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Corvettes at Carlisle 2010 ***By Laurie Kistner***



The last weekend of August was Corvettes at Carlisle. Several NVCCers participated in the Saturday cruise through the mountains on Route 15 up to Pennsylvania. Unlike most years, the weather was pleasant and dry (hot and humid is usually more like it).

We spent the day figuring out how to blow our hard earned money and gawking at displays such as the new Z06 Carbon and C6R. Don Ellenberger and Dana Root held a drag race on the Midway in their

rented scooters. After spending a long day walking around, those who were still left standing cruised back down Route 15 and stopped at the Shamrock Inn for a hearty dinner.



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Membership Corner

113 Active Members

2 New Members

3 Prospective Members

118 Total

Annual Membership Renewal Right Around the Corner

Hopefully everyone has received my Annual Membership Renewal Letter for 2011 via the Club's member email address list. To recap, you can very easily renew your NVCC Membership for 2011 by going to <http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com/membership.html> and paying for your membership by using *PayPal*. And this year NVCC is paying for each member's PayPal processing fee! The Annual Renewal Fee for a member is \$73.00 and for a Member and their Spouse the Fee is \$73.00 + \$34.00 = \$107.00. As stated in my letter to members, **the absolute deadline for renewal is November 1, 2010** or the NVCC bylaws state that **you will have to pay the NCCC new member fee of \$35.00 rather than the renewal fee of just \$25.00.**

We all look forward to seeing you again in 2011! Thank you and remember to **Save The Wave!** //Michael

HELP WANTED: NCM Ambassador Sought To Fill Pending Vacancy—

The purpose of the Ambassador Program is to provide Corvette clubs/organizations and enthusiasts, a two way communication link to the NCM. This program provides several opportunities to offer support through participation and involvement in the functions of the Museum. The mission statement of the Museum is to preserve the legendary automobile's past, present, and future. Corvette clubs/organizations and enthusiasts can play an important role in this mission by providing the NCM and its staff guidance and assistance.

Each participating Corvette club/organization will nominate/select an "Ambassador" to act as the representative /liaison of that club/organization to the National Corvette Museum. The person selected to be an "Ambassador" will have a distinct interest in the success and future of the Museum.

The Ambassador's mission will be that of receiving and disseminating the most current and correct information from the Museum, and to convey that information to their local Corvette club/organization. The Ambassador will act as a Museum representative to promote and solicit support for the Museum through promotional activities and encourage other Corvette enthusiasts to join the Museum. Additionally, the Ambassador will be the voice of the Corvette club/organization, communicating concerns, ideas and suggestions to the NCM.

Ambassadors are encouraged to attend NCM membership meetings. At least one Ambassador meeting will be held each year in conjunction with our Corvette Celebration each Labor Day Weekend.

Ambassadors must be a member of the NCM. NVCC will pay the NCM dues for the Ambassador.

Further information is available on the NCM website at:
<http://www.corvettemuseum.com/ambassadors/index.shtml>



PRESIDENT'S CORNER Sep 2010

Hey Richard, please note: I'm not as late in writing this month's newsletter article...Woo Hoo!

I hope everyone has been able to enjoy the warm dry weather that we've been experiencing over the past few weeks. I know I have. It's amazing how the humidity practically drop to nothing right after Labor Day. It really seems to be the perfect time of year to be out in your Vette, convertible down or not.

Just to bring you all up to speed on a few things that I have been up to: I drove to Thurmont MD on Saturday Sept 11, along with Andrej, Cassidy, and Paul, in order meet with several folks from Cumberland Valley Corvette Club so that we could talk about the Teen Driving School. Much of the discussion had to do with the idea of NVCC helping other clubs within the East Region of NCCC put on TDS's in areas served by those clubs. We all came away with the feeling that it was a productive discussion and see possible expansion of TDS to other venues as a real possibility.

As a follow-up to the meeting on 9/11, Cassidy and I attended the East Region Governor's meeting on September 25 in order to present a brief overview of the TDS program conducted by NVCC. While there, Cassidy had the floor for about 15 minutes and was able to show Governors representing a majority of the other clubs in the region, the electronic training media that he has assembled, including the Senteo wireless answering devices that the TDS students used beginning at our May 2010 school. There was some great dialog stemming from this demonstration and it was obvious that the East Region folks are interested in advancing the TDS program beyond NVCC. In fact, there was a motion put forward that two other clubs should step up and try to host their own TDS events as soon as next spring, with assistance from NVCC. Stay tuned to future newsletters to see how this all plays out.

I want to take a minute here to thank Laurie Kistner for organizing and leading a very pleasant Brunch Cruise on Sunday Sept 12. This well attended cruise made it's way from Centreville down through a portion of Manassas National Battlefield (one of the areas I help take care of via my day job) then down some very Corvette-friendly two-lane country roads, passing through several beautiful and less traveled portions of Prince William and Fauquier Counties. Some new faces as well as some familiar faces were all present at the two large tables that it took to accommodate breakfast for the hungry mob.

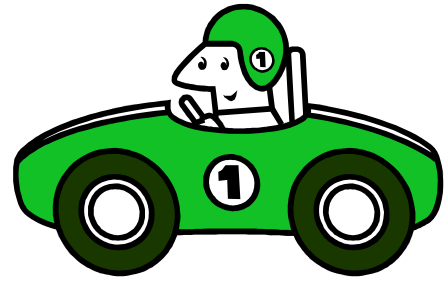
I understand that Richard was successful at getting a great turnout at the inaugural Corvette Cruise-In at the Philip Carter Winery yesterday. Nearly 20 Corvettes were in attendance, including two of his own. Great job Richard !

As of today it's just 30 days until Spooktacular and about 45 days until our November Teen Driving School. Be sure to sign up either to participate or to help us run these important events. Also, Spooktacular will be spectator-friendly this year so be sure to have your friends and family come out to catch the action.

Don't forget that Membership Renewal for 2011 is underway. **LAST DAY to submit your renewal is November 1.**

Check the brake fluid, change the oil, put a little air in the tires, rub on some wax, and hang on for another action packed season with your friends at NVCC. Come out and join the fun !

NVCC Social Calendar October 2010 - Laurie Kistner, Social Director & Webmaster



Fri. 10/1-Sun. 10/3 - The Virginia Corvette Club based out of Lynchburg, VA is holding its 2nd Annual Vettes on the Point at Smith Mountain Lake all Corvette event. The event plans are as follows:

October 1: Reception at Mariners Landing, 7 pm to 9 pm; For a view of the Reception location, go to www.marinerslanding.com Sponsored by Mariner's Landing Resort Community and Conference Center and Benjamin's at The Pointe at Mariner's Landing. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres by the lake, bonfire (weather permitting), registration table for Saturday's Corvette Show, and Cash bar

October 2: All Corvette Show at Parkway Marina. Gates open at 9 am, with the show being from 10 am to 4 pm

Activities include:

Awards for the Top 3 in each Class (C1-C6)

People's Choice for Best in Show

All voting will be done by attendees

Best Club Participation

Furthest Driven

Loudest Exhaust (very popular last year!)

DJ Mike spinning Oldies and Goldie's All Day, Hourly Door Prize Drawings, 50 / 50 Drawing, Silent Auctions (and a LIVE auction at the end of the day!), on premises food vendors, Pontoon Boat Rides around Smith Mountain Lake (small additional fee), And More!

For more info on the Vettes on the Point Corvette Show location, go to www.parkwaymarina.com

October 3: Cruise / Poker Run

The Poker Run is open to all motor vehicles with wheels and street legal! Poker Run will start at Mariner's Landing and end up near the National D-Day Memorial. The Poker Run will start at 10 am sharp, and last about 2 hours with door prizes and awards given out near the entrance to the D-Day Memorial. Awards will be given out on a 50 / 50 basis with 50% being awarded to the best and the worst hands. After the awards, we are working on a complimentary tour of the D-Day Memorial for participants in the Poker Run.

Go to www.virginiacorvetteclub.com to register or email questions to VOTP@virginiacorvetteclub.com

Sun. 10/3 - The NVMC has invited the NVCC and other car clubs to attend their annual Crab Cake Cruise to Stoney's Kingfisher in Solomon Island, Maryland. We'll start at the Dulles Expo Center and work our way to Excessive Motorsports for a brief stop, then down toward Fredericksburg, and across the 301 Bridge into Maryland ending up in Solomon's Island, Maryland. Please bring your FRS radios to help the cruise go smoothly.

Starting at Dulles Expo Center (meet at 8:30 AM, leaving at 9 AM)

Stop in Manassas at Excessive Motorsports

End at Solomon's Island (Stoney's Kingfisher)

For restaurant info please go to <http://www.stoneysseafoodhouse.com/>

Please send RSVPs to Marc Marriott at MarriottAudio@vzw.blackberry.net ASAP.

Sun. 10/3 - DIY Mechanics Car Show (see flyer for complete details!)

Sat. 10/9 - The Good Samaritan Council #6175 Knights of Columbus in Sterling, Virginia has invited the Northern Virginia Corvette Club again to participate in their 29th Annual Columbus Day Parade. Each year they host a hometown and patriotic parade on the Saturday before Columbus Day.

We need to meet between 9-9:30 AM at Park View High School on 400 West Laurel Avenue in Sterling VA. At that time, we will receive instructions and order of march. The parade begins at 10 AM, and runs from Park View High School to Sterling Boulevard, then to Holly Drive, and ends at the Knights of Columbus Council Hall, otherwise known as 'The Barn' (401 West Holly Avenue), where refreshments will be provided to participants. The parade route is about 1.5 to 2 miles long.

Remember, no burnouts or tire-chirping, but a few engine revs are fine to entertain the crowds.

Please email me at social@nvcorvetteclub.com ASAP if you wish to attend. We need as many cars as possible.

Like last year, we will cruise afterward to Cheeburger Cheeburger in Sterling for lunch as a group.

Sat. 10/9 - Kerbeck's 7th Annual Toys for Tots Corvette Run details:

Leaving Farley Plaza on the Atlantic City Expressway at 12:00 Noon
Corvette Racing driver Johnny O'Connell
Grand Marshall

Brickyard 400 Corvette Pace Car leading the group in

Special Offers for participants from Harrah's, Caesars, Showboat and Bally's Casinos

Dash Plaques for all participants

Lunch

Live Entertainment

Door Prizes

Raffle Prizes donated by Spring Mountain, Nakid Parts, SLP Engineering and Dana Forrester (cash donations going to Toys for Tots)

Remember to bring one or more new, unopened and unwrapped toy. If the toy(s) requires batteries, please purchase the batteries and tape them to the outside of the box. This is a rain or shine event so don't let anything stop you from coming out for such a great cause! Please go to www.kerbeck.com to register and view updates.

Fri. 10/15-Sat. 10/16 - The annual Corvettes at Ocean City weekend, sponsored by Free State Corvette Club, is scheduled for October 15 and 16, 2010. This is a RAIN or SHINE event weekend - no refunds.

Join us for a weekend full of activities and events starting Friday, October 15. Proceeds from the Ocean City Corvette Weekend benefit Spina Bifida Association of Maryland and other area charities. Activities during the weekend include 3 fun shows, 3 road rallies, parties, an awards banquet, and an all-Corvette parade down the Boardwalk. Last year 300 Corvettes and their owners were in attendance!

Online registration has begun and will close at midnight on September 26. Late registrations will be taken on Friday and Saturday, October 15 and 16 in Ocean City, MD. This year the Clarion at 10100 Coastal Hwy has been selected as our Host hotel. Please contact them directly and mention FSCC to receive the discounted rates on both the hotel rooms and the (1, 2, & 3 bedroom) condominiums next door.

Please visit www.freestatecorvette.com for more information and to register.

Sat. 10/16 - Test and tune/drag racing session - NVCC, NCOA, NVMC, and special invites

Where: Mason Dixon Dragway, Boonsboro, MD

Time: 8 AM-12 Noon (4hr Private Track Rental, UNLIMITED RUNS!)

Driver price: PayPal \$52.00 per driver to Enforcir@gmail.com OR mail \$50.00 per driver (check made out to Cyril Coburn) to: NVMC, PO Box 104, Amisville, VA 20106. Either of these pre-payment options must be done NLT a week ahead of the event. Pre-payment is preferable as we must have 30 pre-paid drivers 2 weeks ahead of the event or the event risks cancellation. Or you may pay \$60.00 cash per driver @ the gate the day of the event.

Spectator price: \$10.00 (Driver gets 1 crew member in FREE)

Special (Driver) Requirements:

*Mufflers mandatory

*1/4 sleeved shirt and pants, NO SHORTS or OPEN TOED SHOES

*Seat belts in working order

*Proper safety equipment per your vehicles performance level i.e. (helmets for cars faster than 13.99, roll bar for cars faster than 11.49, etc.)

*10 MPH speed limit in the pit area!!!

*NO air conditioning on in staging lanes, ALL windows up during burnout and run

At the gate you will:

*Pay your fee (if you did not pre-register)

*Get a wrist band (goes on left wrist)

*Sign competition waiver

*Get a tech inspection card to fill out and bring back to the staff

In the event of rain, call Ebby (703) 200-6803 or Ceece (703) 346-8151 if you have any questions regarding the event being on time.

NVCC members interested in caravanning up can meet at Newgate Shopping Center parking lot (corner of Routes 28 and 29 in Centreville) at 6:20 AM, leaving at 6:30 AM SHARP. We will stop at the Sterling Chick-Fil-A (off of Route 28) for a second stop at 6:45 AM. We will have a very nice scenic cruise through the mountains on the way to the drag strip.

If you are interested in riding up with me, please email me at social@nvcorvetteclub.com and let me know. There will be plenty of people on hand to help you if you have never drag raced before, so don't be shy. Come see what your car can do in the 1/4 mile! Learn the finer points of reading the "Christmas tree", staging, and launching. After the event, we usually grab lunch together and decompress after a fun day of racing.

Directions to Mason Dixon Dragway are as follows:

From Washington DC/NoVa: Take Route 270 N toward Frederick, MD. Take Rt. 70 W toward Hagerstown. Follow Rt. 70 until you reach Rt. 66 (Exit 35). Once at the bottom of the ramp turn LEFT onto Rt. 66 South, go about 1/2 miles until you reach Rt. 40 (you will see a Sheetz convenience store at the intersection), turn LEFT (east) on Rt. 40 and go just another 1/2 mile, the Dragstrip entrance will be on your right.

Fri. 10/22 - Homecoming parade for Potomac High School - we have been invited to participate!

Start point:

Leesylvania Elementary School
15800 Neabsco Road
Woodbridge, VA 22191-4505

End point:

Potomac High School
3401 Panther Pride Drive
Dumfries, VA 22026-2198
Distance: 2.31 miles

The parade will start at 5:30 PM however we will need to be at Leesylvania Elementary School between 5 and 5:15 PM for staging purposes. Please be on time! All Corvette models (coupe, convertible, and hardtop) are welcome to ride in the parade. As always, no burnouts or similar behavior, please.

If you would like to participate, please email your FULL NAME, your passenger's FULL NAME (if applicable), and YEAR/MODEL/COLOR of your Corvette to social@nvcorvetteclub.com ASAP. If you can take a passenger, please let me know.

Wed. 10/27 - Vienna Halloween Parade (details TBA).

Sat. 10/30 - Shenandoah Cruise/Show (formerly Skyline Drive). This semi-annual event is brought to us by the Shenandoah Valley Corvette Club. Once again, we are staying off of the Skyline Drive, but driving a really beautiful route around the area, and this year the organizers decided to end the cruise back at Jack Evans Used Car lot for an impromptu car show (more of a display, no awards) and to allow participants to mingle awhile, and take in some of the shops and restaurants in Front Royal. Entry on the day of the event is a new, unwrapped toy (no stuffed animals) or a \$20 donation to Toys for Tots. Registration starts at 8:30 AM, and we'll take off from the lot at 10:30 AM. The cruise itself takes about 2 hours.

Please send pre-registrations to:

SVCC
P.O. Box 717
Berryville, VA 22611

Pre-registration is \$15 instead of \$20 (the day of the event). Please make checks out to 'Toys for Tots'.

Directions to Jack Evans Chevrolet used car lot (from NoVa):

*Take I-66 West to the VA-79 exit- EXIT 13- toward VA-55/LINDEN/Front ROYAL.

*Turn LEFT onto VA-79/APPLE MOUNTAIN RD. - 0.2 miles

*Turn RIGHT onto VA-55/JOHN MARSHALL HWY. - 6 miles

*Turn RIGHT onto US-522 N/S COMMERCE AVE. - 0.3 miles - The Front Royal Business Park will be on your right and a 7-Eleven and KFC on your left.

*End at 9 S COMMERCE AVE FRONT ROYAL VA - We are on the left at the intersection of Stonewall Drive and Commerce Avenue across from the Quality Inn.

Sat. 10/30-Sun. 10/31 - Spooktacular (see flyer for complete details!)

Coming soon...

- 11/7 – CCA Double AutoX
- 11/7 – 4th Annual Corvettes for Chip
- 11/13 – Never Too Cool for Teen Driving School

If you would like to host an event, please email me at social@nvcorvetteclub.com.

Thanks,
Laurie Kistner

NVCC Webmaster Report

A new, upgraded photo gallery is now on the NVCC website. It can be viewed at <http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com/photopost/>. New features include a Flash uploader for bulk uploads and several event categories to upload photos to. You must be a forum member to upload photos; create a log in “handle” and password if you have not done so already. I am currently uploading tons (we’re talking hundreds if not in the 4-digit range) of photos from events past, so please be patient. When uploading photos, kindly use the following format in the title of the photos: MM/DD/YY Event Name

Additionally, a Facebook icon has been added to the main pages of our website that links directly to the club’s Facebook page, created by club member AJ Cuellar.

As always, stay tuned to our website at www.nvcorvetteclub.com for club updates!

Thanks,
Laurie Kistner

Middleburg Brunch Cruise By Laurie Kistner



Sunday, September 19th, 2010 was the Middleburg Brunch Cruise, a new event this year. Twenty-one participants cruised several twisty roads, many with picturesque mountain views. The Corvette Gods blessed us with dry roads and sunshine the entire day.

The food stop was Girasole (GEAR-a-so-lay, Italian for 'sunflower') in The Plains, Virginia. This is a locally owned restaurant with fantastic Northern Italian cuisine. Happy brunchers enjoyed homemade pastas and breads, fresh fruits and salads, seafood, and several other specialty dishes. Afterward, everyone was free to enjoy the town and visit any local wineries, or simply take the long way home.



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SANCTION#:	ER-357- 142 / 155	TYPE OF EVENT:	High & Low Speed Autocross
DATE:	Oct 30 & 31, 2010	CLUB NUMBER:	ER-357
REGISTRATION: OPENS	September 1, 2010	CLUB:	Northern Virginia Corvette Club
CLOSES	October 30, 2010	REGION:	East Region
DRIVERS MEETING	8:30am	ENTRY FEE:	See below
FIRST CAR OUT: Saturday	9:00 AM	LOCATION:	Old Dominion Speedway
Sunday	12:00 PM	Manassas, VA	
SPEED EVENTS: Saturday	LOW SPEED: X	EXHAUST – OPEN:	Within track db limits
Sunday	HIGH SPEED X		

2010 SPOOKTACULAR MAP AND EVENT INFORMATION:

This is a rain or shine **LOW & HIGH SPEED** autocross, limited to 50 drivers. Seven events each day, two runs per event. **Run Cone Course on Saturday and on the famed Old Dominion Speedway 3/8 mile oval on Sunday.** For both Saturday and Sunday: the first seven runs count towards the first round of Auto-X 1-7, runs 8-14 count as the second round of Auto-X 1-7.

Event is open to Corvettes and non-Corvettes. Non-Corvettes are not eligible for NCCC points.

Sorry: For safety reasons, NO Trucks, Vans, SUVs or Crossover's are allowed.

Overnight trailer parking is available at Old Dominion Speedway.

Overnight lodging is available at: Olde Towne Inn 9403 Main Street Manassas, VA 20110 www.oldtowneinn.com.

Non-NCCC drivers must provide satisfactory proof of high speed driving skills to Event Chairman in order to participate in High Speed Events on Sunday. NVCC and Event Chair solely reserve the right to determine eligibility for High Speed participation.

Cost for Saturday & Sunday: 14 Auto-X Sessions - \$ 135 / driver

Cost for Saturday OR Sunday: 7 Auto-X Sessions - \$ 75 / driver

SEE LOCATION MAP –PAGE 2

NOTE: In High Speed Events: 1. All roadsters must have roll bars as outlined under Section on Technical Inspection For Speed Events. 2. Fire extinguisher (min. 5 BC) required in all groups and classes. 3. It is highly recommended (required in Group 3) that all competing cars be equipped with roll bars or roll cages. 4. All entrants must have High Speed Certification, and fire suits are required for Group III. 12-3

DEADLINE FOR WITHDRAWAL/ REFUNDS AVAILABLE UNTIL OCTOBER 23, 2010

EVENT CHAIRPERSON:		GOVERNOR:
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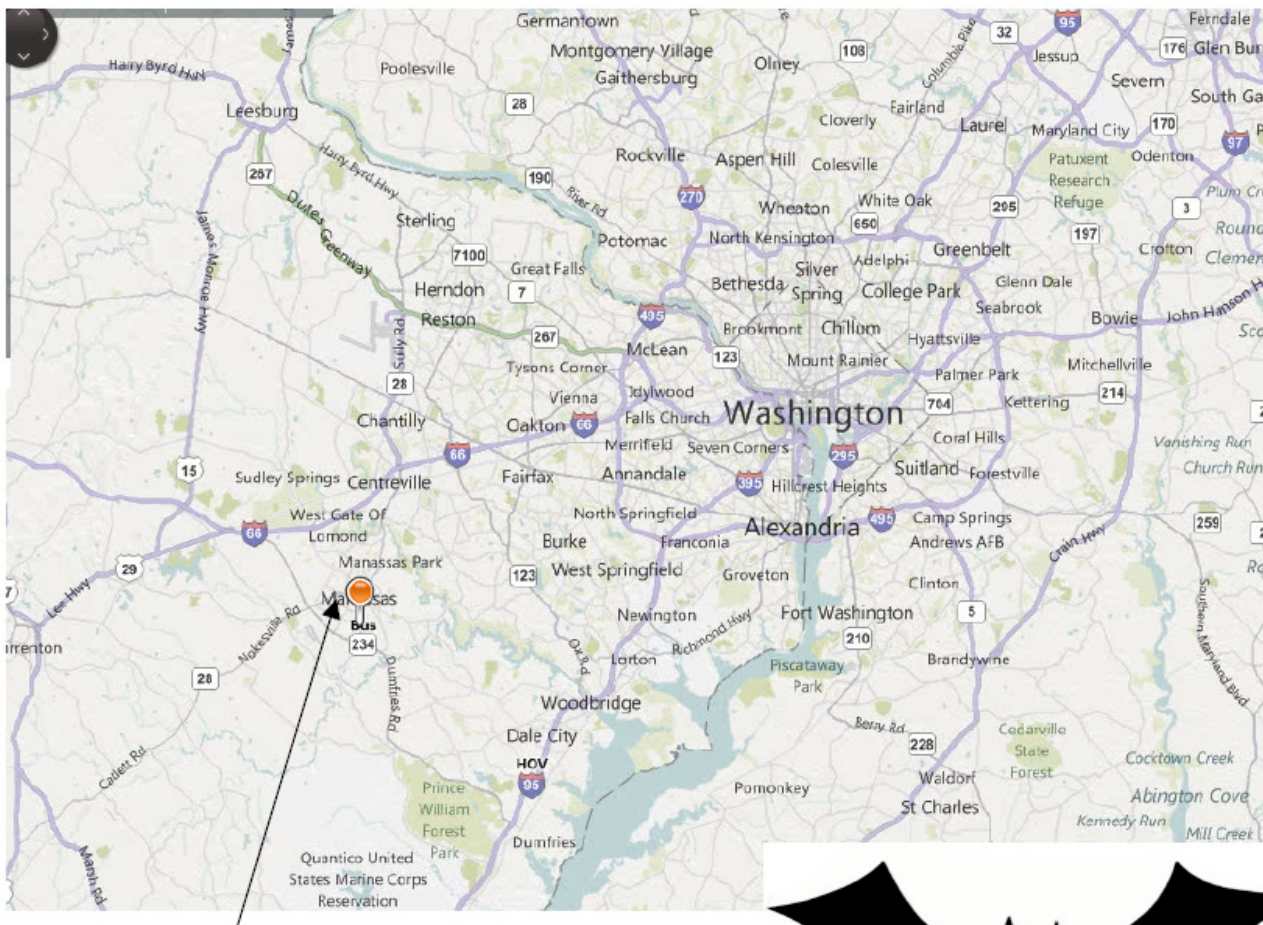
Electronic registration and payment accepted via PayPal at: www.nvcorvetteclub.com

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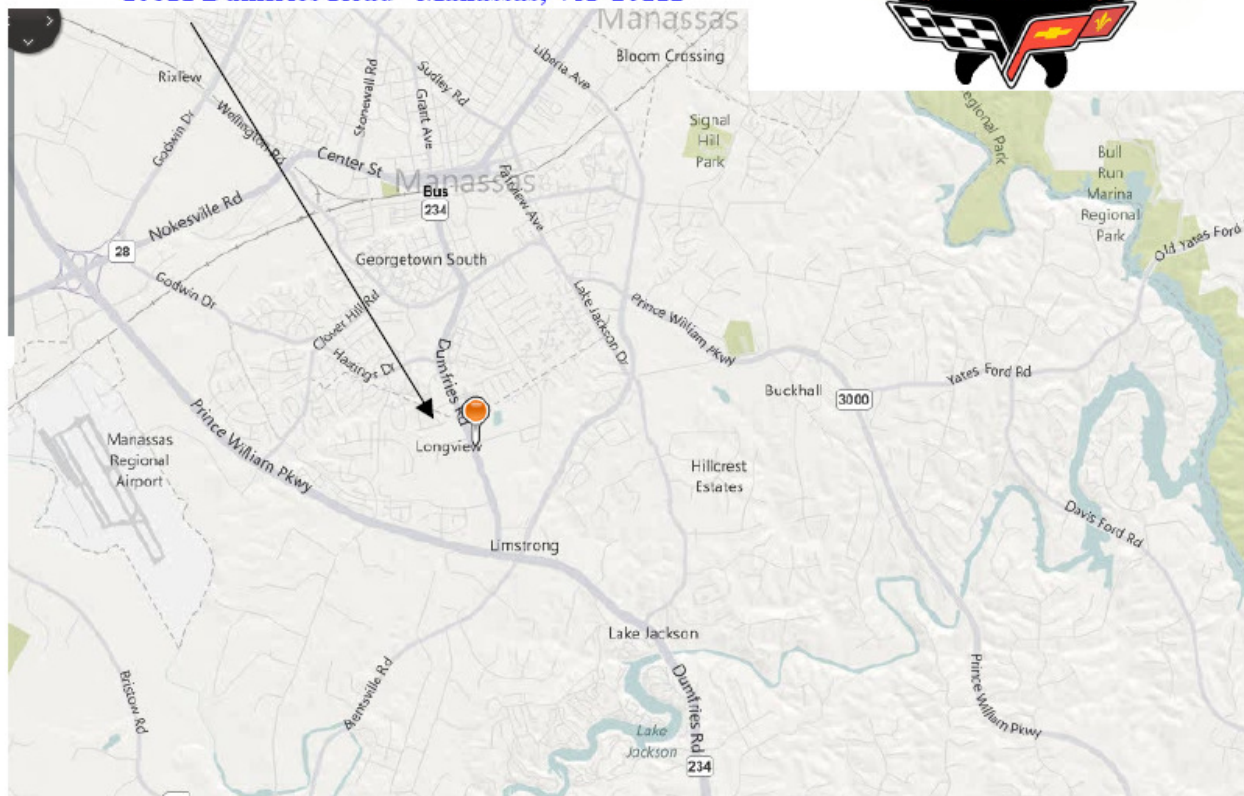
Make checks payable to: NVCC

Send registration & payment to: **NVCC Spooktacular 21731 Ladbroke Grove Ct Sterling, VA 20166**

For registration questions, contact: **Lori Benish at: historian@nvcorvetteclub.com**



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Ocean City New Jersey
Boardwalk Corvettes 20th Annual Cruise and Show
 By Rich Mars



The Ocean City show was quite fun lots of weird cars and food. We all cruised to the boardwalk and parked on the boards for the show. Over thirty corvette clubs and 500 corvettes were present. I had a great time.



Philip Carter Fun Show & Wine Tasting
 Pics by Alice S. Arielly

Philip Carter Winery, set in the hills outside of Hume, VA, hosted a NVCC Fun Show and free wine tasting. This is a new venue for NVCC and I think I speak for most attendees that it hopefully will become a recurring one. For a modest show it contained an excellent cross section of corvettes from C2 to C6, rag tops and coupes.



The wine tasting was well received (when isn't it) and the day was idyllic sitting on the patio adjacent to the show. Two trophies were awarded. The owner's choice award went to Rob and Cathy Succolosky (pic below) for their well turned out 1968 silver coupe.



The patrons' choice went to Rich Anderson for his Nassau Blue 1965 roadster, a perennial presence at NVCC events.

November Teen Driving School

By Lori Benish

The Never Too Cool for Driving School is coming up on November 13th. We are already full, and have a short waiting list for that day. We still have room on the wait-list to add a few more names, since there are always a few no-shows. Please note in the comments when you register if you would like to be on the wait-list of this coming up school, for on the priority waitlist for a future spring school. Safe and Happy Driving Everyone!

Please go to the link to register your teen: <http://www.nvcorvetteclub.com/teendrivingsschool.html>, or contact Lori Benish at historian@nvcorvetteclub.com for any registration questions -thanks!



PRESENTS:



"NEVER TOO COOL FOR TEEN DRIVING SCHOOL"

A Free Teen Driving and Safety Program

SATURDAY, NOV. 13TH, 2010 FROM 7:45AM TO 4:00 PM
OLD DOMINION SPEEDWAY - MANASSAS, VIRGINIA

Parents, this is for you too! Do you have teenage drivers in the house, and are worried about how they will handle "the unexpected" while driving in busy Northern Virginia traffic? Well, we have the solution! Send your teen driver out for a day of real driver training with the Northern Virginia Corvette Club. Your teen driver will learn how to properly control a car, why cars do what they do, how you should react, and how to take care of their cars! Everything anyone should know before getting behind the wheel and on the highways!

You and your teen will spend the day with knowledgeable and highly skilled driving instructors of the Northern Virginia Corvette Club. Under carefully controlled conditions in their normal vehicles (or their parents), we will put your young drivers through a series of exercises designed to extend driving skills and awareness of the road, as well as learn about safety and car maintenance! **Attendance includes a fabulous pizza lunch from a local pizza place, for both parent and teen.**

At least one parent or guardian must accompany each teen driver throughout the day! They will attend classroom sessions and ride with their teens, as they drive through exercises designed to help the new driver understand why they might lose control and how to prevent it. In the process, many parents say that they learn a lot, too!

All this is done at very slow speeds in a carefully designed, safe environment. It is far better for them to know what to do beforehand, in controlled conditions, than to experience a problem out on the highway or public roads and not know what to do!

This driving school is free, but the class size is limited to 40. These events fill up fast -and we do keep an ongoing waiting list throughout the year!! So register ASAP! **CORVETTE CLUB MEMBERSHIP IS NOT REQUIRED. Registration Closes Friday, November 5th, 2010.**

Certain limitations apply: We CANNOT accept drive-ins, car sharing, SUVs or vans (for safety reasons)!!! The teen driver must have a learner's permit or valid driver's license to participate.

More information will be available to parents and teens that register early. Confirmations will be emailed to all participants, which will have additional information about the event, so please give a valid email address when registering!

Please fill out the registration form below and mail to: Lori Benish, 21731 Ladbrooke Grove Ct., Sterling, VA 20166 or email this information to historian@nvcorvetteclub.com



DRIVER _____ AGE _____
DATE RECEIVED LEARNERS PERMIT OR DRIVERS LICENSE _____
PARENT _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
PHONE _____ EMAIL _____
MAKE AND MODEL OF CAR _____ YEAR _____

QUESTIONS? Contact Cassidy Nolen at chiefinstructor@nvcorvetteclub.com or Lori Benish at historian@nvcorvetteclub.com

August General Business Meeting Minutes By Jerry Lelansky



NVCC General Business Meeting Meeting Date: Aug 24th, 2010
Meeting brought to order at 7:30 PM at Koons Chevrolet Tysons Corner.

Attendees:

Stewart Fox - President	Jerry Lelansky – Secretary
Paul Benish - Vice President	Carol Fox – Treasurer
Laurie Kistner - Social/Webmaster	John Palmgren - Publicity/Concours
Cassidy Nolen - Chief Instructor	Rich Anderson - Editor
Lori Ann Collins - Historian	
Michael Rathbun - Membership	

Order of Business

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| 1. Chief Instructor | 11. Rallye Chair |
| 2. Car Control Clinic (C3) | 12. Secretary |
| 3. Teen Driving School (TDS) | 13. Social/Webmaster |
| 4. Spooktacular | 14. Treasurer |
| 5. Concours/Publicity | 15. Vice President |
| 6. Historian/Raffle/NVCC Store | 16. President |
| 7. Membership | 17. Picnic Cruise |
| 8. NCCC Govenor/Auto-X | 18. Old Dominion Speedway (ODS) |
| 9. NCM Ambassador | New Business |
| 10. Newsletter | |

Meeting started with introductions.

Chief Instructor /C3 / TDS:

C3:

- Held a successful C3 hosted by NVCC.
- Will hold a Spring Instructor Training with the Corvette Club of America and the Cumberland Valley Club.
- If anyone has ideas for additional driving events, please talk with Cassidy.
- Friday at the Track - anyone can sign up and participate. It's a super safe event and at the last event no one got too far out of control, except for one Mustang.

TDS:

- TDS is November 13th 8:00am-5:00PM at ODS. We will need volunteers to help out doing anything from chasing cones, handling the fire hose, getting pizza, or whatever else is needed.
- So far, 27 have signed up. The class size is limited to 40 participants.

Spooktacular:

- In preliminary stages of design/development. It will be held on Saturday and Sunday October 30-31. Stewart will contact ODS in the next day or so to see if both days are available.
- Idea is to use the straight track/drag strip staging on Saturday and the Oval on Sunday.
- It will be a low speed event (less than 80mph)
- Not a NCCC event
- The Oval will be a high speed event (greater than 80mph) and will use cones to set it up for the slalom. With this setup to limit the highest speed we won't need Emergency Vehicles.
- Will need to be approved by Brian Gallegar, Cumberland Valley Corvette Club (CVCC),
- Stewart sent out a draft Spook write-up last night, but no one in the club received the email. Laurie will check on the email settings/configuration.

- There will be 14 sanctioned runs and may be able to charge \$10 per station or \$140 for all the runs on both days.
- Once again, we will need help with the event.
- Will need to find hotels in the area for the out of town participants.

Concours/Publicity:

- John needs to send a trophy to Michael Rieson
- During the upcoming September General Business Meeting, John will present American Cancer Society with the check (\$1,200) from the Concours.
- John will be at the Corvettes at Carlisle the end of August and can handout the Spooktacular flyers, even in draft form.

Membership:

- Michael sent out four letters and sent out the new member packages to the newly voted members.
- Membership renewals are due no later than November 1st. There will be a late fee for any dues received after November 1st.
- NCCC must have payment no later than Dec 1st.
- Ed Denton and Linda Erickson were voted in as new members.
- Paypal will be setup for membership dues payment.

Secretary:

- We need to meet with Ruitan in September to give them a briefing on TDS.
- Ruitan supports TDS, allows us to park the club trailer and borrow their tables for events, and they provided sodas and \$500 for TDS two years straight.

Newsletter:

- published/printed and looks good.
- Reminder, the Philip Winery cruise is on for September 25th. The winery donated \$100 to TDS, so we need to make a good showing, at least 25 cars, to attend the event. Please contact Rich Anderson to sign up.

NCCC Governor/Auto-X: Andrej contacted the East Region for Spooktacular.

NCM Ambassador:

- Don and Judy Patrick will be retiring soon and the NCM Ambassador position will be open soon.
- Will post the basic duties in the newsletter as they are not defined in the club bylaws.

Officer At Large: N/A

Rallye Chair: N/A

Social/Webmaster:

- There are several events on the club calendar, but here are a few to remember:
 - Corvettes at Carlisle caravan on Saturday. If you want to be part of the caravan, please contact Laurie Kistner
 - Sept 4th – Charlestown WV car show. The cost is \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door.
 - Labor Day – Clifton Car Show, the cost is \$15, which goes to charity. It fills up very quickly, so arrive early.
 - Sep 8th Colonial Challenge Cup at Summit Point on the Main course
 - Sep 11th Ride For Pride in honor of those who died on 9/11/2001. Participation is limited to US made cars; no foreign cars will be allowed to participate.
- The new web/email host is much more flexible.
- The club email list is private – do not share with anyone outside the club
- When replying to email, please do not reply to all. When sending an email to the club, please remember to use the blind courtesy copy (BCC), which limits responses to only the one who sent it.
- Cars and Coffee in Great Falls on Saturday mornings from 7:00—9:00AM. This is an exotic car (Ferrari's, Lamborghini's, etc) show at the Old Brogue parking lot.

Historian/Raffle/NVCC Store:

- T-Shirts are on sale \$10 sizes up to XXL and \$12 for XXL.

Treasurer: we're doing OK.

Picnic Cruise – N/A

Old Dominion Speedway (ODS) – covered in earlier discussions

Summit Point – N/A

New Business – N/A

Historian Questions and Raffle:

1. What year was Chevrolet's largest production run for the Corvette, with a total of 53,807 units? (Hint, it's a C3)

Answer: 1979 **Winner** Rich Poage **Prize** NVCC Club T-Shirt and goodie bag

2. In what year did the "GM Mark of Excellence" sticker appear, which was placed on the inside driver's door jamb? (Hint, it's a C2).

Answer: 1967 **Winner:** Rich Poage, who gave the prize to Cassidy **Prize** Super goodie bag with Barrel Oaks coupon and Jegg hat

3. If you ordered a 2001 Corvette with RPO#R8C at a cost of \$490, what did you receive?

Answer: National Corvette Museum Delivery **Winner:** John Palmgren **Prize** C5 stainless steel mug and Goodie bag.

Raffle Prizes:

1. Super goodie bag to Scott Zigler
2. Free Koons Oil change, additional cost for Corvettes to Scott Hurley
3. C6 T-Shirt and Goodie bag to Alice Arielly
4. 30 minute Do It Yourself, thanks to Rich Poage, to Scott Zigler
5. 50/50 Raffle (\$28) to Chuck Pellerin

Vice President –

- Reminder that we need help for TDS and Spook. Help at Spook will include Tech/Pre-Tech.
- Lift Day – Corvettes only and will also have another 101 class
- Please give suggestions for meeting topics and ideas.

President –

- While in Myrtle Beach Stewart was wearing a club T-shirt and got compliments on what our club does, especially at Summit. It pays to wear our T-Shirts!

Meeting adjourned at 9:00PM

Jerry Lelansky
Secretary

Billy Boat Performance Exhaust PRT
By Rich Mars

“The Billy Boat Performance Exhaust PRT C6 exhaust system is the latest in resonance control technology from B&B. Completely redesigned and reengineered for the C6, the system is simple in-design, though more complex in theory. You can now have a mellow sound at cruising speeds and a sport note when you're tearing up the streets. It allows true straight through exhaust passage under aggressive driving conditions, though a mellow sound is emitted at cruising speeds thanks to the unique Purge Chamber. Designed especially for the automatic, paddle shift, and cars with headers, this Billy Boat Performance Exhaust PRT system works purely on physics and adrenaline. Increases of 15hp and 14 ft. lbs over stock-gains of up to 18 rear wheel horse power and 17 foot pounds of torque from the PRT. If you want to tone your PRT down just a little bit, a great option is the x-pipe section with resonators. This will help to smooth out the exhaust pulses and take the edge off the PRT while maintaining that aggressive tone.”

Now Get 10% OFF!!



I installed this exhaust on my C6 this summer. It is like driving a new car.

I chose the oval tips instead of the round and did not install the x pipe. Sounds great on start up and mellow at cruise. When you mash down to go around, it sounds like a rocket ship!

I spoke to Mark Fowler of Billy Boat Exhaust and he will offer a 10 percent discount with mention of this article. His e-mail is mark@bbexhaust.com his phone is (623) 581-7600 ext 18. Take the boredom out of your C6 bolt on some Billy Boat PRT Exhaust.

Richard Mars
Officer at Large NVCC

Tech Talk
By Paul Benish

Many owners of C5s (including myself) have had the dreaded “Service Column Lock” message glare at them from the DIC (Driver information center, the little screen on the bottom of the gauge cluster). After having this happen to me twice, once after having it repaired according to the TSB, I decided to research ways to bypass the problem myself so I wouldn’t have to have it towed (thanks Stewart). That way I could drive it to the dealership and make sure (read: speak softly and carry a big bat) they fix it right. I found that this is usually caused by a low battery charge because the column lock is one of the last things to be initialized and in the original design it uses a mechanical relay to switch this system. In the TSB this mechanical relay is replaced with a solid state relay which usually fixes the problem. The next time you find yourself in a situation where the car puts itself in kill mode (you try to start moving and the car dies after moving more than 3mph) or the steering column is locked but you can do what you like try following this process:

- 1) Make sure the battery has sufficient charge to start the car and power everything up appropriately.
- 2) Try resetting the BCM (Body control module) by holding the lock and unlock buttons simultaneously for 5-10 seconds until the horn sounds quickly. If this doesn’t solve the problem go to the next step.
- 3) Pull the BCM 2 fuse that is in position 23 below the passenger side floorboard for 15 seconds to clear the BCM “fail enable mode”. This tells the BCM that something has gone wrong and to put the car into kill mode. The fuse panel is literally right below the passenger carpet and is covered by a flap of the interior carpeting and the numbers should be printed on the panel. If you aren’t sure where I am talking about look in your owners manual and there should be pictures that may explain this better.
- 4) Once this is complete you will most likely need to reprogram the key fobs by putting the key into the “on” position, making sure the radio is off, and hitting the “options” button until the DIC is blank. Then hold down “reset” for 3 seconds and push the “options” button until “FOB training” is displayed; push the reset button and follow the directions to program all the key fobs for the car. Once you are done programming the keyfobs hit “options” to exit the programming mode.
- 5) Turn the key off, and then you should be able to start the car.

Hopefully this process will save someone the stress and cost of getting your car running when this happens away from any help.

Items Sold During
General Business Meetings
& Select NVCC Events,



Please contact the member listed below if you are interested in any of these items, to check availability, or for questions!



Windsheild Decals

\$3.00 ea.

Contact: Lori Benish (historian@nvc Corvetteclub.com)



NVCC Windshield Banners

\$5.00 ea

Contact: Lori Benish (historian@nvc Corvetteclub.com)



NVCC Keychains

\$10.00 ea

Contact: Lori Benish (historian@nvc Corvetteclub.com)



NVCC Lanyard

\$5.00 ea

Contact: Lori Benish (historian@nvc Corvetteclub.com)

2010 Club T-Shirts



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Back

Available in Ice Grey and White

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MED., LARGE, AND X-LARGE:

~~\$15 EA~~ Now: \$10ea

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~~\$17.50 EA~~ Now: \$12ea

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CAN ORDER AND HAVE SHIPPED FOR EXTRA \$5

Contact: Lori Benish (historian@nvc Corvetteclub.com)



Optional Metal Mounting Bracket For Fire Extinguisher -works in C5 & C6s
Made by George Conlon

Removable Metal Mounting Bracket

\$12.00ea

Contact: Lori Benish (historian@nvc Corvetteclub.com)



Only 2 Left!

Fire Extinguishers 1A: 10B: C
(Price includes Permanent Metal Mounting Bracket)

\$40.00 ea

Contact: Stewart Fox (president@nvc Corvetteclub.com)

The 2.5 lb model meets the in-car extinguisher requirement for Autocross, HPDE, Spooktacular, Friday at the Track, etc. In addition to your Corvette, consider putting an extinguisher in your home, garage, truck, or trailer!



NCC East Region Patch
(Limited Qty Available)

\$5.00 ea

Contact: Lori Benish (historian@nvc Corvetteclub.com)

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Ambassador's Corner

By Donald Patrick

CURRENT SEPTEMBER NEWS and ACTIVITIES

RACING: ALMS is BALTIMORE BOUND for 2011

The Baltimore Grand Prix announced that the American Le Mans Series presented by Tequila Patrón, has been added to the inaugural auto racing event scheduled for September 2-4, 2011. Baltimore City Mayor, Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, along with Baltimore Racing Development (BRD) President Jay Davidson and American Le Mans Series President and CEO, Scott Atherton, officially announced the world's leading sports car series will join the IZOD IndyCar Series to headline the "Festival of Speed" on Labor Day Weekend 2011.



The American Le Mans Series, based in Braselton, Ga., includes multiple classes of cars – Prototype and Grand Touring – which race on the track at the same time to create compelling race action and constant passing. The Series has more automobile marques involved than any other major race series in the world as manufacturers develop relevant technologies on track that transfer directly to the customer showroom.

"From the beginning we wanted to create an entire weekend racing experience and the addition of American Le Mans Series does just that," said Davidson "We've been talking with the Series team for a while now and have always wanted them to join the IZOD IndyCar Series to enhance our event. This is a great addition to the weekend and we believe fans will be eager to see these amazing cars in action."

The Series competes on North America's premier road courses such as Sebring International Raceway, Road America, Mosport International Raceway, Road Atlanta and Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca. It also annually holds events on urban street circuits in some of the nation's major markets such as Long Beach in southern California.

American Le Mans Series President and CEO Atherton said, "The combination of two premier race series in one location on the same weekend is a rare opportunity for race fans. We have had outstanding doubleheader successes on street courses such as Long Beach, Houston and St. Petersburg, and I'm confident that the Baltimore Grand Prix will provide more of the same with a stellar backdrop for some of the best road racing on the planet. It will be the place to be next Labor Day weekend."

The American Le Mans Series has more participating marques than F1, NASCAR and IndyCar combined. It includes prestigious and elite brands such as Audi, Aston Martin, BMW, Chevrolet, Ferrari, Ford, Jaguar, Mazda, Panoz, Peugeot and Porsche. All cars in the Series race on one of five alternative fuels or energy sources, leading to its position as the Global Leader in Green Racing. It operates a nine-race schedule in top markets throughout North America for 2010.

Atherton added, “As the global leader of green racing we have developed very close ties to the leadership of both the US Environmental Protection Agency and the US Department of Energy. Having a race so close to our nation’s capital will enable those in government and the Washington, DC community to attend an American Le Mans Series race and see for themselves the progress we’ve made in this area. The timing of this event, in light of all that is happening involving the auto industry and government, couldn’t be better.”

The Baltimore Grand Prix will be a combination of racing and festivities that will begin Friday morning and culminate on Sunday with the IZOD IndyCar Series race. The event is billed as a “three-day festival of speed”, and organizers are now in the process of planning a variety of non-racing activities such as a family fun zone, go-karting, beer gardens, extreme sports demonstrations and professional beach volleyball. Live music will be available all weekend, from local artists performing throughout the day to nationally known acts in the evenings. The event offers something for all Marylanders, and organizers intend for the event to be very family-friendly.

“By adding the American Le Mans Series, one of world’s leading sports car championships, we are greatly enhancing what is being offered to fans during the Baltimore Grand Prix weekend,” said Mayor Rawlings-Blake. “The American Le Mans Series will attract more racing fans to Baltimore, and will make the Grand Prix and even greater success for the City.”

The Baltimore Grand Prix is expected to attract more than 100,000 people to the area and have an estimated economic impact of \$70 million, based on visitor spending on hotel nights, meals, tickets and other purchases. The racetrack will be a 2-mile temporary circuit constructed around the streets of downtown Baltimore, including sections by Oriole Park at Camden Yards, West Pratt Street and along the Inner Harbor on Light Street. Tickets for the event will go on sale this fall and will be offered at a variety of price levels to make the event affordable for all fans. A title sponsor is expected to be announced soon and a wide range of sponsorship and hospitality opportunities are available.

Autobahn High Performance Driving Event



On October 4, at Autobahn Country Club in Joliet, Illinois, driving enthusiasts from across the Midwest and beyond will have the opportunity to participate in Hooked On Driving’s National Corvette Museum (NCM) benefit event, which is open to all licensed drivers whether they own a Corvette or not. Hooked on Driving, America’s premier performance driving program, runs on-track events where drivers experience their own car in a raceway setting and offers up high-performance driver education in a controlled but friendly non-competitive environment.

“We’re not a ‘racing school’, we’re a performance driving experience.” said Rob Schermerhorn, Hooked on Driving’s Director of Great Lakes Region, who has coached over 10,000 drivers in performance driving and safe driver skills. “If you’re comfortable with and enjoy a back-country winding-road drive, you’ll love a day with us!”

Registrations for Hooked on Driving’s NCM benefit event at Autobahn Country Club on Monday, October 4, are \$295 and on sale now. Register online at <http://www.hookedondriving.com/hooked-on-driving-events>. Space is limited.

Vets 'N Vettes Registration



Help NCM honor those who have served November 4-6 with our third annual Vets 'n Vettes event!

This year's event has enhanced the selection of military-themed activities:

- Military Mystery Tour



- Presentation of Colors by local Drill Team
- Participation in Veteran's Day Parade
- Warrior Session and Lunch
- Military History Team Trivia
- Seminar: Planning and Execution of Operation Dorado Canyon
- Poker Run, Banquet and more!

Special military displays will also be available throughout the month of November. Basic registration is only \$10.

Special Edition Grand Sport Raffle Soon!

On October 10 in Lexington, Kentucky NCM will draw a winner for our **2010 'Special Edition' Crystal Red Grand Sport Convertible!** The car is VIN 14 and features a special "one off" center stack, unique center console leather wrap, one-off sill plates, stitching accents on the center armrest, special rear badge and more! Although the drawing is on Sunday, the raffle will end at 8:00 am on Saturday, October 9 to allow for ticket processing and transport. Get your orders in early before it is too late!

Get your tickets today online at corvettemuseum.org/raffle or call 800-538-3883.



Service Bulletin: 2008-09 Corvette Convertible Tops May Tear at High Speeds

First it was the delaminating issues with the early C6 Coupes that caused Corvette owners to lose their tops. Now we are hearing of issues with convertible tops as well. Owners with 2008-2009 Corvette convertible, you may want

to keep your speed down as the convertible top may tear at speeds over 100 MPH. That's according to a recent T.S.B service bulletin sent to dealers by AllDataPro.com.

The New York Times' [Motoring](#) section provided the following details regarding these T.S.B's. AllDataPro.com compiles recurring problems with various models and then issues service bulletins to dealer service departments and mechanics on behalf of the manufacturers. These are not recalls and manufactures do not offer payment assistance for repairs beyond the normal warranty.

One of the recent T.S.B's was issued July 1st, 2010:

GENERAL MOTORS Owners of 2008-9 Chevrolet Corvette convertibles may have trouble keeping a roof over their heads. In T.S.B. 08312A issued on July 1, G.M. said that the top fabric might begin to separate from its retainer bracket near the windshield. At speeds over 100 m.p.h., the roof material could tear from the front all the way to the rear window. A new retainer bracket should keep things together. This repair program runs through May 31, 2011.

GM has issued several recalls previously for the [flying roof delaminating issues](#) but this is the first we've heard of issues with convertibles.



Halloween PARADE VIENNA

The Vienna Halloween Parade is on Wednesday October 27th. For many years now, we have participated as a club, and usually win our division (tied for 1st place in 2009). We usually met for dinner within walking distance from our meeting point, which is around 5-6 pm, at Leslie's Pool Supplies on Maple Ave. Many of our members decorate their cars and dress up for the occasion, but it is not required—just to come out and have fun! More details to follow. Please RSVP for this event to Lori Benish at historian@nvcorvetteclub.com.

Parting Shots



Spotted by Laurie Kistner while out and about at the Clifton Labor Day Car Show, as sent by cell phone: *"I'm at the Labor Day car show in Clifton right now - a gentleman approached me with what he said was his original NVCC membership card. Pretty neat, huh?!"*



This is the 2010 version of the Corvettes at Carlisle USA flag. So many versions have circulated on the web that I don't know who to credit it to....but regardless worth showing.



I'll leave the credit off of this pic of "someone" pulling up the NVCC line of cars headed to Carlisle owing to the incriminating evidence provided by the clear picture of his HUD on the lower edge of the pic. I wonder if he noticed when he posted it?

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Newsletter News ...

Another corvette filled month is now behind us, giving NVCC the longest newsletter since I assumed the post of editor over three years ago. With the fall season closing in, the end of cruising season is coming up for those of us driving rag tops. Speaking of which, for owners of early C6 convertibles please see the end of the NCM Ambassador's column concerning a real "rag top" concern.

As always thank you to all of the contributors that made this newsletter possible. There are still a lot of events left to do this fall, so please review Laurie's social calendar and come out and enjoy.



Rich Anderson richard.anderson157@verizon.net

Next General Business Meetings:

Tuesday, Sep 28th at 7:30 pm

Tuesday, Oct 26th at 7:30pm

**Koons Chevrolet
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