

# COWTOWN LOW-DOWN

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### Our Affair...

by Glenda McMahan

The Corvette in my mind was just another car. Yes, maybe it looked better than a Caprice but it was just an expensive car.

When I met and fell in love with a man who was obsessed about this car, "The Corvette" I didn't know what I was in for.

The true "American Sports Car" was his true love. When we met, he was seventeen and was already a "Corvette nut." He had a '64 convertible that he was rebuilding at the time. He would say things like "isn't she a beauty" or "this is the "greatest car." All I saw was a money pit and a complete time consumer. In other words, I was totally jealous of a car!!!

After we got married, the car had to go because it was either "it" or "the baby" which was on the way. I could see how this man had to fight to say "guess we are going to have a baby and I'll sell the Vette." I promised him as soon as we could afford it we would get another one - a Corvette, not baby!!!!

The "Next One" came to us even though we could not afford her - it picked us actually. I was driving down the street and it was on fire, on the side of the road. The wrecker was telling the owner that "we don't tow Corvettes." So, I rushed to the nearest pay phone (remember, this was LONG BEFORE cell phones) and called my Corvette lover, telling him "one of your dream cars is sitting on the side of the road with flames coming out from under the hood." Needless to say, he was off the phone, in the truck in a flash and on his way to the location.

The Vette owner was in the Air Force and hadn't been back from England but a month at this point - the Vette still had the English license plate on it. He was sick to his stomach and the wrecker driver was making it worse with stories about how it might break in half if they hooked onto it. He asked my husband (now on location) if he could get the car to our shop and if he worked on Vettes. Corvettes was one of his specialties and definitely a car he preferred working on at our Custom Paint & Body Shop. My husband loves challenges and jumped at the chance to take this burned '73 back and work on it.

The owner called and broke the news to my husband that he just couldn't afford to rebuild the Vette and wasn't sure that he would want it once it was repaired. Long story short, we became owners of the '73 Flamed Vette" - another useless, time consuming, money pit!!!!

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### **It's That Time Of The Year**

Spring has sprung, the birds are singing, and the sun is shining. It's time to decide what you want out of the club. Ask yourself why I joined. The racing season has started, there are cruises to cruise to, and wax to shine off the winter blues. There are tires to buy if not for the car it might be for the trailer (thanks to Bob, Kevin, and Kerry for helping us when our trailer tire blew out). Even if you want to ask questions and learn more about your car this is the time of the year to get out and meet fellow gear heads. We are getting

things planed and organized for upcoming events and committees. This is a great time to learn and become more familiar with the club. It's May and are we having fun yet??? If not, what are you waiting on?

Keep on Vett'n  
Kim West  
CTV President 2007

Trivia question: What was the highest production year?

April's answer was 1981.

## COWTOWN CRUISER PROGRAM

**The Second Sponsored Cruise** for 2007 took place on Sunday, April 15th., out to enjoy the Texas Bluebonnets and a beautiful Spring day.

The cruise group consisted of 14 members and two visitors (Richard & Karen), departing Mansfield at 9 AM. If you missed this cruise, you missed some great windy roads, beautiful flowers, not to mention fellowship with fellow members. This cruise was primarily about enjoying Spring & the flowers, with only two CCP stops; one being the Veteran's Memorial in Itasca and the Ellis County Courthouse in Waxahachie.

We reached Ennis close to noon and headed straight to the Bluebonnet Trail, with the first stop at Doug Dickerson's farm. This was not only a great place to view Bluebonnets but he provided history and extensive knowledge on the flower.

We left his farm and headed on down the road with the premier loop being Sugar Ridge Road, where not only were the Bluebonnets in abundance but the Red Poppies, Sweet Williams and other wild flowers adorned the curvy roads and hill-sides.

With that being hard to top,

we headed back into town for lunch at the *Fiesta Mexican Grill*. After lunch, some headed home, some headed to the Drag Strip while others headed downtown to the 56th Annual Ennis Bluebonnet Festival.

There are several club sponsored cruises still being planned so stay tuned for more information.

<http://www.cowtownvettes.org/CCP/cruiserpgm.html>

You can visit the CCP page on our website to validate your CCP entry data and points for club and NCCC functions. Don't forget, anyone

can sponsor a CCP Cruise and if you have a great idea for a cruise but don't want to lead it – get with me and we will take a look at it.

**2007 CCP Photo Contest:** Regardless if you are competing in the 2007 Cowtown Cruiser Program (CCP) or not, if you cruise in your Vette to neat places, you can still enter this annual contest. The Contest Rules are on our website at:

[http://www.cowtownvettes.org/CCP/CCP\\_PC\\_07.html](http://www.cowtownvettes.org/CCP/CCP_PC_07.html)

If you have any questions about Cowtown Cruiser Program or the Photo Contest, contact me.

...keep on cruisin'

...Doug McMahan - '07 CCP Chairperson

*There are more great pictures on the back cover of this issue.*





## VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The May socials are Laps for Charity at TMS on the 12<sup>th</sup> and The Lone Star Classic at TMS on the 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>. They both count for 100%er. Choose one or do both.



Laps for Charity — Speedway Children's Charities is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for children in need. Through donations, sponsorships and fundraising events they distribute funds to qualified non-profit organizations with the same mission. During the Laps for Charity event, you are the driver when Texas Motor Speedway opens the Speedway to the public. Experience the thrill of driving your car around the 1.5-mile oval! For more information, please call (817) 215-8421.

### 18th Annual Lone Star Corvette Classic



FRIDAY pre-event activities include: Registration, Poker Run, Khana Cross, Wheels 'n Pipes and Burnout Challenges, BBQ, and Vendor Displays. Check in for these activities at the Doral Tesoro Hotel, 3300 Championship Parkway, Fort Worth, TX (877) 285-6122. Download Registration Form at: <http://www.lonestarcorvette.com/classic.html>

June is just around the corner and we are already planning a drive in movie in Granbury and our annual car show at our sponsor, Bruce Lowrie Chevrolet's location. Watch for more details to follow.

Thanks and have fun.

Bobby Gorman, CTV Vice President 2007

**CHECK OUT GREAT DEALS  
AT BRUCE LOWRIE CHEVROLET!**

## JUNE 2007

<i>1</i>	<i>CTV MEMBERSHIP MEETING</i>
	<i>7:30 AT COORS FACILITY</i>
1	ON THE BORDER SOCIALIZING
	AFTER MEMBERSHIP MEETING
<i>2</i>	<i>DRIVE IN MOVIES AT GRANBURY</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>BRUCE LOWRIE CAR SHOW</i>
14-15	CTV CARAVAN TO CONVENTION
15	CORVETTE PLANT TOUR
	BOWLING GREEN NASHVILLE
<i>16-22</i>	<i>NCCC NATIONAL CONVENTION</i>
	<i>(100%ER FOR ATTENDANTS)</i>
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Alright, you Dudes and Dudettes, if you missed the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure on April 7, 2007, you really missed something!! It SNOWED! Can you believe it would snow in April, in Texas? Well, it did and it was a very surreal experience. We had 39 people sign up for the Cowtown team and out of those, 20 people actually walked. I know the weather kept people away, even the overall attendance was down. But for those of us who did brave the weather, we had a super time and the walking kept us warm. Cindy Morrison raised \$1,800, Frank and Lei Testa also raised quite a bit of money, about \$945. I've had a few people ask me if our entry fees go towards the total of our donations; registration fees are actually counted separately. So in addition to the 39 registration fees CTV raised \$3105.00 - Way to go Cowtown!



After the race, we went to Jack's Off the Wall for brunch and more Cowtowners joined us. I gave away door prizes and I think everyone had a good time. The food was delicious! I would like to thank everyone who attended, I really appreciate each and every one of you. Those who walked and braved the elements were - Red Greenfeder, Debbi Lambert, Debbie and Jerry Lindsey, Tom McHenry, Craig Murphy, Carol Savage, Frank and Lei Testa, Kim and James West, Scott Wheeler, Sharon and Walt Zschirnt, Don Beck, Rosie Rudnicki, my friends from Houston, Terri and Lou Von Woglom and Don and myself.



On Sunday, April 1, some of us Welcomed Home Heroes at the DFW air-

port. This was a very heartwarming and emotional experience. WE WILL DO THIS AGAIN! Thanks to Kim and James West, Don and Nancy Wells and Doc Lambert for getting up early and coming out. Next time, you have to make plans to do this. You won't be sorry.

A couple of other things to report on were the Put the Brakes on Breast Cancer Car Show on Saturday, March 31, a week before the Race for the Cure.



We had six cars from Cowtown shown by Fred Rosette, Gail Moore, Red Greenfeder (the "waxer"), Jan and John Brefczynski, Laura and Craig Satterfield, and our '58. This was a gorgeous day and really turned out to be a big show. Thanks to all of you for attending!

And last, but not least, I'm proud to announce the winners of the Funkhana held in conjunction with our practice autocross - Don Fowler / Red Greenfeder - 1<sup>st</sup> and FTD; Audrey Samuel/Craig Murphy - 2<sup>nd</sup>; Cindy and Bob Morrison - 3<sup>rd</sup>; and Lauri and David Robbins - 4<sup>th</sup>. We didn't have a lot of participation in this event, but those that did, had fun (I think!). Anyone want any fortune cookies???



Thanks again to everyone for all the great participation in these events!

Karyn Fowler  
CTV Charity Chairperson, 2007



# NCCC FOCA



## SUBJECT: FCOA 101

What the heck is FCOA????? Sit back, relax and "brush up" on one of my favorite subjects! The only homework assignment that will get you an "A" in this class is submitting a FCOA membership application for your kids, grandkids, nieces and nephews who are under the age of 16.

### LESSON #1: FCOA (FUTURE CORVETTE OWNERS

ASSN.) is the youth organization of NCCC. It's a unique "Corvette Club for kids" formed to interest the younger generation in the Corvette hobby. This is the generation that is the Corvette enthusiast of the 21st century! FCOA members are the foundation of NCCC's future and hopefully FCOA members will go on to be active NCCC members. FCOA has its own e-mail address (FCOAkids@aol.com) and its great website (www.corvettesnccc.org/fcoa1.html).

Thanks to the membership of NCCC for making FCOA such a tremendously successful program for the young Corvette enthusiast!

*Pat Kelly, FCOA Director*



*Kobi Gorman*

## NATIONAL KIDNEY FOUNDATION

TICKETS!! TICKETS!!

Now, we only need-well, let me see:

12 more members to purchase \$100 in tickets  
24 more members to purchase \$50 in tickets  
48 more members to purchase \$25 in tickets  
Or 110 members to purchase \$10 in tickets

This would make us eligible for the NCCC 100% Participation Award. Only 10 to 12 clubs achieve this award each year and few are the size of Cowtown Vettes so that would be awesome.

We have 2 more meetings to sell tickets so look for Jerry or Karyn Fowler at the next meeting (I will be at the National NCCC meeting).

Thanks for your support!  
Debbie Lindsey

Who's got the tickets?? I have the tickets!! What are the tickets for?? A 2007 Monterrey Red, Corvette Coupe. Would you like to win one?? Of course you would! How do you do that?? Buy a ticket for the NCCC/NKF raffle and "kill 2 birds with one stone" by taking a chance on the car and supporting the National Kidney Foundation.

It is that time of year again when I beg everyone to support this program that helps transplant patients participate in the Transplant Games as well as making the Organ Donor Awareness program a household name. Frank and Lei Testa set the pattern by purchasing a \$100 in tickets at the April meeting.

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## TECHNICAL CORNER

### Playing With Computers

It's really amazing to think about how much control modules do in Corvettes these days. Things like keyless entry control; remote start, engine performance, transmission shifting, and traction control are just a few. The new C6 has a: Body Control Module, Engine Control Module, Transmission Control Module, and Electronic Brake Control Module. They receive input signals and send output signals to control various functions throughout the car. What is even more amazing is how much you can tweak these components using a laptop, special software, and tuning experience. For example, you can adjust air fuel ratio for any given rpm, change spark timing based on cylinder airmass and rpm, raise or lower shift speeds and pressures, modify traction control and torque management parameters, and adjust speedometers and cooling fan settings. Those are just a few of the changes that can be made to improve the driving experience of a late model Corvette. Some of the common questions I hear are listed below.

- I know tuning will make my car faster, but will it hurt my gas mileage? No, it actually makes the engine run more efficient and usually improves fuel mileage under normal driving conditions. Unless of course you keep taking all your friends out for hot laps around the block while showing off your new tune. That will not improve fuel mileage.
- If I go in for warranty work will tuning prevent the dealership from being able to hook up their computer and

communicate with the car? No, if the tuner does not lock the computer it will not interfere with the GM Tech II scanner. Although, if they were to do a GM software update it would erase the tune and you would simply need to re-write the modified tune back into the cars memory afterwards.

Why does the factory leave some much power on the table? They use one baseline tune for every computer that goes into the vettes and it needs to be able to run smooth in Alaska during the winter as well as Death Valley in the summer. You can release more power tuning the car for our climate while still using the Mass Air Flow sensor so you can drive out of town and it will still make small changes automatically. If you move to Alaska or into the Rocky Mountains then a re-tune for that climate would be beneficial.

I'm a computer generation guy and I love playing with laptops to make cars faster. Although, I do remember when it required hand tools to change jets and pull spark plugs to tune an engine. My timing light has 2 inches of dust on it, because I haven't had to set timing advance on a distributor in years. In one sense it has become easier without needing those tools, but now it requires a different kind of knowledge that is really difficult for some to learn. It's just like my Meemaw always says: "Everything is easy when you know what you're doing."

Joshua Dodson

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## OUR AFFAIR

*continued from page 1* — This Vette became an even bigger pain for me as he started rebuilding it. He had a goal, to have it ready for the start of the next Show Car season - with people saying it couldn't be done; again, loving a challenge. The vast amount of time he was spending down at the shop, supposedly on this Vette, had me jokingly asking if he had a girlfriend or if he was having an affair - she became known as the "Midnight Affair". For the next several years we traveled around and showed her off to the world via indoor car shows.

As time had it, we got busy with our family growing and my husband's career moving us away from all the car activities, enough that I felt safe to say "he was out of the Corvette Love" stage. For many years, we were perfectly content driving our family cars and trucks, although he did continue to drag me to car shows.

Then it came time for our youngest to get her drivers license and he said "she can have my car if I can get something fun to drive!!!" He then went on to clarify that meant "something like a Corvette or BMW" and then all the old love came rushing back in full force. We went and looked at a few, taking them for test drives, and as expected, his love for the Corvette came out of hibernation!!! My only wish was that it needed to be red - my favorite color! We found a beautiful red convertible sitting on a Chevy dealer's lot, a certified pre-owned even.

He drove this little red Vette to work everyday the big smile back on his face. He told me the Corvette was celebrating it's 50th anniversary and that he wanted to go to Nashville to attend. He was all excited and looking forward to it and I was expecting a boring trip and way too many car nuts for it to be any fun. Not to mention that I had to pack for a week-and-a-half trip in two small bags that would fit in the convertible!!!!...**NO EXTRA SHOES!!!!**

About this time he came home and told me "we are going to visit a Corvette Club" My thinking was that it would be a bunch of guys with a lot of macho and a few wives that go because it was the only place their husbands would take them. We had belong to "Car Clubs" before so I fig-



ured this was no different. After the 50th and making friends while on the trip with other Cowtown members, I started to think that maybe I was wrong about car clubs and vette people.

At club meetings I heard a lot of things I didn't understand like autocross, Funkhana, and all those Vette terms I had ignored for years. After several meetings, I told my loving husband that in no way are we racing our Corvette, stupid to tear up your dream car.

July came around that year and the 100%er for the month was a Practice Autocross at Mineral Wells. We went, with no intention of participating with the Vette. Someone talked my husband into giving it a try, driving the course to experience his Vette and how well it handles. Someone loaned us helmets and we found ourselves out on the course squealing the tires as he made the corners. Being the non-competitive person I am, I didn't drive that year and was content just to ride a few times. He went on to participate in his first NCCC Event at the Cowtown event at Texas Motor Speedway - it scared me to death!!!

Next year, the Practice Autocross was again at Mineral Wells. My husband had been after me to give it a whirl along with help from others so I finally decided to try it. I told him, I DRIVE ALONE (so nobody could hear me talking to myself) ...boy, did I LOVE THIS!!!! So much that I didn't get out of the car for the rest of the day.

The next year, we started participating in NCCC events, starting with a Funkhana, then we autocrossed along with a few drag races, primarily because we had friends that were going and we thought it would be fun. About this time we quit driving it daily and it became our "race car" since we had purchased a black 2001 coupe.

The next two years, we competed for NCCC points in the Southwest Region - so much for NOT RACING our car. Not only was competing fun but we made friends all over the Southwest Region and we really got to know some people within Cowtown. So much for non-competitive, we finished this past year #1 for women and #2 for men.

The truth, I see now why my husband loves the Corvette!!!! It is a beautiful car and it handles great. As our oldest grandson would say "IT'S AWESOME!!!!"







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# COMPETITION



## Our 2007 Event Training, Practice Autocross & Funkhana

took place on Saturday, March 24th, in Mineral Wells. We had a great turnout with 64 people in attendance; 32 CTV Members and 11 guests participating and another 21 people attended to either watch, work or support someone a participant.

As the Event Coordinator, I would like to thank and recognize the following Members that stepped up to chair various areas of the event: Bob Morrison loaned the Generator; Bobby Gorman transported the Club Equipment Trailer; Bruce Lewis handled Safety Tech; Cindy Morrison managed Registration; Don Wells managed the shopping, cooking and serving lunch; Karl Samuel handled Staging; Kim West and Karyn Fowler planned and facilitated the Funkhana; Mo Wheeler handled Event Timing while her husband Scott Wheeler served as

Starter; and I designed the Course. I would like to express my thanks to all of you that stepped up to help in these areas to make this event a success - it took everyone along with teamwork to make it happen.

Since the Event a post-mortem was held, identifying a few areas that need some additional effort prior to our September Event Weekend. We have received several emails of Thanks and everyone did seem to have a great time. Mother-Nature even held the rain off for a few days afterwards so we could enjoy a fun day with friends and our Vettes. Be sure to check out the event photos in this Low-Down and the event pages on our website.

If you have any questions about any of the Cowtown Competition Programs, please feel free to contact either myself or one of the chairpersons in the specific areas.

...Doug McMahan – 2007 Competition Chairperson

## CTV PRACTICE AUTOCROSS & FUNKHANA PHOTOS

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# GOVERNOR'S REPORT



**PARDON FROM THE GOVERNOR** — At the April membership meeting I presented an overview of some of the NCCC-sanctioned competition programs that we participate in. These competitions are run at the national, regional and club (CTV) levels. I did make a mistake when describing our region (the Southwest Region). There were times I referred to it (correctly) as comprised of the four-state area. There were other times that I called it (incorrectly) a five-state region. The Southwest region covers Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and most of Texas (the El Paso 'chunk' of Texas is in the Road Runner Region). The Southwest Region also includes Sun Cities Corvette Club in Albuquerque NM. In my (weak) defense, the Southwest Region was the five-state area — including New Mexico — until about 2000. The Road Runner Region was formed at that time, taking New Mexico from Southwest, and taking Arizona from the West Coast Region. The El Paso chunk preferred to go to the Road Runner Region and Sun Cities CC preferred to stay in the Southwest Region. *And you thought my reports at the meeting were long!*

Here are some NCCC-sanctioned event weekends that will be held in May. As always the flyers with the details are available on our award-winning website. I will send you a personal copy via email or US Mail upon request.

May 19 & 20 Waco 14 low-speed autocrosses hosted by CEN-TEX and Mid-Coast Corvette Club. This will be at the airfield at Technical State College campus.

May 25-27 OK The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern States Corvette Festival hosted by OKCC and CCOC.

6 LS A-X at the Oklahoma County Sheriff Training Center track in OK City on the 26<sup>th</sup>. 4 drag race events, including record setting drags, at Thunder Valley Raceway Park in Noble OK on the 27<sup>th</sup>. (Noble is close to Norman OK).

Finally, an NCCC friend of mine, and some others in the club, from the Carolinas Region is hospitalized again for brain tumor treatment. Mike Buchanan, who has come down to Texas to compete in our events, is in Room 919 of St Francis Hospital; 1 St. Francis Drive; Greenville SC.

Don't forget to write or call... /Scott  
"Shortly after man invented the wheel, he invented the trailer. He's been trying to get the wiring to work ever since."  
- Patrick McManus



## The following is a list of the clubs within the NCCC Southwest Region.

<b>BRCC</b> —Brazos River Corvette Club	<b>CCO</b> —Competition Corvettes Of Oklahoma
<b>CCOC</b> —Corvette Club Of Oklahoma City	<b>CCT</b> —Corvette Club Of Texas
<b>COCOH</b> —Corvette Owners Club Of Houston	<b>COAST</b> —Corvette Owners Assn. Of S. Texas
<b>CTCC</b> —Cen-Tex Corvette Club	<b>CTV</b> —Cowtown Vettes
<b>LCC</b> —Longhorn Corvette Club	<b>MTCC</b> —Mid-Texas Corvette Assn
<b>MCCC</b> —Mid-Coast Corvette Club	<b>NTV</b> —North Texas Vettes
<b>OCCC</b> —Oklahoma City Corvette Club	<b>SC</b> —Sooner Corvettes
<b>SICC</b> —San Jacinto Corvette Club	<b>SCCC</b> —Sun Cities Corvette Club
<b>THT</b> —Tin Hall Toys Corvette Club	<b>TOCC</b> —Texas Outlaws Corvette Club
<b>TV</b> —Tejas Vettes	<b>TVS</b> —Tulsa Vette Set

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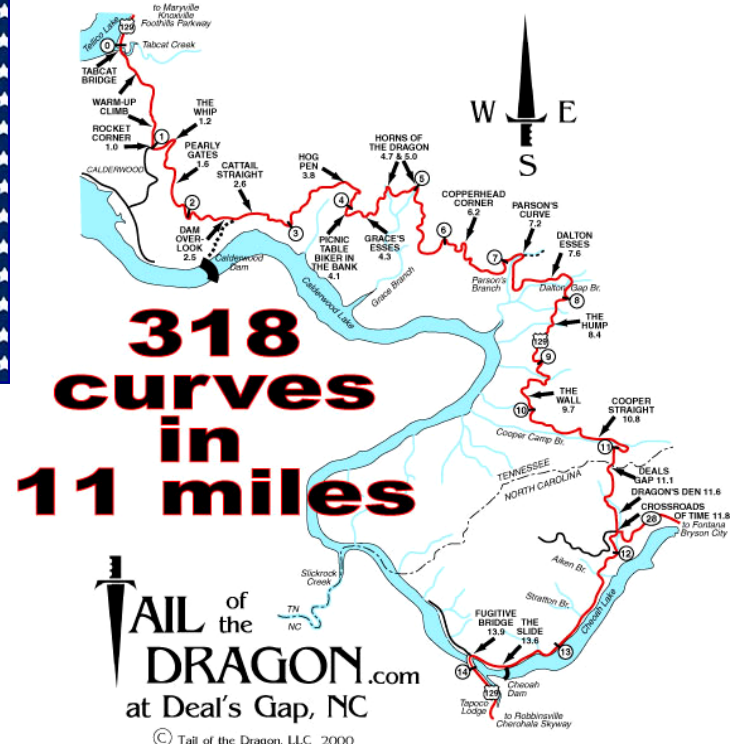
### 48th Annual NCCC Convention

June 16 - 22, 2007

**MUSIC CITY U.S.A.**

Doug McMahan has planned an activity-packed trip for Nashville this year. There will be a CTV caravan leaving on the 14th, there are still Corvette Assembly Plant Tours available for Friday, June 15th for \$5 each and Saturday 23rd, many will leave Nashville and take the long-way home via the **Tail of the Dragon**; 318 curves in 11 miles!!!! ...contact Doug McMahan for more info:

[HTTP://WWW.COWTOWNVETTES.ORG/MISC/NCCC\\_CONV07.HTML](http://www.cowtownvettes.org/misc/NCCC_CONV07.HTML)





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# HISTORIAN & WEBMASTER



**Two Thirds Remaining...** It is hard to believe that four months of 2007 have already passed. However, our Members have been busy, proven with the 39 new webpages and 1,661 photos and images.

Our website has been visited recently from Argentina, Australia, China, England, France, Japan, Germany, Iraq, the Netherlands, Saudi Arabia and the United Kingdom with over half of our US website visitors being outside of the DFW Metroplex area.

I would like to thank Manda Gorman, Tom McHenry, Viola Meyers and Cindy Morrison for sharing photos this past month for the web &

albums. If you would like to donate digital or printed photos or to even loan your photo CDs to Cowtown, we would greatly appreciate them.

**The NCCC 2007 National Club Website Contest** starts May 1 and runs until June 1, and Cowtown has entered. The winner will be announced at the '07 NCCC National Convention Awards Banquet on Friday, June 22.

If you have any suggestions, questions or comments about our how we are capturing our Club's history or website, please don't hesitate to give me a shout.

--Doug McMahan - CTV Historian & Webmaster

**REMEMBER: whatever your Corvette interest is, pursue your passion, keep the spirit of fun and fellowship in mind ...and most of all... HAVE FUN DOING IT!!!**



April 14<sup>th</sup>  
Lone Star Corvette Club  
car show at  
Texas Motor Speedway



Sam Castorani  
Don & Karyn Fowler  
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Bob & Cindy Morrison



The group also  
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# JULY 2007

4	4TH OF JULY
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6	<b>CTV MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b> <b>7:30 AT COORS FACILITY</b>
7-8	NCCC - BELTON MTCC - MID-TEX CORVETTE ASSOCIATION
18	BOARD MEETING
19	LOW DOWN DEADLINE
25	CTV COMMITTEE MEETING
	<b>BOLD, ITALICIZED LETTERING</b> <b>DENOTES 100%ER AWARD ACTIVITY.</b>
	EMAIL ANY UPCOMING DATE TO THE EDITOR.



## CAR SHOW

Now that spring is here and the weather is nice, car show season is in full stride. The Cowtown website is an excellent source of car show venues with links to other car show websites. Also check "Cruisin thru the Month" in the Driving Style section of the Friday Star Telegram for local car shows. Contact me with any car shows you enter and awards, as I am tracking the car show points for the year end awards.

### Waxing

When you look at the paint on your Vette, and see surface scratches, or swirl marks, the problem is usually in your wax.

Let's start by preparing the surface. Using tips from the Washing Your Car article, begin by washing your car with Dawn liquid. This will completely strip all of the old wax off your car. Next, clay bar the car to remove all the dirt and grim. Dry the car and you're ready to start the waxing. Wax should not be applied in direct sunlight.

You will need a 100% cotton wax applicator, 2 - 100% cotton towels folded into fourths. Take your favorite wax

and put a dab about the size of a dime on the applicator. Remember a little goes a long way. Start on top of car. Don't use the "Karate Kid" wax-on, wax-off; that's what causes swirl marks. Remember, if you get a little dirt in your wax applicator, you will have a scratch 360° in your paint. When the applicator begins to stick or you don't see the wax, it's time to get another dab of wax. The top of the car should be done with a back and forth motion. The sides of the car are done by using an up and down motion. Continue until wax has been applied to the entire car. Let the wax dry about 20 minutes. Wipe off the wax with the same motion, refolded the towel as needed. You can add up to 3 coats of wax on the surface, more than 3 coats, starts to dull the finish. Reapply wax every 3 months if your car is left outdoors. After waxing use a good spray detailer to keep the finish looking good. Next Month: Interior

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## NCCC

Here are some of our members burning rubber in Wichita Falls where Texas Outlaw Corvette Club hosted an NCCC weekend of low-speed autocrosses and drags. CTV members in attendance: Kevin & Cathy Anthony, Bruce & Yvette Lewis, Doug & Glenda McMahan and Paul & Viola Meyers.







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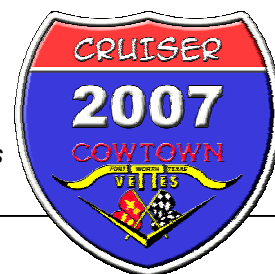
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next few months. Ensure your info and photo is up to  
date, See membership.

Photo was taken at Doug Dickinson's farm. Doug was kind enough to take this group picture of us  
with the Vettes and one of his wild Bluebonnet pastures in the background.

## CCP BLUEBONNET CRUISE

Be sure to read the CCP  
article on page 2 of this issue.



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### CTV Practice Autocross at Mineral Wells

Members 48  
Visitors 21  
Children 2



### April Membership Meeting

Members 50  
Visitors 3

### Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure And Lunch at Jack's Off the Wall

Members 28  
Visitors 4



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