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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

June not only officially kicked off summer, but it was also one busy month for QCCC members. The weather ranged from very hot and humid to rainy, hot and humid interspersed with an occasional hail shower.



The first part of the month gave club members

the opportunity to participate in the 145th Air National Guard Family Day. 20 shiny Corvettes filled with QCCC folks showed up at the gates of the Air National Guard base promptly @ 8:30 a.m. on a Sunday morning and were escorted to the tarmac. Once the cars were parked in two very neat rows, members spent the rest of the morning talking Corvettes with the Guard members and families and exploring the various aircraft on display. As the sun started to climb in the sky, those present were in an ongoing search for some shade and a slight breeze. It ended up being a very hot day; as we left the air base later in the day, the thermostat in my car was showing 103 degrees outside! It never dropped below 102 all the way back to Concord. Thanks to Automotive Director John Meadows for working with the NC Air National Guard and organizing the event and special thanks to all of the club members who braved the heat and brought themselves and their cars out to share a special day in the lives of those who serve our country.

The middle of the month brought what most members call the "big event of the summer: Eddie's bar b-q". This year the unofficial tally in attendance was 167 people! Included in the count was over 30 guests who are prospective members to QCCC going forward. As usual, the food was great and everyone had a super time enjoying the camaraderie throughout the evening. As a club, we can't thank Eddie and Jane Burt enough for opening their home once a year to accommodate this many people. When I walked around the front of their house prior to the business meeting, I couldn't believe the awesome sea of Corvettes; cars were parked everywhere! Thanks as well to everyone who brought side dishes and dessert; it was great.

For me, the highlight of the bar b-q / business meeting was being able to present to Gloria Scienski the duplicate National Corvette Museum brick purchased by the club in honor of past President Jerry Scienski. While the original brick is in Bowling Green, KY, the duplicate brick symbolizes to all in QCCC that Jerry's memory will always be a part of our organization. Thanks again to club museum liaison Paul Mariano for his help in getting the duplicate museum brick to me for the presentation.

And at the beginning of the month, a special group of club members, led by Wally Crawford, spent a weekend getting close to their Corvettes at Carolina Motorsports Park in Kershaw, SC. Whether members came to get "really involved" with their cars at the track or just to experience taking their cars around a road course track for the first time, everyone who showed up had a great time.

Additional thoughts

This is a final reminder we will be having a special election at our July business meeting to fill the position of club secretary. This QCCC board member position will be elected to cover the period of July through December 2008. Anyone who may have questions regarding responsibilities of the secretary should contact me directly.

In the meantime, everyone be safe, save the wave and see you around the next curve.

Q. Gross









Is it summer yet? The year is going too fast. For those who made Family Day at the 145th, thank you. Although it was way too hot, the 145th showed QCCC a great time. Thanks to our hosts the 145th National Guard Unit.

Eddie and Jane's BBQ was a hit. Over 163 members and quests came out for one of the



best events in QCCC. Susan & I were sorry we missed it but we had fun watching our Son in Law get his police badge pined on. Thanks Eddie and Jane for another fantastic BBQ.

Our July 12th meeting will be at Victory Lane Karting. Their address is 2330 Tipton Drive; Charlotte, NC 28206. Web site is: www.377fast.com We will have a catered dinner prior to the meeting and Karting after. Cost for dinner is \$11.00 each. Exact cash is due at the door. Karting is \$20 for one race and \$30 for two. Get ready for another fun time. Dinner starts at 5:45PM and the meeting at 6:30PM. Karting starts at 7:30PM. Who will be the fastest this year? And, will the gift card man be there? Come find out. Remember no adult drinks allowed.

The August 9th meeting will be held at Harley-Davidson of Charlotte; 9205 E Independence Blvd.; Mathews, NC 28105. Meeting starts at 6:30PM with the social hour starting at 6:00PM. Dinner will be at the Hooters next door. Remember no adult type drinks allowed.

Now for an update on the Le Mans Series: The Corvette teams came in 2nd and 3rd in their class. Aston Martin won by 4 minutes. That's not much since it was a 24 hour race. Way to go Corvette Racing. Stay tuned for more on the American Le Mans series in the next newsletter.



Corvette's of Carlisle

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All racing Corvette's are YELLOW!!!!!!
"Save the Wave"
Boyd Kurt – VP

PS: It is not too early to think about Corvettes of Carlisle August $21st - 24^{th}$. We will be there.

Automotive Report



Dear Fellow QCCC Members,

Where did June go? We started out this month with a trip down to Carolina Motorsports. We had about 15 cars to caravan down to the track to meet up with another half dozen cars at the track. We had several members serving as instructors and several more as students. We were able to do several paced laps during the noon break. Again it was a lot of fun. We will try to schedule another of these events later this year. Our thanks to the Mustang Club for hosting and for allowing us to participate with them in this event.



On June 8, we had 19 cars to attend the National Guard Family day event. Even though it was hot, I believe that everyone had a great time. It was a true pleasure to talk with some of the guys and gals serving our country. It was very interesting also to hear about some of the different types of

missions they perform both here stateside and abroad.. It was very rewarding to all who attended just to be with this great group of our National Guard.

We are planning a car care day July 19 9AM till at Wally and Anita Crawford's Garage Majal. We will be changing oil and discussing world affairs. We will be having lunch for a small donation. Come on out and join us even if you don't need an oil change .For those wanting to change your oil, bring your own oil and filter. Labor will be provided.

The first ZR1's should be arriving at City Chevrolet this month. Be sure to check your emails and the QCCC web site for more details on this.

My thanks again to the Charity Committee which consisted of John Walton, Chris Woods, Jim Weisburg, Paul Schultz and Florence Prather. The Committee submitted their recommendations which are:

Matthews Help Center	\$800.00
Operation Home Front North Carolina	\$700.00
USO North Carolina	\$600.00
National Corvette Museum	\$500.00



We hope to plan a day trip up to Linville Caverns and Linville Falls this summer. Watch for details on the web site

Again we are very thankful for all of our club sponsors especially City Chevrolet and Hendrick Cadillac & Chevrolet . You see them being advertised throughout our newsletter. Be sure to mention to them that you are a member of QCCC.

As I close for now, remember this is your club. It will only be as good as you want to make it. Give us your idea's on events and trips you would like to see.
Until Next Month----Save The Wave

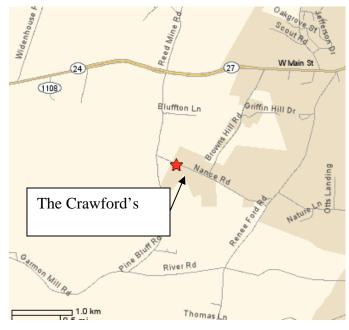
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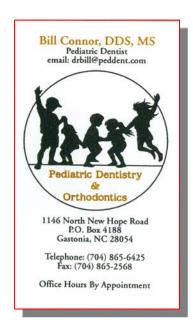
Car Care Day at Wally Crawford's Garage Majal - July 19th

Come change your oil and help solve pressing world problems, starts 9:00 AM, bring your own oil and filter.

Directions: From I485 – Take Exit for Hwy 24/27. Go East, approx 2 miles, after Hwy 601 cross over Rocky River and immediately turn right onto Pine Bluff Road.

Go approximately .9 miles to Nance Road. Turn Left. House is on the right. White garage with white house.









Highlights of High Speed Driving Event













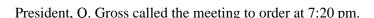


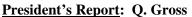


QCCC Board Meeting Minutes Monday, June 2, 2008

The June Board Meeting was held at Mary Frawley's house in Cornelius, NC.

<u>Officers Present:</u> Q. Gross, Boyd Kurt, John Meadows, Linda Meadows, Kay Weisberg, Eddie Burt and Mary Frawley. Jane Burt and Jim Weisberg were guests.





- Q. informed the Board that he is in the process of looking for a case to enclose the brick in Jerry Scienski's honor to be presented to Gloria at the upcoming Burt's BBQ.
- Q. discussed the recent car show at Maggie Valley as well as City Chevrolet.

Vice President Report: Boyd Kurt

- Our June general meeting will be held on June 14th. This will be our annual barbecue at the Burt's home. As of this date, there are 136 people who have said they would be coming.
- Boyd advised of a possible Iredell Independence Celebration taking place at 11:00 am in Troutman on July 4th. They need as many cars as possible.
- Our July general meeting will be held at Victory Lane Karting on July 12th. Information will be sent out prior to this for the number of people attending this event. There will be a BBQ dinner starting at 5:45 pm with our meeting following at 6:30 pm ending with racing from 7:30pm till. The cost for dinner will be \$12-\$13 per person. Everyone would pay at the door with the exact change please. The cost to race will be approx. \$20.00 per race.
- August 9th is a meeting day. The NASCAR Technical Institute has asked us to join them for an open house car display that day from 9:00 am 2:00 pm with our general meeting taking place later in the day at Harley Davidson of Charlotte on Independence Blvd. We will be going to Hooters for dinner after the meeting.
- September 13th general meeting day will start with a poker run and ending at the Ledford's. Poker run tickets will be sold for all those members participating in the poker run. Food will be sold at the Ledford's prior to the meeting; should be the same people as last year. Cost is not expensive.
- Boyd suggested that November 1st would be a good time to go to the Biltmore Estate. Kay and John will look into this; information to follow.

Automotive Director: John Meadows

- John advised that there was a good turnout of cars on the trip to Kershaw; several members cars participating in the event.
- Charity Committee has met and their recommendations were discussed with the Board. The charities will be presented at the Burt's barbecue for membership approval.
- June 8th is the National Guard Homecoming event. There are about 16 people participating.
- John advised that there will be parades on July 4th in Indian Trial and Troutman for anyone who would like to participate. This will be a points event. Sign-up sheets will be at the Burt's BBQ for all those interested in attending.



- John suggested an upcoming day trip to Lynnville Falls as well as a trip to Oakboro.
- John would like to extend an invitation to Jerry Ferrell of City Chevrolet and his wife to attend the Burt's BBQ.

Social Director: Kay Weisberg

- Kay advised that our next Board meeting will be at her house. Directions to her house will be sent out via an e-mail to all board members.
- Kay has spoken to Ken with Coastal Corvette who is working on a hotel for our Murder/Mystery trip to Charleston, SC.
- Ice cream social is set for July 13th at Cabarras Creamery on Union Street in Concord. This will take place at 6:00 pm

Membership Director: Eddie Burt

- 224 member to date
- 122 families
- Eddie asked the Board for permission to rent a table for his upcoming BBQ. A motion was made, seconded, and approved.

Treasurer: Linda Meadows

- Linda discussed our current budget.
- Discussed current member status.

New Business: Quentin Gross

- Q. advised the Board of the correct spelling for Hendrick Automotive group. Anyone submitting articles to the newsletter needs to be aware to use the correct spelling in any reference.
- Q. also advised that Victor Reveron is doing very well. He would like to have a big get well card signed for Victor at the upcoming BBQ.
- John made a suggestion that he would like our trophy for the most cars represented at the Vettes in

the Valley Car Show to be presented to Jerry Ferrell at City Chevrolet.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion seconded.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mary R. Frawley, Secretary QCCC

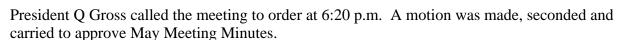


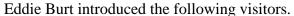


*QCCC Meeting Minutes*Saturday June 14th 2008

The June business meeting of QCCC was held at the home of Jane and Eddie Burt.
A BBQ dinner preceded the meeting.

Officers present were Q Gross, Eddie Burt, John Meadows, Kay Weisberg and Linda Meadows.





Richard and Margie Dickey Richard and Janet Fisher

Richard and Linda Craig Jaci Chess David Jurincie Patti Hamrick

Bill and Julia Davidson Jim and Silvia Flowe
Doug & Millie Kiker Jack and Betty Brunton
Mike and Beth Harding Jenny and Jerry Stevens

Janet and Lew Anderson

John Meadows presented Eddie Burt with an appreciation gift for his efforts in preparing the BBQ for the dinner.

O Gross, President

- Welcomed members and visitors and introduced the Board Members.
- Q thanked the Burts for hosting the BBQ and Meeting.
- Q introduced lifetime member Gloria Scienski and presented Gloria with a framed replica of the Brick placed in Jerry Scienski's memory at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Gloria thanked the club for the bricks presented to her and to the Museum in Jerry's memory.
- Q reminded members and guests that Alcoholic beverages are not allowed at any meetings or shows unless specifically allowed by the location's owner or owner's management. Anyone violating this policy will be asked to leave.

Q Gross for Boyd Kurt, Vice President

- July meeting will be at Victory Lane Karting. Dinner will be at 5:30 followed by the meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting Kart racing will be available. An email will be sent with final times and details.
- August meeting will be at the Harley-Davidson dealership in Matthews. Dinner will be after the meeting at Hooters.
- September meeting will be at the Ledford's house. A Poker Run will precede the meeting. The theme for the September meeting will be Treasure Island/Pirates.
- October's meeting will be held after a Car Show. Both will be held at one of the Hendrick dealership locations. Details will be sent later this year.
- If any questions on points, please email Boyd.



Kay Weisberg, Social Director

- Vettes in the Valley was attended by several QCCC members. The QCCC club won the Trophy for the club with the most members and cars attending.
- Details are being finalized for the Charleston trip and Murder Mystery.
- Day trips will be planned for Lynneville Caverns and Biltmore Estate. Emails will be sent with dates and details.
- Calendar of events has been updated on the QCCC Website.
- Anyone interested in a Motorcycle outing, please contact Jim Weisberg.
- Sandy Welsh's son, Todd, has cancer.

Eddie Burt, Membership Director

Membership is at 221. No new members to be voted in tonight.

Q Gross for Paul Mariano, National Corvette Museum Ambassador

- Several members will be making a trip to the Museum Aug 27. Contact Paul for details if you would like to take part in this trip.
- Paul still has rooms reserved for the '09 Caravan. Contact Paul if you need a room.

Wade Stickels gave an update on the '09 Caravan. Go to the Museum Website for information. Remember you must register separately for the: Museum Celebration, rooms and the NC/SC/VA Caravan. Contact Wade for information.

John Meadows, Automotive Director

- 22 Cars went to Kershaw. Several members took the Driving Course and other members drove Parade Laps around the Kershaw Road Course.
- 19 Cars went to the National Guard Family Day.
- Cars needed for the July 4th Parade in Indian Trail. An email will be sent with details.
- June 27 Caravan to Oakboro Cruise-In. Look for email with information.
- June 28 Parade in Troutman.
- Presented recommendations of Charity Committee.

Matthews Help Center Operation Homefront
Charlotte Airport USO National Corvette Museum

- The Charity Committee members were Chris Wood, EO Oakley, Jim Weisberg, Paul Schultz, Florence Prather and John Walton.
- A motion was made, seconded and carried to make donations to the above Charities.
- Introduced EO Oakley. EO gave information on volunteering at the Airport USO. Email EO if you are interested.

Linda Meadows, Treasurer

- DVDs for pictures of all 2008 events are available for a \$10 donation to the Charity Fund.
- Reviewed Club bank account balance for Charity and General funds.

The following won the \$25 Applebee gift card door prizes.

Wayne Gary Jane Burt

Tom Idema Mike Fitzgerald

The 50/50 drawing was won by Gary Artis. \$125 went to Gary and \$126 to the Charity Fund.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Meadows for Mary Frawley, Secretary

Karaoke Anyone (and Anywhere)

Mark Ledford take note! A Japanese toy maker will soon sell a portable, personal karaoke machine so you can belt out your favorite tunes anywhere, and without having to wait for the microphone. The "Hi-kara" karaoke machine, by Takara Tomy, is a 7-cm (nearly 3-inch) cube which weighs less than a pound and works like a real machine. Once the singer selects a song, which can be downloaded off the



Internet or from special music cartridges, the lyrics come up on a 2.4-inch display. The machine also has headphones and speakers attached.

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Birthday Party for Victor Reveron

Where: Phil & Evelyn Gearheart's home

4209 Wynborough Lane

Charlotte, NC 28269

When: Saturday, July 26th

Time: 4:00 P.M. until ?

What to bring: Beverage of choice, chair, swim suit, towel

RSVP: Phil Gearhart Popoff.evil@gmail.com 704-900-1901

If you can't stay for long, please feel free to just stop by and wish Victor a Happy Birthday.

The following is sent in by Chris Wood

This is a good quick view of the paint process at Bowling Green that we don't get to see during tours. (I know... I don't have enough to do.) Click on the link to start the video.

 $\frac{http://www.corvetteblogger.com/index.cfm/2008/6/20/VIDEO-Inside-the-Corvette-Assembly-Plants-Paint-Lab}{}$

The following was sent in by Clark Belvin

It is a set of articles on tire safety from ABC news that illustrates the need to check your tires for age and explains the complex codes that are embossed on the tires sidewalls.

http://abcnews.go.com/Blotter/story?id=4988518&page=1

http://abcnews.go.com/Blotter/story?id=4813029&page=1

June Meeting and Burt's BBQ

































NCM Corner

The expansion project at the NCM is moving along right smartly and you can be part of it. The section known as Corvette Boulevard will be paved with hexagon bricks purchased by NCM members (and non-members). The price is \$200.00 for members and \$250.00 for non-members but includes a one-



year individual membership. Bricks will be placed in the order they are received and to date 88 have been purchased. If you want yours up front, buy early. Each brick can be engraved with three lines of text and your choice of a Corvette generation or NCM logo at the top.

NCM membership cards will be getting a new look. They will be marked with a bar code for easier shopping in the store and will identify your level of discount. New cards will be mailed out as memberships are renewed. Lifetime members will receive new cards in January.

If you collect NCM Christmas ornaments, you will want to get the new one for 2008. It features the new ZR1 and looks very nice.

For you model collectors, the museum store is offering a limited edition 1:24 scale replica of the E85 Ethanol Concept Z06 Indy 500 Corvette Pace Car driven by Emerson Fittipaldi. Only 504 pieces will be available worldwide, so order now for a Fall 2008 delivery.

Start saving your pennies as the \$10.00 raffle tickets for the 2009 red Corvette coupe will be available soon. Raffle date will be August 30th.

Just my monthly reminder: If you have purchased a new Corvette recently, be sure and fill out the enclosed card for a free one year's membership to the NCM. If already a member, it's good for a year's extension to your present membership.

Want to own the hottest BBQ grill in the world? Go to www.bbqvette.com and check it out. Not cheap.

Sponsors are needed for the NC/SC/VA section of the 2009 NCM Caravan. If you would like to place an ad for your business or just a personal item in the route book, please see me for an order form. Here is an opportunity to display your commitment and support to the Corvette hobby and the NCM.

Save the Wave.

Paul Mariano NCM Ambassador



QCCC Event Calendar for 2008

JUL.	1 4 12 13 25 19	Board Meeting @ Kay's Parades - Harrisburg, Indian Trail, Hickory Grove Meeting at Victory Lane Carting - Catered (victorylanecarting.com) Ice Cream Gathering 6:00pm - Cabarrus Creamery, Union St, Concord Oakboro Road Trip - Evening Car Care Day - Crawfords				
AUG.	5 9 9 22-24 28-30 30	Board Meeting @ Q's NASCAR Tech Open House 9am - 2pm Harley Davidson of Charlotte Corvettes at Carlisle PA (www.carsatcarlisle.com/corvette/index.asp) NCM 14th Anniversary Celebration/Hall of Fame Matthews Alive Parade				
SEPT.	2 6-7 11-14 11-13 13 19-21	Board Meeting @ John & Linda's Auto Fair (www.lowesmotorspeedway.com/car_show_events) Drag Races - To be Announced Z06 Fest at National Corvette Museum Poker Run /Meeting-Picnic at the Ledford's Weekend Trip to Charleston Tel: 704-504-1991				
	27	and Murder Mystery Mint Hill Madness Parade	Gilbert Straub Operating Partner	Fax: 704-504-1661		
OCT.	7 11 17	Board Meeting @ Eddie's Meeting and Car Show at City Chevrolet Weekend Trip to Gatlinburg - Deals Gap	13230 Carowinds Blvd	damonsgrill@gmail.com		
NOV.	4 6-8 8 22/23	Board Meeting @ John & Linda's Georgia Crossroads Vette Rendezvous at National Corvette Museum Meeting at Carolina Air Museum - Elect 2009 Board Thanksgiving Parades - Concord, Monroe Day trip to Biltmore Estate				
DEC.	2 6,7 13	Board Meeting @ Q's Christmas Parades - Davidson, Lake Wylie, Pageland Meeting/Covered Dish/Christmas Party at Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church - Covered Dish & gift exchange				
J'09	TBD 10 17 TBD	Board Meeting @ Meeting at Troutman BBQ, Concord Banquet - Embassy Suites, Concord Car Care Day				
F'09	21-27	Western Caribbean Cruise				

Air National Guard Family Day















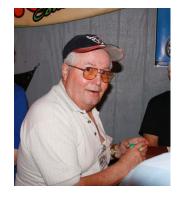


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Next Meeting Saturday July 12th Victory Lane Karting

2330 Tipton Drive, Charlotte, NC 28206 704-377-FAST

Dinner at: 5:45 PM Meeting at: 6:30 PM Racing After Meeting

Located at the intersection of I-77 & I-85, just north of uptown Charlotte. Easy access is off of Exit 39 of I-85.

Reminder: We need head counts for both dinner and racing.

Dinner is BBQ and Chicken. Cost is \$11.00 (pay at door)

Racing is \$20.00 or two for \$30.00

Contact Boyd Kurt at:

boydk7@mindspring.com



