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Happy April everyone!

Now that April has arrived, we're counting down the days on our refrigerator calendars until we can bring our Corvettes out of storage and back onto the road. I know some of us have already gotten a head start—likely making good use of those heated seats and steering wheels along the way. LOL

One of my goals for 2026 is to encourage greater member participation in our club's leadership. At the start of the year, we identified a few roles we hoped members would volunteer to fill: **Sunshine Coordinator, Club Photographer** and possibly a **Club Historian**. I'm pleased to share that we've already found our Club Photographer — **Sandy Bourgeois** has volunteered for the role! If you're a member of the club's Facebook page, you've likely seen some of the beautiful photos she's taken. Thank-you Sandy for stepping up for the club!

Next, we're on the lookout for a **Sunshine coordinator**. This role involves supporting members during times of illness and coordinating the sending of cards, making charitable donations, or other expressions of care. Please consider volunteering for this important role to support your fellow club members. If you're interested, feel free to speak with me at the next meeting or reach out by email. Thank you.

During our March Board meeting, we agreed to start a new and exciting event for Gate City in 2026 and possibly beyond. Starting in May, a monthly "Gate City Corvette Cruise Night" will be held in the Murphy's Tap Room parking lot on Sunday afternoons from 4:00 to 7:00pm. The Board will meet again later this month to finalize the details, but it's already shaping up to be a great time—potentially including trophy presentations, raffle prizes, and a 50/50 drawing. Our Cruise Night will be open to all Corvette owners, and we're hoping it will also bring in some new members to GCCC.

Don't forget, we've moved our monthly club meeting to **Wednesday evenings** starting this month at Murphy's. Looking forward to seeing everyone then!

Life is short, enjoy the ride!

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As you are reading this I am sure most are preparing to get our cars uncovered and making preparations to prepare them for another great season of travel and new experiences. Well, I can tell you that your Activities Team are up to the challenge and we continue to offer great destinations and dining experiences. As you can see from the Events Calendar included in the April newsletter, we have a broad range of activities/events in the planning stages. Our plans include new destinations and bringing back previous destinations that were well attended in the past.

Our brunch at Forge and Vine Groton, MA again, was well attended and enjoyed by all, and we will be returning to the Forge & Vine on June 17th for a car show, as we enjoyed last year.

Next up is an early 'linner' (late lunch/early dinner) at Longhorns in April followed by the National Corvette Museum Bash event in Bowling Green at the end of April. May becomes a busy month with Brunch at The Farm Table and a visit to the Kringle Candle Store, a tour of the submarine USS Albacore followed by lunch at the Red Blazer Restaurant, then attending the Vettes of Coastal Maine annual Bar Harbor Tour at the end of May.

From there we have more activities in the works for each month (see the Calendar of Events in each month's Newsletter). A quick look at activities that are in the works and will be offered in the coming months include club picnics in July and October, Maine Coastal cruise in August, Sunapee Dinner Cruise in September, cruise to Quechee, VT in October, and our end of season cruise for brunch at The Farmers Table in October. Our planning calendar is fluid and is subject to change with items being added, removed, or moved to another date.

Just a note that the calendar includes 4 NHMS Laps for Charity events that offer driving your car on the oval course and the road course. Last year club members had a great time participating in these events and I expect more members will want to experience them. They are listed in the calendar in the months of May, July, August, and September.

As always, we encourage all members to bring to us ideas to add to our events and activities, and we will take them from there.

As there are openings on the Activities Committee, I would like to have everyone consider joining the Activities Committee and getting involved in helping to develop ideas for destinations and roadways that are interesting, laying out routes to destinations, developing skills in leading cruises, and being part of the team.

Here's hoping that we see you on our next activity!



GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB

2026 Calendar of Events

NOTE: All dates and activities are subject to change

-  GCCC Event
-  NCM Event
-  Other Events

April

- 8 Club Meeting
- 12 Linner at Longhorn's, Amherst, NH
- 23-25 **2026 Michelin NCM Bash @ National Corvette Museum**

May

- 3 GCCC Corvette Cruise Night @ Murphy's Taproom
- 9 The Farm Table / Kringle
- 13 Club Meeting
- 17 USS Albacore / Red Blazer
- 22 **NHMS Laps for Charity / Road Course**
- 27-31 **Bar Harbor Safari Tour**

June

- 7 GCCC Corvette Cruise Night @ Murphy's Taproom
- 10 Club Meeting
- 12-13 Back to the Beach
- 14 Brunch at The Old Salt, Hampton, NH
- 14 **NCRS Lars Anderson Museum - Corvettes On the Lawn**
- 17 **Forge & Vine Car Show, Groton, MA**
- 27-28 **Wicked big car Show NHMS**

July

- 5 GCCC Corvette Cruise Night @ Murphy's Taproom
- 8 Club Meeting
- 10 **NHMS Laps for Charity / Road Course**
- 12 Gate City Picnic, Pembroke
- 26 Lunch Cruise - T-Bones; Laconia

August

- 2 GCCC Corvette Cruise Night @ Murphy's Taproom
- 9 Maine Coast Cruise / Stonewall Kitchen
- 12 Club Meeting
- 20 **NHMS Laps for Charity / Oval**
- 23 NH Covered Bridges
- 23 CCRI Car Show

September

- 5 **NCM Anniversary**
- 6 GCCC Corvette Cruise Night @ Murphy's Taproom
- 9 Club Meeting
- 13 Castle in the Clouds picnic
- 16 Sunapee Lake Dinner Cruise
- 18 **NHMS Laps for Charity / Road Course**
- 18-21 The Harraseeket Inn, Freeport, Maine
- 19 Corvettes of Berkshire Car Show

Join us in celebrating April / May Birthdays!



<i>Brad Davis</i>	<i>04/05</i>	<i>Peter Bovio</i>	<i>05/03</i>
<i>Linda Davis</i>	<i>04/10</i>	<i>Angela Connolly</i>	<i>05/11</i>
<i>Larry Shields</i>	<i>04/24</i>	<i>Peter Connolly</i>	<i>05/14</i>
<i>Sue Wood</i>	<i>04/26</i>	<i>Kevin Brooke</i>	<i>05/15</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.

Become a member of Gate City Corvette Club!

For Membership Information please visit our website:

<https://gatecitycorvetteclub.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/GCCC-Member-Application-Mar-2026.pdf>

For more [information or if you would like to join](#), please contact:

Dennis Granger, Membership Director

(603) 759-0007 or email dennis@cruisingnh.net

President: Kevin L. welcomed everyone to the March 13th meeting at Murphy's Taproom.

NCM Ambassador: Larry G. talked about the benefits of joining the Museum. The Museum holds Corvette raffles every month. Tickets may be purchased on the NCM website. Please let Larry know if you buy raffle tickets or if you join or renew your museum membership. Insurance for your Corvette may be purchased from the Museum and is often less expensive than your current carrier. Larry has 3 additional passes for GCCC members visiting the Museum. (Admission is free for NCM members.) The Corvette C8 engine build experience is available again at the Bowling Green plant.

Vice President/Activities Director: Larry G. thanked everyone who attended the luncheon at Pickety Place. Next is the Bedford Big Band at the Rex Theater and Forge & Vine in Groton, MA. Linner is planned at the Longhorn in April. A few members will be attending the NCM BASH in Bowling Green.

Membership Director: Tom S. introduced potential members Linda and Kevin who are owners of a 2017 Admiral Blue Grand Sport.

Tom delivered news prompting "boos" from the membership... but in a good way. After a recent trip to Florida, he somehow convinced Liz to leave the Granite State behind for the Sunshine State. He said they will forever be grateful for the friends they have made as members of our club. He invited everyone to visit, but not at the same time! Thank you, Tom and Liz, for your friendship and years of service to our club. You will definitely be missed!!

Treasurer: Dean presented the treasurer's report and announced he has closed the club's PO Box which will result in a savings for the club.

Secretary: Allie did not have a report as there was no meeting in February.

Officer at Large: Norm W. talked about the summer picnic. He will contact the park to nail down a date. The picnic is held rain or shine under a covered pavilion. He also mentioned the Wicked Big Car Show which will be held at New Hampshire Motor Speedway June 27 - 28. This is a weekend long major automotive event featuring over 3000 show cars. <https://www.wickedbigcarshow.com>

Kevin proposed moving our monthly meetings to Wednesday. Meetings on Friday have been problematic because the larger room is often unavailable due to functions in the adjacent event space. He asked for a show of hands of those in favor of changing the meetings to Wednesday. The majority of members agreed. He talked briefly about the reasons behind cancelling Spring Fling 2026 and tentative plans for the future. He announced Sandy B. has volunteered to be the club photographer. He is hoping to find a volunteer to serve as "sunshine" coordinator and perhaps a club historian.

The winner of the 50/50 raffle was Tom S. The winner of the membership raffle was Butch.

Kevin adjourned the meeting.

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That Poor Vette

This poor Vette met a heartbreaking end in California when its T-top C3 coupe body was torn to pieces in a violent rollover that somehow spared its driver. Police say the car hit a tree at high speed before flipping onto its roof, leaving the Corvette's front end shredded, the fenders, bumpers, and hood ripped clean off, and the engine fully exposed like a gutted relic of what had been a proud classic. A bystander pulled the driver from the wreck, and they were able to await arrival of the paramedics. Miraculously, the driver escaped with only scrapes and bruises, but while the man walked away, the car clearly never will.



REMINDER!!

Club meeting Wednesday April 8th
Hope to see you all there!!



Chevrolet introduces 2027 Corvette Grand Sport at Sebring extending a legendary legacy

2026-03-21

Contributed by Allie DeCampo

Before Roger Penske became a legendary race-team owner, he was a driver. On March 21, 1964, Penske and racing legend Jim Hall took the checkered flag at the Twelve Hours of Sebring, securing a Prototype GT class victory in their Chevrolet Corvette Grand Sport.

This year, Penske, a longtime collaborator with General Motors and Chevrolet, celebrates his 60th year as a team owner and served as Grand Marshall for the 74th Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring IMSA race as part of those celebrations. The race, held at a venue that played a key role in the development of the original, offered a perfect opportunity to bring together the Grand Sport lineage, including a new member.

“It is an incredible opportunity to be reunited with the Corvette Grand Sport C2 here at the Twelve Hours of Sebring – an event and a track that has always carried special meaning for me and for our race teams over the years,” Penske said. “Congratulations to Chevrolet on launching the new era of the Grand Sport program. It is truly special to see the C2 and the other generations of the Corvette Grand Sport, including the new C8, here at Sebring.”



C2 Grand Sport (1963)

The Grand Sport story started with a pure race car. An effort led by legendary Corvette engineer Zora Arkus-Duntov, the C2 Grand Sport was a lightweight purpose-built to challenge the best sports cars around the world. With prodigious horsepower from a 377-cubic-inch V8, the Grand Sport put its competitors on edge. Chevrolet built just five.

“It’s incredible to think that 62 years ago, Jim Hall and I drove the Corvette Grand Sport to a class victory at the Twelve Hours of Sebring,” Penske said. “I have great memories of driving the Grand Sport as we were fortunate to earn three wins across five races in the car during the 1963 and 1964 seasons”.

C4 Grand Sport (1996)

A farewell to the beloved fourth-generation Corvette, the C4 Grand Sport was a one-year special that combined a more powerful version of the naturally aspirated 5.7-liter LT4 Small-Block V8 with chassis upgrades from the ZR1. Just 1,000 were built, each in the heritage livery of Admiral Blue with a white stripe running the length of the car and Torch Red hashmarks on the driver’s side fender.

C6 Grand Sport (2010-2013)

The sixth-generation Corvette saw the model range expand with many performance variants and special editions. The C6 Grand Sport brought together the base model’s legendary naturally aspirated 6.2-liter LS3 V8 with the wider bodywork, larger brakes, and other upgrades from the C6 Z06. Manual-transmission C6 Grand Sports had unique gear ratios and a dry-sump oiling system for the V8.

C7 Grand Sport (2017-2019)

Like its predecessors, the C7 Grand Sport mated the base engine – in this case, the 460-horsepower naturally aspirated 6.2-liter LT1 V8 from the Stingray – with wider bodywork and other components from the Z06. It represented a sweet spot between daily drivability and track performance, and it also resurrected the red, white, and Admiral Blue livery of the C4.

C8 Grand Sport (2027-)

Following in the footsteps of its predecessors, the latest Corvette Grand Sport is for the purist and will be a high-volume model. Featuring the next generation of GM V8 technology, the C8 Grand Sport is built by and for enthusiasts.



The #4 Corvette Grand Sport of Roger Penske and Jim Hall en route to class victory at Sebring in

www.chevrolet.com

A few scenes from Forge and Vine



SPRING FLING

Corvette Show



Important Update

Gate City Corvette Club

We regret to announce the cancelation of our Spring Fling Corvette Show for 2026 due to the closure of the Anheuser-Busch facility in Merrimack, NH. Please watch for details later this summer of our “new and improved” Spring Fling for 2027. We deeply appreciate your support of our show and look forward to seeing you next year!



For more information:

www.gatecitycorvetteclub.com

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/806841938>



GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB



Time to let the horses run!

LONGHORN STEAKHOUSE

124 Route 101A

Amherst, New Hampshire

Date: Sunday, April 12, 2026

Time: 2:00 PM

Please RSVP by April 9th

Georgia LeBlond

kgvert1@outlook.com

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GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB

Let's get together!

**Saturday
May 9, 2026**



Cruise to Kringle Candle

220 South Street, Bernardston, MA



**Meeting Place:
Arrive 8:30 am
Irving Gas Station
792 Elm St, Milford, NH
Departure 9:00 am
Arrive at Kringle 11:00 am
Bunch at 11:30 am
Shopping before & after**

**Brunch at The Farm Table Restaurant
Across the street from Kringle Candle**

<https://kringlecandle.com/> <https://farmtable.com/menu>

Depart 1:30 for Ice Cream stop at Kimball's in Jaffrey

Kevin & Georgia LeBlond kgvert1@outlook.com

Please RSVP NLT (no later than) Friday, April 25th

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USS ALBACORE

Submarine & Museum Tour

Sunday, May 17, 2026



Cruise to Albacore Park

600 Market Street, Portsmouth, New Hampshire

Admission

\$10.00 pp

Meeting place: Bonzai Restaurant
2264 Candia Rd, Manchester, NH

Arrive 8:00 am ~ Departure 8:30 am



**Lunch at the Red Blazer
Restaurant & Pub**

**72 Manchester Street
Concord, NH**

**Please note: No backpacks, purses or bags allowed on the submarine.
Submarine visitors must be able to raise their feet 18 inches.**

RSVP by April 17, 2026

Larry Goelz Istarrg@comcast.net

USS ALBACORE

At Home in Portsmouth, New Hampshire

USS Albacore (AGSS-569) is a retired, unique research submarine that pioneered the American version of the teardrop hull form, sometimes called an "Albacore hull", of modern submarines. The revolutionary design was derived from extensive hydrodynamic and wind tunnel testing, with an emphasis on underwater speed and maneuverability. She was the third vessel of the United States Navy to be named for the *Albacore*.



Her keel was laid down on 15 March 1952 by the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard of Kittery, Maine. She was launched on 1 August 1953, sponsored by Mrs. J. E. Jowers, the widow of Chief Motor Machinist's Mate Arthur L. Stanton, lost with the second *Albacore* (SS-218), and commissioned on 6 December 1953 with Lieutenant Commander Kenneth C. Gummerson in command.

The effectiveness of submarines in World War II convinced both the Soviet Navy and the United States Navy that undersea warfare would play an even more important role in coming conflicts and dictated development of superior submarines. The advent of nuclear power nourished the hope that such warships could be produced. The effort to achieve this goal involved the development of a nuclear propulsion system and the design of a streamlined submarine hull capable of optimum submerged performance.

A non-profit group, the Portsmouth Submarine Memorial Association, was formed to bring the *Albacore* back to Portsmouth and place her on permanent display, designed to be on dry land so the entire submarine would be visible. The *Albacore* was towed back to Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in April 1984, by an Army Reserve tugboat in a journey of 575 miles (925 km) that took 70 hours.

In May 1985, she was moved across Portsmouth Harbor to a permanent display site. The move was difficult, as a railway trestle had to be removed and a temporary cut, large enough to float her through, had to be made across a four-lane road. During the move, the *Albacore* struck bottom three times, followed by a catastrophic derailment of the temporary marine railway that had been constructed to bring her out of the water. [The *Albacore* was left grounded in mud, short of her final resting place.] Months later, a temporary cofferdam was constructed, she was re-floated, and on 3 October 1985, she was successfully placed in her permanent display cradle.] After significant volunteer work to prepare her for display, the *Albacore* opened to the public on 30 August 1986.

Albacore is located at Albacore Park, 600 Market Street, Portsmouth, New Hampshire. She is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and was designated a National Historic Landmark on 11 April 1989. In 2005, the United States Submarine Veterans of World War II inducted the *Albacore* into the Submarine Hall of Fame. In 2016, the basin area around the submarine at Albacore Park was completely reconstructed.

GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB

Brunch at

The Old Salt Restaurant

490 Lafayette Rd (Route 1)

Hampton, New Hampshire

Sunday, June 14, 2026



Brunch ~ \$29.99 pp

Meeting place: Bonzai Restaurant

2264 Candia Rd, Manchester, NH

Arrive 9:15 am ~ Depart 9:40 am

Arrive at The Old Salt 10:15

RSVP by May 22, 2026

Larry Goelz lstarrg@comcast.net



The Old Salt Restaurant at historic Lamie's Inn puts on an enormous spread so incredible it has won "Best Brunch in New Hampshire" for many years. Bring your appetite for a large variety of breakfast and lunch dishes, made to order omelets, roast beef carving station, pastries and desserts and so much more. Even the Bloody Mary with 2 jumbo shrimp is an award winner! Unhurried and indulgent, the food keeps coming from 9:00 am – 1:30 pm.

GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB
CAR SHOW

Wednesday, June 17 | 5:00pm-7:30pm



Photo by Steve Lieman

New & Classic Corvettes on Display
Forge & Vine Food Truck
Outdoor Cash Bar
Live Music by *Chuck Clough*

Free to attend, fun for all!



128 MAIN STREET, GROTON, MA

GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB

Annual Summer Picnic

for members and their families

Sunday, July 12, 2026

11:00 am – 4:00 pm



**Location: Pembroke Memorial Park
Pembroke, New Hampshire
45 Pleasant St. (GPS Marker)**

(Junction of Pleasant & Exchange Street) Continue west on Pleasant St. toward river, Pembroke Public Works Building is on left, Memorial Field is straight ahead; go down a small hill, picnic area is on the left.

Club provides burgers and hotdogs.

Members provide sides or desserts to share. Bring your own beverages.

Optional: Games, Lawn Chairs, Sunscreen. Rain or shine event!

RSVP Norm & Sue

woodnorman@comcast.net (603) 759-2595

Hope to see you there!!

GATE CITY CORVETTE CLUB

Experience Freeport Village

4 days and 3 nights in beautiful Freeport, Maine



HARRASEEKET INN

162 Main Street, Freeport, Maine

Weekend Getaway

September 18 - 21, 2026

The Harraseeket is a historic inn that exudes timeless charm in the heart of Freeport. With a selection of welcoming rooms and suites, a standout restaurant and a heated indoor pool, it truly captures the spirit of classic New England hospitality.

Friday, September 18th

- Relaxing drive to Freeport, Maine.
- Check-in at the Harraseeket Inn.
- Happy hour at the Inn. (Bring snacks and preferred drinks.)
- Evening dinner on your own at the Inn or choose one of the area restaurants.

Saturday, September 19th

- Enjoy the day as you wish.
- Caravan to Owls Head Transportation Museum for those who wish to join us. Lunch following the tour.
- Group dinner at the Inn *or* you may dine at a restaurant of your choice.

Sunday, September 20th

- Enjoy the day as you wish.
- Group dinner at the Inn ordering off the menu.

Monday, September 21st

- Breakfast
- Depart for home!



Car washing station and designated parking just for Gate City Corvette Club!
Continental breakfast included or order off the menu at additional expense.

Please join us for a fun weekend in Freeport, Maine!

Reservations at the Harraseeket Inn

RESERVATIONS: To make your reservation at the Harraseeket Inn, call the Inn directly or use the one-click booking link below. All reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card.

DEPOSITS: At time of reserving a room, a deposit for the first night plus tax is required.

CUTOFF DATE: Reservations by attendees must be received on or before Friday, **August 21, 2026**.

CANCELLATIONS: Cancellation of individual reservations must be made at least 72 hours prior to the arrival date. **Cancellations after this time will forfeit the one-night room and tax deposit.**

To make a reservation within the room block, guests can either:

1. Call the Inn directly at 207-865-9377, press option 2 to speak with a Front Desk Representative, and reference "**Gate City Corvette Club**" OR
2. Use the one-click booking link below:

Harraseeket Inn Reservations - Gate City Corvette Club, September 18-21, 2026

We were able to negotiate a great deal for our stay with substantial savings!
Our cost is \$199 for Friday and Saturday night and \$159 for Sunday night!
(Standard cost is \$279 plus tax for Friday, Saturday and Sunday night.)



RSVP by 8/21/2026
Kevin LeBlond
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(978) 727-3479



SUGGESTIONS FOR THINGS TO DO IN THE FREEPORT AREA



**New England Corvette Caravan invites you to “The Gathering”
October 22, 23, 24, 2026 – The Mariner Resort Motel
743 Main Street, Ogunquit, Maine**



**This will be an informal laid back “how was your year” gathering.
You will book your own room and plan your own places to dine.
A list of restaurants will be provided by e-mail.**

Ogunquitfest offers: a huge artisan craft fair all weekend, classic car show at Main beach on Saturday, dogtoberfest costume parade, pumpkin carving, Halloween themed events, kids trick or treating on Friday night and Saturday morning, Historic cemetery walking tours in Wells, live music and much more. We will offer you a couple of scenic rides (go on your own) for your cruising pleasure and a Friday cruise to the Maine Classic Car Museum in Arundel, Me for a guided tour. Group pricing TBA (possible lunch included)

Reservations open up on November 1, 2025

www.marinerresort.com

Call 207-646 -5931 between 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM leave name and phone number and they will return call if you don't catch them in the office. You are booking for October 22, 2026 (Thursday) 23rd (Friday) and 24th (Saturday).

Price for two queen room is \$99.00 + taxes Thursday and \$149.00 + taxes for Friday and Saturday night.

Add \$10.00 for King rooms (limited number of kings).

If you are planing to attend this event please e-mail vetteflock@cox.net so we can get a head count. We may put together a group dinner Saturday night.



Ambassador's NCM Update

April 2026

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/renew memberships, purchase raffle tickets, purchase bricks/tiles/bench, make donations to the museum, get an insurance quote, or purchase insurance from NCM.

NCM News:

2026 Corvette ZR1X
First R8C Delivery of the ZR1X



The first 2026 Corvette ZR1X was delivered through the National Corvette Museum's R8C Delivery Program, marking a milestone moment for America's Sports Car and for the evolution of high-performance engineering.

An Experimental Masterpiece
1979 Engineering Development

General Motors built this Corvette with an experimental chassis and specialized parts to test upcoming changes to new Corvettes.

The National Corvette Museum's Vehicle Preservation and Maintenance team reassembled this Corvette as part of a multi-year preservation project, and it is now on display as part of *Driven to Preserve*.



NCM Special Exhibits

From the silver screen to country music stars, Corvette has been front and center in America's love affair with speed and style and pop culture. The rotating collection currently features GM's Corvette Stingray Concept, better known as Sideswipe from *Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen*, and Brad Paisley's 1962 Corvette. Don't miss the immersive Skydome experience that puts you right in the scene with these legendary cars.



American Love Affair: Pop Culture and Corvette

New Exhibition - Driven to Preserve



Now Open,, more than a dozen rarely seen Corvettes and interpretive displays will showcase how staff manage the movement of vehicles, catalog objects, and care for rare materials in a way that aligns with museum standards.

2026 National Corvette Museum Annual Bash

This is one of two annual events, the other being the National Corvette Museum Birthday Celebration which is held in early September. This event offers latest in C8 offerings, road tours with lunch, expert-led technical sessions, a judged car show, many vendors, and you can enjoy lunch at the Stingray Grill. This event runs from 23 April through 25 April. Visit the NCM website to find the Bash registration by selecting [Events - National Corvette Museum](#).

NCM Events Update:

- 2026 Michelin NCM Bash @ National Corvette Museum - Apr 23 – Apr 25
- 2026 MiM Dragon Run Presented by Michelin -Apr 26 – Apr 29
- 2026 Museum in Motion Charlotte Experience - Jun 2 – Jun 6
- 2026 MiM Branson Experience -Jun 23 – Jun 27
- 2026 R8C Museum Delivery Customer Reunion -Jun 25 – Jun 27
- 2026 National Corvette Museum Anniversary @ NCM- Sep 3 – Sep 5
- 2026 MiM New York - Sep 24 – Sep 28
- 2026 MiM Italy - Oct 24 – Nov 1

Plant Tours

If you are interested in plant tour information, visit the NCM website at <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/plant-tours/>



Motorsports Park News:



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

NCM Sweepstakes:

The NCM has another Corvette Sweepstakes, and is offering a Rally Red 1965 Corvette Convertible featuring a 327-cubic-inch V8 rated at 300 HP and paired with an automatic transmission. It has factory A/C, power windows, and power brakes. This car has had a frame-off restoration. Vehicle overview:

- VIN: 194675S114280
- Odometer shows 56,680; true mileage unknown
- Previous frame-off restoration
- Factory-correct components, including ignition shielding, dual-snorkel air cleaner, Harrison radiator, expansion tank, dash pads, and door panels
- Take delivery on the iconic Corvette Boulevard as part of the Museum Delivery Experience, which includes Museum membership and a VIP tour
- Donations toward sweepstakes entries do not count toward an individual's annual or cumulative National Corvette Museum giving totals

Entry Deadline: April 26, 2026 at 2:00PM CT

Drawing Date: May 7, 2026 at 2:00PM CT

If you are interested in purchasing tickets, go to [1965 Corvette Convertible Sweepstakes | National Corvette Museum](https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/index.cfm) and enter. When it asks for a code – use code **GateCity** and you will get 20% more entries.



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2026 Artic White Corvette Coupe

Price: **\$100.00** Tickets: 2000

Drawing: April 16th, 2026 2:00 PM CT



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Price: **\$300.00** Tickets: 1500

Drawing: April 24th, 2026 2:00 PM CT



2026 Torch Red Corvette Coupe

Price: **\$20.00** Tickets: Unlimited Raffle

Drawing: April 25th, 2026 2:00 PM CT

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

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In the Kitchen

— Recipe of the Week —

Spring Spaghetti Carbonara



— A fresh and vibrant twist on a classic pasta dish! —

INGREDIENTS

- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 12 ounces spaghetti, such as De Cecco
- ½ pound snow peas, julienned
- 1 cup shelled fresh peas or frozen peas
- 12-14 thin asparagus, tips sliced in 2-inch pieces
- 2 tbsp good olive oil
- 8 oz small-diced pancetta
- ½ cup heavy cream
- 2 extra-large eggs
- 2 extra-large egg yolks
- ½ cup grated Parmesan, plus extra for serving
- 5 scallions, thinly sliced
- ½ cup minced fresh chives, plus extra for serving
- Zest and juice of 1 lemon

DIRECTIONS

1. Bring a large pot of water with 2 tbsp salt to a boil. Add the spaghetti and cook for 8 minutes. Add the snow peas, fresh peas, and asparagus; cook 2 minutes more. Drain the pasta and veggies.
2. In a saute pan, cook the pancetta for 7-9 minutes, until browned. Transfer to a plate lined with paper towels.
3. In a warmed bowl, whisk together the cream, eggs, egg yolks, and ½ cup reserved pasta water.
4. Add the drained pasta and veggies to the bowl and toss to coat. Add the ½ cup Parmesan, scallions, chives, lemon zest, juice, salt, and pepper. Toss well.
5. Add the pancetta, toss to combine.
 - Serve hot with extra chives and Parmesan.

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