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April QCCC Business Meeting

Saturday, April 8, 2023

Brenda & Tommy Loftin's Homestead

244 Hicks Creek Rd. Troutman, NC

3:30 p.m. Social

5:00 p.m. Business Meeting

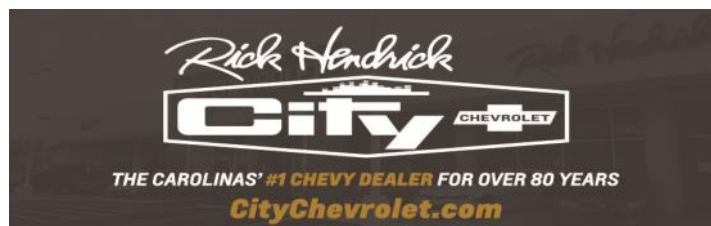
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PRESIDENT'S PAGE



April 2023

WOW! Can you believe it? We had 200 people attend our Awards Banquet to celebrate 2022! What a night. We changed up our format so members would stay and dance after the presentation of the main awards – and they did. At the end of the night, there were still 30 of us staying up past our bedtimes. The last few years, only ten of us stayed until the last song, so I would say this Banquet was a big success. Thanks to our favorite band, Too Much Sylvia, for playing our member requests and making each song keep people on the dance floor. And for NOT playing In-A-Gadda-Da-Vida!

My picks for President's Award went to Roger Winge, Tommy Loftin, and Ron Berst. This club would not be what it is without these three people, so please thank them when you see them. Last, but not least, the big award, Member of the Year, went to Donna Berst. Thank you members for voting for her, as she has been our Social Director now for four years and she makes sure we always have a party atmosphere at our events and don't go away hungry.

Congratulations to our VP awards recognizing our members who consistently attend, volunteer, and lead our events. If not for you, we would just be standing, staring, or cleaning our cars in the garage with nowhere to go and show them off.

Now get ready for April. We have big events to attend, beginning with our meeting at the Loftin's Ponderosa. Then we'll show off our cars at the Spring Auto Fair. Finally, off we go to Bowling Green, KY and the National Corvette Museum to meet up with hundreds of fellow Corvette owners from all around the country. I hope some of you new members will be going with us.

A great man once said, "It's not what your club can do for you, but what you can do for your club." Get involved, it's really a special thing when you can stop saying, "I can count my friends on one hand" and start saying "I have so many friends, I can't remember their names." That's why we wear our name tags.

Dick Gwilt, President
rgwilt@me.com



Special Guests: City Chevrolet and Hendrick Performance
Rick Accurso, Lorri Black, Dale Ledbetter, Nikki and James Potter



Who let these guys in ?



Member of the Year Award

Donna Berst



President's Awards

Roger Winge

Ron Berst

Tommy Loftin

Vice President Award Winners





VP Stuff, Ron Berst

Well, if you missed the QCCC Awards Banquet at the Speedway Club in my humble opinion, you missed out on one of the best QCCC events we have thrown in many years!!! There was plenty of socializing, food, music, awards, and beverages for all. Past Presidents, President's Choice Awards, along with Member of the Year were recognized for their commitment and dedication to the club. As VP I also recognized those who earned the most points throughout the year. Points are compiled by attending the monthly meetings, volunteering to help during meetings, attending or leading day trips, helping at our charity work days at Wings of Eagles Ranch, serving as a committee leader at our car show in October, attending National Corvette Museum events or by becoming a member of the Corvette Museum.

Those who racked up the most points were (in alphabetical order).

Bob Becker, Larry Finocchi, Tim Fridley, Jo Graham, Steve Kaufmann, Warren Knight, Kim Knight, Paul Mitchell, Craig Smith, Pam Tucker, and Bill & Jane Robbins who were "Rookies of the Year".

The bronze, silver & gold awards went to Marilyn Becker, DeeDee Winge (again) and Jane Burt (again) respectively.

All were given medals and gift cards to the National Corvette Museum and the real winner was QCCC! These members help QCCC become a better and stronger club! Everyone can make a difference!

This year is still young! Your participation does not go unnoticed. Anyone can rise to the top!

That's it for now.

Ron Berst, VP

Social



Scene

SOCIAL DIRECTOR

~Donna Berst ~

Thank you very much to all the volunteers who set-up, checked in guests, took photos, and packed away centerpieces at the end of the evening! You helped make our 2022 Awards Banquet/Meeting a special Evening! There were 200 members, prospective members and VIP guests attending. Alton has posted all the photos on our website so “go take look!”

Saturday March 17th was our Southern Distillery Day Trip. We started out with 24 QCCC members enjoying a delicious lunch at Lancaster’s BBQ. Can you say, “Banana Pudding”?!! We were joined by 8 more members as Tommy and Brenda led us on a leisurely drive through the back roads of Iredell County to the Southern Distillery where we enjoyed sipping whiskey, tours, and more fellowship. Thanks to the Loftin’s for planning out such a fun event! If you have an idea for a Day Trip, contact me or Ron. We can help you plan it out. donnaberst@windstream.net

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday April 8th Business Meeting & NO Chili Cook Off

3:30 pm - Social & 5:00 pm Business Meeting

Location: Brenda & Tommy Loftin’s, 244 Hicks Creek Rd Troutman, NC 28166

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If you have gently worn items that you would like to donate, contact Peggy Wood 2redvettes@att.net or donnaberst@windstream.net

Saturday May 6th Baseball Game, 7:00 pm. Dick has reserved 20 seats if you want to go see the Cannon Ballers play the Augusta Green Jackets (Atlanta Braves) in the beautiful Kannapolis stadium. Contact Jane fab4fan@carolina.rr.com if you are interested.

Annual Maggie Valley Overnighter Coordinators: Mo & Jo Graham jgraham0459@gmail.com

Friday, May 19th through Sunday, May 21st, 2023

Maggie Valley Creekside Lodge has blocked out the entire hotel (42 rooms) for us once again this year!

Please follow the instructions below to reserve a room.

- Maggie Valley Creekside Lodge 2716 Soco Rd., Maggie Valley, NC 28751
- To reserve a room please call **828-926-1301**. Tell them you are with Queen City Corvette Club.
- Some rooms are up 1 flight of stairs, so specify your needs. All rooms are non-smoking.
- All rooms not spoken for from the block will be released on 05/06/2023.

Myrtle Beach Car Show Weekend Coordinators: Dick Gwilt & Jane Burt

SAVE THE DATE: Friday June 2nd-Sunday June 4th check the Blast for hotel updates.

Oktoberfest in Helen, Georgia

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, September 15 thru Sunday, September 17, 2023. Look for an upcoming Blast!

Donna Berst ~ 20223 QCCC Social Director

It's not where you go... but who you travel with that makes the journey special!



Memories from the recent QCCC Awards Banquet. . .

**Dancin' Shoes
&
Dancing the Night Away**

(pictures shared by Jane Burt)



AUTOMOTIVE DIRECTOR



April showers bring May flowers but, the rain doesn't mean that you can't take your car out for a drive!

On March 25th, the Gaston County Shrine Club hosted their 1st Annual Toy Drive and Show and Shine. The event was at Eastridge Mall in Gastonia. Despite the early morning rain, four QCCC club cars were in attendance. Those attending were Brian and Cindy Peoples, Gary and Gwen Cunningham, Craig Smith, and me. There were 20 Show and Shine trophies awarded with QCCC members bringing home three of those.

Some upcoming shows and events that members may be interested in attending include:

Rolling Through the Decades Art and Auto Show, April 22. Benefits Webb Street School, Gastonia, NC. Additional details will be provided when available.

Myrtle Beach Corvette Club Car Show, June 2-3. Dick Gwilt was able to arrange another hotel option for those of us attending. If you are interested, contact Ocean Drive Beach and Golf Resort in North Myrtle Beach. Call the front desk at 843-249-1436 and say you're with the "Corvette Club Group".

Tickets for the **Virginia International Speedway IMSA WeatherTech Championship, August 25-27**, are on sale. As of this writing, details for Corvette Corral are still not available. If you are planning to attend and spend a night or two, it's not too early to make hotel reservations. Rumor has it that the hotels fill early!

The 2023 Spring Autofair at Charlotte Motor Speedway runs from April 13th through the 16th. QCCC filled 35 spots.

QCCC cars will be judged with trophies awarded as follows:

CLASS WINNERS: C1/C2, C3/C4, C5/C6, First and second place C7 and First and second place C/8

Participant choice awards for Saturday and Sunday

PRESIDENT'S CHOICE

QCCC BEST OF SHOW

As the second place winner in the overall show last year, Keith Cross will be displaying his 1961 Corvette with the other Fall winners in the Winners Circle on Saturday and Sunday. In addition, the Speedway will populate the center of the infield with Concourse De Elegance vehicles on Sunday.

A little bit of knowledge... What is Active Fuel Management? Active Fuel Management AFM was designed to provide maximum fuel economy under light load driving conditions by **deactivating the lifters on specific cylinders**. On V8 engines, half of the cylinders are deactivated and on V6 engines, two of the cylinders are deactivated. Active Fuel Management (AFM) aka Cylinder deactivation aka V4 mode, was first introduced on the C7 and was retained for the C8. There is a lot of information online regarding AFM and its function and possible impact.

If you are interested in leading an event, let me know. I can and will assist!

Tim Fridley

Automotive Director



MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER

April

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS:

Total Membership	385
Total Families	210
Prospective Members	55
New Members Year to Date	23
Avg. Monthly Attendance	158

NEW MEMBERS:

John & Dotty Dail

Charlotte, NC

CORVETTE: 1966 Sunfire Yellow
427 Convertible

Darrell Hinklin

Huntersville, NC

CORVETTES: 1970 Blue LT1 Convertible
1973 Orange Coupe
2013 Red 427 Convertible

Stephen & Dawn Taylor

Mooresville, NC

CORVETTE: 2022 Red Mist Convertible

Barry & Sherry Daniluk

Mooresville, NC

CORVETTES: 1966 Blue 427 Convertible
2011 Blue ZR1 Coupe
2019 Blue ZR1 Coupe

David Horniman & Jemmetta Eckard

Conover, NC

CORVETTE: 2001 Magnetic Red Convertible

Mark & Heather Vervoort

Troutman, NC

CORVETTES: 2019 Shadow Gray GS Coupe
2023 White Pearl 70th Anniversary
Convertible



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When I started back at City Chevrolet 5 years ago, one of my many goals was to help grow and build our relationship with the Queen City Corvette Club. Little did I know how strong it would become in such a relatively short amount of time. Thank you to everyone for having faith in us and giving us the opportunity to show you the City Chevrolet difference. Let's make the years to come just as amazing and continue to build on this incredible foundation.

Chris Boone, General Manager

NEW VEHICLES

Members receive an additional \$1000 discount on all NEW, in-stock Chevrolet vehicles (C8 Corvette, select new models, and specialty vehicles excluded). Rebates and/or incentives will be applied. Extra costs may apply for locates, transportation, or specialty vehicles.

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PARTS & SERVICE

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

REFERRAL BONUS

We'll thank you with a \$100 gift card when you refer a non-QCCC member who purchases a vehicle.

Friends & Family of QCCC Members will receive a 10% Service discount.

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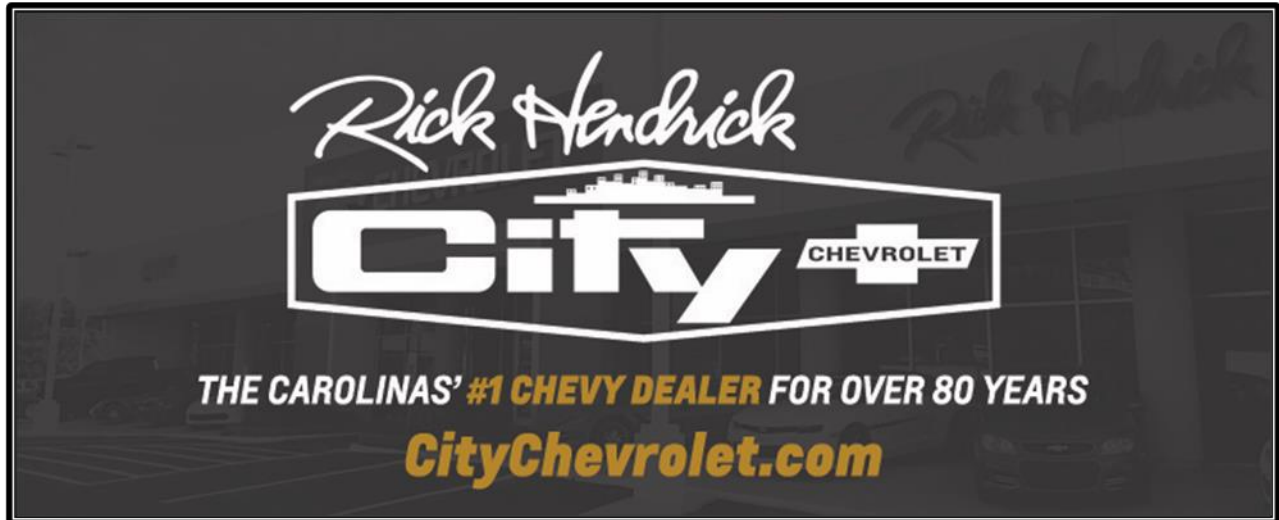
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Queen City Corvette Club

12th Annual Corvette Show

The Car Show Planning Committee is in full swing. All of our team leaders are in place and they will be contacting all of you for assistance in their prospective areas. Registration is open and all you have to do to register is go to queencitycorvetteclub.com, Club Info, QCCC Car Show, 2023 QCCC Car Show, QCCC Member Registration, Password is duntov, Submit, and fill out the form. Registration for QCCC is free. Last year we had 140 QCCC Corvettes, so this year we need to have over 150. Our next planned meeting is for April 3rd.

I will keep you informed as we progress. Flyers are here and they will be distributed at the next meeting. You can also sign up for the show at that meeting. Team leaders will be contacting you to help on their teams. If you are new to the club and don't know what to do, you can ask any club officer and they will gladly direct you to the right people.

Thank you so much for your help,

Tommy Loftin

QCCC Car Show Coordinator

QCCC Charity Committee

Wings of Eagles Workday

April 22nd 2023

I would like to thank all the members of the 2023 Charity Committee for all the work you do. Once again, this year we will support our charity with work days and attendance at their events. With that said the Queen City Corvette Club will sponsor a work day at Wings of Eagles Ranch.

We will meet at the parking lot of Charlotte Motor Speedway April 22nd:

Time: 9:30 AM

Place: Charlotte Motor Speedway Parking Lot

Lot is located at Bruton Smith and Concord Parkway/US29 South

We will then proceed to Wings of Eagles Ranch.

We should arrive before 10:00. Lunch will be provided for us at noon. We plan on working until 2:00 PM. We will be doing all kinds of outside work. Our main job will be pruning the horse trails for spring riding. Bring your chain saws and work gloves.

If you miss the meeting place, you can proceed to:

Wings of Eagles Ranch
4800 Faith Trail
Concord, NC



APRIL 2023

Christine Schmitt-

Christine had her **3rd knee surgery** on Monday, March 20, 2023. The surgery was at Novant Presbyterian Hospital and went very well. There was **NO INFECTION** found at the knee.

This was her 3rd surgery on this knee. She is home recuperating and soon will start her rehab on Monday.

Asking for prayers for a complete recovery and a fast rehab and continued prayer for 0 infections.

Thanks for the many prayers.

Paul Schmitt

Richard Murawa-

Richard had heart surgery on Monday. I talked with his wife, Pamela, and she said that he was doing well coming home Tuesday. Please continue to pray for him for a quick recovery.

Thanks!

Betsy Kashinsky-

Betsy is at *Generations Assisted Living in West Jefferson*. In the past 5 days she's taken a serious decline and she's struggling. I think it might be best if cards were mailed to our home and I'll take them to Betsy since I see her every day.

Thanks for doing that Paul and I really appreciate everyone keeping us in their thoughts and prayers.

Home address:

**Richard Kashinsky
262A Fairway Heights Dr.
West Jefferson, NC 28694**

Thank You.

Paul Schmitt

QCCC

Care and Compassion

Secretary's Note:



Hello QCCC Members!

It's time to celebrate April QCCC Member birthdays! Please join us in wishing everyone who is celebrating a birthday in April a very **Happy Birthday!!!**

At our March meeting, we randomly drew a lucky name from those in attendance celebrating birthdays. [John Meadows was our winner and he received a \\$50 restaurant gift card. Congratulations John!](#)

[Our next business club meeting will be on Saturday, April 8 at the Loftin's Homestead in Troutman.](#)

Hope to see you there.

Until then, warmest regards

Kathie Finocchi
QCCC Secretary
(704)905-0394

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

Bob Novak	4/1
Donna Peterman	4/1
Marie Coop	4/3
Jack Ross	4/3
Teri Fridley	4/4
Christine Schmitt	4/7
Tom Wallace	4/7
Don Zimmer	4/7
Dotty Dail	4/9
Jo Graham	4/9
Steve Miller	4/9
Darryl Mansel	4/10
Staton Boyette	4/13
Darrell Kirkley	4/15
Dale Ledbetter	4/15
Debby Nowlan	4/15
Rick Accurso	4/19
Kathleen Taddonio	4/19
Beverly Terry	4/19
Mitch McQueen	4/20
Cheryl Bitters	4/21
Susie Black	4/22
Evan Selzer	4/22
Johnny Downs	4/23
John Nelson	4/23
Pam Tucker	4/24
Brian McIntyre	4/25
Don Lowe	4/27
Wade Stickels	4/27
Frank Carpenter	4/29
Bob Chichester	4/30
Sandra Csanyi	4/30
David Horniman	4/30

QCCC HISTORY

The best thing about the Wednesday dinners or anytime QCCC members get together to eat a meal is getting to better know the members you just say “hi” to at the meetings. Since most have relocated to the Charlotte area from other places, the most asked question is “where you from?”. And when I respond that I am a native of Charlotte, many questions about growing up in the area usually follow. Recently at a Wednesday night dinner, I was asked if there was any street racing in Charlotte back in the day. Since the statute of limitations has hopefully passed, I'll tell what I know about the subject.

To understand what the streets of Charlotte looked like in, let's say 1965, the year I graduated from high school, there were no expressways, with a few four lane roads and the main artery was Independence Boulevard, which had a stop light at almost every intersection. Getting the picture? So primarily the street racing my friends and I were involved in usually occurred when you pulled up next to a worthy challenger and went through a few gears to the next red light. Sometimes those spontaneous street races got a little more serious and that led to going out of town to a rural road to settle things once and for all.

I feel to better understand this era, here's some facts about Charlotte in the sixties. In 1960 the population of Charlotte was a little over 200,000 making it the 59th biggest city in the US by population. By 1970 we had added another 80,000 or so without counting the neighboring communities outside of Mecklenburg County. The Lake Norman area was undeveloped and still called “the river”. There were a few good restaurants that were permitted for brown bagging, but since there was no liquor by the drink, the bars were really just beer joints. The only mall was Charlottetown with the downtown area anchored by Belk's and Ivey's. But in the late 70's major growth started with IBM coming to town along with other national corporations and the migration started. Also, we finally got liquor by the drink in 1978. Today, Charlotte has a population of over 900,000, without counting the suburbs, making it the 16th largest city in the country. Obviously, life in this area changed quickly! Independence Boulevard became an expressway, Brookshire and Belk freeways were built, traffic became a nightmare. But that wasn't always the case.

So, like most other towns in the USA in the sixties, hot cars and cruising around town was a major form of entertainment. In Charlotte, we had a very definite route we followed every Friday and Saturday night and Sunday afternoons. For us in North Charlotte, it started with Shoney's on The Plaza. Then to Shoney's on Independence, thru South 21, down Independence, to the Shoney's on Morehead, on out to BarBQ King on Wilkerson Boulevard. Since cruising back then usually involved having a beer or twelve, knowing where the cheapest and coldest take out places were was essential. Our favorite on the north side was a small store we called “Joe's” off the Plaza behind the Dairy Queen. On the west side you could pull into Town and Country Drive-In and the car hop would come to the car as you pulled in, take your order as you circled around the building, and deliver it to you as you pulled out the other side. Other hot spots were Babe Maloy's Drive-In ,Big George's and Harold's BarBQ on Kings Drive. As you can tell there were lots of great spots to see and be seen while cruising and the roads in between these places left plenty of opportunities for a spontaneous street race. The Charlotte area was loaded with modern muscle cars and cool hot rods on the street, so cruising in Charlotte was like a rolling car show. It was a great place to grow up in the sixties.

Well after this lengthy trip down memory lane, I still haven't said much about racing on the streets. We'll leave that for next month.

Travis Meredith, *historian*

Vintage QCCC

With the Vintage Gang:

Bill Cruthis, Darrell Kirkley, Bill Ingram & Travis Meredith

More "Adventures" from QCCC of Decades Past



Wow, can Donna put on a banquet or what! 200 that is ½ the club and by far the largest attendance ever, which brings us to today's article. At the banquet Travis and I were discussing the evolution of the club and the way in which it has all come together. . .from his Presidency of 25 to 40 members to ten times that many now. A slow but steady growth pattern was seen until the C5 hit the sales lots. Then, wal-loweew, owners were looking for us instead of us looking for them. Credit GM and the C5, C6, C7, and C8 Corvettes for the uptick. We both acknowledged aging of the tooth as it were and especially when the C8 arrived, lowering the average age of our members from the 70's back to at least the lower 60's. GM was wise to recognize their demographics were changing and the older customers may not be their target audience anymore, generally speaking. But they sure nailed it with the next generation with the EuroVette*. I think the car is super although I due take a few issues with front vs rear engine. The old dog new tricks thing. Plus the C7 is so well done and I can still shift it. I don't need anymore temptation to prove my lack of race driving skills, but I digress, the C8 is a stunner and is the choice closing in on the majority of the club owners. Thanks to John Meadows, Q, Robert Morgan, and a few other Presidents that kept us around before the C-5 arrived.

This QCCC started with a bunch of folks we will affectionally call Gear Heads. The Corvettes were cheap and easy to modify to our own liking. It was by far the sexist car on the road with each new model year eagerly awaited. Yet, building membership in the club was slow. While there were many gear heads around, you had to connect them with QCCC. This proved to be for whatever reason, a difficult task. What has changed with our growth is we are bringing in all levels of membership, including those new to Corvette who until the brand showed these intense changes to European styling, really never gave Corvette a second glance. These are some great folks so thanks to GM. Also with the arrival of the C8 and the over \$100,000 price tag in a lot of cases; it seems GM is taking better care of the buyer, or at least Hendrick is doing an excellent job of selling the fun factor of Corvette clubbing. Rick Accurso and his group have sent us more members in one year than the whole membership during Trav's Presidency. Add to that the effort of Mr. H and his team to the car show success and you see the results. The rest is easy as it is up to us. You come because of the car but stay because of the people.

The C6 was big, but the C7 bigger as it was a very new car. GM knew that the 2019 ZR1 got all the bite of the apple. Here was a car with front engine and rear wheel drive, so the mid engine was a "gotta be" and lucky for us. I'll bet there are some meeting notes about that target audience. The C6 to C7 conversion reminds me of the C2 to C3, a smooth swap to a more polished upgrade, not so with the C8.

The C8 is a real driver's car once again getting looks not seen since the '63 split window coupe. Now as with then, not a thing wrong with the older Corvettes, it is just the newest seems to grab the attention. We notice how far GM has come with style vs performance. Compare driving my C7 Z06 with a ton of performance to my '71big block and whoa! We drove those old cars to the beach for a weekend and thought nothing of it, now not so much. We drove those old cars everywhere and thought it was just great.

Now if the forecast for rain is 20% or more, the new car is not going out. In yesteryear the new ones got driven and the classics stayed dry (as soon as we knew they would be classics). We did laugh on our road trips as a bunch of C2s popped over a hill, it looked like a bunch of frogs hopping into a pond!

QCCC has made the transition from all others to the new C8 so well and it is impressive. The parking lot is full of C8s, us old guys on the fixed incomes can rest easy now, all is right at QCCC. We feel the C8 has lowered our members average age by 5 to 10 years, a much needed boost as we old foggies are tiring a tad. The C5 which almost never was, began the arrival of the performance with comfort of the modern Corvette. This has been amazing to watch.

Now that we are secure in large numbers, our next challenge is “How do we keep everyone happy?”. It is a challenge for each of us to do a little to help out. Ask yourself what can I do to make things the most entertaining for the group. With the foundation that has been built, I would say QCCC is on solid ground and thanks to all that have built it.

Respectfully submitted:

Bill Cruthis

*EuroVette explained: This term street slang for the C8. With it's mid-engine placement and side scoop it shows a remarkable look of the Lamborghini. The new style has a close shape to many European cars: alot of Ferrari, the Lambo, the side scoop from the Audi and others. This was done intentionally by GM as they were looking for younger buyers. So it is a “tongue and cheek” term with positive connotation by comparing it to great cars from overseas, but negative connotation in that it is the first deviation in the shape, less Corvette than any other generation. Corvette Forum has tons of letters from the strict traditionalist Corvette fans who are not moved yet. So EuroVette is just a slang term for the C8.

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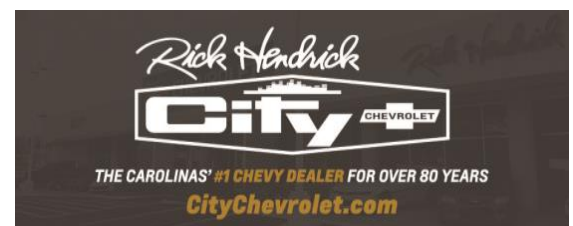
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