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Cover photo - We survived 2020!

#### Membership Meeting Location and CTV Sponsor



1st Wednesday of each month at

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## WHO DOIN' WHAT AN'

Space constraints mean it is not always possible to show everything on this calendar. Please check the website in addition!!!

January 2021 HOT TEA MONTH						ITH
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	<b>Thursday</b>	Friday	<b>Saturday</b>
31					NAPPAR NEW YEAR	2
3	4	5	6 Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Board Meeting	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 Lowdown Deadline	28	29	30

### February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm	4	5	6
7	8	,				13
14	D. S.		Board Meeting			
21	22	23	24 Lowdown Deadline	25	26	27
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**Bold italic** type denotes CTV events

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#### **Committee Chairs 2021**

AUDIT

**Barb Greenfeder: Chairperson** *BarbsC6@sbcglobal.net* 



**CAR SHOW** 

**TBA: Chairperson** 

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**CHARITIES** 

**TBA: Chairperson** 

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**MID-AMERICA** 

**TBD: Chairperson** 

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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S GARAGE



I hope you had a wonderful Christmas with your families and I wish you all a Happy New Year. I'd like to thank you all for allowing me to continue to be your 2021 President and look forward to your continued support.

Our Club was touched in many ways by the Covid 19 Virus this past year, and hopefully, 2021 will be a better year.

Thank you to all of our committee chairs who volunteered this year, they are the reason our club is successful. We still need a Car Show, Charities, and National Corvette Museum Chairs, so if you are interested please give me a call.

The January Board Meeting will be held at Fat Daddy's on Wednesday 20th at 7:00 PM. As always, Board meetings are always open to all members.

#### Have a safe month.



Don Wells President

president@cowtownvettes.org

# Eggs Benedict served on a hubcap because there's no plate like chrome for the hollandaise

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

None

#### VISITORS

None



- 01/03 Diane Young
- 01/10 Stacy Dowdy
- 01/10 David Gill
- 01/11 Don Wells
- 01/13 Becky Clark
- 01/15 William Nolan 01/17 Barb Greenfeder
- 01/17 Red Greenfeder
- 01/18 Larry Schaapveld
- 01/22 William Owens
- 01/23 Yvette Lewis





01/02 Walt & Sharon Zschirnt 01/09 John & Nancy Dick 01/28 Jerry & Debbie Lindsey





Ann Walker

Membership / Welcome Chairperson

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#### **Committee Chairs 2021**

#### NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

TBA : Ambassador

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#### NCCC EVENTS

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#### **WEBMASTER**

As we start 2021...we are all hopeful and grateful that a COVID vaccine is now a reality. As we all wait our turn to be vaccinated let us once again pay tribute to all of those that have taken care of us.

Below is a link to our Website Tribute and if you have family members or yourself to add to our Cowtown Vettes Tribute...please send me info and pictures so I can add them to our website tribute.

Click on pic



While we are working on updating the website for 2021...if you have new car pictures for our Members Car Gallery please send them to me with information about your car.

New members, we want to display and add your car to our Gallery also.

I need all members help in keeping the website current and if you have comments or corrections to make...please send them to me so we can keep our website current and informative to members and visitors.

As we begin to attend events in 2021 please take some pictures and contact me and I will send to you a Dropbox link that you can just drop them in. Or if you prefer you can email them to me.

#### Some Great Web pictures from 2020 Events to Remember:

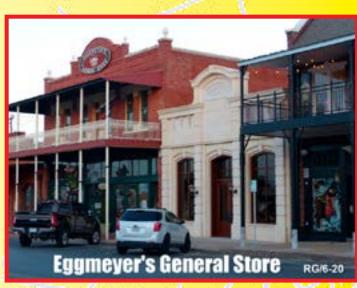


Amazon Tour ... cool little robots



Mardi Gras Party...great food and fun

#### WEBMASTER



San Angelo cruise



Fourth of July Parade



Cranfills Gap Cruise...Horny Toad



Veterans Day Parade

LET'S ALL HAVE A GREAT 2021!

Larry Currey
Webmaster
webmaster@cowtownvettes.org

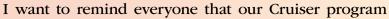
#### **COWTOWN CRUISER**

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Hello all

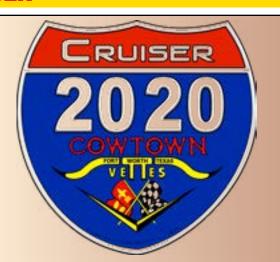
Hope everyone had a great Christmas despite all the issues of this past year. My last

little trip of the year was a drive through the neighborhood of Interlochin to view the many Christmas light displays. I want to thank all those who braved the impossible long line of cars that seemed to never move forward!!! Despite this, I hoped all had a good time.



will be up and running for 2021, so when the weather returns to Spring like conditions take your Vette out of winter hibernation and go find all those cruiser points and let's make 2021 our best cruiser year yet.

Also don't forget to take that 'what I saw along the way picture' as well. That's all for now and I hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and have a great New Year.



Robert Geyer Cruiser Chairperson geyerdrill@aol.com

> David Gill Co-Chairperson

#### SOCIAL & DIGITAL MEDIA



As we start a new year, I'd like to share a few quick notes.

eMail Distribution Lists - several lists are maintained for club use.

- CTV-ALL@groups.io this list is for all active members of Cowtown Vettes. If you are not getting club emails, send an email to CTV-Membership@groups.io. This is the primary media used to disseminate information about things going on in the club. FYI: This list is moderated to eliminate spam emails from everyone's inboxes.
- CTV-EO@groups.io this is only for Club Officers however, if you have something you would like to bring to their attention, as members, you can email to this list.
- CTV-Committees@groups.io this is only for Club Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs if you have something to share, as members, you can email to this list.
- Other distribution lists exist for things like Car Show, NCCC Events, etc. exists, reach out if you need more info.

If you change your email address – please send an email to CTV-Membership@groups.io. More information on lists and acceptable use of them can be found on our website.

**Facebook** – if you are on Facebook and not a "friend" of Cowtown Vettes, members can't include you in tags – to show your non-club member friends all the fun we are having. If you are posting, be sure to tag Cowtown Vettes so it appears on our Facebook news feed.

Doug McMahan Digital & Social Media Chair macsvettes@gmail.com

Note: the club's email distribution lists have been scrubbed of members who did not renew with Cowtown for 2021

# CookChildren's.



National Kidney Foundation"





Thanks again to all the Cowtown Vettes members who supported our Charity Committee activities in 2020. The activities that we voted to participate in - helping at the Tarrant Area Food Bank, working at Cooks Children's Medical Center - were not readily available for hands on participation due to the Covid 19 Virus. We did however have a few members participate in the Cooks Children's Parade of Lights earlier in December and I appreciate those who were able to attend. Also, Gayle Cherry handled the Toys for Tots activity this year and I want to thank her for that. We did not vote to provide financial assistance to Toys for Tots in 2020 but we did ask members to bring toys to the December meeting and December lunch and it looks like we did a great job with that. Gayle and other members delivered the toys to the USMC Toys for Tots drop off location in the Grapevine area.

Even though there was not a lot of physical activity with the Charity Program this year, many of you gave financially, either through donations or the few 50/50 raffles we were able to have, and your kindness and generosity enabled us to meet our budget of \$3160. This budget included monies that the Charity Program normally receives from the October Car Show event and despite not being able to host that activity, you gave enough that those monies were covered as well. As the Charity Committee Chairperson for 2020, I cannot thank you enough. Cowtown Vettes members continue to be supportive of those in need and your generosity is greatly appreciated.

The club is still in need of a Charity Committee Chairperson for 2021 and if interested, please contact Don Wells or me.

Happy New Year to all! Stay safe and do not forget your mask.









#### 10 Things You Didn't Know About Everyday Things

- 1. Most beanies have a big fluffy bobble on the top of it. This was created by French marines who would be stuck in boats for extended amounts of time. The fluffy bobble was added to soften any blow that they head might take from hitting it on the cabin. Smart invention if you ask me.
- 2. Think that those colored lines you see on the toothpaste tube are to identify what kind of toothpaste it is? No, they are merely there for the machine to know where to cut and fold the tube. Moving on...
- 3. Although you thought that those legs on the back of your keyboard were to help your hands from getting messed up like some cool ergonomic use they are not there for that at all. In fact, the hinged legs are really just there for you to see the letters and numbers better. That's it!
- 4. Did you think that diamond shape on the front of your backpack was just there for fashion? No, the purpose is actually for climbers and hikers to be able to attach a rope through the loop to hold it while they did other things.
- 5. The hole on the side of those classic ballpoint pens? It was designed to help the ink flow smoothly. It works by allowing the right amount of airflow into the ink chamber.
- 6. That hole in the middle of your spaghetti spoon? It's not just there to let water through, but actually is specifically there for you to measure one serving of raw spaghetti noodles. This is great because no longer do you have to know how much noodles to cook for your guests.
- 7. Have you ever had a problem getting just one tic tac? But they taste so good, right? Worry no longer! That little spot on the lid was made to catch just one tic-tac when tipped over. Did you know this?
- 8. The headrest in your vehicle? Although the main reason you have this item in your car is pretty obvious. But there is a hidden use for these that you might need to save your life one day. If ever you get into an accident and can't get out of the car take the headrest off of break the window with the metal legs.
- 9. That indent at the bottom of your wine bottle is called the punt. The punt is there to help the bottle stay balanced and able to stand up straight.
- 10. The neck of the beer bottle has a two-fold use. The first use is pretty obvious, it makes it easier to hold. The second is to help keep the beer cold even when you are holding it.

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#### Extracted from:

https://www.dailyfeed.co.uk/2019/02/25-things-you-didnt-know-about-everyday-objects-2-copy/

#### COOK CHILDRENS HOSPITAL PARADE OF LIGHTS















**December 5th 2020 Fort Worth, Texas** 

#### **BBQ Social**



#### **Toys For Tots Delivery**



#### NCCC EVENTS





Happy New Year to All – cheers to great times, thoughts and wishes for an awesome 2021



I'm back ... after some persuasion I have agreed to chair Cowtown's NCCC Events for 2021. We are looking forward to a much better year than 2020, where all of the NCCC (and other) events were cancelled. If you like to organize events, get with me – I could use a co-chair that could learn the ropes and take over in 2022 with me as Co-Chair. One of the most beneficial skill sets is organization -knowledge of NCCC events is helpful; which can be easily learned.

One of Cowtown's biggest needs at these events are Members to help host the events, so we can put on the region's premiere events and to bring in funds to our club. I'd like to add that one of the biggest benefits of being around these events are the life-long friends you gain, many are outside our club. Cowtown's 2021 Event Dates – we invite you to mark your calendar for these fun events.

- Driving Skills Training / Practice Autocross: March 13, 2021 at TCC South Campus, lots 3 & 4. This is a fun time to push your Corvette in a safe environment and to learn how well they handle. It is also a great time to try some of the fun functions, as we shake off the cobwebs from our club trailer & timing equipment.
- 1st Annual Larry Hoaldridge Memorial Event: April 24-25, 2021 this will be our 24th annual autocross event at TMS – consisting of 12 Low-Speed Autocrosses on the infield track at Texas Motor Speedway. Tech is hosted in the garage on Friday evening and we host a dinner on Saturday evening at the hotel. Laps on the oval for participants & workers takes place Sunday morning.
- Spring Scramble: May 15, 2021 at Fat Daddy's in Mansfield consisting of a Car Show, Funkhana and a Gimmick & Chance Rallye.
- Autocross Scramble: September 18-19, 2021 TSTC Airport in Waco consisting of 14 Low-Speed Autocrosses. TSTC is about the same distance for most of us as Mineral Wells (now closed) was – plus this has indoor restrooms and we eat lunch inside the building.

More information on these events, please see information on Cowtown's website or feel free to reach out to me.



#### NCCC GOVERNOR







I hope this finds everyone well, and in good spirits! I know all of you are glad to put 2020 behind us. It was as if the year never happened! Not only were we not able to put on many Cowtown events, we weren't able to have any of our NCCC sanctioned events. In addition, we lost our meeting place because the pandemic put them out of business. We're still looking for a permanent place to meet, but for now, we're fortunate to have Fat Daddy's.

Currently we have 125 members that have renewed. Membership is down somewhat, for several reasons, including moving away, Covid, meeting day, etc. Hopefully, as the year progresses, and we become more active, we can start growing again.

I am so looking forward to 2021! We have a full slate of events scheduled for this year, beginning with a Practice/Teaching Autocross in early March. VP Gayle Cherry is working on social events for the club. In addition, Cruiser chair Robert Geyer and co-chair David Gill are constantly looking for cruises for us to take.

Beginning in March (date TBD) we are planning for the SWR Awards Party and Banquet. Because there won't be any awards to give, it's going to be a social gathering, where we can meet and renew friendships. Remember, it's been over a year since we have had an opportunity to visit with our friends from the other SWR clubs.

There are two sanctioned event weekends in March, and two sanctioned weekend events in April, prior to our premier event of the year, the Larry Hoaldridge Memorial Event/24th Annual Super Speedway Weekend at TMS on April 24 and 25.

I'm looking forward to a great year ahead. In the meantime, stay healthy!





Norman Walker NCCC Governor

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#### **SW Region Clubs**

BRAZOS RIVER CORVETTE CLUB (BRCC)
Granbury, TX • SW-540

CEN-TEX CORVETTE CLUB (CTCC)
Waco, TX • SW-200

CORVETTE CLUB OF OKLAHOMA CITY (CCOC)
Oklahoma City, OK • SW-468

CORVETTE CLUB OF TEXAS (CCT)
Dallas, TX • SW-074

CORVETTE OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH TEXAS (COAST) San Antonio, TX • SW-143

03/TBD

TBD

03/20-21 Palestine, TX Dogwood Trails Festival

**COWTOWN VETTES** (CTV) Fort Worth, TX • SW-055

EAST TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB (ETCC) Lufkin, TX • SW-577

LONGHORN CORVETTE CLUB (LCC) Austin, TX • SW-207

MID-COAST CORVETTE CLUB (MCCC) Lake Jackson, TX • SW-170

OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB (OCCC)
Oklahoma City, OK • SW-131

SAN JACINTO CORVETTE CLUB (SJCC) Houston, TX • SW-063

> TEXAS COMPETITION CORVETTE CLUB (TCCC) McGregor, TX • SW-569

TEXAS CORVETTE
MOTORSPORTS CLUB (TCMC)
Houston, TX • SW-568

TEJAS VETTES (TV) Plano, TX • SW-163

TEXAS OUTLAWS CORVETTE CLUB (TOCC)
Graham, TX • SW-198

TIN HALL TOYS (THT) Santa Fe, TX • SW-392

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



#### **SWR COMPETITION SCHEDULE**

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	CLUB
02/19-20	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
03/TBD		SWR Awards Party & Banquet, hosted by TBD Banquet Registration Deadline: 2/TBD, 2021 (post- marked) Location: TBD Time: TBD (details on flyer) Menu: TBD ? Room & Cost: \$xx.00 +tax. xxx-xxxx room block TBD	ALL

1st SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 10 AM @ TBD

00, 20 22	r dieselle, i'x	Parade, Hayride, Cookout, Car Show, Funkhana, Rallyes	
		TBD 4 Low-Speed Autocrosses 10 Low-Speed Autocrosses	СТСС / ТССС
03/??	Ft Worth, TX	Worth, TX Practice Autocross - TCC South Campus (lots 3 & 4) non- sanctioned	
04/10-11	TBD Holland, TX	TBD 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events Little River Dragway 3 Drag Events - MT, Record & ET (all 1/8 mile)	COAST
04/17-18	Waco, TX	TBD 4 Low-Speed Autocrosses 10 Low-Speed Autocrosses	CTCC / MCCC
04/24-25	Ft Worth, TX	Texas Motor Speedway Larry Hoaldridge Memorial Event 24th Annual Super Speedway Weekend 12 Low-Speed Autocross Event Laps on the Oval Sunday Morning	CTV (BRCC)
04/30	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l

05/01	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
05/15-16	· ·	Fat Daddy's Bar & Grill Spring Scramble, Car Show, Funkhana & 2 Rallye (hosted by CTV)	CTV (BRCC / CCT)
05/??	TBD	2nd SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - ?PM @ TBD	SWR
05/22-24	Drumright, OK	<ul><li>???</li><li>21 Low-Speed Autocross Events</li></ul>	CCOC TVS
06/13-18	Cleveland,	NATIONAL CONVENTION 2021	Nat'l

ı		011		
	07/17-18		Crusin' the Arbuckles - Car Show, Funkhana & 2 Rallyes Dinner Cruise	occc
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Complete schedule and flyers for these events can be found at <a href="http://www.ncccswregion.org/schedule.html">http://www.ncccswregion.org/schedule.html</a>

#### **COWTOWN CORVETTES MARKETPLACE**



#### **WHO DOES WHAT**



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If you have a part time job or hobby you'd like to
advertise, email the Editor and I'll fit you in!



Current club members enjoy a FREE "Who Does What" listing. Listings renew each December. Contact the Editor for more info.

#### CTV Logo Merchandise



Hello and welcome to the Logo Merchandise store. There are lots of great things for sale with the Cowtown logo on them:

Caps. Visors, Sweatshirts, Long Sleeve T-shirts, Short Sleeve T-shirts, Men's & Women's Long Sleeve Denim Shirts, Polo shirts Name Tags

(Please note that on all shirt orders, 2XL and up sizes are slightly higher)

If you want your name added to your shirt, it's only \$3 more!

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

We also have stickers, patches and koozies

So stop by the Logo table before and after the meeting to place your order. You'll get your order by the next meeting.

Thanks!

Donna Forsythe Logo Merchandise Chairperson





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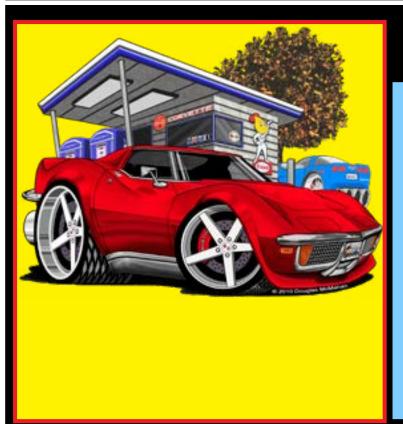


ALL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE SENT TO: COWTOWN VETTES

P.O. Box 1974 Fort Worth, Texas 76101



DO YOU HAVE A NEW ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS? HAVE YOU SOLD YOUR CORVETTE OR BOUGHT A NEW ONE? If so, let Membership know so we can update your address on the various email lists. You can send any updates to Membership at: ctv-membership@yahoogroups.com.



#### ADVERTISE IN THE LOWDOWN! CONTACT THE EDITOR FOR INFORMATION

#### **Future Corvette Owners Association (FCOA)**

Do you have a son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, niece, nephew, or are a guardian to a child under the age of 16 years. If so, don't forget to enroll him/her in the **Future Corvette Owners Association (FCOA)**, NCCC's youth organization.

Website: <a href="http://www.corvettesnccc.org/fcoa1.html">http://www.corvettesnccc.org/fcoa1.html</a>





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