

CAPITOL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

Chappy's Deli, 8441 Vaughn, Rd. Montgomery, AL

Tues. May 7, 2024



- ☆ Welcome: King David and Queen Chris Dodd were AWOL for this event.... So they asked the best person to sub.... They weren't available so we ended up with a FORD guy. VP **David "Minivan Lover" Windham**, called the meeting to order sometime Tuesday evening before the sun went down. As a morale note: THERE WAS NO CHOCOLATE QUEEN CHRIS!!! And MK was out of town.... I had no adult supervision (although Mark Reese tried).
- ☆ Secretary: **Stef Eisen** -Minutes of Last Meeting -- blah, blah, passed without comment.
- ☆ Treasurer: **Vickie "We didn't spend any money this month" Lavender** - Well, we have money! She didn't spend any (at least she didn't admit to spending any money). She tried to divert the crowd's attention by reporting that the "account" netted a whopping \$9.95 (That's right: Nine Dollars and Ninety Five cents!) WooWoo! On the far side of the ledger sheet, we found a few other interesting numbers: \$1,918.36 (checking) and \$4,547.07 (savings) = \$6,465.43 (that includes the \$9.95 in interest!) Charles "Chuck" Schwab Investments.... Look out!!!
- ☆ Membership Chair: **Pam "I GOT A STORE OVER HERE" Smith** – presented her always riveting "who's who" membership report. As of 30 April, the Fabulous CCCC has 78 Family Members (YEA!!!!) BUT she reported that our recruiting efforts in April resulted in ZERO new members (Boooo!!!). We had 33 at the meeting.... Probably the least we've had in months.... The Cicadas are bad, but they won't eat your Corvette! As she rambled on about membership and her "little shop in the corner," an unnamed source (probably a city/county tax collector asked: "Do you have a business license?"
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- ☆ **May Birthdays:**
 - 2 Mario "Blade" Williams and Kathy "Sunshine" Windham
 - 4 Juan Casto and "Help Me" Rhonda Hicks
 - 5 Connie Hadaway and Allison Williams
 - 6 Greg "I'm 21 with about 50 years' experience" Thigpen
 - 15 Rosemary Glass
 - 26 Dick Frederick
 - 29 Gary Dotch and Cindy "The School Teacher par excellence" Peavy
 - 30 Julie "I got a cool Z06" Hall and Pam "I got shirts here, shirts, and hats, and

jackets” Smith

- ☆ *If you have any new updates such as Vanity Tags, Cars, Addresses, Email, Phone Numbers, please keep us updated. This keeps the Roster current, and you can keep getting info on club events. She Promised that the fabulous CCCC will NOT SELL your personal information... but it does give members something to gossip about, which is just as good.
- ☆ *We are taking membership dues for 2024 (PAY UP! It’s almost JUNE!!!!) Vickie says they’ll take life memberships too! Only \$36/Year for the rest of your life – payable in easy annual installments of \$36!
- ☆ *New Club Apparel are now available (Now, where have we heard this before!). Shirts, Windbreakers, Hats.
- ☆ *We have extra anniversary shirts available for sale. Contact Pam Smith for sizes that are available.
- ☆ *We also have a few extra Club Shirts and lined jackets available. Contact Pam Smith for sizes.

- ☆ Welcome a Visitor to the Fabulous CCCC:
- ☆ David Atcheson of Prattville. He does not have a Corvette (yet, we’ll talk him into one) but loves sports cars, especially Corvettes. He was a guest of John Matthews. He was also prompted to provide some personal info “for club use” – again, Vickie and Pam promised that the fabulous CCCC doesn’t sell this information.
- ☆ Member Updates:
- ☆ Marcus and Leslie Buentello now have a 2023 Arctic White Convertible Corvette.

- ☆ Racing & Leisure Event Coordinator: **Mark “I still ain’t got “Huntress” back” Reese** was introduced by the Ford driving VEEP as “The man who hates to go under 100 MPH”.
- ☆ Mark presented THREE upcoming track opportunities.
- ☆ 25 May: Little Talledega Gran Prix Raceway. See: <https://talladegagp.com/>
Great place to start the season and test/tune your ride for the big club event in June
- ☆ 22-23 June: Just Track It @ Barber Motorsports Park. See: <https://justtrackit.net/>
Another great opportunity to test/tune
- ☆ 28 June: Fabulous CCCC outline to Roebeling Road. See: <https://www.roebelingroad.com/>
 - Get your hotel reservations done ASAP.
 - You don’t need to “drive on the track” to join the fun. Come along and watch the action and maybe get your scare of a lifetime by riding along with Mark. Patsy Demo, Pam and Norval Smith are planning to come along for the fun. Join them and the rest of the fabulous CCCC for a weekend of fellowship and speed in beautiful Georgia.

There is an email floating out there in Microsoft world with all the essential plans and contact points. But Mark keeps “losing” it. So, below is an edited version:

June 28 Track Day Information

Thursday: If you want to caravan over on Thursday (10am departure) from the Chevron (Lions Pride) Station off I85 Exit 26 for Hwy 229 Tallassee; Stopping for lunch at Lanes Orchard in Fort Valley, GA, then on to the hotel.

Hotel Information: Aloft Savannah Air Port, 1423 Benton Blvd Pooler GA 31322. 912-737-2885. Rooms available for Thursday Night June 27 2024, Friday Night June 28 2024, and, if you chose, Saturday Night. Just call them, they’ll take care of you. You are responsible for making your own reservations.

Friday: Track opens at 7am (Drivers meeting 7:45 – mandatory). After the meeting, two “parade laps” for orientation purposes (pit in and pit out, etc.). Group 1 will be first on the track. Others may want to watch to understand procedures.

Drivers Classes: Each class is determined by track experience. Group 1 Advanced: Multiple track days Group 2 Intermediate, Group 3 Novice, Group 4 Beginner, never been on a track. If you feel after running in your class it is either too fast or too slow just come see me, I will make a change. Track sessions will be 15 minutes (Note: you can go on line and watch laps around Roebling Road Raceway to get an idea of the track layout)

Track Map @: <https://www.roeblingroad.com/roebling-road-raceway-track-map.pdf>

Track video (there are quite a few)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v1usYXgpPz0>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MJR-LKGuWcE>

Group 1 Advanced: Cole Reese C8 Z06, Mark Reese C6 Z06, Brock Miller Porsche 911 Turbo, Stan Wilkinson C7 Z06, Josh Jones C7 Grand Sport

Group 2 Intermediate: Eric Beasley C7 Z06, Charlie Dunning C8 Z06, Winston Ivey C7 Z06, Gregg Lyons C8 Z51, Dana Myrick Porsche

Group 3 Stef Eisen C5 Z06, Jo Alexander C7 Grand Sport, Wade Turner C7 Z06, David Windham Cobra, Tom Padgett Impala SS

Group 4 Jim Vinson C8, Larry Coleman C8, Doug York C7 Z06, Keith Kosak Porsche, Open Slot...

Track Rules: Helmets must be worn by driver and rider when on hot track. Interior of your car must be free from any items that are not permanently secured. Lug nuts must be torqued, and tires inflated to correct pressure. You must run with your windows down.

Email: Questions markreese@gracefabrications.com text or call 334-391-6932

- ☆ Web Master: **Julie “To quote Stef: Blah, blah, blah” Hall** – reported that the web site is humming along fine. Keep sending in pictures of our shady activities.
- ☆ **A COOL FEATURE to add to your “recruiting” toolkit – won’t fix you C7 ABS system, but it will help “sell the club”. If you open the website, and have the prospective member/victim scan the qwerty code, the club’s application pops up!!! Cool!**
- ☆ NCM Ambassador: **Carolyn “I got lots of cool info” Middleton**
- ☆ New 2025 Corvette Colors:
 - Competition Yellow
 - Replaces Accelerate Yellow Metallic
 - Originally this color was on the C4

- Sebring Orange
 - Replaces Amplify Orange
 - Originally this color was on the 2019 C7
- Hysteria Purple
 - Replaces Cacti Green
 - Original new color
 - David Turner's comment: I think GM just hired the paint guy from Dodge....(David was having flashbacks to the 1969 Cuda in "Plum Crazy")
- ☆ E-Ray:
 - Stands for Electrified Performance Vehicle-YOU DO NOT PLUG THIS CAR IN
 - First AWD Corvette
 - Stealth mode
 - 655 HP – Hits 60 mph in 2.5 seconds
 - Electric motor powers the front wheels – LT2 V8 powers the rear wheels
 - Decoupled axle
 - Excels in low-grip weather
 - "Acceleration is stunning and is addicting"
 - Price - \$106,595 – \$124,545
 - Coupe or convertible
 - 1LZ, 2LZ, 3LZ trim
- ☆ ZR1 Corvette:
 - Debuting summer of 2024
 - Basic look of the Z06 except:
 - Rumored to have a twin-turbo variant of the naturally aspirated 5.5L V8 LT6 engine in the C8 Z06
 - Expected to produce 850 HP with 650 pound-feet torque
 - Extra wide side air intakes
 - Massive hood air ducts
 - Gigantic rear spoiler
- ☆ Some 2023-2024 Corvettes need Transmission replacement
 - Some may have a condition where the transmissions were improperly torqued
 - GM will replace the transmission and all corresponding components, including a coolant flush
 - In effect until May 2026
 - Takes between 15.4 – 18.5 hours to complete
- ☆ Corvette Production Statistics:
 - Currently Corvette comprises 57% of the sports car market over Porsche, Mercedes, Lexus, Jaguar, Audi and Nissan combined
 - 2023 was the highest Corvette production ever
 - February 2024 is the highest production month so far
 - Most popular color – Red Mist
 - Corvette was the Performance Vehicle Of The Year in 2023
 - Mean age is now 54

- Segment leader in those folks under 35 years old
- ☆ NCM Track Insurance: For those going to Roebbling Road
 - Your current car insurance does not cover you while on this track (or any track)
 - You can buy insurance for Roebbling Road for the one day of driving – even if you do not have NCM insurance on other days
 - Price depends on value of your car, deductible you choose (10% or 15%) etc.
 - An additional driver can be added
 - No discount to NCM members though
 - Insurance covers the insured vehicle – not the other vehicle damaged
 - Insurance does not cover bodily injury either
- ☆ Mobil 1 Info:
 - For LT2 Corvettes – Use 0W40 oil
 - For LT6 Z06 Corvettes – Use 0W50 oil
 - Both can currently be found in dealerships and car part places
 - DO NOT use off the shelf oil additives
- ☆ Raffles:
 - May 16, 2024 - 2024 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Convertible - \$200 -1,500 tickets, 1,000 left
 - June 13, 2024 - 2024 Artic White Corvette Coupe - \$100 – 2,000 tickets, 1,500 left
 - June 27, 2024 – 2024 Build Your Own Corvette or \$85,000 - \$250 – 1,500 tickets – 1,300 left
 - August 31, 2024 – 2025 Torch Red Corvette Coupe - \$20 – Unlimited tickets
- ☆ When Pam Smith was traveling back and forth to Ohio to pick up/take back the grandkids during Covid (remember that debacle that ruined America), the “halfway” spot was Bowling Green. The NCM was closed but the gang would get lunch and go to the garden area and sit/eat. The kids would run around the “Cemetery” (as they called it). They would always ask or say “we’re eating lunch in the cemetery”. We’d read the names on the bricks and benches (apparently you can buy a brick or bench engraved to honor or recognize someone). They also would say: “there sure are a lot of Dead Corvette drivers. I bet they liked going fast.” They’d run around like they were driving Corvettes.

Business:

1. We are still taking membership dues \$36 annually. See Pam & Vickie. Make checks payable to CCCC.

New Business:

As last year, the board members have decided to change our monthly meeting date from July 2nd (1st Tues) to July 9th (2nd Tues). So, hang out at home, travel, and have fun on July 4th week!

Veteran’s Day parade: 11 November – From the State Capitol building to the Biscuit baseball stadium. Instead of several smaller events, the major vet organizations in Montgomery are

coordinating one event. The planning committee (Stef's on it) is asking the CCCC if they would like to present their Corvette's in the parade – and give vets a ride in the passenger seat. More details to come. will give details, as this is still in the planning stages.

Past Events:

Beyond the Horizon Air and Space show at Maxwell. Did you all get a chance to attend? An outstanding show! Thank you, Stef Eisen, for arranging all, so we could show our cars. Thank you, Dave Windham, Mark Reese, John Heitland for Thurs set up day. Thank you, John Morykwas, for bringing your Ford Model T, the entire weekend. Thanks to all others club members that assisted and attended this 3-day event. We even had some movie stars all the way from 1986. Did you see Maverick & Goose?



Upcoming Events:

1. **Sat. May 11th**: First Methodist Church, Clanton. Car, Jeep, Bike, Antique Tractor Show. 12pm-4pm. \$20. Jack Willis 334.306.6937
2. **Sat. May 11th**: 4pm-7pm Montgomery Sunrise Rotary Club Car shrimp boil at the Train Shed Montgomery. Family Fun: Live music, kid's games, and activities, including face painting and inflatables. Proceeds: The Second Chance Foundation(youth).
Did you tell Billy Moses, in March, you were bringing your Corvette? **The cost per plate is \$50.00 but one plate is enough food for two people. If you bring your car to display the ENTIRE TIME of the event, 1 meal does not cost anything. Again, 1 meal is enough for two people.** They want your cars there around 3pm. Again, the event begins at 4pm. If you would like to make any type of donation, I am sure they would appreciate it. Come on out and enjoy a night full of entertainment.
3. Nursing Home week. Capital Hill Nursing home has asked if we could bring our cars for one hour. The day of choice is Tues, May 14 @ 10:30am. Come bring your cars!
4. **Wed. May 15th**: Ladies Luncheon @11am: Eddy's Restaurant. 1100 Maxwell Blvd., Montgomery.
5. **Sat. May 18th**: Cars, Coffee & Donuts at Riverside Chev Wetumpka. 10am-noon.
6. **Sat. May 25th**: Dreamland Car Cruise In begins this month. 4:30-8pm ish Address: 7900 Vaughn Rd, Montgomery.
7. **Sat. May 25th**: Little Talladega Gran Prix Raceway (see above for details)
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9. **May 24th +25th**:Hendrick Driven for Veterans 2024 Talladega Track Day. May the 24th, Friday will be the afternoon Show and Shine at event sponsor Hendrick Chevrolet.
10. **Sat. June 8th**: Train Shed Car Show @ 300 Water Street at Union Station Train Shed. \$20. Food will be available to purchase. Sign up starting at 10:am. You want to get there earlier than 10am.
11. **Sat. June 15th**: Double the fun! Cars + Coffee @ Long Lewis Ford, Prattville 8am-11am. Cars & Coffee @ Riverside Chev, Wetumpka 10am-Noon. Yes, you can do both. We generally leave Long Lewis at 9:30.
12. **Jun 27-29th**: Roebbing Road Raceway, Bloomingdale, GA (formerly Savannah International Raceway) The track is a 2.02-mile 9 turn road course. Featuring ample run-off room (Pam can contest to this) The event is closed to drivers, but you are most welcome to come enjoy the fellowship with all. ~~Captain~~ 2LT Mark Reese explained (see above) the upcoming event & about hotel information.
13. **Sat. Jun 29th**: Car Cruise 'N @ Dreamland BBQ. Vaughn Rd., Montg. 4:30pm -8pm ish. (some get there way earlier than 4:30) This cruise in with be for 4th of July celebration. **THIS IS A CCCC SPONSORED EVENT**. Please dress patriotic and your cars. Prizes to be given away for best dress couple & decorated car. When people sign up, they are given a ticket for a chance for an item. We need items for these drawings. Can you help with this event? If you can, please bring the item to the next meeting (June 4). Thanking you all in advance.

CAPITOL CITY CORVETTE CLUB CAR SHOW. "CARS ON THE GREEN" SAT. NOV 2ND
9AM-2PM @VILLAGE GREEN PARK, MILLBROOK, AL 9am-2pm. Awards @ 1pm.

Tell everyone you know; we are having another car show this year.

Club, we need your help once again with raffle prizes. Everyone that pays for entry, in the car show, is given **one raffle ticket**. They can place the one ticket in any plastic container, next to the desired raffle prize. But remember, anyone can buy as many tickets as they wish, to have a chance, at a desired raffle item.

Quilt: CCCC ladies will be creating a quilt for this year. Again, the donation tickets will be 5.00 each. The quilting team is looking to begin creating in August. We will sell tickets the day of the show also.

Charities selected this year:

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| (1.) Montgomery Children's Center Adult Program | 50% |
| (2.) Humane Shelters of Elmore and (3.)Autauga County | 25% Each |

Note: These two animal shelters can use anything to help out... pet food to shredded paper!

CHRISTMAS DINNER: TUES. DEC 03, 2024.

December is the only month we do not have a monthly meeting, but because we have our Christmas dinner instead. Arrowhead Country Club 5pm-8:30. Cost \$40.00 per person. Play Dirty Santa and bring a new wrapped gift valued at \$25. Pam and Vickie will be taking checks for this event at the October and November meetings.

CHRISTMAS CARAVAN: SAT. DEC 21, 2024.

Great News. All secret Santa places are lined up for this year. I am sure they are all planning now. As always, I know we will enjoy it. Pam said something about there being just enough time to stop, say hi, eat, and “be nosey” – so hosts, time to start thinking about hiding the silverware.

For those that have not experienced a CCCC Christmas Caravan, let me explain the details: We have three hosts for: Appetizer, Main Meal, Dessert. We meet at a designated area, then drive, in a group (at least we try to), to each hostess house. Participating in the caravan is great. Believe me, you will not go home hungry. The fun begins at 5pm. More details to follow prior to the event.

Charitable Items Needed:

A. **MOM (Montgomery Outreach Ministries):** Carolyn Middleton

Items Needed:

<u>Lunch Bags</u> <u>White or Brown</u>	<u>Pens</u>	<u>Post It Notes-All Sizes +</u> <u>Note pads 4x6 or 5x7</u>
<u>Copy Paper</u>	<u>Spray Air Freshener</u>	<u>Paper Clips &</u> <u>2024 Calendars. Those you may obtain from</u> <u>your mail and do not use.</u>
<u>Rubber Bands</u>		

B. **Homeless Sleeping Mat Ministry:** Vickie Lavender

Homeless Sleeping Mat Ministry is through several local organizations that weave and make sleeping mats for the homeless population out of plastic shopping bags. Other needs below:

Blankets Light Weight	Cracker Packets	Devotional (Scripture Bases)	Lip Balm
Personal Wipes	Small Treats	New Socks	Toiletry Items (from hotel stays)
Tote Bags (Large Reuseable)	Anything donated will be used, if not by this ministry, we have others we are working with that take the items we can't or don't use.		

50/50 DRAWING: Cynthia and Chaz Williams!!!! Somebody other than Keith Kozak won! But then again, Keith wasn't at the meeting this month!

More comments/business? Apparently, the Fabulous CCCC was well represented at the Bass Pro Shop car show last weekend. Many members took home awards – see below for a great picture that captures most of the action. Missing from the picture is Dennis DiGruccio, Dave Windham, and Billy Moses. Apparently, David Windham was playing Karnak the Magnificent as he held back Blade as the 3rd and 2nd place winners were announced. Just before they announced the 1st place, he commented: “Ok, Blade, now you can go” – and guess what... Blade won First! How cool is that!



Adjourn. Please do not begin to leave until meeting has officially been adjourned.

Reminder, please let Carolyn Middleton know, if you have received a car insurance quote, renewed, or have obtained a new policy, purchased a raffle ticket, new/renewal NCM membership.

Need a Club decal for your car? Carolyn Middleton can help. She has small silver & large decals. \$20ea (\$10 to cover materials & \$10 goes back to the club.)

Dates in bold, italicize & underline denote more than one event.

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