

## **Below are event updates and important information for this week:**

**(NEW)** Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>

### **South Norfolk 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade – South Norfolk Baptist Church, 7:30 - 11:30AM**

We will be participating in this year's 4th of July Parade put on by the South Norfolk Civic League. We are limited to four cars and each car must be decorated! This is a rain or shine event. We are in "Group B" and will stage at the South Norfolk Baptist Church at 8:00AM with the parade stepping off at 10AM. The church is located at 1101 Chesapeake Ave, Chesapeake, VA 23324. After the parade if you're interested, there is a "picnic in the park" gathering at Lakeside Park located at 1441 Bainbridge Blvd, Chesapeake, VA 23324.

We will meet at 7:30AM at Greenbrier Mall next to Abuelo's Mexican Restaurant. We'll roll at 7:45AM to proceed to the church. If interested, please RSVP at our website event link above, or contact me.

**(NEW)** Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>

### **Dad's and Dame's Cruise In at the Vero at Chesapeake Senior Living – 11:00AM-1:00PM**

Let's join the Car Club Council of Hampton Roads to brighten the day by visiting with the residents and staff at the Vero Senior Living located at 757 Cedar Rd, Chesapeake, VA 23322. Open to all makes and models.

Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>

### **Landstown Commons Cruise-in – 4:00 - 8:00PM**

**This is a cruise-in that our club hosts.**

Wednesday, July 17<sup>th</sup> through July 20<sup>th</sup>

### **Black Hills Corvette Classic – South Dakota**

**(NEW)** Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>

### **Virginia Air and Space Science Center Day Trip – NASA Langley, Hampton, 10AM - 3PM**

Looking at the VASC website ([here](#)), it looks to be a fun family day trip! I've always had a deep interest in Space and am always eager to learn more. I've contacted the VASC to see how best to accommodate our group. After our visit, we'll have optional late lunch at the Grey Goose Restaurant ([here](#)) within walking distance. Full price admission tickets to include all exhibits and one 45-minute IMAX film are: Adult-\$22.50, Senior (65+)-\$20.50, Active Military/NASA-\$19.50, Children (3-18)-\$19.00, Children under 3-free. I hope to get a group of 10 or more. If we do, we'll receive the group discount which is \$21, \$19, \$18, and \$17 respectively. For those on Southside we can meet at 10:00AM behind the Bojangles at the Southern Shopping Center off of I-64 located at 7519 Tidewater Dr, Norfolk, VA 23505. We would depart at 10:15AM to arrive at the VASC around 10:30AM. For those not wanting to meet at Bojangles can meet at the VASC between 10:30 and 11:00AM. We'll then begin 3-hour visit at 11:00AM. The first two hours to tour the exhibits, then the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour at 1PM to see the IMAX movie "Astronaut Oceans to Orbit". We'll leave at 2PM to head to the restaurant. After the luncheon, we'll go our own way. Once I have all the details, I create an event on our website with RSVPs attending the VASC and then a headcount for the luncheon. There still some minor details to Stay tuned!

Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>

**13<sup>th</sup> Annual Extortion 17 Ride – Lendy’s Café, 9:00AM - noon**

We will be participating in this annual ride. The Virginia Patriot Guard (VPG) organizes this event every year. We have the Virginia Beach Police escort the ride which encircles Virginia Beach. We start at Lendy’s Cafe. There we will have a brief ceremony with an Honor Guard, singing the National Anthem, a benediction, and the Frogmen MC will be reading the names of the 30 Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and 1 Military Working Dog who gave their ultimate sacrifice defending our freedom. Please RSVP at our website event link above, or contact me. We need a count of cars who plan to attend so parking spots can be roped off.

Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>

**2024 NCRS 50<sup>th</sup> National Convention – Hampton Roads Convention Center, Hampton, VA**

The National Corvette Restorers Society is hosting their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary annual convention at the Hampton Roads Convention Center located at 1610 Coliseum Dr, Hampton, VA 23666. **We will have a guest speaker, Dwight Farmer, at our July Business meeting on July 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Dwight Farmer lives in Suffolk and has quite a corvette background!!! ... He has been a member of NCRS since 1981 and was a founding member of the Mid-Atlantic chapter. He was a team lead for judging of 58-60 Corvettes. He was a founding member of our National Corvette Museum. He is a former President and VP of the NCM. He currently owns a 1960 he purchased from original, a fully documented restored 1959 fuelie, a 1967 427/400 Tri-power AC convertible with 40,000 original miles, a 2019 ZR1 purchased new. At our meeting he’ll talk about the NCRS, the convention, and answer any questions you may have about the convention and the NCRS.

Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> and Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>

**Carriages on West Street – Annapolis, MD**

This year the weekend of Sat/Sun August 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> is the Carriages on West St in Annapolis, MD. Know there are only 85 spots for cars already registered in the car show. Registration has ended. Know that even if not in the car show, it’s a fun time just to be there to visit Annapolis and be part of the festivities. If you wish to travel to the event, please RSVP at our website event link above, or contact me.

Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>

**32<sup>nd</sup> Khedive Autos Fun and Shine Car Show – Chesapeake, VA, 10AM - 3:00PM**

If you wish to roll in to the show together, we’ll meet at 8:30AM at Greenbrier Mall next to Abuelos Mexican Restaurant. We’ll leave for the show at 8:45AM to arrive at the Shrine Center at 9:00AM. There is a Craft Show inside the air-conditioned Shrine Center. Please RSVP at our website event or contact me.

Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> through Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>

**Corvettes at Carlisle – Carlisle, PA**

If you plan to go, please make your arrangements early! A link to the Carlisle main website is [here](#). Fun field and other ticket sales are [here](#). **Know the Gate ‘N Go deadline is July 10<sup>th</sup>.** After this date, tickets will be full price, and you will not receive a postal mailing with your passes. By registering prior to this day, you will receive a postal mailing with your passes which saves time to get on the fairgrounds when you arrive. When purchasing Fun Field tickets, ensure to select: “BEACHCOMBERS CORVETTE CLUB OF VIRGINIA BEACH” for the drop down beneath “Corvette Club”. If we get 25 cars to go, we will have use of a 20ft x 20ft tent during the event.

Hotel rooms become scarce as days get closer. The Corvettes at Carlisle website has a link for local hotels you can book during your stay ([here](#)). Please sign-up/RSVP at our website event link above, or contact me. We want to know who's going (and when) so we can plan group drives and get-together while there!

Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> through Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup>

**[IMSA WeatherTech at VIR – Alton, VA](#)**

We had 7 cars that went last year. Know that Wade Ridgely has purchase the 3-day Corvette Corral tickets for two to anyone interested. Current value is \$330. He is asking \$280. Wade's phone is: 757-285-4296. Please sign-up/RSVP at our website above, or contact me.

Monday to Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup> through September 1<sup>st</sup>

**[2024 National Corvette Caravan – Bowling Green, KY](#)**

Monday travel to Asheville, NC. Tuesday travel to Sevierville, TN. Wednesday travel to Bowling Green.

Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>

**[Vettes versus the Dragon 2024 – Fontana Dam, NC](#)**

Vettes versus the Dragon and Smoky Mountain Drives are sponsoring an event in the area surrounding the famous "Tail of the Dragon". This 3-day corvette-only rain-or-shine event includes over 600 miles of epic mountain driving. Tickets are \$199 for car and driver which a catered dinner on Friday, a Vettes versus the Dragon T-shirt, event packet with detailed route map, and more. For a passenger, the cost is \$30 which includes the T-shirt and Friday dinner. **The event is limited to 100 corvettes** and you must provide a valid Driver's License, proof of Insurance and be 18 years or older to drive. The host hotel is the Fontana Village Resort located at 300 Woods Rd, Fontana Dam, NC 28733. The drive from Greenbrier Mall to the Resort is 500+ miles (8+ hours). More detail in the link above. If you wish to travel to the event, please RSVP at our website event link above, or contact me.

**(NEW) Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Poker Run - LTC**

We are planning a poker run that we host the same Saturday as when we host the Cruise-In at LTC. This would be open to all makes and models. We would start and end at Landstown Commons Shopping Center. The fee would be approximate \$20/vehicle, option to purchase addition cards for draw poker. There would be a \$500 purse to pay the top 10 poker hands to be awarded during the cruise-in. We will be planning the routes and participant costs. Monies raised to go to BCC Treasury and cover the \$3 fee for the LTC Cruise-In we host that day. Our rain date would be Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. More to come.

**(NEW) Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**[2024 Oceana Air Show – Naval Air Base Oceana](#)**

Save the dates! Details to follow. Once all of the details are known, I'll create the RSVPs for sign-up, so stay tuned!!! Know we will have sign-ups for each of the 3 days and we will be bringing 8 cars each day. Drivers/passengers will need to be vetted in advance. Excluded from vetting are participants with DOD/Military IDs.

(Date Change) Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>

**Bring Your Own Lunch – TBD, 12:00 - 1:30PM**

Date has changed from September 20<sup>th</sup> to not conflict with participation in the Oceana Air Show.

Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> through Sunday September 29<sup>th</sup>

**45<sup>th</sup> Annual Vette Fest – Pidgeon Forge, TN**

The East Tennessee Corvette Club (ETCC) has announced their annual event held in Pidgeon Forge, TN (530mi/8hr) at the Glenstone Lodge (\$134/night plus taxes and fees). The event is \$95/couple, \$85/single (includes T-shirt(s), Friday Meet-&-Greet, Saturday car show and Sock Hop). If you're interested in attending details (to include the mail in registration) are on our website at the event link above. Also, please RSVP at our event link above, or contact me.

(NEW) Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>

**2024 Neptune Festival Grand Parade – Oceanfront**

Our application will be submitted shortly. Presumably, we will be participating. I'll be adding an event to our calendar with an RSVP to sign up to participate. We'll be limited to 10 cars. This will be a rain or shine event.

Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>

**2024 Beachcombers Fall Picnic – Currituck BBQ Company, Barco, NC**

We'll be heading back to the pavilion at Currituck BBQ Company for a catered buffet. We have received the catering contract which has the same cost per-person as last year. The buffet includes: Pork BBQ, sliced beef brisket, fried chicken, ribs, potato salad, baked beans, cole slaw, hush puppies, bread pudding, buns and sauces, sweet and unsweet tea, lemonade, water, and ice. Disposable plates, utensils, cups, and napkins will be provided. Same items as last year. We'll discuss at the July 2<sup>nd</sup> business meeting and vote to agree to the total cost and the cost per person. After the business meeting, I'll set up an RSVP on our website. From last year, the individual costs were as follow: \$15 per member, \$15 for a member's 1<sup>st</sup> guest, then \$35 for each additional guest. I would expect the same for this year.

Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

**Queen City Corvette Show – Charlotte, NC**

Online registration is open. Cost for the show on Saturday is \$30, VIP parking is \$70 (limited to 50 spots). If you plan to go, you can register with QCCC at our web event link above. More to come, so stay tuned. If you wish to travel to the event, please RSVP at our website event link above, or contact me.

Late October

**Run to the Colors – North Wilkesboro, NC**

The Foothills Corvette Club (FCC) hosts the event and they have a tentative date of Sunday October 27<sup>th</sup> with a possible car show Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> (as per their June newsletter on their website). Once we know more, I'll plan a weekend trip spending at least Saturday night in the Wilkesboro area. Being a 5+ hour drive from Virginia Beach, it would be possible to drive home on Sunday after the run/luncheon but it would be a late home arrival. Preferred or perhaps optional would be a stay over Sunday night and drive home on Monday the 28<sup>th</sup>.

Last year, the Sunday Run to the Colors event starts at the North Wilkesboro Speedway heading north for a luncheon at the Olde Beau Resort & Golf Club in Roaring Gap, NC. All met

at the speedway at 8:30AM, drivers meeting at 10:00AM, drive starts at 11:00AM. Its approximately a 1-hour drive to the Resort for lunch. The luncheon was prepaid and as \$35/person. FCC also asked for a \$10 donation for the run to benefit their charities. Once the FCC starts to publicize this event, I'll add it to our website calendar and plan the trip. If interested in participating, give me your thoughts about travel to help plan this for the club.

Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>

**2024 Corvette Weekend – Ocean City, MD**

Our friends at the Free State Corvette Club are once again hosting their Corvette Weekend at the Inlet in Ocean City. Registration will open in early summer. Associated with this event is a drawing for a new C8 corvette. To enter the drawing, the flyer to download is within the website event link above. The winner will be announced at the Inlet on Saturday at 2PM!

If you wish to book your room at the host hotel, the Grand Hotel Ocean City, call the hotel directly at 410-289-6191 and tell the hotel you are attending the Free State Corvette Show to receive special rates. **Rooms are selling so book soon!**

If you plan to visit Ocean City this weekend, even if you're not registering in any of the events, please RSVP at our website event link above, or contact me.

(NEW) Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

**Veterans Day Parade – Oceanfront**

Our application has been approved and we will be participating. I'll be adding an event to our calendar with an RSVP to sign up to participate. We'll be limited to 10 cars. This will be a rain or shine event.

(NEW) Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> ???

**Holiday/Christmas Party – DoubleTree by Hilton, VB**

I have reached out to the DoubleTree and we have met the new Director of Catering. Fortunately, there was a recent cancellation for Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> for which she is now holding for us until after our July 2<sup>nd</sup> business meeting. They have two other possible dates as of our meeting on June 18<sup>th</sup>. These dates are Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. We have a minimum of a \$6,000 food and beverage order. We were looking at buffet serving 3 proteins, 1 starch, 1 vegetable, salad, rolls, condiments, hors d'oeuvres trays, cheeses/fruits/berries, desserts, coffee and iced tea. The same as last year. We can expect a cost per person of \$65 (but then add in taxes and gratuities totaling 30%) to really become \$85/person for 100 attendees (\$8500 to the club). Last year, the cost per person was \$57 (plus taxes and gratuities). For those who wish to stay overnight we will have a block of rooms. Last year each room was \$109/night (plus taxes and fees) and we were verbally quoted to be \$99/night (plus taxes and fees). Still to do is the identify the cost of a hospitality room (on the 12<sup>th</sup> floor) for the after party as in years past. The club uses a portion of dues collected for membership in November and other monies collected through the year, as well as inviting sponsors to attend the party to defray the \$85/person cost. The costs last year were \$35/member, \$35/first guest, \$60/non-member. We will be discussing the details at the July 2<sup>nd</sup> business meeting to determine if the club wishes to proceed and contract with the DoubleTree again, or choose a different venue.

Last year, our party was at the DoubleTree and was held on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. As with last year, we will need a committee to make this event a success.

## **Club Events (dates are yet to be determined)**

### Chili Challenge

We're looking for anyone interested in hosting our annual Chili Challenge. There is no set date, but plan it to be in cool weather. A link to what we did last year is [here](#).

## **Possible Club Events (dates are yet to be determined)**

### Trip to "Mayberry, NC"

Actually, it is Mount Airy, NC (300mi/5.25hr). This would be best as an overnight/weekend trip. There are many things there which are all related to the famous TV town. A weekend can be determined based upon interest.

### Trip to the Virginia Distillery

A day-trip to Charlottesville, VA area (180mi/3hr) to visit the maker of "Courage & Conviction" whisky. Lunch at Michie Tavern. Joe Wryk has already committed to be the lead. We just need the date(s).

### Local Areas of Interest

Have day trips. Each local day trip event would be to a historical or touristy location. For example: Yorktown Battlefield, Hampton Air and Space Museum, etc. Of course, food would be involved so also a lunch or dinner! Looking at Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup> to the Virginia Air and Space Center at NASA Langley.

## **Possible Club Events (which already have dates or will have dates)**

### MVP Track Time @ VIR – Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>

MVP ([www.mvptracktime.com](http://www.mvptracktime.com)) is hosting a track event at VIR in Alton, VA (190mi/3.5hr). MVP hosts track time on tracks around the country. See their website for more information. If you're interested, let me know.

### Chesapeake Bay Balloon Festival – Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>

Cordova, MD (195mi/3hr40min). Held at the Triple Creek Winery located at 11138 Three Bridge Branch Rd, Cordova, MD 21625. A link to this rain or shine event is [here](#). If you're interested, let me know.

### 35<sup>th</sup> Annual All Corvette Cruise In – Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>

Manassas VA (200mi/3hr15min), noon-4PM. We listed this as an event last year and was held on Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at Bomnin Chevrolet which conflicted with the "Carriages on West Street" event. For this year, the date was moved to October. What we did last year is [here](#).

### Charity Laps at VIR

Held at VIR in Alton, VA (190mi/3.5hr). Last year it was on Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. What we did last year is [here](#).

### Dominion Raceway “Track Attacks”

Club members have gone to these in the past. Dominion Raceway is in Woodford/Thornburg VA which is a 130mi/2hr drive from here. Track attack days are listed on the Dominion Raceway website ([here](#)) and appear to be year-round. If someone is interested in attending any of these track attacks we can get it on the events calendar. Know that other corvette clubs have organized their own corvette-only track attacks as done last year with the Battlefield Corvette Club (BCC) on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> (last year is [here](#)) and the Hampton Roads Corvette Club (HRCC) on Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> (last year is [here](#)).

**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.
- The City of Franklin, VA will begin their Cruise-Ins every Wednesday evening from 4PM ‘till sundown. These are downtown in the lot front of the Fire Department located at 100 S Main St, Franklin, VA 23851. These Cruise-Ins start on May 1st and occur through October 5th. A link to their Facebook page is [here](#).

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