



## **Queen City Corvette Club**

### **Club Business Meeting Minutes**

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**Date: Saturday, September 12, 2015 Time: 6:05 PM Location: Burt's BBQ**

**Board Members Present:** Bill Cruthis, President; Paul Mitchell, Vice President; Darrell Kirkley, Membership Director; Gary Cunningham, Automotive Director; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary; Jim Weisberg, Treasurer.

**Staff Members Present:** Bob and Marilyn Becker, Webmaster; Paul Mariano, NCM Ambassador; Bob Denney and Elaine Bass, Photographers; Donna and Craig Smith, Newsletter Editors; Travis Meredith, Historian; Kay Weisberg, Charity.

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**MEETING DISCUSSION:** *(See QCCC Website for more Detailed Information)*

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#### **President: Bill Cruthis**

- Bill called the Meeting to Order and welcomed attendees to the 'last' Burts' BBQ.
- Bill thanked Jane and Eddie Burt for 16 years of hosting the fabulous QCCC BBQ.
  - Presented Jane and Eddie with a handmade BBQ 'Trophy' in appreciation.
  - Invited members to the front for pictures who attended the first BBQ in 1999.
- Bill made remarks honoring our recently deceased member, Greydon Cruse.
- Discussed current overall financial status. Some issues were noted and discussed.
- Minutes of the August Meeting were approved.
- QCCC Board and Staff were introduced.

#### **Membership Director: Darrell Kirkley**

- Voted In and Welcomed as New Active Members:
  - Jim & Linda Echols
  - Bob & Karyn Dillon
  - Brian & Donna Lentell
- Introduced Prospective Members and Guests in Attendance:
  - *Second Meeting for:*
    - Warren & Sheila Weeks
    - Ron Strausborger
    - Bill & Joni Ingram
  - *First Meeting for:*
    - Wade & Janet Griffin
    - Roger & DeeDee Winge
    - Guy Ferraiolo
  - *Guests: 13*
- **Meeting Attendance:** Total of 198 people attended the meeting
  - 169 Members plus 29 Prospective Members (including those voted in) and Guests
- **Membership:** QCCC now has 353 members (179 families)

## Vice President: Paul Mitchell

- **Participants of the Month Award**
  - Award presented to 'new' members **Brian and Cindy Peoples** for their outstanding efforts in multiple areas to support QCCC.
- **Poster Contest – Steve Pelchat and his Corvette – 1970: Car Stuck in Sand**
  - Winner – **Laura Pelchat** – *Just because it's plastic doesn't mean it's a dune buggy.*
  - New poster – Gary Cunningham
    - Send caption contest entries to Paul Mitchell

### Upcoming Meeting Locations:

- **October 10, 2015 – Streetside Classics, Charlotte (Meeting Only)**
- **November 14, 2015 – Speedway Club, Concord (Optional Dinner After)**
- **December 12, 2015 – Pleasant Hill Presbyterian, Charlotte - Christmas Party**
  - Catered Meal – Cost will be collected in advance

## Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham

### Upcoming Events:

- **September 19, 2015 – Annual QCCC All Chevy Car Show**
  - **Hendrick Motorsports complex – Charlotte-Concord**
  - NCM Corvette Store (Bowling Green, KY) bringing items for sale.
  - Vendors: Auto Parts, Food, Bling, Corvette items, NCM, etc.
  - Hendrick Heritage Museum Tours Available
  - New Award Categories – Enhanced Trophies - Silent Auction
  - **Committee Leaders** (see QCCC Directory for email addresses)
    - Brian and Michelle Moore – Registration
    - John Callahan – Judging
    - Bill and Ann Houck – Parking and Logistics
    - Darrell Kirkley – Trophies
    - Kay and Jim Weisberg – Charity - 50/50 Raffle
    - Keith Cross – Volunteers - T-Shirts – Dash plaques
    - Hendrick Heritage Center Tours – Gwen Cunningham
    - Paul Mitchell – Show Vendors
    - Travis Meredith - Tents
    - Brian and Cindy Peoples – Donations for goody bags
    - Peggy Wood – Silent Auction
- **September 26-27, 2015 - Auto Fair at Charlotte Motor Speedway**
  - **Sign up for either Saturday or Sunday or both days**
  - **Need 6 more Cars Each Day**
  - Contact Gary Cunningham for more information.
- **October 11, 2017 - Run to the Colors Fall Tour – (Day After October Meeting)**
  - Hosted by Foothills Corvette Club – North Wilkesboro
  - Non-Stop Corvette Run to Shatley Springs -Intersections blocked by police
  - Flyers on QCCC Website - Expecting over 100 Cars
  - QCCC attendees will meet and caravan to North Wilkesboro
  - **QCCC Contact or to Sign Up: Send Email to Paul Mitchell or Carolyn Zimmer**
  - **COSTS: LUNCH at Shatley Springs - \$20 per person CASH ONLY**
  - **\$5 CASH Donation per car to Foothills Corvette Club Charity**
- **October 17, 2015 - QCCC Black Top Road Rally**

- Registration Flyers Available at the Meeting and on the Website.
- Information Email sent to all members. Volunteers needed.
- **Hosting DAY TRIPS:** Please contact Gary Cunningham to host a day trip/event.

### **Social Director: Pat Bonino (Bill Cruthis Covering)**

- **Silent Auction Items for the Car Show – Contact: Peggy Wood**
- **QCCC Cookbook – Vette Vittles -\$15 - available for sale at QCCC Charity Car Show**
- **QCCC Christmas Party, Catered Dinner, to be held at the December Meeting.**
- **QCCC 2016 Banquet is planned for the Speedway Club in Concord**

### **Treasurer: Jim Weisberg**

- Any Questions on Financial statement should be directed to Jim.
- Some questions were raised and answered regarding the Banquet funds and general funds.

### **Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer**

- **Business Meeting Minutes** – distributed via email and available (with Board Meeting Minutes) on QCCC Website Archives.
- **September Member Birthdays** were announced and celebrated.
  - Birthday Restaurant Gift Certificate won by **Steve Harshbarger**.
- **QCCC Picture Directory – New Member Picture Sheet for Directory Available**
  - See Carolyn Zimmer at future meetings for one sheet per family while supplies last

### **National Corvette Museum (NCM) Ambassador: Paul Mariano**

- About 30 QCCC members attended the 21<sup>st</sup> NCM Anniversary weekend at the National Corvette Museum and the Hall of Fame Banquet over Labor Day weekend. Our sponsor, Rick Hendrick, was inducted into the NCM Hall of Fame, and spent some time talking with and taking pictures with the QCCC group.
- Paul encouraged QCCC members to **become NCM members**. Membership is inexpensive and Tax Deductible and serves to promote the car we love. GM does not financially support the NCM. All income for the NCM comes from members' dues and raffles and other events.
- Paul gave a status on the Noise issue at the NCM Motorsports Park.
- NCM will have Corvette Merchandise available at the QCCC Car Show
- Check the NCM and the Motorsports Park Websites for more upcoming NCM events.

### **QCCC Charities – Kay Weisberg (Don Zimmer Covering)**

- **50/50 Charity Raffle won by Clark Belvin.**

### **Old Business**

- Door Prizes were awarded.
- QCCC Logo gently used clothing was sold. Money raised will be used to defray costs for QCCC Christmas Party.
- Corvette Fever Award presented to **Jerry and Debra Fitzgerald**
- Majority of the previously proposed By Laws Changes will be discussed and voted on at a future Club meeting.
- **Member-At-Large (MAL)** –As documented and communicated to the membership prior to the meeting --the QCCC Board proposed the September club meeting membership vote of a new Board position, effective January 2016, along with inclusion of the position in the QCCC Bylaws. The motion was made by Carolyn Zimmer on behalf of the QCCC Board and reads:

- **The 2015 QCCC Board of Directors unanimously hereby propose that the membership of QCCC approve the establishment of a Member-at-Large position, as a new, formal QCCC Board of Directors' position whose duties will begin January, 2016. Approval of this motion will also result in changes to the QCCC Bylaws Document immediately to reflect the position and duties.**
- MAL Position Description for the Bylaws as previously documented to the membership:
  - **Member-at-Large**
    - Become familiar with the ongoing work of the overall QCCC Board of Directors by attending and being an active, voting participant in monthly Board meetings.
    - In the absence of another Board Members, step in to fulfill his/her role in monthly Board meetings, Club meetings, or other QCCC activities where Board Member presence is needed.
    - Other duties as deemed necessary by the QCCC Board.
- Motion was seconded, discussed, and unanimously approved by the membership present.
- Nominations for the 2016 MAL position will be OPEN through October meeting.

## **New Business**

- **Resignation:** Bill announced that QCCC Membership Director Darrell Kirkley has taken a Corvette Business Development position with City Chevrolet, our club sponsor, and will be responsible for interface to City Chevrolet from our club members wishing to purchase vehicles. As such, to avoid a Conflict of Interest, Darrell has voluntarily resigned his position on the QCCC Board (but will remain a member of QCCC).
- **Election:** With the board member resignation, QCCC bylaws call for election at the first available meeting of a new Membership Director to fill the position. Nominations were therefore declared Open. **Chris Wood** was nominated and accepted the nomination, and was unanimously elected as the **new Membership Director** to fill the position for the remainder of 2015.
- Bill announced that **Kay Weisberg, Charity Committee Chairperson, will turn over leadership to the next Chairperson, Wendy Krupowicz, in September.** The Charity year runs from September through August to coincide with the Charity activities in preparation for the QCCC Car Show in September.
- **Nominations are now OPEN for all the 2016 QCCC Board positions** (including the new Member at Large position) and will CLOSE at the end of the October business meeting. Elections will take place at the November meeting. Currently one Board member has chosen not to run again (Treasurer Jim Weisberg). However, all Board positions are one year terms and are open for anyone to be nominated to serve.

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary*



## **Queen City Corvette Club**

### **Board Meeting Minutes**

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**Date: Tuesday, September 8, 2015 Time: 5:00 PM Location: Mimi's Cafe – Northlake**

**Board Members Present:** Bill Cruthis, President; Paul Mitchell, Vice-President; Darrell Kirkley, Membership Director; Jim Weisberg, Treasurer; Gary Cunningham, Automotive Director; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary. **Staff Present:** Wendy Krupowicz, Incoming Charity.

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**DISCUSSION:** *See QCCC Website for Additional Event Details*

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#### **President: Bill Cruthis**

- Bill called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees to the meeting.
- Discussed the 2014-2015 and **2015-2016 Charity Programs**. Reviewed the Charity Guidelines with Wendy Krupowicz. Board approved the 2015-2016 Charity Timeline. Board approved funds for Charity distribution at the 2015 Charity Car Show.
- **Vintage Patches:** Karl and Jackie Slavetsky will receive their QCCC Vintage Member Jacket Patches at the September BBQ meeting. There was discussion about giving some other patches early. Final decision was made to continue giving Vintage patches when they are due.
- **Special Award:** Board approved the presentation of a special 'award' constructed by Bill to Eddie and Jane Burt in recognition of their 16 years of hosting the QCCC BBQ, and in honor of this their last BBQ event.
- **Memorial:** Board approved a Memorial amount to be contributed to NCM for our recently deceased member Greydon Cruse.
- **Advertising Guidelines:** Board discussed Newsletter advertising issues which have arisen. Board agreed that any contractual promises need to be fulfilled. Bill will notify those advertisers who had concerns. Board approved changes to the Newsletter Advertising Guidelines to allow major advertisements as follows:
  - Full-page advertisements at a cost of \$1000 each per year
  - Half-Page advertisements at a cost of \$500 each per year
  - Maximum of three (3) full-page and/or half-page combination advertisements.
  - Board must approve ALL advertisements prior to publishing in the Newsletter.
  - **Action:** Carolyn will update Guidelines and present at October Board Meeting.
- The Board discussed the upcoming and prospective **2015 QCCC Calendar** events.
  - Board agreed not to publish any activity information which conflicts with Auto Fair until all slots have been filled.

#### **Vice President: Paul Mitchell**

- **Upcoming Meeting Dates / Locations planned:**
  - **September 12, 2015 – Eddie and Jane Burt's BBQ, Matthews, NC**
    - Last Burt's BBQ after 16 years.
  - **October 10, 2015 – Streetside Classics, Charlotte (Meeting only)**
  - **November 14, 2015 – Speedway Club, Concord**

- Dinner available after the meeting. More info TBD.
  - **December 12, 2015 – Pleasant Hill Presbyterian, Charlotte**
    - Catered Christmas Party
    - **Action:** Full Price needs to be collected in advance.
- **Poster Award**
  - Need additional pictures for future monthly posters for the Poster Contest.
- **Other:**
  - Paul reviewed the status of all the Vendors for the 2015 QCCC Car Show.
  - Year End Awards: Board approved the elimination of Rookie of the Year award and the originally planned ‘Board-selected members of the year (2)’ awards.
    - **Action:** Review all planned year end Awards in October Board Meeting.
  - Paul received an offer from Rousch Yates for discounts for QCCC members and potential contributions to the club.
    - **Action:** Paul will review these in more detail and report at the October Board meeting.

### **Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham**

- **September 19, 2015 – Annual QCCC All Chevy Car Show – Hendrick Motorsports**
  - Multiple Vendors (BBQ, Bling, Ice Cream, Car Parts, Billy Boat Exhaust, etc.)
  - Charity Checks will be presented.
  - Approximately 90 Silent Auction items have been donated for sale.
- **September 26-27, 2015 Auto Fair – Charlotte Motor Speedway**
  - Participants still needed for Saturday and Sunday.
- **October 11, 2015 - Fall Run to the Colors – Foothills Corvette Club – N. Wilkesboro**
  - QCCC meet in Troutman to caravan to N. Wilkesboro – More info to be announced.
  - **Contact:** Paul Mitchell
- **October 17, 2015 – QCCC Road Rally**
  - **Contact:** Bill Cruthis

### **Social Director: Pat Bonino (Bill Cruthis Covering)**

- **Burts’ BBQ** – Jane is coordinating the event including food and registrations. Susan Kurt will sell new or gently used QCCC items.
  - **Action:** Need to review costs and determine if appropriate to charge for guests at 2016 club sponsored picnics.
- **Peggy Wood** acting as Liaison for Pat during Pat’s Illness
  - Working with Paul Mitchell on Speedway Club Meeting dinner.
  - Working with Pat on banquet planning.
  - Coordinating Silent Auction items for Car Show.
- **Cookbook** -- Expecting availability for QCCC Car Show. Board approved price of \$15 each.
- **Banquet** – Speedway Club
  - Bill proposed a Banquet Theme – “Drive Them if You’ve Got Them”. Motion was approved by the Board.
  - Speedway club booked – 10% deposit due in October
  - Up to 200 can be accommodated. Members invited first, then PMs if room.
  - Cost to Members and additional cost for any PMs invited need to be determined.
  - Gifts (e.g., glasses) for attendees will be reviewed based on cost.

### **Membership Director: Darrell Kirkley**

- Discussed the prospective members and guests planning to attend September meeting.
- Eight (8) Prospective Members to attend September BBQ Meeting. Lots of Guests.

### **Treasurer: Jim Weisberg**

- Discussed YTD Budget and Expenses.
- Board approved the yearly QCCC donation of \$500 to National Corvette Museum.
- **Club Insurance:** Jim confirmed at our insurance coverage is appropriate for the Charity car show.
  - **Action:** Need a total insurance review based on non-profit corporation recommendations.
- **Note:** At a specially called Board meeting just prior to the September Club Meeting, the Board revised and approved a total of **\$8000.00 to be donated to Charity** (\$4000 each charity) at the Charity Car Show on September 19, 2015.

### **Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer**

- Further review of the Draft and member feedback of the **QCCC Bylaws Document** was tabled until the October Board Meeting. If completed, schedule member vote in November.
- **Proposed Member At Large Board Position** was discussed. Motion was made and approved to recommend member approval of this position at the September Club meeting.
  - **Action:** Carolyn will resend the MAL description to all members prior to BBQ. Carolyn will develop an introduction and motion for the club meeting.
- **Birthdays** will be announced and **Restaurant Door prize** given at September Meeting.

### **Old Business:**

- **QCCC Patches at the Corvette Plant** – need to be updated.
- **Black Top Road Rally Flyers** to be distributed at QCCC August Meeting.
- **Susan Kurt Logo Shirts:** Board approved that the proceeds from the sale of gently used logo shirts, planned and coordinated by Susan Kurt, will be applied to 2015 Christmas Party expenses.
- **QCCC Flag:** Need to check inventory items for QCCC Flag. Burts have flagpole.
- **Board Nominations:** Nominations for all Board positions will be opened at the September meeting, and closed at the end of the October meeting.

### **New Business:**

- **QCCC Hats** – As Keith announced at the August meeting, he will be taking orders for QCCC logo hats at the September BBQ at a cost of \$12 each.

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary*