



**so many pylons...
... so little time**

July 2000

Queen City Corvette Club, Inc.

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QCCC is sanctioned by the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC), which has over 14,000 members in the USA. We are a non-profit club (501-C7) which raises money for and participates with various local children's charities. Dues and donations are not tax deductible. We strive to promote exciting, safe & fun ways to enjoy our Corvettes. We hold business meetings on the second Saturday of each month. Our monthly business meeting usually incorporates a social time afterwards. Our socials are always fun and are focused around food & drink. We've had swimming parties, bar-b-ques, cookouts, day trips and weekend trips. We participate in mountain tours, holiday parades and several homecoming parades at local area high schools. We also participate with several sister Corvette clubs in car shows, drag racing, and autocrossing. After an initiation fee of \$7.00, club dues are only \$8.00 a month, per family, and are to be paid quarterly. These dues go to cover the costs of running the club, mailing newsletters, and subsidizing the costs of our meetings. Club officers serve as volunteers. NCCC dues are \$30.00 a year.

To become a member of the QUEEN CITY CORVETTE CLUB, you must own a Corvette and attend at least two (2) monthly business meetings within a six-month time period. Express your wishes for membership during a monthly business meeting, be voted in and begin paying dues.

QCCC SOCIAL CALENDAR JULY SOCIAL REPORT

Let me start this month's social report with a big THANK YOU to Eddie and Jane Burt for hosting our June meeting. As usual they were gracious hosts and the food was wonderful.

I hope that everyone had a wonderful time at the progressive dinner. Thanks to all of those that hosted dinners, cocktails and dessert. I hope that we can do another progressive dinner in the fall when schedules will allow more club members to participate. It is a great way to get to know club members in smaller group environment.

Our next meeting will be hosted by David Carleton in Mt. Holly. Attached is a map giving you directions. The meeting will start at 6:00 followed by dinner. Please plan to arrive starting at 5PM for a pre meeting social hour. The menu will consist of hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a side dish, your own beverages and chairs. If you have any questions, please contact Betsy Elliott at 542-0141, Renee Frazier at 882-3321 or Kay Weisberg at 708-5073.

Our next QCCC outing is scheduled for July 22 and is going to be a very exciting one. Please be sure to read Jon Elliott's article elsewhere in this month's newsletter for details and meeting location. QCCC was invited by Tom Smith (former CEO of Food Lion) to view his extensive car collection at his home in Salisbury. We will be stopping for lunch at Ibambini in Mooresville after leaving Salisbury. Those of you who wish to participate can then continue on to Jody and Judy Austin's home at Lake Norman. They have graciously invited us again to their home for water sports and relaxation on the lake. PLEASE LET ME KNOW ASAP IF YOU ARE GOING TO TOM SMITH'S SO THAT I CAN COORDINATE THE LUNCH PLANS.

QCCC's August meeting will be held at Benny and Renee Frazier's home. A map will be included in the next newsletter. The menu will be a covered dish with an Italian theme. Benny and Renee have an extensive collection of Route 66 and Corvette memorabilia. The meeting and dinner will be at 6:00.

August 26, 2000 is our annual trip to the Artis' lake home in South Carolina. Gary and Linda have a wonderful lake home on Lake Murray. The caravan and afternoon cookout combines with great swimming and boating on the lake. More on this outing will be in the August newsletter, including directions.

Labor Day weekend is the QCCC trip to Marietta, Ohio. We will be staying at the Comfort Inn (approximately \$65.00). We will be leaving Charlotte at 3:00 pm on Friday afternoon and returning on Monday. Included in the trip is a stop at Tamarack in Beckley, West Virginia. Tamarack features a collection of artists and craftsmen from the state that offer their products for sale. Marietta is located on the Ohio River and the Ohio and West Virginia border. It is still a very important river town and the

Mississippi Queen stops there frequently in the summer. We will be able to go to Fenton Glass Company for their annual Labor Day sale. A riverboat trip to Blennerhassett Island is also planned. The road trip on Saturday morning will take you to 5 covered bridges on a road definitely meant for Corvettes. Consider coming along for this wonderful trip and a chance to meet other Corvette owners. Please call me if you are interested in going so that I can include you in the hotel reservations.

Attached is a list of our upcoming activities. The trip to the beach and the mountains will be covered in greater detail in a later newsletter.

AGENDA FOR YEAR

1. July 4 - Holiday parades – sign up with Jeff Estridge
2. July 8 - Afternoon meeting at David Carleton's in Mt. Holly
3. July 22 - 10:00 trip to Tom Smith's in Salisbury to view his collections, lunch at Bambini and afternoon at Austins
4. August 12 - 6:00 dinner at Benny and Renee Frazier.
5. August 26 - Trip to Artis' home at the lake in SC.
6. September 2-4 - trip to Marietta, Ohio to tour and visit with Pioneer Club
7. September 9 - 6:00 meeting at More Performance
8. September 14-17 - AutoFair
9. September 22 and 23 - Beach trip
10. October 14 - 4:30 Carrigan Farm outing and meeting (no Corvettes)
11. October 22 - trip to Boone Inn 12:30 reservations - \$13.95
12. November 3-4 - Mountain trip to Balsam Inn
13. November 11 - PJ's in Matthews meeting
14. December 9 - Christmas party and meeting - Country Inn in Matthews 6:30 - \$12.95 (includes tip and tax).

The logo for 'Flashbacks! Automobilia' features the word 'FLASHBACKS!' in a large, bold, stylized font with a horizontal line through the middle of the letters. Below it, the word 'AUTOMOBILIA' is written in a simpler, bold, sans-serif font.

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Directions July Meeting at Carleton's in Mount Holly

FROM CHARLOTTE:

Brookshire Blvd. (Hwy 16) toward Denver

After crossing the river and entering Gaston County turn **LEFT** at the stop light (That's **OLD HWY 16** or **LUCIA RIVERBEND RD**)

Go about 1 to 1.5 miles to **MT ISLAND HIGHWAY**. Turn **LEFT**

Turn **RIGHT** onto **SANDY FORD RD**

Go 4.4 miles to the stop sign.

Turn **LEFT** onto **STANLEY LUCIA RD**

After going through the sharp "S" curves start looking for the signs – the house is #1143 on the right

FROM THE LAKE AREA:

Take **Hwy 16** toward Charlotte

After entering Gaston County turn right onto **OLD HWY 16** or **LUCIA RIVERBEND ROAD**.

Go approximately 5 miles (estimate) through the sharp "S" curves and start looking for the signs - the house is #1143 on the right.

Please pull all the way up the drive and park in the pasture for a later photo of the club cars.

Watch your step in the pasture! (Ha, Ha!).

If you have trouble, my mobile phone number is 361-4384.

Tech Tip Jody Austin

If many of you C5 owners are like me, then I know you have been singing those "I Ain't Got No Interior Room In My C5" blues. Well, I found an item on the 'net that helped me and thought it might be of some benefit to you. As you are aware the console in the C5 is barely large enough for a squashed grilled cheese sandwich, much less all the electronic gear we all carry. My garage door opener always jammed in there with phones, sunglasses, air gauge, (No, No, not for not me, for Judy, I wouldn't know what to do with one), CD's and maps, so I needed relief.



Someone on one the 'Vette bulletin boards suggested using double sided tape and attaching the garage door opener to the flat space under the steering wheel. I thought that was entirely too easy, ain't no power tools needed, but I checked anyway. Shazzam, it works GREAT. It is very accessible and is not in the way, in fact it is not visible at all. No more digging to find the opener. A very simple and cheap fix. I attached a picture to show where it goes. Happy Motoring!

Minutes from June 10, 2000 QCCC Meeting

The June QCCC business meeting was held at Eddie and Jane Burt's residence. All officers were in attendance.

Scott Hamilton has asked to step down as Chairman of the Sponsorship Committee. Several people have expressed an interest in the committee. Bob Bowen will convene the next Sponsorship Committee meeting to get sponsorship issue resolved. Bob Denney inquired as to what we want from sponsors. Intention is to highlight 4-6 ideas to request from sponsors. Possible sponsor advertising was mentioned for additional club revenue. If advertising is used in the newsletter, the club membership list will not be sold.

Tony Prior has been working with the Electronic Newsletter Committee established last January. Tony has posted the last two months' newsletters on the Internet and sent the site location to several members to test, with good results. Goal is to move toward utilizing electronic newsletter for membership who wants to receive electronically. Newsletter will still be mailed out to members who want hard copy and is not intended to replace the printed copy. Tony has located a free format location to store PDF files in Adobe Acrobat format at driveway.com. This site allows information to be stored with password. Tony needs 20 volunteers to receive July newsletter electronically. Interested members are to send Tony their e-mail addresses and he will e-mail the URL link to the site. Tony requests that he receive an e-mail from members confirming they are able to enter the site and view the newsletter. Tony also reminded members that Corvettes at Carlisle is fast approaching.

Kim Lindsay of Vector Shirts (Vectorshirts.com) made presentation to officers at Board meeting regarding marketing of club logo merchandise. Board requested Kim send QCCC letter indicating what she can do for the club. The Board desires to set up a list of premium products for a club store. Kim is willing to also do specialty items for individual club members. Current inventory of club shirts includes 80-85 shirts remaining. These will be sold and new merchandise will be ordered. E.O. Oakley inquired if all sizes and C5 logo will be available. If Kim does not currently have in inventory, she can obtain for premium price. Eddie Burt will keep standard issue items in stock. A member may contact Kim directly to acquire other items.

Greg Beavers wants to start career networking within the club to assist club members with business-related information. If interested, send Greg an e-mail.

Reminder of autocross Saturday and Sunday at Knights Stadium. Need assistance with corner workers, registration, timing, and various other duties.

Motion from floor to accept minutes from May meeting, seconded and passed.

Nancy reminded members of Progressive Dinner on June 24. Nancy is able to schedule 4 or 5 more couples if interested. The July 4 parades are coming up. The July 8 meeting will be at David Carleton's brother's residence in Mount Holly. Betsy will coordinate, as Nancy will be on vacation. July 22 is the visit to Tom Smith's home in Salisbury. August business meeting is scheduled at Benny and Renee Frazier's residence. The September meeting is scheduled at More Performance. Eight rooms are left at the Balsam Mountain Inn. Nancy needs to know which members are participating in the train trip.

John Meadows reminded members and guests to sign insurance waiver. Three cars will receive extra points for being "clean cars": Watts, Fraziers, and Runnions. Jeff Estridge reminded Board of Autofair September 14-17 and the two Fourth of July parades at Hickory Grove and Waxhaw.

Guests were introduced and Neil Whittaker was voted in as a new member. Members and guests are invited to have breakfast every Sunday morning at P.J.'s in Matthews at 9:30 a.m. Jon Elliott's daughter Emily won first place in a Bloomington Gold essay contest. Over \$8,000 was raised for charities at the Johnsonville grill over race weekend. Motion to close June meeting made, seconded, and passed.

Respectfully submitted, Candy Lake

Minutes from June 19, 2000 QCCC Officers' Meeting

The QCCC Officers' meeting convened on Monday evening, June 19, 2000, at Fred Fischer's office at 7:00 p.m. All officers were in attendance with the exception of Nancy Runnion.

Eddie Burt reported that net profit on autocross will be around \$1,200.00. Pete and Gail Dawley did a tremendous amount of work at the autocross, and Fred Fischer has called to personally thank them for their work. A gift certificate will be sent to the Dawleys as a token of the club's appreciation.

Board discussed advantages to NCCC affiliation/membership, which are ability to compete for points, hold/host sanctioned events, participate in insurance program, and ability to attend regional and national banquets. Bylaws currently ensure that club will have no less than 51 percent NCCC membership. Board will send letter to Candy Lake, Secretary, with a recommendation from the Board that Queen City Corvette Club drop its NCCC affiliation and the reasons for dropping said affiliation. The letter will summarize advantages and disadvantages of being affiliated with NCCC. Dropping NCCC affiliation necessitates a change in the Bylaws. The letter will also contain proposed changes to the Bylaws. If the Bylaws are changed as such, the VP of Competition position could be eliminated. This letter will be published in the July newsletter, with discussion at the upcoming business meeting.

Bob Bowen is coordinating a meeting of the Sponsorship Committee.

John Meadows would like to place the newsletter on the club website and possibly include some advertising. John will coordinate electronic newsletter with Tony Prior. John will also update club points to include autocross participation.

Board discussed need to sell remaining shirts left in inventory in order to purchase new shirts from Kim Lindsay at Vector Shirts. A flyer will be prepared itemizing the remaining inventory.

Two Fourth of July parades are scheduled for Tuesday, July 4: one in Waxhaw, which needs 5 cars, and one in Hickory Grove, which needs 25 cars. A caravan will be scheduled for the drive to Tom Smith's residence on July 22. At the July 8 business meeting, Nancy will be on vacation and won't be able to attend so Betsy Elliott, Renee Frazier and Kay Weisberg will assist.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candy Lake

PLAY DAY 2000

Every day is Play Day when you own a Corvette. But...

Special plans have been made to make July 22, 2000 a play day for Queen City Corvette Club members & guest. We are going to take our Corvettes out for a morning rally to see the private car collection of former Food Lion executive, Tom Smith. Tom lives in rural Salisbury and has collected a variety of exotic cars that include 28 Corvettes! Here are the details:

Saturday, July 22, 2000

9:00 AM

Depart from Bob Evan's restaurant off of Speedway Blvd. (exit # 49 & I-85). This is across I-85 from Concord Mills shopping center.

10:00-12:00 noon

Visit & view the private car collection of Tom Smith

12:00 noon

Rally to Lunch at Bambini's restaurant

After lunch we will conclude our rally at the Lake Norman home of Judy & Jodie Austin for an afternoon of watersports & fun-in-the-sun.

Approximate length of rally from Bob Evan's to Tom Smith's on to the Austin's home is 60 miles. Please be sure that you have plenty of fuel for this rally.

Bring your 2-way radios, cameras, coolers & sun screen, if you wish.

If you need additional information on this event, call Jon Elliott at (704) 542-0141.

*P*urple *R*acer **Report**



Happy 4th of July everyone!

By the time you get this we'll either be finished or ready to do one of our largest parade undertakings yet – Hickory Grove wanted 25 cars and Waxhaw wanted 6-10. I'm going to go ahead and thank everyone for all the help and participation. We've done these parades for several years and they've always been lots of fun with great turnouts from the club and the public.

Before I forget, I want to thank all that helped out for our annual autocross events. We had a good tour out of members and racers this year, especially considering it was Father's Day. For all those that didn't come out – be ashamed. We really could have used a lot more help. Look around at the sun burned faces, those would be the volunteers that worked all weekend. Tell them thanks for doing your share of the work. This was a club event and it would have been nice to have a little more participation.

I'm still looking for help on writing about the Savannah trip. There were a lot of events that weekend that I did not take part in and I'd love to have some insight other than my own.

I want to again thank Nancy for the terrific job she's doing as Social Director. This has been, and looks like it will continue to be, the most fun year we've had yet.

By the way, the elections for Officers are coming up in November. Please be thinking about who you'd like to see in office, or perhaps you'd like to serve yourself. It takes an awful lot to keep this club running as smoothly as it does, it doesn't happen by itself. If you're one of those that sit in the crowd and never say anything 'til it's time to complain – get off your butt and help out. We're growing every day and can use all the help we can get.

Til next month~~~~~ Save the Wave!

Jeff

NCCC or not? Board Review and Recommendation



Commentary from QCCC membership has caused the Board of Directors to investigate and consider the benefits of our alliance with the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC). Comments received center on QCCC by-laws, which require members to also belong to the NCCC. The questions being asked include: What is the value the NCCC returns to our membership? Does NCCC fulfill current QCCC member needs? Are there better arrangements that could be negotiated?

The Board of Directors has discussed these issues regularly and, with considerable investigation and study has developed the following fact list:

What does NCCC membership provide to you?

- The ability to compete for recognized national standing and national competition points in racing, concours, autocrossing and other competitive events describes in the NCCC rules book.
- An opportunity to attend regional and national gatherings sponsored by the NCCC
- Insurance protection from suit brought against QCCC or its members while participating in sponsored events.
- An affiliation with a nationally recognized organization representing Corvette owners.

Does NCCC fulfill current QCCC member needs?

- To the best of the Board's knowledge, at the present time, no member of QCCC is actively pursuing national points recognition in any competitive arena. In fact fewer than five percent of membership participate in any single competitive NCCC sanctioned event annually.
- To the best of the Board's knowledge, QCCC member attendance at either regional or national NCCC gatherings has not exceeded 10% of membership for many years. Regional attendance is worse than national attendance.
- The Board has investigated competitive insurance offerings and has discovered that alternatives offer significantly better coverage for the Club, its members and its Board members at a price roughly equal to 1/10th the cost of NCCC contributions from the Club. Further, alternative offerings are consistent with programs in place at other non-NCCC clubs and organizations.
- The Board does not have a perspective on the value of QCCC alliance with a nationally recognized organization and feels this issue is a personal issue of the members individually.

Are there better arrangements that could be negotiated?

- The Board has not studied an alternative organization that would offer access to national competitive recognition. Such findings may result from the recommendations of the Sponsorship Committee being headed by QCCC's Bob Bowen.
- Competitive insurance is available from several sources. The best to date offers QCCC aggregate coverage of \$2mm with specific coverage for damage resulting from products sold, handled or distributed; medical payments resulting from bodily injury cause by an accident on premises owned or rented; fire damage to premises rented; personal injury coverage; advertising injury (libel) caused by negligence. This insurance covers the Club and its members while working with the Club or participating in Club activities. Premium cost is \$275.00 annually. However, members should carry personal coverage as primary insurance. This insurance, and other alternatives under consideration, do not insure the member's vehicles. It's primary purpose is to protect the Club and its assets.

The Board Recommendations are in the following letter to Candy Lake



June 25, 2000

Ms. Candy Lake, Secretary
Queen City Corvette Club
2824 Forest Lawn Dr.
Matthews, NC 28104

Dear Candy,

As stipulated in Article X of the CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE QUEEN CITY CORVETTE CLUB, INC., this letter is to request you, as Secretary of the Club, to advise the general membership of recommended changes to the bylaws that have been unanimously approved by the current Board of Directors.

These recommendations pertain to the following subject matter:

1. Dropping the formal affiliation between the Queen City Corvette Club to the National Council of Corvette Clubs.
2. Deleting all reference to mandatory enrollment in the NCCC by QCCC members. Members are encouraged to make individual decisions about their personal affiliation with the NCCC.
3. Deleting the position and all duties of the Vice President of Competition of QCCC.

These recommendations will require changes to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Queen City Corvette Club, Inc. as specifically follow:

Delete Article II, Section I, paragraph g which reads:

All new members must become members of NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CORVETTE CLUBS (NCCC). Current club members must join NCCC no later than the 1999 renewal deadline date established by NCCC. After 12/31/99, all members must maintain membership in good standing with the NCCC.

Delete Article III, Section II; paragraph a, sub paragraph 4 which reads:

Vice President of Competition

Revise Article III, Section II, paragraph e.

Current wording:

Officers must be dues paying members or spouse of dues paying member of Queen City Corvette Club and National Council of Corvette Clubs and of good standing in the organization. If dues paying member and spouse are both elected to office, only one of them will have to pay dues. If spouse is elected and dues paying member is not, both member and spouse will have a vote.

Proposed wording:

Officers must be dues paying members or spouse of dues paying member of Queen City Corvette Club and of good standing in the organization. If dues paying member and spouse are both elected to office, only one of them will have to pay dues. If spouse is elected and dues paying member is not, both member and spouse will have a vote.

Delete Article III, section III, paragraph c, which reads:

c. Vice President of Competition

Vehicle competition events involving the use of the club funds shall be under the Vice President of Competition.

The Vice President of Competition, in addition to his other duties, will also be the club's representative to the National Council of Corvette Clubs as the Governor of the club.

Delete Article IV, Section IV, paragraph c. which reads:

The Vice President of Competition shall have the authority to spend up to and including thirty percent (30%) (not to exceed \$500.00) of the club treasury for necessary club expenditures for competition within the calendar year. As the duly elected Governor or appointed Representative to the "National Council" by the Queen City Corvette Club, expenditures incurred while being the club's representative at the "National Council Meetings," to a maximum of three meetings during the Club's calendar year, shall be redeemable, upon submittal of an approved "EXPENSE VOUCHER." Expenditures shall be on the "APPROVED EXPENSE VOUCHER FORM ONLY." NO SUBSTITUTES ALLOWED. All receipts of expenditures shall be attached to the "EXPENSE VOUCHER" and submitted for approval. The power of approval shall be the CLUB PRESIDENT and TREASURER and must have both signatures of approval prior to payment. In the absence of the CLUB PRESIDENT and TREASURER, the duly elected Club Officers assuming their responsibilities, as described in the Bylaws shall also have the authority of approval.

Delete Article VIII, section I, paragraph a, sub paragraph 1 which reads:

Competition;

Delete Article VIII, section II, paragraph a which reads

a. Competition Committee

1. It shall be responsible for the organization and production of all competition events.

Delete Article XII which reads:

Section I. GOVERNORS

a. The club Governor of the club is a liaison between NCCC and Queen City Corvette Club and a voting member of the Regional Board of Governors and of the National Council of Corvette Club governors. The Governor must be a voting member of NCCC at all times either in attendance or by proxy vote submitted to the Carolina Regional Executive.

Section II. DUTIES

a. The Governor shall attend at least three (3) bimonthly meetings of the Board of Governors of National Council during his/her tour of office, which is for a period of one (1) year.

b. He/she shall be responsible for presenting to the general membership a report of the business conducted at the meeting of the Board of Governors. This report shall be made at the first business meeting of the general membership following his/her last attendance at the Board of Governors.

c. If the Governor is unable to attend the NCCC Governors' meeting, and if one or more Queen City members are in attendance, the Governor and/or the Board of Officers must appoint one of these members as the representative of the club in lieu of a proxy vote by one of the regional officers.

Please arrange for this letter to be published in the upcoming July newsletter. **It is the intention of the Board of Directors to bring these issues to a vote before the general membership at the August business meeting.**

Sincerely,

Frederick R. Fischer, President
For the Board of Directors

American Dream Vette Club

Presents

The First Annual

“Clueless In North Georgia”

Mystery Road Rally

Saturday, July 29, 2000



This is a **CORVETTES** only gimmick road rally based on the famous “Clue” Murder Mystery Game.

Join us for an all day cruise through the beautiful North Georgia countryside picking up clues along the way to help solve the murder mystery. On Saturday, July 29th at 9:30 AM, event participants will meet at the Mall of Georgia in Nordstrom’s North parking lot. Dash plaques will be given out to the first 100 entrants. After a quick rally briefing everyone will head out and spend the better part of the day searching for clues through preplanned routes and stops through the beautiful North Georgia countryside. Later on in the afternoon, everyone will then converge at a secret location to make the accusation that could win them cash money if they correctly guess the murderer, location and murder weapon. While the accusations are being tallied, a BBQ and refreshments will be available at a nominal charge. Cash Prize(s) will be awarded to the successful super sleuth(s). Proceeds will be donated to – **The AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY.**

Be sure to bring a small amount of spending money (\$20 - \$30) to “purchase” your clues along the way.

Dash plaques will be given away to the first 100 entrants.

Pre-registration (see form below) is \$10.00 (per car). Registration at launch point is \$15.00 (per car).

LAUNCH POINT : Mall of Georgia Saturday, July 29, 2000 @ The Nordstrom’s North Parking Lot @ 9:30 a.m.

If you have any QUESTIONS, call American Dream Vette Club Hotline @ 770-557-3067

For those of you who are coming in from out of town and are planning to stay overnight at the launch point, a block of rooms have been reserved under the name of American Dream Vette Club at the Holiday Inn in Suwanee. Their phone number is 770-945-4921. Similarly, for those of you from out of town wanting to stay overnight near the conclusion of the rally a block of rooms have been reserved again under the American Dream Vette Club name at the Holiday Inn Express in Dahlonega. Their number is 706-867-7777. Please make your hotel reservations early, as the rooms will only be kept reserved up to June 29th.

Fill out pre-registration form and with your payment, send to: American Dream Vette Club, P.O. Box 413, Snellville, GA 30078

Name: _____ “Clueless in North
Georgia Road Rally”
Saturday, July 29, 2000

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Corvette Year: _____ Model: _____ Color: _____



LIABILITY DISCLAIMER:

By submitting payment for this event, the above participant agrees to hold harmless the American Dream Vette Club and its members from any and all damages, both immediately & consequential, resulting from participant’s actions during this event.

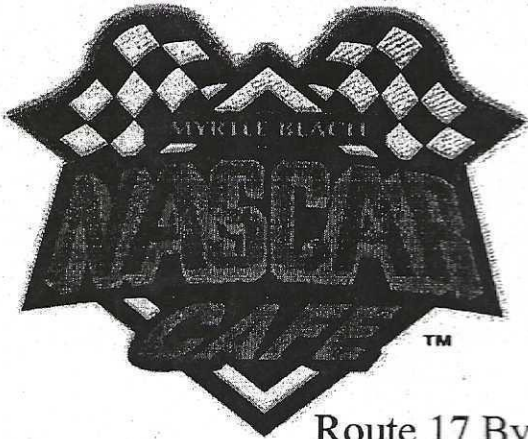
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PRESENTS

CORVETTES

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Route 17 By-Pass and 21ST Ave. North,
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Saturday, October 14, 2000, 10:AM- 4:PM

All Corvettes are welcome! Classes for '53-'62s, '63-'67s, '68-'72s, '73-'82s, '84-'90s, '91-'96s, '97-2000s and Custom / Race Cars, with three trophies in each class. Additional awards for Exhibitors Choice, Ladies Choice, Club Participation, and Best of Show.



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- June 15
- July 20
- Aug 17
- Sept 21
- Oct 19

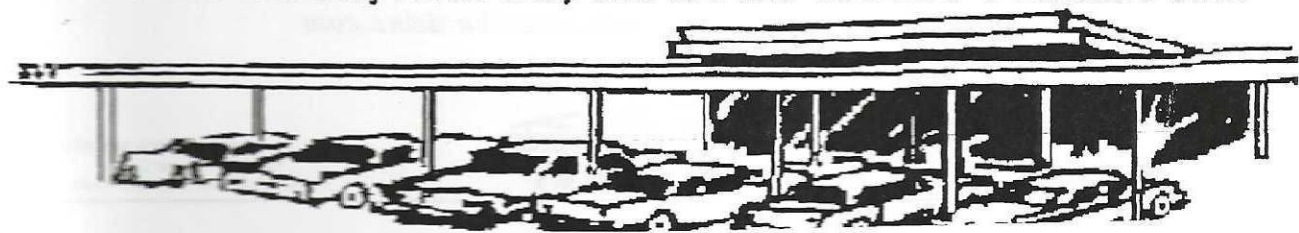
(3rd Thursday of the month...)

Location: 3631 South Blvd.

Time: 5:00pm - until...

Info: call 527-5530

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TREASURY REPORT
July 25, 2000

Bank Account Balance June 25, 2000		9,255.71
Income		
Club Dues	805.00	
Club Golf Shirts	187.50	
NCCC Dues	100.00	
Laminated Signs	5.00	
Club Stickers	3.50	
Club License Plates	<u>6.00</u>	
Total	1,107.00	1,107.00
Expenses		
June Club Mtg – paper goods	17.02	
Progressive Dinner	135.57	
July Newsletter Mailings	105.69	
Auto-Cross Expenses	586.85	
Treasurer – postage	36.50	
Bank Service Charge	1.08	
July Club Mtg – paper goods	50.52	
Refund excess QCCC dues paid	56.00	
NCCC Dues Paid	<u>250.00</u>	
Total	1,239.23	(1,239.23)
Bank Account Balance July 23, 2000		9,123.48
NCCC Escrow Account Balance June 25, 2000	150.00	
NCCC Dues Collected	<u>100.00</u>	
Total	250.00	
NCCC Dues Payable	<u>250.00</u>	
NCCC Escrow Acct Bal.	Total	0
		0
QCCC Charities Account	<u>438.91</u>	
QCCC Charities Acct Bal.	Total	438.91
		438.91
Club Treasury Balance July 23, 2000		8,684.57

AUTO-CROSS
JUNE 17-18, 2000
FINAL ACCOUNTING

INCOME

Entry Fees	2,353.00		
Sales – Food & Drink	<u>188.70</u>		
Total	2,541.70		2,541.70

EXPENSES

	93.30		
A. Meat, drinks, buns, chips	189.81		
Pickles, onions, mayo, charcoal	42.95		
Ice	6.93		
Roaster Pan	2.31		
B. Charlotte Knights – Track Rental	400.00		
Trophy, engravings, and picture frames	215.95		
Photocopying, envelopes, postage	77.85		
Carolina Region Entry Fees	409.00		
Professional Assistance/Gift Certificate (timing & technical assistance)	<u>100.00</u>		
Total	1,538.10		(1,538.10)
Profit to QCCC			1,003.60

- A. 7 cases of water/cokes, hamburger, hot dogs & chips inventoried for future use.
- B. Current check \$300.00 due to prior \$100 deposit.

MINUTES FROM JULY 8, 2000 QCCC MEETING

The July 8, 2000 QCCC business meeting was held at Mike Carlton's residence (David's brother). Officers in attendance were Fred Fischer, John Meadows, Eddie Burt, and Jeff Estridge. Candy Lake & Nancy Runnion were absent. Jane Burt was acting Secretary. Fred opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. by thanking Mike & Laurie Carlton for hosting us. The following items were then brought up.

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE - Bob Bowen will make a preliminary recommendation to the Board. At the August meeting, the Club will vote on whether to move forward.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER - John Meadows (& J.R) received an enthusiastic round of applause for the re-designed website. It now includes the newsletter, ads, photos, & is printable. Tony Prior has also made the newsletter available in an Adobe format that can be downloaded & stored. The July & August newsletters will be available in both formats. In September, the Club will vote on (1) keeping both formats, (2) on the website only, or (3) in the Adobe format only. We want to encourage the electronic format to save mailing expenses. The printed & mailed version will still be available to those who prefer it. If you have any questions, or won't be able to attend the August meeting, please e-mail Tony at MPTP001@aol.com & let him know your preferences.

VECTOR SHIRTS - they can offer a QCCC "club store" via their website for "anything" with the QCCC logo - shirts, hats, sweatshirts, key rings, huggers, etc. We first need to deplete the current inventory of shirts & hats. Buy now, these are now limited classic items. Once they're gone, the replacements will be new in style, quality, & price. Eddie Burt will provide a list of items in stock.

GUESTS & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS - were asked to stand & tell us about their cars:

- Herman Pfisterer - came to Charlotte by way of PA, & his first Corvette is a 2000 yellow coupe
- Tom & Shirley Idema - have a red 1993 coupe
- Ron Jankavs - his 2nd 'Vette is a 2000 Magnetic Red, he's a native Charlottean, & this is his 1st QCCC meeting

Herman, Tom & Shirley were voted into the QCCC! Congratulations!

NEXT DIRECTORY - this is updated quarterly. Fred made a motion for Greg Beavers, who was not in attendance, to include car information (year, color, style) with the member's name, address, phone #, and e-mail address. The ensuing discussion included (1) a recommendation to have pictures [this may be added next time], (2) a question as to why the Board can't just go ahead & "do it" [the Board makes decisions based on Club approval], (3) if member names, addresses, phone #s, & car info get into the wrong hands, it could be devastating [the directory & Treasury Report go only to Club members]. John Meadows made an amended motion, & Harry Salvaggio seconded it, that anyone NOT wanting their info listed can request that it not be included. The amended motion was passed unanimously.

NETWORKING - Greg Beavers had requested anyone interested in sharing their professions to contact him. The response has been underwhelming. Rick Witcher pointed out that our by-laws state that the purpose of QCCC is to promote Corvettes. This topic will be tabled until Greg is present.

JULY 22 - Jon Elliott enthusiastically spoke about our planned visit to Tom Smith's (former CEO of Food Lion) in Salisbury. He has an extensive collection of exotic cars which includes 28 Corvettes (no C-5s)!!!! He also has a collection of vintage John Deere tractors & an impressive Trophy Building. **This is not to be missed!** We will meet at the Bob Evans Restaurant at exit 49 off I-85. We will leave at 9:00 am sharp. After Tom's, we will eat lunch at the Sagebrush, & then go to Jody & Judy Austin's house at Lake Norman to enjoy their extensive collection of water toys. So far, 30 cars will be going.

QCCC & NCCC AFFILIATION - Queen City Corvette Club has been a National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC) member since 1968. Our by-laws were amended last year to make it mandatory that each QCCC member also be an NCCC member. This has caused some members to question the benefits we reap and whether this association should continue. We will discuss this tonight and at the August meeting, as it is too big an issue to decide in one night.

Long-time QCCC member Jay Freeman is also a Carolina Region Executive Officer and took the floor to answer questions and clarify misconceptions about NCCC. He pointed out that as long as 51% of Club members are NCCC members, the Club is an NCCC Club. Being an NCCC member (for \$30 a year) provides \$1M of liability insurance coverage, as well as being part of a regional and national organization. Historically, the focus of NCCC has been toward competitive racing. However, it is NOT true that each Club is required to hold 7 events a year; a Club can be strictly social & still have NCCC benefits. It is recognized that QCCC, as well as other clubs, have shifted

interests from racing to social over the past few years. In fact, this year's NCCC Convention at Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire, MI originally did not have any racing events planned, however Low-Speed events have now been added due to popular demand. By-laws require that a Club Governor of Competition must attend at least 3 Regional Board Meetings. In fact, he does NOT have to attend as long as a proxy is given to a Regional Executive to represent the Club. Jay has represented QCCC twice this year, and Fred Fischer has attended one Regional Board Meeting.

If the QCCC membership votes to no longer be an NCCC Club, individuals can still be NCCC members-at-large. However, they will have no representation at the regional & national levels, and no voting powers. NCCC Club 121 will cease to exist. There is one Club in the Carolina Region that has only 7 members.

John Meadows asked "Why are we under the impression that we are required to hold 7 events?" Jay responded that it's traditionally been done as a quick way to raise funds. Our annual Autocross at Knights Stadium is our primary fundraiser. Just last month, we netted over \$1,000 in just 2 days. If we were NOT an NCCC club, the participation would be considerably less since NCCC members attend events to earn national points. Each NCCC Club is allotted 7 events a year. We can host those events, let other clubs use our events (1 QCCC member must attend the event), or not use them at all. Part of the funds raised, goes to the Region to be used to send the Regional Executive to the National Meetings. We can have a VP of Competition, but he doesn't have to do anything if he gives his proxy to a Regional Exec to represent our Club at Regional meetings.

Jay suggested that the by-laws be changed to make NCCC membership optional rather than mandatory. A question was asked, "What do we get out of being an NCCC member?" The answer was "What you put in." Any questions? No.

MOTION TO ACCEPT JUNE MINUTES – made, seconded, & passed

SOCIAL REPORT – July 22, 9:00- Tom Smith's, Sagebrush, Jody & Judy's
August 12, 6:00 - Meeting @ Benny & Renee's – Italian covered dish
August 26 - Day @ Gary & Linda Artis' house @ Lake Murray
September 2 – 4 - trip to Ohio

VP REPORT – John Meadows: QCCC points will be updated on the website next week

TREASURER REPORT – Eddie Burt: We're in good financial shape. Eddie thanked Jay for the NCCC perspective. Options are nice to have & Eddie asked everyone to seriously think about this & weigh the options before voting next month. Also, there will be a substantial turnover in next year's QCCC Board of Directors. If you like what's been happening, step up to the plate & be an officer. Anyone is welcome to attend a Board Meeting to get a feel for what it's all about.

KAY WEISBERG asked if the private insurance coverage for 2 million for \$275 is the same as the \$1M NCCC insurance coverage, & if there are any requirements necessary. Coverage is the same: liability, personal injury, & property OTHER THAN YOUR CAR. It would cover all QCCC members.

FRED LENTZ asked if the insurance policies provided by NCCC and by an outside company could be compared. Eddie has summary sheets from both carriers that can be given to all members to review.

PRESIDENT REPORT – Fred Fischer spoke of the upcoming election of Board Members. QCCC has SPIRIT and new ideas are wanted, needed, and welcomed. Tenure is not required, we need fresh, new ideas, so if you are interested in becoming a candidate for the Board, let a current Board member know.

PUBLIC RELATIONS – Jeff Estridge reported on the three July 4 parades that QCCC participated in:
Waxhaw – 4 cars
Hickory Grove – 17 cars
Coulwood – 5 cars

Auto Fair will be September 14 – 17. Mark your calendars.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS – Fred reported that our beloved Don Yost has cancer and asked that we keep him and Hilda in our thoughts and prayers.

MEETING ADJOURNED- Motion made, seconded, and passed at 8: 30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Burt.

Minutes from July 14, 2000 QCCC Officers' Meeting

The QCCC Officers' meeting convened on Friday evening, July 14, 2000, at Jeff Estridge's residence at 7:00 p.m. All officers were in attendance with the exception of Nancy Runnion.

Fred Fischer reported that Nelson Hoenig mailed him a list of 121 NCCC members. Corvettes at Carlisle information will be in next month's newsletter.

The Board has been informed that www.corvetterestoration.com has added QCCC to their website.

There are now at least 40 cars and 72 people participating in the trip to Tom Smith's residence. Caravan will depart Bob Evans Restaurant at Speedway Boulevard across from Concord Mills at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be at the Sagebrush Restaurant.

John Meadows has taken over maintenance of the QCCC website. Discussion of possibility of members only section on website. Two versions of the newsletter should be on website: one for members only and one for the general public. Discussion of whether member list should be for members only. Further discussion at September business meeting. John Meadows suggested two months of newsletters should be online.

Discussion of Board proposals to Sponsorship Committee. Benefits may be focused on one particular dealer, but that presents travel difficulties to one dealer for all members. Possibility of contacting and using "zone" to include all local dealerships. Zone may include non-local dealerships. Chevrolet wants to form closer association with loyal Chevrolet owners. Board will recommend that Sponsorship Committee focus on possible areas of advertising and specific dealers.

Regarding QCCC 2001 Board, Eddie Burt would like to remain Treasurer. Any members interested in an officer position should contact any Board member.

Concern by some members regarding amending the Bylaws to eliminate VP of Competition. Could possibly keep position and change or shift responsibilities to other officers or redefine officers' roles to de-emphasize competition aspect. Possible to rename VP of Competition to VP of Competitive Events. However, this would necessitate a Bylaws change. NCCC membership requirement in the Bylaws needs to be deleted. If 51 percent of club membership remains NCCC members, club remains affiliated with NCCC. These members could appoint their own governor, who would attend Board meetings. The club governor could report through the club Vice President as a representative. The Bylaws would not have to be amended to include this position. Board recommends amending Bylaws to eliminate mandatory NCCC membership and deleting the VP of Competition position but blending this office's duties into other officers' roles. NCCC affiliation should be decided by the membership at the September business meeting.

Lowe's Motor Speedway AutoFair is in September. Homecoming parades are also coming up, as well as Thanksgiving parades.

There is a large quantity of QCCC golf shirts remaining which need to be sold. Board decided to sell these remaining shirts at a cost of \$10.00.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Candy Lake