

Capitol City Corvette Club

Montgomery, Alabama

Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday, October 4, 2016

The meeting convened at 7PM at the Sinclair's East in Montgomery, with 51 people in attendance. Jo Alexander, President, called the meeting to order.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Susan Springall, Secretary, reported that minutes of the last meeting were sent to all members via email. A hard copy of the minutes is available for review. A motion was made and carried to accept the minutes.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Pam Smith, Membership Chairman, announced that, as of September 30, the club now has a total of 81 member families. She welcomed three new families: Robert and Gwendolyn Elmore (2011 Black/Black Grand Sport Coupe), Phil and Sandy Bachman (2015 Grey/Black Stingray), and Kelvin Burton (2016 Shark Gray/Black interior Z06 Coupe). She introduced three visitors: Brad Miller (2016 Long Beach Red Z06), Michael Thrash (2016 Z06 Artic White) and Ed Cole.

Pam wished "Happy Birthday" to all members with October birthdays: Phil Bachman (4th), Barbara Bailey and Vickie Lavender (6th), Rance Killen (7th), Denise DiGruccio (15th), Betty Hogan (16th), Brenda Whetstone (23rd), Steve Badalamenti and Cathy Eisen (24th) and Brian Newton (26th).

Pam informed the club that she is still taking orders for shirts, windbreakers, and hats and showed an example of a jacket she can get in black. Pam also displayed the new club jacket (\$35). She invited everyone to see her for club business cards and club directories. Club window emblems in a variety of colors are available for \$20 with the proceeds going to Relay for Life.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Vickie Lavender reported that, as of September 30th, the club has a balance of \$2,025.80 in checking and \$2,486.17 in savings, for a total of \$4,511.97. Vickie noted that \$500.00 went toward the Club Banner. Vickie will take the money for the Christmas Party (\$25.00 per person), and the Club will assume the remainder of the cost of the event at Arrowhead Country Club on December 6th.

ACTIVITIES REPORT

Bob Whetstone, Events Coordinator, asked those who would be willing to host the annual Christmas Caravan in December to see him after the meeting. The names and participants will not be revealed until the event, which is planned for December 17th.

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Mark Reese, Racing Event Coordinator, announced that anyone interested in instruction, driving, or racing at any of the nearby tracks should see him for information.

- Mark reported that Dari beat him at the Drags, but Sassy is ready for a rematch.
- Contact Mark to sign up for the “Moorhead’s” event notification list.
- Mark must sign the contract for Roebing Road (May 4 - 6, 2017) this week in order to reserve a group spot. Payment must be made when you sign up and there will be no refunds, however substitution drivers will be allowed for paid participants. There are seven slots left at this time. Each heat runs for 15 minutes and you can run all day.
- Road Atlanta (Just Track It) takes place Friday, October 7th. Cost is \$250/day and instructors are available for novice drivers.
- The next scheduled ‘Test and Tune’ night will be Friday, October 7th.

Jo reported on upcoming events.

- ExtraVetteganza will be October 15th in Slidell, Louisiana. A head count is needed. Billy Zemo has rented a van for New Orleans activities so that Corvettes do not have to be taken downtown. The plan is for a travel day on Wednesday, New Orleans activities on Thursday, pre-show events on Friday, and the show is on Saturday.
- Faires Austin (334-386-7539 or faustin@faulkner.edu) gave a short presentation and passed out flyers for Cruisin’ Show and Shine Car and Truck Show on October 15th at Faulkner, 5345 Atlanta Highway. Registration @ 8:00 – 10:00 AM, judging @t 11:30, awards at noon. No registration fee, free tickets to the 1:30 PM football game, free lunch for each participant, Faulkner University will provide security for vehicles and nine trophies will be awarded.
- Check the Club website for a list of regional car shows. Carolyn Middleton keeps this list up to date.

Ambassador Report

Standing in for Jeff Williams, NCM Ambassador for CCCC, Mark Reese presented Larry Martin with the Club Banner “Forever the First Lady” which hung at the Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky, in loving memory of Liz Martin.

Web-site Report

Roger Lavender, Web Master, informed the Club of several web related items, as well as racing news.

- The right side of the club web-site has a listing under “Follow Us” where you can sign up for E-mail and/or Facebook notifications of upcoming event.

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- There are also links to Corvette Racing and the Corvette Forum on the right side.
- There have been several changes and upgrades to the page over the last few weeks.
- Roger is open to suggestions for the Web-site. Feel free to contact him.
- Tire testing will be conducted at Road Atlanta this weekend. This will determine the tires that will be used in the 2017 season.
- There have been some recent changes for the tires including removing the option to run modified (grooved) tires.
- The first scheduled race is January 28, 2017.
- Corvettes had a clean sweep at the La Mans race, but next year there will be several changes in rules, that may directly affect the Corvettes.

Business

- Gwen Elmore, Activity Planner at Hillview Terrace Nursing Facility (100 Perry Hill Road) proposed that the Club participate in “Trunk or Treat” for the 140 residents on October 28th. She asked that members bring their cars, along with footies, socks, candy, and appropriate treats from 5:00 to 7:00 PM and be available to talk with those who are able to come outside and view the Corvettes. A vote was taken and passed unanimously. Jo will send an email before the event.
- Richard Shaughnessy and Symantha Griffin talked to the Club about a poker run to benefit the Precious Paws Animal Sanctuary in Troy, Alabama on October 29th from 9:00 to 2:00 PM. The event includes the 85 mile poker run, a car show, shirt, prizes and meal at Santa Fe Steak House. There is a \$20 registration. Flyers were distributed to those interested.
- Carolyn and Jimmy Middleton gave an update on changes at the Corvette Plant in Bowling Green, Kentucky. These included a new plant manager, additional seminars, build your own engine, increased cyber security and navigation capabilities on the 2017 models, and the possibility of a tour of the new paint facility.
- Jo discussed upcoming events.

Coffee and Cars at Capitol Chevrolet has been cancelled.

- CCCC Ladies Lunch will be Thursday, October 20th at 11:30 at Pieology.
- Club pictures in front of the state capitol are scheduled for Sunday, October 23rd at 2:00 PM. There will be group, as well as individual pictures. Don Earley (Alabama Cable Network) will be in attendance. Please wear you club shirts.
- CCCC Christmas Party will be December 6th at Arrowhead Country Club. Vickie will collect money (\$25.00 per person) at the October and November meetings.
- The monthly “Cruise In” at Newk’s in on October 29th.

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Congratulations to OJ and Gabriele Webster on their 48th anniversary.

50/50-OJ won \$65.00 in the 50/50 drawing.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Springall, CCCC Secretary