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October 2019

**Next Meeting: Annual QCCC BBQ & Meeting
OCTOBER 5, 2019**

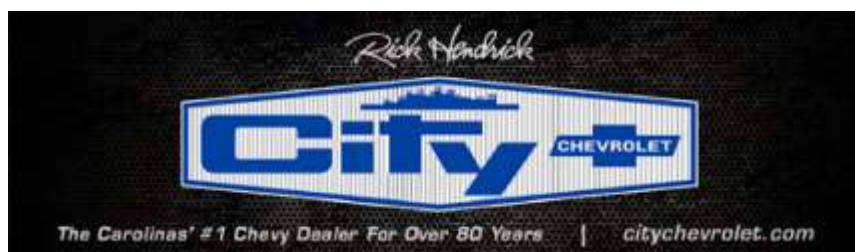
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QCCC's mailing address is: Queen City Corvette Club, PO Box 574 Paw Creek, NC 28130



Queen City

Corvette Conversations

~ *Paul Mitchell, President*

CAR SHOW! CAR SHOW! CAR SHOW! CAR SHOW!

In case you haven't heard, QCCC is having a car show on October 12. And this show continues to get more amazing each year. The support we are getting from Hendrick Motorsports and City Chevrolet is amazing, and it will impress you and every one of our guests. We will have more things to look at and more special cars and events than ever before. And the Silent Auction will again have wonderful gifts and baskets to bid on to raise charity money. So do not miss this great event!

This year the show will honor Mr. Jim Perkins, who is recognized as the one GM executive that saved the Corvette. Without his support and funding, the Corvette would have been gone after the C4 made its run. So to say he had an important role in the car we love and enjoy so much is a huge understatement. You will have a chance to meet his family, and there will be some executives from GM here to pay tribute to him. There will be some special cars on display that he had a hand in during his tenure as Chevrolet President. So this is a very special event, and you do not want to miss it.

Thank you to all the QCCC members who will again be hard at work from way before dawn until midafternoon taking care of business and of our guests. If you have not yet signed up, just be there and you will be given some task to do to help out. It is a huge job to get ready for this show, but we always get it done quickly and efficiently because of the tremendous number of members that help out.

Remember, the people at this show are our guests. We want them to come back again and again, so we want to treat them with kindness and courtesy all day long. Please wear your name badges so they can become familiar with you. We want our guests to be talking about and praising our show, the features it had, and the people that run it.

OK, it's almost show time. And let's have the best and biggest Corvette show the Southeast has ever seen. It'll make you and your car smile!

Social Scene



SOCIAL DIRECTOR

- Carolyn Zimmer -

Happy Fall!!

Well, at least the calendar says it's Fall! Even if the summer temperatures are lingering a little while longer, this has certainly been a beautiful stretch of sunny and dry weather to enjoy all our Corvette activities. Hope you are especially enjoying those convertibles while you can!! Let's do an ice cream trip before it gets too cold!!?? (Yes, I do like ice cream.) If you plan to go, just email me a few days in advance and I'll invite the membership (please make sure the place has decent parking). You will have lots of friends to enjoy those banana splits with you!!

Special thanks this month goes to Event Leader **Steve Bonino** who planned and executed a totally fabulous trip to the beautiful Bavarian town of Helen, GA for their annual Oktoberfest, over the weekend of September 20-22. As Steve has said many times, "What happens in Helen, stays in Helen." However, many of those attending the event just had to email their great experiences and fabulous kudos to Steve on their return. Some even said it was one of the best QCCC trips they ever attended. And I understand Steve will start planning soon (and maybe he has already) for a similar trip in 2020. Mark your calendars!!

Yes, it has certainly been a busy 2019 so far, but we are not done yet. Please plan to join us for some more fun times at these upcoming events!!

October 5, 2019 – QCCC Annual BBQ at Davidson Farm, York, SC. Event Leaders Julia & Bill Davidson



will host the outdoor event, assisted by **Event Leader Margo Gross**. PLEASE **Register by October 3** with Margo via email margoegross@gmail.com if you wish to attend. QCCC will furnish the BBQ and sauces, and those attending with last names A-Q are asked to bring a side dish, and last names R-Z are asked to bring a dessert. All are asked to bring BEVERAGES of their choice, their CHAIRS and TENTS if you have them. The Davidson Farm is located at 7410 Charlotte Highway (SC Hwy 49), York, SC 29745.

Social will start at 2 PM, BBQ Dinner at 4 PM, and Meeting at 5 PM. See you there!!! (Don't forget to Register!)

October 20, 2019 – QCCC will again participate in the Run to the Colors Corvette Event, hosted by the Foothills

Corvette Club. Event Leaders Ron and Donna Berst will lead this one for QCCC. This annual event has been held for years and years, probably because it's so much fun and such a beautiful drive. Hundreds of Corvettes will stage in Wilkesboro, and drive through the mountains during beautiful Fall foliage time to Shatley Springs, NC for lunch – assisted by local police who block intersections along the way. QCCC will meet at 8:15 AM at SHEETZ Convenience Store, I-40 Exit 150, Hwy 115 just north of Statesville. We will drive up Hwy 115 to Empire Chevrolet in Wilkesboro for the start of the event. Please bring \$5 CASH per car for the Foothills Charities, and \$20 CASH PER PERSON for a great family style lunch at Shatley Springs. **REGISTER by October 16, 2019** with Donna Berst, donnaberst@windstream.net.

November 2, 2019 – Corvette Angels Event & Brunch at Charlotte Motor Speedway, Event Leaders Bill Cruthis, Tom Pennoni, Peggy Wood.



QCCC has partnered with Road Runners Vettes since 2011 for this great event. Unwrapped toys are gathered and donated for the Salvation Army Christmas Toy Drive for distribution to children across the region. This is the largest single toy drive for the Salvation Army in the Charlotte metropolitan area. We bring our Corvettes and our unwrapped toys to Charlotte Motor Speedway where a number of Corvette Clubs will gather with donations as well. QCCC has donated well over 1000 toys over the years, and hope to donate well over 500 this year. After the toys are collected and pictures taken, many of us choose to stay for the Optional (prepaid) Brunch at the Speedway Club. **Register for the Event Only** to carolynz77@yahoo.com, **Register by October 25, 2019 for the optional Brunch After** with Peggy Wood, chrisowood@att.net, and **PAY by October 29, 2019, for the Brunch** via check made out to QCCC and mailed to Treasurer Craig Smith at QCCC, PO Box 574, Paw Creek, NC 28130. If you cannot attend the Angels event, Tom Pennoni will be collecting unwrapped toys at the October 5 BBQ Meeting. Please contact me (carolynz77@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

November 9, 2019 – Speedway Club Dinner after November Meeting,



Event Leader Peggy Wood. Peggy is working with the Speedway Club to formulate a great menu and price per person for the November prepaid dinner. A BLAST will be sent with further information including the process for pre-Registration and Payment.

December 7, 2019 – QCCC Christmas Party, Event Leader Donna Berst.



More information will be sent in an upcoming BLAST.

Thanks so much, as always, for all your support for QCCC!!

I look forward to seeing you soon!!

**Carolyn Zimmer
2019 QCCC Social Director**



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I'm dedicated to rebuilding the relationship between the Queen City Corvette Club and Rick Hendrick City Chevrolet. Our team is looking forward to further fostering the connection through the mutual support of our organizations. You have my commitment. Chris Boone, General Manager

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CAR SHOW UPDATE

8TH Annual Queen City Corvette Show October 12, 2019

Saturday October 5TH will be our last meeting before the QCCC Corvette Show. I will spend a portion of the meeting time with instructions for each work team. Your Team leaders will also be in contact with you and your perspective duties. On the day of the show you will stop at the registration toll booth and they will instruct you as to where to go and give you your registration packet. You will have a green parking pass and you are to place it on your dash on the **driver's side. After leaving the registration area you will proceed to the QCCC Yellow Tent** and pick up your QCCC work T-shirt and any other necessary items you will need for the day.

Registration, Parking and set-up needs to be at Hendrick Motorsport by 5:30 AM and all other QCCC workers should be there by 7:30 AM. The general public will start arriving by 8:00 AM and all functions of the show will begin. If you are not sure what to do on the day of the show you should see Keith Cross in the QCCC Yellow Tent. This will be the main information area for all the show.

Sunday October 6TH at 4:00 PM we will have a goody bag stuffing party at The **Loftin's. This will take about an hour or so and we will have plenty to drink and light snicks.** You can bring a light snack if you like, not required.

I would like to thank all of you in advance for all you do. Without you we would not have a car show. All of our efforts show the Corvette world what Queen City Corvette Club is all about. We are Corvette strong.

Thanks,

Tommy Loftin, QCCC 2019 Corvette Show Coordinator

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AUTOMOTIVE INSIDER

September was a little slow for QCCC automotive events. However, we had several members attend the Speedway Cars & Coffee event on Saturday. Our QCCC group won several of the prize giveaways at the Speedway Cars & Coffee event sponsored by the Speedway Club. Bob McCall won a really nice commercial grade pop-up tent and Ron Berst and myself won CMS Roval tickets.



The winner of my guess the C8 MSRP price contest is Q Gross, his guess was dead on [\$59,995]. Q wins the Corvette Museum \$50 Gift Card. This contest was only available at the June and July monthly meeting as a little bonus for members attending the meetings. There were 198 entries ranging from \$45,995 to \$132,500, thanks to everyone that entered.

UPCOMING 2019 AUTOMOTIVE EVENTS

[See the QCCC Events Calendar on our website for details]:

2019 EVENTS

- QCCC Car Show – October 12
- Fall Auto Fair – October 19 [Saturday only]
- Americarna Live Car Show – November 30

Cars & Coffee

- Cars & Coffee – Charlotte – First Saturday each month
- Waterbean Coffee - Cornelius 2nd Saturday each month
- Cars & Coffee - Charlotte Motor Speedway 3rd Saturday each month
- Streetside Classics Last Saturday each month
- Hot Rods & Hops – 3rd Friday, check Hot Rods & Hops Facebook page for details.

Roger Winge

Automotive Events Director

Membership News

Queen City Corvette Club



OCTOBER 2019

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GRAY Z51 COUPE



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CORVETTE- 2019 Watkins Glen
Gray Coupe- 2LT

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP- 366

TOTAL FAMILIES- 201

TOTAL PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS- 25

NEW MEMBERS- 42

Attendance Last Mtg-160

Average Monthly Attendance-133

ILLNESS

DATE	MEMBERS NAME	ILLNESS	RELATION
January 2019	Fred McCoy	Muscle Pain- Knee & Hip	QCCC Member
January 2019	George Manghis	Complications after Knee Surgery-infections- insurance	QCCC Member
May 2019	Gary DeRosa	Broken Ankle- Surgery June 5	Member
July 2019	Bob Bartlett	Illness	Mother in Law
July 2019	Bob Bartlett	Illness	Wife
July 2019	Doyle Coop	Wife- Heel Infection	Wife
Sept. 2019	Chuck Soland	Surgery	QCCC Member

SYMPATHY

DATE	MEMBERS NAME	RELATION TO FAMILY	FAMILY MEMBERS NAME	LOCATION
Sept 2019	CHRISTINE SCHMITT	MOTHER	ANGELINE VICTORIA KASPRZAK	BUFFALO, NY

ARMED FORCES

DATE	MEMBERS NAME	SERVICE PERSON	BRANCH & RANK	STATIONED
May 2017	Gerry Kessel	Katherine Gordon	Spec. 1 st Class ARMY	Iraq
May 2017	Jane Burt	Thomas Currin	Lance Corporal USMC	Camp Pendleton California

LAW ENFORCEMENT / FIREFIGHTERS

DATE	MEMBERS NAME	NAME	RANK	LOCATION
April 2017	Norm Lontz	Todd C. Lontz	Captain-CMPD	Charlotte South Division

REMINDERS-

1. Be sure to carry our QCCC Business Cards with you. When you meet a Corvette owner, give them our card and talk about our **CLUB. IT'S A GREAT CONVERSATION PIECE. IF THEY ARE NOT AVAILABLE,** I leave the Business Card on their windshield. Thanks!
2. Next QCCC Meeting is one week earlier. It will be held on October 5th. **2019 AT THE DAVIDSON'S FARM IN YORK S.C.**

All the Best,

Paul Schmitt

Membership Director



National Corvette Museum



NCM CORNER.

Summer is gone and fall is in the air (okay, ignore the temperatures) and Corvette Activities will be winding down. Not that there will be a total void of events in the coming weeks. We have the big QCCC car show to look forward to along with other holiday galas. Speaking of the car show, be sure and come out to welcome the new NCM CEO, Dr. Sean Preston and his wife, Jillian. Also in attendance will be the NCM Chairman of the Board, Lon Helton and his wife, Anne. As our club continues to grow and our footprint on the Corvette world expands, we are indeed the premier Corvette Club east of the Mississippi and maybe west of it too. Let's have a stupendous turnout to show our support for the NCM and the Corvette Nation.

Have you recently joined the NCM, purchased a brick, bought a raffle ticket, or made a donation? Please let me know so I can keep track of QCCC's involvement with the museum. I like to keep QCCC front and center at the NCM as one of its largest supporters.

I was pleasantly surprised at the show of hand for those interested in attending the Bash next April. I had previously set aside a block of twenty rooms but based on the interest shown, I increased it to twenty-five rooms. As you may or may not know, The Hilton Garden Inn has not increased its rates to us for over ten years. Times have finally dictated an increase is in order and the new rate quoted is, in my opinion, one we can live with. The new rate will be \$125.00 with a cooked breakfast still included. Hopefully, this new rate will be acceptable to all those who attend the Bash and the Anniversary celebration on a regular basis. Again, who knows what surprises Chevrolet will have for us by next year.

BOX SCORE

No. of QCCC Family Units	-201
No. of NCM Members	-103
(51%)	
No. of Lifetime Members	- 44
No. of Duntov Society Members	- 4
No. of Spire Members	- 5

Save the Wave
Paul Mariano
NCM Ambassador

Vintage QCCC

With the Vintage Gang:

Bill Cruthis, Darrell Kirkley, Bill Ingram & Travis Meredith

More "Adventures" from QCCC of Decades Past



Car Shows (then and now)

As I was listening to Tommy address our car show needs last night at the QCCC meeting, my mind drifted back to my beginnings as a car show junkie. By our average age, it is fair to say most of us began our car care days in the late fifties or early sixties, then peeking out around the mid- seventies. For me the serious effort started with my first car after college, a 1968 British Racing Green Corvette convertible.

So let me start with the exterior, the big tadue in car care. Back then this was the procedure. Never wash and wax in the sun as the quickly drying soap will leave a scum you can- not remove. (don't lie, I know you have done it) So I had to park under the shade tree in the front yard. Then go to the garage and get the one gallon bucket, into the house for the Palmolive dish detergent soap. Add about ½ bottle of soap to the bucket, then take the garden hose, (I believe Southerners call it a hose pipe. How do you coil a pipe) put it on high volume and fill the bucket giving you about 3 inches of water and the rest soap suds.(done that too haven't you) Then wet down the car and take the same old sponge and scrub the tree sap, dirt, and bugs deeply into your paint. Next take a dozen old bath towels and try to dry the car before it air dries. (water will run out from under many places for hours) The glass actually cleaned easier and better back in the day, due to less crap in the air and the fact that you could reach it all. The windshield rake was only 5 % so take out the t-tops , use the windex and dry with newspaper ink. Now the fun begins. In 1960 if you worked at a Johnson wax assembly line, 1. You would see cans of wax getting a yellow/brown label stating Johnson Wax for Hardwood floors. (the kind u spread on the floor then did the twist on top of a rag to shine the hardwood). 2. The assembly line would change over to a green label and say Johnson's car polishing wax. I am positive the wax was the same. Both had the translucent appearance of an eighth graders snot rag on about the 7 day of a serious head cold. Next we must note in America bigger is always better, (two pills will cure it twice as fast even though the dose is one pill to be effective-I know you did this one). With that in mind we would slap on the paste wax like icing a cake. (your memory is good, yep you did it) Of course no one had the common sense to do a small section at a time so we went with the body brakes. i.e hood, top, deck, sides. Keep in mind the longer it set on the car the harder it got and you thought a chisel might be necessary. The optimal applicator was to cut the long sleeves off an old shirt. (remember, for the paint safety to always cut off the cuff button). Smearing it in circles the thicker the better. Growing up in Illinois where the humidity is around 612% one would think sweat dropping from the arms and forehead would keep the wax soft. I say nay nay. Sweat on paste wax then rubbing it yields the same little goobers as pencil eraser on paper. Little shards that you can not get rid of. Keep in mind in later years some genius produced a mild version of a body shop orbital buffer. Backed by a guarantee that since it was orbital it would not burn thru the paint. I say nay-nay again, especially on the edges. (I have watched some of you do this)

If we still waxed cars this way we would be a much stronger country. You see Johnson floor and car wax was not PC. No matter sex, race, religion, or political persuasion, you had to rub hard and long to remove it. I am not sure today's youths could not do it. I know we welcomed the arrival of Astro Shield, which was a liquid white boat wax that you could wipe on and off similar to today's detail sprays. Except it was white so if you got it down in the vents you had to q-tip it out. So now we have the shine and are exhausted, we must turn to the tires. After Mom and Dad's one inch white walls as a training ground, the 68 Corvette came with raised white letter wide ovals. Goodyear PolyGlass Sports Car 200s. I believe the first white letters we scrubbed with the steel wool pads with the soap in them. (sos pads) Then another genius put bleach in a bottle and called it bleach white and raised the price ten fold. Bleach White did a great job of cleaning the white letters but left the black tire dull. Then perhaps the smartest guy of his time put black shoe polish in a big can and made the top an applicator sponge so as you smeared this polish on the tire you would not get it on your hands. You had to keep your hands clean so when you took a soft cloth to polish the black goo you could then get your hands all black as well as smear some on the white letters and you got to start over, the chicken or the egg thingy. (ruined a lot of pairs of blue jeans getting black polish on em didn't you) After a few years the black polish build-up made your tires wider.

Now we would raise the hood. Voila, you can see the ground past the engine. This means the car runs hotter than today's, and all that dirt and dust on the road gets to come past the engine. Then we get a few fuel and oil leaks around gaskets etc. and bingo we have goo on the engine. Then since you can see the ground that means the tires can splash rain and mud and puddles into the engine bay. Keep in mind cars back then were driven. So to get ready to show, it took a can of gunk engine cleaner, a good rinse job, steam if you had it. Low and behold some of that Chevrolet orange engine paint is peeling. Get a can of that orange spray paint, spray it into the cap, take an artist brush and touch up your intake. (I got this idea from some of you, so I know you did it) Of course the goo is still there so your touch up will flake off soon. So many nooks and cranny places you need Darrell Kirkley's patience to deal with it all.

Last the interior. In our uneducated youth we bought into the Armour All sales pitch. We sprayed it on everything inside. It probably prolonged the life of dash pads and door panels as those cars were in the sun a lot, but it left the interior slimy and sticky feeling plus it collected dust at a rapid pace. (Steve H. still does this one) I have learned just a slight damp cloth on all interior parts gets the dust off. We would use the house vacuum to do the carpets. All sorts of little hand helds were on the market, but as Trav says they did not have enough power to pull a greasy string out of a cats behind. (his standard answer when it comes to anything power). And that is how you got a car ready for the car show in 1969.

Now we are being told that car interior parts give off benzene and we should never start the car with the air on, particularly high power as it forces us to inhale toxic levels of benzene. I am seeing a pattern here and feel a little like a test dummy. The wax people, the shoe polish guy, the Armour All man, and the car companies, improve everything after I have a full dose up the snoot. Where was all this knowledge when I was out under that shade tree wearing my hippy head band to keep the sweat out of that paste wax. Now that they have made prepping your car so much easier, I am not really up to it. My best car show days are behind me. But secretly I really enjoyed it.

Good friends, good family with QCCC of yesteryear and forever.

Respectfully submitted: Bill Cruthis



Streetside
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George's farewell announcement
& health update



NCM 3rd Place Award for Newsletters

QCCC Members & Guests Photos

There are many, many more to see on the website!

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Do you have club photos you would like to share?

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<http://qcccphoto.smugmug.com/upload/rZ6vZk/QCCCMemberGallery>.

Please send an email to photo@queencitycorvette.com to let Karin know there are pictures recently loaded to the member upload gallery and to which event the photos apply.



HELEN, GA 2019

Thanks To Event Leader Steve Bonino!





Presidentin Mitchell



Fraulein Burt



Herr Gross



On **facebook**?

ICYMI – we have TWO Facebook pages?

QCCC Members is a 'closed' group for only paid QCCC members
www.facebook.com/groups/409674005715403/

- Members have to ask to join
- Once approved, any member can freely post your photos, car events, videos and share/post Corvette-related news.

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