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February 2024

90 Members 2 Honorary Members 30 FCOA





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ACTIVITIES FOR FEBRUARY & BEYOND

 General Membership Meeting 7:00 PM @ Delhi Cafe 	Feb 7			
• Let's Meet for Breakfast – Spud's	Feb 10			
• Let's Meet for Lunch – Relli's	Feb 17			
Board Meeting	Feb 21			
• Upcoming Events				
Regional Banquet	March 30			
CCCC vs JCC Bowling Challenge	April 7			
Bingo at Tamarack Apartments	April 13			
CCCC Awards Banquet	April 20 Tenative			
Vermontville Parade	April 27			
 NCCC Convention – Joplin, MO 	May 13-19			
Blessing of the Vettes	June 15			
National Corvette Day	June 30			
Birch Run Low Speed Auto Cross	Aug 10 & 11			
Corvette Crossroads				
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Check out the Events Page on the CCCC Website for more information on upcoming NCCC, Local, Regional, and National Events.

Event Flyers (cccorvette.org)

Let's meet for breakfast!

When: Saturday, February 10 @ 9:30 a.m.

Where: Spud's Family Restaurant

611 S. Waverly Rd., Lansing

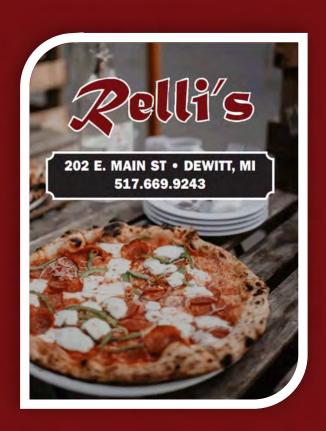
(just north of 496)

Contact Gloria Reiffer by noon on Thursday, February 8 if you plan to join us!

E-mail mrsnomis1@att.net or call 517•763•1365.



fet's Meet for funch!



Saturday
February 17
Meet @ 1:00 pm

Relli's portions are huge, so bring a BIG appetite!

202 E. Main Street, DeWitt

Sign up at the February 7 General Membership Meeting, or contact Angela at 4c.membership@cccorvette.org.

Relli's Sports Bar: https://rellisdewitt.com/menu

SAVE THE DATE!

2023 NCCC MI REGION BANQUET

SATURDAY MARCH 30, 2024 11:00AM - 3:00 PM LINGENFELTER COLLECTION 7819 LOCHLIN DRIVE BRIGHTON, MI 48116

Please RSVP no later than March17th, 2024. Seating is limited to 120.

\$50 per person

As part of the entry fee, we will be donating \$5 to the charity of choice on behalf of Ken and Kristin Lingenfelter for the use of their facility.

Check Out the Lingenfelter Collection, Buffet Dinner, Award Presentation,
Door Prizes Plus More!

Please fill out the attached form and send along with payment to:

Make Checks Payable to: Michigan Autocross Group 3138 Heritage Drive Troy, MI 48083

> Contact: Carolyn McLemore 248-217-3029 Carolynm0626@comcast.net

MCHGene Cardenas EGON
734-645-1763

Rene500Z06@comcast.net

REGISTRATION FORM

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Club Name	
Phone	Email

Make Checks Payable to:

Michigan Autocross Group Mail to: Carolyn McLemore 3138 Heritage Drive Troy, MI 48083

For those with cabin fever and ready to get back into the competitive spirit, checkout the NCCC MI Region website for separate flyer for MI sanctioned events at the same location.



2024 Bowling Challenge



Capital City Corvette Club vs

Jackson Corvette Club Sunday, April 7, 2023



Bowling 12:00pm-3:00pm ● Dinner will follow

Appetizers will be provided by Bob Maynard

Bowling Cost: \$9 per person

(4 people per lane, shoes included)







RSVP by Friday, April 5th

Sign up at the March Membership Meeting

or

Contact: Tom & Michelle Faupel

517 420-2771 | tmfaupel@gmail.com

801 N. Cedar St., Mason





Bingo at Tamarack Apartments 4400 Holt Road, Holt Saturday, April 13, 2024 2:00 – 4:00 pm (setup at 1:00)

Please start gathering bingo and door prizes to share with the residents. They enjoy a variety of things, including basic household items. Hand crafted gifts are always a plus.

Please bring a snack or dessert to share with the residents during a break between the games.

Plans are in the works for CCCC members to eat together following Bingo – our destination TBD. Contact Angela at 4c.membership@cccorvette.org with questions.

Vermontville Maple Syrup Festival Saturday ~ April 27, 2024 ~ 11:15

Meet at 11:15 a.m. at the Quality Dairy located at 8512 W. Saginaw (east of Value City Furniture). We plan to leave at 11:30 to arrive in Vermontville by noon. Those driving on their own must be in the parade lineup by 1:00 p.m. as they fill in the spots behind us at that point.

We can walk into town for pancakes (or other food offerings) and still have time to visit the craft booths before heading back to our Corvettes for the parade, which starts at 3:00 p.m.

After the parade we will travel to Hastings for good food and beverages at the Wallddorff Brewpub and Bistro.

Check out the menu at www.walldorffbrewpub.com.



For information, or to RSVP, contact Chuck Miller at 517.204.4178 or by email at cmiller771llc@gmail.com

www.syrupfest.org

2024 Convention Tentative Schedule

Mon, May 13 1:00-5:00 Early Registration/Tech Inspection 1:00-5:00 Corvette Mall setup Tues, May 14 9:00-5:00 Registration/Tech Inspection 9:00-5:00 Corvette Mall 6:00-9:00 Hospitality Room 6:00-9:00 Welcome Party @ La Quinta -Pizza, Hospitality, live music by Eastbound Wed, May 15 8:00-11:30 Rallye 9:30-1:30 Cruise-Route 66 West. Narrated drive on Rt 66 West including one of the Cars movie inspiration towns and a picture of your car on Rainbow Bridge. Lunch stop (price not included) 9:30-1:30 Cruise-Route 66 East. Narrated drive on Rt 66 East, stopping at a reconstructed 1920's village, and a picture of your car at an old gas station. Lunch stop (not included) 11:00-4:00 Corvette Mall 1:00-4:00 Hospitality Room 2:00-4:30 Funkhana @ Holiday Inn 6:00-10:00 National Awards Banquet @ Downstream Casino. Live music by Rich McCready, country singer/songwriter Thur, May 16 8:00-12:00 Judged Concours downtown 9:00-11:30 Downtown Scavenger Hunt. Like a Rallye, but on foot. Answer questions and find information in 4 blocks of Main Street (near Concours) 9:30-1:30 Cruise-Route 66 West-Same as Wednesday 9:30-1:30 Cruise- Route 66 East-Same as Wednesday 12:00-3:00 Corvette Mall 1:00-3:00 Hospitality Room 4:00-8:00 Peoples Choice Car Show- Joplin will block off 4 blocks of Main Street for Car Show. Road Crew band from Nashville and more-big street party! 4:30-7:00 Valve Cover Races downtown Fri, May 17 8:00-11:00 Poker Run 8:00-5:00 Drags at Smokin' Mo-Kan-1/4 mile track in great condition, long

shutdown area

9:00-5:00 Cruise-Branson Belle Showboat. Classic riverboat cruise with 3 course meal and entertainment. Drive your car or ride a bus (extra cost) Bus ride includes Country Music Boulevard.

12:00-6:00 Corvette Mall

1:00-5:00 Hospitality Room

Pool party @ La Quinta. Hillbilly Theme, grab your straw hat and
Corn cob pipe, get ready for some photo ops with a few of our props and have a
great time. Live music by Pete & Dave, meal and beverages included.

Sat, May 18 8:00-4:00 Autocross @ Crowder Truck pad, Neosho

9:00-12:30 Paint N Sip. At Holiday Inn Hospitality room. Create your own masterpiece led by a talented and witty artist. Canvas and supplies provided to paint a Rt66/Corvette theme just for us!

9:00-2:30 Bus Tour-Crystal Bridges Art Museum/Frank Lloyd House. American art and exhibitions in beautiful 120-acre setting, tour Frank Lloyd Wright house.

Lunch stop (not included)

1:00-6:00 Corvette Mall

1:00-6:00 Hospitality

Sun, May 19 9:00-11:00 Awards Ceremony. Collect your awards and trophies, HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

Please bring a walkie-talkie for driving tours.

2024 NCCC CONVENTION #65

2024 Convention Price List

Here is a list of the cost of all the extra cost expense at the Convention

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Registration	Adult	\$160	Day Pass	\$35		
Registration	Child Dependent	\$160	Day Pass	\$35		
Registration	Youth	\$70	Day Pass \$25			
Day Pass	Youth \$25 Adul	t \$35	Adult & Child Dependent			
Overall Comp	petitor	\$30	March 1-April 30	\$175		
Awards Banq	uet	\$30	After April 30	\$200		
Rallye	-40	\$25/team	Youth & Day Passes are unchanged			
Route 66 Eas	t Cruise	\$20/car	47	ROUTE		
Route 66 We	st Cruise Out	\$20/car		166		
Funkhana	200000	\$25/team				
Judges Conco	ours 👯 🕺 ,	\$25				
Car Show	TA BOURS	\$25				
Downtown So	cavenger Hunt	\$15		20		
Valve Cover F	Racing	\$25				
Class Elimina	tion Drags	\$40				
Bracket Drag	s	\$40				
Matching Tim	ne Drags	\$40	IV/ENITT			
Poker Run	JE4 NLL	\$25/team	AAEIAIT	.UN #65		
Branson Belle Showboat/drive		\$75				
Branson Belle Showboat/bus		\$120				
Paint N Sip		\$35				
Crystal Bridge	es, FL Wright/bus	\$60				
Low Speed A	utocross	\$50				
Matching Tim	nes Autocross	\$50				

2024 Convention Hotels



Joplin Holiday in is one of the two host hotels. Registration, Corvette Mall, and a hospitality room will be here. Rooms are \$119 per night, including full hot breakfast.



La Quinta is the other host hotel, right across the parking lot from Holiday Inn. The Welcome Party and Pool Party will be held here, and it will also have a hospitality room. Rooms are \$124 per night, and include full hot breakfast.



Alternate hotel, also across parking lot is Comfort Inn & Suites. Rooms are \$105 and also include full hot breakfast

All room rates are before tax, and within easy walking distance of each other. There is a common area adjacent to the hotels for ample trailer parking.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



Geofrey Cradit February 7



James Spaulding February 10

Welcome Our New Members

Erick Pardo from Lansing
He drives a 2022 Elkhart Lake Blue Coupe

Jim Curtis from Muskegon has transferred his membership from Grand Valley Corvette Assoc. He drives a '77, '93, '95, '97, '01, and '07 Corvettes



"My Corvette refuses to talk to me after I took out in the bad weather. I hate technology."

President's Page



Members,

The groundwork for another exciting year has started to be laid this past month. February feels like our dull time as for most of us this is still the storage season. However, watch the calendar, there are a few events snuck in before the main competition season starts up. This is also a chance to look forward and start your plans for our major events. We are confirmed for our Birch Run Autocross and the Blessings of the Vettes this year. Other dates of recurring events have also been announced you may be looking forward to: Spring Fling in Columbus, Corvette Crossroads in Mackinaw, Best of the Bowties at Gilmore, and others. You can start blocking these dates out and making your travel plans and reservations now!

Recently, Simon shared the Region Banquet invitation through email for March 30th. This year, Angela Hyde, Tim Wells, and I will be recognized for our 2023 Competition season at the banquet. I also hear that Rene Cardenas (National VP of Competition) is trying to work in a Funkhana and/or Rallye as part of the events. The Lingenfelter's are hosting the event, so it will also be another opportunity to see the collection, this time while also getting a wonderful catered meal. If you have not been to a Regional Banquet or the Lingenfelter Collection this is another great opportunity to attend. The banquet always has a strong turnout, great door prizes, and excellent food.

Remember to wave!

Kyle
President
Capital City Corvette Club

PRESIDENT

Kyle **Felts**



GOVERNOR/VP

Simon Reiffer



SECRETARY

Tim Wells



TREASURER

James Sutherland



SOCIAL DIRECTOR

Peter Walker



COMPETITION DIRECTOR

Kevin Mead



MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Angela Hyde



POINTS DIRECTOR

Dan Burk



NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Tom Faupel



PR DIRECTOR

Chuck Miller



CHAPLAIN

Ward Harris



HEARTS & FLOWERS

Ann Voss



HISTORIAN

Sue Keith



NCM AMBASSADOR

Casey Mulvany



PHOTOGRAPHER

Stella Wood



QUARTERMASTER

Randy Putmon



SARGEANT AT ARMS

Geofrey Cradit



WEBMASTER

Gloria Reiffer



PAST PRESIDENT

Bob Maynard



FACEBOOK MODERATOR

Dave Voss



Membership Meeting Minutes

Capital City Corvette Club Membership Meeting January 3, 2024 @ 7:00 PM: Delhi Cafe & Zoom

7:00 Call to Order: Kyle Felts

- Review mail received: The mail received included a Christmas card from one of our Children's Miracle Network (CMN) car show sponsors, a solicitation from the Lansing Food Bank, a thankyou letter from the Lansing Old News Boys, and flyers for the 2024 Corvette Adventures at the Wisconsin Dells.
- 2024 Results Regional and Top 10: Covered under Points Director
- Thank you to those who participated in the December Toys-for-Tots event at Lingenfelter's.
 Three Corvettes were stuffed with toys.

7:05 Board Reports:

Secretary: Tim Wells

 No additions or corrections were made to the November minutes. Motion to approve: Simon Reiffer, seconded by Carl Polomski, and approved by the majority of the membership in attendance.

Treasurer: James Sutherland

All bills are paid and the books are balanced.

V/P Governor: Simon Reiffer

- Registration for the National Convention begins on Jan 15th at 10:00 am.
- Simon reminded members of the Members Only Page on the NCCC website and that you needed the password recently provided to access this page.
- The Regional Meeting will take place end of February.
- The Regional Awards Banquet will be held at Lingenfelter's, with the date yet to be determined.
- Just a reminder that there will be no overall champion beginning in 2024. There will be one for speed events and one for other.

Points Director: Dan Burk

- Points are up to date as of Dec 24th. Kyle had the most points, followed by Angela.
- There was a tie between two members. Historically, the club has not counted this as two
 individuals in one place such that it would have included another member in the top ten. For
 example, if two members were tied for 3rd place, the member in 11th place would not move
 up to 10th place. The Top Ten only includes those 10 members with the most points.
- Dan will begin organizing the Awards Banquet in the near future.

Competition Director: Kevin Mead

• Kevin has confirmed with Birch Run that our low-speed event will be held on Aug 10th & 11th. The track rental will be \$1,300 for the weekend.

Membership Meeting Minutes

Editor: Tom Faupel

Newsletter was published yesterday.

Membership Director: Angela Hyde

Angela thanked Kyle for organizing the Toys for Tots event.

• The club currently has 89 members, 2 honorary members, and 29 FCOA.

Social Director: Peter Walker

- Angela presented in Peter's absence:
 - There are sign-up sheets for a Pizza get together in Westphalia at 4:00 pm on Jan 10th, and the Valentine's breakfast on Feb 10th.
 - The Beachcomber Motel in Mackinaw City has been sold, but the owners that we have worked with in the past will be there through this year's Corvette Crossroads.

Public Relations Director: Chuck Miller

- Chuck reported that he is beginning to work on the ad renewals. He has already received six renewals and \$2,500 from Shaheen's.
- There was also a reminder that Spartan Barricade's ad is free of charge because they provide the cones at no charge for our low speed event.

7:30 Appointed Officer Report:

Past President: Bob Maynard

One of our Ad sponsors, PDR Ceramic Coating, has been sold to one of it's employees.

Photographer: Stella Wood

 Pictures are up to date from all the recent events. Thanks to those who helped and contributed to this effort.

Webmaster: Gloria Reiffer

The club's website was down for a couple of days in December. There were a couple of glitches
in the renewal of the club's SSL certificate. Gloria worked with Digital Space to straighten out
the SSL certificate and got the renewal fee waived for 2024. The plan is to have the renewal
due in December each year.

Zoom Facilitator: Kyle Felts

Zoom is working well, and will need to be renewed this spring.

Facebook Moderator: Dave Voss

Not present/No report

Quartermaster: Randy Putmon

Trailer is good.

Membership Meeting Minutes

Sergeant at Arms: Geofrey Cradit

Not present/No report

NCM Ambassador: Casey Mulvany

- There was a lengthy discussion regarding the purchase of an NCM banner. The options are to buy one that we design for \$725, or try to get one of the eight that NCM designs (Club Sponsored Banner), but includes our club at the bottom of the banner for \$375. Registration for the banners opens on Jan 10th, and they sell quickly. A motion was made by Dan Burk to purchase a \$375 banner, seconded by Stella Wood, and approved by the majority of members in attendance.
 - There was also a discussion about whether or not the club should purchase a lifetime NCM membership. This membership includes several perks that are not offered with the banner purchases, but cost \$3,000. A motion was made by Casey Mulvany to purchase a lifetime membership and seconded by Kevin Mead, but voted down by the majority of members in attendance. A suggestion was made that if the club wants to pursue this further, the Board should establish a line item for funding this in the future.

Historian: Sue Keith

Sue stated that she is wrapping up 2023 and will begin organizing for 2024.

Hearts & Flowers: Ann Voss

Not Present/No report

Chaplain: Ward Harris

Not Present/No report

7:45 New Business:

- 2024 Big Event Dates (Blessings on Jun 15th, Birch Run on Aug 10th-11th, CMN to be determined)
- 2024 Corvette Crossroads on Aug 24th, Regional Banquet and CCCC Banquet to be determined.
- 2024 National Convention (discussed above)
- Members Only Access to National Page (discussed above)

7:55 Other Business:

- Common Annual Events:
 - o Meet & Greet Organized by Kyle with date yet to be determined
 - Rookie Rallye School Organized by Angela with date yet to be determined
 - o Toys for Tots Organized by Kyle with date yet to be determined
 - National Corvette Day Organized by Kyle with date yet to be determined
 - o Fall Color Tour Organized by James and Stella with date yet to be determined
 - Christmas Party Organized by Angela with date and location yet to be determined
- Rene Cardenas will be the National Competition Director, and Kyle has been chosen to fill the Regional Competition Director's position vacated by Renee.

50/50 Drawing

Board Meeting Minutes

Capital City Corvette Club Board Meeting Minutes January 17, 2024 @ 6:30 PM: Delhi Cafe & Zoom

6:30 Call to Order: Kyle Felts

 The only item received in the mail was a copy of America's Sports Car magazine which is included with our NCM membership.

6:35 Board Reports:

Secretary: Tim Wells

No additions or corrections were made to the November minutes by the Board.

Treasurer: James Sutherland

• All bills are paid and the books are balanced.

• The Certificate of Deposit (CD) will automatically renew in the near future.

V/P Governor: Simon Reiffer

- Registration for the National Convention will not be open until February 1st. The costs for the convention can be found online.
- The Regional meeting will be held at Delhi Cafe at the end of February.

Points Director: Dan Burk

Not Present/No Report.

Competition Director: Kevin Mead

- All of the sanction numbers for the low speed event (LSE) have been loaded into the system.
- Kevin estimates that the costs for the LSE will be about \$2,400, and the income will be about \$4,600, based upon 23 entrants.
- If camping is available, it will most likely be outside of the gates.
- There may be a car show held there as well, but it will have to be managed by some other group.

Editor: Tom Faupel

- Please get items for the January Newsletter to Tom by the 28th.
- Chuck Miller suggested we include some information on our community involvement, such as who the club has supported financially.

Social Director: Peter Walker

- Peter was unable to attend, but the following social events were discussed:
 - We are hoping to plan the Bowling event with the Jackson club for the first weekend in Apr, bingo at Tamarack for the second weekend in Apr, and the club's awards banquet in the 3rd weekend of Apr.
 - The Regional Banquet at Lingenfelter's is yet to be determined
 - o The club's mock rallye will most likely be held on a Sunday in May.
 - o The Vermontville Maple Syrup Parade will be on Apr 27th.
 - o Events for the National Corvette Day are yet to be determined.

Board Meeting Minutes

Membership Director: Angela Hyde

• The club currently has 90 members, 2 honorary members, and 30 FCOA.

Public Relations Director: Chuck Miller

• There are seven paid ads to date.

• Chuck hasn't been able to send out ad renewals due to technical issues.

• Bob's PDR is now Revive Auto, and they have already renewed.

7:00 Appointed Officer Report:

Past President: Bob Maynard

• Not Present/No Report.

Photographer: Stella Wood

• Not Present/No Report.

Webmaster: Gloria Reiffer

Nothing to report.

Facebook Moderator: Dave Voss

• Not Present/No Report.

Zoom Facilitator: Kyle Felts

Zoom working well.

Quartermaster: Randy Putmon

Not Present/No Report.

Sergeant at Arms: Geofrey Cradit

Not Present/No Report.

NCM Ambassador: Casey Mulvany

- The club was able to purchase a club sponsored banner at NCM. This banner will be sent to the club in November at the end of the season. The club designed banners sold out in four days.
- Although our current NCM membership is good until September, Casey asked that a motion be
 made to add a line item to the 2024 budget to fund a lifetime membership. Kevin Mead made
 the motion, which was seconded by Angela Hyde, and supported by the majority of board
 members in attendance. Several ways were discussed to fund the \$3,000 cost, including using
 various amounts from the checking account and our CD. A decision will be made closer to
 September.
- There was also a discussion how to best use the six passes that we receive for the NCM as part of our membership. This will be discussed at the next general membership meeting.

Board Meeting Minutes

Historian: Sue Keith

• Not Present/No Report.

Hearts & Flowers: Ann Voss

• Not Present/No Report.

Chaplain: Ward Harris

• Not Present/No Report.

7:10 New Business:

- Sanction Numbers How are we using the last 4 (Blessings?): After some discussion, it was
 decided to give three numbers to the Jackson club so that they can use them for a Funkhana.
 The motion was made by Tom Faupel and seconded by Kevin Mead, and approved by the
 majority of Board members in attendance. The remaining number will most likely be used
 during the Blessings car show.
- Birch Run (discussed above)
- Christmas Party Change Location?: Although Angela has reserved Coral Gables for 2024, she will also be looking into other locations.
- CMN: The club needs to begin working on a date for this event.
- Updated photo for Delhi Cafe: Tim stated that Brian can print a 19 x 13 and add the text that is on the current Delhi photo. The cost will be \$25, and then we can get a new mat cut for the existing frame for an additional \$25 or so. He also got an estimate of \$75 to have a 24 x 36 picture printed on foam board for Shaheen's. Kyle will talk to Shaheen's and see if they are interested in the club providing this to them.
- Columbus OH Spring Fling is scheduled on May 11th. Kyle will be attending and anyone interested in going along should contact him.

7:20 Other Business:

Member Comments

7:30 Adjournment at 7:50. Motion by Simon Reiffer, seconded by Chuck Miller.



As we begin to prepare for many upcoming events in 2024 it is worth remembering some of what we were able to accomplish last year. Below is a list of the contributions Capital City Corvette Club made in 2023:

2023 CCCC Cash Donations

Childrens Miracle Network	\$ 5,331
Delta River Senior Village (TV)	\$ 382
Greater Lansing Food Bank	\$ 2,948
Haslett Comm Church	\$ 130
It's a Breast Thing	\$ 250
Old News Boys	\$ 250
ST Vincent Catholic Charities	\$ 250
VFW Home	\$ 1,750
	\$ 11,291

This does not include the all of the additional donations made by our members of cash, toys, and gifts that went directly to the organizations and helped make many of our events so successful.

Since 2005 CCCC has donated back over \$166,000 in cash and gifts to the community.

Let's continue our generous tradition of giving as we prepare for a fun filled 2024.



Capital City Corvette Club



Participation Points as of December 24, 2023

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10	Beverly Adado	37	Norman Gozalka	0	Diane Munshaw	2	Ralph Swan
12	Robert Adado	22	Jeanne Harris	0	Tom Munshaw	0	Susan Swan
39	Roy Bailey	33	Ward Harris	9	George Nelson	17	Connie Taylor
24	Pat Bailey	64	Bill Hass	2	Stanley Olson	17	Thomas Taylor
0	Dana Beaman	69	Melissa Hass	1	Zola Olson	0	Beth Terzian
33	Sandy Bechtel	16	Skip Herold, Jr.	0	Mark Otto	0	Ted Terzian
0	Ben Behnke **	8	Skip Herold, III	7	Joe Platte	6	Stephen Toth
2	Colleen Bratschi	47	Sue Hoover	53	Suzanne Politza	45	Harold Twining
2	Rich Bratschi	177	Angela Hyde	60	Carl Polomski *	45	Katherine Twining
1	Connie Britz	6	Craig Iansiti	60	Carolyn Polomski *	14	Ann Voss
1	Mike Britz	31	Daniel Kane	59	Carol Putmon	14	David Voss
63	Daniel Burk	37	Kim Keith	65	Randy Putmon	0	James Wagner
24	Laura Burk	41	Sue Keith	75	Gloria Reiffer	0	Joyce Wagner
53	Geofrey Cradit	97	Michael Lewis	75	Simon Reiffer	1	Peter Walker
35	Joyce Cradit	26	Janet Litrenta	11	Robert Ribar	2	Chris Waltz
0	Frederick Darin	42	Artie Love	3	Mike Saxton	2	Mike Waltz
0	Marlene Darin	32	Jean Luttig	1	Heather Saxton	15	Jerry Wardell
0	Ralph Davis	96	Bob Maynard	29	Kyle Schittenhelm	15	Sally Wardell
0	Susan Davis	74	Shalimar Maynard	15	Shelby Schittenhelm	18	Robert Watson
1	Art Doty *	18	Brian McKevett	19	Kim Schramm	43	Mary Wells
1	Nancy Doty *	67	Kevin Mead	0	Ralph Shaheen **	89	Timothy Wells
37	George Duncan *	6	Patricia Mead	0	Barb Sipka	56	Christine Wieczorek
37	Kathy Duncan *	2	Linda Michael	0	Thomas Sipka	49	Thomas Wieczorek
85	Michelle Faupel	52	Chuck Miller	4	James Spalding	42	Densel Williams
104	Tom Faupel	16	Jeffrey Mitzel	6	Robert Spehar	72	Stella Wood
188	Kyle Felts	4	Diana Mosher	0	Janet Sprague		
6	Melissa Felts	48	Casey Mulvany	0	Michael Sprague		
30	Cindy Gozalka	45	Kim Mulvany	97	James Sutherland		

2023 Top Ten

188	Kyle Felts	97	James Sutherland	89	Timothy Wells	75	Gloria Reiffer
177	Angela Hyde	97	Michael Lewis	85	Michelle Faupel	74	Shalimar Maynard
104	Tom Faupel	96	Bob Maynard	75	Simon Reiffer	72	Stella Wood



^{*} NCCC affiliation is with another Michigan Region Club.

^{**} Honorary Member / Club Liaison.

Jacking the Corvette C5/6/7

Over the years, I have heard a lot of stories about how to and how not to jack up a Corvette. Many want to overcomplicate a simple procedure. However, there are some steps that will make jacking your C5, C6, or C7 a more comfortable and safe process. Please follow along below as I demonstrate my best practice. The C8 has a similar method to lift it, but due to being mid-engined, the points are in different locations than earlier generations.

Preparing to lift





No surprise here, the Corvette sits low, I use some 2"X6" boards that I drive up on to create an extra space to get the jack or "Quick Jacks" under the side sill of the car.

Installing the Pucks







Twist in Puck

Slot in Chassis

Puck Installed on Car

The C5+ Generations have slots in the chassis to insert "Pucks" Consult your owner's manual for a diagram on locations (X4). There are many versions of these pucks, including some that bolt in and stay on the car. Used in the example are twist in removable pucks. These should always be used when lifting or jacking the car.

Lifting Device Contact







Typical Floor Jack

Typical 2 Post Lift

Quick Jacks

There are multiple devices to lift your car for service. Regardless of the type you are using, they will all make contact the same. The pucks are installed at the proper lift points. So, bring your lifting device slowly into contact with them. Verify solid contact with the puck in the center of the lifting device pad. Once you are happy with the placement you can slowly lift the vehicle. Ensure a stable lift by checking the stability of the car as soon as the tires leave the ground.

Car Lifted for Service





Once in the air, I suggest again to test the stability of the car with a light shake to make sure you are comfortable that the car is stable. Many factors can contribute to unsafe conditions: tools in poor condition, wrong tools, uneven ground, loose dirt, etc. Check the car, check the surroundings, and don't be afraid to repeat the steps and move locations if need be. Additionally, a set of jack stands or similar method should be employed anytime you are working on a car that has been lifted for service. The proper tool will be dictated by what setup you are using, but NEVER go under a car that does not have a secondary mechanical means of preventing the car from coming down.

Why is this Important? What can go Wrong?



Damage from a slipped jack

The main point here is safety. I will caution when using a single point lifting method like a floor jack, be careful of the angle of the lift. While the pucks help with keeping the car on the jack, too much of an angle can create a situation where your car can slide off the jack. While you may not be under the car and out of harms way, your car never is as long as it is in the air. When a car slides off the jack, unexpected damages can occur, even to body panels. This is why it is important to always use a secondary mechanical method to prevent the car from coming down.

This is how I raise my car for service and minimize the risk of damage to my car or to my person. When utilizing any tool or performing any task on your car, it is always the user's responsibility to ensure their tools are in proper and safe operating condition. You should also take care to ensure safety in your surroundings while working.

A CAPITAL IDEA

The Capital City Corvette Club of Lansing, MI was formed in 1958 and has continued a tradition of fun and fellowship for fifty-five years. Club members gathered recently at the historic state Capitol Building which was built between 1872 and 1878. In 1992, the National Park Service designated the Capitol a National Historic Landmark for its architectural significance and restoration.

Capital City CC is a charter member of the National Council of Corvette Clubs and is designated as club number MI-003. When the club was formed in 1958, Jim Hoppin was its first president. Jim was also secretary for NCCC when it was formed in 1959 and was instrumental in creating the NCCC steering wheel logo. Jim Hoppin continued his role with NCCC by serving as president in 1962 and 1963. The club was delighted to have Jim as a guest speaker at one of our monthly membership meetings in 2011 and he and his wife, Judy, were able to join us for our photo.



When the NCCC Convention was held in St Louis in 1961, thirty-three members of Capital City CC made the trip in twenty-three Corvettes. In 1962, the convention was held in Lansing, MI and hosted by Capital City CC. The July 1962 issue of "Blue Bars" featured an article about the Capital City Corvette Club and the upcoming convention. Their guest speaker was Zora Duntov who was accompanied by his wife, Elfi. Participants caravanned in their Corvettes to the assembly plant in Flint, MI.

Other club members also played an active role in NCCC. Art Miller was NCCC president in 1964 and 1965. Gary Cross was president in 1966. The NCCC President's Award was given to Darwin Thomas in 1964 and to Gary Cross in 1965.

The club's first sponsor was Lee MacGillivray Chevrolet in Haslett, MI. The early meetings were held at the dealership which allowed the members to use the service bays to wash and work on their Corvettes. A real plus during Michigan winters! Early club members

enjoyed car shows, rallyes and racing. Some of them even raced their Corvettes on frozen Lake Lansing. Josh Joslin had a 1963 Corvette that he raced at Virginia International Raceway, the SCCA Divisional at Meadowdale and the Road America 500 in Elkhart, WI.



The Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation had a close relationship with General Motors and the early Corvette clubs because Owens – Corning was producing the body panels for the Corvette. Members of the Capital City CC traveled to their manufacturing facility for a tour. Owens-Corning gave an annual award to the club that had shown the most enthusiastic support of the Corvette hobby. Capital City CC was given a Steuben crystal bowl in 1961 and 1962 in recognition of receiving this honor.

We are part of the Michigan Region and the club's 101 members enjoy a wide range of activities including car shows, rallyes, parades, region events and road tours, which typically result in a unique dining experience. Club members also participate in the NCCC convention and events like Corvettes at Carlisle, Bloomington Gold and the Black Hills Corvette Classic. Our current sponsor is Bud Kouts Chevrolet in Lansing, MI. We host numerous events to raise funds for local charities such as VFW National Home for Children, the Greater Lansing Food Bank and the Potter Park Zoological Society. The club sponsors two scholarships at the local career center for young people who are continuing their education in the automotive field.

The Capital City CC has touched many lives in the past fifty five years. Its current members look forward to continuing our rich legacy of friendships, service and the enjoyment of Corvette ownership.

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