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A Robin at my window, a sure sign of spring
Almost time to get the cars out of hibernation

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy St. Patrick's day to all our members, "May your blessings outnumber the shamrocks that grow, and may trouble avoid you wherever you go."

The first day of spring is right around the corner arriving at 5:34 p.m. on Monday March 20th, the unofficial start of the Corvette season for me. This will be an action-packed year for our Club, we are currently working on a new venue for our annual picnic to avoid the parking bans that can occur at Hammonasset on very busy days and hope to nail down a date and place within a week or so. The member only car show will be at Hammonasset again this year on Saturday May 13th. The winery day at Crystal Ridge was a big hit last year and we are planning a repeat for 2023. Several wineries are under consideration, and they get very busy in the spring, so set aside Friday June 16th for a repeat of fine wine with great friends, the location will be announced shortly. Lastly, the 30th anniversary weekend in Cape Cod is shaping up nicely, so mark your calendars for October 20 – 22 , I have a block of 40 rooms so make your reservations at the Doubletree soon.



This year we are proud and thankful to have McDermott Chevrolet, Moroso Performance Products, Town Fair Tire, and Callaway Cars as sponsors for 2023. The financial support we receive from these fine companies enable us to help others so please continue to support each of them. Jack Stacey has done an incredible job working and promoting each of our sponsors, thank you Jack for making 2023 an exceptional year for our Club.

Lastly, a huge thank you to Dennis Krajewski for filling in for me and taking over a E-Board meeting and two membership meetings while my wife and I were able to enjoy a very relaxing vacation. As a past president, Dennis is no stranger to running these meetings and I feel very fortunate to have his expertise. Lucy & I both thank you!

Rick

**Agenda for the
April 4th, 2023
General Membership Meeting at
Parthenon Diner
374 East Main St, Branford, Ct**

**PLEDGE OF ALEGIENCE
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
MARCH MINUTES
TREASURER'S REPORT**

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NEW BUSINESS

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EVENTS

**CAR SHOW 2023
MEMBER ONLY CAR SHOW
CCC 30TH ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND
CORVETTES AT CARLISLE
CLUB PICNIC
WINERY DAY**

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LAST CALL FOR 50/50

COOKIE

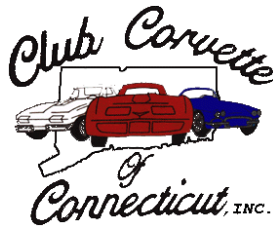
FUTURE EVENTS – ALL CLUBS

**FCO SHOW – SEPT 17
CCRI SHOW AUG 13
MOROSO SHOW AUG 26**

**OTHER NEW BUSINESS
50/50 RAFFLE**

**ALL
COOKIE**

ADJOURN MEETING



MEMBER NEWS

HAPPY CORVETTE BIRTHDAY!



Verronica Hart	04/01	Frank Briganti	04/02
Robert Bauder	04/04	Marc Stella	04/07
George Lockwood	04/09	Joann Briganti	04/1
Karen DelGuidice	04/10	Rich Lombardo	04/14
Patricia Lagasse	04/14	Louis Gloria	04/15
Pamela Amato	04/16	Dee Tully	04/18
Joyce Baiardi	04/19	Frank Bugaj	04/19
Brenda Whitman	04/21	Rod DeFord	04/25
Dennis Bogart	04/28	Andrea Merola	04/28
Rhonda Forristall	04/29	Kevin Miller	04/29

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 me. Do not send them through the Club's group email.

Thank you.

Les Browne

THANK YOU TO THE CONTRIBUTORS TO THIS MONTH'S NEWSLETTER

Rick Wasserback

Bob Wadyka

George Sipprell

Todd Loucks

New Members



Al and Denise Collins are from Manchester and drive a 2004 Black convertible. They're looking forward to participating in our events and have already expressed an interest in attending our 30th Anniversary weekend at the Cape in October



Dom and Jeanne San Giovanni are from North Haven and drive a 1999 Sebring Metallic Silver convertible. Jeanne has a 2001 SS Camaro and they also have a 1952 Bel Air. They're looking forward to joining our Corvette activities.

Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby

As the president of a large club such a Club Corvette of Connecticut I receive an abundance of e-mails each month from various sources, most of which are asking for our assistance financially, or to participate in a function they are sponsoring and would like a showing of Corvettes to add to the attraction. While most of these are genuine, some have a hidden agenda which is not clear until you do your due diligence. I received an e-mail back in January from the awards chairperson of a Cub Scout pack in southeastern Ct. inquiring if we might have some used trophies that we might consider donating for their upcoming Pinewood Derby.

trophies to the this year their question, and the certificates, but sincere, and I had certainly worthy membership in an effort to give these once prized trophies and new life and make a young scout very happy.



In the past, the pack awarded scouts that had the winning cars, but purchasing trophies was out of the plan turned to ribbons and no trophies. This e-mail was very no doubt that it was both genuine and of consideration so I turned to our



To say that our members are generous is an understatement, in a very short period I was able to collect over 40 trophies donated



by our members, several of which were actually Pinewood Derby trophies donated by Tom & Wendy Hanson and huge number of trophies donated by Dennis Krajweski for his award-winning Pace Car. It was truly amazing to see what joy these trophies, most of which were stored in a basement could bring to these youngsters after being cleaned and polished and readied for race day.

Helping each other and members in our community in need is what makes me so proud to be a member of Club

you to our members for certainly was one of those moments" we speak about



Corvette and the entire Corvette community. Thank your generosity, it "feel good so often.

Submitted by:
Rick Wasserback

2025 Corvette Zora: Would you buy one?



Photo Credit: [Brian Mello / YouTube](#)

What about turning a little AI loose on the rumored ultimate “Zora” version of the C8 Corvette?

That’s the premise behind YouTuber Brian Mello’s latest chapter of “[Would You Buy One?](#)” as he uses artificial intelligence to create the [Corvette Zora](#), a wild and crazy rendition of the mid-engine Corvette that rumor has it will honor the chief engineer, [Zora Arkus-Duntov](#), who always wanted Chevy to go for such a layout, even as far back as the ‘50s.

“I’m not sure how many of you saw the next-gen Grand National concept that I created using artificial intelligence,” Mello explains, “but I decided to see what I could come up with when it came to the Zora.”

So he fed the current 2023 Corvette Z06 into the system and asked AI to increase the performance of the car, giving it a much lower stance with a focus on aerodynamics.

“Because I like to make things a little more interesting,” Mello continues, “I blended in the E-Ray and I decided to have the system look at Koenigsegg for reference points.”

After a couple of hours tweaking the resulting rendering, Mello recently unveiled his conceptualized design of the 2025 Corvette Zora.

“When it comes to the Zora I think it needs to compete more directly with the Ford GT and so the design of the car needed to be brought up to an even higher level, which I think I managed to do while still maintaining some of that C8 Corvette DNA all into the mix.”

We love it! We’ve always felt that the Corvette sometimes doesn’t go far enough with its design – witness the design of the fabulous C4 ZR-1 that was basically the same as the base car – so with the Zora, we think it’s time to pull out all the stops and do something RADICAL. Only a few of these cars will likely ever be built, so what’s wrong with making the Zora – if it does ever come to life – as “crazy as a bessy bug,” as we say in the rural South.” (By the way, don’t ask me what a “bessy bug” is because I don’t know, but apparently it’s pretty crazy, based on decades of hearing that old saying in Georgia.)

As for the answer to the question “Would You Buy One?” – obviously the response for this diehard Corvette enthusiast is YES, though sadly the likely astronomical MSRP will mean only a few lucky souls will ever have the pleasure of racing one around the track. Indeed, I would go as far as to say that many of them will become instant garage queens with 3 miles on the odometer, sadly saving them for some collector down the road. Maybe GM should put a requirement in the contract that the cars have to be driven at least 3,000 miles a year.

What about you? Would you buy one?

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Corvette Blogger

Throwback Thursday: Wanting the new Corvette and not being able to buy it



The more things change, the more they stay the same...

Oh, you wanted the hot new Corvette that's sweeping the nation? Sorry, you'll have to wait until next year when production increases. That was the word from the Chevrolet's Central Planning Office in response to the clamor from customers who wanted to buy the [1953 Corvette](#).

Our friend Mike Furman shared this historic two-page Chevy document on his [CorvetteFurman Facebook Page](#) from July 10th, 1953, that alerted dealers to the highly controlled rollout of the new sportscar.

The document first shares the pricing of the car with dealers. The MSRP was listed at \$3,250 plus a \$248 factory delivery and handling fee. A dealer's net cost for the new Corvette was \$2,470 meaning that dealers could have realized a profit of \$780 on the sale of each car. Next, it says that only 300 will be built for 1953, and because of the limited quantity, no orders will be accepted.

Chevy planners intended to build 50 cars per month and 300 total during the 1953 model year in Flint, Michigan before the assembly operations would move to St. Louis in 1954. Once production for the 1954s started, they were anticipating a build rate of 1,000 cars per month.

Of course we know how that worked out. Potential customers excitement for the 1953 waned when only influencers and TV stars like John Wayne would get a car in its inaugural year, and Chevrolet would only build 3,640 during the 1954 model year. Things would get worse before they got better as the 1955 model year only had 700 cars built, but they did eventually get better. And yet, 70 years later, here we are again!

CHEVROLET - CENTRAL OFFICE

DIVISION OF GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION

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July 10, 1953

TO ALL CHEVROLET DEALERS;

SUBJECT: CORVETTE

Recently we sent you a copy of publicity in connection with progress to date in beginning limited production of the new Chevrolet sports car, the Corvette. The following price schedule has been established:

<u>Suggested List</u>	<u>Factory Delivery And Handling</u>	<u>Dealer Net</u>
\$3,250	\$248	\$2,470

As pointed out in the statement sent to you, only 300 of these cars can be built during the entire balance of 1953. Some of these, necessarily, will be used for further engineering and experimental purposes and many will be retained for display, publicity and show purposes in connection with our regular regional trailer shows and exhibits around the country. In view of the fact that we have received urgent requests, both from dealers and directly from the public, totaling many times the few Corvettes available in 1953, we have not been in a position to accept orders from anyone or make any commitments as to delivery at retail to date.

As we make further progress at our special assembly plant in Flint during the weeks and months ahead in 1953, we will still only reach a maximum of 50 Corvettes per month. Distribution of these cars to dealers will then be controlled entirely from Central Office in Detroit, and will be tagged and assigned specific delivery. This will be done as equitably as possible, giving proper consideration to various geographical locations of the country, the past and future value to Chevrolet of the customer assigned the Corvette, and as wide a distribution among dealers as the extremely limited availability will permit. Under these circumstances, no dealer is in a position to accept firm orders for delivery of a Corvette in 1953.

PLANTS IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA • BALTIMORE, MARYLAND • BAY CITY, MICHIGAN • BLOOMFIELD, NEW JERSEY • BUFFALO, NEW YORK • CLEVELAND, OHIO • DETROIT, MICHIGAN • FLINT, MICHIGAN • INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA • JANESVILLE, WISCONSIN • KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI • LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA • MUNCIE, INDIANA • NORWOOD, OHIO • OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA • SAGINAW, MICHIGAN • ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI • TARRYTOWN, NEW YORK • TOLEDO, OHIO • TONAWANDA, NEW YORK

CHEVROLET.

July 10, 1953

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As previously announced, our 1954 Corvette production program will be at the rate of 1,000 a month, and we will then be in a position to handle this model as any other regular production car. This means shipping dealers on their orders and dealers, in turn, can accept firm orders for and include the Corvette in all their aggressive selling activities at that time.

While we realize many dealers and customers will be disappointed in not being able to secure their Corvettes earlier than 1954. we know you realize the tremendous undertaking in engineering and production this new development involved. In the meantime, the publicity we have received and will continue to receive will be of immense value to Chevrolet and Chevrolet dealers in keeping alive sports car interest and its association with Chevrolet. (This is particularly true with the younger people of the nation.)

We wanted you to be familiar with the status of Corvette development and what you could or could not expect, so that you in turn could deal more intelligently with your prospects and customers during the balance of 1953.

Very truly yours,



General Sales Manager

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Corvette Trivia for March '23

Below are 2 pictures of the 1962 Corvette, this was a significant year for styling changes; although most were subtle, they were significant. Can you name them?



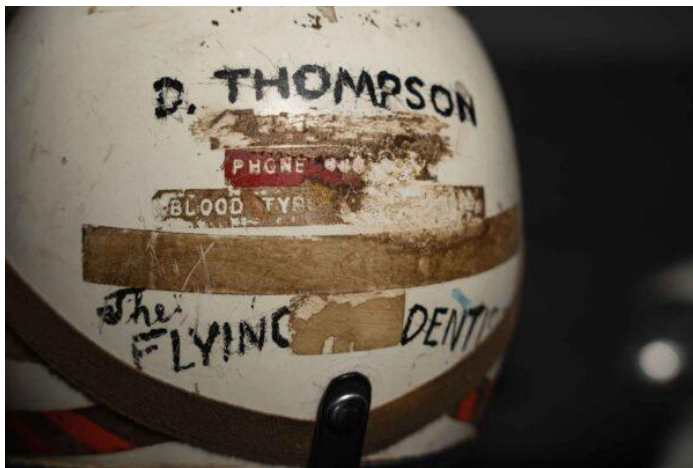
Hint: There are 4 major styling changes that are easily seen in the 2 pictures above. There was 1 significant engineering/performance change. Plus more!

Answers can be found at the bottom of the Calendar of Events section of the newsletter



Artifact of the Month Dick Thompson – The Flying Dentist's Helmet and Goggles

One of the great things about the National Corvette Museum is that its archives contain stories from Corvette history, but with it are artifacts, like Dr. Dick Thompson's, helmet, and goggles. Dr. Thompson, better known as The Flying Dentist, couldn't support himself as just a racecar driver, so during the week he would work at his dental office. Dr. Thompson's natural talent behind the wheel however, allowed him to become one of *the* premiere racecar drivers of his time.



His passion and dedication to racing earned him SCCA championships in 1956, 1957, 1960, 1961, and 1962. He would also place third overall in the 24 Hours at Daytona in 1963. At a time in history when Corvette was not even supposed to be racing, privateers were relied on to be the ones to cross the finish line before Corvette had a factory-backed racing program. These award-winning racing seasons made Dr. Thompson the perfect Corvette test driver at Milford Proving Grounds—a role that was vital to Zora Arkus-Duntov, and to the development of Corvette.

In Memory of Patrick Dolan 2012 HOF Induction – Enthusiast Category



It is no wonder that Patrick Dolan loves Corvettes since both of them were born in Flint, Michigan. He was just eight years old when those first Vettes rolled off of the assembly line, but his first contact with one occurred on Christmas Day 1954 when one of his presents was a large scale model of a 1953. The model was around two feet long with a trunk and hood that opened. Everything about it excited Patrick, and his affection for it remained as he grew into a young man.

In addition to his love for Corvettes, Patrick has a heart for serving others and a strong desire to help the helpless. At age 21 he decided that the best way to do that was to join the Michigan State Police. At recruit school, he began to train, learned self-defense skills and procedures for handling a number of situations that police officers can encounter. Another part of his training however, involved some driving instruction which led to a revelation. "In the driving part of the recruit school, I learned that I had some talent behind a wheel. I wound up being the best driver in the school. This was a surprise to me and an ability I did not know that I had."

The next year he coupled his new-found driving skill with his first-ever Corvette. "It was a 1966 427 convertible with a teakwood wheel and fully loaded. It was only a year old when I got it and it was beautiful. I wish I still had that one." Since then Patrick has always had at least one Corvette in his garage.

Once he became a Corvette owner, he didn't waste any time getting connected with others in the hobby. In 1968 he joined the Royal Corvettes of Western Michigan and the National Council of Corvette Clubs where he has been a member ever since.

With Corvette ownership checked off his list and the social aspects of it covered as well, it was now time to take his driving skills to the track. "I had a friend who worked at a body shop where there were race car parts all around. We put together a 1965 Chevelle and started running circle track in the dirt." After three years of that he began doing autocross events held by the NCCC and earned quite a reputation along the way.

His next Corvette was purchased brand new and specifically for the purpose of autocrossing. It was a 1973 convertible with a 454 big block and the off road package on it. He used this Vette for competition on a regular basis until 1991. "I loved racing. In our region, I was in the top ten for 15 years straight and number one three times." He also ran on big tracks like Charlotte and Daytona where he was undefeated for the season. "I've had some good luck with the car and really enjoyed it. I'm very competitive and give anything I work on my full focus. The more I got involved with the political aspect of my Corvette life, the more I realized that to do my best, I'd have to stop competing."

Patrick's political life had already started back in 1983, when he was elected for his first post with the NCCC as Regional Competition Director. He did that for five years and then was elected to be National Vice President of Competition. Eventually in 1991, he became President of the NCCC where he would do well enough to become the first President to ever serve two terms. His love for Corvette combined with his energy, vision and organizational skills made this role a natural for him over the next four years. While in office, the idea of having an archives for the Corvette began.

"I was there from the beginning," Patrick remembers. "I worked with the NCRS people who were on the board like Ray Battaglini, Dan Gale, and the rest of the group, coming up with the plan to make it a National Corvette Museum. This moved it out to being more for all Corvette enthusiasts and was really instrumental in building a broad base of support. This attracted restorers and what I call 'users' of the Corvette... people that race, do autocross, caravan, parades... whatever. There is a lot of cross-over members between the NCRS and NCCC. Together we were able to get lots of support from enthusiasts everywhere."

Patrick would come to Bowling Green every three months to help however he could to move the Museum project forward. About that time the Museum had the opportunity to get the 999,999th Corvette built. "This was the last one before the millionth, and the Museum was able to raffle it off. Because the NCCC had been raffling cars for charity for many years, we had some experience and decided the National Council would run the raffle for the Museum. We hauled the car around the country, taking it as far as Palm Springs, California, selling raffle tickets all along the way. We raised \$175,000 on that raffle."

Patrick gets a lot of satisfaction in seeing how that first one led to the ongoing raffles that have helped generate revenue for the Museum ever since.

When his Presidency was over, Patrick harnessed his natural ability as a fundraiser to manage charitable activity for the NCCC. For many years the NCCC raised money for spina bifida and muscular dystrophy. In recent years, they've supported the National Kidney Foundation as well. Under Patrick's leadership the NCCC has raised a lot of money while promoting organ donor awareness. "What a lot of people don't realize is that this

organization doesn't just handle kidneys, but all organs such as heart, lungs, bone marrow... everything."

After meeting the people helped by all of these charity efforts, Patrick can't help but be moved. "It's amazing being able to look back at how the love for a car... the Corvette... would lead to meeting so many great people and go on to do so much good through money raised by clubs through raffles and car shows. Since we got started with the National Kidney Foundation, the NCCC has raised around \$1.2 million. It is humbling and means a lot."

Through the NCCC Charity Committee, he also manages scholarship funds for deserving students. The NCCC gives out about \$10,000 annually. There are also hardship funds for people who are in need. "We believe in paying it forward."

"What I've found is that there is room for everybody in the Corvette lifestyle. I may not do what you do with yours, and you may not be into what I do with mine, but we are all part of the same family. As the President of the NCCC when the Museum was still just an idea, I'm glad I had a chance to push from my end to help make it happen and watch it become a source of pride for all of us. Now to be a part of the Hall of Fame is such a great honor that I can't fully communicate what that means to me."

Along with all of the special people who helped him get to where he is, he considers his wife Cindy, and his daughters, Jennifer and Sarah, as his biggest inspiration. Patrick has inspired his girls too, as they are both high-achievers who want to help those in need. They both volunteer for charitable organizations, and they both own Corvettes. They've seen how far the Corvette took their dad... who knows to what great places it will lead them.

NCM CORVETTE RAFFLE

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

Purchasers located in Kentucky can purchase raffle tickets on their personal computers, mobile devices and on-site at the National Corvette Museum and NCM Motorsports Park.

To purchase a raffle ticket online, you must be at least 18 years of age and be physically located in Kentucky at the time of purchase. You do not have to be a resident of Kentucky to participate.

If you are not located in Kentucky and will be using a credit card as your form of payment, you can use the NCM website to interactively create an order form. The payment information will be encrypted for your protection and broken into two parts, some of which will only be on the printed form. You must have access to a printer at the time that you create the order.

You may enter the NCM's Interactive Mode here:

<https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org>

Alternatively, you may download the NCM's Raffle Ticket Request Form at

<https://www.clubcorvettect.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/RaffleTicketOrderForm.pdf>

Type your information in the available fields, print the completed form and mail it, with your payment, to the NCM.

Below are current NCM active raffles.

Don't forget for your raffle needs.

You can always contact George Sipprell at: gsipprell@gmail.com

He has tickets for sale!!!

Call him if you need a ticket!!!



2023 Arctic White Corvette Convertible 3/9/2023
Price: \$200.00
Drawing: March 9, 2023



2023 Silver Flare Corvette Coupe
Price: \$100.00
Drawing: March 30, 2023



2023 Torch Red Corvette Convertible
Price \$20

Drawing April 29, 2023



2023 70th Anniversary Convertible VIN 00002
Price: \$250.00

Drawing April 28, 2023



2023 Torch Red Corvette Convertible
Price: \$20.00

Drawing April 29

2023 UPCOMING NCM EVENTS



[Michelin NCM Bash](#)

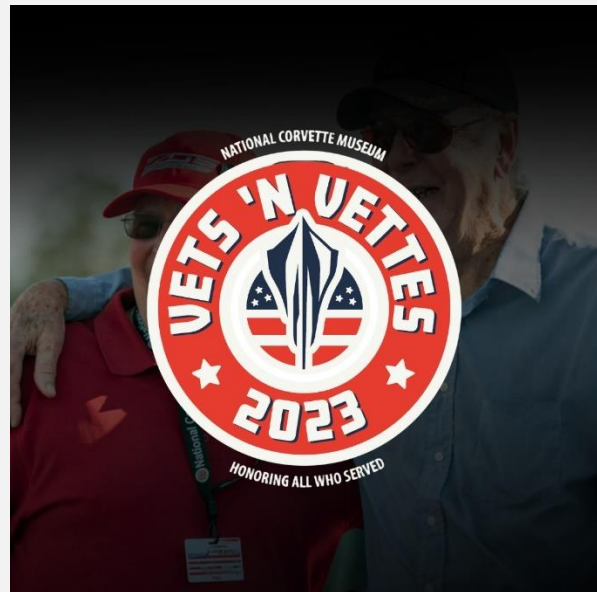
April 27th - April 29th, 2023



[MiM Dragon Run](#)

Presented by Michelin®

April 30th - May 3rd, 2023



[Vet's 'n Vettes](#)

Presented by Mobil 1™

May 11th - May 13th, 2023



MiM Le Mans Tour

Normandy · Paris · Le Mans
June 3rd - June 13th, 2023



MiM Charlotte Experience

June 4th - June 8th, 2023



MiM Explore Detroit

July 9th - July 13th, 2023



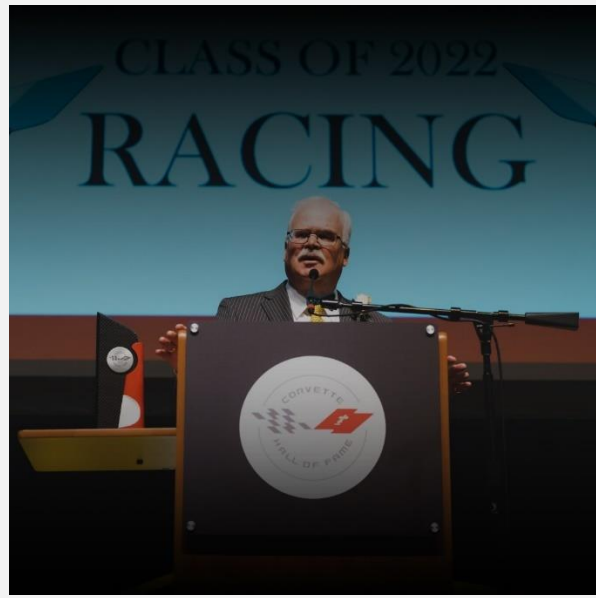
MiM Alaskan Cruise

July 11th - July 23rd, 2023



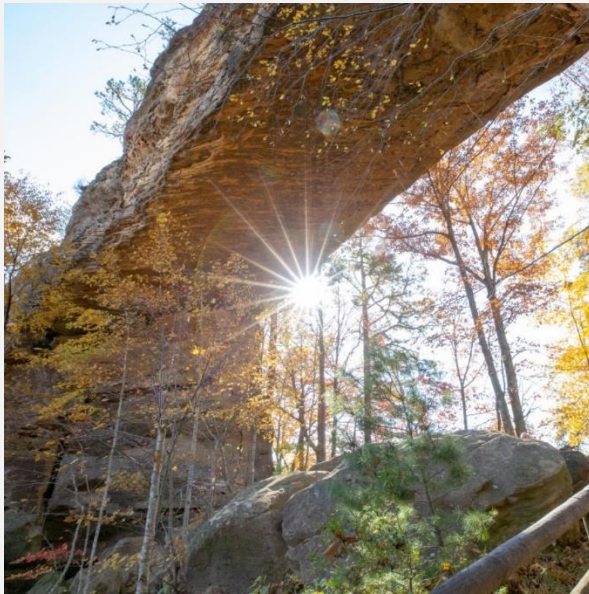
[29th Anniversary Celebration](#)

August 31st - September 2nd, 2023



[Corvette Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony](#)

September 2nd, 2023



[MiM KY 1 Lap Tour](#)

Week 1: September 25th - 30th, 2023

Week 2: October 2nd - 7th, 2023

Week 3: October 9th - 14th, 2023

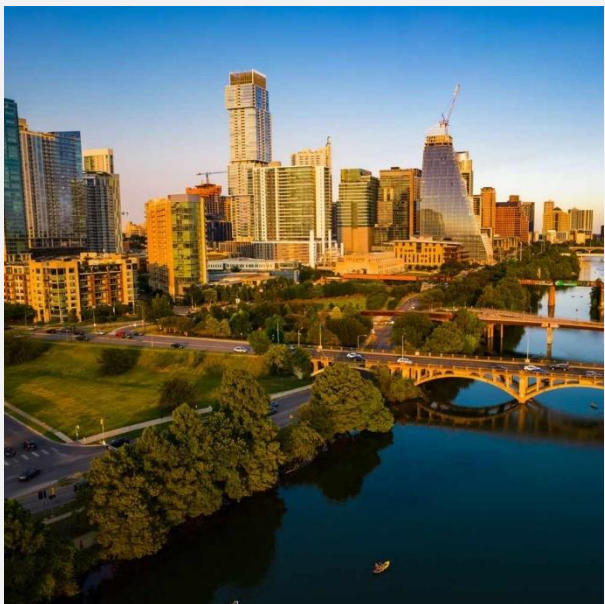
Week 4: October 16th - 21st, 2023



[MiM National Parks Tour](#)

September 24th - September 30th, 2023

Coming Soon • October 2023



[MiM Tour of Austin](#)



[Corvette Racing Weekend](#)

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CLUB CORVETTE CALENDAR OF EVENTS



March Events

- Mar 7th General Membership Meeting – 7:00 pm - Parthenon Diner, 374 East Main St, Branford
- Mar 22nd Ladies of Club Corvette of Connecticut luncheon - Black Sheep Tavern at 247 Main St, Niantic, CT 06357 at 1:00 on Wednesday, March 22. The menu is here if you'd like a preview: [Menus \(theblacksheepniantic.com\)](http://Menus(theblacksheepniantic.com)). Please text RSVP to Gina Forlano at (203) 915-8274
- Mar 28th E-Board Meeting - Parthenon Diner

Upcoming Events

- Apr 4th General Membership Meeting – 7:00 pm - Parthenon Diner, 374 East Main St, Branford
- Apr 25th E-Board Meeting - Parthenon Diner

2023 Future Events

Additional details will follow as they become available
Start planning your season now!!

- May 13 Member only car show and judging clinic at Hammonasset State Park
- May 21 – Car show at Anthony Delano's Corvette Store & More, 312 E. Johnson St., Cheshire. Proceeds benefit The Ronald McDonald House of New Haven.
- June 4 Club Corvette of Ct annual car show at Moroso Performance
- June 8 – 11 Back to the Beach, Old Orchard Beach Maine
- July 30 Annual Club Picnic (tentative) location TBA
- Aug 13th Corvettes by the Sea – Presented by CCRI

Aug 24-26 Corvettes at Carlisle

Sept 17 FCO car show

Oct 20th – Oct 22nd - 30th Anniversary Club weekend – on Cape Cod – staying in the Hilton Doubletree in Hyannis

Dec 3 Korvettes for Kids

Dec 9 Club holiday Party

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.

Answer for the March '23 Trivia

Changes that are found on the 1962 are;

Major styling changes;

- 1. the loss of the chrome strip around the cove**
- 2. because of the loss of the chrome strip around the cove the coves could not longer ordered in a contrasting color.**
- 3. front grilles were blacked out**
- 4. the cove spears that had been present since the '58 model year gave way to faux vents**

Other styling changes;

- 5. the background color of the hood and rear deck emblems now matched the color of the car**
- 6. new upholstery in the cockpit**

Significant Engineering changes

- 7. the venerable 283 was stroked and bored to create the now iconic 327**

The end of an era

- 8. last year of the live rear axle, 1963 would usher in the introduction of Independent Rear Suspension (IRS)**

28th CORVETTE SHOW & SWAP MEET

June 4th, 2023

Rain date to be announced



Moroso Performance Products, Guilford, CT

Exit 59 (Goose Lane) off I-95

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Net proceeds from show support Connecticut charities
CCC adopted charity for 2023 is the Ronald McDonald House

Participants will have choice to enter one of the 16 judged Show classes or be part of the Corvette Fun Field – Trophies to be awarded in both areas. Judging only in the Show classes, Fun Field trophies will be awarded by celebrity choice.

CORVETTE – Judged Class \$25.00
CORVETTE – Fun Field \$20.00
CORVETTES - For Sale \$20.00
Registration & Clean-up 8:00-11:00 am

VENDOR SWAP SPOT \$40.00
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2023 Car Show Classes

FUN FIELD CLASSES (non-judged classes – Celebrity's choice) - \$20 entry fee

53-62 C1	63-67 C2	68-82 C3	84-96 C4	97-04 C5
05-13 C6	14-18 C7	20-pres C8	Modified (all years)	

SHOW CLASS - Stock (under 5 pts*), Open hood, exterior, interior, engine & undercarriage: - \$25 entry fee

53-62 C1 Roadster	63-67 C2 Coupe	63-67 C2 Roadster	68-82 C3 Coupe
68-75 C3 Roadster	84-96 C4 Coupe	86-96 C4 Roadster	97-04 C5 Coupe/Hardtop
98-04 C5 Roadster	05-13 C6 Coupe	05-13 C6 Roadster	14-19 C7 Coupe
14-19 C7 Roadster	20-pres C8 Coupe	20-pres C8 Roadster	Modified (all years)*

Cars in the SHOW Class will be judged in the following categories (Points will be awarded for cleanliness and condition):

1. EXTERIOR BODY
2. EXTERIOR PAINT
3. GLASS, WEATHER STRIPPING & TRIM
4. EXTERIOR CHROME, TRIM & BUMPERS
5. TIRES, WHEELS, WELLS & HUBCAPS
6. CARPET (trunk area and behind seats)
7. UPHOLSTERY
8. INTERIOR
9. ENGINE COMPARTMENT
10. UNDERCARRIAGE

*Corvettes will be classified in the Modified class based upon the number of changes that deviate from factory options. A Corvette receiving 5 or more points will automatically be classified in the Modified classes.

Points are awarded as follows:

Major body changes (i.e. flares, large hood scoop)	5 points
Custom paint	3 points
Ground effect packages	3 points
Modified hood (i.e. large scoop)	3 points
Engine modification (i.e. supercharger, etc.)	2 points
Spoilers (non-factory)	1 point
Aftermarket wheels	1 point
Interior changes	1 point
Side pipes (non-factory)	1 point
Engine chrome or carbon fiber	1 point
Aftermarket air induction package	1 point

Changes not counted are as follows:

Same generation factory body panels
Same generation factory wheels
Blacked out or chromed trim
Grills on tail lights
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FINAL CLASSIFICATION TO BE DETERMINED AT SHOW

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2024 New England Corvette Caravan Registration Form

**PLEASE
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This is registration for the 2024 New England Caravan activities and hotels and is NOT registration for the National Corvette Museum's 30th Celebration. You'll need to register through the NCM to be able to participate in the National Caravan and the 30th Celebration.

Name: First _____ Last _____
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Emergency contact information: Name _____ Phone # () _____

\$475.00 couples registration fee. (U.S. Funds) - \$255.00 singles registration fee. (U.S. Funds)
Deposit of \$200.00 (U.S. Funds) due at time of registering. Balance due July 15, 2024

Make check payable to: **NE 2024 NCM Caravan**
Mail to: **NE Caravan / Randy Flock**
P.O. Box 42
East Greenwich, RI 02818

Registration Fee - Guarantees you a Room for all 9 nights (5 hotels) of the trip at the designated hotels. The **Gettysburg Wyndham, PA** (2 night minimum – host hotel for kick-off events), **The Hotel Roanoke, VA** (1 night), **Embassy Suites, NC** (1 night), **Meadowview Marriott, TN** (1 night). **Holiday Inn Bowling Green, KY** (4 night minimum). Hotel room registration will open 12 months out. Registration fee does NOT include cost of the rooms.

Registration Fee includes:

1. **Dinner** at The Hotel Roanoke and Conference Center, Roanoke, VA - Sunday evening August 25, 2024.
2. **Dinner** at the Embassy Suites by Hilton, Concord, NC - Monday evening August 26, 2024.
3. **Dinner** at Meadowview Marriott Resort, Kingsport, TN - Tuesday evening August 27, 2024.
4. **Dinner/Dance** (Cowboy Up Western Theme) at the Sloan Center - Wednesday evening August 28, 2024.
5. **New England Caravan Commemorative Route Book**
6. **New England Caravan Dash Plaque and Name Tags.**
7. **New England Caravan Tote Bag.**

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Name as you want it to appear on your name tag:

First Name

Last Name

1. _____ 2. _____

Note: It is a first come, first serve...based on when you send in this registration form. The New England Caravan Registration Refund Policy: A full refund (less \$15.00) up to 7/15/2024. A 50% refund on your registration fee (less \$15.00) from 7/16/2024 to 8/12/2024. Sorry - No refund for any reason after 8/12/2024.

You must sign and send in this liability waiver along with your registration form.

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www.corvettecaravan.com/new-england/ Questions? E-mail Randy Flock vetteflock@cox.net
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The 2024 New England Corvette Caravan

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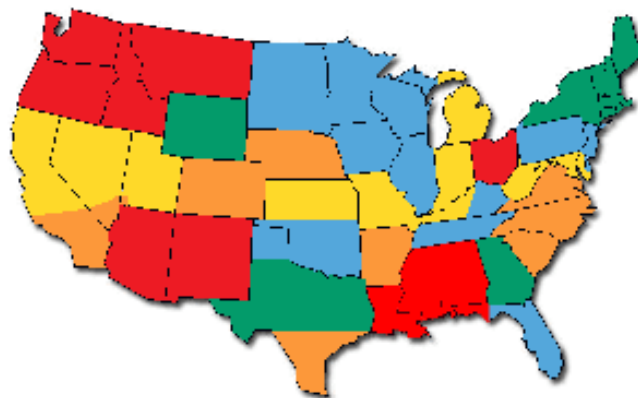
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*Often referred to as the world's largest moving automotive event, the National Corvette Caravan is a celebration of America's Sports Car, culminating in Bowling Green, Kentucky for the anniversary celebration of the National Corvette Museum. **Hosted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

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