

Below are event updates and important information for this week:

(UPDATE) Saturday, August 3rd

13th Annual Extortion 17 Ride – Lendy's Café, Virginia Beach, 8:00 - 11:00AM

Time change! We need to be at Lendy's no later than 8:00AM!

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 ceremony with an Honor Guard, the National Anthem, a benediction, and the Frogmen MC will be reading the names of the 30 Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and 1 Military Service Dog who gave their ultimate sacrifice defending our freedom. For those who do not know Extortion 17 refers to the call sign used for the helicopter transporting special ops personnel which was shot down over Afghanistan on August 6th, 2011. [Here is a link to a good write up about this tragedy](#). Once the ride is over, you can go or stay at Lendy's Café for lunch and beverages.

Know that we may be asked to carry gold star family members, so let me know if you will have an empty seat and are willing! The VPG needs to know the number of cars attending so they can rope off an area for us to park upon arrival. Please RSVP at our website event link above, or contact me.

(UPDATE) Sunday, August 4th through Thursday, August 8th

2024 NCRS National Convention, Hampton, VA

We have day trip is planned for Wednesday, August 7th to visit the convention! Our group will arrive at the Convention Center before 9AM to park and enter. We'll spend as long as we wish with a break for lunch possibly there or nearby; we can decide while there. The convention calendar is [here](#). Also, when ready to leave we can depart as a group or individually. Considering traffic at the HRBT, we should leave 2-3PM to head home. For those wishing to go we can expect to pay \$5.00/car to park and then \$10/person donation to enter the Convention. No need to drive your corvette; of course, unless you want to! We'll meet at 8:00AM behind the Bojangles at the Southern Shopping Center located at 7519 Tidewater Dr, Norfolk, VA 23505 (the near the interchange of I-64 and Tidewater Dr). We'll roll at 8:15AM and head to the convention center to hopefully arrive before 9AM. If you prefer, just meet the group at the convention center at 9AM, just let me know your choice so we can meet up upon arrival. Please RSVP at our website event link above, at the August 6th business meeting, or contact me!

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. Registration has ended. Know the show has only 85 spots for cars and all spots have been filled. 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. Please attend and support our club!

Thursday, August 22nd through Saturday, August 24th

Corvettes at Carlisle – Carlisle, PA

If you plan to go, please make your arrangements now! A link to the Carlisle main website is [here](#). Fun field and other ticket sales are [here](#). 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, at our August 6th business meeting, or contact me! We want to know who's going (and when) so we can plan group travel and get-togethers while there!

Friday, August 23rd through Sunday, August 25th

IMSA WeatherTech at VIR – Alton, VA

We had 7 cars that went last year. Please sign-up/RSVP at our website above, at our August 6th business meeting, 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.

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.

Saturday, September 7th

Landstown Commons Cruise-in – 3:00 - 7:00PM

Note the time is now from 3-7PM! This is a cruise-in that our club hosts. Please attend and support our club!

(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. If you have an idea of where to meet for lunch, let me know!

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

2024 Oceana Air Show – Naval Air Base Oceana, Virginia Beach

This year's air show theme is "Educate, Inspire, Soar". Now we will have RSVP/sign-ups for each of the 3 days. We will need 8 cars on both Saturday and Sunday and can have up to 8 cars and we will be bringing 8 cars on Friday. This is a rain-or-shine event. Drivers/passengers will need to be vetted in advance. Excluded from vetting are participants with DOD/Military IDs. Please RSVP at our event link above, at an upcoming business meeting, or contact me.

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, at an upcoming business meeting, or contact me.

(NEW) Saturday, September 28th

Neptune Festival Grand Parade – Virginia Beach Oceanfront

We're participating in the Neptune Festival Grand Parade at the Virginia Beach Oceanfront again this year. We have room for 10 cars. Information about the parade is [here](#). The parade is from 11:30AM – 1:00PM. We'll be staging at 9:30AM at the parking lot across General Booth Boulevard from Virginia Aquarium and Marine Science Center and roll to the parade at 9:45AM. The group can decide while staging if there will be a lunch somewhere after our parade participation ends. If you want to participate in the parade, RSVP at our event link above, at an upcoming business meeting, or contact me.

Sunday, September 29th

2024 Beachcombers Fall Picnic – Currituck BBQ Company, Barco, NC, 12:30 - 4:30PM

We're heading back to the pavilion at Currituck BBQ Company for a catered buffet. 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 will have door prizes, and a poker run. The cost remains the same as last year. The costs this year: \$15 per member, \$15 for a member's 1st guest, then \$35 for each additional guest. If you wish to attend this event, please RSVP at our website link above, at an upcoming business meeting, or contact me. You can bring payment (cash, or check/money order written to the "Beachcombers Corvette Club") to an upcoming business meeting (August 6th, September 3rd), or mail payment to:

Beachcombers Corvette Club
P.O. Box 6721
Virginia Beach, VA 23456

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, at an upcoming business meeting, or contact me.

Saturday, October 26th and Sunday, October 27th

2024 Run to the Colors – North Wilkesboro, NC

The Foothills Corvette Club (FCC) will host the event on Sunday, October 27th with a possible car show Saturday, October 26th. 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.

This year's Run will again head north to have a luncheon at the Olde Beau Resort & Golf Club in Roaring Gap, NC. Not confirmed, but expected that the Run will meet at the North Wilkesboro Speedway at 8:30AM, have a drivers' meeting at 10:00AM then the Run/drive start at 11:00AM. Its approximately a 1-hour drive to the Olde Beau Resort for lunch. From last year, the luncheon was prepaid and was \$35/person. FCC also asked for a \$10 donation for the run to benefit their charities. I recommend to not wait until all FCC activities for this weekend are confirmed and reserve a refundable hotel room for Friday, September 25th and Saturday, September 26th. Then optionally Sunday night, September 27th. Sunday night could be back at your hotel in the Wilkesboro area, near the Olde Beau Resort near Roaring Gap, NC or somewhere else on the way home. I have some hotel information at our website link above. Also, if planning to go please RSVP at our website link above, at an upcoming business meeting, or contact me.

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 now!**

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, at an upcoming business meeting, or contact me.

(UPDATE) Saturday, December 7th

2024 Holiday/Christmas Party – DoubleTree by Hilton, VB, 6:00 - 11:00PM

We are having our annual Holiday/Christmas party at the DoubleTree by Hilton where we held last year's party. Do you have an idea for a theme for the party? Last year's theme was Hawaiian. If you have an idea, please let a board member know!

We will have the same buffet as last year serving 3 proteins, 1 starch, 1 vegetable, salad, rolls, condiments, hors d'oeuvres trays, cheeses/fruits/berries, desserts, coffee and iced tea.

If you wish to stay overnight at the hotel, the room rate for the night is \$99 plus taxes and fees. Here is the link to book your room directly: [BEACHCOMBERS CC \(hilton.com\)](https://www.hilton.com/deals/BEACHCOMBERS-CC). This discounted rate is available until November 9th! The link only has king beds for \$99 (plus taxes and fees). Book the king room online and then call the DoubleTree's main number to change to two doubles, if desired. You can also book your room at this discounted rate by calling the DoubleTree's main number at 757-422-8900 then mention you're attending the Beachcomber Holiday/Christmas party on December 7th. We will have one for sure, possibly two hospitality suites on the 12th floor for the after party as in years past.

For the party, we are keeping the costs the same as last year: \$35/member, \$70/member-couple, \$60/non-member. You can RSVP on our website event link above. Please note that the holiday party is after the start of the 2025 membership year, so 2025 member dues must be paid prior to attending the party.

Corvette Parts for Sale:

Sent by Preston Powers:



I got a call from Tom Edimeir, who inherited his Dad's Dave Edimeir C6 Grand Sport several years ago. Dave had been a member of our Club for several years. His son what's to sale the Stock Chrome Michelin Pilot Sport rims and wheels which have about 5K miles on them for \$2,000. He also has a number of chrome parts license plate frame, door sill, windshield chrome wipers, and pillars, all in mint condition. This car was a show car. If interested call Tom at 757-814-6321.

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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