

# THE GLASS RAG



## JUNE NEWSLETTER

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### **CGCC Meetings for 2019:**

Winter Haven meetings are held at Schack's BBQ at 3000 Cypress Gardens Road on the second Thursday of the month. Meetings begin at 6:30 PM. Schack's has a wide selection of food at very reasonable prices.

The next Winter Haven meeting will be June 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Lakeland meetings location is Golden Corral at 4532 South Florida Avenue in Lakeland. The meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM. **THERE WILL NOT BE A LAKELAND MEETING IN JUNE DUE TO OTHER COMMITMENTS AND VACATION OF OFFICERS.** The Lakeland meeting will return in July at Golden Corral.

Try to make a meeting each month. The more member input, the better the club.

**Our Club Sponsor** is Kelley Buick GMC. If you are looking for a new Buick or GMC vehicle, they will sell to a Corvette Club member a new car or truck for \$500 under invoice plus all incentives. Used cars and trucks will be sold to members at \$500 over cost. They take trade-ins. You **MUST** contact Russell Hernandez at 863-797-7188 as he is the only one that can give you these deals. Give Russell a first chance on any new or used car purchase. He can beat most any deal. He, also, normally keeps several Corvettes on the lot or can find the one you want. Leave a message if he doesn't answer. Let him know why you are calling.

Russell and Big Bend Chevrolet in Chiefland are offering an outstanding deal to club members OR people referred by a club member on the purchase of a new Corvette and delivery can be done locally. Any new Corvette ordered by a club member or a referral by a club member will get to buy the car at invoice. He will, also, do the same on any new Chevrolet they offer, but you will need to go through Russell. If you are looking for a car, give Russell Hernandez a call.

### **New Members:**

We would like to welcome our newest member Alex Lukacs.

### **June and July Agenda:**

At this time, there are no Club events scheduled for June or July. A trip to Punta Gorda to Tregworthy Muscle Car Museum is in the works for August. More information will be available at a later date.

**The National Council Corvette Convention** is in Denver, Colorado this year. It will be held the first part of July. More information will be forthcoming in Blue Bars magazine. You might want to make it part of your summer vacation plans.

### **Corvettes and Coffee:**

Corvettes and Coffee is held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month and hosted by Robin and Peggy Rogerson. The next one will be held on June 15th from 9 AM to 11 AM. The address is 7550 Thompson Nursery Rd. Winter Haven, Fl. Come out and visit with other Corvette nuts.

### **CGCC Autocross**

The Autocross, hosted by our Club, had an excellent turnout, both in workers and participants.

Thanks to workers: Bill Russell, Joe Odenweller, Wes Prange, Jim Morris, Shirley Weatherford, Bob Crawley, Criag Clarke, Dick and Mary Reaves, Nate Geiger, Rod Hoglin, Wayne Sampson and Jerry Axtell.

We, also, had Club members participate in the autocross; Nils Blomquist, Jose Bocanegra, Russell Hernandez and Emily Hutchinson.

Clubs from around Central Florida participated and congratulated us on a very well-run event.

We are going to do it again in October. Thanks to Russell Hernandez and Kelley Buick GMC for their support of these events.

### **Memorial Day Cruise**

Cruise Master Ken has done it again. On Memorial Day, May 27<sup>th</sup>, Ken Thomason led a group of 17 club members on backroads from Lakeland to the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell for the Memorial Day Service that is held in honor of our Military members, Veterans, both living and deceased. It is a very moving ceremony. It is a memorable sight to see the grave markers of over 250,000 veterans that are interred there.

After the ceremony, we adjourned to Beef O'Brady's for lunch and good conversation. Pictures are on Cypress Gardens Corvette Club Face Book. If you haven't already viewed them, do so and plan on joining us next year.

### **Car Show – June 15**

First Baptist Church of Highland City will be holding a car show on Saturday, June 15 between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. The location is at the corner of Clubhouse Road and Yarbrough Lane in Highland City. It is free to all participants. There will be door prizes and more. Call Tommy Thompson at 863-640-7810 for more information. If you can't make this one, there is another on Sunday.

### **Classic Car Show – Father's Day – June 16**

This car show is hosted by WJBJ Crusin with the Classics. There will be cash drawings and music by WJBJ. Trophies and prizes and an all-day event. Fam Jam from 12PM to 6PM. This is being held at Tanners at 1006 S. Lake Howard Dr. in Winter Haven. Tanners will be open for brunch from 11 AM to 2 PM. Call 863-662-5948 for more information.

## **Corvette Specialty Tag**

There is a bill in Florida Legislature proposing a special Corvette License Tag. If you are in favor of this, email Nancy.Bowers@myfloridahouse.gov.

## **Brief History of Cypress Gardens Corvette Club Logo**

Forty-one years ago, a couple of Corvette owners from Polk County, who were members of Central Florida Corvette Association, decided they were tired of making the trips to Orlando for meetings and events so, they decided to start a local Club. One of the first items of business was a name for the Club. At that time, Cypress Gardens was a major tourist attraction in Central Florida.

The suggestion was made for the Club to be called Cypress Gardens Corvette Club. This required permission from Cypress Gardens to use their name since it was a trademark. Luckily, one of the founding members worked for a national food distributor that did business with Cypress Gardens. He was, also, friends with the general manager of Cypress Gardens at that time. An agreement was reached to use the name Cypress Gardens in the Club logo as long as it was not for financial gain. The other founding member was a graphic designer and came up with the logo that we still use as the embroidery on left breast of shirts. Initially, the color of our logo was orange and black since at that time, Corvette engines were orange and engine accessories were black. Shortly thereafter, the engine color changed to the corporate blue.

Around the time the 1984 Corvette was introduced, it was suggested that a silkscreen be added to the back of shirts that depicted a C-4 Corvette with the C-4 crossed flags emblem with the Club name. The embroidered front logo was still used, but any color could be used.

With the advent of the C-7 Corvette, it was decided that the silkscreen needed to be updated. The silkscreen now has the C-3 flags from when the Club was founded above the C-7 flags with Cypress Gardens Corvette Club around the flags.

### **Note to NCCC Members:**

If you do not wish to receive the monthly email message from the National President, please do not mark it as spam, unsubscribe instead. Marking it as spam has a negative effect on NCCC email usage.

I would advise all of the members of Cypress Gardens Corvette Club to go to the website at [corvettesnccc.org](http://corvettesnccc.org). Go to Insurance Section and read what is and is not covered. Also, go to FAQ's. There are a number of pages there that explain why it is important to be a member of National Council of Corvette Club. From a financial perspective, a years' membership for primary and spouse members cost less than one tank of fuel for your Corvette.

## **CLUB SHIRTS**

### **MENS**

1 Blue Tee Large \$16 each.

### **LADIES V-Neck Polos**

(All are \$26) 3 large in red, white or blue and 1 white XL

Contact Tom Bunn at [tbunn@aol.com](mailto:tbunn@aol.com) if you wish to purchase one of these shirts.

**Future Corvette Owners Association:** This is a program for children of a NCCC primary member (children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews) under age 16. There is a onetime \$10 membership fee. The Program is sponsored by MidAmerican Motor Works. If you would like to get your child or grandchildren a membership, contact Tom Bunn thru CGCC email address for a membership form.

**Club Website:** Go to [www.cypressgardenscorvetteclub.com](http://www.cypressgardenscorvetteclub.com) to view the site.

Daniel Heier has offered to take photos of your car. If you have a special place, locally, you would like your corvette photographed, Daniel will be happy to photograph it at no charge.

### **Club Brochure**

We have a club brochure to hand out to prospective members. We do not require that new members join NCCC, although, we do recommend it for the NCCC available discounts from various vendors or if they wish to compete in NCCC sanctioned competitive events.

### **Competition Events:**

To check on competition events in Florida or any other region of NCCC, go to the National Council of Corvette Clubs website [www.corvettesnccc.org](http://www.corvettesnccc.org). Click on competition program, go to link NCCC, competition events and points reporting. This link lists all events presently scheduled for all regions. Go to link for Florida Region Events, check 2018 and it will show all Florida events for 2018.

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