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Is E85 in the Corvette's future?



Compuware's E85 powered Corvette  
pic by John Palmgren

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Trivia questions for the month of January were:

Last 4 presidents of the NVCC:  
Rich Marks, George Kerns, Jeff Kirk, Paul Hertel

Cost of the first corvette:  
\$3488

What colors were added for the 1954 Model year:  
sportsman red, black, pennant blue

All Corvette engines in 2001 were made where?  
St Catherine's, Ontario

What was the first production corvette to use titanium and on what?  
2001 Z06 Exhaust

What year did a headlight warning buzzer become standard equipment?  
1975

## **Membership Corner**

We currently have  
**115** active members  
**1** honorary member and  
**11** prospective members.

### **Prospective Members:**

Sandy Blalock – 2008 Convertible Red

Gary Foster –

Mark De Agazio – 2003 Z06 Red

Michael Rathbun – 2004 Z06 Yellow

Claire Firebaugh – 1999 Coupe Red

Rich Olivo – 2002 Coupe Blue

Ted Cahall – 2001/2006 Z06/Z06

Glenn Reschke – 1990 ZR1

William Malone – 2008 Conv Crystal Red

Lori Ann Collins – Z06 Black

Steven Netherly – 2006 Coupe Monterey Red

You remain a "prospective" member until you pay your membership dues and return your NCCC form.

## **PRESIDENT'S CORNER    January 2009**

### ***AN OPEN APPEAL FOR 2009 NVCC MEMBERS TO STEP UP TO THE CHALLENGE***

The following club positions remain to be filled. Briefly, the duties of each are listed here for your consideration. They are:

- **Club Historian**; a fun position, researches & provides historical Corvette related trivia questions for the business meetings
- **HPDE Chair**; manages the overall adult driving school program, including the Cone Killer event on March 28th and the HPDE on the Main track at Summit, tentatively scheduled for July 10th
- **Spooktacular ('Spook') Chair**; begins work around June and manages the program through its completion on Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4th
- **Teen Driving School (TDS)\* Chair**; Works with Chief Instructor to manage the event up to twice a year

\*Ideally, we would like to be able to have a spring and a fall TDS. The more we get this program out to the students, the better it is for them.

As you can see, NVCC has a lot of programs and we need your help to have successful events.

No one program position requires a 40 hour per week commitment, but you'll probably put in more than 8 hours total by the time you're done. Fellow club members always help out for these events so you will never be alone, but we need someone to start the ball rolling for each of these and to finish it up. Council members will also help out as necessary.

If a couple of you want to co-chair one of these positions, that's cool with the council. For example, if you want to do Cone Killers and someone else wants the HPDE, that's ok too.

We are currently working up a step-by-step outline for putting on a TDS, so we can let other clubs continue this work throughout the east region of NCCC, and this will be available to you, too. I'll have an outline for Spook ready for you, too. We have many club members that have chaired these events, and most are available for consultation if you find it necessary.

If you are interested in one of these positions, please let me or one of the council members know and we'll get you up to speed. Chairing one of these events is very rewarding and will prove to be a lot of fun!



Stewart Fox, President  
Northern Virginia Corvette Club

## NVCC Social Calendar March 2009 – Laurie Kistner, Social Director



Greetings Corvetters,

Hey everybody! Spring is almost here, and the Corvette season is heating up with all sorts of fun things to do! Check out the wide variety of events we are holding:

**Sat. 2/28:** We have received a request from Jubilee Christian Center to bring some cars to display at their Father/Son event, which runs from 9 AM to 2 PM. We need to be there about 8 AM to set up.

The church is located at 4650 Shirley Gate Road in Fairfax, Virginia, between US Route 29 (Lee Highway) and Braddock Road, just west of George Mason University.

They will be serving breakfast and lunch for the event. They are putting together a packet so that we would receive our meals FREE. They still would like us to register, there just won't be a charge.

All cars will be in a sectioned off part of the church lot, safely removed from activity. There will be a lot of workshops and such going on in the church itself. The purpose of the day is to get fathers and sons together for some fun quality time and to expose the kids to different skills and hobbies.

This will be a great opportunity to get the club out into the community and show the public who we are and what we do. If you can come, even if just for a few hours, kindly email me at [lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com](mailto:lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com) and let me know NLT 2/24/09.

**Sat. 3/1:** NVCC Membership Drive/Social Luncheon Meet and Greet at Bonefish Grill in Centreville, Virginia at 12 PM. All NVCC members and officers are encouraged to attend. Bonefish will be providing us with plenty of FREE appetizers in the main dining room and special Corvette-only parking for an informal mini-show. If the weather is less than Corvette-friendly, please feel free to arrive in alternative transportation. If you intend to join us, kindly let me know your number attending at [lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com](mailto:lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com) ASAP.

We are asking all NVCC members to print the attached event flyer (black and white or color, doesn't matter) and spread the word to any Corvette owners they come in contact with – whether it's a parked vette, someone getting out of their vette, etc...give the driver a copy or leave a copy with the vette. Introduce yourself and invite them to Bonefish personally if you can. Whatever you can do will most certainly be appreciated!

**Sat. 3/7:** Our Annual Banquet, to be held at 7 PM at Clyde's of Tysons Corner, Virginia. Registration is now closed, see you there!

**Sun. 3/15:** We have an opportunity once again to participate in the Washington, D.C. St. Patrick's Day Parade downtown. Please RSVP to John Palmgren at [john\\_palmgren@yahoo.com](mailto:john_palmgren@yahoo.com) with your full name ASAP.

There is no limit on the number of cars that can attend, we just need a headcount for the application. Also, if anyone has any kids that want to carry the banner ahead of the group, let John know.

NO burnouts  
NO engine revving  
NO chirping of tires  
NO throwing of candy or trinkets from the cars

Let's be on our best behavior and represent the club responsibly, please.

March is an unpredictable month for weather, so dress accordingly. The Parade will step off come rain or shine. (There is NO rain/snow date.) Grandstand seating next to the Reviewing Stand may be reserved in advance, at \$5.00/per person. You can purchase tickets by contacting John Bowen at 301-384-6533 or by email at [johndbowen@earthlink.net](mailto:johndbowen@earthlink.net), or through the parade website [www.dcastpatsparade.com](http://www.dcastpatsparade.com).

We will be meeting at the Pentagon Reservation Parking Lot. We will be departing for DC @ 10:45 AM. Parade staging is at 11:00 AM downtown for parade start @ noon. It should be over by ~2:30 PM. (Location: Army Navy Drive between Hayes and Joyce Streets. Directly across from the Pentagon City Parking Garage.)

## DIRECTIONS:

From 395 N:

Take exit 8C (Rt. 1 South, Pentagon City, Crystal City)

R at RAG, parking lot on the right (can be seen from the exit ramp)

From 66 East:

Take exit for 110 South

Merge onto Rt. 1 South

Take exit for 15th Street

Right at RAG onto 15th street

Right at 3rd RAG onto Hayes Street

Left at 2nd RAG onto Army Navy Drive

Parking lot will be on your right

**Sat. 3/28:** Our annual Cone Killers Car Control Clinic. See attached event flyer for complete details!

### Coming soon....

Sat. 4/4: Drag Racing/Test & Tune #1

Sun. 4/5: Rallye 101

Sat. 4/11: LaGrange Wine Tasting/Car Show

Sun. 4/19: Tax Day Cruise to Ocean City (Rain Date 4/26)

**FYI:** See our website at [www.nvcorvetteclub.com](http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com) and click on "EVENTS" to see a month-to-month view of upcoming event details. Click on "FORUM" if you want to discuss events and/or read follow-ups to events. Click on "GALLERY" if you wish to upload event photos. If you wish to plan any type of club event, please contact me at [lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com](mailto:lilredcorvette94@yahoo.com) ASAP.

Regards,

Laurie Kistner

NVCC Social Director and Webmaster

## 2009 Washington Auto Show

Pics and info from John Palmgren

Our very own 2009 Publicity Chairman and Concours Chairman, John Palmgren, visited the Washington Auto Show on



Saturday, February 7th, 2009. While at the show, John was able to sit in one of his dream cars, a 2009 Red Z06, and meet the Corvette Racing Program Manager, Doug Fehan. Unfortunately John missed Mr. Fehan's presentation, but was lucky enough to spend about 15 minutes in a one on one conversation with Mr. Fehan (at right) about the upcoming season.



Per Mr. Fehan, it looks like Corvette Racing is planning to run the current C6.R GT1 class for the 12 Hours of Sebring, the Grand Prix of Long Beach and the 24 Hours of LeMans races and then will transition to the GT2 Class for the ALMS race at Mid-Ohio. Even though most people think that the class change may be a step down. According to Mr. Fehan, this is not how Corvette Racing is looking at it. The competition will be stiff and they are even expecting Audi to have a car in the GT2 class that is based on the R8. Additionally, the driver line-up is changing to include Antonio Garcia who will race with Johnny O'Connell and Jan Magnussen in the No. 3 Compuware Corvette C6.R for the 12 Hours of Sebring, the 24 Hours of LeMans, and the 1000-mile Petit LeMans. Marcel Fassler will be replacing Ron Fellows on the No. 4. Compuware Corvette C6.R with Oliver Gavin and Olivier Beretta. Ron will continue with the team in an advisory and ambassadorial role



*The Northern Virginia Corvette Club cordially invites you to attend a luncheon at...*

## **Bonefish Grill**

*6315 Multiplex Drive, Centreville, Virginia 20121*

**Sunday, March 1st, 2009 at 12 PM**

*We all have at least one common interest...Corvettes! Come meet members from the Northern Virginia Corvette Club for some great conversation and stories about America's greatest sports car. Whether your 'vette is old or new, modified or stock, come check us out! We would love to meet you and hear about your experiences with your Corvette. Our club has a wide range of activities, including social events, cruises, rallies, parades, shows, autocrossing, performance driving classes, drag racing, charity fundraising, and volunteerism in the community.*

*Bonefish Grill is providing us with special Corvette parking and FREE appetizers to all Corvette owners who attend. Everyone is responsible for their own lunch and beverage costs. If the weather is less than Corvette friendly, feel free to arrive in alternative transportation!*



*Please RSVP with number attending to [social@nvcorvetteclub.com](mailto:social@nvcorvetteclub.com)  
For more information, log on to our website - [www.nvcorvetteclub.com](http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com)*

## Rallye 101

This is the event you've all been waiting for - Rallye 101 or "What You Always Wanted to Know About Rallying But Were Afraid to Ask!!" Come learn the secrets and tricks of the trade from the masters!!

Rallye 101 will consist of discussions on what to bring, how to prepare, how much to bribe the Rallye Master, and how to read General Instruction and Route Instructions. Lecture will be followed by a short (about 45 minutes) practice Rallye and brunch debrief.

**WHEN:** Sunday, April 5, 2009 at 9:30 AM until about 12:30 PM.

**WHERE:** Fireside Grill, located at 9000 Lorton Station Boulevard, Lorton, VA 22079.

**SOCIAL:** Fireside Grill has a great Sunday Brunch for \$22.00 (includes brunch, drink, tax, and tip...special price just for NVCC). Fireside Grill also offers a limited menu including salads and sandwiches for those who would prefer a lighter lunch. As before, please bring cash (small bills, please) for one bill. Come for the Rallye or just join us for the brunch at about 11:00 AM.

**DIRECTIONS:** See <http://www.firesidegrillva.com> for directions or call the restaurant at 703-372-1923.

**CONTACT:** Dick Hammaker at [dick.hammaker@cox.net](mailto:dick.hammaker@cox.net) to register no later than **April 2, 2009**

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## National Corvette Museum (NCM)



January's Ambassador Corner

By Donald Patrick

### CURRENT 2009 NEWS and ACTIVITIES

#### 2009 C6's Production Information as of December 23, 2008:

Source: C5Registry

There have been 13,683 C6's produced for the 2009 model year.

The individual Model breakdown is as follows:

6,855 are Coupes; 2,317 are Convertibles; 3,681 are Z06's and 830 are ZR1's.

To date, the Top Six Corvette Colors produced are as follows:

41U Black 21%; 57U Cyber Gray 20%; 74U Victory Red 14%; 89U Crystal Red 12%;  
17U Blade Silver 10% and 85U Jetstream Blue 9%.

Popular Options and their percentage of build are as follows:

Automatic 6-Speed (Paddle Shift) is 67% of Coupes and 79% of Convertibles;

**Z51** Performance Handling Package is 36% of Coupes and 32% of Convertibles;  
**F55** Magnetic Selective Ride Control is 10% of Coupes and 26% of Convertibles;  
**NPP** Dual Mode Exhaust System is 50% of Coupes and 57% of Convertibles.

The new Base **1LT** Convertible is running 9% of total Convertible production.

### **GM Statement Regarding High Performance Vehicle Operations:**

Source: GM Press Release 2009-02-20

“Due to a refined focus of work on core products, resources at General Motors High Performance Vehicle Operations (H.P.V.O.) have been temporarily reassigned.

The 60 engineers impacted by the decision are a talented, experienced group and have been placed in other engineering operations of General Motors to work on core, volume products, including further improvements in fuel efficiency and advanced propulsion. These are talented engineers who will add their expertise to the various teams they are joining.

When market conditions and public demand for high performance or specialty vehicles change in the future, General Motors will return these resources to their original tasks.”

*Just a couple of thoughts: any further engineering improvements into the C6? Is the C7 on indefinite hold? . . .*

### **Hennessey takes 2009 Corvette ZR1 up to 755-hp:**

As if the 638-hp 2009 Chevrolet Corvette ZR1 wasn't powerful enough already, Hennessey Motorsports has decided to offer two performance package upgrades for the Chevy beast that takes it up to a total of 755-hp.

The first package, known as the ZR700, adds a supercharger pulley and blower snout upgrade, an intercooler system upgrade, a K&N air filter and a reprogrammed EMC (engine management computer). The ZR700 allows the 2009 ZR1 to produce 705-hp with a maximum torque of 717 lb-ft. 0 to 60 mph in just 3.1 seconds with a top speed of 212 mph.

The second package, known as the ZR750, adds everything from the ZR700 package and more for a total of 755-hp with a peak torque of 730 lb-ft. 0 to 60 is cut down to just 2.9 seconds with a top speed at a whopping 217 mph.

### **2009 Callaway Corvette unveiled:**

The latest tuning package released by Callaway Cars for the 2009 Chevrolet Corvette fetches a sticker price of \$18,900 but raises the car's power output to an impressive 580 hp (433 kW) which in turn gets the Corvette an acceleration rate of 0-60 mph in 3.5 seconds to reach a maximum speed in excess of 200 mph.

The Callaway Corvette can cross the quarter-mile in 11.2 seconds at a speed of 124 mph. The Callaway tuning package begins with the LS3 V8 by GM and adds on top of it an Eaton supercharger, a high-flow injected fuel system, an air-liquid converting intercooler and a custom air intake. A hood decal that matches Callaway's 650 hp (485 kW) C16 bespoke speedster is available upon customer request. This package becomes available in conjunction with the opening of its new 27,000 sq.-ft. facility in Corona, California to mark its 20 years of tuning Corvettes.



## **Gulf One Zo6 top \$1 Million at Mecum Auction:**

Source: AutoWeek

An icon of 1960s racing, the Gulf One Corvette Z06 racer, was in familiar position last weekend at the Mecum Auction--first. The 1963 car sold for \$1.05 million at the Kissimmee, Fla., event--doubling the price of a 1962 Mercedes 300 SL, which went for \$525,000, not including the buyer's premiums.

The racer is based on a production Corvette Sting Ray. It's one of 14 from 1963 assigned specifically for competition and was one of two outfitted by Don Yenko. It was campaigned by Dick Thompson, who was dubbed the "Flying Dentist," to numerous wins, including the Puerto Rico Grand Prix, and a first place in the GT3 class at the 1963 Daytona. It also was a frequent winner at barnstorming events.

The Corvette has been restored to its appearance from the 1963 Sebring 12 Hours, including the modified fender flares that were a last-minute change. Originally, the car was equipped with a fuel-injected 327 V8 that made 360 hp and a four-speed manual transmission.

The Gulf One car was one of several Corvettes that went for top dollar at the event, including a 1969 L88 racer, which went for \$305,000, the third-highest sale, and a 1957 convertible, which was fourth with a selling price of \$250,000.

## **GM Canada Delivers Plan for a "Leaner and Greener" Sustainable Company:**

Source: C5Registry

**OSHAWA, ONTARIO** - GM Canada today (2-20-2009) delivered an achievable, transformative Restructuring Plan to the Canadian and Ontario Governments and asked for their support to complete the Plan. Despite further North American market deterioration, the Restructuring Plan will achieve long-term viability and enable GM Canada to repay Canadian taxpayers.

### **The Restructuring Plan has three key components:**

1. Implement further "self help" cost reduction actions and adopt a new, beneficial "Contract Manufacturer" business model
2. Obtain the CAW's agreement to achieve legacy cost reductions and align active worker wage and benefit levels to benchmark levels
3. Complete Canadian and Ontario Government Support Agreements for sufficient financing to sustain operations and restructure GM Canada's balance sheet to address unsustainable legacy costs

### **Restructuring Plan Highlights:**

- Maintains GM Canada's share of Canada / US production which is expected to range between 17% and 20% between 2009 and 2014. GM Canada remains one of Canada's largest automobile manufacturers
- Embraces the Federal and Ontario Governments' Principles for proportional production / proportional support vis-à-vis GM in the US
- Requires Agreements with the Canadian and Ontario Governments and the CAW to be completed in March 2009

- Enables the launch of five new vehicles in Oshawa and Ingersoll including new hybrid vehicle production, new flexible transmission production in St. Catharines and significant advanced environmental R&D for next generation electric car systems, with suppliers and universities in Canada
- Adopts more conservative market assumptions
- Retains GM Canada customers, dealer network and new vehicle line-up as the company's top strength and priority
- Contemplates no further GM Canada plant closures at this time, reflecting restructuring actions already announced
- Enables GM Canada to remain Canada's top selling automaker and offer more 2009 hybrid models than any competitor
- Includes shared sacrifices such as a 10% reduction in executive salaries and reduced benefits and pay for salaried workers
- Secures pensions for GM Canada retirees and would establish a "VEBA-like" structure for health care benefits
- Fully consistent with GM's loan conditions with the US Department of Treasury and GM's Viability Plan as submitted to the US Treasury on February 17, 2009
- Meets viability requirements by establishing GM Canada as a sustainable, stand-alone enterprise.

To view the complete Restructuring Plan visit [www.gm.ca/ourcompany](http://www.gm.ca/ourcompany).

The GMCL Restructuring Plan should be read together with GM's Viability Plan submitted to US Treasury on February 17, 2009. GMCL has conducted extensive due diligence and shared comprehensive financial and competitive information with the Canadian and Ontario governments under appropriate non-disclosure agreements. General Motors of Canada (GMCL) is headquartered in Oshawa Ontario and employs 12,000 people nationwide. GM of Canada manufactures vehicles, vehicle powertrains, and markets the full range of General Motors vehicles and related services through approximately 700 dealerships and retailers across Canada.

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## General Business Meeting - Northern Virginia Corvette Club Tuesday, February 3, 2009

President Stewart Fox called the meeting to order at 7:30.  
After introductions, reports were given:

Social – Laurie Kistner:

- Tell Laurie of events planned so no conflicts arise.
- Laurie will post on web, help with e-mails.
- The calendar is filling up.
- Membership drive March 1<sup>st</sup> at Bonefish Grill. Members are asked to distribute flyers to Vette owners.
- The St. Patrick's Day Parade application is due March 15<sup>th</sup>. Interest was gauged by a show of hands. If no one steps forward to be in charge we bag it.
- Dates set for banquet and Cone Killers.

Banquet and Rallye – Cassidy Nolen

- Banquet is set for March 7<sup>th</sup>. Deadline for registering is February 15<sup>th</sup>. Dress nicely. Applications were available at the meeting.
- The first Rallye is set for April 5<sup>th</sup>. This will be Rallye 101 at the Fireside Grill in Lorton. Time is 9:30 to 12:30 AM . There will be 3 or 4 scheduled this year. If anyone is interested in scheduling a Rallye see Cassidy.

Newsletter – Rich Anderson

- Nothing new. The new printer is crisper, needs no attention. Life's good.
- Club gave kudos to Richard for superior work on the Newsletter.

Chief Instructor: Miriam Schottland

- Cone Killers is scheduled for March 28<sup>th</sup>.
- A Saturday meeting was held to establish helpers/next meeting.
- 9 are registered for Cone Killers.
- Experience not needed for helpers. Need more helpers.
- It was suggested we invite parents/students from TDS.
- We need 33 participants.
- It was suggested we invite other clubs to participate.
- There is no car sharing.
- Flyers were given out. Volunteer work sheets were passed around.
- The cost is \$175.
- Lots of volunteers are needed.
- John will work with Miriam and Laurie to get publicity out.

Publicity – John Palmgren

- Snow cancellations on Clear Channel Organization
- WTOB requires A letter with letterhead. He will e-mail them. Last week was an anomaly. Check Forum for notice of cancellations.
- TV stations won't do groups.
- Banquet prizes are available from West Coast Corvettes with club discount.

Officer – at – Large: Paul Benish

- Copies of the Newsletter were available at the meeting.
- If you want to be on Tech at Cone Killers, see Paul.
- Paul will have 50/50 and history questions after break.

During the intermission \$ 86. worth of tickets were sold.

Rich Mars won the 50/50.

Trivia winners were:

Laurie – desk calendar  
Mark – 57 Corvette Model  
Bruce – calendar  
Henry – calendar  
Sheik – calendar  
Scott – calendar  
Rich Mars – calendar  
John – oil change

Carol – tool kit  
Howard – coasters  
Scott – mug  
Doug – tool kit  
John – back pack

After the prizes were finished, more reports were given.

Vice President – Rich Mars

- Money is tight. We really need to watch the money.
- We had several safety incidents last year: Dinner Cruise, Halloween Parade.
- Members only should host events.
- Waivers are a must for all events. K&K will send us more waivers.
- Anyone with ideas for activities send it to Laurie to minimize conflicts.

Treasurer: Carol Fox

- Two bills from last year were paid: TDS and Monthly Internet.
- TDS bill was discussed.

President: Stewart Fox

- Spook is not a break even event.
- TDS cost more than in past
- Council will look at budgets. They will probably be trimmed.
- Cone Killers track rental is \$6,000. They need 30 days notice. February 28 will be a go/no go date.
- Banquet numbers are low. We encourage members to come out.
- Concours date is June 7<sup>th</sup>. Participants get double points. It's the first time the new Koons manager will see the club.
- We need a chairperson for Spook. It's a lot of fun. It's a two-day high speed autocross. Saturday and Sunday. Corvettes only.
- The picnic is on the schedule. It's an outdoor casual event.
- The new Koons Manager is Pat Fogerty. It's hard to know where things stand as far as support from Koons.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 to meet informally at Clydes.

COME ONE, COME ALL TO NORTHERN VIRGINIA CORVETTE CLUB  
**CONE KILLERS' CAR CONTROL CLINIC**  
 SATURDAY, MARCH 28 FROM 6:45 (AM THAT IS) TO 5:30 PM  
 ON THE BEAUTIFUL, ROMANTIC JEFFERSON CIRCUIT, NESTLED  
 THE ROLLING FOOTHILLS OF SUMMIT POINT, IN WILD,  
 WOOLY WEST VIRGINIA; WE RUN RAIN OR SHINE!



If you HATE driving, come on out anyway to develop your confidence and skill.  
 If you LOVE driving, come on out and love it more.  
 Either way, we promise great fun, a great day, great learning and great camaraderie in a safe  
 environment, a mere hour and a half drive for most of you.

**ABSOLUTELY NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED** for this event. There will be a Plethora of Patient  
 Instructors to help and guide you through all the fun. **Club membership and/or Corvette not necessary!**  
 HEAR what High School Drivers' Ed teachers were forbidden to tell you!  
 AMAZE your friends with your Driving Knowledge!  
 FEEL your car do things it has Never Done Before!  
 LEARN Astounding Facts about driving!  
 SPEED legally!  
 NO hyperbole is too extravagant to describe the Thrills That Await!

For your morning pleasures, we have devised a series of Devilish, Demonic and Diabolical exercises to stretch  
 your thinking as well as your driving skills; in the afternoon we will put it all together on this most excellent  
 track, just goin' a little bit faster. Aaaaaand for an Extra Treat, you can all go for a ride with our Fabled,  
 Fabulous, and Facile Instructors. All this and much more will be imparted to those 39 Lucky Drivers who  
 register early for this rare but spectacular event..

Bring a tarp to put your junk on, dress for who-knows-what-kind-of-weather, wear lace up shoes, cotton long  
 pants and long sleeve shirt and helmet .....mandatory! Brain Buckets (helmets that is) can be rented from OG  
 Racing for a mere pittance. They are located in Sterling, Virginia, and their number is 703-430-3303.  
 Helmets must be SA rated, 2000 or later; no motorcycle helmets! To make sure all four wheels are attached  
 to your car, all cars will be "teched" in the morning. It's a good idea to have it inspected by a qualified  
 technician before the Grand Event.

The fee for this SUBLIME ECSTASY is \$175. CHECK MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION. This includes a  
 health packed breakfast of greasy grungy Crispy Crème Donuts, (or a substitute), and coffee burned to  
 perfection right here in West Virginia. (No refunds after March 20). Lunch will be available at the track.

By the way, NO WALK-INS, NO CAR SHARING! NO TRUCKS, NO VANS, NO SUVs!  
 By the way, by the way, each cone killed will cost ya 2 bits for the funeral, so bring plenty of quarters.  
 Proceeds will be donated to the charity of the group's choice.  
 For directions and to register, visit our website: [www.nvcorvetteclub.com](http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com) and send a \$175.00 check payable  
 to NVCC with form below and mail to: Mark Neblett, 9701 St. Andrews Dr., Fairfax, VA.22030  
 Or email Miriam: [ms.greywolf@gmail.com](mailto:ms.greywolf@gmail.com) or Mark: [MNeblett@crowell.com](mailto:MNeblett@crowell.com)

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## ***NVCC DRIVING COMMITTEE REPORT***

WELL, I THINK WE ARE MORE ORGANIZED THAN WE HAVE EVER BEEN!  
OUR NEW COMMITTEE MET ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 31.....  
.....AND WE GOT LOT DONE BESIDES SCHMOOZE AND EAT!

THE "COMMITTEE" IS DIVIDED INTO SEVERAL SUB-COMMITTEES, EACH WITH A SPECIFIC JOB TO DO. EACH S-C HAS ITS OWN CHAIR, WITH THAT CHAIR RESPONSIBLE FOR JUST ONE ASPECT OF ORGANIZING THE DRIVING EVENTS, AND IF NEEDED, RESPONSIBLE FOR RECRUITING MORE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP FOR THAT PARTICULAR JOB.

THE HEADS OF EACH S-C ARE:  
PA SYSTEM AND TIME: CHUCK PELLERIN  
SIGNS: CASSIDY NOLAN  
FOOD: THE SHEIK  
TECH: PAUL BENISH  
CHECK IN: THE HOLZERS  
          CASSIDY NOLAN  
VOLUNTEERS: JOE HOLZER  
REGISTRATION: MARK NEBLETT

**INSTRUCTOR T-SHIRTS: PATRICK McNEIL**  
VENUES FOR TEEN SCHOOL ETC.: CHRIS COULTER  
  SHEL JONES  
FLAGGERS AND VOLUNTEERS: STEWART FOX  
  JOE HOLZER  
INSURANCE AND TRACK DATES: ANDREJ BALANC  
GENERAL TORTURER: MIRIAM SCHOTTLAND

NOTES: INSTRUCTORS MUST HAVE A GRID TECH FOR HIGH  
      SPEED EVENTS. THEY WILL HAVE THEIR OWN TECH LINE.

WE WILL BE REQUIRING A PRE-TECH FOR HIGH SPEED.

THE SPOOK CHAIR IS OPEN...YOU DO NOT HAVE TO  
BE INTERESTED IN DRIVING, BUT A LOVE OF PEOPLE AND  
ORGANIZATION IS A MUST! HELP!!!!

WE DO NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP OUT THE VARIOUS S-C, SO PLEASE LET MIRIAM KNOW WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH AND I WILL FORWARD YOUR WISH TO THE PROPER COMMITTEE HEAD.

MIRIAM 202-328-3825 [MS.GREYWOLF@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MS.GREYWOLF@GMAIL.COM)

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### Newsletter News ...

Feeling lucky??? Well there isn't any newsletter news, but this month has seen some of the highest sustained winds in the region that we've seen for a long time.....enough to rip 3 of the 4 chimney caps off of our farmhouse and deposit them in the driveway. While there were two corvettes to choose from as targets, Mother Nature missed (narrowly) both. Hmmm.... now am I lucky they missed or unlucky that they were blown off to begin with? Considering the losses of some of my neighbors, I have to consider myself very lucky.

As always, I look forward to receiving your input for the next newsletter. With the first taste of spring right around the corner I suspect many of your cars are ready for a run on the open road. Mine are. Gas prices while rising are still down, so it is time to dust off my copy of Steppenwolf's "Born To Be Wild," stick it in the 8-track, pop the top, fire up 65 vette and as the song says.....head out on the highway.

*Rich Anderson*

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### Next General Business Meetings:

**Tuesday, FEB 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**

**Tuesday, Mar 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm**

**Koons Chevrolet  
2000 Chain Bridge Road  
Tysons Corner, VA**