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This issue of the newsletter is dedicated to Jeff Petriccione



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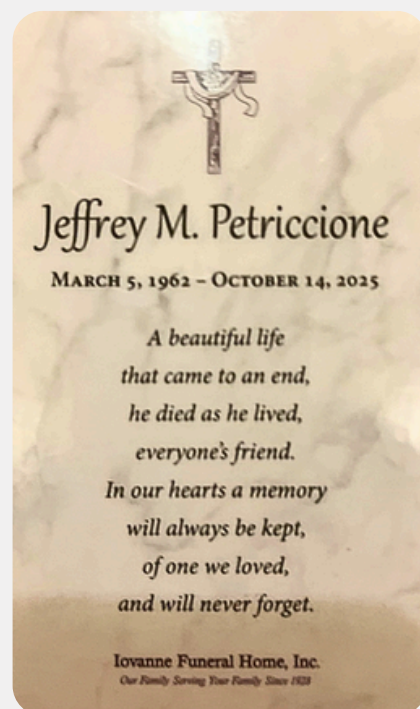
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Remembering Jeff Petriccione



Jeffrey Mark Petriccione, of Ansonia passed away October 14, 2025 in Yale New Haven Hospital after a brief illness. Born in New Haven on March 5, 1962, the son of Lewis J. "Buddy" Petriccione and the late Loretta A. Gianotti Petriccione, Jeff was a graduate of North Haven High School and later completed additional education in CNC machining. His recent retirement from Chapman Machine in Durham allowed him to focus on his many hobbies, including wood working, stonework and enjoying the outdoors. Jeff was a longtime member of Club Corvette, as a participant and judge. He was known for his meticulous paint work and attention to detail and more importantly as being a kind, easy-going guy who was always willing to lend a helping hand. Besides his father, Jeff is survived by his brothers Christopher Petriccione (Corine Neff) and Paul Dobrosky (Tracie White), his niece Anna Petriccione (Bill DeTomaso), his nephew Matthew Petriccione, his aunt Louise Petri and many friends. Visiting hours will be held on Tuesday October 21, 2025 from 4:00-7:00 in the Iovanne Funeral Home, Inc. 11 Wooster Place in New Haven. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Club Corvette of Connecticut to support their work with Ronald McDonald House.

Upcoming Events

Note from the editor:

If you are in charge of the CCC Instagram please contact me at yoxbill18@gmail.com. I'm wondering if I could get access as it has very few followers despite posting a lot because there's certain things you need to do for an account to get any exposure (adding hashtags, stories, following related accounts, etc). People have asked me about how we could get more young people involved in the club and far more people my age are active on Instagram than Facebook- I think growing the account could really help the club get more exposure.

CCC Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, November 4th at the Parthenon in Branford at 7:00 PM.

Track Day at Thompson Speedway

Friday, November 14th at Thompson Speedway, registration 7:00AM, laps 9:00AM-5:00PM

Darryl has organized another club track day and it's always a blast! Tracking your car is the only way to truly experience the performance of your Corvette in a safe and controlled environment. Instruction is available for free and helmets can be rented for \$25. This is a must-have experience for every Corvette owner. Event registration is through MassTuning using [This Link](#). Most insurance plans won't cover you on the racetrack but cautious drivers can buy a 1-day track insurance policy from Hagerty (with agreed value, this isn't normal penny-pinching insurance) using [This Link](#).

Club Corvette Annual Holiday Party

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

President's Message



Very sadly we lost a long-time member of our Club on October 14th after a brief illness. Jeff Petriccione was a member of Club Corvette for almost 20 years, a kind person with a broad smile and active in events and for working every car show parking the show cars at Moroso. Jeff loved his Corvette and meticulously maintained his 2004 Lemans Blue Corvette C5. Our election of officers for the 2026 term will be held at the November 4th meeting. Al Cusano will be joining our E-Board as a DAL responsible for maintaining our webpage and assisting with digital marketing. Shari Bugaj will also be joining us in the appointed position of Car Show Chairperson. Shari is already hard at work planning our show for 2026. We still have vacant office to fill, DAL of events. If you are interested in stepping up to this position please contact Dee Tully. Buckle up for a very busy December, we have Korvettes for Kids on Sunday Dec 7th, Wreaths Across America, the placing of wreaths on Veteran's graves in East Haven on Saturday Dec 13th, and our Holiday Party that evening at The Clinton Country Club. We will also be participating in The Tree of Hope again this year to raise money for The Ronald McDonald House of New Haven. Lastly, we have new name badges that use a magnet to attach. With over 300 members in our Club, PLEASE wear your name badge at our meetings so we all know who each other is. If you do not have a name badge, please see either Al or Carmella Cusano and they will make one for you.

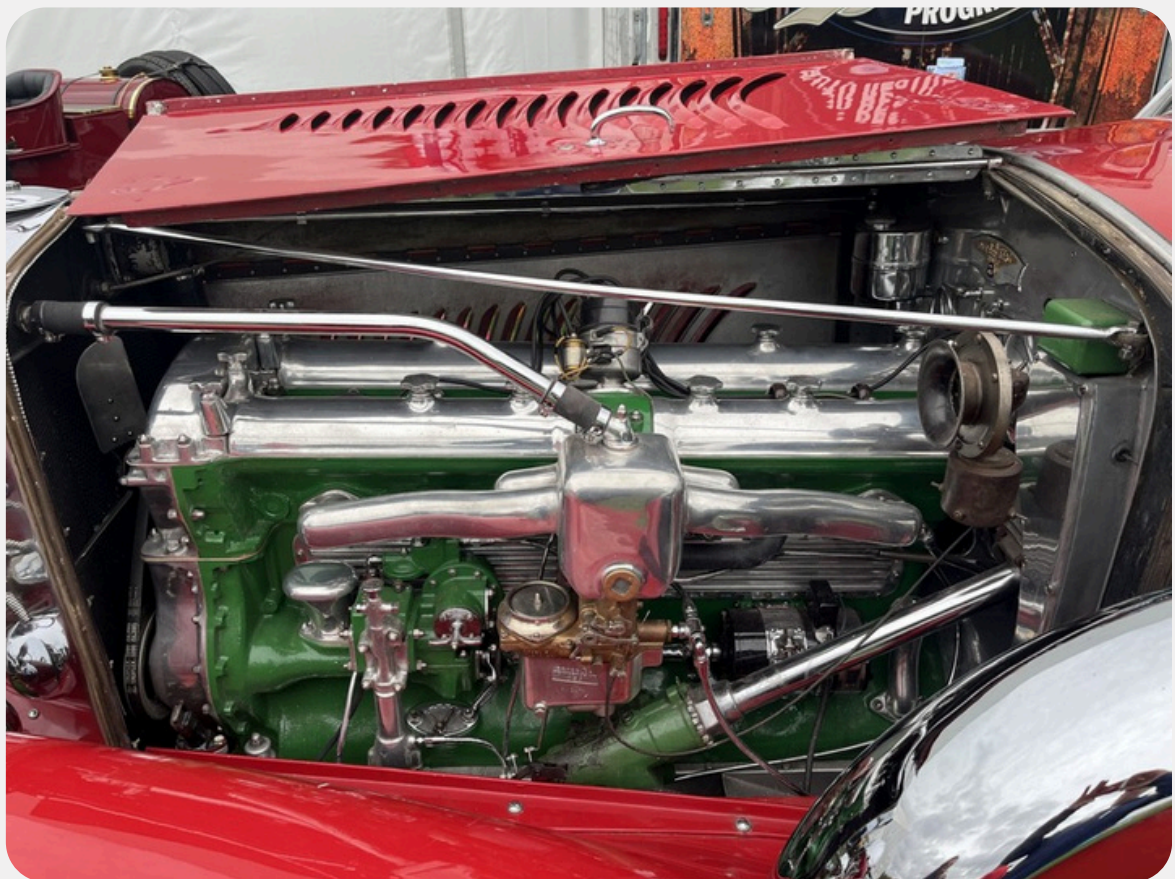
Thank You, Rick

Concours D'Elegance – 2025

By Rick Wasserback



The Concours D'Elegance 2025 featured CORVETTE as the marque for the 2025 show at the Farmington Polo Club. Unique cars of all ages and styles were on display with Club Corvette of Connecticut well represented with 3 Corvettes entered in the competition. Grant Sanborn's beautifully restored 1966 silver coupe was recognized as was Bob Boutot's 1963 split window, fuelie Corvette. Also on display was Tony Ferranti's 2015 customized and beautiful yellow C7. Irwin Kroiz, one of the nicest and friendliest people you will ever meet is the proud owner of the #3 Corvette that raced at Le Mans in the 1960 winning it's class and finishing 8th overall. This was the car restored by Chip and Lance Miller and featured in the movie "The Quest" that premiered in Carlisle Pa. I first met Irwin in 2017 at Corvettes at Carlisle where his 1967 L88 was on display as they honored the 50th anniversary of these high horsepower variants of the Corvette, produced primarily for racing. There were only 20 L88's sold in 1967 Irwin's was the only black model and #20 of 20 produced.



Thompson Motor Sports Park – Oct. 2025

Darryl DelGiudice once again hosted a track day at Thompson Motorsports Park in October. Newcomers to the track were John Mannello with his C7 and Mike Moskowicz with his C8. Darryl is the perfect host, helping those tracking for their first time with a tire pressure check, tighten lug nuts, instruction of what to do, and what not to do on the track as well as a host of snacks for all to enjoy. Darryl and Bob Sicuranza are veterans and both know their way around a race track, sharing their expertise is critical to those tracking for the first time. Darryl also led our group on 3 parade laps – top speed 60 mph and a pit stop after each lap to ensure that no one would lag behind the group and speed up on the straight away .

Somehow I think the pit stop was meant for me as I plead guilty letting the cars in front get and then stomping on the accelerator on the straight away. Thanks, Darryl!



Track days recap Fall 2025

By Darryl DelGiudice

October 6th at Thompson:

Bob Sicuranza, Mike Moskowitz, John Mannello, and I tracked our cars at Thompson Speedway with an organization called "MassTuning". The focus is safety and fun. Weather was fantastic, sunny and temperatures in the sixties.

Many additional members drove up to spectate and participate in parade laps. We really appreciate everyone who came up to show their support. Mike Moskowitz and John Mannello tried tracking for their first time and both had an in car instructor with them providing with instruction and coaching.

October 18th at Pocono Speedway:

John Mader, Bob Sicuranza, and I tracked to Pocono Speedway in Pennsylvania. This is the same 2.5 mile super speedway that NASCAR races on. For this track day we tracked on the 4.2 mile mega course. This course utilizes the 7/8 of a mile front stretch straight away going high speed through turn one of the speedway before turning left into the first road course portion. The first time out on the track was eye opening and a little bit intimidating. You are flying down the front stretch full throttle at 130 mph to 140 mph before letting off and entering turn one of the speedway. When you enter turn one it is banked 14 degrees and the turn looks like it goes on forever. What a thrill! We can't wait to go back.

October 24 - 26th at Watkins Glen International:

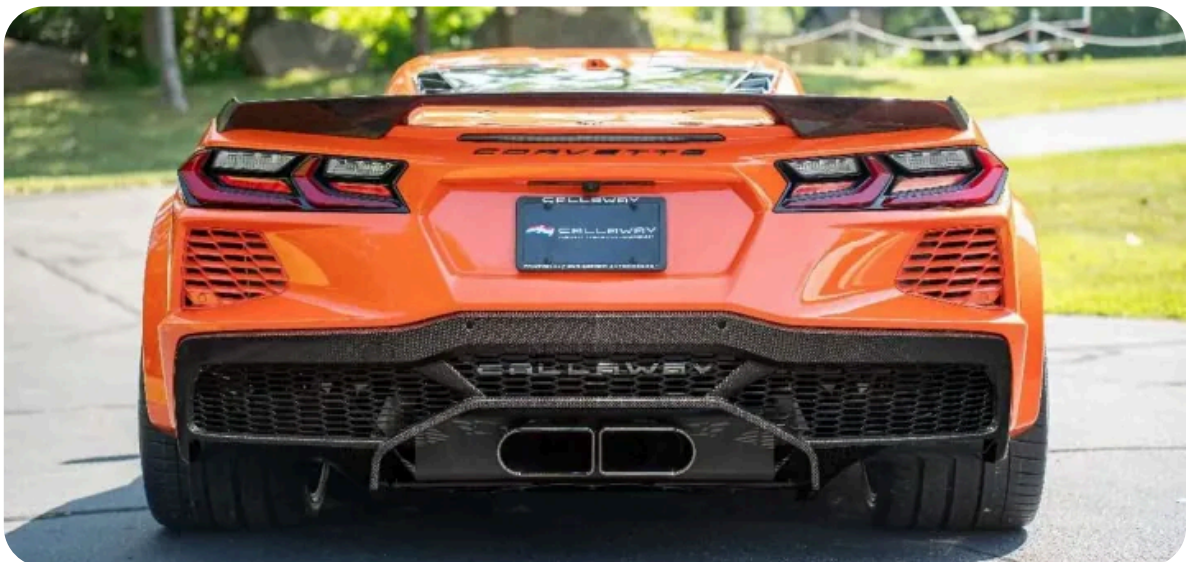
Bob Sicuranza, David Jutcawitz, and I tracked Friday and Saturday. John Mader tracked on Sunday. This track is a classic road course. Formula One raced here in from 1970- to 1981. NASCAR still races here. This track is 3.4 miles long with a variety of turns, straight ways, and elevation changes. A really fun high speed track where you can hit 140 mph going up the hill onto the longest straight away before going into the bus stop chicane. On Friday and Saturday we had a couple rain showers so we were able to experience some wet, damp, slick track conditions. Challenging but fun. With the help of Mike Dansereau we will be able to share some in car PDR video before our November membership meeting starts. Thank you Mike. Next track day is back to Thompson on Friday November 14th. This is our last track day of the year. We will rent a garage and provide heaters. If you are thinking about trying it out Thompson is a great place to start. Parade laps again during the lunch break. Please come up and check it out.

Callaway and Holley partnering up, bringing heavy horsepower to heavy Chevys

By Billy Yoxall

It looks like the “V” in GM’s SUVs stands for Vette. Any diehard fan of America’s sports car knows the name Callaway, and the legendary machines (bearing that name with dual exhaust). While Callaway has branched out quite a bit since the days of the Sledgehammer, the Corvette remains their preeminent hot rod. Holley Performance Products is another hallowed name in the world of V-8 power, making go-fast parts for almost everything on four wheels. You may not know, but Holley is much larger than the name itself. It’s harder to name an aftermarket brand that Holley doesn't own.

Callaway has historically offered OEM-level quality, with ordering integrated directly with some GM dealerships. The partnership aims to expand Callaway’s offerings to a wider range of vehicles, with a focus on GM’s SUV and truck offerings. Callaway’s products are engineered with the highest quality in the industry and with the backing of an industry giant there’s an exciting future ahead. Callaway is building a new Performance Center in Bowling Green, home to both Holley and the Corvette factory and museum. Callaway will be responsible for furthering integration with dealers, with Holley managing direct-to-consumer sales.



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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



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.

2026 Arctic White Corvette Coupe

Price: \$150.00

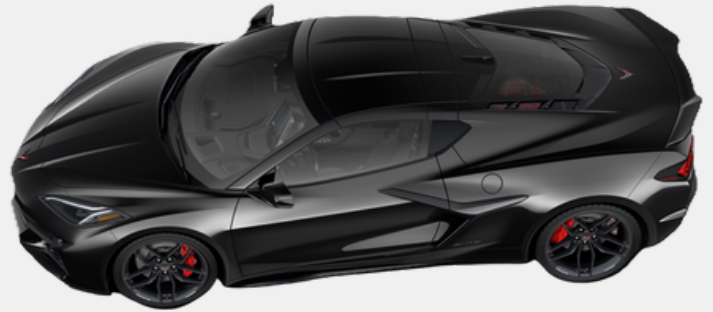
Drawing: November 20, 2025 2:00 PM
Central Time



2026 Black Z06 Coupe

Price: \$300.00

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



2026 Red Mist Corvette Convertible

Price: \$100.00

Drawing: January 22, 2026 2:00 PM
Central Time



2026 Torch Red Corvette Coupe

Price: \$20.00

Drawing: April 25, 2026 2:00 PM Central
Time





Happy Birthday!

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Sally Dowling 11/06
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Les Browne 11/09
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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.

Features Custom Modifications for Racing.

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Seller's Note: Odometer not working. Vehicle has approximately 130,000 miles. Asking \$6,999 or Best Offer

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