





30th anniversary

#### **CLASSIC GLASS CORVETTE CLUB**

I sincerely ask that you help us celebrate this event by participating in this show. This is our one and only fund raising event to benefit the Club directly. As a member of the Club, your contributions to this event both physically and monetarily are vital to its success. If you do nothing else all year or do not participate in another event, please support this one. It would be helpful if each member at least registers (even if you do not desire to bring your car to the show). Remember early registration will get you a 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary shirt and will allow the Club to continue receiving support from the many donors who have expressed an interest in supporting us again this year.

#### James Swope, President CGCC

#### A message from our President

Hello CGCC members!!

Have you heard about the amazing all Corvette show that's going to be held Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> up in Acworth? I understand that it will be attracting participants from miles around and be one of the premiere shows held in the Atlanta area this year. Yes, it's



James Swope

our own "**SuperVette Saturday**" and it will celebrate our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This year's event is being held at a NEW location on the same property as previous years (Day's Chevrolet) in Acworth, GA

If you have not already registered for the show and volunteered to help, register and sign up to help.

We'll wait . . . . . . . . . . . . .

STOP NOW and go here <a href="http://SuperVetteSaturday.com">http://SuperVetteSaturday.com</a>

Thank you.

Your help is appreciated and every registration dollar we

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#### **Classic Glass Corvette Club General Meeting Minutes, April 9, 2013**

Before the meeting was formally called to order, President James gave an update on most of those who have been in Sickbay and were at the meeting, Gary Pipple & Larry Yon. He also mentioned Susan Wells who was not present but is recovering. The thank you notes were also read. We also got a few minutes to look at the slides of past events.



**President:** James Swope officially called the meeting to order at 7:42p.m. Your missed adventures were the Summit Racing tour on March 23. There were 15 Corvettes, one Lexus & one Honda. A good lunch was at the Chandler Fields restaurant, Barnstormers. Next event was

James Swope

on April 6 and was the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Poker Run for Autism Speaks. Keelie said there were 27 cars. The event raised just shy of \$1500 and so some members gave to make it the \$1500. Winners of a large gold loving cup were James and Mana for the most clues correctly answered, 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row, and they were part of the team designated as the Presidential Motorcade. Rick Engle got the best hand loving cup trophy.

John Iverson from BuyAVette.com thanked all for letting the Atlanta Motorsports Park folks to speak last month and to remind us that there are still a few spots open the track day on April 26. He also said they are looking for good Corvettes and pay for referrals

SVS is our only fund raiser for our charities and should be supported by every member registering whether or not you show your car. We are a 501(c) 7 which means we have restrictions on how much money we can have donated to us vs. the amount of funds we raise. The more we raise through registrations, the more we can raise through direct monetary donations.



**V.P. of Activities:** Bob Zajicek, covered events upcoming first. Doug Reed will be the parade event manager. Jim Ellis show is on April 20. Please support this as they support our SVS. If we are the largest club in attendance, there is a \$500 (or at least in the past) check to us. The show

Bob Zajicek

will also have a drawing for a Red 427 to drive for a weekend. Bob Klinger is leading the Corvettes Doing Charleston event on 4/20 and there are 11 cars signed up so far.

April 25-27 is the NCM Bash at Bowling Green.

Harriette told about the Circle City Corvette PCB run which is May 16-19. There are information sheets and registration forms on the tables. We will be stopping at Eufaula to eat at the Lakeside Lodge again.

SVS – the dash plaques, t-shirts and trophies have all been ordered. Bob thanked Nancy Alexander for her hard work on the plaques and trophies. The first meeting of the chairs was on March 22 and the next meeting will be on April 23 at Tavern 120. This will be the last opportunity to settle all out before the event. Goodie Bag stuffing is on April 29 at Tavern 120 and there are signup sheets on the tables. Need folks to set up and clean up and more parking people.



**Secretary:** Harriette Majoros first covered the rest of Sickbay with a welcome back to Valda Briant. She said that there had been no emails with corrections or additions to the minutes as printed in the newsletter so she asked for a motion to accept as printed. Lilas Pratt made the motion and Bill Majoros,

Harriette Majoros

2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.

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**Treasurer's Report:** Cindy Cowart went over the treasurer's report. (This report is visible on-line as it is not published.) She asked for a motion to accept and Lilas Pratt made it and Chris Reed made the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.

**Cindy Cowart** 



**V.P. Membership:** Chris Reed told us that we are 209 strong. Guest were Leigh & Bill Whatly ('65), Jason Tomlinson, George Sovas ('64 & an '89 he got on EBay), Jerry Richstein ('74 Vert), Bill Abdou & Leonard Donalson (2007 –his 4<sup>th</sup> Vette). (The list of new members can be found in another part of the newsletter.)

Chris

91 members were present. The membership drawing was won by Vickie Mobley.



NCM Ambassador: Charlie Koninsky was not present but James reminded us that this position is open as of June. If you want to be the Ambassador, submit your name to James for consideration in May. June 8 & 9 will be the CGCC Volunteer weekend. NCM Bash is May 25-27. There will be a well-stocked NCM store at SVS.

Charlie Koninsky



**CGCC Store:** Jim Johannes said there are not any new items but lots of sale items. New stuff will appear for SVS.

Jim Johannes



**Webmaster:** Chaz Cone encourages each of us to take up space with our cars in the member's garage. Take a picture, any picture of your car and submit it.

Chaz Cone



**V.P. at Large:** Tonie Etter thanked Barbara Bragg for all the SVS printing she has done. Thanked Collision Prothe Blalocks and John from BuyAVette for the monetary donations that have been made to the club. The 25/25/50 raffle has \$130 for the treasury, and was won

Tonie Etter

by Pete Josephson & Bill Norman. Scott Oliver said he has a new car – '68 L89 coupe that is a project car and he will gladly sell it. Carl Etter has a new triple black 2000 that is one of 8 in his garage. It was the job of Tonie and the grandkids to wash it up and make it nice. The coupons for the troops keep rolling in.

James asked us to thank the wait staff. Next BOD meeting is 5/7 with the general meeting on 5/14.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Harriette Majoros, Secretary 2013

The following is a list of our new members. Please welcome them into the Classic Glass family.

- ✓ Mark Mishler
- ✓ John Price
- ✓ George Palm
- ✓ Jera "Hoss" Shumpert
- ✓ Gina Shumpert
- ✓ George Sovas
- ✓ Sara Stephens

We are now 210 members strong

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receive from our membership allows us to accept additional funds from our corporate sponsors. CGCC is registered as a non-profit 501(c)(7) Social and Recreational Club and as such there are limits on the amount of funding we can receive from outside of our membership. This limit is expressed in the Federal tax code as a percentage of the funding received from the members. In simple terms, the more you help your own club, the more others can help.

Thanks also to all of you that came to the April general meeting. The April meeting was very well attended and many of you turned in your SVS registrations at the meeting. I am sure that many of you came to the meeting in response to the email request for your help and that shows how much each of you desire to support your club. Thanks!!!

Now that we are all registered for the show, remember our cars will be judged separately from the other participants and shiny counts. I have found that a good show car shine will also make that nasty springtime pollen easier to deal with. Let's go out there and get our rides ready. I am looking forward to seeing all of you May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks, James Swope President

## And the winning bid was.....



\$1,000,000 for the first retail 2014 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray convertible at Barrett Jackson Palm Beach. The winner was Rick Hendrick who also took home the first 2014 production coupe. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, which General Motors has sent nearly \$6 million in support over the last 15 years.

# 2013 NCM Bash

April 25-27, 2013

The kick-off of the NCM on site event season, the Bash, traditionally marks the



rollout of the next model year Corvette; the place where you can see them up close and in detail. Bash 2013 will provide enthusiasts the first chance to see the new C7 up close as well as getting all the latest information about the all new 7th Generation Corvette. Seminars will feature speakers discussing Chassis, Powertrain, Interior and Design and electronics. As in past years there will be a large contingent of GM engineers and designers from the Warren Tech Center, Milford Proving Ground and the Bowling Green Assembly Plant ready to answer your every question.

Returning activities include seminars by the C4/C5/C6 Specialist Paul Koerner, the Corvette race team members Doug Fehan, Corvette Driver Tommy Milner and #3 car crew chief Danny Binks, rides in vintage race cars, free guided road tours, two celebrity choice car shows, the Ladies' Oasis, and the expanded Garage Party with women of the GM Corvette Team. The ladies will cover all aspects of Corvettes including maintenance, engineering and even high performance driving. New activities include a Golf Scramble with Kirk Bennion and Gerry Panetta, members of the Corvette Design team, and a shopping excursion to Opry Mills.

In addition to the 3 guided tours, routes for free guided tours will be available during the event. We will also provide directions for 10 of the longer Museum Road Tour Routes. Individuals or groups are invited to utilize these directions to conduct their own tours on their own schedule.

Online registration is closed but you may register during the Bash at the NCM. Event registration will be necessary to see the C7's on display.

Lifetime registration is \$10pp, member registration is \$15pp and non-member registration is \$25pp.

Please note the BG Assembly Plant is closed to tours until later in the year.

## Opinions on the C7 tail lights from CGCC members

As Tom Peters states in his video, put the Camaro beside the Corvette and you can plainly see the difference. I also like his look back over the year where Camaro and Corvette both had round tail lights. I think the way the lights are slanted and the way the light emanates from the lens is like no other tail light in the auto industry. I think they are fantastic!



Mark Martell

Mark E Martell



At first, we were not sure about the new taillights and read several comparisons to the Camaro. Since then, I've seen the new C7 compared with the rear of the Camaro and they are totally different. Yes, the new rear end is a total departure from previous Corvette versions but **"I LIKE IT"!!** 

Doug Reed

Doug Reed

My first Corvette is the 2005 C6. It also marked the first year (in many years) that Corvette changed the front headlights. For many, many years, a lot of things have changed on the Corvette, but... going away, you could always tell it was a "Vette!" The distinctive style of those



**Phil Lewis** 

those tail-lights were known throughout the world.

I guess, now, the world will have to get used to a new taillight look. But, in my humble opinion, no one will ever see the back-end again and say, "Wow! That was a Vette!"

Phil Lewis

I think as in all cases opinion is key here. I do believe that this new generation C-7 is the most beautiful, innovative and functional ever. But, let's go to the controversial tail lights. The way they are designed and positioned in the body, they match the car perfectly. They do not reflect the



Frank Macaluso

the Camaro in any way in my opinion. If you see the car in person, you would agree.

Frank Macaluso



How could so many smart people (The design group for the C7) make such a terrible mistake? Corvette lovers don't like Camaros.

**Glenn Brooks** 

Glenn Brooks

I for one like the new taillight design. My forever favorite Vette body design is the 56-57 and it has neither the round taillights or hide-away headlights that caused the same kind of stir in 2005. I think they look great and will be just as noticeable as a Corvette as the rounds. Just my thoughts.



**Bob Klinger** 

**Bob Klinger** 

Thanks to these members who expressed their opinion in this very unscientific poll.

## Wet at the Summit

Don't drive your Corvette in the rain? These people do and proved it on the cruise to Summit Racing in Stockbridge. As luck would have it, the rain stopped very shortly after we arrived. Oh well!

Once inside we were met with some great goodie bags and



It was a wet and messy drive all the way to Summit Racing. All the spray coming up did not help either

discount coupons and turned loose to shop till our hearts content and our wallets allowed.

Grill at the small airport in Williamson, GA.

through the countryside to eat at Barnstormers

Afterward it was a nice rain free cruise



Doug Johnston found a few things he just had to have.



Lunch was at Barnstormers Grill at the Peach State Aerodrome (Candler Field) in Williamson, GA.

**Classic Glass Corvette Club** 



Phil Lewis looks for something else to put in his bag.



Bill Gscheidle looks at one of the vintage planes on display



Bill Abdou tries out one of the many seats on display.

Photos by Calvin Cruce



Rick Engle makes a photo of a plane he recognized.

## Autism Speaks and we listen

It was a beautiful day for the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Poker Run for Autism Speaks, again coordinated by Keelie Floyd.

Three things this club likes to do, have fun driving our cars, raise money for charity, and, at the end, eat. We accomplished all three for sure. The route had great curvy roads, at the end we ate at the Pit Stop in Dawsonville and we raised almost \$1500.

Let's do it again next year!



This year's route, as in the past, included some curvy 'corvette' roads between check points.



Don and Frances Luther have their directions and are ready to go.





Bev Jurecic doesn't seem very happy with the card she just drew.



A happy Keelie Floyd (R) smiles as John Iroff writes a check for his donation to Autism Speaks.

At checkpoint 1 Nancy Alexander chooses a card from Rick Engle as others in the group wait their turn.



For an unprecedented second time in a row, Mana and James Swope won the Road Warrior trophy.



Rick Engle won the trophy for the Best Poker Hand with Kings.

# Just Do it!

Editor's note: The NCM offers High Performance Driving events throughout the year. The following is Chuck and Henry Younger's account of their experience at VIR in 2012. These accounts first appeared on the Grand Sport Registry forum.

OMG, if you EVER get a chance to do any of the HPDE (High Performance Driving Experience) events I have just two words...DO IT!! You will not regret it. My Dad (Henry Younger) and I did the VIR (Virginia International Raceway) HPDE last year and absolutely loved it. Both my Dad and I now have an all new respect for our cars (Dad has the 2011 Carbon Z06 and I have a 2011 Grand Sport).

Imagine this (from our VIR trip)..... Taking your Corvette to a full-out racing road course AND having a professional instructor in your car with you the whole time you are on the track. Your time comes (when your group enters the road course) and everyone takes off (at their own pace and comfort level). You CAN pass other cars when doing these events and there is proper instruction given to everyone BEFORE they turn you loose on the track. You actually alternate class room time with track time in these events, so don't think of it as a "free for all"! It is not. It is a very structured and educational experience to have WITH your Corvette!! And you won't regret it one bit.

Now, back to the good stuff.... You drop the hammer and you're off! The VIR track is 3.27 miles in length, so let's just 3.3 miles to round it up. You get to do 10 laps on this 3.3 mile road course just as fast as you can while having the option to pass the other cars in front of you. Folks, that is 33 miles as fast as you can go AND pass other drivers. Now, how often do you get to do that?! My heart is starting to pound faster even as I am describing it to you here!! :)

Trust me when I tell you this...YOU have NO idea what your Corvette is capable of until you put it on a track (road course track) with a professional driver in the car with you and "letting her eat"!! I knew the engineering that went into the Corvettes was phenomenal but when you REALLY get to experience what the Corvettes can do on a track, you will have a WHOLE NEW appreciation for your baby! It is a wolf in sheep's clothing!! And I mean teeth showing, snarling, slinging spit, etc. when I say wolf!!

Everyone's comfort level and driving skills are at different levels when you go out onto the track. Everyone is encouraged to be safe and have fun too!

My Dad and I did not know what to think until we hit the track and then "it was on" once we did!! I am a very aggressive driver and it did not me long to reach the edge of my level of comfort in this environment. But, as you gain knowledge in the classroom AND experience behind the wheel, you are getting faster and faster and faster each lap and each session on the track. This is true even for the more laid back people getting to experience their Corvettes in this environment.

Both my Dad and I are fortunate enough that we will be going back to VIR this coming June and both of us are looking forward to it again! We started off in the "Green Group" (Beginner) last year (as all beginners should) and we were both promoted to the "Yellow Group" for this year! So, we will essentially be running with a faster group this year and learning even more about what our Corvettes are capable of! And again, both Dad and I will have a professional driver in our cars with us at all times. Have I mentioned about being excited about going back again with my Dad to VIR this year??!! OMG, I CAN'T WAIT!!! :D Woo-hoo....let's go!! ;)

#### **Chuck Younger**

GSR Lifetime member (and track addict!) 2011 Cyber Gray metallic Grand Sport (6-speed manual)

And I second just what my son said - it's an exceptional opportunity to learn your car, its limits which are much more than I'll ever push it and the feeling I can handle situations on the road now that otherwise I might not have been able to do.

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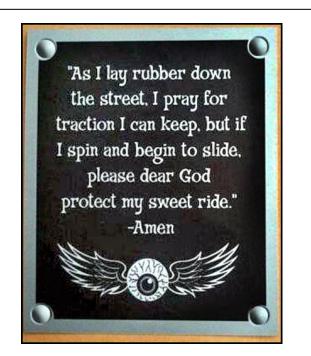
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I want to commend the National Corvette Museum for having the foresight to establish these events and get the instructors and other volunteer drivers to satisfy most every question or help you experience your car as it was designed to perform. I wish I could go to every event the NCM has set up and may one day in the near future.

Roc Linkov is the responsible person that is in charge of these events and he leaves no stone unturned - it is an exceptional and professionally handled event - they have thought of everything and as a NCM & GSR lifetime member I am so proud of Roc and his staff for the exceptional job they do in providing you, us with these events.

Bottom line - don't sit on the sideline and say I'm gonna do this some-day - do it now - none of us are guaranteed tomorrow.....

Henry Younger NCM & GSR Lifetime member, NCM Board Member, Member of Carolina Coastal Corvette Club Vets with Vettes member and lastly a Corvette Enthusiast.....



## Kirk Bennion's Five Goals for the Corvette C7 Stingray

Corvette Exterior Design Manager Kirk Bennion says the team had five goals when they began work on the 2014 Corvette Stingray. He says working on developing a Corvette is a "special deal." Delve more into Kirk's passion by checking out the video <u>HERE</u>.



From Wendell Strode on Facebook

Today was our monthly staff meeting. I gave our staff an update on the Motorsports Park and commented that we had reached 99 acres in our One Acre Campaign. The staff started talking and agreed to buy another acre (\$15,000 commitment). What a great Team we work with at the NCM!! **So we are now at 100 acres.** 

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#### LIFE IS ALWAYS BETTER ON THE BEACH!

Presented by the Circle City Corvette Club of Dothan, Al., the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Panama City Beach Caravan is scheduled for May 16-19.

#### Pre-Register HERE

Harriette Majoros is leading a caravan to Dothan, AL and the start of the weekend. Please sign up on the club's website.

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#### Classic Glass Corvette Club & Day's Chevrolet PRESENT



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Contact SVS manager Bob Zajicek <u>HERE</u> or President James Swope at <u>HERE</u>

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On the 2nd Tuesday of Each Month

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