

THE ACCCelerator ***AQUIA CREEK*** ***CORVETTE CLUB*** ***March 2025***



Cleveland Anderson's beautiful Torch Red C8

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Next Meeting:
March 18, 7PM,
at Aquia Harbor

ACCCording to the President Ron Mahaffey

2025-6 ACCC BOARD MEMBERS

Hopefully we've seen the last of Winter. According to our friend up North, "Punxsutawney Phil," Spring should be around the corner. Yes, he predicted six more weeks of Winter on the 2nd of February, and by my calculations that means 16 March should be the end of Winter. That said, get those Corvettes all cleaned up and ready to roll the middle of March.

We had a nice breakfast at the Great American Buffet on 1 February arranged by our VP Marie Sizemore...thank you Marie! Also this month, Marie arranged for a Valentine's Brunch at the Bravo Restaurant in Fredericksburg on 16 February. Members participating in the brunch were: Marie and Skip, Nan and Mickey, Jane and Don, Mary Anne and Elizabeth and Ron.

With the nice weather around the corner (so to speak) lets get some more participation from club members at the monthly meetings and scheduled events. This month at the club meeting we only had 12 participants, 5 of those were the board members. As you have noticed we have a new item on the agenda at the club meetings called "Car Talk"; this allows members to let everyone know what they've done to their Corvette/s or issues they're having with their cars and possibly getting some assistance from other club members who've run into similar situations or know how to tackle the issue.

Please check the VP's column on upcoming events, breakfast, car shows, etc.

Like I said earlier, get those Corvettes ready for Spring and hopefully we'll see you at the next club meeting, breakfast, or car show.

Ron

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Newsletter

Pete Rutledge

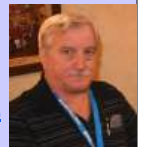
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Rebecca Hamil

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ACCC Monthly Meeting Minutes

ACCC General Meeting
Aquia Harbour Club House
February 18, 2025

(Effective with these minutes, no detailed financial information regarding this organization will be reported.)

Board Attendees:

- Ron Mahaffey - President
- Marie Sizemore - Vice President
- Chris Mendl - Membership Governor
- Pete Rutledge - Newsletter Editor
- Steve Argubright - Secretary/Treasurer

Members:

Skip Sizemore, Al McCloud, Margaret McCloud, MaryAnne McGovern, Jim Martin, Dave Jones, Rebecca Hamil

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

President's Report.

--Summarized the December 2024 general meeting (no written minutes published), held in conjunction with the Christmas Party, and thanked Nan Wehmeyer for coordinating the event. It was also noted that the January 2025 general meeting was canceled due to weather. Thanked Marie Sizemore for planning the Valentines Day brunch at the Bravo Restaurant.

Asked for a motion to accept the proceedings from the unwritten December 2024 general meeting. The motion was approved.

NCM Ambassador Report.

--With **Stafford Emergency Relief Through Volunteer Effort** (SERVE) being the ACCC charity of choice for the past two years, an overview of that charity was provided. In 1979, Jeri Redman saw a growing need in Stafford and the surrounding area to provide citizen assistance with utility bills, prescription costs and food. Two years ago, SERVE was helping 750 people a month and today that total is 4900 people. Jeri recently turned 80, remains on the SERVE board and was featured in a recent issue of **The Free Lance-Star**.

Secretary/Treasurer Report.

--The checking account balance is \$X,XXX.XX.

Membership Governor Report. The membership stands at 47. Opportunities for new memberships are ongoing.

ACCC Monthly Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

Vice President Report. Reported the following events of interest:

- March 1 - Downtown Culpeper Carnival and Mardi Gras Celebration
- March 13-17 - St. Patrick's Day on the Outer Banks
- Starting March 1 - Cars and Coffee, Tackett's Mill, 1st and 3rd Saturday
- April 12 - BCC Charity Cruise to Massanutten
- April 26 - Register Chapel Block Party, Stafford, VA

Newsletter Editor Report. Encouraged continued submission of pictures and special interest stories.

Goodwill Ambassador. Present but no report.

Car Talk. Pete Rutledge reported that the fuel injection system on his '57 Corvette has finally been reinstalled and is ready for a road test; in early January, his '99 hardtop became old enough to be registered in Virginia as an "antique"; and recently he acquired on eBay a 70-year old plexiglass rear window for an aftermarket hardtop he has that fits '53-55 Corvettes.

Old Business/Event Follow-ups

- None

New Business.

--The annual ACCC picnic will be on Saturday, September 27 (note day change from previous years) at Widewater State Park.

--After a recommendation by the NCM Ambassador, the membership voted to make a \$XXX.XX donation to the MANNA Foodbank, an Asheville, North Carolina private, not-for-profit service organization working to end food insecurity in its 16-county service area. This area includes those regions hit hard by Hurricane Helene.

--A lifetime ACCC member is dealing with significant health issues. The membership voted to make a \$XXX.XX donation to the specified health society in honor of the member, and have a plant delivered. **(Note: details excluded out of respect for privacy.)**

Other.

--January and February birthdays and anniversaries were announced.

--Dave Jones won the 50/50 raffle and donated the proceeds to the Treasury.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve

Steve Argubright
Secretary/Treasurer



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AQUIA CREEK CORVETTE CLUB

The purpose of this organization shall be to provide educational needs for those with Corvettes, and for the preservation, restoration, and enjoyment of all Corvettes.

NOW IN OUR 38th YEAR

Aquia Creek Corvette Club (ACCC) was formed in September 1987 by a group of die-hard Corvette enthusiasts from Aquia Harbor in Stafford, VA. The name was selected reflecting the Club's geographic and historical origins in the Old Dominion. Through hard work and commitment, ACCC has enjoyed constant growth and now boasts 51 members representing nearly 80 Corvettes, from a 1954 to a 2023. ACCC membership consists primarily of Stafford County residents, but has members from Prince William, Spotsylvania, Culpeper, and Botetourt counties, as well as one member in North Carolina, one in South Carolina, and two in Florida. Since September 8th, 2014, the ACCC Facebook Group has been limited to ACCC members only, except for a few that were already group members.

For more information on ACCC send us an e-mail at: Acclub@aol.com



Find us on
Facebook

[https://www.facebook.com/
groups/437699356306459/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/437699356306459/)

Aquia Creek Corvette Club is sponsored by

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NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM (NCM)

March 2025

Dave Jones (Email: oneregal@yahoo.com)

The yearly kickoff event for the NCM is the Michelin National Corvette Museum Michelin Bash, coming April 24-26, 2025. This will be the 28th Annual Michelin Bash and is a great way to start off the event season. All activities are exclusively open to event registrants only. Online registration closes on April 4 and includes a Hardcard Credential, Lanyard, Event Pin and Dash Plaque. Online registration (Advance Rates) are: Lifetime Members - \$40 per person; Museum Members - \$45 per person; Non-Members \$55 per person.

The agenda for the Bash includes many events that are held date-specific. To view the full agenda with specific dates and times visit the Museum website at corvettemuseum.org. A partial listing of events and any associated added costs is as follows:

- High Performance Driving Experience (HPDE) located in the Museum Motorsports Park. <http://www.motorsportspark.org/drive-your-car/> (Added costs apply.)
- LT1: Green River Distillery & Lunch - \$60 for Museum Members, \$65 for Non-Members.
- LT2 Cheekwood Tour & Lunch - \$80 Members and \$85 Non-Members.
- LT3: Lincoln Museum Historic Tour & Lunch at the Back Home Restaurant. \$45 Members, \$50 Non-Members.
- C8 Classroom Session with Paul Koerner, GM world Class Certified Technician. \$80.
- National Corvette Museum Update by NCM Board Chair Kaye Wagner.
- Accelerate Your Curiosity: Engage in STEAM sessions at the McMichael Education Gallery.
- Elfi's Silver Pearl Sisterhood (Open to current members of Elfi's Silver Pearl Sisterhood.)
- Behind-the-Scenes of the Pratt Miller Fantasy Camp Driven by Mobil 1.
- Artifact Pitstop: Zora Duntov's 1974 Corvette.
- Live Auction
- Bowling Green Assembly Plant Update.
- BQTI1: Corvette Racing by Pratt Miller Motorsports (Dinner). \$60 Members, \$65 for Non-Members.
- National Corvette Museum Event Touring Laps - Motorsports Park. (Added costs apply.)
- LT4: Green River Distillery & Lunch. \$60 Members, \$65 Non-Members.
- Ladies Garage.
- Exhibit *Deep Dive*: Pop Culture and Corvette.



www.corvettemuseum.org
www.corvettestore.com





**NEWS FROM THE
NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM (NCM)**

March 2025 (cont'd)

Dave Jones (Email: oneregal@yahoo.com)

- Artifact Pitstop: Corvette Oral Histories.
- Corvette Hall of Fame Announcement.
- Corvette Team Presentation on latest production updates.
- Artifact Pitstop: Astro II Blueprint.
- Mobil 1 Tech Talk.
- Sip & Paint Experience. \$45 Members, \$50 Non-Members.
- LT7: Casey Jones Distillery & Lunch Onsite. \$70 Members-75 Non-Members.
- NCM Car Show.
- LT8: General Jackson Showboat-Nashville. \$85 Members, \$90 Non-Members.
- Exhibit Deep Dive: Speed Captured.

As you can see the agenda is full of interesting topics and off-site adventures so please check the Museum website for more details. The NCM is open 9AM-5PM CT beginning on March 1, 2025.

Dave



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www.corvettestore.com



ACCCording to the Vice President & ACC EVENTS
Marie Sizemore

Events for the next few months:

March: No breakfast. We are having lunch at Grass Roote's in Culpeper at 1PM. Marie is the POC for this event.

1st & 3rd Saturday of the month, Cars and Coffee at Tackett's Mill in Woodbridge, VA, 8 to 10AM.

March 13 to 17: Outer Banks St. Patrick's Day. MaryAnne McGovern is the POC for this event.

March 18: ACCC Business meeting at 7PM at Aquia Harbour.

April 5: Breakfast at Silver Diner in Central Park, Fredericksburg, at 10AM. Marie is POC.

April 12: Battlefield Corvette Club cruise to Massanutten. Flyer in this Newsletter.

April 15: ACCC Business meeting at 7PM at Aquia Harbour.

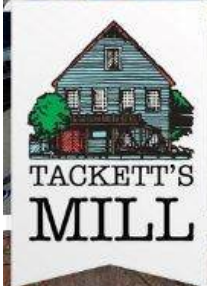
April 26: Regester Chapel Block Party, 11AM to 3PM, Stafford, VA.

May 3: Breakfast at Juke Box Diner at 10AM in Manassas, VA. Marie is POC.

May 4 : The Winery at LaGrange info and registration Old Dominion Corvette Club

May 20: ACCC Business meeting at 7PM at Aquia Harbour

Marie



UPCOMING DATES: 3/15, 4/5,
4/19, 5/3, 5/17, 6/7, 6/21, 7/5
7/19, 8/2, 8/16, 9/6, 9/20

CARS & COFFEE WOODBRIDGE

8AM-10AM

1ST & 3RD SATURDAYS
OF THE MONTH!

TACKETT'S MILL
12724 HARBOR DR
WOODBRIDGE, VA 22192



 **Cars & Coffee - Woodbridge**  **@carsandcoffeewoodbridge**

2025 OPENING CAR SEASON

CAR MEET/PARTY



Hosted by: Poorboys
performance and Elite
Speed Performance

March 22nd

230 industrial
drive
fredericksburg
va

- MUSIC BY DJ CORY
- CORN HOLE
- BEER PONG



Annual Charity Winter Breakout Cruise To Massanutten Hosted by Battlefield Corvette Club



Open to all makes of Cars & Trucks.

\$10 minimum donation. Door prizes.

100% of proceeds will go to support the Thurman Brisben charity

Depart April 12, Saturday, 9:30 am, Route: Wegmans parking lot, 2281 Carl D. Silver Pkwy; to River Road, to Route 3 West; Rt 20 to Orange, RT 33 West, Bathroom Stop at Walmart, over the mountain and to Massanutten Ski Resort. Lunch at Massanutten BBQ restaurant.



Willing Warriors — Continuing Needs How ACCC Members Can Help

As we all know, Willing Warriors in Haymarket, VA, is a great cause. We attend their Vettes for Vets Corvette Show every year. There is a way we can help them on a continuing basis. They have recurring needs for the following:

- **Cases of Bottled Water** to keep in the garage refrigerator for volunteers who are working and Warrior families when they play outside or go off-site.
- **Tall Kitchen Trash Bags**
- **Dawn Dish Soap**
- **Paper Towels**
- **Septic Safe Toilet Paper**
- **Gallon and Quart size freezer zip lock baggies**
- **Pledge**
- **Snack bars** such as Nature Valley Granola bars

If you bring any of the above items to any ACCC meeting, ACCC Associate member Mary Anne McGovern has volunteered to get them to Willing Warriors. Thank you Mary Anne.



What Did You Do to Your Corvette?

Steve Argubright — 2021 HTC C8

Took MY 2021 HTC into Lindsay this morning for its 12,000 mile routine maintenance visit. There were no unexpected surprises and my extended warranty paid for it all. I have eight more "free" maintenance visits on the plan. On Friday morning it goes to the detailer for a Spring cleaning!!"



Pete Rutledge — 1957 Corvette

Finally, after 8 months, I got the fuel injection unit back from the expert in Tennessee and put it back on the engine (see below). Ready for road testing. Hold on to your hats!



BEFORE



AFTER

March Birthdays	March Anniversaries*
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<p> Mar 3 — Gene Kneibert Mar 3 — Jack Whitis Mar 6 — Ron Mahaffey Mar 15 — Steve Argubright Mar 21 — Jim Eden Mar 23 — Jan Rutledge Mar 28 — Angie Kneibert </p>	<p>None that we know of</p>
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Please Note: If we fail to list your birthday or anniversary, it may be because we don't have your dates in our membership database. If you would like to see your birthdays/anniversaries listed in the future, please let Marie Sizemore know just the month and day of your events.

FOR SALE, FREE, or WANTED

None this month.

Send your sale, free, and wanted ads to the editor for publication in future issues.

March 2025

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

						<i>1 Cars 'n Coffee @ Woodbridge</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13 Outer Banks</i>	<i>14 Outer Banks</i>	<i>15 Cars & Coffee @ Woodbridge Outer Banks</i>
<i>16 Outer Banks</i>	<i>17 Outer Banks</i>	<i>18 ACCC meeting @ Aquia Har- bour</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>					

NOTE: See "ACCC Events" on Page 8 for the details on particular events. **ACCC club events**

ACCC CLUB JACKETS



Members can order club jackets embroidered with our logo by Heartland Embroidery, 2072 Richmond Highway, Stafford, VA (phone: 540-659-5799) (open 8:30-5:00, Mon-Thu; closed Fri). As show in the pictures to the left, a large embroidered club logo is on the rear; the front would normally have a smaller club logo on left chest; other options available but might be extra cost. Jackets come in **three varieties (prices do not include tax):**

1. Competitor Jackets — nylon outer shell, front zipper; \$69.98 up to XL; \$71.98 for 2XL; \$73.98 for 3XL; \$75.98 for 4XL.

2. Denim Jackets (shown at left) — stone-washed indigo denim, button front; \$75.98 up to XL; \$77.98 for 2XL; \$79.98 for 3XL; \$81.98 for 4XL.

3. Welded Soft Shell Jackets — polyester woven shell bonded to water-resistant film insert and polyester microfleece lining, front

zipper; \$73.98 up to XL; \$75.98 for 2XL; \$77.98 for 3XL; \$79.98 for 4XL.

(ABOVE PRICES WERE LAST UPDATED IN MARCH 2024.)

Contact Heartland Sign Works (address and phone above) to place your order.

QUALITY JACKETS AT GREAT PRICES!!



ACCC STORE
Items For Sale at all Club Events*



American Flags: \$7.00 ea.
Club Flags: \$16.00 ea.
Patches: \$5.00 ea.
Decals/Stickers: \$3.00 ea.



ACCC Name Badges



* Available at Prince William Engraving, 2608 Dynasty Loop, Woodbridge, VA 22192. PH: 703-494-2658. Badges take 5-7 days and will cost \$12.19 each (when we last checked).

Aquia Creek Corvette Club Application (Print application) To join or renew membership, either bring application to business meeting, see schedule for time and place, or mail application and membership dues to address at bottom left of application. **IF RENEWING, THIS APPLICATION IS FOR YEAR 20_____.**



Membership Application or Renewal

Date: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE : _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE (HOME) _____ (WORK) _____ EMAIL: _____

SPOUSE _____

BIRTHDAY (MEMBER/ASSOCIATE) Month ____ Day ____ (SPOUSE) Month ____ Day ____

ANNIVERSARY Month ____ Day ____

May this information be published in the ACCC Member Directory: YES ____ NO ____

Corvettes currently owned:

Year ____ Style ____ Color ____ Engine ____

Year ____ Style ____ Color ____ Engine ____

DUES INFORMATION:

	<u>ANNUAL</u>	<u>LIFETIME</u>
ACCC Annual Dues (Member) (after Apr 1 - Half/Annual)	\$30.00 _____	\$150.00 _____
ACCC Annual Dues (Spouse) (after Apr 1 - Half/Annual)	\$20.00 _____	\$100.00 _____
Associate Member (after Apr 1 - Half/Annual)	\$20.00 _____	\$100.00 _____
TOTAL	_____	_____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO ACCC FOR ALL FEES

MAIL APPLICATION AND APPLICABLE FEES TO:

Chris Mendl, Membership Gov
203 Northview Dr.
Falmouth, VA 22405

ALTERNATIVE ADDRESS:

Aquia Creek Corvette Club
P.O. BOX 986
Stafford, VA 22555

Member or Applicant's Signature

ACCC Membership Governor's Signature