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June Chapter Meeting Refreshments will be provided by Chris Moore

The Scoop By Sharyl Ingham

Oh my, I didn't realize how many sweatpants I owned!

I am sure you will agree with me, we have all had good days and bad days during this quarantine time. But seriously, the GOOD outweigh the bad; things happen for a reason and while we are in this together let's make the best of this way of life right now. We all have somebody in our family that we need to protect so let's just do the right thing and follow the protocol of staying safe. I think all parents would like to hear that at some point whatever was preached to your children at an early age or ongoing that the lightbulb comes on, right? It just so happened on Mother's Day (a very appropriate day) my daughter paid me a very high compliment, reminding me that I had always told her to be kind to others and how she reached out during this pandemic time to help her neighbors by giving them hand sanitizer/soap when it was scarce in Hawaii. To her amazement, although this was a small offering, they were very appreciative. That certainly made my day! When something like that happens parents, embrace it because you done good! Please join with me in giving a shout out to the moms with their 24/7 new life that started March 13th. They are the foundation! It hasn't been easy for them being home with the kids day in and day out, helping with their virtual schooling, maintaining the household, preparing meals, etc.

While I am acknowledging people let's also take time out to extend our appreciation to all those fathers for all that they are doing as well. So, when you hear "We are all in this together and will get through this together", believe it!

I am sure you have stories of what you have been doing to pass the time away. I am no different. I am not working on the `69 but my mechanic is and to be quite honest, although he complains about doing some of the work, I don't pay any attention to any of his grumbling because he is enjoying the challenge and wants the satisfaction of accomplishing it on his own. I have offered my services but ... he has yet to take me up on it. Truly, is this a man thing, the sense of pride of doing this on his own? Well, I am lucky Mike is enjoying the hobby. Speaking of the hobby, his time as President has not been idle. He, with the NCRS lawyer, recently revised the "Hold Harmless" agreement language making sure the NCRS is protected against any potential coronavirus occurrence. Please take the time to read it, besides which we all have to sign it.

Dave Houlihan, one of our remote Chapter members, hosted a Judging School on May 16th, a Trim Tag Judging School, and will host another on June 20th. Please sign up, this is a terrific way to continue learning and getting judging points during this dormant time of NCRS events.

Our Fall Meet in Sonora in September is cancelled. I will try to make similar arrangements for 2021.

Please make a notation on your calendar. I have a new contract for Suisun City for our Spring Meet, April $23^{rd}-24^{th}$ 2021.

I plan on "Zooming" our Chapter meetings, the same day as though we were physically meeting, on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm. I will send out the information the day prior. I look forward to you joining.

I am sure you have noticed that I haven't sent out any birthday or anniversary cards. I will resume when we are through this pandemic. Mike and I still wipe and disinfect our mail/packages and I assume many of you are doing the same.

Make the most of your birthdays/anniversaries starting with Cathy Bergmann, June 2nd; Ian Gaston, June 3rd; Doug Wathor, June 5th; Gary and Linda Hiltunen's anniversary, June 10th; Wayne Yurtin, June 11th; Beth Bartow's and John Tidwell's birthday as well as NCC's 42nd anniversary, all June 12th; Michael Day, June 20th; Jerry Palmer, June 21st; Mike Hachigian, June 23rd; Dave Houlihan, June 26th; and Melissa Bornstein, June 27th. As for noteworthy happenings within the month: National Donut Day is ALWAYS the first Friday of June, (June 5th) you might want to venture to a local donut shop since you might get a free donut; Flag day, June 14th; First day of Summer (Remember Summer is a state of mind, embrace and enjoy it), June 20th; and bring on the BBQ on Father's Day, June 21st.

As redundant this may sound when I first took over as Chapter Chairman, I always ended my meetings with the 3 B's: Be Safe, Be Kind and Be Grateful. I believe "Being Kind" is a new way of living. Share your kindness, it goes a long way!

Mike and I are so grateful to all of you that have reached out to us one way or another. It may be because of the pandemic but who cares, let's all live with gratitude!

Verse by the Side of the Road

BACHELORS QUARTERS DOG ON THE RUG WHISKERS TO BLAME NO ONE TO HUG Burma-Shave

This `n That By Glorie McNay

As we begin to faze in some businesses it is my hope that you will take precautions whenever you leave your home. And maintain as safe a home as you can. It is my opinion that we will be disinfecting and wearing a \bigcirc for months to come. STAY SAFE and STAY WELL. Hope your are smiling behind the mask it shows in your eyes.

On another subject I would like to tell everyone of a program sponsored by private business in our community. We have been surprised by being the benefactors of this wonderful program. Clark Pacific, a large cement company, has worked with local restaurants to help keep their staffs employed and the older veterans in our community safe at home as much as possible.

One day a week, Tuesday for us, a delivery person arrives with a large container carrying two servings of two meals. Instructions for heating and a description of the meals is attached to the container along with notation that would like help our senior veterans out of the stores as much as possible and to thank them for their service...and that this food delivery will continue as long as we are sheltering in place.

The participating restaurants keeps their employees employed and local food producers a place to sell their product and to reward their veterans for their service. We receive our meals from Mojo's/kitchen 428. If ever you come to Woodland please plan a meal with them the food is delicious, if it is safe you might find us there.

We can't wait to get back to NCRS as usual!

AZ Chapter WebEx Judging School Summary By Bob Grauer 27592

On Saturday April 25th Gary Craig of the Arizona Chapter NCRS presented an online judging school hosted on WebEx. The subject was "Stamp Pad Surface Finish -Broach Marks". Approximately 71 members joined the broadcast which included a PowerPoint presentation, hosted dialog, member commentary and guestions. For the most part the broadcast went quite smoothly, even for members who were not generally familiar with the WebEx experience. Since many of our Northern CA members were unable to attend or unaware, I took some notes and thought I would share my takeaways from the presentation. If you have the opportunity to see this presentation, please do. Gary and his team did a thorough job of using pictures of machine parts, cutters/broaches, and pad results that this publication cannot adequately present.

I will try to follow the order of the presentation. Engines were loaded back-to-front. This is important because the lines created by the cutting of the surface begin at the back of the engine and finish at the front. The cutting process comes toward the front of the engine. Fractures are common at the leading edges of the stamp pad for Flint engines and very much less common for Tonawanda engine blocks. A number of examples were provided. This is due to the hardness of the iron casts used at each foundry. Paint in the stamp pad numerals was not considered a problem, however an entire painted surface, as normally judged is a cause for failure. Personal note- I disagree here. The stamp pad surface must be free of paint per our Judging Reference Manual. Grind outs for major factory repairs on the pad are considered acceptable pad finishes. Personal note- I disagree. It is impossible for a judge to know whether a grind out of the entire pad was done by the factory. These are not the typical pad finishes that are expected. A single digit that grinds out to convert an engine where the pad is still generally intact and demonstrating factory typical markings is an exception where I can agree. Rough or deeper cut lines are reflective of a dull cutter nearing the end of its service life and are typical. New cutters tend make finer lines. Since blocks are loaded back to front, cutting lines often have a small dot at the base of the line (imagine a thermometer) when the cutter blade lifts the debris out of the cutting line (examples were provided, magnification required). Cutters were angled at 1/4 of 1 degree and create an angled cut rather than a valley cut (magnification required). Any circular marks are not factory applied. All non-parallel lines are not factory machine applied. Every broach cut line must be exactly parallel to every other. Even slightly non-parallel lines indicate a milling, belt sanding or hand grind that indicates a non-factory process. Judging guidance - Diagonal filing marks applied by engine rebuilders are meant to disguise non factory stamp pad changes and rebuilds.

I cannot possibly cover everything that Gary and his team covered on their two hour presentation. Hopefully my notes may be interesting and helpful. These NCRS approved virtual judging schools are an excellent opportunity to engage while everything else is on hold. If you can, please take advantage of these excellent presentations.

Rivet Tool Available for Loan

This tool is primarily intended for installing the rebound straps on C1's. If you are interested, contact Mike Ingham at: 510-420-0968 or michael.ingham248@gmail.com



Mass Mailing Clarification

To make the Editor's job easier, I have asked Marci to start utilizing NCRS's Mass Mailing feature to distribute the Vettecetera as well as other NCRS related e-mails from other people. Please do NOT respond to her, respond to the person who authors the e-mail.

Technical Articles Wanted

If you have been thinking about writing up some restoration project you have completed, please do so and submit it for publication. We can all benefit from one another's learning's. If possible, submit your article as a Word document, and any accompanying pictures as .jpg files.

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NCC Dues

NCC dues are \$30 per year. Please start paying via PayPal. If you choose to fill out a membership form it can be found on the last page of the Vettecetera. When and if you have changes (e.g., e-mail address, Corvettes owned) please send those changes to me via e-mail at: <u>sharylingham@gmail.com</u>. Thank you.

Chapter Meeting Location

The location for Chapter meetings is at St. Peter's Episcopal Church located at 6013 Lawton Avenue, Oakland, CA 94618.

Note from the Editor

In order to make things easier, all ads will be printed in the Vettecetera for 3 months. If you would like to run it longer just notify me, and I will run it for another 3 months. Also please notify me if you have sold your items, so I can delete your ad.

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Annual rates for business card ads are as follows: \$15 for NCC members; \$25 for non-NCC members. Please send your business card along with a check made out to NCC/NCRS to Marci Albers, 3949 Estate Drive, Vacaville, CA 95688.



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2020 Event Calendar

Date	Description	Location
June 9 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
August 22 nd – 30 th	Corvettes of Carlisle	Carlisle, PA
September 8 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
September 11 th -13 th	IMSA Race @ Laguna Seca	Monterey, CA
September 13 th	SMC Cars and Coffee, 8-10 St. Mary's College	Moraga, CA
September 18 th -19 th	NCC Fall Meet, Heritage Inn	Sonora, CA
October 9 th -10 th	SCC Fall Meet	Anaheim, CA
October 11 th	SMC Cars and Coffee, 8-10 St. Mary's College	Moraga, CA
October 13 th	NCC Meeting: Nominations for Officers	Via Zoom
October 16 th -17 th	Arizona Fall Judging Meet @ Barrett Jackson Showroom	Scottsdale, AZ
October 16 th -17 th	Central California Fall Judging Meet	TBD
October 22 nd -24 th	Lone Star Texas Regional	Frisco, TX
November 10 th	NCC Meeting: Elections for Officers and Book Drive	Via Zoom
November 20 th -22 nd	Muscle Cars and Corvette Nationals (MCCN)	Chicago, IL
December 8 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
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May 21, 2020

Ms. Sharyl Ingham NCC-NCRS, INC 6047 Lawton Ave Oakland, CA 94618

Dear Ms. Ingham, Ms. McNay and NCC-NCRS, INC,

Thank you so much for your recent thoughtful donation of \$50.00 to Meals on Wheels Yolo County. Your gift is especially needed and meaningful during these very uncertain times.

During the past month or two, we have had to move quickly and pivot seamlessly not only to be able to continue the work we usually do during this COVID-19 virus, but also to adapt to a world with totally different rules and circumstances in order to care for Yolo County's hungry seniors:

- The first task was closing our 4 senior center sites, where groups of mobile seniors attended each day to enjoy a congregate meal and socialize together. So, we packaged up meals and set up a "to-go" curbside pick-up service, so clients could pick up their meal to take it home to eat.
- Then, when the governor said all of those 65+ and with underlying health conditions had to stay at home, we had to transition again, and moved all of those congregate diners to home delivery, adding them to the roster along with our homebound folks.
- We called all 400 of our clients and the 96 on our waiting list for meals, to ask how they were doing, identifying those at risk, chatting with those who were lonely. We are now in the process of doing that again, for an update.
- We cut down deliveries from 5 days/week to twice a week, in order to minimize exposure of volunteers and clients to each other. (Sadly, but it had to be done.) We are still delivering 5 meals per week on Tuesdays and Fridays, with multiple meals being delivered each time.
- All of our staff have been rotated out at least 1 day a week to either work from home or take vacation, in order that their exposure is reduced by at least 20%.
- We are in the process of moving those on our waiting list to receiving meals, as we are able to.

Coronavirus is a food security issue for low income and homebound seniors, and your important donation is vital in supporting our work with seniors right here in our Yolo County community, by providing food, a friendly greeting (from 6 feet away), phone check-ins, and more. Donors like you are more important than ever during this virus, and a critical component of our ability to do this job.

Because of you, we can keep helping our Yolo County senior neighbors remain healthy and feeling like someone cares about them. We sincerely appreciate your gift; thank you.

Warm Regards and Be Well,

Christi Skibbins

Executive Director

Stay informed about how we are putting your donation to work: On the web: mowyolo.org and on Facebook: Meals on Wheels Yolo County

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