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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 Thoughts,

Well, Kamp Kurt is over for another year. The Kampers have gone home and things are returning back to normal. We must admit we miss them already. We had a lot of fun and ended Kamp with a trip to Atlanta visiting the American Girl Store and Stone Mountain. I like Stone Mountain better.



We are looking forward to visiting Savannah with our friends at QCCC. If you haven't signed up yet you need to. I am sure it will be fun and interesting. Don't forget Corvettes at Carlisle, Auto Fair and of course the Burt's BBQ in September.

As we look ahead to 2011, yes I said 2011, we need to think about our club. Board elections will be in November and we need to fill several offices. If you think you would like to become a board member, please talk to me or one of the other board members. Serving the club as a board member is fulfilling and fun. Yes you have to plan and do your job but the satisfaction is there. Give it a try or at least talk to us about the different jobs. Nominations will open in August, closing with our meeting in October.

"Save the Wave" and remember all racing Corvettes are still Yellow. Petit Le Mans will be here before you know it. October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Thank you for your friendship and support,

*Boyd*



Kamp Kurt Official Vehicle  
Yes, we had fun.



# VP Report

## C-4 1984-1987



Hey! What happened to 1983? No 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Corvettes. What happened was the change from C-3 to C-4 was so radical it took longer to get the Bowling Green plant up and running - an extra 6 months. So while 1983 saw only 43 preproduction Corvettes built, none were sold to the public. Only one survives, #23 produced is on display at the National Corvette Museum. The Bowling Green plant changeover was ready in March 1983 for production, at which time Chevrolet decided to introduce the new Corvette as a 1984 model, since the 1983 would have only had a 6 month run. The 1984 model was a complete and total redesigned Corvette except for the engine, which was new in 1982. The emphasis was on handling with introduction of transverse leaf springs up front, also rack & pinion steering for the first time. The handling focus came with a penalty of a harsh ride in 1984, especially if equipped with the Z51 performance suspension package. The carry over cross-fire injection engine was the only piece used from the C-3. It was now rated a 205 horsepower. At the beginning of the 1984 model run, the only transmission available was the 700R4 four speed automatic, but by January of 1984 a new Doug Nash "4 +3" transmission was offered, a 4 speed manual coupled to an automatic overdrive on the top 3 gears. This transmission was designed to help Corvette meet the US fuel economy standard. With the extended production time, 52,547 Corvettes were produced, more than doubling the previous year.

Even though 1984 was a huge sales success, there was room for improvement. First, Chevrolet changed the spring rates for a better ride, but still maintaining the good handling of the new chassis. The only major change was the new L98 engine with the tuned port injection (TPI). This much more efficient system improved horsepower to 230. Production for 1985 was 39,729 units.

Corvette was honored in 1986 to pace the Indy 500 for the second time. This time with the new convertible, which was the first year for a convertible since 1975. All 1986 convertibles are pace car replicas, but the car that actually paced the race was bright yellow. It was also the first car fast enough in stock form to pace the Indy 500. Another significant advance was the use of Bosch antilock brakes. The federally mandated third brake light also appeared on the 1986 models. Production for the 1986 was 27,794 coupes and 7315 convertibles for a total of 35,109.

Chevrolet began improving the L98 engine in late '86 and early '87. Late in '86 new aluminum heads were installed on all convertibles and some coupes, boosting HP to 235. In early '87, adding hydraulic roller lifters provided an additional 5HP, bumping it to 240HP. The big option in '87 was B2K, the Callaway twin turbo option which was available from Chevrolet dealers, but not factory installed. Completed cars were sent to Callaway Engineering for engine and other modifications, with the option cost of \$19,995.00. Only 188 Callaway twin turbos were build in 1987. Total production in '87 was 20,007 coupes and 10,625 convertibles for a total of 30,632.

Next month big improvements come to the C-4.

## Corvette Milestones for August

- August 1958:** Sales of the 1958 model reach 9168 units, enough to turn a profit for the Corvette for the first time.
- August 24, 1963:** The Corvette Grand Sport records its first victory, at Watkins Glen. Driver Richard Thompson achieves an overall win.
- August 1, 1981:** The last Corvette built in the St. Louis assembly plant rolls off the assembly line.
- August 1985:** Chevrolet calls Reeves Callaway, ultimately resulting in Callaway building the Twin Turbo Corvette as a Chevrolet dealer Option.

**August 1998:** Dave Hill officially introduces the 1999 hardtop Corvette. Price is \$38,777.

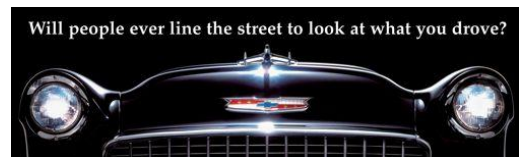
**August 20, 2000:** In Ste. Croix, Quebec, the Speedvision World Challenge, Round 5, is held. Bill Cooper takes 2<sup>nd</sup> place in a C5 Corvette. John Heinrich places 3<sup>rd</sup>, also racing a C5.

Our next meeting will be August 14<sup>th</sup>, at Jocks and Jill restaurant, off Tyvola Road in Charlotte. Social hour will start at 5:30, meeting at 6:30. Feel free to come earlier to have dinner or an appetizer, or plan to stay after the meeting for dinner. More meeting information at the end of the newsletter, or see our website for additional details.

Hope to see you there; they have a large parking lot for our Vettes.

Remember, real Corvettes have solid axles.

*Steve Pelchat*



***WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS! We're glad you're here!***



**Tom & Cindy Grizzle  
1999 Pewter Convertible**

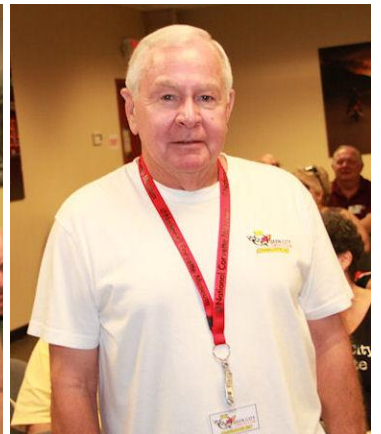
*We all come in as strangers and soon become family!*

*24 new members in 2010!*

***Caught on Camera at QCCC's July Meeting.....***









# Automotive Report

QCCC Members,

City Chevrolet and I want to thank you for a near record 51 Corvettes, 68 members and 4 prospective members attending the June 5th City Chevrolet Car Show. Their sponsorship is very important to our club and your participation in the car shows is the proof they need to continue their support. If you didn't see it in the last newsletter, the trophy winners were: Ken Watts - C1/C2, Jud Self - C3/C4, Rick Mills - C5, Chris Wood - C6, and Reggie Black - Members Choice.



We almost doubled the cars participating in the July 3rd Troutman Home Town Parade. We had 18 Corvettes and 31 members attend the parade and lunch.

We needed 5 Corvettes in the Indian Trail July 4th Parade to carry the 5 beauty queens who participated. The members who carried the girls were Boyd Kurt, Ken Krupa, Kelly Moore, John

Meadows and Jack Ross. John Ferri had also volunteered but the girl he was to carry cancelled out at the last minute.

I want to thank the members of our Charity Committee - Richard Dicky, Jo & Morris Graham, Phil Lewis, Walt Krupowicz, Florence Prather and Jim Weisberg, who met at our home in May and determined the charities we would present to the membership for approval at the July meeting. The charities and donation amounts presented and approved at the meeting were: \$1000 - Matthews Health Clinic, \$1000 - USO Charlotte Chapter, \$750 - Pilgrims Inn, York County, \$750 Barium Springs Home Strengthening Families and \$500 National Corvette Museum. Checks will be prepared and distributed as soon as possible.



**Car Care Day** is just around the corner, July 31st. This is a fun day event. You are not required to have your oil and filter changed. You can show up, have a hot dog and enjoy the company of your QCCC friends.

**LET US NOT FORGET - AUTOFAIR.** As of the writing of this report, there were still openings for both Saturday, August 28th and Sunday August 29th. Saturday is filling up fast and may be full before you get this letter. Please check your calendars and if you can participate contact me as soon as possible. The sign-up sheet will again be at the next meeting Saturday, August 14th at Jock and Jill's Restaurant.

Thank you for your attendance at our club events. Your participation makes Queen City Corvette Club the best club around.

*Nelson Sprague*

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Here are some sample rates -

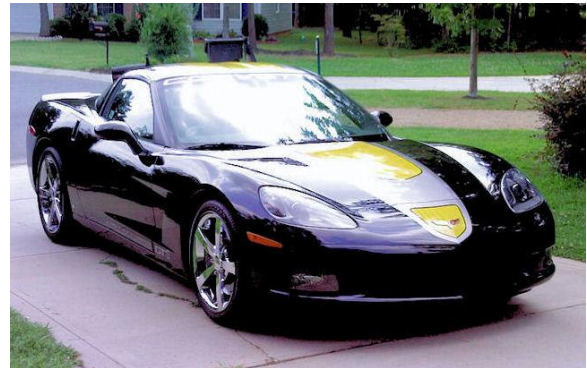
- Comfort Inn, Midtown - \$90-\$115 plus tax
- Comfort Inn, Historic - \$200 plus tax
- Marriott Residence Inn, Midtown - \$129 plus tax
- Marriott Riverfront, Historic - \$200 plus tax
- Hilton Garden Inn, Midtown - \$145
- Hilton, Historic - \$225

***PLEASE reply to me if you are planning on joining us in Savannah, GA from 10/15 - 10/17/2010 and let me know which hotel price range you are more comfortable with. If you haven't signed up, it is NOT TOO LATE!***

*Adina Redford* ☺ Social Director



## A blue Chevrolet Corvette Z06 is parked in a parking lot. The car is a two-door sports car with a sleek, aerodynamic design. It features silver multi-spoke wheels and a black racing stripe along the side. The car is parked on a paved surface next to a brick building with large windows. Bare trees are visible in the background, suggesting a cooler season.



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# NCM Corner



Many thanks to John Jensen and Chris Wood for covering my duties while Barb and I were globe-trotting. The NCM cruise to the North and Baltic Seas was outstanding and all the other crazy Corvette people made it even more memorable. However, it ended on a sad note as a good guy and great supporter of the museum, Al Jones, passed away on the last night in London. He will be missed by Corvette people from all over the country.

Trips to Carlisle and the 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of the NCM are next on the agenda. We've never been to Carlisle so that should be exciting. From there, straight to Bowling Green for the celebration. Since this is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Corvettes racing at Le Mans, cars and drivers from the past and present will be honored during this event. And three more will be inducted in the Hall of Fame. The nostalgia runneth over, so don't let it get away from you.

How are your gambling instincts? Don't even ask me about mine – remember – I'm a roulette expert only. But if yours are good, there are plenty of chances to win a new Corvette at the Museum raffles. 1) Red Grand Sport Coupe on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 500 tickets @ \$250.00; 2) Build your own (BYO) GS or \$50K on August 12<sup>th</sup>, 1994 tickets @ \$100.00; 3) BYO ZR1 or \$80K on August 20<sup>th</sup>, 638 tickets @\$500.00; 4) GS Coupe on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 500 tickets @ \$250.00 and 5) Black Convertible on September 4<sup>th</sup>, unlimited tickets at \$10.00.

Are you still not a NCM member? I know it's hard to grasp just what the museum means to the Corvette community if you have never been there. So, let me talk you into a trip to Bowling Green and if you aren't a member, I'll pay your admission in. Such a deal and I'll bet you'll be a member for life. Let me entice you..

Save the Wave!

*Paul Mariano*, NCM Ambassador

A promotional advertisement for City Chevrolet. The background is a dark, blurred image of a road at night with a bright light source in the distance. On the right, a blue Chevrolet Corvette is shown from a front-three-quarter view. Text at the top left reads "SLOW DOWN. TAKE A PIT STOP." in white. Below it, "PERSONALIZE. CUSTOMIZE. ACCESSORIZE." is written in red. In the bottom left, there is a logo for "Pit Stop" featuring two crossed checkered flags and the text "Pit Stop" in red, with "City Chevrolet" and "www.citychevrolet.com" below it. In the bottom center, the "City Chevrolet" logo is displayed. At the top right, the phone number "1.800.868.CITY" is shown. At the bottom right, the website "www.CityChevrolet.com" is listed.

## *QCCC Mystery Cruise – July 17, 2010*

Thanks to Pat Bonino for this input and solving the “Mystery” for Newsletter readers!

**How many times do you venture out not knowing where you are going and where you will end up????**



Well QCCC has 22 adventurous members and some prospective members who were willing to be brave and give this a try! We met at The Prime Family Steakhouse off I-85 at 1:00. We headed out, knowing that it was HOT and we could get a storm or two pass by during the day, towards Highway 27. We stayed on 27 and travelled on wonderful country roads – perfect for Corvettes – through towns like Iron Station, Mt. Holly and Boger City. We passed through Lincolnton still heading west on 27. Each car was given a list of questions to solve and things to find along the way before we left (I might add this became very competitive – these folks are SHARP!!! and didn’t miss a thing). We also had given each car a bag with clues of where we might end up.

Our first official stop was at the corner of highways 27 and 18 where there is an old general store and ice cream parlor – Redbone Willy’s in the small town of Toluca. We all had to suffer with an ice cream cone and relaxation time on the big front porch. Some of the gals had fun shopping in the old general store.

Our next stop took us down highway 18 towards Shelby and ended up at the city park in Shelby. Here there is the beautiful Ann Dover Bailey Carrousel Pavilion. Inside this new pavilion is a 1919 circa totally restored carrousel. It is one of the very few year round carrouseles located in a traditional park setting in the U.S. today. We bought a roll of tickets and most everyone rode it several times. Just ask Donna Peterman how much fun this was!!! Then we proceeded to walk over to the Mickey Shull Izzi Train Depot where we opted to be a kid again and ride on a G-16 diesel streamliner miniature train. Here John Liebe had the most fun – his whistle was louder than the trains!!!

We all had a good time but by now we were ready for dinner. Back into the cars – we travelled through downtown Shelby towards Highway 74. Here we headed east towards Gastonia. We veered off 74 on 321 south to take us to Garrison Blvd. where there is an unique restaurant called Rodi’s. This is located in a 50’s vintage school house. Rodi’s gave us our own room where we proceeded to go over mystery questions, give out prizes and enjoy a nice meal. All in all a very relaxing day with great friends in the QCCC!

*Pat Bonino*



*The group arrives.*



*Last minute instructions.*



*Let the fun begin...*



[More photos](#) available on our QCCC website





# QCCC Board Meeting Minutes – Tuesday July 6, 2010



The July Board meeting was held at Laura Pelchat's office, Charlotte, NC.

Officers present: Boyd Kurt, Steve Pelchat, Nelson Sprague, Florence Prather, Eddie Burt

Guest: Jane Burt

President, Boyd Kurt called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm.

## **Boyd Kurt, President**

- Welcomed everyone and thanked Laura for hosting the meeting
- Mentioned that it's not too early to start thinking about candidates for QCCC officers in 2011

## **Steve Pelchat, Vice President**

- July 10 – Meeting at Harley-Davidson in Matthews. Due to a rider class ending at 5:30 pm, there will be no social time before the meeting.
- August 14 – Meeting at Jocks and Jills
- September 11 – Meeting and BBQ at the Burt's
- October 9 – Car Show and Meeting at City Chevrolet
- November 13 – Meeting at NASCAR Tech
- December 11 – Meeting and Christmas Party at Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church

## **Nelson Sprague, Automotive Director**

- May 10 – The Charity Committee met to discuss how to disburse the charity funds. Their suggestions of Matthews Help Center, USO, Pilgrims' Inn, Barium Springs Home for Children, and the NCM will be presented to the QCCC membership at the July meeting for approval.
- May 15 – Day trip to see Tom Mullis' black Corvette collection was a success with 29 cars, 52 members, and 1 prospective member attending
- June 6 – Car Show had 51 cars, 68 members, and 4 prospective members attending. Trophies were presented to: Ken & Lois Watts, Jud & Sylvia Self, Rick Mills, Chris & Peggy Wood, and Reggie Black.
- July 3 – Troutman Parade – 18 cars and 31 members participated
- July 4 – Indian Trail Parade – 5 cars and members participated and carried Miss Mecklenburg
- August 28 & 29 – Auto Fair – need 20 cars each day
- February 26 – fantastic Day Trip planned

## **Eddie Burt, Membership Director**

- QCCC has 128 families and 235 members
- Discussed a potential advertiser's request to attend meetings and make presentations. The Board agreed to continue the policy of not having sales presentations at meetings.

## **Florence Prather, Treasurer**

- There are 8 families who have not paid dues for 2010. Boyd will write letters requesting payment to avoid suspension.
- Reviewed Income/Expense Report, and checking account balance. Everyone is on budget.
- Will forward the NASCAR Hall of Fame Event Coordinator's name to Boyd & Adina.

## **Boyd Kurt for Adina Ledford, Social Director**


- July 17 – Mystery Trip – Pat Bonino is coordinating and has had a good response
- October 15-17 – Weekend trip to Savannah, GA – at least 12 couples have signed up so far

A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, for Linda Lewis, Secretary

Jane Burt, Member

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**Dave Hill, as quoted in Corvette C6**



# Vintage QCCC

By Vintage Guys –

Bill Cruthis & Richard Craig

## '75, '76, and '77 – The Corvette - Porsche Challenges



*Bill Cruthis' award for his class in 1977.*

For three years we held this great event at Charlotte Motor Speedway on a weekend in either late October, early November or April. Our cost was \$200 to rent the speedway and we profited a couple thousand dollars after buying trophies, dash plaques and jacket patches (see photos). The event was limited to 100 Corvettes and 100 Porsches. The cars were put into different classes to compete and that was difficult due to the differences in engines, stock vs. race ready, size, etc. Porsche had no "big blocks" so Bill found himself in "A" class - pure stock with a **'74 big block 454**. Tech inspection consisted of seat belts, helmet and tread on the tires. Due to insurance regulations, we ran timed laps and no wheel to wheel. We ran part of the NASCAR track and all of the road course. The course had slalom gates set up very tight which favored the light- weight Porsches. We made all the noise and tire smoke, and they whined their way thru the gates quickly. We invited neighboring clubs of both marques. The top dog was a 908 Porsche from Atlanta which was race prepared. We needed a ZR1. Porsche had some hollow victories in class as the 911s could not keep up with the hopped up 914s. The latter were considered "Volkswagens" by the serious Porsche guys.



We had some success. We know Bill won his class, and Dollar Bill Ingram was in the top few cars overall with his '72 LT-1. Melvin Pace had a thumper C-3 t-top with enormous wide tires which he smoked big time. We were well represented by the ladies with Junny Hunter Stevens and Brenda Alberty, both smooth and proficient at the wheel. In the end the puny sounding Porsches were just too light and cornered so quickly that we could not catch them, but none of us left the weekend looking to trade cars. It was great fun and very competitive, but we would like to try it today with our Z06s. Between 1975 and today not much has changed in the competitive juices and QCCC was ready for the challenge. It is amazing to think that for

a \$10 entry fee you could go all out around one of NASCAR's big time tracks. Today that would be impossible, but at the time we thought nothing of it.

These events brought us together, just as today's road trips do, and we formed bounds that last today. We had 200 of the hottest cars of their day screamin' around that track in what we now realize was a unique opportunity in our lives and we are thankful to have been there. We can see folks like Paul, Boyd and Fred McCoy out there had they been around. They too would have said "wow, what a rush".

We thank QCCC for this great experience.



*Note the brands "Corvette" and "Porsche" are reversed on the dash plaques each year so neither brand felt "superior"*

## Thoughts from Riding In A 4th of July Parade - Troutman, NC

I grew up in a small town, a very small town. Population Sunday through Friday was around 500 but it doubled on Saturday night. Weekends would bring out the “car-guys” anxious to show off their rides at the “Tiny Diny”, a local car hop. The car guys also came out in force with their Hot Rods (and yes, **Corvettes**) to participate in the parades that were always a big deal in my small town. Even though I was too young to drive (*legally*) back then, witnessing this small town phenomenon made me want to be a car guy. I was fortunate enough to witness small town pride – pride in those who participated in the parades and pride in the folks watching as they went by. I didn’t realize back then how small towns moved a nation, created stability, anchored a proud country that had not yet healed the scars of war, but believed in the **American Dream** and understood how hard work would allow them to provide for their families and live a comfortable, small town life. For “small town” back then *was* the way of life. I understand now the impact this had on me.



Tommy and Brenda Loftin have made it possible for us to participate in the Troutman 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade for the last 2 years. Troutman is a small town and some of our QCCC members who live there want to keep it a secret so no one else will know how great it is. If you have never been in a 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in a small town, you owe it to yourself to experience it. While riding the approximately 2 miles and seeing how the community turns out with their flags, banners, babies,

lawn chairs and red white and blue, I began to reflect back on my childhood and understand why small towns are so special. These folks and those watching every other small town parade taking place all over the country, still have that pride, still want to show their patriotism, and still want to say thanks to those who’ve made it possible for them to celebrate their independence, their freedom, and their small town pride. As I looked out at the many hundreds (no exaggeration) of folks lining the street and waving with their flags and banners and red white and blue shirts (that is, all but that *one guy* with the “Surf Naked” T-shirt on) I realized that small town **America** was alive and well. Troutman and its people are just like so many others across this nation. Troutman is just like my small town was so many years ago. And they still love **Corvettes**.



Our QCCC is invited to take part in a number of parades each year. Do yourself a favor and sign up for one. I feel fortunate to have finally had the opportunity to participate in a small town parade. It reinforced my pride and patriotism and reminded me that small towns did indeed build this nation. And it’ll be small towns that hoist this nation on its back and carry it through. Folks in small town **America** really do “have a clue”. Small town **America** is *alive a well*.

*EW*





## ***4th of July Parade - Indian Trail, NC***



*Boyd Kurt with Little Miss Mecklenburg County – Brittney Ervin*



*John Meadows with Majestic Miss Mecklenburg County – Taylor Foley*



*Kelly Moore with Teen Miss Mecklenburg County – Toni Jenkins*



*Jack Ross with Miss Mecklenburg County Outstanding Teen – Jordan Rager*



*Ken Krupa with Junior Miss Mecklenburg County – Cassie Carson*



*Jack Ross, Nelson Sprague with Toni Jenkins showing off their 4th of July outfits*



*Rick & Linda Mills (left) & Bob & Marilyn Becker (right) wait for the go-ahead in Troutman.*





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# QUEEN CITY CORVETTE CLUB

## MEETING MINUTES



**Date:** July 10, 2010

**Time:** 6:30 P – 7:15 P

**Location:** Harley Davidson of Charlotte

### ATTENDEES

Board Members: Boyd Kurt, President; Steve Pelchat, Vice President; Eddie Burt, Membership; Florence Prather, Treasurer; Linda Lewis, Secretary; Nelson Sprague, Automotive; Adina Ledford, Social; Paul Mariano, NCM Ambassador;

### DISCUSSION

#### Boyd Kurt, President

- ☐ Called meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
- ☐ Requested a motion that was made, seconded, and approved to accept the June minutes.
- ☐ Introduced the QCCC Staff and Officers and asked for their reports.

#### Steve Pelchat, Vice President

- ☐ August 14 meeting will be at Jocks and Jills.
- ☐ September 11 meeting is the Burt's BBQ.
- ☐ Winners for the gift certificates – Susie Black; Kay & Al Herold; Ken Watts; Paul Pelkey; and Morris Graham.
- ☐ NCRS National Meeting is coming up soon at the Dragway.

#### Nelson Sprague, Automotive Director

- ☐ City Chevrolet car show was a great success. Winners are: C 1-2, Ken Watts; C 3-4, Jud Self; C 5, Rick Mills; C 6, Chris Wood and Member's Choice, Reggie Black.
- ☐ Charity Committee met in May. \$4000 to Matthews Health Clinic, \$1000 to USO, \$750 to the Pilgrims Inn in Rock Hill SC, \$750 to Barium Springs House, \$500 to the National Corvette Museum. A motion to accept the donations was approved and seconded by the membership.
- ☐ Thanked the Charity Committee members, Richard Dickey, Morris and Jo Graham, Phillip Lewis, Florence Prather, Walt Krupowicz and Jim Weisberg for their service.
- ☐ Thanked the members who participated in the Troutman and Indian Trail parades.
- ☐ Auto Fair is August 28th and 29th.

#### Linda Lewis, Secretary's Report

- ☐ Recognized the June and July birthdays.

#### Florence Prather, Treasurer

- ☐ Reported on the bank balance.

#### Eddie Burt, Membership

- ☐ We have 235 members.
- ☐ New members voted in – Tom & Cindy Grizzle
- ☐ Visitors – Dale Carter, Ed Cecil, Bob & Pat Motta, Ron and Priscilla Worley, Chuck & Diane Frederick.
- ☐ New cars – Ken Krupa 2009 GT Limited Edition #9 of 125; Tommy & Brenda Loftin 2010 Grand Sport

#### Adina Ledford, Social

- ☐ Mystery Trip planned for July 17th.
- ☐ Sign up for the Savannah trip on October 15th

#### Paul Mariano, NCM Ambassador

- ☐ Reminded everyone of the Corvette Birthday Celebration in September.




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-  44 % of the club and 56 families are now Museum members. We need 100%.
-  QCCC had the best newsletter last year. This year we will be submitting electronically.
-  See Paul for raffle tickets.

**Tommy Loftin, Member – Chrome Bumper Group**


-  Great turnout for last event. Everyone is invited to participate.
-  Next meeting is Saturday August 14<sup>th</sup> at Jocks & Jills, check our [QCCC website](http://www.qccc.org) for details.

**Boyd Kurt, President**


-  Remember, Corvettes at Carlisle at the end of August.
-  Meeting adjourned at: 7:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

*Linda H. Lewis*  
Secretary

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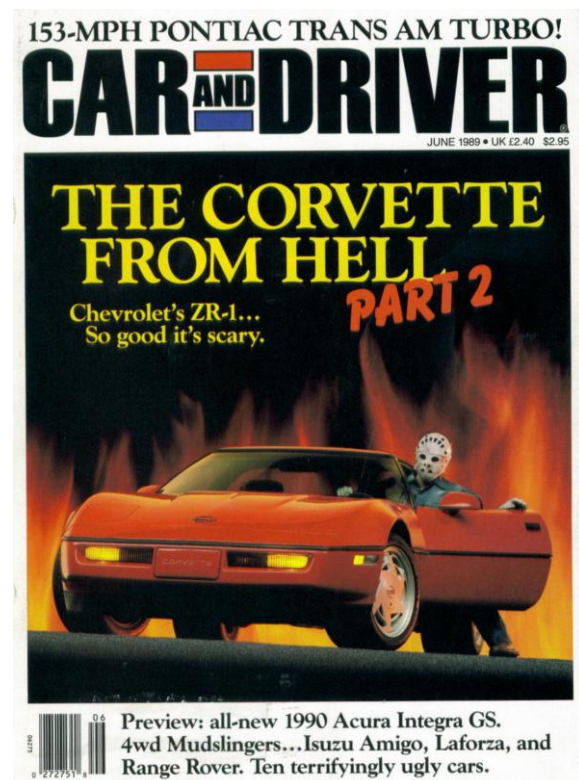
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## *More Fun at Queen City Corvette Club -*



Please visit our [Queen City Corvette Club website](http://www.cccv.org) for *Hundreds* of photos! You're sure to find one of you... snapped when you least expected it.

Question of the month - Does John Liebe always stick out his tongue at the camera? (Or just at Flash?)



# “Heads-Up”



You’ve probably heard by now - **Chevrolet to let Corvette owners build their own engines - for a price.** For the 2011 model year, Chevrolet is giving buyers of the Z06 and ZR1 the option to build the powerplant for their new Corvette. With the new Corvette Engine Build Experience, customers of the Corvette ZR1 or Z06 choose an option to go to Wixom, Michigan and, under supervision of skilled professional engine builders, actually build the very LS7 or LS9 Engine that will later be installed their own Corvette.

See the video at [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_PlzktN4QI4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_PlzktN4QI4)



Our Webmasters, Bob & Marilyn, have now made it possible to access a rolling 12 months of QCCC Newsletters on our club website. So, if you have the need to research any editions from the past 12 months, visit our club website at <http://QueenCityCorvette.com>.



At the 2010 National Corvette Museum's C5/C6 Bash, Corvette Racing driver Johnny O'Connell spoke to event attendees about the planned Motorsports Park at the Museum, the track features and facilities and how it will benefit drivers of all skill levels. View the video – [click here](#).



Hopefully you’ve seen the “New Addition” section in the July and August Newsletters announcing the new additions to the QCCC family of Corvettes. If you are lucky enough to add to your Corvette hobby or trade for a new fiberglass beauty, please send pictures (mail to: [2redvettes@carolina.rr.com](mailto:2redvettes@carolina.rr.com)) so we can include them in future Newsletters.



Your Newsletter “Staff” will gleefully welcome any write-ups, reports, bullet points, etc., about QCCC events that you participate in. We want your Newsletter to be informative and provide the membership’s view of our activities. This will promote increased participation and membership interest to those who read our Newsletter on line. Contact Chris or Peggy for info ([2redvettes@carolina.rr.com](mailto:2redvettes@carolina.rr.com)).



Production numbers are out for the 2010 Corvette model year. 12,194 Corvettes were built with Black being the most popular color. Can you guess which color was the least popular for 2010? View the stats at [http://www.c6registry.com/Facts/2010production\\_color.htm](http://www.c6registry.com/Facts/2010production_color.htm).

Have a “pet-peeve” about driving your Corvette? This picture, sent in by Walt Krupowicz, is sure to be high on everyone’s list. If you would like to share those “little things that drive you crazy”, send us an email and we’ll accumulate the top 10.



The owner of this stretched Corvette has figured out how to pack all of his wife’s Vera Bradley for a cross-country trip. Thanks to Wade Stickels for sharing.





*Next Meeting –  
Saturday August 14th*

*Jocks & Jills Sports Grill*



4109 South Stream Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28217  
(704) 423-0001

*Social at 5:30 PM Meeting at 6:30 PM*



*Directions: in the old Coliseum area - Right off of West Tyvola Road*

You may want to enjoy dinner either prior to meeting or after, or simply have an appetizer and drinks there.

**Please check our [QCCC website](#) for more details!**

## IN THE REAR VIEW



The National Corvette Museum was named one of 12 car museums worth a detour by MSNBC.com. If you've seen the NCM, you knew that, but it's great to see this fantastic facility get that kind of exposure.



Congratulations to QCCC Member Larry de Montegre for winning the Charlotte Observer's "You Write the Caption" contest on June 21<sup>st</sup>.



Corvette has fans all over the world! This C5 was photographed by Bill & Meryle Elko while they were on the NCM Baltic Cruise. It was spotted in Copenhagen.



In 1990 *Playboy Magazine* rated the "Cars of Rock & Roll" on a basis of (what else?) sex appeal. Of all the cars they rated, the '63 fuel injected Sting Ray came out as number 1, scoring a 99 out of a possible 100 points. Here is a list of the cars they chose, their score, and the song they were featured in:

- 📻 '63 Sting Ray – 99 – Shut Down
- 📻 '63 Jaguar E Type – 97 – Dead Man's Curve
- 📻 '65 Mustang – 95.2 – Mustang Sally
- 📻 '65 Pontiac GTO – 87.5 – Little GTO
- 📻 '61 Chevy SS 409 – 85 – 409
- 📻 '55 Cadillac Coupe De Ville – 80 – Maybelline
- 📻 '64 Thunderbird – 70 – Fun, Fun, Fun
- 📻 '55 Ford Customline – 25 – Maybelline
- 📻 '55 Nash Rambler – 10 – Beep Beep (remember Beep Beep?)



Road & Track Magazine gives high marks to the Corvette in a recent article on Sports Cars with the best resale value. The Corvette, especially the Grand Sport, remains one of the best performance bargains on the market. Corvette is one of the cars that Road & Track says "bucks the trend" and holds on to its value year after year. Read the article [here](#).



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