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Corvette Club**



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A Note from the Crew Chief

By Arlene Johnson

Maneuvers & Routes

What a whirlwind of activities coming our way for April and May!!! The March MACC activities were just a start of a busy cruising and showing season. We had a nice collection of cars at the March 13th meeting at LaDama Restaurant at Liberty Park and more than half of our 90+ members in attendance. For those who braved the drive after our meeting amidst threatening weather and a heavy-footed cruise leader (me), I hope the ice cream stop at Brusters was refreshing.

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A Note from the Crew Chief



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Eight cars from MACC traveled to the Talladega International Motorsports Hall of Fame adventure Saturday March 19th and enjoyed the company of members from the Peach State Corvette Club and the Georgia Trans-Am/Camaro Club. I can tell you it was an impressive site in my rear-view mirror while leading the 20+ vehicle caravan to Sammie's Touch 'N Go for a late lunch.

I learned a few things this month as your crew chief and wanted to pass these advised **maneuvers** in the **route** of MACC adventures:

- cruise leader etiquette – drive slowly, allow for separations and reunion sites, and provide a map or description of route before taking off, arrange a common walkie-talkie channel or cell phone for contact. If not, drivers can get really out of sorts and lose their way along with their patience.

- include other clubs in activities – meeting folks from the GA Camaro/Trans-Am and Peachstate Corvette clubs was a treat. Remember a few years ago MACC included the Birmingham Miata Club in the 'Vettes For Pets event? It was a bit odd of a pairing, but no less enjoyable – we always learn something new.

- seek new perspectives – Dennis Lyons will be writing a guess article for many of our newsletter editions this year. His no-nonsense, easily followed advice should be of interest to the novice or those with busted knuckles. Even if you already know how to check and change fluids in your car, Dennis's ideas are a refreshing reminder – **ladies**....take note and poke your head under that hood.

I'll be looking for you next at the Barbers HSR event April 2nd & 3rd, the next club meeting on April 17th, or the Covered Bridge Tour on the 30th.

April MACC Meeting, Sunday, April 17, 2:00 pm

The meeting for Sunday, April 17 has been moved to ClearBranch United Methodist Church in Trussville. The church is hosting a huge Car and Bike Show on Sunday, April 17th, 3-6:30 PM and they have asked us to participate. They will provide a meeting room for us - then everyone can be part of this show/event at the church afterwards. There are no fees of any kind to enter or display your vehicles. Trophies and prizes will be awarded in all classifications (see map for directions at end of newsletter).



It's Spring, Let's Go for A Ride, Before you do, CHECK THIS!

By Dennis Lyons

Quick PM Check List

Let's begin with a couple tasks you can do today, yourself. Checks need to be performed regularly, especially after periods of non-use. Keep lists/tasks in a log, pouch or owner's manual either way, this is data you should know about your car. We have selected a couple of the tasks now that I believe are important and relatively easy to get to.

Fluid levels: There are typically 3 levels you can check with the hood open and the engine OFF AND COLD; engine oil, engine coolant and brake reservoir(s). You will need a paper towel and a flat tip screw driver if your brake reservoir cap is the type that has clip bars. Always use a funnel to add fluids!

- **Engine oil:** Find the engine oil dip stick, usually about midway back about 3 to 5 inches away from the valve covers, can be on either side. Check the engine oil level by removing the dip stick cleaning and reading all of the markings FULL, ADD, may have the oil grade to use.. so you will know what to look for when the dip stick has oil on it. Replace the dip stick and remove once again and read level. Add 1 quart if the level is down to the add mark. If there is no oil showing on the dipstick add 2 quarts and recheck, waiting 5 minutes for the fresh oil to work its way to the oil pan. If there is still nothing showing, get on you hands and knees and look under the car and see where it is going. Seriously, check one more time, get into a well lit area and verify that the dipstick is really dry, fresh oil can look transparent as if there is nothing there. If still no oil add one quart at a time until it reads...no more than 4 quarts. If you have to add more than 2 quarts you need to check with your mechanical technician, you may have a problem. The oil filler is located in one of the valve covers; usually the one opposite of the PCV that attaches near the bottom of the carburetor. Do not overfill; more is not better! Check your records and KNOW what brand and weight oil your car has in it; keep a quart or two in inventory; do not mix types and viscosities of oil i.e. synthetic, blended, detergent, 5W30, 20W50 etc.
- **Engine Coolant:** DO NOT CHECK IF ENGINE HAS BEEN RUNNING! The coolant level is observed differently depending on the model; somewhere there is a "pressure cap" and so designated with Warning signs or pressure ratings. This cap should be removed and may require constant downward pressure while turning counterclockwise to remove, that's normal. The coolant can be observed by looking into the reservoir (most Corvettes do not have direct radiator inspection). The coolant should NOT be to the top, but rather down a couple of inches. Some models have a transparent reservoir with markings on the side that indicate normal fill levels, Hot and Cold, use them. The types of coolant should NOT be mixed, if the coolant is green only add green, same with red. If yours is rust colored do not add rusty water; your system needs flushing SOON. It is not going to harm your system to operate it for a short time before flushing. If you can not tell what type, consult the owner's manual, if still unknown add water only. If you add too much water the system, when hot, will burp excess coolant on the ground, do not become alarmed a little is normal. After a couple of times of stopping and starting the burping should stop. Once the coolant has reached the proper level you should not have to add coolant. If you have to

add coolant, periodically, this is an indicator that there may be a cooling system problem ...consult your mechanical technician.

- **Brake fluid:** The brake master cylinder is located on the firewall directly behind the brake pedal. The master cylinder has a brake fluid reservoir that has a twist off cap on a transparent reservoir or a metal reservoir with a cap that clips on. If it clips on, a flat screw driver gently moving the clips from the cap is all that is needed to remove. The fluid moves in and out of the reservoir so do not operate the brakes with the reservoir open, the older style fluids are very damaging to paint. The fluid level will go down as the brake pads wear, this is normal. You MAY have to add fluid once between brake servicing, but rarely more than once. Again do not mix fluids; know what style fluid is correct for your brake system, DOT 3, 5, synthetic, etc. It is not advised to fill to the top, especially on the older master cylinders they mount on an angle and the fluids are very caustic and damaging to paint. Be careful, keep it clean, rinse with a lot of water if you spill some.

Future topics: *Tires, Brakes, Leaks, Electrical System, Fuel system, Filters, Belts and hoses, Lights, Accessories, Suspension, Visibility, Appearance, Heating and Air Conditioning, Finish, Road test, Noises, road feel, Vibrations.*

Guest Writer: Dennis Lyons, 664-1447
Impatient Creations, Alabaster, AL

Champagne Show of the South

By Fred Turner

Well, it looks like our 2005 Champagne Show of the South is coming together nicely. We are gaining more and more sponsors and vendors as we get closer to the show date of May 14th. David and Beth Carter are managing concessions and have arranged for Buffalo Rock to provide drinks and snacks for us to sell. The result of this will be 100% "profit" toward our charity contribution. David also informed me of a great idea that his Sunny Food Stores and Magic Moments are collaborating on: from now until the Show (correct me if I'm wrong, David), customers at Sunny Food Store locations will be able to make donations to Magic Moments and write their names on cards for display in the stores, much like the Muscular Dystrophy donation cards you may have seen. David tells me this could contribute as much as \$2000 to our bottom line!

On other sponsor notes, Arlene Johnson received a commitment from the Chevrolet Club Connection for \$500, plus items for us to give away as door prizes and sell during our silent auction. Hesco, Inc., has joined us by giving \$250, and they plan to have a booth again this year. SpeedSouth has contributed \$150 and will likely show off one of their projects. Ivan Leonard Chevrolet has contributed \$500 and will have a display as well.

Suzan Touchton has come up with a great idea of having a post-show party at a Birmingham Barons baseball game. She has arranged for us to have our own dining area where we'll have steak dinner, take in the ball game, and unwind with our show participants. I think it will be a fantastic conclusion to our event, and it will only cost \$20 per person for dinner *and* the game! Stay tuned for an order form for this and the Show T-shirts. Speaking of Suzan, she has some announcements to make:

Thanks to all that volunteered to help with the show. We have lots of other jobs that need to be filled. Please answer "Yes" if you are asked to help on a committee. It will take all of us to have a great show.

We need door prizes, raffle prizes and items for the silent auction. We already have some nice prizes, but we need more. Please try to bring at least one item to the next meeting or call Chris Touchton and he will arrange to get it from you.

The following is a list of the committees that have been filled:

Registration	Donna & Wayne Allen
Concessions	Beth & David Carter
Parking	Russell Bailey Jocko Lewis Bob Moreno
Judging	Jocko Lewis Bob Moreno Russell Bailey
Trophies	Donna Allen Suzan Touchton
People's Choice	Justine & Frederick Atkins
Distribute Handouts	David Woods
Show MC	Rob Conrad
Goody Bags	Linda Kimbrough
Sound System	Terry Mathews
Publicity	Jane Lewis Rob Conrad
Signs	Terry Mathews
Money Collection	Bill Ringler
Tents	Jim Harris

We still need lots of helpers. If you would like to help with any of these committees, I'm sure they would really appreciate your help.

— Suzan

I think we are going to have a great show this year. I'm excited about it, and I think the change in venue and format will be refreshing. We have more and more people pitching in, but Suzan's right—we still need lots of help to make sure the show goes off without too many headaches ("without any headaches" would be a tad optimistic, I think...). If you can contribute in any area, please feel free to contact Suzan, Chris, Rob Conrad, Arlene, myself, or anyone you see listed as heading up a committee above. I look forward to a great, fun show!

WELCOME TO NEW MACC MEMBERS

By Sharon Mathews

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Matthew and Sylvia Gonda
920 Lake Colony Run
Vestavia Hills, AL 35242
970-0606 home, 427-8787 work
matgonda@aol.com
2004 Silver Z-06

Additional members who have recently renewed their membership:

Chip Yarbrough
Glen Badham

Member Name Tags

I have the following member nametags that need to be picked up at the April meeting. If you can't attend, please drop me an e-mail or phone 987-4837 and I will make other arrangements to get them to you.

Glenn Badham
Bob & Carol Yarbro
Calvin Fleming

Robert & Deanne Johnson
Barry Shaw
Jenny Yakovsky

Let's all try to remember to wear our nametags when we have club events. The club has quite a substantial number of new members this year and it would be beneficial to all until we get familiar with each other's names.

Membership List Updated

The current 2005 Membership Name and Address List is now updated. It has been e-mailed to the general membership. If you would like another copy, please let me know and I will send it to you, either by e-mail, fax, or mail. I also have copies available at the monthly meetings for anyone who would like a hardcopy.

Member Photos on Website

Photos of members and their cars were taken at the March meeting to add to our website. If you missed this opportunity, please forward a digital picture to me at mathewssharon@yahoo.com and I will forward it to Webmaster, Fred Turner to be added. I will have my camera at the April meeting as well if anyone needs photos taken at that time.

Shepherding Program

Volunteers are still needed to check on members who we haven't seen at recent meeting or outings. If you can help, please let me know. Also, if you know of a member whom you feel needs to be checked with, please let me know and I will be glad to contact them.

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY MEETING

By Cathy Crapet

The March 13, 2005, meeting of the Mid Alabama Corvette Club was held at LaDama Restaurant in Liberty Park. There were 48 members present.

Arlene Johnson, President, called the meeting to order. She discussed Birmingham area cruise-ins and provided handouts for members. Cathy Crapet, Secretary, asked for any corrections or additions to the February minutes. David Carter made a motion to accept the minutes as written in the March newsletter. Jim Willis seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Bill Ringler, Treasurer, gave his report. Ronnie Jones made a motion to accept the report as presented. Sara Boehme seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Sharon Mathews, Membership Chairman, passed out packets and name tags to new members. Arlene Johnson presented Sharon with an appreciation plaque for the hard work and effort she has done as the 2005 Membership Chairman. Jim Willis gave the National Corvette Museum report. (Report is included in monthly newsletter.) He encouraged those who are not currently museum members to join. Fred Atkins gave the NCR report. He discussed the Hot Rod Power Tour and the C3 event which is in October in Bowling Green.

The May 14 MACC Car Show will be held in the Costco parking lot at the Riverchase Galleria. Suzan Touchton discussed it in the absence of Fred Turner. Suzan would like all members to donate items for the silent auction and door prizes. Those who volunteered for various committees can be found in the Show article above as well as details on the Higginbothom Oil/Sunny Food Stores/Magic Moments fund drive.

Upcoming events were discussed. As each event date nears, more information will be sent to members. Jim Willis gave the Barber's Race Report. Sherrye Willis discussed the Salvation Army Family Affair at Sloss Furnace which will be April 9, 9:00 until 4:00. Nick Klosowsky asked for volunteers for the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast at Trussville High School on April 9, 7:00 am. (See Calendar of Events in the newsletter for a detailed list of events.) Bill Ringler has scheduled the first of our 1st Thursday cruise-ins. It will be held on Thursday, April 7, at Pizza Hut on Highway 31 in Vestavia.

Ronnie Jones gave out appreciation plaques for several of last year's officers. He presented them to Suzan Touchton, past Secretary, and Jane Mantooh Lewis, past Treasurer. Other plaques were presented at the Christmas Party in December.

Chris Touchton sold 50/50 tickets before the meeting. The winner of the drawing was Fred Atkins. A total of \$172.00 was collected. Fred walked away with a surprise \$86.00 with \$86.00 also going to our treasury.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Members then cruised under the guidance of Arlene. The cruise ended with ice cream treats at Brusters in Cahaba Heights.

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

By Suzan Touchton

April showers won't dampen our busy schedules.

Bill Ringler has planned our first Monthly MACC Cruise-in for Thursday April 7th at Pizza Hut in Vestavia at 7:00 pm.

A large group will be leaving on April 21st for Bowling Green to the C5/C6 Bash. If you would like to join us it's not too late. We will tour the plant on Friday and then join in all the rest of the fun. I will send more details later but our plans are to caravan from the Cracker Barrel in Gardendale on Thursday April 21st. We will head out from there at 1:30pm. If you are going to the Bash please let me know so I make sure you get all of the details.

The local cruise-ins start back this month at Trussville and Pelham. Chuck Lewis & Wayne Allen will be coordinating these Saturday night get-together. They will have more info out soon.

Sherrye & Jim Willis' Covered Bridge trip will be April 30th. Please let them know by April 20th if you are going so they can order enough food. This is always a great trip.

Don't forget the Dothan to Panama City trip. If you need more info go to the Circle City website. The address is listed on the events calendar.

Since we will be having our Post-Show party at the Barons' game we have decided to cancel the July 23rd outing to the game.

Look over the Calendar of Events. There are other events listed that might interest you but are not club events. If you have any events you would like added to the calendar please let me know.



NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM NEWS

By Jim Willis

C5/C6 Bash Event Update

The C5/C6 Bash is coming up soon – April 21-23 and approximately 950 people are already pre-registered. Participants registered for the Corvette Racing Awards Banquet planned as part of the event festivities will have the first chance to view a special video presentation produced by the National Corvette Museum. The video features an overview of the team's 2004 season. Corvette Racing's Gary Claudio, Doug Fehan, two of the team's drivers along with Gary and Robin Pratt from Pratt and Miller are just a few of the guests that will be in attendance.

Updates and additional activities are being added to the online event agenda as they are made available, so be sure to visit the agenda page prior to your departure.

All Pre-registered participants will receive a commemorative dash plaque and lapel pin, in addition to a special event badge. Pre-registration for the C5/C6 Bash ends April 6. You can register for the event at this URL:

http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/c5_bash/info.shtml

C6 Corvette Customer Clinic Part of the C5/C6 Bash

Corvette Chief Engineer, David Hill and the Chevrolet Corvette Team would like to invite C6 Corvette owners registered for the C5/C6 Bash to participate in a Customer Quality Clinic. The focus of this activity is to hear from C6 owners about their likes/dislikes, problems/concerns on their new C6 Corvette. There will be experts on site to address customer issues and concerns brought to the team's attention. The Quality Clinic will be held on Friday April 22nd, and Saturday April 23rd from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and slots are limited to a first come – first serve basis. To register for the clinic, please email the Corvette Team at:

corvettec6qualityclinic@rdagroup.com

Include your full name, last six digits of your VIN, and the time most convenient for you. Please respond as soon as possible to guarantee your time. The Corvette team is looking forward to interacting with you and getting your feedback. Time slots are listed below:

Friday, April 22

8-9 a.m.
9-10 a.m.
10-11 a.m.
11-12 noon
1-2 p.m.
2-3 p.m.
3-4 p.m.

Saturday, April 23

8-9 a.m.
9-10 a.m.
10-11 a.m.
11-12 noon
1-2 p.m.
2-3 p.m.
3-4 p.m.

Join the NCM on a Panama Canal Cruise – January 13-23, 2006

Make plans now to join the NCM for the 4th Annual National Corvette Museum Cruise January 13-23, 2006 aboard Royal Caribbean's Brilliance of the Seas to explore the Panama Canal! On the Panama Canal cruise you can visit or sail through the canal, take a raft trip through the jungles of Costa Rica, snorkel or dive in some of the best waters in the world in Aruba and even swim with the stingrays in Grand Cayman. Find out more and make plans now for the next NCM Cruise to the Panama Canal at this URL: <http://www.ncmcruz.com/>

Corvette C6-Rs Finish Second and Third in Competition Debut

Corvette Racing overcame adversity to finish second and third in the GT1 class at Sebring International Raceway with the new Corvette C6-R race cars. After dominating the first eight hours of

the Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring, the final third of the 12-hour race became a test of endurance for the Corvette Racing team as both cars were damaged in accidents.

The No. 3 Compuware Corvette C6-R, driven by Ron Fellows, Johnny O'Connell and Max Papis, finished one lap behind the GT1 class winner after a brake rotor failure sent the car into a tire barrier.

The No. 4 Compuware Corvette of Oliver Gavin, Olivier Beretta and Jan Magnussen claimed third place with six minutes remaining in the race after extensive repairs following hard contact with another car.

"I'm disappointed that we had to finish second and third because the cars were good enough to finish first and second," said Doug Fehan, GM Racing program manager for Corvette Racing. "The thing that I am most proud about is that this team simply does not give up in the face of adversity. Within 30 minutes, both cars were essentially put out of the race, yet after repairs they were back racing at full speed."

Take Part in a High Performance Driving Event

For the first time in its 10-year history, the National Corvette Museum is sponsoring a High Performance Driving Event to be held October 29-30 at Carolina Motorsports Park in Kershaw SC. The school will teach Corvette owners how to properly and safely handle their performance sports cars with instruction on handling, braking, control, balance and weight transfer, and "road vision." The performance classes will use technical classroom instruction, track exercises and actual track lap time to give participants a real driving experience! The event is open to NCM Members only until April 10th, when remaining slots will be available to anyone interested. We have **33 slots** open and any interested participants may sign up now by becoming an NCM member prior to the April 10th general opening. Find out more about becoming an NCM Member by clicking here:

www.corvettemuseum.com

Find out more and sign up for the High Performance Driving Event via our website at:

<http://www.corvettemuseum.com/registration/HPDE/agenda.shtml>

General Club News

CRUISE-INS by Chuck Lewis

Spring is here! Its time to dust off and remove those car covers, This year MACC will be participating as a group at the Trussville and Pelham Cruise-ins to promote our club and talk cars. Wayne Allen will be your contact for Trussville and me for the Pelham. We will be at our appropriate locations early to reserve spots, So Wayne and I do need you to call the day of the Cruise-in around 10-4PM and let us know if you will be attending. This will help us save only the spots needed. If you like looking, talking or driving cars you will enjoy both Cruise-ins!

For those who have never been to a Cruise-in we've compiled a list of things you will need to know.

- Pelham Cruise-in will be the first Saturday of each month April - October and will have 100 to 200 cars. Location: Walmart, Highway 31, Pelham
- Trussville Cruise-in will be the third Saturday of each month April -October and will have approximately 100 plus cars. Location: K-Mart, Chalkville Rd, Trussville
- Both Cruise-ins start around 4-6pm and end 8-9pm. Most Cruisers will show up 5-6pm and cars will come and go all afternoon and night.
- There are several fast food restaurants within walking distance of both Cruise-ins
- If it's raining there will be no Cruise-in. If it looks like rain Wayne and I may or may not be there to hold spots just call one of us if you are concerned about weather.
- Things you may want to bring: folding chairs, cooler with soda's or water and sunscreen
- All Corvettes will be welcomed new and old.

Please contact me or Wayne if you have any questions. Wayne Allen's Cell # 541-8681, Chuck Lewis' Cell # 542-6036

CRUISE-IN ON APRIL 7TH: By Bill Ringle

Our April 7th cruise-in will be at the Pizza Hut in Vestavia on Route 31 across from the Red Lobster and up the hill from the Ethan Allen furniture store. We will start at 7:00 for an informal evening showing off our cars and socializing with club members (besides eating lots of pizza).

The parking lot is large and a section will be reserved for our Vettes. Bring your folding chairs. The Pizza Hut manager is excited about us coming and will "roll out the red carpet".

Let me know if anyone has suggestions for other cruise-in locations. We will schedule one of these events every month on the first Thursday night. Rain cancels this event.

Magic City Kiwanis Clubs Pancake Day Reminder: By Nick Klosowsky

The date for the Pancake Day has been changed to April 9th. This is the one major fundraiser we have each year. It will be held on April 9th at Trussville High School from 7am till approximately 11am. We will need anyone to help cook, serve, run a silent auction etc. I can come up with other duties as needed.

The sole purpose of the Kiwanis is to assist needy children both locally and around the world. Some examples of what we do are:

1. Support Reading is Fun programs with \$\$ and reading to children.
2. Success by Six, which provides programs for this age group to learn reading and other skills for children in underprivileged areas. We have numerous other initiatives going on.

I also thought if several people helped it may be nice to show their cars. This may be an opportunity to advertise for the club. You never know someone may have a Corvette in their garage.

Thank you; if you need more info please call me at 410-6942

MACC LOGOS & MACC Materials:

MACC logos for t-shirts, golf shirts, hats and jackets can be applied by – our official club shirt color is **white**, but you can have the logo printed on anything you wish (jackets, denim shirts, etc.):

Mr. Ed Smith, Manager
Municipal and Commercial Uniforms
2208 3rd Avenue North
Birmingham, AL 35203
Telephone: 324-6011

Envision
1019 Grubbs Avenue
Gardendale, AL
Contact: Gina Childers
Telephone: 205-608-3131

Jones Sportswear Co.
1630 2nd Ave. South
Birmingham, AL 35233
Telephone: 205-324-6021

We also have several banners available for use when attending events – these banners help identify our club as a group – as if a large grouping of Corvette’s already didn’t draw enough attention!!!! There is a large 3’ x 8’ banner (contact Arlene for use), and we are having two 2’ x 4’ banners made for cruises, out-of-town shows, etc. Also, we’re in the process of printing a slew of calling/business cards (contact will be Suzan T.)



2005 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Club events/meetings are noted in bold print)

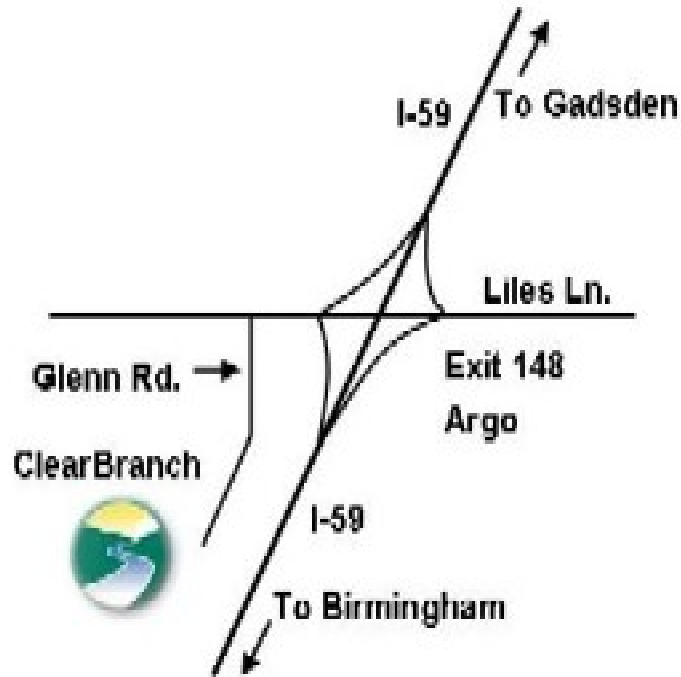
- April 1st-3rd Corvette Spring Expo/Knoxville, TN
www.corvetteexpo.com
- 2nd & 3rd** **Barber's Historic Sports car Race Weekend**
(contact Arlene immediately if you're attending and have not already reserved a space in the car corral)
- 7th** **Cruise-in at Pizza Hut** (contact Bill Ringler)
- 9th** **Salvation Army Family Affair at Sloss Furnace (contact Sherrye Willis)**
- 9th Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast/Trussville High School
(contact Nick Klosowsky for details or to volunteer)
- 17th** **MACC MEETING – ClearBranch UMC, Trussville**
- 15th-17th Atlanta Grand Prix/Road Atlanta
- 21st – 23rd** **C5/C6 Birthday Bash in Bowling Green, KY**
Registration open now at www.corvettemuseum.com
(contact Suzan for info about plant tour)
(Hampton Inn (270)842-4100)
- 22nd – 24th AMA Superbike Championship Series/Barber's
- 30th** **Jim & Sherrye's Annual Covered Bridge Tour**
- May TBA** **MACC Meeting/Location TBA**
- May 13th** **Welcome Reception for Car Show**
- May 14th** **Champagne Show of the South (7:30am – 4:30pm)**
Post-Show Party at Hoover Met (7pm – 10pm)
- 19th -22nd** **Beach Caravan to Panama City with Circle City Corvette Club**
(contact Chris & Suzan Touchton)
Dothan rooms at 1-800-214-1150
Panama City rooms at 1-877-595-0602
www.circlecitycorvettes.com
- June 11th** **Club picnic at Crapet's Lake House (to be rescheduled)**
- June 4th -11th** **2005 Power Tour /Milwaukee to Kissimmee-St Cloud with a stop in Birmingham on June 8th (contact Jim Willis or Fred Adkins for long haul) (Chris Touchton for Nashville to B'ham/ short haul)**

(Marriott Courtyard at Opryland for June 7th 615-882-9133)

- June 10th – 12th Biloxi Vettes By The Shore/ www.msgccc.com
- June 10th – 12th Branson Corvette Weekend / www.carsplusclassics.com
- June 17th – 19th National Hot Rod Reunion, Bowling Green, KY More info at www.nhra.com under Museums, then Reunions, then 2005 NHRR**
- June 26 Peach State Corvette Association
Varsity Car Show, Atlanta GA, www.peachstatecorvette.com
- July 4th 2nd Annual Cruise to the fireworks with The Ghost**
- July 23rd MACC Meeting – location to be announced**
- July 29th-31st Grand American Rolex Sports Car Series/Barber's
- August TBA MACC Meeting**
- August 6th Classic Glass Car Show - Day's Chevrolet Show/Acworth GA /
www.cgcorvetteclub.com
- August 13th 5th Annual Capital City Corvette Club Open Show/
Columbia, South Carolina (more info when we get it)
- September 16th Vettes For Pets/Argo Drive-In/
MACC Meeting/Tailgate party & movies**
- September 22nd-
25th 27th Vette Fest/East Tennessee Corvette Club
Gatlinburg, TN
- September 29th-
October 1 Chevy present Petit Le Mans/Road Atlanta
- October 8th Corvettes Against Breast Cancer (Contact Fred & Rox Mudge)
Atlanta Motor Speedway**
- October 16th MACC Dinner Meeting at Tac Room Restaurant in Leeds (Exit 144A) at 5:30
then to ATROX Haunted House in Leeds at 7:00**
- November TBA MACC Meeting**
- December TBA Christmas Party**

**MEETING DATES AND LOCATIONS MAY CHANGE DUE TO CONFLICTS WITH OTHER
EVENTS. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.**

**Next MACC Monthly Meeting
ClearBranch UMC – Map Below
April 17 – 2:00 PM**



From Birmingham take Interstate 59 North toward Gadsden.
Take the Argo exit. You will see the church off to the left of the interstate.
Turn left going back over the interstate.
Past the I-59 South on-ramp you will see Glenn Road to your left.