



Queen City Corvette Club

Club Business Meeting Minutes

Date: September 10, 2016 Time: 6:15 PM Location: Davidson's Farm, York SC

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

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

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

President: Bill Cruthis

- Bill called the Club Meeting to Order and welcomed attendees.
- Recognized and Thanked Bill and Julia Davidson for offering the venue for the BBQ and Meeting, and for all the work they did to plan and prepare the food and grounds.
- Minutes of the August Meeting were approved.
- QCCC Board and Staff were introduced.
- Presented Phillip and Linda Lewis 15-year Vintage Member patches.
- Presented Paul and Paige Mitchell a Corvette Fever Award – “Phone” for new home.

Membership Director: Chris Wood

- Voted-in and Welcomed as **New Active Members:**
 - Hal & Becky Fuller
 - Fred & Renee Scheuplein
- Voted-in and Welcomed as **New Associate Members**
 - Chuck & Sharon Fast (sponsored by Bob & Marilyn Becker)
- Introduced **Prospective Members** in Attendance:
 - *Second Meeting for:*
 - Donnie & Nancy Ocampo
 - *First Meeting for:*
 - Tom Strickland
- **Meeting Attendance:** Total of 165 people attended the meeting
 - 158 Members plus 7 Prospective Members (*including those voted in*)
- **Membership:** QCCC currently has 353 members (187 families)
- **Recognized Vette Buddies** and encouraged others to become one. See Chris for details.

- Requested volunteers to serve as Communications Staff backup during absences.
- Remembered our members who are ill and/or recovering from illness.
- Remembered the 15th Anniversary of September 11, 2001

Vice President: Paul Mitchell

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

- **October 8, 2016 – Streetside (new Concord Location – Derita Road)**
 - Go Kart track is available near Streetside- just fyi.
- **November 12, 2016 – Auto Barn - Concord**
 - Activities prior to the meeting available in the area.
- **December 10, 2016 – Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church – Charlotte**
 - Christmas Party
- **Thanked Bill and Julia Davidson for the venue, hospitality and wonderful BBQ.**
- **August Participation Award – Presented to Kelly Cross – Deer hit Grand Sport**
- **Presented Multiple Door Prizes**

Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham

Upcoming Automotive Events:

- **September 24-25, 2016 – Auto Fair**
 - Gates open at 6 AM
 - Additional Trophies to be awarded
 - Still need Cars - contact Gary.
 - Need Tents for the event.
 - Registered attendee packets distributed at the meeting.
- **October 15, 2016 – QCCC Annual All Chevy Charity Car Show– Hendrick Motorsports**
 - **Partnering with Bloomington Gold (BGS)**
 - **Requests for All Members**
 - **Please VOLUNTEER**
 - **Please REGISTER your CARS ASAP** (Need Minimum of 100 Club Cars)
 - Please spread the word and pass out cards with show website information to prospective attendees (all Chevy show).
 - Car Show Flyer available on website.
 - **Information**
 - Goal for the all-Chevy show is 400 vehicles.
 - QCCC to hold a Silent Auction as planned.
 - Proceeds of the 2016 QCCC All-Chevy Show to go to Charity (as usual).
 - City Chevrolet has donated 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.
 - National Corvette Museum Store will attend again this year.
 - QCCC will coordinate admissions for the Hendrick Heritage Museum.
 - QCCC and BGS to have separate Registration and Communication Processes.
 - Contact a Team Captain, Keith Cross, or any Board Member to Volunteer!!!!
 - **QCCC Volunteer Team Captains**
 - Registration – Brian and Michelle Moore
 - Parking – Bill and Ann Houck

- Door prizes/Goodie Bags – Brian and Cindy Peoples
- Food and Merchandise Vendors – Paul Mitchell
- Judging – John Callahan and Tommy Loftin
- Heritage Center tickets – Gwen Cunningham
- Silent Auction – Pat Bonino, Peggy and Chris Wood
- Tent Collection and Set up – Travis Meredith
- Trophies – Darrell Kirkley
- Volunteer Coordination – Keith Cross
- Charity 50/50 Raffle – Wendy Krupowicz
- **November 5, 2016 – Corvette Angels (with Roadrunner Club)**
 - Meet and Donate Gift at Charlotte Motor Speedway
 - Brunch around 10 am Available at Speedway Club (\$21 per person prepaid)
 - Brunch payments will also be collected at October Meeting.
 - **Contact: Bill Cruthis. See information on website.**
- **November 11, 12, 2016 --Trump Concours d'Elegance - The Point, Mooresville**
 - Register on your own. See Flyer on QCCC Website for more information.
- **November 26, 2016 – Ray Evernham Live Car Show – Davidson NC**
 - More Information available on QCCC website.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- Thanked Bill and Julia Davidson for all their efforts to make the BBQ a success.
- Thanked all the volunteers (food, parking, setup, cleanup, kitchen crew, choppers, etc.)
- **December 10, 2016 – QCCC Christmas Party Meeting**
 - Working with Susan Kurt to Coordinate Dinner at **Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church**
 - Club will provide Ham and members will be asked to bring sides.
 - Thanked Susan Kurt for once again collecting and selling Corvette-logo apparel to defray costs.
- **February 25, 2017 – QCCC Annual Awards Banquet**
 - The Band “**Too Much Sylvia**” has been contracted for the banquet.
 - Mark your calendars for the major QCCC event of the year.
- **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.
- All Questions should be directed to Craig Smith.
- Discussed how Charity dollars will be broken out and reflected in the Budget – in answer to a Question at August meeting on how and where to post Charity dollars.

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 was won by **Sharon Meredith**
- **2016 DRAFT of Proposed Bylaws Updates**
 - Provided an overview of actions taken by the Board to review and propose changes.
 - Provided a schedule of the Bylaws amendment review process.

- Email with all review process details will be sent to all members on September 12, 2016.
- Membership Vote will take place at November meeting.
- **QCCC Club Jacket Orders** – See Link on QCCC Website under Club Regalia

Member-at-Large Director: Keith Cross

- Keith is Team Captain for VOLUNTEERS (and show shirts) for 2016 Car Show.
 - Requested ALL members REGISTER their Corvettes (and/or other Chevys)
 - Requested all members VOLUNTEER to work at the QCCC car show
 - Asked members to bring TENTS for the show if possible.
 - Asked Members to request items for Car Show GOODIE BAGS from businesses or others who might contribute advertising items (flyers, key chains, pens, etc.).
 - Contact Cindy Peoples for more information.
- Continues to assist in researching non-profit governance and insurance requirements,

National Corvette Museum (NCM) Ambassador: Paul Mariano

- Check out NCM website at www.corvettemuseum.org
- **Received a SPECIAL QCCC Shirt from Bill for Paul to wear and remind Paul of his club affiliation while serving on the NCM Board (in case he fails to mention QCCC).**
- **NCM Membership** - Paul continues to encourage all QCCC members to join the Museum.
 - **Membership is NOT expensive** and is **Tax Deductible**
 - **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.
 - NCM now manages and leads all the Tours at the Corvette Assembly Plant.
- **Those who become new NCM Lifetime Members by September 30 will receive a special collector memorabilia C7 Kit**
- **QCCC Display at Museum – Paul thanked the team who planned and made it happen.**
- **Reminder: November 3 – 5, 2017 – Vets in Vettes event at NCM.**
- **Reminder: Another Raffle Coming up soon. Check NCM website for details.**
- **Check the NCM and the Motorsports Park Websites** for more upcoming NCM events and general museum information.

Old Business

- **Door Prizes** were awarded by VP Paul Mitchell.
- **Presented Phillip and Linda Lewis with their Vintage Member patches.**
- **50/50 Charity Raffle** won by Wade Griffin.
- **Susan Kurt** sold gently used Corvette-logo apparel to help defray costs for the Christmas Party.
- **Corvette Angels** – **Bill had a van at the meeting and will bring the van again to the October meeting to collect unwrapped toys for children from QCCC members who cannot attend the Corvette Angels Salvation Army event on November 5, 2016.**
- **Charity – Wendy Krupowicz, Charity Chairperson,** is accepting input for 2017 Club Supported Charities. Charities should be locally based and support local endeavors. Contact Wendy for more information.

New Business

- **Bill announced that Nominations are now OPEN for ALL 2017 Board of Director Positions.** Members should contact a current member of the Board of Directors to place a name in nomination for ANY Board position. Nominations will CLOSE at the end of the October Business Meeting. **Current nominees as of meeting time were (more names welcome for any/all positions):**
 - **President: Paul Mitchell**
 - **Vice President: Gary Cunningham**
 - **Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer**
 - **Treasurer: Craig Smith**
 - **Automotive Director: Brian Kruse**
 - **Social Director: Pat Bonino**
 - **Membership Director: None**
 - **Member-at-Large: None**
- **November is VOTING Month for QCCC. At Club Meeting, Votes will be taken for:**
 - **2017 Board of Directors Positions**
 - **2016 Member of the Year Award (write-in ballot, be thinking about this).**
 - **2016 Proposed Amendments to the QCCC Constitution and Bylaws**
- **Bill announced QCCC Received a Certificate and Pin from the National Corvette Museum in celebration of the club being a 15-Year Member.**
- **REMINDER: Please remember to Bring Chairs to the October Meeting at Streetside in Concord.**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary



Queen City Corvette Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, September 6, 2016 Time: 4:30 PM Location: Speedway Club - Concord
Board Members Present: Bill Cruthis, President; Paul Mitchell, Vice President; Chris Wood, Membership Director; Pat Bonino, Social Director; Gary Cunningham, Automotive Director; Craig Smith, Treasurer; Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary; 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.
 - Dues: Bill made the motion for the Board to rescind its prior decision made in August to raise the club dues in 2017. The motion was seconded, discussed, and the motion passed to rescind the decision. There is no plan at this time to raise club dues in 2017.
 - Bylaws Discussion on Finance Committee participation in raising dues. As no Finance Committee has been formed, the motion was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 7 – 1, with President Bill Cruthis dissenting, to remove the “Finance Committee” wording from Article IV., Section III. of the Draft Bylaws document.
 - Bylaws: Draft Bylaws document was approved by the Board of Directors and will be sent out to the membership after the September meeting.

Treasurer: Craig Smith

- **Detailed Expenses.**
 - **Prior Expense Receipts** were approved and paid.
 - **Projected Budgeted Expenses** were approved for upcoming month.
 - **Advertising / Sponsorship Financials** - No changes.
 - **Charity funds** were broken out on the report as requested.

Social Director: Pat Bonino

- **September 10, 2016 Meeting -BBQ – Davidson’s Farm**
 - Pat working with Bill and Julia Davidson to coordinate the event.
 - Requesting tents from membership.
 - Club ordering the pork for the event.
 - DJ from 3 to 6 pm – privately funded.
 - Susan Kurt selling Corvette Logo items – Proceeds for Christmas Party
 - Bill Cruthis collecting Toys for November Corvette Angels
- **January, 2017** – Board agreed to schedule January Chili Feed as in prior years.
 - Pat contacting potential locations.
- **Day Trips:** Members are asked to contact Pat or Gary to host.

Vice President: Paul Mitchell

- **Upcoming 2016 Meeting Dates / Locations:**
 - **September 10, 2016 -- Davidsons' Farm – York SC - QCCC Annual BBQ**
 - **October 8, 2016 – Streetside (their new Concord location)**
 - **November 12, 2016 – Auto Barn – Concord**
 - **December 10, 2016 – Pleasant Hill Presbyterian Church - Charlotte**
- **2017 Contracts for QCCC Speedway Club Events – Action: Paul will finalize with Susan.**

Automotive Director: Gary Cunningham

- **Future Automotive Events**
 - **September 24-25, 2016 – Auto Fair, Charlotte Motor Speedway**
 - Attendee packets to be distributed at BBQ
 - A few slots remain for Saturday and Sunday.
 - **October 15, 2016 – QCCC 5th Annual All Chevy Car Show**
 - Working with Bloomington Gold to coordinate their portion of event.
 - ALL MEMBERS REQUESTED TO REGISTER
 - QCCC Team Captains confirming volunteers for the event
 - Keith working with City Chevrolet for member shirts.
 - Will Stuff Goodie Bags on October 9.
 - Car Show workers encouraged to bring radios day of the show.
 - Automotive Events (QCCC sponsored and non-sponsored) will be communicated via email Blasts and listed on the **QCCC Website Calendar**.

Membership Director: Chris Wood

- **Membership Information Report**
 - Total Members YTD 8/31/16 – 351 (186 Families)
 - Prospective Members (PMs) Eligible to be voted in – 4
 - Total number of current PMs on the list – 27
 - 6-Month Business Meeting Attendance Average - 143
 - 129 Members, 14 Guests
- **QCCC Received 15th Anniversary Certificate and Pin from NCM**
 - Chris will provide items to Travis for archives
- **Approve New Associate Members – Chuck & Sharon Fast (Sponsored by Bob and Marilyn Becker)**

Secretary: Carolyn Zimmer

- **Caring Cards** sent to members as appropriate.
- **September Birthdays** will be announced at the upcoming meeting and a gift certificate presented.
- **Guidelines for Communication Articles**
 - After discussion, Board agreed no formal documentation required.
- **Notified Board of Carolyn's November Absence (Board and Club meetings)**
 - Votes to be taken in November on Directors, Member of the Year, and Bylaws
 - Other Directors will cover.

Member-at-Large Director: Keith Cross

- **Discussion items**

- Hagerty can be removed from the Newsletter (and website if applicable).
- Cost of new meeting speakers tabled for 2017 budget item discussion.
- Keith will conduct voting in November in the absence of the Secretary. Carolyn will provide all the necessary ballots to Keith prior to the November meeting.
- **Car Show Support**
 - Keith continuing to negotiate with City Chevrolet on QCCC Car Show shirt design.
 - Keith continuing to work with Car Show Team Leads on shirt size requirements.

Old Business:

- **QCCC Display at NCM September – December 2016**
 - Team did a great job of transportation and setup. Well received.
- **September Club Meeting:**
 - Recognize new Vintage Members – Phillip and Linda Lewis
 - “Vintage Member” Designation will be added as applicable to Club Directory.
- **Board Meetings**
 - October location TBD.
 - November will be held at Speedway Club.
- **Election of 2017 Board of Directors**
 - Discussed possible nominees for the positions.
 - Will announce Nominations to be open in September and closed in October.
- **Event Management and Usage of Credit Cards for Event Payments (*Tabled*)**
- **QCCC Board Table Placement and Logistics for Next Meeting**
 - **Action:** Paul will coordinate.

New Business:

- **Car Show Scooter Rental Discussion**
 - Board agreed not to approve scooter rentals (vendor) at the Car Show.
- **Corvette Angels – November 5, 2016 – Speedway Club**
 - Attendees to bring unwrapped Gift(s) for children for Salvation Army
 - QCCC will collect toys from members who cannot attend prior to event.
 - Bill will coordinate and send email blast and announce at August Meeting.
- **QCCC Board Table Placement and Logistics for Next Meeting (Paul)**

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Zimmer, Secretary