



Queen City Corvette Club

Club Business Meeting Minutes

Date: April 16, 2016 Time: 6:00 PM Location: Loftin's Garage- Picnic Troutman

Board Members Present: Bill Cruthis, President; Paul Mitchell, Vice President; Chris Wood, Membership; Gary Cunningham, Automotive Director; Pat Bonino, Social Director; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary; Keith Cross, Member-at-Large Director.

Staff Members Present: Bob and Marilyn Becker, Webmasters; Cindy and Brian Peoples, Newsletter; Mike and Karin Mariano, Gerry Leppert, Photographers; Wendy Krupowicz, Charity; Paul Mariano, National Corvette Museum Ambassador; Norm Jungmann, Communications; Travis Meredith, Historian.

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

President: Bill Cruthis

- Bill called the April Club Meeting to Order and welcomed attendees.
- Thanked Tommy and Brenda Loftin for hosting us at their fantastic 'Loftin Garage.'
- Minutes of the March Meeting were approved.
- Bill presented Brenda Loftin with a Corvette Fever Award: faux rock - 'clearing' property.
- QCCC Board and Staff were introduced.

Membership Director: Chris Wood

- Voted In and Welcomed as New Active Members:
 - Jerry & Teresa Boger
 - Bill & Jonni Ingram
 - Mark Londre
 - Jeffrey & Wanda Moore
 - Johnny Reavis & Melissa Loftin
- Voted In and Welcomed as New Associate Members
 - Allen & Magi Pritchard (sponsored by Bob & Marilyn Becker)
- Introduced Prospective Members and Guests in Attendance:
 - *Second Meeting for:*
 - Frank & Liz Carpenter
 - *First Meeting for:*
 - Matt Barringer
 - Hal & Becky Fuller
 - Larry Tucker
 - *Guests:*
 - Dave & Diane Brown – *Guests of Brian & Barbara Kruse*
 - Brandon Clarke – *Son of Jim & Dao Clarke*
 - Josh Mariano – *Son of Mike & Karin Mariano*

- **Bonnie Wheeler** – *Guest of Clark Belvin*
 - **Lisa Williamson** – *Guest of Ron Strausborger*
- **Meeting Attendance:** Total of **163** people attended the meeting
 - **140** Members plus **23** Prospective Members (*including those voted in*) / Guests
- **Membership:** QCCC currently has **332** members (**177** families)

Vice President: Paul Mitchell

Upcoming Meeting Locations: (*See Social Report for additional Details*)

- **May 14, 2016 – Hopewell Presbyterian Church, Huntersville**
 - Outdoor Member Car Show
 - Bring Chairs – Walk around and admire member Corvettes
- **June 11, 2016 – Speedway Club – Concord**
 - Buffet Dinner to follow meeting.
- **July 9, 2016 – SRI Motorsports (formerly Roush Yates) Mooresville**
 - Slots to Dyno 5 Cars – contact Paul asap to reserve
 - See SRI Car Show info under Automotive Director Minutes below
- **August 13, 2016 – Hendrick Motorsports – Anniversary Meeting**
- **September, 10, 2016 – Bill & Julia Davidson’s Farm – Clover, SC**
 - Annual QCCC BBQ
- Paul thanked Brenda and Tommy for hosting the meeting and picnic.
- Paul presented **Fred Lentz** with a 2015 Corvette Fever Peer Recognition Award
 - Fred was unable to attend the Banquet in February to formally receive the award.

Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham

Prior Events:

- **April 9, 10, 2016 – Auto Fair at Charlotte Motor Speedway Winners List**
 - C-1: Kelly Cross
 - C-2: John Meadows
 - C-3: Fred Rice
 - C-4: Michael Bullard
 - C-5: Steve Harshbarger
 - C-6: Brian and Michelle Moore
 - C-7: Eric Matthews
 - Best of Show: Brian and Michelle Moore
 - Participants’ Choice
 - Winner: Michael Mariano
 - 1st Runner Up – Brad Dusterhoft
 - 2nd Runner Up – Danny and Elaine Bass
 - President’s Choice: George Manghis

Upcoming Events:

- **April 23, 2016 - Car Care Day @ Brian Kruse’s Garage**
 - Starts at 8 AM
 - Hot Dog Lunch
 - **Contact Brian IN ADVANCE** if you plan to attend (for food planning)
- **April 28 – May 1, 2016 – Trip to NCM BASH Bowling Green, KY**
 - Coordinators: Paul and Barbara Mariano
- **May 6 and 7, 2016 - Overnight Trip to Floyd VA (one night)**
 - Coordinators: **Steve and Laura Pelchat**
 - **Contacts: Nelson and Barbara Sprague will assist with this trip.**

- **May 13, 2016 – Road Runner Corvettes – Golf Tournament**
 - Birkdale Golf Club - Huntersville
 - **Contact/signup**, send email to golf@rrvclub.com
 - Proceeds benefit Road Runner Charity -- **Corvette Angels**
- **May 21, 2016 – SRI Car Show in Mooresville**
 - Contact: Paul Mitchell
 - Non-judged, all-Corvette show
- **May 28, 2016 - Shelton Vineyards All Corvette Car Show**
 - **Pre-Registration Recommended:** See Registration Info on flyer on QCCC Website
 - **8:00 AM – QCCC Participants Meet at I-77 Rest Area North of Exit 36**
 - Leave Promptly at 8:15 AM and caravan to Shelton Vineyards
 - Food available for Lunch at Shelton or bring your own picnic lunch
 - Note: Not allowed to bring any alcoholic beverages into the Show.
- **June 3, 4, 5, 2016 - Myrtle Beach Car Show (Myrtle Beach Corvette Club)**
 - See Myrtle Beach Corvette Club website for details.
- **June 4, 2016 – Streetside Classics Car Show at their Location**
- **July 2, 2016 – Troutman Independence Day Parade**
 - Contact: **Tommy Loftin**
 - Sign-up Sheet available or contact Tommy.
- **July 15, 16, 2016 – QCCC Weekend at NCM**
 - Contact: **Paul Mariano**
 - Sign-up Sheet available at meetings or Contact Paul
- **August 20, 2016 – Baseball Game – Kannapolis Intimidators**
 - Contact: Gary Cunningham
 - Multiple Area Corvette Clubs Participating
 - Plan to have tailgating / picnic prior to the game
 - Sign-up sheet available at meeting.
- **September 24-25, 2016 – Auto Fair**
 - Sign-up sheet will be available at meeting
- **November 5, 2016 -- Trump Concours D'Elegance - Show at The Point**
 - QCCC Invited to Participate again this year.
 - QCCC History of the Corvette at the Show
- **November 26, 2016 – Ray Evernham Live Car Show**
 - More Information to be communicated at a later date.
- **QCCC Annual All-Chevy Charity Car Show and Bloomington Gold South**
 - Gary provided a detailed update of the latest information on the QCCC Annual Car Show and Bloomington Gold South event, from his discussions with the organizers and with our sponsor City Chevrolet.
 - 2016 QCCC Annual All-Chevy Car Show to be held at Hendrick Motorsports
 - Bloomington Gold South (BGS) to participate with the QCCC Show.
 - QCCC to hold a Silent Auction as planned.
 - Proceeds of the 2016 QCCC All-Chevy Show to go to Charity (as usual).
 - City Chevrolet to continue donation of financial support to QCCC for the show.
 - BGS to hold a Special Judging Event for C2 and C3 Corvettes
 - BGS to invite some of their vendors to participate in the Show.
 - BGS has offered assistance with judging for the QCCC show.
 - QCCC to continue to coordinate admissions for the Hendrick Heritage Museum.
 - QCCC and BGS to have separate Registration and Communication Processes.

- Gary then made the **MOTION**, on behalf of the QCCC Board, to **move the Date** for the QCCC All-Chevy Charity Car Show **from September 17, 2016 to October 15, 2016**
 - After a Second to the Motion, and Discussion, **Motion was APPROVED.**
 - Gary will continue to provide additional information as it becomes available.
- **Are you interested in Hosting a DAY TRIP / Country Ride?**
 - Please contact Gary Cunningham or Pat Bonino.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- Thanked everyone for bringing such outstanding ‘snacks’. Might do this again!
- Thanked her Social Committee team for their assistance with the picnic
- **April 23, 2016 – Muddy River Day Trip**
 - Rum Facility, Brewery Tour, Antique Mill & Dinner
- **May 14, 2016 – Meeting Social: Snacks**
- **June 11, 2016 – Meeting Social: Pre-paid Buffet Dinner at Speedway Club**
- **August 13, 2016 - QCCC Anniversary Meeting at Hendrick Motorsports**
 - **Ice Cream Social**
- **September 10, 2016 - Annual BBQ at Bill and Julia Davidson’s Farm – Clover, SC**
 - Thanked Bill and Julia Davidson for offering their beautiful property.
 - Pat will work with the Social Committee to coordinate the BBQ Event
- **Day Trip:** Planning a tour of **Ray Evernham Enterprises Garage** in Mooresville
- **Are you interested in Hosting a DAY TRIP / Country Ride?**
 - Please contact Gary Cunningham or Pat Bonino to host a day trip and/or event.

Treasurer: Craig Smith

- YTD Budget to Actual Report is distributed monthly to membership.
- Any Questions on Financial statement should be directed to Craig Smith.
- For the June Meeting, a number of Board Members will be at the Speedway Club one hour early, approximately 3:30 pm, to answer and / or explain any questions anyone might have about the Budget or the Financial Statement. Especially new members might have an interest, but all members are welcome.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **Business Meeting Minutes** – distributed via email and available (with Board Meeting Minutes) on QCCC Website *Archives*.
- **April Member Birthdays** were announced and celebrated.
 - Birthday Restaurant Gift Certificate was won by **Wade Stickels**.
- **QCCC Club Jacket Orders** – See Link on QCCC Website under Club Regalia

Member-at-Large Director: Keith Cross

- **New QCCC Liability Insurance Policy Purchased**
 - Replaced outdated and inadequate Policy
- **Conducted a Sealed Bid Auction – Sale of Items Raised \$304.00**
 - \$113 for two (of 3) Billy Boat Performance Exhaust Certificates (\$400 value each)
 - Remaining Billy Boat Gift Certificate will be used in next Silent Auction
 - \$191 for QCCC NCM Banners (3) which were flown at the NCM Museum

National Corvette Museum (NCM) Ambassador: Paul Mariano

- Check out NCM website at www.corvettemuseum.org
- **April 27 – May 1, 2016 - NCM BASH in Bowling Green, KY**
 - **Contact: Paul Mariano.**
 - Currently about 40 QCCC cars will journey to Bowling Green
 - HGI Hotel invited us to a Reception 5-6:30 pm at Hotel on day of arrival
 - BASH Banquet at Convention Center, Plant Tours, and Visit to NCM Motorsports Park
 - Barbara Mariano will mail out information booklet to attendees this week.
- **NCM Membership** - Paul continues to encourage all QCCC members to join the Museum.
 - **Membership is NOT expensive** and is **Tax Deductable**
 - **Membership** serves to promote and preserve the legend of the car we love.
 - Because QCCC is a Lifetime Club Member, new individual memberships (excluding Lifetime) are available at a discount.
 - GM does not financially support the NCM. All income for the NCM comes from members' dues and raffles and other events.
- **July 14, 15, 16, 17, 2016 - QCCC Club Weekend at NCM Bowling Green, KY**
 - Total of 25 rooms available at Hilton Garden Inn
 - Sign up on Sheet at meeting, or Contact Paul Mariano directly
 - Current Plan is to Leave Charlotte on July 14, 2016 and return on July 17, 2016
 - Tickets for the Weekend will be \$20 each (plus your hotel and meals)
- Corvette Racing Events Upcoming – www.IMSA.com
- National Corvette Museum is now coordinating and leading **GM Corvette plant tours in Bowling Green**. This provides more tour times for participants and more NCM control over tours.
- **Check the NCM and the Motorsports Park Websites** for more upcoming NCM events and general museum information.

Old Business

- **Blue Ribbon Show Team – Roy Danaher and Travis Meredith**
 - Shared their plans to help inform members of the intent of the group.
 - Will Coordinate QCCC participation as members and/or local/ Charitable Organizations request cars from our club to display at local shows.
 - If interested in being contacted to participate, please contact Roy or Travis.
- **Door Prizes** were awarded by VP **Paul Mitchell**.
- **50/50 Charity Raffle** won by **Bill Davidson**.

New Business

- **Special NCM Club Corvette Display Award**
 - **QCCC won a contest** at the National Corvette Museum to display a member-owned Corvette and QCCC Club Memorabilia from **September through End of Year 2016**
 - **Bill Cruthis and Travis Meredith** are compiling club information and structuring the display.
 - Member **Gary Artis** was chosen and agreed to display one of his outstanding cars during the four-month period.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary



Queen City Corvette Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2016 Time: 4:30 PM Location: Hickory Tavern – Northlake
Board Members Present: Bill Cruthis, President; Paul Mitchell, Vice President; Chris Wood, Membership Director; Pat Bonino, Social Director; Gary Cunningham, Automotive Director; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Keith Cross, Member-At-Large Director.

MEETING DISCUSSION: *(Additional Event Details on QCCC Website)*

President: Bill Cruthis

- Bill called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees to the meeting.
 - Short general discussion.

Treasurer: Craig Smith

- Discussed Current **Detailed Expenses**.
 - **Prior Expense Receipts** were approved and paid.
 - **Projected Budgeted Expenses** were approved for April
- **Budget and Charity Financials Review**
 - Income: Received refund for cancelled liability insurance policy
 - Financial report will be 'updated' to reflect Misc. Income details
- **Advertising / Sponsorship Coordination** now managed by the Finance Committee
 - **Action Craig:** Advertising Committee will revise and manage Advertising / Sponsorship Guidelines and Process.
 - **Action Craig:** Need to solicit volunteers to serve on the Advertising Committee.
- **Board Approved Retention** of financial information for 7-years for tax reasons. Prior years detail will be transferred to Historian as applicable or properly destroyed.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- **2016 (1Q2017) Annual Banquet Planning**
 - Date Confirmed: **February 25, 2017**
 - Confirmed **Speedway Club** as the venue
 - Board approved live music vs. DJ, not to exceed \$2300.
 - **Action:** Pat will negotiate fees with bands in priority order.
- **April 16, 2016 – Picnic at Meeting – Loftins' Garage**
 - R.O.'s BBQ is catering the meal.
 - Approximately 140 members/guests have paid
 - **Action:** Pat will send a reminder Blast regarding meeting, times, chairs and sealed bid auction planned.
- **April 23, 2016 – Muddy River Tour**

- Distillery, Brewery, Browsing and Dinner
- **May 14, 2016 - Meeting Social: Snacks – Hopewell Presbyterian Huntersville**
- **June 11, 2016 - Meeting Social: Dinner at Speedway Club**
- **August 13, 2016 – Anniversary Meeting Social: Ice Cream Social**
- **September 10, 2016 – Meeting Social: BBQ at Davidson’s Farm in SC**
- Leftover **Silent Auction Items:** Will be used at future events.
- **Social Committee** convened and discussed responsibilities and upcoming events.
- Continuing analysis of online event reservation system. No recommendations yet.
- **DayTrips:**
 - **April 23, 2010** – Muddy River Distillery Tour
 - Please contact Pat or Gary if you would like to host a Day Trip.

Vice President: Paul Mitchell

- **Upcoming 2016 Meeting Dates / Locations:**
 - **April 16, 2016 – Loftins’ Garage – Troutman - Picnic (See Social Info)**
 - Members need to bring chairs.
 - Tables and Logistics planned.
 - **May 14, 2016 – Hopewell Presbyterian Church – Huntersville**
 - Members informal QCCC member Car Show
 - Members urged to come early to see member cars and bring chairs.
 - **Action:** Paul to confirm TIME church will be unlocked for our use.
 - **June 11, 2016 – Speedway Club - Concord**
 - **July 9, 2016 – SRI (formerly Roush/Yates) in Mooresville**
 - **August 13, 2016 – Hendrick Motorsports – Anniversary Meeting**
 - **September 10, 2016 -- Davidsons’ Farm - BBQ**
 - **November 12, 2016 – Auto Barn - activities prior to the Meeting being planned.**
- **Action Paul:** Need Tables for the April Meeting.

Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham

- **Bloomington Gold South Event**
 - City Chevrolet Major Sponsor for the Event
 - Planned for **October 15, 2016** at Hendrick Motorsports
 - QCCC Invited to host traditional QCCC Charity Car Show at the 2016 BGS event.
 - Gary will bring board-approved motion to membership at April Meeting
- **Future Automotive Events**
 - **April 23, 2016 - Car Care Day at Brian Kruse’s Home**
 - **April 23, 2016 – Auto Barn Car Show**
 - **April 23, 2016 – Corvette Thunder Drag Races and Show**
 - **April 27-May 1, 2016 – NCM BASH Bowling Green, KY**
 - **May 13, 2016 – Road Runner Vettes Golf Tournament at Birkdale Golf Club**
 - More Information, Contact: golf@rvclub.com
 - **May 21, 2016 – SRI Car Show, Mooresville,**
 - Non-judged, All-Corvette Show
 - QCCC invited to Participate (Contact: Paul Mitchell)
 - More information will be communicated.
 - **May 28, 2016 – Shelton Vineyards Car Show**
 - Sign-up sheet at April Meetings

- QCCC will Caravan from I-77 Rest Area North of Mooresville
 - **Action:** Gary will contact organizers to discuss QCCC location.
- **June 3-5, 2016 – Corvettes at Myrtle Beach Car Show**
- **June 4, 2016 – Streetside Car Show** at Streetside Classics
- **July 2, 2016 – Troutman Independence Day Parade**
- **August 20, 2016 - Kannapolis Intimidators Baseball Game / Tailgate**
 - Multiple Corvette clubs invited for shared event.
 - Roadrunners Corvette Club confirmed. Victory Lane also invited.
 - Tailgating planned.
- **September 24-25, 2016 – Auto Fair, Charlotte Motor Speedway**
- **November 5, 2016 – Trump Concours D’Elegance Corvette Coral - Mooresville**
 - QCCC Invited to participate again this year.
- **November 26, 2016 – Ray Evernham AmeriCarna Live Car Show - Mooresville**
- Automotive Events (QCCC sponsored and non-sponsored) will be communicated via email Blasts and posted on the **QCCC Website Calendar**.

Membership Director: Chris Wood

- **Membership Information Report**
 - **Total Members as of 4/1/16: 321**
 - **Prospective Members (PMs) Eligible to be voted in - 7**
 - **Total number of current PMs – 21**
 - **Number of PMs confirmed to date for April meeting - 7**
- **Associate Member Request – Allen & Magi Pritchard (Alabama) – Board approved.**
 - **Action:** Chris will bring to membership for vote at April meeting.
- **Reporting Capabilities – Paul Pelkey, QCCC Database Manager**
 - Chris described and demonstrated some of Paul’s various reporting capabilities.

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **Caring Cards** sent to members as appropriate.
- **April Birthdays** will be announced at the upcoming meeting.
- **Reviewed QCCC Calendar** and suggested some updates.
- **Reviewed Newsletter** general information with Board for potential updates.
- **Action:** Carolyn will provide Cindy Peoples with Newsletter updates.
- **Action:** Carolyn will include all the Auto Fair winners in the April Club Meeting Minutes

Member-at-Large Director: Keith Cross

- **QCCC Insurance**
 - New and improved Liability Insurance Policy purchased.
 - **Action:** Board will continue to review D&O Insurance requirements for inclusion in the upcoming proposed changes to the QCCC Bylaws.
- **Auction at April Picnic Meeting**
 - **Action:** Keith will coordinate a sealed bid Auction at April meeting of
 - QCCC Banners flown at the NCM. Proceeds to be used for Charity and/or the 2016 QCCC Banner at NCM.
 - Billy Boat Exhaust Gift Certificates – proceeds for Charity.

Old Business:

- **Event Management and Usage of Credit Cards for Event Payments** (*Tabled*)
- **Pictorial Directory** Updates (*Tabled*)
- Bill will provide club update on **Blue Ribbon Show**.
- Board Table Placement and Logistics for Next Meeting
 - **Action:** Paul will coordinate.

New Business:

- **PA Speakers – Suggestion from Michael Bullard.**
 - **Action:** Bill will respond to Michael.
- **QCCC Display at NCM, Sept.-Dec, 2016**
 - Board approved the concept.
 - Bill and Paul Mariano are working to gather details and design the display.
 - Gary Artis was selected to provide the Corvette for the display.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary