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**Paul & Dan Keefe's Epic Adventure**  
**A search for the best Corvette money can buy**



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## First Word

David Osgood

Hello Members,

It's August, already? What a fun summer we are having with club activities. Our organized cruises have been well attended by both established and newer members. The enthusiasm has been very rewarding to our team on the activities committee. We all enjoy the cars but always the best part is being with friends!



The Kimball Farm cruise was a nice drive on back roads from Milford to Jaffrey... roads I actually had never been on before. Everyone went with either top off or top down, well almost everyone! The food was good and worth the wait.

We had several Corvettes join in for our morning caravan to the Aviation Museum of New Hampshire for its annual car show. We arrived at the museum quite early and were able to get front row parking. We even had a chance to display our club flag amongst the 250 or more participating vehicles.

Just a reminder about Corvette Club of Rhode Island's event coming up in August. We will go over the details of the drive down at our next meeting on Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Safe travels to all!

Best,  
David

Right: Gate City Corvette Club  
Corvettes at the Summer Picnic  
In Pembroke, New Hampshire



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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Dear Fellow GCCC Members,

Wow! I can't believe that we are now in the month of August already! It seems like just yesterday that the Activities Committee was brainstorming for the 2022 season activities and events calendar back in February and March of 2021! With only four months left of the season, however, we still have many places to go and things to see.

With the pandemic seemingly under control it has been a pretty good year attendance -wise at our meetings, cruises and events. It's been nice to have a sense of freedom to just hop in the Vette and go... Hopefully, the remaining four months of the season will be the same...

July was a pretty active month with 4 events plus the club's business/dinner meeting held at Bertucci's Italian Restaurant. Following is a recap of July:

- Club Meeting and Dinner on July 8<sup>th</sup>
- Kimball Farm Ice Cream Cruise to Jaffrey, NH on July 10<sup>th</sup>
- Aviation Museum's Annual Classic Car Show on July 16<sup>th</sup>
- Nova Scotia Meet & Greet (2024 Caravan) July 14, 15, 16
- Club Picnic on July 24<sup>th</sup> at Pembroke Memorial Field



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who had a hand in hosting these events with special thanks to Norm and Sue for the planning, organizing, preparing and the execution of our very successful 2022 Club Picnic!

Looking forward to August, we have yet another pretty full calendar of events to look forward to. (Please see complete calendar for the remaining season on page 19.)

- Yankee Candle Factory and Harp Irish Pub Cruise, Deerfield MA on August 7<sup>th</sup>
- Club Meeting and Dinner on August 12<sup>th</sup>
- Corvettes of RI "Corvettes By the Sea" 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on August 14<sup>th</sup> 11-3 pm  
(This is an important event for our club – Please try to make it!)
- Corvettes of Carlisle is August 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>

With September just around the corner, I want to remind you of our over-night cruise to the North Country - North Conway – visiting the Mount Washington Hotel for lunch, the N. Conway Grand Hotel for our over-night and the Cog Railway for a trip to the top of Mount Washington. This is a two-day event that will take us through many back roads and picturesque towns. The dates are Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> and Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. In the coming days, I will resend the information out again for your consideration. Should you decide to go, I ask that you send me an e-mail to confirm your attendance at [woodboundview1@msn.com](mailto:woodboundview1@msn.com).



SAVE THE DATE: Corvette Club of Rhode Island is hosting their annual event "Corvettes by the Sea" 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Let's show our support for this event as their support of Spring Fling was tremendous and contributed greatly to our success. Please consider attending this one and stay tuned for more details in the coming days...

"Save the Wave"

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Roads less traveled...  
Fun Sunday Cruise to  
Kimball Farm, Jaffrey



**President:** David Osgood began the July meeting at 7:00 pm at MacMulkin Chevrolet. He thanked everyone for attending and took a count for the after meeting dinner.

**Membership Director:** Tom Stewart introduced new members Paul DiSalvo and Lynne LaForce attending their third event. Welcome to Paul and Lynne!!!

**Treasurer:** Dean Gagne presented a summary of the treasurer's report and will follow-up with the complete report in an email.

**Secretary:** Allie reviewed the June secretary's report. David mentioned that he has enjoyed reading the introductory info about our newest members in the newsletter.

**Office at-Large:** Norm Wood talked about upcoming club events:

- Cruise to Kimball Farm in Jaffrey on July 10 2022
- Aviation Museum Car Show, Saturday on July 16 2022
- GCCC Summer Picnic on Sunday, July 24 2022, Pembroke Memorial Field (rain or shine)
- NH Muscle Car Show at New England Dragway on Saturday, July 30, 2022
- Cuvette Club of Rhode Island's "Corvettes by the Sea" on Sunday, August 14, 2022 at new location  
It's about a 2 ½ hour drive and we will plan to caravan together. The entry fee is \$25.00. (See flyer for more info on page 22.)
- Cruising Elm Street, Manchester, NH on Saturday, September 3 2022. Large event with 800 plus cars - we would need to meet and arrive early if we plan to park together.
- Ashby, MA, Fire and EMS Car Show, Sunday, September 4, 2022 (Brent attended last year and enjoyed.)

**Vice President/Activities Director:** Brent gave an update on the over-night trip planned for North Conway for September 11- 12. (See flyer on page 18.)

Dean gave an update on the proceeds from Spring Fling and a review of the charities we have supported in the past. The membership voted to donate the proceeds of the 50/50 raffle to the American Cancer Society. The membership voted to make a donation to the Nashua Soup Kitchen now and at Thanksgiving. The membership also voted to set aside money for the Adopt-a- Family program in December.

Paul D. talked about the Fitzwilliam Police Association 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show, August 28<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am – 2:00 pm. (See flyer on page 23.)

**NCM Ambassador:** Larry Goelz was unable to attend the meeting.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Jim McLaughlin. The winner of the member raffle was not in attendance.

David adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

*Allie*



## Gate City Corvette Club Membership

To Join Gate City Corvette Club visit our website

<http://www.gatecitycorvetteclub.com/>

and click on the Membership Info Link

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**Join us in celebrating August birthdays!**



<i>Ingrid Goelz</i>	<i>8/10</i>	<i>Sandy Gagne</i>	<i>8/21</i>
<i>Norm Wood</i>	<i>8/15</i>	<i>Sylvie Klyop</i>	<i>8/25</i>
<i>Liz Stewart</i>	<i>8/16</i>	<i>Priscilla Sleeper</i>	<i>8/30</i>
<i>Jim McLaughlin</i>	<i>8/18</i>		

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.
- Embroidered Clothing: Maverick's Stitch and Screen, 522 Amherst Street, Unit 28, Nashua, NH  
Contact Norma or Nathan 603-521-8358
- Remember to Save the Wave

## Corvette Trivia

**Question:** Who named the Corvette and why? Answer can be found on page 17.

Trivia Submitted by Mitch Bagdikian

## That Poor Vette

A brand new 2023 Stingray didn't get off to a great start in life. It seems to have ended up on the rocks along the side of this Texas highway, while still wearing its temporary license plate from the dealer. It looks like someone may have been having a too much fun on a nice twisty road, but wasn't quite yet ready for the power of their new car. Be careful out there folks, and remember, as Uncle Ben once said, "... with great power, comes great responsibility."



<https://www.corvetteblogger.com/2022/06/21/accident-on-the-rocks-new-2023-corvette-stingray-with-temporary-tags-crashes-in-texas/>

TPV Submitted by Larry Shields



# Aviation Museum Annual All Car Show

by Norm Wood

On Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup> the Aviation Museum in Londonderry, NH held its annual “all vehicle” show at their facility adjacent to the Manchester- Boston Regional Airport. Gate City Corvette Club had 12 Corvettes attending with 8 cars meeting up just down the road from the show. (This way the 8 cars could all park together.) We also displayed our new GCCC banana flag!

The weather was overcast but good. There were a few threatening dark clouds in the early afternoon but no rainfall to spoil the fun. We had a great time socializing with members and other car owners.

Tom Stewart, our membership director, was busy searching the area for Corvette owners and providing information about our club. He found several and at least one showed an interest in joining.

I estimate there were over 250 vehicles including a 2-seat early 1920's race car, Army vehicles, antique fire trucks, motorcycles and many unique cars on the museum grounds. There were 2 trophies given out, one People's Choice Award and a Museum Award along with several door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. In addition to all the great vehicles in the show, we got an up close view of the private jets of the NASCAR celebrities that just happened to be on the runway next to the museum parking area.

At 2:00 pm we had an orderly exit from the show with no traffic jams. A good time was had by all!



Photos provided by Mike Klyop

# Paul & Dan Keefe's Epic Corvette Adventure

A story of bargain basement Corvette hunting, with questionable judgement...

One peaceful afternoon, I was having a good day at work until my brother, Dan, called me with a proposition. His boss picked up a black '98 convertible Corvette for a great price and offered it to Dan for a good price. The caveat, of course, is that it just needs a "little" work, supposedly just a mass airflow sensor. I told him to go for it; you won't find another one for a cheaper price. You have to take the deals when they come!

He gets to the car and it does not run. "It ran last year!" says the boss. Why do these stories all play out the same? Unsure what to do, Dan convinces his boss to let him bring it to my house for the weekend so we can play with it and try to narrow down the issue. He trailers it to my house and I start looking at it. Now, I am not a mechanic, but I sure can Google search as good as anyone. This false sense of confidence gives me the ability to replace spark plugs and oil, while mentally looking down on real mechanics.

My initial reaction to this car is NO! If a typical 20-year-old paint job is considered a 10-footer, then this was a 100-footer with cataracts through late night infomercial sunglasses. The paint was faded and scratched up with damage repairs from the backyard body shop. The interior was filthy and smelled musty. However, we had the weekend and decided if we can diagnose it, we can get it even cheaper. After spending a couple hours searching the internet and trying different things, we determined it was well out of our league. And like a puppy dog that wants 3rd dinner, Dan looks at me wide eyed and asks, "But what if we DO figure it out eventually?" To which I reply, "NO. Bad Dan!"

So, Dan brings the car back to his boss, making it boss man's problem. Unfortunately (fortunately?), this only begins the journey. Like an itch that can't be scratched, or a drug that leaves you needing more (so I've heard), the Corvette has sank it's fangs into the emotional attachment part of Dan's heart. He just couldn't get his mind off the low fender lines, the flowing hood, or the comfortable driving position. He wouldn't shut up about finding another one. So, the search begins...

Here's the criteria - a C5, preferably in black, coupe, 6 speed. The budget is about \$12k or less. Location - the whole U.S. of A. Sounds impossible, especially in today's market, right? You are right, except we have low standards. We use autotempest to search craigslist nationwide. We narrow it down to about 8 cars. Then 5. Then 2. Dan then calls a fellow with

a sweet looking black coupe, located in Omaha, NE. Though he seemed kind, his honesty was appreciated for Dan to determine that he was a whacko and his car was on the brink of being a basket case. The next gentleman was from Dallas Texas. They say everything is bigger in Texas, which explains his ego. After speaking with him on the phone, Dan felt much better compared to the Nebraskan. He even decided that THIS was the car! We booked one way flights from Boston to Dallas and spent the week nervous about our questionable judgement.

After a mild heart attack inducing flight delay that would cause us to miss our connecting flight, Dan picks up the phone and gets a new flight booked. That gives us a plethora of time, 12 minutes, to get to our new connecting flight. We flew into Dallas at 11:45 PM on Friday, where the seller graciously picked us up at the airport terminal. Side note- the outside temperature was 95 degrees at midnight. 95 DEGREES AT MIDNIGHT! We arrive at the seller's home and finally see the



black C5 in its unwashed, filthy glory. Dan took it for a test drive, handed the seller a suspicious looking envelope of cash, completed the paperwork, and we drove off to begin our 27 hour brain-melting, coma-inducing, soul-sucking commute back towards the Gate City. We drove 3 hours until our eyes got heavy and we decided it was best to find a motel. I know the sleeping guests in Arkansas welcomed us with opened arms at 4 AM, as we pulled into the parking lot with long tube headers and aftermarket mufflers. Sorry, y'all.

A new day has dawned and we were on an important mission. We had a small window of opportunity, with no margin for error- get to the National Corvette Museum before they close! We had just under 500 miles to get from Southwest Arkansas to Bowling Green, Kentucky. The museum closed at 5:00 PM and luckily we got there just after 3:30 PM. Even though we were a bit short on time, I very much enjoyed the museum walk through. Next time I go, I will insist that I have the time to read every plaque; but something is better than nothing. After goofing around the gift shop for a while, we found something to eat and we carried on our way. At this point, we were pretty tired of the narrow aftermarket seats and the loud mufflers- it's exhausting! The hours were rolling by as highway hypnosis took control of our minds. The car had spells of running rough, presumably because it lacks O2



sensors on the newly installed exhaust system. Luckily, after a stop at Walmart for basic tools, we were able to disconnect the battery for a few minutes and reset the computer to get us by for a few more hours. We, (ok, I) decided we should stop for a good night's sleep as we landed somewhere in Ohio. We wrap up the journey on Sunday with an uneventful 12 hour stretch through forgotten America. We arrived home at 9:30 PM, just in time for Dan to wake up at 5am for work on Monday (I was off for the week, haha).

So was it worth it? We think so. Despite the car running rough some of the time, we believe it should be a relatively easy fix. The car cleaned up quite nicely. It's not perfect, but it was the least expensive modern Corvette money can buy. Dan is looking forward to joining Gate City Corvette Club to participate in some cruises and events.

I forgot to mention, the car has 165k miles. If that's not questionable judgement, I don't know what is!



Dan's black C5 6-speed coupe



# Scenes from the Summer Picnic









# Castle in the Clouds

## Did you know...

Thomas Plant was born in 1859 to French-Canadian immigrants in Bath, Maine.

Thomas left school at age fourteen to help support his family and eventually became an apprentice in a local shoe factory. In 1880, he moved to Lynn, Massachusetts, known as the shoe-making capital of the world, for employment.



Legend has it that Plant won a bet over a baseball game that was to provide the seed money to invest in a business. At 25 years of age he entered into a venture that would lead to establishing his own successful shoe company, the Thomas G. Plant Company of Boston, in 1891.

Over the next twenty years, his company grew into the world's largest shoe factory. The thirteen-acre grounds (and possibly the 6 story building itself) were designed by the architectural firm of Frederick Law Olmsted, designers of Central Park in New York City and the Fenway and other parks in Boston.

Growing up with little money and experiencing firsthand unsafe working environments and long hours, Plant implemented many early reforms in his business. At a time when factory conditions were often deplorable and workers exploited, he provided shorter working hours and higher wages.

For the wellbeing of his employees, Plant provided benefits including swimming pool, library, gym and outside recreational area. He started a nursery/kindergarten onsite for working parents and their children.

In 1910, following a long court battle over infringement claims, Plant sold his business (and the patents for his shoe machinery) and retired at the age of 51, adding millions to his already growing fortune.

In 1912, Plant purchased a tract of land known as Ossipee Mountain Park along with additional acreage in New Hampshire.

In 1913, Tom and his wife Olive began construction on a 6500 acre estate they called Lucknow in Moultonborough. This 16 room home is a pristine architectural example of the Arts and Crafts movement.

With amazing views of the Ossipee Mountains and Lake Winnepesaukee the property is now known as Castle in the Clouds.

The stone exterior is made from granite cut from the surrounding mountains. The stones were hand carved by Italian stone masons who, on a good day, could cut and lay in place no more than three stones.

The lumber for the exterior and interior woodwork was cut from the property and hand hewn in the shipyards of Bath, Maine before being shipped back to the site by railroad, boat and horse.



The house exhibits skilled hand craftsmanship of its interior and exterior including stained glass and a number of technological innovations of the early 20th Century.

Lucknow was one of the first homes to have a phone and electricity which was powered by its own water powered generator. Other residents of Moultonborough did not yet have electricity in their homes.

Plant is said to have had the first fire truck in Moultonborough and fire hydrants inside the house. He also had a central vacuum system, a self-cleaning stove and a brine cooled refrigerator.



At the height of construction on the home there were as many as 1000 workers on the property at one time.

In constructing his estate he built a carriage house and stable for ten horses and cut 30 miles of carriage roads through the forest for private driving. Mountain fields provided summer pastures and an impressive golf course.

For many years the Plants enjoyed a luxurious lifestyle, state-of-the-art amenities, beautiful handmade furnishings and a large staff to run the estate.

In 1917, Plant also built and endowed a residence for senior citizens along the Kennebec River in Bath, Maine in honor of family members who had lived and worked in the area. The Plant Memorial Home continues to operate as a nonprofit assisted living facility for seniors.

Overspending and bad investments he made in Russian bonds just prior to the Russian Revolution and sugar prior to a collapse of the sugar market after World War I, led to his financial downfall.

Plant attempted to sell the mountaintop estate from the mid-1920s through the years of the Great Depression, however, no buyer was found. He mortgaged parcels of land and the house and continued to live at Lucknow until his death. (He refused to harvest lumber on the property.)

Thomas Plant died broke in 1941 at age 82, just before creditors auctioned off everything he owned. It is said that a collection had to be taken among neighbors and friends to pay his burial expenses. Olive returned to her family in Illinois.

In the years to follow, Lucknow remained a private summer residence. The property was sold and opened to the public in 1959 as Castle in the Clouds.

It partnered in 1992 – 2002 with Castle Springs bottled water. In 1995 the company added the Lucknow Brewery. During those years, visitors toured the bottling plant and spring site in addition to the mansion.



In 2002, the Lakes region Conservation Trust raised approximately 5 million through private donations to purchase what remained of the original Lucknow. Soon after, the Castle Preservation Society was formed to manage the buildings and grounds.

In 2018, the property was added to the National Register of Historic Places.

Today Castle in the Clouds remains a major tourist attraction. Visitors can enjoy the historic arts and crafts mansion, beautiful grounds and trails, and the magnificent views.

Sources: <https://www.castleintheclouds.org/>  
<http://www.lucknow.com/tomplantindustrialist.htm>

## Trivia Question Answer:

Mitch Bagdikian

Out of over 300 submissions from a GM Contest in 1953, the name suggested by Myron E. Scott was the winner. Myron started working for Chevrolet in 1937 as an assistant director for the public relations department. He was responsible for photography of new cars, designing of press kits, graphics and special events. Myron thought the name Corvette would appeal to the World War II Veterans because the Corvette was a fast strike ship used in the War effort. The name Corvette was first used by the French Navy in the 1670's.

## Member Photo



Butch Nordstrom snapped this picture of his Corvette at an A & W on a recent trip to Lake George, New York. This brings back memories!





## Gate City Corvette Club Member Event

Overnight stay at the North Conway Grand Hotel, 72 Common Court, North Conway, September 11 – 12, 2022 Hotel Reservation (direct): 603-356-9300

<https://www.northconwaygrand.com>

Beautiful cruise through New Hampshire to the North Conway Grand Hotel with visits to the Mount Washington Hotel, Cog Railway, shopping and return trip home via Kancamagus Highway. Contact: Brent Aucoin [woodboundview1@msn.com](mailto:woodboundview1@msn.com)

### SUNDAY, September 11

- Arrive North Conway at approximately 11:30 Noon (Depart Bedford, NH 9 AM)
- Lunch & Shopping 12 PM to 4 PM
  - LUNCH 12:30: Arrive Mount Washington Hotel, Bretton Woods, NH
  - SHOPPING: Settlers Green Outlet Village, North Conway
- 4 PM Check-in North Conway Grand Hotel
- 6:30 Dinner at The Red Fox Bar & Grill, 49 Rt. 16 Jackson, NH

### MONDAY, September 12

- 7:30 AM Breakfast – North Conway Grand Hotel
- 9:00 Depart for Cog Railway [The Mount Washington Cog Railway \(thecog.com\)](http://thecog.com)  
(optional) Departures on the hour, tickets must be purchased on-line two weeks in advance, \$72 per person. Platforms A, B or C. Book 11 AM time slots.
- Lunch - TBD
- Depart North Conway: Monday PM by way of the scenic Kancamagus Highway

**Recommend you reserve your hotel room soon to secure the best price!**

## GCCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2022

### Brent AuCoin & Norm Wood

Events below have been selected as club recommended activities. This list is subject to changes and updates by the Activities Committee. Should you have any questions regarding an event, please send an email to Brent Aucoin [woodboundview1@msn.com](mailto:woodboundview1@msn.com) or Norm Wood [woodnorman@comcast.net](mailto:woodnorman@comcast.net). Also, please visit the club's Activities Calendar at [www.gatecitycorvetteclub.com](http://www.gatecitycorvetteclub.com) and select the "DOWN" arrow (to be updated soon). Each event will have a "host" who will lead the event and communicate all relevant information (i.e. updates, changes, meet-up locations, departure times and cancellations, etc.)



Your suggestions are WELCOMED! Want to host a cruise? Contact Brent at 603-547-0968

### August

- Aug 7 **Cruise to Deerfield, MA**  
Yankee Candle & Harp Irish Pub
- Aug 12 **Club Meeting** – 6:30 PM Social  
7:00 PM Meeting
- Aug 14 **Corvettes by the Sea – Rhode Island**  
Corvette Club of RI – new location
- Aug 25 – 27 **Corvettes of Carlisle, PA**  
(See a board member if interested)



### September

- Sept 1-3 **NCM Anniversary Celebration**
- Sept 3 **Cruising Downtown - Manchester, NH**
- Sept 4 **Ashby, MA - Fire & EMS Car Show**
- Sept 9 **Club Meeting** – 6:30 PM Social  
7:00 PM Meeting
- Sept 11-12 **Overnight & Cruise - North Conway**  
North Conway Grand Hotel, Lunch at the Mount Washington Hotel, Cog Railway, North Conway Scenic Railroad, Kancamagus Highway



## October

- Oct 2 Vettes to Vets
- Oct 8 **Castle in the Clouds Cruise** (rain date 10/9)
- Oct 14 **Club Meeting** – 6:30 PM Social - 7:00 PM Meeting
- Oct 16 **Mohawk Trail Cruise – Golden Eagle Restaurant**
- Oct 20-22 NE Caravan Meet & Greet – Hyannis, MA  
(See Larry Goelz for details)

## November

- Nov 11 **End-of-Year Pizza Party** – Meeting & BOD Election
- ?? Late Fall Cruise – TBD



## Weekly Cruise Nights

- Sunday** Murphy's Tap Room 5 – 8 PM - 393 NH RTE 101, Bedford, NH
- Monday** Firing Line 5 – 8 PM - Brown Ave, Manchester, NH or Moo's Ice Cream, Salem, NH 5 - 7 PM
- Tuesday** North Shore Corvettes of MA, 4–7PM Teresa's Grille 19, 20 Elm Street, North Reading, MA
- Wednesday** North Side Grill 5 – 9 PM - 323 Derry Road, Hudson, NH
- Thursday** Candia First Stoppe Country Store 5 – 8 PM - 285 Old Candia Road, Candia, NH
- Friday** Target 5 – 7 PM - 600 Amherst Street, Nashua, NH



Photo provided by Butch Nordstrom



# Events all over New England

## South Shore Corvette Club

Monday Cruzzin at the Whitman VFW, 95 Essex Street, every Monday 3:30 until dusk May – Sept  
All makes and models welcome. Trophy for “Best of Show” [www.southshorecorvetteclub.com](http://www.southshorecorvetteclub.com)

## Corvette Club of Rhode Island

Corvettes by the Sea, 50<sup>th</sup> Corvette Show Celebration (new venue) Ocean Tides School, 635 Ocean Rd.  
Narragansett, RI, Saturday, August 14, 2022, 11 am – 3 pm, \$25.00

## Fitzwilliam Police Association Car Show

7<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show proceeds to benefit MRHS student pursuing a career in law enforcement, all cars  
welcome, Meadow Wood Training Center, 156 Bowkerville Road, Fitzwilliam, NH, August 28, 2022,  
11:00 am – 2:00 pm.

## For Vettes Only, Inc.

Vettes at the Beach, Annual Corvette Show, Ocean Beach Park, 98 Neptune Ave, New London, CT.  
\$20.00, Sunday, September 18, 2022, 10 am – 2 pm (Rain date Sept 25) [www.forcorvettesonly.com](http://www.forcorvettesonly.com)

## New England Corvette Club

All Car Cruise Night, Lorenzo’s Restaurant, Rt. 28, Middleboro, MA, Tuesday, September 13 2022,  
4:00 pm until dusk (Rain date September 20) 1-508-947-3000.

## Club Corvette of Connecticut

28<sup>th</sup> Corvette Show and Swap Meet, Guilford Fair Grounds, Lover’s Lane, Guilford, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm,  
CT, October 2, 2022

Please verify event information when planning to attend.



# CORVETTE CLUB OF RHODE ISLAND

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## CORVETTES BY THE SEA

OUR 50TH CORVETTE SHOW CELEBRATION



*Sunday, August 14th 2022, 11am-3pm*

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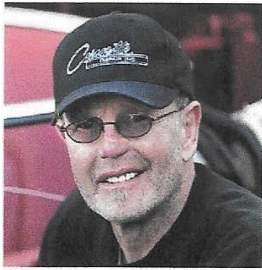
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28<sup>th</sup> CORVETTE SHOW & SWAP MEET

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022



Celebrity Judge: Kevin Mackay  
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**New Location – Expanded Swap Meet**

**Guilford Fairgrounds, Lovers Lane, Guilford, CT**

**Exit 59 (Goose Lane) off I-95**

**9:00 am – 3:00 pm**

Net proceeds from show support Connecticut charities  
CCC adopted charity for 2022 is the Ronald McDonald House

Participants will have choice to enter one of the 16 judged Show classes or be part of the Corvette Fun Field – Trophies to be awarded in both areas. Judging *only* in the Show classes, Fun Field trophies will be awarded by celebrity choice.

CORVETTE – Judged Class \$25.00  
CORVETTES FOR SALE \$20.00  
GENERAL ADMISSION \$ 5.00  
Registration & Clean-up 8:00-11:00 am

CORVETTE – Fun Field \$20.00  
VENDOR SWAP SPOT \$40.00  
CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE  
Judging starts 11:00 am

**Special Award:**

**Michael J. D'Avino Award - BEST-OF-THE-BEST**

For more information – [WWW.CLUBCORVETTECT.COM](http://WWW.CLUBCORVETTECT.COM)  
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## Ambassador's NCM Update

**August 2022**

*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.*

**Artifact of the Month:** Each month the NCM Curatorial staff selects an artifact from their collection that is connected to a significant moment in Corvette history and share its story with you.

For the current story “**The Story of the Star-Spangled**” go to: <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/the-story-of-the-star-spangled-sweater/>

For the July Artifact of the Month, we remember the Star-Spangled Sports Cars of racing legend and Corvette Hall of Fame member John Greenwood and share a little about this sweater, now an artifact from our collection.



**2022 Corvette Model Year-End Statistics:** Final production statistics for the 2022 Corvette are now available for viewing. Of the 25,831 cars produced, 52.1% were coupes, while convertibles came in just under the halfway split at 47.9%. Torch Red was once again the most popular color choice for 2022. For the full article go to: <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/2022-model-corvette-year-end-stats-now-available/>

### **NCM 28th Anniversary Registration Open**

Each year around Labor Day weekend, we celebrate the Museum's grand opening in 1994 with a participant-focused event. Registration can be found at:

[https://www.corvettemuseum.org/event/anniversary-celebration/?instance\\_id=269](https://www.corvettemuseum.org/event/anniversary-celebration/?instance_id=269) .

Deadline to register online is Monday, 15 August, 2022, at 5:00 pm CST.

## NCM Special Exhibits

**Hot Wheels “Race to Win”** is open and will run through September 27, 2022. It will explore the science and physics of racing. The museum is also working to get the “Hot Wheels Legends to stop at the museum during this time.

## NCM Events & Museum in Motion Update

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|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| • MiM Colorado Springs             | Jul 10 – 14 @ 11:00 am    |
| • MiM Northeast Ohio               | Jul 31 – Aug 4 @ 11:00 am |
| • 28th Anniversary Celebration NCM | Sept 1 – 3                |
| • MiM National Parks Tour Week (1) | Sept 18 – 24              |
| • MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (1)   | Sept 19 – 24              |
| • MiM Corvette Racing Weekend      | Sept 22 - 24              |
| • MiM National Parks Tour Week (2) | Sept 25 – Oct 1           |
| • MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (2)   | Sept 26 – Oct 1           |
| • MiM New York City Tour           | Oct 6 - 9                 |
| • MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (3)   | Oct 10 – 15               |
| • MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (4)   | Oct 17 – 22               |
| • MiM 2023 Alaska Cruise           | July 11 – 23, 2023        |



**NCM Raffle** (Purchase online or print order form and mail in.) Current Corvette being raffled:



2023 Silver Flare Coupe  
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2023 Artic White Convertible VIN# 00001  
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2023 Red Mist Coupe  
\$20.00 (Unlimited Raffle) Drawing 9/3/2022

To learn more visit: <https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/index.cfm>



## Motorsports Park News

The National Corvette Museum announced plans for \$2.4 Million in improvements to the Museum's Motorsports Park. In December of 2021, the NCM Motorsports Park was heavily damaged when an EF-3 tornado touched down in Bowling Green. The National Corvette Museum and its board of directors decided to leverage the unfortunate circumstances of the tornado to create opportunity. Instead of simply restoring the Motorsports Park to pre-tornado conditions, the National Corvette Museum is planning significant improvements to the park's facilities. For the full article go to:

<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/national-corvette-museums-motorsports-park-to-receive-2-4-million-in-improvements/>



- The NCM Motorsports Park now has a new offering! The GM Bundle is your chance to drive both a C7 and C8 Corvette! With this bundle, you get four laps around the track in each car for a grand total of 8 laps!
- NCM Kartplex – ongoing event

There are many other track experience packages offered. Go to <https://www.motorsportspark.org/> for complete information on track offerings.



# NEW ENGLAND CORVETTE CARAVAN UPDATE

**2024 Caravan Registration IS OPEN!!!** Registrations to date: **137+**

If you did not receive a registration form from Randy Flock, go to the 2024 New England Caravan web site and you will find it there. You will **also need to register** for the 2024 Caravan with the NCM (which will open one year out in Sept/Oct. 2023.) The cost to register for the NCM event is minimal depending on NCM membership or non-membership. Registration with the NCM gets you a name tag/lanyard, dash plaque, pin, participant decal. Badging provides you access to seminars, displays, entertainment areas, etc. The NE Caravan registration is **limited to 180 cars**. To ensure you will be able to participate, send in your registration form as soon as possible. **The NE Caravan Registration Refund Policy:** A full refund on your registration fee (less \$15.00) up to 7/15/2024. A 50% refund on your registration fee (less \$15.00) from 7/16/2024 to 8/12/2024.

The official 2024 New England Caravan Website is [www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/](http://www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/); and the Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/httpwww.corvettecaravan.comnewengland>

## NE Caravan Planning Update:

- 2024 New England Caravan clothing is available for sale; current items include denim shirts, polo shirts, jackets and t-shirts. You can find the clothing order form at [www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/](http://www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/).
- 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.
- The 2024 NE Caravan will begin 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 laps at the south course and lunch, then on to the Embassy Suites Hotel in Concord, NC, touring Hendrick Performance Center and the Hendrick Museum, 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. Other activities along the route will be identified as we put them together.
- Four Meet and Greets are in planned. The first has already taken place.
- The second Meet and Greet will be in Hyannis, MA on October 20 to 23, 2022, at the Double Tree by Hilton Hotels. The **registration for this event is open**. As of 1 July 2022 there are 45+ registrations.
- The third Meet and Greet will be in the **Finger Lakes Region** in the fall of 2023 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Horsehead, NY. Registration will open in January 2023.



- The fourth Meet and Greet is currently being planned for **Ogunquit, ME** on 19 – 21 May 2023. Registration will open in November 2022.
- NE Caravan Sponsorship form can be viewed below or accessed at [www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/](http://www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/) **Please consider supporting** the Caravan by placing your Vanity License Plate into the 2024 NE Caravan Route Book and it will also appear on the 2024 NE Caravan web site until the 2024 Caravan concludes.

Available now is the 2024 NCM Caravan window sticker. It is priced at \$10.00 and can be used inside and outside of a window. I (Larry) have them available for purchase. Please contact me for more information about the National Corvette Museum or the New England Corvette Caravan 2024. [lstarrg@comcast.net](mailto:lstarrg@comcast.net)



If you would like to be a sponsor of the 2024 New England Corvette Caravan you can do so in the following ways.

Option 1: New England Route Book Business Ad/Club Ad, Personal Ad Website Posting [www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/](http://www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/) Please provide your ad in PDF electronic format (high definition) so it can be sized correctly. E-mail: [vetteflock@cox.net](mailto:vetteflock@cox.net) Note: Ads can be sent in any time after payment is received up to June 30, 2024.

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				TOTAL	\$

Option 2: Vanity Plate – Please [provide](#) a photo of your personal license plate to be included in the New England Route Book at a cost of \$30.00 each. Dimensions are ¾" x 1 ½". Your vanity plate will also be posted on our New England website: [www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/](http://www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/) Take a photo of your license plate with your phone camera (just a photo of your plate and not the whole rear end of the car – we can crop a few inches off plate surroundings) and E-mail your photo to [vetteflock@cox.net](mailto:vetteflock@cox.net)

Please make checks payable to: **NE 2024 NCM Caravan**

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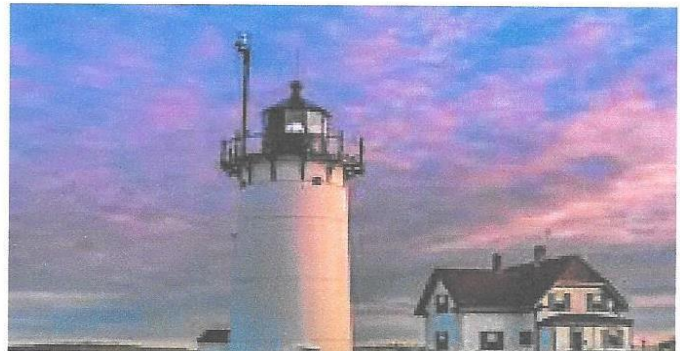
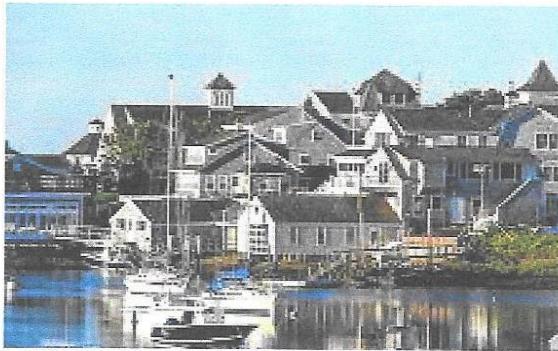
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## New England Corvette Caravan 2024 “Meet and Greet”

Double Tree by Hilton Hotel – Cape Cod – Hyannis, MA. October 20, 21, 22, 2022

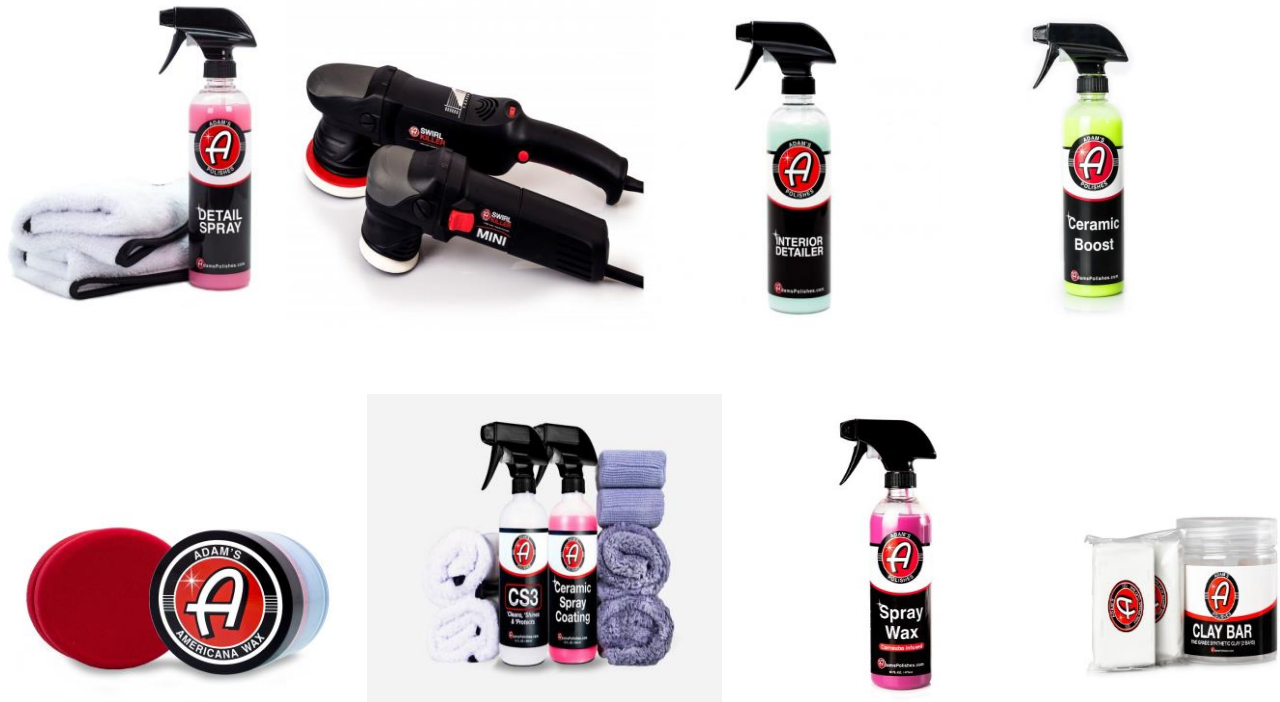


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