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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A special Meeting will be held Thursday Dec. 21st at General Motors Training Center, 1444 Marina Blvd, San Leandro.

The purpose of this meeting is to vote on the E-Board recommendation that the Election of NCCA Officers of Dec. 5th, be declared Null & Void due to three invalid votes. If the membership votes to accept the recommendation there will be a new election of NCCA Officers for 1968.

These were the votes of 3 former NCCA Members who were rejoining the Club. According to the By-Laws of NCCA a former member is to go through the same procedure as any prospective member of the Club in applying for membership, if his membership has not been continuous.

The trip to the Corvette Grand Prix in Santa Maria was well attended by the Northern Clubs. NCCA was one of the larger groups to attend, represented by members, Newmaster, Tsirlis, The Zeh's, Doramus's, Trethan's, Altman's Irish's, and Prospective Members Dave & Marie Van Harn.

The members of Cal Coast Corvettes presented a fun weekend for all who attended. The City of Santa Maria has developed a terrific Autocross track with an investment of 35 Grand. Hat's off to a City with an eye to the future.

Our Annual Installation Dinner will be held January 6, 1968 at the Golden West. A Flyer will follow later.

See you at the meeting December 21st.

Michael D. Irish

MINUTES:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CORVETTE ASSOCIATION NOVEMBER 21, 1967

The meeting of the Northern California Corvette Association was called to order by President Mike Irish, at the Straw Hat Pizza Parlor in San Leandro, on Nov. 21, 1967 at 8:10 P.M.

Mike introduced the guests present in the absence of Membership Director Bob Kerr.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer Ernie Elia was not present so Mike reported the Club balance.

Activities Director and Vice Pres., Nick Viscusi, reminded everyone of the Corvette Grand Prix on Nov. 25 & 26th at Santa Maria. Nick said that the worker awards and the trophies from the closed event will be given out at the Xmas Dinner.

Lloyd Peoples, Social Director, was not present so Mike told about the Scavenger Hunt at Jim and LaVerne Cravens and reminded everyone of the Xmas Party on December 9th at the Showboat in Oakland.

Publicity Director, Roger Kraus, was not present but Mike said that it seems that the papers are giving a fair coverage if they get the information in plenty of time.

Lynne Irish, Publications Director, said that the Kalidscope would be out in a day or two.

Under old business, Jack Irasmith asked if we had gotten money that Fremont owes us. Mike said not yet. Ron Trethan said that by not giving the Corvanna trophies out at the Xmas dinner, we will lose some people. Mike said he had thought of giving them out at the first of the year.

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A discussion followed. Nick said he would try and get the trophies for the Xmas Dinner and a flyer would follow, but if not, they would be given out at the Installation Dinner. Roberta asked if flowers had been sent to Lily McCastro. Mike said they had not yet, so Roberta said she would send some.

Under New Business Ken Altman said that he and Harold Doramus went to the Imported Car Show in San Francisco and that they had arranged to get some movies to show to the club. Vicky Altman asked when and where the Installation Dinner would be, and Mike said Lloyd had made arrangements, but he did not have the date.

Announcements were made. Vicky Altman said that anyone going down to Santa Maria was welcome; to leave come to their place for breakfast at 2 A.M. and leave at 3 A.M. Mike reminded everyone that elections would be held on December 5 at General Motors Training Center. Mike adjourned the meeting at 9 P.M.

Respectively submitted,

Jeanne Doramus
Recording Secretary

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SOCIAL CORNER

Nov. 21, 1967

Dear Members:

I wish to take this opportunity to express my thanks to all the members and friends who helped to make the Socials for the past year such a great success. As for Dolores and I, we were rewarded by having made new friends and being of service to old ones.

I'm sure your new Social Director will be a credit to the club and receive the same cooperation as I have.

Thank You again,
LLOYD PEOPLES

CORVETTE GRAND PRIX

By KEN ALTMAN

Santa Maria weekend and with at least 67% of the turnout coming from the north, we were in the green.

As announced, we left for the Grand Prix at 3:00 O'clock Saturday morning and arrived there about 7:30. The reception we received was superb & The Cal Coast Corvette's officials registered us and gave a run down on the weekends events, after which we registered for a room at the spacious Vandenburg Inn.

Everybody stored their gear and made way to the biggest and best auto-cross course I've ever seen. Someone said it was "seven football fields long" and I couldn't deny it, plus being all newly black topped.

Well, when the going got tough, the tough got going, and when the weekends competition was completed, NCCA had led the north to victory.

On Saturday the course was twisty and very challenging. It was Mike Tsirlis who turned the nine tenths mile into top time of day and first in class. Ron Trethan was second. Doug Newmaster, Harold Doramus and myself gave the leaders a good run in class A-2.

Saturday night was everything I had expected, starting with the WSCC meeting where I met most of the officers of the council plus many other club representatives.

After the meeting, which I thought was handled very well, we retired to the cocktail lounge where guest speaker Bob Bondurant gave a racing synopsis which took him through the years when he raced the Corvettes, to when he and member team mates won the manufacturing championship for the United States.

When the evening's entertainment was over, I thought, a bite to eat was in order. Jocko's is the place to go in Santa Maria if you're hungry, cause what a dinner.

Wow, What a dinner. I could hardly finish it. Well, a good dinner deserves a good nights sleep (for some anyway) while others partyed the whole night long. To each his own, but I was refreshed and raring to challenge Sunday's course.

On Sunday the course was a Tecate; two similar courses side by side, run at the same time. To win here, you had to run a north course twice and a south course twice, taking the best run of each for a total. It was Ron Trethan with Top time of day and first in class A-3, followed by Mike Tsirlis.

In the largest class which was represented by 427's and 327's with large tires and uncut fenders. I took a second place trophy (MYFIRST) and Doug Newmaster just missed a third place trophy by 7/10th of a second. Harold Doramus, having a little trouble, still gave us a real good run. And John Zeh, having a lot of fun, rearranged the course on a couple of his runs.

The greatest thrill of the weekend for NCCA members was yet to come. The competition voted for whom they thought was the most outstanding driver of the weekend. The honor went to Sharon Trethan, with top in class, both days, and challenging the men for top time of day.

The trophies were handed out at a fabulous Santa Maria style Bar-B-Cue by Cal Coast Corvette Queen, Carol Axon, who graciously congratulated us.

Before closing I want to mention other NCCA members who braved the five hour trip to support our auto-crossers. They were Mike & Lynne Irish, Roger & Floracelle Boaz, Sig Zeh, Jeanne Doramus, my wife Vicky and our Two boys, Kenny & Kris.

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NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

WHEN:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1967

WHERE:

KEN & VICKY ALTMAN'S
4473 REINHARDT DR.
OAKLAND, CALIF. 94619

534-2383

TIME:

8:00 P.M.

DRESS:

ANY WAY YOU WANT TO.

Bring your own bottle, and 1 coke mix, and 1 7-up.

Also bring your dancing shoes.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

HAMPSHIRE