Below are event updates and important information for this week:

(NEW) Thursday, July 4th

South Norfolk 4th 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 7th

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 13th

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

This is a cruise-in that our club hosts.

Wednesday, July 17th through July 20th

Black Hills Corvette Classic – South Dakota

(NEW) Friday, July 19th

Bring Your Own Lunch – Great Neck Park, noon – 1:30PM

Join us at noon at Great Neck Park in Virginia Beach located at 2513 Shorehaven Dr, Virginia Beach, VA 23454. Once you pass the Great Neck Rec Center, enter the park and drive 2/3rs of the way around the loop. We'll be at the pavilion near the basketball courts. There is no RSVP for this event, just show up. Pack your favorite lunch and beverage and we'll see you there!

(NEW) Saturday, July 27th

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 an 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. The VASC is located at 600 Settlers Landing Rd, Hampton, VA 23669. 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 3rd 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. If interested in going, please RSVP at our website event link above, or contact me.

Sunday, August 4th through Thursday, August 8th

2024 NCRS National Convention, Hampton, VA

A link to the convention schedule is here.

During the convention, we have a unique opportunity to purchase a heavy duty 4 post above ground lift at a big savings. The model is Advantage HD-9, 9,000lb capacity ALI certified heavy-duty lift. The lift includes a set of drip trays, a rolling jack tray and a set of caster wheels. The lifts are being offered at below wholesale cost for $5,000. each. The lifts must be removed by the end of Thursday August 8th. For information or questions, you may contact Mark Tulley at MTULLEYLIFTMAN@GMAIL.COM OR CALL 516-841-6376.

Saturday, August 10th and Sunday August 11th

Carriages on West Street – Annapolis, MD

This year the weekend of Sat/Sun August 10th/11th 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 10th

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

This is a cruise-in that our club hosts.

Thursday, August 22nd through Saturday, August 24th

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 10th. 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 travel and get-together while there!

Friday, August 23rd through Sunday, August 25th

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 26th through September 1st

2024 National Corvette Caravan – Bowling Green, KY

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

Thursday, September 5th through Sunday, September 8th

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 7th

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 approximately $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 5th. More to come.

(Date Change) Friday, September 13th

Bring Your Own Lunch – TBD, noon - 1:30PM

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

(NEW) Friday, September 20th through Sunday, September 22nd

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.

Thursday, September 26th through Sunday September 29th

45th 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 28th

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 29th

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, coleslaw, 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 2nd 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 1st guest, then $35 for each additional guest. I would expect the same for this year.

Friday, October 18th through Sunday, October 20th

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 27th with a possible car show Saturday, October 26th (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 28th.

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 8th and Saturday, November 9th

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 11th

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 7th ???

Holiday/Christmas Party – DoubleTree by Hilton, VB

We have reached out to the DoubleTree and we have met the new Director of Catering. Fortunately, there was a recent cancellation for Saturday, December 7th for which she is now holding for us until after our July 2nd business meeting. They have two other possible dates as of June 18th. These dates are Friday, December 13th and Friday, December 20th. We have a minimum of a $6,000 food and beverage order. We were looking at buffet like last year serving 3 proteins, 1 starch, 1 vegetable, salad, rolls, condiments, hors d'oeuvres trays, cheeses/fruits/berries, desserts, coffee and iced tea. We have until 30 days prior to determine the menu and until 7 days prior to determine attendance.

We will have a block of rooms for our group for those who wish to stay overnight. 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 12th floor) for the after party as in years past.

The club typically allocates $3,500 from our annual budget and then uses a portion of dues collected for membership renewal and other monies collected through the year (to include proceeds from Vettes at Waterside District), as well as inviting sponsors to attend the party to defray the per-person cost. The costs last year were $35/member, $35/first guest, $60/non-member. We will be discussing the details at the July 2nd 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 16th.

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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