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PRESIDENT'S PAGE



It's been a rough start to 2022, with many of our friends and family getting a covid-related virus, and on top of that, our area is getting slammed with cold, sleet, and snow. All will be good, however, as the saying goes, "tough times never last, but tough people do". We just need to take a pause, plan our upcoming Corvette season, and be confident we will have a season-full of activities to enjoy the rest of the year.

Please make sure you check our website event calendar for 2022 and start making plans to join the QCCC activities.

Jane & I have already started out this year by attending two days of the Kissimmee Mecum car auction and WOW are the prices strong! I'm sure glad I'm not a buyer right now, but it's a good time to be a seller. Next weekend we'll be meeting up with fellow QCCC members to attend the start of the Corvette Racing season with the Rolex 24 Hours at Daytona race. Make sure you watch or record the race in the warm comfort of your living room.

Yesterday, we visited the Kennedy Space Center. You should see the engines used to propel their version of their Corvettes! A cool fact: the transporter used to take the rockets and spaceships out to the launch pad, gets 32 FEET to the gallon!

If you can volunteer to lead a day trip or an overnight trip, please contact Donna Berst as she can help walk you through the "how to" manual. If you have an automotive-related day trip, you can contact Roger Winge for his input. It is easy to do this if you have already visited those places, and these trips are a great way to get to know your fellow QCCC members.

In reviewing our latest Membership Directory that came out in January, there are still many members' pictures missing and many members' car info has not been updated. How can I memorize a face with a name if these are missing? This is my "cheat sheet". Please update your information by sending a close-up picture of you and any update changes to your Corvettes to Paul Pelkey at ppelkey@carolina.rr.com.

I have already been receiving interest from other car clubs to attend our Car Show on October 1. Tommy Loftin just can't start early enough, as people are already anxious to attend this event.

Our next meeting is scheduled for February 12. Your Board will be monitoring the current virus situation as we hope it will peak before then; however, be assured we will make a smart decision to protect the health, life, and safety of our QCCC members. We will wait as long as possible and make a last-minute decision to have or cancel the meeting, so watch out for a BLAST in early February with the latest update.

Meanwhile, get those cars cleaned and detailed for another driving season.

Dick Gwilt, President

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VP Stuff, Ron Berst

Well...this isn't the way we wanted to start 2022, boomeranged by Covid 19 again!! Looking at the bright side, this will give us some time to do things that we never have time to do while we are busy, like:

My car needs a wax job, a heated garage helps... mine isn't, oh well, that can wait.

The leather seats need some leather conditioner applied, too cold for that.

The convertible top needs to be treated, see above, same problem!

Ok, maybe I will stay inside and just read some car magazines.

Moving on, I do have some QCCC info to attend to.

Looking thru our membership directory I have noticed that quite a few members' cars info needs updating. Just send your new car/cars info to Paul Pelkey, it's that easy. Also please check your address and phone number for accuracy, if you want a new picture, he can add that too. An accurate directory makes interesting reading and great conversation when we meet. His email is <u>ppelkey@carolina.rrr.com</u>

Upcoming meeting locations:

March - Victory Lanes, Mooresville

- April Tommy and Brenda's homestead
- May Steele Creek Presbyterian Church, Charlotte
- June Charlotte Motor Speedway

If anyone has a suggestion for a possible future meeting site, please let me know. The virus has made many of our past locations unwilling to open their doors for our meetings... we are lucky that Victory Lanes and the Indian Trail VFW will still allow us to use their facility.

This salt and snow won't be on the roads forever, be ready.

A list of QCCC Inventory is listed on the next page.

That's it for now!

Ron Berst, VP

QCCC CLUB INVENTORY

ITEM DESCRIPTION	QTY	STORAGE LOCATION	SERIAL#	DATE PURCHASED
Square Card Readers	2	Roger Winge		05/01/21
Samsung S7 FE Tablet	2	Roger Winge		05/01/21
Carvin PA system	1	Go Store It - B238		
QCCC Logo 10 x 10 Yellow Tent	1	QCCC Trailer		04/01/18
QCCC Tent Weight Bags	10	QCCC Trailer		04/01/18
Small Step Ladder	1	Go Store It - B238		03/01/19
QCCC Logo 10 x 20 Silver Tent	1	QCCC Trailer		01/01/20
Portable 6' Tables - Black	2	QCCC Trailer		10/01/19
Adcraft RG-9 Hot Dog Roller	1	Go Store It - B238	19020170152	01/01/20
QCCC JBL Speakers	2	Go Store It - B238		02/01/18
QCCC Sound Mixer Board	1	Go Store It - B238		02/01/18
QCCC Wireless Shure Microphones	1	Go Store It - B238		05/01/18
QCCC JBL Portable PA System	1	Go Store It - B238		10/01/19
Equipment Cart	1	Go Store It - B238		05/01/19
Hendrick Prints	8	Go Store It - B238		10/01/19
Large White Board Checks	3	Go Store It - B238		09/01/18
White Board	2	Go Store It - B238		
Misc Banners	6	Go Store It - B238		
Historical Records	_	Go Store It - B238		
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Go-Store-It Keys for Unit #238				
Roger Winge [Original & #5]	1			
Paul Mitchell [Key #3]	1			
Dick Gwilt [Key #4]	1			
Ron Berst [Key #6]	1			



Social Scene

SOCIAL DIRECTOR ~Donna Berst~

I hope you all are staying healthy! It's disappointing to start another year with cancellations but keeping our membership safe is our priority. We will make up lost time come Spring!



Get Ready!!! Our awards banquet will be held March 5th and we have an awesome evening planned. Our Mardi Gras theme will be reflected in the New Orleans Style dinner buffet at the Charlotte Motor Speedway Club. Dinner will include Pecan-Crusted Chicken with Bourbon Maple Cream Sauce, Charleston Shrimp and Grits, Steak Marsala, Red Beans & Rice, Bourbon Pecan Pie, King Cake, Bread pudding and much more! A self-pay bar will be open throughout the evening and awards will be presented for 2021 achievements. Once again, we have the privilege of being entertained by the renowned band, "Too Much Sylvia". Look for the detailed information BLAST. Last day to sign up is February 22nd.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Saturday February 12, 2022, BUSINESS MEETING CANCELLED

<u>Up Yonder Dinners</u> are the Fourth Monday of the month. Due to Covid and an increase in other

Illnesses, the January Up Yonder has been cancelled. Look for Blasts announcing the next Up Yonder get together.

Friday, May 20th through Sunday, May 22^{nd,} 2022, Maggie Valley Overnighter. COORDINATOR / CONTACT EMAIL: Tom & Terri Pennoni <u>t_pennoni@hotmail.com</u> Maggie Valley Creekside Lodge has blocked out the entire hotel (41 rooms) for us once again this year! Please follow the instructions below for reserving a room.

Maggie Valley Creekside Lodge 2716 Soco Rd., Maggie Valley, NC 28751

To reserve a room please call 828-926-1301 mention QCCC. If you get their answering machine when you call, leave a message and they will call you back.

Rates: 1 King or 2 Queens:

Creekside room Off Creek room King Jacuzzi room Sing Jacuzzi room Creek room Sing Jacuzzi room Creekside room Sing Jacuzzi room Sing Jacuz

Some rooms are up 1 flight of stairs All rooms are non-smoking.

All remaining rooms not spoken for from the block will be released by 05/06/2022.

Once you have made your room reservation, please send an email to <u>t_pennoni@hotmail.com</u> and let us know so that we can keep you updated on any changing details.

Donna Berst ~ 2022 QCCC Social Director

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Having been with the Hendrick Automotive Group for over 18 years, my career started at City Chevrolet. As the flagship store, we strive to not only represent, but set the benchmark for the culture of the organization. We often say, "City people make City Chevrolet," and that's why I'm excited to not only come back to where I started (my "home") but also to rebuild the City pride in our teammates, customers, vendors, and partners alike.

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

NEW VEHICLES

Members pay "Employee Pricing" on all NEW, instock Chevrolet vehicles (C8 Corvette, select new models, ad specialty vehicles excluded). Rebates and/or incentives will be applied. Extra costs may apply for locates, transportation or specialty vehicles.

PARTS & SERVICE

15% discount off posted customer-pay rate for GM original equipment parts ad service labor. May not be combined with other coupons or specials.

COLLISION CENTER

10% discount off customer-pay rates. Not applicable on insurance claims or rates.

PRE-OWNED VEHICLES

Retail in-stock vehicles may be purchased for \$500 over inventory amount. Extra costs may apply for transportation or specialty vehicles. Vehicle must pass NCSI through our service department. Over 8000 preowned vehicles available through our Hendrick network. Shipping costs may apply.

REFERRAL BONUS

We'll thank you with a \$100 gift card when you refer a non-QCCC member who purchases a vehicle. Friends and Family of QCCC Members will a 10% service discount.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER February

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS:

Total Membership	382
Total Families	212
Prospective Members	72
New Members Year to Date	0
Avg. Monthly Attendance	93

Justin Cross QCCC Membership Director



FEBRUARY 2022

Christine Kasprzak—Christine will be having Knee Replacement on February 14th, 2022. This will be an out-patient procedure. In a couple of months, she we have the 2nd knee replaced. Asking for prayers for a successful surgery and a complete recovery. Thanks!

Norm Lontz—We are once again asking for prayers for Norm Lontz. Here is a note from Joyce and Norm:

Dr. Atlas saw Norm this am and is thrilled with his head. The dermatologist saw nothing to biopsy on Wednesday either! He will get his 3rd injection of the TVEC today.

Then she wants to have him return in 2 weeks to have Dr. Frankel (the one that does the injections) to do a biopsy to make sure there are no melanoma cells left. So everyone, please pray for the biopsy to be clean in 2 weeks! Amen!

Then sometime in March the doctors will begin dealing with the prostate. We will let everyone know how things are going.

Each of you already knows what is going on. We both thank all of you for your thoughts and prayers. They are working!

Many of you have medical issues of your own and we are praying for each of you as well. Guess we have a prayer group going here!

Hugs and love,

Joyce & Norm (the sweetest of us)

COVID 19 - Prayer's for QCCC Members, Family and Friends Unspoken

Special prayers for all our QCCC Members, family, and close friends. Praying that God keeps them safe and touches those that do have it. This has been a terrible pandemic and we pray for those that have it, and those that are fighting it.

We also pray for the underlying illnesses that affect this Virus and make it even more lethal.

Praying that Our Lord keeps us all in our Corvette Club safe.

We also pray for those with other illnesses such as cancer, disease, viruses, bad knees and hips, heart, stroke, etc. that do not want to be placed on this list. We pray for complete healing.

<u>NOTE</u>: I will be continuing with Care & Compassion for 2022. If you would like to be placed on the C&C monthly list, send me a <u>text first</u> saying that you sent me an email. I am not in my email all the time.

We all need care, compassion & prayers when we are sick. Please do not hesitate to place your name on the list. We are all family.

Paul Schmitt

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The only thing I can say this month is, the Weather and COVID sucks, the weather once again cancelled Cars & Coffee and COVID is canceling our monthly meetings! On an up-note, I'm looking forward to April's Corvette events. First is Spring Auto Fair at Charlotte Motor Speedway scheduled for April 9 & 10. I will be sending out a blast with signup information when I get it from Auto Fair management. Second is the NCM BASH, registration for the Michelin NCM BASH is open so get signed up and get your hotel registrations (the hotel information for the NCM BASH is being handled by QCCC member Mike Mariano). We should get a look at the new 2023 models including the mighty Z06!! So, hang in there spring is almost here!



Good Luck to Corvette Racing in 2022!!



FEBRUARY AUTOMOTIVE EVENT SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 12th – Waterbean Cars & Coffee Cornelius, NC Saturday, February 16th – Charlotte Motor Speedway Cars & Coffee Concord, NC

Roger Winge Automotive Events Director



Corvette Racing 2022

The Roar

On January 21st, "The Roar Before the 24" started in Daytona, FL. The weather was nice but a little windy by the afternoon. The cars were beautiful and everyone was full of anticipation. The first session started and we were all excited about seeing our Corvette's and out they came. Unfortunately, they went back into the pits after a few laps. Their speed was really lacking and the afternoon session was not much better. Saturday morning session was about the same. They are working hard to find speed but remain 4 plus seconds behind the fastest GTD Pro cars.

At the time I am writing this article, Corvette Racing has a lot of work to be done but "The Roar" is not over nor have we had the race. By the time you read this article the race will be history and hopefully, Corvette Racing will find that speed.

This season will be fun since there are 13 cars running in GTD Pro and many more in GTD who are just as fast as the Pros. Stay tuned to IMSA TV AND Radio for an exciting year.

Signing off from Florida,

Your Corvette Racing Reporter,

Boyd Kurt



The 11th Annual QCCC Fall Corvette Car Show

October 1^{st,} 2022

The new year is upon us, and it is time once again to start the planning stages for the 2022 Corvette Show.

We plan on making the 2022 Car Show bigger and better than ever. The 2021 QCCC Corvette Show was one of the biggest Corvette shows in the nation and you were part of it. Last year we brought in 636 Corvettes from the East Coast as far away as New Jersey to Florida and as far west as Texas. We estimated that we had over 2,000 spectators visit our show. Queen City members really put their best foot forward with over 110 QCCC Corvettes on display and helpers too numerous to count. As we begin our planning stages, our main focus will be on the QCCC Members and how we can involve each of you. I challenge you to think of ways you can contribute to this year's show.

The big question is how are we going to make 2022 better? We need your help and the help of all QCCC Members! Our strategic plan is to advertise. Yes, advertise. We have never advertised our show outside of our brochure and letters to about 100 Corvette clubs. This year we are going to advertise with all the local restaurants and small businesses along Bruton Smith Boulevard and all the areas around the Hendrick Complex to bring in as many spectators as we can. The Cabarrus County Visitors Center will play a major role in this. We will advertise in all the Corvette Magazines, Corvette Clubs and Corvette Suppliers to get the word out to Corvette owners. If you can write articles, make phone calls, contact news personnel, get information to magazines, or help advertise in any way, please contact me with your ideas.

I know all this may sound scary as to how QCCC can handle an even bigger show, but most of our focus will be on involving spectators and Corvette enthusiasts who want to visit the Hendrick facility and tour the Heritage Center. QCCC has little to do with organizing the spectator flow outside of the Heritage Center tours.

I have already contacted the Team Leaders and we have our first planning meeting scheduled with QCCC, City Chevrolet and The Hendrick Staff. We are also meeting with the Cabarrus County Visitors Center for planning and advertising.

Please contact me with any suggestions or if you would like to get more involved with our show.

Thank you.

Tommy Loftin, 2022 QCCC Car Show Coordinator



QCCC Charity

Wings of Eagles Ranch

Please visit Wings of Eagles website (http://wingsofeaglesranch.org/newsletter.html) for their most current newsletter.

QCCC is in the "Prayer and Praise" section about our donation of their new water park and garden coming in 2022.

We will be scheduling a workday soon, watch for the Blast.

Brenda Loftin, QCCC Charity Coordinator

Secretary's Note:



Hi QCCC Members! Happy Valentine's Day!

The QCCC February birthdays are listed below. Please join us in wishing everyone who is celebrating a birthday a very Happy Birthday!!!

As we have done in past meetings, we randomly drew a lucky name from those celebrating birthdays in January. The winner will receive a \$25 gift card from Panera Bread. The name drawn was

Jamie Stamey

Congratulations Jamie! You will receive your gift card via USPS so please watch your mailbox.

We were hoping to have a meeting in February but the Board has voted to cancel due to Covid concerns. We now look forward to our Awards Banquet on March 5.

If you would like your birthday added or deleted from our list, please send an email to me at <u>katfino@hotmail.com</u>.

Until then, warmest regards

Kathie Finocchi QCCC Secretary (704)905-0394



Happy Birthday

February

- 2/2 Billy Boat
- 2/4 John Bayne
- 2/6 Steve Bonino
- Nancy Kegel 2/6
- 2/6 Johnny Sutton
- 2/7 Tommy Loftin
- 2/7 Carolyn Zimmer
- Bob Nibarger 2/7
- 2/10 Ken Bieman
- 2/10 James (Skeet) McKee
- 2/12 Elaine Coulter
- 2/14 Donna Smith
- 2/14 Valerie Cunningham
- **Bill Davidson** 2/16
- 2/17 Charlotte Brubaker
- 2/19 Ranger (Jeff Crosby)
- 2/22 Judy Curva
- 2/22 John Looney
- 2/23 Charlie Binder
- 2/24 Marilyn Becker
- 2/25 Keith Cross
- 2/25 Gwen Cunningham
- Betty Hamilton 2/26
- 2/27 Renee Scheuplein
- 2/27 Sue Plyler





NCM CORNER

Hellooooo QCCC! Hope everyone is doing their best to enjoy the new year even with the Omicron COVID flying around. The Mariano households are doing our best to stay clear!!!

Here is a reminder to be prepared, that come April 28 thru April 30, the Michelin NCM Bash is scheduled to take place, so mark your calendars. You will be receiving a Blast soon. I have included instructions on how to reserve your room with the Hilton Garden Inn. If you have special requests or needs, you will need to call them directly. Obviously, if you wish to stay elsewhere, you are more than welcome to do so. Our reserved block of rooms is for 4/26/22 arrival and 4/30/22 departure. The rate is \$129 plus taxes per night, *including* hot breakfast for 2 each day. This benefit is new and their menu is great to start our days.

Check out the latest article link on the NCM site concerning the "<u>1983 Corvette Analog Gauge Cluster</u>". For those of you (like myself) who owned C4s in the past, it is an interesting read.

Don't miss out on the latest Corvette Raffle to win a **2022 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Coupe 2/24/2022**! Tickets are \$150, and the raffle is limited to 1500 tickets. The drawing will be on Thursday, February 24th, 2022, at 2 pm CT. There is still time to mail in a chance.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting (barring any COVID new variants out there), and those who have not joined the NCM......I will be seeking you out!!

Save the Wave

Mike Mariano

NCM Ambassador

QCCC HISTORY

ENTERING THE 1980's

In the late 70's, the aged 20-something group of QCCC's membership became 30-somethings and major changes were ahead. Many members had left due to job relocation or growing family obligations. A few examples: The Mitchem's sold their Corvette when their daughter was born, The Marlowe's got transferred to Richmond, the Canup's transferred to Atlanta, and Bud Landacre got his dream job as a private pilot for an oil company and moved to Texas. Even our current "Vintage Gang" got re-directed: Bill Cruthis relocated to Arkansas with his job, Darrell Kirkley took his race car and joined SCCA, Dollar Bill Ingram started his dealership and I had three kids to raise and educate and a business to run. Times change and decisions had to be made and priorities put in order.

But it was late 1977 when QCCC members voted to give up the club house. The rent increase was just too much for the club to absorb and no one wanted to increase the dues. It was a sad time and the club seem to lose its appeal as a social organization. Offers were taken for the juke box and beer tapper and they were sold. I went by one afternoon and removed the club logo sign from the front. (I still have it!) It turned out that those who dropped out of the club in the late 70's were the good time party-type. Those who were left were the real gear heads, totally dedicated to the competition that being in the National Council of Corvette Clubs offered.

NCCC is the sanctioning body made up of member Corvette clubs from the entire country and provided rules and insurance for all types of events. They had a points program for clubs and individuals that gave out awards to the winners at an annual convention. Formed in 1959, NCCC was huge in Michigan, Ohio, and other northern states, but grew quickly in the south in the seventies. The country was divided into regions and by 1977 there were so many member clubs in North and South Carolina that the two states spun off from the Southeast region and formed the "Carolinas Region". There were many strong clubs in this region and the competition was friendly but fierce. With QCCC all in for NCCC, the club put in a bid and was awarded to host the national convention in 1978. It was a huge undertaking requiring a lot of help from neighboring clubs, but it was very successful, and it put QCCC on the map nationally.

As QCCC entered the 1980's, NCCC competition was the focus and members were chasing those valuable points by attending an event somewhere almost every weekend. There were car shows, rallies, drag races, even economy runs, but far away, the most popular were the autocross events. Most of the autocross events were in large parking lots, some racetracks and even private roads, as in hill climbs or the road to the top of Tweetsie. It was an exhausting commitment requiring a lot of time and money, not to mention the wear and tear on the Vettes. By then most cars were trailered to events but some drove their cars hundreds of miles, raced and drove home. Dick Craig drove his C4 to race pulling a little trailer with tools, jacks and a set of Hoosier racing tires, with little regard on how he would get home if he broke something. But he did well and acquired many awards. I wonder if all of his trophies are in a box in the attic or having to be dusted on a shelf. But he won a lot! QCCC was very successful, winning the regional points championship many times and even the national championship in 1988.

Most of today's members can't imagine doing to our Corvettes what we did back then. They were raced one week, polished and shown the next and very, very used. I chuckle at how every old Corvette going through these designer auctions are "unmolested, perfect, number matching", when in the day most were doing what they were designed to do: PERFORM!

Travis Meredith, historian

Vintage QCCC

With the Vintage Gang:

Bill Cruthis, Darrell Kirkley, Bill Ingram & Travis Meredith

More "Adventures" from QCCC of Decades Past



The Original Talley Sheet!!

If you are a follower of QCCC history, then this month I have quite a treat for you. Assuming you follow the vintage articles, these facts are well known. To race in a speed event you need to have insurance coverage. The best way for QCCC to acquire it was through the National Council of Corvette Clubs, or NCCC. Chevrolet had started this organization to form the culture of Corvette enthusiasts via a nation full of Corvette Clubs.

NCCC had a national points system tracking every sanctioned NCCC event on a yearly basis. Each club had a governor and it was his/her responsibility to get the finished info to NCCC. Remember QCCC was the National Champions in years '85 and '89, plus Regional Champions most of the decade of the 80's. Clubs received points for the number of entrants, how the participants finished, mileage driven to the event and workers at the event. Therefore, if you had a small club, you needed to have great participation, plus win, to be Champions.

This winter seems like a good time to do some house cleaning in the garage (or my temporary Presidential Library), what with funds to build such not coming in so fast. Well, look there, in the bottom drawer hidden behind old original used Corvette parts, what did I find but the original tally sheet of the 3rd and final Corvette/Porsche Challenge. Held at Charlotte Motor Speedway on April 9th and 10th of 1977 and sponsored by Camel GT IMSA racing series, this rocking NCCC Speed Event was open to the first 100 Corvettes and first 100 Porsches to enter. This is an unbelievable treasure and the only one in existence. Notice how thorough the form was and how clearly it was filled out. I will explain much of it to help you inspect.

Driver name is obvious. NCCC number is QCCC #121 plus the member number assigned to that driver. Corvette Club you represent is obvious. Class # shows where your car was placed to make things fair. RP or race prepared was not put in the same class as PD, or stock entry level Corvette (327-235 hp). I will list most of these at the bottom of the article. Lap times shows the best lap you ran for the weekend. Times were already adjusted upward if you hit any cones on the track. Mileage column shows points award for club for distance driven and total club participation. Remarks column has where entrants finished for class awards and FTD (fastest lap of the day for all cars). The back page shows event facts and sign off info by event chair (Melvin Pace who was club President in '85 and '89). Also sign off by our governor for the year (David Morse club President '75). Lastly, it shows the workers and points applied for them.

I hope you can realize this was a serious and complex deal. Many volunteer hours were needed from a club of 30 couples. It took corner workers out in the chilly morning air. The wives sat in the van writing down times as the entrants broke the beams. The van was cold in the winter and hot in the summer, not because of no heater or a/c but because drivers were constantly wanting to open the door to find out their times and where they stood. Tech workers had to approve all entrants safe. The wives ran the timing and recording. The starting team was crucial as we would have two and three cars on the track at once. Remember we arrived at

6 a.m. to set the cones up for the gates the drivers had to pass thru and set the timing equipment. As I recall it was after 5 p.m. before we left, after cleaning up everything. We paid \$200 to use the Speedway and left it as we found it so our deal would hold.

The Classes for Corvettes

RP @ LRP = Race Prepared and Ladies Race Prepared

MA @ LMA = Big Block cars that were modified engine and suspension

MB @ LMB = Small Block cars that were modified engine @suspension

A @ LA = Big Block cars with slight mods (i.e. wider tires etc.)

B @ LB = Small Block cars with slight mods

C @ LC = lower hp cars with mods

PA @ LPA= Big Block cars pure stock with no modifications

PB @ LPB= Small Block cars pure stock with no modifications

PC @ LPC = Low HP (300) cars pure stock with no modifications

PD @ LPD = Base engine, base hp with no modifications

The Classes for Porsche

Wm = washing machine sound

Vq = very quiet

Q = quiet

ITR= is it running

The 911 Porsche folks hated the 914's calling them Volkswagens. 83 Corvettes ran that weekend. With all the class breakdowns you can see where arguments could happen. A lot of QCCC were so busy they could not race.

To me this is a fascinating historical document and it will be given to our historian Travis Meredith to protect.

I hope you really enjoyed this trip through history of QCCC. We were great then and great now. The Vintage Gang only wishes you could all have been there from the start. It was such a good time.

Submitted: Bill Cruthis

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DON GRESDER'	E0-068-004	TIRETOWN C.C.	2:37.050	R-P	3	3	6	
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DARLENE FORMION	E-196 -0912	Cur. PA. CC .	3:09.522	LRP	2	2	4	
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GEORGE HODGES	CA-229-014	GREATER CONOMON	1 2:42.324	MB	5		15	
RUSS OPLBA	55-142-084	CURVETTE ATLANT	+ 2:43.227	mB	6	3	9	
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JERRY JONES	CA-177-025	SPARTANBURG	2:50.269	B	2	-	2	
WERNER SCHWENKS	CA-140-053	COASTAL CORV	2257.240	B	2	-	Z	
RICHARD BREYARE	CA-121-1/13	QUEER CITY	2:58.211	B	2	-	2	
MIKE GARRETT	CA-161-167	QUEER CITY CARU. CHARLESTON	314 502	B	2	1	Z	
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DONALD BRIDGES		CAROLINA CORU	2:51.715	G	7	_	7	ZM
TEFF TATER	CA-121-114	GUERN CITY	2:52.980	C	6	-	6	
SAM MEGEE	CA-121-112	QUESN City	2:53.895	C	5		5	
STEVE TAROON	CA-201-022	AUGUSTA	3:02,508	S	2	1	3	
LARRY WALKER	CA-238-040	QUEEN CITY	3:14, 121	Ec	7	-	7	124
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LARRY VAN WORRHS	CA-229-156	CalvinBia	3205.884	PA	3		2	107
Am CRUTHIS	CA-121-1386	GUEEN City	3.25.771	LPA	5	-	5	1
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MARVIN WALDROP	SE-137-020	CORU GADSOSN		PB	6	6	12	
WILLARD SMITH	CA-177-012	SPARTAN BURG	2:59-920	P3	2	-	2	Jot
VIVIAN SMAH	CA-177-0136	SPARTAN BURG	3:02.551	LPB	5		5	-
JERRY BOLLING	CA-229-034	COLUMBIA	2:44.601	PC	9		9	100
LARRY WARRELL	SE -142-098	CURV ATLANTA	250.067	PC	2	4	11	2 10
ROBERT WELCH	CA-229-030	COLUMBIA.	2:51.063	PC.	.6.		6	+ 3 rd
THE BOLSOR	E-118-034	ALLENTOWN	2:58.836	PC	5	.5	10	
FRANK EZELL	CA-177-003	SPACTANBURG	2:58.885	PC.	2	-	2	
DAVIO GEEER	A-238-005	PLASTIC CARS	31001 105	1PC	2	1	3	
OAVID MYFRS	CA-161-110	CORV CHARLESTON	2=58.638	LPC	2	-	17	
MARSHA LONG	CA-232-0061	RASTIC CARS	3:05.640	LPC	72		Z	314.5.5.5
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LARRY EASLEY	SE-137-002		2:52.702	PD	9	17	18	
TIM KIDWELL	WO-089-071	TRI-ULTES	0153,994	100	6	17	14	
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BATEAN, C.C.		E- 19		100%	3		
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WANTED/NEEDED anyone who takes pictures or videos with their phone or camera!!!

If you go to an event and take pictures/videos – please upload them to the QCCC photo library. That way they can be shared by all members!

We could also use members to volunteer to take pictures during the events. If you are interested and want to do that, please contact me via email : <u>cb8613vette.gmail.com</u>.

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Do you have club Photographs or Videos you would like to share?

To upload to the "QCCC Photo Gallery", copy the web link below into your web browser and follow the screen prompts. <u>https://qcccphoto.smugmug.com/upload/rZ6vZk/QCCCMemberGallery</u>

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CORVETTE HUMOR



If you think you are smarter than the previous generation...50 years ago the years ago the owners manual of a car showed you how to adjust the valves. Today it warns you not to drink the contents of the battery.



"YOU KNOW, I'M REALLY TIRED OF HEARING 'THAT'S WHAT WE PAID FOR OUR FIRST HOUSE!"



Ever since Corvette No. 00001 first met Corvette No. 00002 on the road, their drivers saluted each other with waves. There's one item of standard equipment that comes as a pleasant surprise to every new Corvette owner. It's the instant wave of recognition he receives from fellow Corvette drivers. Soon, however, the new Vette owner anticipates, indeed even relishes, encountering other Vettes as he drives. He experiments with his waves, running the gamut from the gaping "yoo hoo" to the ultra-cool "two-finger flip." He perfects his timing, making sure he affects neither the too-eager, too-early wave, nor the jaded "oh brother" too-late variety. Determined not to be one upped, he even develops a defense mechanism for non-wavers, usually settling on the "Wave? My hand was just on the way to scratch my head" approach. (This is especially useful when you're not driving your Vette, but you forget, and like a dummy, wave anyway.)



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Welcome !

We're looking forward to having the chance

to salute you with

"The Wave" !

Drive safely and we'll see you on the road.

