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### The Scoop

By Sharyl Ingham

Wow, where has the time gone?

I know for the past few months I have voiced my opinion and been very emotional about the incident that happened to us Inghams in February. I have taken this betrayal very hard and have vented with you, the Chapter members, as my sounding board. Mike has all the class in the family and many of you know me well enough that I will tell it as it applies to me without any hesitation.

Betrayal is probably the most devastating loss a person can experience. To be betrayed you must have placed trust in the "Betrayer" in the first place. That is the case here and this person violated my trust.

This should never have occurred, but now that it has, it was due to her deliberately hurtful personal behavior in her quest for power. When this first happened, I was overwhelmed with emotion and felt numb as though someone had punched me in the gut. I am still working my way through the anger stage. I did voice my hope to her, pointing out her wrongdoing and suggesting she "step down" for the sake of the organization. Clearly, that is not going to happen.

That brings me to the super sadness that I am now feeling for all that I will miss in the future. I think I can safely add Mike to what I am feeling as well because we have had great experiences working as a team being great

NCRS Ambassadors for the good of the organization.

Strike up the band and proudly display your flag on Independence Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>; eat ice cream on National Ice Cream Day, July 17<sup>th</sup>!

Best wishes and congratulations to the members with July birthday and anniversary celebrations, starting with Marilyn Muhlker, July 1<sup>st</sup>; Pauline Cross' birthday and Jerry and Pat Louer's anniversary sharing July 2<sup>nd</sup>; Don and Carol Troyer's anniversary, July 6<sup>th</sup>; Don Troyer, July 7<sup>th</sup>; Michael and Linda Pierce's anniversary, July 10<sup>th</sup>; Lisa Johnson, July 13<sup>th</sup>; Don Mullenhoff, July 20<sup>th</sup>; Ed and Barbara Vignone's anniversary (I think this is the first time they won't be celebrating at the Convention), July 21<sup>st</sup>; Carol Troyer, July 22<sup>nd</sup>; Janet Palmer, July 23<sup>rd</sup>; Rick Gower and Marshal Crossan sharing July 26<sup>th</sup>; Mickey Swezey and Bill Cash sharing July 29<sup>th</sup>; and Jaime Gesundheit, July 30<sup>th</sup>.

This is something to put on your calendar as well. Doug and Bonnie Wathor have offered their home as a place for our Fall Meet, October 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> in Brentwood, CA. Thank you Doug and Bonnie! More information at the July meeting.

See you on Zoom, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm!

## **NCC Meeting Minutes June 14, 2022**

Chairman Sharyl Ingham welcomed everyone to the June meeting at 7:00 pm via Zoom. We had 29 attendees, including the newest NCC member Don Cheema. Before starting the meeting, Sharyl asked for a moment of silence to honor all the victims that are no longer with us due to the senseless mass shootings and then pray for their families and friends that they find comfort and peace.

Sharyl asked us to introduce ourselves, stating our name, the city where we live, and the year(s) of our Corvette(s). Her question of the evening was: Have you read the Vettecetera? Surprisingly most do read it when it is available.

### Secretary Report: Sandy Houck

There was no May meeting, therefore no minutes.

### Treasurer's Report: John Tidwell

John reported that there was not much activity.

### Membership: Sharyl Ingham

Sharyl happily reported that NCC has 113 members.

### Editor: Mike Ingham

The Vettecetera was published by the first of month. Mike continues to solicit for members to submit technical articles.

### Webmaster: Chris Moore

Chris was absent. The website is current.

### Chapter Top-Flight Award (CTFA): Jeff Blakeslee

Jeff was absent. Sharyl said that the Chapter has met all requirements.

### NCRS Region IX Director: Mike Ingham

Mike held a Zoom meeting with the Region IX Chapter Chairmen on May 26<sup>th</sup>. He spent time to update us on various items as well as giving us, The Chapter Chairmen, the opportunity to ask questions.

There was a lot of speculation of the possibility of having the NCRS 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Convention in 2024 at the National Corvette Museum (NCM). Because of the NCM's proposal way exceeding NCRS's budget the 2024 Convention will be held in Hampton Roads, Virginia.

Mike then mentioned that the 2025 Convention should be held somewhere in the West. Many of the Chairs asked if the BoD would consider repeat locations. This is something Mike will take to the BoD for consideration.

Speaking about the BoD, Mike mentioned that they approved a change in NCRS By-laws section 4.7 that was recommended in the petition circulated to the Chapters by Sherri and Bob Demmel. The change requires any Board member that wants to run for NCRS President to announce their candidacy at least 45 days prior to the election. Mike thanked those of us that signed the petitions the Demmel's created so that what happened in February will NEVER happen again.

The other item that Mike was asked was when will we know what the agenda of the new NCRS President is?

Mike plans to hold Region IX Chairmen meetings every two months.

Cycling back to the question of the evening, "Have you read the Vettecetera?" Sharyl's reason for asking was because of the recent release of BoD meeting "Synopses" instead of Minutes. The Synopses only provide a listing of the discussion topics without giving explanations of any decisions made. Sharyl asked whether the members want the minutes printed in their entirety and many mentioned that the synopses are not adequate, the meeting minutes from the NCRS Secretary are considered the official record and this is something the members feel is important and want to be kept informed of the discussions and decisions that the BoD make.

#### Old Business:

Southern California Chapter Meet: Ed Vignone reported that eight cars were judged. They had a judging school and a charity auction. Wayne Yurtin said it was a great location and had great Mexican food.

Central California Chapter Meet at the Barr Estates Winery in Paso Robles: Mike and Sharyl, Bob Grauer and Dana Richard attended. Six cars were judged. When planning any meet, the Chapter has no control of the weather. That being said, Ron and Beth Bartow did an excellent job making sure all the attendees were kept hydrated and well fed in the 100+ heat. Special thanks to Greg Barr for hosting the event at his Winery.

#### New Business:

NCC Fall Meet: There was a discussion about possible locations, whether to make it one-day instead of two-days, and perhaps trying to do something jointly with the Central California Chapter. Sharyl asked us to think about it.

NCC Spring Meet: There are issues with getting dates confirmed at the Hampton Inn in Suisun City. There was a suggestion to get a different venue.

Sharyl asked for volunteers to take on the future meets. Of course, she is keeping her fingers crossed that someday soon this will be on someone else's plate.

#### Show and Tell (and other news):

Rick Gower asked John Tidwell about the Convention registrations. John said they are ahead of last year but still behind pre-COVID years.

Allen Tremain asked for experiences in using the 15% ethanol gasoline in older cars. There are problems with rust, and degrading fiberglass tanks and rubber parts. Recommendations include recalibrating fuel injection units and simply driving the car regularly. Mike said that it is best to avoid ethanol in our older cars, fuelies or carbs.

Glorie commented about her continued recognition of the female NCRS members. She will feature individuals in her monthly column. Sharyl thanked her for all her efforts.

#### Adjournment:

Sharyl thanked everyone for joining the meeting and of course wishing the fathers a Happy Fathers' Day.

We will have a July Zoom meeting on July 12<sup>th</sup>. Sandy mentioned that she will not attend so somebody will have to sit in for her (Big shoes to fill, Sandy, have a safe trip).

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandy Houck, NCC Secretary

#### **Burma-Shave**

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HE HAD HIS DOUBTS  
UNTIL SHE CREAMED  
HIS BRISTLE SPROUTS  
WITH

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#### **This `n That**

By Glorie McNay  
KAY DOWER

A few words about another NCRS lady who made us better. Kay Dower was an early female judge; she tabulated some and had the face of an angel. She was a very precise judge and mentored others generously. Thank you, Kay. Kay was also a graphic artist, and her beautiful designs graced the shirts and other offerings of many Regional events. She was always available to create memorable logos. Kay is no longer with us in NCRS, but she will live on as the darling SUNBEAM BREAD GIRL. Thank you Arland for sharing Kay with us.

Every day we turn on the TV to sadder news. News so bad that regular programming is interrupted. Life itself seems to be a litany of unspeakable events. Let us all try to improve

the atmosphere with acts of kindness and a smile for all we meet, even if you choose to wear a mask your smile is welcome. Travel safe, keep cool, find joy in all things. Corvettes create smiles.

### **Mass Mailing Clarification**

To make the Editor's job easier, we are 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 the Editor, 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. Submit your article as a Word document, and any accompanying pictures as .jpg files.

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Send newsletter articles to Mike Ingham by email: [michael.ingham248@gmail.com](mailto:michael.ingham248@gmail.com) It needs to be received **by the 25<sup>th</sup>** of the previous month to make publication.

### **NCC Dues**

NCC dues are \$30 per year. Please start paying via PayPal. If needed, a membership form may be found on the last page of the Vettecetera. When you have changes (e.g., e-mail address, Corvettes owned) please send those changes to me via e-mail at: [sharylingham@gmail.com](mailto:sharylingham@gmail.com) Thanks.

### **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.

### **Parts for Sale**

Differential C2 and C3. Casting 3899143 (69-79) 3:36 Posi. Have front yokes that fit a C2 (3 ½ inches) and second yoke that fit C3 (4 ¼ inches) Was running with no problems when removed from my 63.

1963 AM Wonder Bar radio. Lost no points in operations and interior flight judging.

58-60 front license plate bumperettes. NOS Have GM labels.

1978-1982 L-82 valve covers. Very good condition. NOS in GM boxes.

Original early 1963 battery hold down shield, received a 1-point deduction for condition in flight judging.

Original early 1963 lower engine plug wire shields set. Some flaking in flash chrome.

Contact Jeff Cheney 925-212-3012 or email [jeffcheney210@gmail.com](mailto:jeffcheney210@gmail.com)

### **Parts Wanted**

Want to buy a reproduction jack for a '62. Also looking for a nice damage-free inner heater box for a non-AC '67. If you have any of these items, contact Rick Gower at 925-798-7877 or [gowerr@aol.com](mailto:gowerr@aol.com)

### **Tools For Sale**

Auto rotisserie - Cost \$1,400 plus freight. Used once, sell for \$1,000 with much extra tubing.

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Contact John Tidwell at 916-201-6061 or [sampanjohn@earthlink.net](mailto:sampanjohn@earthlink.net)

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	<b>2022 Event Calendar </b>	
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
July 24 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup>	NCRS National Convention	Mobile, AL
July 30 <sup>th</sup> -August 1 <sup>st</sup>	SACC National Convention	Carson City, NV
August 9 <sup>th</sup>	NCC Meeting	TBD
August 18 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup>	Northwest Regional	Redmond, OR
August 25 <sup>th</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup>	Corvettes at Carlisle	Carlisle, PA
September 13 <sup>th</sup>	NCC Meeting	TBD
September 16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup>	SCC Fall Judging Meet	TBD
October 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup>	NCC Fall Judging Meet	Brentwood, CA
October 11 <sup>th</sup>	NCC Meeting	TBD
October 27 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup>	Texas Lone Star Regional	Frisco, TX
November 8 <sup>th</sup>	NCC Meeting	TBD
December 13 <sup>th</sup>	NCC Meeting	TDB



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**ANNUAL DUES:** January 1st through December 31st, **\$30; now payable through the NCC/NCRS website at:** <https://www.ncc.ncrs.org/>

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