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# THE CONNECTION

The Monthly Newsletter of the  
Capital City Corvette Club  
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MICHIGAN REGION



June 2025

91 Members  
2 Honorary Members  
27 FCOA



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## 3 in 1 Mock / Instructional Rallye

May 4, 2025







# Turkeyville Car Show

May 18, 2025



**CORVETTE  
CAR SHOW**



50/50 Tickets  
10 Tickets for \$500  
20 Tickets for \$10.00  
40 Tickets for \$20.00





# Marshall Memorial Day Parade May 26, 2025





# ACTIVITIES FOR JUNE & BEYOND

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- **General Membership Meeting** **June 4**
  - **7:00 PM @ Delhi Cafe**
- **Blessing of the Vettes** **June 14**
- **Board Meeting** **June 18**
- **VFW Nat'l Home Community Celebration** **June 28**
- **National Corvette Day** **June 30**
- **Upcoming Events**
  - **Best of the Bowties** **July 20**
  - **Birch Run Low Speed Auto Cross** **August 2 & 3**
  - **The Willows Car Show** **August 14**
  - **NCCC Convention** **August 17-22**
  - **Corvette Crossroads** **August 23**
  - **Shaheen Charity Car Show** **Sept 14**
  - **Bingo at Delta River Senior Village** **Nov 8**

**Check out the Events Page on the CCCC Website for more information on upcoming NCCC, Local, Regional, and National Events. [Event Flyers \(cccorvette.org\)](http://cccorvette.org)**



## ***Blessing of the Vettes***



***Saturday, June 14th, 2025***

***Registration: 9:00AM - 10:00AM***

***Awards 12:45PM***

**Location:** City Limits Sports Grill



801 N. Cedar Street  
Mason, MI 48854

**Registration Fee:** \$20.00

**People's Choice Classes:**

C1/C2 (53-67), C3 (68-82), C4 (84-96),  
C5 (97-04), C6 (05-13), C7 (14-19),  
C8 (20-25), Best of Show

**Sponsor's Choice:**

City Limits: Sponsor's Choice (53-25)

**For more information visit:**

[www.cccorvette.org](http://www.cccorvette.org)

**NCCC Sanction #:** MI-003-009/010

*Blessing of the Vettes ~ Sponsored By:*



*People's Choice Class Trophies ~ Sponsored By:*



***All profits will be donated to the  
VFW National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids***

Four Funkhanas will follow the Corvette show.

Driver and navigator are required. Registration closes at 12:45,  
drivers meeting at 1:00, first car out at 1:15.

Cost: \$30 for all 4 Funkhanas or \$8 per Funkhana, MI-003-11, 12, 13, 14).  
Non-NCCC member participants, workers and spectators are not covered by NCCC insurance



SANCTION #: MI-003-009/010

DATE: June 14, 2025

(If Drag Races include rain date)

EVENT REGISTRATION:

OPENS: 9:00 AM EDT CLOSSES: 10:00 AM EDT

DRIVERS MEETING TIME: N/A

FIRST CAR OUT TIME: N/A

SPEED EVENTS: HIGH\* LOW

TYPE OF EVENT: People's Choice Car Show

Sponsor's Choice Car Show

(If Rallye include Rallye type)

CLUB: CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB MI-003

REGION: NCCC MICHIGAN REGION

ENTRY FEE: \$20 per vehicle

LOCATION: City Limits Sports Grill - Mason, MI

EXHAUST: OPEN CLOSED

## MAP AND EVENT INFORMATION

### BLESSING OF THE VETTES ~ ALL CORVETTE SHOW

City Limits Sports Grill • 801 N Cedar St. • Mason, MI

Registration: Opens at 9:00 AM EDT; Closes at 10:00 AM EDT

Awards Presentation: 12:45 PM EDT

Classes: C1/C2 (53-67), C3 (68-82), C4 (84-96), C5 (97-04), C6 (05-13), C7 (14-19), C8 (20-25) and Best of Show. All Cars will also be considered for the City Limit's Sponsors Choice Award

**CCCC is hosting four funkhanas immediately following the Corvette Show.**

*All profits will be donated to the VFW National Home for Children in Eaton Rapids, MI. A mini-sponsorship is available for \$70 and covers all six events plus a \$20 tax deductible donation to cause.*

*Mini-sponsors may pre-pay by sending a check for \$70 to CCCC.*

Attn: **Blessing of the Vettes**

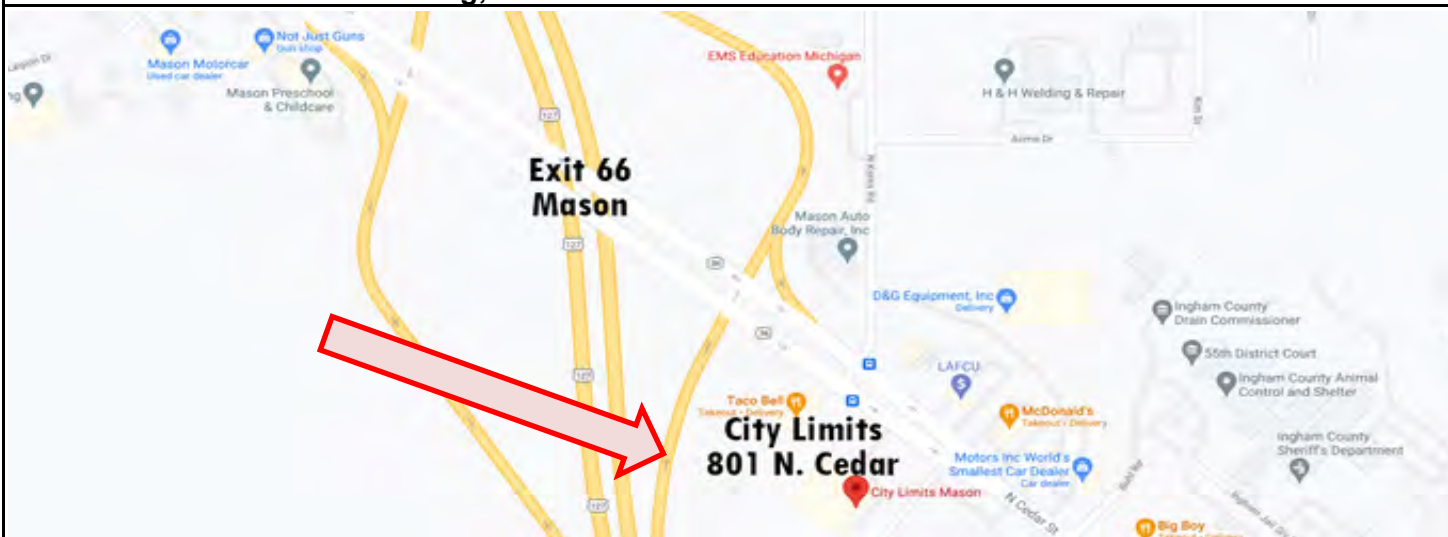
**Capital City Corvette Club**

**PO Box 27295**

**Lansing, MI 48909**



*Pre-registration accepted for mini-sponsorships only.*



EVENT CHAIRPERSONS:

NAME: Robert Maynard & Chuck Miller

ADDRESS: [themaynman@aol.com](mailto:themaynman@aol.com)

[cmiller77llc@gmail.com](mailto:cmiller77llc@gmail.com)

PHONE: (517) 230-9750



CCCC GOVERNOR:

NAME: Simon Reiffer

ADDRESS: [imnomis@yahoo.com](mailto:imnomis@yahoo.com)

PHONE: (517) 646-2180

\*NOTE: In High Speed Events: 1.) All roadsters must have roll bars as outlined under Section on Technical Inspection For Speed Events. 2.) Fire extinguisher (min. 5 BC) required in ALL groups and classes. 3.) It is highly recommended, and required in Group 3, that all competing cars be equipped with roll bars or roll cages. 4.) All entrants must be High Speed Certified and fire suits are required for Group 3.

**SANCTION #:** MI-003-011/012/013/014

**TYPE OF EVENT:** (4X)Funkhana

**DATE:** June 14, 2025

(If Drag Races include rain date)

(If Rallye include Rallye type)

**EVENT REGISTRATION:**

**CLUB:** CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB MI-00

**OPENS:** 9:00 AM EDT **CLOSES:** 12:45 PM EDT

**REGION:** NCCC MICHIGAN REGION

**DRIVERS MEETING TIME:** 1:00 PM EDT

**ENTRY FEE:** \$30 for all 4 OR \$8/ Funkhanas

**FIRST CAR OUT TIME:** 1:15 PM EDT

**LOCATION:** City Limits Sports Grill - Mason, MI

**SPEED EVENTS:**        HIGH\*        LOW

**EXHAUST:**        OPEN        CLOSED

## MAP AND EVENT INFORMATION

### BLESSING OF THE VETTES ~ AND FOUR FUNKHANAS

City Limits Sports Grill • 801 N. Cedar St. • Mason, MI

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preceding the Funkhanas.

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in Eaton Rapids, MI. A mini-sponsorship is available for \$70 and covers all  
six events plus a \$20 tax deductible donation to cause. Mini-sponsors  
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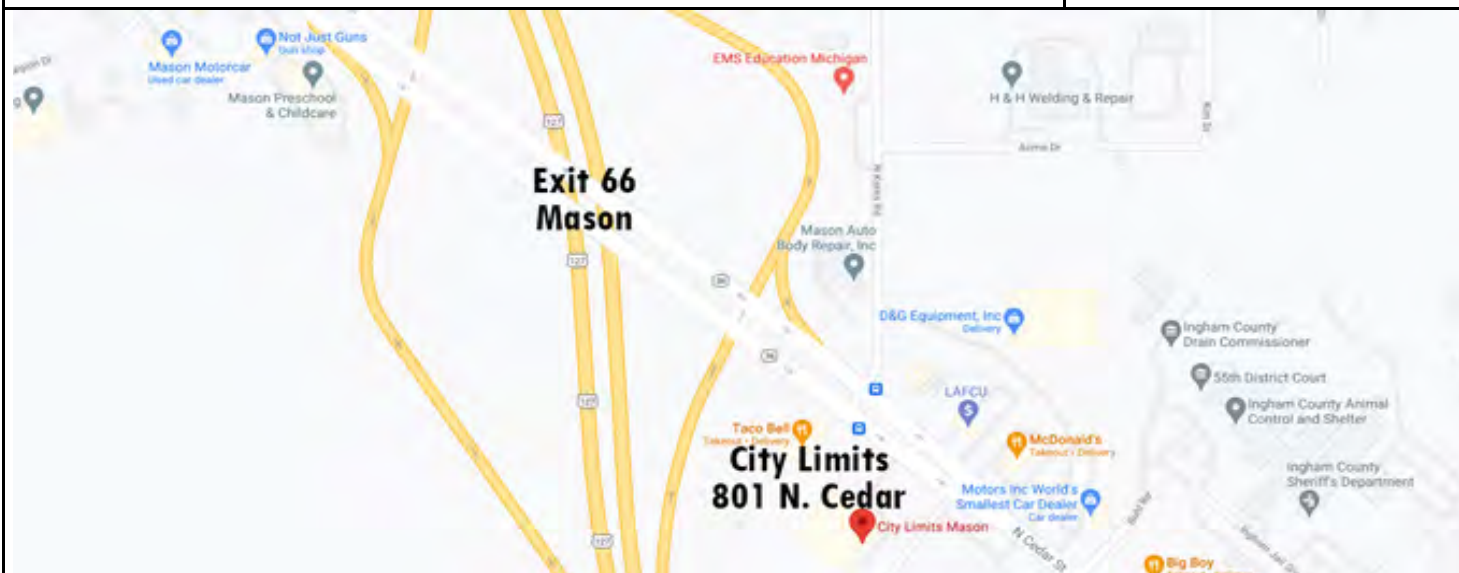


Attn: Blessing of the Vettes  
Capital City Corvette Club  
PO Box 27295  
Lansing, MI 48909



*Funkhana participation  
requires a driver and a  
navigator.*

*Pre-registration accepted  
for mini-sponsorships only.*



**EVENT CHAIRPERSON(S):**

**NAMES:** Kyle Felts & Angela Hyde

**EMAIL:** [4c.president@ccc Corvette.org](mailto:4c.president@ccc Corvette.org)

**PHONE:** (865) 924-5685



**CCCC GOVERNOR:**

**NAME:** Simon Reiffer

**EMAIL:** [imnomis@yahoo.com](mailto:imnomis@yahoo.com)

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Non-NCCC member participants, workers and spectators are not covered by NCCC insurance



# VFW National Home Community Celebration

**Saturday, June 28, 2025 @ 10:30**

**Meet at Darrell's Market, 4520 W Columbia Road, Mason.**

*(You cannot approach Darrell's from the West. Columbia Road is closed at Eifert.)*

**We'll leave Darrell's at 10:30 to caravan to the VFW National Home and participate in a car show in celebration of their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary!**

**Questions?? Contact Bob Maynard at [themaynman@aol.com](mailto:themaynman@aol.com)**



*Join us for the VFW National Home Community Celebration, a special event honoring our 100th anniversary of dedicated service to military and veteran families.*

*From 11 AM to 4 PM, the grounds will come alive with free carnival rides, a car show, and engaging family activities, ensuring fun for attendees of all ages. A diverse selection of food trucks will be on-site, offering a wide variety of food for purchase.*

*As the day transitions into the night at 4 p.m., the atmosphere will shift to one of lively entertainment featuring talented musicians, including The Bronk Brothers—Michigan's Country Hall of Fame 2024 Inductees. Enjoy a refreshing selection of beverages at our beer tent, and prepare to be dazzled by a spectacular laser light show to cap off the evening.*



*3573 S Waverly Road, Eaton Rapids*



# Come Celebrate



## National Corvette Day

June 30th, 2025

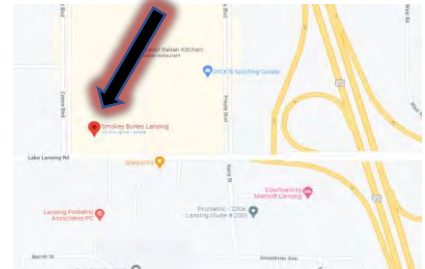
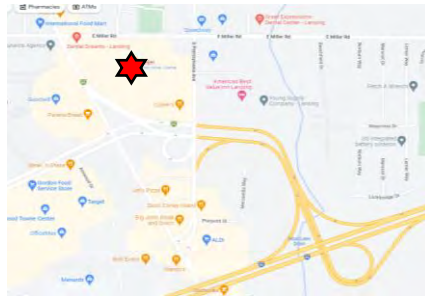
Hosted By:

Join us for a cruise across Lansing and dinner with fellow enthusiast



Depart: 5:45PM  
From: Meijer South Lansing  
6200 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

Dinner: 6:45PM  
From: Smokey Bones Lansing  
2401 Lake Lansing Road



All Corvettes Welcome



Questions? Contact Kyle Felts  
865.924.5685 or [4c.president@cccorvette.org](mailto:4c.president@cccorvette.org)

Insurance waiver must be signed, NCCC Insurance will not apply to non-NCCC Members



Corvette & Camaro Show

Best of



the Bowties

Sunday July 20th

Register online at:

<https://gilmorecarmuseum.org/events/corvette-camaro-show>

\$35/vehicle – includes admission for 2 people

**Corvette Caravan Departs Charlotte Walmart Parking Lot  
(1680 Packard Hwy) at 7:45 AM**

Those driving separate will not be able to park with the CCCC group

Dinner following the event at the  
Seasonal Grille in Hastings



For more info & Signup please contact  
Tom & Michelle Faupel at  
[tmfaupel@gmail.com](mailto:tmfaupel@gmail.com)



## 2.2 NCCC OFFICIAL FLYER

**SANCTION #:** MI-003-002/003/004/005/006/007/008

**CLUB:** Capital City Corvette Club

**DATE:** August 2, 2025 (Saturday)

**TYPE OF EVENT:** Low Speed Autocross

14 Event Weekend (7 Saturday / 7 Sunday)

**REGION:** Michigan Region

**ENTRY FEES:**



**SANCTION #:** MI-046-001/002/003/004/005/006/007

**CLUB:** Jackson Corvette Club

**DATE:** August 3, 2025 (Sunday)

NCCC Members	Non-NCCC
\$80 for 4 events (Sat or Sun)	\$88 4 events (Sat or Sun)
\$140 per day (7 events); or	\$154 per day (7 events); or
\$280 for all 14 events	\$308 for all 14 events
10% Discount for NCCC Rookie Drivers	

**REGISTRATION OPENS:** 7:45 am EDT

**CLOSES:** 9:00 am EDT

**DRIVERS MEETING TIME:** 9:45 am EDT

**FIRST CAR OUT TIME:** 10:00 am EDT

**LOCATION:** Birch Run Speedway

10945 Dixie Hwy – Birch Run, MI 48415

**SPEED EVENTS:** ☐ HIGH SPEED\* ☒ LOW SPEED

**EXHAUST:** ☐ OPEN ☒ CLOSED

REGISTRATION FORM, LOCATION MAP, AND HOTEL INFORMATION ON REVERSE SIDE OF FLYER.

### FOURTEEN EVENT LOW SPEED WEEKEND

**Aug 2-3, 2025 (Saturday & Sunday) Rain or Shine**

**Birch Run Speedway ~ Closed Exhaust**

In lieu of awards, a free lunch will be provided for all racers that have registered and paid for four or more events. Restrooms are available at track.

**\*\* LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED FOR WORKERS and available for others at a nominal fee. \*\***  
**YOU MUST ORDER AND PRE-PAY AT REGISTRATION, BY 10:00 AM, TO BE INCLUDED.**

*Helmet Required – SNELL certified SA, SAH, M, or EA only – Less than 10-yr's old and in good condition.*

*Non-NCCC Members are not covered by NCCC Insurance.*

*Electric Cars Not Allowed per Speedway Policy.*

**CCCC COMPETITION DIRECTOR/CHAIR:**

**NAME:** Kevin Mead

**PHONE:** (517) 285-7814

**EMAIL:** [kmead8668@gmail.com](mailto:kmead8668@gmail.com)

**Co-Chair:** Kyle Felts

**PHONE:** (865) 924-5685

**EMAIL:** [screaming\\_yellow\\_gt@yahoo.com](mailto:screaming_yellow_gt@yahoo.com)



**CCCC GOVERNOR:**

**NAME:** Simon Reiffer

**EMAIL:** [imnomis@yahoo.com](mailto:imnomis@yahoo.com)

**JCC COMPETITION DIRECTOR/CHAIR:**

**NAME:** Deb Corbin

**PHONE:** Contact Kevin Mead or Kyle Felts  
after 07/25/2025



**JCC GOVERNOR:**

**NAME:** Stephen Massie

**PHONE:** Contact Kevin Mead or Kyle Felts

***Non-NCCC member participants, workers and spectators are not covered by NCCC insurance.***

For the safety of participants and workers, Capital City and Jackson Corvette Clubs will follow all local Health Board recommendations in effect at time of the event. Please be prepared to wear a face covering, social distance, and use sanitizer if the CDC requires it.







Frankenmuth is a Michigan tourist attraction close to Birch Run Premium Outlet Mall.

There are many lodging choices near the Speedway and in Frankenmuth.

America's Best Value Phone: 989.624.4440 (1.4m) \* Fairfield Inn & Suites Phone: 989.652.5000 (6.5m)  
 Best Western Plus Phone: 989.624.9395 (1.4m) \* Holiday Inn Express Phone: 989.624.9300 (1.4m)

*Self Contained Camping outside of the Speedway Gates is allowed. The Speedway Gates will be locked at night.*

*Walmart Supercenter (11493 N. Linden Road, Clio) offers free overnight parking for self-contained RVs. (7.3 miles)*

Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____ Car Make/Model: _____ Year: _____ Color: _____ NCCC #: _____ Car #: _____ NCCC Club: _____ Speed Event Class: _____	<p><b>Make check payable to:</b>          Capital City Corvette Club</p> <p><b>Mail check and registration to:</b>          Kevin Mead          Capital City Corvette Club          PO Box 27295          Lansing, MI 48909</p> <div style="text-align: center;">   </div>
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NCCC Members	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday	<input type="checkbox"/> Both Days	Amount Enclosed
\$80 (4 events)	\$140 (7 events)	\$140 (7 events)	\$280 (all 14 events)	\$
Non-NCCC	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday	<input type="checkbox"/> Both Days	Amount Enclosed
\$88 (4 events)	\$154 (7 events)	\$154 (7 events)	\$308 (all 14 events)	\$

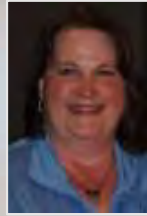


# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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**Chuck Miller**  
**June 15**



**Kathy Duncan**  
**June 28**



**Ralph Swan**  
**June 15**



**Jean Luttig**  
**June 28**



**Luis Valle**  
**June 17**

## Welcome Our Returning Members

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**Mike & Heather Saxton**  
**they live in Grand Ledge**  
**and drive a 2022 Silver Corvette**



# President's Page



**Members,**

**It's June, and that means we're finally getting into the heart of Corvette season. This month brings some great opportunities to get out and enjoy the car, the people, and the community we've built.**

**Our Blessing of the Vettes Car Show and Funkhana is coming up soon. If you've never done the Funkhana before, give it a try. It's just a good time, plain and simple. These kinds of events are a fun way to enjoy your car differently than a normal cruise or show. Come out, bring a friend, and make a day of it.**

**June 30 is National Corvette Day. I'll be putting together a Drive and Dine to celebrate, so keep an eye out for details. It's a good excuse to get behind the wheel and put some miles on the car with fellow members.**

**Around the region, there's another sanctioned show and rallye day happening in June, leading right into the July 4 weekend, which will include a mixed-region autocross. If you've ever thought about trying a competitive event, this could be a great one to start with. There'll be plenty of folks from all over, and these events are always more fun than intimidating.**

**And of course, it's Michigan summer, so you can find local cruises, car shows, and ice cream runs just about every weekend. However you enjoy your Corvette, just get out and do it your way.**

**Remember to wave!**

**Kyle Felts  
President  
Capital City Corvette Club**





# 2025 CLUB OFFICERS

## PRESIDENT

Kyle  
Felts



## GOVERNOR/VP

Simon  
Reiffer



## SECRETARY

Tim  
Wells



## TREASURER

James  
Sutherland



## SOCIAL DIRECTOR

Roy  
Bailey



## COMPETITION DIRECTOR

Kevin  
Mead



## MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Angela  
Hyde



## POINTS DIRECTOR

Kim  
Keith



## NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Tom  
Faupel



## PR DIRECTOR

Shelby  
Schittenhelm





# 2025 APPOINTED OFFICERS

## CHAPLAIN

Ward  
Harris



## HEARTS & FLOWERS

Ann  
Voss



## HISTORIAN

Sue  
Keith



## NCM AMBASSADOR

Casey  
Mulvany



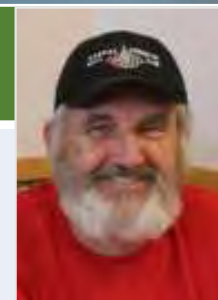
## PHOTOGRAPHER

Stella  
Wood



## QUARTERMASTER

Randy  
Putmon



## SARGEANT AT ARMS

Geofrey  
Cradit



## WEBMASTER

Gloria  
Reiffer



## PAST PRESIDENT

Bob  
Maynard



## FACEBOOK MODERATOR

Dave  
Voss





# Membership Meeting Minutes

## **CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING May 7, 2025 - Delhi Café & Zoom**

### **7:00 Call to Order: Kyle Felts, President**

- We received our Sports Car Magazine; Kyle will bring it to the meeting next month.
- We received a couple of advertisement renewals in the mail.
- Thank you to Bob and Angela for organizing our bowling party with the Jackson Club.
- Thank you, Kim, for organizing our Awards Banquet.
- Thank you to Chuck for organizing the caravan to the Vermontville Maple Syrup Festival parade.
- We had a pretty good turn out at the Regional Awards Banquet in Marshall.
- At our Competition Meeting we discussed changes in Chapter 12 Supplemental/Provisional Programs so more clubs would be able to use them.
- There have been some issues with the C8 and getting them to participate in more events. Convertibles are not eligible and there has been some discussion as to the definition of the convertible.

### **Secretary: Melissa Hass**

- Approval for April minutes: Motion by Tom Faupel and seconded by James Sutherland and approved by the majority of the members in attendance.

### **Treasurer: James Sutherland**

- The books are balanced, and the bills are paid.

### **V/P Governor: Simon Reiffer**

- The Region Banquet was attended by approximately 80. Members receiving awards were: George & Kathy Duncan, Kyle Felts, Sue Hoover, Angela Hyde, Kim & Sue Keith, Kevin Mead, Tim Wells, and Carolyn Polomski who received Worker of the Year. The Region is looking for volunteers to host next year's banquet by the July 15 Region meeting. This could be a club or a committee.
- Most of the timing equipment donated to the Region has had to be replaced with newer equipment over the last two years. It has been operating at a loss at this point in time.
- There are a lot of events coming up at the Regional level. Be sure to check the calendars on the websites.
- NCCC currently has 16,724 members, 534 members at large, 231 clubs with 2 more in process of joining.
- ID cards will no longer be replaced if you lose, misplace or throw out the packet that contains them. If you need a new membership card, please talk to Simon. Elimination of the card is being discussed as a cost saving.
- Two Standing Rule Proposals will be voted on at the September meeting. If passed, the new prices will go into effect for 2026 dues.
- Proposal 1 – Increase Membership Dues:
  - Primary Members: \$50 new, \$40 renewal. (Currently \$35 new, \$25 renewal)
  - Spouse/Companion/Youth: \$15 new, \$15 renewal. (Currently \$10 new or renewal)
  - Associate and Enthusiast: \$50 new, \$40 renewal. (Currently \$35 new, \$25 renewal)



# Membership Meeting Minutes

- Proposal 2 – Increase Lifetime Membership Dues:
  - Lifetime Membership: \$500 if an active member transfers to Lifetime status; \$550 for a new NCCC member joining as a Lifetime Member.
- If you are thinking about changing to Lifetime status, I encourage you to do so before September. Current cost is \$300 so you would break even at 7.5 years. NCCC lifetime membership stays with you even if you move or change club affiliation. Lifetime members are still responsible for their local club dues.
- The new NCCC treasurer is working to get the accounting system back under control after the former treasurer's computer crashed. The books will then be audited. She will begin mailing out reports to Governors prior to National meetings.
- Insurance waivers must be kept for 5 years. Parental consent forms must be kept until the child turns 21 or 25 (depending on state) and MUST be signed by their LEGAL GUARDIAN, not by whoever takes them to an event.
- There are 26 bylaw change proposals in process.
- Patrick Duncan and Tommy West have volunteered to put together a promotion program for NCCC.
- There are database issues with addresses. The database needs to match layout of USPS Zip+4 lookup. If you don't want a hard copy of Blue Bars magazine, please let Angela or Simon know so that we can mark you as soft copy. Postage for the magazines is quite high.
- NCCC plans to give out 19 student scholarships at Convention. June 15 is the deadline to apply. There are currently 14 applicants. Simon has the list of requirements available.
- There are still issues with sending emails from NCCC. Some people received the President's letter 14 times this month, as it kept resending. The email includes reports from Deb Murphy, NCCC's President and sometimes from other E-Board members. There are four St. Jude Charity Raffles remaining in 2025. The cost is \$25 per raffle ticket and you can specify what you want to purchase a raffle ticket for.
- FCOA currently has 1,019 FCOA members. A gift will be sent to all FCOA Members to celebrate National Corvette Day. I believe Melissa Felts said that FCOA has sponsors at the following levels: 1-\$500; 5-\$250; 3-\$100; and 2-\$50.
- There are 402 registered for the 2025 NCCC Convention in Wisconsin Dells. Please look at the Convention button on the NCCC website for updated information. The Northeast Region will host next year's convention at the DoubleTree by Hilton in East Syracuse, New York on June 20-27, 2026.
- Full Governor's meeting minutes will be available on the NCCC website under the "Members Only" tab when they become available.
- Budget changes will probably pass; dues have not gone up since the late 80's.

## **Points Director: Kim Keith**

- Our Awards Banquet was held and all 10 recipients were in attendance and 6 of them are wearing their awards tonight.
- Points are not up to date because I just received the sheets from the Fill the Pantry event. They will be up to date by tomorrow.

## **Competition Director: Kevin Mead**

- Birch Run sign-up sheets are on the table. Please volunteer.

## **Editor: Tom Faupel**

- I hope everyone got their newsletter.
- If anyone would like to write an article for the newsletter please do, I am always looking for content.



# Membership Meeting Minutes

**Membership Director:** Angela Hyde

- We have 91 members, 2 honorary members, 27 FCOA.
- If you are thinking of becoming a lifetime member, now is the time to sign up.
- If you don't want to receive a hard copy of Blue Bars, please let me know.

**Social Director:** Roy Bailey

- We have a lot of events coming up, please check the Websites.
- Birthday treats were handed out.

**Public Relations Director:** Shelby Schittenhelm

- We have been discussing how people would be able to pay for events electronically. I have looked into this and there is nothing that we would qualify for that would enable us to waive the 3% fees. We are working to set up a Venmo account for the Club and people using this service would pay the service fee. Hopefully in the future we will be able to pay dues through this account also.

**Appointed Officer Report:**

**Past President:** Bob Maynard

- The Blessing of the Vettes sign-up sheet is on the table, we need volunteers. Set-up at 8:00am 6/14. Trophies to be given out at 1:00pm. Funkhanas to follow.

**Photographer:** Stella Wood

- Thank you to Tom and Gloria for helping me.

**Webmaster:** Gloria Reiffer

- Our Website expenses will be going up next year.

**Facebook Moderator:** Dave Voss

- Nothing new to report.

**Zoom Facilitator:** Kyle Felts

- Zoom is working fine.

**Quartermaster:** Randy Putmon

- Nothing new to report.

**Sergeant at Arms:** Geoffrey Cradit

- Nothing new to report.

**NCM Ambassador:** Casey Mulvany

- Absent – Report sent: He received a printout from the National Corvette Museum; some members annual dues have lapsed.

**Historian:** Sue Keith

- There are several members mentioned in this month's Blue Bars.



# Membership Meeting Minutes

## **Hearts and Flowers: Ann Voss**

- Ann has sent out a few cards since our last meeting.

## **Chaplain: Ward Harris**

- Absent.

## **New Business:**

- Ward Harris has been ill, please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.
- The Blessing flyers have been updated. We need some chairs for the Event. We are having 4 Funkhanas and we need a chair for 1. We also have 2 car shows for the Event. If anyone knows of any outside Sponsors that would like to donate, it would be appreciated.
- Corvettes on Woodward is 8/13. NCCC will be involved, and Kyle Felts will be speaking at the M1 Concourse. This year all proceeds will go to Open Hands Food Pantry.
- This year's Turkey Award was given to Tom Faupel. The award is being repaired, and Kyle will present it as soon as it is fixed.
- Kyle awarded Tom Faupel the President's Award for all of the things he does for the Club.
- Kyle presented Regional Awards to Kim and Sue Keith received 1<sup>st</sup> place for Concourse in 2024 and also received shirts for total points; Tim Wells received a shirt and a thermal mug for his racing achievements; and Angela Hyde received a shirt for blazing the trail with Funkhanas.

## **Other Business:**

- MSUFCU has a gift card rebate program and supposedly you can have the rebate sent to CCCC.
- Our Fill the Pantry Event brought in enough food to fill 54 baskets. There were also cash donations given but we have not gotten the final total yet.
- This Saturday there is a car show in Brooklyn sponsored by the Irish Hills Club.
- The 18<sup>th</sup> is the a car show in Turkeyville hosted by the Jackson Club.
- 5/26 is the Memorial Day Parade in Marshall.
- Kim and Sue attended the Bash at the Corvette Museum the last weekend in April. It was a great event and they introduced the ZR1. Sue met one of the female engineers that worked on the car. They also ran into Joe Thomas there.
- The Spring Fling is this weekend in Columbus. If anyone is interested, please see Kyle.
- Angela wanted to thank everyone that came out to the mock Ralley and Funkhana on 5/4.

**Adjournment** at 8:10. Motion to adjourn by Craig Iansiti and seconded by Carl Polomski and approved by the majority of members present.



# Board Meeting Minutes

## CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES May 21, 2025 - Delhi Café & ZOOM

**6:30 Call to Order:** Kyle Felts, President

- No mail was received.

### **Board Reports:**

**Secretary:** Melissa Hass

- Minutes previously approved.

**Treasurer:** James Sutherland

- All bills are paid and the books are balanced.
- The NCCC assessments have been taken care of.
- Net amount collected for the Fill the Pantry was \$363.25. Kyle will be presenting it to the Church in the near future, if anyone is interested in going with him, please get ahold of him.
- James will be absent from the June Membership Meeting.

**V/P Governor:** Simon Reiffer

- I reviewed most everything at the Membership Meeting.
- If you are attending any events or working any events, please be sure to give them your NCCC number.
- Nine cars from our Club attend the CCBC show at Turkeyville. Carl and Carolyn won the 50/50 so they treated everyone to ice cream after the car show.

**Points Director:** Kim Keith

- Points are up to date.

**Competition Director:** Kevin Mead

- Nothing new to report.

**Editor:** Tom Faupel

- Saturday Randy dropped off the Turkey Award for repair.
- If anyone had anything for the newsletter please get it to me early next week.
- Thank you Sue and Kyle for your articles.

**Social Director:** Roy Bailey

- Nothing new to report.

**Membership Director:** Angela Hyde

- We currently have 91 members, 2 honorary, 27 FCOA and 4 lifetime members.

**Public Relations Director:** Shelby Schittenhelm

- Absent, no report.



# Board Meeting Minutes

## Appointed Officer Report:

**Past President:** Bob Maynard

- Nothing new to report.

**Photographer:** Stella Wood

- Absent, no report.

**Webmaster:** Gloria Reiffer

- Nothing new to report.

**Facebook Moderator:** Dave Voss

- Absent, no report.

**Zoom Facilitator:** Kyle Felts

- Nothing new to report.

**Quartermaster:** Randy Putman

- We currently have 3 canopies and they are all mismatched and some are broken. It might be nice if we had some new ones that matched.
- Kevin will check into new canopies and see if we might even be able to get new ones with our Club represented on them.

**Sergeant at Arms:** Geoffrey Cradit

- Absent, no report.

**NCM Ambassador:** Casey Mulvany

- Absent, no report.

**Historian:** Sue Keith

- Nothing new to report.

**Hearts & Flowers:** Ann Voss

- Absent, no report.

**Chaplain:** Ward Harris

- Absent, no report.

## New Business:

- We are ready for the Blessing of the Vettes with 2 car shows and 4 funkhanas.
- The trophies are all set and Sandy has the binder and she will be handing it over to Bob.
- The event flyer for Blessing of the Vettes needs to go into the June newsletter.

## Other Business:

- Simon thought that Shelby had mentioned if we were interested in chairing the Regional Banquet for next year that the RE Olds Museum might be a possibility.
- If the Club is interested Shaheens worked out well for us in the past or possibly using the Senior Center in Charlotte.

**7:05** Motion for adjournment made by Simon, seconded by Angela and approved by members in attendance.



# Achieving Top Speed for the ZR1

For our trip to the National Corvette Museum to attend the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Michelin Bash, the color of the day was orange. Orange signs, orange barrels, lane closures and numerous road construction zones.

My favorite event at Bash is the Ladies Garage which is a two-hour program just for women that is conducted by women in Corvette related careers. Topics included a marketing overview, ZR1 top speed story, manufacturing hands-on activity and a ZR1 overview with a walkaround of a cut away vehicle.

The featured speaker was Julie Starr, Senior Engine Calibrator, who works at the Milford Proving Grounds. The Milford complex covers 4,000 acres, includes 150 buildings and tracks with multiple test conditions. Julie has been involved with Corvettes for 5 years and specializes in engine calibration. She is part of a ten-person team that focuses on the over 45,000 calibratable engine variables in the LT7 engine alone.

The team began working on the ZR1 engine in October 2023 with simulators and test runs at Milford. Eventually a new record speed for the 4.5-mile circle track at Milford was achieved at 224 mph. GM decided to continue its quest for top speed and arranged to use the track in Papenburg Germany. This oval track which is banked at 49.7 degrees was chosen because it had a longer straight away than Milford and the arc was less sharp. The track was rented for 3 hours. One hour on September 13, 2024, for a practice run and two hours on September 14 for the official run with the car being driven by GM President, Mark Reuss.

Julie was working on a ZR1 engine on a dyno in Pontiac on September 12 when the flywheel bolts sheared off and the crankshaft collar broke. Based on this data, she calculated calibration updates which were tested under track conditions at Milford on the 13<sup>th</sup> and relayed to the team in Germany. Her engine calibrations were used for the official run on September 14, 2024, when the ZR1 set a new record top speed of 233.5 mph. It became the fastest production car ever built by an American automaker with 1064 horsepower. There are several YouTube videos that capture this thrilling ride. This was not an isolated achievement. That day four more drivers reached speeds over 231 mph.

Julie's talents, knowledge and presentation were inspiring. When she is not out on the track she enjoys cruising in her numbers-matching 1969 Riverside Gold coupe, 427ci big block with a 4-speed manual transmission. Her father purchased it in 1983, and she bought it from him in 2019. Corvette owners can be assured that the cars we enjoy are being engineered by a team that is dedicated to an amazing vehicle and unmatched results.

Submitted by Sue Keith





# Tech Tip: Rear Sway Bar Bushing Clamp Bolt Spec

C5 Corvette – Verified from 2001 Coupe (#54)

Submitted by: Kyle Felts

## Verified Bolt Specification:

Component	Rear Sway Bar Bushing Clamp (Insulator Clamp)
Thread Size	M12 × 1.75 mm
Bolt Head Size	19 mm hex
Thread Length	~25–30 mm (OEM length)
Bolt Grade	10.9 (hardened metric)
Thread Locker	Yes – <b>factory-applied thread locker</b> present
Torque Spec (est.)	95–100 N·m (70–74 lb-ft) (based on M12 10.9)



## Installation Note:

During removal, significant resistance was encountered due to residual factory thread locker in the cradle's threaded inserts. An **M12 × 1.75 tap** was used to clean the threads before reinstallation.

## Recommendation:

Always **chase the cradle threads** with the correct tap before installing new or reused bolts. Applying a fresh blue thread locker is optional but recommended for security.

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## Why This Matters:

Online forums and parts databases often list **M10 × 1.5 bolts** for all C5 rear sway bar clamps. However, this 2001 C5 Corvette Coupe (#54) was factory-equipped with **M12 × 1.75 bolts**. This may reflect a production change in the cradle casting or sway bar hardware after early model years.

## Pro Tip:

If you're unsure about your C5's bolt size:

- Test-fit an M12 × 1.75 bolt into the cradle before assuming M10.
- Avoid forcing M10 bolts—they'll feel loose or risk damage.
- Torque to spec based on actual thread size and bolt grade.





# Capital City Corvette Club



## Participation Points as of May 26, 2025

0 Beverly Adado	1 Skip Herold, Jr.	0 Sondi Plummer	11 Mary Wells
4 Robert Adado	3 Skip Herold, III	10 Suzanne Politza	20 Timothy Wells
5 Pat Bailey	17 Sue Hoover *	31 Carl Polomski *	5 Christine Wieczorek
10 Roy Bailey	56 Angela Hyde	27 Carolyn Polomski *	5 Thomas Wieczorek
0 Dana Beaman	4 Craig Iansiti	4 Gary Pratt	25 Stella Wood
0 Kim Beaman	0 Daniel Kane	16 Carol Putmon	
12 Sandy Bechtel	29 Kim Keith	21 Randy Putmon	
0 Colleen Bratschi	29 Sue Keith	29 Gloria Reiffer	
0 Rich Bratschi	27 Michael Lewis	30 Simon Reiffer	
0 Connie Britz	5 Janet Litrenta	19 Robert Ribar	
0 Mike Britz	0 Jean Luttig	0 Heather Saxton	
18 Geoffrey Cradit	27 Bob Maynard	0 Mike Saxton	
10 Joyce Cradit	18 Shalimar Maynard	1 Kyle Schittenhelm	
1 Art Doty *	7 Brian McKeveett	8 Shelby Schittenhelm	
1 Nancy Doty *	25 Kevin Mead	2 Kim Schramm	
5 George Duncan *	2 Patricia Mead	0 James Spalding	
5 Kathy Duncan *	0 Linda Michael	2 Robert Spehar	
19 Michelle Faupel	14 Chuck Miller	0 Ron Spitler	
27 Tom Faupel	8 Jeffrey Mitzel	45 James Sutherland	
43 Kyle Felts	11 Casey Mulvany	0 Ralph Swan	
8 Melissa Felts	9 Kim Mulvany	0 Susan Swan	
8 Cindy Gozalka	0 Diane Munshaw	6 Ed Thomas	
9 Norman Gozalka	0 Tom Munshaw	0 Stephen Toth	
0 Jeanne Harris	0 Steve Musselman	5 Harold Twining	
4 Ward Harris	0 Barb Musselman	2 Katherine Twining	
3 Bill Hass	0 George Nelson	0 Luis Valle	* NCCC affiliation with another Region club
9 Melissa Hass	0 Laurie Nelson	5 Ann Voss	
6 Bob Hedlund	0 Erick Pardo	5 David Voss	
6 Elizabeth Hedlund		3 Robert Watson	

## 2025 Top Ten

56 Angela Hyde	31 Carl Polomski *	29 Sue Keith	27 Michael Lewis
45 James Sutherland	30 Simon Reiffer	29 Gloria Reiffer	27 Bob Maynard
43 Kyle Felts	29 Kim Keith	27 Tom Faupel	27 Carolyn Polomski *



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