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Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club

Vette Waves

August 2025 Newsletter



On The Cover: President Brenda Myers and Vice President George Woodrum present a donation to Survivors of Blue Suicide.



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President Myers'

Monthly Report



Hello LOCC Members,

Mother Nature made sure that Hot Summer Nights lived up to it's name on Friday, July 11th. We wanted the air conditioner running on our "joy ride" to Stover and then to the Bagnell Strip. Overall, we had seventeen Corvettes on display with members conversing well into the evening. We even recruited some new members! It was a good night.

Following HSN, our July meeting was held on July 13th at the Great American Campground and Dive Bar in Gravois Mills. Mother nature wasn't as kind Sunday morning. With rainy conditions, most members decided to keep their Corvettes tucked away in their garage. But it was a good turnout with 73 members with 10 Corvettes. The Bloody Mary bar that was set up was a big hit.

Steve and I celebrated our 30th anniversary on July 15th. The surprise was on me when I walked into Chic's n Dix HonkyTonk & Saloon for Corvette night on 16th and saw the nautical flags that Steve proposed to me with hanging proudly around the bar. Thank you to the members that came out and helped us celebrate. It was quite impressive to see the parking lot filled with Corvettes coming into the HonkyTonk parking lot. In addition, three new corvette enthusiasts joined LOCC that night! As someone said, we're not just a club, we're family.

The fun continued in July with the Ladies Day trip on Saturday, July 19th. I get such a kick out of folks ogling over the Corvettes and then all us ladies go out and get in them. Many thanks to Sandy Funk for organizing a fun filled day of shopping, lunch and fellowship.

On Monday, July 21st, George and I distributed \$3,125 to eight local charities from the proceeds of the annual Corvettes in Paradise car show. It is such a humbling experience to hear the good work these charities provide for the community and the recipients are so grateful to get the much-needed donations.

We had three LOCC Corvettes attend the Height of Summer Indoor Corvette Show hosted by the Heart of Oklahoma Corvette Club. Congratulations to Ron and Ingrid Duxtader for getting second in the C7 Wide Body class with their stunning 2019 Elkhart Blue Grand Sport Convertible. Not bad for their first car show!

Hopefully August will cool down for us. We are traveling the first couple of weeks back to Minnesota, so I know we'll be cooler. Please continue to follow the monthly newsletter, LOCC Facebook page and website for current information and activities. If you have any ideas for day or weekend trips you would like to lead, send your plans to me at brendajomyers@comcast.net so we can execute as many as we can. Share club opportunities when you meet new Corvette enthusiasts at or near the Lake of the Ozarks. We always encourage and welcome new members.

George will be leading the next meeting, August 10th at Don Chillilo's Sunrise Cantina at 264 Sunset Hills Drive in Sunrise Beach. Thank you all for your continued support and club participation!

Stay cool, Brenda

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Date: July 13, 2025

Location: Great American Dive Bar, 32107 MO-135, Gravois Mills MO 65037

Time Meeting Started: 12:10pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Mary Hardesty

Intro: Special thanks to Joel, John & staff of Great American Dive Bar for their hospitality towards LOCC. Also thanks to the often forgotten kitchen staff.

New Members or First Meeting:

Jered & Jena Hale - 2024 C8 Torch Red Stingray

John Hogan & Candi Rowland - 2004 C5 Medium Spiral Grey (not present)

Danny Nunamaker - 2019 C7 Blue Stingray

Joe & Jane Folta - 2024 C8 Hypersonic Gray Stingray

Jeff & Leslie Wolfe - 2023 C8 Black 70th Anniversary (not present)

Birthdays & Anniversaries: 2 Birthdays & 5 Anniversaries (147 years combined total)

Members New/Different Cars: none

Old Business:

June 12-14 - Central Arkansas Corvette Club Corvette Weekend (Ellen Ensminger)

Indoor show at Hot Springs AR

Congratulations to Don & Peggy Sturn in placing 3rd in the C8 Wide-Body class with their 2023 Red Metallic Tintcoat Convertible.

July 5 - 5th of July Annual Car Show and Fireworks (Don Dettmann)

Don Dettmann was awarded "Runner Up" with his 2021 C8 Elkart Lake Blue Metallic Stingray Convertible.

July 11 - Hot Summer Nights

11 LOCC Corvettes went on a preHSN "Joy Ride" to Skelly's Ice Cream Shoppe then arriving at HSN 4:45pm to set up. 17

LOCC Corvettes were on display at HSN. New members Jeff & Leslie Wolfe joined LOCC while at HSN.

July 12 - Camden County "Shop with a Cop" Car show at Camdenton High School (Rudy Willingham & Kathy Needham)

Over 150 cars were present with 4 LOCC Corvettes.

Officer Reports:

Vice President, George Woodrum:

Membership - 228

Corvettes - 182

Treasurer, Jim McMillan:

Car Show Account

Beginning balance 6/1/2025 \$ 26,717.38

Deposits

Checks (77.00)

Xfer to Club account

Ending balance 6/30/2025 \$ 26,640.38
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Club Account

Beginning balance 6/1/2025 \$6,599.84

Deposits 1,962.00

Checks (2,529.15)

Credit Card (41.84)

Xfers to Show Account
(2,384.36)

Ending balance 6/30/2025 \$ 5,990.85
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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary, Sherry Lantz:

of Corvettes: 10(due to weather)

of People: 73

NCM Ambassador, Ed Carr: The Board voted to extend LOCC's membership for 5 more years at \$600. There are still factory tours available in August and November in 2025. Each year NCM holds an Ambassador Academy in November. Ed suggested that the Board consider appointing a new Ambassador in October (Ed is retiring from the position) to allow a new LOCC Ambassador to attend this Academy. The NCM 2024 banner featuring a C4 will be auctioned off. The auction will end after the August meeting and bids can be placed via email to Brenda.

Webmaster, Melody Spanos: Website <https://locc2010.net/>

Public Relations, Sandy Funk: LOCC's Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1142141526490872/>

Brenda reported that LOCC had a presence in the July/ August LO Profile Magazine. Marlin Hammond sent a LOCC Thank You to Missy Pinkel for her CIP Sponsorship. It also had a write up on CIP and shared that LOCC was presenting \$25,000 to 8 different local charities. Gary Elwick is in the process of sending out emails to CIP participants thanking them for their participation. He will also send out "Save the Date" notices to participants later in the year.

Newsletter, Tammy Walker: Keep sending pictures and articles to Tammy. July's Newsletter dropped the evening of July 12 so check your email.

Project/Project/Event Manager, Gina McLachlan: Nothing to report

Club Communications, Ron Wehmeyer: Some have had issues with not receiving emails. If you have not received notifications, first check your spam folder for them, then contact Ron Wehmeyer, Brenda Myers, or George Woodrum to verify we have your correct email address.

New Business:

July 16th - Corvette Night @ Chic's N Dix HonkyTonk & Saloon, 11754 MO-5, Sunrise Beach MO (just north of Hurricane Deck Bridge) - If you drive your corvette to this event, Steve Myers will buy your first beverage of choice.

July 19th - Ladies Day Lunch & Drive—Meeting at 10:00 at Stone Crest Mall in front of Lake & Land Trading Company. After a little shopping we plan to depart at 11:00 for lunch at Copone's Speakeasy in Eldon (we have a password). After lunch we will drive back to the Lake going up the strip and ending at Mathany's Family Vineyard. LOCC gentlemen are welcome to join us there around 2:00ish. Currently 8 drivers & 7 riders have signed up. Contact Sandy by 12:00 noon Monday July 14th.

July 25th -26^{thm} - Heart of Oklahoma Corvette Show in McAlester, OK— At this time no LOCC members plan to attend.

August 8th - Hot Summer Nights

August 9th - Torque Motorsports "Cars & Coffee" - Monthly event held from 8-11am.

August 22nd - 23rd - NW Summer's End Arkansas Show—Show of hands of LOCC members attending

September 5th - Hot Summer Nights Veteran's Parade—Last HSN of 2025. Looking for a LOCC member to coordinate the parade.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

September 11-13 – Corvettes at Karls – LOCC has a block of rooms (25) reserved at the Residence Inn Des Moines in Ankeny for \$159.00 per night. Last Day to Book is Tuesday, August 12. This is an invitation only event so if interested contact Jamie Paulson at J.PAULSON@KARLCHEVOLET.COM

September 12 – Battle on Elm Group Cruise - 260 West Elm Street, Lebanon MO - Car Show for Ford vs Chevrolet

September 25th – 28th – Corvette Weekend at Eureka Springs (Rudy Willingham) - 60+ LOCC members attended in 2024. Gina McLachlan will be sending out a questionnaire soon. Things are planned similar to previous years but a little different. This event is similar to Bikers at Sturgis but with Corvettes at Eureka Springs. Email with details coming out soon.

Other New Business:

**Marlin Hammond shared a LOCC license plate design that will be available for \$10.00. The actual plate will have a red background with black lettering. 25th Anniversary shirts and torch red LOCC cotton shirts are available for \$20.00 each.

**Brenda Myers shared that she had 25th Anniversary Coins available to those that had not received theirs.

**Rudy Willingham spoke that his after meeting drive will still be available to anyone interested. He also brought attention to the LOCC license plate that is on display at Great American Dive Bar. Last summer a small LOCC group took a Day Trip and presented the owners with it. Rudy also mentioned that currently 16 LOCC members are planning to attend KRMS sponsored "Beat the Winter Blues" Puerto Vallarta February 14th – 21st trip staying at the all-inclusive Riu Palace Pacifico.

**Brenda Myers requested for another hand of applause for Great American Dive Bar & Staff.

**David Lantz asked about when rooms at Eureka Springs were going to be assigned. Brenda plans to send out an email next week.

Day Trips:

Plan and share your suggestions

50/50 Drawing:

Last month's winner Chastity Worley (new member) had to work so Mark & Gina McLachlan filled in with selling tickets. New member Joe Folta drew out the winning ticket and new member Danny Nunamaker was presented with \$100. New members were informed about winning the 50/50 drawing allows them to sell the tickets at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: August 10th – Don Chilillo's Sunrise Cantina, 264 Sunset Hills Dr., Sunrise Beach MO 65079

Continue to promote the Club and recruit new members.

Meeting adjourned: 12:53 pm





The HSN "Joy Ride" that was cancelled in June, started off the third Hot Summer Nights on July 11th. It was a warm afternoon, but 11 Corvettes (and one Cadillac) met at Chic N Dix's Honkeytonk to start the trek to Stover over the hilly windy roads. There we stopped at Skelly's Ice Cream Shoppe. We enjoyed some good food and of course, indulged in the wonderful ice cream. Then it was back to Bagnell Strip.

A total of seventeen Corvettes were proudly displayed at Two Bit Town for Hot Summer Nights. Even recruited a couple of new members, Jeff & Leslie Wolfe with their 70th Anniversary Corvette. Even though it was HOT, folks stayed around chill'n under the LOCC tents and having good conversations and fellowship. All in all, a good night!





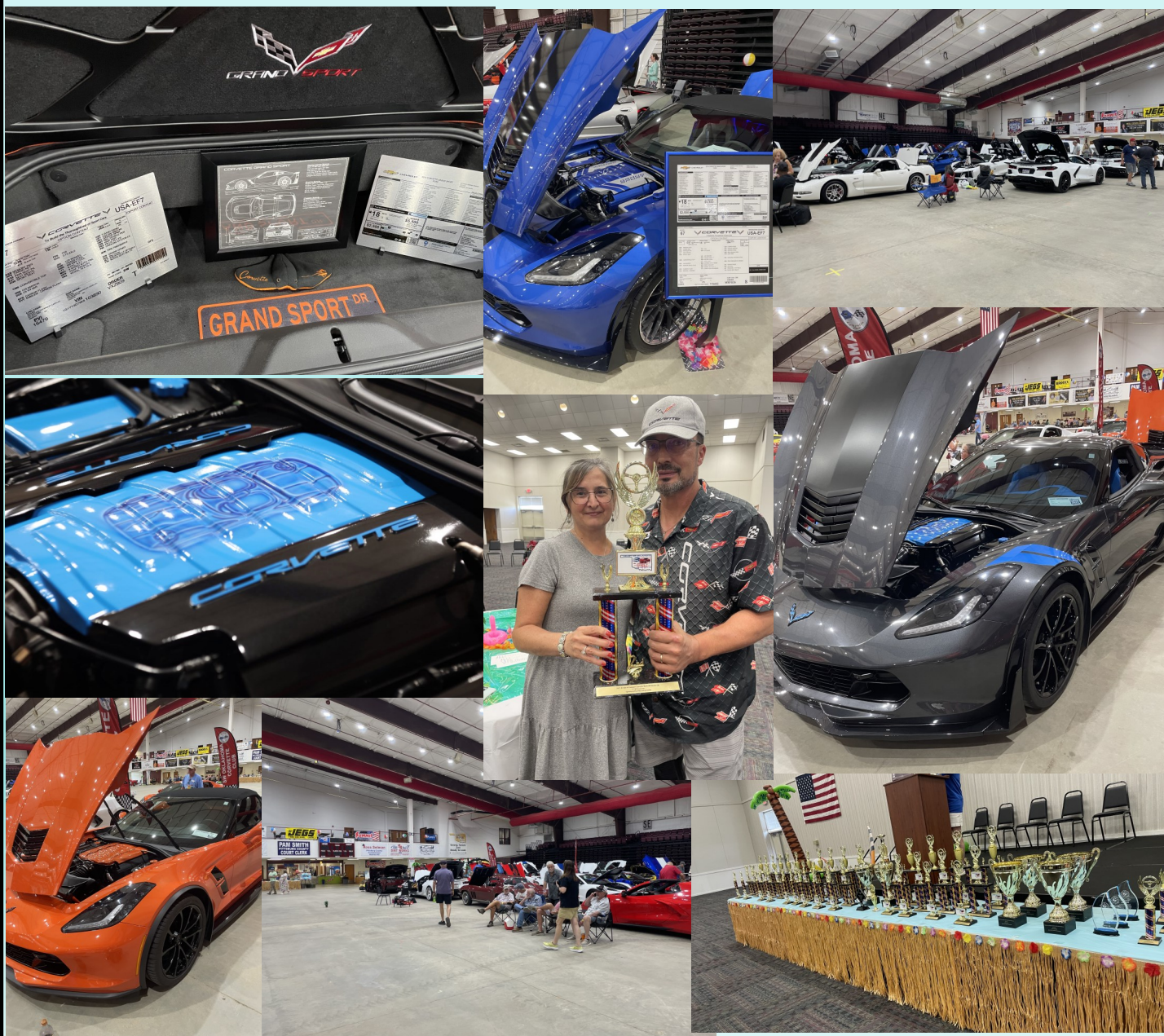
On July 21st, eight local charities were awarded \$3125 each out of proceeds from the 5th annual Corvettes in Paradise car show. That's a total of \$25,000 that LOCC gave in 2025. Overall, since the inception of Corvettes in Paradise, LOCC has given \$88,500 to local charities over the past five years! This year's well-deserving charities included: Share the Harvest Food Pantry, Survivors of Blue Suicide, Community Bed Building, Missouri Forget Me Know Horse Rescue, Dogwood Animal Shelter, Kid's Harbor, Inc., WOO-Women Overcoming Obstacles, and Meow Town. A special thank you to Linda Woodrum for being the photographer for the day.



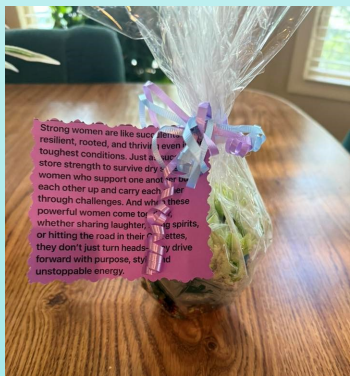




elody Spanos, Adam Spanos, Ron Doxtader and Ingrid Doxtader traveled to Oklahoma for HOCC Height of Summer Corvette Show at Southeast Expo on July 25 & 26. This was Ron and Ingrid Doxtader first time entering a corvette show. We all worked really hard cleaning up our corvettes on Friday and then attended the meet and greet at the Expo. Saturday morning, we were cleaning again preparing our cars for the judging in the hopes we would be rewarded for our efforts. The C7 Wide Body Class was a large class only rewarding 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. In the end Adam won a members choice award for his 2017 Watkins Glen Gray Metallic Grand Sport Collector's Edition. Ron and Ingrid Doxtader won a members choice award and received 2nd place for C7 Wide Body class for their 2019 Elkhart Lake Blue Metallic Grand Sport. The weekend was a great time for all who attended and believe Ron and Ingrid are now hooked.



It was another great Ladies Day Drive! The day started for 18 LOCC ladies at Lake & Land Trading Company with a little boutique shopping. We were treated to mimosas, muffins and donut holes while we shopped. After making a few purchases, the ladies were off to Eldon in a nine Corvette caravan. Lunch at Capone's Speakeasy where our password to enter was "63 Split Window". Our servers were complete in flapper dresses and we wore our own flapper head dresses for lunch. We had great conversations and good food followed by a short drive back to the Lake on Y and W roads to test out the Corvette engineering. We ended at Mathany's Family Vineyard where we met several of the LOCC men. Thank you to everyone who joined the group, making this another great Ladies Day Drive!



Looking in the Rear View Mirror

By: Brenda Myers

- In 2014, the seventh generation of the Corvette was born, captivating automotive enthusiasts worldwide. The development of the C7 began shortly after the introduction of the C6 in 2007. One of the most striking design changes in the C7 was the shift from the iconic circular taillights to a new angular design.
- Gary Cooper led the reigns as President for a second time in 2014 for LOCC starting the year out with 118 members. President Cooper announced that the Pledge of Alliance would be start all future meetings. For the first month or two, there was no Vice-President until Don Wormsley stepped up to be VP in March.
- On February 12, 2014, a massive sinkhole opened beneath the iconic Skydome at the National Corvette Museum. This unexpected disaster swallowed up eight cherished Corvettes, measuring 40 feet wide, 60 feet long and 30 feet deep. LOCC was able to view the sink hole on their annual trip in July. The last tour of the sink hole was November 9, 2014.
- Hot Summer Nights July 2014 fell on the same day as this year, July 11th. Some arrived as early as noon to set up cones and a tent featuring the Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club display. Forty five Corvettes from the club were present with all seven generations represented. We need to step up our game!



- Don Wormsley was the LOCC President in 2015. In his February 2015, Presidential Exhaust, Don noted that "Years ago, the 'Back to the Future' movie had the people going into the future to the year 2015. WOW, that's now! We won't be driving a DeLorean, but we will be driving beautiful Corvettes!"
- LOCC started 2015 with 198 members!

- The "Chicks 'N Vettes Luncheon" was held on June 17, 2015. The event organized by Peggy Sturn with 18 ladies attending had an afternoon of fun. With Mother Nature weeping that day, five Corvettes with their beautiful cargo followed by the others with "their beautiful cargo" headed to H Toad's for lunch. An almost genuine 'pink diamond' trophy for "#1 NCM Track Chick" was awarded to Ellen commemorating her lone female drive at the NCM Motorsports.



Looking in the Rear View Mirror

By: Brenda Myers



- June 24-28, 2015, Bloomington Gold became "Suchman Gold". Keith and Judy Suchman brought their 1995 Corvette Coupe ZR1 to be judged and rated by arguably the highest standards in the Corvette rating industry. The Suchman's received a National Corvette Certification Board rating of "Gold Certified" as well as a "Survivor Gold" certification.

- There was 215 members at the start of 2016, when Craig Beach took over as president. President Beach and Vice President Ellen Howery



- The Corvettes at Karl's event has been going a long time. The well-liked LOCC event used to be held in July and in 2016, 36 LOCC members attended the event with two guests (also Corvette Owners). It was noted in the newsletter that "this was far and away the largest group our club had ever had at this event. Denny Pennington and Rick Horsman were the event captains and "did a remarkable job". It was also noted that the weather was "VERY" hot, which may be part of the reason the event is now held in September. During the track day, a brief rainstorm hit which caused a delay in getting back on the track and it also "turned the heat into an over achieving sauna as the

humidity jumped to near 100%". In reading the article, Karl's included a car show at the track after the track event closed.



Congratulations Craig and Nancy Beach for bringing home first place in Stock C6 to C7



Congratulations Dave and Donna Field for bringing home first place in Stock C1to C5 and BEST OF SHOW!!!!

Looking in the Rear View Mirror

By: Brenda Myers

- For years, at the last Hot Summer Nights Program, the Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club honors our U.S. Military Veterans with a "Vettes for Veterans" Parade. At the 2016 parade, **72 Corvettes** were in the parade (with the help of The Midwest Corvette Club and the Quad Cities area of Iowa volunteering to assist). Tradition continues with the name of each Veteran whether riding or driving is announced over the public address system during the parade.

HOT SUMMER NIGHTS

Aug 12th

Sept 9th Vettes for Veterans Parade Lake Ozark



- Planning for this year's parade has started. It is a huge honor to have those Veterans beside us, along with many Veterans that are in our club. Wouldn't it be neat if we can we get 72 Corvettes again in 2025?





Ed Carr
NCM Ambassador
News & Views



“ADRENALINE MEETS TRADITION”

The mission of the National Corvette Museum is to celebrate the Corvette’s invention and preserve the legendary automobile’s past, present, and future. The Museum will serve as an educational and research model for all to enjoy.

Plant Tours

Go behind the scenes at the General Motors Bowling Green Assembly Plant, where America’s Sports Car comes to life. This immersive experience takes you inside the intricate Corvette assembly process, from start to finish.

Plant Tours are offered on select dates only. Please review the available weeks below before booking:

Week of August 11
Week of August 25

Week of November 10 (not available on 11/11)
Book Your Plant Tour Online

Plant Tour tickets must be purchased online before your visit. Tickets are not sold at the Museum, plant, or entry gate. Walk-up and same-day tickets are not available.

Museum in Motion

Museum in Motion events aren’t just about the destination—they’re about the journey.

MiM National Parks Tour – September 21 to September 27, 2025

National Corvette Museum Event

NCM 31st Anniversary - August 28 to August 30, 2025
1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (1) – September 23 to September 27, 2025
1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (2) – September 30 to October 4, 2025
1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (3) – October 14 to October 18, 2025
1-Lap of Kentucky Tour (4) – October 21 to October 25, 2025



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Lake of the Ozarks Corvette Club NCM Members

If you need to have your name added or removed or any changes, please contact George Woodrum (glwoodrum@msn.com Text 417-718-0532).

National Corvette Museum membership.

Lifetime Membership	\$2000.00
Senior Individual Membership	\$750.00/valid for 20 years
Family Membership	\$100.00/year (5 years) \$350.00
Individual Membership	\$65.00/year
Next Generation Member	Children ages 0-9-\$400/Children ages 10-18 \$200

2026 Blade Silver Corvette Coupe

Price: **\$150.00** Tickets: 1500 Drawing: August 14, 2025 2:00 PM Central Time



Not Actual Color

2025 Arctic White Corvette Z06 Convertible

Price **\$300.00** Tickets: 1500 Drawing: August 29, 2025 2:00 PM Central Time



2025 Red Mist Corvette Coupe

Price: **\$20.00** Unlimited Raffle Drawing: August 30, 2025 2:00 PM Central Time



Save the DATE™

2025 LOCC Meetings

Social Hour 11:00 am
Lunch 12:00 Noon Meeting 1:00 pm

~~January 12—Tucker Shuckers~~

~~February 16—Wicked Willies~~

~~March 9—Boat Town Brewing~~

~~April 6—JB Hooks~~

~~May 18—Hulett's~~

~~June 8—Ozark Yacht Club~~

~~July 13—Great American Campground &~~

~~Dive Bar~~

August 10—Don Chilillo's Mexican Restaurant

September 14—Shady Gators (tentatively)

October 12—Willows

November 9—Lake Valley Golf Club

December 6—Christmas Party at Margaritaville



CORVETTE EVENTS CALENDAR

August 8—Hot Summer Nights

Aug 8-9—KCCA Vettes on the Plains show

August 22-23—NW Summer's End Arkansas Show

September 5—Hot Summer Nights

September 5—Salute to Veterans Parade (HSN)

September 11-13—Corvettes at Karls

OB Rehab Ctr Cruise In—TBD

September 25-28—Eureka Springs

Trunk or Treat at Arrowhead Senior Ctr—TBD

Veterans Day Parade—November TBD

Lebanon Christmas Parade—TBD

Dec 6—LOCC Christmas Party

Lake Ozark Christmas Parade—TBD



August 2025

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

					1	2 <i>Rudy Willingham</i> <i>Dan Miller</i>
3	4 <i>Tish Mueller</i>	5	6	7 <i>Rodney Lingo</i> <i>Sherri Buchanan</i>	8 <i>Marlin Hammond</i>	9 <i>Dave Harris</i>
10	11	12	13	14 <i>Marleen Schooler</i>	15	16 <i>Diane Long</i> <i>Paul Jensen</i>
17 <i>Peggy Sturn</i> <i>Jim Gilham</i> <i>Debbie Weber</i>	18	19 <i>Mindy Payne</i>	20	21	22 <i>Jack Rice</i> <i>Lois Modesto</i>	23 <i>Don Bates</i>
24	25	26 <i>Jerry Hiatt</i> <i>Lana Elwick</i>	27	28	29	30 <i>Sandy Funk</i> <i>Joe Smelser</i>
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