

Western New York Corvette Club

Volume 14, Issue 9 VETTES VOICE

SEPTEMBER 2023

Officers

President:
John Drogi
982-5527

Vice President:
John Glennon
912-1731

Treasurer:
Michael Pabst
348-0602

Secretary:
Geanine Sobczak
824-3982

Board of Directors

Gary Milsom
668-8054

Sheila Saint
67bdustchevelle@gmail.com

Frank Martin
692-7752

WNYCC mailing address:
WNYCC, P.O. Box 9
West Seneca NY 14224

Newsletter

Information / Articles for
the newsletter may be
emailed to:

Charlene Drogi
drogicd@gmail.com

President's Letter

Hello Everyone:

With the end of September comes the end of summer and the final car cruises and shows of the season. It is supposed to be a mild fall so hopefully we can enjoy it before the holidays and the snow starts. It isn't even Halloween and the Christmas items are out already - everybody pushes the seasons.

I guess we aren't too different. It won't be long before we will be waiting for the Clutch Artists "Bible" so we can plan next years car events for the club.

I would like to again thank everyone who helped with this years this years Corvette Show and Fall Super Cruise. Both were well attended and enjoyed by many. The weather was great for both was perfect.

Our activities will be turning inside fairly soon. Our Christmas party is in the planning stages and promises to be a good time for everyone. Hopefully, I can attend this year!

Hope to see members at our next meeting. Get your Halloween costumes ready for the October meeting! It might be scary!!

Til next month ~ C1-C8 they're all great!
John Drogi, WNYCC President



This year's Super Cruise awards

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Sat September 30, 2023 at 6:30pm
Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275,
3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mary Ann Kuczarski	10/2
Louis Atti	10/4
Nancy Egan	10/5
Thomas Harmon	10/6
Gary Stiegman	10/7
Dave Gentz	10/10
Paul Hettich	10/10
Christopher DeCarolis	10/10
Kathy Atti	10/11
Edward Kuberacki	10/11
Sheila Saint	10/11
Christine Bosiacki	10/14
Michael Kreamer	10/17
Rosemary Pietruszewski	10/18
Mike Pabst	10/20
Christopher Benoit	10/23
Joe Peluso	10/26
Cindy Walter	10/29
Bob Metz	10/30



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Joe Kowalski
Christopher DeCarolis
Michael Opalinski

GET WELL WISHES

~Thoughts and prayers to Bob O'Connor and Ted Bleuer who continue to recover.
~Get well wishes to Areta Buchner who fell and injured her back.

CONDOLENCES

We extend our deepest sympathy to Ed & Christine Bosiacki on the passing of Ed's brother.

Attention WNYCC Members

Clothing may be ordered from:

Advanced Custom Embroidery
8445 Ernest Road
Gasport, NY 14067
<http://advancedcustomemb.com/>
Debbie Adams 716-868-5325

Check out - www.wnycc.com

2023 WNYCC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sat Sept 30 Hilton Applefest Car Show & Arts Craft Show - Shine Only!!

9am Meet at the Pembroke Rest Stop on the 90 Thruway

930am SHARP – Leave for the show. It is about a 70-mile ride from the rest stop.

Please let Pete Ricigiano (Home 716 634 6101 or cell 716-868-4235) know if you will attend.

Sat Sept 30, 2023 General Meeting 630pm - Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY

(one week late due to Post conflict) - Potential speaker; topic to be determined

Sat Oct 7 Lockport Locks & Erie Canal Boat Cruise, 210 Market Street, Lockport, NY

We will meet and caravan together. Special parking for Corvettes.

1230pm - 2-hour cruise through Locks 34 and 35

After the Lockport Locks Cruise, we are going to the Davison Road Inn (DRI), 383 Davison Rd, Lockport NY, for an early dinner. We are limited to the following menu but may order at the restaurant (no pre-order required): Roast Beef on Weck, Burger, Chicken Salad, Club sandwich or Prime Rib Special (12 oz). A headcount is needed for restaurant or please let us know if you're not planning to go to restaurant after Lockport cruise.

Sun Oct 15 Fall Foliage Train Ride - Gowanda to South Dayton We will meet and caravan together to the train ride. 2pm for 2 hours - NY & Lake Erie Railroad, 50 Commercial St., Gowanda, NY 14070.

Enjoy a special roundtrip train excursion to South Dayton and back to see the fall foliage colors!

The excursion also includes a 45-minute layover in South Dayton to let you explore the area before turning around and heading back to Gowanda, NY

Dinner afterwards at Angelina's, 7901 Seneca St, East Aurora. We do need a headcount for the restaurant

Sat October 21, 2023 General Meeting/Halloween Pizza Party 630pm - Nominations of Officers and Board

Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY (one week early due to Halloween)

Sun Nov 5 - VFW Post Steak Dinner – 1145am Cash only - Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave, Lancaster. The Club will eat in the Post Hall so we need a headcount to reserve tables. The dinner includes steak, potatoes, corn, and chef salad

Sun Nov 19 Brunch at the Roycroft – 11:15am - We are limited to 16 persons and this event is at capacity.

Sat November 25, 2023 General Meeting 630pm - Election of Officers and Board

Christmas Party Sat Dec 2 - Lt Col Matt Urban VFW Post 7275, 3741 Walden Ave. Lancaster NY Buffet from Carmen's Catering

Members are \$20 and guests are \$25; members will be refunded a portion of their payment if they attend the party. Please send a check payable to WNYCC to

Michael Pabst, 135 Denise Drive, Cheektowaga NY 14227

Please annotate on the check this is for the Xmas party

Checks are due by Wed Nov 15

Nomination of Officers:

At the October meeting, nominations will be taken for Officers and Board members. There are 4 Officer positions and 3 Board Member positions.

We will be re-opening nominations at the November meeting and then voting. If anyone is interested in running for a position, you must meet the following criteria:

- New members, you must attend 3 meetings and 3 events to become a Full Member and be eligible to run for a position.
- Full members must have attended 4 meetings and/or events during 2023 to be considered an active member to vote or run for office.
- An Associate member may not vote or run for office per the By Laws.

High Level Description of Positions:

President: runs meetings and appoints committees

Vice President: in absence of President, will run meetings and appoint committees; serves as Chairperson of By Laws and runs the Annual Family Picnic.

Treasurer: has care and custody of all money belonging to the Club; shall give an account of finances at the meetings;

Secretary: keep minutes and records of the Club; attend to all correspondence and present any communications to the

Club Board of Director(s):

The business of this organization shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of two members at large, the officers, and the past President. The Past President shall serve one year only. After one year, the Past President will no longer serve on the Board. This position will then be opened to any full member to run for the Board.



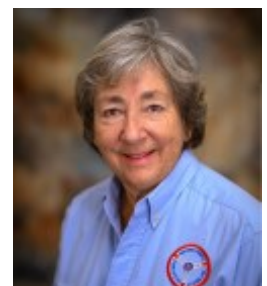
The National Council of Corvette Clubs, Inc. (NCCC) was founded in the United States as an all volunteer, non-profit organization in 1959 by a small group of Corvette owners/enthusiasts! In 2009 we celebrated our 50th Anniversary and look forward to many more years of fellowship. The purpose of NCCC was (and still is) to promote interest in Corvette ownership and operation, to publish information on the use and operation of the Corvette and to establish an organized effort to encourage others to participate in the enjoyment connected with the use and ownership of the Corvette ~ America's Sports Car!

In the early days, the number of Clubs was rather small with all of the them being located East of the Mississippi. Today, there are about 250 Clubs in 16 Regions both East and West of the Mississippi! The membership in NCCC is comprised of more than 19,000 Members and is the largest non-profit, all volunteer Corvette organization in the United States! Come join us!!

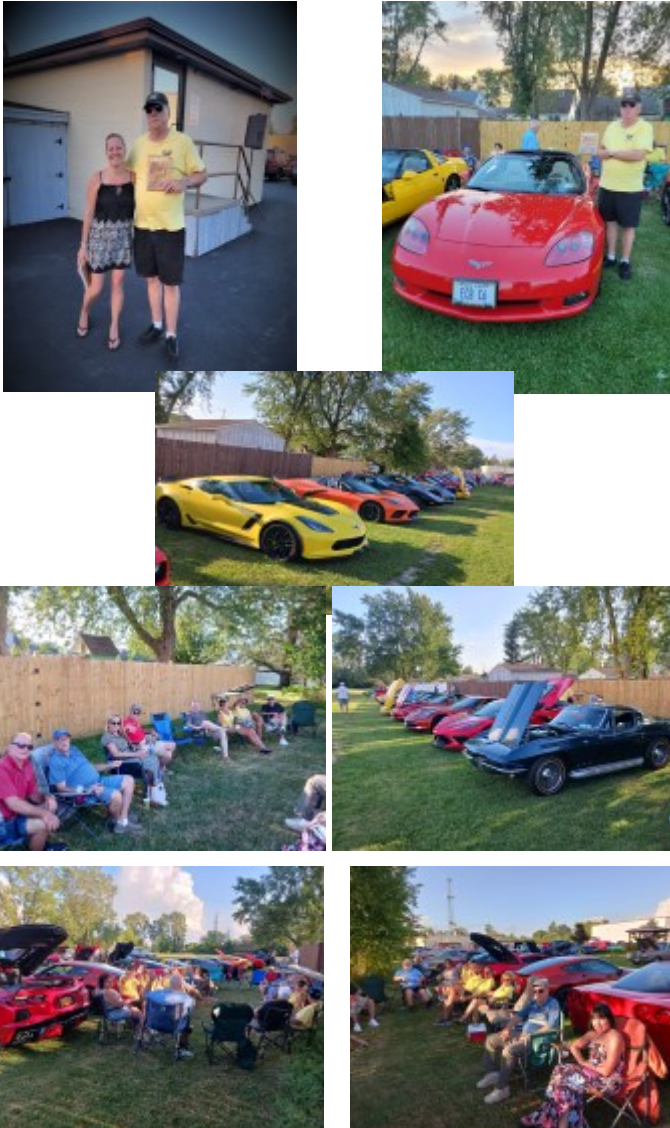


<https://www.corvettesnccc.org/>

Deb Murphy
NCCC President



Ed Bosiacki won an award at the VFW Post Cruise Night on September 6. Congratulations!



There were hundreds and hundreds of cars at the annual Toy Town car show. Only 50 awards were presented. Paul and Debbie Gress won one of those for their 2016 shark Grey C7

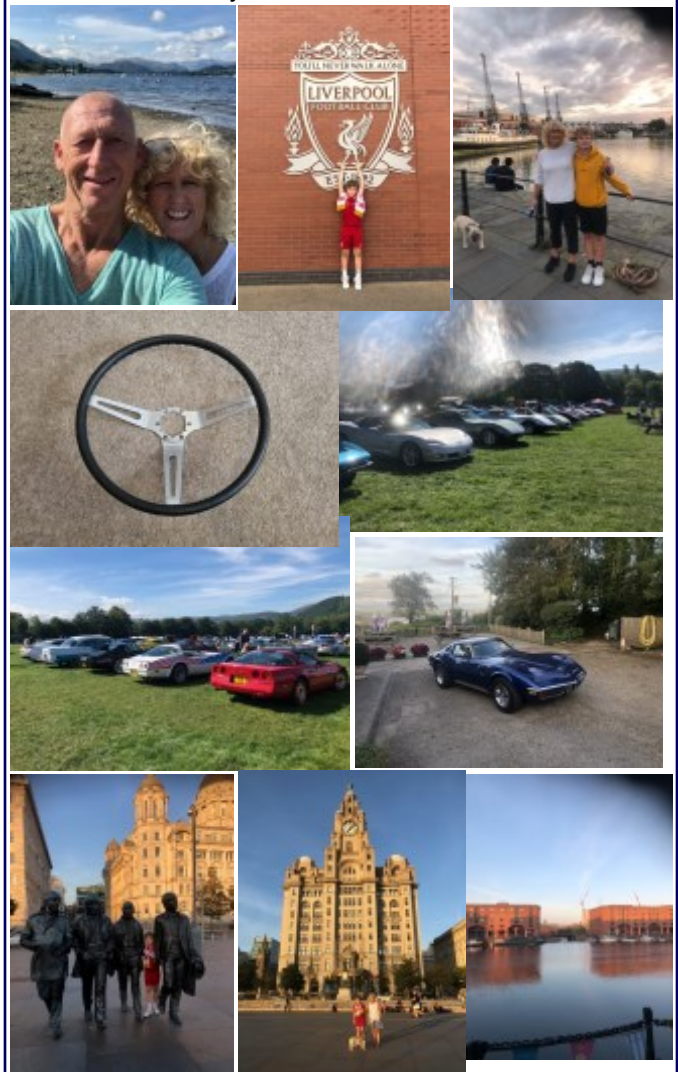


Hi Peter and all at COB and WNYCC.

Last weekend I had five pianos to deliver all around the country. We decided to make a trip of it and spent Sunday at a corvette show in the beautiful lake district, a national park in Cumbria about 400 miles from where we live in Cornwall. It was nice to meet some forum members there who I had bought parts from and admire their vettes C1's to C8's. We took our grandson Isaac and Alfie the French bulldog, we took in Bristol and Liverpool docks and waterfronts both amazing works of Isambard kingdom Brunel, our greatest 19th century Engineer and builder of Bridges, tunnels ships and railways. The SS Great Britain was built in Bristol and was the first iron ship with a propeller. She now sits restored in her original dry dock after being towed back from the Falkland Islands in the south Atlantic in 1970 where she had lay for 33 years.

On our return, after seeing all those vettes, the first job was to fire up the 72 and take her for a late evening blast! I have just found an immaculate original GM C3 steering wheel. Mine, although very good condition was rather out of "round" so another little niggle ticked off the list. Hope you enjoy these pics and the travels of the Blue 72 🍷

Take care All. Gary in the UK.



Please see the note from Patti O'Connor below. This is totally optional for any member to contribute as they wish.
Geanine Sobczak, WNYCC Secretary

Hello friends!

We have the approval of the Board of WNYCC to collect for the Christmas toy drive for St. Christopher's Outreach Program.

We started the program in 2013 and have collected close to \$12,000 over the past 9 years that we used to buy toys and gifts for children of low-income families that qualify for the outreach program. For some of these children it may be the only gift they receive for Christmas.

If you want to make a donation, please text me 716-867-0850 or email me pattio214@yahoo.com. You can pay me at the monthly meetings on Sept 30, Oct 21 or Nov 25. Please make your check out to me. If you prefer you can mail it to my home address:

Patricia O'Connor
150 Patricia Drive
Tonawanda, NY 14150

If you tell me that you will donate a specific amount, you will be responsible for it as we will buy the toys with that money. I plan to start shopping soon. Thank you to those members who already sent me a check by mail.

I will let everyone know when the gifts will be delivered to the Outreach Center if any of you want to join us and see the work they do there. It usually happens a week or two before Thanksgiving. I will give a report of the money collected and number of gifts purchased at the November meeting.

Thank you for your anticipated generosity for this worthy cause for the children! In a quote by Anne Frank, "No one has ever become poor by giving."

Patti O'Connor

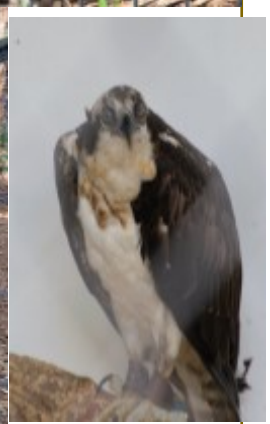
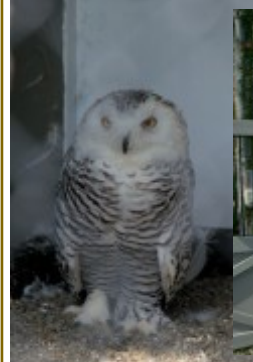
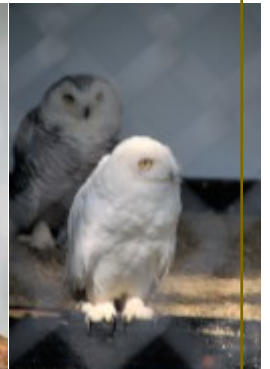


VFW Car Cruise - 9/20/23
Photos by Pete Ricigliano



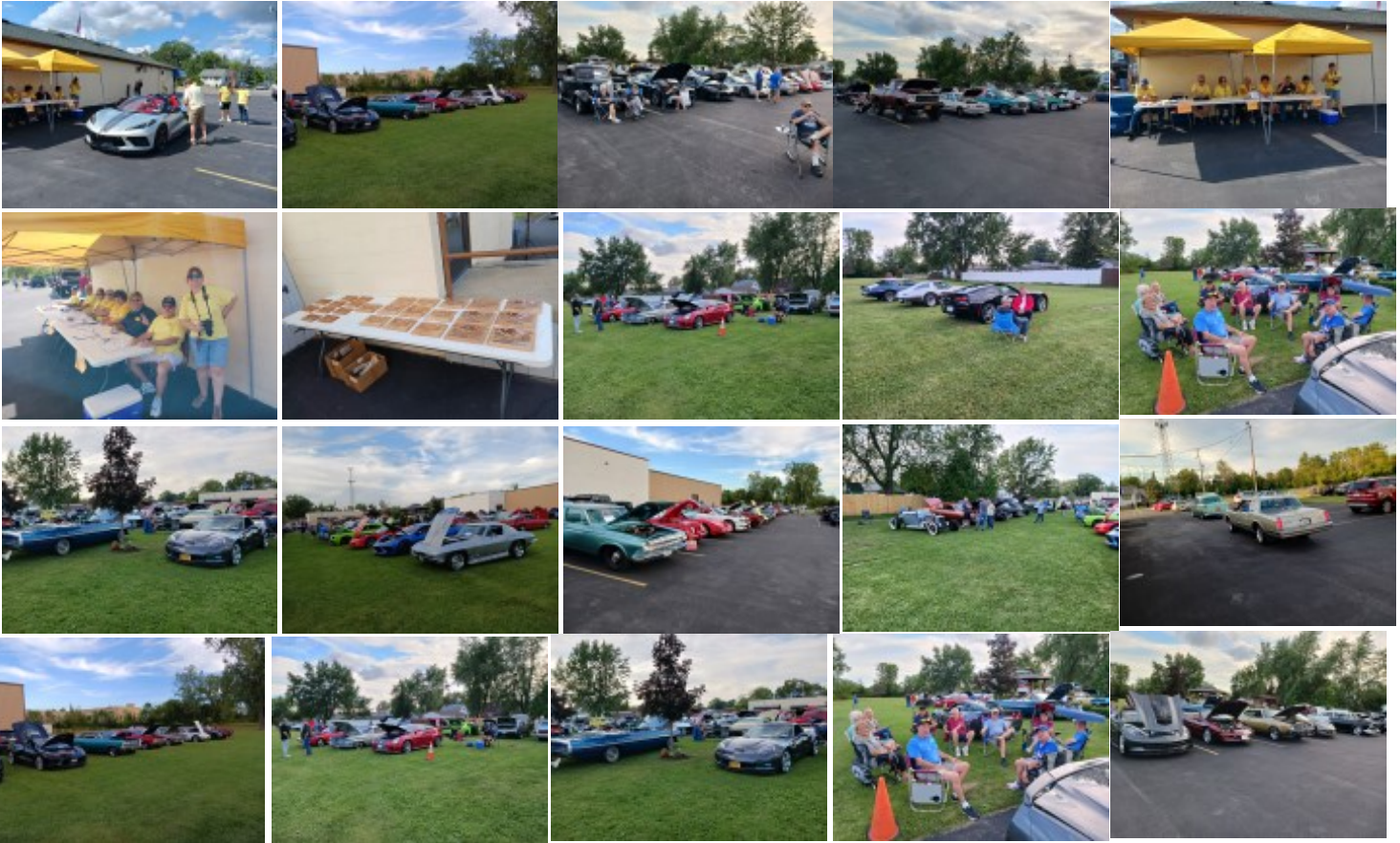
Hawk Creek Outing

Photos by Paul Gress



Photos by Pete Ricigliano

Photos by Pete Ricigliano



Photos by Mark Drogi

Photos by Mark Drogi

