

This is a special edition of the weekly updates newsletter. Instead of a look ahead for the next eight weeks, below is a look ahead for ten weeks. So, for the next two weeks, there will not be a weekly updates newsletter posted to our website. The normal eight week look ahead will resume on Sunday, March 17th.

Click the links below to view details for each upcoming event:

- [Wednesday, 28 Feb-Saturday, 9 Mar 2024 – 5th Annual Caribbean Cruise](#)
We'll be heading for the Panama Canal with a partial transit into Lake Gatun. This cruise is with Princess Cruise Lines, and we'll be sailing aboard the Ruby Princess out of Ft. Lauderdale, FL (Port Everglades). We have 14 cabins booked!
- [Saturday, 9 Mar 2024 – Suffolk BBQ Cruise-in at the Airport, noon - 4:00PM](#)
The Suffolk Airport Cruise-Ins are continuing through the winter. Please call the Suffolk BBQ Company at 757-514-4416 before you go to make sure the cruise-in is still happening.
- [\(DATE CHANGE!\) Tuesday, 12 Mar 2024 – Membership Business Meeting, 6:00 - 7:30PM](#)
We'll be in the auditorium at the Oberdorf Central Library. All members and guests are welcome. Doors open at 6:00PM, meeting starts at 6:15PM.
- [Wednesday, 13 Mar 2024 – BCC Breakfast, 8:30 - 10:00AM](#)
- [Saturday, 16 Mar 2024 – 57th Norfolk St. Patrick's Day Parade, 8:15AM - 12:00PM](#)
Our paperwork has been submitted and we have been accepted! As last year, we will have a limit of 10 cars. Our parade staging location is the same as last year "Section 2, Position 43". This location is very close to the street address: 142 E. Westmont Ave, Norfolk, VA 23503. The parade steps off at 10:00AM. Light rain doesn't stop the parade. I'll be monitoring the parade's website ([here](#)) which should have weather updates at the bottom of the page. If plans change, I'll let all of the participants know.
Beforehand, we will meet between 8:15AM and 8:30AM at the Southern Shopping center behind the Bojangles (7519 Tidewater Drive, Norfolk, VA 23505) there you will be asked to sign the customary NCCC Waiver Form. At 8:30AM the Beachcombers will drive together (about 2 miles) and make a left on Westmont Avenue to the parade staging location. By all means bring decorations for your car and wear attire appropriate as long as its green!
This is a sign-up/RSVP event. You can sign-up online [here](#), at the Monday, February 19th business meeting, or contact me. Right now, we have all 10 car slots filled, but by all means please sign up as an alternate! Last year after exhausting all alternates we rolled in the parade only 8 cars participating having room for 2 more.
Once the parade is over, there will be an after party at the Columbian Club of Ocean View at 211 W Government Ave, Norfolk, VA 23503. The after party starts after the parade (approximately noon) and ends at 4PM. The after party is free and open to everyone who is 21 years of age or older. So even if you're not in the parade, think about going to the afterparty!

- [Sunday, 17 Mar 2024 – 33rd St. Patrick’s Day Parade, Nags Head, NC, 1PM](#)

The Rods and Customs group of Manteo/Nags Head will have a group of cars in the St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Nags Head. The R&C group has invited us and other car clubs to join their group in the parade. Last year, they had 41 cars! The R&C group makes a weekend of it to include activities Friday night, Saturday, and Sunday. I don’t have any detail as to activities other than the parade on Sunday and after.

Beachcombers wishing to participate in the parade on Sunday can meet the R&C group at 11:00AM at the American Classics Garage ([here](#)) located at 1808 S Croatan Hwy, Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948. From there the group will head to the parade staging area at 11:30AM and get in line before noon. The address of the staging area is: 2316 S Croatan Hwy Nags Head, NC 27959. The parade steps off at 1:00PM. After the parade if you’re interested, there will be a cruise-in luncheon at Shipwrecks Taphouse & Grill ([here](#)) located at 4020 N Croatan Hwy, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949.

If you’re wishing to book a hotel for Saturday or Friday/Saturday night, the Manteo Motor Lodge ([here](#)) will be offering discounts. The Lodge is located at 100 US 64, Manteo, NC 27954. The lodge’s phone number is 252-423-3130. If you have any questions, you can call Mike Tillett of the R&C at 252-305-5789.

The sign-up/RSVP is [here](#). If we get a lot of attendees, I’ll help organize group travel on Saturday and Sunday.

- [Tuesday, 19 Mar 2024 – Corvette Takeover at New Realm Brewing, 6:00 - 9:00PM](#)

- [Wednesday, 20 Mar 2024 – BCC Board Meeting, 7:00 - 9:00PM](#)

The BCC board meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. This meeting is open to all members. Discussion of issues; and past, current, and plans for future events occur over dinner. If you have an idea for a club event, send me the details or bring them to the meeting to discuss! Let Mike Salonga or I know ahead of time so your details can be included in the agenda.

- [Saturday, 23 Mar 2024 – York High School Car Show, 9:00AM - 2:00PM](#)

The Yorktown High School is hosting their annual car show to benefit their Senior Send-Off. On the day of the show, registration starts at 9:00AM. Top 50 awards. Concessions will be sold all day. There will be goodie bags for the first 125 cars. Early bird registration is \$15, day of show is \$20. The car show will be held the High School located at 9300 George Washington Memorial Hwy, Yorktown, VA 23692. You can pay in advance ([here](#)) or by printing out the flyer ([here](#)) and mail it in. **Early registration for the event ends on March 13th!** The car show is from 11AM-2PM. The rain date is Sunday, March 24th. A link to the show’s FaceBook page is [here](#). If you have any questions, you can send an email to: yhscarshow@gmail.com.

- [Saturday, 23 Mar 2024 – Suffolk BBQ Cruise-in at the Airport, noon - 4:00PM](#)

The Suffolk Airport Cruise-Ins are continuing through the winter. Please call the Suffolk BBQ Company at 757-514-4416 before you go to make sure the cruise-in is still happening.

- [Sunday, 24 Mar 2024 – Beachcomber Bowling, 1:00 - 3:00PM](#)
Come join fellow Beachcombers for a fun time bowling at Pinboys at the Beach. There is no sign-up for this event. Just meet us at the Bowling Center before 1PM to get your shoes and bowling ball ready. We'll start at 1PM and have our lanes for 2 hours. During the event the club will pick up the tab for shoes, bowling, food and beverages!
Please keep in mind that it is open to BCC members and one guest per member! You may bring additional guests, but each additional guest will pay \$10 for bowling and shoe rental; and also pay for their own food and beverages. Pinboys at the Beach is located at 1577 Laskin Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. See you there!
- [Saturday, 30 Mar 2024 – 6th Annual George E Smith Memorial Car Show, 10:00AM - 3:00PM](#)
Join us as we celebrate the memory of a local car enthusiast who passed away December 28, 2018. George was a vital part of the Landstown Cruise-Ins, and we are proud to remember him with an annual event. George also served on the board of the Beachcomber Corvette Club served as the president of the Car Club Council of Hampton Roads.
This will be an all years, makes, and models event with awards. Portion of proceeds will benefit a charity that George believed in, the Southeastern Food Bank. We will be accepting all non-perishable food items for the food bank. Proceeds will also benefit the Car Club Council of Hampton Roads as we work on improved events for all of our attendees. 757 Auto Events has this event on their Facebook page [here](#). Pre-registration for cars is \$16. I'm anticipating the place to preregister online will be [here](#).
- [\(NEW\) Saturday, 30 Mar 2024 – Landstown Commons Cruise-In, 4:00 - 8:00PM](#)
Finally announced by the CCCHR. LTC Cruise in start this day and run through October 26th. Our first Saturday to host is April 20th!
- [Tuesday, 2 Apr 2024 – Membership Business Meeting, 6:00 - 7:30PM](#)
We'll be in the auditorium at the Oberdorf Central Library. All members and guests are welcome. Doors open at 6:00PM, meeting starts at 6:15PM.
- [\(NEW\) Saturday, 6 Apr 2024 – Landstown Commons Cruise-In, 4:00 - 8:00PM](#)
- [Wednesday, 10 Apr 2024 – BCC Breakfast, 8:30 - 10:00AM](#)
- [\(NEW\) Saturday, 13 Apr 2024 – Landstown Commons Cruise-In, 4:00 - 8:00PM](#)
- [Tuesday, 16 Apr 2024 – Corvette Takeover at New Realm Brewing, 6:00 - 9:00PM](#)
- [Wednesday, 17 Apr 2024 – BCC Board Meeting, 7:00 - 9:00PM](#)
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- [Friday, 19 Apr-Sunday, 21 Apr 2024 – 15th Annual Vettes Doin’ Charleston](#)

The Coastal Carolina Corvette Club is hosting their annual event. The link to their upcoming car show event is [here](#). Know that on-line registration is open. You can only register on-line, and **the registration deadline is before April 6th**. Registration cancellations will be accepted before Tuesday, April 16th. The registration link is [here](#). The car show is \$28.00. Optional T-Shirt is \$15.00. You can show up and pay on the day of the car show for \$30.00 provided spots are available. This is a rain or shine event.

There will be Friday night meet-and-greet on Friday from 5:00-7:00PM at New Realm (in Charleston) where each pays their own expenses. New Realm will be the venue for the Saturday car show also. The car show is from 9:00AM-2:00PM with trophy awards starting at 1:00PM.

The host hotel is the Hampton Inn located at 160 Fairfield St, Charleston, SC 29492. To make a room reservation, call the Hampton Inn at 843-216-6555. Mention “Vettes Doin’ Charleston” or “VDC” to receive discounted rate. The hotel website link is [here](#). I don’t see any mention of the discounted rates yet the flyer states that the rooms must be booked by March 21st to receive it. You can early check-in for the car show at the hotel on Friday once you’ve checked in.

- [Friday, 19 Apr 2024 – Bring Your Own Lunch, noon - 1:30PM](#)

Stay tuned for where we’ll meet. If you have an idea for an area park, please let me know! We usually look for a pavilion where we can be out of the sun, as well as restrooms nearby to not require much of a walk.

There is no sign-up, just show up! Bring your favorite food and beverage, and join in the conversation over lunch. If the weather is questionable, you can check the link above where I’ll post if its canceled. You can call me at 757-343-4873 for any questions.

- [Saturday, 20 Apr 2024 – 71st Annual NATO Parade of Nations, 8:15AM - noon](#)

The Norfolk annual NATO parade is the longest continuously running parade in Hampton Roads and the only parade in the United States honoring NATO! Over 100 Parade Units with local and visiting high school bands, U.S. and International Military bands, and colorful floats which represent each of the NATO Member Nations! Local community organization and Festival partners are also featured. This will be a rain-or-shine event. Motor units (us!) are limited to 10 cars. This is a rain or shine event. Should the weather not cooperate, I’ll contact participants with any change to the parade start time. Again, if all 10 slots are taken, please sign up as an alternate. Things happen and alternates make it a success. You can sign-up/RSVP [here](#), at an upcoming business meeting, or contact me.

The parade participants will first meet at 8:15AM at the Shiloh Baptist Church located at 745 Park Ave, Norfolk VA 23504. We’ll roll from there at 8:30AM and head to Harbor Park located at 150 Park Ave, Norfolk VA 23510 where we stage for the parade. We must be there by 9:00AM.

- [Saturday, 20 Apr 2024 – 19th Annual Spring Dust Off, 10AM - 3:00PM](#)

Our friends at the Chevy Lovers Club are hosting their annual Spring Dust off Car show. Pre-registration is open, costs is \$25. Day of show is \$30. Rain date is Sunday April 21st. Event registration is from 10:00-11:30AM. First 100 pre-registered receive free T-shirt

and chance at cash drawing. Dash plaques to first 100 on the field. Awards at 2:30PM. You can pre-register [here](#).

- [Saturday, 20 Apr 2024 – Landstown Commons Cruise-In, 4:00 - 8:00PM](#)

This is the first cruise-in of the year that our club hosts. As part of hosting, we need volunteers to help run the event! Setup/teardown of cones, banners/flags, tents, tables, and more. Being our event, all money collected for admission goes to the Seton Youth Centers charity.

- [Thursday, 25 Apr-Saturday, 27 Apr 2024 – 27th Annual Michelin NCM Bash](#)

Kickoff of the NCM onsite event season with other corvette enthusiasts in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Returning activities include a seminar and classroom sessions by GM-certified Corvette Technician Paul Koerner, guided road tours, artifact pitstops featuring items only found in the National Corvette Museum's collection, guided tours of the NEW Luster Realistic Art Exhibit, the NCM judged car show, LIVE auction, and seminars. NCM Motorsports Park will be hosting their Bash HPDE on Wednesday and Thursday of Bash week for more information [here](#). The registration link is [here](#). **On-line registration closes at 9:00AM central time on Friday, April 5th.**

- [Friday, 26 Apr-Sunday, 28 Apr 2024 – Eastern Shore Getaway](#)

Several things are set for our weekend getaway in the Easton/St. Michael's area on the Maryland Eastern Shore. We will be staying at the Quality Inn in Easton. Easton is north approximately a 3hr 10min drive from Virginia Beach over the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel then up Route 13 to Route 50. Easton is on Route 50. St. Michaels is 15 miles west of Easton. We will be visiting the St. Michael's Classic Motor Museum on Saturday morning for their cars and coffee (free), followed by a tour of their museum (\$10/person). We will also (hopefully) be taking a 65-minute historical cruise on the "Patriot" on Saturday afternoon at 2:30PM (approximately \$25/person). These attractions are discussed in the itinerary ([here](#)) as well as dining, shopping, and other sightseeing possibilities.

For hotel booking, call the Quality Inn at 410-820-8333 and mention the "Beachcombers Corvette Club". The 2-night stay will be \$90/night plus taxes and fees which is \$9, so the total is \$198. **Know to receive this rate, you must book prior to March 26th.** If you decide to go, not only get the room at the hotel but sign-up via RSVP ([here](#)), at the March business meeting, or contact me.

We will meet on Friday, April 26th at the Kroger on Shore Drive (located at 4625 Shore Dr, Virginia Beach, VA 23455) next to their fuel center at 10:00AM. We will depart Kroger at 10:15AM and proceed north over the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel. We'll stop for lunch at 12:30PM at the LongHorn Steakhouse in Salisbury MD. After lunch we'll continue to Easton and arrive at the hotel at 3:00PM.

On Sunday after we check out those can proceed to their next adventure, or just head home. For those heading home, some may wish to stop at the Bordeleau Vineyard and Winery. We should be back at the Kroger on Shore Drive by 4:30PM.

I've uploaded my preliminary itinerary to our website ([here](#)) with all of the details mentioned above. Know the itinerary is preliminary and will change as we get close. It's

just to help you decide if you're interested in this weekend getaway. If you wish to help research our weekend, let me know your ideas!

- [Saturday, 27 Apr 2024 – Landstown Commons Cruise-In, 4:00 - 8:00PM](#)
- [Friday, 3 May-Saturday, 4 May 2024 – OBX Rod and Custom Festival](#)

The Rod and Customs group in Nags Head, NC will again have their annual Festival. Last year there were over 1600 cars! Online registration is [here](#). If you pre-register by March 18th, the cost is \$50. After that date, registration is \$60. Information related to this 2-day festival is [here](#). A link to the event's FaceBook page is [here](#). Hotel arrangements are listed [here](#). There are two Comfort Inns listed. Both have discounted room rates. Also, the Ramada and the Heart of Manteo Lodge have discounted room rates.
- [Saturday, 4 May 2024 – Zip Corvette Customer Appreciation Day, 9:00AM - 4:00PM](#)

Our Cruise to Zip event will be for their Customer Appreciation Day is expected to be Saturday May 4th. This date is tentative so look for updates. If a go, during our visit all receive 10% off of purchases in their showroom. Zip opens their campus to Corvettes and offers free food and drink. We follow up with our own luncheon at the [Roma Ristorante Italiano](#) near the [Zip Corvette](#) campus at 1PM before heading home.

We will meet at Greenbrier Mall at 9AM and roll at 9:15AM. We'll also stop at the rest stop on I-64 at mile marker 214 at 10:30AM to meet any additional BCC members. When driving into the Rest Area, please veer right at the sign to park for "Trucks, Buses and RV" (not to the left for cars). Drive behind the building and stop in a long truck parking space which is completely unoccupied close to the building. We will leave the rest stop at 10:45AM. We anticipate arrival at the Zip Corvette campus at 11:15AM. For those wishing to attend lunch at Roma Restaurant, we will leave Zip Corvette at 12:45PM with lunch starting at 1PM. You can sign up/RSVP for this event on our website ([here](#)), at next business meeting, or contact me. The flyer for this event is [here](#).
- [Saturday, 4 May 2024 – Landstown Commons Cruise-In, 4:00 - 8:00PM](#)
- Here are links to other websites for area Cruise-Ins, Cars-and-Coffee, and other meetups:
 - [Car Club Council of Hampton Roads](#) - Cruise-Ins and events are dropdowns at the top.
 - [Car Crazy in Tidewater Virginia](#) or on Facebook [here](#).
 - [NCCC East Region](#) – Events are within a dropdown at the top. If interested, there are autocross and concours events listed there.
 - I haven't seen an update yet related to the Suffolk BBQ at the Airport cruise-ins starting in April. I expect they will continue the noon-4PM cruise-in every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month.

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