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### "UNCLE MILTIES NOTES"

Well, Gang, the W.S.C.C. Pre-Convention is over and we're all I would imagine, trying to recuperate. I think we'll make it.

N.C.C.A. had a total of 28 members, wives, and one prospective member attend the Pre-Convention, and out of the total of 28 members, 22 participated in the concour, rallye, and the autocross/slalom. Out of the 22 participating, N.C.C.A. brought home 21 trophies, two of which are duplicates. We also brought home the Most Represented Club Trophy, which really came as a surprise to me. I didn't think we even had a chance for this honor. Not to belittle any other W.S.C.C. club, but I think N.C.C.A. broke a record at the Pre-Convention. I know we have spirit, good sportsmanship, and are very competitive. Keep up the good work, Gang!

**FLASH:** A special letter of thanks has been written to Bob Farris, President of Clippinger-Corvette-Corvair-Camaro Club for hosting the W.S.C.C. Pre-Convention. Clippinger did a fine job, especially at the Riverside International Raceway.

**FLASH:** This month I have two bad luck Charlie awards to pass along. One of them goes to your Vice President, Ken Altman, and the other goes to the avid autocrosser, Dave Mock. It seems that Ken's 427 and Dave's 454 didn't want to stay together at Riverside's Turn 9. Well, not every club member can say that his engine blew at Turn 9 at Riverside. Being able to say this, however, seems quite expensive.

**FLASH:** Looking back to last year, it seems that N.C.C.A. has a problem with the color of cars. At Vernalis last year, we saw Ron Christensen's 327 and Ron Trethan's 427 blow. Both these cars were green. Then Riverside with Ken and Dave blowing. Both of these cars are black. Well, Gang, I think if any white cars in our club blow, Uncle Miltie will tear his engine down on the spot.

"NOTES" (Continued)

FLASH: The W.S.C.C. Pre-Convention is but a start for us this year. On June 19, 20, and 21, Corvette Owners Club of Sacramento will host a concour and autocross at Cal Expo, and a W.S.C.C. meeting. Then there's the July 4th weekend of the Golden State Grand Prix in Santa Maria. Then there will be the annual Captain Weber Days on July 12th and the social afterward at Bruce Benninger's home in Stockton. After all of this in July, we have the W.S.C.C. Convention to attend in Vancouver, B.C. For further information on the convention, see the W.S.C.C. Report.

FLASH: Congratulations to Ken Altman and Sharon Trethan for taking and sharing the overall award as a team at the Pre-Convention. A job well done. I further understand that Buick Riviera Grand Sports are the perfect rallye car?

FLASH: For those of you not attending the pre-convention, you missed out on the social put on by N.C.C.A. after the W.S.C.C. meeting. It seems as though our members in attendance were tired of buying drinks at the Holiday bar. So we decided to have our own party. Everyone pooled their own money, and the club put in some and we had a ball. Jerry Lockwood set up a bar of our own and the wine coolers flowed freely. He served some fantastic international drinks, but somehow they all turned out to be wine coolers. I think every club was able to take part in our cocktail hours.

FLASH: The stork has made another visit to Neil and Robin Andersen of North Bay Corvette Association. Best wishes to Mom, Dad, and Baby Sara.

FLASH: N.C.C.A. will be working on hosting the December W.S.C.C. meeting.

FLASH: I am working on changing our August 4 general meeting to August 11, because of the date interference with the W.S.C.C. Convention in August.

FLASH: See you all at the next general meeting of May 5, 1970 at G.M.T.C. in San Leandro, at 8:00 p.m.

MILT PIVER

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BRANDS HATCH - JUNE 7, 1970 - Milpitas Ford Plant

Just a reminder that June 7th is right around the corner and all members wishing to lend a hand on a committee, please contact your chairmen.

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| Course & Maps     | Gary Carlen              |
| Grid              | Ron Trethan              |
| Trailor & Scoring | Milt Piver               |
| Registration      | Rosalie Johnson          |
| Tech Inspection   | Roger Boaz & George Kord |
| Event Chairman    | Ken Altman               |

SALTY ALTY

I'm going to take a minute of your time to tell how proud I am of NCCA as great people and competitors, and to keep you informed of what we've done and what we're going to do.

There has been three championships this month, plus many non-championships and of course Clippinger's Pre-Convention in Riverside. In all of which NCCA has done real well. All this is great, but what makes us tick. Could it be togetherness. For most of us there has been a time of need and who but a NCCA member lends an unselfish hand. He lends his car, trailer, tires or knowledge. No matter what the occasion or the problem, NCCA is there in so many ways. This is what makes me happy to be a proud member and competitor of NCCA.

I would like at this time to thank Milt & Gail Piver for lending there comfortable Riviera and trailer to bring home "Black Beauty". Just a little lame. And to Bill Geen for the use of the Super Apple. Both without hesitation. I hope I can repay the favor.

Now for most of the results:

PCA Autocross - Championship March 22, 1970

TOP TEN

3 Roger Kraus  
4 Ron Christensen  
10 Ron Trethan

CLASS AP

3 Bill Geen  
5 Ken Altman  
10 Dave Mock  
14 Larry Wong

CLASS BP

1 Roger Kraus  
2 Ron Christensen  
4 Ron Trethan  
5 Bob Kerr  
10 Milt Piver  
13 Bruce Benninger

CLASS CP

5 Hank Lopez

CLASS JP

2 Joe Aboaf

CLASS LP

2 Sharon Trethan  
5 Gail Piver

CLASS BS

3 Jim Wiegner  
8 Jim Nelson  
10 Manny Pretti  
11 Bob Jones  
13 Clark Nelson  
14 Terry Johnson  
15 Ron Wilson  
18 Cary Carlen

CLASS KS

1 Vera Carlen  
4 Samantha O'Brien

CLUB PAR

2 NCCA

SALTY ALTY (Continued)

RESULTS

Twin Valley Autocross - Championship April 6, 1970

TOP TEN

- 2 Bill Geen
- 5 Bob Kerr
- 6 Kerry Jones

CLASS LP

- 1 Sharon Trethan

CLASS P

- 2 Jim Wiegner

CLASS BS

- 1 Gary Carlen
- 6 Manny Pretti
- 7 Jim Nelson
- 8 Terry Johnson
- 10 Ron Wilson
- 14 Bob Jones

TOP TIME STOCK

Gary Carlen

TOP TIME LADIES

Sharon Trethan

CLASS AP

- 1 Bill Geen
- 5 Dave Mock
- 9 Ken Altman
- 11 Larry Wong

CLASS KS

- 1 Vera Carlen
- 4 Samantha O'Brien
- 6 Rosalie Johnson

CLASS BP

- 1 Bob Kerr
- 2 Kerry Jones
- 4 Ron Trethan
- 5 Ron Christensen
- 6 Roger Kraus

Competition S.C.C. Autocross - SVSCC Championship March 15, 1970

TOP TEN

- 1 Ron Christensen
- 2 Mike Tsirlis
- 4 Bill Geen
- 8 Ken Altman
- 9 Ron Trethan

TEAM TROPHY

NCCA

Other members that lead the on slot of Sacramento's first championship:

Gene Bothello  
Dave Mock  
Bruce Benninger  
Barbara Bothello

Jim Wiegner  
Sharon Trethan  
Tom Nichols

SALTY ALTY (Continued)

RESULTS

Racher Frachers SCC - Autocross March 29, 1970

TOP TEN

1 Ken Altman  
2 Ron Christensen  
3 Bob Kerr  
9 Bill Geen  
10 Roger Kraus

TOP TIME LADIES

Barbara Bothello

CLASS AP

1 Ken Altman  
3 Bill Geen  
5 Gene Bothello  
6 Dave Mock

CLASS BP

1 Ron Christensen  
2 Bob Kerr  
4 Roger Kraus  
6 Jim Wiegner  
8 Dave Schwafel

CLASS KP

1 Barbara Bothello

CLASS BS

3 Manny Pretti  
8 Jim Nelson  
10 Ron Wilson

WSCC Pre-Convention - April 10 - 12, 1970

Concour

OVERALL

Ken Altman

CLASS COMPETITION TRAILER

1 Dave Mock  
2 Milt Piver

CLASS COMPETITION

1 Ken Altman  
3 Jerry Lockwood

CLASS STOCK STREET

2 Roger Boaz

Rallye

OVERALL

K. Altman & S. Trethan

CLASS EXPERT

1 K. Altman & S. Trethan

CLASS NOVICE

Dnf R. Boaz & F. Boaz

Autocross

CLASS A3

1 Gene Bothello  
2 Ash Boesch  
3 George Kord  
- Larry Wong  
DNF Ken Altman  
DNF Dave Mock

CLASS B1

1 Gary Carlen  
- Terry Johnson  
- Roger Boaz

CLASS B2

1 Mike Tsirlis  
3 Jim Wiegner  
- Jerry Lockwood

SALTY ALTY (Continued)

RESULTS

WSCC Pre-Convention

Autocross (Continued)

CLASS B3

- 2 Ron Trethan
- 3 Dave Schwafel
- 4 Bob Jones
- 5 Kerry Jones
- Milt Piver

CLASS AW3

- 1 Barbara Bothello

CLASS BW1

- 1 Vera Carlen
- Samantha O'Brien

CLASS BW2

- Gail Piver

CLASS BW3

- 1 Sharon Trethan

The WSCC Pre-Convention results have not been mailed, so if I've missed anybody in the results, it's because I did it by memory.

Note: Thank you Larry Wong for giving me a chance to run both courses.

Just a little about the courses in Riverside. It was all we were told and then some. It's so hard to say I told you so, and I won't. Just ask any of us anytime, we'll be hung out for at least a year. Just a few stats: No. 1 course - 1.3 miles, 4th gear 120 mph and No. 2 course - 1.1 miles, 4th gear 130 mph. Read em and weep. I did!

A special thanks to all who went and did so well. Most all brought back something and the others cheered on. We also got Club Par for participation. Congratulations NCCA, I'm proud of you!

Camino Corvettes Championship Autocross - April 19, 1970

TOP TEN

- 3 Bob Kerr
- 6 Gary Carlen

TOP TIME PRODIFIED

Bob Kerr

TOP TIME STOCK

Gary Carlen

CLASS AP

- 2 Bill Geen
- 4 Ken Altman

CLASS BP

- 1 Bob Kerr
- 4 Roger Kraus
- 5 Kerry Jones
- 8 Milt Piver
- 9 Ron Trethan
- 12 Jerry Lockwood
- 13 Ron Christensen

CLASS BS

- 1 Gary Carlen
- 3 Manny Pretti
- 9 Bob Jones
- 10 Jim Nelson
- 11 Clark Nelson
- 13 Terry Johnson

SALTY ALTY (Continued)

RESULTS

Camino Corvettes (Continued)

CLASS KS

- 1 Vera Carlen
- 3 Samantha O'Brien
- 5 Rosalie Johnson

CLASS P

- 4 Ron Wilson

CLASS LP

- 2 Sharon Trethan

1970 Convention in Canada

Now's the time to plan to go: ask yourself if you can afford to miss it - \$72.00 per couple which includes hotel, events, dinners, lunches, and tours. 28 members really enjoyed the Pre-Convention in Riverside. Let's do it again in Canada.

BIG-O-TIRES - 35th & Foothill Blvd. in Oakland can really help you.

Thanks again for your time.

KEN ALTMAN

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Auto-X - Nor Cal Rallye Team - May 10 - Milpitas Ford Plant - Reg. & tech 8:00 - 3:30

Class Runs LS, DS, KP, AP, X, KS 8:30 - 10:00  
P, BS, LP, BP, CP, DP, HP 10:00 - 11:30

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FOR SALE - 1968 Hard top for Corvette. Contact Jack Irasmith (415) 697-0170

FOR SALE - 1966 Convertible Corvette with hard top, blue, 10" Ansen wheels, 427, heavy duty suspension, all fenders flared. New paint, black interior. \$3500. Contact Pat Greco, 378-8878.

FOR SALE - Corvette, 1956 - Green Weenie - \$2000. Contact Hank Lopez, 452-4497

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CORVETTE ASSOCIATION  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES APRIL 7, 1970

The meeting was called to order by President, Milt Piver, at 8:20 p.m.

Walt Reeder asked the guest to introduce themselves. There were 34 members and guest in attendance.

The minutes of the March 3, 1970 General Meeting were approved as published. There were no corrections.

Treasurer's Report - Jerry White gave a run down on the income and expenditures of the previous month.

Jerry Then told members and guests that he still has the new NCSCC code books for sale.

Activities Report - Ken Altman congratulated members for the competitive events of the last month.

Ken reported that four (4) members placed in the top ten at the PCA Championship event held on March 22nd.

Ken then reported that he will have the results of the other events printed in the Kaleidoscope.

Other coming events were reported as:

- April 19th - Camino Corvettes Championship Autocross to be held in Pleasanton, Class runs
- April 26th - Competition SCC Championship Autocross to be held at Cal Expo.

Milt Piver showed the trophy for the club par received at the Creeper Race held by North Bay Corvette Association on March 14th.

Membership Report - Walt Reeder handed out the club shirts to the members that had not received them yet.

Walt reported that the name tags are on order.

Social Report - John Flotten gave a report on the up coming socials such as:

- June 27th - Picnic at Redwood Park
- July 12th - Captain Weber Day beginning at 6:00 a.m. at Sambo's
- July 30, 31, and August 1st - Convention in Vancouver, B.C.
- August 16th - Beach Party - place unknown as of this date

John then reported that 2 members from the club placed second and fourth at the past rallye hosted by North Bay Corvette Association.

John then read off the dates, names, and starting points for the up coming rallyes.

- April 11th - Charlie Brown Touring - Fontana Street, Oakland and Southland
- April 24th - Gigo
- April 25th - Linda - Stanford



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES    APRIL 7, 1970  
(Continued)

Public Relations Report - Terry Johnson said that Bill Parker's Speed Shop has opened with a 20% discount to club members.

A letter was read that had been received from Ed and Jean Thiebaud, thanking NCCA for the letter of congratulation on their ownership of the oldest corvette in existence.

Publication Report - April 20th was announced by Sharon Trethan for the deadline of the Kaleidoscope.

Old Business - Milt gave a summary on the incorporation of the NCCA trailer into Jim Craven's insurance.

New Business - A letter from the Clippinger club thanking NCCA for the donation of three trophies which will be used for Class A3 or B3 at the Pre-Convention.

Special Report - Ron Trethan and Gary Carlen reported on the progress of the 1972 convention. Ron said he had talked with Joe Pike in Michigan and Gary Carlen said he had been in contact with the Oakland Chamber of Commerce.

Discussion on the Hilton or the Edgewater Inn for convention headquarters followed. Further information will follow at a later date.

WSCC Report - Milt asked for a raise of hands for the attendance of the pre-convention. Milt then read off the names of people with confirmed reservations at the Holiday Inn in Riverside. Departure times were discussed.

Milt asked that the team shirts be worn for the autocross event to be held on Saturday.

Schedule of events were read off.

Milt then gave the telephone number of the Holiday Inn and informed the people going down to the pre-convention that if they had trouble they could call this number and someone would come to their aid.

Roger Boaz mentioned that a extra tow bar should be taken down. He also mentioned that he was taking his 1941 Olds and his vette and both can be rigged to tow if anyone has trouble.

NCSCC Report - Sharon Trethan reported that the applications for the North/South are out for the top 3 in each class. Those not qualifying may get their applications after May 1st.

Announcements - Gail Piver thanked the members that had helped Milt during his repair and clean up of his vette for the up coming concour at the pre-convention.

Announcements of sale and need items will be printed in the Kaleidoscope.

Rod Baker made a motion that the meeting be adjourned and John Flotten seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

NANCY LOCKWOOD

## Captain Nice Rides Again

Well, Captain Nice thinks a little should be said about the WSCC Pre-convention. First, thank goodness everyone arrived safely. The first night that Captain Nice arrived (Thursday about 8:00 p.m.) he was greeted by Sharon Trethan and a powerful screwdriver, (Vodka that is. Meanwhile, the little fella (Milt Piver) was busy discussing the up and coming events with a few of the people from the south. Of course Gail and Rosalie sprinted up to the room and unpacked, a few things?

Anyway, everybody that got up Friday for the concour saw Salty Alty, Uncle Miltie and Jerry Lockwood busy working on their cars. Along with Roger Boaz and Dave Mock. All the boys did a good job and congratulations to Ken Altman, Dave Mock and Milt Piver for taking home the brass.

Now, onto the races. This was the first time Captain Nice had ever rolled around a professional track and I must say that he was quite impressed. The results of the race are probably already known by most so I won't go into them. I would like to say that I wish BLACK BEAUTIES I & II hadn't come home with broken engines but I guess fate takes a turn with every car.

After the race NCCA held a bash to end all bashes. It included a tire fight and the complete and utter destruction of a seven foot giant by four fast women in a bathroom.

The banquet saw the Northern table holding almost all the gold and many happy faces. Well that's all from Captain Nice and Pre-Convention. See you next month.

TERRY JOHNSON

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## JOHNNIE ON THE SPOT

From what I've been hearing the people who attended the WSCC Pre-Convention had no complaints whatsoever. So it must have been great fun as always. I'm kinda sorry now that I didn't make it, but there will be the WSCC Convention coming real soon. Congratulations are in order for our people who did attend the Pre-Convention, as we a club brought back over 20 trophies - so good going guys and gals.

On our social slate this month is our annual Bowling Night, May 1st, at Mel's Bowl in Alameda, at 8:00 p.m. So see you all there.

Rallye News - Well, gang, I went on my first Gimmick Rallye last month, and it was to say the least, quite an experience. After about the first half hour or so of driving all over the place looking for course markers, I was getting a bit fed up with the whole thing (as I didn't know what I was doing). But after awhile I seem to settle down or should I say, calm down and I had a good time after that. If you are wondering just who my co-heart partner was on the rallye, it was my fiancee and I believe we are still talking to each other. ha ha

I guess NCCA can do just about everything, as our own beloved Sharon Trethan and Ken Altman took first overall in the WSCC Pre-Convention Time and Distance Rallye, and to top that, they both tied for High Point Score in all competition combined for the Pre-Convention. Congratulations Sharon and Ken. You two can be on my team anytime.

JOHN FLOTTEN

N.C.C.A. BOWLING NIGHT  
MAY 1, FRIDAY 8:00 P.M.

MEL'S BOWL'S  
300 PARK STREET  
ALAMEDA

\$.70 A-GAME w/FREE SHOE RENTAL  
TROPHIES AWARDED FOR  
HIGH GAME - MAN + WOMAN  
HIGH SERIES - MAN + WOMAN  
LOW GAME - MAN + WOMAN

REMEMBER;  
GUESTS + FRIENDS ARE  
ALWAYS WELCOME AT  
OUR SOCIAL EVENTS

## W.S.C.C. Report

I talked to John Cameron, the representative of British Columbia Corvette Club, the club that's hosting the 1970 Convention in Vancouver, B.C. He told me several things about the convention which I would like to pass on to you. The convention will be held at the Hotel Vancouver. The parking at the Hotel will be under cover. The events he has planned so far are: an autocross/slalom on a paved lot 300 feet by 1300 feet, which is fair sized. They plan a tour of the harbor and inlets to Vancouver. I have personally had the occasion to tour this area few years back, and believe me, it is beautiful country. After the autocross and rallye, the next day there will be a concour, which will be in the hotel's full sized ballroom. I asked John the reason for having the concour after the autocross and the rallye. He said it makes everybody equal because cars entering the concour will have to enter either the autocross or rallye. Everybody will have the same amount of clean-up work to do. Also, cars entering the concour must have locking gas caps. I also asked about the possibility of NCCA having a hospitality room. He said the hotel would frown on the idea of any importing of cases of liquor into the country. However, we will be able to take one quart of liquor across the border with us. Any liquor for the hospitality room should be bought through the hotel. Upon entering the Canadian Customs Office, U.S. citizens must declare all items in their possession and all vehicles and notify the officers of their length of stay in Canada.

All cars in tow in Canada, whether by trailer or by tow bar, must be marked "car in tow". I also remembered that for any of us planning to go to Canada, you should notify your insurance company here in the States of your intentions and they will furnish you with a card proving you have car insurance. This is a must because they required more insurance in Canada. Prices and further information should be out in two weeks. One other thing, caravans cannot be more than ten cars at a time.

In accordance with the W.S.C.C. by-laws, Article II, Section I, the nominations for W.S.C.C. officers was open. These are the nominees for the different offices:

President:	Bob Roach (incumbent) Nick Viscusi
Vice President:	Ken Altman
Secretary:	Marilyn Owen (incumbent)
Treasurer:	open
Publicity Chairman:	Judy Brown
Events Chairman:	Ed Thiebaud Carver West
Public Relations:	Dave Duggan

It was moved and seconded that the nomination of officers be held open for one month. The deadline will be May 11, 1970.

Information on the meeting and events scheduled for June 19, 20, and 21 will be announced at a later date. Corvette Owners Club of Sacramento will be sending us information on this event.

The 1971 joint WSCC and National Council Corvette Convention will be discussed in my next WSCC report.

MILT PIVER

Pre-Convention Highlights:

Your roving reporter went to Riverside and picked up these scoops:

Rosalie Johnson was seen refreshing herself with a foot bath in a tub filled with ice cubes and wine.

Terry Johnson finally did race Samantha's car (heavy on the W.W.).

Bob Jones felt that all his work on Milt's car was worth it, as he won a 4th place trophy at the autocross.

Paulann Wong was a bit stunned at some of our members' behavior (mis-behavior?).

Dave Mock colored his car broke.

Gary and Vera Carlen were seen nightly with their famous wine coolers.

You heard that the Trethan's got to Riverside before their car did, but!... did you know that they flew down...without a plane? (cocktail time on board.)

Burritos forever!! Right, Milt?

Too bad Roger Boaz had so much trouble towing the Corvette with the Olds (or was it the other way around?).

Gail Piver was last seen casually cruising Course No. 1 (possibly hunting for a hot dog stand?).

Ash Boesch drove all the way from Petaluma with George Kord (how's your head, George?).

Nancy Lockwood had the cocktail waitress duty again as she brought some wine coolers (what else) on a tray to the WSCC meeting.

Sober Ken and Milt couldn't believe they knew the bunch of rowdies who didn't attend the WSCC meeting, but had a room party instead.

White shorts with red hearts is the only way to travel --right Mike Tsirlis?

This mild-mannered reporter would like to thank Jerry and Nancy Lockwood for letting me drive your Vette at Riverside while Milt had trouble with ours. I was apprehensive, but you pushed me into the car, and strapped my foot to the gas pedal just so I could say I raced at Riverside with the big timers. (Sure glad your engine didn't blow.)

GAIL PIVER

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A HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAY IS WISHED FOR:

Bruce Benninger, Rich Garner, Bill Geen, Roger Kraus, Jerry Lockwood, Clint Mathews, Dave Mock, Tom Nichols, Sig Zeh, Susanne Boesch, and Eileen Warnke.

## AFTER THE PRE-CONVENTION

We left the awards luncheon and headed for our room that looked like a baggage terminal at a bus station. As soon as all cars were loaded and the directions for home were settled, we left the 109 looking like hurricane named NCCA had blown through, especially the bath with its wine splattered walls and floors from the party the night before. Most of the members of the Camino Corvettes and NCCA had left before the Lockwood's and LaBorde's were ready.

We were told that the others of the club would be stopping at Bakersfield to eat and we thought we could catch up with them about that time, since we were not traveling with a tow car and they would be towing at much less speed. When we arrived in Bakersfield, we encountered a 1941 Olds towing his vette, and was told that we had just missed the other members by just minutes. So we gassed up and headed for Fresno at a fast pace to catch up with the crowd. On this leg of our trip we passed Mr. Kord and his co-pilot Mr. Boesch towing Mr. Kord's vette. When we arrived in Fresno and checked with the Holiday Inn, we realized that somewhere we had passed the crowd, so off once again to grab a bit to eat and back to check in to the Holiday Inn. We had been in bed just a few minutes when a call from NCCA members Mr. and Mrs. Wong came through, saying they decided to go on with the others of their group. So we knew that the group from NCCA were safely on their way once again.

We woke up at 11:00 a.m. with much needed sleep and ate breakfast. We phoned the Thiebaud's to get easy directions to their ranch. Off West Adams Street we spotted a big red airplane hanger and up a dusty road with a slight sprinkling of rain we went. Jean Thiebaud came out of the hanger and directed us toward one of the large buildings, saying she would see us later as the youngest of their brood of 7 was in need of her attention.

We walked down a road lined with white turkey feathers and spotted a fellow that looked like an old turkey farmer in one of the pens. Ed came over wiping his hands so he could greet us with a hand shake. We talked while Ed finished cleaning one of his water troughs nearest the fence. He gave us a slight background about the turkeys, while we asked very inquisitive questions about them.

We then walked back to the big hanger and were introduced to the famous 003 corvette. I think we all were surprised to find that it had not been restored or was this just misinformation on my part? Anyway, it was a beautiful car as it sat, but as Ed said it won't be restored until he can restore it in mint condition which may cost 3 to 4 thousand dollars. Eight other vettes, from 1953 to 1958 sat side by side in two rows on this side of the hanger. Each covered and each with a history of its own as we soon found out. Ed took us around each car and pointed out its good points. Ed's first owned 1963 vette sat with these, and you could tell by the way he talked, he has special respect for it. Two 1954 vettes sat across the room. The one nearest the big door, had been sold about 3 months before, but no one had been hired to drive it back east to its owner. The other 54 vette was the one Ed had driven to the pre-convention. He told us that it was a going little machine as it had caravaned back to Fresno with the Corvettes of Fresno club at a speed of 75 mph and that isn't bad for a six banger especially that old.

Ed then walked to an odd looking building that was erected in the corner of the hanger and unbolted the door. As this airtight room was lit up a true awe came over all four of us as there were two beautiful corvettes sitting in all their glory. A flawless 1956 convertible with twin 4-barrel 265, plus an immaculate 1954 vette roadster.

AFTER THE PRE-CONVENTION (Continued)

A guest book was opened and a pin was offered for us to sign, which to me was an honor for just being invited to see such beautiful machines. The smell of this room is hard to describe. All I can say is it has a newness with a flavor of old. Ed's eyes glimmered as he talked about these two beauties and seeing them you knew the reason he's so proud. He told us that someday the other vettes that sat out side of this spotless room would be housed in a similar building.

Once again outside, the door of this room was bolted securely. We were invited into the house and sat down to talk in rather quiet tones as not to wake up the small ones, who by this time Jean had finally gotten to sleep. Ed gave us a couple of books with an article and pictures of the road test of his pride and joy that is housed in the air tight room outside.

With thanks and a couple of turkey eggs, we ran for our rained on vette which by this time looked as if we had thrown mud on it. On our way home we talked about this experience. I'm sure Jerry will agree with me, this is a day we will not soon forget.

A special thanks to Ed and Jean Thiebaud for their hospitality and time they took to show us around their farm and tell us the history of their vettes.

NANCY LOCKWOOD

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CALENDAR FOR MAY

MAY 1	Bowling Nite - see flyer enclosed
MAY 3	Auto-X - Redliners
MAY 5	General Meeting of NCCA - G.M.T.C. - San Leandro - 8 P.M.
MAY 10	Auto-X - Nor-Cal Rallye - Milpitas - run groups - see details enclosed
MAY 17	Auto-X - Championship - Nor-Cal Chevy - Pleasanton
MAY 18	Kaleidoscope Deadline
MAY 24	Auto-X - SCAT

# NCSCA

PRESENTS

# Drifts

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 1970

MILPITAS FORD PLANT

# Hot Rods

# and Variations

NCSCC--CODE & CLASSES

PARTICIPATION PLAGUES--TTOD TROPHY--TTOD STOCK

REGISTRATION & TECH--8:30 TO 3:00

TUBES REQUIRED PER NCSCC CODE

SEAT BELTS REQUIRED

HELMETS AVAILABLE

MUST BE 18 YRS. OF AGE WITH VALID DRIVERS LICENSE

\$3.50 PER DRIVER

\$6.00 PER COUPLE

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