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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. Express your wishes for membership during a monthly business meeting, be voted in and begin paying dues.

The President's Message

May finally brings us better weather with blue skies and warmer temperatures being the norm throughout the month. If you didn't have the opportunity to partake in any of the QCCC outings this past month, you missed out on some great times.



The road trip scheduled mid month to Goldsboro, NC and the Blue Angels Air Show was an outstanding success. Unable to make the scheduled Friday departure with the rest of the group, our caravan of two cars consisting of Bob Denney, and Margo and I left the rest stop on I-85 in Concord at precisely 6:15 a.m. Saturday morning, putting us into Goldsboro a little before 10. This left plenty of time to see the opening ceremonies. Checking in with Chris Patton and Ken Watts on the cell phone quickly put us onto the tarmac where the gleaming Corvettes of QCCC were intermixed with some of the greatest airplanes I have ever seen. Oh, and did I mention all the smiling faces of our members in attendance who had a great time talking cars with all the military personnel and civilians milling around the QCCC display. A couple of members (who will remain anonymous but their initials are B.K. and J.M.) even negotiated to have their cars air lifted back to Charlotte in exchange for letting the pilots test drive their Corvettes. At my last check, the only problem those members were having was trying to figure out how they were going to pay the Air Force for the jet fuel! Special thanks goes to QCCC member **Greg Tilley** for working closely with the air base in getting all the paper work completed in order that QCCC was able to be represented so well.

And as they say in baseball, records are made to be broken. Just like Babe Ruth's coveted single season home run record was first broken by Roger Maris, then Mark McGwire and then again a couple of years later by Barry Bonds, the May car show at Burns Chevrolet gave automotive director Chris Patton yet another opportunity to go after former car show king Wally Crawford's record for the number of Corvettes at a single event in one afternoon. And this time, the members of QCCC came out swinging. At last check, 58 Corvettes showed up at Burns, breaking the previous record of 54. And that's not even counting the additional 7 or 8 Corvettes from around the metro area who stopped in just to see what the heck was going on and get information on QCCC. Congratulations to all members in attendance and again thanks to the management of Burns Chevrolet for all of their support. Burns is a great dealership to work with and we appreciate all they have done for our club.

On June 30th, amid a full day of festivities in historic downtown Concord, over 100 classic cars will line up for the official start of **The Great American Race**. QCCC has been invited to be one of the area car clubs to participate in the car show Saturday morning.

Starting at 1 p.m. the first race team is scheduled to depart on a 4,000 mile cross country race that ends on July 14th in Anaheim, California. **The Great American Race** is a national event limited to 1969 and earlier automobiles. In order to win, race teams participate in a time and endurance test that draws competitors from all over the world. Previously, this event has received national media exposure with TV coverage on the SPEED Channel. This event always draws a list of celebrity competitors.

Please contact me as soon as possible if you would like to participate in the car show. At this time, we are limited to approximately 25 cars for the show and there are only 15 spots left. I will have more details at the June business meeting so pencil June 30th on your calendar for a fun day.

Additional thoughts

Our June meeting scheduled at the Burt residence is always **THE** meeting to attend during the summer months. Make your plans now to come on down to Jane and Eddie’s house and enjoy some of the best bar b-q you will ever have and spend time with your friends from QCCC. We plan to eat around 5 and then follow up with the business meeting. In addition we will have a 50/50 raffle and other door prizes to be awarded. The weatherman is planning to cooperate and I look forward to seeing everyone there.

In the meantime, everyone be safe and save the wave.

Q. Gross

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VP REPORT

Vets and Jets at the Seymour Johnson Air force Base was fantastic event. Thanks to Chris Patton and Greg Tilley for putting this event together. There is nothing like the sound and speed the F15 and F22 make. Too bad they don't have an exhaust that makes that much noise. We were not disappointed and can't wait to go again.

We had 63 members and 3 guests at the May 19th meeting. Thanks to all the members who showed their cars at Burns Chevrolet. The weather was beautiful and the cars were fantastic. Congratulations to all of the participants for the biggest car show QCCC has had.

The biggest meeting and event is coming June 9th. EDDIE'S AND JANE'S BBQ. This is a don't even think about missing BBQ. Great weather is predicted and we know the BBQ will be the best in the south. We will start the BBQ at 5:00PM and the meeting will start at 6:30PM. Come early and enjoy good friends and lots of shiny Corvettes. Several door prizes will be available for you to win. See the website for food to bring and directions.

Our July 14th meeting will be at Northcross Bowling Alley 16317 Statesville Rd.; Huntersville, NC 28078 with bowling after the meeting. I77 Exit # 25. Next to the Northcross Medical Center. Get your best game ready for a fun time of good bowling. Let's see who is the best strike maker of QCCC. Chairs will be provided and dinner is available at their snack bar. Please support our hosts with your food orders and bowling. They are letting us use their meeting hall for FREE!!!

Now for an update on the American LeMans races. Lime Rock Park in Lakeville, CT on July 7th, tape delayed on July 8th 1PM Speed. Corvette Racing will enter a third Corvette C6.R driven by Ron Fellows and Andy Pilgrim in the Grand Prix of Mosport to be held at Mosport International Raceway in Bowmanville, Ontario, on August 26, 2007. Former teammates Fellows and Pilgrim will be reunited for the ninth round of the American Le Mans Series at the famed Canadian track near Fellows' home in Mississauga, Ontario. www.corvetteracing.com
The 24 hours of LeMans is June 16th&17th. TV: SPEED



Like my ladder? How do you get down? Thanks Lenny Ohlsson!!!!

Why are Corvettes Millennium Yellow? Because they can!!

“ Save the Wave”
Boyd Kurt – VP

Through the Windshield

I think I have found something that sounds better than a set of Corsa Exhaust on a Corvette, and that is an F-22 Raptor fighter jet going by in afterburner at less than 500 feet in the air. QCCC showed off in style with 19 cars at the "Wings Over Wayne" Air Show in Goldsboro, NC May 12. Everyone there was treated to 6 hours of the best in flight demonstrations from all branches US military and professional stunt pilots.



Thank you to Greg Tilley for his work with the US Air Force personnel in coordinating getting all the QCCC cars onto the base. I would also like to mention that QCCC put on such a good display that we have been invited back again next year.

May also brought the QCCC Charity car show at Burn's Chevrolet in Rock Hill, SC. I am very happy to announce that we broke Wally Crawford's record for the number of Corvette's at a

charity car show. Off and on all day we had a total of over 61 Corvettes at the Burn's lot but the official count stood at 58. THANK YOU TO ALL!!! For showing the cars Burn's Chevrolet donated \$500.00 to the QCCC Charity Fund.

The winners included:

Best C2	Woody Nail	1965 Trophy Blue Convertible
Best C3	Greg Tilley	1981 Two Tone Gray Coupe
Best C4	Chris Patton	1993 40 th Anniversary Convertible
Best C5	Boyd Kurt	2000 Millennium Yellow Convertible
Best C6	Gary Artis	2007 Ron Fellows Z-06

The extra award winners:

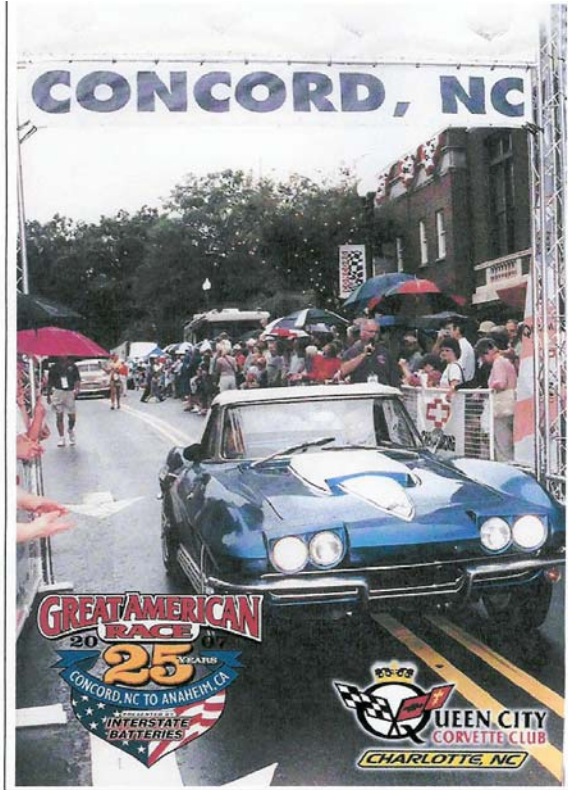
Daily Driver	Linda Silvia	2001 Magnetic Red Convertible
Best Exhaust	Ross Chess	2002 Electron Blue Convertible
Peoples Choice	Ken Watts	1963 Black Convertible
Corvette Accessories	Q. Gross	2003 50 th Ann. Convertible

Thanks Again to everyone and Congratulations to the winners!

Chris Patton

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Saturday, June 30th



8:00 A.M. - Noon

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Highlights of Blue Angles Road Trip Event





From A Son About His Dad's Corvette

Jane Burt sent this letter from a recent edition of Corvette Fever magazine.

FAMILY HEIRLOOM

Eddie L. Burt Jr.
Houston, TX
C2

My dad ordered this '66 Corvette roadster with a 427/450hp engine in October 1965. He wanted the hottest thing running, so he opted for the solid-cammed 427 coupled to a close-ratio four-speed with 4.56:1 gears. The Tuxedo Black roadster has a Bright Blue interior and a black convertible top. My dad improved the already stout big-block with an L88 camshaft and chromed crank. He replaced the transistorized ignition, ported the stock rectangular port heads, and added roller rocker arms. With a set of Doug Thorley headers, a four-point rollbar, and slicks, he ran the car in A-Sport production (A/SP). Fortunately, he kept every part he ever took off the car in



EDDIE L. BURT JR. :::
FAMILY HEIRLOOM

boxes that still line his garage. It still has the '66 inspection sticker on it to this very day. My dad promised me that one day the car would be mine. The Corvette was finally taken off the trailer in 1993, about the time I started a family of my own. I didn't have the financial means or a place adequate to store such a priceless heirloom, so the Corvette still waits for me at my father's house. **CF**

Meet the New Members



Don and Carolyn Zimmer
2007 Yellow Convertible



Mary Frawley
2003 Silver Convertible



Jack Ross
1999 Pewter Coupe

Highlights from the Car Show/Meeting at Burns Chevrolet





QCCC Calendar of Events for 2007

- JUN.** 1 Kannapolis Intimidators Baseball Game I-85 Exit 63 www.intimidatorsbaseball.com
3 Family Day - NC Air National Guard 9:00 am - noon www.ncchar.ang.af.mil
5 Board Meeting
9 Meeting/BBQ/Covered Dish at the Burt's 4:pm until . . . Eat at 5: pm Meeting @ 6:30 pm
23 NASCAR Whelen All American Race,Concord Motorsports Park www.concordmotorsportpark.com
29 Cruise-in and picnic to Oakboro www.oakborocruisein.com
30 Classic Car Show Concord. Kickoff for the
Great American Race to Anaheim, CA. www.greatrace.com
- JUL.** 3 Board Meeting
4 Parades - Harrisburg, Indian Trail, Hickory Grove
14 Meeting / Bowling at Northcross Lanes in Huntersville www.northcrosslanes.com
22 Marble Slab Ice Cream at Sycamore Commons, Matthews NC www.marbleslab.com
21 Car Care Day at Wally Crawford's Garage Mahal
28 Car Care Day at MBV European Ltd www.mbveuro.com
- AUG.** 5 Cabarras Creamery Ice Cream,Concord NC www.charlotteipages.com/fun/attr/cabarruscreamery.htm
7 Board Meeting
11 Meeting at Auto Barn Classic Cars in Concord, NC www.autobarnclassiccars.com
18 Drive to eat @ Larkin's On The Lake - Lake Lure, NC www.larkinsonthelake.com
23-26 (Corvettes at Carlisle PA www.carsatcarlisle.com/corvette/index.asp)
24 Kannapolis Intimidators Baseball Game www.intimidatorsbaseball.com
- SEP.** 3 Matthews Alive Parade
4 Board Meeting
8 Meeting / Red-Neck Poker Run / Picnic at the Ledford's
14-16 Auto Fair (35 cars) www.lowesmotorspeedway.com/car_show_events
21-23 Beach Trip to Pawley's Island SC - Litchfield Resort www.litchfieldbeach.com
22 (Auto Cross & Car Show at NASCAR Institute in Mooresville)
- OCT.** 2 Board Meeting
6 Trip to Pope Air Force Base / Thunderbirds, Fayetteville, NC <http://thunderbirds.airforce.com>
13 Meeting / Car Show Collect canned food for Second Harvest Food Bank www.secondharvest.org
20,21 Bridge Day in New River Gorge, W.VA www.wvbridgeday.com
- NOV.** 3 Golf Day
6 Board Meeting
10 Meeting at Motorama in Monroe, NC Election of 2008 Board
17/22 Thanksgiving Parades
17,18 Smokey Mtn Railroad – Dillsboro/Asheville (weather permitting) www.gsmr.com

- DEC. 4 Board Meeting
- 8 Meeting /Covered Dish/Xmas Party at Pleasant Hill Presb.Church, Hwy 49 Lake Wylie, NC
Gift exchange and charity collection
- TBD Christmas Parades

- J'08 TBD Board Meeting
- 12 Meeting at _____
- 26 Banquet at Speedway Club
- TBD Car Care Day

Caroline Lentz Becomes A Cover Girl!

Our own Caroline was given the honor of having her photograph on the cover of her local Cornelius newspaper, Cornelius Today, for her award winning recipe for a delicious summer salad.

And, for a small charge she will be glad to share her secret recipe with you!



Photos in this edition courtesy of Bob Denney, Craig Perry, Tom Idema, Chris Patton and Boyd Kurt

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June 9, 2007 QCCC Meeting and Eddie Burt's BBQ

4:00 PM until

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

- A – D** **Salads (green, potato, pasta, jello, etc)**
- E – K** **Side Dish (whatever goes with BBQ)**
- L – R** **Dessert (can't have too many of these)**
- S – Z** **Snacks (chips, dips, salsa, veggies, etc.)**

**Bring chairs & your preference in beverages.
Tents would be appreciated too.**

We'll eat at 5:00 PM and have the meeting 6:30 PM.

Location: Eddie & Jane Burt's House, 251 Amanda Drive, Weddington, NC 704-846-7130

Directions From I-485:

- Exit 57 to Highway 16/Providence Rd. Turn North .
- First major intersection, turn right on McKee Road.
- Approx. 0.4 miles; Bear right on Tilley Morris Road
- Approx. 1.7miles; turn right onto Matthews-Weddington Road.
- Follow Matthews-Weddington Road to Amanda Drive; turn right.
- House is second on the left - approx. 75 yds.
- Park on Amanda Drive – leave sufficient room for emergency vehicles

