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TRACKTIME AT NCCAR

BY: KEVIN VAN SLOTEN

Memories of my last trip to NCCAR...

We had just cleared Richmond on 95 South headed down to NCCAR for the day when my ZELLO app chirped letting me know that one of our team needed a pit stop. We made good time with 12 Corvettes and 2 support vehicles in our group. We intended to meet 6 to 8 cars more from Autohaus in Yorktown. It was going to be an awesome day! As we pulled back on 95 you could tell the group was excited about spending the day on the test track as the speeds started to pick up. Just under 3 hours from home, NCCAR (North Carolina Center for Automotive Research - <https://nccar.us/> just east of Roanoke Rapids) called to us.

NCCAR is a 2-mile long private test track with great facilities and significantly more track time for the money than some of the better-known tracks. On arrival, Sam - who runs the place - brought us into one of their super clean classrooms for our driver meeting. He was casual yet very professional and open to understanding what we wanted for our day on the track. He pointed out safety features, and suggested a crawl, walk, run approach to remembering what our limits are – then we headed to the track.



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There was a huge parking lot available to get our cars ready for the track - which really helped those with trailers. We had quite the collection of cars that day, varying between street stock Corvettes, all the way up through "race" cars brought on trailers. We also had a brand new Z06 with 6 miles on it. That's one way to break in a new 'Vette! It was literally the first time that he drove the car. We took our introductory lap - 30 to 40 miles an hour - and got used to the track. Sam quickly gained an appreciation for our abilities and we moved to multiple cars on the track and passing. It was a great day!



You too can build memories like this one. Let me know if you're interested (email me at drdutchvs@gmail.com) and we'll put together an NVCC day of fun on the track!



NVCC 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



Northern Virginia Corvette Club presents their 4th Annual

CORVETTES CARE Car Show

Sunday, June 3, 2018

9am – 3pm



- * Register Online or Onsite!

- * Trophies!
 - Best in Show
 - Best in Class
 - ... and More!

- * Raffle & 50/50 Drawing

- * Show T-Shirts on sale

PAGE CHEVROLET
6500 Little River Turnpike
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7 NCCC Sanctioned Competitions!

(ER-357-001 thru 007)



- * FREE Parking! (Limited Inside Parking for C1-C2 Models)

- * Food Truck

- * AM Bake Sale & Coffee

- * DJ & Music

- * After-Market Vendors



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

Register online at: msreg.com/NVCCFunShow18

For more information email: vp@nvcorvetteclub.com

TREASURER'S REPORT AND 2018 BUDGET

The April Council meeting commenced with a lively discussion of the 2018 budget. When the dust settled, we agreed on a final budget, which I present to you here in summary. Because of the timing of our annual banquet and the cash flows associated with it, we felt it makes most sense to set the budget to go from March 1 to Feb 28. This is the time frame we are working with below.

Item	Revenue	Expense	Net income
Membership	\$ 5,840	\$ 4,250	\$ 1,590
Banquet (1/18)	\$ 3,750	\$ 4,600	\$ (850)
Car show - Page, June	\$ 1,900	\$ 1,530	\$ 370
Car show - Walter Reed, Sep	\$ 700	\$ 665	\$ 35
TRSS-TDS	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,360	\$ 140
	\$ -		
50th Anniversary celebration		\$ 1,600	\$ (1,600)
	\$ -		
G&A (Expenses only)		\$ 1,397	\$ (1,397)
Misc. (incl. store and equipment)	\$ 2,775	\$ 2,922	\$ (147)
Total budgeted items	\$ 17,465	\$ 19,324	\$ (1,859)

You'll quickly note that this is not a balanced budget! Yes, this was intentional. First, we will be spending extra money in preparation for the big 50th anniversary celebration next year. In order to accommodate that, we considered assessing a special dues increase. However, that eventually fell aside, so dues this year will be the same as before. We also considered chopping the amount spent on banquet prizes, which we did to some extent. This was partly a budgetary move, but also a refocus of the event on comradery. We are still losing money on the banquet, but not nearly as much as past years. In the end, we agreed that the \$8,050 sitting in the bank at the end of 2017 was worth tapping into this year.

For those who want a little more detail, here come some more highlights. The Page car show is intended to generate a little revenue that will go to the Multiple Sclerosis Society. We estimate \$370 in profit and will add \$130 to reach the \$500 pledge to our charity of choice. A big money saver here is the change from a traditional food vendor to using the services of the Ruritan Club. We will cover the costs of food and equipment, but no profits are involved. The Walter Reed car show will essentially be a zero-sum event, but we will split any profit with CCA, who is partnering with us on this event. Finally, the major expense of the year is an estimated \$1600 to prepare for our anniversary. This includes a major friend discount for a full line of logo material design & production (various file formats and sizes, such as vector and raster graphics, CMYK and RGB). We can then apply this new logo to hats, shirts, stickers, and whatnot.

For anyone seeking more detail, please email me at Treasurer@nvcorvetteclub.com and I will be happy to share with you every number that exists under the hood.

John Stark



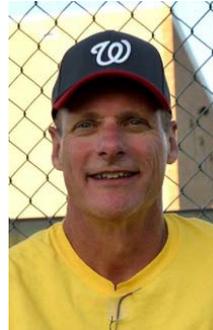
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Membership George Durk

NVCC GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 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 at the Amphora Deluxe Diner in Herndon, VA and was called to order at 9:45 am by President Kris McCandless. Kris welcomed all members, including prospects David Field and Sean Hannah. Bob and Karen Shoemaker from Old Dominion Corvette Club (ODCC) attended, as well as former presidents Dick Hammaker and John Palmgren.

Kris thanked Tom and Chrissy Kinman, for donating the cost of this morning's fruit bowl and table cloths to augment the buffet breakfast. He then reviewed some of the activities for today's meeting, to include the raffles and 50/50 drawing.

~ Break; meeting reconvened at 10:28 am ~

Kris thanked Marsha Batchellor for consistently producing a monthly newsletter to be proud of!

The minutes for the February 2018 general business meeting were unanimously approved, following which new prospect Steve Dubrey joined the group.

Store – The Club's store manager Tab Tabellario, provided an overview of the raffles for today, as well as various items for sale.

Car Show Planning Committee – John Scott reported that the first planning meeting on March 10th produced excellent results. 14 members attended, team leaders were chosen, and an overview of logistics for the show was discussed. Team leaders so far are: John Scott and Jerry Lelansky – Parking and Registration; Laurie Stevens and George Durk – Trophies; Vicki Scott – Publicity and Bake Sale; Kris McCandless – Page Chevy and Charity Liaison.

The next committee meeting will be held on Saturday, April 7th at Page Chevrolet.

Kris asked members for a show of hands, regarding their level of interest in having a tee shirt designed for this year's show. It was apparent that no tee shirts would be needed.

50th Anniversary Committee – Dick Hammaker briefly described some of the plans discussed at the first committee meeting, which took place at Marsha Batchellor's office, earlier this month.

These include a 50th Anniversary kickoff at the annual banquet in January 2019; an anniversary themed car show; purchasing a 24x24" commemorative brick at NCM (which Dick will purchase on behalf of NVCC); a new Club logo for our 50th Anniversary year (2019), and a second logo to be used in 2020 (and the next 50 years)!

Social Media – Tom and Chrissy Kinman provided handouts in preparation for a special presentation to the group, entitled "It's a Social World"- that described the many reasons to use social media to build the Club's presence online, as well as individual use. We learned more about the social media plan that the Kinmans have designed for NVCC, and the whys and wherefores of timely postings.

Members are encouraged to pique the interest of prospective members via Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, with the use of hashtag and keyword tag (a second handout was provided with a listing of tags that can be used regarding NVCC, as well as those that should be avoided). Everyone was reminded to send photos from any Corvette-related event to 'socialmedia@nvc Corvetteclub.com, to be added to the Club's visual archives at Flickr.com. The Kinmans announced that they will soon establish a Google business page and Reddit newsfeed for the Club.

Winery Cruise – Shawn Waddell reported that twenty people have signed up for the RDV Winery cruise (taking place tomorrow, March 25th). They will include NVCC members, a new Club prospect and a couple of Shawn’s friends. The winery visit will include a welcome glass of fine champagne, tour of the winery and vineyards, and a vertical tasting of RDV’s signature red wines.

Rallye – Mike Gilliland and Dick Hammaker encouraged everyone to sign up for the 5th Annual Corvettes ‘n Crabs Rallye, taking place on April 8th. Trophies will be presented for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. There are several ways to enjoy this event: as a rallye competitor; drive the route without clues; make your own way to the venue to enjoy the camaraderie and a delicious meal! The rallye will begin in Dumfries and end at Captain Pell’s Crabhouse in Fairfax.

Trivia – Jeff Klain wowed the crowd with fun trivia, as follows:

Name the “rat pack” members who dressed as priests and drove a Ferrari in the movie Cannonball Run – but traded it for police uniforms and a Corvette in Cannonball Run II.

Answer: Sammy Davis, Jr. and Dean Martin

When the 495 HOT lanes opened in this area, I had to get an EZ Pass Flex for my McClaren F1, but not for my Corvette. Now I also need a Flex in my Corvette for local driving. Why?

Answer: 495 is HOV3 but 66 is HOV2

What’s the base MSRP for the 2019 ZR1 to the nearest thousand dollars?

Answer: \$121,000

GM borrowed the C5 architecture of a front engine with a rear transmission from the Porsche 928. Now it’s being reported that the new mid-engine Corvette will feature conventional drive for the rear wheels and an electric motor for the front wheels. What production German sports car originally featured this architecture?

Answer: BMW i8

50/50 Drawing: Tab conducted the drawing and the jackpot was \$98 – won by John Palmgren.

Raffles – 7 raffle prizes were awarded as follows:

Maggiano’s coupon – Omar Gordon

Page Service coupon – David Kuhn

Corvette Museum (2) tickets – Dave Field, prospective member

Wine tasting – John Stark

Cooler bag – Monica Fineberg

Radio Controlled Car – Tip LaCroix

Detailing Kit – John Scott

Everyone liked the seating, room, and the food!

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 am.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

None

A VOTE TO ACCEPT THESE MINUTES WILL BE TAKEN AT THE APRIL 24, 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; 9 am—1 pm; Chantilly, VA—Organizer: Jerry Lelansky
- 27: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

MARCH 2018

- 3: Dinner & Movie; 5 pm; Springfield, VA—Organizer: Bob Devery
- 24: Breakfast GBM – Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St., Herndon, VA—Organizer: Kris McCandless
- 25: Cruise to RDV Vineyards, Delaplane, VA – Organizer: Shawn Waddell (SOLD OUT)

APRIL 2018

- 15: Corvettes 'n Crabs Rallye, Capt Pell's Crab Shack, Fairfax, VA – Organizer: Dick Hammaker
- 24: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA
- 28: Dinner and Movie (5:30 pm) - Springfield Mall, VA — Organizer: Bob Devery

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

- 03: NVCC Corvettes Care (All Corvette) Car Show, Page Chevy, Alexandria, VA (Rain date: June 10)
- 23: NVCC Ice Cream Social Cruise – Organizer: Mae Fromm
- 26: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

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—Organizer: Vicki Scott
- 24: GBM, Page Chevrolet, Alexandria, VA

AUGUST 2018

- 18: Breakfast GBM – Location TBD
- 25: NVCC Saturday Cruise to Carlisle, PA (Corvettes @Carlisle from Aug 23-26)

SEPTEMBER 2018

- 08: Warrior Transition Brigade Car Show, Walter Reed Military Hospital – Organizer: Paul Fineberg
- 16: Fall Rallye—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

DECEMBER 2018 (NO 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 or 703.473.1005

Corvettes & Crab Rallye Good Roads but a Little Soggy at Times

By Dick "HAM" Hammaker

It started out a perfect day, then got a little damp along the route. Seven (7) Rallye teams enjoyed (some more than others) the Rallye route and answered questions on some very good "Corvette Roads." There were also four (4) teams who just wanted to enjoy the drive minus the stress of answering the questions. The Rallye included signing in, drivers meeting, a 45.4 "GPS Certified" mile route, lunch and social at Capt. Pell's Fairfax Crabhouse, and awards ceremony.

This Rallye, as with other Rallyes, had three options...Rallye and Capt. Pell's, Cruise (no clues) and Capt. Pell's, or Capt. Pell's social. More than twice the number of folks came out for the Social than the Rallye. Just shows Corvetters love a party! We appreciate the support and participation of Piedmont Corvette Club (PCC) and Old Dominion Corvette Club (ODCC).

Many thanks to Mike Gilliland, Chuck Pellerin, my wife Denise, and my son Paul for keeping me mostly out of trouble by checking the Rallye route and questions. It was a great team effort.

Many thanks to Mark, Capt. Pell's contact and long time supporter of NVCC, and Aiden, for such a great service for social and lunch.

Honorable mention goes to....

Al & Adrienne Boone

Mike & Luz Zabkowski

Randy Taylor (Cruise)

Paul & Monica Fineberg (Cruise)

George & Merce Durk (Cruise)

Michael & Gerry Moore (Cruise)

Standby...2018 Fall Country Rallye is just around the corner!

Dick "HAM" Hammaker

RALLYE WINNERS

1st Place
Jim & EV McKay (Great C2)



2nd Place
Rob Kopsch and Tony Gibson
(ODCC)



3rd Place
Ron Le Drew & Paul Jolley (PCC)

Fastest Team
Shawn "Wicked Good Cruise"
Waddell
And Kris "El Jefe" McCandless
(1 hr, 33
minutes)



Slowest Team
Omar "Wild Rider" Gordon
(2 hrs, 10 minutes).





NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

By: NCM Ambassador Dick Hammaker

2018 Corvette Final Stats

In what was one of the shortest model years, a total of 9,686 Corvettes were produced. Production started June 5, 2017 and ended January 28, 2018. The plant was down for three months, making the 2018 model year approximately 5 months.

Here's how the options panned out:

39.3% Stingrays; 31.8% Grand Sport; 28.9% Z06 17.5% of Corvettes built were convertibles Automatic transmissions outsold manuals once again at 78%.

The 1LT package was most popular for Stingray Coupes, while the 2LT was the top pick for Stingray Convertibles and Grand Sports. The 3LZ was again the most popular for Z06 models.

Almost 30% of Z06s opted for the Z07 performance package.

Arctic White once again topped the list as most popular color, and for the first time in several years – when you add the two 'reds' together, they don't beat out white (just barely though)!

Here's how the percentages panned out, in order of popularity:

Arctic White – 20.3%

Black – 16.3%

Torch Red – 14%

Watkins Glen Gray – 11.5%

Ceramic Matrix Gray – 11.3%

Admiral Blue – 7.3%

Long Beach Red – 6.2%

Blade Silver – 5.9%

Corvette Racing Yellow – 4.1%

Black Rose – 2.3%

Sebring Orange – .8%

Deliveries of Corvettes were 89% U.S., 6% Canada; 3.5% Europe; and the remaining 1.5% to Mexico, Japan and the Mideast. The Museum delivered 88 Corvettes through the R8C Delivery program.

Dick "HAM" Hammaker
Ambassador

IT'S A SOCIAL WORLD

BY: TOM AND CHRISSY KINMAN

Social Media = Awareness Communication. We live in a social world but we don't all use the same social vehicles to communicate. The NVCC has a Social Media Committee to help extend the communication efforts of the club. By posting our activities on several different media vehicles, using business tags, and using hashtags the Social Media Committee serves to help the club with two goals:

- Bring awareness & remind members of upcoming club activities
- Bring awareness to non-members of club events which in turn can lead to membership growth

A post is a piece of writing or an image that is published on a social media website like Facebook. A post is also called a status update or text. Posts are viewed by people who have friended, liked, or subscribed to a social media site. By using business tags and hashtags in a post the information can now be linked and viewed by other people who are searching for that same tag/category/activity. A Business tag (use the @ symbol) helps to direct people to a business' social page. A Hashtag (use the # symbol) is used to help people find, follow and contribute to a category or a shared interest conversation. Business tags and Hashtags can be used in both text posts and picture posts.

The NVCC **Team Communication Approach** uses the following methods to reach members:

- Monthly announcements and flyers listing upcoming events at the GBMs
- Biweekly emails
- Monthly newsletter

The NVCC **Global/ Social Media Communication Approach** uses websites to share information

- Regular NVCC website calendar updates
- Posting Strategy on our Social Media Outlets
 - 6+ weeks out Save the date
 - 4 weeks out Full description flyer
 - 1-3 weeks out Additional graphic post

Business tags and Hashtags allow nonmembers the opportunity to view NVCC posts to receive information on NVCC events and view NVCC pictures from previous activities.

Be a Social Media Influencer!

EMAIL YOUR PICTURES to socialmedia@nvc Corvetteclub.com

Pictures will be posted on Flickr, Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

Join our Facebook Group Page and SHARE posts on your Facebook Page www.facebook.com/groups/nvc Corvetteclub

Join our Twitter and RETWEET our posts on your Twitter www.twitter.com/nvc Corvetteclub

Join our Instagram and EMAIL your pictures www.instagram.com/nvc Corvetteclub

Join our Flickr and EMAIL your pictures www.flickr.com/photos/nvc Corvetteclub

Use appropriate Business tags and Hashtags in your social posts

Business tag @nvc Corvetteclub this will link your posts to our social pages

Hashtag to identify our club specifically #NVC CorvetteClub

General interest tag examples #Corvette #Vettes #Rallye #SundayDrive #Cruising

Location tag examples #NovaVettes #NorthernVirginia #NOVA

Specialty tags examples @wfc Creamery #WFC Creamery @marshallsteam #MarshallSteam

DON'T USE @NVCC #NVCC or @NovaCorvette #NovaCorvette as other organizations use those tags.

Final thought: Don't forget to use traditional methods to bring awareness of our events and grow our club. Bring a business card or brochure to your other social activities and INVITE people to our meetings, car show, and events.

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), 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).

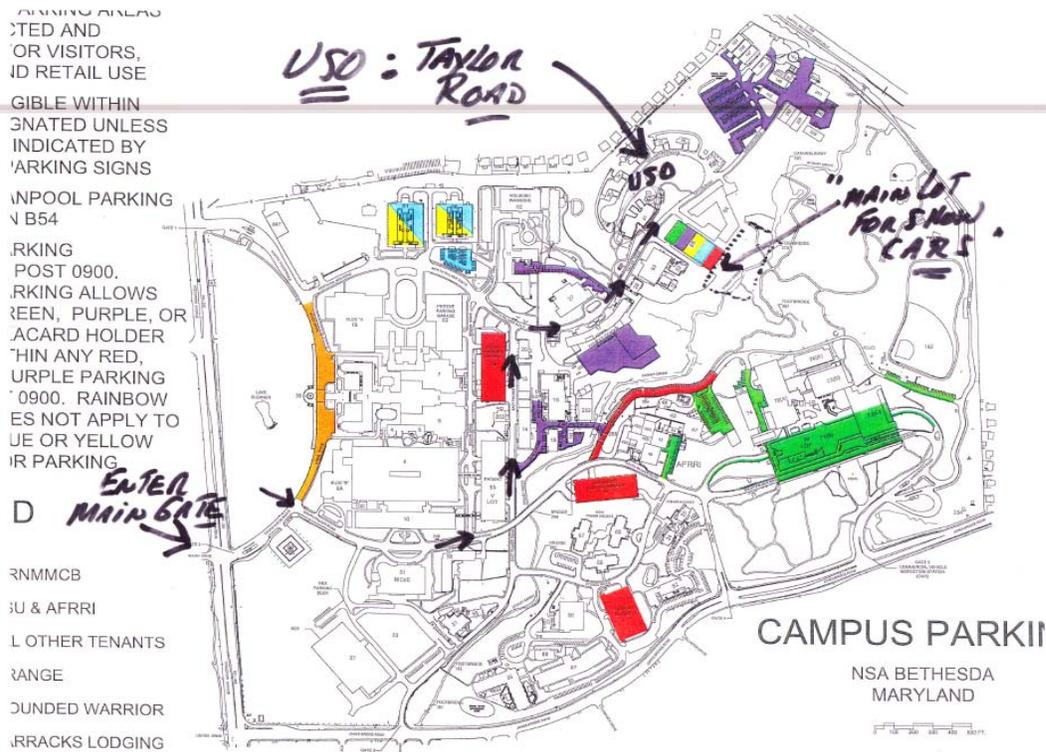
A map of the Walter Reed facility (see below) will be distributed at the GBM breakfast this month and will subsequently be mailed out to all.

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

Registration only problems/questions: Contact: webmaster@nvcorvetteclub.com



Warrior Transition Brigade – Corvette Car Show

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

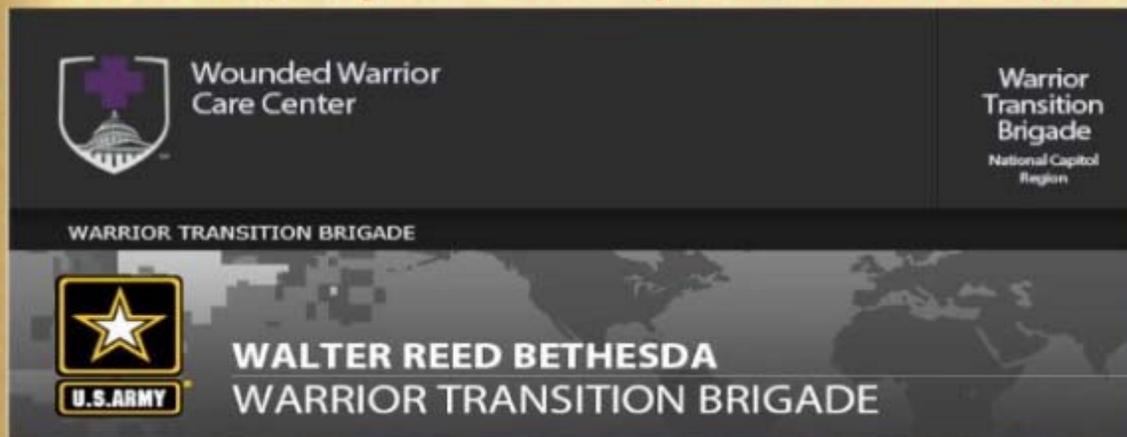
Would like to invite you to a Corvette Only Car Show at:

Walter Reed National Military Center

USO - Building 83

4565 Taylor St, Bethesda, MD 20815

Saturday September 8th (Rain or Shine..!!!)



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

When: Saturday September 8th (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

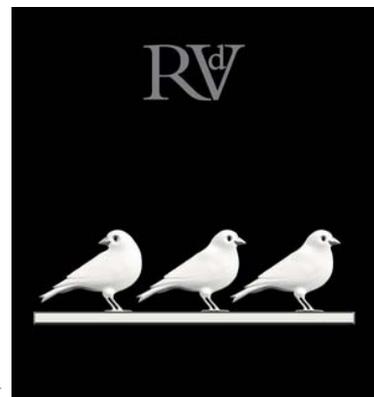
Register online: <http://msreg.com/Corvettes-WWTB-18>

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

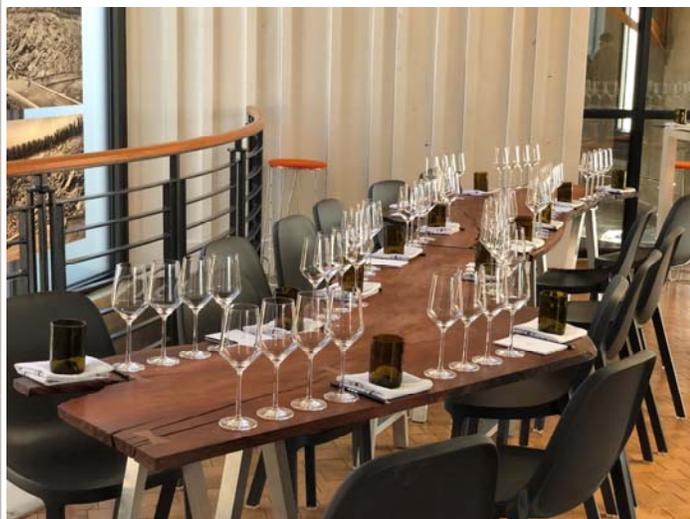
REGISTRATION help questions ONLY: webmaster@nvcorvetteclub.com

RdV VINEYARDS

By: Shawn Waddell



When considering new places to visit, I always try to think about past events and what new adventures we could try. So, after listening to a few of my friends and doing some research, I decided to lead the Club to RdV Vineyards (www.rdvvineyards.com). We were not disappointed.



We met at the Home Depot parking lot in Riding Plaza; a few expressed concern with the low temperature and how well their summer tires would grip the roads. While we waited for everyone to arrive, we talked about Corvettes, other cars, and reminisced about past trips. After the drivers meeting, we began our journey. We headed west on Route 50, driving slowly through historic Aldie, then into historic Middleburg. We drove past my favorite driving road, Route 626 (The Plains Road), and continued west on Route 50 to the town of Upperville. We hung a left onto Route 712 (Delaplane Grade Rd) - a fun but rather bumpy country road - and enjoyed a very "spirited" drive.

ing-seam metal roofs and a central silo. Their 'guard' dog greeted us with three quick barks for each Corvette, and I think a smile. Walking into RdV we realized this was something special. The hostesses greeted us with glasses of champagne. We gathered around the huge fireplace with a roaring fire and admired the architecture: soaring oak beamed ceiling, steel and concrete.

The young ladies took our coats. We looked around the vastness of the winery. Connie, RdV's historian and guide hostess greeted us in the tasting area. She told us about how RdV came to be. Since it was too cold to walk the vineyards, Connie guided us to the wine tasting room and began an overview of their operation. She described how the granite was excavated to dig caves where wines are now stored. She also provided a brief history about how their vigneron (winegrower), Rutger de Vink (RdV), chose the location for the granite soil - which is unsuitable for crops but ideal for growing vines. Rutger researched the Blue Ridge mountain region for several years, before settling on Delaplane.



We continued our tour, walking through the radial barrel caves, past the 12 stainless steel fermentation tanks, impressive machinery and the wine pressing room. On the floor entering the barrel caves is stamped "semper fidelis", which reflects both Rutger's Recon Marine past and the motto of Chateau Cos d'Estournel.

This is truly a first-class vineyard. They focus on two Bordeaux wines, which are outstanding. We thoroughly enjoyed a vertical tasting (2012, 2013 and 2014 Rendezvous and their 2013 Lost Mountain River) with delicious charcuterie trays. We enjoyed the wonderful wines and each other's great camaraderie. A perfect visit!

Thank you, Connie, and everyone who joined me. See you next time.

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APRIL - JUNE 2018

Cruise to Staunton, VA, 'Classics to Shakespeare' – Organizer: Kris McCandless

NCM Bash, Bowling Green, KY – Organizer: TBD

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Skeet and Target Shooting—Organizer: Jim Dobish

JUNE-AUGUST 2018

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

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Punkin Chunkin/Hayride—Organizers: The Kinmans

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Captain Billy's Crab House

Corvette Cruise

Sunday

April 22, 2018



Come join your fellow club members and other local Corvette clubs, on April 22, 2018, for a Corvette cruise to Captain Billy's Crab House located in Popes Creek, Maryland on the Potomac River. Back in the days of mail boats and loco-motives, when electricity was new to Popes Creek and work was just beginning on the Potomac River Bridge, nine-year-old Billy Robertson sold his first crabs on this very shore. He spent his entire life here, working on the water he loved, and opening two successful seafood restaurants, Robertson's Crab House and later, Captain Billy's, where his greatest joy was to mingle with and talk to his customers. He would greet his friends, colleagues and customers in the same fashion all the time, and to carry on his legacy, we say to you . . ."And How Are You Today?"

Cruise Info:

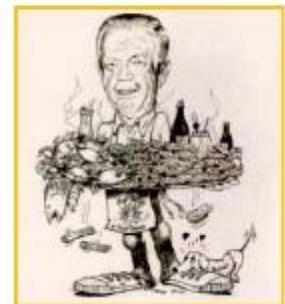
The Northern staging area for this cruise is the commuter lot on Route 630, Stafford, just west of the exit, at 11:45 am. We will leave at noon. Mike Shepherd will lead us to the restaurant and maps will be provided, "just in case". Mike is the POC for this event: Phone: 540-840-2099; email: Mike at vettemike@hotmail.com and please cc: Al McCloud at yankeal@verizon.net.

The southern staging area is the Walmart on Route 3 east. The caravan will do a "drive by" but will not stop, so please be ready to join us at approximately 12:30 pm.

The final staging area is at the Tech Center in Dahlgren, just before the 301 bridge, at approximately 1:10 pm. When the police arrive, they will escort us over the bridge into Maryland.

ETA at Captain Billy's is 2 pm. Generous parking is available.

If interested in the menu, you can check it out at: <https://captbillys.com/Menu.html> .





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**INTERESTED IN A CAR CONTROL CLINIC – IN YOUR CONVERTIBLE –
WITH AN INTRODUCTION TO HIGH PERFORMANCE DRIVING?
Saturday May 12th Have I got a deal for you !!**

The National Capital Chapter of the BMW Car Club of America (NCC BMW CCA) is holding a Chapterfest weekend at *Summit Point* that includes an event that provides the same type of exercises that we have taught at the teen driving schools. They call them Highway Safety Schools (HSS). There are other events being held this weekend including an HPDE and an autocross.

David DuBois is the lead for the BMW HSS event. No, you don't have to be a BMW club member to register.

The three morning exercises are the same that we use for the teen driving schools: Skid Pad, Slalom, and Braking exercise are taught in the morning. .

The HPD part: The afternoon sessions are different - the whole Jefferson track is opened up to our entrants to provide an introduction to high performance driving - at reduced speeds. Your coach is in your car with you the whole day.

Convertibles allowed: Max speed is limited to 70 MPH. This allows you to enter with your convertible!! This is one of the few events that can accommodate your convertible. Come and join the fun!

Your registration includes 1 BBQ ticket for Saturday evening. Additional tickets may be purchased for family and friends. Make sure to check the T-shirt box to get your limited Chapterfest T-shirt. All are welcome!

Here are the details and a link to register:

BMW Chapter Fest – Highway Safety School

Date: Saturday May 12th

Time: 7:30 am - 5:00 PM

Location: Summit Point Raceway - Jefferson Circuit

Registration Fee: \$225.00

Age Requirement: All participants must be at least 18 years of age and possess a valid driver's license

Registration: msreg.com/2018-NCC-Chapterfest-HSS

Not interested in entering? If you are not interested in entering, please consider volunteering to help with the event. We need experienced Street Survival coaches and additional volunteers to chase cones, help with registration and all of the other logistics to run a successful event. We provide the training you would need to be a volunteer. It is pretty easy. You also qualify for the free BBQ dinner if you are interested.

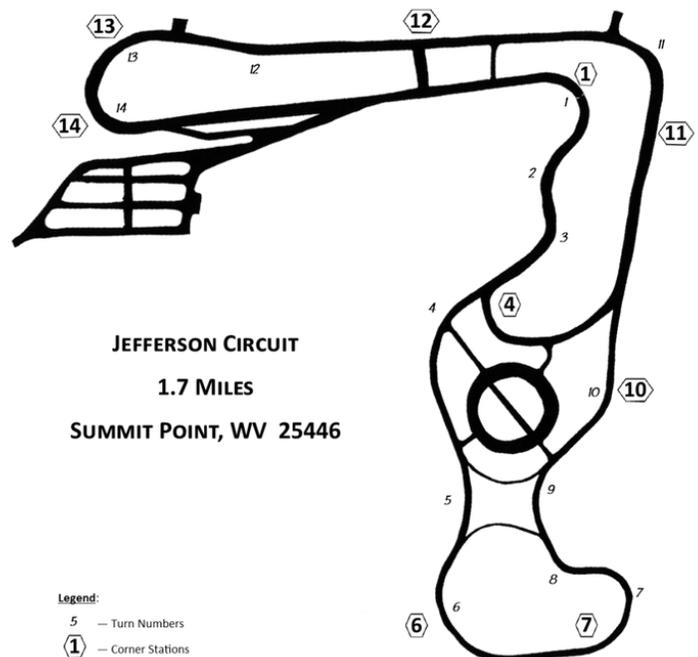
You can sign up to volunteer using this link:

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Please let me know if you have any questions: hpde.instructor@blueskylover.com

Thank you!

David DuBois



FROM THE GREAT WHITE NORTH

By: David DuBois

Winter is still stalking me!

My Toyota Tundra is getting a well-deserved detail including a complete paint buffing. A winter of transporting Lola (my Welsh Corgi) and the mud ... having been key contributors.

I dropped off the truck on Thursday evening as I picked up my Corvette after having a clear bra applied. Nice sunny evening in Binghamton. What could go wrong in mid April? It is Spring, right?



I was scheduled to go to Watkins Glen to teach for Hooked on Driving, Monday and Tuesday (April 16 & 17). The weather took a change for the worse after having 85 F on the previous Saturday. I drove my Corvette up to Watkins Glen in 40 F with rain and/or heavy rain. I don't take my Corvette out on the track if the track is wet, especially if there are small creeks running across the track in several places. I didn't have a student either. Most students didn't even show up for the event due to the weather forecast.



Tuesday morning was met with snow flurries and 32 F weather. They canceled the event for Tuesday and I drove back to Binghamton, carefully.

I arrived home at Noon and it was in the mid 40's, no problem. Except I had a glider club meeting at 5:30 PM about 15 miles from my house. Of course, I had to drive through a small snow squall (not a good feeling) on my way to the airport. I took the attached pictures. (ICE POSSIBLE, WTF) And a deep breath. The motor-glider is calling for spring also! I had no problems. The

snow did not stick to the road and I was gentle on the gas.

I pick up my truck tonight which of course will magically bring better spring weather. Saturday I leave to teach at the Corvette Museum event in Bowling Green for Monday and Tuesday (April 23rd and April 24th), and event that kicks off the NCM Bash. I have learned my lesson. I am driving SOUTH first, then over to Bowling Green, KY.

Question: Have you been "caught out" like this before?



Update on Binghamton's new Street Survival event

We have made excellent progress. We have an approved location at the Oakdale Mall in Johnson City, NY. The mall manager is not going to charge us a site fee and is very supportive. Our date will be Sunday Sept 16th with an instructor training day on Saturday Sept 15th. The Southern New York Region of the SCCA will be the host for the event. They have a large group of autocrossers, my source for local coaches.

We will be joined by the Southern Tier Corvette Club and the Cruisin' Buddies Car club to support the event. I am scheduled to teach a Street Survival event with the Genesee Valley BMW club at Watkins Glen on Saturday May 5th and will be inviting some of their coaches to attend our "training day". I rented a booth at the Oakdale Mall a few weeks ago to start the marketing for the event. We had some interest as people walked by.

I will keep you posted as we get closer. I may even invite you to come and help!

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MSF Certified L2 HPDE Instructor
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They don't write songs about Volvos.

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