

# NORTHERN VIRGINIA CORVETTE CLUB

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## 'GLASS GAZETTE

### DID YOU EVER.....

By Ben Duling

Want to know what is new in the Corvette world before it shows up in your nearest dealership?

If so, you need to attend the National Corvette Museum's annual BASH event. The BASH is held during the last week of April and highlights the changes that are coming to next year's production.

During the 2018 BASH event, Corvette Engineers and Plant personnel discussed the changes coming to the 2019 Corvettes and showed examples. There were numerous new ZR1 Corvettes with both the high wing (ZTK) aerodynamics package and a ZR1 with the low wing package. Looking at the high wing variant it appears that it will be very hard to get anything into or out of the Corvette's trunk area. On the other hand, a ZR1 with the high wing just claimed the speed record from a Ford GT at VIR's Grand Course West with a blazing time of 2:37.15 or 1:37 seconds faster than the Ford.

Also, there were two new colors announced. Elkhart Lake Blue will replace Admiral Blue and Shadow Gray will replace Watkins Glen Gray. In my opinion, the Elkhart Lake Blue is brighter than the Admiral Blue it will replace while the Shadow Gray is darker and seems to have a blue component over the Watkins Glen Gray.

The NCM BASH, as all other events conducted by the Corvette Museum, also includes cruises to local area attractions. You can head an hour south and see the sights of Nashville such as Andrew Jackson's "Hermitage", the "Grand Ole Opry", or the "Country Music Hall of Fame". If that doesn't excite you, then perhaps a trip to one of the distilleries on Kentucky's Bourbon Trail is for you — it stretches from Elizabethtown to Lexington along the Martha Layne Collins Bluegrass Parkway. Distilleries include Maker's Mark, Four Roses, Wild Turkey, Woodford Reserve and Jim Beam among others.

Finally, there are numerous Corvettes of all generations and modifications to enjoy, as it is really a three-day (Thursday through Saturday) "Corvette Only" show.

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## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER—MAY 2018

America's Military: THANK YOU to all the men and women who are serving and have served in our military! This President's Corner is written with you in mind.

Bookending this month of May is Memorial Day on the 28th and the cruise to the Marine Corps Museum on May 5, 2018. The first time I saw the spire, lighted, and sticking out of the trees at dusk was coming north on I-95 at least a dozen years ago and as I went by, I always wondered what it was. Now, after a very enlightening trip, thanks to Bob Devery arranging a cruise and tour of the facility, I'm grateful to be introduced to such a modern and fascinating museum. The single, slanted, square spire signifies the flagpole and the high-angle, sloped and staved roof symbolizes the raising of the flag at Iwo Jima. One of the docents suggested the spire, which starts from the floor of the large atrium under the glass roof, could also symbolize the sword used in traditional Marine Corps garb.

Our club's own Marine Corps Veteran in Viet Nam, Richard Clute, joined us at the museum and ended up being the tour guide as the planned docent was ill. Most of the members followed him, but several of us struck out on our own after touring (and firing electronic bullets) in the exhibit titled "Making a Maine", and experienced the museum in our own way. Best friend and fellow club member, Mike Gilliland, bought me David McCollough's "The Wright Brothers" books on CD (for Christmas) and I just had the joy of listening to it recently. So, I was keen on seeing the planes in the WWI theatre, to see how they had evolved in such a short time after the famous 1903 First Flight at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. I learned so much about the wars in the 1900s in such a short time. I will return soon - so many fun ways to share the history of these brave men and women, who have given their all for our great country.

A big thank you from all of us on that trip to Bob Devery and Jerry Lelansky for setting up the cruise (down Joplin Road - an NVCC favorite), the visit to the museum and for coming up with the idea. Bob, the Council appreciates your new ideas for social events since you became Social Chairman, from movie nights to police appreciation events, giving back to our community. I'm grateful to be a part of one of the most active Corvette Clubs in our area; we had some folks recently join our club just for that reason.

And, bookending the summer is the joint car show with Corvette Club of America (CCA) at Walter Reed Army Hospital for the Wounded Warrior Transition Brigade on September 8 - our third annual event started by David DuBois - and a wonderful way to brighten our wounded vets with some shiny cars and good old American food for lunch. Even if you're on the fence for this one, please sign up, slots are limited - I think this will be the best year yet (thanks to Member and Veteran, Paul Fineberg for stepping up to manage it this year), and you want to be a part of this show!

Speaking of shows, your Vice President will be sending an email to sign up for helping with our own Corvettes Care Show benefiting MS on Sunday June 3 - and volunteer sign up sheets as well as pre-registration will be available at this month's GBM on May 22. Yes, you may bring your car to the show as well as volunteer to help, if you want. Who knows, maybe you'll take home one of this year's handsome trophies!!

Kris McCandless,  
NVCC President  
2010 Black GS - The Bear  
[President@nvcorvetteclub.com](mailto:President@nvcorvetteclub.com)



Northern Virginia Corvette Club  
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MORE FROM THE BASH



**NUCC goes to Corcoran Vineyards and Cider**

14635 Corky's Farm Lane, Waterford, VA \*\*\*THEY HAVE BBQ\*\*\*

Save the DATE **September 29th, 2018 Saturday**

We will be starting out at 8402 Old Keene Mill Rd Shopping Plaza

Arrival at the shopping plaza 10:00 - Drivers Meeting 10:15 - Departure 10:30

Arriving at the Winery at 12:00





# MEET YOUR 2018 COUNCIL



President Kris McCandless



Vice President John Scott



Treasurer John Stark



Secretary Vicki Allen-Scott



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Tom and Chrissy Kinman  
Social Media



Membership George Durk

Northern Virginia Corvette Club presents their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual

# CORVETTES CARE Car Show

## Sunday, June 3, 2018

### 9am – 3pm



BENEFIT FOR  
**MS**  
 National  
 Multiple Sclerosis

\* Register  
 Online or  
 Onsite!

\* Trophies!  
 - Best in Show  
 - Best in Class  
 - Each Corvette  
 Generation  
 - Race Prepared

\* Raffle &  
 50/50 Drawing

\* Club T-Shirts  
 and Store

**PAGE CHEVROLET**  
 6500 Little River Turnpike  
 Alexandria, VA 22312



**7 NCCC Sanctioned  
 Competitions!**

(ER-357-001 thru 007)



\* FREE Parking  
 (Covered parking  
 For C1-C2 Models)

\* Food Truck  
 -AM donuts & lunch  
 for sale  
 -BBQ/dogs/burgers

\* Goody bags  
 to first 25 entries!

\* DJ & Music

\* After-Market  
 Vendors



Pre-registration per vehicle: \$25 ~ Gate registration per vehicle: \$30

Register online at: [msreg.com/NVCCFunShow18](http://msreg.com/NVCCFunShow18)

For more information email: [vp@nvcorvetteclub.com](mailto:vp@nvcorvetteclub.com)

# NVCC GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 24, 2018—VICKI ALLEN SCOTT, SECRETARY



## Officers Present:

Kris McCandless, President  
John Scott, Vice President  
John Stark, Treasurer

Vicki Scott, Secretary  
Jerry Lelansky, Officer at Large

The meeting was held in the service area of Page Chevrolet in Alexandria, VA. It was called to order at 7:36PM with President Kris McCandless leading. Kris welcomed all members, including new prospect Joe Stoltz. A guest named James Houston also attended (learned about NVCC via a business card on his vette). Kris noted that former NVCC Presidents Dick Hammaker and John Palmgren were present.

The minutes for the March 2018 general business meeting were approved. Kris commended Marsha (not present) for producing another newsletter that's chock-full of good articles contributed by Club members.

Membership – George Durk reported that our current membership is 97, with 89 primary and 9 prospects. We grew to 109 by the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2017; however, the numbers fell during the membership renewal season, in November. Our current numbers reflect healthy growth and closely align with previous years. George also reminded members to take NVCC business cards, keep them in their wallets or vehicle, and hand them out!

Steam to Cream Cruise – George provided an overview of this cruise that he is leading on Saturday, May 19. The driver's meeting is at Page Chevy and the cruise will progress to the Marshall Steam Museum, the largest steam (car) museum in the U.S. An opportunity to visit the Victorian mansion near the Museum will be available, as well as a pizza lunch at the Grotto. The next stop will be Woodside Creamery, billed as the 3<sup>rd</sup> best of it's kind in the U.S.

Social – Bob Devery announced that he's planning another movie and dinner night for the coming weekend. The cruise to the U.S. Marine Corps Museum in Quantico, VA is on-target for Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Other activities being discussed/planned include:

- Skeet shooting in June (Jim Dobish, leader)
- Dinner and a comedy club (Bob Devery, leader)
- Police Appreciation Day in May or June (Bob Devery, leader)
- 2019 Banquet (on Jan 29<sup>th</sup>) planning is underway

Social Media – Chrissy & Tom Kinman reminded all present to send photos to them for inclusion in our Flickr and Facebook pages. They will edit photos (cropping, color-correction, etc.) and encouraged folks to send them in as-is. Chrissy also announced that Henry Alonso and Dick Hammaker have volunteered to photograph the NVCC car show on June 3<sup>rd</sup>!

Website – John Palmgren is troubleshooting the calendar problem and will pass any costs onto our treasurer, John Stark. Website expenses for the year are fully budgeted.

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee – Nothing to report, per Dick Hammaker.

Corvettes Care 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show (June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Page Chevy) – John Scott announced that two planning meetings have been held and the last one will be on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at Page Chevy.

Since this is car show season, John encouraged members to hand out flyers at various car shows. He reviewed the following plans for the car show:

- Food Truck: Food service will be provided by Ruritan (Andrej Balanc, manager)
- DJ: Kris announced that the DJ has been hired
- Raffle Donations: Vicki announced that several vendors have been contacted (with 3 contributing, to date)
- Splitting NCCC points: A brief conversation ensued about how two NVCC members who register the same vehicle can split NCCC points. The answer is that one person will receive points for entering a vehicle in the car show and the other will receive points for working at the show.

Shop Night/Show & Tell – Kris reported that Vince Brown (Page Service Manager) has agreed for Page Chevy to host some 'Show & Tell' nights for the Club. This would include a Page Corvette mechanic leading the event and working on the vehicle as Club members look on. Kris asked for suggestions from the group about repairs they'd like to view. These included: shocks replacement; brake repair; LEDs replacement; installing a front license plate holder (the removable type).

Barrel Oak Winery Cruise (July 8<sup>th</sup>) – Shawn reminded everyone about this cruise to one of our favorite venues! It includes a free tasting for NVCC members.

Wounded Warrior (Sept 8<sup>th</sup> at Walter Reed USO) – Paul Fineberg reported that 13 cars are registered to date (10 NVCC/3 CCA).

ODCC/NVCC Member Appreciation – Vicki Hulick thanked everyone for coming out to the Old Dominion Corvette Club's (ODCC) event at Lagrange Winery, last week. Vicki is a dual member of ODCC and NVCC and expressed her appreciation for the camaraderie between the two Clubs. She also asked the group to remember that ODCC has their annual car show coming up on Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> in Manassas.

Cruise to Captain Billy's (Aquia Creek Corvette Club) – This recent event was well attended and enjoyed by NVCC. 11 out of 45 cars were NVCC members!

Autocross/CCA Events – George Durk reminded everyone about CCA's autocross events and suggested that they be added to the NVCC website calendar.

NC Car Test Track Event - Kevin Van Sloten, a new member of NVCC, attended the April Council meeting to present the idea of a track event at the North Carolina Center for Automotive Research (NC CAR) facility in Garysburg, NC (<https://nccar.us>). It is a 3-hour drive from Northern VA and a private track that is well appointed and managed. Rentals run for a half day (\$2,000) or whole day (\$5,000) and the owners allow self-management of the event or provide that service for an additional fee. 20-40 vehicles would require a whole day to fully utilize the course. This is an event that will entail a lot of planning and would be a lot of fun for the Club! Kris asked anyone interested to contact Kevin by email. When we have an idea of a level of interest, a date will be planned.

Vicki Scott pointed out that Kevin wrote an article for this month's newsletter and that his email was incorrectly printed (due to her omission of a character). She asked that everyone note that Kevin's correct email is: [drdutchvs@gmail.com](mailto:drdutchvs@gmail.com)

Treasurer – John Stark said that the budget is looking good to date. He added that anyone who needs a nametag should see him.

~ Break ~

Trivia – Jeff Klain provided interesting trivia questions (elsewhere in the newsletter). Jeff also announced that he's taking his family to the 100<sup>th</sup> running of the Indy 500 this year! Go, Jeff!

50/50 Drawing – The jackpot was \$35 and was won by Dave Field.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47PM.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBER: Dave Field—1985 and 2004 Coupe**

**A VOTE TO ACCEPT THESE MINUTES WILL BE TAKEN AT THE MAY 22, 2018 GBM**



**NVCC 2018 Activities Calendar***Dates are subject to change.***MONTHLY EVENTS**

4th Tuesday monthly, January through November: General Business Meetings (GBMs) at Page Chevrolet in Alexandria, VA. Start time 7:30 pm; store open at 7:15 pm. Breakfast GBM twice a year.

2nd Tuesday of each month: NVCC Council Business Meetings at 7:30 pm; location varies.

**JANUARY 2018**

- 23: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 27: Banquet, Maggiano's, Tysons Galleria, Vienna, VA

**FEBRUARY 2018**

- 24: Dunkin Donuts Car Show; Chantilly, VA
- 27: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

**MARCH 2018**

- 3: Dinner & Movie
- 24: Breakfast GBM – Amphora Diner, Herndon, VA
- 25: Cruise to RDV Vineyards

**APRIL 2018**

- 15: Corvettes 'n Crabs Rallye, Capt Pell's Crab Shack, Fairfax, VA
- 24: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 28: Dinner and Movie

**MAY 2018**

- 5: USMC Museum Tour, Quantico, VA—10 am — Organizer: Bob Devery
- 19: Cruise to Auburn Heights & Woodside Creamery ('Steam to Cream') – Organizer: George Durk
- 22: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

**JUNE 2018**

- 3: NVCC Corvettes Care (All Corvette) Car Show, Page Chevy, Alexandria, VA
- 9: Dinner & Movie— Organizer: Bob Devery
- 23: NVCC Ice Cream Social Cruise, Annapolis (Kilwins) – Organizer: Mae Fromm
- 26: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 30: Skeet Shooting — Organizer: Jim Dobish

**JULY 2018**

- 8: Cruise to Barrel Oak Winery, Delaplane, VA – Organizer: Shawn Waddell

- 15: Annual Picnic—Anderson Farm; 12 noon—3:00 pm; Ganotown, WV—Cruise Lead: Kris McCandless at Dulles Town Center

- 21: Old West Virginia 55 Wardensville Cruise – Organizer: George Durk

- 24: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

**AUGUST 2018**

- 4: Potomac Nationals Woodbridge, VA First Pitch 6:35 pm; (fireworks after) — Organizer: Bob Devery
- 18: Breakfast GBM – Amphora Diner, Herndon; Organizer — Vicki Scott
- 25: NVCC Saturday Cruise to Carlisle, PA (Corvettes @Carlisle from Aug 23-26) — Organizer: Mike Gilliland

**SEPTEMBER 2018**

- 8: Warrior Transition Brigade Car Show, Walter Reed Military Hospital – Organizer: Paul Fineberg
- 9: Fall Rallye—Glory Days, Stone Ridge, VA — Organizer: Dick Hammaker
- 25: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 29: Cruise to Corcoran Vineyards & Cider, Waterford, VA – Organizer: Shawn Waddell

**OCTOBER 2018**

- 6-7: Annual Jazz Festival, Duck, NC – Organizer: Jim McKay
- 12-13: Corvettes on the Boardwalk, Ocean City, MD (Freestate Corvette Club)
- 23: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 24: Vienna Halloween Parade, Town of Vienna, VA – Organizer: Lori Benish

**NOVEMBER 2018**

- 18: Bavarian Inn Cruise and Sunday Brunch, Shepherdstown, WV – Organizer: George Durk
- 27: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

**NO DECEMBER GBM**



**SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2018**

**NVCC STEAM TO CREAM CRUISE**



**MARSHALL STEAM MUSEUM**  
at Auburn Heights Preserve

Join us for a leisurely cruise (145 miles) to Auburn Heights Museum in Yorklyn, DE to tour the Marshall Steam Museum and Victorian Mansion.

Auburn Heights Preserve features a furnished mansion completed in 1897 as well as the Marshall Steam Museum with the largest collection of operating steam cars in the world.

For more info: <http://auburnheights.org>

- We will meet at Page Chevrolet and head over the Chesapeake Bay Bridge via Rt. 50 onto MD 301 North. \*\*
- Stop for lunch at Grotto's Pizza (Middletown, DE).
- After museum tour, head to Woodside Farm Creamery in Newark, DE for home-made ice cream (approximately 15 minutes from museum).  
<https://www.woodsidefarmcreamery.com/>

Drivers Meeting: 9:00

Cruise Begins: 9:15

Grotto's Lunch: 11:45 – 12:45

Arrive Museum: 1:45 (tour begins at 2:00)

Tickets are \$8 each for either Steam Museum or Mansion and \$14 for both.

\*\* using EZ-Pass enables our corvette caravan to stay together

Contact: George Durk [gadurk@gmail.com](mailto:gadurk@gmail.com) or 703.473.1005

## WHY I CANCELED MY TESLA MODEL 3 ORDER

BY JEFF KLAIN

I recently checked my online banking and found a one-thousand dollar electronic deposit from Tesla. Two days earlier, I logged onto the Tesla customer portal, saw my reserved VIN number for the last time and hit the cancel button. While the process of canceling the order was easy, it was a decision that I had been wrestling with for several months. I wanted to share why I made this decision because it is directly related to my Corvette and the Northern Virginia Corvette Club.

I didn't cancel the order for any reason related to Tesla itself. Tesla is the most innovative car maker in the world. It's an American company making cars in America with more American made parts than any car in production. I firmly believe in our duty to preserve and protect our environment and I believe that Tesla embodies my personal "Star Trek/Popular Mechanics," view of life, a conviction that through technological innovation, we can improve human welfare without sacrificing the cool things that make modern life so great. The fact that Tesla delivers cars that scorch from zero to sixty in under three seconds while holding seven passengers and creating no greenhouse gases certainly supports my view. Tesla's dealer free web-based sales approach is a huge plus because the future should be conflict free.

I didn't cancel the order because I doubted Tesla's ability to deliver my Model 3. I've sat in a Model 3 demonstrator and regularly seeing them in the wild. While Tesla has not made much of a dent in their 400,000 initial orders, they have delivered several thousand Model 3s. I guessed my delivery position for a long range all-wheel drive model with a solid roof would probably leave me with at least eighteen months more of wait time. While the recent production snags and halts and the lowering of Tesla's bond rating did make me worry a little about the safety of my deposit, it wasn't the force that motivated me to click the cancel button.

My Corvette was the reason I clicked that mouse button. I have a two-car garage and a wife who is entitled to her own bay for her bright red six speed GTI. That leaves one bay for me. The teenage driver appropriate stick shift Toyota Corolla can live outside next to the awesome 412 hp 5.0-liter Mustang GT that my employer entrusts to me for work use only. That meant that the Corvette would have to go if the Tesla actually materialized. My son pushed for a *Backyard Buddy* lift and the ceiling is arguably high enough if I changed the garage door system but the hassle just didn't seem worth it. I couldn't see the kind of car shuffle that would be needed to let

the Corvette out at four a.m. to make it to a top spot at *Cars and Coffee*. That meant that the Corvette was living on borrowed time while Tesla sorted out its production problems.

While mulling this over, I sent my Corvette's original brightly polished wheels up to *Ye Olde Wheel Shop* in Maryland to have the pitting and corrosion machined out. This wasn't cheap but my commitment to originality would never permit me to replace these *ALCOA* and *Speedline* wheels with Chinese made copies. At the same time, the *Goodyear Eagle F1 GS EMT* run flats were about ten years old and in need of replacement despite excellent tread depth. This led to having *Tirerack* ship a set of *Michelin Pilot Supersports*. With the Mustang absorbing the vast bulk of my daily mileage, the balance between the peace of mind of run flats and performance of the *Supersports* made the choice easy. The requirement to use the Mustang for work also meant that the mileage, and thus environmental benefit, of the Tesla would be minimal. Reshoeing the Vette had been about a two grand investment between wheel refinishing, new tires and new tire pressure monitoring sensors. I wanted to get my money's worth on this investment and a Model 3 arriving in eighteen months would cut short the joy of these improvements.

The capital investments and reduced number of miles I'm putting on the Vette were compelling reasons to forego the Tesla, but ultimately it wasn't about cars or money, it was about people. Having the Corvette meant having my friends in the Northern Virginia Corvette Club: cruising and dining together and helping kids through the Teen Driving School (even if I coached my last student into a fence). It meant the companionship of asking for help changing a thermostat from a club member with experience to share. It meant introducing my son to floor jacks and air tools because a Corvette with 110,000 miles isn't under warranty and always needs work.

The Corvette experience is embodied by that view out the windscreen over wildly flared fenders, looking at the round, square, oval, or (in the case of the C7) just plain weird tail lamps of the car ahead of me during the ice cream cruise with my son beside me listening to *Rush* over the roar of the engine. My son and I have sat in the Tesla Model 3 and it is cool, innovative, competent, and will outrun my C5 from zero to sixty but it lacks that view of the car and people that love it. I still believe in electric power and I promise to order the first 100% electric *Corvette E-Ray* that GM builds (actually, I'm not stupid enough to buy the first year of any GM product because I remember 1984) but for now I'm sticking with my Corvette.

# TRIVIA

By Jeff Klain



In the Indy Racing League:

- 1. What flag ends the race? checkered flag
- 2. What flag expels a driver: black flag with white cross
- 3. What flag indicates oil on the track? alternating red and yellow stripes



## Flag Colors



**Checkered Flag:**

Signifies the end of the practice session, qualification attempt or race. The race leader is declared the winner.



**Green Flag:**

Signals the start of the practice session, qualification attempt or race and all restarts after a caution or red-flag period.



**Yellow Flag:**

The "caution flag," signals hazardous conditions on the track, and cars must slow immediately, maintain position and yield to track safety vehicles until the green flag is displayed. During a qualification session, a qualification attempt is halted.



**White Flag:**

Displayed when the leader starts the final lap of the race. During qualifications, signals that driver has started final lap of qualification attempt.



**Royal Blue with Diagonal Yellow Stripe Flag:**

The "passing flag," signals slower cars to yield to faster with Diagonal traffic.



**Red Flag:**

Signals that the race stops immediately, regardless of position of cars on the track.



**Black Flag:**

Directs a driver to proceed to the pits on the next lap and to consult with race officials.



**Black Flag with White Cross Flag:**

Officials have ceased scoring the car until further notice.



**Alternating Red and Yellow Stripping Flag:**

Signals that oil, water or some other substance has made the track surface slippery.





# NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

By: NCM Ambassador Dick Hammaker

## TWO NEW COLORS INTRODUCED FOR 2019 CORVETTE

### GJ1 Shadow Gray (replacing G7Q Watkins Glen Gray)

May 17: G7Q Watkins Glen Gray – Last Day to Order  
 June 18: Last Day of Production  
 June 28: GJ1 Shadow Gray – Available to Order  
 August 6: First Day of Production  
 There are no more allocations of Watkins Glen Gray for ZR1



### GS7 Elkhart Lake Blue (replacing GTR Admiral Blue)

June 28: GTR Admiral Blue – Last Day to Order  
 August 13: Last Day of Production  
 August 30: GS7 Elkhart Lake Blue – Available to Order  
 October 1: First Day of Production

## 2019 CORVETTE ZR1 TO PACE 102ND INDIANAPOLIS 500



The 2019 Corvette ZR1 is the official Pace Car for the 2018 Indianapolis 500 presented by Penn Grade Motor Oil and will lead drivers to the green flag on Sunday, May 27, for the 102nd running of the legendary race.

It marks the 15th time a Corvette has served as the official Pace Car since 1978, and the 29th time a Chevrolet has led the field dating back to 1948, when a 1948 Fleetmaster Six convertible paced the race.

#22  
 Dick "HAM" Hammaker  
 Ambassador

## 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENTS

The Committee has been considering several options to observe our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year (2019). Recent discussions regarding possible events include:

NVCC annual banquet in 2019 will kick off 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year

Club cruise to and acknowledgement of 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by NCM

Cruise to Tail of the Dragon (NC), or the VA equivalent

Club cruise to VIR in August

Corvettes at Carlisle may host a reception area for our Club canopy/parking – on a gratis basis

Corvettes on the Boardwalk – Encourage NVCC to have a larger presence at this October event. Look into possibility of acknowledgement of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary during boardwalk parade

Tour of Corvette America plant (in PA)

Sponsoring/laying wreaths at Arlington Cemetery (Wreaths Across America project)

Club photo via aerial (drone) – which will be submitted to Blue Bars to accompany an article about NVCC's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

In addition, the Council (in March 2018) approved \$1,000.00 design fee for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logo(s): 3 logos in formats for print and web. NVCC will own copyright(s).

If you have a suggestion for the committee, please email John Scott at [vp@nvc Corvetteclub.com](mailto:vp@nvc Corvetteclub.com).



## JOIN THE NVCC FALL AND COUNTRY RALLYE

Join the NVCC for a classic timed, measured, rallye through scenic Virginia countryside beginning and ending at Glory Days, Stone Ridge Location. Good Fun, Good Food, Prizes, and Great People.

**Date:** Sunday, September 9, 2018

**Place:** Glory Days Grill, 42010 Village Center Plaza, Stone Ridge, VA 20105

**Sign in Time:** 9:30 am to 10:15 am

**Driver/Navigator Briefing:** 10:15 am

**First Car Out:** 10:30

**End Point:** Glory Days Grill, 42010 Village Center Plaza, Stone Ridge, VA 20105

**Price:** \$10 Members (Lunch at Glory Day is not included)

**RSVP by September 5, 2018** to [dick.hammaker@cox.net](mailto:dick.hammaker@cox.net) and [gilliland\\_michael@yahoo.com](mailto:gilliland_michael@yahoo.com)

### WALTER REED WOUNDED WARRIOR CAR SHOW

(08 SEPTEMBER 2018 – RAIN or SHINE)

The event "FLYER" (previous page in this newsletter) is for all to utilize to register for this event via MOTOR REG (<http://msreg.com/Corvettes-WWTB-18>) that has been established by our Webmaster (John Palmgren) "thank you John". Also, there is a security form that will be needed by anyone not having access to a government/military facility, to gain access to show your car at the event, or to attend as a spectator at the event. **Note:** *Please obtain this form from Paul Fineberg.* All security forms must be filled out in their entirety and accurately or the security office will reject them. Also, all security access forms once filled out, need to be mailed to Paul Fineberg ([pfineberg@gmail.com](mailto:pfineberg@gmail.com)), who will consolidate all and submit to the appropriate USO representative, who has requested it be handled in this fashion (one person to communicate with for all).

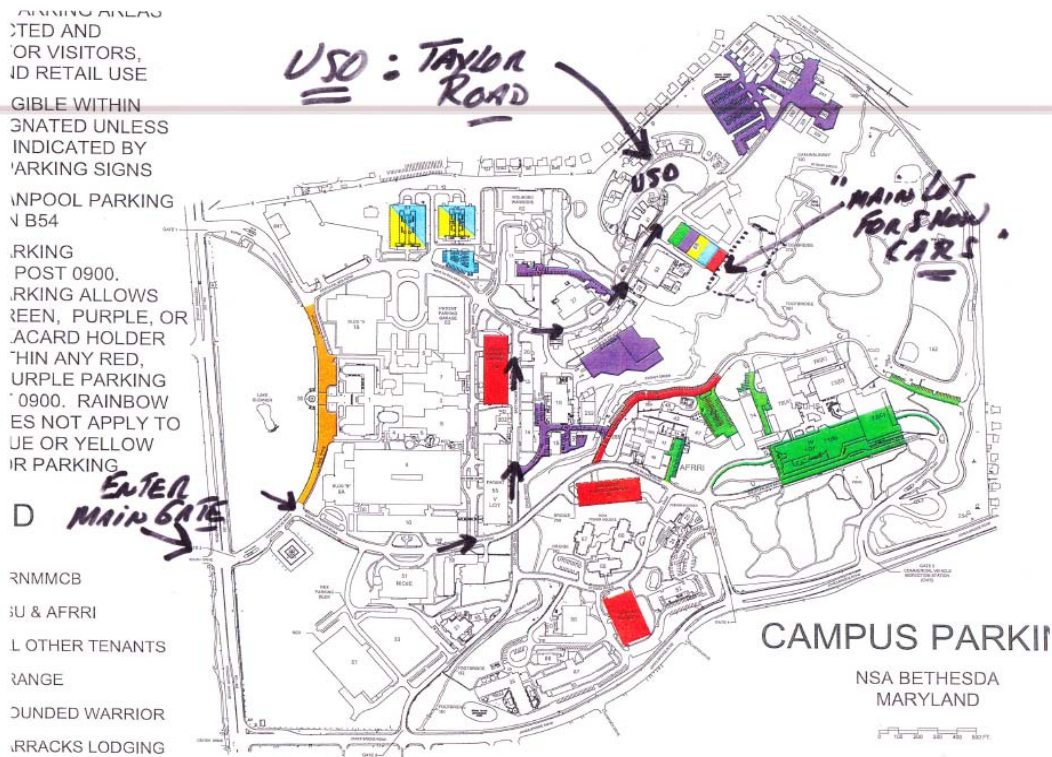
A map of the Walter Reed facility (see below) will be distributed at the GBM breakfast this month and will subsequently be mailed out to all.

This event is being co-hosted by CCA of Maryland with our club taking the lead on coordination with the USO and the setting up of the event. Between both clubs our goal is to have 30 cars at the event (this is the max allowed due to space restraints), and if we see we haven't reached that point over the next several months of registration, then our council might reach out to other clubs to fill the gap. In these initial stages, we are keeping things close to our club and CCA only for car entrants at this time.

Any additional spectators/guests can certainly attend the event, without entering a car. Please note, that these folks will need a lunch ticket paid for during someone's registration sign-up as an additional guest (tickets will be required for lunch), if they wish to join us for the cook-out lunch. If there are others that would like to attend and partake in the cookout, we can somehow make arrangements for them to pay a \$5 charge to cover expenses without registering on the webpage.... (we'll make it work....)!!!

**Event specific questions of any kind:** Contact [pfineberg@gmail.com](mailto:pfineberg@gmail.com)

**Registration only problems/questions:** Contact: [webmaster@nvcorvetteclub.com](mailto:webmaster@nvcorvetteclub.com)





## **Warrior Transition Brigade – Corvette Car Show**

**The Northern Virginia Corvette Club  
and the Corvette Club of America**

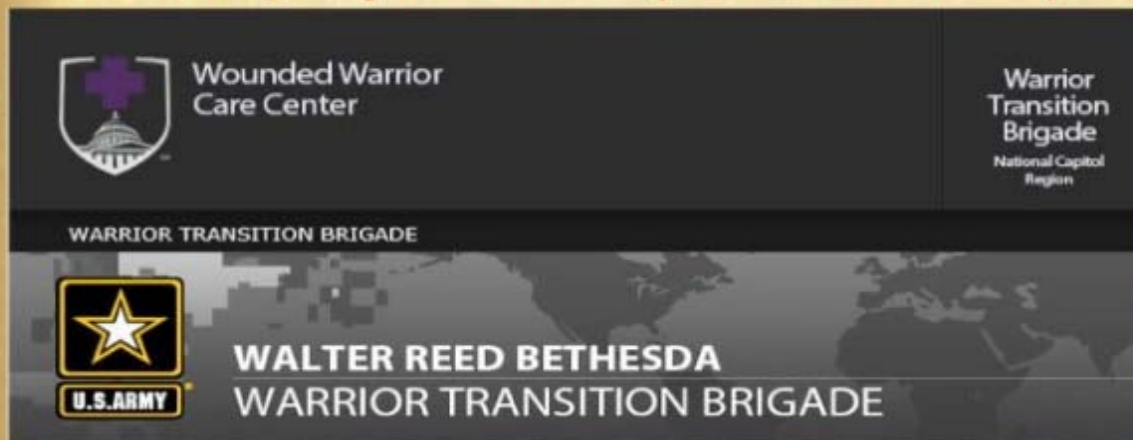
**Would like to invite you to a Corvette Only Car Show at:**

**Walter Reed National Military Center**

**USO - Building 83**

**4565 Taylor St, Bethesda, MD 20815**

**Saturday September 8<sup>th</sup> (Rain or Shine..!!!)**



***Supporting the Warrior Transition Brigade soldiers, family, and staff.***

**When:** Saturday September 8<sup>th</sup> (Rain or Shine)

**Time:** 11:00 AM until 3:30 PM

**Registration:** \$20.00. (Includes cookout lunch **Noon to 2 pm**)

(Note: Additional \$5.00 for each guest that joins you)

(No alcoholic beverages are allowed on site)

**Limited to the first 30 cars registered**

**Registration OPENS 01 April 2018**

**EVENT QUESTIONS: Contact - [pfineberg@gmail.com](mailto:pfineberg@gmail.com)**

**Register online: <http://msreg.com/Corvettes-WWTB-18>**

Note that your credit card will not be charged until Saturday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 (one week prior to the event)

**REGISTRATION help questions ONLY: [webmaster@nvcorvetteclub.com](mailto:webmaster@nvcorvetteclub.com)**

## CRUISE TO THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE MARINE CORPS—SAT. MAY 5, 2018

By: Jerry Lelansky  
Officer At Large

Bob Devery set up a tour of the National Museum of the Marine Corps (NMMC). The museum is located in Triangle VA, roughly ½ miles from the main gate into the Marine Corps Base Quantico. The museum's "soaring design evokes the image of the flag-raisers of Iwo Jima" (<https://www.usmcmuseum.com>).

The cruise was a "rain or shine" event and, luckily, the weather cooperated. Everyone met at the Burke Lake Golf Course, on Ox Road. The golfers enjoyed a mini car show waiting for everyone to show up! We all signed the required waiver, then held a quick drivers meeting and headed south on Ox Road, followed by a quick right onto Henderson Road and then the fun started.

Irene and I led 15 Corvettes on a nice cruise on some twisty backroads on our way to the NMMC. "Cruising" was the word of the day as there were too many old trucks and minivans on the roads, which kept us near the speed limit for most of the drive. To come up with the route, I kluged together a few backroads used on a few different rallies.



We got to the museum around 10:45 and waited for our docent to lead the tour. It turned out that he called in sick and there wasn't another docent available to lead our tour. Luckily, Rich Clute, a former Marine and Vietnam vet, was with us and he gave us a special tour. We started at the Leatherneck Gallery, which is just inside the entrance. We stopped at the Sikorsky UH-34D helicopter display and Rich gave us a pretty good description of what it was like to fly in one and you could see his appreciation for its capabilities. We then went through the "Legacy Walk" and then into the Vietnam War section. Rich explained the various dioramas, weapons, air and ground vehicles and shared his personal experiences while he was "in country". A big thanks to Rich for leading the tour and for his service.

Reading the stories and seeing the faces of the Marines throughout history truly allows anyone to realize who are the real heroes. For those who questioned our country, it would be an eye-opener for them to visit the hallowed ground of the Museum and see that their freedom of speech exists due to men and women

who put their lives on the line, and in many cases gave their lives to protect what we have. To put it another way: "All gave some, some gave all". God bless them all.

After the tour, a few raised a toast to a fun cruise, to the Marine Corps and the other military services in the Tun Tavern. "Tun" is an old English word meaning a barrel or keg of beer. The original Tun Tavern in Philadelphia is regarded as the site where the Marine Corps started by holding its first recruitment drive during the American Revolution. There were too many people in the tavern and not enough staff, so we all went into the cafeteria for a light lunch.

Everyone enjoyed the drive and the tour of the museum.





## IT'S FINALLY SUMMER IN NEW YORK

By: Dave DuBois

It has been a busy month for me. April 16-17 I taught with Hooked on Driving at Watkins Glen. The following week, I was in Bowling Green, KY teaching with at the National Corvette Museum race track. May 2-3 back to Watkins Glen teaching with the Empire Region of the Ferrari Club of America.

I had never been to the National Corvette Museum or to its race track, and I was assigned a student. I used several "You Tube" videos of Corvettes on the race track and found one video that was a "chalk talk" of the finer points that discussed approaches to several of the key turns. After one session with my student, I was fine and knew my way around the tack. This is a fun track. I put 1,900 miles on my Corvette for the round trip of which 147 were track miles, at 6.7 MPG!



Last weekend I came down to Summit Point and was the event manager for a BMW Car Control Clinic on the Jefferson Circuit. The BMW club had rented Summit Point Main track, Jefferson Circuit, and the go kart track for a large Chapterfest weekend. We only had 10 students, but they had a great time.

My next event will a lot different for me. I purchased a KTM 450cc dual sport motorcycle that is licensed for the road but is focused on riding in the dirt. I plan on riding dirt roads and some farmers fields as opposed to motocross events.

I will be attending the DirtDaze event up in Lake George, NY. The event is run in conjunction with Lake George's Americade event which can draw up to 60,000 riders. I am going up with my cousin and several friends. Look up information on these events online and stay tuned for another article when I get back from them. This is going to be fun.





## TENTATIVE EVENTS 2018

### JULY-AUGUST 2018

Tail of the Dragon, Deal's Gap, NC – Organizer: Kris McCandless

### AUTUMN 2018

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## FINAL THOUGHT

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# Old Dominion Corvette Club

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