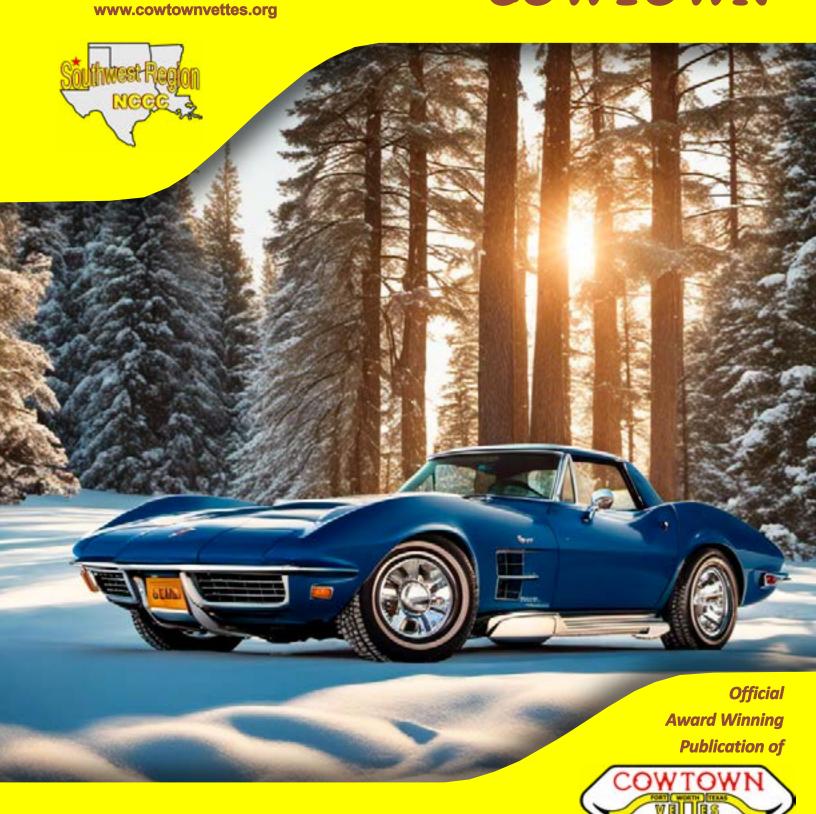
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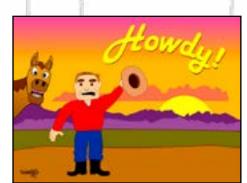
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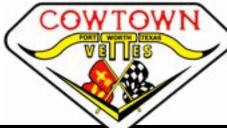
Cover photo - Happy Thanksgiving

Membership Meeting Location and CTV Sponsor

1st Wednesday of each month

7101 Camp Bowie West Fort Worth, TX 76116 (817) 332-0083





who's doin' what an' where's it bein' done?

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

February 2024 NAT'L CHERRY MONT						MONTH
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	Membership Meeting 7:30pm	8	9	10
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	Board Meeting 7:00pm	29		

March 2024 NATIONAL CELERY MON						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31					1	2
3	4	5	6 Membership Meeting 7:30pm	7	8	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Board Meeting 7:00pm	21	22	22
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Bold italic type denotes CTV events





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THE PRESIDENT'S PIT STOP



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Howdy Cowtown ...

Wow, here we are starting 2024 and getting ready to celebrate Cowtown Vettes 50th Year as a club!

As incoming President, I am honored and excited to help our officers, board members and committee chairs plan activities that work to keep us all active and having fun. Together, let's continue the 50 Year legacy of camaraderie, passion and excellence that has always defined our club. As we kick off this new year, let's rev up our engines and set the pace for an exciting year of adventures, while fostering an even stronger bond among us all.

As your President, please know that I will always be open to any and all suggestions and ideas and will take them to heart for our clubs' benefit.

This is the perfect time to share our Corvette "resolutions" and plan thrilling experiences for all club members. Let's make 2024 a year of horsepower, friendships and unforgettable adventures.

Fasten your seatbelts for an incredible ride together!

Sincerely,

Randy Baker



Social News



Mary Pittman
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Well, since there was not a January LowDown (sorry. Ed.) I will once again tell you Happy New Year and add to that Happy Mardi Gras and Happy Valentine's Day!!

It would appear that I have agreed to fill the position of Vice President/Social Chairperson again for another year! In the event that someone would like to learn this position with the thought of running for this office next year, I would be happy to have someone work with me. Also, if you are interested in serving on the social committee I would appreciate the help.

Thanks to all of you who came out to the CTV Christmas party on December 9. Thanks to Lost Oak Winery for the lovely venue and to Coburn's Catering for the delicious holiday dinner. And yes, some of you are indeed pretty knowledgeable in regard to holiday movies and music. It was a fun evening and the weather was much nicer than last year.

Going forward in 2024, we look forward enjoying some more fun social events...hopefully Robert Geyer (Cruiser chair) and I will be able to schedule some more of the popular Drive & Dine cruises. Also, I have had several folks ask for some repeats of some of last years events such as the dinner at Boo Ray's, the pool party and the Hanger party...so you can look forward to those as well as some new things.

FEBRUARY

With that being said, we are tentatively scheduled for dinner at BooRay's of New Orleans on Boat Club Road on February 24. 2024 at 4pm. I am awaiting confirmation from the venue. I will have a sign up sheet at the membership meeting.

MARCH

The calendar for the month of March is already pretty filled up, but more on that later.







Committees 2023

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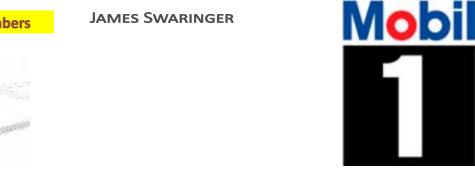


Anne Walker Membership & Welcome membership@cowtownvettes.org



New Members

JAMES SWARINGER



Last Month's Visitors





02/18 DON FOWLER 02/20 DOC LAMBERT **02/24 KIM WEST**





02/06 DON & NANCY WELLS 02/14 CRAIG PLUNKETT & CHAR-LOTTE WILLINGHAM 02/15 JOHN & NANCY MOULTON 02/27 BRUCE & YVETTE LEWIS 02/28 Doug & Glenda McMahan





DIGITAL & SOCIAL MEDIA



Doug McMahan Digital & Social Media Sponsorship Treasurer socialmedia@cowtownvettes.org



We hope that your 2024 has started off great. It will be a fun and exciting year with CTV's 50th Anniversary ... Additionally, we start a new experience with our meetings at Fred's Texas Cafe (previously Buffalo West) on Camp Bowie. If we can get the projector figured out to share the slideshow at the February Meeting, it will include any socials and other events that took place in December & January. It will continue to include some Corvette Trivia along with various other Corvette happenings around the country. The Slideshow will be on the BIG SCREEN at Fred's for your viewing pleasure. In addition, Larry (our webmaster) will post a lower-resolution version online, on the CTV Website. Please provide any submissions for the slideshow to me no later than Monday evening February 5th. April 6th will be Cowtown's 50th Anniversary, this year should be a fun year for Cowtown and the members. The committee is busy planning a 50th party along with proclamation by the FW City Council, most likely a Club Member/Vette photo shoot, etc.

If you have been working on or updating your Corvette with new items ...or if you have taken a trip in your Corvette and have some photos to share with membership, please send those to me and I'll include them in the monthly slideshow Cowtown's Microsoft 0365 account provides OneDrive, which makes it much easier for you to provide photos from events for the web and/or monthly slideshow. If you plan to share photos, please take them in high-resolution; if not, they can't be used on the big screen or they will be grainy/blurry. Please contact me and I'll provide you more information and the OneDrive link to share your photos – basically use the highest **resolution** option you have on your camera or smartphone.

When you receive a CTV-ALL eMail blast, we would request that you please only reply to the originator of that email. To edo this, select Reply on the email, then remove the CTV-All entry and replace it with the originator's email address. If you are sending CTV-ALL emails, please include your email address in the body of the email.

facebook – if you are on Facebook and not a "friend" of Cowtown Vettes, members cannot include you in tags at events; these tags show your non-club member friends all the fun we are having. Who knows, maybe some of you are in the witness protection program and don't want to be tagged. If you are posting, be sure to tag Cowtown Vettes so it appears on our Facebook news feed.

If you change your email address – please send an email to CTV-Membership@groups.io.

If you are not receiving CTV-ALL emails, please get with me so we can either add you or figure out why you aren't. receiving them. More information on lists and acceptable use of them can be found on our website.

Get on out there and enjoy that Corvette!!



CTV Treasurer

As a friendly reminder, our Monthly Treasurer Reports are located on the Member's Only page on our website. If you have any questions about the reports, please feel free to reach out to me. The Treasurer Reports now match the timing of the Bank Statements (month ending).

Additionally, all the Budgets and P&Ls for events and socials are on the Member's Only page as well.

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COWTOWN CRUISER

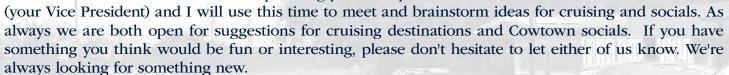
CRUISER



Robert Geyer Cruiser Chairperson geverdrill@aol.com lames Little: Co-Chair

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!

Hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and like me, looking forward to a fun and exciting 2024 cruising season in our Vettes. As I've mentioned before I don't plan any cruises for January and February due to unpredictable winter weather. I use this time to plan what, where and when to cruise to for the upcoming year. Mary Pittman



And again I want to encourage you to participate in Cowtown's Cruiser Points Program and our Cruiser Photo contest. These programs were designed to give those of you that don't race or are not into car shows, an alternative Cowtown program to participate in. So think about them and give them a try. Remember I am always available for help if needed.

That's all for now!



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Hello everyone –

Well as we reflect on 2023 for our charity efforts - it was a great year. Thank you for being active and participating in our charity events each month. Over the course of the year, we were able to support five charity organizations with over \$2500 spread among them. Those funds went to the Fisher House, Wounded Warriors Project, National Kidney Foundation, The Warm Place and Alzheimer's Association of North Central Texas Chapter.

Our members volunteered time to both the Tarrant Area Food Bank and Cook Children's Hospital multiple times during the year with our volunteer hours totaling over 115 hours for the year and both organizations were more than appreciative for our help and manpower contributions.

Another project included the Don't Forget to Feed Me organization with a donation of 494 pounds of pet food, 10 pounds of treats plus \$295 dollars to help their cause. DFTFM is such a worthy local organization in helping people continue to keep and feed their pets during difficult times.

At Christmas members supplied over 100 toys for the Toys for Tots to help children who may not have received any toys during the holiday season.

The CTV 50/50 raffle is so important to help in raising funds for our chosen charities. These were the winners for the 2023 season (with several winning more than once):

January	Vicki Currey	May	Donna Forsythe	Sep	Bill Hornback
February	Sylvia Hoaldridge	Jun	Donna Forsythe	Oct	Bill Hornback
March	Glenda McMahan	Jul	Michael Biggers	Nov	Sylvia Hoaldridge
April	Jerry Lindsey	Aug	Larry Currey	Dec	Don Wells

Some members even donated their winnings back to our Charity fund, which is deeply appreciated.

As we are now in a new year, we are looking forward to repeating our clubs reputation for giving back and supporting our community needs - as well as just having fun and promoting camaraderie among our members! More to follow





WEBMASTER



Larry Currey Webmaster webmaster@cowtownvettes.org

Corvette Racing ... Go yellow #3...#4



In FIA WEC, the Corvette Z06 GT3.R will make its first appearance in global competition as the LMGT3 class replaces GTE Am. Last season, the factory Corvette Racing team dominated the final year of GTE Am racing, winning the class in three events – including the 24 Hours of Le Mans – on its way to the championship. For 2024, however, GTE machinery has given way to GT3-based race cars.



In the No. 3 car, longtime Corvette pilot Antonio Garcia is set to be joined by Alexander Sims for the full season. Sims has worked with Corvette Racing on multiple occasions in recent years. Daniel Juncadella will serve as the car's third driver in the Rolex 24 at Daytona, 12 Hours of Sebring and Petit Le Mans at Michelin Raceway Road Atlanta.

WEBMASTER



"Chevrolet and Pratt Miller have collaborated for more than 25 years on the Corvette Racing program, and we are thrilled that we are able to continue together into the GT3 era," said Christie Bagne, Corvette Z06 GT3.R Program Manager.

The cars replace the C8.R models that have competed since the 2020 campaign. But while the model is different, the cars will still carry the famous yellow livery to which Corvette fans have grown accustomed over a quarter century. The cars will sport the familiar No. 3 and No. 4 numbers as well, and they will be filled with Corvette factory drivers.



Can't wait for the season to kick off!!

Z06-Z07...on the track:

GM Files Active Aero Patent That Could Come to C8 Corvette ZR1

Enjoy the read and if you have pictures or comments...we welcome both.

SPONSORSHIP



Doug McMahan Sponsorship Digital Media Treasurer CTV-SC@groups.io



For our 50th Anniversary, Cowtown would benefit from having

some good club sponsors (at any level); see below. Do you own or work somewhere that might be interested? ...if so, why not become a sponsor Cowtown Vettes Sponsor? There are multiple levels depending on the depth of sponsorship desired. Do you have a candidate or any thoughts for a club sponsor? With club sponsors we can fund the financial needs of our club, but we also have opportunities for funding an event or socials; or event to print the Low-Down, etc. Not all sponsor levels have to be automotive related, so talk to us and share what you might be interested in sponsoring.

Note: We have a freshly painted Club Trailer – Certain Club Sponsors Levels will have their logo added to our club trailer, adding visibility beyond the flyer and our website.

•	Platinum Club Sponsor (maximum one) (annual)	\$ 3000+
•	Gold Club Sponsor (maximum two) (annual)	\$ 1000
•	Silver Club Sponsor (annual)	\$ 750
•	In-Kind Club Sponsor - Discounts (annual)	\$0
•	Website Only Sponsor (annual)	\$ 120
•	Newsletter Only Full Page AD (annual)	\$ 350
•	Newsletter Only 1/2 Page AD (annual)	\$ 200
•	Newsletter Only 1/3 Page AD (annual)	\$ 175
•	Newsletter Only 1/4 Page AD (annual)	\$ 150
•	Newsletter Only 1/8 Page AD (annual)	\$ 100
•	NCCC Event Sponsor (per event)	contact us
•	Show Primary Sponsor (maximum one)	\$ 650+
•	Show Gold Sponsor (maximum one)	\$ 500
•	Show Silver Sponsor (maximum two)	\$ 250
•	Show Bronze Sponsor (maximum five)	\$ 100
•	Show Display Space (10'x10') disc for 2 spaces	\$ 100/150
•	Car Show Trailer Space (<12', <24', <36')	\$ 100/150/250

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES (unlimited quantities unless otherwise stated)

We always have copies of Cowtown's Sponsor Program at the Membership Meetings – see me. They are also available on our website, on the Sponsor page. If you need some in between meetings, contact either me or the Sponsorship Committee CTV-SC@groups.io

We continue tweaking the Member Guide that will help everyone to understand and promote Cowtown to potential sponsors. This guide will only be posted on the *CTV Member's Only* website page – not to be distributed to non-CTV Individuals.

NCCC GOVERNOR



Norman Walker NCCC Governor norman_walker@charter.net





Not a lot going on yet this year. We now are back up to 141 members.

The SW Region Awards Banquet is being held at Lost Oak Winery, on February 17, 2024.

As most of you know, Cowtown Vettes once again finished First Place in the Southwest Region. Patches have been ordered.

If you renewed on time, you will receive a new membership card, with your name and NCCC number printed on the front. If you were a late renewal, there's a possibility that you will receive a card with a sticker on the back with your name and NCCC number. They're only doing ONE printing.

The first National Governor's Meeting of 2024 will be in St. Louis on February 23 to 25. Ann and I will be heading out on Thursday, February 22.

As I said above, not much going on right now.

Save the wave!





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NCCC South West Region

DATE LOCATION EVENT

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

> 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

25-27

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



COMPETITION SCHEDULE 2024

		FEBRUARY	
1	Online	2024 National Registration Opens	Nat'L
17		SWR AWARDS PARTY @ BANQUET Banquet Registration \$TBD, Deadline: TBD (Postmarked) Location: Lost Oak Winery - Burleson, TX Time: 11-3 pm (Details On Flyer) Menu: TBD	SWR ELECTED OFFICERS
23-25	St Louis, Mo	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'L
		MARCH	

16-17	Maco TX	McLane Stadium 14 Low-Speed Autocrosses	стсс тссс
16?	TBD	1st SWR Governor'S Meeting - TBD @ TBD	ALL
tentative	Mansfield, TX	FAT DADDY' BAR @ GRILL - 12th Annual Spring Scramble Car Show, Funkhana & 4 Rallyes (Hosted By CTV) CS-9:00am, Funkhana -10:00am, Rallyes - 1:00pm	CTV (BRCC/ CCT)

		APRIL	
13-14	Ft Worth, TX	TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE 4th Annual Larry Hoaldridge Memorial Event 14 Low-Speed Autocross Events	CTV (BRCC/ CCT)
27-28	Killaan TX	TEXAS AM UNIVERSITY CENTRAL 4 Low-Speed Autocross Events	тосс

		MAY	
3-5	St Louis, Mo	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'L
11-12		No Events Due To Convention	
13-19	Joplin, MO	NCCC NATIONAL CONVENTION	NAT'L
25.27		CENTRAL TECHNOLOGY CENTER 55th Annual Southern States Festival & Tulsa Vette Set's	TUT

Black Gold Weekend

21 Low-Speed Autocross Events

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

NCCC EVENTS



CLUB(s)

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Provisional 2024 Upcoming events:

- March 23/24 Fat Daddy's Bar & Grill 12th Annual Spring Scramble
- April 13/14 Tarrant County College 4th Annual Larry Hoaldridge Memorial Event
- September 7/8 Tarrant County College 14 Low-Speed Autocross Events



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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@yaboogroups.com.

ADVERTISE IN THE LOWDOWN! CONTACT THE EDITOR FOR INFORMATION

All most will ever see of a C8 Z06....

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: http://www.corvettesnccc.org/fcoa1.html





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