

Stingrays

The Cincinnati Corvette Club Newsletter



Founded in 1957 by Corvette Enthusiasts



2010

CINCINNATI CORVETTE CLUB

Our club was formed in 1957 by a few dedicated early Corvette owners and was one of the very first Corvette Clubs to be established. We were also one of the first to become a member of the National Council of Corvette Clubs (NCCC) which is sponsored indirectly by the Chevrolet Motor Division of GM.

We are incorporated as a non-profit organization in the State of Ohio and have insurance coverage provided by the NCCC. We are sponsored by the Joseph Chevrolet Dealership who helps us financially and with major events.

Membership has always been the most important element in keeping our club active and prosperous. We hope that prospective members will come out to several of our events and/or meetings. Prospective members/guests are always welcome. A membership application can be obtained from any officer and membership is official at the payment of dues. There are several categories of dues for single, couple or family memberships. Prospective members are required to be the primary driver and/or owner of a Corvette and they must provide proof of adequate personal automobile insurance.

The club holds competitive events such as rallyes and auto-crosses on a regular basis. Competitive events are open to all members and year end trophies and competitive points are awarded by finish position. Cars for auto-crossing are classified according to the rules of our constitution by-laws in regard to horsepower, engine size, modifications, etc., so that equal participation is possible. Information on competitive events is provided to all members in advance of the event date.

Competition is encouraged in the annual Championship Points System, whereby each member is able to accumulate event points in relation to his or her participation and finish points at each event. Those not wishing to compete may work events and will receive points for each event worked. Members also earn points by attending membership meetings or organizing rallyes. Top finishers receive a trophy at the end of the year.

Membership meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, with the exception of December, which doubles as an awards banquet, and is usually held on a Saturday night.

The social aspect is not forgotten and we have several events per year, including such events as bowling parties, picnics, dinner get-togethers and caravans to other Corvette functions in the area. The December awards banquet is the culmination of our competitive year, and is a well-attended social event. The NCCC holds an annual Corvette Convention each year which is usually well-attended by club members.

Our monthly newsletter, Stingrays, is circulated to all members and contains key information on all of our events. It also includes articles of general Corvette/automotive interest and news of related events in the area.

Officers are elected for a one-year term at the November meeting. Duties of officers are defined in our constitution.

Being a member of a Corvette club is a lot of fun. You meet a lot of people who share your enthusiasm for Corvettes. There are plenty of events to attend and things to do. We hope you will join the Cincinnati Corvette Club.

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Reminders:

The next regular meeting of the Cincinnati Corvette Club will be held on **Tuesday, February 9, 2010** at **Richard's Pizza**, 495 Nilles Road, Fairfield 45014.

The meeting is scheduled to start at **7:00 PM** (new time), or come at 6:30 PM for food.

If you receive this by snail-mail, you can get the newsletter days earlier via email. Send your email address to me.

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Pat Brown, Editor

Check out the Cincinnati Corvette Club website at:

www.cincinnati-corvettes.com

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CCC Calendar of Events

2010	Club Meeting	Club Competition	Club Social Events	WOR/NCCC Events	SCCA/CSCC	Other Related Activities
January	12 th – Richard's Pizza			1/17- Set up WOR 2010 calendar		
February	9 th – Richard's Pizza		2/14 - Daytona 500 Party, TBA			Feb 21– Columbia Chevrolet Swap Meet
March	9 th – Richard's Pizza					Mar 21- Glass Society Swap Meet – Bud's, St. Marys
April	13 th – Richard's Pizza					4/3-1010ths @ Putnam Park 4/15-16-1010ths @ MidOhio (Tentative) 4/19 or 4/25 Corvette Troy Autox-Kilkare
May	11 th – Richard's Pizza		Wed 5/26 – Community Day – Indy 500 track?	5/16 CT- LS-Kilkare		5/8-9 1010ths@ Putnam Park 5/8 Buds Chevy. Cruise In, St. Marys
June	8 th – Richard's Pizza					6-6&6-7 Putnam Park High Spd 6/20 – CT@Kilkare
July	13 th – Richard's Pizza		Tues 7/20-Trim Parts Open House, Lebanon	7/24-31 NCCC Convention, Florida		7/11 CT@Kilkare
August	10 th – Richard's Pizza		8/7 ALMS At Mid-Ohio-Corvette Corral			8/8 CT@Kilkare 8/28-29 1010ths @ Putnam
September	14 th - Richard's Pizza			9/4-9/6 21 LS events – Defiance, OH		9/12 – CT@Kilkare
October	12 th – Richard's Pizza		10/17- All Corvette Color Tour, Restoration Station	10/2 & 10/3 – CT@Kilkare		10/23-24 1010ths@ Putnam
November	9 th – Richard's Pizza					
December	No meeting		Holiday Dinner, TBA			

Please send any updates or corrections to me at CincyVettes@yahoo.com

Meeting Minutes of the Cincinnati Corvette Club

The January 12, 2010 meeting of the CCC was called to order by President, Ron Gough at 7:02 pm. Members present were Ron Gough, Jim Barbian, Ron Brown, Pat Brown, Denny Davis, Chuck Jenkins, Linda Lake, Bill Neal. He welcomed guests, Bob & Cheryl Bean, who have a 2009 Yellow Coupe.

The minutes from the November 10th, 2009 meeting were approved. Motion by Ron Brown, seconded by Denny.

VP Comp Jim Barbian could not obtain any dates at Scarlet Oaks. We will keep looking for more lots to run in. Everyone – keep your eyes & ears open!

Chuck Jenkins, Treasurer, reported that we are solvent. We have two new members from our PO Box – Jim & Michelle Rahtz – hope to see you soon!

Secretary Linda Lake had nothing to report.

Social Chairperson Nancy Fickas was absent. The next scheduled social event is a Daytona 500 party, which falls on Valentine's Day. February 14.

Governor Ron Brown reported that next weekend we will have the WO meeting to draw for sanctions & dates. (See calendar above). The NCCC 2010 pins will be available at the March meeting for each NCCC member. See his report on page 5 of this newsletter.

Editor Pat Brown is always looking for articles & news. She reported that Carol May (former member, and wife of past President, Gary May), passed away last month. Also, the Michigan Region Competition Director, Ray Meesseman, passed away after suffering a heart attack at a Florida speed event in October. Keep their families in your thoughts.

Old Business – Last meeting we deferred picking a charity until our Treasurer could be present. We wanted to keep the donation local, and we selected One Way Farm as our charity. One Way Farm provides homeless children with housing & education. Motion by Pat Brown, second by Linda Lake, passed. Chuck will deliver a check to them to be used on their wish list items.

New Business – Bill Neal did not have any new info on the prospective Bluegrass Motorsports Park. There is another recall of 2005-2007 coupes & Z06 tops – even if it was "fixed" before. Watch your mail for recall info.

We still need more input at the meetings – **2nd Tuesday of the month (except Dec).**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm. (Motion by Ron B, seconded by Linda).

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Lake/pb
Recording Secretary

From Mid America Motorworks – Mike Yager, Chief MAM Cheerleader, is recuperating at home after a quadruple bypass in December. You may send well wishes & comments to GetWellMike@mamotorworks.com



News From Your Editor

FROM THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM

Hang in our Garage

Are you a car buff? Do you like going to car shows and checking out other people's rides? If so, Hub Garage is the website for you! The National Corvette Museum has our very own "garage" on the site where you can check out cars in the Museum, events, videos, become our buddy and more! Check it out at: hubgarage.com/mygarage/corvettemuseum



TUESDAY NITE TRIVIA

This week's Tuesday Nite Trivia on Facebook was: What color and generation is the Corvette in the casino at the end of Con Air?

Congratulations to Ray Phillips of Clarksville, TN. He correctly identified the Corvette as a White, C4. Ray will receive a Corvette switchplate!

Become a ["fan"](#) of the National Corvette Museum on Facebook.com to participate in this fun trivia game!

Rare, Hand-Carved Tire on Display at NCM

The Austin Hatcher Foundation's one-of-a-kind, hand-carved Michelin tire is now on display from the 2007 American Le Mans Series GT1 Championship Corvette, at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky. This piece of motorsports history will remain at the museum until mid-January, and will be auctioned later in the year to benefit the families affected by pediatric cancer.

Participating drivers from the Championship Corvette Team included Antonio Garcia, Jan Magnussen and Johnny O'Connell from the Compuware Corvette C6.R No. 3 and Olivier Beretta, Marcel Fassler and Oliver Gavin from the Compuware Corvette C6.R No. 4 car. Also taking the time out to make his mark on the tire was Corvette Racing Program Manager and well known Corvette icon, Doug Fehan.



NCCC Governor's Report January 2010



Ron Brown, NCCC Governor

REGION NEWS

2010 schedule is posted on www.westohiocorvettes.com

The NCCC packets with membership cards are in process & should be mailed in the next week or so, so watch your mailbox.

NCCC COMPETITION

Rulebook for 2010 passed. You can download the sections at www.corvettesnccc.org/Competition.html

NCCC CONVENTION

2010 - Palm Beach Gardens, July 24-31

There **will not** be a Convention Registration Form in your renewal packet – it will be available ONLINE only starting February 1.

Hotel reservations to be made with registration –

Convention Cost per person. \$170 Feb 1-Apr 1, \$190 Apr 1-Jun 1 \$210 After Jun 1

If you do not have a computer, most libraries have free access to the internet. You may print the form & mail it in.

July 23 Track Day - Palm Beach International Raceway - \$125 per person

Special surprise for someone that registers for hotel all week & is present at the banquet on Friday night.

Day Passes - \$35 / day except Sunday (meal served – so slightly higher). The tentative schedule is on the NCCC website. Hats & Shirts are now available at every governors meeting in St. Louis.

2011 – June 18-24 Tinley Park IL (Southside Chicago) convention

NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM – corvettemuseum.org

2010 Calendar

C5/C6 Bash - April 29-May 1

The Gathering C4/ZR-1 - May 13 - 15

Forum Cruise-In - May 27 - 29

High Performance Driving Event at VIR - June 28 - 29

NCM Birthday Bash - September 2 - 4

Z06 Fest - September 16 - 18

Pace Car Reunion - September 23 - 25

Vets 'n Vettes - November 4 – 6

WEST OHIO CALENDAR –

April 19 or 25 – Corvette Troy at Killkare (non-sanctioned)

May 16 – Corvette Troy at Killkare (sanctioned)

Save the Wave!



COMPETITION NEWS

NOTHING SET FOR 2010 events for CCC yet...STAY TUNED.

Little Red Corvette was going How Fast?

Enquirer.com 10/30/09

Maybe not little, but certainly fast, said Arlington Hts. OH police.

A 22 year old from Ashland, KY was caught on police radar driving 108 MPH on I-75 through Arlington Hts – a 55 MPH zone – just after 2:30am Friday.

He was ticketed for speeding and is facing charges of drunken driving after a Breathalyzer test revealed her had a blood alcohol content of .194 – more than twice the legal limit, police said.

He was released from jail because it was overcrowded.

East Ohio Chapter of NCCC Joins the "One Acre Club"

12/2/09 Regional Executive of the East Ohio Region of NCCC Chuck Heretta and fellow member Ted Vannelli made the trek to Bowling Green, KY to present the National Corvette Museum with a \$3,000 initial check and pledge of \$15,000 to purchase an acre at the Motorsports Park. The East Ohio Region voted on October 17 to make the pledge, and made an official announcement just over two weeks ago at the Governor's Meeting of NCCC, challenging other regions to make the same commitment.

"We decided that it's time. The Motorsports Park benefits not only racers, but all Corvettes," said Heretta. "We're excited about the opportunity to contribute to the project. We're excited to help get the project started for the future. We want to be a part of the experience."

Heretta added that the benefit of being able to apply the payment towards future track time was also a big selling point for their region. "It is an opportunity for us... a win-win situation," he said. "We've been looking at this project for almost a year, and when we came down to visit in September and saw the new layout we knew we had to do something to get involved."

From Scenic Road Rallies –

Their latest schedule shows many fun scavenger type rallies coming up in our area –

4/1/10 – Scenic Road Tour Free Bird Route of Dearborn County, IN

10/9/10 – Greater Loveland Historical Society Museum Fundraiser Road Rally

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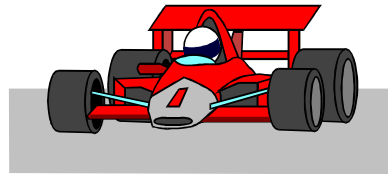
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