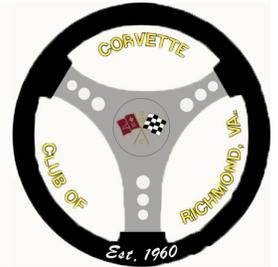




# CCRuisin'

The Official Newsletter of the Corvette Club of Richmond



## November and December 2017

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Pictures from our roundup!!!



## *A Message from the President*



Dear fellow CCR Members,

2017 has essentially flown by, and it is now time for Elections.

If you would like to run for any position, please contact the Nominating Committee Chair, Barry Roper, or one of the other Nominating Committee Members, Mike Todd or Mel Rice.

We crushed the Battlefield Challenge with 28 Corvettes sparkling in Fredericksburg to bring home the "Best Club Participation" Trophy. I was happy to learn that even the Battlefield Corvette Club understands that CCR is the Best Corvette Club...in the World!! Thanks to all the CCR Members who came out to make this another terrific CCR Event.



We've had an outstanding CCR Cruising Season in 2017, and we still have more to come...

- Christmas Dinner-Dance, December 2
- Mechanicsville Christmas Parade, December 3
- Virginia Beach Lights Tour, December 9
- CCR Open House at Zip Corvette, December 12

Event Announcements follow in this issue of CCRusin', so take a look and decide which ones you will join us for. Get your Corvette out on the road and enjoy the scenic Virginia highways and byways with your CCR friends.

Thanks to the OD's who have organized all our super Events; Great Job!

And many thanks to all the folks who work on all the things needed to make CCR run so well. Great Job!

Best wishes, warm regards, and remember to Save The Wave!

Life is a highway, and I wanna drive it in my Corvette with my First Lady, Doris, as co-pilot.

Your CCR friend,

*Bob Brody*

2017 Events Calendar:

<b>Friday, Nov 10</b>	<b>Membership Meeting (West End)</b> <b>After Meeting Social: Extra Billy's Barbecue</b>
Saturday, Dec 2	Christmas Dinner Dance
Sunday, Dec 3	Mechanicsville Christmas Parade
Saturday, Dec 9	VA Beach Lights Cruise
Tuesday, Dec 12	ZIP Products—CCR Open House 6PM to 8PM

\*For event details, please see the website, [www.corvetteclubofrichmond.com](http://www.corvetteclubofrichmond.com)

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# November Meeting

## Friday, November 10th at our West End Location

Our next General Membership Meeting will take place on Friday, November 11th, at 7:30 PM at the Markel Corporation Building in Innsbrook, 4521 Highwoods Parkway, Glen Allen, Virginia 23060. There is plenty of parking available, so come early to visit in the parking lot with other members!

## Meeting Directions (West End)

- From I-295, take exit 51B for Nuckols Road South.
- From Nuckols Road, turn right at the first traffic light onto Sadler Road.
- Take the next left turn onto Sadler Place.
- Take an immediate right onto Highwoods Parkway.
- Take the first left into the parking lot (you will see the "Markel" sign).
- The Markel Building will be directly in front of you. Enter under the carport on the right side of the building as you face it

After Meeting Social will be at Extra Billy's Barbecue. Directions will be provided at the meeting.



## REVS & RUMBLES @ THE NCM

By Barry Roper, NCM Ambassador/Lifetime Member



If you were present for the October Club meeting, this month's inclusion of some of the information presented that evening will be redundant for you. However, attendance was a bit sparse last month and indeed several members have asked questions about the dates mentioned concerning when 2018 Corvette production will cease and 2019 models will be available, etc.



The major surprise was a confirmation that production of the 2018 Corvette will terminate early, with the last date to order an '18 model being November 16th followed by production concluding the week of January 22nd. Even more surprising might be that the first 2019 Corvettes will roll off the line only one week later, on January 29th. A new order guide for 2019 will be released November 20th and orders may then be submitted November 30th.

The 2018 model year run is anticipated to produce something less than 9700 Corvettes which will be the least manufactured since 1997 (9752 units). That was the first year of the 5th generation Corvette and the plant was initially beleaguered with uncharacteristic production delays resulting in slow deliveries and subpar sales.

In spite of recent auto magazine conjectures to the contrary, GM's official stance thus far is that no major changes are coming for 2019 models, colors, or options. An obvious

## REVS & RUMBLES @ THE NCM

(Continued)

exception will be absence of the Carbon 65 Edition which was a 65th Anniversary offering for 2018. A second exception will be substitution of Sebring Orange for Black Rose Metallic which will begin the week of December 11 in the newly operational paint shop.

When the Assembly Plant comes back on line November 6th, the 'basic' colors (Arctic White, Black, Torch Red, and Corvette Racing Yellow) will be emerging from the new paint shop while others follow at later dates (Admiral Blue, Blade Silver, Long Beach Red, Watkins Glen Gray, Cyber Matrix Gray, and the previously mentioned Sebring Orange).



Finally, there's still no official word about a possible "C8" mid-engine Corvette although there continues to be no shortage of photos purporting to show thinly disguised pre-production models of such a car. Stay tuned . . .

2017 CCR Board ABSENTEE Election Ballot

President \_\_\_\_\_ Bob Brody \*  
\_\_\_\_\_

Vice President \_\_\_\_\_ Bubba Carr \*  
\_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Paul Murman \*  
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Recording Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ Sue Ann Bickert \*  
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Corresponding Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ Donna Carr \*  
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Newsletter Editor \_\_\_\_\_ James Wilson \*  
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Sergeant at Arms \_\_\_\_\_ Graham Wilson \*  
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Historian \_\_\_\_\_ Dave Dolan \*  
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Webmaster \_\_\_\_\_ Mike Starr \*  
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\* Nominating committee candidates

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print) Signature



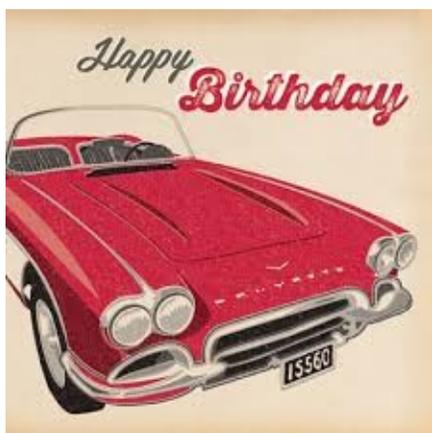
# WELCOME NEW CCR MEMBERS !!



**Kim Allen**

## **Want to Become a CCR Member ?**

*In 1960, a small group of Corvette enthusiasts began to gather on a regular basis for fun and fellowship. The first official Club meeting took place in July of 1961. CCR is the oldest Corvette club in Virginia with membership approaching 400. To be eligible for regular membership, you must be a person of good character and own a Corvette. You must attend at least one meeting or event. If you don't own a Corvette, an "associate membership" is available. Associates can participate in all events and functions but have no voting rights. You'll make good friends, have fun and learn more about Corvettes. Club meetings are at 7:30 p.m. on the second Friday of each month. After the meetings, there is usually a party where you can enjoy socializing with other club members. Annual dues are \$25 for pilots or \$35 for both the pilot and co-pilot (includes spouse, or significant other/child). A membership application can be found on the CCR website: [www.corvetteclubofrichmond.com](http://www.corvetteclubofrichmond.com)*



## **NOVEMBER and DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to those members celebrating birthdays this month. May there be a shiny, new surprise in your driveway!

### NOVEMBER

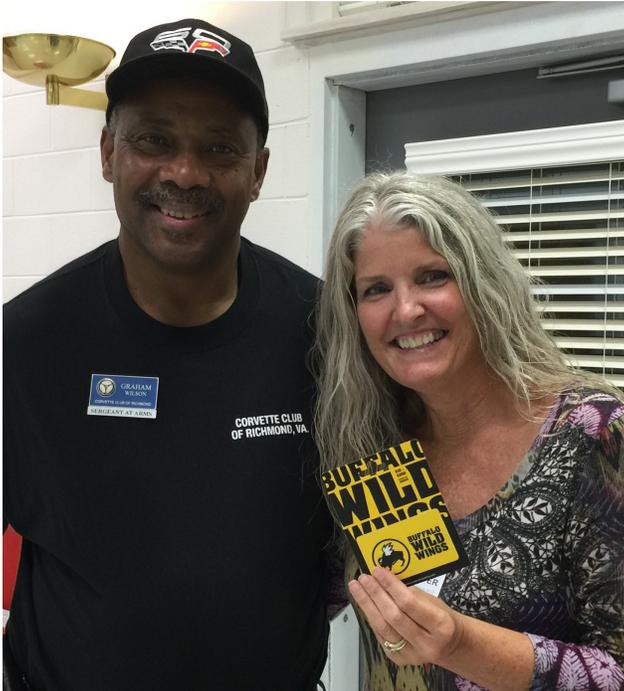
Rick Cozad	11/1
Linda Stewart	11/1
Jeanette Glass	11/3
Evelyn Rhodes	11/5
Karen Tolbert	11/11
Linda Walker	11/11
Mike Starr	11/14
Bob Brody	11/15
Steve DuBosky	11/15
Susan Robinson	11/16
Maridel Lee	11/17
Ron Hartley	11/19
Marianne Warren	11/19
Genie Lucyk	11/20
Ron Niedermayer	11/20
Roy Binger	11/22
Richard Orrock	11/22
Pat Marshall	11/24
Robert Marchese	11/26
Carroll Hudson	11/28
Robin Foster	11/28
Patricia Ringelstetter	11/28

### DECEMBER

Gary Butler	12/1
Penny Johnson	12/3
Bernard Sprouse	12/3
Heidi Hrobuchak	12/6
Bonnie Elinskas	12/7
Angie Dowdy	12/8
Tom Ringelstetter	12/9
Joe Morris	12/10
Warren Farrar	12/14
Rick Franklin	12/19
Priscilla Kaufmann	12/20
Bubba Carr	12/21
Vincent Charity	12/24
Alisanne Clifton	12/24
Lorna King	12/24
Erin Glenn	12/25
Callie Redford	12/25
Shirley Bridgewater	12/26
Cindy Goodwin	12/26
Suzan Morris	12/26
Dan Baker	12/27
Connie Pollard	12/27
Alice Rice	12/29
Linda Stevens	12/29

# **OCTOBER MEETING'S BIG WINNERS**

## *CONGRATULATIONS!!!!*



**Dinner Ticket—Stacy Harper**



**50/50 Winner—Robert Knight**



**Mystery Handshake—Dean Maddern**

# Upcoming Event



## Christmas Dinner-Dance



**Let's Party**

**December 2, 2017**



### **Meadowbrook Country Club**

3700 Cogbill Road, Richmond VA 23234

#### **Cash Bar**

with light hors d'oeuvres

**6 - 11 PM**

#### **Plated Dinner**

see next page for details

**7 - 8 PM**

### **Dancing to the River City Party Band**

**8:30 - 11:30 PM**

**Members: \$35.00 each**

**Guests: \$70.00 each**

**Please register online or mail checks with  
your completed registration form to:**

**P.O. Box 11661, Richmond, VA 23230**

**Payment must be received by Nov. 24, 2017**



# **Christmas Dinner-Dance**

**Hosted by Doris and Bob Brody**

**December 2, 2017**

**Meadowbrook Country Club**

**This is a "Dress-Up" Event**

Jacket & Tie suggested for Gentlemen; NO jeans allowed

## **Cash Bar Prices:**

House Drinks: \$6      Premium Drinks: \$7      House Wine: \$6

Domestic Beer: \$4      Premium Beer: \$5      Soda: \$2

Cash ONLY, No Cards or Checks

## **Plated Dinner Options:**

Served with salad, warm rolls & butter, iced tea and coffee

### **Prime Rib:**

Slow roasted 12oz.

With Au Jus

Baked Potato

Broccoli w/ Lemon Butter

### **Chicken Cordon Bleu:**

Boneless breast

Stuffed with ham & Swiss

Baked Potato

Broccoli w/ Lemon Butter

### **Vegetarian Pasta Primavera**

Available on request

**Dessert: Meadowbrook Pie**

## **Dancing to the River City Party Band**



[www.rivercitypartyband.us/](http://www.rivercitypartyband.us/)

# Upcoming Event

## Holiday Weekend at the Beach

by Lori Dolan



by Lori Dolan

The holiday season is hectic--this is your chance for a little "Christmas me-time."

We're offering you a great scenic caravan, an ocean view hotel, dinner at Rudees with your Corvette pals, a chance to drive the VA Beach Boardwalk, an after dinner party at the hotel with games, a CCR polar bear plunge into the December ocean, and a complimentary breakfast in the morning. Bring your own beverage of choice for the party along with snacks to share. Also bring cash if you want to play Texas Hold'em or Left-Right-Center game (bring dollar bills!). We'll have music, musical chairs and a 50/50 raffle.

All the details are on page 15 of the **October newsletter**. If you're going, sign up or call me (346-5266) so Rudees will be ready for us.

**Come with us December 9 and maybe YOU will be in these pictures NEXT year!**



# Event Recap



## Surpasses



### The Battlefield Challenge, OD - Bob Brody

Saturday September 30, 2017

It was a glorious Saturday morning when we assembled the Corvette Club of Richmond troops in Mechanicsville. The sun shone brightly, and the air was clear as we prepared to meet the Challenge issued by the Battlefield Corvette Club.

The CCR faithful came out in force and bared 27 Corvettes strong in our quest to surpass the Challenge from the BCC.

Our Corvette Combat Convoy stretched long and glistened in the sun as we traversed the hills and valleys of central Virginia on our march toward the battleground in Fredericksburg. One more CCR warrior joined the Convoy along our route and raised our Corvette total to 28.

Our massive strike-force crushed the 14 Corvette record set by BCC at our RoundUp, and we overwhelmed all other Corvette Clubs at the Event to bring home the Best Club Participation Trophy.



Many thanks to all who participated.

Another example of how we step up to meet challenges. After all, we are the Best Damn Corvette Club .... In the World!!

# Event Recap

## Trip to Hollywood Casino at Charles Town, West Virginia

OD's Gayle and Paul Murman

Almost Heaven,  
West Virginia,  
Blue Ridge Mountains,  
Hollywood Casino.....

Country Roads,  
Take me there,  
To the place,  
Where I can gamble,  
West Virginia,  
Hollywood Casino,  
Take me there,  
Country Roads.



Apologies to John Denver

It was Sunday morning, around 8:00 AM as the CCR members gathered to begin their journey to the “pot of gold” that awaited them at Hollywood Casino at Charles Town, West Virginia. Six took the bus and three took their OTC. Both groups left at 8:30 AM and we arrived at 11:30 AM.

After a short instruction regarding the use of the “Member’s Rewards” card and how to cash out your winnings at the slots, the members split up to begin their quest for the gold.

The Casino was not very crowded for a Sunday so many of the slot machines were available for play. Mel and Alice Rice found some “old school” slots. The kind with one pay line. Mel had a system that worked for him, but not so well for Alice. However, according to Mel, he stayed at that slot machine about a half hour too long.

Gayle Murman showed Janie Hughes the games that Gayle likes to play. However, Janie had more luck with an “old school” machine next to Alice than with Gayle’s machines. Butch and Joyce Bate-man also found a slot machine that they played for some time. I’m not sure how well they did; you will have to ask them. Margaret and Graham Wilson must have found some “loose” slots, because every time I saw Graham, he was smiling.

The day passed quickly. We gathered at the food court a short time before departure time, and everyone shared some of their experiences. It was then time to board the bus. Gayle and I did not return with the group, instead staying overnight at the hotel. It was reported that the trip home passed by much faster than the trip to the casino.

As the saying goes, a good time was had by all.

# CORVETTE

*in the news*

## Chevrolet mysteriously halts production on 2018 Corvette

By Fox News October 23, 2017



If you're looking for a collectible Corvette, you may want to think about buying a brand new one.

The Bowling Green Daily News reports that Chevrolet — which is a part of General Motors — will stop building the 2018 model on Jan. 22 after a total of just four months of production.

Chevrolet won't say why.

The Bowling Green factory where the Corvette has been manufactured since 1981 has been shut down the past few months for the installation of a new paint shop and other upgrades, so the model year was already truncated.

Chevy is still scheduled to build around 9,700 of the coupes and convertibles by January, according to the newspaper, so 2018 cars won't exactly be rare, but they may end up being among the last of their kind.

Although the folks at Chevy haven't admitted it, they are hard at work on a next-generation sports car that's believed to be a mid-engine successor to the Corvette.

Prototypes of the vehicle have been spotted on the road, and it is expected to officially debut at the Detroit Auto Show in January.

The question is, what will be coming out of the factory when the plant starts building 2019 model year cars on Jan. 29?

Chevy won't comment, but along with the mid-engine coupes, a high-performance version of the current Corvette has also been spotted being tested, so the front-engine version should live on for at least part of the year.

It's still possible that the mid-engine car isn't a Corvette replacement at all, but a more exotic model that will be sold alongside the traditional Corvette.

In any event, all should be revealed in a couple of months.

<https://nypost.com/2017/10/23/chevrolet-mysteriously-halts-production-on-2018-corvette/>



During the off season, keep up with the team at their Facebook page!

# The CCR Store

# Online Store

ALL ITEMS AVAILABLE TO ORDER ON WEBSITE

 <p>JERZEES® - Dri-Power® Active 50/50 Cotton/Poly Long Sleeve T-Shirt.</p> <p><b>\$19.00</b></p>	 <p>Jerzees Heavyweight Tee Shirt with CCR Logo Embroidered on Left Chest</p> <p><b>\$16.50</b></p>	 <p>Sport-Tek Dri-Mesh Polo Men's and Ladies Shirt with CCR Logo Embroidered on Left Chest</p> <p><b>\$31.00</b></p>	 <p>Port Authority® Ladies All-Conditions Jacket with CCR Logo Embroidered on Left Chest.</p> <p><b>\$68.00</b></p>	 <p>Port Authority® Ladies Modern Stretch Cotton 3/4-Sleeve Scoop Neck Shirt.</p> <p><b>\$29.00</b></p>
 <p>Port Authority Silk Touch Men's and Ladies Polo Shirt with CCR Logo Embroidered on Left Chest</p> <p><b>\$28.50</b></p>	 <p>Port Authority® Men's and Ladies Stretch Poplin Shirt with CCR Logo Embroidered on Left Chest.</p> <p><b>\$46.00</b></p>	 <p>Port Authority® Double Visor Cap With CCR Logo Embroidered on Front.</p> <p><b>\$18.00</b></p>	 <p>Port Authority Poplin Club Jacket with CCR Logo Embroidered on Left Chest and Full Back. Also includes personalized with member name under logo on left chest.</p> <p><b>\$140.00</b></p>	 <p>Port Authority® Ladies Concept Stretch V-Neck Tee with CCR Logo Embroidered on Left Chest.</p> <p><b>\$27.00</b></p>

## OTHER CLUB APPAREL

To order any item shown here, contact: **Stacy Harper** [toobluewow@comcast.net](mailto:toobluewow@comcast.net)  
 Other club clothing can be found on our [ONLINE STORE PAGE](#)

**NOTE: Shipping is not available at this time. Your order can be picked up at the next CCR meeting.**

*Clearance pricing on in stock items only, while supplies last!*



T-SHIRT (Short Sleeve)  
~~\$16~~ **NOW \$12**



CLUB LOGO WINDOW STICKER (3"x3") \$3



CLUB FLAG (white, 13"x9")  
~~\$13~~ **NOW \$5**



"Corvette Club of Richmond" WINDOW BANNER CLING \$15

### Note from the Editor

Again, please be mindful of deadlines we must meet in order to keep the distribution of the newsletter running smoothly. Please make sure all articles, event recaps, and any other information is sent to the Newsletter Editor by the **25th** of each month to [jamesntiff4@gmail.com](mailto:jamesntiff4@gmail.com).

**I also ask for your ideas for the Tech Tips pages. What would you like to know?**

# Tech Tips

## How to Clean & Condition Weather Stripping

by Lisa Wampler

Weather stripping is commonly made of neoprene synthetic rubber and it goes between a door and a sill to prevent air leaks. Over time, it is common for weather stripping to become brittle and crack. You can avoid this by cleaning and treating your weather stripping on a yearly basis to keep it moist. This will elongate the amount of time you get out of your car's weather stripping.



Clean the weather stripping with warm soapy water and a sponge. Rinse the weather stripping with clean water to remove any soap residue.

After cleaning, wipe the surface dry with a clean towel.

Apply a generous amount of silicone-based spray over the entire weather stripping surface and wait two or three minutes before wiping the excess spray off the weather stripping. Not only does this return the shine to the weather stripping, it also helps to bead away water.

Inspect the weather stripping for any cracks or pin holes. If you locate any imperfections in the weather stripping, you should replace it with new weather stripping specified for your automobile. Cleaning the weather stripping at this time will not resolve any issues as the stripping is already damaged beyond repair.



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