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On The Cover:

Queen City Corvette Club August meeting at Hendrick Motorsport Facility

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QCCC is a non-profit club (501-C7) whose members all share a common appreciation and love of America's Sports Car – the Corvette. Dues and donations are not tax deductible. In addition to various social activities for members, QCCC raises money for and participates with various local charities. We strive to promote exciting, safe and fun ways to enjoy our Corvettes. We hold business meetings on the second Saturday of each month. Our monthly business meeting usually incorporates social time. Our socials are always fun and are focused around fellowship, food & drink. We've had swimming parties, bar-b-ques, cookouts, day cruises and weekend trips. We participate in / conduct mountain tours, holiday parades and several homecoming parades at local area high schools. We also support and participate in local auto shows and hold charity Corvette shows each year. After an initiation fee of \$7.00, club dues are only \$8.00 a month, per family, and are to be paid quarterly or annually. These dues go to cover the costs of running the club, mailing newsletters, and subsidizing the costs of our meetings. Club officers and supporting staff serve as volunteers.

To become a member of the [QUEEN CITY CORVETTE CLUB](#), you must own a Corvette and attend at least three (3) monthly business meetings and two (2) events within a six-month time period. *Come check us out – we love to meet fellow Corvette Enthusiasts!* Express your wishes for membership during a monthly business meeting and be voted in, begin paying dues and having fun! If you can't join us, **please WAVE!**



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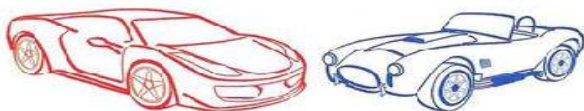
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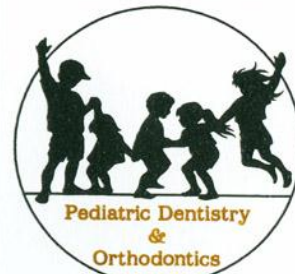
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Peggy Wood (chrisowood@carolina.rr.com) – Monthly Ladies' Luncheon

Eddie & Jane Burt (eddieburt@carolina.rr.com) – Monthly "Up Yonder" Dinner & Weekly Wednesday Dinners

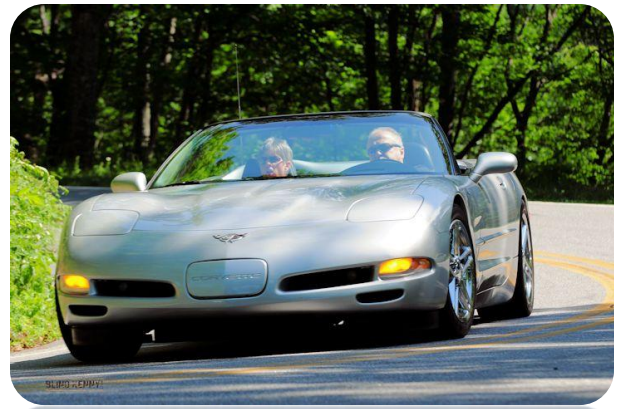
Come see what QCCC is all about and join friends, make new friends, at the dinners and lunches!!!!!!!!!!

Crossroads

With the Vice President Keith Cross

I believe our QCCC 44th Birthday Party/August Business Meeting was a success. We had a great turnout even though we had to cancel the Member's Corvette Picture that morning due to the forecast of rain that afternoon. Then it did not rain!! Oh well, better safe than sorry. I will try to schedule us another picture sometime in the future. We will be holding

our September Business Meeting at the **World Famous Annual Eddie Burt BBQ**. The BBQ will be held at the home of Eddie and Jane Burt located at 251 Amanda Dr., Matthews, NC 28104. For all the details of the event on September 8th please visit the **QCCC Website** for times, what dish to bring, directions, and more. To see the flyer just click on www.queencitycorvette.com and then click on "View Our Event Calendar". Don't miss this great annual QCCC event!



Now another "Did You Know".



1963 is the most significant Corvette model year.

There is a lot to back up that bold statement. The changes seen were revolutionary. About the only thing up for debate is which is the most significant: The chassis engineering or the body style. The styling changes alone were earth shattering. If a UFO landed next to a Corvette when it was introduced in 1963 it could have garnered more attention, but maybe not. It had an aggressiveness that still would not be considered brutal, all the while featuring improved aerodynamics. The chassis also saw significant changes, so there was a lot more going on in 1963 than just an updated shape. The new independent rear suspension made a huge difference in every performance area, with improved ride and driving experience as part of the bargain.

Under the direction of Bill Mitchell, the new Corvette was penned by Larry Shinoda. It was based on Bill Mitchell's 1959 Stingray racer and the 1961 Mako Shark. Revealed to the world on June 1962, two models - a coupe and a convertible - were introduced. Both were a radical departure from anything sold to the public at the time. They were lower (almost three inches) narrower (3½ inches) and shorter by two inches than the previous generation. Their sleekness was indisputable. If you compare it to the other domestic offerings, it is easy to understand the impact it had.



Two of the influences in Larry Shinoda's design for the 1963 Corvette - the Mako Shark (left) and the [Sting Ray racer](#) (right).

Like many great works of art, the 1963 Corvette was controversial. One of the signature elements of the '63 coupe was the split rear window. Bill Mitchell pushed for it, insisting that it was needed to complete the lines started with the pointed hood bulge (below left). It was known as the "stinger" concept and in his mind the ridge that ran through the roof (below middle) needed to be emphasized. But Zora Arkus-Duntov was against it; his engineering sense told him that the rear visibility sacrifice (below right) made it a bad idea. The critics and customers sided with Zora and so the split window became a conventional one piece style in 1964 and subsequent years. The collector car market has a definite opinion on the subject however as prices for split window coupes are much higher than for their conventional counterparts. Part of this can be attributed to the limited availability since the split window had only a one year gig; also the needs are different since collector cars are driven much less than when they were new.



The coupe did feature a fair amount of storage space (above right) which was carpeted to avoid scuffing. The one problem is that access past the seats was difficult.



Left: Designer Larry Shinoda was not a tall man, but he did accommodate them by supplying a cut out in the roof to make entry / exit easier for taller enthusiasts in the low slung Corvette. Right: The hood of all 1963 Corvettes had faux vent grilles. The story is that originally they were functional but the hot air escaping from the engine found its way into the passenger area via fresh air venting in the cowl.



1963 saw the introduction of "Sting Ray" as a Corvette moniker. It would continue into the C3 generation, be retired occasionally and even shortened to "Stingray".



Amazingly enough, the one thing that didn't change in 1963 was the engine selection, which was the same as 1962. Right: The 327 cubic inch fuel injected mill continued as the top performer with 360 hp, well beyond the one hp / cubic inch milestone. The air cleaner and Plenum chamber (affectionately known as "the doghouse") were updated.



Like the body and the chassis, the interior was all new for 1963 and it was also a radical change. Aeronautics was in fashion at the time, so the inside of the new Corvette had a basis in airplane cockpits. There was a strong separation between the driver and the passenger. It was both good looking and easy to use. Right: The passenger "grab bar" was carried over from the C1 Corvettes and considering the performance increase, was needed more than ever.



Left: The new Corvette featured full instrumentation and a telescoping steering wheel. Center: As in previous years, the dashboard center included a clock, heater / ventilation controls and radio. Air conditioning (RPO C60; \$422) was available for the first time in a Corvette, although only 278 were so equipped for 1963. Another first for 1963: power steering. Right: Seats were reasonably comfortable,

especially considering the other domestic offerings of the time. If "Saddle Tan" interior was ordered the seat material was leather, also a Corvette first.



Hide-away headlights made their Corvette debut in 1963 and were a rare site at that time. They contributed to the sleek advanced styling of the Sting Ray. Exposed headlights would return in 2005, 42 years later. In 1963 they offered a number of advantages, as the headlights of the time were large and a problem to designers looking for an aerodynamically efficient design. The drawbacks included added complexity, cost and weight.



Initial 1963 Corvette production was mostly coupes, fulfilling the demand for a fixed roof 'vette which had not been previously available. Requests for convertibles came later in the model year and at the end topless car quantities edged out the coupes 10,919 to 10,594. Photo: GM.

Source: The Corvette Story

<http://web-cars.com/corvette/index.php>

See you at the Crossroads,

Keith Cross

Queen City Corvette Club Minutes

August 12, 2012

Meeting Location: Hendrick Motorsport Complex

BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF

Steve Pelchat, President, Keith Cross Vice President, Linda Lewis, Secretary; Florence Prather, Treasurer; John Walton, Automotive Director; Laura Pelchat, Social Director; Chris & Peggy Wood, Membership Directors; Boyd & Susan Kurt, Newsletter Editors, Bob & Marilyn Becker, Webmasters; Paul Mariano, Corvette Museum Ambassador, Paul Pelkey, Directories; Bob and Pat Motta, Charity Committee.

President's Report:

Called the meeting to order at 5:55PM

Approved and seconded the minutes .

Introduced the Board.

We are collecting donations for Corvette Museum we have hit our goal to buy an acre. Pledge due by December 8th.

Vice President's Report:

Update on the points and club awards. Please attend meetings and dinners to meet the goal of 75 percent for the club awards at the banquet. Come out and participate.

September 8th is the annual Burt's BBQ in Matthews NC.

We are still accepting member pictures of our corvettes for the website.

Congratulations to all door prize winners.

Thank you Boyd and Susan Kurt for the newsletter and Bob and Marilyn Becker for handling the QCCC website.

Please remember to email Paul Pelkey when you have changes to your membership information.

Travis Meredith gave a presentation the origination of the Queen City Corvette Club.

Treasurer's Report:

Steve Pelchat gave the report for Florence Prather. Florence's mother has had surgery and we wish her well.

Secretary's Report:

August Birthdays: Betty Anne Brunton, Merle Elko, Susan Kurt, Boyd Kurt, Linda Craig, Bill Moss, David Faircloth, Dawn Faircloth, Rich Harmon, Ben Hinson, John Walton.

Congratulations to Ken and Lois Watts on the birth of their new grandson.

Automotive Director's Report:

August 17th is next ZMax Drag way .

Be sure to sign up for Auto Fair. We will have six awards plus Best of Show.

Thank you to Steve Kravitz for the 24 Hours of Booty parade.

September 15th Car Care Day at Wally and Anita's garage.

November 10th Auto Cross event.

We have a sign up sheet for a Parade Committee. Anyone interested let John know. We have nine parades this year. Please sign up.

Discussed the criteria for the Sportsman of the Year Award.

Membership Director's Report:

We have 270 members or 135 families.

Introduced the visitors and guests: David Poindexter, Donna Rice, Michael Bullard, Mary Jean Maples, engaged to Bill Rambo.

New Members voted in: David and Melissa Morris, Steve Laurent, Bill and Darlene Loos, Bob and Jenny Nibarger, Larry and Kathy Miller.

Glen and Andrea Johnson were voted in as provisional members. They were sponsored by John and Helen Jensen.

Social Director's Report:

Ice Cream Social was a success planning more.

August 18th we are participating in Hot Nights in Forrest City. The largest club participating will win \$500.

August 5th we are having a Mayberry Tour

September 16th Catawba Queen lunch and boat tour.

September 29th Orchard Trip. Nelson Sprague gave an update.

October 5th and 6th Corvettes on the Point
October 14th Corvette Fall Tour

Museum Director's Report:

John Jensen for Paul Mariano.

November 8th-10th Vets at the Museum

Corvette Caravan information is on the website.

See Paul if you are interested in joining the Museum or would like to buy a raffle ticket.

Pat Motta Charity Committee:

50/50 drawing was won by Barney Peterman.

New Business:

John Meadows needs drivers for homecoming games. Let him know if you are interested. Need 8 convertibles at each event.

Bob Denny and Sandy Welch thanked everyone for the cards, notes and condolences for Doodles. "The best people on earth are in the QCCC. " Our new mascot is Ritchie.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda H. Lewis, Secretary



Route & Track

The race is not always to the swift, but to those dawgled enough to persevere through adversity. Thus, it was that sixteen QCCC members, with dazzling tenacity, were finally able to get onto the ZMax drag strip on August 24th and drive their Corvettes flat out for ¼ mile. Rain had forced postponement of three previous attempts.

Unfortunately several members who came out on rainout

dates had conflicts on the day we were finally able run. So there is some room for “if only”. Results are to be announced and trophies awarded at the September business meeting.

The free laps on CMS on July 31st were less than spectacular for the six of us who turned out. Trying to hang on to those high banked turns at 19 mph behind a pacing tow truck is much more hair-raising than going through them at 90.

By the time you read this, three members will have hopefully driven in the Matthews Alive parade. Thanks Bill, Jim, and Steve. The Mint Hill Madness parade is scheduled for September 29th. By the time of the September Business meeting we should know how many cars will be needed and can have a sign-up sheet.

September 15th is Care Care day at Wally and Anita Crawford’s garage. Come get an oil change and see what everyone else’s under carriage looks like. It’s also a good opportunity to socialize and eat an inexpensive hotdog for lunch; even if your car does not need servicing. See club calendar for details. Signup is encouraged but not required.

AutoFair is set for September 22 and 23. As of September 1st there were seven openings for Saturday and fifteen for Sunday. In an unending pursuit of equity, this Fall’s trophy categories are as follows: Best C1-C2, Best C3-C4 (sorry Jeff) Best C5, Best base C6/Grand Sport, Best Specialty Car (Z06, ZR1, Anniversary edition, Commemorative edition) Best Modified (your choice to enter this class, should normally have several noticeable mods), Best of Show. These classes give us some flexibility to match awards to the types of cars in the show, i.e. if there are more C6’s they can get more awards, and still reserve some awards for the older cars. Details are in the club calendar.

CCR-SCCA has set November 10th as the date for their fall autocross. This is the third and last event making up the Sportsman of the Year award. CCR-SCCA usually publishes details about a month in advance of their events, but this much is probable: \$40 entrance fee, located at ZMax Dragway, helmet required, as many runs as you can get in, same classes as ¼ mile event and starts as early as 7:30 AM, so you can get in several runs and still make the business meeting. More details in the club calendar when they become available.

John





September

1	Matthews Alive Parade	
8	Annual Eddie Burt BBQ & QCCC Business Meeting	Details & Information
15	Car Care Day	Details & Information
16	Catawba Queen Lake Norman Tour & Lunch	
20-23	Food Lion AutoFair at Charlotte Motor Speedway	
28-29	Corvette Caravan Kick-Off Weekend	Details & Information
29	The Historic ORCHARD at Altapass	Details & Information
29	Mint Hill Madness Parade	

October

5-6	Vettes on the Point	Details & Information
13	QCCC Business Meeting	
14	Corvette Fall Tour	

November

3	NASCAR Technical Institute Open House	Details & Information
10	QCCC Business Meeting	Details & Information
10	Autocross at Z-Max	
17	Concord Parade	
18	Monroe Parade	

December

1	Indian Trail Parade	
15	QCCC Christmas Party & Business Meeting	

January 2013

TBD	QCCC Awards Banquet	
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National Corvette Museum Corner

Again, thanks to everyone who pledged to the NCM Motorsports Park “One Acre” Drive. Over one-third of the required amount has already been given to the NCM via the credit card route. Paying by credit is the most sensible if you are collecting airline miles, cash back, or other benefits. If you need some help in using this method, please let me know.

The process to build the track is in full bloom. The first 184 acres have been purchased and paid for at a cost of \$3 Million. A seven year option on another 221 acres is being held by the museum. A recent contract with a local civil engineering firm, DDS Engineering, was signed to finalize the Topography maps that will be needed by the selected design firm. Candidates to be the official track and Motorsports Park designer were interviewed on August 15 and 16 and that should be finalized within three weeks. The goal is to have the master plan and Phase 1 design completed by January 2013. Preparing and finalizing the bid documents for potential construction firms will be accomplished by the Motorsports Park Committee, the designer and the civil engineering firm by March 2013. However, and that is a big however, bids will not be solicited until more funding is secured to ensure the first phase can be completed. So, if you know of a firm, race team, individual, or any other entity that would be a potential donor, please let me know so arrangements can be discussed with the NCM.

Caravan flags and window static clings are now available through your caravan captain, Frank Sancineto, or your local leaders, Wade Stickels or Chris Wood. You can view them at www.corvettecaravan.com. By purchasing these items, you will be helping your caravan team put forth the best caravan event yet.

If you plan on attending the big pre-caravan meeting in Newton at Dale Earnhart Chevrolet on September 29, remember you have to register for it. Details are available on the QCCC Calendar on the website or ask Wade Stickels how to go about it.

By the time you read this report, the trip to the NCM will be over. I will have a full report at the monthly QCCC business meeting.

Save the Wave!

Paul Mariano,
NCM Ambassador



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Countdown to Caravan Kickoff Weekend - Sept. 28-29, 2012

Agenda:

Friday Morning Sept. 28th:

- ~ Corvette Service & \$24.95 Corvette oil change at Dale Earnhardt Chevrolet if desired (By appointment only, Caravan coupon required. Coupons available on Caravan website at corvettecaravan.com/va-nc-sc/)
- ~ Arrival & Hotel Check In
- ~ Caravan from Host Hotel to DEI available

Friday Afternoon Sept. 28th – Dale Earnhardt Inc.

- ~ 1:30 pm – Meet at Dale Earnhardt Inc., 1676 Coddle Creek Hwy, Mooresville, NC 28115
- ~ 2:00 – 4:00 pm – DEI Facilities, Museum and Gift Shop Tours
- ~ 4:15 – 5:30 pm – The Carolinas & Virginia Corvette Caravan Kickoff Meeting
- ~ 6:00 – 7:30 pm – Caravan Dinner – Courtesy of Dale Earnhardt Chevrolet (*Pre-registration required – see below*)

Saturday Sept. 29th – Dale Earnhardt Chevrolet

- ~ 10:00 am – Cruise-In at Dale Earnhardt Chevrolet, 1774 Hwy 16 S, Newton, NC 28658
- ~ 11:30 – 1:00 pm – A La Carte Lunch Items available for a fee (burgers, hotdogs snacks & the trimmings prepared & served by the Dale Earnhardt Chevrolet Team)
- ~ 1:00 – 3:00 pm – Seminars, Vendors, etc.

****Pre-Registration for the EVENT is required by Sept. 16th to be included! You may Pre-register at RTP-Corvettes.com. Click on the "Event Registration" tab OR by emailing Chris Wood @ 2rcorvettes@carolina.rr.com. Please provide names, number in party and email address. Hotel reservations and Event Registration MUST BE DONE SEPARATELY***

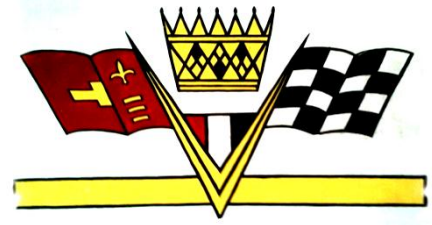


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Vintage QCCC

With the Vintage Gang:

Bill Cruthis, Richard Craig, Darrell Kirkley & Travis Meredith



More "Adventures" from QCCC of Decades Past

BUTCH, SUNDANCE, AND DIRTY HARRY

Three of our best and most active members during the mid 70's: Tommy Mitchem 1976 president, Wayne Marlow and Robert Scognamillo. Tommy and Wayne reminded us of Butch and Sundance, lots of laughter and fun experiences. Wayne actually favors Robert Redford in appearance. Robert was a very private fellow, even to his close friends, and he just retired from a long time tenure as City Chevrolet's chief Corvette mechanic. Tommy had a white 69 roadster, Wayne a 71 white coupe and Robert drove the wheels off a 450 HP mid-year convertible complete with an American flag covering the deck lid. Tommy and Wayne could actually have had careers in comedy, as they played off each other so well, Wayne being very similar to a disc jockey. Wednesday night keg parties at the club house always provided laughter with these two.

Wayne was very successful drag racing his stock 71 in pure B class and we think even held some NCCC records for a while. The mid 70's saw QCCC very heavily involved in racing, especially drag racing and we have film of Tommy at Shuffletown. One particular event, all three were running when after several passes Wayne's car starting making a rattling noise under the hood on acceleration.

Tommy and Wayne were very good at comedy and not as good as mechanics.

So Wayne tells Tommy something is wrong with his motor and would he take a look; bad idea. They raised the hood and sure enough the noise was diagnosed as the fan hitting the plastic fan shroud under throttle. So Butch and Sundance scratched their collective heads and figured the fix would be to get the hacksaw out of the tool box and modify the shroud. Just as they finished chopping a sizeable chunk out of the top of the shroud, Robert passed by.

In his usual few words, he found out what they were up to. Most would have had a good laugh at their expense, but that was not Robert's nature. He left and returned with a chain which he promptly wrapped around the broken engine mount to temporarily solve the problem. The rest of us were not so polite and had many a good laugh about their solution, none laughed more than Tommy and Wayne. Few people can do things this stupid and pull it off, but that was the Butch and Sundance in them.

What a great diverse and fun group the early days were. We were just so young we dove into things with no idea what we were doing or what the outcome would be. We did a lot of mechanical things to our cars, most of which probably were wrong or not necessary. But make no mistake Scognamillo was one heck of a parking lot mechanic. Thanks to all three for this great memory.

QCCC Newest Members August 2012



Larry & Kathy Miller
2004 Blue Coupe



Bill & Darlene Loo



Dave & Melissa Morris
2004 Commemorative Coupe



Steve Laurent
2003 Gray Coupe



Bob & Ginny Nibarger



Glenn & Andrea Johnson
2011 Red Grand Sport

QCCC Members Caught on Film. See QCCC Website for more photos.





C1 Owners



C2 Owners



C3 Owners



C4 Owners



C 5 Owners



C6 Owners





From Track to Street

NEXT EVENT

Corvette Racing's next event is the American Le Mans Series VIR 240 at Virginia International Raceway on Saturday, Sept. 15.

Other Corvette Related Items of interest.

Arnold Schwarzenegger's Newest Co-Star: The Camaro ZL1

<http://www.carbuzz.com/news/2012/8/16/Arnold-Schwarzenegger-s-Newest-Co-Star-The-Camaro-ZL1-7710285>

“Heads-Up”

September 8, 2012 QCCC Meeting and Annual Eddie
Burt **BBQ** **BBQ** **BBQ**

4:00 pm Arrival
5:00 pm Pig Out Time
6:30 pm Meeting

Please bring covered dishes according to your last name as follows:

A – F Desserts
G – Z Side Dishes and Salads

Bring chairs & your preference in beverages.

**We need 10-12 canopies for shade. If you can bring one,
please call or email Eddie**

Note:

Please park along the streets and make SURE there's enough room for emergency vehicles.

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Exit 57 – Hwy 16/Providence Rd – Turn north.
Turn Right at the light, onto McKee Rd. Go half a mile.
Turn Right at the light, onto Tilley Morris Rd. Go 1.8 miles.
Turn Right onto Weddington-Matthews Rd (Seminary is on the left). Go half a mile.
Turn Right onto Amanda Dr.
251 is the second house on the left.

C 6 Bolster Repair Solution:

Thought I would get to the root of the problem and find out why my driver's seat is having this problem. So I thought I might help some of you with this.

Here's the problem. I am pointing at it. This car is an 08 with 12,725 mile on it.....and this. I can only imagine what the next few miles will do.



So I unzipped the cover to expose the problem. Part of the support system has split the foam, thus allowing the backside of the seat cover to have a hard surface to be rubbed on....us getting in and out.



So I covered the split foam with some good duct tape (yea, duct it) to pull the split closed. Next, I got a towel and covered the tape. Using tape, I secured the new fabric in place.



I then zipped it all back up. Next, using some leather dye patched the discolored section and left it to dry.



I will monitor for the next few weeks and see how it all holds together. The passenger side has the same wear pattern in it and I might try another trick or two. Hope this helps. Especially you guys that have gotten a new car, we need to find a way to stop this now before this happens to you.



Our Thanks to Bill Rambo for finding this repair solution.

Presidents Report:

We finally beat the rain, and QCCC made a showing at the ZMax Dragway. If you didn't take advantage of the opportunity, you missed a good time. We even had two women from the group competing. It was fun driving, and watching the variety of cars there.

This month we will be asking for nominations for 2013 Board of Directors. If you are interested, please contact me and we can discuss the positions and responsibilities.

Looking ahead, we are working on the final details for the Awards Banquet. The majority of people have requested a change of venue, so we have a new location, and I think it offers a unique chance for our car club. We will be able to display a few cars inside the building, and also outside with some special lighting. I would like to see a car from each generation on display. If you are interested, let me know.

Remember the wave, and let's drive 'em and enjoy them!

Steve Pelchat

Social Report:

Don't miss Burt's Annual BBQ, which will be held just before our next meeting. Coming up next we'll have our Catawba Queen lunch cruise Sunday, September 16th. The sign up sheet will be at the meeting, or email me by the 9th, so I can make sure there will be enough space on the boat. Then at the end of the month we have the Corvette Caravan Kickoff the 28th & 29th, and the Blue Ridge Parkway drive to the Historic Orchard at Altapass on the 29th.

If you are interested in attending Vettes on the Point, let me know so I can add you to the list. The registration deadline is September 15th, as is the reduced room rates. So if you're interested, hurry and get your reservation in. Call the hotel direct for room reservations. It's a great location for a car show, and a beautiful drive. It's put on by the Virginia Corvette Club, check their website www.virginiacorvetteclub.com to see the highlights from last year's event.

I hope to see you at the BBQ.

Laura

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Board Meeting Minutes

Date: August 7, 2012

Time: 5:45pm – 8:20

Location: Smith & Stevenson

Board Members: Steve Pelchat, President; Chris Wood, Membership Director; Laura Pelchat, Social Director; John Walton, Automotive Director; Florence Prather, Treasurer
Visitors: Jane & Eddie Burt

President Steve Pelchat called the meeting to order at 5:45pm. Jane & Eddie Burt went over the details for Burt's BBQ. Burt's have ordered tables, porta jon, will get meat, paper products. Will be sending out flyer & keeping track of responses. Workers 3:00, Members 4:00, Meal 5:00, meeting 6:30. John Walton will take care of banners & parking.

Automotive Director Report – John Walton

- Streetside Classics wanting to host some event with our club.
- November 3rd NASCAR Tech openhouse.
- Some suggestions for bylaw changes regarding Automotive Director were discussed..

Vice President's Report – Keith Cross

- Per email, suggestion to raise dues to \$100 a year, discussed and approved

Membership Director's Report – Chris Wood

- Provisional Member nominated Glen & Andrea Johnson, seconded & passed.
- Looking at some recommendations for by-law revisions.
- Motion to change initiation fee to \$10 as of January, seconded & approved.

Treasurer's Report – Florence Prather

- Budget report to go out to membership before next meeting
- Discussion of liability, insurance, indemnification – Florence to discuss with attorney

Social Director's Report – Laura Pelchat

- NCM Banner ordered, current banner to be raffled off
- Banquet & Christmas party on target. Details finalized after budget review.
- September Catawba Queen lunch

President Steve Pelchat stated that bylaw review to be continued at next month's board meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 8:20.

Minutes submitted by Laura Pelchat, for Linda Lewis, Secretary