# Welcome May 2024

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# **Official Newsletter of the Corvette Club of Richmond**





# Looking Forward To An Awesome Ride in 2024!

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It's May and Corvette Cruising is on! Our first "Vittles and Vettes" Cruise of 2024 took place on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> and a long caravan of awesome CCR Corvettes made an impressive showing on US-301on our way to Captain Billy's Crab House. This is an annual event, and it was a great way to kick off cruising season. A bit of rain may have dampened the road but not the spirits of the Members as we enjoyed great seafood and fellowship. A special thanks to the event ODs Lori and Dave Dolan for leading us there safely and for organizing a fun event. Be sure to check the website or the events list provided by Events Coordinator, John Rhodes, for upcoming events, cruises and opportunities to get your Vette on the road. We need Members to step up and help OD events. On May 18<sup>th</sup> another popular cruise destination is scheduled as we're headed to Smithfield Station Restaurant. Space is limited for this event.

Our next Member Meeting is scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM at the Twin Hickory Building. A reminder that May 10<sup>th</sup> is also the last day to register/ pay for the Cookout taking place at 6PM at Oak Lawn on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Also, at the May 10<sup>th</sup> Member Meeting we will be wrapping up the silent auctions for the 2 cool Corvette Clocks donated by Club Sponsor, TRC Designs. After the meeting, interested Members are headed to Twin Hickory Tavern for food and/or beverage.

I look forward to seeing you at the May 10<sup>th</sup> Member Meeting, 7:30PM at Twin Hickory Bldg., 5326 Twin Hickory Road, Glen Allen, VA 23059

Corvettes are for driving and I look forward to fun on the road with my best gal Cindy.



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# **Membership Meeting Place**

#### 2024

#### Get 2024 info

#### https://corvetteclubofrichmond.org

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#### **Next General Membership Meeting**



# 7:30pm | Location Twin Hickory Building

# May General Membership Meeting

#### When Fri, May 10, 2024 7:30 PM

Location Twin Hickory Bldg, 5326 Twin Hickory Rd Glen Allen VA 23059

#### Registration

Members Meeting

As a reminder to all members to please bring/wear your name badge at the meeting. This will help everyone get to know new members and guests (and to remember those forgotten member names!)

#### Announcement:

CCR has arranged to have dinner and/or beverages at Twin Hickory Tavern 11351 Nuckols Rd Glen Allen, VA 230591 after the General Membership Meeting. All are welcome to attend. You will be responsible for paying for your own food and drinks. A head count will be done at the opening of the meeting to see how many people want to attend.





Revs & Rumbles @ the NCM

By Barry Roper, NCM Ambassador / Lifetime Member #2415 / May 2024

# See The June CCR Newsletter For More Information And News From NCM Ambassador, Barry Roper

June General Membership Meeting (Cookout) SAVE THE DATE When: Fri, June 14, 2024 6:00 PM, EDT Where: Oaklawn 9102 Shady Grove Rd Mechanicsville, VA 23116 **EVENT DETAILS:** As a reminder to members to please wear your name badge at the meeting. This will help everyone get to know new members and guests. Corvette Club of Richmond Cookout, you must pay by May 10th to attend the cookout, starting at 6:00 pm ADVANCED PAYMENT ONLY Members \$6.00 per person Non-members, guests, and visitors \$12.00 per person General Membership meeting 7:30 pm (free) Wear something Red, White and Blue! **Contact Webmaster with questions!** If you have already paid your fees you are good to go, if you haven't paid **you** must do so by May

<u>10th.</u>

Thanks for registering and we are looking

forward to seeing you!

Best regards, Corvette Club of Richmond



These articles and stories for the Editors Choice will be about the Corvettes.

Email me to include your story

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A Most Wonderful Cruise — First Of The 2024 Season

The Dolans were OD's—Cruise to Captain Billy's — see Page 14 for Pictures

ZIP! Appreciation Day May 4th — see Pages 15—16

Also to note on pages 25—26 is good general information on tips to OD an Event or a Cruise





Lucy Lindsey—CCR Newsletter Editor

This never gets old

...my passenger side rear view mirror On the Way to Captain Billy's .

# **SPOTLIGHT**

# **By Mike Todd**



# Spotlight Submitted by: Mike and Peggy Todd

#### CCR Newsletter 2024 NCM DELIVERY—Our Experience

I know a number of our CCR members have taken National Corvette Museum Delivery (NCM) of their new Corvettes so this will be old news to you. But this was and will in all likelihood be our only time doing this. It really was an awesome experience.

We have thought about ordering a new C8 for some time and started contacting dealers in mid-2022. Most, including our CCR sponsor because of backlogs, would not take an order. There were however two dealers willing to write an order for us. In hind sight I think I picked the wrong one, but that is a story for another time. So on June 16, 2022 we placed our order knowing full well this process would take time.

With on order in the que we set back and waited, and waited and waited.....Six months went by, then 12 months, then 18 months. We considered cancelling several times after all we really like our C6 and really didn't need a C8. But finally in January 2024 we got the call from the Museum that our build date was set for January 29 and we scheduled our tentative delivery for February 14, Valentine's Day.

Through this process we looked to Barry Roper, our CCR Ambassador to NCM and two time participant of NCM deliveries, for advice and guidance. Thanks Barry. We started making travel plans. We checked flights into Nashville, car rental for the drive from Nashville to Bowling Green and not knowing what the weather would have in store for us we started contacting automotive transport company's in case we had to have the Vette shipped back. Really, who takes NCM delivery in February?

In the end we decided driving was the simplest way so we rented a car (one way) and on Monday morning in the rain we drove to Abingdon VA. and continued to Bowing Green on Tuesday. We were picked up Wednesday morning at the car rental office by Gene in the NCM van for our 8:30 delivery appointment. Gene, a Baptist Minister, was also our personal NCM ambassador for the day. It seems most of the folks that do this are part time employees. Gene has a C5 convertible and a love of Corvettes. What a great part time job.

Thanks to a phone call from Barry, we were also greeted by Deb Howard, the NCM Corvette Club Relations Coordinator. She is to the left in the photo and Gene is pointing at the camera. All deliveries are on live cams on the NCM website.

Gene was great at explaining all of the features of our new C8. I only wish I could remember it all. When I

have to look up something in the owner's manual Genes instructions come back to me in an "Aha" moment that yes he told me that.



Everything went well until we were nearly finished. Gene was explaining the Performance Data Recorder (PDR) which uses an SD card to record the front camera if you want to record events such as cruises, track events, etc. The PDR would not read the SD card. After unsuccessfully trying several things we were able to send the car back across the street to the factory and have the issue resolved. An addition benefit to Museum Delivery.

We were delayed leaving the NCM because of the PDR issue but all in all it was a great experience. Things we were not aware of is that NCM Delivery gives you access to things in the NCM store that are not available to the general public. Peggy bought a jacket with our actual car embroidered on it, which is pretty cool. We also received a really nice model of our C8 convertible from the NCM last week.

Our worries about the weather turned out to be unfounded. Our trip home we had sunny skies and temperatures in the 60's. We could not have better weather. All in all a GREAT experience. Ok, maybe we will do it again someday!!!!











AND...Horne's For Ice Cream

The 2010 CCR banner that flew at the National Corvette Museum will be auctioned off at the May meeting. We will have a sign-up sheet at the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting (west end – picnic). Opening bid is \$35.

As you can see, this is a special banner from 2010 which was CCR's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.



### **Club Fund Raiser**

New Club sponsor TRC Designs has donated 2 beautiful Corvette Collectable clocks to the Club. The Club will conduct silent auctions for the clocks with 100% of the proceeds going to fund the Club. The silent auctions will start at the April meeting and conclude at the May meeting. There will be silent auction bidding sheets at both meetings and we'll have the clocks on display. Starting bids will be \$50 per clock. The Club will accept cash or check from the auction winners. If you cannot attend either or both meetings and wish to bid, you can designate a proxy to bid for you. Should your bid(s) win the auction(s), please be prepared to pay the Club for your clock(s) after the bidding is closed and the winner(s) announced. If you've designated a proxy and you are a winner, your proxy should be prepared to pay on your behalf. Announcements will be made at the May meeting indicating the time left to bid.

Good luck to all and thanks TRC Designs for the clocks!

#### Corvette Club of Richmond Zip Customer Appreciation Day

May 4, 2024

Zip Corvette's 12th Annual Customer Appreciation Day was a fun, well-attended event for Zip and the Corvette Club of Richmond. Attendees enjoyed donuts and coffee for breakfast; and for lunch NC BBQ, hot dogs, and sausages with all the fixings and coleslaw, baked beans, cookies, popcorn, and soft drinks.

Even though it was a little misty, our club gained <u>6</u> paid Applications for Membership with more potential members leaving with an application in hand. In addition, quite a few CCR brochures were given out to other attendees from the Richmond area.

Zip provided CCR with a comfortable table and two chairs near their entrance and an awning which kept our workers out of the mist. Many thanks to Glenn Crider and Gary Rowlands for coordinating with Zip and setting up our signage and paperwork early and also taking the first shift. Thanks also to table volunteers: Mike Todd, David Hall, Betty Ann Moriarity, Larry Prokop, Gary Butler, Steve Dickenson, Carolyn Norman, Bill & Ellen Adams.

Bill Adams learned from a former member and potential "renew" member that long ago, CCR had been down to a handful of members who had thoughts of disbanding at the time. He was very happy to hear that we are now a thriving club with 200+ members. We are blessed to have members from all walks of life who bring their talents and skills together for the good of the Club to make CCR what it is today. Our differences are our strength and we truly are "The Best Corvette Club in the World".

**Respectfully presented by Ellen Adams, CCR Recording Secretary** 

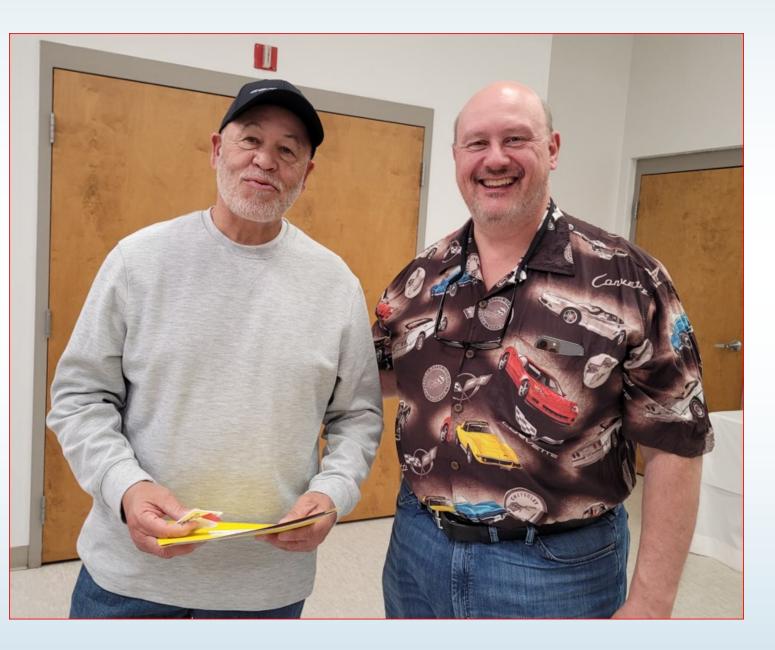


# ZIP APPRECIATION Day — May 4, 2024!

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# NEW MEMBER! Angelo Gray



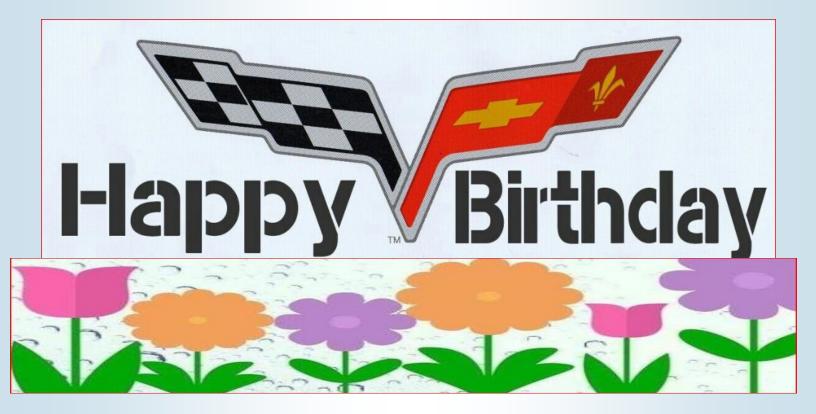
WINNERS in April 2024 \$5 Mystery Hand Shaker WINNER! member Steve Dickinson picked Angelo Gray 50/50 - Gary Rowland WINNER! \$25 Restaurant Ticket **Mary Corbin** 



WINNER! - Cookies Ken Covington

# nan Birthdays

Leonard Amato	3-May
Page Campbell	4-May
HazelTaylor	6-May
Sandra Clark	9-May
Terry Corbin	9-May
Karen Blake	12-May
Billy Faulkner	13-May
Eric Braen	16-May
Dave Rosen	16-May
Westley Bennett	17-May
David Dolan	17-May
Shawn Moorer	18-May
Bernard Kurtzweil	22-May
Brenda Harrup	25-May
Linda Hansard	27-May
Wayne Alexander	31-May
Donna Faye Carr	31-May
<b>Richard Czwartacki</b>	31-May



# Happy Birthday to those members celebrating!

May General Membership Meeting	
Fri, May 10, 2024 7:30 PM • Twin Hickory Bldg, 5326 Twin Hickory Rd Glen Allen VA 23059	,
<u>5th Annual Break Through Car Show (NSE) 10am</u> <u>to 3pm</u>	
Sat, May 11, 2024 10:30 AM • 6955 Duncan Road, Peterburg, VA	
VIR Spring Track Days -2 Day Event (NSE)	
Tue, May 14, 2024 • Virigina Internstionsl Raceway Afton VA (NSE)	
Vetts at Waterside, Norfolk VA (NSE)	
Fri, May 17, 2024 9:00 AM • Waterside Shopping Area, Norfolk, VA (NSE)	
<u>City of Fairfax, Virginia at City Hall, 10455</u> <u>Armstrong Street, Fairfax, VA.</u>	
Sat, May 18, 2024 10:00 AM • City of Fairfax, Virginia at City Hall, 10455 Armstrong Street, Fairfax, VA.	
Smithfield Station Restaurant Cruise	
Sat, May 18, 2024 1:30 PM • Chester VA to Smithfield, 409 South Church Street,	
May Executive Board Meeting	
Thu, May 23, 2024 7:00 PM • Conference Call	
Sandston Parade 2024, Memorial Day Celebration Mon, May 27, 2024 1:00 PM • Sandston Parade 2024	
Myrtle Beach Car Show (NSE) Fri, May 31, 2024 8:00 AM • Myrtle Beach South Carolinia	
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To All CCR Members: As part of the April List of Events there is a need for members to step up and volunteer to lead a caravan as the person (s) in charge of the event for the day. There are quite a few events that need a volunteer to take charge of the event for the day. If there is no volunteer for the event, then it may be dropped from the event list. The Event Coordinator is willing to assist any volunteer in making the cruise and the event successful for the club. If interested call or email The Event Coordinator — John Rhodes - 804.955.5894 OR email—rhodes301@verizon.net

# Corvette Club of Richmond How to OD a CCR Event

**Event Criteria: Your Event should:** 

Involve CCR Members in some way

Be entertaining and/or support a community service objective

Be planned three months in advance to allow for announcement and promotion Plan Your Event

Formulate Your Idea

If you like to do something, it is a good chance others will enjoy it too

Outline your plan, then condense your explanation into a 2 or 3 sentence Overview Gauge Interest

Discuss your idea with the Event Coordinator, CCR Board Members, and Veteran OD's Present your Overview at Members' Meeting (s) and ask for a show of hands

**Develop Details** 

**Specifics of your Events** 

Cost (s), (if any)

Meeting place and time

Travel route, (with rest stops and regrouping points if needed)

Promote

Request the Events Coordinator post to CCR Events Calendar and CCR Website Send a promotional Article for CCRuisin' News to the Newsletter Editor Attend Members' Meetings and publicize your event

Execute

Review "Hot to OD A Cruise" and incorporate into your Event

Ask the Events Coordinator to assist in developing a list of participants

Get Club Radios from Events Coordinator and use them to keep your Caravan informed

Take phots for CCRuisin' News Newsletter

Have Fun

Follow Up

Send a recap Article for CCRuisin' News to the Newsletter Editor Send photos to CCR Webmaster

# **Corvette Club of Richmond**

How to OD a Cruise

Be sure to drive your route prior to planning your event. Avoid highways where possible and strive to provide a relaxing, enjoyable ride.

Make sure you receive the sign-up sheets from the Club Events Coordinator. It's important that you know how many are attending and you can make contact with members in the event there is a cancellation or change in plans.

Just prior to departure, always call a driver's meeting to discuss the route and garner questions if any, from those in attendance. If your event is heavily attended, assign a secondary leader and split your group into 2 convoys.

If your event has 10 or more Corvettes, it is helpful to hand out maps or directions just in case some members get separated from the group or get caught in traffic.

Always provide a cell phone number where you can be reached in case of an emergency, a breakdown or if someone has need to restroom break.

Get club radios from the Events Coordinator and distribute them to members who need them. It is helpful to place members with club radios throughout the caravan to relay messages in the event those at the rear are out of radio range.

Make sure you and the last car in the convoy have a radio. This is helpful to let you know when all the cars have cleared a traffic light or intersection.

Maintain a consistent and sensible speed. Do NOT be responsible for your group getting multiple speeding tickets. (Yes, it can happen!) It also minimizes the effects of "rubber banding" within the pack.

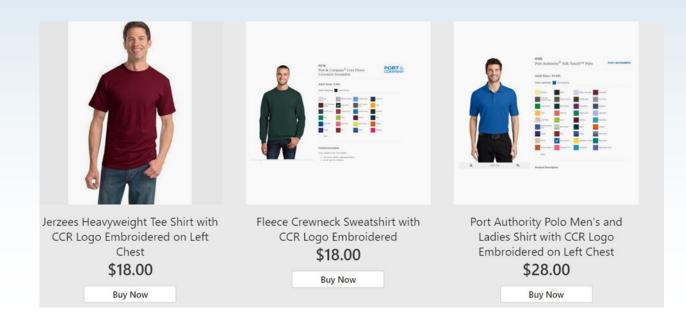
When approaching traffic lights with multiple thru lanes, encourage members fills all lanes when stopped. This allows more cars to clear the intersection on the green and keeps your convoy intact. Do not allow cars to get strung out, where members at the rear have speed to catch up. Encourage members to maintain a safe distance, but stay together.

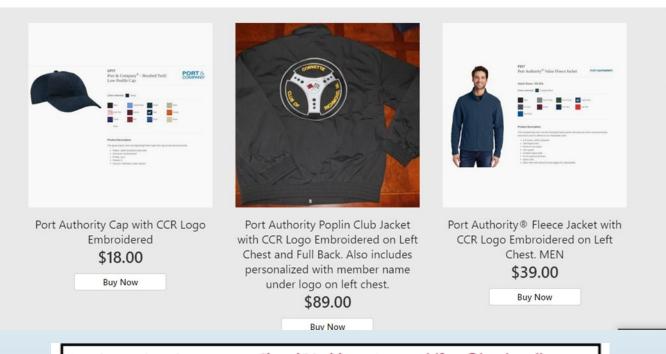
When possible, stay out of the passing lane. This allows other vehicles to pass your convoy without interrupting your grouping.

Remember, you are not alone. When passing other vehicles, be sure to allow enough room for those behind you to safely make the pass. Never weave in and out of traffic.

Have fun! Remember that hosting an event is a great way to make new friends and share places of interest

# **Order** apparel





To order any item here, contact Cheryl Maddern at c\_maddfam@hushmail.com

Other club clothing can be found on our ONLINE STORE PAGE

Note: Shipping is not available at this time. Your order can be picked up at the next CCR meeting

# **Order apparel**



Port Authority® Fleece Jacket with CCR Logo Embroidered on Left Chest. LADIES \$39.00

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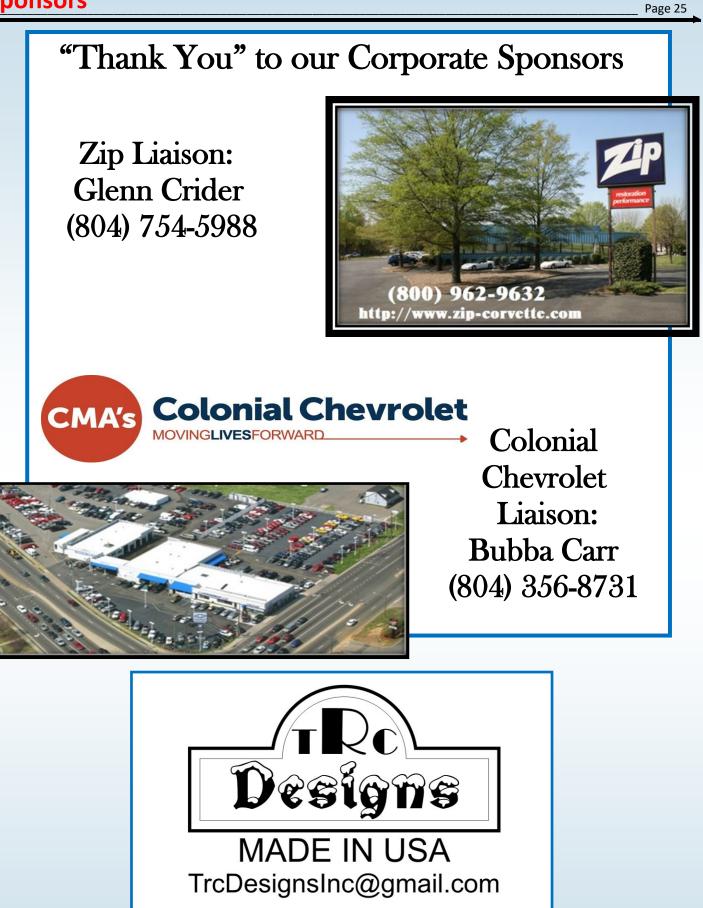


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