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NCRS will celebrate its 50th Anniversary this year at the Convention in Hampton, Virginia, August 4-8. Hope to see you there!

Chairman's Message – Something Old, Something New

By Jeff Blakeslee

One of the hallmarks of any NCRS meet is the image of several sets of feet sticking out from under a Corvette. In fact, when I'm taking pictures, it is much easier to get a shot of a judge's shoes than their face. Even more disturbing is that most of us can now recognize each other just by our shoes. It's as if we have developed a sort of sixth sense and can associate a fellow member with his footwear. At an NCRS meet, it is quite common to see a member walking by a set of familiar feet and calling out "Hi Pete, how is it going?" Then magically from under the car you may hear, "it's going great Don, how about you?" Often a lengthy social exchange can take place between two members without one of them ever having to get out from under the car. Yes, we are a unique breed, and we would not have it any other way.

As I get older, I realize I'm going to have to start warming up before a judging meet by stretching and then crawling around the floor for 30 minutes. Better yet, maybe I'll do this warm up out on the street where I can experience the hot asphalt under my hands and knees – that way I will truly be ready to judge. We judges wear this burden like a badge of honor. Sure, we like a grassy judging field or a nicely carpeted floor, but deep down we realize those are for wimps. What we really want is blistering hot, freezing cold, or better yet, soaking wet pavement. That is the only way we can show our true dedication to finding that one bolt with the wrong finish or that exhaust clamp that is clocked incorrectly. From the sidelines, the public wonders what the heck is going on, all the time debating whether emergency services should be called. But to us NCRS folks, this is just another day at the office.

Don't get me wrong, I like being under a classic Corvette as much as the next person. But now and then I like to go to a car event where I can have coffee at a corner shop, visit with friends, and just enjoy the day. That's why I'm suggesting that the NCC mix in a different kind of car show now and then. Specifically, I'm hoping that all of you will join us at the Novato Nostalgia Days this year. This is a fantastic car show in Downtown Novato. Classic cars will be parked up and down the street making for a friendly and casual setting. There are a lot of shops and vendor booths to keep you fed, and you will be entertained with live music. I have attended this on my own several times, and this year I'm hoping that we get enough members interested to have a nice showing of what properly restored Corvettes look like. If we get 15 or more members, they will reserve a space for us so we can all park together, and we will be allowed to set up an informational booth for NCRS.

If you would like to join us for this event, the date is October 11th and 12th and you can sign up at the website link below. When you register, please be sure to put NCRS in the "Club Affiliation" section of the registration. If we get enough interest, we may also organize a road tour to the event. I hope to see you there.

[Nostalgia Days Novato - Annual Car Show](#)

NCC Meeting Minutes – May 14, 2024

Chairman Jeff Blakeslee called the Chapter Zoom meeting to order at 7:05 pm. As he welcomed 13 members, we were asked to introduce ourselves as he called our names, tell everybody what city we reside in, name the years of our Corvette(s), and his question for the evening was: "did you watch any Star Wars movies on May 4th?" As we were introducing ourselves Jeff was a bit taken back when several members mentioned they have never seen any Star Wars movies. Needless to say, Jeff used the phrase "May the 4th be with you" anyway. Of course, when he introduced himself, he never mentioned watching any Star Wars show either. Nice way to start the meeting!

Secretary: Sandy Houck

The April NCC meeting minutes were approved as submitted by Sandy. She does a great job in capturing the goings on at our meetings.

Treasurer's Report: Chris Moore

Unfortunately, Chris was not present because he is active in the local Town board meetings that conflict with our NCC meetings, but he will continue as our Treasurer and Webmaster.

Membership: Sharyl

Sharyl reported that NCC is holding at 108 members. She reported that there was only one new NCRS member that joined in our region this month.

Editor: Mike Ingham

Mike reported that the Vettecetera was delayed due to the fact that he was on a plane at a dark early to the Iowa Regional in Cedar Rapids. He delayed because he wanted to include Jeff's column with his write up on the Los Gatos Spring Meet

Website: Chris Moore:

Please look at the website and note the wonderful pictures that Chris has put in. Ron Bartow took a photo of Joe Calcagno in his '62 at Los Gatos that is priceless!

NCRS President/Region IX Director: Mike Ingham

Mike announced giving Town Halls at the Las Vegas and Heartland Regionals that seem to be going well and says he will continue until he is not asked.

He is still pushing the NCRS's 50th Anniversary celebration by mentioning that there will be a great raffle opportunity for 4 to go to Jay Leno's Garage that will benefit the Foundation. When asked how these tickets were obtained Mike explained that the person lives in NY and would probably never use them so he has made sure that Jay Leno knows that they would be raffled off for the NCRS Foundation that met his approval.

He mentioned that Mark Tully is working on getting American Heritage cars for display in Hampton which should be an attraction for the attendees.

Old Business:

Mike Ingham said that the Heartland Chapter hosted a very successful Heartland Regional in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, May 2ND-4th; 19 PV's were attempted and 14 passed. Several of the cars that failed will be taken to the New England Regional to try again.

CCC Spring Meet in Arroyo Grande, May 9th-10th:

Dana Richard mentioned that everyone was put to work judging. As always, CCC had Bob Grauer and Dana Richard to lend a helping hand to help make their meet successful.

Dennis Clark Remembrance:

Bob Bohm shared a delightful story of his first judging experience with Dennis. Bob's takeaway was that day he learned how it important how judges talk to the car owners is. The other items he shared were things that Dennis showed him and took the time to explain, using examples of the C1 hood release mechanism and clutch linkage. Bob talked about Dennis's lovely home in Lyle, WA overlooking the Columbia River.

Mike shared with the group that he and Sharyl attended the Memorial Service for Dennis and Sondra on May 10th in Oregon. It was held at the Discovery Center in the Dalles. Everyone that attended was welcomed by the warmth of the Clark family. This service was a tribute to both Dennis and his wife Sondra that were so pivotal in their community as well. As for NCRS, the legacy of Dennis Clark will live on in our matrix judging system.

New Business

Jeff asked if the Chapter should have a Fall meet. There was a long silence and finally Sandy suggested the California Automobile

Museum in Sacramento where she will gather more information. Mike also mentioned that both Bob Lozito and Jack Brier have some friends or contacts in the Fair Oaks area where they are willing to help find a suitable location. There was no decision of month or dates as of yet so stay tuned.

The Novato Nostalgia Car Show, Oct 11th-12th: Jeff Blakeslee

Jeff is very anxious for the Chapter to have a booth and participate in this event. If we have 15 cars that register under "NCRS" we can get a designated area. Should be a great time to greet and meet other car enthusiasts. What say you?

Don Tofft said he was confused as to how to invite his friends and acquaintances that are not NCRS members to our events. Jeff will have a board meeting to discuss a less confusing process when registering for the meets in general.

Rick Gower talked about a Corvette Forum thread discussing the NCRS with a number of NCRS members participating.

Something that should have been mentioned: Everyone have a safe Memorial Day holiday.

Next Zoom meeting June 11TH at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted in Sandy Houck's absence.

Sharyl Ingham

Food For Thought

By Sharyl Ingham

Okay, have you been paying attention and adhering to the signs that say "NO Right Turn on RED?" This is a behavior change, but as with most changes, we are all very adaptable.

I have been watching a lot of the NBA playoffs and what really bugs me is how many athletes, announcers, and actors are promoting online betting. Why? I feel these people should be good mentors and setting an example to the young and old sports fans, so why are they promoting gambling? Am I the only one that thinks this is the wrong message?

While I have your attention, please add this to your CONTACTS list. This will avoid you missing any NCRS mailings: add: *@ncrs.org, make sure you use the "*".

Many children will be on summer vacation soon so watch out for those skateboards and bicycles. I am sure their parents have trained them well to stay safe, but let's all be defensive drivers and watch out for them.

It seems when it is Convention time our dining room has boxes upon boxes. I hope many of you will attend because I think the simple decorations will bring a smile to your faces.

Jeff is hoping that many NCC members will sign up for the Novato Nostalgia Car Show in October. If we have at least 15 members that sign up online this will give NCC the opportunity to have a table and promote the NCRS and sign up new Chapter members at NO cost. What could be better than this? This seems to be a no-brainer to market our Chapter! What say you?

By the time you receive this Mike and I will be at the Awards Banquet at the New England Regional, congratulating those owners that achieved their awards. Perhaps some will be venturing on to the Convention to achieve their ultimate award. Again, the Awards Banquet is for the owners to receive their achieved awards! We go to acknowledge their efforts!

Noteworthy dates to remember in June start off with D-Day, June 6th; proudly display your flag on Flag Day, June 14th; honor and celebrate Father's Day, June 16th; the new holiday Juneteenth, June 19th; and the First Day of Summer, (summer solstice, the longest day) June 20th.

Please join with me in extending best wishes to the many NCC members celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in June, starting with Cathy Bergmann, June 2nd; Ian Gaston, June 3rd; Michael Reichard, June 4th; Doug Wathor, June 5th; Wayne Yurtin, June 11th; Beth Bartow and John Tidwell's birthdays as well as NCC's 46th Anniversary, June 12th; Jerry Palmer, June 21st; Mike Hachigian June 23rd; John Kirkpatrick, June 25th; Dave Houlihan June 26th; and Melissa Bornstein, June 27th. If I have not listed your birthday or anniversary it is because I don't have your information..

Look forward to seeing everyone on Zoom, June 11th.

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., e-mail 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

C1 Parts

61/62 black carpet, Al Knock, new in box-100
C1 door weatherstrip GM NOS-25
C1 HD brake backing plates-2500
D310 FI single window distributor caps, NOS
no R, NOS w/R, used w/R, -25-200
D324 dual window distributor caps, 2-NOS
w/R, -90
C1 soft top mounting plates behind seats, -200
C1 passenger door, complete with trim,
interior, exterior, and internals, -500
C1 front sway bar, -25
C1 wiper wash foot pump, -50
60-62 aluminum bellhousing, -150
60 top tank radiator and side brackets, radiator
leaks, use for parts, -100
C1 soft top deck latches, -200
58-60 rear bumpers, good driver quality, -200
C1 stepped oil pan, w/trap door GM NOS, -200
461/462 heads, -75ea
58-62 windshield frame, top and bottom only,
stainless in good condition, -250
T10D-1 trans, needs work, -150
D310 Comp Cams Magnum small block roller
tip rocker arms, new in box, -75
2818-1 Holley carb, originally purchased by
me, over the counter, -150
C1 windshield washer plastic bottle, no lids, -
25
2059 generator end frames, front and rear,
cast iron, 1 set, -100
2059 generator front end frame, cast iron, 1
only, -75
2173 / 2268 generator rear end frames, cast
iron, 7 available, -50
Signet Red lacquer paint, PPG, 2+ gallons, -
700
Kent Moore gauge set for Rochester FI, -500
1982-current NCRS Drivelines, most issues, -
free
1961 FI radio shielding, -200
56-62 fuel tank, -50
Contact Bert Brown at waltbrown@gmail.com,
or leave message at 925-736-4897, or text to
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1965 car. This was installed on my '66 when I
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as a core when buying a restored regulator.

Local pickup in Sunnyvale, or you pay
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I am looking for a nice damage-free inner
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Contact Rick Gower at 925-798-7877
or gowerr@aol.com

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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
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.
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June 1 st	Cobra Experience - Cobra Day 10:00 - 3:00	Martinez, CA
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
August 22 nd -24 th	Corvettes at Carlisle	Carlisle, PA
September 10 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
September 13 th -14 th	NCC Fall Judging Meet - Tentative Dates	Sacramento, CA
September 20 th -21 st	SCC Fall Judging Meet	Costa Mesa, CA
October 8 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
October 11 th - 12 th	Nostalgia Days Novato	Novato, CA
October 24 th -26 th	Texas Regional	Frisco, TX
November 12 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
December 10 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
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January 14 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
January 16 th - 18 th	Florida Regional	Melbourne, FL
February 11 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom
March 11 th	NCC Meeting	Via Zoom



NCRS 2024 FALL FLIGHT JUDGED MEET

Hosted By Singleton Classics in Costa Mesa

TWO-DAY FIVE-POINT Event Friday & Saturday September 20th & 21st
All Registration and Judging Events will be at Singleton Classics
Address: 2995-B Airway Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

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ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 1ST The Registration Fee will be refunded for our Meet Judges.
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Flight Judging **\$95.00 OWNERS MUST BE PRESENT BOTH DAYS (instructions to follow).** \$ _____

Sportsman **\$4.00 No Ribbon \$14.00 With Ribbon** \$ _____

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