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### **Minutes of the meeting for Tuesday, June 06, 2017**

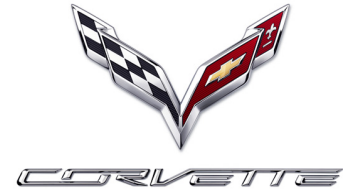
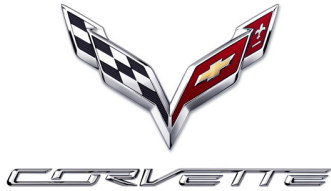
The meeting convened at Sinclair's East in Montgomery. Jo Alexander, President/Board Member, called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Jo thanked everyone, such a large group in attendance, for coming out on such a stormy night. She also thanked our servers for doing such an awesome job.

Jo also pointed out that the image on the right side of the agenda will be used for our NCM banner this year. The banner was designed by our fellow club member Dick Frederick of Auburn, AL. Dick stated, the banner features a high resolution image of his green C7. Everyone really liked the new banner design and the wording "Wonderful Cars & Wonderful People" at the top, nice touch and very true. Dick stated he also redesigned the club logo and it is included on the banner. Everyone thanked Dick and complemented him on the design of the new banner. Dick also stated that they were moving about an hour...or about a mile & a half from where they are now, but moving is moving!

Jo also thanked Mark Reese, Bob Whetstone, Brian Newton, and everyone else that helped get the Roebing Road event together. It was really an awesome trip. Thank you to Vickie Lavender for getting the riverboat cruise together, it was fun too. (Everyone applauded and thanked them also.)

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Michael Thrash, Secretary/Board Member, stated that the minutes of the May 02, 2017, meeting were completed and emailed to all members for review. Mark mentioned something about an email he tried to send Michael with some corrections regarding the minutes, but he was blocked...and so was his email! A hard copy of the minutes were also on hand for review. Michael also asked if people speaking at the meetings that are further away from the recorder would please use the microphone. He is having a hard time hearing a few people when using the recording to complete the minutes. A motion was made and passed to accept the minutes as they were distributed.



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### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT:**

Pam Smith, Membership Chair, reported that as of May 31, 2017, we have 69 family members. We have 6 that joined or renewed in the month of May. June birthdays are (First & Last Name & the day): Jimmie Middleton 1, Robbie Killen 1, Phil Byrd 7, Bryan Caldwell 14, Wade Turner 14, Fred Springall 19, Stefan Eisen 19, Connie D'Amico 22, Rafy Robles 22, Tom Hawkins 23, and Sharon Wood 25!

### **New members for the month of May:**

+ **Fred & Patsie Demo**, they attended the meeting last month. They have a 2017 C7 Z06 Coupe, Arctic White with Adrenaline Red Interior. Fred is also a founding member of the club that has joined us again.

+ **Victor & Deborah Murry** with a 1979 C4 Stingray Coupe in Red and they are from Waverly, AL, which is located right outside of Auburn.

+ **Winston Ivey** with a 2015 C7 Z06 Convertible Black on Black, Vanity Tag WASNTME.....And it worked! The Zemo's no longer furthest away now!

+ **Jack & Dor DeLong** with a 1966 C2 Stingray Coupe in Nassau Blue with a four speed. They have had the C2 for 37 years and are the second owners. They restored the car from 1981 to 1984. They are still in contact with the original owners, a very unique story of one Corvette and two families spanning over fifty years! Jack & Dor live in Huntington Valley, Pennsylvania. They are now our long distance members, Jimmie & Carolyn Middleton joined their club and they wanted to join ours! Carolyn stated that the DeLong's have donated two cars and purchased an acre for the NCM. They are very active with the NCM and there has been an article published about them by the NCM. They are founding and lifetime members of the NCM. Also, they have a 2014 C7 Stingray Z51 Coupe, White with Red Interior, Vanity Tag AMER DRM. They are not likely to attend the club meetings, but would love to visit Alabama and meet us. Pam told them they are welcome anytime.

+ **Stan & Shelly Wilkinson** with a 2015 C7 Z06 Coupe, White with Black Interior and they are from Minter, AL.

Pam stated she has more club hats available for \$15, jackets for \$35, and car decals are available. She asked that if you have any updates for your cars, new cars, or tags please let her know.



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Pam showed everyone the red shirt that overwhelmingly won the vote from the last meeting. The grey shirt will also be available due to it being a popular choice too. The red shirt can also be purchased in the black, red, and white. She stated to get with her to place orders for the new shirts and that the price is still \$40 each. They will have your name and the logo as usual. The new shirts are also moisture wicking and snag resistant.

Pam also let everyone know that there will not be a new directory for this year. She does have a supplement including new members for this year and last year to add to our directories.

Pam went ahead and announced the birthdays for July since the next meeting falls on the Fourth of July holiday and will likely be canceled. (I will include those on the July minutes placeholder)

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

(Absent-Vickie Lavender, Treasurer/Board Member) Pam Smith, reported that we started off the month of May with \$2167.65 in our checking account. We took in \$332.50, we spent \$555.90 (\$425 for the NCM banner & \$130.90 for the rifle raffle tickets), and we ended the month with \$1944.25. Our savings account still has \$2491.46, which leaves the club with a grand total of \$4435.71 for our monthly ending balance.

#### **MOTOR SPORTS REPORT:**

Mark Reese, Motor Sports Chair, stated that for those of you that did not get to go, I am sorry, but we had a blast! The weather was a little chilly, but fortunately I had five jackets and everybody wore one of them. Mark said that Dari and Dana both took to that track like they were glued to it. It did not take him but a couple of laps, and he came in like... "Oh gosh I love this". We ran the track at Roebing all day, some got tired but kept going. This is the first year we have had a few Z06s, except for Jimmie last year, but the Z06s made a beautiful sound going down that track! The Z06s and the ZR1s going down that track, it is a wonder the earth did not *moove* on its axis! Everyone had lots of fun this year at Roebing Road Raceway, and we cannot wait for the next trip there!

Pam asked that Norval tell us about his conversation with Dana at Roebing: Norval said he asked Dana, Are you enjoying it? Dana stated, This is the best thing that I have done in my life! I have never had this much fun in my life! Norval said Dana really enjoyed



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Roebling. Norval said after Roebling they were out to dinner with Dana, and he said something about another car....So he may show up in a Z06 next time!

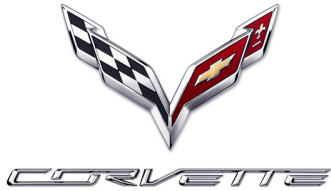
Dari asked Mark, did anyone pass you oh wondrous one? Mark stated that Brian and I had a great time, especially when we were out there by ourselves without others we went at it a little harder. Mark stated that on the straight Zanax is under powered for sure, but in the turns and in the corners she just hugged them. So Mark said he was staying right with Brian. This was total ego on my part, but when were coming out of the corner headed for the straight away, Mark said he knew he had to be at 6500 rpm as hard as he could run just to stay with him. Well, the car started stepping out, he started thinking to himself in slow motion....I really should let off...but he didn't. Then it went back this way...and he said man I really should let off and straighten this out. But he was only inches away from Brian's bumper and he thought he is not getting away from me! When the car did snap back....It was trees/track/trees/track...and when it stopped he was facing the right direction and he thought...ok lets go! Mark then mentioned Pam's post on FB that had a picture of the guys at Roebling standing around talking. She captioned it, "My spinout was better than your spinout," funny stuff Pam.

Mark stated, if you guys have never been to a track, Roebling is the most driver friendly beginner track that you can go to. It is a motorcycle track so there are no guard rails or anything to hit. Mark said, trust me I am glad about that or I would have had Zanax in thirty-seven pieces! Brian stated that was nothing that Mark had not done before.

Michael stated, "You cant forget about the water ride over there!". Mark stated that yes, he has to take his hat off to OJ, he actually drove his car in the rain for hours. Jo stated that Averil has the pictures to prove it.

Mark said a few people had asked about Sassy, so he provided an update. She is waiting on her transplant, the motor and the heads are at Texas Speed. When all of that gets back here, it will be put on. And then, then we'll have a little real fun! Janet said that they will have a reveal for everyone to see. Mark stated that Jo has had a reveal at his shop before and that they will have one for Sassy too. Dari interjected, "I do all of my business on the drag strip". Mark said, honestly she will not be set up for the drag strip anymore, she will be all road course.

Mark then discussed the cabinet for the fundraiser he is working on and some decisions that have been made regarding. He was trying to decide what type cabinet he was going to build. He finally decided to build what he calls a Family Drop, based off



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something he built for Janet. He described it as something that when you are getting home and you have your hands full, it is somewhere to sit your wallet, keys, purse, or groceries on. It will be shaker style with a cypress top, and then it will have two corbels with another cypress top. He stated he went kind of crazy and also ordered a charging station for it, so it will have usb ports and plugs, everything. You could even put a tv up on top of it. Janet stated, but if she likes it better than hers....Well we shall see! Mark said he would then have to make two of them. He said he is going to finish it kind of neutral so that it will match any decor. The drawing will be at the Christmas party.

Mark mentioned he is not sure when will go to the drag strip because of all the rain, but we will definitely schedule a day to go.

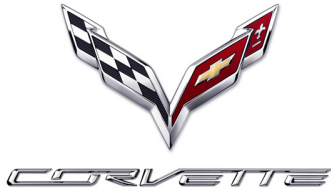
#### **TOURING ACTIVITIES REPORT:**

Bob Whetstone, Touring Activities Chair, reported that the drawing for the rifle will be at Newks on August 26, 2017. Bob showed everyone the actual rifle that some lucky person will receive. Bob stated we had 500 tickets printed and that we have given out about two-thirds. If anyone needs more tickets please get in touch with Bob or Jo. The proceeds go to the club, and the rifle was donated so there is no money coming out of anybodies pocket. Jo stated that some of the proceeds will also go to local charities. Bob stated that who ever receives the rifle will have to fill out paperwork and be of age, Bob is a licensed firearms dealer. All ATF rules apply for the rifle drawing.

Bob mentioned that some people have mentioned doing a cruise down to the beach. Maybe drive down and get something to eat. It could be a day trip or overnight, it just depends on what people want to do. We need input regarding this trip.

We are also looking at doing the Tail of the Dragon again this year. This year we are trying to combine a private tour of Rick Hendrick's museum in with the dragon. We are gathering more information/details regarding the Hendrick museum. The trip will probably be in September around the tenth. The tour may be on Saturday if they are open, and then Sunday go on over to Bryson City, NC, beautiful little town. From there you go to the Tail of the Dragon. Bob stated if you follow Mark you are certainly going to have a good time!

We also have in September, the First Friday in Gadsden, AL. It is a Friday night, they rope three or four blocks of downtown off. They have vendors, food, and music, it is just a whole lot of fun. It is basically one huge street party. There are a couple of micro breweries around there also.



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Bob announced that Sergio has decided to have Cinco De Mayo next year on May 12, which happens to be Mother's Day week end.

The trip to Slidell is coming up in October, it is still not too late to join that if you like. It is an outstanding trip, the food they serve Friday night is unbelievable. It is an all Corvette show, but it is worth it just to go eat. We usually mix some other sights down there in with the trip.

Pam Smith spoke about The Wharf in Prattville, the manager contacted us about doing a cruise in there. Pam stated they have really good food and service, and that they dine there usually once or twice a week. We would be parking behind The Wharf in JC Penny's lot over looking the skyline of Montgomery and Prattville. The manager would like us to come for lunch or early dinner. Pam also mentioned to him that we do like to eat, but we do like discounts too! He said not to worry that he would take care of us. We are planning that for some time in July, we are not sure exactly yet. Get with Pam or Jo for any suggestions regarding this cruise in. He would also clean out the room just for us. If you do not like seafood, there are other items on the menu, really good food there.

#### **NCM AMBASSADOR REPORT:**

Brian Newton, NCM Ambassador Representative, stated that if we would like him to continue as our ambassador please support the museum. Brian suggested volunteering for the museum, become a lifetime member, and mentioned that they are phasing out the Black Rose And Sterling Blue Metallic colors this year. Brian asked that we update our involvement with the museum via a form that he has.

#### **WEBSITE REPORT:**

(Absent-Roger Lavender, Webmaster Representative), (Via email) stated that he has the website updated and to send pictures of events, he will post them.

#### **BUSINESS:**

Dick Frederick is moving and will be downsizing his collection of Corvette/car artwork. We will be raffling off about thirteen pieces from his collection. Most all of them have been matted and mounted, which is worth a couple hundred dollars. The prints are worth two to three hundred a piece. At the August meeting we will have a 20/20 type deal, where we will have a special split that will be twenty dollars, and then a raffle on these at maybe twenty dollars a piece. So there is probably a one in eight chance of





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walking away with one of these as opposed to the Powerball! So that ought to work out pretty good. Everyone thanked Dick for doing this for the club, very nice indeed.

Jo mentioned that when Dick had decided to go over to the dark side, he had emailed her and said I am getting a blue car and it starts with a P! No, it was not Pontiac..... Plymouth..yes that was it! Jo told him she understood, but she said once you join the club you do not escape, you are ours! She told him you can get rid of the car but you cannot drop out of the club. You have to stay in the club, however there is a caveat, YOU CANNOT LEAD! Mark exclaimed, "We do not want to go that slow!". Dick then mentioned something about the quality you get with a Plymouth....

Jo explained the different options for renewing the club's NCM membership. A motion was made to go with the five year option at a cost of \$600, the motion was passed unanimously.

The Firestone located on the Atlanta Highway is asking for six cars to show from 11-2pm. Lunch will be included for participants. Carolyn & Jimmie Middleton will be going, so get with them if you decide to go.

18th Fathers Day Car Show at Evangel Church, 3975 Vaughn Road, 8-12:30

24th Turner Chevrolet Car Show, Selma, 9-12, No entry fee, free lunch

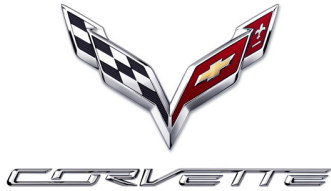
Newks on the 24th, 7880 Vaughn Road, CCCC sponsors, Larry Martin is putting the event together and it will have a Forth of July theme. We also decorate our cars with the red, white, and blue theme. Please let us have a good attendance to this event

Blueberry Festival in Brewton on the 17th; Brian said there is excellent cobbler and ice-cream, and a variety of cars that we do not normally see

The July meeting is canceled, a motion was made and passed, Mr. Wade objected.

Wind Creek Casino has contacted us about a possible car show, Jo will get back with us with more info as she gets it.

Janet Reese reported that the care purse and back pack donations are going well and that they are still taking collections. She really appreciates everyones generosity and continued support.



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We are still taking suggestions for the Christmas party location. The country club is still an option but at \$700 it is more than we would like to spend. Pam mentioned Wynlakes as an option if anyone knows of someone that lives there please let us know.

Jo mentioned Larry & Kim Ramsey, Larry had a heart procedure done yesterday. He had 98% blockage in one area and 99% blockage in the other area. Larry proclaimed loudly "Glad to be here!". Everyone applauded and they were very happy to see Larry & Kim at the meeting! Larry had only been released from the hospital at noon today, and at the meeting this evening. Everyone wishes Larry continued recovery and healthy Corvette fellowship in the future!

We also had winners down at the show in Troy: Congratulations to Larry Ramsey and Dari Oberbeck!

Jo also apologized for skipping over Brian Newton the NCM Ambassador during the meeting. Brian said he had about twenty-five items to go over with us. He was given a couple of minutes to update us.

Wade said if anyone needs business cards to see him.

Dari had one of them there C6 openers that retails for over one hundred dollars that he received from Bob. He auctioned it off to the highest bidder and the proceeds went to the club. Jimmie Middleton had the highest bid at \$40, so he went home with the fancy C6 opener.

**50/50 DRAWING:**

Dennis was selected to draw the winning ticket.

One lucky member won \$65 in the 50/50 drawing, congrats!

Jo Alexander, President, adjourned the meeting at 8:01pm, after thanking everyone for attending.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Thrash  
Secretary Officer, CCCC