



June 2024

The official Newsletter of the Award Winning

Northern Illinois Corvette Club

Hello Fellow Members!

May was the month for NCCC annual convention. This year it was put on by 4 State Vettes in Joplin, MO. What a great convention by 4 State Vettes. Sherry Putnam and I were the only NICC members that



President's Corner

made the journey to Joplin, MO. We had a great week in Joplin. There were some great activities planned and several options for each day. We did a Route 66 western cruise one day. Another day, we cruised over to the lake and enjoyed the Showboat Branson Belle, which included a dinner cruise and a musical show. On the way to the lake, we caravaned through some of the most beautiful country that I have traveled. Besides all the daily activities, there was the hospitality room, dinners and a banquet. The people from 4 State Vettes were so friendly and helpful with all the activities. Many of the attendees from all the clubs are very interested in the 2025 Convention, which NICC is going to help host next year in the Wisconsin Dells.

We have so many activities scheduled for the month of June that there is something for everybody to get involved in and enjoy your time with club members. Go to the website 2024 Event Calendar and pick out the activities you want to participate. Also, we always need volunteers in the planning and developing of activities such as:

June 2024

- 1. NICC /Bachrodt Car Show
- 2. NICC Low speed event
- 3. Cars & Coffee Car Show
- 4. Smokin' Coops Night
- 5. Bloomington Gold
- 6. Leaf River Parade

The attendance at the June 5th meeting was much better than the May meeting. It's great when we have more of the NICC Members present. That's when ideas come together to develop plans for new activities and projects. The club is always ready for activities and projects.

Put on your calendar the first Wednesday of the month and come to the NICC meeting and enjoy the time that we have at our monthly meetings.

Our club meetings are held at Sam's Ristorante, Rockford on the first Wednesday of the month. The newsletter and website publishes the schedule of the meetings. I would enjoy seeing more members attend the membership meetings to add your voice to our decision making and to bring forth innovative ideas.

Members are welcomed to attend the Board meeting. Guests are welcome to attend the social hour and membership meetings. Bring a Corvette enthusiast friend and have an enjoyable time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns for the club.

John M. Stupec

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	2024 - Membership and Board Meetings					
Jul	3	6:00 PM - Social Hour	7:00 PM - Meeting			
Aug	2	6:00 PM - Social Hour	7:00 PM - Meeting			
Sep	4	6:00 PM - Social Hour	7:00 PM - Meeting			
Oct	2	5:00 PM - Board Meeting				
		6:00 PM - Social Hour	7:00 PM - Meeting			
Nov	6	6:00 PM - Social Hour	7:00 PM - Meeting			
Dec	4	5:00 PM - Board Meetin	ıg			
		6:00 PM - Social Hour	7:00 PM - Meeting			

Unless otherwise posted, all membership meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at:

Sam's Ristorante 6075 E. Riverside Blvd. Rockford, IL 61114

Members are welcome to attend the Board Meetings. Guests are welcome to attend the Social Hour and Membership Meetings.

If you have other appropriate events of interest that you'd like to see publicized please send the details to the email address below. They will be included as space allows.

editor@nicccorvette.com

	2024 - NICC & NCCC Events - See website for updates & flyers					
June	2	Sun	12:30 PM	Leaf River Parade	Hosts: Jerry & Darlene	
	15	Sat	10:00 AM	NICC/Bachrodt Car Show	Need Volunteers	
	15-16	Sa-Su	8:30 AM	MWR Autocross	Rantoul, IL	
	17	Mon	5:30 PM	Smokin Coop BBQ Pit	Belvidere, IL	
	22-23	Sa-Su	7:30 AM	MWR Autocross	Madison, WI	
	29-30	Sa-Su	8:00 AM	MWR Autocross Fundraiser	Columbus, WI Need Volunteers	
July	4	Thu	TBD	Winnebago Parade	Hosts: Dan & Kris	
	6	Sat	8:00 AM	Cars & Coffee Car Show	Rockford, IL	
	9	Tue	5:30 PM	Smokin Coop BBQ Pit	Belvidere, IL	

2024 - Other Events of Interest				
June 6-8	Corvette Adventures, Wisconsin Dells, WI <u>website</u>			
June 21-22 Bloomington Gold, Illinois State University, Normal, IL website				
June 20	Cruise Nights, 6401 N. Second St., Loves Park 5:00PM-8:00PM			
July 17-20 Black Hills Corvette Classic, South Dakota website				
July 28	Turning Back Time Car Show, Sycamore, IL <u>website</u>			
August 17	Woodward Dream Cruize, Oakland County, MI <u>website</u>			
August 24	Vettes on the River, LeClaire, IA <u>website</u>			

SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS. LET THEM KNOW THAT NICC MEMBERS PATRONIZE THEIR BUSINESSES.



Important Club Member Dates



Birthdays

Birthdays are good for your health; the more you have, the longer you live.

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Lynn Foecking Barb Johnson Mary Gugliuzza Micki Stern Corvette 06-30-53 Dale Samuels



Dale Samuelson
Lisa Thumme
Maxine Byrne
Lauri Tormohlen
Gene Stimart
Gordon Tormohlen

<u>Jul</u>y

Wedding Anniversaries



<u>June</u>

Russ & Julie Moore
Lee & Lynn Foecking
Don & Barb Johnson
Joe & Jeanette Hansen
Ken & Cindy Starzyk
Gordon & Laun Tomohlen

<u>July</u>

Dale & Carolyn Samuelson Jay & Charlotte Frazier

SUPPORT THE NICC BY BECOM-ING AN ACTIVE MEMBER!

Is your Birthday or Anniversary incorrect or missing? Please let us know! editor@nicccorvette.com

VETTE QUOTES (Father's Day Edition)

"A father is someone you look up to no matter how tall you grow."

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"It doesn't matter who my father was; it matters who I remember he was."

Anne Sexton

"Only the best dads let their children fly. Only the most loved children will soar. Thank you for giving me wings."

Uknown

"Dads are most ordinary men turned by love into heroes, adventurers, story-tellers, and singers of song."

Pam Brown

"I have found the very best way to advise your children is to find out what they want to do and advise them to do it."

President Harry Truman

"My father is my rock. It's where I learned everything about loyalty, dependability, about being there day-in, day-out, no matter what."

Hugh Jackman

"My dad raised me with some good advice: Always tell the truth. Always shoot from the hip. You might not have many friends, but you'll never have enemies, because people will always know where you're coming from."

MOOHOO!



NICC APPRECIATES ALL MEMBERS!

NICC Sunshine Club

Club Members:

If you know of someone who needs to be remembered by our club, via a card or a note, please notify:

Doris Hicks, Sunshine Club Chair,

at

dorishicks78@qmail.com 815-885-2426

NICC Minutes

June 5, 2024 Meeting Minutes - Unapproved

1. Opening and Call to Order:

The NICC Monthly Membership meeting was called to order by John Stupec at 7:00 p.m. with 33 members present in the meeting room and two on Zoom for a total of 35 members in attendance.

2. List of Officers, Directors, & Committee Chairs:

President: John Stupec Sergeant-at-Arms: Mike Lenth

Governor: Dale Samuelson Editor: Preston Morgan

Secretary: Cindy Starzyk

Treasurer: Louise Gorsch

Membership: Leon Gorsch

Parliamentarian: Linda Stimart

Social Director: Debbie Schaefer

Quartermaster: Barb Johnson

Advertising: Ken Starzyk

Public Relations: Ken Starzyk

Historians: Nancy Bailey & Carolyn Samuelson Webmaster: Traci Hill

NCM Ambassador: Sherry Putnam Parade Director: Leon Gorsch Sunshine Chair: Linda Stimart Media Director: Traci Hill

3. Introduction of Guests: None.

4. <u>Minutes</u>: A motion was made by Ken Starzyk to approve the May 2024 minutes and it was seconded by Mike Lenth. The motion was approved.

5. Monthly Reports:

<u>President</u> – John Stupec: The 2024 NCCC Convention was very entertaining. Sherry & John met many people from other clubs and had a great time there.

<u>Governor</u> – Dale Samuelson: NCCC's dues are about to be increased by \$10. They have not been raised in 20 years! Tonight, NICC formed a committee for the purpose of planning and executing our part in the 2025 <u>NCCC</u> Convention (August 17-22, 2025, in Wisconsin Dells). We can select our own music. We will host and plan a party on the Tuesday evening of the convention. Tonight's membership is in favor of a 1960's theme with dancing, decorations, center pieces, costumes and whatever else the committee wants to plan. We are also responsible for hosting the <u>NCCC Low-Speed Autocross Races</u> at Road America on the same day as our '60s party and need volunteers for that. If you can volunteer at any of the <u>NICC Autocross Races</u> this season, please contact Dale Samuelson at 815 979-2352. The dates of these races are June 29/30, August 10/11, October 19/20.

Secretary – Cindy Starzyk: No report.

<u>Treasurer</u> – Louise Gorsch: The NICC Budget Cash Flow Table for May 2024 was distributed. The May balance was \$24,307.93. Louise emphasized that our income is doing well, partly due to Ken re-establishing our advertisers for the year and car show registrations coming in. A motion to approve the May Cash Flow Report was made by Dale Samuelson and seconded by Ken Starzyk. The motion was approved. Louise also presented the members with a chance to win or buy a beautiful NICC Corvette Blanket. Doris Hicks has donated it to the club and would like to have members enjoy it. More information will be forthcoming.

<u>Membership</u> – Leon Gorsch: The membership count is now 73. Two new members are Dan and Lisa Smith.

<u>Parliamentarian</u> – Doris Hicks, absent. Linda Stimart is filling in temporarily as the Parliamentarian.

Historians - Nancy Bailey: No report. Carolyn Samuelson, absent.

NCM Ambassador – Sherry Putnam: No report.

<u>Sunshine Club Chair</u> - Doris Hicks, absent. Linda Stimart is filling in temporarily as the Sunshine Chair. Please let Linda know if you think NICC should send sympathy or get well cards to anyone you know of in the club who would appreciate it.

Sergeant-at-Arms – Mike Lenth: Mike collected \$0 for name badge fines.

Editor - Preston Morgan, On Zoom - Articles for the June newsletter are due by Friday, June 7^{th.}

Social Director – Debbie Schaefer: No report.

Quartermaster - Barb Johnson: No report.

Advertising – Ken Starzyk: No report.

<u>Public Relations</u> - Ken Starzyk: There are two openings for the Road America weekend run which is August 3/4. Contact Ken at 815 222-0281 if you are interested. Ken passed out details & costs regarding the trip.

<u>Webmaster</u> – Traci Hill: The new NICC website will be completed in two to three weeks.

<u>Parade Director</u> – Leon Gorsch: NICC participated in the Pecatonica and Leaf River Parades. Leon headed up the first one and Jerry Weaver led the second. Dan & Kris Bomgarden are organizing the Winnebago parade (July 4th) after which we will picnic at Dan's and Kris' place. Check your email for more details. We are also scheduled for the Stillman Valley parade (September 22nd). Leon mentioned that the parades are a way to get our name out there. Craig Meiter passed out flyers for the SM & SF Club Car Show & Corn Boil on the river. It is on August 4th with a rain date of August 24th. Contact Craig at 815 985-0983 for additional information.

<u>Media Director</u> – Traci Hill: It was decided that Traci does not need to post every car show flyer/ announcement that comes her way on Facebook. There is an all Corvette car show on July 14th in Pleasant Prairie. Contact Traci at 815 298-3361 for more information.

6. Old Business:

- a. New Website discussed above under Media Director.
- b. Spring Run to Lake Geneva (great turn out).
- c. NCCC Convention Sherry & John were the only NICC members attending. It was great fun!
- d. Spring Perryville Road Cleanup (great day & turn out)
- e. Wings & Wheels Museum Cleanup (good turnout for the cleanup)
- f. Pecatonica Parade (great turn out, 20 cars)
- g. Leaf River Parade (great turn out, 16 cars)

7. New Business:

June Activities -

- a. Need volunteers for MWR events (June 29/30, August 10/11, October 19/20). For the June 29/30 Autocross in Columbus, WI, volunteers may want to consider staying at the Fairfield Hotel if they choose to work both days. It is very nice, close to the track, and very good restaurants are close by.
- b. NICC/Bachrodt Car Show (June 15^{th}) Volunteer Signup Cindy discussed what each volunteer will do and what time they need to be there.
 - c. Smokin Coop Night (June 17th) Just show up.
 - d. Bloomington Gold (June 21-22) non-sanctioned.
- e. Cars & Coffee (June 8th) non-sanctioned. This is not the one NICC is officially going to participate in, however some members are going to it. Mike Lenth specified that we will meet in the parking lot near the Boxed Up Self-Storage facility at the intersection of Forest Hills Rd. and Riverside at 8:00 to drive in together.

July Activities -

- a. Parade Winnebago, IL (July 4th) Dan Bomgarden informed the members that we will stage our cars at 8:30 am at the Farm & Fleet on West State Street. Bring your own lunch and snacks for others if you like. The parade route is 1.7 miles long. At the end, we will meet in the high school parking lot to remove the NICC stickers from the cars. More details will be sent to your email by Cindy Starzyk before this event.
- b. Cars & Coffee (July 6th) This is our sanctioned event for 2024 Cars & Coffee. We will discuss details at the July members' meeting and send out a blast prior to July 6th.
 - c. Smokin Coop Night (July 9th) Just show up at 5:00 pm.
- d. Club Picnic (July 14th) Linda asked for a motion asking that NICC provide the food for the picnic this year. Ken Starzyk made the motion and Dale Samuelson seconded it. The membership voted unanimously in favor of this.

f. Summer Run (updates) Louise – Colorado Summer Run (July 21-27) – Plans are confirmed. Louise went over the itinerary.

8 New Cars: None.

9. Collection of Fines: \$0

10. 50/50 Raffle: The amount was \$70.00 and Dale Samuelson won!

11. Attendance Drawing: \$10.00 - Doris Hicks won! Doris was not in attendance. Next month - \$20.00.

<u>Adjournment</u>: 8:07 pm. A motion to adjourn was made by Ken Starzyk and seconded by Dale Samuelson. The motion was approved.

Next Club Monthly Meeting:

July 3rd, 2024

Social hour 6:00

Member meeting at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Starzyk

Cindy Starzyk



NICC Governor's Report

Submitted by Dale Samuelson, Governor, NICC

The 2024 NCCC Convention was held in Joplin, MO in May. From all reports it was a good time. The only NICC members able to attend were John and Sherry. Look for a report in this issue of *Vette Visions*.



The 2025 NCCC Convention will be held in the Wisconsin Dells August 17 through August 22 and hosted by the clubs of the Midwest Region (that's us). NICC has volunteered to host a party and the consensus seems to be a 60's theme. We have formed a committee to spearhead the effort. If you have any ideas, please see me. More details for all things Convention 2025 are here: Convention 2025 (mwregion.com) and https://www.corvettesnccc.org/2025Convention/Convention2025.php.

I missed the last NCCC National Governors meeting as well as the Midwest Regional meeting. I'm told a big topic of discussion was a possible dues increase. The most often mentioned increase is \$10 per year (83 cents a month). It has been at least 20 years since NCCC has increased dues so I think this is probably past due. The executive board has been looking at all possible areas to cut costs, but even those cuts fall short of balancing the budget. More information to come at the next meeting in September.

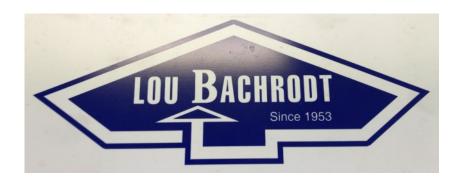
Don't forget our NICC fundraiser/autocrosses to be held June 29/30 in Columbus, WI. This is a huge money maker for our club and we need your help. No previous experience is needed – we'll find lots of things for you to do.

That's all for now,

Dale Samuelson

Governor Northern Illinois Corvette Club





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Myrt's Ice Cream Shopp

215 Baldwin St., Sharon, WI 53585 815-242-2099 By Traci Hill





While this little spot wasn't initially on my radar, and some of you have enjoyed a visit there during our Spring Run...I simply had to circle back & share a bit more about this adorable ice cream shop. I met Myrt, the owner on the day of our Lake Geneva run, and have had the opportunity to get to know her and her work ethic a bit better since. My hope is that all of you will see that she indeed shares our vision for community engagement and involvement and find time in your days out driving those beautiful cars to swing on by and say hello, enjoy a YUMMY frozen treat, and support her business. You absolutely won't regret it! And while you are there, I hope you have the chance to get to know Myrt Munger and her employees a bit better, as they are true gems!

Sharon, WI might not be a spot you consider stopping on your cruises in the Vette, but I'm hopeful this article will give you pause and change that. It is a tiny town, and there aren't a lot of other things that may catch your attention, but it's the gateway to some gorgeous day drives into southeastern WI and the eastern side of northern Illinois. On Sundays, during the summer from 2-5 pm there is even "Live Music in Veteran's Park" downtown, which can prove to be an awesome spot to stop and enjoy your ice cream treats as well as a relaxing afternoon of music and enjoyment.

When you walk through the door, you are greeted with smiles and a happy hello. And while the shop is small, you'll be absolutely amazed at the variety of choices you can find at Myrt's Ice Cream Shoppe! This article includes a few more photos than usual because...well, ICE CREAM is AMAZING, and my words just couldn't do these sweet treats justice. You'll find everything from a simple scoop, cone, or cup, to shakes, sundaes, ice cream pies, floats, and the most amazing specialty treats! They have drinks as well, and while you won't find dinner here, after these amazing and sizeable goodies you may not need to complete your meal!





Myrt does this type of thing often offering special discounts for Veterans, teachers, nurses, etc. throughout the season. During Easter she had special hours available where children could meet the Easter Bunny while enjoying their ice cream and take photos. At the Christmas holiday, she created "12 Days of Ice Cream Countdown to Christmas" boxes for people to purchase for their children as a fun addition to the season. Truly the ways this little shop supports and energizes those in their community are amazing. If you follow the "Myrt's Ice Cream Shoppe" Facebook page, you'll also see her shouting out and giving accolades to other businesses, events, and people in the community of Sharon, WI and beyond...WE even got our very own post on her page the day we visited the shop with our Corvettes!

Myrt's Ice Cream Shoppe isn't open year-round, BUT they often offer specials such as the Christmas Countdown Boxes, a special Hal-

loween event, or pints for sale even during the off season so you can enjoy the yummy goodness year-round. Opening date is near the end of March, and they close for the season mid-October, but be sure to keep an eye on their Facebook page so you don't miss opportunities to pop in during that off season to get your ice cream "fix"!

When you stop, please be sure to tell Myrt and the employees you are a part of the Northern Illinois Corvette Club. She has been so very accommodating to our club and absolutely loves supporting us. Her employees sure did love the Corvettes too, and if we encourage them...perhaps they'll join us in our passion for Vettes one day too. I think we gave them a pretty good start!











Cruise Nights Hosted by

Gentlemen Car Club





PRE-REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 10TH, 2024



NAME:

PHONE #:

EMAIL:

MAKE/MODEL/YEAR:

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Fly on the Rantoul Runway

Saturday June 15TH & Sunday June 16th, 2023

<u>Location</u>: Rantoul Aviation Center, 772 E Perimeter Rd, Rantoul, IL (address works with Bing maps directions, but most other GPS you may have to continue further south on Perimeter Rd to arrive at the runway entrance)

Pre-registration (NCCC Members only): Payment must be received by June 8th to obtain discount

Full Weekend Value Package \$110 Single day 6/15 or 6/16 \$70

Click here for ONLINE PRE-REGISTRATION

Please make check payable to: Northern Ravs Ltd.

Send to: Linda Fairlamb, 407 N Ridgeland, Elmhurst, IL 60126

Dav of Event Fees:

Full Weekend Value Package \$140 Single day 6/15 or 6/16 \$80

Chairpersons:

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Northern Rays Corvette Club MW-135 Windy City Corvette Club MW-351 Chicago Crossroads Corvette Club MW-575 Chicago Corvette Club MW-004

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Sanctions: Sat: MW-351-005, MW-135-001~002, MW-575-003~006

Sun: MW-004-001~004, MW-135-003~004, MW-575-007













Crazy Daze Autocross MADness 2024





June 22-23, 2024 14 Sanctioned Autocross Events

Closed Exhaust: 103db

Sunday - June 23, 2024

Drivers Meeting: 8:15AM CDT

Registration & Tech: 7:30AM to 8:00AM CDT



Saturday – June 22, 2024

Registration & Tech: 7:30AM to 9:00AM CDT

Drivers Meeting: 9:15AM CDT

First Car Out: 10 Minutes after Drivers Meeting Ends

First Car Out: 10 Minutes after Drivers Meeting Ends Registration Fees per Driver: (Fees have been reduced in lieu of Awards)

NCCC & Non-NCCC Members ~ All 14 Events - \$130.00 Pre-Registered ~ \$140.00 Day of Event Saturday or Sunday Only - \$ 65.00 Pre-Registered ~ \$ 70.00 Day of Event

Non-NCCC Guests should Pre-Register in the Guest or Metal Class

NCCC Members On-Line Pre-Registration Link (Closes on June 16) ~ Mail in Pre-Registration Form is attached Pre-Registration is requested (Note Price Break ~ Pre Registration Payment must be received by June 19th)

~ These events are voluntary. Participants come at their own risk. All current CDC guidelines will be followed. ~There will not be Food or Beverages available for purchase at the track but attendees may bring in their own Food and Beverage or go out and bring in Fast Food from the many establishments very close to the track. \sim We only have use of the 2 Lots marked as "Track" and "Parking" on the map below. Any Driver using any other lot to warm up their car will be asked to leave for the remainder of the weekend & forfeit their registration fees. Non-NCCC Members are not covered by NCCC Insurance.

Alliant Energy Center of Dane County 1919 Alliant Energy Center Way Madison, WI 53713

Mad City Vettes

Saturday: MW-465-001 Sunday: MW-465-002 Joan Thomas, Governor Overall Chairman

teamthomas525@gmail.com

815-494-5985 (Cell)

Wisconsin Corvette Club

Saturday: MW-075-002, -003 Sunday: MW-075-004, -005, -006

Ed Cassel, Governor

River City Corvettes

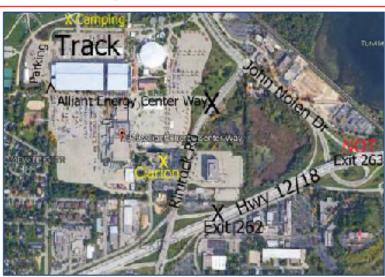
Saturday: MW-122-001, -002, -003

Sunday: MW-122-004 Roger Ondeck, Governor

Glass Favorites

Saturday: MW-077-003 Sunday: MW-077-004, -005

Mike Link, Governor



Take Exit 142A off I-90/I-94/I-39 onto the Beltline Highway (Hwys 12/18) West. Take Exit 262 (not 263) onto Rimrock Road North. Turn left at 2nd set of traffic lights onto Alliant Energy Center Way. Turn Right onto Coliseum North Road to the Event Parking Lot Room Block at Clarion Suites until May 21st ~ Mad City Vettes 2110 Rimrock Road~ \$112

vw.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/sg90n97checkInD 06-21&checkOutDate=2024-06-23&ratePlanCode=BSUPVQ

Willow Island Camping across the road from the Track ~ \$35

THE HEAT IS ON XXVII

14 LOW SPEED AUTOCROSS EVENT WEEKEND JUNE 29-30, 2024

Madison College Public Safety Training Facility W2140 Krause Rd Columbus, WI 53925



Saturday, June 29, 2024	Sunday, June 30, 2024
Low Speed 1 - MW-246-003	Low Speed 8 - MW-167-001
Low Speed 2 – MW-246-004	Low Speed 9 - MW-167-002
Low Speed 3 - MW-246-005	Low Speed 10 - MW-167-003
Low Speed 4 - MW-246-006	Low Speed 11 - MW-167-004
Low Speed 5 - MW-246-007	Low Speed 12 - MW-167-005
Low Speed 6 - MW-598-003	Low Speed 13 - MW-598-005
Low Speed 7 - MW-598-004	Low Speed 14 - MW-598-006

Hosting Clubs:

Badger State Vettes

Northern Illinois Corvette Club

Brew City Corvette Club

Saturday & Sunday – June 29-30, 2024 PRE-REGISTRATION: - now until June 15, 2024 REGISTRATION & TECH: 8 AM to 9:00 AM CDT (NOTE: Anyone arriving after close of Registration & Tech on

(NOTE: Anyone arriving after close of Registration & Tech on the day of the event will be registered and teched as time allows with no make-ups of runs missed.)

DRIVERS MEETING: 9:15 AM CDT PARADE LAPS: 9:45 AM CDT FIRST CAR OUT: 10:00 AM CDT

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUESTED (Note Price Break)

 Entry Fees:
 Weekend
 SAT or SUN

 Pre-Registration:
 \$130
 \$65

Day of Event: \$140 \$70 or Single events \$15/event (2 event minimum)

Postmark Deadline: June 15, 2024

Complete online registration and bring cash or check to event

OR

Complete attached Registration Forms, Make Check Payable to Badger State Vettes and mail (with Registration & Tech forms) to:

> Badger State Vettes P O Box 61 Muskego WI 53150-0061

EXHAUST: CLOSED *** Please Read Carefully ***

EVENT SITE INFORMATION/RESTRICTIONS

- No alcohol or beer is allowed anywhere on the grounds.
- ♣ Pets are allowed on the grounds
- ★ Vehicle overnight parking allowed no people or pets
- Bathrooms are available on-site
- ♣ Provide own shade, lawn chairs, sunscreen & water
- ***CLOSED EXHAUST**, quiet hours observed before 8am
- No drones allowed on premises
- No electric vehicles

EVENTS INFORMATION

- * ALL entrants must present a valid Driver's License
- * ALL NCCC entrants must present a valid NCCC Card.
- Numbers will be assigned by Registration per assigned number list and available numbers. MWR members requesting numbers other than those assigned by registration will be charged per MWR Rules.
- Tech: All Corvettes classified per NCCC Rules. All others Guest Class ONLY
- # Helmets must be Snell SA, SAH, M, or EA certified and the helmet's certification or year of manufacture must not be more than 10 years old.
- ★ Chairpersons will be announced at the Drivers Meeting
- Entrants may be asked to work
- Entrants responsible for damage to timing equipment
- ★ Event Results on NCCC Competition Database
- * Shirts will be provided
- Non-NCCC member participants, workers and spectators are not covered by NCCC insurance



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MW-167 Governor: Dale Samuelson SkyKing1992@cs.com



MW-598 Governor: Tom Muex 8004 W. Casper St. Milwaukee WI 53223 Cell # 414-687-7580 Tommuex08@yahoo.com





ROUTE 66 CORVETTE CLUB 4 Rally Events – July 6, 2024

Rally number 1 (Gimmick Rally) – MW470-001 Rally number 2 (Chance Rally) – MW470-002 Rally number 3 (Chance Rally) – MW470-003 Rally number 4 (Chance Rally) – MW470-004 "Rallies will be run concurrently"

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\$40.00 for all four events NO single event pricing

NO PREGISTRATION FOR THIS EVENT- REGISTER DAY OF EVENTS ONLY

LOCATION

Poage Chevrolet Dealership 851 W. Pearce Blvd. Wentzville, MO 63385 636-327-6268 (for directions only)

ROUTE 66 CC GOVERNOR

Tom Reitz 314-496-3155 cell Fastglass95@yahoo.com

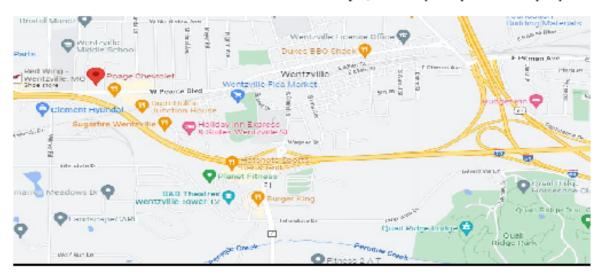
Chairperson – Tom Reitz Co-Chairperson – Chris Reitz

Registration & Tech (Central Time)

Registration: 8:45 AM to 9:30 AM Tech: 9:00 AM to 9:45 AM Drivers Meeting: 9:50 AM

1st Car Off: following driver's meeting

- ALL PERSONS IN ATTENDANCE MUST SIGN WAIVER
- MUST Present Valid Driver's License to participate (DRIVER)
- NO alcoholic beverages permitted during rally (OK after)
- MUST BE NCCC member driving a Corvette to receive NCCC points
- Rally end point is Restaurant & Bar, food and beverage service is on you, off menu (awards presented at end point)



NICC Corvette Club 2024 Picnic

at

Ken & Cindy's Hangar 5151 Orth Rd. Poplar Grove, Hangar # MH-5









Hosted by: Ken, Cindy, Gene & Linda

Please RSVP to Linda Stimart and sign up to bring a side dish, appetizer, or dessert to share: Linda's cell: 815 298-8415, email: glflvr2@yahoo.com or on the sign-up sheet at the May or June meeting.

Date: Sunday, July 14th

Time: 3:00 PM

Cost: \$10.00 per person -Entrée and drinks included

Autocross MADness Weekend 2024





July 20-21, 2024 14 Sanctioned Low Speed Events Autocross Weekend



NO Electric Vehicles Allowed ~ Closed Exhaust ~ No Drones ~ Quiet Time til 8:00 am each day. Early drop off at the track Friday until 5:30. Equipment & vehicles (no people or animals) may stay at the track overnight but neither Madison College nor the PSTF will be responsible for your lost, stolen or damaged property.

Mad City Vettes

Saturday"MW-465-003 Sunday"MW-465-004 Joan Thomas, Governor " Overall Chairman 815-494-5985 (Cell)

teamthomas525@gmail.com

Kettle Moraine Corvette Club Saturday MW-084-001, -002, -003, -004, -005 Sunday MW-084-006, -007, -008, -009, -010 Dick Huibregtse, Governor

Stray Vettes of Illinois Saturday MW-621-001 Sunday MW-621-002 Sandy Arnold, Governor

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Sunday - July 21, 2024

Track is off US Hwy 151 about 13 miles NE of Madison, WI

From I-90/94/39 take Exit 135 to Sun Prairie

For all take Exit 111 (County V) West

Krause Rd is the VERY 1st right off V west of the 151/V Interchange

Saturday - July 20, 2024 Registration & Tech: 7:30AM to 9:00AM CDT

Drivers Meeting: 9:15AM CDT

First Car Out: 10 Minutes after Drivers Meeting Ends

NCCC & Non-NCCC Drivers

All 14 Events - \$130.00 Pre-Registered

Saturday or Sunday Only - \$65.00 Pre-Registered Mail in Pre-Registration Form is attached

NCCC & Non-NCCC Drivers Day of Event

All 14 Events - \$140.00 ~ Saturday or Sunday Only - \$70.00

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Drivers Meeting: 8:15AM CDT

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Registration & Tech: 7:30AM to 8:00AM CDT



Lunch will be available for purchase on Saturday. Drivers and Workers will receive a Discount Coupon.

No Alcohol, Smoking or Vaping on premises at any time. All Attendees must sign the NCCC Insurance waiver.

All Drivers must show their Drivers License.

NCCC Members must show their NCCC Membership Card. Car Numbers will be assigned by Registration. MWR Members requesting numbers will be charged per MWR Rules.

No parking on non-paved areas.

Participation is at one's own risk.

All Covid-19 Guidelines will be followed.

Non-NCCC Drivers will run in the Guest Class.

Non-NCCC Participants are not covered by NCCC Insurance. Passengers will be allowed per NCCC Rules. However, MCV will require passengers to be at least 16 years old.

All non-competing vehicles park at Building "A" (see map). Overnight Vehicle & Trailer Parking is allowed.

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Gate is locked overnight.

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"FLYING BY THE SEAT OF OUR PANTS IX" AUTOCROSS 14 LOW SPEED EVENTS

AUGUST 10 & 11, 2024

Location: McHenry County College, 8900 US-14, Crystal Lake IL, 60012

EVENT FEES - Day Of

EITHER Saturday OR Sunday
Full Weekend Value Package

NCCC Members - \$75 Non-NCCC - \$85 NCCC Members - \$140 Non-NCCC - \$165 Less than a full day of racing \$12 per event

ON-LINE REGISTRATION by 8/5/24

https://www.corvettesnccc.org/NCCCOnlineRegistration/Programs/Registration.php ?eventId=490 (If you don't send your fees by August 5th, you are not registered)

Pre-Register by 8/5/24 NCCC Members – 1 Day \$60 Both Days \$120
Please make check payable to "Sunburst Corvette Club" and mail to
Pat Stevens, 789 Shoreline Rd, Lake Barrington, IL 60010

Lodging: Holiday Inn Crystal Lake, 800 S IL Rte 31, Crystal Lake 815-477-7000 (\$109/night) book by 7/10

https://www.ihg.com/redirect?path-asearch&brandCode=6C&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=CHICL&checkinDate=09&checkinMonthYear=072024&checkOutDate=11&checkOutMonthYear=072024&rateCode=6CBARC&_PMID=99801505&GPC=SC3&cn=no&viewfullsite=true

Hampton Inn, 1555 S. Route 31, McHenry, IL 815-578-1900 (book by 7/10)
(\$169/night) https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/sunburst-corvette-club-august/

Registration & Tech SAT 8:00am to 9:00am SUN 8:00am to 8:30am

Drivers' Meeting: SAT 9:00am SUN 8:30am

First Event: SAT & SUN Immediately following the Drivers' Mtg.

Non-NCCC participants are not covered by NCCC insurance. Safety and/or NCCC Rulebook infractions may result in disqualification of ejection from current and future event participation. No refunds will be made in this instance.

Sunburst Governor: Mike Moushey – 815-355-1850 (Cell) Mad City Governor: Joan Thomas – 815-494-5985 (Cell) NICC Governor: Dale Samuleson – 815-979-2352 (Cell) Overall Chairperson: Mike Stevens – 847-989-9302 (Cell)

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Mad City Vettes Fall Frenzy Weekend 2024





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Wisconsin Corvette Club-Ed Cassel, Governor Saturday "MW-075-007 Sunday" MW-075-008

River City Corvettes-Roger Ondeck, Governor Saturday "MW-122-005, 006, -007 Sunday "MW-122-008, -009, -010

Central Illinois Corvette Club John Hibbeler, Governor Saturday "MW-278-005, -006 Sunday "MW-278-007, -008 Arlington
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NCCC & Non-NCCC Drivers Day of Event

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Pre Registration Payment must be received by September 17, 2024

Sunday – September 22, 2024 Registration & Tech: 7:30AM to 8:00AM CDT Drivers Meeting: 8:15AM CDT

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NICC Unofficial Cars & Coffee Outing

Submitted by Cindy Starzyk Photos by Cindy Starzyk

May is not the official month this year for NICC to attend the Cars & Coffee Car Show in Rockford, however seven members decided to check it out on the 4th. Leon & Louise, Jamin, Mike, Lisa, and Cindy & Ken caravaned there from a pre-determined spot at Forest Hills Rd. and Riverside. California Mike did an excellent job of leading the pack right into the show where we all parked diagonally on the street a half block from Katie's Cup. Ken, Mike and Jamin handed out flyers and registration forms for the June 15th NICC/Bachrodt Let the Good Times Roll Car Show.

NICC's official day of attendance at Cars & Coffee will be July 6th this year. We hope to have many NICC Corvettes make a showing. The plan will be to meet up and caravan there, however we need to be there by 8:00 so we can all park together. This means we need to leave the meeting place at 7:45. A blast will be emailed to all NICC members a few days before the July 6th show with details. Cars & Coffee is always a fun, relaxing show to attend and there have been several new members acquired for NICC there in the past.











Smokin Coop BBQ Pit Cruise Night

Submitted by Cindy Starzyk Photos by Cindy Starzyk

NICC's first Smokin Coop Cruise Night of the 2024 season was a great happening. Fourteen members practiced their backing-up skills to line up their stunning Corvettes in a row. Take a look at the photos of the NICC members who attended and their cars in the newsletter and on the NICC website. The weather was perfect! All critiques of the food were very positive, and the service was excellent. Very few members left early. Many stayed to relax, mingle, laugh and catch up. Everyone enjoyed the setting, cuisine, weather and camaraderie.

Don't forget to check the website and newsletter for additional super fun 2024 events such as the Cars & Coffee Car Show, our Let the Good Times Roll Car Show, runs, a golf outing, the Winnebago Parade with a picnic afterwards, other parades, NICC Autocross Events, more cruise nights, NCCC Convention week, the NICC Picnic at the airport, the NICC Weiner Roast, the Perryville Cleanup, the Wine Tasting, the Holiday Party and of course our monthly meetings/dinners.

























NCCC Convention Joplin 2024

Submitted by Sherry Putnam Photos by ShowMeOzarksMagazine

Our first Corvette convention was the 70th Anniversary in Bowling Green, Kentucky, last year.

There were over 700 attendees with 14 NICC members attending and didn't think it could get any better, but our experience with 71st Joplin Convention was exceptional! John and I were the only Club members able to participate and although we missed you all, it forced us to reach out and interact with members from all over the country. The Midwest members were extremely cordial and inclusive!



We arrived in Joplin late Tuesday afternoon in time for the Welcoming Party. Pizza, drinks, and music were on the menu and my "Nine Over" Tee shirt was a big hit! Thank you Cindy!!! On Wednesday we did the Rt. 66 West caravan from Joplin through Kansas, Oklahoma, and Missouri. Learned a lot about the history and the Native American Tribes in the area. The Convention Banquet was held on Wednesday evening at the Down River Casino located on Tribal land. It is a massive, beautiful facility. Thursday was a free day for us from organized events and we chose to wander around downtown Joplin and visit a winery in the country.

We've never met a winery we didn't like and they really had some good wines!!! Thursday night downtown Joplin closed for a massive Corvette car show and festival. It was a beautiful night for a street party, with over 5 city blocks closed for the cars, bands, venders and food trucks! We met a lot of great people with interesting life stories!!!! Our last full day was an all day trip to Branson for a luncheon cruise on the Showboat Branson Belle on Table Rock Lake. The entertainment was excellent and food pretty good, but the best part of the trip was the drive from Joplin to Branson. It was one of the most beautiful drives we've ever done with rolling hills, curves, and outstanding views!

We headed for home after an early breakfast Saturday morning for the long eight hour drive!!! We had a wonderful time and saw some country we hadn't seen before. Looking forward to next years convention in the Dells.



Lake Geneva Spring Run

Submitted by Cindy Starzyk Photos by Traci Hill and Cindy Starzyk

On Wednesday, May 22nd, 13 beautiful NICC Corvettes lined up in the Poplar Grove Vintage Wings & Wheels Museum parking lot during some windy, chilly weather. Ken Starzyk distributed walkie-talkies. All drivers and passengers signed the usual waiver and received maps of the route. At 9:25, after Ken's rundown of the plan for the run, we started out for Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Four other cars were headed there from their respective starting points.

As soon as we pulled into the town of Lake Geneva, the sun came out! All 13 cars in the caravan were able to park together in a lot just a four minute walk from the Riveria Center where the tour boats are docked. The parking payment machine was a challenge (okay, a hassle!) to utilize so it took us a while to obtain our receipt for the parking. We were able to stay inside the Rivera while waiting for our time to board the boat. Some members got coffee and all of us mingled and caught up with each other.

Boarding the boat (called The Grand Belle of Geneva) at 11:00 was quick and easy. The staff immediately sat us in the best glass-enclosed area of the tour boat. The tables were set with blue tablecloths, place settings, water and dishes of fruit. Drink orders were taken and we soon departed from the dock. The journey around the entire lake was extremely smooth despite the wind and white caps! As many of you know, the homes and other sights on this lake are spectacular. The captain's rendering of each sight was fantastic, interesting and sometimes surprising! Our servers provided us with a meal of braised beef short ribs, mashed potatoes, vegetables, coffee and apple pie. All the food was delicious!

The tour lasted two and a half hours and was tremendously enjoyable. The group met up at the fountain in front of the Riveria for photos. Check the website and newsletter for the pictures!

Twenty of us continued on to the town of Sharon, Wisconsin to imbibe in the great ice cream at Myrt's. Myrt herself, the owner, was so thrilled with our visit and our cars that she took pictures and invited us to participate in the Sharon parade coming up and definitely wants us back again on our next run.

This was such a fun run I think we should make it a tradition! Thanks to Ken for all his work organizing the Lake Geneva Spring Run for NICC!



















2024 Pecatonica Parade

Submitted by Cindy Starzyk and Leon Gorsch Photos by Cindy Starzyk

NICC's first parade of 2024 was on Monday, May 27th, Memorial Day. Twenty beautiful Corvettes arrived by 12:30 at our starting point in the Diamond Motors parking lot near Pecatonica. The weather was cooperating as we greeted each other and signed the waiver. Leon gave the rundown for the logistics and timing of the parade and several members took photos of our lineup. We had two guests who participated, Dan and Lisa Smith. They own a 2010 Cyber Gray Grand Sport Coupe and hopefully they will join NICC!

Leon and Louise led the caravan to the parade staging area. With so many Vettes participating, we had a bit of a challenge fitting into our assigned slot, but by making two rows we did not crowd other parade participants too much. The parade started at 2:00 with Leon & Louise leading, and a red, a white, and a blue corvette following at the beginning of the line. The parade route was lined with kids looking for candy and adults having a good time.

After the parade we stopped to observe Greg Osen playing taps for his personal tribute for Memorial Day. Several cars mostly avoided the rain as we continued to caravan to Back Yard Grill for a late lunch and a chance to socialize with our club friends.





















































Leaf River Parade

Submitted by Jerry & Darlene Weaver Photos by Cindy Starzyk

It was a beautiful day for a nice drive along the river to the small community of Leaf River. There were 16 cars which made for a very nice caravan through Byron and into the small community of Leaf River. The parade was fairly small which made our NICC's presence of 16 cars very prominent with Spiderman (Dick Bowers) interacting with the children being the star attraction. I felt the local parade watchers were extremely appreciative of our coming to their small community with many comments about our beautiful cars.

We then proceeded to Prairie View Fire Grill which had a nice area for parking our cars. We experienced a larger turnout than expected of 22 diners (which is a good thing) so we kind of swamped their kitchen. However, the food was great and it just gave a little more time to visit. Many thanks to Leon and Louise Gorsch for their assistance in putting this all together.































Continued from Page 29 Leaf River Parade



















Why The Chevrolet Corvette C3 Is A Timeless Classic Muscle Car

By Jacopo Milani for HotCars at https://www.hotcars.com/chevrolet-corvette-c3-timeless-classic-muscle-car/

The Corvette C3 is an American icon, and it's no surprise that still today this muscle car is adored by many people all around the world.

It was 1967 when Chevrolet introduced its iconic Corvette C3. This was a muscle car and had some differences from its predecessor, the Corvette C2 Sting Ray. Unlike the split "Sting Ray" name, the 'Vette C3 opts for a single word, Stingray. And the third-gen Corvette was the start of an iconic sports car.



Image: Mecum Auctions

Let's take a trip back to the late '60s. In the United States (and around the world), many things are happening. There are the first civil rights movements, the war in Vietnam is far from over, and the United States and the Soviet Union are vying for the moon landing.

In all of this, the Chevrolet Corvette C3 comes out on the market and immediately amazes everyone with its iconic design and solid performance for the sports cars of that time. But let's take a closer look at this marvel dating back about 55 years.

Chevrolet Corvette C3 V8 Engine Was A Real War Machine

Firstly, one of the main reasons why this car has been so popular and has become so iconic is definitely the engine. The performance of this car, in fact, for the time it came out, was very good. It is a car that, over more than a decade, has been improved. This has been made available with various engine types and hence performance.



Image: Mecum Auctions

Its 8-cylinder engine still roars today, so unforgettable. This could be in three sizes. The 327 cubic-inch, 350 cubic-inch, and finally the 427 cubic-inch were available.

Obviously, these offered different driving experiences in terms of power horses. In fact, the 327, the basic engine in the models released between '67 and '68, offered 300 horsepower, and in 1969 was improved to offer 350 horsepower.

But the highlight, as is normal, was the 427, which offered the beauty of 435 horsepower. This was able to reach 60 miles per hour in 5.3 seconds. Not bad at all, right? Well, it is not so difficult to understand why this car still has a high cost if you want to buy it.

Younger And More Aggressive Muscle Car Design Than The Corvette C2

Another of the unforgettable and iconic points of this car is definitely the design. Compared to the design of the Corvette C2 Sting Ray, the Corvette C3 is certainly more aggressive and modern. Perhaps this model is less elegant than the previous one but has a fresh and rebellious look, just like the young people of the period when the car was put on the market.



Image: Bonhams

Foremost it must be said that it is a beautiful design, but also very functional to performance, both in terms of materials and performance. In fact, the Corvette C3 is quite light, and this allows it to reach higher speeds more easily. Details such as the air intakes, both those on the hood and those on the sides, have made it more aerodynamic and have contributed a lot to the cooling of the engine.

The car then stands out for its long, almost mammoth bonnet is swollen around the front wheels and pointed in the center. Probably, the hood is the most characteristic that makes this car aggressive. On the back, however, the 4 red and round headlights give it a superfast sports car tone, which it actually was and still is.

Chevrolet Corvette C3 Is A Great Piece Of American Pop Culture

The Corvette C3 was bought by sports car enthusiasts or even by career people who wanted to use it as an everyday car to enjoy its performance and status symbol. But it often happens that iconic cars are also present in the movies and television series we watch every day.



Image: RollingStone

The Chevrolet Corvette C3 is no exception, and its film appearances have not been uncommon over decades. Perhaps his most legendary appearance is in the movie

Boogie Nights, in which the protagonist, now rich and famous, decides to buy a roaring orange C3 with a magnificent appearance. The car represented, for the protagonist and for the spectators, the crowning of the American dream.

And how can we forget Ray Stussy's red Corvette C3 in the 2014 Fargo series? Unfortunately, in this show, the car is rather mistreated, but its beauty is always evident.

There would also be many other examples of Corvette in the world of film or series. There is even a Transformers character who is able to transform into a gorgeous blue Corvette C3.

However, this car has made American history and continues to make it, still being admired by the dreamy eyes of fans around the world. But maybe, Americans can watch it with a bit of pride compared to others because this is their iconic car. The Chevrolet Corvette C3 is absolutely a timeless car, and nobody can deny it.

Can I Ask a Dealer to Remove Its Branding Stickers From My New Car?

Will the dealer cooperate if you want their branding taken off your new (or used) vehicle?

By Tim Harding for MotorBiscuit at https://www.motorbiscuit.com/can-i-ask-dealer-remove-branding-stickers-from-my-car/

If you're buying a car from a dealer, new or used, it will likely try to use you for free advertising. There are many different ways dealers try to use sales for advertising their branding. For some people, it might feel rude or awkward to ask for their removal. As a former dealer employee, I'll tell you everything I know about dealer ad protocol and if it's weird for a customer to ask these questions: Can I ask a dealer to remove its branding stickers from my new car? What about the plate frame or badges?

How do dealers put branding on cars?

Dealers almost always sell new and used vehicles on their lots. Regardless of which you buy, they're going to try to use you for advertising. There are a few different ways this is done. First, and most common, is a sticker. After a car reaches the dealer's inventory, it's often cleaned, then a sticker is applied to the back. Moreover, the dealer's intention is for that sticker to stay with the vehicle for its life, well after the sale.



Image: Artur Widak/NurPhoto via Getty Images

Next, dealers will sometimes put badges on the back of the car. Badges are just small, plastic logos that perform the same function as a sticker. However, they're usually a little bulkier and can be even harder to remove.

Finally, nearly every dealer has its own custom license plate frames. Since every inventory car that enters a dealer's lot needs a service inspection, technicians are often tasked with installing license plate frames while the vehicle is in the shop. As a result, walking a dealer lot, you'll notice every car has the same branded license plate frame. Usually, it will say the name of the dealer group and the automaker. Again, these frames will remain with the vehicle when your tags are applied to the car after your purchase.

How to remove dealership branding from your car

Regardless of what a salesperson may tell you, you can request that a dealer remove its branding from your new car. Rest assured, it is well within your rights to remove dealership branding from your car. However, it may not be that easy for a dealer to remove those stickers and badges.

The license plate frame in particular, which you can easily do yourself (use Wikihow) or just have the salesperson do it. Nearly every license plate comes off with two screws, so don't worry if you want to go home and do it yourself. Alternatively, we'd recommend having a detailer remove stickers or badges from a vehicle. Unfortunately, someone who doesn't know what they're doing could harm the paint of a car trying to take these off.

Nearly every vehicle gets detailed during the sale, so just ask your salesperson before the car is taken to get cleaned. That employee will alert detailers to remove all branding. Detailers have tools for carefully scraping off stickers from paint. For badges, they'll use a heat gun to melt the glue, remove the badge, then clean up the residue. Once finished, you'll never know the dealer branding was there.

Your new car doesn't have to be a free ad for dealers

You do not have to advertise for a dealership involuntarily. Sellers will likely try to place branding all over your new or used vehicle. Before (or after) the sale, there is no reason not to ask for the removal of all dealer branding. It will take just a few minutes and won't damage the car at all if done correctly. And if you don't want to ask the salesperson, a professional detailer can take care of it with ease.

CORVETTE

AMERICA'S SPORTS CAR



Image: Corvette Blogger

From the Editor

NICC Editor: Preston Morgan

"To boldly go where no man has gone before." is the motto of the starship Enterprise. All you Trekkers (not Trekkies as Trekkers denote more serious fans) know that space exploration has been top of mind for many, many years. My interest in rocketry has been with me since childhood. Yes, I was one of those pre-teens who launched Estes rockets. What fun! Now that I live in Florida, I can visit Kennedy Space Center and continue my amazement with the creativity and ingenuity of a lot of very smart scientists and technicians. And even though I live on the opposite coast of the space center, we can still view nighttime rocket launches from our backyard. How cool is that! (See photo at right.)





But the purpose of this month's Editor's column is to highlight that American astronauts drove Corvettes, at least for a year. The article below features the 1971 Corvette driven by Alfred Worden, command module pilot on the Apollo 15 mission.

Apollo 15 astronaut Al Worden's 1971 Chevrolet Corvette rediscovered and ready for restoration

Worden's 'AstroVette' was sitting on a lot in Texas for years

By Gary Gastelu for Fox News at https://www.foxnews.com/auto/apollo-15-astronaut-al-wordens-1971-chevrolet-corvette

It's an out-of-this-world project car.

A 1971 Chevrolet Corvette originally driven by Apollo 15 astronaut Al Worden, which was all but forgotten and left to the elements on a used car lot for years, will soon be ready to hit the road again.

The coupe was one of three that were leased to the mission's crew for a year for just \$1 each by Melbourne, Florida, Chevrolet dealer and 1960 Indy 500 winner Jim Rathmann.

Rathmann had been leasing Corvettes to astronauts since the Mercury program, fully aware of the promotional value of having American heroes cruising around in his cars, but the Apollo 15 crew was the last.

Command module pilot Worden and his crewmates, James Irwin and David Scott, ordered theirs in red, white and blue with coordinating stripes. Worden chose a white one with a 454 cubic-inch V8 under the hood and a Muncie 4-speed manual transmission.



Image: Max Kaiserman

He returned it at the end of the lease, and it was sold into private ownership, changing hands several times and ending up in Texas.

That's where noted Corvette collector Danny Reed discovered it and added it to his collection in 2017, officially documenting its history in the process.

Reed also owns Apollo 12 astronaut Alan Bean's 1969 Corvette, which he purchased directly from GM in 1971, along with Dave Scott's blue 1971 model. Worden's car was functional when Reed found it but very weathered from sitting outside for who knows how many years.

Max Kaiserman, the owner of space program merchandise marketplace Luna Replicas and friend of Worden's, told Fox News Autos that Worden's grandson, Will Penczak, found out about the car and visited it at Reed's in 2020. Worden passed away the same year, and Penczak and Reed got to talking about what should happen to the car.



Image: Max Kaiserman

Kaiserman and Penczak decided to team up and purchase it; not to fix and flip it at an auction but to become its custodians and share it with the world. They've now started Project AstroVette Endeavor and plan to restore it to some extent and use it as an educational tool by displaying it at science museums and other events.

"We want to continue Al Worden's legacy of inspiring young people to get into science and math and the arts, all of which the space program and the Corvette represent," Kaiserman said.

The 80,000-mile car currently runs and is mostly-rust free, but it's had some minor repairs and a few parts replaced over the years, so they're still deciding what to do with it. Whether to preserve it as-is or bring it back to as close to original condition as possible.

A refresh to the standards of the National Corvette Restorers Society could run over \$100,000, according to Kaiserman, while an extensive rotisserie show car-quality restoration might cost a quarter-million or more.

They're open to any support for the project and are also asking anyone with photos of the car from the 1970s to share them to help get a better sense of its original condition, right down to what tires were on it when Worden had it. As of now, they only have one photo from Life magazine featuring the three astronauts and their cars parked behind the mission's Lunar Roving Vehicle, which was the first to go to the moon.

"How incredible is that the first astronauts to drive on the moon were also the last to drive Rathmann Corvettes," Kaiserman said.

"Al always exuded that classic 'right stuff' attitude that you associate with the Apollo-era astronauts," American space program historian and collectSPACE editor Robert Pearlman, who also knew Worden, told Fox News Autos.

"I believe he would be thrilled to know that his AstroVette was not only being restored but being done so with the help of his grandson. And he would certainly want to be in the driver's seat again when it is ready to hit the road."



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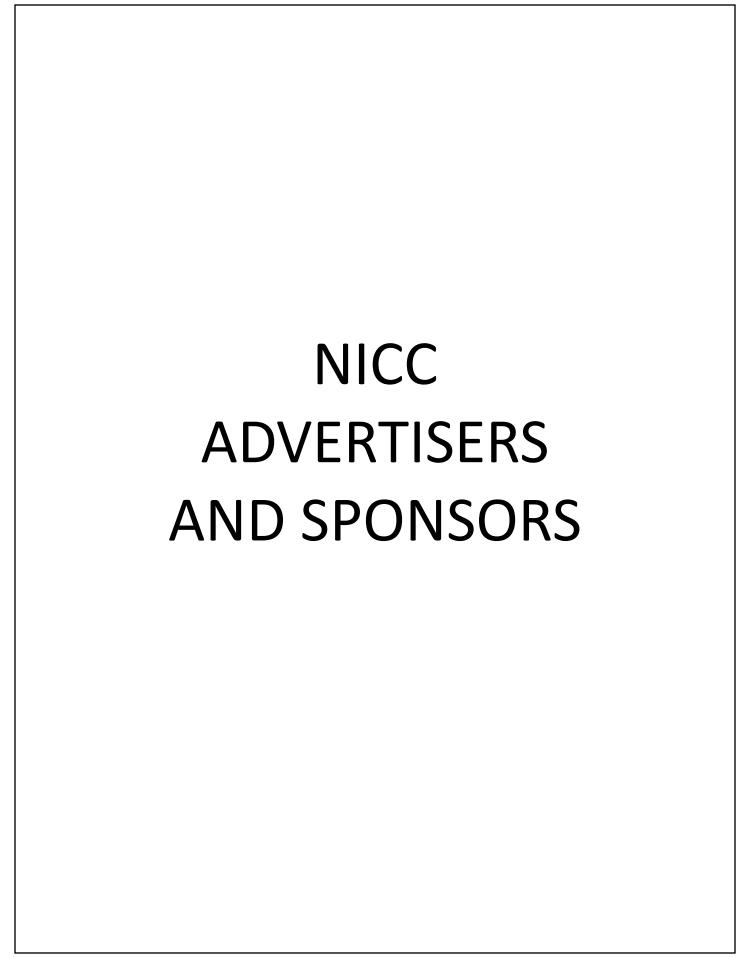
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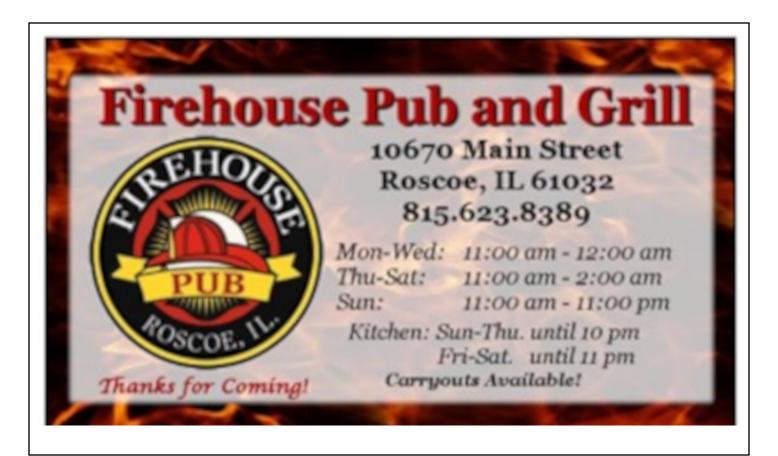


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