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ANNUAL BOWLING EVENT

Eleven brave BCC members showed off some pretty good bowling skills at our annual event. Some better than others. Turn to page nine if you dare.



ROMER'S DINNER DANCE

Dancing with the Stars has nothing on the members of the BCC. A group of us "cut the rug" at this annual fundraiser.

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On The Cover

This month, our front page shows just how acrobatic some of our members are when it comes to bowling. Who is that?



The Brookville Corvette Club meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Leiber Center – Golden Gate Park in Brookville, Ohio at 7:00. Everyone is invited to attend.



RANSELLS ON VACATION, Pt. 2 06

Yep. Dave and Paula continue to tolerate Florida for the third straight month.

ANNUAL BOWLING EVENT 09

We did it again. A slew of members exhibited amazing bowling skills at the Thunderbowl in Englewood. Check it out.

ROMER'S DINNER/DANCE 13

Check out pictures from Romer's annual dinner/dance supporting the local neurological center.

DAYTONA BIKE WEEK 17

We spent part of our vacation at Daytona Beach attending the 81st annual Bike Week event. Check it out.

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Well, here it is, April already. We're starting to see vestiges of warmer weather. I'm sure by now that some of you have already had your Vette out for the first spin of the season. Yeah!!

While March was a somewhat slow month, we did have a few activities to cover in Flags.

Ransdells wrapped up their winter vacation just outside of Ocala, FL. Cindy and I had the chance to stop in and visit them on our way back home from our two-week adventure all over Florida. It was fun and we had a great time spending several hours with Paula and Dave.

We also held our annual Bowling Party at Thunderbowl in Englewood. After bowling three games, I'm thinking we need to change the name to the BCC Bowling Party, sponsored by Advil. Geeez!

A large contingent of BCC members headed up to St. Henry to attend Romer's annual dinner/dance that benefits the **St. Henry Neurological Center**. Had a great time and neither of the Romers blew out a shoe!

We've got several trips in the planning stages for this year. Stay tuned for details. Also, don't forget that the first car show of the season will be on Saturday, April 16th at National Trails High School. There will be meet-up times and locations coming out shortly.

It's time to rock 'n roll for the season. Dust off that Vette and get ready to enjoy warmer weather and some fun stuff. Remember, whatever you do, just have fun doing it. Legally, of course.

Rick

Hi, all!

Really looking forward to springtime once again! We have a lot of things in the works.

- First things first, we'll have our Cruise-In sign-up sheets at the next meeting.
- Next up is area car shows and events. Most have been updated in our calendar.
- End of April, the Bash at the Corvette Museum.
- The Kentucky Horsepark and Bourbon Trail trip.

There is a lot more happening and we'll keep you up to date as things come up.

As you can see, now is the time to get involved with "your Club". Please check in with any Board member as we always need help coming up with ideas and truly appreciate your input and feedback.

Hope to see many of you at our meeting on the 14th. In the meantime, don't forget to

SAVE THE WAVE.

Prez Gary

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BCC CLUB MEETING

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, April 14. The raffle returns with a few new, innovative giveaways. How will you know what they are? Well, you'll just have to come to the meeting to find out. That, plus we need some new winners. I think a few people are stock-piling detail spray.



MICHELIN BASH AT NCM

If you have not yet signed up for the Bash at the end of April, it's too late now. We've got a pretty good crew headed down to the event. For those that couldn't attend, we'll have a complete report in the next issue of Flags or, if need be, a separate special issue depending on the amount of information we gather. Stay tuned!



NATIONAL TRAILS CAR SHOW

The very first car show of the season kicks off on April 16th at National Trails High School in New Paris. Usually a well-attended show even if the weather tends to be a little on the chilly side.

Keep an eye out on your email for a message from Joe concerning meet-up times and location. Usually, we meet at the gas station on the corner of Rt. 40 and 127. Will confirm.



THE RANSELLS VACATION

TO BE CONTINUED...→

This is just a quick reminder that David and Paula are still on vacation in sunny Florida. How do I know this? They keep sending pictures of their adventures. Not only that, but they keep rubbing it in just how nice the weather has been.

Case in point. Dave sent me a picture that he took of a recent car show that was being held locally. Just look at those skies. And he captions the picture with "Boy, it sucks to be in Florida in the winter". I rest my case.



So, we decided to drop in on the Ransdells and confirm or deny the rumors that they are, indeed, having a great time. Alas, after spending several hours with them, we can confirm that they **ARE** having a great time. Of course, by the time you read this, they will have already returned from their winter vacation.

Check out the following pictures and see for yourself.

Once we arrived, Dave and Paula decided that we had to run out to one of their favorite local watering holes to have lunch. So, off we went. First stop: the restaurant was closed (it was Monday). So, no worries, we drove over to a really nice lake to have lunch there. Guess what? Closed! Again, it was Monday. Cindy and I were wondering if they really knew the area eating establishments.

But, no fail, we finally found a very historic restaurant chain that ended up being no more than a mile from their campsite. The world famous Iron Skillet! You know, fine dining attached to a gas station.



We headed back to their campsite and took a golf cart tour of the RV Park. Nestled in the woods just off of I-75 near Ocala, the park can hold up to 400 trailers, motorhomes and 5th wheels. Almost all of it is shaded except for the newer sections.

Dave drove by a local fenced in pond to show us where the two local gators reside. Of course, Dave stopped and made sure to point out the "Beware of Alligator" sign that was posted on the fence. If it was me, I wouldn't be scolding a 20 foot gator, but that's just me.

On the next page, you'll see a picture that I snapped of Dave in the pool wrestling that same alligator. If you remember in last month's edition of Flags, Dave was competing in an alligator feeding exhibit. This guy loves gators.

Who'd a thunk it?





It was great to be able to stop by and visit with Dave and Paula on our way back home. The RV Park is very nice. The people we met were just down-home friendly. It was very apparent that Dave and Paula knew just about everyone that we passed by.

A great way to spend the winter, that's for sure!



BCC BOWLING PARTY IN ENGLEWOOD

On Saturday, March 19th, a large contingent of BCC members headed over to **Englewood's Thunderbowl** bowling lanes to show off their bowling skills (or lack thereof). We actually had a larger group in the peanut gallery that watched the show. Not sure who had the most fun.



Gary, Lana and Jerry



Don, Joan and Bud



Leslie, Bob and Sue

The action was non-stop and downright hilarious on many levels.



Left, you see Dale with his hands in the air after apparently rolling a strike. On the right, I guess he's not sure what happened and then notice Gary and Neil gesturing what they think of the whole affair.



On the left, that's Karen showing off her perfect PBA form. On the right, that's Diana on her way to rolling one of the best scores of the day. Hey, that's what she told me.

Left, that's me just abusing those really nice hardwood floors. Center, it looks like Patty is not at all happy with her last roll. On the right, I think Cindy looks even more dejected than Patty. Although, if you look to the left in that picture, Diana's body language says "I'm pickin' up that spare". Lean, baby!!!!



So, over to the left, I just had to address Rick's bowling form. First, you can't even hear the ball hit the floor - it makes no contact noise. However, in order to keep his form "quiet", he usually puts his right arm down and touches the floor most of the time. He only fell over twice that I remember.

I just got a kick out of his form. Don't laugh, though. He throws strikes left and right....

just in the opposing lanes.

We're also starting to question how much Neil and Karen spend on their shoes. I mean, if you remember last month, Neil blew out one of his dance shoes during some aggressive moves on the floor (see inset).

Now, during an intense move on the lane, Karen blew out her left shoe!

You would think that they would allocate just a tad bit more money for shoes that would withstand their active lifestyle.

Perhaps we should take up a collection and buy Neil and Karen some better quality footwear.

In the picture to the lower right, I was able to catch Cindy, Diana, Sue and Karen during one of their more competitive battles.

Below, after everyone that bowled pretty much wore themselves out (I think the audience was pretty much worn out also), we all headed over to TJ Chumps to wrap up the day. We had a large crowd show up, so the war stories were just flying around the table.



Sorry, to capture everyone that showed up for the dinner, I had to blend a couple photographs together to include Mike, Lytha and Kathy (behind Gary). We had 26 folks show up for dinner. Wow!

ROMER'S FUNDRAISING DANCE – ST. HENRY



On Saturday, March 26, a contingent of BCC members headed up to St. Henry to celebrate **Romer's annual Neurological Center Fundraiser**. The evening consisted of dinner and then dancing to the music of **The Bulldogs**.

Our group arrived just before 5:00 pm. When we walked in, Karen had reserved two tables just to the left of the entrance. By dinner time, the ballroom was pretty much packed with roughly 250+ people in attendance. Including Neil and Karen, we had 19 members representing the BCC.





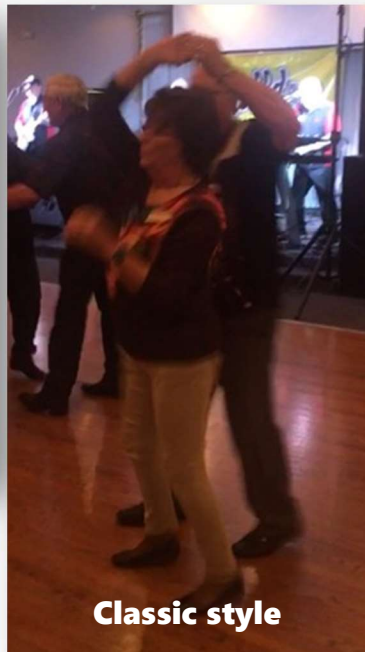
Music was provided by The Bulldogs. Lots of old-time rock and roll. The band sounded pretty good, but didn't play much in the way of slower songs that might have gotten more people out on the dance floor.



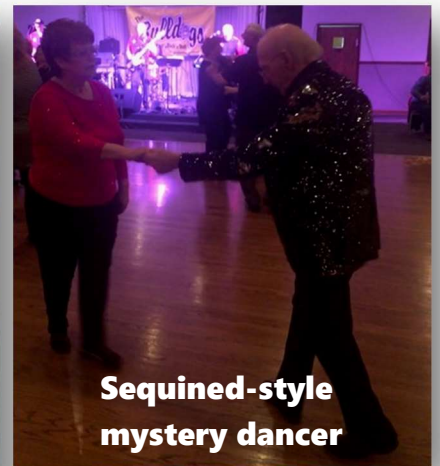
That DID NOT dissuade some of our members from going out on the dance floor and cutting loose. Some had classic dance moves while others just moved in random directions to the music. There was even a little twerking by one of our members. I'll leave it up to you figuring out who that was.



Random twerking style



Classic style



**Sequined-style
mystery dancer**



**Cheryl performing the
Heimlich maneuver on Joe**



Towards the end of the evening, Neil decided to bring the '68 around and park it at the entrance to the banquet hall. I think he really just needed an excuse to listen to those side pipes barking from that 500 HP V8. And bark they do!

Once again, a great evening, always great food and always entertaining hosts. To top it off, also for a very good cause. A fun time no matter how you look at it.



CORVETTE TidBITS

This may or may not end up being a new section for Flags in the future. I thought that I'd start listing information that I read or come across concerning all things Corvette. For those of you that peruse on-line all of the Corvette sites, this is probably all old news. For those of you that don't spend a lot of time on-line, some or most of this will be new news.

- **Pricing updates:** Caught this from the **CorvetteMike** website. Pricing for the 2023 Corvette has been announced. The 2023 base model Stingray will start at \$61,900 plus a \$1,295 destination fee. The base price is up \$1,000 over 2022, but the destination fee remains the same. Pricing for the upcoming Z06 has not yet been announced.
- **Options:** Also from the CorvetteMike site comes information about the new options for 2023. Those options include (at this point) the 70th Anniversary Edition, black exhaust tips, Stealth Aluminum Interior and a new Adrenaline Red Dipped interior color which is only available on the 3LT package.
- **BCC member orders new C8:** Wow, this is neat news. Most of you know that Jerry and Lana Scudder had been trying to sell their 2019 Torch Red Grand Sport coupe. It had been on the market for several months. While we were at TJ Chumps back in mid-March after our bowling event, Jerry shared with us that they decided to go ahead and order a new C8 convertible. I believe he said it was going to be Hypersonic Gray with the 5-spoke sterling wheels.

They are working with a dealer in Indiana who has already purchased their Grand Sport. So, for the time being, the Scudders will be Corvette-less until the new one arrives sometime next year.

In addition to the Romers already having their C8, Rick Snider and Joe Ricketts are patiently waiting for theirs. Tick-tock, guys.

DAYTONA BIKE WEEK

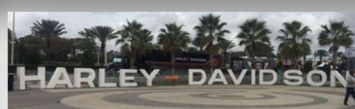
While the Ransdells were parked up in Ocala at a very nice RV park, Cindy and I were roaming around Florida just further south. Our plan was to spend 5 days scooting around Daytona Beach at the **81st annual Daytona Bike Week**, then spend 5 days cruising around the gulf coast region.

We trailered the trike down and spent the majority of the time riding it all over the place. How much riding? We ended up putting 711 miles on the trike between riding the Atlantic coastal area and then over on the gulf coast side.

We had a great time. We ended up visiting St. Augustine, Cocoa Beach, Palm Harbor, Deland (a great bike show on the very first day we were in Daytona), Winterhaven, Bradenton, Sarasota, Long Boat Key, Ana Maria Island, Clearwater and Tampa Bay. During those rides, we ended up visiting 9 various Harley Davidson dealerships (I've now been to 276 HD dealerships). Only 424 left to go!

The weather was pretty good the entire time we were there. We got rained out on just one day which wasn't bad. We found a gaggle of sea food restaurants in our travels (hey, you can get a steak anywhere). All in all, a great two weeks.

In the bottom left photo, that was taken by one of the many photographers that set up all around the greater Daytona area. This was taken on the famous "Loop" drive north of town. Center, we're on the A1A headed north through Ormond Beach on the way to St. Augustine. Right, driving down Main Street where bikes are lined up on both sides of the street for about a ½ mile stretch. Oh, the things you can see....



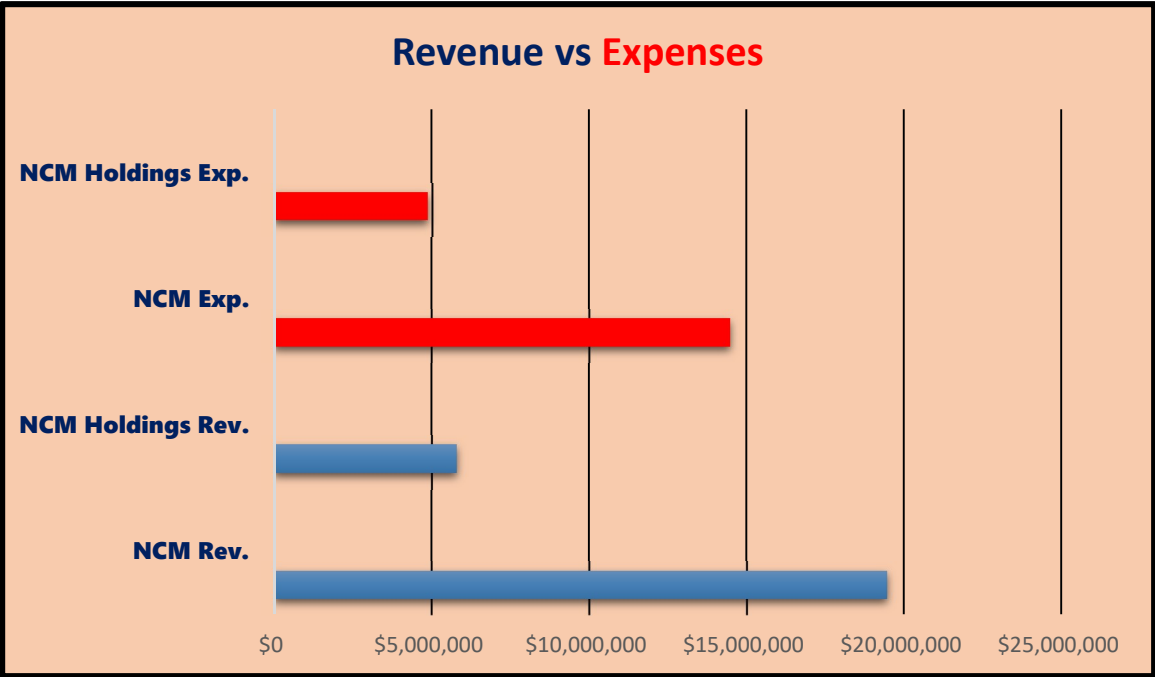
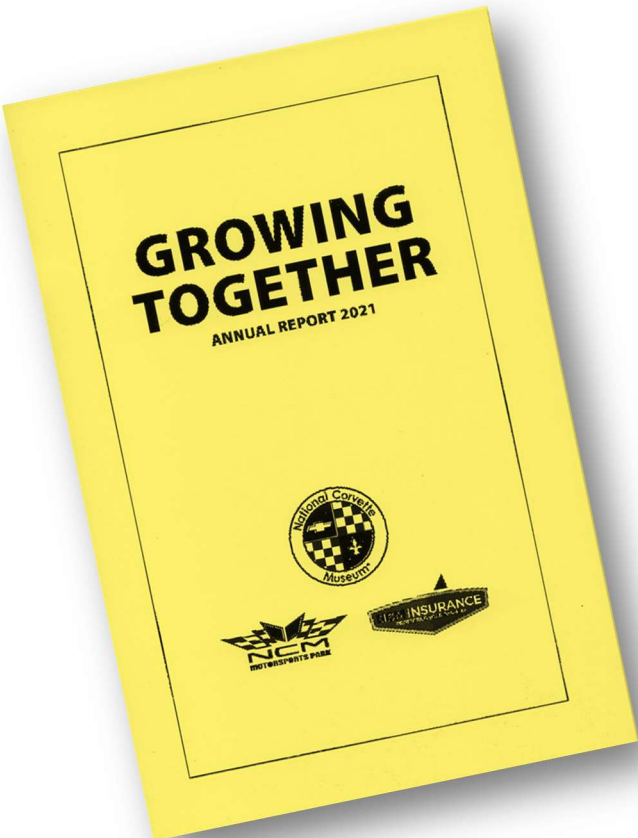
NCM ANNUAL REPORT

I'm not sure if all members of the National Corvette Museum receive a copy of their annual report. We've been members for a number of years and became Lifetime members three years ago. We also make an annual donation to the Museum to support their growth and planning activities.

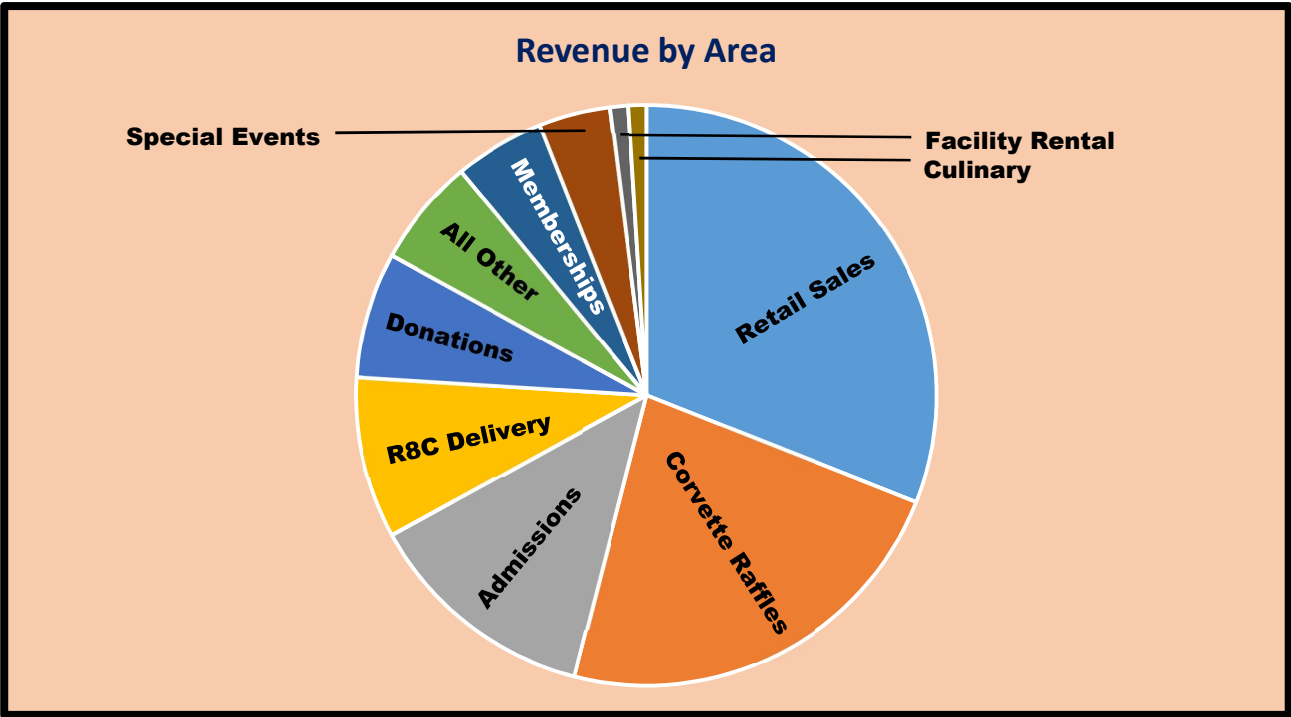
This year's annual report was 26 pages long. Unlike other annual reports, the NCM report cuts to the chase and gets right to the point. A message from the President and CEO (Sharon Brawner), a few articles and a two-page financial summary.

I thought that I'd focus on those two pages to give you some idea of the Museum's revenue, expenses and the contribution some key Museum attributes provide.

In the table below, you can see expenses (NCM Holdings and NCM) in red versus revenue in blue. With revenue at \$25,232,224 and expenses at \$19,311,623, the Museum generated a gross profit of \$5,920,601 or 23.5%. In the table, NCM is just the Museum, while NCM holdings includes NCM insurance and the NCM Motorsports Park.

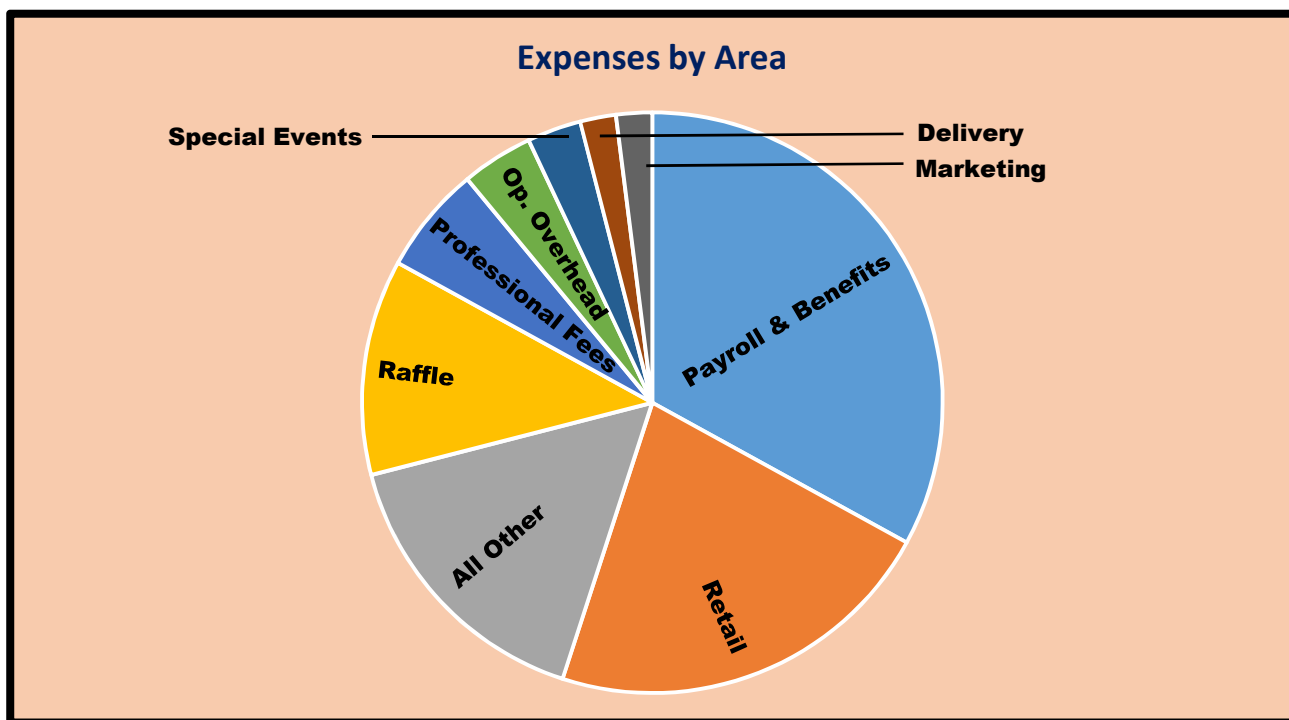


The next table gives you a better understanding where the Museum's revenue comes from. I think most of us are curious not only where the revenue for the Museum is generated, but what areas generate the most revenue.



As you can see, the Museum store generates the largest revenue for the Museum (31%), with Corvette Raffles coming in at number 2 (23%). Third highest revenue generator is Admissions (13%) while R8C delivery is fourth at (9%).

In the table below, you can get an idea where the Museum spends its revenue and where the greatest expenses are. Payroll and benefits leads the pack at 33%. Next was retail at 22% followed by All Other at 16%. Raffles came in 4th at 12%.



The Museum

- Visitors during 2021: **220,327**
- New members 2021: **21,144**
- R8C deliveries 2021: **1,276**
- Store transactions: **17,538**
- Donated Corvettes: **6**
- Window stickers sold: **4,304**

NCM Insurance

- Insured Assets: **\$1,000,000,000**
- New business: **13.8%**
- C8 Production insured: **6.5%**
- Claims paid: **\$3.1 million**

The Motorsports Park

- Guests in Corvettes: **2,407**
- Visitors to the Park: **45,000**
- Revenue increase YOY: **92%**
- States represented: **49**

CALENDAR OF **EVENTS** FOR 2022

January	
13	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
February	
10	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
12	Sweetheart Dance at Romer's Catering – St. Henry
March	
10	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting –Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
19	Bowling Party at Thunderbowl Lanes, Englewood. 2:30 to 4:30. Dinner immediately following bowling at TJ Chumps in Englewood (5:00)
26	50's/60's Night at Romer's catering, St. Henry. Opens at 5:30
April	
14	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
16	National Trails Car Show (1 st of the season). Time TBD
28 -30	Michelin NCM Bash, Bowling Green, KY (Museum). All day.
May	
7	Bud's All Corvette Cruise-In, St. Mary, OH. Details to follow
12	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
15	Arcanum Car Show
21	Progressive BCC Anniversary Dinner.
Postponed	Dayton Honor Flight – Dayton International, return approximately 10:30 p.m.
June	
4	BCC Cruise Into Summer Car Show – Reichard Chevrolet. 3:00 – 9:00 p.m.
09	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
08 - 11	Kentucky Horse Farm & Bourbon Trail tour. Details to follow
12	Greater Dayton All-Corvette Show
July	
4	St. Henry's annual Firecracker Cruise-In Car Show – St. Henry
14	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Location to be announced. 7:00 p.m.
16	Victory Church Truck, Car & Bike Show – Troy, OH. 9:00 am – 3:00 p.m.
17	Stillwater Car Show
19 - 21	Gilmore Car Museum tour. 3 days

August	
6	Midwest British Car Show, Eastwood Metro Park. 9 AM to 4 PM. FREE
6	Voss Car Show - Centerville
7	NASCAR Party @ Ransdells
11	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
13	Englewood Festival Cruise-In, Centennial Park. 11:00 to 3:00 p.m. \$10 per
27	21 st Annual Old Fashion Downtown Saturday Night – Eaton. 2:00 – 8:00 PM
28	Antioch Shrine Custom Car, Bike & Truck Show. Dayton. Time TBD
September	
1 - 3	27 th Anniversary Event @ the National Corvette Museum – Bowling Green, KY
08	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
11	17 th Annual Lancaster Car Show
Postponed	Dayton Honor Flight – Dayton International, return approximately 10:30 p.m.
TBD	Rolling 50's Classics, Inc. Fall Cruise-In. Greenville downtown. 2:00 to 8:00
TBD	Mid-America Funfest, Effingham, IL
23	Tipp City Mum Festival Cruise-In. Time TBD
24	Apple Festival
October	
TBD	Annual Heritage of Flight Cruise-In. New Carlisle. 4:00 – 10:00 p.m.
13	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
November	
10	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
12	BCC Pizza Party @ Marion's in Englewood. Watch for details in an e-mail
December	
08	Brookville Corvette Club Meeting – Golden Gate Park, Brookville. 7:00 p.m.
10	Brookville Corvette Club Christmas Party. Party Barn at Tiernan's

(Note: Events/dates that have been grayed out means that either the date for the event has not yet been announced or it has already taken place. All events in black/red are confirmed as of this writing.)

AMBASSADOR'S REPORT



Here's what's going on down at the **National Corvette Museum** during the month of April.

WIN A NEW CORVETTE

On **March 24, 2022**, a drawing for a 2022 Red Mist convertible will be held at 2:00 PM CST. Tickets are \$200 each and only 1,500 tickets will be sold.

On **April 21, 2022**, there will be a drawing for a 2022 Elkhart Lake Blue Coupe. Tickets are \$100 with a maximum of 2,000 tickets to be sold. Drawing is at 2:00 PM CST.

On **April 30, 2022**, a drawing for a '22 Arctic White Convertible will be held. \$20 per ticket with unlimited tickets available. Drawing will be held at 3:00 CST.

To buy raffle tickets, head on over to CorvetteMuseum.org, click on **>Join & Give** and then click on **>Corvette Raffles**.



NCM CURATOR RESIGNS

The Museum announced on March 21st that Derek Moore, Curator at the NCM since 2017, has resigned to take a similar position at the Lane Motor Museum in Nashville. Derek has done a great job at the NCM, and was praised by the NCM President and CEO Sharon Brawner in her announcement. Derek's last day at the NCM will be April 8th.

Derek's successor will be announced as soon as the search for a new Curator has been finalized.

All our best to Derek.

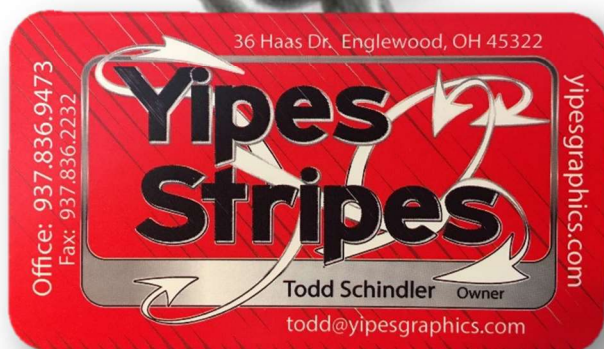


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Hours and Directions

The National Corvette Museum is open between 8am and 5pm, CST, 7 days a week. Last tickets are sold at 4:30 each day. The Museum is located just off of I-65 at exit 28 (about 90 minutes south of Louisville).

The Museum is closed New Year’s Day, Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

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