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Hello Members,

Spring in New England...cold, rain, pollen, mud! I'm sure some of you have managed to get your cars out by now. Mother Nature loves to play with us this time of year. Have faith, the sun will return and soon the temperature will be rising.

We are full speed ahead for Spring Fling at Anheuser-Busch in Merrimack, NH! Thank you for the great turnout at last month's meeting. Everyone seemed fully engaged in planning for the big day. We unveiled an updated logo and are in the process of getting the new club shirts delivered in time for the show.

The Spring Fling Judging Clinic on Sunday, May 21st is more than just sharpening up our judging skills. This is when we discuss and carry out final details in preparation. It's also a good time to socialize and get to know everyone. We need the involvement of all of our members so please join us!

Our next meeting is Friday, May 12th. Hope to see you there!

Best,
David



2019 Grand Sport at Anheuser-Busch in Merrimack, NH

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

May is coming! The weather is getting warmer and our Corvettes should be out of storage and ready for a road trip!

Unfortunately, our "Linner" at the Stonebridge Country Club didn't work out. Attempting to plan Activities for the club has its ups and downs, but having the restaurant cancel a couple of hours prior to our reservation was definitely a first!

Corvette Mike of New England in Carver, MA is having his 14th **Annual Blessing of the Vettes** on Saturday, May 6th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. I am planning on attending this event. Please let me know if you would like to go along and we can meet in Nashua, leaving about 8:00 am and caravanning down together. It's about 90 miles each way, mostly highway. The turnout is usually good so it's a great social time with other clubs. Rain date is scheduled for Saturday, May 20th.

Preparations are ongoing for Spring Fling. An important aspect is recruiting sponsors for this event. Forms have been sent out to members and can also be found online. **Spring Fling Judging Clinic** is scheduled for Sunday, May 21st and the location is tentatively planned for the home of Ellen and David Osgood in Nashua. Please try to attend so you can get familiar with our judging criteria and judging sheets. The Spring Fling Committee is also in the process of gathering baskets for our Spring Fling raffle. Please contact Sue Wood if you are planning to provide a basket or other items for the raffles. Also on that day, we will need help with stuffing goodie bags to hand out to show participants.

In addition, the Spring Fling Committee is collecting recipes for the first ever GCCC Cookbook that will be sold at the event. Lynn and Ellen would love recipes along with a picture of the food item, your car, or yourself. If possible, include a story or history about the recipe.

Sunday, May 28th is our **Spring Fling Corvette Show**. Please arrive early. Everyone is needed to help make this a successful event. We will have coffee and donuts available in the morning and food and drink after the show for our members.

GCCC members Larry and Ingrid Goelz and CCRI members Randy and Judy Flock, co-leaders of the 2024 New England Corvette Caravan to the National Corvette Museum, are taking a road trip to test out the Caravan route. Kevin and Georgia LeBlond, NH/VT state leaders will also accompany them on this trip. While there, they will attend the Annual Birthday Bash at the Museum. We will have a full report from Larry at the next meeting. We wish them all a fun and safe travel!

On June 1-4 Vettes of Coastal Maine (VOCM) is having their annual **Bar Harbor Tour**. This is a very fun weekend with over 100 Corvettes attending. Sue and I are going along with several other club members. The number of participants is limited and the event fills up quickly, however, I have heard of a few cancellations. If you are interested, you may reach out to Deb Sheppard at 207-594-9023 or shepardinmaine@gmail.com to check availability.

Please mark your calendar for our **Annual Summer Picnic** on Sunday, July 23rd. The picnic will be held at Pembroke Memorial Field. We have again rented their great covered pavilion, charcoal pits and restrooms for the event. For those that would like to caravan to the field, we will gather at a location in east Manchester. The club will provide the main meal (and bacon!) and members are asked to provide a side dish or dessert. I will send out more info along with a sign-up sheet as the time gets closer.

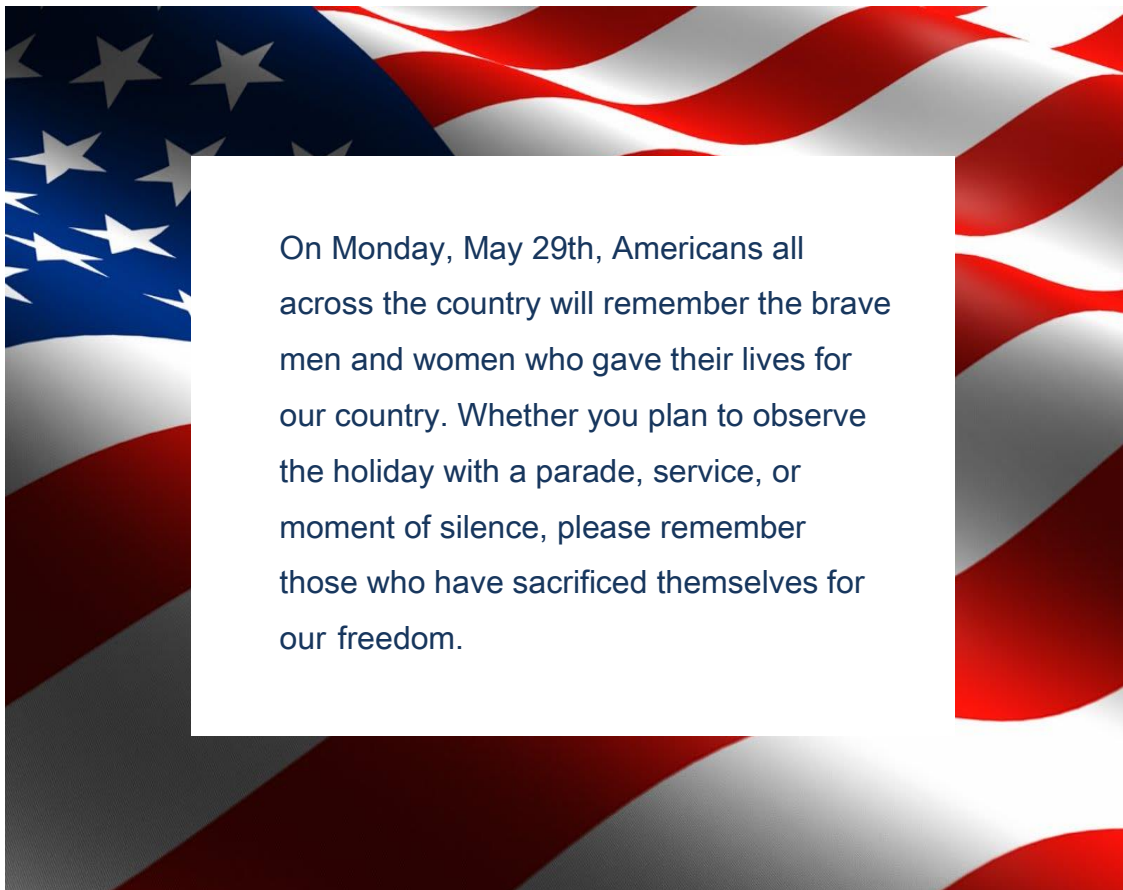
We are planning an **Overnight Trip to North Conway** in September 10 - 11. We will be staying at the North Conway Grand Hotel. The hotel is a great gathering spot and is central to all the area has to offer. We suggest you make your hotel reservation soon as fall is a busy time. We are also planning lunch at the Mount Washington Hotel and a trip on the Conway Scenic Railroad. If you are interested in the train ride you can make the reservation in advance, as well. (Please see flyer on page 13 for more information.)

The next club meeting will be on May 12th at MacMulkin Chevrolet. Spring Fling Meeting will start at 6:00 pm for all who wish to attend followed by the regular meeting at 7 pm. Hope to see you there!

Thanks!

Norm Wood and Brent AuCoin

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SPRING FLING 2023

Gate City Corvette Club



Presents our 41st Annual Corvette Show



Sunday May 28, 2023

Registration 8:00 – 11:30 AM

(Rain Date Sunday June 11, 2023)



Music, Food,
Raffles & More!
Goodie Bags
Dash Plaques

Point Judged Show
25 Classes ~ Trophies for
Show ~ Super Street ~ Street
Best of Categories

Corvette
Registration Fee:
Judged \$25.00
Non-judged \$20.00

Located on the beautiful grounds of Anheuser-Busch
221 Daniel Webster Highway, Merrimack, NH

Corral Parking for other Classic Vehicles \$20.00

GCCC supports the Front Door Agency & Nashua Soup Kitchen



For more information:

www.gatecitycorvetteclub.com

www.facebook.com/GATECITYCORVETTECLUB

Dean Gagne at 1-603-472-3524



President: Dave Osgood opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with a full agenda. He took a count for dinner after the meeting.

Secretary: Dave requested that everyone send content for the newsletter to Allie.

Treasurer: Dean provided an update of recent transactions. The treasurer's report was accepted.

Membership Director: Tom welcomed potential new members Lorraine and Dave, Cindy and Scott, and Wendy.

Officer at Large/Activities: Norm shared a list of upcoming events. (Please see Norm's Activity Report on page 4, Calendar of Events on pages 16 - 17, and flyers beginning on page 27.)

Spring Fling: Dean presented a summary of our Spring Fling meeting held prior to our regular meeting.

- Norm has designed a logo for dash plaques and is working with a vendor. He is also ordering trophies.
- Lynne requested recipes for the cookbook. Please include a picture and info about your Corvette. She presented a mock-up of the cookbook for members to view.
- Sue is heading the raffle committee. If you are donating items please bring to Spring Fling early the morning of the show. Send her an email in advance letting her know what items you will be donating so that she can determine number of raffle tables and supplies needed. Items of greater value will go on the silent auction table.
- Dean is meeting with the new DJ and contacting the food vendor.
- Larry is willing to print the programs but would need all info including names of sponsors around the first of May to get this done.
- Larry requested help at the registration table so that he can focus on getting pictures of the event.

NCM Ambassador: Larry provided an update on the National Corvette Museum and New England Caravan to Bowling Green. Please let him know if you are a new member of the museum or if you renew an existing membership. He needs a certain number of points to maintain his position as ambassador.

Tom presented an example of an updated club logo and navy blue shirt samples for the members to consider. Galli Shirts & Sports Apparel has been helping us out with logo design. They also sent a few shirt samples for us to consider. Members approved the updated logo and shirts. The club will provide a shirt for each member.

Bill Balxom won the 50/50 raffle. The winner of the attendance raffle was not in attendance.

Dave adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

We enjoyed dinner afterwards at Bahama Breeze.

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 May birthdays!



Carla Lussier

05/02

Ed Sager

05/18

Peter Bovio

05/03

Dave Hill

05/21

If you do not see your birthday on the list 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.

Galli Shirts & Sports Apparel

Galli offers custom printing and embroidery for all types of apparel. The turn-around time is usually 2 or 3 weeks (or less) depending on the manufacturer's availability of the garment chosen. Check out the various types of apparel offered in their online catalog.

Website: <http://gallishirts.com> Email: galliappri@aol.com Phone: 845-226-7305

Corvette Trivia Question



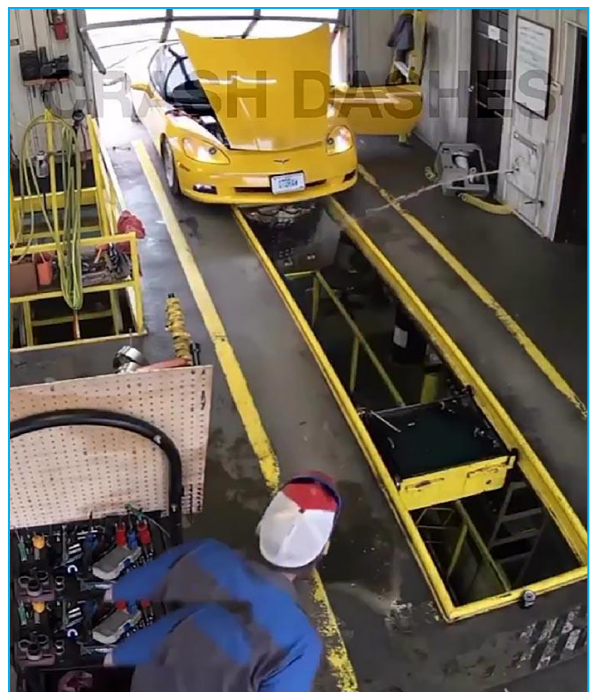
- What year was the first production V8 Corvette produced, its horsepower, transmission and voltage change?
- What year was the first experimental V8 Corvette and its name?
- How was the V8 engine identified in the Corvette emblem?

Answers are on page 20.

Trivia Submitted by Mitch Bagdikian

That Poor Vette

This poor Vette was just looking to get an oil change, not get involved in a comedy sketch show. The yellow C6 was just minding its own business when suddenly the car lights blinked on and it appears that the car had been left in reverse gear. It rapidly rolled backwards out of the small oil change bay - its driver door that had been left open ripped a water fountain off the wall, hyper-extending the door backwards & also causing a continuous arc of water to shoot down into the oil change bay. The car crashes through the closed garage door, with the open hood being ripped off the car as it is bent backwards. Thankfully (?) it looks like the car ran into something shortly after exiting the garage, before it could potentially run into someone. The oil change mechanic in the foreground is likely experiencing the moment of zen that comes from knowing you probably need to look for a new job.



TPV Submitted by Larry Shields

GUIDELINES FOR CORVETTE CARAVANS

Prior to departure:

- Every Caravan needs a leader. The leader is responsible for various details involved in having a successful and safe caravan.
- A starting/departure point must be established prior to the event, whether it is for each day of a road trip, or just a social day trip. This should include the date, time, and location. The start point should be sent out in an email and on the event flyer.
- Arrive with enough fuel in your tank for the trip.
- Begin with a “drivers meeting” at least 10-15minutes before departure. At this time the route and destination will be explained.
- If possible, hand out written driving directions to each car. No variations to the route should be made once on the road, as it can be confusing to caravan members further back in the group. (Exceptions would be detours or other unforeseen travel conditions.)
- A method of communicating between caravan members needs to be established. Select a channel on a hand held walkie-talkie. A cell phone list of all caravan members is another good method for communicating, especially on an extended trip.
- One Corvette driver should be selected to be the caravan’s designated last car or “caboose”. That person is responsible for keeping the leader informed on how well the group is staying together. The caboose must have good communications with the leader, as that is how the caravan will stay together by adjusting speed and/or allowing for heavy traffic.
- Any planned fuel, rest, or food stops should be communicated before departure. Any unplanned stops will be worked out by the leader and back caboose, and hopefully can be arranged far enough ahead that all cars without communications will be able to stay with the group.
- It can be very difficult to safely keep a caravan together in heavy traffic, congested areas, and on major highways. If the group becomes separated, plan to regroup when that part of the trip is over.
- With a large caravan of 15 – 20 or more cars, consider breaking up into smaller caravans of 8 – 10 cars with a leader and caboose for each.



- For long trips choose a caravan buddy - in case of breakdowns your buddy will stay with you. Plan on catching up with the group when the problem is resolved.

Once on the road:

- Be courteous to other drivers. THIS IS NOT A RACE OR A CANNONBALL RUN. Obey the laws.
- The leader must do everything possible to insure that the caravan stays together. Try to maintain an even speed to keep the caravan in sight, even in heavy traffic.
- Slower cars belong up front. All Corvettes are fast, but if you have a 4 speed with 4:11 rear, highway speeds aren't your specialty. The cars that need to travel at the speed limit need to be at the front of the Caravan. The speeds in a caravan increase quickly the further away you are from the leader.
- Resist passing other cars in the Caravan.
- If the leader sees, or is notified by the caboose that the caravan has become split up, the leader may pull over at the first SAFE PLACE to do so, and wait for the rest to catch up. As you come to a stop turn your wheels toward the road. The caboose will let the leader know when the group is all together. When the lead and caboose determine the road is clear to pull out, the group will pull out onto the road at the same time.
- Always drive within your personal limitations. You will be provided with directions, lunch stops and destinations should you be separated or have to leave the group. If you get there a little later it won't matter that much.
- Watch out for what is known as the Rubber Band Effect, in which the group gets stretched out and then rebounds quickly. Rebounding quickly is NOT good and causes collision.
- Stay alert. The most common accident is the rear-end collision. Please give the cars around you plenty of room to maneuver. No tailgating and always be prepared to stop quickly.
- For manual transmission (and the wanna-be-manual paddle shifter) cars, don't depend on down shifting to slow the car down while in traffic. By down shifting you do not give the driver behind you any warning that you are slowing down. They might be trying to catch up to the group by speeding up, which is not a good combination. So use your brake lights to warn folks as you down shift.
- In general the rule is drive right and pass left.
- If you are on an Interstate with two, three or four lanes of traffic, try to change lanes only when it's clear for the group.

- Don't block general traffic. If you are in the left lane and another motorist pulls up behind you wanting to overtake, momentarily move right allowing them to pass. (We certainly don't want to encourage road ragers who are easily angered by a bunch of Corvette owners!)
- Remember that truckers are out there on the highway to earn a living - so make sure to leave one lane open at all times. Or in other words...get out of the way fast for your own safety.

Stops along the way:

- Patience is appreciated as the whole group gets in, gets parked, uses the facilities and is ready to hit the road again. With a group of people all things take longer.
- When you enter into a business or a parking lot, the biggest concern is slowing down traffic behind you, so get off the road as quickly as you can. Drive into the farthest spot so the cars behind you can enter as well.
- Most members will prefer to back into their parking spaces because of the risk of damaging the spoiler when pulling in head first and because of the convenience of reforming the caravan upon departure. If there is a concern about getting the caravan safely off the highway, pull to the FARTHEST open spot and park HEAD IN. With double parking rows, pull through if possible so you are in the spot where you can drive straight out.
- DO NOT SWING YOUR DOOR OPEN! Please be cautious of the Corvette parked next to you.

Last but not least:

- Leader: Do not "run off" and leave the group behind – this is your caravan, so take ownership of it, and arrive at your destination as an organized and orderly group. The caravan members expect it of you, and not everyone has the same level of experience or comfort traveling as a group. It is your job to insure that all have a good time and will want to do it again!

HAPPY & SAFE CARAVANING!



GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB

North Conway Cruise & Overnight Stay September 10 – 11, 2023

Sunday

- Kancamagus Highway
- Lunch at Mount Washington Hotel
- Check-in at North Conway Grand Hotel
- Happy Hour Gathering
- Dinner at Local Restaurant



North Conway Grand Hotel

603-356-9300
72 Common Court
North Conway, NH

<https://www.northconwaygrand.com/>

Check- in

Sunday, September 10, 2023

Check-out

Monday, September 11, 2023



Monday

- Breakfast at Local Restaurant
- Corvette Cruise (if time allows)
- Conway Scenic Railroad (optional)
- Shopping in North Conway (optional)
- Whatever else you would like to do!!

Conway Scenic Railroad

603-356- 5251
38 Norcross Circle
North Conway, NH

<https://www.conwayscenic.com/>

Vintage Train Ride

Sawyer River Excursion

12:30 pm – 2:40 pm

Fall is a busy time in North Conway so make reservations well in advance!

LAKE WINNIPESAUKEE ROAD TRIP



ALTON TO GILFORD

Lake Winnepesaukee is the largest and most popular lake in New Hampshire and certainly one of the most scenic. Beginning in Alton, at the southern gateway to the Lakes Region, the route follows NH 11 north through Alton Bay up through Gilford. The Alton area became one of the earliest tourist destinations around the lake with the arrival of rail in the latter half of the 19th century. This western side of the lake shows off exceptional views of the lake and Ossipee Range and offers many different recreational opportunities. Take a hike up to the summit of Mt. Major for wonderful sights of the Lake and surrounding mountain ranges or stop in at Ellacoya State Park for a picnic or a swim.

LACONIA TO MEREDITH

Laconia, known as the “City on the Lakes” Shop in many of the unique shops or dine in fine restaurants. Continue on to Weirs Beach, with its amusement parks, arcades, and shopping, is one of the most popular family resort areas in the state. This area of the Lakes Region Tour is always bustling with activity. A few miles to the north, view scenic gateways to Meredith’s traditional New England village with a panorama of Lake Winnepesaukee and the White Mountains. Meredith is also a visitor hub and a crossroads for the Byway. Continue north towards Holderness for beautiful views of Squam Lake and the Rattlesnake Range or head east and continue the other half of the tour around Lake Winnepesaukee.

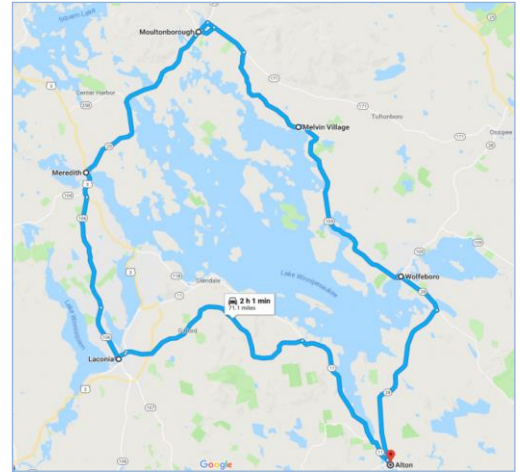
CENTER HARBOR TO MOULTONBOROUGH

Following the route clockwise, take Route 25 through Meredith and Center Harbor towards Moultonborough. Or for a less traveled route, take NH 25B from Meredith east to Center Harbor. This route winds through the hills north of Winnepesaukee and is a less traveled alternative to Route 25. Downtown Center Harbor, near the convergence of NH 25 and 25B, is a quaint town on the north edge of Winnepesaukee. This area has retained much of its charm and offers great views to the south. The eastern side of Winnepesaukee is not as developed as the western side as you continue through Tuftonboro and Moultonborough. The Lakes Tour circles Lake Winnepesaukee and offers tremendous views of the surrounding mountains and lakes.

TUFTONBORO TO WOLFEBORO

Heading back around towards Alton you will pass the site of the Wentworth Estate and the Libby Museum. John Wentworth, the last royal governor of New Hampshire, envisioned four key routes

necessary for the economic development of his province. One of these was to run from his summer estate in Wolfeboro to the new Dartmouth College in Hanover. Wentworth saw an east-west road as a necessity to prevent the loss of revenue from goods produced in New Hampshire's Coos region (in the north) which traveled south to Connecticut (by river) given the absence of roads. The eastern leg, from Wolfeboro to the Pemigewasset River in Holderness, was cut out for horse travel in 1771-1773. This ancient route coincides closely with sections of the Lakes Region Tour. In fact, portions of it now in use in Wolfeboro, Center Harbor and Holderness are still named "College Road."



<https://www.lakewinnepesaukee.net/lakes-region/drives-around-the-lake/>

10 LITTLE KNOWN FACTS ABOUT NEW HAMPSHIRE'S LARGEST LAKE

1. How ice out is determined on the lake – Official ice out is when the M/S Mount Washington can reach all five of her ports without touching ice.
2. The original M/S Mount Washington was built in Lakeport in 1849. The original "Lady of the Lake" was the first boat built over 100 feet in length that provided public transportation on Lake Winnepesaukee.
3. There are 365 islands on the lake, of which 274 are habitable.
4. The smallest island is Becky's Island, which is about ten feet wide – depending on the water level!
5. The largest islands on the lake are Long Island (which has a bridge to it) and Bear Island.
6. Cow Island is sometimes called Guernsey Island. It received its name because it was formerly used to quarantine cows brought to America from Europe.
7. There are three islands on the lake that share the same name – Loon Island!
8. Lake Winnepesaukee is home to many species of animal including otters, beaver, muskrat, mink, fisher, moose, deer, black bear, coyote, and bobcats.
9. Only one dam releases water from Lake Winnepesaukee. It is located at the southern edge of Paugus Bay in Lakeport. Before the dam was built, the water level on the lake was 3 to 5 feet below what it is now.
10. The name Weirs Beach came from the Native Americans. A weir is a basket used to catch shad that migrated through the channel. The constant use of the weirs in the channel led to the name Weirs Beach.

<https://cruisenh.com/blogs/news/ten-little-known-facts-about-new-hampshires-lake-winnepesaukee>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Gate City Corvette Club

May

- May 6 Blessing of the Vettes – Corvette Mike’s
- May 12 Club Meeting – 6:30 PM Social - 7:00 Meeting - Dinner afterwards TBD
- May 18 – 21 2024 NE Caravan Meet & Greet, Ogunquit, ME
- May 21 Spring Fling Judging Clinic – 10:00 AM (Rain date May 22)
- May 28 SPRING FLING – MAY 28 (Rain date June 11)

June

- June 1 – 4 Bar Harbor, Maine Weekend - Vettes of Coastal Maine
- June 9 Club Meeting – 6:30 PM Social - 7:00 Meeting – Dinner afterwards TBD
- June 11 Spring Fling Rain Date
- June GCCC Corvette Cruise – Lakes Region of NH

July

- July 14 Club Meeting – 6:30 PM Social - 7:00 Meeting - Dinner afterwards TBD
- July 15 Aviation Museum Classic Car Show – 10 – 2 pm, Londonderry, NH
- July 23 Club Summer Picnic, Pembroke Memorial Park, Pembroke, NH
- July GCCC Corvette Cruise

August

- Aug 11 Club Meeting – 6:30 PM Social - 7:00 Meeting - Dinner afterwards TBD
- Aug 13 CCRI Corvettes by the Sea
- Aug GCCC Corvette Cruise TBD

September

- Sept 2 Cruising Downtown - Manchester, NH
- Sept 8 Club Meeting – 6:30 PM Social - 7:00 Meeting - Dinner afterwards TBD
- Sept 10 - 11 **Overnight & Cruise** - North Conway Grand Hotel, Lunch at the Mount Was Hotel, Kancamagus Highway, Conway Scenic Railroad
- Sept GCCC Corvette Cruise TBD

October

- Oct 1 Castle in the Clouds Cruise & Picnic, Moultonborough, NH
- Oct 5 - 8 2024 NE Caravan Meet & Greet Watkins Glen
- Oct 13 Club Meeting – 6:30 PM Social - 7:00 Meeting - Dinner afterwards TBD
- Oct GCCC Fall Scenic Cruise (End of Season Cruise) TBD

November

- Nov 10 End-of-Season Pizza Party – Club Meeting & BOD Election

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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
Tuesday	North Shore Corvettes of MA, 4–7 PM Teresa's Grille 19, 20 Elm St, 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

New England Corvette Shows (Please see flyers beginning on page 20.)

May 13	Corvette Club of Western Mass (Balise Chevrolet)
May 28	Gate City Corvette Club (Spring Fling)
June 4	Club Corvette of Connecticut (Show & Swap Meet)
June 10	Connecticut Military Corvette Club (Vettes to Vets)
June 11	NCRS Brookline, Massachusetts
July 11	North Shore Corvettes (60 th Anniversary)
August 13	Corvette Club of Rhode Island (Corvettes by the Sea)
September 10	Connecticut Military Corvette Club (All Car Show)
September 17	For Corvettes Only (Vettes at the Beach)
September 24	Connecticut Military Corvette (Cabella's)

Please confirm dates and times of events before planning to attend.



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THE BEST PLACES IN THE U.S. TO DRIVE A CORVETTE

While the purpose of any road is to get you from point A to point B, some roads are just more fun and provide an incredible journey along the way. It is extra meaningful when you combine a classic American sports car with some of America's most beautiful destinations. Here are 17 suggestions for amazing drives throughout our country. This list is in no particular order, but each is an exciting experience to remember. Whether you are out in search of a thrilling adventure or a laidback cruise, you will have the time of your life!



1. 89A, ARIZONA

Arizona 89A runs about 81 miles from Flagstaff to Prescott, AZ. The state route takes you right through Red Rock Country, which is home to some of the most photographed formations. At the center of Red Rock County is Oak Creek Canyon - the second most popular destination in Arizona, aside from the Grand Canyon. Along the way, you'll get to drive through Sedona. The desert town is a beautiful sight to see and is surrounded by massive buttes, rock formations and canyons. You can also visit Mogollon Rim, which is the southernmost tip of the Colorado Plateau. Of course, you can't be in Arizona and not see the Grand Canyon. Park your Corvette and take in the iconic views, but just make sure not to go during monsoon season, or you and your convertible will be sopping wet in a matter of seconds.

2. BEARTOOTH HIGHWAY, WYOMING

Considered one of the most beautiful and scenic drives in the U.S., Beartooth Highway is a stretch of U.S. Highway 212 that runs near the northern entrance of Yellowstone National Park. The byway has 10,000 mountain lakes, 12 national forest campgrounds and 20 peaks reaching more than 12,000 feet. You won't get bored driving your Corvette along the road's steep zig-zagged path that reaches high altitudes. Keep an eye out for Bears Tooth, which is a sharp peak that resembles a bear's pearly whites.

3. BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY, VIRGINIA

Blue Ridge Parkway is a staggering 469 miles long, starting in Virginia and ending in North Carolina, so you will need more than one day if you're looking to complete the adventure. The highway is situated atop the Appalachian Mountains, giving you incredible views of endless ranges and valleys. If you want to stay in Virginia, you can hop onto Skyline Drive, which will take you through Shenandoah National Park. You can also experience the Linn Cove Viaduct, a bridge that spans over 1,200 feet, working its way around the Grandfather Mountain.

4. BROCKWAY MOUNTAIN DRIVE, MICHIGAN

While the Brockway Mountain Drive is only about nine miles long, it sits 1,320 feet above sea level, giving you incredible views of Lake Superior. As you and your Corvette navigate your way along this scenic byway, you can experience hundreds of waterfalls and abundant wildlife. Brockway is another great spot to pull over and take a few hikes and check out the Copper Harbor lookout. At the peak of the mountain, stargazing is a must if you take your time driving throughout the day.

5. FEATHER RIVER SCENIC BYWAY, CALIFORNIA

The best time of year to take a road trip with your Corvette is during the fall if you want to experience the Feather River Scenic Byway. It's the perfect time to see the desert canyons and colorful foliage of the passing landscape. The road is part of the Sierra Nevada's and is open year-round - even in the winter because it has a low elevation. Driving through the diverse terrain, you can view Lake Oroville and drive over its dam. You can also experience the Pacific Crest and Lake Tahoe. The byway even has a rich past with the Western Pacific Railroads at one end and history of the gold-rush era at the other when you reach Plumas-Eureka State Park. You can also stop and pan for gold if you're feeling lucky.

6. GATEWAY TO THE ENDLESS MOUNTAINS, PENNSYLVANIA

The Gateway to the Endless Mountains is what it seems - an infinite range of foothills in Northeastern, Pennsylvania that will leave you wondering if there's an end. Encapsulated in the Tunkhannock Mountains, you can explore the highest peaks and hike through the stunning forests. There are plenty of overlook locations where you can see out over the valley, too. As a part of U.S. 6, the road leads you through the Appalachian Mountains and over the Susquehanna River.

7. HIGHWAY 101, OREGON

You and your Corvette can take on the entire Oregon coast if you decide to take a road trip down Highway 101. Oregon's coastline is rugged, yet exciting to experience. Driving through the winding roads will allow you to see the waves down below and the cliffs on your side. Two must-see places are Haystack and Seal rocks with the former being on the north end and the latter being on the south. Other areas you may want to see are Thor's Well and the Devil's Churn. If you have extra time on your hands, check out the famous city of Portland by following the Columbia River inland or visit the beach town of Seaside to get a more local feel.

8. HIGHWAY 12, UTAH

Make your way to Utah's southern Highway 12 to drive through Red Rock County. Take a look at the mesas, and take a few pit-stops along the way - like at Bryce Canyon National Park, Capitol Reef National Park and the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. It's one of the more exciting roads to drive your Corvette on, with its switchbacks, steep inclines and fun turns. You may even be lucky enough to have the road to yourself during a weekday venture. Imagine all the national parks you can experience in one drive, as well as see several other spots along the way like Hole-in-the-Rock Road and Coyote Gulch.

9. HISTORIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY, OREGON

Head east of Portland, and you'll find yourself on the 70-mile Columbia River Highway. The road can take you several hundred feet above the Columbia River Great Gorge, which is beautiful between the spring and fall. It was originally created to support the Model T car, so it was designed with drivers in mind. You can feel assured that it's a laidback road trip with waterfalls at almost every turn. Some of the most popular are the Latourell, Bridal Veil, Wahkeena and Multnomah Falls. Lush plants, trees and flowers surround the narrow road, which make for spectacular photo ops. You and your Corvette will also make your way through a few tunnels. One area you must see is the Vista House, which overlooks the Columbia River. If you're craving more explorations, head to Mount Hood Crown Point and the Lewis and Clark Trail for a bit of history.

10. LONELIEST HIGHWAY, NEVADA

Many of the highways throughout the states are spot-on with their titles - and the Loneliest Highway gives you a pretty good clue about what to expect. Although there's no fooling you on this one, don't think it's a boring drive. The Loneliest Highway, also known as Highway 50, runs through the entire middle section of Nevada. Starting in the western part of the state at Lake Tahoe, your Corvette will work its way across Nevada and end up in Utah. The road stretches on with little to no civilization in sight, but you can view mountain ranges through 17 passes, with the Connors Pass reaching more than 7,000 feet. Make sure to see Sand Mountain and take a tour of the Great Basin National Park.

11. MILLION DOLLAR HIGHWAY, COLORADO

Another one of America's most beautiful roads is the Million Dollar Highway in Colorado. Take your classic or newer-model Corvette and tour the San Juan Mountains and Red Mountain Pass, which reach 11,018 feet. It's an exceptional 25-mile drive during the winter if you're brave enough to take your Corvette - but the best time to go is during the summer. Roll down your windows or open your convertible to take in all its beauty. Along the way, you can also stop at Mesa Verde National Park, plus Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park. As one of the best roads to drive a sports car, the Million Dollar Highway also has the Coal Bank Pass and Molas Pass.

12. NORTH CASCADES HIGHWAY, WASHINGTON

The North Cascades Highway begins in Sedro Valley and won't disappoint with its magnificent views. As a section of State Route 20, the road is open between April and November, which is perfect weather for riding in your Corvette. The Washington Pass marks its highest point at over 5,500 feet, and you can experience a vast range of geological features along the way. Stop off at viewpoints, take in the wildlife and appreciate the scenic beauty along the drive.

13. OLYMPIC PENINSULA LOOP, WASHINGTON

The Olympic Peninsula Loop is one of the most scenic locations to drive a Corvette. It's a journey where your head will be out the window as you take in the jaw-dropping views. Be sure to drive your car around Olympic National Park and along the Hood Canal. A road trip through the loop will allow you to see the snow-capped mountains and Lake Crescent with its mesmerizing shores. From one end to the other, you'll drive next to the Pacific Ocean. If you can take a detour off the main highway, visit Hurricane Ridge. Other stop-offs on the map include the Hoh Rainforest and La Push beaches.

14. OVERSEAS HIGHWAY, FLORIDA

Also known as Route 1, the Overseas Highway starts in Miami and makes its way through the Florida Keys. The entire length of the road is 113 miles of pure ocean-spray views, so you'll be able to take plenty of pit stops. Along Route 1, you and your classic Corvette can see everything from landscapes of rustling pine and swaying palms to the shimmering sea that is home to stunning coral reefs. The highway connects many islands, so it's no surprise you'll have to cross over a few bridges, 42 in fact, with one that is seven miles long. It is the perfect drive to roll down your windows. If you drive the entire Overseas Highway from Miami to Key West you will end up at the southernmost point in the U.S. When you're there, stop at the Ernest Hemingway Museum. On the return trip to Miami make another detour to the Everglades National Park - it's home to one of only two Everglades in the world, with the other being in Australia.

15. PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, CALIFORNIA

California has some of the most breathtaking highway cruises in America, with one of the most famous and most photographed roads being the Pacific Coast Highway. This is the type of road where you

don't even need a destination - the journey is the sole purpose. Highway 1 is an iconic drive that follows the Pacific Ocean along most of the California Coast. Along the way, you'll be able to see the Golden Gate Bridge, San Jose, historic Monterey, Big Sur, Santa Barbara, Malibu and Long Beach. As if that's not enough, you can also stop at the overlook at Muir Beach. The Pacific Coast Highway is one of the best places to drive a convertible Corvette because of its endless miles of open ocean road. Taking your time on this trip is key, so make time to head to Highway 101 to see the California Redwoods.

16. ROUTE 100, VERMONT

The best time to drive on Route 100 is during fall to experience the peak colors of the foliage. There's nothing like driving through mountain ranges aglow with vibrant oranges, reds and yellows. The road runs along the Green Mountain National Forest. You will see miles of rolling farmland dotted by quintessential New England farm houses. You can also make a stop at Camp Plymouth State Park or Wilmington for an overnight stay. If you're looking for a fun activity, there are plenty of golfing, biking and hiking opportunities.

17. THE TAIL OF THE DRAGON, TENNESSEE

Considered the #1 highway for sports cars and motorcycles, the Tail of the Dragon has a whopping 318 curves. Beginning at Deals Gap on the Tennessee/North Carolina state line, this 11 mile stretch of US 129 is the perfect adventure if you're ready for a thrill. Travel through the forest, stop at viewpoints and pull over at different straightaways to take in all its beauty. Summer is the best time to travel on the Tail of the Dragon, and it's even better with a convertible. This road is more like an adrenaline rush than a relaxed drive like some of the other routes. It will get your heart pumping through its sharpest curves like Mud Corner and Bust Bend. However, always drive with safety as a priority. If you need a reminder, stop by the Tree of Shame to understand the importance of safe driving.

<https://www.topflightautomotive.com/blog/best-places-in-us-to-drive-your-corvette/>

Corvette Trivia Answer

In 1955 a 4.3 liter, 265 cubic inch 195 horsepower, V8 engine with a 3 speed manual transmission with a 12 volt electrical system was produced. In 1954 the first ever V8 Corvette experimental vehicle code name EX-87 was produced. The V in the Corvette emblem was enlarged and gold colored signifying a V8 engine and a 12 volt electrical system.





Ambassador's NCM Update

May 2023

*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.*

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 \$65.00 annually and provides you with the following NCM benefits:

- Membership card
- NCM member lapel pin
- Free admission to members
- Discount on NCM sponsored events
- Annual subscription to America's Sports Car
- 10% discount on merchandise from the Corvette Store and catalog
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- 20% discount on CARFAX reports
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- Access to Members Only section of website, including Monthly Corvette Calendar Wallpaper and Special Videos

Contributing to the NCM: The museum depends on several sources of funding to meet its annual financial obligations. Contributions can be made by:

- Become a member
- Purchase raffle tickets
- Online monetary donations
- Setting up a regular donation
- Purchase of bricks, tiles, benches
- Donation of a Corvette to the museum
- Committing a portion of an estate to the museum

The museum is a 501 (C) (3) non-profit foundation. The tax I.D. # is 742519972.

NCM Insurance: NCM Insurance is an agent for American Modern Insurance Group, Haggerty, and Open Track 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 open track day, car club liability coverage, and boat/yacht/watercraft.

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For more information go to: www.ncminsurance.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.”





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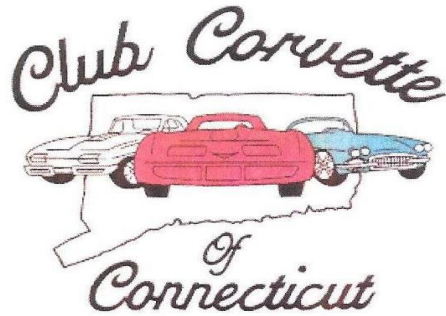
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Location: CT Veterans Home in Rocky Hill

Saturday, June 10, 2023, 10am - 2pm

No entry fee, just bring a donation for the Veterans
See reverse side for suggested donations

Veterans choice trophies presented to 3 Corvettes



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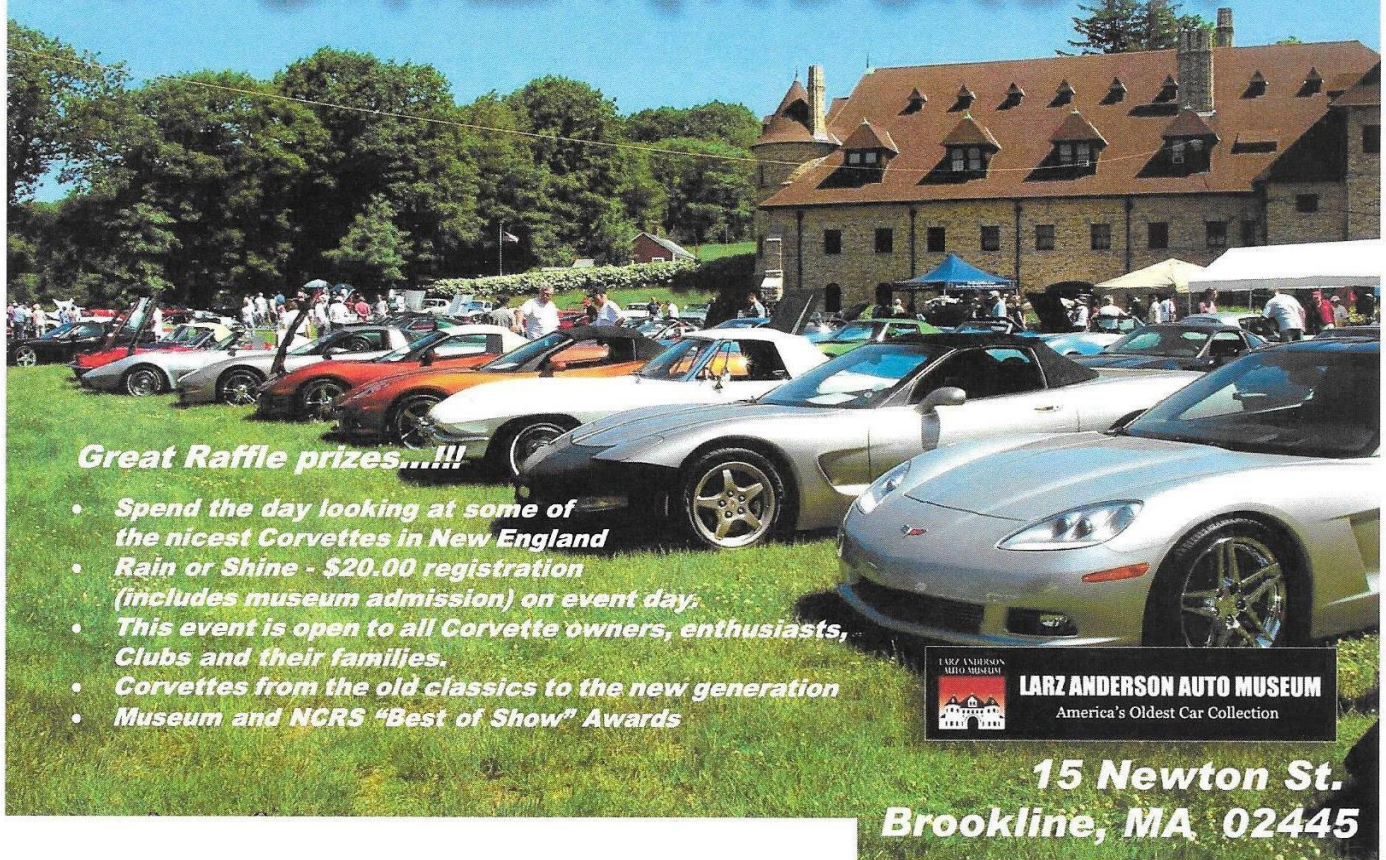
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Directions and meeting location

All cars assemble at Rocky Hill High School. Exit 24 off RT91, go south on RT 99 and turn right on Parsonage St. then the first left on Chapin Ave, school is on the right.

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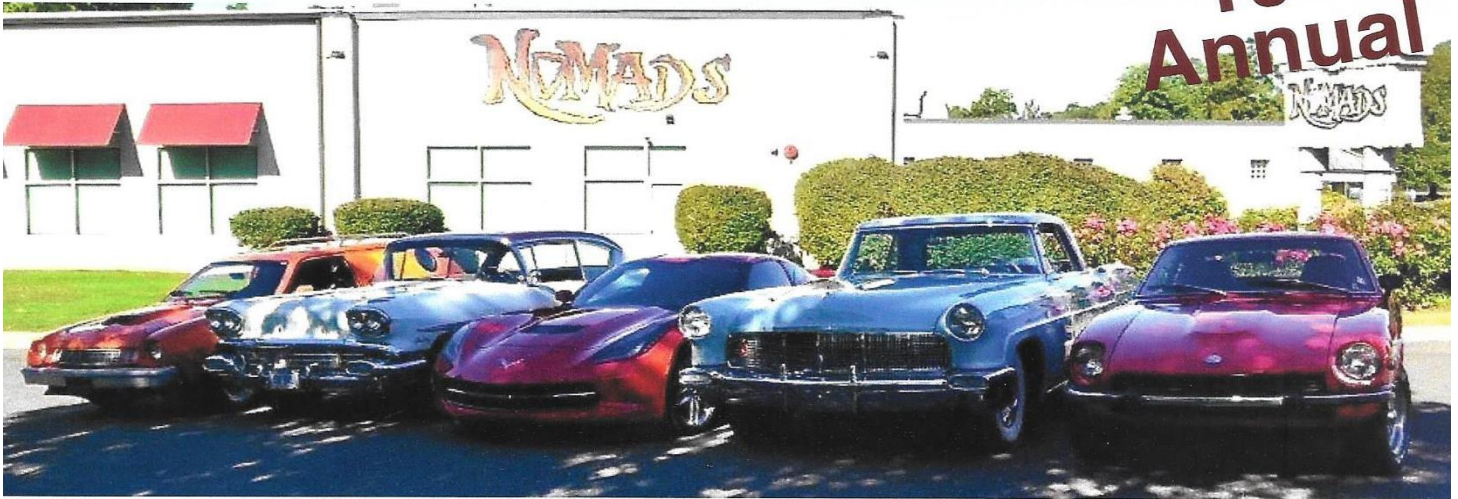


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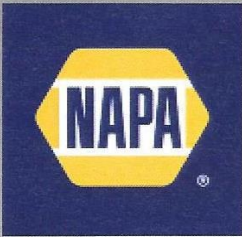
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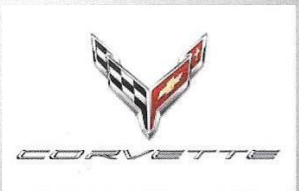
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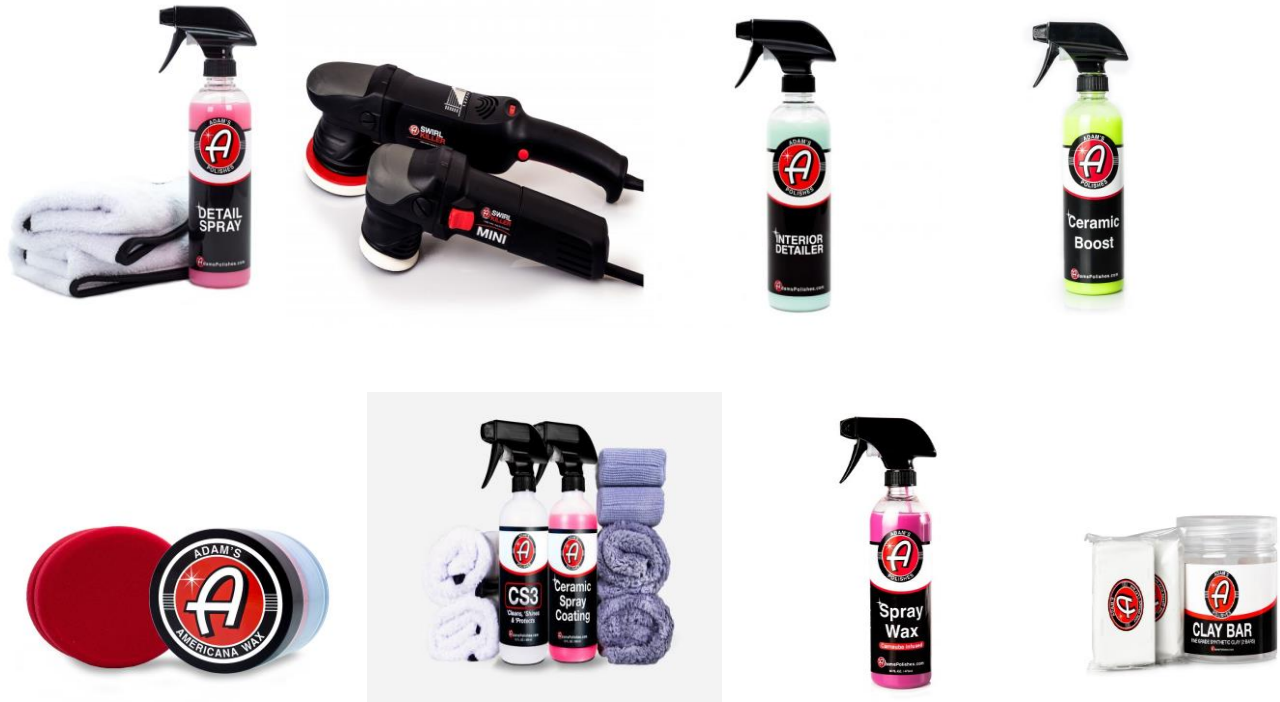
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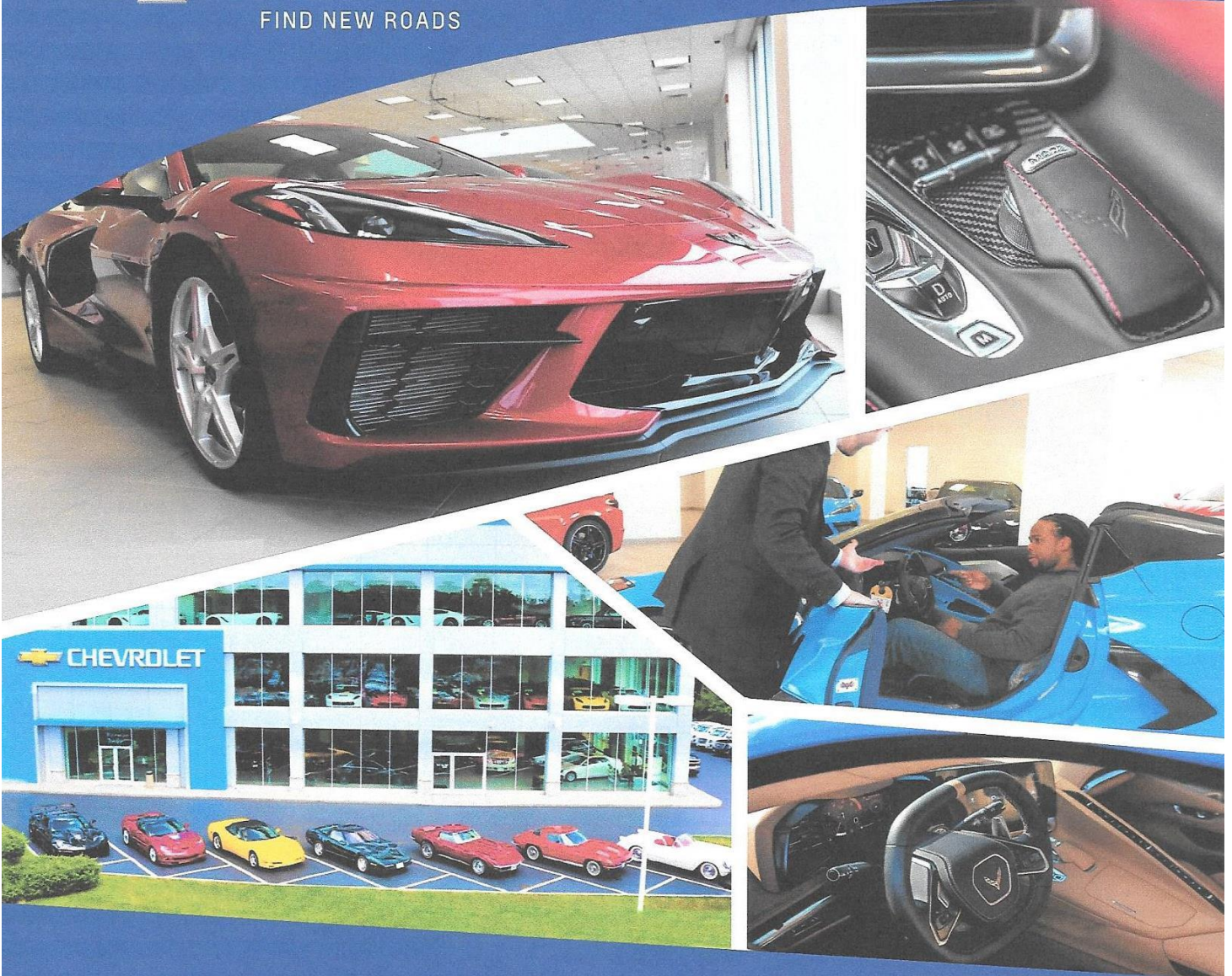
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