



Kaleidoscope

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CORVETTE ASSOCIATION

INCORPORATED MAY 9, 1957

VOLUME 14, NUMBER 10

SHARON TRETHAN, EDITOR

OCTOBER 1970

PRESIDENT
MILT PIVER

VICE PRESIDENT
KEN ALTMAN

SECRETARY
NANCY LOCKWOOD

TREASURER
JEROME WHITE

DIPECTORS

MEMBERSHIP
WALT REEDER

PUBLIC RELATIONS
TERRY JOHNSON

SOCIAL
JOHN FLOTTEN

PUBLICATIONS
SHARON TRETHAN

BOARD MEMBER AT
LARGE
RON TRETEAN

"UNCLE MILTIE'S NOTES"

Hey, Gang, if any of you think this year has been filled with activities, you're right, but wait till next year. Besides the NCSCC Championship series and the Joint Convention in St. Louis, as of the October 17, 1970 WSCC meeting in Napa, we of NCCA were selected to host the 1971 WSCC Pre-Convention in the Bay Area (May 27 thru May 31, 1971). Set these dates aside.

As members you will probably ask yourselves what does a pre-convention mean to NCCA or to yourselves as individual members. Well, in my estimation, we have proven to other clubs of WSCC that NCCA is competitive and sincerely behind WSCC. I realize that not everybody has been able to attend all the WSCC events this last year. Let's face reality, not everyone in our club can afford to make all the out of the area events. It takes time and money, and this means a lot of sacrifice to our members in attendance. We as an organization of WSCC have proven ourselves in the last year. We have been awarded many club par trophies and a distance trophy, not to mention the numerous concour, rallye, autocross/slalom, and overall trophies. I think we have proved our interest in WSCC in as far as the fact that we have the most competitive cars and drivers. We also dig socials and other clubs of WSCC.

Now it is our turn to give the people of WSCC a good time and we can do that, too. In order to produce a pre-convention next year, we need everyone to put out a little bit of sacrifice. Of course this means lots of hours and work, but NCCA has the drive and teamwork to make this pre-convention the greatest ever. Some members who are not as active as others prefer to sit back while the others do most of the work. But everyone should think about our club. It is our club and whatever we gain from it is a result of what we've put into it.

This year's and next year's Executive Board will need all the help they can get from the membership. We now have a commitment to WSCC for next year's pre-convention, so let's volunteer for committees to produce a well-organized pre-convention. This in essence means that members who have sat back to let officers and committee members handle all the work will have to participate a little more actively.

"NOTES" (Continued)

LET'S GO NCCA TEAM!!!!

FLASH: Thank you to all NCCA members for your help and work on our Easter Seal Grand Prix. There were more of our club members working this event than at any other we're put on this year.

FLASH: A special thanks to Ken Altman for the administrative and competitive help, to Terry Johnson for the pre-event "legwork", and to Gary Carlen for designing a tremendous course. Besides being able to donate money to the Easter Seal Society, we have achieved a good relationship between Corvette owners and the community in which we live. We were commended by the Alameda Police Department for our organized event, and also by the Utah Construction Company who owns the property we ran on.

FLASH: November 1st is NCCA's championship event, Watkins Glen, at Pleasanton. See enclosed flyer.

FLASH: NCCA's Hayride saw many "pit stops" for de-fueling, and lots of beer (hence the pit stops!). Along with stuffing hay on bodies, came stuffing ice cubes.

FLASH: Thank you, Sammy O'Brien, for the party after the Hayride. How many bales of hay did you collect from your carpets after we left?

FLASH: The Nominating Committee has been scheduled to meet, but at this writing the meeting is pending due to the illness of one of its members. Should the meeting not take place as scheduled, the results will be sent to the members in a flyer either before or with the next Kaleidoscope. Hopefully, however, it will be printed in this Kaleidoscope.

At the Nominating Committee meeting, the candidates for next year's offices will be selected. This is done only to be sure that we have one person who will run for each office. Other nominations will be accepted from the floor at our election meeting in December. If anyone wishes to run for an office, you can be nominated on election night. As president of NCCA, I would like to point out to you that next year's officers will have a very important responsibility with the Pre-Convention. We'll need officers who will do their jobs and not push their responsibilities on to other people.

FLASH: Congratulations to Ron Christensen for winning overall in the concour hosted by Corvettes of Nappa Valley on October 17. Well done, Ron. All in all 14 cars entered, which was a big increase over their last year's concour. There were 4 entrants from NCCA. They were: Ron Christensen, Jerry Lockwood, Dave Mock, and myself. Ron beat out Dave's car (which was in very beautiful condition) in Street Competition. I placed first in Trailered Competition only to beat out the very clean car of Jerry Lockwood. NCCA won the trophy for the club having the most participants. It was a thrill to see two NCCA cars in the final showdown of the concour, even though Ron and I had to compete against each other. The other beautiful car was Rich Peterson's of Corvettes of Santa Cruz.

FLASH: NCCA has a poet! He provided us with numerous verses at the WSCC meeting in Napa. Would you believe Dave Mock? Dave also had a little assistance from Bill Geen.

FLASH: Corvettes of Nappa Valley hosted a party following the WSCC meeting and those NCCA members who attended, had a blast. Thank you, C.N.V.!

"NOTES" (Continued)

FLASH: Jerry Lockwood wishes to thank Gary Carlen in a big way for helping him on the way home from Napa. Jerry's car blew a tire and Gary spotted him from the opposite side of the freeway. He went about 10 miles out of his way to help Jerry and to get him going again. Thanks, Gary Carlen, from Jerry and the Gang!

FLASH: This month's Bad Luck Carlie Award goes to Jerry (Jack-Handle) Lockwood for his FIVE blow-outs in his tow car up and back from the WSCC concour in Napa. Jerry still has spirit!

FLASH: Membership dues are due on November 1, 1970.

FLASH: White Fang got nailed by a Highway Patrolman in Napa for the side exhaust system while parked along the side of the road waiting for his tow car and trailer to catch up with him. Pretty C.S.

FLASH: See you at the next general meeting at General Motors Training Center on November 3, at 8:00 P.M.

MILT PIVER

"MRS. UNCLE'S NOTES"

To all who helped out at our Easter Seal Grand Prix--please pat yourselves on the back for a job well done. You know, there was so much groundwork involved just to get the autocross set up and publicized, etc., but all of that work would have been useless if so many of our members hadn't showed up to work the event. I think you will agree with me that doing this for charity meant more than just giving a buck or two to someone collecting at your door for some worthwhile cause. We gave not only our money, but our time and energies.

I was also pleased that there were so many reruns, considering the original \$4.00 entry fee. Looks like the course appealed to many, Gary. (I liked it, too --- especially that turn where I got a DNF!.)

Perhaps we can make this benefit autocross an annual event. True, we had some problems in arranging the event this first time, but these have provided us with experience so that next time we will know exactly how to cope with any situation that may arise. There's no reason why we can't use the sport of autocrossing to help people who will never be able to walk, let alone race a car.

GAIL PIVER

FOR SALE

1963 Corvette Roadster, 4 speed, 300 HP, both tops, new. Goodyears and Mags. 370 rear end. AM/FM radio. Good condition. \$1,500. Call Russ after 6 p.m. at 537-2959 or 569-7635.

WANTED

Header system (less side pipes) for 1965 Corvette. Contact Steve Krug at 276-0800.

SALTY ALTY SEZ

Last month, NCCA's competitors attended two championships; one of which was a very poor event and the other very good.

With the season drawing to a close, I think back and I'm sure none of us has run a poorer autocross this year than Petit Prix. It's an NCSCC Council Club which has staged a series this year and should have had plenty of practice before their championship.

The day started when you parked your car and proceeded to locate the course. Then much to your amazement, you weren't allowed to walk it or even around it. Then you waited until a few cars ran so that you could see it was one of the fastest and longest courses ever. The cars simply disappeared out of sight. So what do you do? You guess yourself around the course on the one practice lap and one timed lap.

Now, that's not all. You couldn't believe the flagman, who was running all over giving the drivers signals, which caused missed times; plus the trailer was having its troubles, what with timer failure and the Runners giving people the wrong timing slips! What more could you ask for? Well, try three protests. All three were against NCCA drivers. Two were thrown out. One at the event site and the other after a Speed Events meeting. The third came as a surprise. Let me explain: One of our members had rotor trouble on his practice lap and pulled up short of start-finish and at that time was told by the course chairman he had all the time he needed to fix it if he didn't touch the ground. His class members asked him to leave the course, so as not to hold up the event time wise and that they wouldn't hold it against him but allow him another run. Well, he chose to fix it on the spot and complete his time lap. Even though he was under strain he did a remarkable job. It even got funny at times, to see him standing on the fender of his spotless "Vette". And his time was good enough for a FIRST in class. B/P drivers did not hold his run or his time against him, but on the other hand two members of his other club and not at all in his class, filed a formal protest, which cost him valuable points in his challenge for year end class winner. Now, they had every right to do that since the protest is legal and was upheld because of our code, but it also depends on what was told to him by the Event Chairman who allowed him to fix his car on course. I personally compliment the B/P class for being competitors and I hold lost respect for the two protestors who beat him on paper.

The second event this month was presented by Camino Corvettes and was as I suspected it to be, one of the best so far this year. The Chairmen did a good job of planning a very deceiving course, and making the day a very enjoyable one. The event was highlighted by door prizes given out every half hour and by elegant trophies. On behalf of NCCA, I would like to congratulate the membership of Camino for an excellent autocross.

The Third Annual Vintage D'Elegance, on October 17th, hosted by the Corvettes of Nappa Walley was nothing but a repeat of the past years. This event each year draws some of the finest Corvettes ever assembled at one place and this year was no exception. Every car was perfect, which made it very hard for the judges. NCCA was up for the event in force by sending four of their best prepared cars. Ron Christensen, Jerry Lockwood, Dave Mock, and Milt Piver. As in the past two year's, NCCA has again taken the overall award. (Ken Altman 1968 and Roger Boaz 1969.) This fantastic overall trophy is a beautiful champagne bucket and is well worth the effort put out to win. I would like to say that even though Ron Christensen met the task and took home the gold, it's not exactly going to pay for the paint, Q-tips, rags, Pledge, brushes, Windex, razor blades, rug shampoo, lacquer thinner, grease and wax remover, wax and most of all, sore hands and knees and wives. (Moocho angry words).

SALTY SALTY (Continued)

Milt Piver's car also met the task for a first in competition trailer class, followed by Jerry Lockwood's. Congratulations!

Dave Mock was runner up to Ron's car and all four of the cars were tremendously clean. Too bad that we're such a competitive club and all of our cars have to enter in the competition class or they could have brought home all four class trophies. As it was, Ron Christensen received the overall trophy and first in class trophy; Milt Piver received first in class and Bill Geen (looped) picked up the Club Par trophy. So a food for thought for 1971: A-for Altman, B-for Boaz, and C-for Christensen. Who are we looking for for the D in next year's Vintage D'Elegance?

RESULTS

Sept. 27, 1970 - Championship - Petit Prix - Vernalis

TOP TEN

- 2 Kerry Jones
- 5 Ron Trethan
- 7 Sharon Trethan
- 9 Dave Schwafel
- * Ron Christensen

CLASS KP

- 4 Barbara Bothello

CLASS LP

- 1 Sharon Trethan

CLASS AP

- 2 Dave Schwafel
- 3 Gene Bothello
- 4 Ken Altman
- 6 Bill Geen

CLASS P

- 1 Dave Mock
- 4 Larry Wong

CLASS BS

- 12 Gary Carlen

CLASS BP

- 1 Ron Christensen
- 2 Kerry Jcnes
- 4 Ron Trethan
- 10 Roger Kraus
- 11 Steve Krug

CLASS HS

- 3 Bob Kerr

CLASS KS

- 1 Vera Carlen

October 11, 1970 Championship - Camino Corvettes - Pleasanton

TOP TEN

- 6 Gary Carlen
- 9 Ken Altman
- 10 Ron Christensen

CLASS AP

- 3 Ken Altman
- 4 Dave Schwafel
- 6 Bill Geen
- 9 Dave Pygeorge

CLASS BP

- 1 Ron Christensen
- 3 Kerry Jones
- 4 Ron Trethan
- 6 Roger Kraus
- 11 Clark Nelson
- 13 Larry Hunt

CLASS LP

- 2 Sharon Trethan

SALTY ALTY (Continued)

RESULTS (Continued)

Championship - Camino Corvettes

CLASS P

- 1 Dave Mock
- 3 Ron Wilson
- 7 Larry Wong
- 11 Sally Wilson

CLASS BS

- 2 Gary Carlen
- 5 Jim Wiegner
- 10 Manny Pretti
- 11 Hank Lopez

CLASS HS

- 1 Bob Kerr

CLASS KS

- 2 Vera Carlen

GATE PRIZES

- \$10 gift certificate - Ken Altman
- 2 Gabriel Shocks - Bill Geen

RULERS

Bob Kerr and Sharon Trethan

KEN ALTMAN

A HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY IS WISHED FOR:

Steve Krug, Darrel Raney, Vicky Altman, Roger Boaz, Bud DeCastro, Jack Irasmith,
Bruce Skelly, Kathy Nelson

The Birthday Fairy says: Celebrate your birthday with a drink, and here's a toast to you.

The Frenchman loves his native wine;
The German loves his beer;
The Englishman loves his "alf and 'alf,
Because it brings good cheer.
The Irishman loves his "whiskey straight,"
Because it gives him dizziness;
The American has no choice at all,
So he drinks the whole damn business.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CORVETTE ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 6, 1970

The October 6th general meeting was called to order by President Milt Piver at 8:25 p.m.

Membership Director, Walt Reeder, had each guest and member stand and introduce themselves. There were 34 members and guests in attendance. The guests were Jim Spink of San Leandro, Rich Ortwein of San Lorenzo, Tom Best of Union City, Will Tewell of Hayward, Linde Hamilton of Alameda, Ronald Danese of Oakland, and LaVonne Carlston of Danville.

The minutes of the September 1st general meeting were printed in the Kaleidoscope. Milt Piver asked for corrections or additions to those minutes. There were none and the minutes were approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report: Jerry White gave his monthly report. Jerry asked for any additions or corrections. There were none and the report stood as given.

Activities Report: Ken Altman thanked the members that worked and ran the Easter Seals Benefit hosted by NCCA. Ken then reported that there will be a championship event hosted by Camino Corvettes on October 11 at the fairgrounds at Pleasanton. Ken read off the time schedule for class runs.

Ken then asked Roger Kraus to step forward and accept the TTOD and first in class trophies that he had won at the Easter Seals Benefit autocross.

Ken then reminded NCCA members of our November 1st Watkins Glen championship autocross. Ken went over the names of people in charge of work committees for this event. Any member wishing to help should contact these people.

Ken then reported on the Napa event to be held on October 16 through the 18. There will be a winery tour, concour, WSCC meeting, and awards buffet. There was a flyer printed in the September Kaleidoscope.

Ken then told about the Petit Prix event. He reported that there were three protests lodged against three NCCA members.

NCSCC Report: NCCA representative, Dave Schwafel, reported on the proposed code changes. One of the proposals was that formula cars will be able to run for TTOD. Another was that there would be a 10" wheel limit, and a discussion followed this proposal. The class combinations were discussed. Gary Carlen told of his ideas of combining BP and CP instead of AP and BP. Ken Altman suggested that X and K and DP be combined. Dave asked if A and B Prodigied should be split, and it was the club's feeling that it be left as it is. Roger Boaz asked for a clarification for his class for his Oldsmobile, if it was in H or I.

Dave also said that the Z90.1 government standard helmets can be used. All of the club's suggestions will be taken back to the council by Dave Schwafel.

Ken Altman asked for a five minute time limit to fix a breakdown on course.

Another proposal was that course maps should be presented to the Speed Events Committee one month prior to the event.

Gary Carlen said that there should be trophies for TTOD, TTOD Prodigied and TTOD Stock. Ken Altman suggested that each have a Xmas Tree Award.

Dave brought up a proposal for a Beginners Class for people who come in off of the street to run an event. A discussion followed, and it was felt that most of the cars from off of the street are not prepared to autocross.

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 6, 1970
(Continued)

Membership Report: Walt Reeder reported that the dues will be due on November 1st. Checks made out for \$12.00 should be made payable to NCCA.

Social Report: John Flotten read a letter from North Bay Corvette Assn. thanking NCCA for the beach party.

John reported on the Hayride, saying that there were 16 people in attendance.

John reminded the club of the Halloween party to be held on October 24 at 8:00 p.m. at the Lockwood home. It will be a costume party, and there will be a prize for the best costume.

There is no planned social for November. Vicky Altman asked John to check into an ice skating social.

The Christmas dinner will be on December 12th at the Galleon. The cost will be \$6.75 per person. John asked for donations for the door prizes.

Information pertaining to the Installation dinner will be given later.

Public Relations Report: Terry Johnson read the article that was published in the Alameda Times Star pertaining to our Easter Seal Grand Prix.

Publications Report: The deadline for the next Kaleidoscope is Monday, October 19.

Old Business: Milt reported that the WSCC decals were ordered.

Corvette posters are for sale. Contact Ron Trethan.

The Nominating Committee will meet in October. The date will be set after this general meeting.

Walt Reeder was asked to help set up the lighting at Jim Craven's. It was suggested that we check into a writer on the insurance for the club's trailer while it is parked at Jim Craven's.

New Business: Membership dues are due November 1st.

John Flotten reported on upcoming rallies.

WSCC Report: Milt reported that John Cameron of British Columbia Corvette Club was in the Bay Area and said that the Convention results were being prepared.

It was reported that Ken Altman will be going to St. Louis on Thursday to check into the activities for the Joint Convention in 1971.

Announcements: The Easter Seals dash plaques are for sale. John Flotten reminded the club that guests and prospective members are always welcome to NCCA's socials.

Ken Altman has a set of blanks and 10" American Mags for sale.

John Flotten made the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Walt Reeder seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

NANCY LOCKWOOD

JOHNNIE ON THE SPOT

Well, gang, not much news on the social corner this month, as no socials planned for November except for our championship autocross on November 1, at the Pleasanton County Fair Grounds; hope to see you all there.

Remember our Christmas dinner, December 12, 1970 at the Galleon in Alameda. The dinner menu is Roast Prime of Beef served with vegetables, baked potato, rolls and butter, mix green salad for entree and ice cream for dessert. Drinks cost \$.85 and up depending on what you order. The cost of the dinner is \$6.75 per person or \$13.50 a couple. If you are planning to attend, please let me know as soon as possible so arrangements can be made. Please make checks payable to NCCA and send to your social director, that's me, or catch me at the general membership meetings. Please try to make arrangements on or before December 7, 1970 so final arrangements can be made. Thank you.

JOHN FLOTTEN

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER & NOVEMBER

OCTOBER 25	Autocross - Championship - Lockheed - Pleasanton - Run Groups
OCTOBER 28	E-Board Meeting - Trethan's - 8 p.m.
OCTOBER 31	HALLOWEEN
NOVEMBER 1	Autocross - Chempionship - NCCA - Pleasanton - Run Groups
NOVEMBER 3	General Meeting of NCCA - G.M.T.C. - San Leandro - 8 p.m.
NOVEMBER 15	Autocross - Championship - Continentals
NOVEMBER 16	Kaleidoscope Deadline

FOR SALE

1967 Corvette roadster, blue with blue interior, both tops. 427 with 390 HP, American Mags with Goodyear polyglass tire F Series. Also two extra mags, also five stock rims and tires; four Goodyear Blue Streak capped once by Bucks. \$3,000. Contact John Flotten, 638-4314.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE RESULTS

PRESIDENT:	GARY CARLEN
VICE PRESIDENT:	MILT PIVER
SECRETARY:	VICKY ALTMAN
TREASURER:	ROD BAKER
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:	NANCY LOCKWOOD
SOCIAL DIRECTOR:	SAMANTHA O'BRIEN
PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR:	DARREL RANEY
PUBLICATIONS DIRECTOR:	GAIL PIVER
BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE:	KEN ALTMAN

As Chairman of the Nominating Committee, I would like to lay a few words of wisdom on you, as I did the committee. Our club has to have officers that will work very hard next year. For one thing, we're going to host the WSCC Pre-Convention plus the usual activities throughout the year. It is true that we are a very competitive club, but we can't rely only on competition this next year. All of our officers will be very busy organizing committees, etc. The officers you see on this list above are people who have pledged the responsibility of working. It may mean that the officers will have to take time off of work to help our club progress.

Next year no officer can sit back and be hand led. We must stand behind a united cause. It is true the first of this year I appointed a committee of three members to look into the possibilities of a pre-convention for 1971. The members appointed are: Ron Trethan, Gary Carlen, and Rod Baker. Well, it's now a reality. We are going to host it.

The Nominating Committee has made many phone calls to club people. We were looking for the following things:

1. Attendance of meetings.
2. Representation of NCCA at club events, and NCSCC and WSCC events.
3. Members who have the cooperation of their spouses and who have the time necessary to do a good job.
4. Members who are in the local area (because of travel time and inconveniences).
5. Members who are congenial under pressure.
6. Members who are not working nights or weird hours, going to school, or in the service.

We are faced with a very crucial election. Be sure to be at the December 1st meeting to vote for the people that you want to represent NCCA -- those that will do the best for the club. But remember -- popularity and enthusiasm are part of it, but time, effort, and ability are the most important things.

MILT PIVER

SALTY ALTY SEZ:

W

O. K. GANG! Here's our next championship date already upon us, November 1, 1970, THIS SUNDAY! We will all meet at 7:00 SHARP to set up the course, trailer, grid, tech and registration.

G

L

E

N

A

T

K

I

N

S

It's pretty hard to choose committee chairman for every position based on participation in club functions, because so many members really don't attend anything but autocrosses. So, I did something in the beginning of this year. I selected a crew which has performed marvelously. We now have a club membership of about 90 strong; but so far, only about 30 of these members are really active, both in autocrossing and socials. Where are the other 60 who can help these few support NCCA????? We have had a great number of members turning out for our own club sponsored autocrosses and they are more than willing to put in a day on course, in the trailer, and wherever they may be needed. But where are some of our old faces and friends and a few of the newer ones too? You didn't buy a Corvette and join NCCA just to say you belong. You and I both know that! Half the fun of owning your car is using it; and what better way than with a group of nuts just like yourself!! Come on, let's help the chairman and ourselves by phoning them and letting them know when you can work and where that day.

COURSE SET-UP & DESIGN: GARY CARLEN
846-4889

REGISTRATION: ROSALIE JOHNSON
537-0332

COURSE WORKERS: LARRY WONG
835-1162

GRID: RON TRETHAN
582-6218

TECH AM: ROGER BOAZ TECH PM: GEORGE KORD
531-1561 592-5673

SCORING: NANCY LOCKWOOD
792-0440

TRAILOR: MILT PIVER
538-7719

N O V I

NORTHERN
N

CALIFORNIA
C

CORVETTE
C

ASSOCIATION
A

P R E S E N T S

THE 3RD ANNUAL WSCC DINNER & MEETING
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1970

PLACE: GENERAL MOTORS TRAINING CENTER
1444 MARINA BLVD. AND THE NIMITZ FREEWAY (HWY. 17)
SAN LEANDRO, CALIFORNIA

TIME: 5:00 TO 6:00 P.M. COCKTAIL HOUR 80¢ PER DRINK
6:00 TO 7:30 P.M. SIT DOWN DINNER \$5.75 PER PERSON
7:30 TO 10:30 P.M. WSCC MEETING

MENU: ROAST PRIME RIB OF BEEF, AU JUS
SALAD, RELISH TRAY
CHEF'S SPECIALLY DRESSED POTATOES
VEGETABLE
DESSERT
BEVERAGE
PRICE OF \$5.75 PER PERSON INCLUDES TAX & TIP

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 23, 1970. ALL DINNERS
MUST BE PREPAID!

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL: MILT PIVER 415-538-7719

PLEASE RETURN THIS SECTION WITH PAYMENT:
MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO NCCA
MAIL TO: NCCA

% MILT PIVER
19139 CHRISTENSEN COURT
CASTRO VALLEY, CALIFORNIA 94546

NAME: _____
CLUB: _____

NO. IN PARTY _____