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NCRS will celebrate its 50th Anniversary this year at the Convention in Hampton, Virginia, August 4-8. Don't miss this milestone event!

Chairman's Message – What Binds Us By Jeff Blakeslee

Truth be told, I've never considered myself a "Club Person". On any given day I'm happy being by myself, or in the company of a few close friends and family. It's not that I don't like people, it's more that I have never been that interested in large social gatherings. I don't keep up on sports, participate in social media, or spend much time on the usual social topics. That being the case, I run out of things to talk about pretty darn quickly in the typical crowd. I've given that a lot of thought lately, and as I take over as your chairman, I realize that NCRS is likely full of people who have long felt the same. Most folks in this club probably started just like me, they wanted to restore a Corvette, and joined the club so that they could access the information they need to do the project correctly. The "Club" was probably the last thing on their minds.

This is the nature of most restorers, we are happy out in the shop by ourselves, or maybe with one friend or family member as we toil away on the details. We fuss and fuss with each part, sometimes spending an entire day on a distributor or headlight motor, all the time enjoying the solitude and single mindedness of the task. It's quiet, we can focus on what we love, and there are few around us to interrupt the joy we find by being immersed in the task. In a word, we are happy.

But then it happens, we attend our first NCRS event and we realize "we are not alone". It turns out that there are thousands of others out there that can also spend the entire day alone in the garage and be perfectly happy. And like us, these people can talk of endless details regarding their restoration projects (for hours on end). For me, finding an entire group of people who prefer to read about fuel lines and bolt head marking over the sports page was a revelation. For once I had something to contribute to the party, I could walk the walk and talk the talk.

As your Chairman, I want to challenge each of you to participate in at least one NCC event this year. We are going to organize a number of events meant to build fellowship and encourage participation. Our love of Corvettes binds us together, but what we so often forget is that this love grows when we share it with others. So, if you have been skipping the events, come out and give it a try. You might find yourself having a lot more fun than you expect.

NCC Spring Meet – Judges Needed

The NCC spring meet at the Los Gatos Lodge is coming up on April 26 and 27. We still need a few judges, so if you have been on the fence and are available on those dates, please register. We guarantee you'll have a good time.

NCC Meeting Minutes - March 12, 2024

This was Chairman Jeff Blakeslee's first meeting as Chair, and he asked that we be patient with him since he is new and will probably make mistakes along the way.

Jeff welcomed 19 members to the March Zoom meeting at 7:00 pm. Jeff announced that Bob Grauer had resigned as Chairman in order to pursue other activities. As Vice-Chairman, Jeff agreed to step up to replace Bob, and Sharyl

Ingham agreed to serve as Vice-Chairman. There were no other board changes.

Jeff asked us to introduce ourselves, stating where we live and the Corvettes we own and brought back the "Question of the Evening", this time "What was your favorite NCRS event?" Many of the responses included road tours and attending Chapter, Regional, and Convention meets. Jeff made it a point to say how much he enjoyed having members come to his house for Tech Sessions, as well as to observe the work that he and Bill Cash did to restore their '63 fuelie. This spectacular car is now for sale and is advertised in the Driveline.

<u>Secretary's Report</u>: Sandy Houck The February minutes were reviewed and approved by the Board.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Chris Moore Chris was absent. Jeff said Chris is doing a great job.

<u>Membership</u>: Sharyl Ingham We got a new member last month and now have 106 members.

<u>Chapter Top-Flight Award (CTFA)</u>: Jeff Blakeslee

NCC is not participating in the program this year, but we could resume in the future. It gives us the chance to try some different activities.

NCRS Region IX Director and Vice-President: Mike Ingham

Mike held his bi-monthly Zoom meeting with the Region's Chapter Chairmen. The NCRS Board will meet in a week where they will elect a new President and elect and appoint other staff. We expect Mike to again be the President since he is the only candidate. Their agenda includes a review of the CTFA program, updating the NCRS Mission Statement, and charity donations for 2023, and how the NCRS matching grants program operates.

New Business:

Convention Sponsorships: Mike Ingham In previous years Sharyl had a Chapter challenge to all of the other NCRS Chapters to make \$100 donations to help support the annual Convention. Sharyl made a motion for NCC donate \$100 for the 2024 Hampton Convention. There was a quorum, so those Board members approved the motion. Jeff was to notify Chris Moore to send a check to John Tidwell noting "Convention donation".

Los Gatos Judging Meet: Mike Ingham
Due to forecasted stormy weather on March 1
and 2, the Meet was rescheduled to April 2627. Thanks to Bob Grauer's negotiations the
lodge agreed to the new dates. There are two
'66 cars and one '69 registered for Flight
judging. Glorie will not be able to hold the
ticket raffle, but there will be a silent auction.
Jeff thanks the volunteers and stresses this will
be a fun event. Again, please note it is
important for all attendees wear their name
badges for the event.

<u>Technical Discussion Board</u>: Rick Gower and Gary Beaupre Rick's comments:
Corvette Central now sells a reproduction

wrench for C2 hardtops.

Rick asked if anyone had purchased items from Dr. Rebuild recently. The business owner is unwelcoming to NCRS members.

A Mid-year Resto Mod broke \$1M at a Barret-Jackson auction.

An obituary for Dennis Clark who founded the NCRS's current judging system is posted.

There's link for overflow hotels at the National Convention.

A '67 L88 has resold for under \$1M.

A '63 Z06 tanker is for sale in Hemmings for \$1.5 M, and

Revised judging manuals for '53-'55 and '67 are now available.

Gary's comment:

There is a posted link to a very interesting 41page memoir of John Hinkley about his years at GM.

Dave Houlihan said there is a detailed posting about DOT-5 brake fluid and O-ring compatability.

Show and Tell and Other Announcements: Sandy Houck showed a disintegrating water deflector from the inside of the door of her C5. Since a replacement is not available, she made one out of pieces of vinyl.

Gary Hiltunen said that GM sent him a nice model of his new 2024 C8 with the correct paint color and VIN.

Mike Ingham reported that the new Corvette Assembly Plant manager will be at the National Convention. Also, the two Chief Engineers are invited.

Ken Albers commented that at the Detroit Auto Show there was an amazing '54 Corvette/Corvair modified car that won the Ridler award.

David Love commented that the NCC has a sense of family and asked if there are historical documents. We previously had a Chapter historian.

Adjournment:

Before adjourning, Jeff asked us to think about ideas for casual meetings, garage visits, and road tours. He also mentioned that there is a need to develop guidelines for these events.

The next Zoom meeting will be April 9 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Respectfully submitted, Sandy Houck, NCC Secretary

Food For Thought

By Sharyl Ingham

April showers bring May flowers, but please wait until after April 27th!

Our Spring Meet in Los Gatos is April 26th-27th at the Los Gatos Lodge. We have 6 Sportsman, one beautiful '65 Duntov display, and three first-time out to be Flight judged; 2-'66's and 1-'69. Thank you in advance for bringing your cars for the members to drool over!

Glorie will be in her glory with wonderful raffle items, thanks to the generosity of Bob Grauer's donations to the Chapter as well as many other members that have been storing their items for over a year now. Remember, there is something for everybody!

What else is happening in April, you ask?

Another NCRS event is the SCC's Regional in Las Vegas, April 11th-13th. Hope to see many of you there!

April Fool's Day, April 1st; the two National days that I love mentioning are both annual: National Beer Day, April 7th in honor of beer aficionados (btw, it is the 3rd most popular

drink) and National Jellybean Day, (since we used to have our Spring meets in Suisun City where the Jelly Belly Factory is located) April 22nd. Also sharing April 22nd this year is Earth Day and Passover beginning at sunset.

Please join with me in honoring those members that are celebrating their birthdays in April, starting with Chip Strnad, April 4th; Joe Calcagno and Chris Moore sharing April 6th; Marci Albers and Allen Tremain sharing April 8th; Kent Muhlker, April 10th; Paula Wulff, April 12th; Ernie Bornstein, Janet Gower, and Rick Smith sharing April 14th; Chris Springer, April 16th; Laurel Howard, April 17th; Linda Pierce, April 21st; and Emily Dreeling, April 23rd. My disclaimer is that if I missed listing your birthday or anniversary it is because I don't have your information.

I am saving the best to comment on. It is an exciting time for the Ingham family. March 21st was NCRS's BoD's meeting and Mike was unanimously elected to serve as NCRS's President. I might be a bit biased, but he has a great group of directors that he will be working with. Congratulations Mike and to your new/old position!

Look forward to seeing everyone on Zoom, April 9th.

Make it a super month and spread your kindness!

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We no longer get free shipping when ordering NCC name badges, so the price is now \$15.00 if you need a replacement.

Mass Mailing Clarification

We are utilizing NCRS's Mass Mailing feature to distribute the link to the Vettecetera each month, as well as other NCRS related e-mails from other people. Please do NOT respond to the e-mail, 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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Pertinent Information

Send newsletter articles to Mike Ingham by email: michael.ingham248@gmail.com It needs to be received by the 25th 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., email address, Corvettes owned) please send those changes to me via e-mail at: sharylingham@gmail.com Thanks.

Chapter Meetings

Chapter meetings occur on the second Tuesday of each month. Meetings are being held via Zoom, and the Zoom link is distributed to all Chapter members on the preceding Monday.

Parts For Sale

For sale are qty=8, original, used hubcap dishes for 1966 Corvette. Some have curb rash. Quality varies from 5 out of 10, to 9 out of 10. Also included are qty=7 three-bar spinners, and qty=8 spacers for the hubcap dishes; quality also varies. I won't break up the set. Photos provided upon request. Gary Beaupre; gsb1966@comcast.net. \$160 + \$40 ground shipping, only to the lower 48 states.

C1 Parts

61/62 black carpet, Al Knock, new in box. C1 door weatherstrip GM NOS

C1 HD brake backing plates.

D310 FI single window distributor caps, NOS no R, NOS w/R, used w/R.

D324 dual window distributor caps, 2-NOS w/R.

C1 soft top mounting plates behind seats. C1 passenger door, complete with trim, interior, exterior, and internals. C1 front sway bar.

C1 wiper wash foot pump.

60-62 aluminum bellhousing.

60 top tank radiator and side brackets, radiator leaks, use for parts.

C1 soft top deck latches.

58-60 rear bumpers, good driver quality.

C1 stepped oil pan, w/trap door GM NOS 770 heads, pair.

461/462 heads, 4 available.

58-62 windshield frame, top and bottom only, stainless in good condition

T10D-1 trans, needs work.

D310 Comp Cams Magnum small block roller tip rocker arms, new in box.

2818-1 Holley carb, originally purchased by me, over the counter.

C1 windshield washer plastic bottle, no lids. 2059 generator end frames, front and rear, cast iron, 1 set.

2059 generator front end frame, cast iron, 1 only.

2173 / 2268 generator rear end frames, cast iron, 7 available.

Signet Red lacquer paint, PPG, 2+ gallons. 1961 FI radio shielding.

56-62 fuel tank.

Contact Bert Brown at waltbrown@gmail.com, or leave message at 925-736-4897, or text to 925-786-5770. This stuff needs to go, I need the room!

Parts Wanted

I am looking for a nice damage-free inner heater box for a non-AC `67 convertible. Contact Rick Gower at 925-798-7877 or gower@aol.com

Tools For Sale

Auto Rotisserie - Cost \$1,400 plus freight. Used once, sell for \$1,000 with much extra tubing. Gantry Crane - cost \$1,200 plus freight, sell for \$800 with free electric hoist. Contact John Tidwell at 916-201-6061 or sampanjohn@earthlink.net

Manuals Available

Over the years we (NCC) have accumulated a small collection of Corvette factory service manuals and other technical literature in our library, where they continue to collect dust. We have decided to offer these documents to NCC members on a first come-first served basis in the hope that you can put them to better use. If any of the following documents match a Corvette that you own and you would like to have it and are willing to pay the shipping, please contact Mike Ingham.

A small donation to the Chapter is welcome.

Year	Title
1953-55	TIM&JG 6 th Ed. Complete
1953-55	TIM&JG 6 th Ed. In Sections
1961	AIM
1962	AIM x2
1953-78	Chassis & Body Parts Catalog x2
1984	Shop & Electrical Manuals
1984-90	Corvette Parts & Illustration Cat.
1984-92	Corvette Parts & Illustration Cat.
2005	Service Manual, Books 1 & 2

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	2024 Event Calendar 规	
April 9 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
April 11 th - 13 th	SCC Regional	Las Vegas, NV
April 26 th - 27 th	NCC Spring Judging Meet*	Los Gatos, CA
May 2 nd - 4 th	Heartland Regional	Cedar Rapids, IA
May 10 th - 11 th	CCC Spring Judging Meet*	Arroyo Grande, C
May 14 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
May 27 th	Memorial Day Car Show - California Auto Museum*	Sacramento, CA
May 31 st - June 1 st	New England Regional	Marlborough, MA
June 11 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
July 9 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
August 4 th - 8 th	NCRS Convention - 50 th Anniversary	Hampton, VA
August 13 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
September 10 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
October 8 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
October 24 th -26 th	Texas Regional	Frisco, TX
November 12 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom

^{*}Registration form/flyer included in this issue.

NCRS Northern California Chapter Spring Judging Meet Registration

Friday/Saturday, April 26/27, 2024

NCRS members and their guests are invited to attend NCC's Spring Judging Meet to be held at the Los Gatos Lodge, 50 Los Gatos – Saratoga Road, Los Gatos, CA 95032 (800) 231-8676. Rooms are available at a rate of \$99, plus tax. The group code is NCRS.

Bob Grauer 925-922-2207 rob@inanutshell.com	Mike Ingham 510-420-0968 michael.ingh	am248@gmail.com
Event Schedule - Friday, 4/26	Event Schedule - Saturday, 4/27	
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm - Registration	8:00 am - Coffee & Donuts	
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm – Guest Speaker	8:10 am – Owners Meeting	
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm – Flight Judging - Operations 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Judging School – Topic TBD	8:20 am – Judges Meeting 8:30 am – finish - Flight Judging	
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Concours Judging Entry Stock Modified		@\$50 \$
Sportsman Entry		@\$40 \$
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Note: All registrants must pay family registration fee.	ood Flage Function Floridge (on the offer)	TOTAL \$
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Event & Judging Information: Larry Guevara (805) 701-6442



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