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President's Message

Ron Best



Another month has gone by, and we are getting closer to warm weather and Corvette cruising! "Tuesday with Torie" has been a great opportunity for our group to get together on weeknights. We had a great time at the Derby museum - thank you to Bob and Tracy Harder for coordinating this event!

I am excited to try a different approach to our picnic this year. Chris Smith is making plans for a fun trip to Pine Knob. He has set up a great drive with a catered lunch and optional walking tours. The cost is \$10 per person, and we will leave from NCM at 9:30 a.m. We have set the departure time to accommodate having coffee at The Q that morning. The cutoff for our food order will be April 7th. You can register online, or we will have a sign-up sheet at the meeting on the 6th.

I look forward to seeing you all at many of the events we have going on this month.

Keep living the dream,



April showers? Turn on your Weather Mode!

Upcoming Events

CLBG Events

Sat Apr 6 - 6:00 p.m. – CLBG Membership Meeting – NCM Chevrolet Theater

Sat Apr 13 – 8:00 a.m. – Corvettes & Coffee – Q Coffee Emporium - 5851 Scottsville Rd, BG

Sat Apr 13 – Immediately following Corvettes & Coffee - Pine Knob Cruise & Picnic – Go to CLBG website for details and to register. Click here: [Pine Knob](#)

Tue Apr 16 – 5:00 p.m. – Tuesdays with Torie – Chuy's

Sat Apr 20 – Trooper Island Charitable Cruise – Click [here](#) to go to CLBG website for details.

Sat May 4 – Kentucky Derby Party – Click [here](#) to go to CLBG website for details and to register

Sat May 11 – 8:00 a.m. – Corvettes & Coffee – Just Love Coffee – 1640 Scottsville Rd, BG

Sat May 18 – Cruise to Page's Pizza – Details upcoming.

Tue May 21 – 5:00 p.m. – Tuesdays with Torie – Blaze Pizza

Sat Jun 1 - 6:00 p.m. – CLBG Membership Meeting – NCM Chevrolet Theater

Sat Jun 8 – 8:00 a.m. – Corvettes & Coffee – Providence Coffee House – 3031 Nashville Rd, BG

Sun Aug 25 – 10:00 a.m. – Corvette Sunday – Flat Rock Fellowship Baptist Church – Go to CLBG website for details and to register. Click here: [Corvette Sunday](#)

NCM Events

Apr 25-27 - 27th Annual Michelin NCM Bash

Aug 29-31 – 2024 National Corvette Caravan

Other Events

May 11 – Corvette Cruise-at Wilderness Trace Distillery, Danville, KY.

May 16-17– St Jude Corvette Drive – [Click here for details.](#)

May 17-19– Good-guys Rod & Custom Cars – Nashville Speedway, Lebanon, TN – [Click here for details.](#)

Jun 10 – Hot Rod Power Tour returns to Bowling Green! – Beech Bend [Click here for details.](#)

Birthdays

04/01	Chuck Buckingham	04/13	Howard Marsh
04/03	Karen Grosnik	04/13	Tom Hill
04/03	Jeff Garner	04/14	Debra Gregory
04/05	Diane Ingram	04/16	Sue Hall
04/06	Mike Brawley	04/16	Sam Hall
04/08	Connie McGehan	04/20	Liz Hill
04/09	Danny Sublett	04/21	Bill Nye
04/10	Vincent Perriello	04/24	Daniel Garrett
04/10	Marshall Fancher	04/24	John Perkins
04/11	Mike Honeycutt		

Wedding Anniversaries

04/02	Gary & Torie Cockriel
04/04	Randy & Dorothy Hargis
04/08	Vincent & Christine Perriello
04/13	Fred & Diane Kayser
04/16	Dennis & Diane Ingram

Club Membership Anniversaries

10 years – Jeremy Towe

10 Years – Chris & Sharon Smith

25 Years – Shirley Biggs

Touring Churchill Downs

March 23, 2024

A drive to Louisville to visit and tour Churchill Downs was planned by Tracy and Bob Harder. They led the group to the historic racing park where everyone enjoyed a tour of the track and the museum. Some then stayed at Churchill Downs for lunch in their café and others drove to Tony York's in Glendale for their meal.



Experience of a Lifetime

Mark McGehan



Mark

Mark McGehan and John Cook attended the Ron Fellows Corvette Owners Performance Driving School in March. This is an opportunity for anyone. It's also offered at a discounted rate to those who purchase a new Corvette.



John

Make it a vacation! Connie and Victoria came with us to Vegas where they stayed while we attended the school. The Driving School is 45 miles outside of Vegas. We all

spent extra days in Vegas sightseeing and catching some Vegas shows. John and I drove out to Spring Mountain Motorsport and Country Club on Tuesday evening for our Wednesday-Thursday class. A one-night stay in their Condo is included along with meals in the Clubhouse. The Condo, Clubhouse, meals, training facilities are all very nice and more than met expectations.

Day 1. We all met in the Clubhouse for a very nice breakfast then off to the classroom for an 8:00 start. Introductions were made, a general discussion and course overview was presented. There was then classroom training which occurred between each driving exercise. Classroom training was attended by all, led by one instructor. The first session was about the basics, braking, apex, various markers used as targets for turning, braking and corner apexes. Each session there after was about the upcoming exercise. Several sessions also included various facts about the C8 and how the features function and their purpose.

The ontrack class was a group of 8 instructors that led a group of 3 when on the track. This ratio, 3-1 gave very good personal attention to each student.

Off we go!! The 8 groups of students and instructors went to different areas for each of the in-car sessions. Each session was unique and designed to provide knowledge and experience to many different facets.

Over the course of 2 days the in-car training consisted of:

Anti-lock braking. Launching the car from a stop to 40 MPH. Then when entering the specific course stand on the brakes to engage the anti-lock feature and steer through cones. Turning to either a left or right lane before coming to a complete stop at the end of the course.

Esses. Driving at low speeds through a continuous series of cones turning left and right and learning to look ahead at where you want to be after the turn and not where you're at now.

Figure 8. A figure 8 course of cones was set-up on a wet surface pad. This was a session to learn about control. Driving around the 2 center cones, accelerating on exit trying to spin the car and regaining control.

Launch Control. Every C8 has Launch Control. It's the ability to hold the car at a stop, push the accelerator to the floor, then release the brakes. The car controls acceleration at its peak. The engine maintains 3500 RPM when holding the brakes with accelerator to the floor. When you release the brakes the car will take off, (launch). Sit back, leave your right foot to the floor and enjoy the ride.

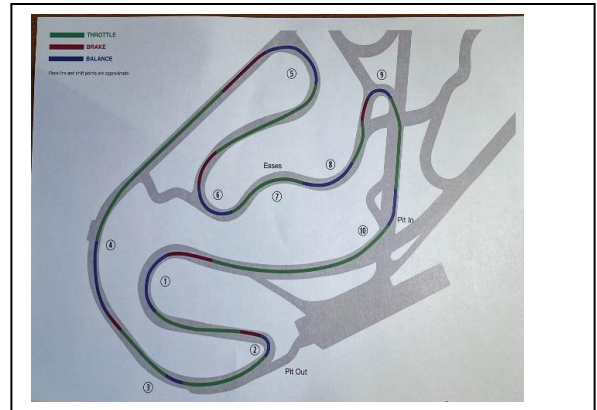
Autocross. Many of you have probably seen an Autocross event. They hold many of these at the NCM Racepark. We had two sessions of driving on an Autocross course being timed for our best results. This was a course that you entered from a stop, hard left turn at the end of a short straight, then followed by a series of left and right turns where speeds were approximately 20-50 MPH, then from full speed stopping within a box outline at the end. The last session was a competition of best times against everyone. Let me say, John and I did not embarrass ourselves!!

Crem de la Crem - on the 1.5 mile Road Course Track. This track was challenging with several elevation changes, sweeping straights and off camber turns. Each session (3 each day) consisted of an instructor leading 3 student cars. Each were equipped with 2-way radios for the instructor to communicate with the 3 of us. Each student followed the instructor taking turns after 2-3 laps each. This gave the ability for the instructor to closely evaluate, and for the student to push as fast as they were comfortable with. Masters of multi-taking, the instructors would drive ahead of the student maintaining a safe distance, talk on the radio, drive, instruct, etc., all at the same time. All at speeds up to approximately 120+ MPH. They are *good*!

I can't say enough good things about this school, facility and experience!! We were fortunate enough that Ron Fellows happened to be there on day 2. What a treat, great guy!! One of the bonuses is that you drive someone else's car and trash it around instead of your own car! If any of you are considering going, John and I highly recommend it. Fulfill your dream!

[Click here](#) to go to Ron Fellows school web page.

More photos on next page...



But Wait, There's More! (New Members)

We have seen a nice surge of new members in the past few months. Here are a few who came to the February meeting and accepted their new member packets from Rick Davis.



Rod Keller



Leo & Jan Woitas

National Corvette Museum Ambassador

Rich Sanders



For all of the memorabilia collectors out there... A limited



number of 2024 Caravan insulated mugs is available at the NCM store. When they are gone, they are gone. I am sure that they will sell fast once all the Caravan participants arrive. But you have an opportunity to get yours before the rush. As a note, the two in the photo are no longer available. They are on a shelf in my garage.

Plant Tours available during the Bash It has been well publicized that the Plant Tours will be available during the week of the Bash (April 22 – 26). The Tour cost is \$50 for non NCM members and \$35 for NCM members. You can register for a tour time slot at this link which has been added to the Bash registration page at:

<https://www.corvettemuseum.org/explore/events/museum-events/> . Be sure to use your member login first to receive your discount. You can also call the NCM at 270-781-7973 for more assistance.

Here is a news flash: If you don't want to pay for a Plant Tour, you can sign up to volunteer as a Tour Follower. It is a lot of walking, but you will be able to learn about plant operations while helping fill the follower time slots. If you are interested, this link will take you to a page that you can use to sign up for times that fit your schedule:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084DA8AB22AAFFC34-48769826-volunteer/> .

So, who is a better driver on the track? ... Have you ever wondered just how your driving skill on a track stacks up to your friends? However, you were always leery of putting your car out on the track and risking tire wear, mechanical problems, or worse, a wreck. Soon you will be able to jump into one of the NCM simulator cars and compete with the car sitting next to you.



The current simulator area is going to be filled with a C8 and a C7 that will be able to function in head-to-head racing. The cars are being sourced from a third party. Once they are installed at the NCM, they will be wrapped, and Corvette Racing decals will be added.

Whether these “race” car simulators will be up and running prior to the Bash would be the goal but is very iffy. I can see this head-to-head experience being a big hit for both participants and spectators as groups visit the NCM. No wagering allowed.

Corvette Raffle tickets are available as follows:

- **2024 Riptide Blue Corvette Coupe to be drawn on 4/18/2024. \$150.00 per ticket. Tickets available: 887 of 1500.**
- **2024 Build Your Own Corvette Stingray or \$85,000 to be drawn on 4/26/2024. \$250.00 per ticket. Tickets available: 1130 of 1500.**
- **2024 Red Mist Corvette Convertible to be drawn on 4/27/2024. \$20.00 per ticket. An unlimited number of tickets to be sold.**
- **2024 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Convertible to be drawn on 5/16/2024. \$200.00 per ticket. Tickets available: 1371 of 1500.**

Note that **two raffles** will be conducted during the Bash.

Tickets can be purchased at: <https://raffle.corvettemuseum.org/>

Recipe of the Month

Ramen Noodles & Vegetable Soup

This is my go-to hot lunch, which I have at least once per week. It is easy to have the ingredients in stock; I buy a 12-pack of Top Ramen, keep veggies in the freezer, and have my soy sauce at the ready.

If you have not used Ramen noodles, there are several brands, some come in packets, some in cups. I get the packets which say they make two servings (not in my world). They also come in many different flavors but, to be honest, I can't tell the difference between their flavors, which are in the form of a powder in a small foil packet.

Ingredients:

- 1 packet Ramen Noodles
- 2 cups water
- 1-ish cups mixed frozen vegetables
- Soy Sauce

Directions:

- To make this in the shortest time, I use a pan on the stove to boil the water, and a microwave to pre-cook the frozen veggies.
- Using a small saucepan, bring 2 cups of water to a boil and add the noodles.
- At the same time, pour your vegetables into a large soup bowl and microwave for about 2 minutes.
- After the noodles have boiled for about 1-2 minutes, stir in the flavor packet, then pour the now- hot veggies in with the boiling noodles.
- Add soy sauce to pan (I do this before I remove it from the heat so that the cold sauce won't cool off my soup).
- Dump it back into your bowl and enjoy!



Everything you need to make this.



Boil noodles per pkg directions.



Precook frozen veggies in microwave



Dump precooked veggies in with noodles.



Season with pkg flavoring and soy.



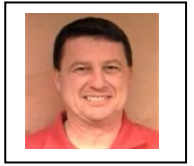
Dump back into bowl and enjoy!

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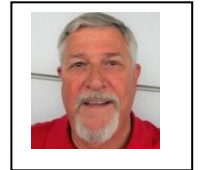


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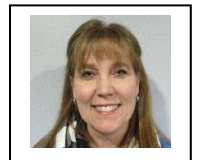


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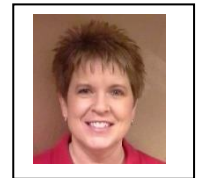


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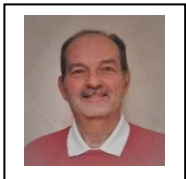
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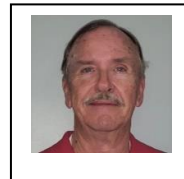
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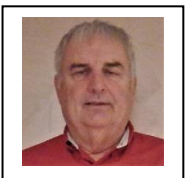
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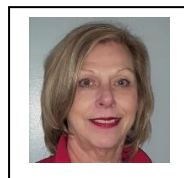
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