

St. Louis Corvette Club



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www.boontrailcc.com

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www.jackschmitt.com

Original Corvette Club
www.occofstl.com

Route 66 Corvette Club
www.route66corvetteclub.com

Purpose of St. Louis Corvette Club:

To enjoy the Corvette through association with other Corvette owners. To have fun on many levels through social events, road trips, car shows, charity events and competition as each person wishes. To actively promote and work for the advancement of St. Louis Corvette Club and it's activities. To respect the differences and wishes of each STLCC club member.

FROM THE PRESIDENT ... Ron Huch

It soon will be election time for our club. By the time you read this, I will have contacted some people to be on our nominating committee. I urge anyone who is contacted by the committee to consider running for office. I believe our club will be better in the long run if we have competition for all offices on the ballot. In that way, no one can say they did not have a chance to express their opinion. I think it is very important to have everyone's opinion for a smoother operation of the club and it allows for both minor and major changes in trying to achieve a club where everyone can feel that their opinion counts.

Ron Huch
2004 Interim President

On the Cover:

I want to thank everyone for making "CORVETTE'S FOR THE CURE" a great success. Because of all your help and contributions we were able to raise \$1,410.00. This money will go to the St. Louis Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Fund. With 57 cars registered we had a great showing of support.

Because of all your caring, we can make a difference.

Thank you,
Judy Dooley



ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB MEETING

August 3, 2004 - Hessler's Pub

A brief Board Meeting preceded the business meeting. Several topics were covered:

1. For each member to vote at our club election in November, it will be necessary to pay Club dues for next year which will be \$55.
2. The board reviewed the club calendar and accepted Rick Frierdich's suggestion for an event on August 21, "We've Gotcha' Covered Poker Run".

President Ron Huch called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. All club officers and chairpersons were introduced. Jim Wand was in attendance representing our club sponsor, Route 66 Chevrolet dealership in Pacific, MO.

Treasurer's Report by Fran Wienstroer

A motion was made by Jerry Fain, seconded by Jeff Craig to accept the Treasurer's Report as published in the monthly newsletter.

Secretary's Minutes by June Huch

It was incorrectly stated in the July minutes that we had a new member. A membership application was given to a guest attending the meeting in August, but it had not been returned to Judy. A motion was made by Carl Ballinger, seconded by Sharon Ballinger to accept the minutes as corrected.

Membership Report - Judy Lee

1. Judy announced that currently we have 23 primary members plus 18 associate members and two mail only members (Armynta Craig's sisters and their husbands).
2. August birthdays were announced (Jerry Craig and Carl Ballinger) and Karen and Mike Price are celebrating their 8th wedding anniversary. The birthday goodies were brought in by Theresa Luebcke.

NCM Report - Our NCM Ambassador, Sharon Ballinger, has tickets to sell for the Labor Day raffle for a 2005 Corvette Coupe - cost is \$10 each. She also has tickets for the last 2004 C5 Corvette Coupe at \$25 each. If anyone is interested, it is possible to purchase raffle tickets at \$100 each for the "Build your own C6 Coupe". She is suggesting that for anyone who is visiting the Corvette Museum, to walk through the gift shop as there are numerous items of interest. Fran and Mary received through the club post office box the Club plaque from the National Corvette Museum. Ron Huch will display the plaque at the front table at each of our club meetings. Corvette Museum pins will be raffled off tonight after the 50/50 drawing.

NCCC Governor's Report – Carl Ballinger

- Next year's dues for primary members of NCCC will be raised by \$5, which are a part of your club yearly dues (\$55 for next year).
- The next Governor's Meeting is scheduled for September 11th at Westport Plaza. Carl is planning to represent our club at the national meeting. Let him know if you are interested in attending with him. He has hard copies of the flyers if you are interested and these are also on the NCCC website.
- Carl has some Midwest Region patches to sell for \$3 each. See him if you are interested.

Recognition of Guests and New Members:

- Keith and Christine Hemper – 1959 and 1994.
- Charlie and Jackie Miget from the Route 66 Corvette Club (Charlie and Jackie joined our club this evening.) They each have their own Corvette. Charlie drives a 2002 Magnetic Red convertible and Jackie has a yellow Corvette, but am unsure of the year and if it is a coupe or convertible.
- Maurice Wood - 2002

OLD BUSINESS

1. Club shirts– See Judy Dooley to purchase a club shirt, jacket, etc.
2. Static cling windshield stencils (\$12 a piece) – See Ron Huch
3. Static cling logo decals – See Ron to purchase a decal – cost is \$5 each and the proceeds go to the General Fund.
4. Club Logo Patch – Marty has purchased these from Midwest Monograms and has them available at tonight's meeting. See Marty if interested – Cost \$12 each.
5. Marty Dooley and Fran Wienstroer will be visiting the Route 66 dealership in the near future about being our club sponsors for next year. Jim Wand attended the meeting and expressed an interest in continuing on with the sponsorship for next year. A letter on club letterhead will be prepared for the dealership to review before the end of this year.

NEW BUSINESS

1. The club Christmas Party will be held at Harry's West on Saturday, December 4 from 6pm to ? Cost per couple is \$50 – pay Marty Dooley before the November meeting.
2. It was announced that the Board has decided to table any fund raisers until next year.
3. By next month, Ron will be contacting several people to serve on the Nominating Committee for 2005 Club Officers. An announcement will be made at the October meeting of who will be running for office and additional nominations can come from the floor. The election of all officers will be handled in November (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chairman and Sergeant at Arms.) We'd like to see two people run for each office.
4. At the Christmas Party, all members will be recognized for each event they have sponsored

this year.

5. The Club By-Laws will remain the same until the end of this year. The only change will be in the amount of dues to be paid next year.
6. Club Picnic – Marty asked for volunteers to sponsor a club picnic. Mary and Fran Wienstroer have volunteered to plan this event (Fall Color Tour) on Sunday, October 31. More details will follow.
7. After much discussion, it was decided to discontinue publishing the monthly Treasurer's Report on the club website, but that the Club Treasurer will read the report each month in full detail. The September newsletter will contain the spreadsheet showing monthly disbursements and income.
8. Due to ongoing conflicts with another club in the St. Louis Area, it was decided by the Board for the time being to discontinue promoting that club's event in our newsletter and on our club website. This decision does not apply to other club's in the St. Louis area.
9. Club members are encouraged to follow a protocol for scheduling events:
 - A written or verbal description of an event is to be given to the Activities Chairman or Vice President.
 - Vice President takes the suggestion to the Board for review and approval of date.
 - Board approves and advises Activity Chairman of approved event.
 - Activity Chairman advises Webmaster to post event on website.
10. The question was raised that if a non-member participates in a Road Trip with our Club and has an accident, will they be covered by our NCCC insurance or just the Board Members/Club Officers? Carl will get the answer to this question. Charlie Miget indicated the NCCC insurance protects officers and board members who put on an event.
11. Club Dues are effective through January 1 of next year. Want to change to December 1 to correspond with due date of NCCC dues. Dues for next year will be \$55 for an eleven month period and are due in October or before the election at the November meeting.
12. The board decided to table donations to a particular "Charity" for this year as proceeds from the Corvettes for the Cure Car Show and the Fund Raiser Car Show for Jessica Gullet will be considered charitable donations.
13. A discussion was held about promoting our club by organizing a group picture to be submitted to a magazine. No decision or volunteer was named to coordinate this endeavor.
14. Hesslers has offered their display case at the front of the room to display a collage of all of our cars. All members are encouraged to bring a picture of their car at future meetings.

PAST EVENTS – Marty Dooley

1. Sunday, July 4 – Sundaes Car Show sponsored by Marty and Judy Dooley. Thirteen to fourteen cars attended this event. It was decided for now to table future car shows at Sundaes.
2. Sunday, July 11 – Sunday Brunch at Scott Air Force Base, IL sponsored by Rick and Susan Friedich. Susan indicated that about 12 cars attended this event and after the brunch, a tour was taken around the back of the base where the new airport connects to a runway.

3. Saturday, July 17 – Ladies Day Out with the Corvettes sponsored by Theresa Luebcke. Not enough interest was shown to carry out this event, but if anyone is interested in the fall or next year, to advise Theresa.
4. July 24-25 – White Owl run by Rick and Susan Frierdich. Eight cars caravanned out of St. Louis and stopped at Blue Springs for lunch. Two members of the St. Louis Corvette Club met us in Vincennes, Indiana (Armynta Craig's two sisters and their husbands) and we all attended a Dinner theatre at the White Owl Winery. Dessert was enjoyed at Armynta's sister's lovely home. The other sister graciously entertained our group for breakfast at their home the next morning. We then drove to New Harmony, Indiana and had lunch at the Red Geranium Restaurant. We sampled some wine at the Genkota Winery in Illinois before heading for home. *A great time was had by all and we appreciated Armynta and her sister's efforts in helping to make this event so enjoyable by everyone.*

FUTURE EVENTS (August and September) – Rich Luebcke

1. Rich talked about the 20th Annual Mid America Nostalgia Drag Race and Cruise at Wentzville on August 5 or 6.
2. Sunday, August 15 – Corvettes for the Cure Car Show organized by Marty and Judy Dooley for the St. Louis Corvette Club at Sundae's Ice Cream Shop in South County (7421 S. Lindbergh Blvd) 11-2pm – contact Judy for more details at 314-894-0303. All proceeds go to Breast Cancer Research. \$10 donation per car. Prizes, music, raffles. Volunteers are needed as well as attendance prizes. If anyone has a tent, please let Marty and Judy know. Club name will be displayed on Sundae's Marquee.
3. Saturday, August 21 – We've Gotcha Covered Poker Run sponsored by Rick and Susan Frierdich. See flyer and website for details: Lv. Commuter Parking Lot at I-44 and 141 at 8:15am. Bring Camera, Picnic Lunch, drinks, Comfortable Shoes and Talk-about's. Contact the Frierdich's for more details at 314-894-0939 or contact Rick at ducksdaddy@aol.com
4. September 1-5 – National Corvette Museum's 10th anniversary celebration. Contact one of the board members if interested in caravanning to the museum on Thursday, Sept. 2.
5. September 17-19 – Mid America Motorworks Funfest in Effingham, IL. Discuss time/date to caravan to event. Anyone interested in coordinating this event?
6. September 23-26 – Route 66 Festival in Springfield, IL – all cars celebrating Route 66.
7. September 30 – Eureka Springs, Arkansas Corvette Weekend. Details to be discussed at September meeting.
8. October 16 – Fund Raiser Car Show for Jessica Gullet, sponsored by Judy Lee.
9. Saturday, November 6 – See Rick Frierdich if interested in participating in the Veterans Day parade. Rick has flags on sale for \$8 each for each branch of service.

FOR THE RECORD: Ron spoke to Kenny Hessler about using their meeting room for club meetings next year – Kenny is happy to allow us to use his facility on the first Tuesday night of each month.

50/50

Winner – Ron Huch - \$49 - \$48 to General Fund

Drawing for NCM pin – Won by Fran Wienstroer and Jeff Craig.

THANKS TO THERESA LUEBCKE AND ED LEE FOR GIVING A DEMONSTRATION OF THE FORUM ON OUR CLUB WEBSITE.

Birthday cake was enjoyed by all, thanks to Theresa Luebcke.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:15pm by Judy Dooley, seconded by Peggy Craig.

Respectfully submitted,

June Huch, Secretary



September Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

4th Judy Lee
15th Fran Weinstroer
17th Jim Wand
17th Shirley Berving
23rd Dick Mercile
28th Rich Crain

Anniversaries

4th Rich and Beverly Crain
6th Fran and Mary Weinstroer
11th Jerry and Armynta Craig
18th Rick and Susan Friedrich
Bob and Chris Woods

On the Road . STLCC did a lot of traveling this month!

“Hershey Barr” has been murdered and STLCC must travel to **Indiana** to solve the mystery. Along the way were stops for lunches, dinners, breakfasts, wine tasting and parties. A wonderful road trip sponsored by Rick and Susan Frierdich. Special thanks to Associate Members Pam and John Corrona (evening get-together), Conita and Dick Shoulders (breakfast). Pictures by Karen Mercile



ST. LOUIS CORVETTE CLUB

THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER

6:30 P.M.

Sept 9 ===== Gianninos ===== 3735 so Lindberg ===314-821-4140

Date	Restaurant	Coupon in Ent. Book	Location	Phone No.
Sept 16,2004	Tequila mex		5496 new Baumgartner/ /Baumgartner/LemayFerry Rd	314-416-1945
Sept,23,2004	Kriegers Pub & Grill		131 Arnold Crossroads Ctr- //141/jeffco- by 24 hr fitness	636-287-1500
Sept.30,2004	Nortons café		808 Geyer ave//in Soulard	314-436-0828
Oct. 7,2004	Biggies		3332 Watson RD	314-781-0060
Oct,14,2004	Chili's grill & Bar		1130 S Kirkwood RD=/ I 44 and lindberg	314-984-8176

Date	Time	Event	Details
9/2/04 thru 9/5/04	Varies	NCM 10th Anniversary / Corvette Hall of Fame National Corvette Museum Bowling Green, KY	Sharon Ballinger 636-677-0659 Click Here for more information
9/7/04	7:00 PM	Club Meeting Agenda: Monthly Meeting	Click Here for more information
9/11/04	TBA	NKF Chili Cookoff Westport Plaza	Ron & June Huch Check back later for more info
9/17/04 thru 9/19/04	All Day	Mid America Motorworks Funfest Effingham, Il.	Click Here for more information
9/24/04 thru 9/26/04	Varies	Route 66 Festival Springfield, Il.	Click Here for more information

Your editors made a 16 day Corvette Trip. One of the first stops was at a favorite New Hampshire Inn—The Franconia Inn. No TV, no phones, no air conditioning. Wonderful food.

More later...



“We’ve Got You Covered”

Covered Bridge and Winery event.
Another great trip by Rick and Susan
Friedrich. Perfect day, great Corvette roads
and lots of different Wines to sample.



Latest pictures of the progress on
The lost 64 Corvette. Body panels are back in
place and a smooth coat of primer is applied.

Pictures by Marty Dooley



Meeting Location

Hessler's Pub 11804 Tesson Ferry

Directions:

East of I-270 on Tesson Ferry between 270 and Lindberg.

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As a courtesy to our members, no smoking is permitted during the meeting.



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