

Meeting Minutes
NORTH TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB
September 3, 2021

President Tom Prohaska called the September 3rd meeting of the North Texas Corvette Club to order at 7:30 pm.

Speaking from Minnesota via Zoom, Vice President Mike Martin introduced visitors Nick and Angela York who hail from Denton and are the delighted owners of a low mileage 2001 Metallic Red, 6 speed, manual transmission, C5.

The August meeting minutes were read and approved by John Kennedy & seconded by Charlie Davis.

Treasurer, Cindy Smith, updated the totals in the checking, CD accounts and the 50/50 balance. There were no new checks written in the month of August. The report was approved by Bill Shores and seconded by Ken Bradshaw.

There are currently 96 paid members in the club according to Kay Pace, Membership Chair. There are still 2 membership applications that were submitted without an accompanying dues payment. New members should complete the 2021 application and mail it with the \$50 dues per car/couple and mail it to Cindy Smith, club Treasurer. Kay clarified that if you have a significant other both names are listed together to avoid confusion.

Tom Prohaska updated the attendees on the past month's Sunshine Report as Lynne & John Hellmers are traveling to an IMSA (International Motor Sport Association) race. Lynne sent a sympathy card to Jimmy Robinson and reported that both Susan & Bill Chambers are doing well after their recent procedures.

Kay Pace, filling in for Shirley Hensley, Merchandising Chair, requested members to review the catalog from SanMar.com and forward all requests to Shirley who will order & get the selected merchandise to the embroiderer for personalization.

Tom Prohaska also reported updates for John Hellmers, National Corvette Museum Ambassador. John continues to encourage club members to:

- Join the NCM and receive the newest America's Sportscar Magazine which currently features club member Cheryl Rybka
- Utilize the NCM's Insurance Program &
- Consider a Museum Delivery for your next new Corvette or the NCM Experience for your current Vette.

News from the Museum :

- Sharon Brawner is the new President & CEO for the Museum. She was formerly the Senior VP of Sales & Marketing at the Country Music Hall of Fame & Museum in Nashville.

Upcoming events at the museum include:

- NCM 27th Anniversary Celebration – September 2 – 4
- SOKY Patriots “A RIDE TO REMEMBER” – September 11 A cruise tour to honor heros. With a donation of \$136 you can sponsor a mile in the name of your hero with your donation going to sponsor one child for a year. 100% of proceeds going to the Warren County Backpack food Program. Cost per vehicle on the cruise tour is \$20 with a charge of \$10 for each additional rider on or inside the vehicle.
- Museum in Motion: National Parks (AZ & UT) – September 19 – 25 (Wait list available)
- Corvette Racing @ AACA Museum, Hershey PA October 14-16th (He & Lynne have attended the last 4 and highly recommend it!
- Vets & Vettes presented by Mobil 1 – November 4 – 6

Dan Pace, Activities Chair thanked Betty & Bill Shores for hosting an outstanding cruise & outing to the Woody’s Classic Cars & Baseball Museum in Cross Plains, TX on August 20th. It was truly a unique museum in an unexpected location!

On August 28th, Dan hosted a well-attended activities planning meeting and followed it with a 13-car drive-by for former member Stuart Nelson who is a patient at a Corinth nursing home.

In addition to the monthly meetings upcoming club activities include:

- On September 25th – Gale & Richard Gore are hosts for The Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville, TX (mandatory to display an American Flag). Attendees are to meet at Braum's Ice Cream on University at 7:00 - 7:15am. In addition to the parade, Medal of Honor recipients will be on hand on request to sign any Military or Wartime books. The day will conclude with a cruise to the Hidden Hanger Winery in Denison.
- On October 7th – 10th – Susan and David Rayshell will lead The Southern Heritage Cruise. At the time of the meeting, Susan said 1 room has become available. Get in touch with her if you are interested in joining the tour.
- October 9th – There are 2 events of interest. A “Pimp My Ride” Car Show will be held in Lewisville. This is a fundraiser for a Police Officer in need. Cost to show is & \$15 per car with all proceeds going to the officer. If the club has 10 cars they will be able to be staged as a group.
Also on the 9th, The Brazos River Corvette Car Show will be held in Granbury. In the past many club members have won Class Awards at this all Corvette Show.
- October 16th – Dave and Beverly Werner will host a cruise to Celina to lunch at Bongo Beaux’s and proceed to Hey, Sugar Candy Store for treats. The cruise will depart from the Stonehill Shopping Center at 10:00 am.
- On October 30th – November 3rd – Dan & Kay Pace will host a cruise to Eureka Springs, Arkansas which will include a drive along the Pig Trail.
- As a reminder, December 11th is the scheduled Christmas Party to be held at the Hilton Garden Inn at Alliance Airport. Cost will be \$130 per couple and rooms are being held for NTCC members for \$89 for a King Room. Checks should be sent to Cindy Smith and made out to the Club. If you are planning to attend, please notify Tom Prohaska or Mike Martin, as a minimum number must be met to secure the reservation.

In Communications, Betty Shores noted that there were 280 users of the website from America, Asia Europe & Africa. Most US visitors were from Texas, others from Oklahoma Arkansas, Ohio, California & Georgia. Of particular interest, 28 browsers translated the site to Chinese. Most viewed is the main page followed by the Activities Calendar, the tour & photos of Cross Plains and the membership list. If you have personal photos, Betty would appreciate your emailing them so she can add them to the membership list. Betty also added a list of emails to use to send messages directly to an officer. She also added a sub-page under the club Calendar for other events members have mentioned.

The Executive Committee has had no new updates to report. If members have concerns make someone on the committee aware.

In Old Business, members are requested to send Kay Pace the date that you joined the club.

In New Business, Tom again asked that members consider stepping up for leadership positions. Participation is key to the success of the club. Changing personnel can be refreshing for an organization and as John Kennedy noted, becoming involved is a great way to get to know club members and the demands on time are minimal. Bill Shores also brought up that term length might need to be reviewed by the board.

Lynn Davis won the 50/50 pot of \$60.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. There were 35 in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Rafferty
Secretary