

THE GLASS RAG



MAY 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 May 9th.

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. The next Lakeland meeting will be May 23rd.

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 members Brian and Nola Idland.

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 3rd Saturday of each month and hosted by Robin and Peggy Rogerson. The next one will be held on May 18th from 9 AM to 11 AM. The address is 7550 Thompson Nursery Rd. Winter Haven, Fl. Come out and visit with other Corvette nuts.

Sunrise to Sunset Cruise:

The CGCC race to Chase the Sun began in Polk City. A total of 15 cars and 25 people cruised to Eustis where we had a great lunch at the 1884 Restaurant. Then, on to Ormond Beach on the East Coast where we met the sunrise the next morning. Our travels then took us to the West Coast where we gathered in Crystal River, (Yankee Town) to await the sunset. If you weren't able to make it, check out the pictures on CGCC Facebook page. Many thanks to Cruise Master Ken Thomason and his assistant, Chyrl, for putting together a great event and to Daniel Heir for some awesome pictures.

CGCC Autocross – May 18th

We will need help putting on this event. If you can assist us, it would be appreciated. No heavy lifting or running required.

What is an Autocross?

There are several names used for this type event: Autocross, slalom race, low speed time trials.

Whatever name it goes by, it is an opportunity to practice your driving skills and learn the handling capabilities of your car in a safe and controlled environment.

A low speed autocross is held on a paved surface such as a parking lot. The route is defined by cones or pylons. The course is set up so no stock car can exceed 80 mph at any point on course.

Normally, the course is set up so that there are left and right turns, slaloms (which is cone set up so that you must weave through them), offset gates, which is a modified version of a slalom, and in some cases, a pivot cone where you make a 180 degree turn.

This is a timed event with a single vehicle on course at a time unless course is set up to safely allow two cars on course. This decision is made by the Regional Competition Director and Event Chairman.

In this type event, you are competing with vehicles similar in model and horsepower. There are course workers stationed around the course to make sure participation is safe. The goal is to complete the trip through the course as quickly as possible without hitting any cones. Try it, you will like it, and it is addictive.

Memorial Day Monday May 27th

The Club is going to cruise to Bushnell, Florida to the National Cemetery for the Memorial Day Ceremonies that honor our military veterans. It is a very moving event and is open to all, whether you are a veteran or not. After the event, we will travel to a location for food and beverages.

Sign up with Cruise master Ken Thomason and join us. More information will be forthcoming via email.

St. John's River Ship Cruise

Due to vacations and people returning to their northern homes for the summer, this will be rescheduled. We will look for a satisfactory date in the fall.

Sunshine State Super Kids

The Sunshine State Superkids Car show at Ace Café in Orlando was attended by 13 members of CGCC and displayed nine Corvettes. Several of our members won awards and many raffle prizes.

Our Club has taken the Sunshine State Superkids as our special charity. Being able to see the children experiencing something they would not be able to, otherwise, is refreshing. The family providing this experience for them does not receive remuneration from the families of the children. It is all done through donations.

We are looking at the possibility of holding a car show and getting other car clubs involved. The location and date are to be determined.

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 WBBJ Crusin with the Classics. There will be cash drawings and music by WBBJ. 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.

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. 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

2 Blue Tees 1 XL and 1 2X \$16 each.

LADIES V-Neck Polos

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

Contact Tom Bunn at ttbunn@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 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. 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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