

# **Climate Action Week and National Drive Electric Week Events**

## **An Active Time of Year for EV and Environmental Events**

National Drive Electric Week, Climate Action Week, and Greta Thunberg, the young climate activist from Sweden, all make this the time of year to move from the sidelines and participate! These are some of the events in CT. Many club members have already registered to exhibit their vehicles at National Drive Electric Week (NDEW) events and to attend Climate Action rallies.

### **Green Wheels Expo – September 14, 10 am – 2 pm**

This is the NDEW event staged by Sustainable Fairfield. Location: 140 Mill Plain Road lot (across from Rec Center), Fairfield. Registrations are pacing ahead of last year. There should be numerous cars, plus 7 dealers and Tesla will be offering test drives. Also on hand will be an electric school bus, electric bikes, electric lawn equipment, EV food truck, and a solar-powered car! [Register your vehicle.](#)

### **Climate Action Day – September 20**

There are events around the state and the nation. Club members will be going to Hartford, New York, Westport, and other locations. EV Club CT is one of 80 organizations sponsoring

the event in Hartford.

**Hartford – Start time 11:45 am. Location: 210 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT. For more details and resources, visit [C3M Facebook page](#) and [Event Webpage](#)**

Backgrounder on Greta Thunberg and [Climate Crisis Mobilization](#)

Westport Event on the Ruth Steinkraus Cohen Memorial Bridge at 11 am. The link to [register](#)

An important near-term priority is to oppose the natural gas plant currently undergoing permitting to be sited in Killingly. It isn't needed and, if built, will be operating long past the 2040 deadline for the grid to be carbon-free.

## **Electrify Your Drive NDEW Event in Old Saybrook – September 21, 11 am – 3 pm**

There will be owners with their private EVs as well as dealer organized test drives. Also, antique EVs! And a Q&A session in the Pavillion. Location: 155 College Street, Old Saybrook. [Register](#)

## **Energy Fair and Green Expo in Southbury – September 21, 10 am – 2 pm**

Location: 775 Main Street at the Gazebo Southbury Green. This is more a general green fair, but it has an EV showcase.

## **NDEW Madison – September 22, 1 – 4**

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Location: Madison Senior Center, 29 Bradley, Road, Madison.  
[Register](#)

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# **2017 EV Road Rally – and Bikes!**

## **5th Annual EV Road Rally**

The 5th annual Westport Electric Car Club EV Road Rally will include electric bikes courtesy of an arrangement with Pedego Electric Bikes of Norwalk.

In past years a number of newly introduced EVs have participated in the rally such as last year with a Tesla Model X and the second generation Chevrolet Volt. This year's rally will include the Chevrolet Bolt, one of the first to be seen in Connecticut. The 5th annual Westport Electric Car Club EV Road Rally will include electric bikes courtesy of an arrangement with Pedego Electric Bikes of Norwalk. In past years a number of newly introduced EVs have participated in the rally such as last year with a Tesla Model X and the second generation Chevrolet Volt. This year's rally will include the Chevrolet Bolt, one of the first to be seen in Connecticut.

## **Rally Details:**

Entry Fee: \$50 (car or bike)

Bike Rental Fee: \$25

Location: Start and finish at Westport/Saugatuck Metro-North Station (New Haven-bound side)

Time:

Registration and driver check-in is at 10:00 AM

The rally starts at 11:00 AM

Finish approximately 1:00 PM

Coffee served at the start of the rally.

There will be an en-route stop in Wilton at the Wilton Go Green Festival.

As in past years, our rally master will devise a 35-40 mile course winding through the back roads of Fairfield County. There will be a separate, shorter course for the bikes. IT IS REQUIRED THAT ALL DRIVERS HAVE A NAVIGATOR. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ONE, CONTACT THE CLUB AND WE WILL FIND ONE FOR YOU. Bike riders will follow a lead bicycle.

EV Test Drives available at the conclusion of the rally.

Food available.

Families welcome!