



Spooktacular 2011

Pics by Bill Riblett & Doug Swanson



NVCC kept the tradition alive with Spooktacular 2011. This year it again was hosted at Old Dominion Speed Way, with Saturday consisting of an auto-x open to all and Sunday being on the oval reserved for those holding a high speed license.

While the number of participants could have been larger, the modest turnout allowed those who came considerably more run time for their dollar and minimal waits. The weather was reasonable; the track in good shape and nobody was injured...so all in all an excellent day. Novices did well, although our veteran racer, Andrej Balanc, was the primary leader of the pack (surprised....not really).

A major thank you to all of our dedicated workers that made this possible.



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Only **You** Can Keep NVCC
Going

Ok, time for my monthly editor's nag on participation and making it the club YOU want it to be.

We are at a critical juncture in leadership. Our current president is term limited and cannot serve again. Nominations are this month and next month at the GBM, with voting to occur at the Nov GBM. Please come out and lend your voice to this process, and where you can, consider filling some of the elected and vacant appointed slots for the new year.

The elected and appointed committee chairs form the council providing overall club management and guidance. There is room for just about anyone somewhere on the council regardless of prior experience. Please consider getting involved and bring new ideas and energy to our club's governing body.



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER October 2011

I want to remind everyone that your NVCC Council worked hard this summer to edit the club's By-laws for the first time in several years. An unusually large number of proposed amendments have been compiled in an effort to keep the by-laws relevant and up-to-date. The bylaws, with proposed changes, have been posted to the website for review. Please take a few minutes to look over the proposed amendments and let Council know if you have any comments. A vote to accept the bylaws will be held at the October GBM.

It's that time of year for me to remind everyone that membership renewal is underway for 2012. By now you should have seen the notice from Mike Rathbun, our Membership Chair. We've made it as convenient as possible, by accepting payment via check or PayPal. All the particulars can be found on the NVCC website at www.nvcorvetteclub.com. **Please remember that renewal forms and payments must be received by NVCC no later than November 1.**

Nominations for 2012 Council positions will be coming up at the October General Business Meeting and again at the November GBM. Elections at the November GBM must fill all elected positions, including both the **President** and the **Treasurer**, with new members, as Carol and I have both reached our three year term limits. NVCC has made great progress this year and it's important that all Council positions be filled so the club can continue to run smoothly. Club rules allow members to nominate themselves or others. Please consider how **YOU** may be able to help NVCC in 2012.

This past weekend, NVCC continued an 18-year tradition by hosting Spooktacular 2011. It was held at ODS on October 22 and 23, using the same low-speed Saturday and hi speed Sunday format that we ran last year. Spooktacular is a big annual event for NVCC and this year was no exception. We had great weather all weekend and a good turnout that allowed for some awesome competition. In the Men's Division, we saw Andrej Balanc (NVCC) go head-to-head with Dave Walter (CVCC) just as they did last year, with Andrej narrowly taking FTD BOTH Saturday and Sunday! On Saturday, Dee Neal (TCV) took top Women's honors and Sally Walter (CVCC) on Sunday but not without stiff competition from Barb Foor both days. I want to especially thank the NVCC members that helped put on and run this event, including Doug Swanson who towed the trailer and served as starter on Sunday, to Cassidy who worked to get the timing display board to actually display. I also offer super-special kudos to Marsha Batchellor for loading in all the pre-registrations and running the upgraded timing software, with troubleshooting support for the new laptop from Paul Benish and John Palmgren. Rich Mars was there Friday, Saturday, and Sunday to handle tech, Alice Arielly took care of on-site registration, and Lynn Balanc once again filled in all the scores on the Big Board. For this event, I must also extend a huge thank you to the folks at OGRacing for providing loaner helmets in case they were needed, and to the fine folks at Lake Jackson VFD for providing EMT services on Sunday, just in case they were needed.

On Saturday November 5, we will be holding our Fall edition of Teen Driving School at Old Dominion Speedway in Manassas. If you know a teen that has recently begun driving, I highly recommend that they take this course, which is FREE to the students. As I write this, student spaces are still open. If you are available to help NVCC run the event, please let me know. Information on the format and registration can be found on the NVCC website at www.nvcorvetteclub.com.

As one of the final driving events of the season, I've put together a cruise to the beautiful shores of Chesapeake Bay. On Saturday November 12, we will assemble at a spot I picked out along Route 50 in the Merrifield area that will give us easy access to the Beltway, cross the Potomac into MD, travel down PA Avenue South (MD Rt 4), and connect with MD 260 which will lead us right into Chesapeake Beach. In the heart of Chesapeake Beach, we will have lunch at the long-established Rod & Reel Restaurant which is part of the renowned Chesapeake Beach Resort. It will be a first time for NVCC to visit this location as a group, so I hope a lot of you will come out and join us. If you're interested, let me know and I will shoot you an email with menu and directions. **I am asking for RSVP's by Nov 3.** This event is also posted on the NVCC Event Calendar.

Thanks for being a part of NVCC. I look forward to seeing all of you at our next event.

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 November 2011 - Laurie Kistner, Social Director & Webmaster

Sat. 11/5/11 - Teen Driving School. See enclosed flyer for details!
Sun. 11/6/11 - Corvette Club of America Double AutoX, beginning at: 8:30 AM.

Sanction #s:
ERX-001-092
ERX-001-093

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9325 Snowden River Pkwy
Columbia, MD 21046



Email: cca@ernccc.org
More info: <http://http://www.ernccc.org/flyers/2011/ERX-001-092.pdf>

Sun. 11/6/11 - 5th Annual Corvettes for Chip. (Rain date is 11/13 - check www.corvettesforchip.com after 6 AM on show day for any updates)

Brandywine Picnic Park
690 S. Creek Road
West Chester, PA 19382

Registration 8:30AM - 11AM
Show 11AM - 3 PM

Pre-registration Fee: \$20
Day of Show: \$25

The Corvettes for Chip Corvette show was started in 2007 by a combined effort between the Corvette Club of Northern Delaware (CCND) and Keystone State Corvette Club (KSCC). In the show's first four years we have raised and donated over \$25,000 to the Chip Miller Charitable Foundation!

Most Corvette enthusiasts knew Chip Miller as the creator of the annual Corvettes at Carlisle Corvette Show and one of the main driving forces behind the Corvette hobby.

Chip Miller was taken from us in March of 2004 from a little known disease called Amyloidosis. The Chip Miller Charitable Foundation was formed to raise funds for the research, education, and awareness of amyloidosis and related diseases. Show registration and information can be found at www.corvettesforchip.com.

Sat. 11/12/11 - President's Chesapeake Beach Lunch Cruise, lead by Stewart Fox - rain or shine. We will be dining at the Rod & Reel Restaurant – go to <http://www.chesapeakebeachresortspa.com/files/209/2011July14RNRMenuWine.pdf> to view the menu in PDF format.

Stewart has identified a service road on the right side of Route 50 East Bound in Merrifield between Prosperity Avenue and Gallows Road that will permit easy access to the Beltway via Route 50 or Gallows Road. Assemble beginning at 10 AM, Drivers meeting at 10:20, depart at 10:30. Drive time is approximately 1 hour. We should arrive in time for folks to either order off the breakfast bar/brunch menu or wait a few minutes to order lunch, beginning at noon.

Stewart will need RSVPs NLT 8 PM on Wednesday, November 3, 2011. Email RSVPs and questions to: president@nvcorvetteclub.com Subject: R&R Cruise.

Sun. 11/20/11 - Catoctin Mountain Cruise/Pie Run. Details TBA.

Coming soon...

12/18/11 – Benish Christmas Lights Rallye.

The weather is getting cooler, but there is still plenty of time before the snow flies to get some cruising in and be out and about with your vette! If you would like to host an event (even if it is vette-optional/beater-friendly), please let me know. Events are being added all the time...please stay tuned to your email box and the club website (calendar & online forum) at www.nvcorvetteclub.com for the latest!

Regards,

Laurie Kistner

social@nvcorvetteclub.com

webmaster@nvcorvetteclub.com

Route: Approximately 49.3 mi, 59 min

1 hr 6 min in current traffic conditions

[See best route based on traffic](#)



NVCC Lunch Cruise to Rod & Reel Restaurant, Chesapeake Beach, MD

Merrifield, VA Meet beginning at 10 AM, Brief Driver's Meeting 10:20 Depart 10:30 AM

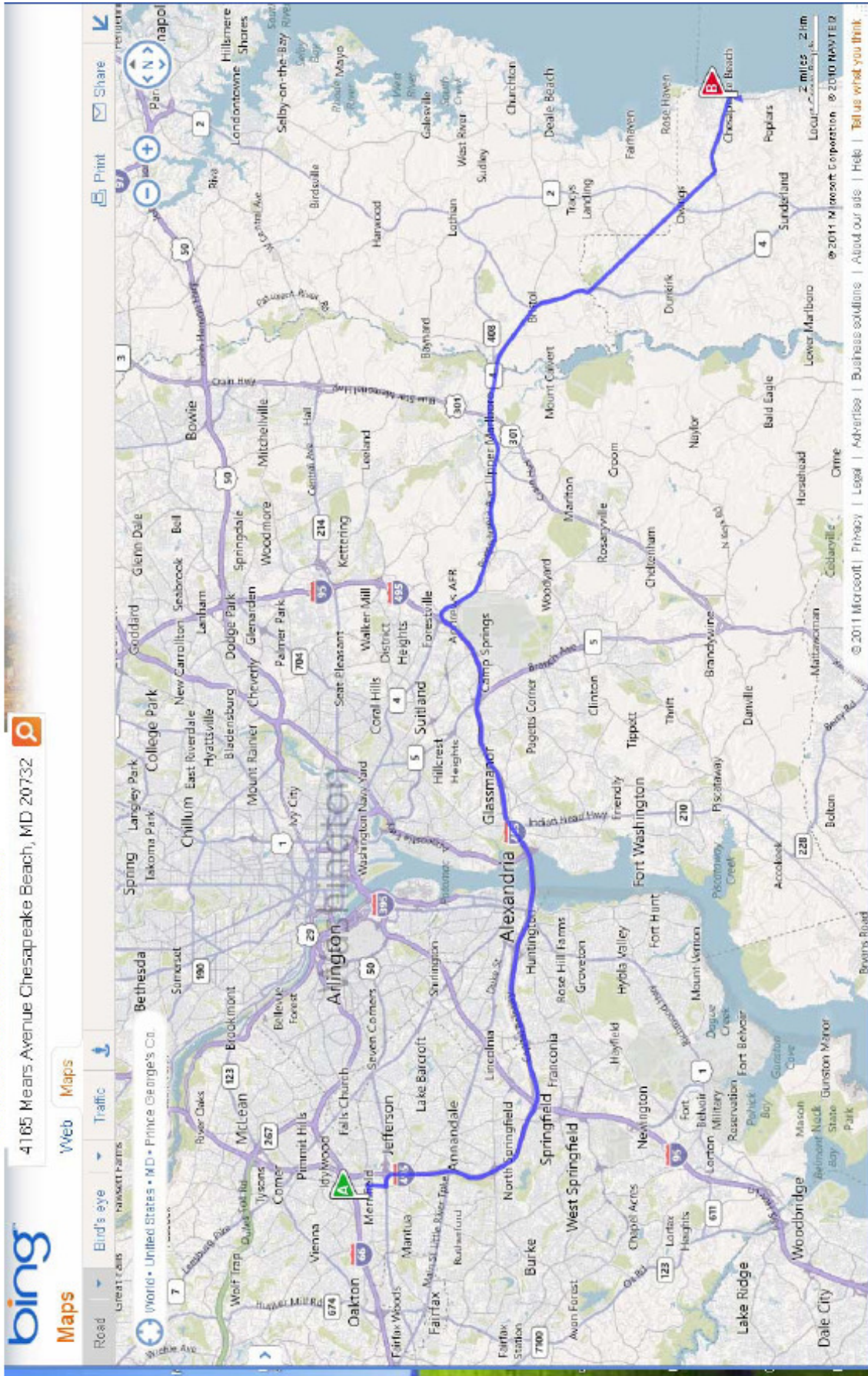
1. [1](#) Meet on Service Road, Rt 50 EB between Prosperity Ave and Gallows Rd
2. [2](#) Turn right onto US-50 East, 0.3 mi
3. [4](#) Turn right onto VA-650 South / Gallows Rd
4.  [5](#) Take ramp right for I-495 South toward Richmond 8.2 mi
5.  [6](#) Keep straight onto I-95 East / I-495 / I-495 OUTERLOOP North / Capital Beltway 4.5 mi
6.  [7](#) Keep right onto I-95 LOCAL / I-495 LOCAL East / I-495 OUTERLOOP North / Capital Beltway 1.2 mi
7.  [8](#) Road name changes to I-95 East / I-495 North / I-495 OUTERLOOP East / Capital Beltway 69 ft
8.  [9](#) Road name changes to I-95 LOCAL North / I-495 LOCAL East / I-495 OUTERLOOP East / Capital Beltway 3.2 mi * Entering Maryland
9.  [10](#) Keep straight onto I-95 North / I-495 North / I-495 OUTERLOOP / Capital Beltway 412 ft
10.  [11](#) Road name changes to I-95 LOCAL North / I-495 LOCAL / I-495 OUTERLOOP North / Capital Beltway 0.3 mi
11.  [12](#) Keep straight onto I-95 / I-495 North / I-495 OUTERLOOP North / Capital Beltway 7.4 mi
12.  [13](#) At exit 11A PA Avenue South, take ramp right for MD-4 toward Upper Marlboro 14.0 mi
13. [14](#) Keep right onto MD-260 North / Chesapeake Beach Rd W 6.1 mi Pass BP/BP in 0.6 mi
14.  [15](#) Take ramp left for MD-260 South / E Chesapeake Beach Rd 2.9 mi
15. [16](#) Turn right onto MD-261 / Bayside Rd 0.4 mi
16. [17](#) Turn left onto Mears Ave 0.1 mi
17. [18](#) Arrive at 4165 Mears Ave, Chesapeake Beach, MD 20732 The last intersection is C St



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Presents:



"Never Too Cool For Teen Driving School"

A Free Teen Driving and Safety Program

**SATURDAY, NOV. 5TH, 2011 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, October 28th, 2011.**

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 Ladbroke Grove Ct., Sterling, VA 20166 or email this information to rallye@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 rallye@nvcorvetteclub.com

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September 19, 2011

Your Annual Membership Renewal Notice for 2012

Dear Fellow NVCC Member:

It has been a great year so far with a number of successful, exciting, and thrilling events attended starting with the annual **NVCC Annual Banquet**, then **Car-B-Que**, the **Never Too Cool for Teen Driving School** in April, the **Annual Club Picnic** at Rich and Cheryl Anderson's farm in WV, and the annual **Corvettes at Carlisle**. There are plenty of other upcoming events to attend for the remainder of this year! Of course, we are having our **Spooktacular** autocross on October 22nd & 23rd at Old Dominion Speedway in Manassas, VA with low speed (under 80 MPH) on Saturday and high speed (above 80 MPH and a high speed NCCC license required) to be on the 3/8th Mile Oval on Sunday! Please check the Events Calendar at www.nvcorvetteclub.com and sign up to join us! And, very importantly, we are having another **Never Too Cool for Teen Driving School** on Nov. 5th!

It is now that distinct time of year to **renew** your annual NVCC membership! So again this year the club website has been set up so that everyone can renew their annual membership **online through PayPal!** And to put an even bigger smile on your face, **this year NVCC is picking up the tab for the PayPal processing fee for each member!**

Your dues breakdown is as follows:

Renewing Member: NCCC is \$25.00 and NVCC is \$48.00 for a total of **\$73.00**.

Renewing Spouse: NCCC is \$10.00 and NVCC is \$24.00 for a total of **\$34.00**.

Renew your membership online by going to www.nvcorvetteclub.com/membership.html

Commencing 19 September 2011, I would like to ask you to show your enthusiasm for being a member of the club by **renewing your membership for 2012 as soon as possible!** I would hope that you would complete your membership renewal **by October 20, 2011** so that there will be as few members as possible to reach out to about the impending deadline.

The absolute deadline for renewal is by **1 November 2011**. Thereafter, as stated in the NVCC bylaws, you will become a late renewing member and will have to pay the NCCC new/late member fee of \$35.00 rather than the renewal fee of just \$25.00. See you at the next exciting and fun-filled NVCC event! **Save The Wave!**

My warmest regards,

Michael Rathbun
Membership Director
membership@nvcorvetteclub.com



I know many of us are gearing up for Halloween (except the malls that are already starting to celebrate Christmas- haha). To celebrate, the NVCC is participating again in the: **Vienna Halloween Parade on October 26th** (Wednesday before Halloween). It is a fun parade and we usually get a great showing. For many years now, we have participated as a club, and occasionally win our division (tied for 1st place in 2009). Costumes are not required, but are totally awesome if so inclined.

We are meeting to line up between **5-6pm** (after 6pm the roads close -so I urge everyone to come early!). Our line up location is TBD (to be determined), so please RSVP to Lori Benish (rallye@nvcorvetteclub.com) and give a good contact phone # or email so we can provide details as soon as they are available. Please see Lori Benish when you arrive to sign the club waiver sheet and check-in.

Many of us have dinner before the parade, since they have to line up early and parade route begins at 7pm- but we don't roll out until closer to 7:30-8pm usually. We will go over to **Wu's Garden Chinese Restaurant at around 6:00pm** (address below), which is just a few doors down from where we usually park our cars. Please try to let us know ASAP if you will be joining with us for dinner, so we can get a good headcount for tables at the restaurant.

Should be a great time. Remember **NO BURNOUTS**, we are here to have fun, but also support the club and make a safe environment for all the little kids that will be watching our super cool cars!

So here are the details:

Be at the meeting spot between 5-6pm (if after 6:00 at not participating in dinner- hang out and wait for the dinner group to get back to sign in)

Address: TBD

If you are joining us for dinner, park and then walk down to Wu's Garden at 5:30ish

Address to Wu's Garden: 418 Maple Ave East, Vienna, VA

Hope to see many of you there!

Lori Ann Benish

NVCC Rallye Chair

RSVP for this event to Lori Benish at rallye@nvcorvetteclub.com.



Shenandoah Valley Corvette Club Fall Skyline Cruise



Thanks to our Sponsors:

- Jack Evans Chevrolet
- Corsa Performance Exhausts

The fall Skyline Cruise to benefit Toys for Tots will be held on October 29th 2011
Meet at Jack Evans Used Car lot (9 Commerce St Front Royal, VA corner of Route 522 & Main)

Registration will begin at 8 am

Door prizes and Young Marine 50/50 raffle 9:15 - 9:45 am



Drivers meeting 9:45 - 10:00 Cruise will begin at 10:15 SHARP

The cost will be \$20.00 per car or a new unwrapped toy (no stuffed animals please)

MIR Drag Day

Pics by Anthony Lucido
Text by Laurie Kistner



Don Ellenberger's vette during a nice, smoky burn out and a paddock picture of LilRed and BigYellow at the MIR Drag Day on Friday, October 7, 2011. Don's car scored a new best E/T of 10.3 seconds at 136 mph!

NVCC Fun-raiser: YOU Travel ; NVCC Gets a Donation !

by Bob Devery

Stewart asked me to write a quick synopsis of an idea to generate some revenue for NVCC. I'm doing it for other groups already. We're at a time of year where most NVCC members are looking at travel plans for 2012. Quick question: when you booked your last travel, did the supplier send a donation to NVCC? Did they give you money to spend on your vacation? Likely answer : NO !! Well, there's a way to correct those NO answers.

Now, when you do your research; find the vacation idea that you like and price it, BEFORE you hit "buy", send an email to me with the info. I'll research the same vacation on the same days and match or beat the price PLUS I'll give you a cash credit to use on your ship; at your resort; etc.... PLUS give a donation of an equal amount to NVCC!! NO GAMES; NO HYPE ... it's that simple. I just looked at a cruise for members; matched the price and will be giving them \$50 to use on the ship (which means that they're \$50 ahead) AND I'll write a check for \$50 to NVCC when the member begins travel. The donations can be as little as \$15 or as much as \$500 + depending on the travel selected by the members. Skeptical? I can understand it but it's really just as I outlined. We already know that our past vacations have not generated one cent for NVCC .

I handle travel to ALL seven continents including ALL cruiselines; all-inclusives; land tour packages; airlines; hotels; car rentals and packages of all the above. I'm one of the top reps in North America for Expedia Cruise Ship Centers an Expedia partner. BUT, it's not my company; it's not Expedia; Carnival; Disney; Marriott; etc... who are giving the donations or cash credits. It's me ... an NVCC member. All of us want to see the Club thrive and even a \$50 donation can have an impact on a Club that operates with a budget well below \$10,000/yr. So, I'll write as many checks as I have members who call me about travel. The key is that it's YOUR decision on what to do : book the way you currently do. It's very easy to use the Internet and do your own homework; find a good price and hit "BUY". But, please understand ... I'LL MATCH OR BEAT ANY PRICE GIVEN TO ME ON ANY TYPE TRAVEL OR TELL YOU WHO HAS THE LOWEST PRICE.

If I am able to match/beat the price ... which I did all year except on two occasions ... you will come out ahead AND trigger a donation for NVCC. It can be you; a family member or friend or casual contact who mentions that you, an NVCC member, told him/her to call. It still will trigger a donation to NVCC. If you have a "reunion" or group that I book for you, it has the possibility to generate a \$500+ donation to NVCC! If NVCC does a "Ultimate Cruise 2012" " to the Caribbean; Alaska; Hawaii; etc.... , another \$500-1000 donation or do probable. So, if you're planning travel, send me a note. Worst case, you lose a day while I check prices. Best case, I do what I say. More on that as it's discussed. ALL questions and comments welcome ... it's YOUR money ... and possibly NVCC's.



NVCC General Business Meeting
Jim McKay Chevrolet

September 27, 2011

Meeting

- The meeting was called to order at 7:50 pm by President Stewart Fox. Delayed start due to large amount of traffic that delayed members from arriving.
20 people present: 19 members (including 8 council members) + 1 prospective member

Spooktacular: Stewart Fox

- Autocross Oct 22/23 at ODS – Regional points Saturday (Low-Speed on parking lot), NCCC points Sunday (High Speed on oval) – see flyer/registration in newsletter + registration on line is now live
- John & Paul loaded new laptop with updated NCCC-compliant software and Marsha Batchellor is loading NVCC membership database. Marsha will be running timing & helped to test the equipment last weekend
- Still need help – contact Stewart – competitors + volunteers get NCCC points
 - Fri eve – pre race tech at ODS; Sat – cone setup, timing equipment setup; Sun – oval, equipment setup

Chief Driving Instructor: Cassidy Nolen – unable to attend meeting – Stewart provided his update

- Sat, Nov 5th – Teen Driving School – ODS – still need lots of volunteers – chase cones, direct traffic, check lug nuts, hand out cups of coffee – contact Cassidy
- Cassidy will use previous Senteo projection units for classroom portion. He also has a goal to convert it over the winter to a distributable package that we can share with others.

Intern: Stewart reported for Chris Fox

- Chris has compiled the TDS manual and will be sending us CDs with all the information
- Congratulations on a successful internship with us! Chris received his diploma 2 weeks ago!

Concours: John Palmgren

- June date still being explored with NCCC – one of first Sundays (traditionally 1st weekend in June) – Calendar should be set by October; Next governors' meeting isn't till mid-December
- Planning on McKay Chevrolet as concours venue - Showroom available + service lane + possible tent
- John needs help to start setting up concours, including asking for raffle prizes & donations
- Congratulations to John, who received a top 20 overall points patch from NCCC for 2010!

Membership: Michael Rathbun

- Michael announced we have 99 members + 2 honorary +12 prospective = 111 active
- Online renewals started on September 20th – several people have already renewed. You can also mail in renewals to the membership chair. We have to submit to NCCC by 1 November. If you apply for new membership after September 1st, you're good for rest of 2011 and all of 2012.

Newsletter: Richard Anderson

- Richard announced the September newsletter is a record 26 pages! Keep the articles and pictures coming!

Treasurer's report: Carol Fox

- Thanks to Lynn & Andrej Balanc for securing a \$1,000 Ruritan Club donation for TDS!
- Pay pals are coming in for membership + Spooktacular (note we will have to pay NCCC for their share)
- Total on hand: Bank \$6,073.54 + Petty Cash 185.66 = \$6,259.20

Break

Trivia and Raffle: Bob Devery had provided raffle questions & gifts to Dan Walker before meeting, and Dan handled the historian & raffle duties.

1. Q: VIN #51, which is now in the National Auto Museum in Reno was delivered to which actor on Oct 7, 1953? A: John Wayne Winner: Ed Kaspar won a Vette grab bag
2. Q: In 1980, what federal law came out that hurt Vettes? A: Max 85 mph speedometer. Winner: Jeff Klein won grab bag
3. Why were the 1st 200 production 1997s unique? Hint: they weren't the traditionally white – what color were they? A: Red Winner: Jeff Klein (again!)

Jeff came up with his own trivia question to pass on his second win: What was the time limit on retained accessory power for C5s? A: 15 min Winner: Paul Cestone.

Raffle prizes:

1. Patty MacGregor won 1st raffle – 50/50 worth \$35
2. Other raffle prizes were club lanyards, won by: Richard Anderson (he won 2!), John Palmgren, and Carole Jones.

Social/ Upcoming Events - Laurie Kistner

- All upcoming events are listed in the newsletter and on the Web site calendar. Events of particular interest are:
 - Sun 10/2/11 Juke Box Diner in Manassas – cruise in/grand reopening 10-3 pm
8637 Sudley Road, room for 900 cars – 10% discount for food if mention it – may compete with Burger King on Saturdays next year
 - Sat, 10/8/11 - Columbus Day Parade – Sterling – If we don't get more cars signed up, we will pull the plug & not enter
 - October Council meeting will be on Wednesday 10/12 instead of Tuesday
 - Wed, 10/26/11 – Vienna Halloween Parade – paperwork is in for us to enter
- See also cruise-ins on NVCC Web site
- Please send pictures, videos to Laurie for uploading

Other Business

- Stewart Fox brought up:
 - By-Laws have been posted on the club website. All members are encouraged to review the revisions and send any comments to the council. We will vote in October.
 - Also nominations start in October for 2012 officers – need to fill some key positions!!
- Michael Rathbun brought up:
 - 100 years of Chevrolet book - \$75 hard copy, \$50 soft copy (free if you subscribe to magazine for \$99/year)
 - YouTube video 8 minutes Z06 2012 took several seconds off predecessor's time at Nürburgring
- Rick Poage brought up:
 - He is continuing to work the Club Directory, please update him with new information
 - If you have an Xbox or Play Station driving game, his friend's son will put together seats made of your old Vette seats or steering wheels. He is based in Richmond & prices start at a few hundred dollars
- Michael Rathbun brought up that local car collector Ed Mars takes about 150 wounded warriors to steak dinner every month! Jim Beaupre, former club member, attended an event & was selected to drive a Cobra for free for a year! Jim would like to get the club to drive wounded warriors in their cars in an event in the near future

Meeting adjourned at 9:05. Several members adjourned to Patriot Grill across the street.

Submitted by Alice S. Arielly, Secretary

2011 Shenandoah Valley Corvette Club @ Balloon Fest

Pic by Jim Nokes



The Shenandoah Valley Corvette Club held their annual Balloon Fest on the 16th of October under a perfectly blue sky. Jim was in attendance as well as members from a cross section of clubs in the region. This is one of those rare occasions where something else is more colorful than a sea of corvettes.

Ocean City a Great Time for All

by Alice S. Arielly

The weekend of October 14-16 was a glorious, sun-filled weekend, and several NVCCers and friends took the opportunity to enjoy one last beach weekend with their Vettes, along with almost 700 of their closest friends!



Congratulations to John & Kara Palmgren, who earned a spot in a 3-way tie for 3rd place in the Gimmick Rallye, which was ultimately decided by drawing cards, and left them in 4th place. There were new Rallyemasters this year that we all tried to overanalyze, but a good time was had by all nevertheless.

The weekend was the 25th Anniversary of Free State Corvette Club's annual weekend which benefits local charities, and Rich Mars presented NVCC's \$100 donation to FSCC Foundation to help Spina Bifida families. The Spina Bifida kids once again played a large part in the weekend - they got to ride in the cars down the boardwalk, selected their favorite cars in the car show, sold raffle tickets, and generally had a great time!



Other NVCC winners were Patty MacGregor, who won a Corvette Barbie and an NCM membership (but since she is already a life member, she graciously gave it to her husband, Jim), and Alice Arielly, who won a Giant gift card. Several other club members also enjoyed the weekend - Rita Mars and friends Mary & Joe in their '72, Jack Hufnagle, and Gary and Sharon Essex. Someone also spied Paul Cestone watching the parade while we all rode in it.

Some folks arrived a little late, due to an accident and chemical spill on Route 50 on Friday night, so many folks went home the cross-country route, which was sunny and fun. Overall, we couldn't have asked for a nicer weekend!

Alice S. Arielly The79Rose@yahoo.com





Winterize Your Ride How would you like to get your car all cleaned up and ready for a winter's rest, while taking her out for one last hoorah for 2011?

Why not plan a special visit and Xperience at the National Corvette Museum? Much like the R8C Delivery option, the NCM Xperience gives you the chance to take a VIP tour of the Corvette Plant and Museum while your baby gets VIP treatment in the Museum's PDI area. After a good cleaning, your car will be put on display in the Museum's Corvette Boulevard, broadcast live on our webcams for all to see.

Participants of the program also receive a free one-year individual Museum membership, commemorative plaque, silver decal recognizing the participation in the program and an individual photo in front of the Museum (weather permitting).

NCM Xperiences are \$350, and you can bring three friends with you! Additionally, Xperiences are open to any year Corvette! Learn more online , and book yours today!

Museum Gets a Nod at Fenway Ambassadors are an important part of the National Corvette Museum - serving as a liaison between us and their clubs while promoting our offerings to the world.

One such Ambassador got a little nod to the Museum in a very unusual way! Mike Furman shared with us a surprising shoutout to him and the Museum.

"I have a Corvette ZR1 customer who is a very influential Boston businessman that invited me to Fenway Park [in September]. I flew up Saturday evening and got a tour of Fenway and watched the Rays beat the Sox. It was a great New England Fall day. In the middle of the 5th he told me to watch the scoreboard. See attached picture. I am an Ambassador (Frederick County Corvette Club in MD) for the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, KY...hence the reference."

Thanks, Mike, for sharing! If your club doesn't currently have an ambassador for the Museum and you might be interested - please checkout our website's Ambassador page for more information!

"Build Your Own" Grand Sport Winner Drawn Congratulations to Marilyn Mohs of Katy, TX! Marilyn's lucky ticket #1081 was drawn today on Corvette Boulevard for the chance to "Build Your Own" Grand Sport. We sold 1169 of the 1,994 tickets.

Next week, Thursday, October 20 at 2pm, we raffle off a 2012 Carlisle Blue Grand Sport Coupe! The car features ebony/light titanium interior, 6-speed automatic transmission with paddle shift, 3LT package with navigation, transparent removable roof, battery protection package, Grand Sport chrome aluminum wheels, Grand Sport Performance Package, NPP dual mode performance exhaust, head-up display and comes with R8C Museum Delivery. The raffle is limited to 1,000 tickets at \$200 each.

Learn more and purchase tickets online at www.corvettemuseum.org/raffle or call 800-538-3883 during normal business hours.

Save on Corvette "Creature" Bricks Honor a furry friend with one of our small special logo bricks! For a limited time, order a Corvette Creature brick and receive \$25 off. To celebrate the upcoming holiday, our Halloween pumpkin brick is also \$25 off. These bricks are located in special reserved areas near the front entrance of the Museum. Enter code SPECIALBRK25 in the special instructions box on the shipping summary page. Offer expires October 21st. Discount will be applied during processing and not valid on previous purchases, existing orders, or duplicate bricks. Order now and save!
Vets 'n Vettes Registration Closing

Vets 'n Vettes Now in its 4th year, our Vets 'n Vettes event continues to grow and we continue to add more military-themed activities and displays.

This year's event is in conjunction with our 3rd American Warrior Recognition program, bringing 100 wounded military personnel from Fort Knox and Fort Campbell for a day of fun and recognition.

Also new for 2011 is a "Patriotic Paint Display" where we invite Corvettes painted in patriotic themes to enjoy special parking, and one lucky participant will be selected for feature on the cover of America's Sports Car magazine.

Register online here by Friday, October 21.

Corvette Store Featured Item

NCM Mansfield Jacket. This stand out jacket will be a race day favorite! Lightweight 100% nylon jacket with an embroidered NCM logo on the front left chest. \$34.00

Travel Channel: Made in America The Travel Channel has a new series - paying homage to America's Sports Car in their show "Made in America." The episode was filmed with host George Motz at the Corvette Plant, and the first airing was Tuesday, October 11. If you missed it, don't worry! They will be re-playing it again next Tuesday, October 18th at 7:30pm ET, and again at 2:30am ET October 19th.



Check out the Travel Channel site about this new show.

NCM Receives Historical Documents from NCRS

The National Corvette Museum was founded by members of the National Corvette Restorers Society with the idea of collecting and permanently storing valuable documents and artifacts relating to the Chevrolet Corvette. For years we've been doing just that as our members and other Corvette enthusiasts continue to scour the planet for anything that might have historical significance regarding America's sports car. Of particular importance is the vast amount of technical data collected by the NCRS itself over the years. Dating all the way back to 1953, this treasure was intended to find its way here eventually, and now, after two decades of waiting, the first shipment has arrived.

One reason it took so long to get here was that the Museum simply was not set up to adequately store and protect these documents. With the expansion though, a state of the art archival storage room was constructed where the environment is precisely controlled. Temperature, humidity, and even the fire suppressant system was considered as this space was constructed. "The shelving system we have here was designed to accommodate this

collection," said Vince Perriello, who oversees the Library and Archives. "We've waited many years for this day."

Library and Archives Manager, Betty Hardison, who has been with the Museum longer than anyone here, couldn't contain her happiness. "This is a great day," she said. "Now the work begins of getting each page in sheet protectors, organizing them into years and getting them into binders for easy access. After that we'll need to build a database that lists what is in each volume. When we're done, Corvette historians will have a window to the past with a view that goes on for miles further than ever before."

Our thanks to the members of the NCRS who faithfully collected and preserved all of this for the Corvette community and to the leadership who trusted us enough to pass it along.

GM Corvette Assembly Plant Named Business of the Year The Bowling Green Area Chamber of Commerce celebrated Business & Industry Appreciation Month by presenting 23 targeted businesses with awards at the Business & Industry Appreciation Banquet tonight. The General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant received the top award for the evening, the John B. Holland Business of the Year Award.

Dave Tatman, plant manager for the Bowling Green Assembly Plant, accepted the Award, "The GM Corvette Assembly workforce is absolutely thrilled to be named Business of the Year, especially in light of the ups and downs of the auto industry over the last few years. But the resilience of the workforce at this plant in Bowling Green is evident in everything we do. I have never seen a group of men and women more dedicated to producing a product that not only meets but exceeds customer expectations, in addition to giving back or what I call paying forward in the local community. I am so honored to represent this team and just proud that their efforts have been noticed."

The General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant has been home to the iconic Chevy Corvette since 1981 and currently employs approximately 590 full- and part-time employees.

In May 2011, GM officials announced that the plant will undergo a major refurbishment to add a new vehicle product program—the next-generation Chevy Corvette—creating 250 new jobs and a capital investment of more than \$131 million. This announcement is the third largest announced investment in Kentucky by companies within the manufacturing and supportive/service firm industries this year.

Corvette Racing Scores Two Awards at ALMS Ceremony Corvette Racing received two nods at the American Le Mans Series awards ceremony.

Jan Magnussen was voted the Most Popular Driver in online balloting by fans. He is the only ALMS driver to have won a race in every year since the series' inception in 1999. He joined Corvette Racing for endurance events in 2004, and became a full-season driver in 2007. He was GT1 co-champion with Johnny O'Connell in 2008, and finished second in the GT championship this year with teammate Oliver Gavin. He cited the series' international appeal as a factor in his selection as the Most Popular Driver.

Dan Binks, crew chief for the No. 3 Compuware Corvette C6.R, was selected by International Motor Sport Association (IMSA) officials as the Battery Tender Mechanic of the Year in the GT class. Binks received a \$5,000 award in recognition of his wrenching and leadership skills. He then donated the award to the Austin Hatcher Foundation for Pediatric Cancer, the official charity of the ALMS, on behalf of his teammates.

Corvette Racing was runner-up in the GT Team championship, the team's best finish since moving to the GT category in 2009 after winning eight straight GT1 titles.

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Newsletter News ...

It has again been a busy month for the club and its members, including another successful Spooktacular (defined in my household as my son returning the Z06 without requiring a direct trip to the shop). While the show and cruise season is winding down, there are still many great events on the calendar. The mountains are approaching full color and this coming weekend would be a great time to enjoy them.

If you get really lost and find yourself in eastern West Virginia, you are always free to stop by our farm and say howdy and visit the collection.

As always, please keep me posted of your vette's wanderings along with pics.



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Next General Business Meetings:

Tuesday, Oct 25th at 7:30 pm

Tuesday, Nov 22nd at 7:30 pm

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