.

A couple of suggestions were made as possible venues for Spring Fling. Jim Galletly mentioned the Pheasant Lane Mall and other suggestions were NH race tracks.

David adjourned the meeting shortly before 8:00 pm.

*Allie*





# GCCC Absentee Ballot 2022

Nominees for the 2022 officers are listed below. If you would like to nominate somebody else for any one of the positions, please enter them as a write-in nominee and mail your ballot to Gate City Corvette Club, Box 623, Nashua, NH 03061 before November 4<sup>th</sup>.

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Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_

President: David Osgood	
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Vice President: Brent AuCoin	
Write In:	
Treasurer: Dean Gagne	
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Secretary: Allie DeCampo	
Write In:	
Officer at Large: Norm Wood	
Write In:	
Membership Director: Tom Stewart	
Write In:	

# 2023 CS Z06 Revealed!



Images from Chevrolet





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# That Poor Vette



Some of the poor Vettes I've written about over the years have really hit me in the feels – this one might be one of the worst. These poor brand-new, still shrink-wrapped C8's were on an auto transport bringing them to the dealers before they could go to their new homes. They were headed south and caught fire in Tennessee, about 15 minutes north of Nashville. The driver pulled into a truck stop to check on an issue with the truck, and soon after – this is what happened. Thankfully the driver is okay but a lot of planned-to-be-new C8 owners are going to be waiting just a little longer for their new cars.

**TPV contributed by Larry Shields**

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**Additional images submitted by Tony Centrella**



## Gate City Corvette Club Membership Report

To Join Gate City Corvette Club, visit our website

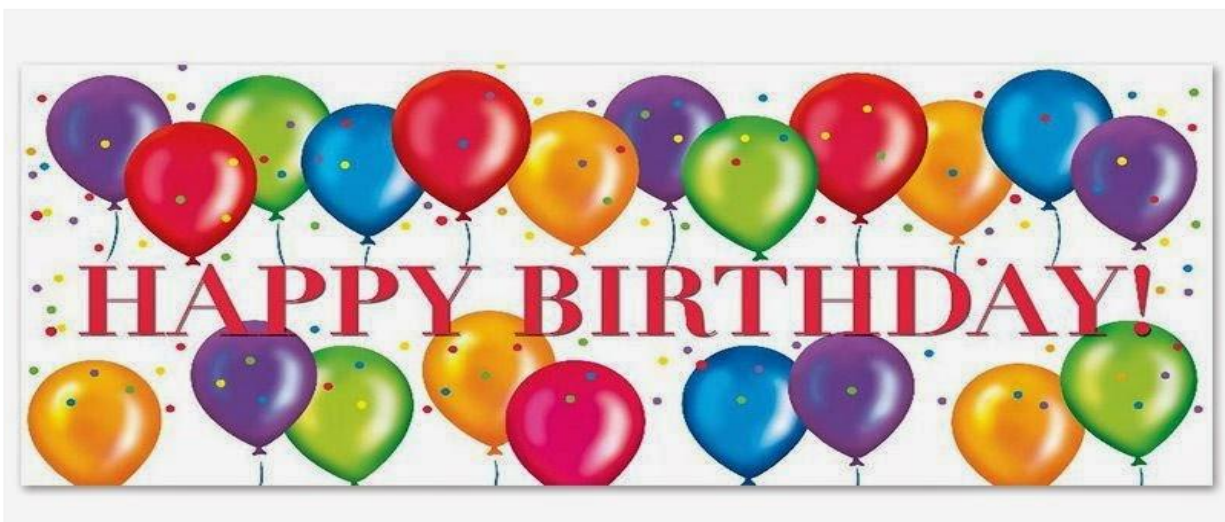
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and click on the Membership Info Link

For more information, please contact: Tom Stewart, Membership Director

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**Join us in celebrating the November birthdays!**



*Alba Lamboy 11/01*

*Jay Houghton 11/17*

*Donna Centrella 11/01*

*Alan Whittier 11/18*

*Joan Guimond 11/10*

*Cathy Pratt 11/18*

*Larry Goelz 11/14*

*Linda Allain 11/20*

*Bob White 11/15*

If you do not see your birthday listed and wish to be included, please send your date of birth (month and day) to Tom Stewart at the phone number or email address above.

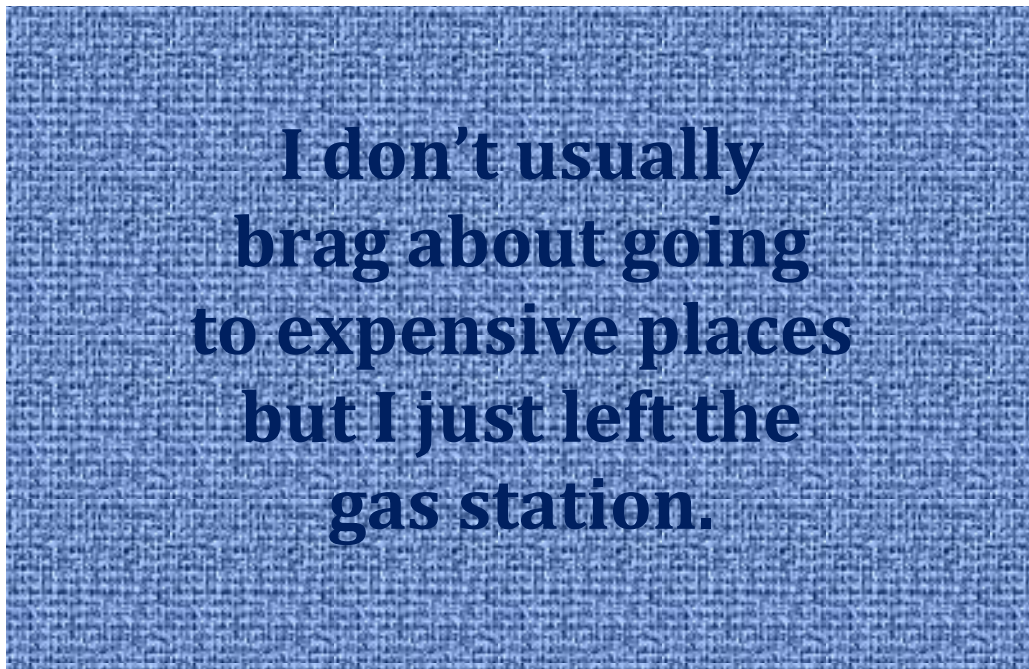
### Member Hints and Tips

- If you are an Amazon shopper, use the <https://smile.amazon.com> 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.
- Consider becoming a member of the National Corvette Museum.
- Remember to Save the Wave!

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## Scenes from Autumn Cruise





## Ambassador's NCM Update

*As the GCCC Ambassador, I have goals to meet for the NCM. For me to meet the goals I need each of you to **let me know** if you attend a museum event, purchase memberships, purchase raffle tickets, purchase bricks/tiles/bench, or make donations to the museum.*

***Congratulations*** to Tom and Liz Stewart for becoming NCM members.

**Gate City Corvette Club NCM Passes** – GCCC has two passes for the National Corvette Museum for use by our members, who are not members of the NCM, when visiting the museum. If you would like to use the passes, contact Dean Gagne at [dean\\_gagne@yahoo.com](mailto:dean_gagne@yahoo.com).



## NCM News:

- NCM Purchased the Country Hearth Inn (located across the street from the museum) and will have it demolished. All items in the Inn were donated locally and any recoverable materials after demolition will be recycled. There are no current plans to develop the property.





- As the National Corvette Museum continues to make necessary improvements to maintain the quality guests have come to expect from our world class establishment, we are enthusiastically progressing toward a 2 story-30,000 square foot addition to the Museum. Currently there is no date for starting the construction. The state-of-the-art campus addition plans include:
  - Specialty Exhibit Spaces and Rotating Displays
  - Lifetime Members Lounge
  - Open Theater Space
  - Sensory Calming Room for Guests with Unique Needs
  - Kids Zone Education Center
  - Rooftop Members Lounge



## Current Special Exhibits:

- “Corvette Powered” runs through 30 April 2022.



The new *Corvette Powered* exhibit explores select stories and the reason they chose Corvette engines to power their vehicles. Stories from Italy to America, Wisconsin to California, and from paved roads to glass-smooth lakes will grace the Exhibit Hall at the Museum until Bash of 2022.

- Upcoming Special Exhibit is the Mobile "9/11 Never Forget" display running from 3 November 2021 through 9 November 2021 and is sponsored by Tunnel to Towers Foundation.

## NCM Events Update:

- Vets 'n Vettes on 4 – 6 November at NCM
- NCM Ambassadors Annual Meeting on 2 – 3 November at NCM
- NCM 9-day Caribbean Cruise on April 15 – 24.
- NCM Bash on April 28 – 30.

## NCM Motorsports Park News:

- NCM Kartplex – ongoing event

There are many other track experience packages offered.

Go to <https://www.motorsportspark.org/> for complete information on track offerings



## NCM Raffle: (Purchased on-line or print the order form and mail it in.)

Current Corvettes being raffled are:

2022 Build Your Own; 11/11/2021; tickets are \$250.00

2022 Silver Flare Corvette Convertible 12/2/2021; tickets are \$200.00

2022 Artic Whit Convertible; 04/30/2022; tickets are \$20.00

<https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/index.cfm>

## NCM Membership:

The museum exists to support the Corvette Enthusiasts worldwide and memberships are a large part of its sources of revenue. If you are a member, remember to renew it, if you are not a member, please consider purchasing one of the membership levels.

<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/support/membership/>

A single membership is \$50.00 annually and provides you with the following NCM benefits:

- Membership card
- NCM member lapel pin
- Free admission to member\*
- Discount on NCM sponsored events
- Annual subscription to America's Sports Car
- 10% discount on merchandise from the Corvette Store and catalog\*\*\*
- 10% off NCM Motorsports Park Driving Club initiation fee
- Discount on insurance from NCM Insurance Agency
- Discounts on car rentals and hotels
- 20% discount on CARFAX reports
- \$10 off membership to Air Evac/AirMedCare Network
- Access to Members Only section of website, including Monthly Corvette Calendar Wallpaper and Special Videos

## Contributing to the NCM:

Donations are one of several funding sources that the museum counts on for meeting its financial obligations annually. Contributions can be made by:

**\*Become a member**

**\*On-line monetary donations**

**\*Purchase of raffle tickets**

**\*Committing a portion of an estate to the museum**

**\*Setting up a regular donation**

**\*Purchase of bricks, tiles, benches**

**\*Donation of a Corvette to the museum**

## NCM Insurance:

NCM Insurance is an agent for American Modern Insurance Group and is licensed in all 50 states, covering any collector car (make or model) that is considered a collector car. Also available is insurance for HPDE, and through Van Meter Insurance, coverage for everyday cars and most anything you want to protect.

[www.ncminsurace.com](http://www.ncminsurace.com)

"The mission of the National Corvette Museum is to celebrate the Corvette's invention and preserve the legendary automobile's past, present, and future. The museum will serve as an educational and research model for all to enjoy."

Please contact Larry Goelz for more information about the National Corvette Museum.

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# **2024 National Corvette Museum Caravan Update**

**Larry Goelz**

## **NOVEMBER 2021**

- NCM announced 2024 Caravan Chair (Over all Captain) – Frank Sancineto, a member of RTP Corvettes and Queen City Corvettes in North Carolina.
- The 2024 Caravan has 25 Regions with 16 having Captains identified.
- NCM will open registration for the 2024 Caravan in the fall of 2023.
- The official NCM 2024 Caravan Web site is now up and running – [www.corvettecaravan.com/new\\_england/](http://www.corvettecaravan.com/new_england/) . Click on New England area of the map to access the 2024 New England Caravan information.
- NE Caravan Planning Update:
  - All States/E. Canada have leaders – NH State Leaders are Jeff and Alyssa Batula, who also will cover Vermont.
  - The logo designs are complete.
  - Clothing has been received and available for sale; current items include denim shirts, polo shirts, and jackets, t-shirts will be available at a later date.
  - NE Caravan routes have been laid out.
  - All hotels have been contracted with – Wyndham Hotel in Gettysburg, Hotel Roanoke in Roanoke, VA, Embassy Suites in Concord, NC, Meadowview Resort in Kingsport, TN, and the Holiday Inn in Bowling Green, KY.
  - Events for each leg of the trip have been identified.
  - Three Meet and Greets are in the planning stages – first one will be in Hyannis, MA on October 20 – 23, 2022, with the Double Tree by Hilton Hotels has been booked and registration for this event will open in April 2022; the second will be in the Finger Lakes Region in the Fall of 2023. A third one is being looked into for Spring '23, either in NH (Loon Mountain Resort), or in the state of Maine. However, we are also considering doing the third one in conjunction with the Nova Scotia Auto Show in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia in mid-July 2022.
  - The October Team Leaders Zoom meeting went well. The next meeting will be in November.
  - 2024 NE Caravan Registration will OPEN on 14 February 2022, Valentine Day!
  - The kick-off for the Caravan will be in Gettysburg, PA, at the Wyndham Hotel (starting on Thursday 22 August; 2-day minimum stay), departing on Sunday 25 August for Hotel Roanoke in Roanoke, VA (driving on part of the Blue Ridge Parkway), departing on Monday 26 August, the

plan is to go to the Virginia International Speedway for track time and lunch, then on to the Embassy Suites Hotel in Concord, NC, departing on 27 August for the Meadowview Resort in Kingsport, TN, departing on 28 August for the Holiday Inn (4 day minimum stay) in Bowling Green, KY, departing on 1 September for Home.

- The 2024 New England Caravan web site is located at [www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/](http://www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/).
- The 2024 New England Caravan Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/2024-new-england-covette-caravan-341737302699241/>.

## The 7<sup>th</sup> National Corvette Caravan is slated for August 29-31, 2024

2024 New England Corvette Caravan Registration opening **February 14, 2022**

### CAPTAINS

Randy/Judy Flock  
Larry/Ingrid Goelz

### STATE LEADERS

Connecticut	Jeff/Mary Lou Barcome
Massachusetts	Don/Cindy Mason
New Hampshire	Jeff/Alyssa Batula
Vermont	Jeff/Alyssa Batula
New York	Dave Fournigault/Crissy Dawson
Rhode Island	Doug/Charlene Lombardi
Maine	Bruce/Debbie Cates
Eastern Canada	Ivan/Amanda Hines



*Often referred to as the world's largest moving automotive event, the National Corvette Caravan is a celebration of America's Sports Car, culminating in Bowling Green, Kentucky for the anniversary celebration of the National Corvette Museum. **Hosted only once every five years**, the next event is slated for Labor Day Weekend 2024 and will mark the Museum's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.*

*Regional caravans will form and join other caravans as they travel across the United States to meet in Bowling Green, KY for four days of festivities at the National Corvette Museum.*



# FALL







# Gathering Leaves

by Robert Frost 1874- 1963

Spades take up leaves  
No better than spoons,  
And bags full of leaves  
Are light as balloons.

I make a great noise  
Of rustling all day  
Like rabbit and deer  
Running away.

But the mountains I raise  
Elude my embrace,  
Flowing over my arms  
And into my face.

I may load and unload  
Again and again  
Till I fill the whole shed,  
And what have I then?

Next to nothing for weight,  
And since they grew duller  
From contact with the earth,  
Next to nothing for color.

Next to nothing for use,  
But a crop is a crop,  
And who's to say where  
The harvest shall stop?

Mike & Allie's Maple Tree





# PUBLISHING & ADVERTISING

The next article/ad submission date is: **November 20, 2021**

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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.

Reports, articles, notices, letters, photos and ads are to be received by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month for inclusion in the upcoming newsletter. Thank you for helping to make our newsletter interesting and informative.

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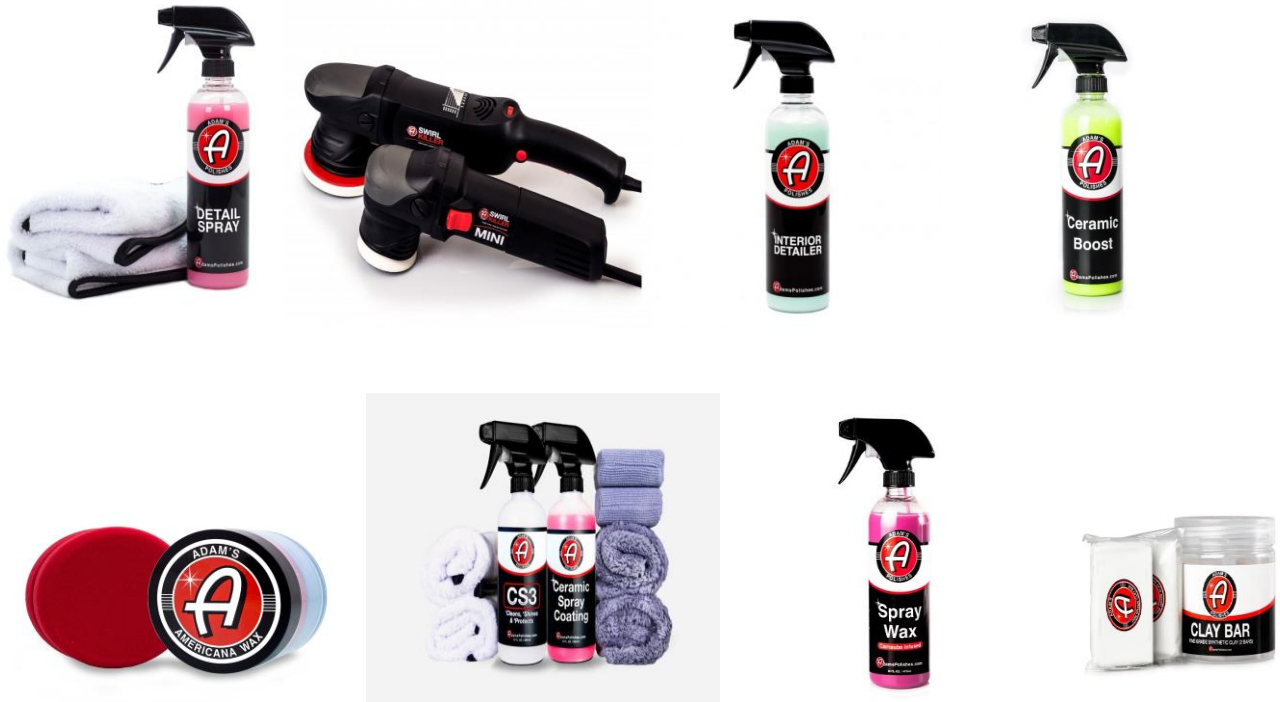
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