



Queen City Corvette Club

Club Business Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, January 11, 2014 Time: 6 PM Location: Belk Scout Camp- Midland NC

Board Members and Staff Present: Keith Cross, President; Bill Cruthis, Vice President; Chris Wood, Membership Director; Tommy Loftin, Automotive Director; Pat Bonino, Social Director; Jim Weisberg, Treasurer; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary; **Staff:** Bob and Marilyn Becker, Webmasters; Paul Mariano, NCM Ambassador; Bob Denney, Brian and Michelle Moore, Photographers; Paul Pelkey, Database; Travis Meredith, Historian.

DISCUSSION:

President: Keith Cross

- Keith called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to meeting.
- Thanked the Boy Scouts for allowing us the use of their facility.
- Member Staton Boyette, who coordinated use of the facility, talked about Scout Camp.
- Announced establishment of a new QCCC Staff Position -- Historian -- to be held by Travis and Sharon Meredith
- December Minutes of the Meeting were approved.

Membership Director: Chris Wood

- Introduced and welcomed those new members present who joined QCCC in 2013.
- Welcomed New Members Voted In at January Meeting
 - Harold & Suzanne Crockett
- The following were Prospective Members in attendance:
 - Don and Corrine Smith – 2nd Meeting
 - Mal and Helen Speer – 2nd Meeting
 - Mark Smets - 1st meeting
 - Vinny and Pat – Vettorino – 1st Meeting
 - Jimmy and Pamela Connell – 1st Meeting
 - Danny and Elaine Bass – 1st Meeting
- The following were Guests in attendance
 - Jules Comfort (Granddaughter of member Tracy Comfort)
- Membership: QCCC currently has 290 active and provisional members (152 families)
- Please notify Chris Wood of any member illnesses, injuries, etc.
- Discussed formal recommendation from club members to present Debbie Rinehart for Lifetime membership to Board and General membership, following process in Bylaws.
 - Motion made, seconded and approved to convert Debbie to Lifetime Member.

Vice President: Bill Cruthis

- **Announced New 2014 Member Recognition** (Awards Program) *Corvette Fever*
 - Purpose – to have fun and reward members for passion for QCCC and the Corvette.

- Chairpersons (7) are being named, each with a Committee of members who share their recommendations monthly, and then for full year, of those meeting the *Corvette Fever* criteria. Detailed information on the new program will be sent via email to all members.
- **Upcoming Club Meeting Dates/Locations Planned**
 - **February 8, 2014** – Pleasant Hill Church (Boyd & Susan Kurt)– Hwy 49 Charlotte
 - Movie and Social Event prior to meeting. See details on Website.
 - **March 8, 2014** – TBD
 - **April 12, 2014** – Loftin’s garage, Troutman – Social Event - Picnic
- **Please Help:** QCCC Board continues to search for meeting venues that will accommodate 100-125 people. Members are asked to notify the Board of any ideas for meeting sites.
- **Door Prizes** were won by – Paul Pelkey, Don Zimmer, Buzz Brescoll, Scott Hamilton
- **First 2014 Corvette Fever Award** presented to **Helen Jensen**, for her abundant enthusiasm and dedication in meeting members and guests, and her pursuit of selling raffle tickets for new Corvettes being raffled by the National Corvette Museum-- keep the dream alive.
- **Total of 96 Members were present** at the meeting.

Automotive Director: Tommy Loftin

- Please see the QCCC Website Calendar for additional information on these events...
- **February 22, 2014 – Car Care Day will be held at Loftin’s Garage, Troutman**
 - Members can perform work on their cars.
 - Three Lifts are available. Need to Sign up with Tommy for lift time.
 - Will also be time for members to detail cars.
 - See further information and directions on QCCC Website
- **April 5, 6, 2014** – Spring Auto Fair, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord
- **May 24, 2014** – Shelton Vineyards Car Show, Dobson, NC
- **June 6, 7, 2014** - Myrtle Beach Car Show
- **June 21, 2014** – Summer Concert at Shelton Vineyards – The Entertainers
- **June 28, 2014** – Troutman Independence Day Parade
- **August 22-24, 2014** – Corvettes at Carlisle (PA) (On your own)
- **September 6, 2014** – QCCC 3rd Annual All Chevy Car Show
- **September 20, 21, 2014** – Fall Food Lion Auto Fair, Charlotte Motor Speedway
- **October 12, 2014** – Foothills Corvette Club Fall Cruise.
- **Day Trips** – Members are encouraged to host one or more day trips during the year. Contact Tommy Loftin for additional information.
- **Homecoming Parades** – John Meadows has agreed to continue to coordinate club members who volunteer to drive their Corvettes in some area high school homecoming parade events around Charlotte.
- **Parades for Pageant Queens** – Over the years, QCCC has provided Corvettes to participate in various Charlotte area parades (e.g., St. Patricks’ Day, etc.). At this time, due to Pageant Queen event process and coordination changes, QCCC does not plan to participate in these future events. If anyone wishes to coordinate one or more of these Pageant Queen events, and solicit QCCC participation, without cost to QCCC, please contact Tommy Loftin.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- **Laura Pelchat Coordinating - January 25, 2014 - QCCC 2014 Banquet**
 - Vintage Motor Club in Concord, NC

- Live Band – *The Extraordinaires*
- \$35 per person for Buffet-- Check to QCCC sent to Laura Pelchat
- Silent Auction Items still being accepted for the Event
- **Combined Automotive and Social Activities** – Pat will coordinate with Tommy Loftin
- **Social Time at February Club Meeting – See Website for detailed information.**
 - **“The Quest” Movie** – a documentary which chronicles the beginnings of **Corvette Racing** at the famed Le Mans 24 Hour Endurance Race in France. Great movie.
 - **Valentine Boutique – Goodies for purchase for your Valentine**

Treasurer: Jim Weisberg

- Jim provided YTD status of actual vs. budget financials to members via email prior to meeting.
- Budget for 2014 will be provided to the members prior to club vote at the February meeting.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **January Member Birthdays** were announced. If you would like your name added to the Happy Birthday list, please contact Carolyn.
- **QCCC Club Jackets** – are always available for purchase. Contact Carolyn Zimmer for ordering process. Pictures of the Jackets are on the QCCC Website under the “Club Regalia”.
- **August 23-26, 2014 - 2014 Carolinas and Virginia Caravan**
 - **Registration** - If you are even considering joining the 2014 Carolinas and Virginia Caravan starting **August 23, 2014** (part of the National Corvette Caravan to Bowling Green, KY), with final destination at the National Corvette Museum, **please REGISTER NOW**. Hotel rooms in Bowling Green are going FAST, and will likely not be available in a few weeks. There is no charge to Register for the *C&VA Caravan*. Access the complete Registration Process at: <http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/va-nc-sc/>

National Corvette Museum (NCM) Ambassador: Paul Mariano

- **Register for August 28-31, 2014 National Caravan to Bowling Green, KY** - As the 2014 Chairman of the NCM National Corvette Caravan in August, 2014, Paul reminded folks to Register for the National Caravan and C&VA Caravan as soon as possible. Great things are planned, and rooms in Bowling Green are going fast. <http://www.corvettecaravan.com/>
- **NCM Anniversary Hall Of Fame Dinner-- Reserved Tables**
 - Paul is coordinating reserved tables for the NCM Hall of Fame Dinner in Bowling Green in August, 2014, for the QCCC attendees at the 20th Anniversary Celebration (part of 2014 National Caravan weekend). Dinner Price for reserved table is \$65 per person. Contact Paul for availability as these tables are going fast. Write check to Paul.
- **February 1, 2014 - Information Session on National Corvette Museum and Detailing Session**
 - Home of Paul and Barbara Mariano – Heated Garage
 - Talk about the National Corvette Museum – Benefits and Opportunities
 - Discuss and Demonstrate Detailing Corvettes – Use of Clay Bar and Buffer
 - Contact Paul directly to sign up – Email, Telephone and Address in Club Directory
 - Bring Chairs
- **April 24-26, 2014** – Annual trip of QCCC folks to the National Corvette Museum BASH
 - Paul has (2) Rooms still available until the end of January with the QCCC group at Hilton Garden Inn in Bowling Green, KY. Contact Paul if you are interested in attending.
- **June, 2014 NCM Member Cruise to Alaska** – Contact NCM directly if interested.
- **Congratulations to E.O and Ann Oakley celebrating their 15 Year Membership with NCM.**

Charity Committee – Nelson Sprague (Keith Covering)

- Plan to have 50/50 Raffle at February Club Meeting

Old Business

None

New Business

- Keith pointed out a special Article from NCRS Magazine, Winter 2014
 - Great Article on QCCC Members Tommy and Brenda Loftin and their 1954 Corvette
- Keith requested Members provide pictures of their Vettes to Bob Becker for the QCCC Website
- Reminder – Monday, January 13, 2014 – Detroit Auto Show
 - 2015 Corvette 06 Reveal and the C7R Corvette Race Car

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary



Queen City Corvette Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, January 7, 2014 Time: 6 PM Location: Hickory Tavern – Northlake

Board Members and Staff Present: Keith Cross, President; Bill Cruthis, Vice-President; Chris Wood, Membership Director; Tommy Loftin, Automotive Director; Pat Bonino, Social Director; Jim Weisberg, Treasurer

DISCUSSION:

President: Keith Cross

- Keith called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Discussed the 2014 QCCC Calendar in detail.
- Discussed opportunity for members to host day trips and/ or overnight trips.

Vice President: Bill Cruthis

- Discussed member points tracking and how it will differ in 2014 from previous years.
 - Discussed potential awards and door prizes for each club meeting.
 - A new recognition program, “*Corvette Fever*”, will be introduced to the members at Saturday’s meeting.
 - Purpose of 2014 recognition program is to have fun and reward members for passion for QCCC and the Corvette.
 - Door prizes will continue at each meeting.
- Discussed the *Club Historian Staff Position* (see attached criteria).
 - Motion made, seconded and approved to create position.
 - Travis Meredith has graciously volunteered for the job and brings much vintage information and experience.
- Discussed new “*Vintage Award*” program for membership and plans for implementation.
 - Motion made, seconded and approved to create program.
 - Discussed how to recognize these members
 - Additional information to be provided as the program expands.
- Upcoming Meeting dates / locations planned:
 - **January 11, 2014** – Boy Scout Camp – Hot Dog Dinner and Chili Cook-off
 - **February 8, 2014** – Pleasant Hill Church– Hwy 49 Charlotte
 - **March 8, 2014** – TBD
 - **April 12, 2014** – Loftin’s garage - Picnic
- Discussed how to distribute QCCC Club Meetings fairly across the Metro-Charlotte area.
 - Still need members to suggest possible meeting sites, especially in the South

Automotive Director: Tommy Loftin

- Discussed a possible Car Care Day on February 22, 2014
- Discussed expanding sponsors at this year’s QCCC Car Show.
 - QCCC Car Show date is September 6th, 2014

- Discussed adding Shelton Vineyards & Myrtle Beach Corvette Shows to calendar and Foothills Fall Cruise.
- 2014 Auto Fair dates are April 5-6 and September 20-21.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- Discussed ideas for 2014 QCCC Christmas Party.
- Discussed logistics for Saturday's Chili Cook-off and Hot Dog Dinner.
 - Keith requested Board arrive by 4:15 pm.
- Discussed ideas for QCCC day and or overnight trips in 2014.
- Discussed QCCC Movie event, "The Quest," prior to the February Club Meeting at Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church. Popcorn & sodas to be furnished. After the movie, there will be a Chocolate Boutique to raise funds for the Corvette Caravan in August.

Membership Director: Chris Wood

- Discussed number of guests confirmed for January Club Meeting.
- New QCCC window clings are in and will be provided at meeting, 1 per member.
 - Chris & Bill will come up with a tracking method for the sign-up desk.
- Discussed formal recommendation from club members to present Debbie Rinehart for Lifetime membership to Board and General membership.
 - Motion made, seconded and approved to present Board's recommendation to General Membership at the January QCCC Business Meeting. Chris to present.
- Discussed ways to recognize new members and introduce guests at Business Meetings. Chris will modify presentation.

Treasurer: Jim Weisberg

- Jim provided final 2013 status of actual vs. budget financials via email prior to meeting.
- Discussed 2014 financials
 - Discussed appropriate budget fit for QCCC Historian and Vintage Member Programs.
- Discussed 2014 membership dues paid to date.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer (Keith covering)

- Motion made, seconded and approved to adopt Carolyn's revised procedures for publishing QCCC Board and Business Meeting Minutes on the website, including provisions for newsletter per the bylaws.

Old Business:

- Keith requested to table the discussion about QCCC's donation to the NCM for a bench until the February Board meeting.

New Business:

- Discussed moving the vote for 2014 Member of the Year and Rookies of the Year to the November business Meeting rather than the December Christmas Party due to time constraints.
- Discussed need for reviewing Bylaws and determine if changes are needed, including a review of QCCC's Honorary Lifetime Member process in Article II, Paragraph f. Chris to lead.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Bonino and Chris Wood, covering for Carolyn Zimmer