

NORTH TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB

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The Wave



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Hopefully the weather is about to cool a bit so we can all spend some time outside enjoying our friends and

toys. There are a number of upcoming events for the North Texas Corvette Club. Please take some time to check out the activities that have been planned.

Speaking of which, a number of our members will be in Eureka

Springs for Corvette Weekend. Marc will be conducting our monthly meeting on October 1st. Thanks to all who have agreed to help him during my absence. Hopefully we will be back to full strength for the November 5th meeting.

Get out on the road and have some fun with your Corvette. I look forward to seeing all of you soon.

Carl

Activities Director



day but a good time was had by all that attended.

September 17th and 18th is the Wichita Falls Corvette show. There will not be an organized cruise to this show. But if you go, have a great time.

On September 26th we will have our Sunday Cruise. This cruise will be different from the ones in the past. On this cruise we will drive for about an hour and a

half, at which time we will stop for a great sit-down dinner. After dinner it will be an easy drive home for all. So I hope to see you all on this day at Good Eats. We will depart at 2:30 sharp. Please make sure you have plenty of fuel.

The next event will be a great load of fun. We have 16 cars going to Eureka Springs, AR, for four days of fun. Yes, I said it twice and I will say it again, FUN, FUN, FUN. This is what it is all about. For those who are going, I will see you in McKinney at 7:00 AM. For those not going, I hope you can find a way to have as much fun as those that are going.

In October we have several items on the calendar.

- Oct. 9th is the Granbury Corvette show
- Oct 16th is the Cowtown Corvette show
- Oct 23rd will be a cruise to the VA hospital in Bonham
- Oct 30th is the Halloween party at Charley and Lynn Davis's place.

Please watch the Web Calendar for details on these functions.

As always, drive safe,ly and above all have FUN, FUN, FUN.

Paul Loser

Notes from the VP Desk....



Well, once again the North Texas Corvette Club was well represented at the Denton Square Annual Car Show and Arts event. Several members showed their cars and other members stopped by to say hi. Leon

brought his newly painted 1958 (still a work in process) for its first show after getting a nice Panama Yellow with White Coves paint job. Wild Thang (aka Will) and Paul Loser chewed the fat with Clay in the shade of the Denton Court House (enjoying some fine tobacco), and even our ex-pres., Kermit made the scene. Other than a few sprinkles and

Bunky not listening for his cell phone calls, the day was hot, sticky and a lot of fun.

We weren't able to snag any awards (since there were about 40 Corvettes and only one Corvette class the competition was fierce). Tom Martin and Marsh brought their very nice 62 and Bunky had the 56 there (entering into the convertible class so as not to show up the other Corvettes he said??).

Paul Loser made our feelings known to the Main Street Association, re: one class for Corvettes (about 40 entrants) and 8 classes for motorcycles (only 9 were entered), so EVERYONE, almost, got a nice trophy.

Maybe next year we should show up with

our bikes instead of our Corvettes? :->> NOT.

David Hanks spent the first few morning minutes scrambling to get Charlie Davis' 1970 ready for judging as the breakfast was laid in front of him only to be told the judges were already at it on cars just to the left of the yellow 70.

This month will be an interesting meeting as many members will be in Eureka Springs for the annual Corvette weekend. Perhaps I may actually have a chance to win the 50/50 (my luck it will be a pot of about \$12.50)....oh well...til next month.

C YA

Marc

National Corvette Museum Ambassador



It's never too early to be making our plans to attend major anniversary celebrations at the Museum. NCM's 20th anniversary will be Labor Day Weekend, 2014.

The Museum just announced the third group of captains for the 2014 Caravan. All are experienced caravaners and most with previous captain duties. They will be putting together their organizing teams in the near future and will be calling on those in their areas for assistance. The Museum recommends that those planning on participating in the 2014 Caravan that are interested in volunteering do so early. This will do a lot to assure the captains will have the resources necessary in time to ensure the smoothest, most satisfying Caravan yet!

So. CA/S. NV - Hib Halverson, Goleta, CA,
Colorado - Richard Loch, Hudson, CO,
Central TX - Roy Carman, Grapevine, TX,
Georgia - Vicki Hicks, Canton, GA

NCM just announced the Corvette Clubs who won this year's "Best Newsletter" award! They received nearly 100 entries in the two categories, printed and electronic, and the points were close. They send their thanks to everyone who sub-

mitted an entry and look forward to having even more next year.

Printed:
1st - Northern California Corvette Association
2nd - Sam Houston Corvette Club
3rd - Nashville Corvette Club

Online:
1st - Corvette Club of Santa Barbara
2nd - Lone Star Corvette Club
3rd - Corvette Club of Utah

Our thanks to our editor, Sue Loser, for entering our NTCC Newsletter. We'll get 'em next year!

NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM
COMING EVENTS
September 21-25: Pace Car Reunion at the GM Proving Grounds/Milford, Michigan
October 12-16: "One Lap" of Kentucky
October 23-24: Camaro-Firebird Classic
November 4-6: Vets & Vettes



CORVETTE RACING



At the ALMS Mobil 1 Grand Prix of Mosport in Ontario, August 29th, the Corvettes finished 4th and 5th in class less than 15 sec. behind the winning Porsche. Magnussen and Gavin's No. 4 Corvette ZRI had the fastest individual lap time in the GT class. Ferrari and BMW finished 2nd and 3rd. GT competitors in the top nine places finished within two laps of the class winner separated by less than two minutes in the 2 hr.-20 min. race. Both Corvette teams were gearing-up for the final half-hour of the event (and realistically expecting podium finishes, even a win) when the race was halted due to an unreparable guard rail on the high-speed straight damaged by a crash. The race was finished with only a final ceremonial lap run under caution with all competitors frozen in the places they held at the 2:15 mark

Corvette Racing's next event is the season-ending ALMS Petit Le Mans at Road Atlanta on October 2nd. It will be televised live on SPEED from 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.. Live radio coverage will be available on American Le Mans Radio, Sirius Channel 127, and XM Channel 242.

Until next meeting,
Save the Wave,
Chuck Smith

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Joel Robinson
September 30

Steve Hansen
September 30

Nancy McMinn
October 2

Charles Cole
October 6

Jim Gentry
October 7

Lloyd Hensley
October 10

Debbie Weigenant
October 12

Dennis Kohl
October 12

Mike Keller
October 12

Anniversaries

Marc & Sarah Hughes
September 21

Elwyn Short
September 30

Les & Carolyn Long
September 30

Charles & Mary Cole
October 5

Calendar

- Sept 17-18 **Wichita Falls Corvette Show**
- Sept. 26 **Sunday Dinner Cruise—depart Good Eats at 2:30 pm**
- Sept 20-Oct 3 **Eureka Springs Corvette Show—Thursday group: depart Chik-fil-A in McKinney at 7am; Friday group: depart McDonald's at 35 & 380 at 6:30 am**
- Oct 1 **Monthly Meeting—James Wood, 7:30 pm**
- Oct 9 **Brazos River Corvette Show, Granbury**
- Oct 23 **Bonham Veterans' Home**
- Oct 30 **Halloween Party—Charlie & Lynn Davis'**
- Nov. 5 **Monthly Meeting—James Wood 7:30 pm**



Corvette Stuff for Sale

It's time to clean out that garage or closet. Post an ad for anything Corvette-related for a mere \$5. All proceeds will go to the Christmas Party. You can email me (a.sue.loser@gmail.com) with the info and pictures and I will post it for one month.

September Meeting Minutes

The September 3rd meeting was called to order by President Carl Reeves at 7:33 pm. New members, Greg and Donna Strum, owners of a Black '05, and visitors Ken Halterman and Mary Kee were introduced to the group. Ken owns a Cyber Grey Metallic Grand Sport and Mary, Crystal Red 2008, which happens to be the 8th Vette she has owned. Also introduced were Jim and Diane Porter from Rockwall, owners of a Yellow C5. There was also a visitor who arrived a little late and left a little early. His first name is Scott and he is the owner of a 2006 Daytona Sunset Orange Vette. Unfortunately, I did not hear his last name, so if anyone remembers, or if he is in attendance at this meeting, I will add his full name to the amended minutes.

Minutes of the August meeting were read. Ray Guidry donated the Vettes on the Rockies poster that was given away at the July meeting, not Clay Clarkson as was reported.

In the absence of Lisa Davis, Carl Reeves reported the club balance of \$3837.50 and the 50/50 fund at \$619.50.

Currently there are 99 paid members, as reported by Dennis Sipolt.

Vice President, Marc Hughes informed the group that Jim Peterson was able to update the website with the new password for the month of September. Jim also has not sited any Vettes in his travels thus far throughout China and Asia. Anyone interested in club merchandise can print order forms from the club website.

Paul Loser highlighted some of August's activities:

A thank you to Sam and Paula Paschal for hosting the Ice Cream Social on August 21st.

Compliments also to Clay Clarkson for another successful Sunday evening Ice Cream Cruise on the 29th.

Regarding upcoming activities:

Those participating in the September 11th Arts, Antiques and Automob-

biles show in Denton will meet in the parking lot at El Guapo's at 7:30 a.m.

Anyone planning to attend the show in Wichita Falls the 17th – 19th, will be on their own, as no one at the meeting has plans to attend.

Paul and Sue Loser will plan the upcoming Sunday evening cruise on the 26th and will plan to start the cruise earlier with dinner following.

Details will be in the next newsletter.

There are 16 cars planning to make the trip to Eureka Springs on the 30th. Please give Sue Loser your cell phone number so that she can circulate a list to the group.

The Brazos River Corvette Show will be held on October 9th in Granbury. This year the show will be 1 block off the town square due to restorations at the Court House.

There will be a trip to the Veteran's Hospital in Bonham on October 23rd.

A Halloween Party at will be held at Charlie Davis' home in Gainesville on Saturday the 30th. Everyone will bring party "goodies" to share.

In the absence of Chuck Smith, National Corvette Museum Ambassador, Marc Hughes reported that:

The 16th Anniversary Celebration and Hall of Fame induction would be well underway

Marc also invited those who might be interested to plan on joining him on a caravan to the Museum in 2114 for the 20th Anniversary Celebration.

It was also mentioned to the group that the Museum holds regular Corvette Raffles, some with donations as low as \$10.

New News:

Ken Halterman asked the group if anyone was planning on attending the upcoming regional meeting of the NCRS (National Corvette Restoration Society) in Albuquerque. No one had made plans to do so.

Several members shared interesting trips that they had made in the last month:

Terry Smith and Steve Hansen traveled to Road America in Wisconsin, also enjoying a side trip to Lam-

beau Field and the Harley Museum in Milwaukee.

Bunkie and Sandra Garonzik attended motorcycle races at the Bonneville Salt Flats.

Terry and Lynne Newman attended the 2010 Historic Automobile Races in Monterey, CA where vintage cars of all makes and models race. Not surprisingly, side trips included various regional wineries. (...and yes, 4 cases of wine will fit in a C5)

The Upcoming Christmas Party was discussed. A motion was made and seconded to maintain the gift exchange as part of the celebration. Carl suggested that if additional monies are collected, that they be donated to Christ's Haven.

Paula and Sam Paschal will be serving on the Lewisville Symphony Board. They have informational flyers if anyone would like one.

Terry Newman volunteered to read and take the minutes at the October 1st meeting.

Carl passed out a Restaurant List Questionnaire for Les Long.

The 50/50 pot of \$69.00 was won by Terry Smith.

There were 50 in attendance.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm with dinner immediately following at Genti's.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Rafferty, Secretary