

VETTE CLUB NEWSLETTER



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CORVETTE

Do you own a Corvette or Corvettes? Are looking for a Corvette club to join? We welcome you to cruise through our [site](#). If you like what you see, visit our Contact Us page, click on the application link at the bottom and become part of a great club! Our goal is to promote ownership of a Corvette and provide a fun, casual club from which to do it.



Proudly Celebrating 47 Years

For Corvettes Only Inc., is a relatively small Corvette club serving Southeastern Connecticut. Since 1976 our active club has connected people interested in pursuing the enjoyment of Chevrolet Corvettes. Our club encourages responsible ownership and maintenance. We organize activities, social gatherings, fun cruises and functions for both enjoyment and education of our members. FCO Inc. attends and hosts many events throughout the year and caravans to other Corvette events in the New England area.

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FCO Inc. is one of the few Corvette clubs where both halves of a couple can be full-fledged members even though they only have one Corvette. We also hope that you contribute to FCO, Inc. by bringing new ideas and keeping the club as dynamic and interesting an organization as it can be. FCO Inc. is always seeking new members, as we want to help you better understand and enjoy your Corvette.

President's Message



Fall is here. Our show, which was dedicated to the late Reeves Callaway, was a great success. Over 300 cars is hard to beat. Mark and Gary did a phenomenal job organizing and running the event. It was fantastic to have Rick Conti as one of our judges. Special thanks go to Dave Sugrue and his team at Ocean Beach Park and to the folks from WNLC. Thank you to all the members that showed up and gave a hand.

We have a few things still planned for this year. October 22 is a ride and lunch in Newport. November 10 is a dinner at Cantina, Middletown. The Christmas Party is December 17.

We have started planning for next years rides and trips, so stay tuned.

Save the Wave!

Bob





“For Corvettes Only” Sunshine Club

Darcy Murtz chairs our
Sunshine Club. If a club member is ill
or needs a little brightening up email Darcy at
sunshine@forcorvettesonly.com

Happy Birthday

September: Joyce Balardi, Judy Sylvester-Klare

October: Josephine Guarnacci, Rick Kross, Jan Lind

The birthday list is a work in progress. Contact editor Mike if there's a mistake (wrong date, we missed your birthday, misspelling, etc.) or if you don't want to publicize.

Carlisle 2023



Photos: John Ieronimo

Carlisle 2023 (cont.)



Haven't we seen this guy on TV?



Ocean Beach Shows (August 14 and Labor Day)



Photos: Mark Christiansen and Jerry Ramsey

CCRI Show (Aug. 20)



Photos: John Ieronimo



FCO Picnic (Sept. 9)



Photos: John Ieronimo



Show Time!



VETTES AT THE BEACH



Hosted by: For Corvettes Only



We'll donate **\$1000** to the charity of choice to the Club that brings the most cars to the show!



Location

Ocean Beach Park
98 Neptune Avenue
New London, Conn.
Admission: \$20
Spectators: Free

Fun

Food & Music
Raffle
Trophies
Dash Plaque
T-Shirt & Goodie Bag

More Information

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Show Time!

Vettes at the Beach 2023 was a great success. Special thanks to Dave Sugrue and his staff at Ocean Beach Park for all the assistance they gave us. As you know this show was dedicated to Reeves Callaway and his devotion and legacy to the Corvette. We are honored by the company's participation and thank them for their assistance judging best in show. The Callaway Cup went to a pristine '63 split window fuelie! We also had guest judge Rick Conti, who broadcast from New London the day of the show and will have coverage on YouTube. To our vendors, sponsors, participants and our working members, thank you again for all you did to help make the show the huge success it was. Let's do it again on September 15, 2024. SAVE THE DATE!

Mark and Gary ,Show Co-chairs



Mark Zoner, Managing Director at Callaway, receives a plaque expressing FCO's appreciation for all they did for this year's show.



Getting Ready



We get an early start. There's a lot of set up work. We are fueled by coffee, doughnuts and MUFFINS.



Getting Ready



Tables and tents are deployed for raffles, t-shirt sales and FCO hospitality. Eventually, all is ready and some get to enjoy a break, but then ...



The Vettes Come Charging In



You've come to the right place, but the guards will decide if you should be admitted.



Guard: Do you have \$20? OK, we're good.



The Vettes Come Charging In



Let 'em in and bring 'em on down



Celebrity Judge



We are so grateful that YouTube maestro Rick “Corvette” Conti spent the day with us. As you can see, he traveled from Ohio in style. Rick said “It was awesome to be there and meet so many fun people. What a beautiful day!”

Rick had mentioned our show several times on his channel prior to the event. We expect he’ll feature the show in an upcoming video. Look for it on Rick’s channel Sunday Oct. 1.



Participation Award



Congratulations to No Rules Corvette Club for bringing the most cars to the show. FCO donates \$1000 to the club's charity choice the Hole in the Wall Gang.



Let the Judging Begin



First place and runner-up for each Corvette generation from C1 to C8 plus celebrity judge's choice. Best of Show will be awarded the Callaway Cup.



Trophies Awarded



1st places winners for C1 through C5 and C7. We are working to get more information on winners and their rides. If anyone has pictures please forward to editor Mike. We would really like pictures of the Callaway Cup being awarded.



Rick's Pick



NCM Corvette Raffles



2024 Build Your Own Corvette Stingray or \$80,000 10/19/2023
Price: **\$250.00** Tickets: 1500 Available: 1064
Drawing: October 19, 2023 2:00 PM Central Time
22 days 3 hrs 54 min 49 sec
2024 Build Your Own Corvette Stingray or \$80,000 10/19/2023



2024 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Coupe 11/16/2023
Price: **\$150.00** Tickets: 1500 Available: 1277
Drawing: November 16, 2023 2:00 PM Central Time
50 days 4 hrs 54 min 49 sec
2024 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Coupe 11/16/2023



2024 Torch Red Corvette Convertible 11/30/2023
Price: **\$200.00** Tickets: 1500 Available: 1393
Drawing: November 30, 2023 2:00 PM Central Time
64 days 4 hrs 54 min 49 sec
2024 Torch Red Corvette Convertible 11/30/2023



2024 Red Mist Corvette Convertible 4/27/2024
Price: **\$20.00** Unlimited Raffle
Drawing: April 27, 2024 3:00 PM Central Time
213 days 4 hrs 54 min 16 sec
2024 Red Mist Corvette Convertible 4/27/2024

Visit [Corvette Raffle - Main Page \(corvettemuseum.org\)](https://corvettemuseum.org) for more information.





2023 FCO Calendar of Events

<u>October</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd: FCO monthly meeting
<u>November</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7th: FCO monthly meeting
<p>Above calendar shows club-specific events. Monthly calendar with updates on activities such as cruises and car shows will be emailed.</p> <p>FCO monthly meetings are usually held at Flanders Fish Market in East Lyme. Most folks come for dinner before the business meeting, which starts at 6:30 pm. Knollwood is the Knollwood Beach Clubhouse on Clubhouse Lane in Old Saybrook.</p>	



FOR CORVETTES ONLY

PO Box 53, Mystic, CT 06355

Membership Application

Instructions: Print form, complete, and mail to the address above or send it via email to info@forcorvettesonly.com. **PLEASE DO NOT** send in a check with the application.

Membership is limited to Corvette owners and their spouses/significant others/family members.
Annual dues are \$50 (prorated) per household.

	Member 1	Member 2
Name		
Address	Street	Street
	City	City
	State	State
	Zip	Zip
Email		
Phone		
Alternate Phone		
Birthday	(Month/Day)	(Month/Day)
Anniversary (if applicable)	(Month/Day)	(Month/Day)
Corvette Information	Year/ Model	Year/Model
Color(s)		
Special Features (convertible, Calloway, etc.)		
Corvette Interests	<u>Check all that apply:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Show <input type="checkbox"/> Rally <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration <input type="checkbox"/> Racing <input type="checkbox"/> Cruise <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<u>Check all that apply:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Show <input type="checkbox"/> Rally <input type="checkbox"/> Restoration <input type="checkbox"/> Racing <input type="checkbox"/> Cruise <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
	Signature	Signature
	Date	Date



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