



Queen City Corvette Club **Club Business Meeting Minutes**

Date: Saturday, February 8, 2014 Time: 6 PM Location: Pleasant Hill Church-Charlotte

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; Boyd and Susan Kurt, Newsletter Editors; Bob Denney, Brian and Michelle Moore, Photographers; Travis Meredith, Historian; Nelson and Barbara Sprague, Charity.

DISCUSSION:

President: Keith Cross

- Keith called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Thanked Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church and Boyd and Susan Kurt for coordinating the facility, setting up the room and the movie.
- Thanked Pat Bonino and her team for coordinating the popcorn social and the Chocolate Boutique.
- January Business Meeting Minutes were approved.
- Keith presented Female and Male Rookie of the Year trophies to Lorraine and Bill Miller respectively, as they were unable to attend the Banquet.
- Presented Fall Auto Fair trophy for Best C6 to Jim and Beth Cerniglia.
- Introduced the topic of how to best use the 2013-14 NCM Donation Funds Raised by QCCC.
 - Board has approved the funds be put toward having the QCCC Logo inscribed on a Monumental Granite Bench available at the NCM. A flyer with additional information was available at the meeting.
 - Total QCCC donation required for the full-bench Logo is \$5000, and our goal is to raise the total amount by end of May 2014 so the inscription can be completed on the bench in time for the 2014 Caravan
 - Club Members are encouraged to make a tax deductible (any amount) contribution to the **NCM Bench Logo** fund:
 - **Cash** Donations can be made to Keith or Jim Weisberg.
 - **Checks made out to NCM. Write "QCCC Bench" in note section**, and give to Keith or Jim. QCCC will forward checks to museum for your tax deduction
 - **Credit Card** – Call Stephanie at NCM and make a donation to "Queen City Bench Account" 270-467-8837, 1-800-538-3883 (ask for Stephanie)

Membership Director: Chris Wood

- Voted in and Welcomed New Members
 - Don and Corinne Smith
- Introduced Prospective Members in Attendance
 - Mark Smets and Nancy Jewel – 2nd Meeting

- Vinny and Pat Vettorino – 2nd Meeting
- Danny and Elaine Bass – 2nd Meeting
- Bob and Beverly Terry – 2nd Meeting
- Alan and Deborah Wilkes – 1st Meeting
- Bill and Anne Houck – 1st Meeting
- Guests in attendance
 - Jules Comfort (Granddaughter of member Tracy Comfort)
 - Briana Weisberg (Granddaughter of members Jim and Kay Weisberg)
- Membership: QCCC currently has 290 active and provisional members (152 families)
- Total of 124 Members and Guests attended the meeting.
- Please notify Chris Wood of any member illnesses, injuries, etc.

Vice President: Bill Cruthis

- **Reminded Members of 2014 Member Recognition (Awards Program) *Corvette Fever***
 - Purpose – to have fun and reward members for passion for QCCC and the Corvette.
 - Chairpersons (7) were 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 was sent via email to all members.
- **Numbers for each committee were drawn at Business Meeting**
 - **Corvette Fever Committee Numbers, Chairs, Committee Names**
 - #1 - Wade and Sue Stickels – The Wave
 - #2 - Craig and Donna Smith – Seven Generations
 - #3 - Jim Ramandanes – Fast and Loud
 - #4 – Brian and Barbara Kruse - Jake
 - #5 – Brenda Loftin – Stingray
 - #6 - Steve and Laura Pelchat – Route 66
 - #7 - John and Helen Jensen– Classic Glass
- All QCCC Members will be contacted by their respective Committee Chair to being *Corvette Fever* discussions.
- **Upcoming Club Meeting Dates/Locations Planned**
 - **March 8, 2014 – Streetside Classics** - Charlotte
 - **April 12, 2014 – Loftin’s Garage, Troutman** – Social Event - Picnic
- **Meeting Door Prizes Won By:** Craig Smith, Jim Appleyard, Nelson Sprague
- ***Corvette Fever* Door Prizes** presented to **Steve Ham** and **Fred McCoy**
- **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.

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
- **March 15, 2014 - St. Patricks Day Parade (NC US, SC US, Teens)**
 - Tommy has agreed to coordinate 7 member convertibles at the request of the Miss United States pageant committee for NC and SC pageant winners for the St.

Patrick's Day parade in Charlotte. All fees will be paid by the Miss United States pageant. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Tommy.

- **April 5, 6, 2014** – Spring Auto Fair, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord
 - QCCC will participate Saturday and Sunday (30 Cars each day)
 - Trophies presented by Auto Fair and by QCCC
 - Sign-up sheet available or contact Tommy Loftin
- **May 24, 2014** – Shelton Vineyards Car Show, Dobson, NC
 - No Charge for Show – Trophies will be presented
 - Dinner at Depot Restaurant after the car show
- **June 6, 7, 2014** - Myrtle Beach Car Show
 - Banquet Friday night before the Show
 - Pat Bonino will coordinate hotel rooms for QCCC participants
- **June 21, 2014** – Summer Concert at Shelton Vineyards – The Entertainers
- **June 28, 2014** – Troutman Independence Day Parade (Tommy Loftin)
- **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 member cars for some area high school homecoming parade events around Charlotte.
- **Parades for Young Pageant Queens** – Over the years, QCCC has provided Corvettes to participate in various Charlotte area parades (e.g., St. Patrick's Day, etc.). At this time, due to young Pageant Queen event process and coordination changes, QCCC does not plan to participate in future events. If anyone wishes to coordinate one or more of these young Pageant Queen events, and solicit QCCC participation, without cost to QCCC, please contact Tommy Loftin.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- **Valentine/Chocolate Boutique**
 - Pat thanked everyone for participating in the Valentine Boutique prior to the meeting. Raised approximately \$800 for the 2014 Carolinas and Virginia Corvette Caravan.
 - Any unsold non-food items will be donated to the QCCC Car Show Silent Auction.
- **February 26 – Day Trip is planned.** See QCCC Calendar
- **March 22, 2014 – Social Activity being planned.** See QCCC Calendar
- **April 12, 2014 – Spring Picnic at Loftin Garage Meeting**
- **August 1, 2, 3, 2014 – Tale of the Dragon**
 - 30 Rooms blocked for QCCC at Fontana Village - 109 per night
 - Good parking – plan to stay one or two nights or all three nights, your choice
 - Reservations required by May 1, 2014, one night deposit will be charged.
 - Group Dinner is planned during the event.

Treasurer: Jim Weisberg

- Jim provided the 2014 Proposed Budget to members via email prior to meeting.

- Motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed QCCC Budget for 2014. Motion was passed.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **February Member Birthdays** were announced. If you would like your name added to the Happy Birthday list, please contact Carolyn.
- **Announced names of Charity Organizations** who sent Thank You Notes to QCCC in appreciation of donations/gifts received from QCCC in 2013. Also received a personal note from one of the Air National Guard children thanking QCCC for his Christmas presents.
- **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

- Paul expressed his thoughts of why he serves as an NCM Ambassador, entitled “Why I do this”
- Reminder of the 2014 National Corvette Caravan along with the 20th Anniversary of the NCM in August, 2014. Register soon. This will actually be an “International” Corvette Caravan, as cars come to Bowling Green from all over the world.
- Interested in National Corvette Museum Membership? Flyers Available.

Charity Committee – Nelson Sprague

- Nelson conducted the 50/50 Raffle for Charity, won by Jack Brunton

Old Business

- Chris Wood and Bill Cruthis continue to distribute new QCCC car clings to all members.
- Member Activity Award Coasters were presented to those award winners unable to attend the banquet.
- QCCC Logo Tumblers – still available for \$10 each

New Business

- QCCC is asking that all members submit pictures of their cars for the Club Website. It is not necessary for the owner(s) to be in the pictures, but with such a large club, we really need more pictures on the website.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary



Queen City Corvette Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, February 4, 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; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary

DISCUSSION:

President: Keith Cross

- Keith called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- Discussed the 2014 QCCC Calendar in detail.

Vice President: Bill Cruthis

- Corvette Fever – Will discuss the following at the 2/8/14 business meeting.
 - Written instructions and more details
 - Identify committee Chairpersons
 - Announce Committee Names
 - 27 Awards to Membership
- Discussed new “*Vintage Member*” program for membership and plans for implementation.
 - Confirmed name as *Vintage Member*
 - Additional information to be provided as the program expands.
- Upcoming Meeting dates / locations planned:
 - **February 8, 2014** – Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church– Hwy 49 Charlotte
 - The Quest Film to be shown
 - Valentine Boutique and Chocolate Fountain
 - **March 8, 2014** – Streetside Classics - Charlotte
 - **April 12, 2014** – Loftin’s garage – Troutman - Picnic

Automotive Director: Tommy Loftin

- **February 22, 2014** - Car Care Day at Loftin’s Garage (details on QCCC Calendar)
- **March 15, 2014** - St. Patrick’s Parade – Miss United States Pageant Winners (NC/SC)
 - 7 Convertibles Required - All fees covered by Pageant
 - Tommy will request volunteers at meeting and coordinate if necessary.
- **April 5-6, 2014** - Auto Fair – 30 people each day – permit for service vehicle for supplies
- **April 12, 2014** – Loftin’s Garage Meeting/Picnic – Schedule a drive prior to meeting.
- **September 6, 2014** - QCCC Car Show – Discussing date, sponsorship and participation with City Chevrolet.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- **April 12, 2014** – Picnic Social at Loftin’s Garage
- Planning other Socials and will add them to Club Calendar

- Discussed ideas and locations for 2014 QCCC Christmas Party and 2014 Banquet.
- Discussed ideas for QCCC day trips and or overnight trips in 2014.
- Discussed QCCC Movie event, “The Quest,” to be shown prior to the February Club Meeting at Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church. Popcorn, water, soft drinks 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

- Led a discussion of the potential bylaw changes to the Membership section.
- Discussed prospective members planning to attend February meeting.

Treasurer: Jim Weisberg

- Board Reviewed and Approved Proposed 2014 Budget Categories and Amounts
- Budget will be voted on at the February 2014 meeting.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- Cards Sent to date in 2014
 - Denise & Denny Wade – Sympathy
 - Craig & Donna Perry – Sympathy
 - Marge Jungmann – Get Well
 - Jane Burt – Sympathy
 - J C Roberts – Sympathy
 - Tony Lisi – Get Well

Old Business:

- NCM Contribution – Board revisited options for targeting the donation
 - Motion Approved to use Donation for QCCC Logo on full Granite Bench
 - Donation Required is \$5000
 - Financing with existing NCM donation funds and through donations of Members
 - Remainder Funded by May 31
 - Announce at Business Meeting
- Thank You notes from people personally affected by charity donations from national guard. Carolyn will read the names of the senders at the February Business Meeting.
- Membership Directory – Laura is still planning to coordinate the Club Picture Directory

New Business:

- Carolyn introduced the BRAKES Charity to the Board. Further discussion was scheduled for the March Board Meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary