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Cover photo - William Nolan & Mary Pittman's 2003 C5 Coupe

Membership Meeting Location and CTV Sponsor

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CALENDAR

Space constraints mean it is not always possible to show everything on this calendar. Please check the [website](http://www.cowtownvettes.org) in addition!!!

May 2017

NATIONAL BARBECUE MONTH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 <i>* Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm</i>	6 <i>* NKF WALK Levitt Pavilion at 8:30 am</i>
7	8	9	10	11	12 <i>Red River Cruise Fri thru Sun 12th-14th</i>	13 NCCC NTV/TOCC HS Events at Hallett (Tulsa)
14 NCCC NTV/TOCC HS Events at Hallett (Tulsa)	15 Peace Officers Memorial Day	16	17 Board Meeting ----- Lowdown Deadline	18	19	20 <i>* Cruise to Revolver Brewery</i>
21	22	23	24	25 Ascension Day	26	27 NCCC OCCC/CCOC LS Events in OKC
28 NCCC OCCC/CCOC Drag Events in Noble, OK	29 <i>Memorial Day Whit Monday Nat'l Missing Children Day</i>	30	31			

June 2017

ACCORDION AWARENESS MONTH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 <i>* Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm</i>	3 <i>* NCCC CTV Spring Scramble @ Fat Daddies</i>
4 Hug Your Cat Day	5	6 D Day	7	8 TMS Racing Events	9 TMS Racing Events	10 TMS Racing Events
11	12	13 <i>Volunteer at Tarrant Area Food Bank</i>	14 Flag Day	15 Corpus Christi Day	16	17
18	19	20 American Eagle Day	21 Board Meeting ----- Lowdown Deadline	22	23 <i>National Drive Your Corvette to Work Day</i>	24 NCCC OCCC CCOC LS Autocross in OKC
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Bold italic type denotes CTV events

** Denotes required attendance and participation for 100%er Award eligibility
♦ Members attending these Events receive 100%er credit in lieu of Cowtown Events*



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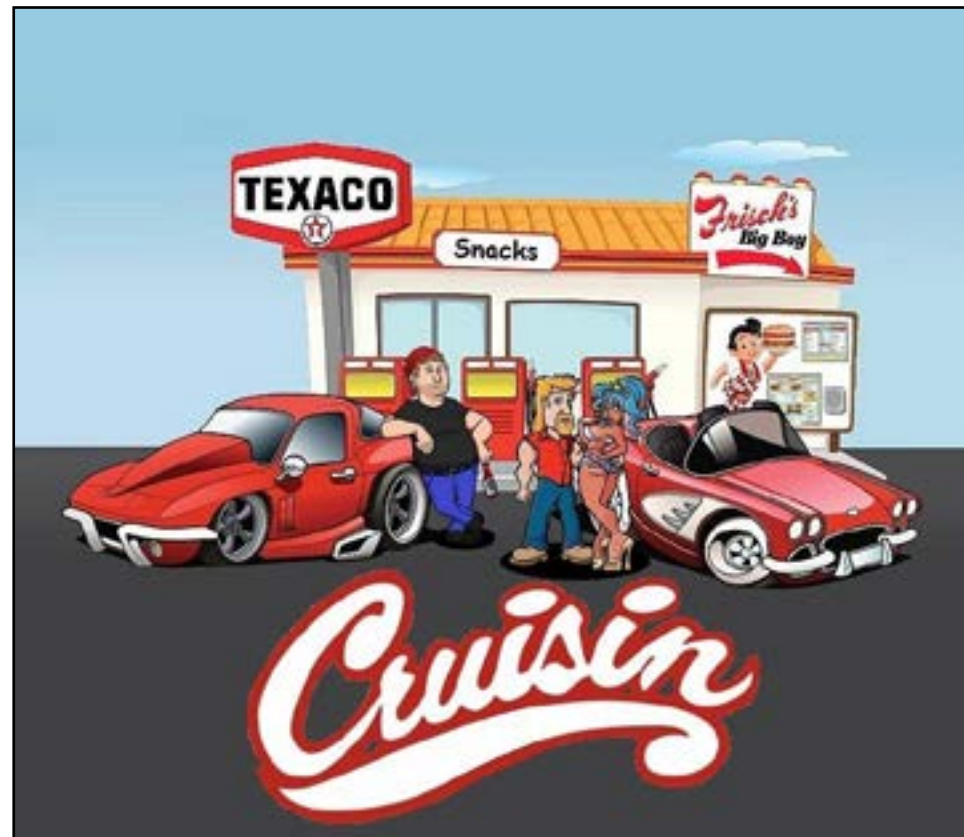
Hello Cowtown Members,

It was another great turnout for our April Meeting and I truly do appreciate everyone who took time out of their busy schedules to come enjoy the fellowship of our Club. Last Month was a very busy time for our club, and I thank you on behalf of all our Committee Chairs for helping make our events so special. You make, as members, such a difference for our Club to prosper and enable us to do more events in which we can enjoy driving and showing off these amazing cars that we have the pleasure of owning. As President I can't be



more proud of all of you. This Month has more ways to go out and support our Community with the NKF walk and show our support. Check out our amazing Website for upcoming events as it is a priceless tool to see what's ahead for us all to go out and enjoy life together. Love you guys and GOD bless you all.

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VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



MAY

There are two 100%er opportunities in May. The first is the **National Kidney Foundation** walk on **May 6th at Levitt Pavilion in Arlington, 100 W. Abrams St.** Registration begins at 8:00 am and the walk at 9:00 am. Logon to the CTV website and click the NKF logo to join Team Corvettes for NKF. There is no registration fee, however each registrant is asked to fundraise. Normally CTV members go

eat breakfast together after the walk.

The second 100%er is on **May 20th**, with a cruise led by William Nolan and Mary Pittman to the **Revolver Brewery in Granbury**. There will be live music, and you will be able to bring in food and drink but no alcohol. Food will also be available for purchase. Cost is \$10.00 per person (whether you intend to drink the beer or not) which entitles you to four beers and a souvenir glass. The 100%er event will end at 3:00, when the brewery closes. After that time everyone is free to leave or hang around until 5:00 and meet at **Garcia's Mexican** restaurant for dinner (<http://garciasgrillandcantina.com>). If you wish to stay, you can visit the old time square of Granbury, visit one of the wineries in the area or hang out on the Clark's patio by the lake until time for dinner. Deadline for signing up is **May 13th** for both the brewery and dinner later that day.

May 12th - 14th will be the cruise to **Red River Army Depot** led by Gary and Gwynne Hanna. We will depart at 8:30 Friday morning, stop for lunch, and later, stop at the Sweet Shop. Please contact Gary or Gwynne Hanna for details.

JUNE

The 100%er for June is the **6th Annual Spring Scramble at Fat Daddy's Sports and Spirits Café, 781 West Debbie Lane, Mansfield, TX.** The date is **June 3rd**. This is an NCCC sanctioned event. It is always been a fun event and starts with a Car Show at 10 AM. While the car show is going on, you can participate in the Funkhana in the parking lot at 11 AM. The Funkhana is a series of tasks, usually based around a theme that you perform with a partner working for the fastest time. It is a test of team work, skill, and your sense of humor. More info on funkhanas can be found at <http://www.funkhana.com/>. The last events of the day are two rallies, run simultaneously, departing at 1PM. More information on the Spring Scramble and registration info is available elsewhere in the newsletter and on the website. Lunch is not included, but Fat Daddy's will be open all during the event for your dining pleasure. In order to get 100%er credit, you must participate as a volunteer or an entrant in one or more events. These events are a lot of fun, so plan to come out and participate.

As an extra event in June a trip to visit the **Magnolia Market in Waco** is being planned. (For anyone not familiar with HGTV, the Magnolia Market is a home decorating store owned by Chip and Joanna Gaines of the TV show "Fixer Upper", <https://shop.magnoliemarket.com/>.) This trip will probably take place on a week-day because Magnolia Market is so popular that it is very crowded on Saturdays. More info to come later.

Got any questions?
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None that did not join this month



- 05/01 - Glenda Mc Mahan
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- 05/04 - Gary Hanna
- 05/04 - John Williams
- 05/05 - George Aggas
- 05/08 - Sylvia Hoaldridge
- 05/11 - Elaine King
- 05/14 - Debra Bond
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- 05/30 - Neal Seidner
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- 05/06 - Don & Kathy Segreti
- 05/07 - Bob & Jo Smith
- 05/14 - Jack & Karla Gandy
- 05/15 - Jason & Rebecca Blocker
- 05/15 - Keith & Carol Hunten
- 05/15 - Robbie & Carla Schneider
- 05/19 - Bill & Jane Buehler
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2017 continues at a race pace ...with new events being posted weekly. The latest postings are the **Pickle Parade, NCCC Practice Drags, NCCC Event in Waco & Vettes & Vines**. Thanks this month to **Robert Geyer, Doc Lambert, Raley Smith, Phyllis Crim & Carol Savage** who provided photos for our webpages; along with our photos. The last half of April and May are back-to-back events so look for a lot of new event webpages this next month; hopefully we will see you at many of the events.

Cowtown's New Website: this is still being targeted for the mid-to-late May timeframe.

Be sure to grab that camera when you head out in your Corvette; if you forget it – most will have a smartphone. Regardless what type of event – you never know when you might capture a once in a lifetime shot. We can always use more and different styles / views of high-resolution photos for our website & newsletter. Please try to take your photos in the largest format your smartphone / camera offers. Hint: smartphone / tablet photos are marginal – unless you set the camera to its highest resolution. For any photo you provide, I resize them for use on the web along with a larger format for the Low-Down and the slideshows at our membership meetings. Recognition is also provided to the photographer on each of their photos. Who knows, you might also capture that once-in-a-lifetime awesome “what you saw along the way” photo for the annual Cruiser Photo Contest.

Social Media: The webmaster also heads up the Social Media committee; one that you can get involved. Regardless if you just like to proof items, post on Facebook, etc. I'd invite you to contact me to join in. I know lots of you have Facebook accounts and post all the time. When you post a club or NCCC event, don't forget to tag Cowtown Vettes with the post or photo, regardless if you are

on this committee or not. Once a year or so, we like to share our acceptable use of the email distribution lists, it can be found at: <http://cowtownvettes.org/misc/eMailLists.html>.

There are a couple of dozen email distribution lists which are maintained by the webmaster; beyond the all member list (CTV-ALL) and the officer list (CTV-EO). If you have questions around the distribution lists, getting yourself added to any specific one, etc. then please get in touch with me.

If you change your email address, mailing address, your Vettes, etc., please let membership know so that your information can be updated. If by chance you are not receiving the CTV-All emails then your correct email address must not be in the system; contact us. Send all email and address updates to: ctv-membership@yahoo.com. When you are added to a list, you will receive an email asking you to confirm and join – you **MUST** accept this in order to be confirmed into the distribution list; the invite (from yahoogroups) will eventually time-out as well so don't delay.

Please don't hesitate to shout if you have suggestions, questions or comments about your Club's website, Facebook account or eMail distribution lists. Likewise if you find any pages that have issues or if there is something you would like to see or things you dislike; after all this is **YOUR** website and I am *only the caretaker of the website*.

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COWTOWN CRUISER



Spring has sprung and what better way to enjoy it than by taking your Corvette out for a spin!!! Whether you own a coupe or a convertible you can enjoy cruising with the “top” off or down! So pick out a pretty day and get out and see our area! There is so much to see when you venture off the interstate and check out some of the back roads in our great state.

If you are new to the cruiser program, one of the best ways to add up some cruiser points is by including a historical marker in your photo....there's an app for that....most Texas courthouses have historical markers located on their property....hence a point for the county name and an extra point for the historical marker with the county name! Another bonus at quite a few Texas county courthouses are veterans memorials, so you have an opportunity to fill up that category also. Additionally, don't forget to snap a cruiser picture at club sponsored events such as at social functions or our 100%er activities, TMS Speedway Weekend or the Corvette Car Show. If you have any questions about how the cruiser program works after you have read the rules and instructions, please don't hesitate to ask....you can send us an email or bring your questions to the meeting.

The next organized cruises are coming up in May. Gwynne and Gary Hanna will be taking another group to the Red River Army Depot near Texarkana on May 12 - 14. It is a peaceful setting with cabins set back in the woods and according to Gwynne, “What happens at Red River, stays at Red River”. She promises this trip will be a little more laid back than last year with a little more time to enjoy visiting and the scenery. Our second cruise in May has been planned by Becky Clark as the 100%er for the month of May. William Nolan will be leading this cruise through the backroads of Johnson and Hood counties to Revolver Brewery in Acton, Texas. We will gather at the parking lot at Texas Health Burleson to depart for this cruise. Becky will have details at the May meeting and as always the latest info will be available on Cowtown's award winning website.

The only other organized cruise that is currently in the works is the “Wild Horse Convention Cruise” to Bowling Green, Kentucky in August for NCCC



Convention attendees. Doug and Glenda McMahan will be leading this cruise and if you have ever been on one of their cruises you know it is always a treat... well planned and executed!

As always we are still looking for anyone who would like to sponsor and lead a cruise for the club. So, if you have a favorite backroad, great restaurant or fun location share it with the club.

Finally, remember to be watching for an interesting location to photograph your Corvette for the “What I Saw Along the Way” photo contest. I know quite a few of you have wonderful cameras and take great pictures, but sometimes there is that spontaneous moment that you can capture on your cell phone that is just as special. Any club member is eligible to submit photos for this contest. Club members will vote for the winning entry at the November club meeting.

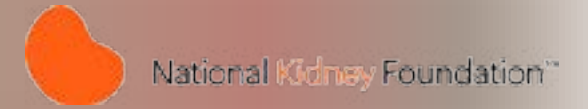
GET CRUISING!!!

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Spaghetti, Psychedelic Leaves, and a Dragon Tail

Late September 2016 Jerry and I began our first road trip in our 2015 red Corvette Stingray. We had driven it to Houston and Florida to visit family, and on a couple of club cruises, but this was the first time the actual drive was the main focus of the trip. Jerry laid out the itinerary and had to drive the whole way as I don't drive a stick shift; my job was to document the adventure by camera.

The first day we drove to Memphis via highway, snagging a parking place on the corner of Beale Street. We strolled along soaking in the music, smells of food, and chatter of visitors. We ate at local favorite Central BBQ, walked by the old Gibson Guitar plant and Elvis statue. We then traveled an hour more down the highway before crashing for the night, with a "big day" ahead tomorrow.

Day two Jerry drove as fast as the law allowed (and then some) to Bowling Green so we could have lunch at the Corvette Museum Diner. The food was ho-hum, but our dessert was an afternoon in the museum. We Oooh-ed



and Aah-ed over the vintage cars, read every placard and sign, and were delighted to see CTV represented in the clubs display. We stood in silence by the carcasses of cars that were lost in the sink hole. And I did some Christmas shopping at the Museum store. Next was a drive and stroll around Bowling Green square, and fascinating chat with a fellow who ran a handmade candle business and B & B. He laughed when we asked for a referral to a local place for dinner; "We're kinda backwoods here, so nothin's open Sunday night". So we ended up at Jerry's fav – Chuy's. We were up early the next morning to pack and get to the 8:30am plant tour. There were more ooohs and aaahs as we watched how America's sports car is built. We had a 43 year plant retiree as our guide who gave us inside details of life on the line. And we got to watch a Vette "being born"

– heard its first vroom as it came off the assembly line. Jerry grinned as we walked out: "The best part about this tour is driving way in one".

Now I must explain here that Jerry named the command/nav system in his car Britney, because she doesn't listen well and is kinda stupid sometimes. In contrast to her technology, I am old school and travel with a map handy. According to said map the beautiful highway now taking us east, cut through rocky hills, should have taken us almost to our destination just across the West Virginia border. However as we reached eastern Kentucky, Britney started directing us to take the next exit. Soon we found the highway was shut down, beginning a twist and turn route through the back country. On a road best described as a bowl of tossed spaghetti, with hairpin curves, bottomless ravines, and way too narrow to pass jacked-up pickups, we inched our way up and down, around and around. I swear I heard a banjo playing as we passed broken down mobile homes and shacks. Jerry's white knuckles and my constant scanning of the map made for a tense hour. We finally hit a highway, I found us on the map, and we cruised into Williamson, West Virginia.

You history trivia buffs know this is as the epicenter of the Hatfield's and McCoy's feud. The elegant old town overlooking a river has a quaint downtown and historic Mountaineer Hotel where Eleanor Roosevelt, Benny James, and other less know celebs have stayed. After a restful night and best omelet I've ever had, we hit the road again. More winding trails, this time accented with heavy fog, provided a surreal but beautiful drive. Now I guess I'm naïve, but I always thought Loretta Lynn and the like were exaggerating their speech. No.....they really talk like

Spaghetti, Psychedelic Leaves, and a Dragon Tail (cont)

that there! We stopped at a gas station to use the restroom, only to be told "Theys un athe Dar Queeeen".

We rolled onto the Virginia Tech campus in time for lunch. As Jerry is a proud alum, we stopped for photos of him in his red toy, and ducked into the campus store to stock up on t-shirts and window stickers. Then we ventured on to Union Hall, VA where Jerry's dad and stepmom live. After three nights in so many motels, I was happy to settle into the La Quinta for two whole nights. We visited Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest Retreat, then spent half the night in the ER as stepmom fell hitting her head. The next day the "boys" made a pilgrimage to Krispy Kreme before we hit the road again.



We entered The Blue Ridge Parkway at Roanoke, VA, following its soft undulating road with breathtaking views. Its name comes from the blue tint of distant peaks, and we saw plenty of those along with valleys filled with farms and tiny towns. One downside, there is no cell service as the Parks Department

won't allow towers to ruin the view. So we were "off the grid" for two days. We spent the night at a cabin inn next to a small lake recently purchased by a retired computer specialist. Early the next morning we were on our way pausing for a photo op next to a stone bridge. We stumbled onto a "Mountain Music" museum, chronicling the history of Bluegrass and Hillbilly music. Stopping for cold cut sandwiches at a general store/tourist trap yielded me another shopping opportunity (remember Christmas was just around the corner). And all along the way the trees were glorious shades of yellow, gold, orange, and red. The further south we ventured the more brilliant they became. As we cruised into North Carolina, the roadside views were almost psychedelic in their brilliance. Jerry had a permanent grin on his face as we glided in and out of stone lined tunnels and weaved between stands of fire colored trees.

Just south of Asheville, NC, The Blue Ridge Parkway turns northwest, ending just shy of the Smoky Mountains and Tennessee border. Now I understand why the mountains are called that – they seemed to be smoldering with purple and blue haze. We continued on to Bryson City near Fontana Lake and the Cherokee Indian Reservation. We stayed in an iconic 1940's motor court motel, recently bought by a chatty 20-something native. We walked downtown, dining on Italian prepared by the South American owner/chef. I found our room more kitschy than comfortable, so the next morning dawned to an achy back and taking turns in the postage stamp sized bathroom.

But for Jerry, it was like Christmas morning to a six year old. We headed toward Fontana Village – home of The Tail of the Dragon - eleven miles with 318 curves, many of which are hairpin, on the edge of the mountain. A race painted Carrera saw us grab a photo at the start and quickly fell in behind us almost kissing our bumper as we wiggled our way up and around. White knuckled, but with a grin as big as Texas, Jerry deftly navigated the route. Days later he told me his only regret of the trip was not waiting a bit and driving the thing again before we left. But we had many miles ahead of us to get home. So we found a local "best hamburger" roadside shack for a greasy lunch, and headed south.

The rest of the trip home was generic highways and motels, although I always enjoy crossing the majestic Mississippi River. But the memories are etched in our minds, and hundreds of photos. It was definitely a trip which reminded us why we own a Vette.

Phyllis Crim

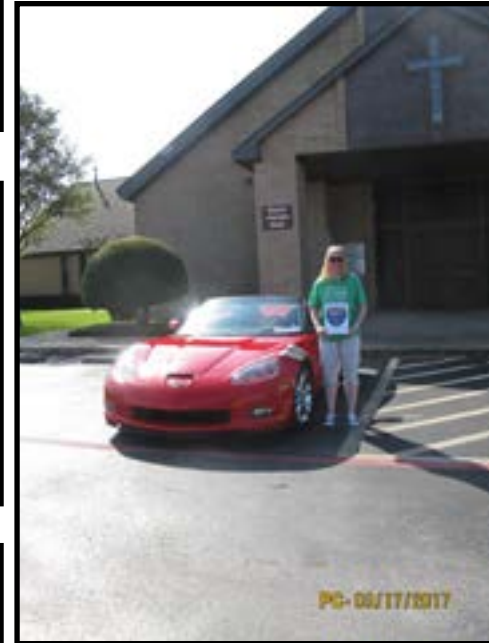
NCCC PRACTICE AUTOCROSS

March 18th 2017
Burleson HS Parking Lot



PICKLE PARADE

March 18th 2017
Mansfield, TX



NCCC PRACTICE DRAGS

March 19th 2017



NCCC AUTOCROSS

April 1st 2017
Waco, TX





Kidney Walk

Raise Money to Fight Kidney Disease



LOVE YOUR KIDNEYS...

Please join me and your fellow CTV members for a stroll thru UT Arlington on Saturday, May 6, at 9:00 AM for the 2017 Dallas/Fort Worth Kidney Walk. Your participation helps promote awareness of kidney disease.

PARKING LOCATIONS can be found on the map on Cowtown Vettes' website.

Check-in begins at 8:00 AM. Join Team Corvettes for NKF members at The Levitt Pavilion at 8:30 AM, 101 W. Abram (3 blocks east of Cooper). ROUTE MAPS (2.9 MI & 1.08 MI) can be found on Cowtown Vettes' website.

No registration fee is required to participate in the Walk. However, if you wish to register online and/or make donations, \$100 will get you a Kidney Walk t-shirt. If you wish to do this, I'd be happy to bring your Walk t-shirt to you at the May 5th CTV membership meeting.

After the Walk, we will determine where to eat Breakfast/Lunch.

NOTE: You will have another opportunity to purchase your 50/50 chances on Friday, April 28, at TMS. A ticket will be drawn and announced at the Saturday morning drivers' meeting for a \$25 Subway gift card. Additional 50/50 chances will be sold at TMS Registration during the day Saturday and again Saturday evening at the NKF Silent Auction table in the lobby of the Hampton Inn & Suites before and during Saturday night's festivities.

Remember: "A short walk can help someone take a lifesaving step."

Thank you.

Sylvia Hoaldrige,
Team Captain, Corvettes for NKF

- No. 10 - It doesn't rust
- No. 9 - You have to have one to be in the club
- No. 8 - Proven to be the production car with the most horsepower per dollar
- No. 7 - It's a Hybrid - it burns gas and rubber
- No. 6 - You can pull up to a Kia and say "Ha, ha!"
- No. 5 - It's **America's Sports Car**
- No. 4 - Don Wells might give you a discount on a new one (or not)
- No. 3 - It's a two-seater - no kids can ride along
- No. 2 - Chicks dig it

And the Number 1 reason to buy a Corvette -

It's the only legitimate way you can say,

"WRAP YOUR ASS IN FIBERGLASS!"





This month I decided to write an editorial rather than the usual news article about the National Corvette Museum. The main reason for this is simply because I have covered most of the upcoming activities at the museum in recent columns. Please consider that this is only my opinion, and does not necessarily reflect the view of the Cowtown Corvettes or The National Corvette Museum.

There are many museums all over the US and they cover just about every genre you can imagine. So what is the big deal about the National Corvette Museum and why do fanatics like me support it? Let me just say for me, it is personal. I have told the whole story in this column in the past so I will spare the details and just give you the "Cliff Notes" version. (some of our younger members are probably thinking what in the heck is this Cliff Notes stuff ?) About 15 years ago, Cindy and I were in Bowling Green Kentucky to attend a college basketball tournament, and we heard that the Corvette Factory and the National Corvette Museum were also in Bowling Green, so we thought "why not visit while we were there?" I had always wanted to buy a Corvette but for me the visit to the museum was the straw that broke the camel's back. We were clearly inspired and wanted to be part of this community and enjoy the style and performance that Corvette had to offer. It was not long after this that we purchased our first Corvette, a C4. If you have never visited the museum, it is one of the only parking lots that I know of that offers special "Corvette parking" in addition to the handicapped spots. It was a proud moment when I first drove my old C5 and took my place in the Corvette parking line. I could have parked anywhere and it would not have mattered, but having a special parking place gave me the feeling that the NCM really appreciated us owners and I felt very welcome there.

This is what a lot of people who have never visited the museum do not seem to understand. The NCM is much more than a car museum, it is the "mother church" of the Corvette Community. Visiting the museum is akin to going home for a class reunion. The museum is a special place that hosts many visitors every year, but they clearly treat Corvette owners as family and you always feel welcome there. I hope the museum never gets so big that it forgets how to treat Corvette owners who have supported it for so many years.

Many of you will visit the museum this year for the NCCC National Convention. If this is your first time to visit, it will be a nice time to see the exhibits and view the new motor park. You will not however get the opportunity to participate in the activities that normally occur at a Museum sponsored events. I would encourage you to consider attending one of these events in 2018. I guarantee you will have a good time cruising the roads of Kentucky and visiting with Corvette owners from all over the USA.



Anyway, to close this out, I would like to invite anyone who has never been to the NCM to visit and become members. The family membership is only \$100.00 for the 1st year, then \$50.00 a year to renew. This entitles a member to visit the museum unlimited times, gives member discounts on merchandise and lower costs registration for the events.

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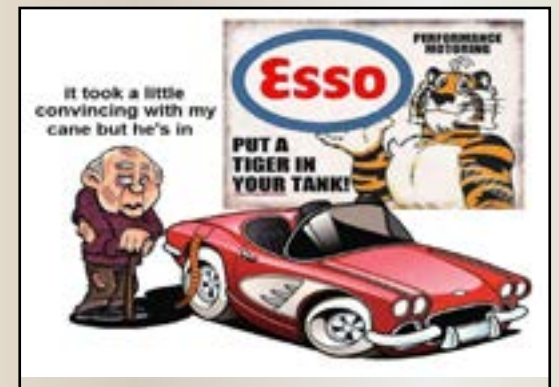


The Super Speedway Weekend at Texas Motor Speedway was 04/29-30/2017. This is CTV's big autocross event and we had participants coming long distances to race at TMS. Thanks again to the many CTV members who worked hard to put this event on and to those who came out and participated. These events take a lot of effort to make happen and I for one am very proud of the support the CTV members supply to make events like this successful. Our goal for this event was 61 participants and at the time this article was being written we had 59 racers signed up with a little over one week still to go before the event.

If you have questions about NCCC, our events, or competing in events please contact me, Doug or our NCCC Governor Glenda.

2017 NCCC Event Dates:

- **Sat. June 3, 2017** – Corvette Scramble at Fat Daddy's in Mansfield
- **Sat. & Sun. November 18-19, 2017** – Auto-cross Scramble in Mineral Wells, TX
- **Other 2017 NCCC SWR** Event dates can be found on the SWR Schedule



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SW Region Clubs

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Granbury, TX • SW-540

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Waco, TX • SW-200

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Oklahoma City, OK • SW-468

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OF SOUTH TEXAS (COAST)**
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Fort Worth, TX • SW-055

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Santa Fe, TX • SW-392

TULSA VETTE SET (TVS)
Tulsa, OK • SW-248



2017 SWR COMPETITION SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	CLUB
05/05-06	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
05/13-14	Hallett, OK	Hallett Motor Racing Circuit - Oklahoma Thunder NOTE: No Hi-Speed Driving School on Friday this year 7 High-Speed Events ◊ 7? High-Speed Events ◊	THT TOCC
05/27-28	Edmund, OK Noble, OK	Edmund Fire Academy - 48th Annual Southern States Corvette Festival 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊ Thunder Valley in Noble 3 Drag Events - MT, Record & ET ◊	OCCC
06/01	Your Club	Nat'l Website Contest - Entry Deadline	Nat'l
06/03	Mansfield, TX	Fat Daddy's Bar & Grill Spring Scramble , Car Show, Funkhana & 2 Rallyes ◊	CTV (BRCC / CCT)
06/24-25	OKC, OK	Edmund Fire Academy 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊ 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊	TVS SCCC
7/?-8/?	Your Club	Nat'l Club Website Contest - Judging takes place	Nat'l
08/12-13	Waco, TX	14 Low-Speed Autocrosses	TCCC
	TBD	3rd SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 7 PM @ TBD	SWR
8/21-25	Bowling Green, KY	NATIONAL CONVENTION 2017 NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
08/25	Omaha, NE	National Club Newsletter & Website Contest Winners Announced	Nat'l
09/02-03	Mineral Wells	Mineral Wells Heliport 10 Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊	TOCC
09/08-09	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
09/16-17	Kyle, TX	TBD 10 Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊	LCC
9/30-10/1	Edmund, OK	Edmund Fire Academy 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊ 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊	CCOC TVS SCCC
10/07-08	TBD	Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊	CMCT
10/21-22	Edmund, OK Noble, OK	Edmund Fire Academy 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊ Thunder Valley in Noble 3 Drag Events - MT, Record & ET ◊	COAST
11/05-06	TBD	10 Low-Speed Autocross Events ◊	LCC
11/10-11	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l

Complete schedule and flyers for these events can be found at
<http://www.ncccsregion.org/schedule.html>

NCCC GOVERNOR



April showers bring May flowers! The first competition event started April 1-2 and had one beautiful day and one very stormy day. Most people left Sunday but a few faithful autocrossers stayed and got some quick (very quick 15 second) runs in the afternoon. This was a new venue at Baylor University Stadium parking lot and was a great fun place to autocross. They plan on being back at the location at the end of summer; August. This is not far from home so if you are interested come check it out or just drive down and watch the fun! Don't forget you can earn Cruiser Points even if just attending an NCCC event.

On the schedule (April 22) was Texas Outlaws Corvette Club event however it was canceled due to low registrations. Sorry to hear that for their 40th anniversary along with it being a non-racing event.

Texas Motor Speedway event, Cowtown's premier event, was the last event of the month. Rain in the forecast! As of this writing, we have yet to see how the weekend shakes out. It will be a great event rain or shine. Our fellow NCCC members will have a great time as always. More details next month on this event.

May brings two events in Oklahoma. May 13-14 is Hallett Motor Racing Circuit for the only high speed event in the Southwest Region. Great 1.7 mile track, lots of fun but you must have a high speed license to compete in this event. The end of the month on Memorial Day weekend is all about speed again, but on the drag strip in Noble, OK on Sunday. The Saturday (May 27th) is 7 low-speed autocross events at the Edmond Fire Training Center. If you enjoy drag racing, come see what your Vette will do or just drive up to watch and gain some cruiser points.



The standings are as follows for the Southwest Region:

- #1 – Norman Walker – also #6 Nationally
- #3 – Doc Lambert
- #9 – Larry Schaapveld

Women:

- #4 – Glenda McMahan
- #8 – Cathy Anthony

Remember to check out the website national and regional for scholarship requirements for NCCC benefits for anyone that might be interested.

There is still time to register for National Council of Corvette Clubs convention in Bowling Green, KY. All the details are on the national website, linked from Cowtown's.

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- Caps \$ 7.50
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- Sweatshirts.....\$20.00
(2XL and up slightly higher)
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(2XL and up slightly higher)
- Short Sleeve T-shirts\$13.00
- Men's & Women's Long Sleeve Denim Shirts.....\$25.00
- Polo shirts. All different styles.....\$25.00
(Please note that on all shirt orders, 2XL and up sizes are slightly higher)

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Or if you want a Cowtown logo or a certain year Corvette on one of your own shirts it's only \$5!

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 We also have stickers, patches, koozies, and tumblers *(only two of these left!)*

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Thanks!

Donna Forsythe
 Logo Merchandise Chairperson



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Website: <http://www.corvettesnccc.org/fcoa1.html>




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