

CABARRUS COUNTY CVB GROUP SERVICES

USA Pickleball Association

August 24-27, 2017 & November 18-19 2017



TOUR ITINERARIES

Guided Historic Walking Tour of Downtown Concord

\$10 per person



Downtown Concord was ground zero for a plethora of events that shaped life not only for locals, but also for those throughout Cabarrus County, North Carolina, and the entire South!

Join local author and historian Michael Eury through a guided historic walking tour of Downtown Concord!

***Price:**

\$10.00 per person (cash or check)

\$11.50 per person (card)

Tours are scheduled around groups' request.

The tours last approximately one hour and fifteen minutes.

Tour will meet in front of the CDDC office, located at 30 Cabarrus Ave., West - located in the Parking Deck of Downtown Concord

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Guided Tour of Southern Grace Distilleries

\$10 per person



Go Behind Bars and tour former NC prison that is now Southern Grace Distilleries and learn about the history of the prison and how award winning whiskey is crafted. A tasting is part of this tour for those 21 and older.

Participants 20 years old and younger must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and tickets are required for visitors 2 years of age and older. Tours are handicapped accessible. No need for shipping. Your arm bands will be ready when you arrive. Please try to arrive 5 to 10 minutes ahead of tour time to allow time for mug shots!

Friday or Saturday at 12:30, 2:00 or 3:30--will add additional tour days and times if needed--please advise.

The tours last approximately one hour and thirty minutes.

The Whiskey Prison is located at 130 Dutch Road, Mt. Pleasant NC 28124.

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Feel the Thrill Speedway Tour

\$12 per person (waiver required)



Our “refueled” Feel the Thrill Tour offers fans a close-up look at areas that are off-limits on race days. You will see the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series Garage, navigate through two infield race tracks, make your way down Pit Road and take a picture in Victory Circle. Learn the history of Charlotte Motor Speedway while enjoying a comfortable van ride around the Superspeedway where you will feel the full-tilt force of the 24-degree banking. Plus, visit zMAX Dragway and The Dirt Track at Charlotte on this exciting tour!

***Price:**

- \$12.00 per person
- \$10.00 per person for seniors (55 and older), military personnel, EMS/Fire/Police personnel and children ages 13 and younger.

Monday thru Saturday Tours: 9:30 AM, 10:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 1:30 PM, 2:30 PM & 3:30 PM

This tour lasts approximately forty five minutes to an hour.

Charlotte Motor Speedway is located at 5555 Concord Pkwy S, Concord, NC 28027 and tour check in is on the second floor of Smith Tower.

Please Note: All tour participants under 18 years old must be accompanied by an adult. You are responsible for providing your own car seat for children. All on-track events are subject to track availability.

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OTHER ACTIVITIES IN CABARRUS COUNTY

The Dale Trail

Travel The Dale Trail™ in Kannapolis, Dale Earnhardt's hometown, and visit landmarks relating to his life and legendary NASCAR career. Share the Kannapolis community's pride in its hometown hero on the first motorsports heritage trail in the country. Self-Guided tour maps available at the Visitor Center.

<http://www.visitcabarrus.com/cabarrus-county-dale-trail/>

Reed Gold Mine

The first documented discovery of gold in the United States happened right here in Cabarrus County when 12-year-old Conrad Reed discovered a 17-pound gold nugget in Little Meadow Creek. After using it as a doorstop for three years, Conrad's father John Reed sold the nugget for \$3.50 to a jeweler in Fayetteville without realizing its value. Upon his return, he and three friends began searching the creek bed for gold, effectively starting the nation's first gold rush, about 50 years before the one in California.

Today, Reed Gold Mine is a state historic site and the only underground gold mine in North Carolina open to the public. Visitors can experience the mine's history by panning for gold (April-October), exploring restored portions of underground tunnels as part of a guided tour and viewing exhibits of gold and historic mining equipment. Walking trails are also available onsite. Admission is free; panning is \$2 per pan.

<http://www.nchistoricsites.org/reed/>

Lionel Trains

All aboard! Visit Lionel Headquarters to interact with train layouts and choose from a huge selection of O-Gauge sets, refurbished product, track pieces, scratch and dent and NASCAR die-cast cars.

<http://www.lionelstore.com/>

Gibson Mills

Located inside the former historic Cannon Mills the Depot, High Branch Brewing Co., and Cabarrus Brewing Company are a one stop shop for antique and craft brew lovers alike.

With 750 booths covering 88,000 square feet, The Depot is the largest Antique Mall in the South! The Depot claims to have the "Best Crap in the South," and is open seven days a week welcoming visitors to explore endless aisles for one-of-a-kind finds. From traditional antiques to shabby chic, primitive, or vintage items, you'll find it at the Depot as new items arrive daily. Also home to the Depot Design Center and Cabarrus Art Guild, it's easy to fill up an entire day browsing.

<http://www.depotgibsonmill.com/>

High Branch Brewing Co. is a family owned brewery. They consider themselves to be a lighthearted, fun and quality driven brewery. Their operation is one that concentrates on fermentation and the characteristics that this step in the brewing process can produce. Pushing the limits on what beer can taste like without overdoing it.

<http://www.highbranchbrewing.com/>

The Cabarrus Brewing Company (CBC) was born as the result of combining three very different desires on the part of its founders. The first was a sincere desire to develop a business concept that its founders, as all long term residents of Cabarrus County with varying professional backgrounds, saw as an investment in and with their neighbors and community in their own back yard. Second was a sincere desire to develop a concept that showcased the area's rich history and unique character. Finally and certainly not the least important, is a true passion on the part of the entire CBC family for Craft Beer and the sense of community it represents.

<http://www.cabarrusbrewing.com/>

NC Music Hall of Fame

The North Carolina Music Hall of Fame showcases our state's rich musical history covering nearly every musical genre. The legacies of musicians with North Carolina ties are preserved and honored here including James Taylor, John Coltrane, Charlie Daniels, Roberta Flack, Andy Griffith, Randy Travis and more. Admission is free, always accepting donations.

<https://northcarolinamusichalloffame.org/>

Hendrick Motorsports

The Hendrick Motorsports Museum is a must-stop for all stock car racing fans. Inside the museum, see Hendrick Motorsports' most famous stock car and championship trophy displays. Watch a dissected Chevrolet SS car as the body is raised and lowered onto the Chassis.

<http://www.hendrickmotorsports.com/>

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