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UPCOMING EVENTS

General Membership Meeting

January 2 • Social/Dinner - 5:45 pm • Meeting - 7:00 pm
Delhi Café • 4625 Willoughby Rd. • Holt

Board Meeting

January 16 • Dinner - 5:30 pm • Meeting - 6:30 pm
Delhi Café • 4625 Willoughby Rd. • Holt

Let's Meet for Breakfast!

January 19 • 9:00 am
FlapJack Restaurant • 1601 S. Waverly Rd. • Lansing

QUICK HITS FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to Newest CCCC Members!

Tim & Mary Blackwood of New Hudson • 2011 jetstream blue coupe
Roy Bailey of East Lansing • 1985 red coupe

January Birthdays

Janet Litrenta (2) • Mike Britz (4) • Suzanne Politza (6)
Larry Wight (6) • Alex Spitzley (11) • Howard Parks (21)
Carol Putmon (21) • Ellie Lickfeldt (24)
Randy Gisse (31) • Pat Lickfeldt (31)

Newsletter Article Deadline:

Newsletter articles are due to the editor by the 23rd of each month.
Send to: 4c.board @ cccorvette.org



*Progressive Dinner
June 23, 2012*

From Our (Past) President...

Okay. One more time before the end of the year. I am thrilled to report that Terry Burke has stepped up and accepted the nomination for President for 2013. Terry will make a wonderful president for our club. He is a fun, animated, and very dedicated Corvette owner, and will bring a lot of fresh ideas to the Board. If no other nominations occur, I am going to assume everyone will give Terry their full support, and he will become our official President and CEO at the January membership meeting.

We had a fantastic ending to the 2012 season with a fun and filling Christmas party at Coral Gables. Sandy and Colleen did an outstanding job putting together a party that everyone seemed to really enjoy. We had singing contests (no comment necessary about my lack of vocal skills and song memory), door prizes, super food, and an overall good time. We had almost half the club in attendance, which is pretty good for any club of this size.

I am wishing you all a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy and Safe New Year. Janet and I are looking forward to many more fun times in 2013 with all our Corvette friends.

Save the Wave,
Craig

Craig Iansiti proudly accepted the Club Participation Award during Corvette Crossroads in Mackinaw City on August 27, 2011.

Capital City Corvette Club members had the largest number of Corvettes registered for the show. Several of our members also won awards.



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Participation Points as of December 7, 2012

8	Austin Arunasalam	3	Jennifer Everhart*	0	Lee MacGillivray	8	Brenda Shatkosky*
9	Jim Balla*	3	Randy Gisse	14	Bob Maynard	11	Richard Shatkosky*
0	Scott Bauries	5	Vidal Gonzalez	4	Shalimar Maynard	22	Thomas Sipka
1	Dana Beaman	0	Abhi Gunasaingam	8	Chuck Miller	14	David Sowders
0	Kim Beaman	4	Jeanne Harris	17	Diana Mosher	4	Fran Sowders
0	Sandy Bechtel	24	Ward Harris	13	Barb Musselman	0	Loretta Spinrad
19	James Boettcher	24	Howard Hein	17	Steve Musselman	0	Steve Spinrad
19	Mara Boettcher	0	Jim Hoppin	5	George Nelson	15	Alex Spitzley
51	Colleen Bratschi	84	Angela Hyde	45	Dominique Palacio	15	Joan Spitzley
53	Rich Bratschi	90	Craig Iansiti	45	Jerry Palacio	1	Janet Sprague
17	Connie Britz	82	Janet Iansiti	38	Diana Parks	1	Michael Sprague
32	Mike Britz	1	Dick Iding	47	Howard Parks	21	Ralph Swan
54	NancyLee Buck	9	Greg Kapp	15	Joe Platte	15	Susan Swan
67	Randy Buck	5	Laura Kazmer	36	Ed Politza	31	Connie Taylor
15	Chris Burke	5	Wayne Kazmer	36	Suzanne Politza	31	Tom Taylor
18	Terry Burke	125	Kim Keith	43	David Pursel	22	Joseph Thomas*
13	Dennis Burt	125	Sue Keith	24	Kathryn Pursel	45	Harold Twining
11	Sandy Burt	5	Laurie Ketcik	45	Carol Putmon	43	Katherine Twining
0	Dana Conley	0	Fred Koos	45	Randy Putmon	14	Sue VanAtta-Wight
0	Darrell Conley	24	Sheila Lansing	118	Gloria Reiffer	3	Jerry Wardell
10	Dave Cripe*	84	Julie Lasher	113	Simon Reiffer	2	Sally Wardell
7	Pat Cripe	92	Ted Lasher	72	Robert Ribar	0	Lee Webster
7	Christopher Dana	1	Ellie Lickfeldt	41	Milton Scales	4	Robert Wheeler
7	Darwin Day	3	Patrick Lickfeldt	5	Herb Schultz	22	Larry Wight
38	Art Doty*	27	Carlo Litrenta	5	Kathleen Schultz	6	Gary Wyma
38	Nancy Doty*	26	Janet Litrenta			9	Kathy Wyma

Current 2012 Top Ten Participants

125	Kim Keith	113	Simon Reiffer	84	Angela Hyde	72	Robert Ribar
125	Sue Keith	92	Ted Lasher	84	Julie Lasher		
118	Gloria Reiffer	90	Craig Iansiti	82	Janet Iansiti		



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Date: January 19 (Saturday)
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: Flap Jack Restaurant
1601 S. Waverly Road
Lansing, MI
Hosted By: Simon Reiffer – 517.646.2180

Please sign up at the January 2 General Membership Meeting or contact Simon to let him know you will be attending.



Please contact our new Social Director, Janet Litrenta, if you would like to host a social event. Janet is looking for members to host a breakfast, lunch, dinner, getaway, or other event. (The newsletter editor can help with a flyer if you need assistance.) You would need to put out a signup sheet at a meeting, contact the restaurant to make reservations, and collect signatures of attendees on a NCCC waiver for our Points Director. It's easy and fun!

2013 NCCC Convention Schedule - Bowling Green, KY
Tentative Schedule (September 30, 2012) Subject to Revisions

Sunday, 6-23-13		
Registration / Tech	10:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Convention Center
Mall / Hospitality	12:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Convention Center
A Gathering, mingle w/friends	7:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Ballroom
Monday, 6-24-13		
Registration / Tech	8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Convention Center
Car Shows	8:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Convention Center
Rallye	9:30 AM – ???	
Mall / Hospitality	12:00 PM – 5:30 PM	Convention Center
Governors Business Meeting	4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	Ballroom
Competitors Award Dinner	5:30 PM- 8:00 PM	Ballroom
Derby Party, Band	8:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Ballroom
Tuesday, 6-25-13		
Registration /Day Passes	8:00 AM- 10:00 AM	Convention Center
Low Speed	7:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Beech Bend
Bus Tours	8:00 – 5:00 PM	Convention Center
Funkhana	1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Convention Center
Mall / Hospitality	12:00 PM -7:00 PM	Convention Center
Party in the Cave, Band	7:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Lost River Cave
Wednesday, 6-26-13		
Registration /Day Passes	8:00 AM- 10:00 AM	Convention Center
Low Speed	7:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Beech Bend
Bus Tours	8:00 – 5:00 PM	Convention Center
Funkhana	1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Convention Center
Hospitality	12:00 PM -7:00 PM	Convention Center
Sock Hop, DJ	7:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Ballroom
Thursday, 6-27-13		
Registration /Day Passes	8:00 AM- 10:00 AM	Convention Center
Drags	7:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Beech Bend
Bus Tours	8:00 – 5:00 PM	Convention Center
Hospitality	12:00 PM -7:00 PM	Convention Center
Game Night	7:00 PM – 11:00 PM	Ballroom
Friday, 6-28-13		
Awards Breakfast	7:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Ballroom
Golf	9:30 AM – 2:30 PM	Heartland Golf Course
Tom Hill, Intro to the C-7	11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Convention Center
Hospitality	12:00 PM -5:00 PM	Convention Center
National Awards Banquet	6:00PM – 10:00 PM	Ballroom

NCCC 54th CONVENTION



Bowling Green, KY 2013

June 23, 2013 to June 28, 2013

Bowling Green has a rich heritage and showcases many opportunities for adventure. In addition to the usual events that are expected at a National Corvette Convention you will have the opportunity to share in some of this heritage. Aside from beautiful horses, bourbon and fast Corvettes, one of the biggest underground cave systems known is less than an hour's drive away. Kentucky is home of the premier horse race, the Kentucky Derby, and the track, Churchill Downs, along with the Louisville Slugger Bat Company/Museum, the Ali Museum and the Belle of Louisville are all located in Louisville, just two hours north of Bowling Green. Bowling Green has a AA Baseball Team, a Rail Museum, The National Corvette Museum, one of the original Shaker Villages and Beechbend Amusement Park and Splash Lagoon just to name a few. There are antique shops and interesting sights in just about every little town you drive through. About an hour South, Nashville has all the honky-tonk and glitz of the country music capital of the world. The Grand Ole Opry, Opry Mills, the General Jackson Showboat, the Gaylord Entertainment Center and Hotel, the Hermitage, home of Andrew Jackson, are but a few of the interesting sights to visit. We hope you make your plans to join us for the fun and festivities in "Bowling Green in 2013".

www.corvettenccc.org/Conventions.html

National Corvette Museum Updates

Registration LIVE for 2014 Caravan

Labor Day weekend 2014 marks a major milestone in Corvette and Museum history - the longest running single marque will be in its 7th generation, and the Museum will celebrate the 20th Anniversary of its Grand Opening.



Base registration is now available for the on-site event and there are options to add your Caravan selection, the Hall of Fame induction banquet, event shirt and Lifetime/VIP dinner.

Check out the registration [online here](#)!

Special Access Plant Tour of C7 Production



2013 marks the 60th birthday of Corvette, and on June 27 in conjunction with a celebration event planned at the Museum, the Bowling Green Assembly Plant has agreed to open the plant for a special tour limited to 200 NCM members.

The fee is \$250 per person and includes the tour and dinner that night featuring Bowling Green Assembly Plant team members involved with the C7 launch. Currently, plant tours are not open to the public, and will not open again until late summer/early fall 2013.

Registration for this special event is for members only and will open on Wednesday, December 19 at 8am CT. Bookmark our Corvette 60th Anniversary Event web page [online here](#).

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Visit their website at www.vettepartsauctions.com to start shopping today!

Source: NCM E-News December 13, 2012

Country Music Stars and Cars

The National Corvette Museum welcomes a "Country Music Stars and Cars" display this fall to the



Exhibit Hall. November 3, 2012 through January 18, 2013 you can see Chevrolet vehicles owned by Country Music celebrities! The exhibit is co-organized by Lon Helton, host of Country Countdown USA and member of the National Corvette Museum.

National Corvette Museum Updates

C6.R Makes Pit Stop in Bowling Green

Today the Corvette Racing #4 hauler stopped by the NCM. Dave James is the driver of the truck and a pit crew member. "I could fly to races but I don't like flying that much. Besides, this is a nice truck to get to drive and the fan reactions that I get along the way are always fun."

He's been with Corvette Racing since 2000 and can't hide the smile when he thinks back on his life so far. "Getting to go to France is great, and every time I step out onto the track there it still gives me chills. Being a part of the team that wins the greatest race on earth—there's no feeling like it."

He was impressed with the Museum, and despite being a part of the Corvette story he was surprised by how much he learned along the way. "I found myself in the Corvette Racing exhibit!"



Dave was on his way back from testing in Austin, Texas, at the Circuit of the Americas when he stopped by the NCM. "A good thing about adding Texas to the schedule," he says with a grin, "is that the National Corvette Museum and the Assembly Plant are on the way home. We'll get a chance to stop by more often now."

Another excuse to come here will be the NCM Motorsports Park. "That's exciting. I can't wait until it is done. It's not that far from us, and having a track here to test on with all of the major turns from all of the major tracks we race at will be great for the team and great for the fans who want to come out and watch. That is going to be a real draw and a lot of fun."



Seeking 60 Years of Corvettes

2013 marks the Corvette's 60th birthday, and a special affair is being planned by GM, Chevrolet, the Bowling Green Assembly Plant and the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky. June 27 will begin the two-day event with an Evolution Display consisting of the first 60 years of Corvettes on display.

Corvette owners have the opportunity to submit their car for this event exhibit by emailing a photo with details on the model, year and contact information to Karen Renfrow at the Museum at karen@corvettemuseum.org.

Two Captains Needed for Caravan

Two captains are still needed for the 2014 NCM Caravan. These vacancies are in the Nebraska and the South Texas caravan regions. If interested in assuming one of these positions or if you know of someone who may be, please contact Paul Mariano at vettltd@aol.com.



Source: NCM E-News December 20, 2012



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