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Corvettes and Friends Cruise 2017 Is A GO !! Bob Devery, Your Cruise Director

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The votes were tallied and the winner is Royal Caribbean Allure of the Seas, a 220,000 ton mega cruise ship which is the largest class cruise ship in the world. Elegant, yet with a very casual attitude, this ship offers something for everyone


regardless of age. Your fellow cruisers will be anywhere from 2 to 82 years old! While there is plenty to offer for the active person, those who seek a nice quiet spot on the ship will have no problem finding it as there are plenty of adult only areas. There is no effective way to tell you everything that is available on the ship as there are 20 restaurants; comedy club; theater; numerous bars and a pub; parades and parties and even a diving show and Ice Capades!! The food is fantastic and matched by the service. The promenade deck is something that you have to see to believe on a ship.

We leave on March 5, 2017 for a one-week Western Caribbean cruise. It will be a great way to end the winter doldrums! As with the other cruises, we will have a pre-cruise night or two in the port city which this time is Fort Lauderdale. I'll have air and pre-cruise hotel arrangements ready to go for you.

At this point. I have eight cabins left as eight are already taken! I expect that they will all be taken in the near future so I will activate a secondary group so that we lock in the current lowest prices. The prices that I have for the current group are lower than any current promotion and I will continue to check to ensure that it stays that way.


If you missed the last cruise, ask anyone who enjoyed the camaraderie and yes, the nice warm weather in the Caribbean, if you should consider going with us this time. The details are free so send a text 703 – 786 – 2147 or send an email to: BDEVERY@cruiseshipcenters.com. No deposit is needed at this time so you can set a cabin up while you think about it. As always, a donation will be given to the club for the group booking for any member who joins us.

Come on in, the water is fine... And warm!



Questions: When you booked your last vacation, did you GET the lowest price? MAYBE. A cash rebate? UNLIKELY! Did NVCC get a donation from your booking engine? NO! Here's my offer: I handle WORLDWIDE TRAVEL OF ANY TYPE: LAND (All-inclusives; tours; safaris!), ALL CRUISES, AIR & GROUPS. I'll book your travel at the LOWEST cost- yes, match or beat ANY price that you find ; give YOU a ca\$h credit PLUS (this is important) I give NVCC a donation for YOUR travel ! NO GAMES PLAYED - YOU love to save money & you love Corvettes. NVCC needs ca\$h to fuel the events that we (I'M A MEMBER!) want. So, do the math: A. do your own booking (NO rebate ; NO donation) or, B. contact me; save \$\$ AND help NVCC fund more events! Your choice ... Option B, anyone?

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER MAY 2016

By: John Palmgren



The Corvette season is in full swing, and even though Mother Nature hasn't cooperated fully, we've had opportunities for some fun events recently. Thanks to Shawn Waddell and Kris McCandless for organizing the Barrel Oak Winery event and cruise. Even though I didn't make it out there until later, everything I heard was very positive. If you haven't been out to Barrel Oak yet, it's worth the trip (especially if you're a dog fan)!!

The BIG event coming up soon is our car show at Page Chevrolet on Sunday, June 5. Kris and Dave DuBois have put a lot of time and effort into organizing the show, but we can't pull it off without participation from our members as participants and/or workers. So if you're available that day, please plan on coming out to support your club and making a good showing for our dealership sponsor.

Last but certainly not least, I want to express my heartfelt thanks to a couple of long-time members who will be leaving us to move to Myrtle Beach...that's right, Stewart and Carol Fox. Carol has spent several years in leadership roles as a Concours co-chair and Treasurer. Stewart has held many offices in the club and has been a council member for as long as I can remember. His tireless efforts maintaining the club trailer, and acting as Course Marshall for our track events and teen driving schools are just some of the things he has done for our club over the years. Thanks to you both for your leadership, mentoring, and all your contributions over the years. You will be missed!

John Palmgren
President

NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016

SPOTLIGHT ON MEMBERS:

We are reviving an old newsletter section highlighting each of our members – both new and used. You could be next! This month’s Spotlight will focus on Webmasters: Paul and Lori Benish



<i>Name (s)</i>	Paul Benish	Lori Benish
<i>City/State/How Long</i>	Sterling, VA – 18 years	Sterling VA, Whole Life...Do you really need a #-LOL
<i>Where were you raised?</i>	Exeter, PA	Warrenton, VA
<i>Employed by</i>	MBA CSi	Enclosures Unlimited Glass Co.
<i>Year/Color/Model of Vette</i>	C5 2000 Black Fixed Roof coupe	C3 1980 Red Coupe
<i>Favorite NVCC Activities</i>	Teen Driving school, Car Control Clinic, Parades, Garage days/nights	Vienna Halloween Parade, Christmas Rallye, Banquet
<i>Least Favorite NVCC Activities</i>	Events that are more work than fun	I am not a big car show person, I like the cars when they are moving 😊
<i>In what activity, event or position would you be most interested in volunteering</i>	Head Tech. Oh, wait.....	Haven't I done all of them by now...LOL I have really liked leading the Halloween parade the last 7 years- I want more parades :)
<i>Least interested in</i>	Webmaster....er, I mean Treasurer, ya that’s it.	...My honest answer?... Just kidding! I would say Historian because I have already done that.
<i>What are some things you would like to see improved at NVCC</i>	More general membership interest in council positions and working and volunteering to run events. I miss the days when elected positions had multiple candidates. More interest in getting back to the track!	Agree with Paul -more people excited to be a part of the way the club runs. We have fun and want to share the wealth. I feel we need to do more social events, like maybe a New Member drive- or a Dave and Buster's night with the club.
<i>Favorite Place to Vacation</i>	Somewhere I can run (or instruct) a few days at a track event, then a few days of relaxing reading a book.	Beaches-Love Florida and Ocean City. Would like to go back to OC- and eventually get to Europe someday.
<i>Hobbies</i>	Track stuff (figure that out yet?), photography, working on cars, and computer stuff. Well the last one used to be a hobby until it became my job.	I love Holidays (Halloween/Christmas freak), design and artistry, Comi-Cons (yes, I am a girl nerd- and proud), and coaching/volunteer with Special Olympics for my son Jake.

<i>Dream Car (doesn't have to be a Vette)</i>	I have too many, I want a fleet with each type!	Paul -NO FLEET! Dream car would be BMW M3 or Bugatti.
<i>Do you have a funny story or "worst" ticket in a Vette</i>	<p>A bunch of us from the club decided to rent the skidpad at Summit point for the day on Saturday. Now we all knew we had to be up early the next day because we had our yearly Concours d'elegance; oh and I was the head tech and photographer so I had to be there EARLY. For those of you who don't know a Concours is a judged car show where every speck of dust counts against you. We spent the day at Summit and we all planned to go home and wash our cars that night. Well by the time we packed up and left we got home well after 7. I still had to pack up all my photography gear, eat dinner, and make sure I had all of the requisite paperwork for teching. Needless to say I was too tired to wash the car and thought I could do it in the morning quickly before I left. When I woke up I realized I hit "off" instead of snooze and was running almost an hour late. Needless to say the car didn't get washed and Lori decided to add some designs to the car and add it not to the "race prepared" category, but the newly created "post-race track" category! And to answer those wondering, no I didn't win anything.</p>	<p>Well, one time in the Halloween Parade, we had decorated the car with a talking skull on top for the parade. I had left the box in the trunk until the next day. I thought I was going to lose my mind the next morning when I left to go to work and a voice came out of my trunk -AHHH AHAHAHHH!</p> <p>Needless to say, I may or may not have gone inside to change. 😊</p>



QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF - WHERE ARE THE "TRICKY" SECTIONS OF THIS TRACK?

By: Dave Dubois, Chief Instructor

You find yourself at new track and of course the first question you ask: What is the longest straightaway? And as you already know, the turn before that longest straightaway, is the most important turn on the track. If you don't take that turn correctly, you sacrifice speed all the way down that long straightaway.

Ok, now what is the 2nd longest straightaway?

Well, let me suggest that there is at least ONE more set of questions you might want to ask the track.

Which turn(s) can get you into the most trouble?

- From a technical point of view, is there a late apex turn with no run off area? If you have too much entry speed, will you run out of "run off room" and hit a barrier? What dependable landmarks can you use to get the proper line into the late apex?
- Are there any blind turns, or very restricted sight lines? Where are the flagging stations before those turns? You don't want to be the 3rd car into the pile up because you weren't looking at the flagging station. The correct check list for every turn starts with "glance" at the flagging station. Don't rely on "movement" in your peripheral vision to alert you to a flag that is waving. How many checkered flags have you gone past and have not seen?
- Are there any long fast sweepers where an early apex would cause you to "track out" off the track at speed? You need to document landmarks on the horizon to line up the correct apex. Towers, trees, inside marks of the guardrails, the number 5 red curbing stripe?
- What are the run-off options for this turn? You want your "Plan B" options planned ahead of time, before you need them.

Case in point: The uphill esses and the bridge at Watkins Glen

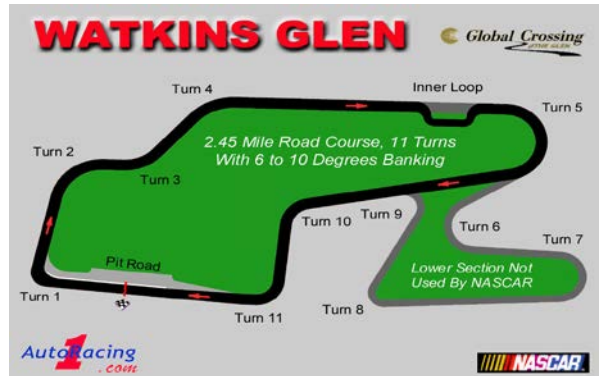
- Trouble? The bridge itself is the narrowest part of the whole course. There is no run off room here.
- A late apex is not a problem here. The later the better.
- Trouble? The uphill section is very fast sweeper (some with speeds well over 120) and you can't see the bridge itself as you come up the hill. Is it hiding a small collection of bent cars?
- Trouble? If you early apex the turn before the bridge at 130+ mph, you could track out into the right side of the bridge... and ricochet to the left side. And very fast cars are following very closely in back of you. The new pavement covered up everyone's previous "on track surface" land marks.
- As you come up the hill – you are staring right at the most important flagging station on the track, in my opinion. That is if you have "checking flag stations" on your check list!

Track Notes

The hard part (well not hard, just not done enough) pull out your track notes from you last visits!

Document your track notes for each track you drive on. Document your findings for each turn, each flagging station, each land mark, run off area - or not, etc., for the whole track. They can be as simple as notes on a track map or as detailed as 3-4 pages in a note book. Use graphics, draw arrows, etc.

Did this help? Share any of your ideas with us. Thank you.



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Sunday June 5th, 2016

9:00am- 3:00pm

at

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6500 Little River Turnpike

Alexandria, VA 22312

- * Food Trucks serving lunch
- * DJ & music
- * After-market Vendors
- * Show T-shirts on Sale (Onsite & Pre-Show)

REGISTRATION INFO (*Limited to 150 Corvettes*): Advanced registration \$20
Day of show registration \$25

REGISTER ONLINE: www.msreg.com/ncccfuncarshow

QUESTIONS? Please email Kris McCandless at concours@nvcorvetteclub.com



Dave DuBois:

I want to take a moment and recognize YOU, for the hard work and dedication you are putting in to the TRSS program to keep it running as the Top Shelf, Premier event that it is.

In addition to your registration and classroom presentation skills, your data gathering, analysis, and dissemination reflect your commitment to the Tire Rack - Street Survival (TRSS) program at large, and the NVCC portion of it in particular. We (NVCC) are now in our 12th season of TDS-TRSS events, which would never happen without passionate, dedicated folks like yourself.

That being said, I want to also thank all the NVCC and Corvette Club of America (CCA) members that come out each Spring and Fall to support and help run our TRSS program. Without ALL of you, these events could not be put on, and the HUNDREDS of up-and-coming teens that have attended TDS-TRSS events would be at a far greater disadvantage each time they climb behind the wheel.

At the end of each event, I KNOW that we are making a difference.

Thank you all.

Stewart Fox
Past President, NVCC 2009, 2010, 2011
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NVCC goes to Barrel Oak Winery



On a beautiful spring morning... most of the Corvettes gathered at Home Depot in South Riding. I was the first to arrive, 16 Corvettes in all arrived at Home Depot and another joined us along the way. We had a brief drivers meeting, everyone signed the waiver and we departed for Barrel Oak.

We all followed Kris McCandless into the winery. He found some awesome Corvette roads and some beautiful scenery. We were on the road for about an hour and then rolled into Barrel Oak. They had awesome VIP parking waiting for us. Barrel Oak personal came out and moved the cones. We all parked together and as we were arriving we had about 11 more corvettes show up. In total, there were about 27 Corvettes there. We got there early, claimed some tables, did our free wine tasting (39 people) and had some awesome brick fired pizzas. The weather held out for us, entertainment arrived at 1:00.

I had so many positive comments it was an awesome get together. Special thanks to Kris M. for finding some great roads and Mike and Carl for keeping us all together. Thanks everyone! Shawn.





NVCC GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES April 26, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:32 pm

Kris McCandless reviewed some of the benefits of Page Chevrolet as NVCC's Sponsor:

- Free alignment
- 13% off service
- 10% of parts

Introductions were made and prospective members in attendance were:

- Paula Yurguson
- Bill Kirsten
- Carl Koon

Review of success of Tire Rack Street Survival:

- 28 successful students
- Excellent review by participants

Event: Old Dominion Corvette Club LaGrange Winery on April 30th

Event: Barrel Oak Winery – on May 14th (article within)

Event: Cooper's Corvettes (Triangle, VA) Open House – all day on May 21st

TRIVIA By John Scott

Q1. (For those who've been members for less than two years) The 1963 Corvette – the first of the C-2s – sported a number of ground-breaking features, including one not seen on an American car since the 1942 Desoto. What was it?

A1. Hidden headlights. Hidden headlights would be a hallmark of Corvettes until the C-6 debuted in 2006.

Q2. (For Rick Poage.) In 1967 Corvette offered the L88 427 ci engine as an option for an additional \$950.00. To discourage street use (as if the price wasn't discouraging enough), GM rated the engine at 430 horsepower (5 hp less than the L71 427 engine). What was the "real" horsepower output of the L88, and how

many L88-equipped Corvettes did GM build in 1967? [Rounding to the nearest ten is good enough.]

A2. According to "Corvette – 60th Anniversary" by the editors of Consumer Guide Automotive, the L88 put out at least 560 horsepower. 20 L88-equipped Corvettes were built in 1967.

Q3. The Corvette saw a "first" and a "last" in the engine department in 1965. What were they?

A3. The 1965 model year was the first year you could get a factory option big block engine (a 425 hp 396 ci) in a Corvette. It was the last year you could get a fuel injected Corvette until 1984.

Q4. What three exterior body features help the viewer distinguish between the 1963 and 1964 Corvette coupes? [An answer with any two will be accepted.]

A4. The differences are:

- The split rear window in the '63 is a single piece of glass in the '64.
- The decorative vents in the '63 hood are gone in the '64 (although the hood indentations remain; the indentations vanished in 1965).
- The side roof vents in the '63 are non-functional; the driver's side roof vent is functional in the '64.

Floor Mat auction - \$11

Paul Mooracnis Guest - Radial Tire (Est. 1975)

Final Call for Volunteers - June 5th Car Show at Page

Meeting adjourned 8:45 pm

NVCC 2016 Activities Calendar

NOTE(s): NVCC General Business Meetings (GBMs) are held the 4th Tuesday of each month (except December) at 7:30pm, at Page Chevrolet in Alexandria VA.

<p>JANUARY 16: Go-Karting Event – Autobahn in Jessup, MD 23: Go-Karting Event – Autobahn in Jessup, MD 30: Instructor Clinic, Ruritan Club in Sterling, VA - Organizer: Dave Dubois (Non-NVCC Event) 30: NVCC Annual Banquet - Organizer: Kara P.</p>	<p>JULY 17: NVCC Picnic at the Anderson Farm, Back Creek WV - Organizer: Richard & Cheryl Anderson</p>
<p>FEBRUARY 13: Go-Karting Event – Autobahn in Jessup, MD 14: Cruise on Princess Lines - Regal Princess; 7 Days, Eastern Caribbean - Organizer: Bob Devery</p>	<p>AUGUST 27: Corvettes at Carlisle in Carlisle, PA - Day Cruise to event - Organizer: Mike Gilliland</p>
<p>MARCH 13: St. Patrick’s Day Brunch - Organizer: John & Kara Palmgren</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER</p>
<p>APRIL 3: Crabs ‘n Corvettes Rallye (weather permitting) – Organizer: Mike Gilliland 09: TRSS Instructor’s and Volunteer’s Clinic – AOL Campus, Dulles, VA – Organizer: Dave Dubois 23: TRSS (BMW Club) at Lincoln Tech – Organizer: Dave DuBois 24: TRSS (NVCC) at Lincoln Tech – Organizer: Dave DuBois</p>	<p>OCTOBER 14-15: Corvettes on the Boardwalk, Ocean City, MD (sponsored by Free State Corvette Club) 25: NVCC 2017 Officer Nominations – Oct. GBM 26: Halloween Parade, Vienna VA - Organizer: Lori Benish</p>
<p>MAY 14: Barrel Oak Winery Cruise-In - Organizer: Shawn Waddell</p>	<p>NOVEMBER 22: NVCC 2017 Officer Elections - November GBM</p>
<p>JUNE 5: Corvettes Care Car Show (Page Chev.) – Organizer: Kris McCandless 25: Tri-State Ice Cream Cruise – Organizer: Mae Fromm</p>	<p>DECEMBER</p>



**NVCC 2016 Calendar: EVENTS IN PLANNING
(Month & date to be determined)**

To be Scheduled:

- Top Golf Outing, Ashburn, VA
- Shop Night – Page Chevrolet, Alexandria VA

September

- Staunton, VA (Cruise) Lead: Kris McCandless

October

- Shady Maples Buffet, Intercourse PA (Cruise)
Lead: Shawn Waddell

November

- TRSS/Teen Driving School; Location TBD;
Lead: Dave Dubois

December

- NVCC President's Holiday Party at home of John & Kara Palmgren, Springfield VA
- Christmas Lights, Bull Run/Manassas VA (Rallye) Lead: John & Kara Palmgren

***IF ANYONE HAS ANY INTEREST IN LEADING
ANY OF THESE TENTATIVE EVENTS,
PLEASE CONTACT ANY COUNCIL MEMBER***

In Other News ...



Next General
Business Meetings:

Tuesday – May 24, 2016

Tuesday – June 28, 2016

GBM Meeting Location:

DEALER SPONSOR:

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6500 Little River Turnpike
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