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Photo: 1953 Corvette #001, pictured at Carlisle 2025

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Upcoming Events

Vettes at the Beach

September 14th, 2025 at Ocean Beach Park, New London, CT

CCC Ladies' Lunch

September 16th, 2025 at the Lobster Shack in East Haven at 12:30. Please RSVP to Wendy Hanson by September 11th at 203- 779-7686.

CCC Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, October 7th at the Parthenon in Branford at 7:00 PM.

Club Corvette Annual Holiday Party

Saturday December 13th at The Clinton Country Club, Clinton CT

President's Message



Fall is just around the corner, a great time of the year for car cruises and other outdoor events we can all enjoy, my most favorite of which is Corvettes at Carlisle. This will be my 30th year attending, only missing the year during the Covid pandemic, I get excited weeks before anticipating the cars, the people, fun under the gazebo at The Microtel, especially serenading anyone who leave the group early with a special song, and quality time with friends.

Our annual car show for 2025 is now in our rear-view mirror, and for the 1st time in 3 years we had beautiful weather on show day. We learn from every show, what to do, what not to do, and what to expect. Last year the number of fun field cars was double the number of show cars, this year's it was just the opposite, 98 show cars and 47 fun field cars, the major take away is that there is still a large group of enthusiasts that want their Corvette judged. We are already working on our show for 2026 and Shari Bugaj will be taking over as our car show chairperson for next year, very happy to have Shari on board. Thank you to all the members t worked so hard picking up tables and chairs, storage unit supplies, and working throughout the day and into the evening on show day.

We have 4 positions open on our executive board for 2026, the first is for Club Secretary, I already have 1 candidate for that position, the office of President, and the other 2 are for Directors at Large. The first director will be responsible for keeping our website current by sending the needed updates to the webmaster and also posting club information and events on our Facebook page.

The second director will be planning peripheral events – these are the pop- up cruises, tours, and any thing our members would like to do. It does not include the major events which include the Holiday Party, Korvettes for Kids, or the Annual picnic, each of which have been hosted in the past by one of our other board members. The DAL of events is critical, our social calendar has been full in the past and we would like to keep it full for years to come, and we can only do that after we have a volunteer to assume this position

Lastly, the office of President consists of no more than two 2 year terms, the end of my 1 st 2 year term is December 31 and any qualified members are welcome and encouraged to run for that position, if there is only 1 candidate, they will run unopposed. If you are interested in either DAL position, Club Secretary, or President's position, please contact Dee Tully at deetully@snet.net. We need volunteers to join the leadership team on the e-board and keep our club thriving for another 30+ years, we can't do it without you.

You Meet the Nicest People

by Rick Wasserback

We meet people every day, and now and then again you meet someone special, I met an exceptionally nice man recently, the common thread a Corvette, naturally. His name is Warren Fratterola, he lives in Greenwich Ct. and is an avid Corvette enthusiast, especially the C4, he attended the Club Corvette of Connecticut annual car show faithfully for over 20 years. When Warren decided it was time to part with his Corvette , not an easy car to enter and exit, especially as we get a little older and a little less agile, he brought the car to our annual car show, paid \$20 to display it in the “cars for sale” and sold the car that day! He has a great fondness for our car show and many of our members that were involved in the show, it was evident in his recollection of our shows the he attended. Warren winters in Florida, I fully understand that need, so it was time to part with part of his collection of Corvette memorabilia too, that is how Warren and I met.



Among his collection were 2 bricks from the Corvette assembly facility in Flint Michigan, home of the first Corvette.

The plant assembled the first 300 Corvettes, all assembled by hand , the very first ever rolling off the assembly line on June 30th 1953, 2 days after assembly began. Corvettes were assembled in at the Flint facility from June 1953 until December 1953, beginning the long history of Corvette production. The facility continued to produce other Chevrolet models until 1993, ultimately being disassembled in 2003 with the bricks being donated to The National Corvette Museum, Warren Fratterola purchased bricks, #7338 and #7808.



Warren decided to donate these bricks to Club Corvette of Connecticut, both still wrapped with protective foam packing, along with the Certificates – still in sealed envelopes. Ed Karedes had received a call from Warren and referred the call to me. I called Warren and ultimately spent 30 minutes on the phone with him, a man I knew I would like the minute I spoke to him. Lucy and I decided to make a day of it to pick up the bricks, we packed up the Corvette, took a scenic ride down route 15 and met Warren in Greenwich to pick up the bricks. Warren was wearing his powder blue 28 th annual car show shirt from our car show! We spent another 40 minutes talking as he proudly showed me all the photos over the years of his car at our car show. A very nice man needless to say, and one I am very happy I had the opportunity to meet.

Lucy and I ended our day meeting with friends for a late lunch – cocktail hour – early dinner – fun gathering, at a very nice water side restaurant, a short meeting, lasting about 3 hours, Lucy says I like to talk – I don't know where she gets that from. You meet the nicest people – especially those that drive Corvettes.

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

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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.

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



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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.

2026 Competition Yellow

Corvette Coupe

Price: \$100.00

Drawing: September 18, 2025 2:00
PM Central Time



2026 Riptide Blue Corvette
Convertible

Price: \$200.00

Drawing: October 23, 2025 2:00
PM Central Time





Happy Birthday!

David Pascoe 1-Sep	Dominick San Giovanni 14-Sep
Jim Amato 4-Sep	Gabriella Cannons 15-Sep
Josh Cohn 5-Sep	Doug Novak 16-Sep
Stewart Teichman 5-Sep	Rodney Ragucci 22-Sep
Barry Baiardi 10-Sep	Ron Dippold 23-Sep
Christopher Sarta 11-Sep	Frank Renwick 24-Sep
Robert Lyons 12-Sep	Gina Forlano 25-Sep
Donald Mason 13-Sep	Henri David 25-Sep
Dean Loucks 14-Sep	

Classifieds

To place an ad, please contact Bill Yoxall at Yoxbill18@gmail.com
Note: Your ad must be in by the 5th of each month. Six months free for Club members.

1979 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray

This 1979 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray is powered by an 8-cylinder gasoline engine paired with an automatic transmission. This Chevy Corvette is shown with a red exterior and a black interior. Runs very well. Gutted and restored in 2005 including tires, brakes, suspension, steering, autometer mechanical gauges, weight reduction, etc. (all receipts available). Working high/low/brake/blinker lights and fully street legal. AM/FM/CD radio, no heat or AC. New battery, filters, oil, and plugs.

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