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Cover photo - No carbs here.....

Membership Meeting Location and **CTV Sponsor**

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CALENDAR

Space constraints mean it is not always possible to show everything on this calendar. Please check the [website](#) in addition!!!

December 2018 **MODEL RAILROAD MONTH**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31					1 CTV Christmas party @ Esperanza's
2	3	4	5	6	7 * Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm NCCC Hi Speed-Track Day @ NOLA	8
9	10	11	12 Cooks Childrens Xmas Party 10:00am	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Board Meeting ----- Lowdown Deadline	20	21	22
23 Christmas EVE	24	25 1st Christmas	26	27	28	29

January 2019 **NATIONAL HOBBY MONTH**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 HAPPY NEW YEAR	2	3	4 Cowtown 101 6:30 pm * Membership Meeting - 7:30 pm	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 Board Meeting ----- Lowdown Deadline	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

In the absence of our President, interim or otherwise,
there is nothing left to say this year except

Merry Christmas

and a very

Happy New Year

to all members of the best Corvette club in the world!!



VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



DECEMBER

Our final event for the year was the Cowtown Vettes Christmas/Awards party on December 1st at Esperanza's Mexican restaurant in Fort Worth. Cocktails began at 6:30 and dinner was served at 7:00. We collected toys for the Toys for Tots program and presented them to military dinner guests.

Thanks to everyone who attended the Christmas Party and made it a success and congratulations to everyone who won awards.

It has been my privilege to serve as your Vice President these past 2 years. I thank all of you who helped with planning and executing our social events. I had fun at all of them and I hope you did too. Next year's Vice President will be Larry Dyer and I know he will do a great job.

Our custom is to have no social events in January, but I'm sure that Larry is thinking ahead to February for some fun times.

Got any questions ?

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New Members

Nicholas Kupferle IV – 2003 Torch Red Coupe
 Thomas Simpkins – 2013 White Coupe
 Bob & Kay Snegon – 2010 Torch Red Coupe

Visitors

Curtis & Cathy Grigg – 1981 Coupe
 Ethan Grigg – 1981 Coupe



12/02 - Randy Romack
 12/03 - Raley Smith
 12/09 - Carol Hill
 12/09 - Cliff Holden
 12/10 - Tom Mchenry
 12/10 - Margaret Proctor
 12/11 - Brad Schneider
 12/12 - Bill Buehler
 12/22 - Nicholas Kupferle
 12/23 - Ricky Young
 12/26 - Bob Snegon
 12/27 - John Moulton
 12/30 - Bryan Day
 12/31 - Ann Freeman
 12/31 - Debbie Lindsey



12/05 - Bob & Cindy Morrison
 12/11 - Red & Barb Greenfeder
 12/12 - David & Pat Gill
 12/18 - Cliff & Beverly Holden
 12/22 - Ken & Kerrie Sutton



Gwynne Hanna
 Membership / Welcome Chairperson
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WEBMASTER



At the time of this writing, your website is up to date; and calendars for the first three months of 2019 are complete. I'll have new pages created for the **2019 Officers & Chairpersons** along with several other year beginning / ending activities. There are a several dozen pages impacted during this calendar year transition – so if you spot something that still shows old info, please shout.

This is my last article as Cowtown's Webmaster and I thank you for the opportunity to serve in that capacity since 2003. Yes, sixteen years and the time has really flown and it has been fun representing the club. In late 2003, your website only had 17 pages with only a few hundred photos; it was very out of date, so much so that a participant at a car show I was attending stated, "the website looked like the club didn't have any activities. Because of that, they did not even consider Cowtown when they were searching for a Corvette Club." Today, it contains just shy of 3,300 pages and it contains over 81,000 photos, graphics, slideshows and videos.

Thru my tenure, I have totally redesigned it a couple of times, in an attempt to keep it looking modern and appealing. Another goal was to make it more usable due to growth and the volume of fun activities that our members enjoy participation in. Being 100% self-taught, being your Webmaster has pushed me to learn new technology and ways to write code to accomplish new things on your website. I do hope that you have enjoyed it thru the years as much as I have in creating and maintaining it.

For 2019, we are fortunate to have a new member who has stepped up to take over this responsibility. Larry Curry came to me earlier this year when I announced my desire to find someone to take on the responsibility. He shared that he is not new to websites as he does maintain a few commercial websites. Since then, Larry has talked to me about it and I have provided him a Webmaster Guide to assist him with getting

started. I do hope that he finds being Cowtown's webmaster more fun and allowing more artistic freedom than the commercial websites. I would ask that you are as understanding with him as you have been with me during my tenure. Maybe he has some awesome ideas up his sleeve to make your website better that it has ever been.

At this time, I will be retaining the chairperson position for **Social Media** for Cowtown, that includes Facebook and the eMail distribution lists. Speaking of the email lists, I had started transitioning some of those lists to the appropriate owners. An example is that the CTV Governor has been responsible for adding new members to the CTV-ALL list. This made sense since the Governor has to input email details into the Membership Database, why not just add it to CTV-ALL at the same time.

Have you moved or changed your email address? If so, then please send an update request to: ctv-membership@yahoogroups.com.

NOTICE: When you are added to any of the email distribution lists, you will receive an email asking you to accept and join. You **MUST** accept it in order to be added to the list; the invite (from **yahoogroups**) will time-out after several days, so do not delay in accepting. Unfortunately, we have members that will not renew for 2019, so their email will be removed from the lists by the end of 2018. **Don't delay, renew your Cowtown membership today!**

In closing, please do not hesitate to contact the webmaster or social media chairperson if you have suggestions, questions or comments about **YOUR** Club's website, Facebook account or eMail distribution lists. Likewise if you find any pages that have issues or if there is something you would like to see or things you dislike. Remember, it is your website and Cowtown's image on the world-wide-web – it needs to be the best it can be.

Doug McMahan
 Webmaster
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The Cowtown Cruiser Program for 2018 has officially ended. The awards will be presented at the Christmas party at Esperanza's Restaurant on Saturday, December 1, 2018. We had 10 participants this year who submitted their log sheets and the documenting photographs and we certainly appreciate those who did participate.

Voting for the favorite photo from the "What I Saw Along the Way" photo contest was done at the November meeting. We had 29 great photos submitted for the contest. We had some first time participants and some that had not participated in a while. There were some great photographs set in both beautiful and unique settings. The awards for first, second and third place photos will also be presented at the Christmas party. Thanks to all of you who submitted photos.

Thanks again to those who participated in either or both of these competitions. Special thanks to those who led cruises for the program this year including Robert and Cydnie Geyer for the "Head West" cruise through the back roads to Strawn and Albany, William Nolan and Becky Clark to Revolver Brewery and dinner in Granbury and also the "Back Roads of Hood and Somervell Counties drive and dine cruise and to Doug McMahan for leading the caravan in the rain to the Granbury Car Show. Please take the time to tell these folks thanks for the effort and preparation they put into these cruises.

Once again, our number of participants seems to be dwindling as the membership of our club continues to grow. Not sure how to encourage people to participate.... This is really an easy way to get involved in the club programs....no special equipment or skill required just a little effort to stop along the way and take a picture with your

car and logo and match it up to the A-Z alphabet on your log sheet and find those wonderful historic churches, parks, forests and see the memorial markers honoring the veterans that sacrificed for our freedom! You can participate on your own or with the group. So as the new year begins pull out your map, check your app for historic markers, grab your logo, log sheet and camera or cell phone and hit the back roads and see where your Corvette will take you.

If you have any questions about how the program operates or what is involved please feel free to inquire. You can check out the rules on the website and copies of the logo, log sheet and rules will be available on the website or at a meeting after the first of the year.

It is time for a change in leadership for this program....it is always nice to have fresh faces and fresh ideas....maybe you have a better way to motivate the masses. The best way to get to know people is to find a way and a place to plug in and share your talents....this just might be that place for you! William and I will be happy to assist you in learning what the job entails.

Merry Christmas and Happy Cruising!!!

William Nolan
Cruiser Chairperson
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Mary Pittman
Co-Chairperson



Thank you to the following CTV members who showed up on a very cold night on November 13th to volunteer at the Tarrant Area Food Bank! We presented a check from our charity fund and several members made personal donations.

- *Jan & Larry Dyer*
- *Carol Savage*
- *Ann & Norman Walker*
- *Kathy & Dale Thomson (First Timers!)*
- *Sharon Zschirnt*
- *Mary Pittman & William Nolan*
- *Barb & Red Greenfeder*
- *Sylvia & Larry Hoaldrige*
- *Becky & David Clark*
- *David Gill*
- *Raley Smith (Thanks for taking pictures!)*
- *Cindy & Don Brown*
- *Scott & Mo Wheeler*
- *Allen Shanboltz*
- *Jane & Bill Buehler*

Working together in their new large work room, we unloaded and sorted food items donated by Amazon. At times it got a little confusing as to what went where, but we got the job done. 🤗

Mexican Inn stayed open just for our group and we had the entire restaurant to ourselves. Everyone seemed to have a great time!

By the time you read this article, we will have donated toys to Toys for Tots and provided a nice check from our charity fund. We also provided a check to Cook Children's Hospital to support their Christmas party for the children on Wednesday, December 12th. CTV members will be there to help with the party.

Merry Christmas! Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season with family and friends! Looking forward to a great 2019!



Jane Buehler
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BRAZOS CAR SHOW



October 13th 2018,
Granbury, Texas



NCCC AUTOCROSS



October 20th 2018,
Edmond, OK



NCCC DRAGS

SWR NCCC FUNDRAISER

October 21st 2018,
Noble, OK



NO PARKING
EXCEPT FOR CORVETTE OWNERS
ALL OTHERS
WILL BE TOWED
& SOLD FOR PARTS



October 27th 2018,
Waco, TX



VETERAN'S DAY PARADE

November 10th 2018,
Fort Worth



NOVEMBER 13TH 2018 VOLUNTEER NIGHT AT TARRANT AREA FOODBANK FORT WORTH



November
13th
2018



17TH ANNUAL CTV CAR SHOW - OCTOBER 20TH



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NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

Not much happening at the Museum until **January** when **MiM** does the **Daytona Rolex 24**.

I guess like most parts of the country where come November you put your Corvette away for its long winter hibernation. If you're lucky come March but most likely April, depending on whether the sand and salt got washed away, you'll wake it up and put it back into action. Having done this for many years I don't miss it.



For those who are going on the **Corvette Caravan**:

On Thursday, August 29 registered event attendees will be treated to a live concert by **Jefferson Starship**.

I have about a dozen Corvettes from my other club who will be joining us to Windstar and beyond.



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NCCC EVENTS



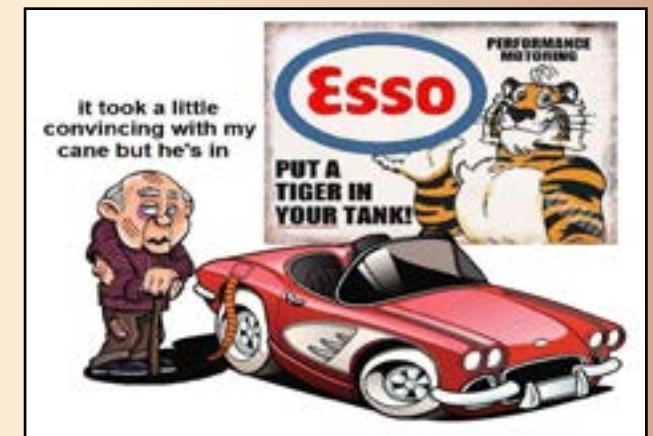
All done with NCCC events for the 2018 season.

As yet, I have no specific information regarding upcoming events for 2019, although I'm sure our recurring annual events such as a Practice Autocross, the Super Speedway event at TMS, Spring Scramble and Mineral Wells Scramble will take place as usual.

A complete schedule and flyers for these events will be coming soon at www.cowtownvettes.org.

We continue to look for new locations to hold autocross events. If you know of a location that might work please contact me or Doug.

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



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Doug McMahon
Co Event Coordinator

SW Region Clubs

- ◆ **BRAZOS RIVER CORVETTE CLUB (BRCC)**
Granbury, TX • SW-540
- ◆ **CEN-TEX CORVETTE CLUB (CTCC)**
Waco, TX • SW-200
- ◆ **CONTRABAND CORVETTES
PERFORMANCE DRIVERS (CCPD)**
Lake Charles, LA • SW-603
- ◆ **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)**
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Oklahoma City, OK • SW-131
- ◆ **SAN JACINTO CORVETTE CLUB (SJCC)**
Houston, TX • SW-063
- ◆ **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
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Graham, TX • SW-198
- ◆ **TIN HALL TOYS (THT)**
Santa Fe, TX • SW-392
- ◆ **TULSA VETTE SET (TVS)**
Tulsa, OK • SW-248



2018 SWR COMPETITION SCHEDULE

ALL DONE FOR THE YEAR



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

NCCC GOVERNOR



I have done my part in getting renewals finished, which were due to the **Southwest Region Membership Director** the weekend after Thanksgiving.

All that have paid are renewed for 2019. If you did not get an electronic card, let me know. That means your email is not a good one (which I could have mistyped or it is not a good email address), or it means that you maybe did not mail your check to me before November 7th, or it is lost in the mail. You will be receiving your hard copy card in the mail, after the first of the year.

You still have time to renew for next year, I will finally be at a meeting in December after several months of being out of pocket, or you can mail me your check to my home address. You will now need to add a \$10 late fee to your dues. Cowtown Vettes is a great Corvette club with lots of different things to get involved in if you are so inclined. It is like a family and you will miss us if you aren't here next year!

This past year has been a busy, fast moving one and I am looking forward to 2019 and what our new officers will contribute. We will have new ideas with new people, so it will be exciting! Please get involved in things going on, Cowtown Vettes is more than just a membership meeting, which incidentally is our business meeting. We have fun at socials and once the competition season starts in March that is real fun!

Remember you get out what you put in!

If you are interested in getting more active, see one of your officers. I remember that in 2003 I said I was just going to be a silent member of a car club - and then things changed and now I wouldn't know what to do if I didn't have Cowtown Vettes in my life. I have made lifelong friends, I have learned that a Corvette is not just another car, I have become more outgoing and that I can make a difference in



something I love.

Thank you again for allowing me to service this club as your governor for 2019. I will strive to do the best job I can in representing this club at the regional and national level.

See me if you are interested in anything NCCC.

I will share that the Southwest Region Awards Banquet is set, February 9, 2019, in Georgetown, TX - see our website for more information.

Let's make 2019 a great year!



SAVE THE WAVE!

Glenda McMahan
 2015 NCCC Governor
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Hello everyone. Welcome to the Logo Merchandise store. There are lots of great things for sale with the Cowtown logo on them:

Caps, Visors, Sweatshirts, Long Sleeve T-shirts, Short Sleeve T-shirts, Men's & Women's Long Sleeve Denim Shirts, Polo shirts Name Tags
(Please note that on all shirt orders, 2XL and up sizes are slightly higher)

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!

We also have stickers, patches and koozies

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! *Donna Forsythe*
Logo Merchandise Chairperson

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



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