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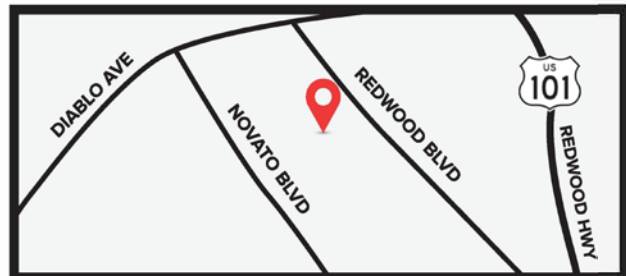
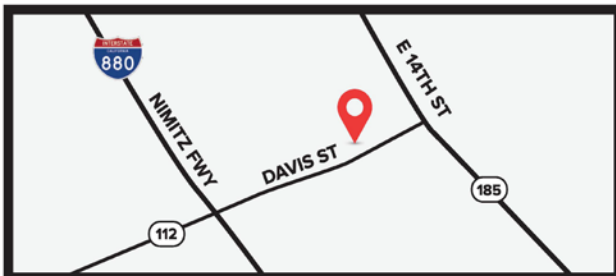
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In July of 1956 in the East Bay, two Corvette owners, Johnny Zeh and Jerry Wright, waved & stopped to talk. Corvettes were few in numbers then and several weeks could pass before encountering another. These drivers discussed starting a Corvette Club.

By July 15, 1956, an informal meeting of Corvette owners decided to establish the Northern California Corvette Association. These early Corvette Owners met frequently at each other's homes with their numbers increasing each month.

On March 28, 1957, an initial group of 35 met at Daily Chevrolet in Oakland to establish the Bylaw's. By then Josh Hogue, San Francisco Examiner's sports car event columnist suggested that this group combine with the one meeting at Les Vogel Chevrolet in San Francisco.

On May 9, 1957, NCCA was incorporated, and 40 members elected Roy Storey President. Roy was a TV and radio sportscaster and Corvette participant in SCCA's regional races. Sandy Greenbalt was elected Vice President, Patty Gellenbeck, Secretary and Jon Zeh, Treasurer. The charter membership for NCCA was closed at the end of May 1957 listing 47

club members.

President Roy Storey suggested a series of autocross events named after Grand Prix races. NCCA presented Northern California's 3rd autocross. 150 cars drove the course at the Milpitas Ford Plant. This series set the standard for autocrossing in Northern California. Though Roy Storey was soon transferred to Hollywood by CBS, he helped NCCA to properly start as a competing club.

NCCA still participates in autocrossing, drag races, track racing and car shows sponsored by many surrounding clubs. We have evolved into more of a social club over the years with focus on day and weekend trips. In recent years autocrossing interest has decreased. In July 2022, NCCA joined NCCC, National Corvette Club Council, Inc., offering numerous types of sanctioned competition events across the nation and much more.

NCCA celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2007 by inviting past presidents to a dinner dance where we shared memorabilia. Our calendar is filled each January with events for the coming year that include trips to an assortment of locations, car shows, our annual fall banquet, and holiday party.

The club's signature annual event, **Vette Magic Car Show**, has traditionally been a two-day, all Corvette Car Show and Drag races. It was sponsored and organized by NCCA each summer. In 2015, for the first time, in a major break with tradition, Drag Races for the **40th Vette Magic** were opened to all BOWTIE (Chevrolet) and in 2016 for 41st, to all GM sedans and sports cars. The last Car Show and Drags format was hosted in 2018. We continue the tradition of the Car Show held at The Blackhawk Museum in Danville each year. Legend on Display Car Show is held in early spring. These events continue to draw many Corvette enthusiasts and spectators from Northern California and the surrounding states.

NCCA is a valuable member of our community, as we contribute to several charitable organizations each year.

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Note: New General Membership Meeting Location

FIRST Wednesday of Every Month, **7PM**

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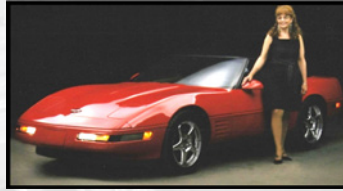


General Business Meeting Minutes

Shirley Smith, Secretary

Northern California Corvette Association E-Board & General Business Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 11, 2023
7:00 pm at Harry's Hof Brau,
San Leandro



Call meeting to order at 7:04 PM

Roll Call of Members - 13 in attendance.

President: Rob Andersen

Welcome members. No guests this evening.

Can we have approval of the minutes in last months' K? A motion was made to approve the minutes in last months' K and all approved.

Thanks for making it in with this lousy weather. Hope no one had any problems with flooding.

As of January 2023 – Harry's Hof Brau wants to charge us \$50 per month to reserve the tables where we hold our meetings.

We have spoken to the manager at Black Bear Diner in Hayward on Hesperian Blvd., and he is open to having us there. No cost, if we are ordering food, we can have the back room, where it is quiet. I am meeting with him on Friday to secure our new meeting place. I will send out an email to all members once we have everything set in place on Friday.

Sponsors for our trophies for the car show. We will not include a free advertisement in the K, just strictly opportunities to be shown on the car show trophies.

Per Mary – Novato Chevrolet has been faithful in the past. We might ask him to pay for the trophies this year.

Per Ken – We should approach Novato Chevrolet and FH Dailey to see about sponsorship of our car show and their names can then go on trophies and we can allow them to have a booth at the show. More exposure to members & corvette owners.

Rob asked if there were any general questions or issues or ideas. No one commented.

We need to put a committee together for the Club Bylaws to be updated asap. We need to submit current updated Bylaws along with other paperwork to try and reinstate our IRS 501C7 status that was revoked.

We need some volunteers for our Bylaws updating committee –

Don Henning has volunteered. Rob Andersen will lead. Rob will send out an email asking for other members who are available to work on this committee and get this moving asap.

Per Don Henning – We are updating all of this stuff that we have been discussing; can we add that we have 1 club member and 1 board member that can make up the committee for the Bylaws change? Yes, we can look into adding that in as we need to clean up our Bylaws. We should only need one meeting and then we can present the update to the club and publish the information and vote on it.

We will also change in the Bylaws that we can change locations of the club meetings as needed.

NCCC: Rob Andersen

As governor of NCCC our new membership cards will be out by the end of this month. Every member will get a new membership card.

Other clubs have now joined NCCC. 4 clubs from the Northern California area have joined. Santa Clara Corvettes is one of the 4. I gave information to the club presidents regarding NCCC when asked about it and they checked the information out and joined. Since we have increased the membership in California, they are looking to set up a west coast Northern California region if more clubs join.

We will not have to pay the extra fee to NCCC for the cars that are now members of NCCC. We should have more corvettes from the clubs that have joined NCCC at our car shows and we will not have to pay the fee since they are members.

NCCA subsidized our membership for NCCC for 2022. Renewal for 2023 was included as part of NCCA renewal fees.

NCCC is really excited for growth and all we are doing to promote them.

VP Events/Motorsports: Mary Coon

Our Car shows have changed to Saturday's for this year. We have (2) shows scheduled this year; May 6, 2023, for Legend on Display and October 21, 2023, for Vette Magic booked with Blackhawk. The Dj is available for both dates and we will secure him soon.

Social Social is scheduled for Sat. Feb. 4th. I have a flyer that will go out soon.

My friend has a HOA clubhouse in Pleasanton, she offered to secure it for us. It holds up to 40 people, secure parking for up to 20 vehicles.

This is a pot luck event.

We will need a tight RSVP list, as I will need to provide the complex with a detailed list of attendees, as it is a gated community. You will need to be on the list at the guard booth to

enter. I will need to provide a completed list 24 hours prior to the event.

The fee for the rental is \$50. We will need Harvey to reimburse her for the payment of the rental fee. My friend has also paid the \$100 security deposit as she knows we will leave the place just as clean as we found it and she will get her money back.

They have a coffee maker, a standard size refrigerator, microwave, 30 pot coffeemaker, 32 folding chairs & 4 6-foot tables and sink. This is not a full kitchen. There are 2 bathrooms available and open to us.

The potluck will start at 12 noon and go until 3 pm. If the weather is good, we can open the doors that face the pool area. We have safe and easy parking. We will arrive earlier for set up.

Treasurer: Harvey Grasso

The Charitable Funds Balance – We have a very small amount left in this account. (Funds that were received and committed to San Andreas)

Charitable Account – Balance is good.
General Fund Account Balance is good.

I found 4 charges to one of our Credit Cards. This was not made by the card holder (Gene Peters). I was able to get the bank to reimburse us and the card has been frozen. The purchases were made online. One in November 2022 and three in January 2023.

We are going to be developing a procedure to have full management of all funds to go through the Treasurer. We will have a procedure and ledger set up and audited once a year by the club president.

Secretary: Shirley Smith

Nothing to report.

Membership: Ken Coon

We will continue to mail out 31 K's each month to our current membership. We need to look at this, maybe this should be published quarterly.

We picked up 11 new members last year. We lost 6 members as they moved out of the area and so bottom line is we gained 5 members last year.

FYI – The gas/electric Chevrolet Corvette will be unveiled on January 17th, 2023.

Sponsorship: Ken Coon

Rob stated that he hasn't had a chance to go talk to FH Dailey and Novato Chevrolet.

Social: Shawn – No Report

Publications: Open Position: Mary Coon

I am currently working on the January K.

As we investigate our budget for this year we might have to go to a digital K or a quarterly publication. Printing & mailing is costly.

Herb has a suggestion - that he has no objections to a digital K, but at least once a year have a year-end review issue printed. Everyone thought this was a good idea; it could be similar to a yearbook.

When I speak to Don at Colorprint, I will decrease the number of K's that we order to offset those members who no longer want the mailing.

We need to update our Bylaws on the changes for the printed K versus the digital copy.

Per Harvey – We could email a digital copy to members. Send out a PDF. Per Mary we might have to change the PDF size for some people, file size might be restrictive for some home carriers. We will look into this.

Mike Jordan asked Mary to fix his birthday date in the K. We had the wrong month. Mary will update the master member spreadsheet.

Goodwill Ambassadors: Hal & Madeline Briar

Nothing to report in our department.

There is a Cars and Coffee being held in Danville the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at the Danville Livery on Sycamore if anyone is interested in attending.

Historian: Herb Clore

NCCC is putting on a run/convention to the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green.

Rob will send out information on the run/convention soon.

BMAL: Tim Sullivan – No Report at this time

Public Relations: Open Position

Web Master – Dave Meccariello – No Report at this time

General Discussion: See Above

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Meeting Adjourned 7:42 pm



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JANUARY 2023

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1 New Year's Day	2 New Year's Day Holiday	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Membership Meeting Black Bear Diner Hayward 7PM	12	13	14
15	16 M L King Day	17	18	19	20	21
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Please note that dates & details occasionally change. It's a good idea to check relevant websites before making final plans.

For additional details see the NCCA website: www.nccacorvettes.org



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19	20 Presidents' Day	21	22	23	24	25
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NCCA HOLIDAY PARTY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10TH

Saturday, December 10th, 20 NCCA club members came out in the rain to gather for our annual Christmas Party which took place at CHOZA Grill in the Blackhawk Plaza in Danville.

The evening began with cocktails not short on Tequila and appetizers. Followed by a fabulous dinner with a variety of traditional Mexican dishes ordered from Choza's dinner menu. While we ordered dessert, we began our Christmas gift exchange. Shirley was our mistress of ceremonies, orchestrating the gift exchange numbers and process.

Some of the most interesting and popular gifts included a Die Cast model C8 which was initially selected by Shirley, then transitioned to the maximum two times to it's new owner; A compact road hazard light that entertained a few of our gentlemen; A few bottles suitable for a liquor cabinet; A yummy box of See's peanut brittle that was sold for \$20 to one of our members with a sweet tooth.

All in all everyone had a wonderful time. A big thank you to Shirey Smith for creating our Christmas centerpieces that 3 folks took home with them that night. Choza Grill did a wonderful job providing service & delicious entrees for us all.



Thank to our attendees who donated an unwrapped toy & can goods for the Davis House in Oakland and to Don Henning who graciously volunteered to deliver them for our club.

Story and pictures by Mary & Ken Coon



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February

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