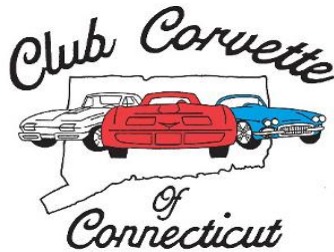


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## **Vets in Vettes Memorial Day Celebration East Haven, Ct.**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Every year as the month of May draws to a close and the Memorial Day weekend is upon us, we often hear how Memorial Day is now dubbed the "unofficial" start of summer, it is so important that the true meaning and significance of this day not be forgotten. Originally referred to as "Decoration Day" shortly after the Civil War, the day in May was chosen because it was the time of year when flowers would be blooming plentifully and were used to pay tribute to those fallen soldiers' graves. We must never forget why Memorial Day is so important as we pay honor and tribute to the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. Military. We begin each of our meetings with The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag to show our devotion and respect to our country. For me personally, this is the most important part of our meeting.

We have a very busy schedule for the next few months, so buckle up and be prepared for a full calendar of events until the end of the year. A few dates to mark on your calendar now are June 24<sup>th</sup>, a Friday night get together of fun at Crystal Ridge Winery, South Glastonbury, with over 50 members signed up to attend. Our Annual Club picnic at Hammonasset is on for August 21<sup>st</sup>. We planned this date around our caterer, whom we had advanced a \$500 deposit, but they ultimately cancelled shortly after we committed and sent in a deposit for the pavilion as they are unable to staff for upcoming events. Immediately after the picnic is Corvettes at Carlisle, and we anticipate a huge attendance for 2022. Our car show is scheduled for Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> and will take on a whole new look this year as we adjust to a larger venue and potentially more cars entering the show.

Also on the planning board, but without firm dates at this time is a trip to Woodstock NY, site of the 1969 Woodstock Music & Arts Fair, a tour of Callaway Cars in Old Lyme, our newest sponsor, and Ken and Barb Uliano are also planning another Rhodes Rallye for later this fall. Lots of fun planned for the remainder of 2022 including a holiday party to finish off the year.

In a few short months we will be presenting the slate of officers for 2023. All officers including the office of President are open and all current office holders, with the exception of myself, are eligible to run for office next year. It is hard to believe that I have been your President for 3 years now and my term in office ends in a few short months. If you are interested in possibly joining our Executive Board, please contact Dee Tully, our club secretary.

***No one can make you feel inferior without your consent. – Eleanor Roosevelt***

***Rick***

**AGENDA July 5<sup>th</sup> , 2022**  
**Parthenon Diner**  
**374 East Main St, Branford, Ct**

**PLEDGE OF ALEGIENCE**  
**OPENING COMMENTS**  
**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**  
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**CARLISLE 2022**  
**CALLAWAY CARS – TOUR**

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**RICK**  
**JOYCE**  
**JACK**  
**JOYCE**  
**COOKIE**  
**DENNIS**  
**JACK**

**FUTURE EVENTS – ALL CLUBS**

**CCRI GILLETTE CASTLE**  
**MOROSO CAR SHOW**  
**CCRI VETTS BY SEA Aug 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**FCO VETTES AT BEACH Sept 18**

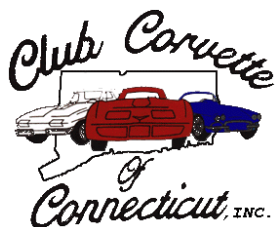
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**OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

**ELECTIONS 2023**

**ALL**  
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## **MEMBER NEWS**

# **HAPPY CORVETTE BIRTHDAY!**

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**Eileen Barbaro 07/05**

**Dave Zschunke 07/08**

**Ann Krajewski 07/09**

**John Fosco 07/10**

**Fran Kenny 07/14**

**Robert Ventresca 07/17**

**Wendy Hansen 07/19**

**Bob Bernstein 07/22**

**Mike Maciog 07/22**

**Ralph Camasso 07/24**

**David Distinti 07/28**



## **FUTURE NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**

We really need your help in writing articles for the newsletter. You have responded very well with photos of events, but we also need more articles. Anyone who organizes an event should prepare a write-up for the newsletter after the event or ask someone in the group to do it. You don't have to be concerned with the spelling or grammar - I'll take care of that. That's my job as editor.

I also look forward to any tips you can contribute to the newsletter to help your fellow members. Let's try to continue the "Tips From Members" section of the Vette Gazette, similar to what you see in your car magazines. Send your inputs directly to my email [lgbrowne1109@gmail.com](mailto:lgbrowne1109@gmail.com). Do not send them through the Club's group email.

Thank you.

Les Browne – [lgbrowne1109@gmail.com](mailto:lgbrowne1109@gmail.com)

## ***THANK YOU TO THE CONTRIBUTORS TO THIS MONTH'S NEWSLETTER***

**Rick Wasserback**

**Bob Wadyka**

**George Sipprell**

**Frank Bugaj**

**Don Byrne**

**Jack Stacey**

**Todd Loucks**



## Vets in Vettes

On Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> Club Corvette of CT maintained the tradition of providing transportation to East Haven veterans who are unable to walk in the procession from the American Legion Post 89 to the East Haven Green, for the festivities in honor of Memorial Day. The Club has been providing this service, Vets in Vettes, for a number of years.

For the past several years the EH Veteran's Council, the American Legion Post 89, Vietnam Veteran's Chapter 484, and the Mayor's Office, have honored those veterans who lost their lives in service to the country in a somber tone. No parade, no bands, no clowns, no silly string. Instead, there is a simple procession from the Post, led by a Bag Piper (Durant McCurley), to the Green, where honors are rendered.

This year the weather was perfect, and 11 Corvettes from the Club made their vehicles available so that all who wanted to be a part of honoring the fallen could. I had spoken to Susan Byciewicz, Lt Governor, and she had told me she would try and be at the event. This year beside the traditional honoring of those who gave all we were celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Harry Bartlett American Legion Post 89. It should be noted that Harry S Bartlet was the first East Haven'er to die in WWI.

I got word on Sunday, the day before the official Memorial Day, that the Lt Governor would be in attendance. The Corvettes met at my house and we traveled the short



distance to the Post. As the dignitaries gathered, and others arrived to participate,

I was both shocked and honored, to find that not only the Lt Governor but also the Governor, Ned Lamont, and Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro were also on hand to participate and recognize the Post's anniversary.



When the Club began participating, I believe there were approximately 5 Corvettes, and one of those went unoccupied. This year for the first time all the Corvettes were occupied with a grateful veteran. There was one veteran from WWII, and the others were veterans of the Korean War or Vietnam.



The Corvettes made an impressive sight on the Green, so much so that the Governor made a comment reflecting on the sight and thanking members for the service they provide.

I'd like to thank the following members for giving of their time to make this day special for many, Frank Bugaj, Don Byrne, Gabby Cannons, Tony Delano, Dave Distinti, Dennis Krajewski, Steve Ludwig, Jim Robertson, George Sipprell, Ken Uliano, and Rick Wasserback. Thank you and God Bless!

Submitted by:  
Jack Stacey,  
Club Member and Chairman of the East Haven Veterans Council



## Corvette Club of Western MA Car Show

On Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, eight club cars and one guest car met at the Middletown I-91 rest area to cruise to Springfield, MA to attend the Corvette Club of Western Massachusetts/Balise Chevrolet 6<sup>th</sup> Annual All Corvette Show to benefit the National Federation of the Blind. With the temperature expected to be over 90 degrees we were prepared for sweltering heat. However, the low cloud cover held on and it was actually reasonably comfortable throughout the show. Approximately 100 Corvettes



Of all generations were entered in the show with awards going to the top three of each generation and special interest awards going to some of the special edition cars.



Our group of members enjoyed sitting in a group near our cars sharing drinks and snacks. Like most shows, they had raffle prizes, a 50-50 raffle, music and a food truck.



When award time came around some of us gathered near the presentation area. Sue Wadyka won a Special Interest Award for her C5 Commemorative Edition Z06, Anthony Delano's friend Brian won 3<sup>rd</sup> Place with his C6 convertible, John Pearson won 1<sup>st</sup> place with his C7 Stingray, and I was surprised to win 3<sup>rd</sup> place with my C7 Grand Sport.



Congratulations to all of our members in attendance for a great representation of Club Corvette of Connecticut!

Submitted by:  
Todd Loucks

## Shine and Show at the Beach Members Only Car Show

It had started out as a casual conversation between Rick Wasserback and myself about how the Club Corvette of Connecticut puts on it's annual Car Show to benefit charities, but never seems to take the time out to show our own cars off. Thus, the idea was born to hold a "Club Corvette of Connecticut Members Only Car Show". The plan was kicked around for a while, and different places were tossed about as to where a show like this could be held, and what the "ground rules" would be for this type of show. Things discussed were, "would we judge cars by class, by year, by whatever", and then tossed aside. Those standardized things that we as a club, and judges at our own car show, just didn't fit the theme planned for the day we were planning. We wanted something easy and unstressful to do, and to have the members attending, participate in this event as much as possible. After all, this was an event planned around having fun and enjoying the day with each other, not scrutinizing each to the ninth degree.

So, reaching back into my bag of tricks, I remembered when I entered a motorcycle show a few years back. The rules were simple. Show up, get assigned a number, put the number on your bike, and then walk around and vote for the number of a bike you thought was the best entry in the field. It's called a "People's Choice" show, where people get to choose whatever vehicle, they think is the best of the bunch being shown. The rules are simple, just jot down the number assigned to that vehicle and drop your ballot into a box. Majority of votes rule. Simple and easy peasey...So having established that we liked "easy peasey", for the car show parameters, we moved on with the event itself. Now since have members that do not have a Corvette, so we decided that a "bring what you drive" theme for this show would work best for all. Easy-peasey... Next up, as always, there's food involved when we get together, but the idea of a food truck was off the table. Remember, "easy-peasey" was the rule. The solution, "bring your own lunch/picnic style". Problem solved, members notified via group email and on we went.

Next, the "where" had to be established. Hammonasset State Park was chosen as the site for this event and originally, it was going to be held at the area that is designated as the "kite flying" area. That is, of course unless we could score one of the pavilions that are at the beach. Again, the question of availability came into play, not to mention the last uncontrollable variable, the weather. All we could do is hope for the best in that department. That being said, Mr. Wasserback made a few phone calls to the office at Hammonasset, and was told that until the Memorial Day weekend, all pavilions were "first come, first served", and no reservations could be made. So, knowing that there were already campers in the area, and that some other organization(s) may have also been planning to hold an event that day, meant only one thing. Roll the dice and see what or rather "where" we would end up holding our first annual CCC Members Only car show. That meant one thing. Reveille would sound early for me and Shari the morning of the show. And it did. Zero dark thirty and the alarm went off as did the coffee maker. One way or the other, we would see if we could get in early to secure the pavilion where we usually hold our annual club picnic. There were parking stalls, and an area where people could easily walk amongst the entered vehicles and make their voting choice.

The "race" was on. On the morning of May 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7AM, we crossed over the unattended entry way into Hammonasset State Park and secured the familiar pavilion. Yes!!! Through the fog, which was rolling in and out like the waves of the ocean, I spied the unoccupied pavilion and shortly thereafter hung our Club Corvette banner on the posts, warning off all others that this pavilion was now occupied. To me, it was like planting the American flag on the surface of Mars, if you know what I mean. We now had picnic benches and shelter from the sun when it arrived!! As the morning wore on the weather began to co-operate the fog was lifting slowly and as members began to arrive, and parked their beautiful machines, the day grew brighter and brighter, until we were under bright blue skies, cool sea breezes and abundant sunshine from above. The perfect setting for our first annual "CCC Members Only Car Show". Now, there is one thing to be said when you get a bunch of Corvettes (22) all parked together, with a few non-Corvettes (2) thrown into the mix. They seem to attract a lot of attention, and people at the park were cruising by, either on foot, on bicycles, or in their own machines, to take a look at all these lined up beauties. Many a "selfie" was being taken by folks standing by or next to our cars. Many... Let it not be said that we don't draw a crowd....ever!...It was obvious that everyone loved the display of different cars.

As the early afternoon came around, and all the voting had been completed, and lunches were consumed, and conversations purred amongst the gathered members, our "accountant" was busily counting all the ballots turned in, and discovered that there was a tie in the vote, and a tie breaker vote would need to be established. Rick and I took up the challenge and walked out and with our professionally calibrated eyes and looked at the cars that had been involved in the tie. Our votes broke the tie and we now clearly had 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners!! Rick had the honors and made the announcement to the crowd of the winners of the 1<sup>st</sup> CCC Members Only Car Show. Bob Wadyka took 1<sup>st</sup> place, with his 1971 Corvette convertible, Dennis Krajewski took 2<sup>nd</sup> place, with his 1978 Pace Car Corvette, and John Pearson took 3<sup>rd</sup> place with his supercharged 2015 Corvette. Each winner went home with prize of a fine vintage bottle, selected straight from the wine cellar of an anonymous donor.....Congratulations to all of those winners!!

Needless to say, as the day came to a close for us, we all realized that it had turned out perfect day for holding the first "CCC Members Only Car Show" at Hammonasset State Park. Hopefully next May, we can repeat this "CCC Members Only Car Show" and again, begin our season with an event that brings a smile to our faces, and resolutely shakes off the crust of the long Winter season for all of us. Until next time...Aloha!!!

Submitted by:  
Frank Bugai



# Sights from the Shine and Show at the Beach



## An Update from The Ronald McDonald House

Mr. Dick Popilowski, Chief Procurement Officer for Ronald McDonald House was the guest speaker at the membership meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Dick updated the members on their expansion of the New Haven facility as they endeavor to help more families with children being treated at nearby hospitals. Fundraising efforts are ongoing as all monies needed to support and expand the home are from private donors such as Club Corvette of Connecticut, or the individual franchisees of the McDonalds restaurants, there is no support from McDonalds Corporation.

Anthony Delano, a long time Club Corvette member, and owner of The Corvette Store and More in Cheshire Ct holds a car show annually to support local charities. Admission to the show is free, all money raised is from donations, raffles, and food sales, and for the second year Anthony has chosen Ronald McDonald House to be the recipient of his efforts. After Dick concluded his talk on Tuesday, Anthony generously donated \$1500.00, all of the proceeds from his 2022 show to Ronald McDonald House.

As the meeting concluded, Kurt Ryder was the winner of the night's 50/50 raffle, upon receiving his half of the raffle, Kurt generously donated his winnings to Ronald McDonald House. The Club followed and donated their half to Ronald McDonald House as well.

Thank you, Anthony and Kurt for your generosity, you are certainly helping The Ronald McDonald House help the families of those in need. We are proud to have you as members of Club Corvette of Connecticut.





## ***Flash Cruise to Lenny and Joe's June 5<sup>th</sup>***

I checked the weather for the weekend and saw that Sunday looked like a great day for a visit to Lenny and Joe's in Madison. Not having used the Club's web site in a couple of years I decided that rather than post a new event I would tag onto Bob's weekly Things to do List. I did a reply to all from his post and put up an additional event to meet at L&J's at 4:00 on Sunday.

I received three replies that indicated people were coming. Usually others come also, as I did not indicate that people should contact me. The group gathered in the parking lot of the office to the right of L&J's. As usual we socialized in the parking lot for about 30 minutes before heading to the outdoor seating. Kurt had walked over earlier and talked to the hostess and gave her a number of 18 so she set aside three tables for the group. The food was very good, and the group enjoyed it. After all had finished their meals most of the group



decided to go to Rose's Farm in North Branford for ice cream. It is not a real club function if ice cream is not involved. As you can see everyone had a good time and the Vettes were able to stretch their legs.



Submitted by;  
Don Byrne

## ***The Pit Stop***

### **C8 Crosses Flooded Miami Street**



People in Miami, Florida love to show off their sports cars, and this guy decided to show how well it drives in hood high water; not sure if it has the front lift option.

The first named storm of the year, Alex, set Miami Dade County in its sites and dumped enough rain to flood a lot of low-lying streets and stores. But the residents don't seem to want to change their plans including taking out their sports cars for a spin. Case in point, several videos popped up of a black Corvette C8 driving through flooded streets in what appeared to be above the hood. The C8 survived the flood and drove on down the street.

But oh no, the madness didn't stop there because multiple videos of Floridians doing Florida things in vehicles were uploaded and many insurance companies have received calls about owner cars needing a bit of drying out and repair.

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Corvette Mike of Anaheim



# ***Why the 24 Hours of Le Mans is the most important Race in the World***

Indy 500, Daytona 500, Rolex 24, F1 Monaco Grand Prix are special, but there's nothing quite like Le Mans.

BY STEVEN COLE SMITH



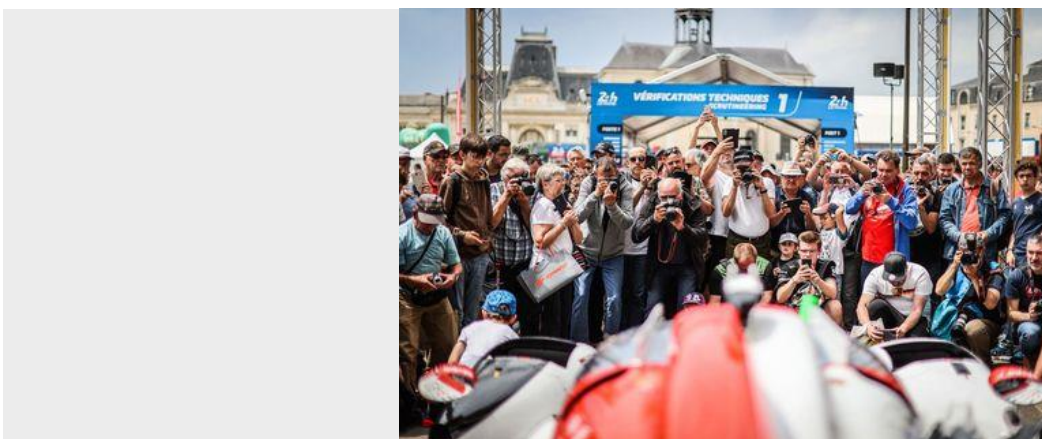
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Yes, of course, the Formula 1 Grand Prix of Monaco, the NHRA U.S. Nationals, the NASCAR Daytona 500, the IMSA Rolex 24 Hours at Daytona and IndyCar's Indianapolis 500 are hugely important races, but none have the absolute global appeal that the 24 Hours of Le Mans has.

If you've never been to the race or don't get all the fuss, put it on that bucket list. You won't be sorry.

Here's just a snippet of what makes this race different:

## **1 Unmatched Global Appeal**



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One reason: With 186 drivers from all over, there's a pretty good chance that somebody from your part of the world is racing. And with six manufacturers (Toyota, Glickenhaus, Ferrari, Chevrolet, Porsche, Aston Martin) there are a lot of ad and promotion dollars riding on the race.

But the real reason is how grueling the 8.5-mile course is. Its size means it can be bone-dry in one spot, pouring rain in another. And the speed difference can be close to 70 mph in parts of the straight—passing, whether you are the one passing or being passed, is nerve-wracking, especially at night or in the rain—or both.

With the first 24 Hours occurring in 1923, this is a race that never fails to dish up heartbreak and heroism.

## 2 Four Classes Means Four Races at Once



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There are four separate classes, all racing against each other inside their classes, and, of course, for the overall victory.

The top class is called Hypercar, and it was new last year. There are two Toyota Gazoo cars; two Glickenhaus 007s (both are American teams), and one Alpine Elf team. Likely the overall winner will come from those cars. That said, if they all stumble, there are 27 very fast Le Mans Prototype 2 (LMP2) cars ready to pounce. If they all look alike, they are, as 26 of the 27 have the same ORECA chassis, and all have British-built Gibson V-8 engines.

Then there are the Le Mans GTE Pro cars, just seven in number, which are all Corvettes, Ferraris and Porsches. All the drivers in that class are professionals. Finally, there are 23 LM GTE Am cars, which means some of the drivers are pros, some are amateurs (Seriously? Amateurs at Le Mans? It's true.)

These cars are identical to the GTE Pro cars, and are all Ferraris, Porsches and Aston Martins. Remember this: The Hypercar and LMP2 class are full-blown race cars, built from scratch. The GTE cars actually look like real cars, and are in fact based on them. Don't get hung up trying to tell one kind of car from another, let the announcers do that for you. Or you can always print out the official entry list by clicking [here](#): [ENTRY LIST - PRINTABLE PDF](#).

### 3 The Beauty of the Driver Ratings



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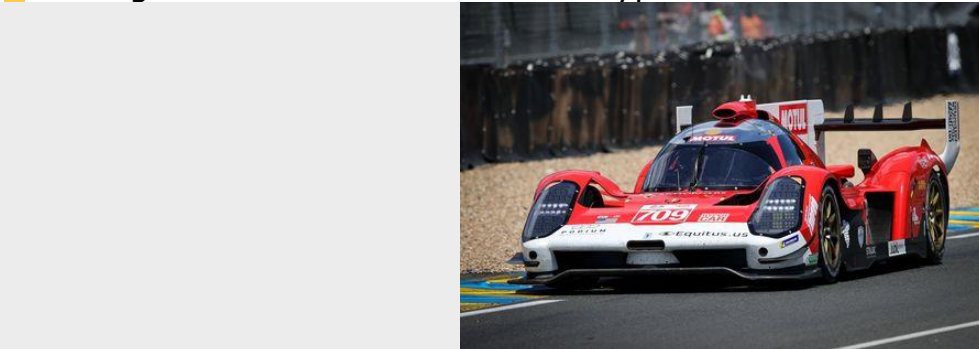
The sanctioning body ranks drivers according to their experience, their success, and even their age. The very top drivers are Platinum and are pros.

The next highest is Gold, but they are also professionals. Then there is Silver, which is usually an experienced, successful driver but who doesn't race for a living.

Finally, there's Bronze, who are most all reasonably experienced amateurs. Hypercar drivers can be anything, but are almost all are Platinum. LM GTE Pro are almost all Platinum. But LMP2 and LM GTE Am require a mix of pro and amateur drivers. One big reason: The amateurs are often "gentleman drivers," well-heeled individuals who pay (a lot) to race, thus financing the operation of the team and helping pay the salary of pro drivers.

It's all about money, you say? Of course it is. One more reason to print out that official entry list – drivers will have P, G, S or B by their name. Keep the list close and impress others with your knowledge ("Yes, of course that was a good move, after all he's a Platinum driver." Or, "That was a bonehead move, but what do you expect from a Bronze?")

### 4 Nothing Screams Le Mans Like the Hypercars



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This is the last year for such a small field of Hypercars (just five). Next year, a deal struck between the International Motor Sports Association (IMSA), the sanctioning body for U.S. sports car races like the Rolex 24 at Daytona, and the FIA World Endurance Championship (WEC), which sanctions Le Mans, will allow cars built to a set of joint specifications to run in both series.

That means that Hypercar will include cars from the U.S. group, and U.S. racing could include cars from the WEC. (WEC retains the Hypercar name, while IMSA will use a throwback from past racing, GTP.) Among those working on cars that we'll see come out over the next two years include Cadillac, BMW, Ferrari, Lamborghini, Acura, Porsche and Peugeot, with more in the hopper.

## 5 300,000 Fans Can't Be Wrong



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Well, we actually saw that, at the Indianapolis 500 in May, but this could be one of the biggest crowds in history at Le Mans, after no fans (2020, due to the pandemic) and a reduced number (about 50,000 in 2021).

This is also the first time since 2019 that the race has been in June, as it is supposed to be. It was kicked back to late summer the past two years.

## 6 One of the Coolest Racing Movies



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That is, *Le Mans* the movie, even though it gets just a 69 percent approval rating on Rotten Tomatoes. It starred Steve McQueen as Michael Delaney, star-crossed driver. We won't tell you more in case you've never seen it, and if you are any sort of racing enthusiast, you should.

Be aware that it is full of artsy-ness (1971, after all), but the racing scenes are stellar, with much of the footage shot at the 1970 Le Mans race.

It's available for as little as \$2.99 at the usual streaming outlets.

7 MotorTrend TV Is the Place to Be



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So where to watch the 2022 24 Hours of Le Mans? Just one place, Discovery's MotorTrend TV, and its streaming service, MotorTrend +. produced by Eurosport (also owned by Discovery). Up north, check Velocity Canada. The actual race coverage begins at 10 a.m. ET on Saturday. MotorTrend+ is a pay streaming service, but be sure check out the website for their free 7-day trial.

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## ***Buckle up and Race to the National Corvette Museum with the Most Famous Toy Vehicles on The Planet, Hot Wheels***

All roads lead to Bowling Green, KY as the National Corvette Museum opens *Hot Wheels™: Race to Win™*. This new family exhibit will get visitors revved up with immersive activities for three generations of Hot Wheels® fans. There's something for parents, grandparents, and today's youngest Hot Wheels fans. *Hot Wheels: Race to Win* will make a pit stop beginning May 27, 2022, continuing through September 25, 2022, at the National Corvette Museum.



Introduced by [Mattel](#) in 1968, Hot Wheels have come a long way, both in the diecast and life-size varieties. More than 800 models and 11,000 variations of Hot Wheels cars have been created and more than 4 billion Hot Wheels diecast cars have been sold.

“Generations of children have enjoyed the thrill and speed of racing with Hot Wheels, and this new interactive exhibit now brings families together to learn what brings racing to life in a fun and memorable way,” said Julie Freeland, Senior Director, Global Live Events & Attractions, Mattel.

In the exhibit *Hot Wheels: Race to Win*, visitors can be part of a dynamic race team working together to build and test the fastest and safest speed machines on the planet using Hot Wheels diecast cars to experiment and play. This behind-the-scenes look at the thrilling world of racing investigates the scientific process for designing super-fast cars and helps families who have the need for speed understand how it is achieved. The exhibit was created by [The Children's Museum of Indianapolis](#) in partnership with Mattel.

"This family learning experience provides hands-on opportunities for parents to explain complex physics concepts in fun ways utilizing the popular Hot Wheels toy cars as they experiment with different principles to see which makes a car go fastest," said Jennifer Pace Robinson, president and CEO of the museum that produced the exhibit, The Children's Museum of Indianapolis.

Children and families will love the Pit Stop Challenge in which they can race the clock – and their family and friends – to change



tires and refuel cars. A 6-lane downhill speed track, booster power track, adjustable angles track, and timing track are just a few of the ways visitors will be able to test their theories regarding the science of racing and cause and effect. Real race car parts, authentic artifacts, and captivating memorabilia including Corvettes from the National Corvette Museum's collection will round out the experience.

According to National Corvette Museum President and CEO Sharon Brawner, "We are eager to showcase the *Hot Wheels: Race to Win* exhibition at the National Corvette Museum for Hot Wheels fans of all ages to experience the history of America's sports car in an educational and interactive space. The Corvette's long-standing representation within Hot Wheels is one that carries across generations, and we can't wait to see the appreciation for both brands at our museum. This Limited Engagement Gallery Exhibition will be a place where everyone feels like a kid."

The museum invites Hot Wheels fan of all ages to push the limits of imagination and learn about the world of racing in this all-new exhibit.

# NCM CORVETTE RAFFLE

The National Corvette Museum is licensed by the Kentucky Department of Charitable Gaming under license number ORG0000854.

At this time, we offer purchasers located in Kentucky the ability to purchase raffle tickets on their personal computers, mobile devices and on-site at the National Corvette Museum and NCM Motorsports Park.

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Below are current NCM active raffles.

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# 2022 UPCOMING NCM EVENTS

## MiM Colorado Springs

Jul 10 @ 4:00 pm – Jul 14 @ 11:00 am

## MiM Northeast Ohio

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Aug 7 @ 3:00 pm – Aug 11 @ 11:00 am

## 28th Anniversary Celebration @ National Corvette Museum

Sep 1 – Sep 3

## MiM National Parks Tour Week 1

Sep 18 @ 4:00 pm – Sep 24 @ 11:00 am

## Vets 'n Vettes presented by Mobil 1

a full day at the NCM Motorsports Park

Nov 4 @ 8:00 am – Nov 6 @ 4:00 pm

# CLUB CORVETTE CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## June Events

- June 7<sup>th</sup>      General Membership Meeting – 7:00 pm - Parthenon Diner, 374 East Main St, Branford
- June 17-18    National Corvette Restoration Society (NCRS) Judging meet, 7 Del Mar Drive, Brookfield Ct., All C5's are now old enough to be judged for Flight awards. Also special classes are available for modified cars. To participate you must join NCRS National and the Northeast NCRS chapter and then register for the event. Questions contact Susan at [cyou@comcast.net](mailto:cyou@comcast.net) or Kurt at [hobosvet@gmail.com](mailto:hobosvet@gmail.com) . Note: The event registration is lengthy, have all your car information handy such as vin, proof of ownership and insurance etc. <https://www.ncrs.org/> | NCRS | National Corvette Restorers Society. HOME | [ncrs-northeast \(ncrsnec.com\)](http://ncrs-northeast.com)
- June 18      Rallye For a Cure Starting 8:30-9:00 a.m. at New Country BMW Hartford. Laps on Thompson Motorsports Park Track, Award Ceremony to follow Finished by 2 p.m. A mission to treat, prevent, and cure Type 1 Diabetes. See attached flyer.
- June 21      Crystal Ridge Winery, 257 Belltown Rd, South Glastonbury, 860-657- 1004. rain date Friday July 1st. 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm CT – Live Entertainment – Secure roped off Corvette Only parking. Bring any food or snacks that you would like, just no beverages as Crystal Ridge has a wide selection of beer, ciders, and soft drinks in addition to their top-rated wines. There will be a gourmet food truck that evening and entertainment will be provided.
- June 28<sup>th</sup>    E-Board Meeting - Parthenon Diner
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## ***Upcoming Events***

- July 4<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in Madison – Formation time is 8:30 am to 9:45 am in the Stop & Shop parking lot. Parade steps off at 10:00 – See flyer for directions
- July 5<sup>th</sup> General Membership Meeting – 7:00 pm - Parthenon Diner, 374 East Main St, Branford
- July 14-16, 2022 – New England Corvette Caravan 2024 'Meet and Greet – Yarmouth Convention Center Yarmouth, Nova Scotia Canada  
Registration Opens Jan 2022
- July 26<sup>th</sup> E-Board Meeting - Parthenon Diner

## Save these Dates

- Aug 13 C Corvette Club of RI, 50th annual 'Corvettes By The Sea' (non-judged). Scalabrini Villa Skilled Nursing & Rehab Center, 860 North Quidnessett Road (Crawford Allen Hospital Road) North Kingstown, RI. See attached flyer.
- Aug 20<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Moroso Car Show – 80 Carter Dr. Guilford Ct. - All cars welcome – Street Rods, Muscle Cars, Classics, Trucks, and Imports. Gates open 10:00 am Closing at 3:00 pm- Proceeds to benefitting Apple First Robotics Team and the United Way.
- Aug 25-27 Corvettes at Carlisle, Carlisle Pa. Info: Corvettes at Carlisle | Carlisle Events Suggested lodging: MICROTEL CARLISLE 15 WESTMINSTER DRIVE Carlisle, PA 17013 US Phone: 717.850.3679
- Aug. 29 - 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 - 7<sup>th</sup> National Corvette Caravan to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green. Registration opens Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, for additional details and caravan contacts refer to the attached flyer
- Sept 18 For Corvettes Only, 16th Annual 'Vettes at Ocean Beach Park', 98 Neptune Avenue, New London, CT. 10am-2pm. See attached flyer
- Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 – Club Corvette of CT present – All Corvette Car Show – Guilford Fairgrounds -Flyer attached – refer to the club web site for additional details
- Oct 14-16 - Ocean City Maryland Corvette Weekend on the boardwalk. Crystal Beach Hotel, 2500 N. Baltimore Ave. Ocean City Maryland. 1- 800-641-0011. Most members leave Ct. On Wednesday or Thursday and return home on Sunday 17. Contact Susan for more info: cyou@comcast.net

<http://www.freestatecorvette.com/Corvette-Weekend>

Oct. 20-22, 2022 – New England Corvette Caravan Meet & Greet' – Hyannis MA on Cape Cod

Registration Open April 2022

## Cruise Nights

**Dinner at the Parthenon Diner** – Come join us for dinner and conversation on Thursday nights at 6:00 pm Parthenon Diner 374 E Main St. Branford, Ct – this will continue each Thursday evening unless Covid should spike again -

# **Club Corvette of Connecticut**

## **4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in Madison**

**Parade steps off at 10:00 a.m. – Formation time is 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. after that you will not be allowed into the marshaling area.**

### **Directions;**

#### **From I-95 North or South;**

Take Exit # 61 Madison Rt. #79 –

- from the North turn left at the end of Exit Ramp
- from the South turn right at the end of Exit Ramp
- proceed Southbound on Rt. # 79

At 2<sup>nd</sup> Stop light .7 miles Rt. #1 Boston Post Rd – proceed straight through the intersection around behind downtown.

Stop & Shop will be on your right –  
Turn right at the 1<sup>st</sup> driveway into the parking lot

The marshaling area is the Stop & Shop parking lot we will be on the East end of the parking lot.

#### **From Rt. #1 Boston Post Rd;**

#### **From the North/East (Old Saybrook, Clinton);**

Continue past Hammonasset State Park to Downtown Madison.  
Go through Downtown and turn left at the Wachovia Bank.  
Follow the road until you see the Stop & Shop parking lot on your right.  
Enter the parking lot through the 1st driveway, we will be on the East end of the parking lot.

#### **From the South/West (New Haven, Guilford);**

Follow Rt. #1 past the Madison Town Green on your left.  
100 yds on your right will be the Wachovia Bank – turn right  
Follow the road until you see the Stop & Shop Parking lot on your right.  
Enter the parking lot through the 1st driveway, we will be on the East end of the parking lot.

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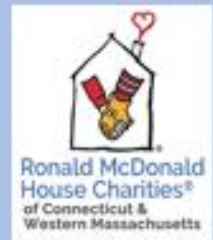
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# Club Corvette of CT

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**The 7<sup>th</sup> National Corvette Caravan is slated for August 29-31, 2024**

**2024 New England Corvette Caravan – Registration opening February 14, 2022**

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*Often referred to as the world's largest moving automotive event, the National Corvette Caravan is a celebration of America's Sports Car, culminating in Bowling Green, Kentucky for the anniversary celebration of the National Corvette Museum. **Hosted only once every five years**, the next event is slated for Labor Day Weekend 2024 and will mark the Museum's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.*

*Regional caravans will form and join other caravans as they travel across the United States to meet in Bowling Green, KY for four days of festivities at the National Corvette Museum.*



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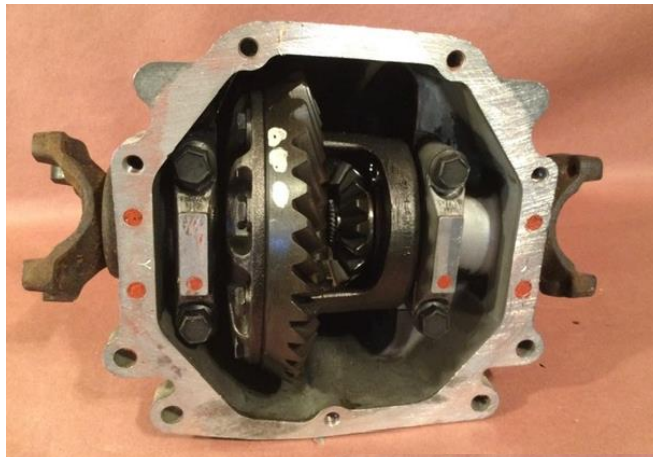
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