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A Beautiful Day at "Corvettes at Carlisle" in Pennsylvania August 2023

Picture provided by Jim Ecke



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Hello Members,

September has arrived and probably faster than many of you have wished. The weather is cooperating and this first week promises to be a hot one. There are still many weeks left before we tuck the cars away.

We were lucky to have fantastic weather for Corvette Club of Rhode Island's "Corvettes by the Sea." This year their show had to be held on their rain date; however, they still had a huge turnout. We can always count on CCRI to host a great event. We had several members who enjoyed the day and it was well worth the two and a half hour drive down. We appreciate that CCRI has always been very supportive of our show in the spring.

This past weekend was the 22nd Annual Cruising Downtown on Elm Street hosted by the Manchester Rotary Club. There was live music and lots of food and other vendors. With over 1000 vehicles on display including classics, antiques, customs, hot rods, trucks and motorcycles, it is definitely a fun experience whether you enter your car or just take it all in as a spectator.

As fall approaches, GCCC will already be planning for 2024. This includes electing our Board of Directors who will guide our club in the New Year. A Nominating Committee has been formed to recruit candidates interested in running for office. Please consider volunteering your time and talent to help the club. If you would like further information, please feel free to discuss with any current Board member or our Nominating Committee - Art and Rosemarie Weed and Bob DiMeo. They will be attempting to recruit candidates to fill the positions. I believe our cooperative efforts have put the Club on a positive path forward. We need others to help carry on the tradition!

"It's the Corvettes that bring us together, but it's the friendships we treasure forever!"

Best,
David Osgood



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

I am happy to report August turned out to be a better month for weather and events. As I write about the activities it is now September and 90 degrees out!

Recently the Woods and LeBlonds attended “Laps for Charity” at the New Hampshire Speedway in Loudon. We had lots of fun making those Corvettes go a little faster than usual. “Laps for Charity” happens every year with 2 or 3 events during the summer. I’ve been in contact with the organizers and they will contact our club when the schedule comes out for next year. Hopefully we can entice more members to get their Corvettes out on the track.



Gate City attended Corvette Club of Rhode Island’s “Corvettes by the Sea.” It was a beautiful day and we had a great location to park and proudly display our club flag. We grabbed our chairs, found some shade and enjoyed a picnic with great conversation and comradery.

September 2nd was a very hot day for Cruising Downtown Manchester all car show. Over 1000 vehicles were on display with a few GCCC Corvettes among them.

On Sunday, Sept 10th we have members heading to **North Conway** for lunch at the Mount Washington Hotel (still room for more on the cruise up and lunch) and then an overnight stay at the North Conway Grand Hotel. Monday is a ride on the Conway Scenic Railroad Valley Train. A few of us are staying an additional night to enjoy the area before heading home on Tuesday.

On Sunday, September 17th is a **Scenic Coastal Cruise** to Hampton and then north along the coast to York and Wells, Maine. We will stop at Fisherman’s Catch Restaurant for lunch and then to Wells Harbor for a group photo before heading home. We hope you can join us! Please RSVP Kevin and Georgia LeBlond.

Looking further ahead, Our **Annual Fall Picnic** at the field at Castle in the Clouds is tentatively planned for Sunday, October 1st. We will watch the weather forecast as the date gets closer.

On October 5 - 8 there is a caravan **Meet and Greet** in Watkins Glen, NY with track time and winery tours. This event is organized by Randy Flock to benefit the 2024 Caravan to Bowling Green.

Hopefully we can get another cruise in before putting the cars up for winter hibernation.

See you at our club meeting on Friday, September 8th at MacMulkin Chevrolet.

Please contact me at woodnorman@comcast.net

Norm Wood & Brent AuCoin

GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB



Scenic Coastal Cruise

Date: September 17, 2023

*Meet: Bonsai Restaurant, Manchester, NH
(Exit one off Route 101)*

Time: 8:00 am for 8:30 Departure

Beautiful Coastal Views!

Hampton, NH to York & Wells, ME

Lunch: Fisherman's Catch

Please RSVP by September 15th

Kevin & Georgia LeBlond ~ kgvert1@outlook.com ~ 978-727-3479 or 978-846-0829



President: David O. began the August 11th meeting at 7:00 pm. He took a count for the after-the-meeting dinner at Bahama Breeze in Nashua.

Membership Director: Tom welcomed new members Sandy and Ed with a 2016 Long Beach Red coupe.

Treasurer: Dean provided an update of recent transactions. All invoices have been paid. The treasurer’s report was accepted by the membership.

Secretary: Allie thanked everyone for their support of the newsletter and talked about the overnight cruise to North Conway. If you are new members (or old members) please send a picture of your car and a short (or long) write-up about yourselves for our newsletter. This could include your history with Corvettes or other cars, activities or events you enjoy, and anything else you would like to share with our members. Please email to me at: allie_decampo@comcast.net

Officer at Large/Activities: Norm shared a list of upcoming events. Please wear you club shirt if you have one to the Rhode Island show. (Please see Norm’s activity report page 4.)

NCM Ambassador: Larry G. 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. His report begins on page 21.

Mike Boudreau was the winner of the 50/50 raffle. The winner of the attendance raffle was not in attendance.

Dave adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

SCENES FROM CRUISING DOWNTOWN



Who doesn't love the
General Lee?



SCENES FROM COVETTES BY THE SEA



Gate City Corvette Club Membership

To Join Gate City Corvette Club visit our website

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

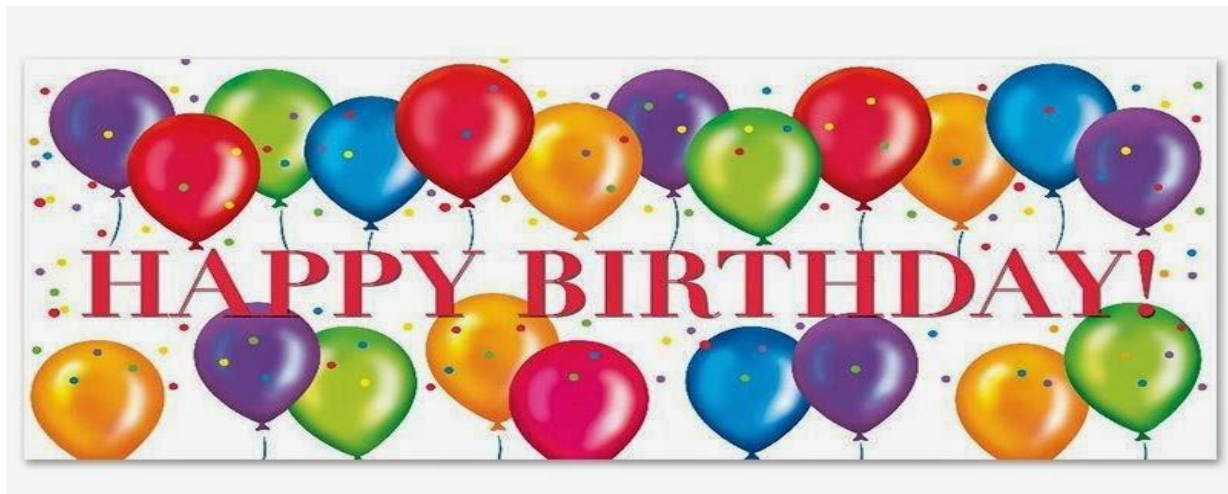
and click on the Membership Info Link

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Join us in celebrating September & October birthdays!



<i>Judy Metz</i>	<i>09/06</i>	<i>Paula AuCoin</i>	<i>09/30</i>
<i>Steve Chaplin</i>	<i>09/26</i>	<i>Jim Ecke</i>	<i>10/23</i>

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.

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Corvette Trivia Question



What was the first year the Corvette switched to the transaxle?

Answer on page 26

Trivia Submitted by Mitch Bagdigian

That Poor Vette

This poor yellow C5 Vette (hard to even tell it's a C5 anymore, isn't it) has likely met the end of its running time. Sadly its 25 year-old owner made the cardinal mistake of mixing alcohol and driving, which led to its demise. The driver, despite what anyone would think looking at the wreck, walked away with only minor injuries. While driving along near La Grande, Oregon, the vehicle ended up jumping the curb at speed, hitting a couple of trees, then coming to rest on its roof - but not before ejecting the driver from the vehicle. We're glad the driver wasn't more seriously injured (along with anyone else around them!), but it is likely a terminal event for this poor Vette. Stay safe out there!



TPV Submitted by Larry Shields

MEMBER NEWS

Art & Rosemarie Weed have a new Corvette!

It's a 2019 Elkhart Lake Blue Metallic with Blade Silver full length racing stripe, 2LT options, and a 7 speed manual transmission. Looking good! They share with us how they became owners of this beautiful car:



The car was located in Clifton Park, NY at Verrillo Motor Car Company. I follow his internet page and the cars are always top notch. I saw the car on his web page and worked a deal to trade my 2015 Stingray Coupe on the 2019 Stingray Convertible. My brother had purchased and sold a couple of Corvettes from Joe Verrillo and was always satisfied. The neat thing about buying the car was dealing with his wife, Sunday, who knows all about Corvettes. She is a nice lady and very knowledgeable. Prior to this I was talking with Ingrid Goelz at the wine outing and she told me she and Larry had just ordered a new Corvette. She said, "You can't take the money with you!" My wife and I agreed so we bought the car.

Art & Rosemarie

WELCOME KEVIN & GEORGIA LEBLOND

Hello Everyone!

We would like to introduce ourselves...We are returning members of Gate City, Life Members of the National Corvette Museum and your 2024 NH/VT NCM Caravan State Leaders. For those of you who don't know us, we live in Wilton, NH and own a 2017 Grand Sport Convertible and a newly acquired 1988 35th Anniversary Edition coupe. We look forward to meeting more of you in the weeks and months to come.

Kevin & Georgia



WELCOME MOE & CARLA LUSSIER

Hello Members,

We are returning members of Gate City Corvette Club after a short hiatus. Our 2019 Admiral Blue Z06 is our 3rd Corvette. We previously owned a C3 and a C6. We are looking forward to fun filled rides and socializing with old and new friends.

Moe & Carla



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

First Class – Gertrude Emma

12:30 pm – 2:40 pm

(Reservations must be made online.)

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

CONWAY SCENIC RAILROAD

The Conway area was reached by rail in 1872 by the Portsmouth, Great Falls & Conway Railroad, starting in Portsmouth and following a fairly straight path north. The railroad came under the control of the Eastern Railroad, which was swallowed up by the Boston & Maine Railroad in 1885. The station at North Conway saw its fair share of ski trains from Boston pull in over the years, but despite the thrill of riding the train to the mountains, passenger service to North Conway ceased in 1961, and by 1972 the Boston & Maine had abandoned the line from Ossipee up to North Conway. The station at North Conway was purchased in 1968, and later after the Boston & Maine pulled out of North Conway, the rail yard was purchased in 1974. This was the start of the Conway Scenic Railroad.



North of Conway, the Portland & Ogdensburg Railroad had constructed an east-west route that came from Portland, Maine and terminated in Lunenburg Vermont. This rail line followed a different ownership line than that of its neighbor to the south. The Portland & Ogdensburg came under the control of the Maine Central Railroad, which in 1981 was purchased by Guilford Transportation Industries. Guilford Rail System used the line up until 1984, then giving up the line to the State of New Hampshire. In the mid-1990s, the Conway Scenic Railroad pursued using the line up through Crawford Notch. By 1996, the Conway Scenic had rehabilitated the rail line from North Conway up through Crawford Notch to Fabyan's Station. (Now a restaurant and lounge located across from the Bretton Woods Ski Area and down the street from the Mount Washington Hotel.)

The Conway Scenic Railroad operates two different trains with three different rides from the original North Conway station and rail yard. Two of their shorter trips are the Valley Train, which leaves North Conway for either Conway to the south or Bartlett to the north. The longer Notch Train heads north to Crawford Notch, and occasionally Fabyan's Station.

<http://www.nashuacitystation.org/history/conway-scenic-railroad-in>



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Gate City Corvette Club

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 Mt Washington Hotel, Kancamagus Highway, Conway Scenic Railroad
- Sept 17 **Scenic Coastal Cruise**, Hampton, York and Wells, Maine, Lunch: Fisherman’s Catch – Fresh seafood at Wells Harbor

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

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

- September 10 Connecticut Military Corvette Club (All Car Show)
- September 10 Fitzwilliam Police Association 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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ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2024

November is the month we hold elections for Club officers. Below is a section of the club by-laws pertaining to elections. (The full version is available on the club website for your review:

<http://gatecitycorvetteclub.com/>



Article VII

Section 1 - Number of Officers

The elected officers of the Club shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Officer-at-Large, and Membership Director.

They shall each serve for one (1) year or until their successors are elected and qualified. No officer shall serve more than two (2) consecutive years in the same office. The Board of Directors will be comprised of the elected officers, appointed members and the immediate past President who will serve a one-year term.

Section 2 - Nominations

Nominations for all officer positions will be taken from the floor during the regular monthly meeting in September and October. Any member of the Club wishing to run for office should notify the President or any member of the nominating committee to insure their name is placed in nomination. Any member applying for the position of Treasurer shall be a member in good standing of this Club for a minimum of four (4) years or as otherwise determined by the Board of Directors. The names of all nominees shall be published in the October and November newsletters.

Section 3 - Election of Officers

Election of officers shall be held at the annual meeting in November. Nominations, in addition to those already published will be considered from the floor. All officers shall be elected by majority vote. Members in good standing wishing to vote by absentee ballot shall request same from the Secretary and return same to the Secretary prior to the election meeting.

All positions are available for nomination, so if one of the positions is of interest to you and you can make the commitment to the Club, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee or member of the current board to discuss the position you are interested in.

We need your response by 09/30 so that the ballots can be created and included in the newsletter. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Nominating Committee Art and Rosemarie Weed tradeew@gmail.com and Bob DiMeo r.dimeo@comcast.net or President Dave Osgood davidalden@aol.com

I know it all sounds SO serious but being on the board is really a lot of fun! I do speak from experience as I have served on the board for many of my 25+ years in the club. I enjoy working as a team and getting to know everyone on this level. It's gratifying to see our efforts pay off. We are always available to support one another and will be available to support new board members as well. Our planning meetings always turn into a good time and often involve food and whatever!

Allie DeCampo
GCCC Secretary

7 SCENIC FALL FOLIAGE TOURS

[HTTPS://WWW.VISITNH.GOV/TRIP-IDEAS/ARTICLES/SCENIC-FOLIAGE-DRIVES](https://www.visitnh.gov/trip-ideas/articles/scenic-foliage-drives)

So, you want to see stunning foliage this fall? Three words: Visit New Hampshire. It's the quintessential autumn-in-New England experience—where winding roads lead you through a painted leaf-covered landscape, quaint villages and covered bridges. Where you can take heart-pounding hikes with glorious views. Where rivers and lakes are hugged in vibrant hues and mountains are draped in colorful canopies of crimson, orange and gold. There are so many unique ways to take in the views all within a short drive. So, grab your cup of pumpkin-spiced coffee, buckle up and come along for an epic leaf-peeping ride across New Hampshire.

Currier & Ives Scenic Byway



New England Covered Bridge, Henniker, NH, Photo by: Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission

First thing's first. You'll want to clear the smartphone photos and camera cards—you're gonna need plenty of space to snap all the jaw-dropping foliage along the 30-mile Currier & Ives Scenic Byway in the Merrimack Valley. Take Route 202 in Hillsboro and travel northeast along the Contoocook River, which delivers a dazzling view of Pat's Peak in Henniker.

The byway will then take you through the picturesque village of Hopkinton—once New Hampshire's state capital. When you hit the Route 103 to 127 junction, jump on and head north toward Warner and Webster. Along the way you'll catch another glimpse of the Contoocook River and the oldest surviving covered railroad bridge. This is a great place to stop to grab a bite to eat and pop into local shops. As you head onward, you'll be treated to brilliant views of Mount Kearsarge over in Wilmot while passing through Salisbury. If you want to keep cruising from there, check out some of the other divine scenic drives in the Merrimack Valley.

Monadnock Region Loop Scenic Drive



Mt Monadnock, NH, Photo by: Denis Tangney Jr

Up for a luscious little foliage loop? Hop on the Monadnock Region Loop Scenic Drive in Keene and head down Route 101 toward historic Marlborough. Take Route 124 south and for 12 miles you'll be treated to vibrant views, including Mount Monadnock's reflection in Perkins Pond, and pasture vistas.

Continue down to Jaffrey where you'll find treasures in tax-free shops, and essential fall treats at sugar houses, and farm stands. Head north on 137 and west on 101 past the lovely Dublin Lake to circle back. When you're ready to retire, grab a bite to eat and check into a nearby inn and or bed and breakfast.

The Lakes Tour Byway



Lake Winnepesaukee, NH, Photo by: Denis Tangney Jr

What happens when the sun sets on Lake Winnepesaukee’s fun-filled summer days? Nature steps in to steal the show, surrounding this beloved body of water with an electrifying display of leaves. Start your tour around the Lakes Region in Alton and take Route 11 toward Gilford and family-friendly Weirs Beach where you’ll find fun attractions, arcades and shops. Then jump on Route 25 in Meredith, and meander through Center Harbor, which proves a charming place to stop for food or photos. Continue along 25 to Moultonborough, then hop on 109 and head down past Cow Island toward historic Wolfeboro—the oldest summer resort town in America. To complete your loop, take Route 28 at the junction back to Alton.

Don’t drive away just yet! Rent a lakeside cabin or cottage. Get a fire going. And take to the hot tub for a bit of relaxing in the crisp New Hampshire air.

Lake Sunapee Scenic Byway



Photo by: @borntotravel2

The half-hour trip along the Lake Sunapee Scenic Byway reveals a kaleidoscope of color across lakes, mountains, riverways and farmlands. Start off in Newbury and travel north on Route 103 and you’ll get great views of Mount Sunapee. When you hit the Route 11 junction, head north back toward Lake Sunapee and grab lunch on the harbor—a picture perfect place to take in the fall foliage.

As you continue east on 11, you’ll get healthy dose of autumn surrounding Otter Pond, Little Sunapee Lake and Pleasant Lake. As you come into the small town of New London, the views of Mount Kearsarge will wow. Head over to Winslow State Park and Black Mountain Forest for a light hike through falling leaves.

The White Mountain Trail



White Mountain National Forest, NH, Photo by: Jon Bilous

The White Mountains may be a world-class hiking destination, not to mention nationally known for its epic leaf-peeping route, the Kancamagus Highway, but did you know some of the best foliage in New Hampshire can be found off the beaten path? Yep. If we've learned anything from our beloved, Franconia resident, Robert Frost, it's that taking the road less traveled may indeed make all the difference.

Set your sights on the 100 miles that make up The White Mountain Trail—a national scenic byway. It's an eye-popping loop that'll take you past cascading waterfalls, covered bridges, dozens of mountain and valley outlooks—all alight with a rainbow of colorful leaves. Begin at the White Mountains Visitor's Center in North Woodstock. From Route 112 West jump on 3 North (which will merge with 93 for a stretch), through the gorgeous Franconia Notch State Park (and incredible stops along the way). Then head southeast on 302 through Crawford Notch State Park where you'll score views of Mount Washington and other peaks in the Presidential Range. For even more magnificent sights, head north again on 16 from there.

Moose Path Trail



Dixville Notch, NH, Photo by: Denis Tangney Jr

Spotting moose in the wilderness? Unfettered tranquility beyond belief? Rich splashes of reds, oranges, and yellows? It's all up here for you in New Hampshire's Great North Woods. (See what National Geographic had to say about Moose Alley.)

Start the Moose Path Trail starting in Gorham, and travel north on Route 16 toward Errol. Take Route 26 to Dixville Notch, then cruise Route 3 North to Pittsburg. If fresh air and outdoor adventure are on your fall to-do list, there are hundreds of miles of ATV and hiking trails in the region, and stellar fly fishing on the Connecticut River.

American Independence Byway



Portsmouth, NH, Photo by: Denis Tangney Jr

If you like a side of history with your scenic drives, you'll love the New Hampshire Seacoast region's American Independence Byway. Settled in the early 1600s, there's plenty to learn on this 21-mile route—not to mention awesome autumn sights to see. Start your loop in Exeter center—home of the American Independence Museum—and take Route 150 south through Kensington.

From there you'll want to jump on Route 84 east toward Hampton Falls—we recommend an apple-picking break at an area orchard! Then, as you take Route 1 North, the old stagecoach road from Portsmouth to Boston, keep an eye out for spectacular birds, as you'll pass beautiful salt marshes, ponds and waterways. Then take Route 27 toward the coastal scenic Route 1A to enjoy more impressive views, fresh seafood, the soothing sound of waves and the crisp ocean breeze.

Check our New Hampshire foliage tracker all season long to keep tabs on peak leaf-peeping times across the state.

For more information about foliage tours in New Hampshire visit:

<https://www.visit-newhampshire.com/state/foliage/>



Ambassador's NCM Update

September 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.

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 shares its story with you. For the current story,

“Dan Binks Autographed Helmet” go to

<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/dan-binks-autographed-helmet/>



NCM Special Exhibits: March 10 – Custom

CARisma: The Legendary Creations of Carl Casper
Carl Casper is a car designer and engineer, a racer, a movie car builder, an antique carriage collector and restorer, author, artist, sculptor, entrepreneur, and philanthropist. As a car show producer his record is peerless. For 55 years, from 1963 to 2017, Carl Casper produced, co-produced, or teamed up to produce over 1000 car shows all over the country. Carl’s spectacular career and some of his most famous cars will be on display in the *Custom*



CARisma: The Legendary Creations of Carl Casper exhibit at the National Corvette Museum beginning on March 10, 2023. Cars on exhibit will include The Batman Returns Batmobile, Turbo Shark Corvette, Popcorn Wagon, Young American Dragster, 51 Merc “Knight Cruiser”, Paddy Wagon, 32 Renegade Deuce and the Cosmic Invader.



Open now is a new on-going exhibit that features Corvette's Vice Presidents of Design beginning with Harley Earl in the 1950s through Mike Simcoe today. The exhibit also reveals the lesser-known stories of those who worked out of the spotlight but were no less influential in creating the lines that would shape the auto industry. Additionally, this exhibit shines a light on the diversity of the individuals responsible for Corvette's iconic design. This exhibit also provides a full overview of the intricate and exciting process of designing a car, from sketches and renderings to clay and prove-out models.

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70 YEARS OF CORVETTE IS NOW OPEN**



NCM Events Update 2023

- MiM National Parks Tour Sept 24 – 30
- Mim 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour Sept 25 – 30
- Mim 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (2) Oct 2 – 7
- Corvette Racing Weekend at AACA in Hershey, PA Oct 5 – 7
- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (3) Oct 9 – 14
- MiM Tour of Austin – Oct 11 – 15
- MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (4) Oct 17 – 22
- MiM NYC America's City Oct 22 – 26
- MiM Daytona Rolex 24 by Michelin at Daytona International Speedway January 24 - 26

Motorsports Park News: DRIVE A NEW Z06 and Z06 Fast Pack

The Motorsports Park is the only commercialized track in the nation to offer consumer facing-driving experiences in the much anticipated new Z06 Corvette. Test the power and performance of this amazing vehicle by signing up for the Drive a Z06 offering by driving 4 laps (above highway speeds) in a lead/follow format around the 3.2 mile 23 turn road course plus "Zero to Sixty" launch and a Hot Lap driven by an Motor Sports Park pro drive. For the "Z06 Fast Pack" you will be driving (4) laps (above highway speeds) in a lead/follow format around the 3.2 mile, 23 turn road course, plus "Zero to Sixty" launch, and a Hot Lap driven by the MSP professional. For more information please visit:

<https://www.motorsportspark.org/drive-a-z06/>

The NCM Motorsports Park has introduced a new driving experience...the Corvette Bundle! This product showcases the performance capabilities of both the C7 and C8 Corvettes. Guests have the opportunity to get behind the wheel of both cars for four laps each on the 3.2-mile, 23 turn track. This lead/follow experience is packed with exciting speeds, high adrenaline, and lots of fun.



Want even more time in the seat?!? Take advantage of our Camaro & Corvette Package!! This experience showcases the performance capabilities of all three GM sports cars, the C7 and C8 Corvettes along with the Camaro SS 1LE. You'll get 4 laps around the track in each car for a total of 12 laps!

To register for these and other track experiences: <https://book.peek.com/s/bdf5867b-553c-4f63-af19-cdc4abedc880/zg2mw>

Motorsport Park 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 Purchase online or print order form and mail in. Current Corvettes being raffled:



2024 Black Coupe

Price: \$100

Drawing: September 21, 2023 2:00 PM CT



2024 Build Your Own Stingray or \$80,000

Price: \$250

Drawing: October 19, 2023 2:00 pm CT

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NEW ENGLAND CORVETTE CARAVAN 2024 UPDATE

SEPTEMBER 2023

As we move through 2023, the 2024 Caravan is rapidly approaching (for those of us who are producing it) and we still have several tasks to complete, commitments to get, and reviewing of what has already been put in place. So, again in April we followed our route for the 2024 New England Caravan to Bowling Green, KY, checking on the roads we have selected to travel (looking for construction work, etc.), checking that the rest stops are still open, making sure the commitments we have with the hotels, restaurants and attractions are still in place, and working to finalize other items.

If you have forgotten to help support the 2024 Caravan effort by having your license plate included on the Caravan website and in the 2024 NE Caravan Route Book, there is still time for you to do it. See the Sponsor information below. Also, you can support us by purchasing a window decal of the 2024 NCM Caravan logo (see below). Please consider being a sponsor.



One update that will be of interest to many of those on the wait list is we have increased the limitation for registrations to 200 and are in the process of moving those on the wait list to the registered list who still want to register and send in the required deposit.

- The 2024 NE Caravan registration is **limited to 200 cars** and at this time is **FULL**. There continues to be a wait list for those who now send in their registration form (do not send in a deposit). The registration form on the 2024 NE Caravan website has the updated form. When there is a cancellation the first person on the wait list will be contacted and if they still want to go on the Caravan, will be requested to send in the deposit and will be placed on the attendees list when their check is received. The New England Caravan Registration Refund Policy: A full refund (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. Sorry NO refunds for any reason after 8/12/2024.

NOTE: The wait list as of 1 September has **8** entries – if you did not get on the wait list due to earlier number of entries, submit your Registration Form – there will be more cancellations!!!

- The official **2024 New England Caravan Website** is www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/; and the official 2024 New England Facebook page is: www.facebook.com/groups/httpwww.corvettecaravan.comnewengland

NE Caravan Planning Update:

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 on the south course and lunch, then on to the Embassy Suites Hotel in Concord, NC, touring Hendrick Private Collection 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.

Three Meet and Greets have been held and one more Meet and Greet is in the planning stages:

The fourth Meet and Greet will be in the Finger Lakes Region in the Fall of 2023. **Registration is closed.**

NE Caravan Sponsorship form can be viewed below or accessed at 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 website 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 have them available at each club meeting.

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

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/ Please provide your ad in PDF electronic format (high definition) so it can be

sized correctly. E-mail: vetteflock@cox.net Note: Ads can be sent in any time after payment is received up to June 30, 2024.

AD SIZE	COLOR AD	YES			DIMENSIONS	\$ AMOUNT
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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 3/4" x 1 1/2". Your vanity plate will also be posted on our New England website: 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

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

Mail payment to: **NE Caravan / Randy Flock**
P. O. Box 42
East Greenwich, RI 02818



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Corvette Trivia Answer

The 1997 C5 debuted with a transaxle to better balance and improve the handling and move the gearbox to the rear of the car.



Trivia provided by Mitch Bagdigian

2024 New England Corvette Caravan "Meet and Greet"

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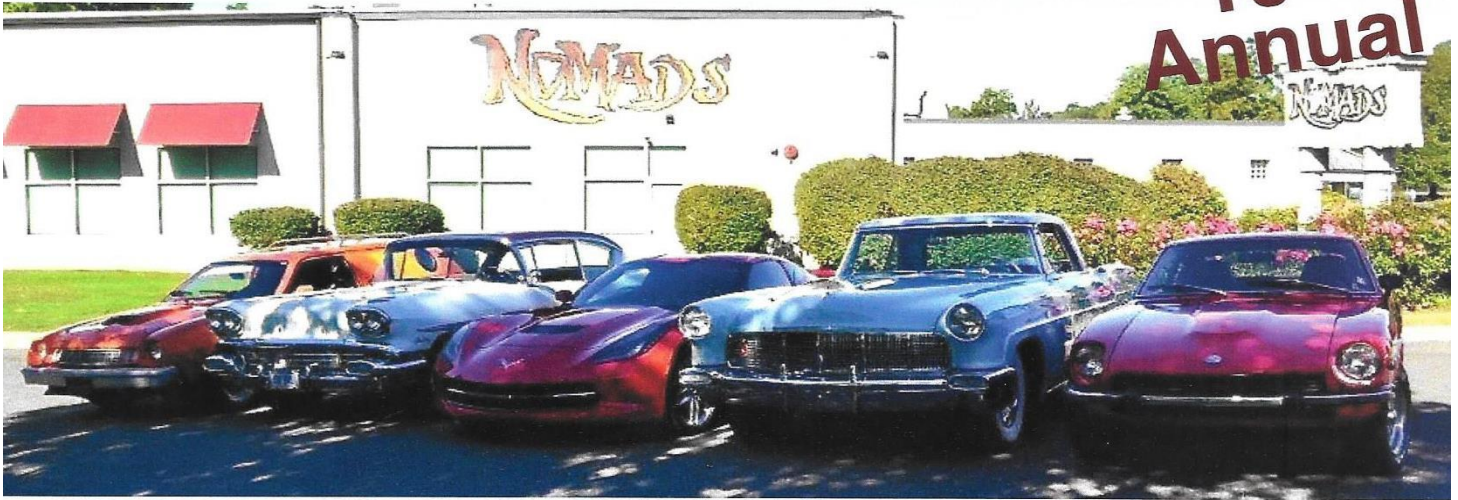
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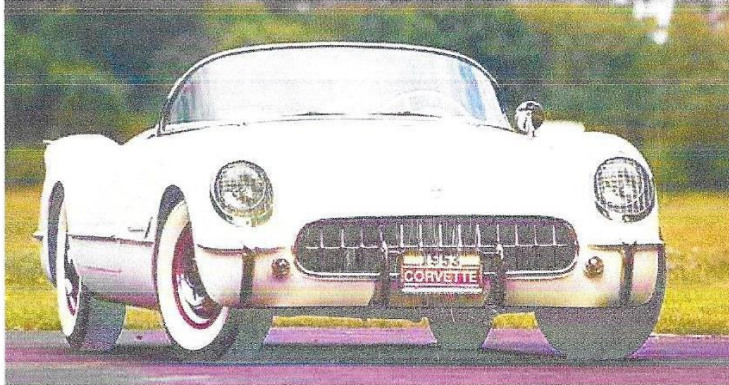
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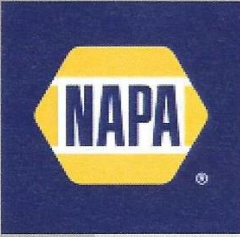
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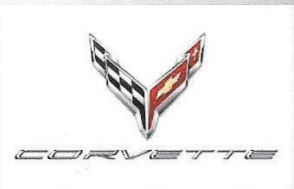
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The next article/ad submission date is **September 25, 2023**

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 20th of each month for inclusion in the upcoming newsletter. Thank you for helping to make our newsletter interesting and informative.

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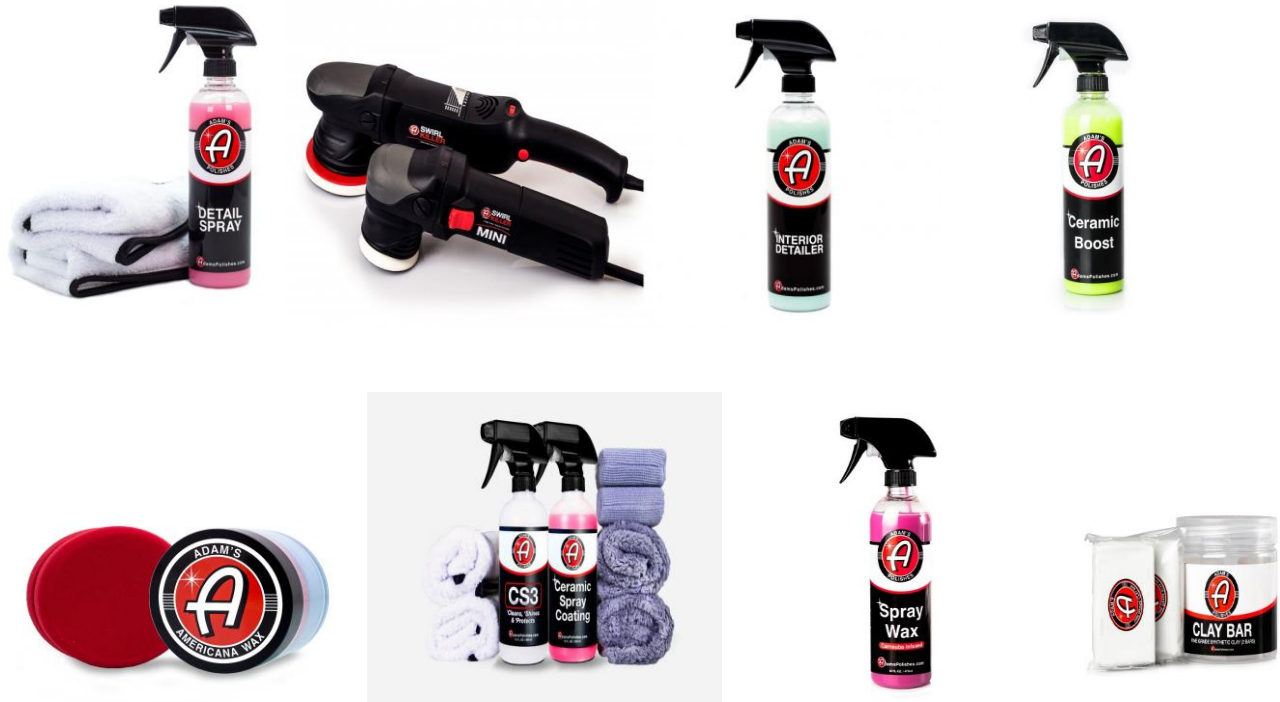
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