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QCCC Business Meeting

Saturday, November 9, 2024

FeedNC

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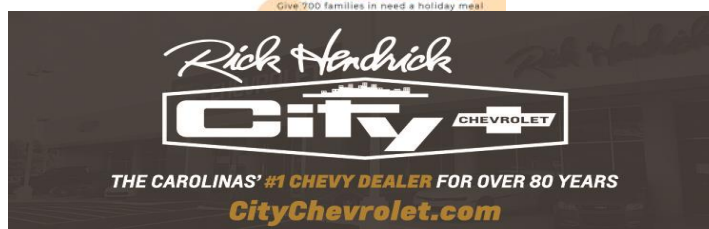
2:00 Tours

3:00 Social Time

4:00 Business Meeting

5:30 Optional Prepaid Dinner

Non-members: Please contact our Membership Director via membership@queencitycorvette.com to attend as a guest or prospective member.



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President's Stuff



November 2024

Thank you, thank you, thank you! If you wore a red QCCC tee on October 19th you were part of a history making event in the QCCC world! Your help and participation along with 823 Corvettes made this not only the biggest Corvette show, but the BEST Corvette show anywhere, thanks again to everyone! Tommy Loftin will be covering all the details in his newsletter article. . .be sure to check it out.

Backtracking a bit, October started out with a fantastic trip to Charleston, SC. Larry & Kathie Finocchi planned and led a great weekend that included a stop at Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum, a harbor cruise with great food and some lively “Social Time” back at the hotel. Thanks again, Larry and Kathie!

The business meeting at Tommy and Brenda’s homeplace saw over 160 members and prospective members getting last-minute directions on the upcoming car show. As always, the BBQ and social time made it a great day. Thanks again, Tommy and Brenda!

On the 24th John the “Loon” Looney organized one of the very best race shop tours ever. DXDT racing in Statesville campaigns Corvettes in the WEC series and next year will move to IMSA as well. Tommy Milner and Bryan Sellers are two of their drivers. Look for more info on upcoming “stuff” with them. Thanks again, John!

Onward to the 26th where over 20 gearheads gathered at Brian Kruse’s garage for car repairs and adjustments. Clark Belvin turned most of the wrenches and the morning finished off with hot dogs & beans. Brian said he will open his garage up again next spring before the Bash. Thanks again to Brian, Barbara and Clark!

The Foothills Corvette Club hosted their annual Run to the Colors on the 27th, and 20 QCCC cars made the run. The rain held off and approximately 200 Corvettes staged at the North Wilkesboro Speedway before heading along some beautiful back roads to Olde Beau Resort and Golf Club for a very delicious lunch. This is another charity event for the Foothills Club and should be on your to do list for next year. Wowzer! That’s another busy month, so boredom should not even be in your vocabulary.

Our November meeting on the 9th will be at Feed NC in Mooresville. They are one of our two main charities and provide breakfast and lunch for the needy in this area along with staple foods from their pantry. Social time and facility tours start at 2:00, social time begins at 3:00, the business meeting starts at 4:00 with an optional prepaid dinner at 5:30. We are asking for everyone to bring some canned food or paper products for their pantry. Come if you can.

That’s it for now.

Ron Berst

President



Car Care Day at Brian's Garage



Run to the Colors



WELCOME BACK MY FRIENDS...

To the show that never ends, we're so glad you could attend, come inside, come inside...

Let me take an opportunity to highlight the next three club meetings and their locations:

November 9th FeedNC Mooresville

2456 Charlotte Hwy.

Mooresville, NC 28177

Tours 2 PM Social Time 3 PM

Business Meeting 4 PM Optional Prepaid Dinner 5:30

December 7th Christmas Party/Mini Meeting

Charlotte Motor Speedway Club

5555 Concord Pkwy. South

Concord, NC 28027

All Time TBA

January 11, 2025 Another Year Begins.....

Hendrick Motorsports Complex

4400 Papa Joe Hendrick Blvd.

Concord, NC 28027

2 PM Social 3 PM Meeting

That's all for now, it certainly is *Life in the Fast Lane*.

Thanks!

Gary Cunningham, Vice President



The Social Spotlight

The trees have turned orange and the air is starting to get a bit chilly. It's November and brings something really special with it: Thanksgiving! It's a time when we all get together with family and friends and express our gratitude for all the good stuff in our lives.

November's activities start with the Annual Corvette Angels Toy Drive hosted by the Road Runner Corvette Club on Saturday, November 2nd. Donate unwrapped toys for any age child and meet up in the Belk parking lot at Carolina Place Mall at 8:45. Then we will caravan to the Southern Lion parking lot. Please contact Dick Gwilt or see the Blast for more information.

Saturday, November 9th is our next business meeting. This month it will be held at one of our major charities FeedNC, located in Mooresville. Please consider joining us after the meeting by purchasing dinner showcasing FeedNC's culinary program. The dinner buffet will include a garden salad, chicken piccata, sliced sirloin, garlic smashed potatoes, green beans almondine, rolls, tea and assorted desserts. Cost is \$50 per person. Please see the Blast to RSVP. Cutoff for dinner is Saturday, November 2nd.

Please help the less fortunate by becoming a hunger hero and donating nonperishable food items, gift cards to food stores, or a ham or turkey to FeedNC during this holiday season. Hunger affects 1 in 6 Americans. FeedNC tackles hunger with compassion at the local level. There will be a drop box located at the loading dock as you pull into the facility.

On November 18th at Hendrick Motorsports in Charlotte is Jeff Gordon's Corvette for a Cure celebration to benefit children with cancer. Check in begins at 10:30 with designated showcase parking for clubs. Jeff will announce and personally award the winner a 2024 Corvette. There will be a car show, food trucks, etc. Please see the Blast for more information.

November 30th is the Americarna Car Show located at the Ingersol Rand complex in Davidson. Keep an eye out for a Blast with more information.

And finally, I would like to express my gratitude for all of you! Warren and I have made so many lasting relationships by becoming members of this club. Please enjoy your families this season and stay safe.

Kimberly Knight

Social Director

AUTOMOTIVE DIRECTOR



October was pretty much devoted to the car show, with two noteworthy exceptions. Around 25 of us toured DXDT Racing in Statesville. DXDT campaigns 3 C8 Z06 GT3r's in SRO and now IMSA. They gave us unfettered access to the staff and the cars, encouraged us to touch them and ask any questions we desired. During the presentation we learned the General Manager, Erin Gahagen is Tommy Milner's sister. I assured her she just gained a big fanbase for their teams moving forward and we would see her at Daytona. After the tour we continued in the QCCC tradition of never missing a meal. We hit Randy's BBQ in Statesville before returning home.

The second big deal event was the resurrection of Car Care Saturday at Brian and Barbara Kruse's home. Brian and Clark Belvin performed oil changes and other tasks on member's cars while the rest of us supervised and told lies. It concluded with hot dogs and Oreo's, two of my favorite things.

Five of us went to CMP for a private track day. I am big enough of a man to admit Craig Perry and Kendall Bennett passed me. Those boys can drive.

Look for a second chance to tour DXDT for those who missed the most recent one and let me know if there's anything you would like to see us do or go see.

John Looney (aka "The Loon")

Automotive Director





MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER

November

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS:

Total Membership	467
Total Families	283
Prospective Members	48
New Members Year to Date	58
Avg. Monthly Attendance 2024	163

NEW MEMBERS:

Paul Brooks

Weddington, NC

CORVETTE: 2021 Zeus Bronze Convertible

Bruce & Dawna Golden

Denver, NC

CORVETTE: 2024 Torch Red Convertible

Tracy Neely & Barry Childers

Salisbury, NC

CORVETTES: 2001 Speedway White Convertible

2006 Red Convertible

Please check your information that appears in the member directory to make sure it is current. If anything needs to change (address, phone number, email, currently owned Corvette, etc.) you can use the following link to update: https://queencitycorvette.com/?page_id=3521

You can now order replacement nameplates with “member since YYYY” added under your name. The price is \$10 per nameplate. You can use the following link to request them:

https://queencitycorvette.com/?page_id=5209

If you need the password, please reach out to me or another board member.

Dan Brubaker

QCCC Membership Director

Rick Accurso presents Mr. Hendrick with QCCC Honorary Member VIN 0001 name tag and plaque.
October 2024



Awesome celebrations today for our 14th Dealer of the Year award!! So proud of our Family here at **Rick Hendrick City Chevrolet**!! It's amazing what awesome leadership and everyone working as a single entity can accomplish.. was "honored" to present Mr.H with his plaque as our first Honorary Member of **Queen City Corvette Club**... kinda cool to be 0001!





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Chris Boone, General Manager

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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.

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 pre-owned vehicles available through our Hendrick network. Shipping costs may apply.

PARTS & SERVICE

15% discount off posted customer-pay rate for GM original equipment parts and 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.

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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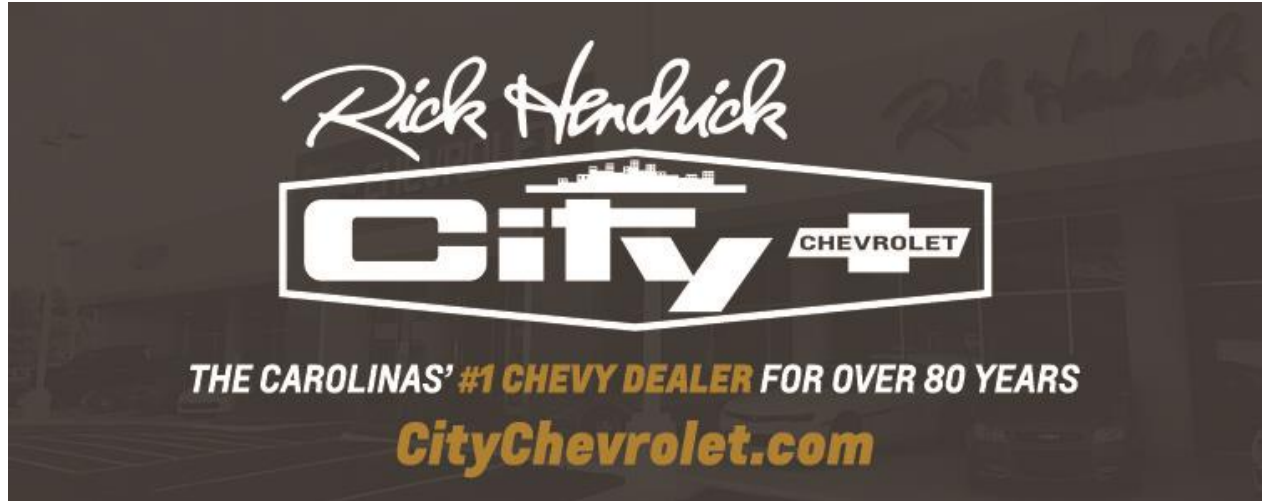
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2024 QCCC Car Show Summary



2024 Best of Show

Mike Pope 1967 Big Block, Marina Blue Coupe



Saturday was the perfect day for a car show. The weather was an absolute gorgeous fall day with plenty of sunshine and Queen City members came out by the droves. We had 175 QCCC Corvettes and over 250 members help with the show. Thank you so much for all that you do to make this the largest and best Corvette show of all times. It has taken over a year of planning, organizing and implementing to make all this happen. I would like to personally thank all the QCCC members who helped with the show and especially all the Team Leaders for organizing all your areas.

Here are a few stats that happened at the show:

- Heritage Center Ticket Sales 532 tickets / \$13,300.00
- Race Shop Ticket Sales 118 Tickets / \$4,650.00
- Donation to Hendrick Family Foundation will be \$17,950.00
- We had 823 Corvettes at the show
- 50/50 sold \$8,050.00
- Debbie Kroterfield from the Pace Car Registry won the 50/50 with \$4,025.00
- National Corvette Museum sold \$15,000.00 of merchandise
- The Food Trucks were bombarded with people and all said they exceeded their goals

- The Trolley Rides were full all day long with over 2,000 spectators
- Wings of Eagles received \$10,000.00 presented to Chris Cronin
- FeedNC received \$10,000.00 presented to Paul Mihelich
- Hendrick Family Foundation received \$17,950.00
- Samaritan's Purse will receive a check for \$6,300.00
- Jim Perkin's family presented \$3,000.00 to Vettes for Vets to help with their cause.
- Total presented to charities for the 13th Annual Corvette Show was \$47,250.00

Awards Presentation

Club with the longest distance driven went to Corvettes of Naples driving over 800 miles.

Club with most Corvettes at the show went to Victory Lane Corvette Club with 64 Corvettes at the show.

City Chevrolet Award went to Randy Tureck in a Black 1965 Corvette presented by Todd Moyer.

Jim Perkins Award went to Vettes for Vets as an organization dedicated to help Veterans. They also donated \$3,000.00 to the organization to help with their cause. Jayson Dortz received the award. Pat and Steve Perkins presented the award.

Hendrick Motorsport Award went to Darren Heavner and was presented by Dale Ledbetter.

QCCC Hendrick Choice Awards went to:

- Bruce Auten
- Lindsay Deneault
- Keith Cross
- Bill McLellan
- Don & Carolyn Zimmer
- Ereck Matthews
- Tommy Loftin
- Roger & Dee Dee Winge
- Scott Hamilton
- Tom Rockhold
- Paul Mitchell
- Paul DePascale
- Gary Spencer
- Quinto & Gail Frieser
- Tom Wallace

Stock / Show-N-Shine Judged Corvette Trophy Presentation / Tommy Loftin

- C-1 Runner up Floyd Gragg
- C-1 Class Winner Charles Murray
- C-2 Runner up Jame Coleman
- C-2 Class Winner Julian Polk
- C-3 Runner up Jarad Rumer
- C-3 Class Winner Tom Bollinger
- C-4 Runner up Devin Fleck
- C-4 Class Winner Tom Tlusty
- C-5 Runner up Terry Zellers
- C-5 Class Winner Ken Ochs
- C-6 Runner up Peter Roche
- C-6 Class Winner Jared Rummer
- C-7 Runner up Lame Rothwell
- C-7 Class Winner Tony Pinto
- C-8 Runner up Phil Gregory
- C-8 Class Winner Driefus Tinnel

Custom / Modified Judged Corvette Trophy Presentation / Tommy Loftin

- C-1 Class Winner Jerry Lyndon
- C-2 Class Winner John Brack
- C-3 Class Winner Allen Conway
- C-4 Class Winner Dennis Calkins
- C-5 Class Winner Joseph Miller
- C-6 Class Winner Roger McQueen
- C-7 Class Winner Darren James
- C-8 Class Winner Jason Dortz

Hendrick Performance Grand Prizes presented by Sandi Holder

- Jeff Gordon's Private Label Wine to Brian Gramberg
- Hendrick 40th Anniversary Cooler to Eddie Wagner
- Hendrick 40th Side Panel to Bill McLellan
- Hendrick 40th Anniversary Die Cast to Tody Waite

Thanks to all who helped make this years show a success.

QCCC Corvette Show Director

Tommy Loftin



QCCC CHARITY

November 2024



Please see Blasts for details regarding future volunteer opportunities for our charities.

UPCOMING EVENTS TO JOIN IN:

feedNC - Mooresville

www.feednc.org

Friday, December 13, 2024 – Kitchen and Dining Room volunteers

10:30 am – 2:30 pm

Contact Kim Knight to volunteer at nite100@aol.com

WINGS OF EAGLES - Concord

www.wingsofeaglesranch.org

No remaining events in 2024.

OTHER CHARITIES WE PARTICIPATE IN:

AUTO REPAIR MINISTRY at Next Level Church – Matthews

November 9 and 23, 2024

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

This organization helps single women by repairing and servicing their vehicles at low or no cost. If you'd like to volunteer on either the second or fourth Saturday of each month, contact QCCC Member

Dave Nowlan at dnowlan@carolina.rr.com

CORVETTE ANGELS TOY DRIVE – Charlotte NC

www.roadrunnervettes.com

Saturday November 2, 2024

9:00 am – 11:00 am

Every year, we support Road Runner Vettes Corvette Club by donating toys to be distributed to local children by the Salvation Army. Collection will take place in the Carolina Place Mall parking lot, by Southern Lion (former Sears).

Details are in a Blast dated October 22.

VETERANS AND COMMUNITY ALLIANCE (VCA) – Lincolnton

www.vcalincolnton.org



Saturday November 23, 2024 – Car Show

This organization helps veterans and their families by repairing and servicing their vehicles at low or no cost.

QCCC plans to attend their Car Show. Details will be in a future Blast.

RAY EVERNHAM'S AMERICARNA LIVE CAR SHOW – Davidson

www.eventbrite.com/e/ray-evernhams-amicarna-live-car-show-2024-registration-996122387877

Saturday November 30, 2024

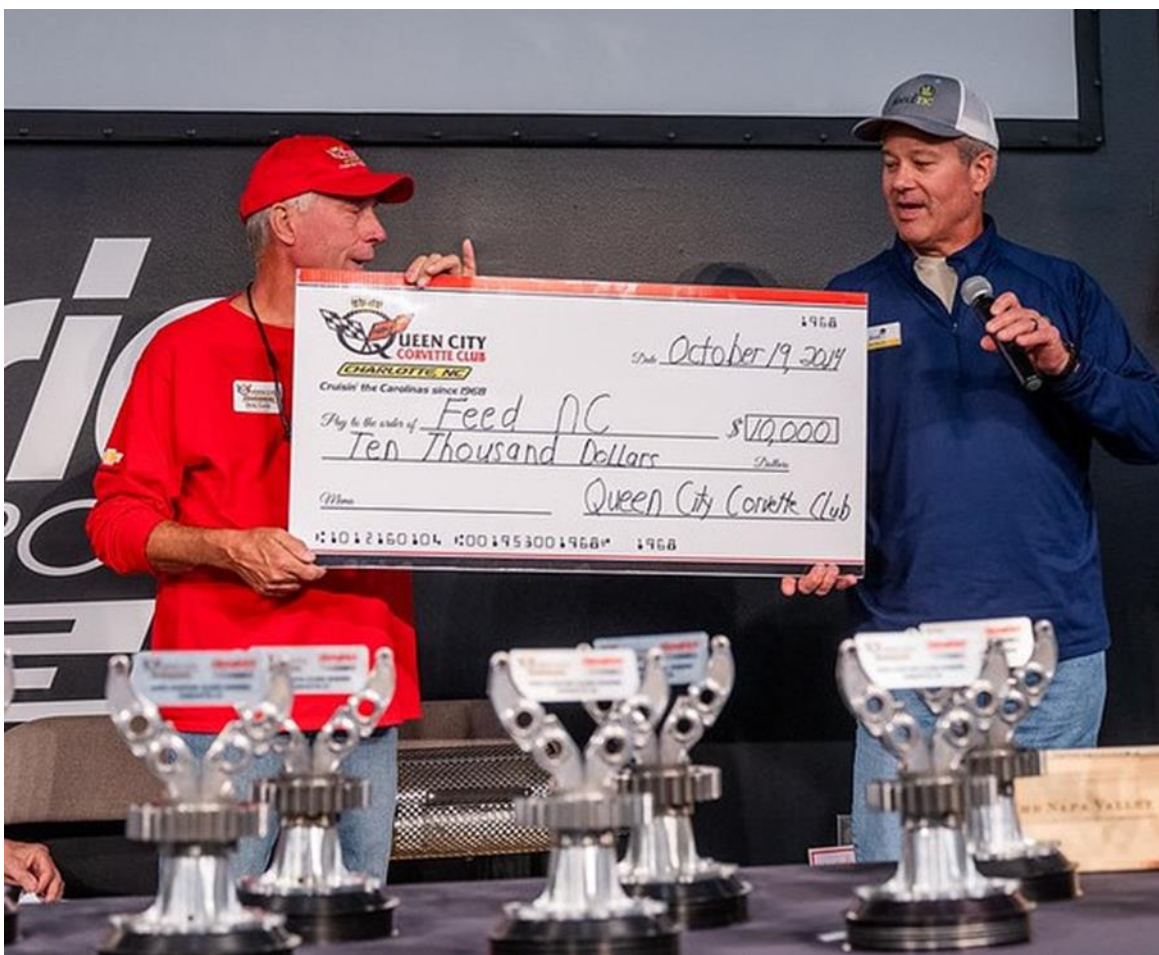
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Proceeds support the IGNITE community centers operated by the Autism Society of NC in Davidson, Raleigh, and Greensboro for young adults with autism. Details are in a Blast dated October 22.

Thank you for supporting our Charities.

Dick Gwilt

Charity Chairman



Donation presented to FeedNC at QCCC Car Show 2024



Donation presented to Wings of Eagles at QCCC Car Show 2024



Samaritan's Purse Headquarters in Boone NC will receive proceeds from QCCC Car Show 50/50 and donations.



Hello QCCC Members!

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

At our October meeting, we randomly drew a lucky name from those in attendance celebrating birthdays. Tom Pennoni was our winner and he received a \$50 restaurant gift card. Congratulations, Tom!

Hope to see you at our big November Meeting! ☺Until then, warmest regards,

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



November Birthdays

Michael Burton	11/2
Dick Coulter	11/3
Walt Krupowicz	11/4
Corinne Smith	11/4
Brice Auten	11/5
Richard Gwilt	11/6
Nancy McLellan	11/7
Helena Watts	11/7
Bud Curva	11/8
Norm Lontz	11/9
Jon Elliott	11/10
Jonni Ingram	11/12
Bill Johnston	11/12
Eric Matthews	11/12
Tracy Neely	11/12
Betty Snow	11/12
Dan Brubaker	11/14
Christopher Farrell	11/14
Elaine Page	11/15
Dianna Doebler	11/16
Richard Kashinsky	11/17
Sue Stickels	11/17
Cathy Pratt	11/18
Debra Fitzgerald	11/19
Joe McLear	11/19
Stephen Taylor	11/19
Larry Finocchi	11/20
Estela Harshbargar	11/21
JD Kisella	11/22
Kent Dahlstrom	11/27
Debbie Jett	11/27
Chris James	11/28
Fred McCoy	11/29
Nancy Thompson	11/29
Angela Brannick	11/30



NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM – NEWS AND UPDATES

Paul Mitchell – QCCC Ambassador to the NCM

November 2024

What a day October 19th was for QCCC and the Corvette community! Let's look at some of the very interesting points:

823 Corvettes at the show

\$47,250 presented to various charities

\$14,523 sales at National Corvette Museum tent

Chairperson of the NCM Kaye Wagner at our show

ZR1 preproduction Corvette at our show

Now, just let the above sink in. There is no other club-run Corvette show in the nation that can match these accomplishments. This is a huge achievement for QCCC. The Museum sales are double last year's, and the Museum staff and management are VERY appreciative. Our great partnership with Hendrick Motorsports allowed us to have the ZR1 at our show. The rest of the numbers speak for themselves. Such a proud day for QCCC!

We already have national recognition for this show, and it will only continue to increase. People all over the country have been talking about it, and there will be lots more talk. The show site at beautiful Hendrick Motorsports, the great food and other vendors we had, the special Pace Cars and Vettes for Vets cars, the tours, the silent auction, the trophies and special awards – there is so much to be so very proud of.

So, thank you to all QCCC members that played a part in the huge success. Each and every QCCC member needs to realize what this event was, and what it represented. A major undertaking by the best Corvette club in the nation. Again, be very proud!

QCCC HISTORY

All I can say about our recent 13th annual car show is “WOW”. Everything about this show proved if you keep working at it you can achieve perfection. My hat is off to all of the many members who contributed so much time and effort to make this the best show I have ever been associated with.

Some of my observations: It was great to see so many club members contribute their time and effort and those who did the planning and decision making did a fantastic job. I'm also proud and amazed at the incredible relationship QCCC has with all of the Hendrick organizations. The facility is perfect, the support is unbelievable and all of the numbers, money raised, participation and spectators exceeded anything I thought was possible. And the Corvettes! Have you ever seen so many diverse cars and owners? Every Corvette example you can think of was represented and reflected the owners taste. Plenty of good food, thanks to the ample number of food vendors, and perfect weather. I also think Keith Cross could be on the radio and Gary Cunningham should have gone to divinity school. And if that young lady that sang the National Anthem needs an agent, I'm available. I'm proud we always recognize God, our country, and veterans at these events.

One of the best things I observed is the increase in spectators, especially young families with children. Many car organizations and magazines have promoted the idea of “take a kid to a car show” with the goal of getting more young people interested in the car hobby. Nothing brings me more pleasure than seeing a youngster interested in my car and asking questions. And I usually offer them to sit in the car and have their picture made.

But the best conversation I had at this show was meeting a young man, probably in his early twenties, who told me he had just inherited his grandfather's C-2 with an interesting history. He is very excited at his opportunity to enjoy and maintain this legacy car, and I told him I'm sure his grandfather would be very proud of him.

I have to admit though, I love the privilege of hanging out with the “Golden Gears” guys, supported by the “Vintage Gang” and hearing the comments about how dumb or smart we are to hang on to the same car for fifty years. All of us have a different story which we love to share with those who ask, but we all pretty much agree that at an early age, this particular car satisfied our wants and needs and there wasn't any need to look any further. And we all agree that even though we have had plenty of opportunity to sell the car for profit, there was a place in our heart for “that” car. It is your car.

My '64 coupe had survived six different owners the first six years, and for various reasons, got sold or traded as the owners moved on. However, at the age of 23 with the most intense case of “Corvette fever”, limited resources, and a hell of a lot of finagling, I wound up with this car. Was it my favorite all time Corvette? No. But, it gave me something to work on and provided many hours of enjoyment and frustration and to this day, I have never considered it finished. But when you have put so much time, money and desire into see it improved to be the best it can be, it becomes “your” car. And fifty years went by very fast.

Travis Meredith

*Historian
President 1972 & 1976*

Vintage QCCC

With the Vintage Gang:

Bill Cruthis, Darrell Kirkley, Bill Ingram & Travis Meredith

More "Adventures" from QCCC of Decades Past



Somebody Call Columbo

Let me clarify before I get started. You will look long and hard before you will find a better couple of folks than our historian, Travis Meredith and his wife, Sharon. Having said that, we do have one unresolved issue.

To review a little history, I have often said in the 70's, the Meredith's carried QCCC on their backs. Trav was President '72 and '76 and Vice President in '75. Sharon was secretary in '72 and '76. On top of this they put out the QCCC newsletter every month. That was a big chore as back then you had to go to a place with a copy machine, run off the number of pages needed, staple, and fold them, and take them to the post office. (This is not a slight to any our recent keepers of the newsletter. They work just as hard. It is just different using modern technology.) Trav also is a very good artist which allowed him to constantly add his touch. Meanwhile, Sharon was the driving force that kept the QCCC gals connected helping them with wedding and baby showers at the clubhouse. She was also a big help getting monthly nights out. Credit for this also goes to Brenda Alberty. Keep in mind all the while they were raising three little babies. And you thought you had it tough.

The Caper

The facts. Most of the parking was beside and behind the clubhouse. That would be on Westover Ave. The close places were on the side of the house but these were impeded by some fairly good sized trees; however, you could park between them. As stated above Sharon was at the house a lot. Trav worked for his father-in-law at Charlotte Body Shop. Sharon was a fan of a bigger car to give her the most protection and working in a body shop gave Trav sometimes an inside line on a good used vehicle. These were often Suburbans. I am not saying this for sure, but these might have been a little too much for such a tiny little lady, but it was a good tank to protect the young ins. Once in a while the big rig would return home with a small dent here or there. Now, Trav after work would see the dents but we all know how hard it is to work all day then go home and work on the same thing. So the dents got repaired but not always in a rapid time frame. We became a good audience to the musings of Trav and Sharon.

The what the hxxx happened?

Late in our lives interaction with the Clubhouse there was an injury. It seems one of the nice trees beside the Clubhouse had a big chunk of bark skinned off of it about 3 feet off the ground.

The culprits. . .

- Local teens with pocket knives
- Someone got too close not paying attention
- The city garbage trash truck
- A club member having one too many at the back bedroom bar
- A hit from a big vehicle like a Suburban

Other facts. . .

While many times the members in the bar would over indulge of the Golden Nectar and we were usually driving Corvettes and we would have noticed anyone drowning their sorrows in beer had they hit the tree. Now it was well known that the ladies of the club really enjoyed their vino. The grapes were well consumed and that included Mrs. M. To make it worse we were not sure Mrs. M. could tell in that big box of a car if she ever hit anything. She also was spotted in the area that week. Possibly the best clue. . . Trav found a piece of tree bark wedged behind the piece of trim on that side of the big rig.

And Now. . .

It is in the cold case file. Sharon. The leading suspect is staying mum. No one else has come forward. If Sharon ever confesses Trav will be an accessory for buying such a big vehicle for such a tiny lady. I guess even Columbo can not help now, as Westover Road and the tree and the clubhouse have all been demolished in the name of progress.

We have all heard versions of this case usually while having a beer at the clubhouse. Every time, it never fails to bring a laugh. Great times in the old days with friends at QCCC.

Submitted by Bill Cruthis

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If you go to an event and take pictures/videos – please share them with us. That way they can be shared by all members!

How to share your photos: Please email Alton and let him know you have photos to share and the event where you took the photos. Also, give him the name and date of the event. He will send you a link where you can copy your photos. Once they are on this link, let Alton know and he will upload them to our website.

We could also use members to volunteer to take pictures during the events. If you are interested and want to do that, please contact Alton Loe via email: photo@queencitycorvette or give him a call (his number is in the club directory).

Thank you!

Alton Loe

QCCC Photography Coordinator

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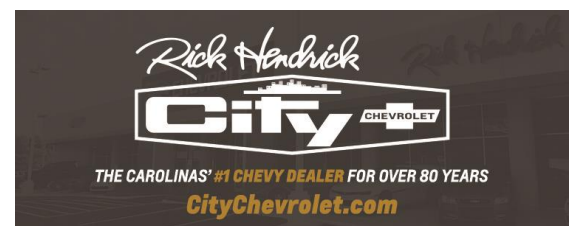
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