

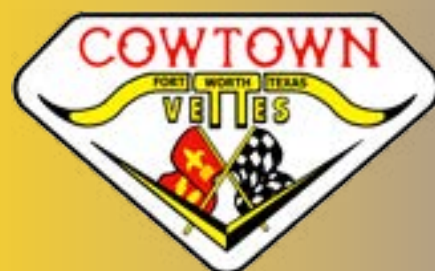


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Cover photo - Jason & Rebecca Blocker's 2016 C7 Z51 Coupe

Membership Meeting Location and CTV Sponsor

"BUFFALO WEST"

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CALENDAR

Space constraints mean it is not always possible to show everything on this calendar. Please check the [website](http://www.cowtownvettes.org) in addition!!!

May 2016

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
* 20th Annual Super Speedway NCCC Event at TMS				Cinco de Mayo	* Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm	NCCC - NTV / TOCC Events; HS at Hallett, Tulsa OK
NCCC - NTV / TOCC HS at Hallett, Tulsa OK MOTHER'S DAY				NCM C4/ZR1 Gathering	NCM C4/ZR1 Gathering	NCM C4/ZR1 Gathering
* CTV Family Picnic, Veterans Park Arlington 2:00 pm			Board Meeting ----- Lowdown Deadline			
National Maritime Day						NCCC - OCCC / CCOC Events; LS Autocross in OKC
NCCC - OCCC / CCOC Drag Events in Noble, OK	Memorial DAY					

June 2016

NAT'L ACCORDIAN AWARENESS MTH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			NCCC Nat'l Newsletter Contest Deadline	TMS Racing Events Thu thru Sunday	* Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm	NCCC TVS / SCCC Events LS Autocross @ Sheriff's Track
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		FLAG DAY	Board Meeting ----- Lowdown Deadline			Switzerland of America Cruise
Switzerland of America Cruise Saturday June 18th thru Sunday June 26th					Annual Drive Your Corvette to Work Day	NCCC LCC Events LS Autocross in Mart
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Bold italic type denotes CTV events

* Denotes required attendance and participation for 100%er Award eligibility
♦ Members attending these Events receive 100%er credit in lieu of Cowtown Events



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WORDS FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Now that the April shows are over, it is time to be getting out and enjoying the greatest car ever built. A car that makes new friends, take you to amazing places, one amazing ride after another, and a car that makes you feel like a King.

I bought my first Corvette fifteen years ago. If someone then would have ask me if a car could change your life, I would have told them they were mad. But now..... I beg to differ!

Wouldn't you agree, it's great owning a Corvette?

I would like to thank Doug McMahan, his committee, and all of our members that work so hard to make the 20th Annual Super Speedway Weekend a success.

And yet again I want to thank you all for your support!!!

Don Wells
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WANTED - For Our Website and The Lowdown

Veteran Photos – share photos from your service as a veteran

Member Car Photos – share photos of your ride on our website

FCOA Member Photos – do have Future Corvette Owner Assn Members in your family? ...if so, we would like to share those on our FCOA page.

Articles - anecdotes, stories about life with a Corvette, technical details, jokes.....

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VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Just a reminder – we will be taking the first vote for Outstanding Male and Female Member at the May meeting.

May Event –

Our *May 100%er event* will be a CTV Family Picnic on **Sunday, May 15 at 2:00 PM**. The location will be the **Veterans' Park Pavilion, 3600 W. Arkansas Lane, Arlington**. Cost is only \$5 per person and includes food, hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, etc. and non-alcoholic drinks. If you want to bring alcoholic beverages, they must be in non-glass containers. Kids and grandkids are welcome to attend. (You do not have to pay for children under 5). Bring Frisbees, ball and glove, and other outdoor toys. There will be some games and activities planned. More details will be shared as we figure them out.

June Event –

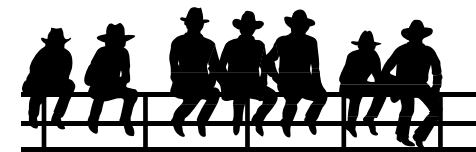
The 100%er event for June is the **5th Annual Spring Scramble at Fat Daddy's Sports and Spirits Café, 781 West Debbie Lane, Mansfield, TX**. The date is **June 11**. This is an NCCC sanctioned event. If you have never attended this event, you are in for a treat. It starts with a Car Show at 10 AM. While the car show is going on, you can participate in the Funkhana in the parking lot at 11 AM. What is a Funkhana, you ask? It is a series of tasks, usually based around a theme, that you perform with a partner working for the fastest time. It is a test of team work, skill, and your sense of humor. Anyone can participate in the funkhana. More info on funkhanas can be found at <http://www.funkhana.com/>.

The last events of the day are two rallyes, run simultaneously, departing at 1PM. More information on the Spring Scramble and registration info is available elsewhere in the newsletter and on the website. Lunch is not included, but Fat Daddy's will be open all during the event for your dining pleasure.

In order to get 100%er credit, you must participate as a volunteer or an entrant in one or more events. These are low cost events and a lot of fun, so plan to come out and participate.

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MEMBERSHIP

New Members

Patrick Page - 2010 Crystal Red Coupe
Johnny & Anna Shotwell - 2008 Black Indy 500 Pace Car

2nd Time Visitors

None this month

1st Time Visitors

Tom & Grace Shelhimer

05/01 - Glenda McMahan
05/01 - Harry Rumzek
05/04 - Gary Hanna
05/04 - John Williams
05/05 - George Aggas
05/06 - Cynthia Rankin
05/08 - Sylvia Hoaldrige
05/11 - Elaine King
05/14 - Debra Bond
05/16 - Rick Garabedian
05/22 - Viola Meyers
05/24 - Robert Geyer
05/25 - Joe Ratliff
05/26 - Sonny Arnold
05/31 - Mary Pittman



05/02 - Tom & Donna McHenry
05/06 - Don & Kathy Segreti
05/14 - Jack & Karla Gandy
05/15 - Jason & Rebecca Blocker
05/19 - Bill & Jane Buehler
05/25 - Sam & Cathy Castorani
05/25 - Mark & Lou
05/31 - Kevin & Cathy Anthony
05/31 - Kerry & Nancy McGovern



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WEBMASTER



Talk about busy this past month – wow. The number of events our members participate in almost makes keeping our website updated and current a full-time job. Some of you have asked “how do we know what all has recently changed on the website?” – it is pretty straightforward; go look on the home page below the events and above the above the “Recent Event Photos” section. Find the “What’s new on our website” and click on the flashing “new” icon as shown here.



Our club website does take a lot of care and feeding time; usually anywhere from 30 minutes to a couple of hours a day; especially when we have big events or a lot of events take place the same weekend. Each new event page averages 1-2 hours depending on the complexity and volume of photos and slideshows. That time does include the resizing and tagging photos. I would invite you to look at what gets posted, how it is organized and let me know if you find something that needs attention or that you feel I could do a better job on. After all, this is Cowtown’s website, it is YOUR website and a reflection of the club that you are a member of. I am simply the member that manages the content that is provided by our members. I sincerely do my best to make Cowtown’s website reflect how great our club really is.

Speaking of event pages, we do have a several new ones, these include the Red River Army Depot Cruise, the SWR NCCC Awards Banquet, the NKF Walk and Vettes & Vines Car Show. I’d like to thank George & Michelle Aggas, Raley & Jo Anne Smith, Robert Geyer, Bill & Jane Buehler, Jerry & Phyllis Crim, Larry Smith and John Morton. Don’t forget to keep your cameras handy – you never know when you might capture a once in a lifetime shot. We can always use more photos and everyone has a different type of photo they like to capture which makes the event pages so much better. For any photo provided, I resized them for use on the web, the Low-Down and our slideshows at membership meetings. Recognition is provided to the photographer on

each photo, prior to them being used.

I would like to thank several members that have again contributed to the Member’s Vette pages (C1 thru C7), which are organized by generation along with our Military Veteran Member page. If yours isn’t there we would invite you to share those on our website. We would welcome photos from your time in the service and any information you would like to share. Cruisers, as you travel around searching for those cruiser points and you run across an outstanding memorial, we would ask that you share that for the veteran page.

Are you on Facebook? If so, Cowtown and NCCC have Facebook accounts – we would welcome you to become friends with both of them; both are linked off our home page. In Cowtown, we use FB to reach out to audiences that might not find us on the world-wide-web. We post a few photos from an event our members participated in and then link that post to our full website; we kind of use FB as a teaser share point so to speak. We post on the Nat’l FB page to show other NCCC clubs how much fun Cowtown and the members have.

As your webmaster, I also maintain a couple-of-dozen email distribution lists for various functions; beyond the CTV-ALL and the officer (CTV-EO) list. If you have questions around the distribution lists, getting yourself added to any specific one, etc. then please get in touch with me. If you change your email address, mailing address, your Vettes, etc., please let membership know so that your information can be updated. If by chance you are not receiving the CTV-All emails then your correct email address must not be in the system; contact us. Send all email and address updates to: ctv-membership@yahoo.com. When you are added to a list, you will receive an email asking you to confirm and join – you MUST accept this in order to be confirmed into the distribution list; the invite (from yahoo.com) will eventually time-out as well so don’t delay.



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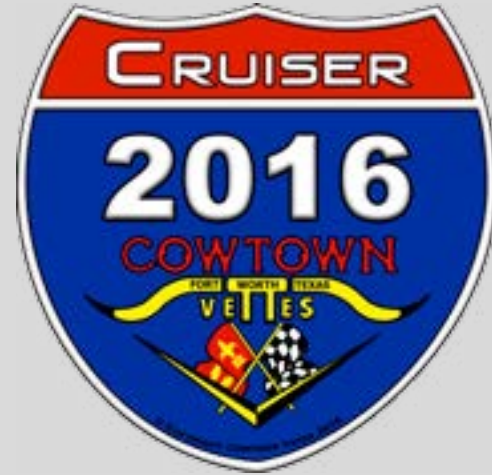


The sunshiny, longer days of spring are here!! This is the time of year whether you own a Corvette convertible or coup, that you can enjoy cruising with the "top" down or off! So pick a pretty day and check out our area. Have you seen the Erath Arches in Stephenville, or the historic railroad depot in Itasca or all the historic churches in Comanche or their town square with a courthouse, vintage log cabin courthouse and veterans memorials, easily a multi point stop. The bluebonnets and other wild flowers are in full bloom so get out and enjoy! If you have any questions about totaling your points please feel free to ask for help!

Another great way to collect cruiser points is by attending club social functions or sponsored events such as TMS or the car show. We normally have at least one club event per month (100%er) and many months have several as in April when we had the NKF Walk, the Vines and Vettes Car Show at Lost Oak Winery in Burleson, and the 20th Annual Super Speedway Week at TMS. Drive your Vette out, participate, and snap a picture with you, your Vette and your cruiser logo sign. Points add up fast and it only takes 35 points to reach the bronze level!

The next organized cruise is the Switzerland America Cruise to Colorado on June 18 - 26 sponsored by Doug and Glenda McMahan. If you are signed up for this cruise be sure you have all your hotel reservations made and watch the CTV website for more info. This promises to be a fun time and a great opportunity to get better acquainted with some fellow club members.

We are still looking for anyone who would like to sponsor a day cruise later in the year. So if you have a favorite back road, great restaurant or fun location share it with the club!



Finally remember to be watching for an interesting spot to photograph your Corvette for the "What I Saw Along the Way" photo contest. Anyone in the club can submit 3 photos for this contest. Club members will vote for the winning entry at the November meeting.

HAPPY CRUISING!!!



*article and podium script by Mary Pittman
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The National Kidney Foundation Fort Worth Walk was held on Sunday, April 10th at Trinity Park. The following folks represented the club at this annual event:

- Michelle Aggas
- Jane & Bill Buehler
- Jack Gandy
- Cydnie & Robert Geyer
- Sylvia Hoaldrige
- Debbie & Jerry Lindsey
- Glenda & Doug McMahan
- Cindy & Bob Morrison
- Mary Pittman & William Nolan
- Carol Savage
- Kim & James West

After the walk, we all had brunch together at Shaw's on Magnolia in Fort Worth! We will continue to support NKF through our silent auction at the TMS Saturday night dinner. Sylvia Hoaldrige will announce our total donation amount at the June meeting. Thanks to everyone for your support!



Fisher House Foundation

The Fisher House program provides a "home away from home" for families of patients receiving medical care at major military and VA medical centers. The homes provide free temporary lodging so military and Veteran's families can be close to their loved ones during a medical crisis.

Each Fisher House is located on the grounds of major military and VA medical centers in the United States, as well as locations in Europe. The closest house in our area is located in Dallas at 4500 S Lancaster Rd. We designated money in our 2016 charity budget for Fisher House and will be sending a donation of \$275 in May and \$300 this Fall. Both donations will be sent directly to the Dallas location.

Please take time to learn more about this great organization at www.fisherhouse.org.

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C5 HEADLIGHT GEAR REPLACEMENT

Does your C5 headlight emit a horrendous rat-a-tat-a-tat of a machine-gun cacophony that announced the arrival of the headlight gear malfunction known all too well to many of us? To make a long story short, some of the factory gears just don't last; ours made it to about 140k before the passenger's side gave it up and would no longer open the headlight.

I set about ordering a repair kit, and I know Murphy's Law will probably get me but I decided to only change the broken passenger's side since somewhere I have gear that I never installed previously. I ordered and received the latest kit which is sold by various suppliers; they typically contain the same components; some have brass gears and some are still plastic like the factory.

My kit content contained: Top left-clockwise: Silicone lubricant, T-bracket with rubber bushing and plastic washer, brass gear, rubber gear insert, adhesive mixing stick and Urethane two-part, quick-cure adhesive.



I raised the hood and laid out protective mats and towels. Since the headlight wouldn't rise on its own, I rotated the motor worm using the knob on the back of the gearmotor counterclockwise to raise the headlight assembly. A close-up of the gearmotor assembly from the back, with the protective boot off the motor worm knob.

Once you have the headlight up, remove the three screws from the plastic shroud using a Philips screwdriver.



Disconnect the main electrical connector for the lights. Then disconnect the two smaller connectors for the low & high beam headlight bulbs themselves or just pull the lights out with the wiring harness complete (which I chose to do).

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C5 HEADLIGHT GEAR REPLACEMENT



Front view of the gearmotor. Here you see the three mounting bolts. There are nuts on each bolt that need to be removed. There is also a nut on the other end of the center shaft you see that goes through the offending gear we're looking to replace. I used a 10mm gear wrench and a 10mm box-end wrench to unbolt these and was very careful not to drop the nuts as it's a tight fit for my hands in there. If you drop them, you will need a magnet to fish for them. Removing the center nut allowed me to slip the linkage arm off the gear shaft and that immediately caused the headlight to freefall/pivot so I was careful in easing it down as I removed the gearmotor.

The instructions indicated that the headlight assembly should be loosened and slid forward to allow removal of the gearmotor but I found I could remove it without doing that. Here is the extracted component.



The next step is to use two small screwdrivers to pop the gear cover off; the cover appears to be ultrasonically welded or glued. I was careful and slowly worked my way around the cover until it popped off in one piece.

The exposed gear shows no obvious sign of damage - yet.



Upon further inspection, you can see damage to the gear on the teeth at the top of the picture. Doesn't seem like much, but there's not a whole lot of engagement to begin with.

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C5 HEADLIGHT GEAR REPLACEMENT



I cleaned up the gear case, installed the rubber insert into the brass gear, lubed up the gear, shaft and worm with the silicone grease, slid the gear and plastic washer onto the shaft and then the gear and shaft into the case. Then it was time to prepare for the adhesive application. The instructions warn you to work fast when gluing the cover back on because there is only about a 5-6 minute working time once the two-part urethane is mixed. They aren't kidding either. It's important that both surfaces have adhesive applied to them and that it is a contiguous ring all the way around the edge of the case to ensure the case is watertight.

After about 15 minutes, I checked for a good bond. Then I slid the T-bracket onto the shaft with the larger end of the rubber bushing towards to cover to retain it. The T-bracket was added to the kit after reports of cover separation due to adhesive failures caused by axial load of the gear shaft. The bracket helps to keep the cover in place.



It was a little tougher putting the gearmotor back in since there was nothing to hold the headlight up; so I used the rubber air hose which was soft yet stiff enough to support the weight of the headlight.

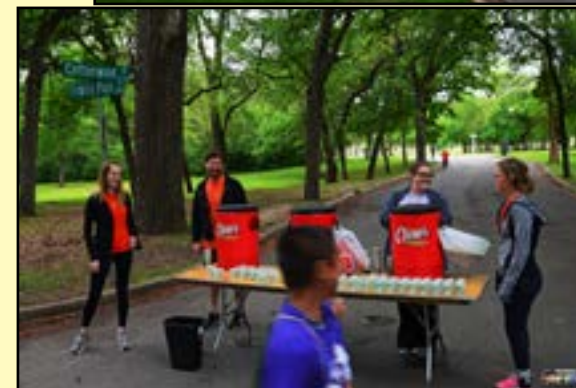
Next, I reinstalled the gearmotor and reassembled the headlight in the reverse order of disassembly, making sure to slide the linkage onto the gear shaft in the proper orientation. Incidentally, if you brought your headlights using the switch, when you started the procedure, the headlight position of the repaired side might be out of synch with the other side because you installed the gear shaft in a different position than where it was before you removed it (could even be about halfway up). This is not a problem because you can manually rotate the motor worm using the knob on the end of the motor until the headlight was in the fully raised position.

Finally, I tested the headlight raising/lowering action and confirmed it was working properly. Interestingly enough, the repaired side works faster than the other side, even though it isn't sounding like a machine gun yet.

Doug McMahan

Sunday
April 10th 2016

Trinity Park,
Fort Worth



RED RIVER ARMY DEPOT CRUISE



Friday - Sunday March
18th thru 20th 2016
DFW to Texarkana



NCCC EVENTS IN MART, TEXAS



Saturday April 9th 2016
Mart, Texas



Saturday March 9th



Our own Craig Murphy was the DJ for the evening



Catching up with friends during happy hour



Regional Men's Awards (200 pt)



Women's Drag Awards



2015 SWR Top 10 Women (in attendance)



2015 SWR Top 10 Men (in attendance)

Our club has always been blessed with many visitors and new members joining regularly.

At our last meeting our President made a comment about the wide range of opportunities available in our club and that triggered some thoughts from my mind.

On first glance the question above seems kind of silly; this is a **CORVETTE CLUB**, just look at the name. And that's true, but we are so much more than just that. You couldn't have attended a meeting and not noticed the attention paid to charities by our club, and that is a great thing. As members we are generally blessed and thus able to help others, we choose to do that very thing on a regular basis.

But more than just charities we are actively involved in all types of *racing, drag, autocross, and open road racing*. And, as most of you know, being involved in more than one type of racing can be difficult. We also support interest at all levels, so that novices as well as seasoned drivers can participate and have a great time.

Then there are the car shows. While we only directly sponsor one major car show a year, it's a doozy, generally around a hundred cars. But we also support with promotion and our regular attendance a number of other shows such as the **Brazos River CC** show, and several local parades that actually end up being like car shows.

Don't forget the cruises! Short, Long, Overnight, there's something for everyone. All set against the backdrop of winding roads and the ability to enjoy the outdoors and our cars. Many of the cruises have very interesting destinations such as wineries, and even out of state regional **Corvette** events. None are boring.

And what's a club without parties? We call ours socials, but a party is a party, no matter what you call it. We've had some practice at these, and we manage to generate a wide variety of reasons and locations to celebrate our lives and our Vettes.

The point is no matter what you're interested in, if Corvettes have any possible correlation, you can stimulate that interest in COWTOWN VETTES. Don't be shy, come on along, and try something new, you'll never know how much fun you've been missing until you do. So have a great week, enjoy your car, save the wave, and enjoy your life.

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NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM AMBASSADOR



First I would like to issue an apology. I spent most of March in Cairo, Egypt teaching a class and by the time I got back and got over my jet lag, it was too late to submit my column for publication in the April newsletter. This was one of my concerns when I volunteered to be NCM Ambassador. I do travel overseas sometimes with my job and that can be an issue. Hopefully this will not happen again in 2016.

Now to the business at hand. The spring driving season is in full swing and the National Corvette Museum has quite a few exciting things going on this spring. Of course as I wrote about in the February issue, the National Corvette Museum's Michelin Bash was just conducted on April 28- 30, but there is a lot more news to share as well. Another event that just concluded was the Corvette Racing Banquet in Monterey California which was held on April 30. In addition to the Corvette Racing team, the chief Engineer for Corvette, Tadge Juechter was also on hand for the event. This is one I wish I could have attended, mainly because Monterey, California is one of my favorite places to visit... oh well.

Now on to upcoming events; C4 fans may want to look into the C4 bash coming up May 12-14. This event is somewhat similar to the Bash that was recently held, but celebrates everything C4. My first Corvette was a C4 so I kind of have a soft spot in my heart for these cars. I am sure this event will be a lot of fun as well as an opportunity to learn more about your car and network with other owners.

One little tidbit to share is the recent announcement that the Corvette assembly plant tours will soon be managed by the NCM staff rather than plant personnel. This means that there will be easier plant tour scheduling for those visiting the NCM. In addition there will be special pricing packages available for those that want to

visit the museum and also tour the plant.

One thing that some folks may be unaware of is that the NCM now offers collector type insurance for Corvettes and other collectable cars. These policies are generally "agreed value" type policies for special interest vehicle that are driven mainly to shows, parades etc. The price of the policy is determined by the agreed value as well as the anticipated mileage the vehicle will be driven. The premiums for these policies are normally much less than standard automobile rates. There is more information on these types of policies on the NCM website. This might be a way our members could save some real money and support the NCM at the same time.

There is one last item that I would like to mention. Every year clubs from all over the country visit the NCM. Because I am fairly new to CTV, I am not aware of when (or if) the club has visited the museum but this can be a fun long weekend event. Here is a quote from the NCM website: "Corvette Clubs who choose to visit the Museum for a special "Club Weekend" can experience the Museum in a totally unique way. Our team can assist with customizing your trip to suit your club's interest and schedule. Your club is welcome to visit anytime during the year, but we do recommend planning your visit when there is not an event if you would like activities to be club specific."

Anyway, if anyone is interested in participating in this type of club event, please let me know. If there is enough interest and we can find a suitable date, I will look into arranging a visit. So enjoy the great spring weather and be careful out there!

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NCCC EVENTS



By the time you read this, we will have hosted our second NCCC event of 2016, the [20th Annual Super Speedway Weekend](#) at Texas Motor Speedway. This event consists of twelve low-speed NCCC autocrosses with hospitality on Friday night, oval laps on Sunday morning, catered dinner on Saturday night, FTD Awards and special 20th Anniversary Mementos to all participants. In addition, this event is a fund raiser for the Nat'l Kidney Foundation. At this time, we really don't know what the full attendance or anything else about the will be, other than a great time with our extended Corvette Family. So stayed tuned and check the June Low-Down and our website. I hope to have more information to share by the May Membership meeting.

For our remaining NCCC events we are seeking volunteers to step up and serve as functional chairpersons and workers at these events. If you would like to help the club out, please contact me via email, phone or at the next club meeting. These events do bring in the largest volume of income to operate our club along with providing our members various benefits and fun things to do. To make these events successful for our guests, Cowtown needs you!

Cowtown's next NCCC Event Dates for 2016 are on the Southwest Region Schedule, along with flyers. We would ask that you please mark your calendars to assist in hosting and participating in these events.

- *June 11, 2016:** the [5th Annual Corvette Scramble](#) at Fat Daddy's. This is our for-fun NCCC event that consists of a Car Show, a Funkhana and a Gimmick and Poker Rallye (all nationally sanctioned events). This is always a fun day of fun with your Corvette and friends so come on out and enjoy all of the fun events. Next Membership Meeting the slideshow will have photos from past events.

- *September 17-18, 2016:** Our [annual No-Frills Autocross Scramble](#) held jointly with CCT. This event will be back out at the Mineral Wells Heliport, same place as our Practice Autocross was held. The course will be longer and different than practice since I never design and use the same course within a few years of each event. We will also have our third SWR Governor's Meeting of 2016 that evening. It is an open meeting if you'd like to sit in and see what we discuss and accomplish in them.

If you have questions around NCCC, our events or competing, please don't hesitate to contact myself, Donald or your NCCC Governor – Glenda.



Doug McMahan & Donald Hickman
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STAYED TUNED

There is a strong possibility of a special invite event from Brazos River Corvette Club in the November timeframe; to be held at Motorsports Ranch. More will be shared as the plans unfold – but you might leave November 5th and 19th open.

SW Region Clubs

- BRAZOS RIVER CORVETTE CLUB (BRCC)
Granbury, TX • SW-540
- CEN-TEX CORVETTE CLUB (CTCC)
Waco, TX • SW-200
- CORVETTE CLUB OF OKLAHOMA CITY (CCOC)
Oklahoma City, OK • SW-468
- CORVETTE CLUB OF TEXAS (CCT)
Dallas, TX • SW-074
- CORVETTE OWNERS ASSOCIATION
OF SOUTH TEXAS (COAST)
San Antonio, TX • SW-143
- COWTOWN VETTES (CTV)
Fort Worth, TX • SW-055
- EAST TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB (ETCC)
Lufkin, TX • SW-577
- LONGHORN CORVETTE CLUB (LCC)
Austin, TX • SW-207
- MID-COAST CORVETTE CLUB (MCCC)
Lake Jackson, TX • SW-170
- OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB (OCCC)
Oklahoma City, OK • SW-131
- SAN JACINTO CORVETTE CLUB (SJCC)
Houston, TX • SW-063
- SUN CITIES CORVETTE CLUB (SCCC)
Albuquerque, NM • SW-085
- TEXAS COMPETITION
CORVETTE CLUB (TCCC)
McGregor, TX • SW-569
- TEXAS CORVETTE
MOTORSPORTS CLUB (TCMC)
Houston, TX • SW-568
- TEJAS VETTES (TV)
Plano, TX • SW-163
- TEXAS OUTLAWS CORVETTE CLUB (TOCC)
Graham, TX • SW-198
- TIN HALL TOYS (THT)
Santa Fe, TX • SW-392
- TULSA VETTE SET (TVS)
Tulsa, OK • SW-248

2016 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	CLUB
05/06 - 08	Hallett, OK	Hallett Motor Racing Circuit - Oklahoma Thunder	THT
		Driving School / Track Day (non-sanctioned) Friday the 6th	TOCC
		7 High-Speed Events 7? High-Speed Events	
05/28 - 29	OKC, OK Noble, OK	Sheriff's Facility - 47th Annual Southern States Corvette Fest	OCCC
		7 Low-Speed Autocross Events Thunder Valley in Noble	
		3 Drag Events - MT, Record & ET	
06/01	Your Club	Nat'l Newsletter Contest - Final Issue is DUE Nat'l Website Contest - Entry Deadline	Nat'l
06/04 - 05	OKC, OK	Sheriff's Facility	TVS
		7 Low-Speed Autocross Events 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events	SCCC
06/11	Mansfield, TX	Fat Daddy's Bar & Grill Spring Scramble, Car Show, Funkhana & 2 Rallyes	CTV (BRCC/CCT)
06/25 - 26	Mart, TX	Prairie Hill Dragway	LCC
06/1-07/17	Your Club	Nat'l Club Website Contest - Judging takes place	Nat'l
07/17 - 22	Omaha, NE	NATIONAL CONVENTION 2016 - PROMO VIDEO & NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
07/22	Omaha, NE	Nat'l Club Newsletter & Website Contest Winners An- nounced	Nat'l
08/13 - 14	Cresson, TX	Motorsports Ranch - 1.3 Mile Lower Track	CTCC
TBD	TBD	14 Low-Speed Autocrosses	TCCC
TBD	TBD	3rd SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 7 PM @ TBD	SWR
08/20 - 21	Bowling Green, KY	NCM MotorSports Park	SJCC
09/03 - 04	Mineral Wells	10 High-Speed Events	CMCT
09/03 - 04	Mineral Wells	Mineral Wells Heliport	TV
09/03 - 04	Mineral Wells	14 Low-Speed Autocross Events	TOCC
09/09 - 10	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
09/17-18	Mineral Wells	Mineral Wells Heliport	CTV / CCT(BRCC)
09/17-18	Mineral Wells	7 Low-Speed Autocross Events 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events	
9/17	Mineral Wells	4th SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING - 7 PM @ TBD	SWR
09/24 - 25	OKC, OK	Sheriff's Facility	CCOC
09/24 - 25	OKC, OK	7 Low-Speed Autocross Events 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events	TVS SCCC
10/01 - 02	TBD	TBD Location	CMCT
10/01 - 02	TBD	10 Low-Speed Autocross Events	
10/22 - 23	OKC, OK Noble, OK	Sheriff's Facility	COAST
		7 Low-Speed Autocross Events Thunder Valley in Noble	
		3 Drag Events - MT, Record & ET	
11/11 - 12	St Louis, MO	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l

Complete schedule and flyers for these events can be found at
<http://www.ncccswregion.org/schedule.html>

NCCC GOVERNOR



By the time you read this, our 20th Annual Texas Motor Speedway event will be a thing of the past and I know it will have been a big hit with all of our workers and racers! It is always a great event enjoyed by many in the Southwest Region. This event is followed by the high-speed event at Hallett Motor Racing Circuit in Oklahoma on May 7-8. They are holding a high-speed school on May 6th in case you need to certify for a high-speed license.

Current standings for the Cowtown Members are:

Top 10 SWR		Top 15 National	
2	Ronnie McCrary	3	Ronnie McCrary
3L	Glenda McMahan	7	Doc Lambert
6	Doc Lambert	8	Norman Walker
7	Norman Walker	9L	Glenda McMahan
9	Red Greenfeder	11	Red Greenfeder

Cowtown Vettes is 3rd in the SW Region, and 4th Nationally.

The National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC) held their 2nd quarter meeting on April 22-23, and Doug and I attended. It was a very informative meeting, at which both good and disappointing were discussed. First, I will give you the good news! Our new NCCC charity, chosen by the board of governors, will be St. Jude Hospital. This is not what Cowtown voted for (based on your responses), however the board of governors is made up of 249 clubs Nationwide which makes the final decision. This is a very good charity that we will enjoy working with.

The new charity director was named, being Michelle Cantelmo, from the East Region.

We learned that NCCC President Dave Heine-mann would be emailing every member quarterly with news from the organization. Please update me with any email address changes to ensure you don't miss any of the info being emailed out.

Eckler's Calendar for 2017 will be sent to the primary members. If you have a picture that you would like to considered for the calendar, email your photos to Debbie Lindsey at sponsorship@corvettesnccc.com



There is a member's only page off www.corvettesnccc.org. You will be getting the user name and password from me in an email. This is where you will find the Family Helping Family, which is a great tool for you as a member to use when you travel the U.S.

The disappointing news is convention 2017 is off in Bowling Green, KY. This is due to the National Corvette Museum Motor Sports Park being unwilling to come up with a workable and reasonable contract. The committee has worked on this for months with no resolution. Stay tuned for future news on the 2017 convention.

You should have received an email from me on the Ron Fellows Hot Laps at Spring Mountain. It went live on April 24th and will end on May 31st 2016 at 6:00 pm (CDT). All proceeds will benefit the NCCC's Grant's & Scholarship Program. You can read these Hot Laps and bid at www.corvettesnccc.org/auction_hotlaps2.pdf Doug and I won the first bid in February and are looking forward to this.

You or your kids or grandkids still have time to apply for the Southwest Region Scholarship program. The deadline is June 15th. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Remember to update me with any name, address or email address changes.

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Glenda McMahan
2015NCCC Governor
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Caps.....	\$ 7.50
Visors.....	\$ 7.50
Sweatshirts.....	\$20.00
<i>(2XL and up slightly higher)</i>	
Long Sleeve T-shirts.....	\$15.00
<i>(2XL and up slightly higher)</i>	
Short Sleeve T-shirts.....	\$13.00
Men's & Women's Long Sleeve Denim Shirts.....	\$25.00
Polo shirts. All different styles.....	\$25.00
<i>(Please note that on all shirt orders, 2XL and up sizes are slightly higher)</i>	

If you want your name added to your shirt, it's only \$3 more!

Or if you want a Cowtown logo or a certain year Corvette on one of your own shirts it's only \$5!

Name tags.....\$ 12.00
We also have stickers, patches, koozies, and tumblers *(only two of these left!)*

So stop by the Logo table before and after the meeting to place your order. You'll get your order by the next meeting.

Thanks!

Karen Watson
Logo Merchandise Chairperson
rickandkaren@mindspring.com
817-232-3871



ALL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE SENT TO:
COWTOWN VETTES
P.O. Box 1974
Fort Worth, Texas 76101



July 18 - 22 2016

<http://www.corvettesnccc.org/Convention2016.html>



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If so, let Membership know so we can update your address on the various email lists. You can send any updates to Membership at: ctv-membership@yahoo.com.



We would invite you to check out the promotional video of the 2016 NCCC Nat'l Convention – they have fun stuff planned for everyone; including diamonds for the ladies

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/VsJlSkRyn3c?feature=oembed>



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Website: <http://www.corvettesnccc.org/fcoa1.html>



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