



Chappy's Deli, 8441 Vaughn, Rd. Montgomery, AL



Tues. April 2, 2024

AIRSHOW VERSION

- Welcome: **David Dodd**, President who drives so fast he looks like he's flying, came in for a landing at 1830 and contacted tower on 243.0, requesting to call the meeting to order. Greg Lyons was in the tower and immediately denied that request and told him just to taxi to parking, and get off of Guard (otherwise known as Navy Common frequency). As usual, David ignored "tower's" instructions. His response to Greg, the Tower Guy: "Let's get this started so we can get out of here."
- Secretary: **Stef "Fly Like a Thunderbird" Eisen** – got the assembled masses to yet again accept the poorly chronicled minutes of the last meeting approved without any adjustment(s). Just like his flying, they were perfect (yea, not).
- Treasurer: **Vickie "The Airshow Announcer" Lavender** (Vickie, you know you like to talk, you'd make an excellent Airshow Announcer) - Financial Activity Summary as of Mar 31, 2024 – yet again, she didn't spend it all on furniture. We have \$1,637.36 in checking and \$4,537.07 in savings for a total of \$6,174.43. The largest expenditures this month was for the website license and paying for the club attire (which we recoup through sales of those items – so buy the stuff!)
- Membership Chair: **Pam "Blue Angel Crew Chief" Smith** – made sure everybody was paying attention and in the proper uniform. If they weren't, she sold them the stuff they needed to get into the proper uniform. Can't be a Blue Angel unless you dress the part! As with all great Crew Chiefs, she pays attention to detail and documents everything. Here's her report on the airworthy status of the Fabulous CCCC. The Fabulous CCCC (the ground-bound version of the Blue Angels) have 74 qualified crews as of March 31st, 2 new crew chiefs joined in March, and 53 crew chiefs attended the meeting.

- April Birthdays:
- 4 Saba Coleman
- 8 Doug “The Teenager” York
- 9 Carolyn “Let me tell you about the NCM” Middleton and Cathy Rigsby
- 10 Dennis Hadaway
- 13 Barbara Kelly
- 14 Alan Davis and Tim “What are Debbie and MK doing in the other room” Muttersbaugh
- 16 Katy “The Other Teenager” York
- 28 Dean Baskett’s birthday and he wasn’t even here to celebrate it! In all seriousness, he hasn’t been feeling well, so keep him in your prayers.
- 30 Irma Street
- As always, if you have any new updates such as Vanity Tags, Cars, Addresses, Email, Phone Numbers, please keep us updated. This keeps the Roster current, and you can keep getting info on club events....and SPAM from thousands of seedy websites since we sell our mailing list (no we don’t – just kidding. But it got you to read the minutes, didn’t it?)
- Don’t get the Blue Angel Crew Chief mad at you – it’s not pleasant, so pay your dues – NOW! Get on her good side by paying 2025, 2026, etc.... ☐ ☐ if you don’t you’ll be doing FOD walks at 0400.
- Be that sharp Crew Chief you always wanted to be; New Club Apparel is now available: Shirts, Windbreakers, Hats.
- Go “Above and beyond” with an extra anniversary shirt -- available for sale. Contact Pam Smith for sizes that are available.
- Finally, for those cold days on the ramp (Jimmy Middleton can fill you in on that, so can John Heitland and Tim Muttersbaugh), get an extra Club Shirt, or better yet, a lined jacket. Contact Pam Smith for sizes.

- Welcome New Members:
- Michael Moore of Montgomery with a 2021 Red/Black Coupe.
- Dakota Christain of Montgomery with a 1980 White/Doeskin Coupe.

- Member Updates:
- Keep the Eisen CINC (Commander in Chief) Mary Kay Eisen in your thoughts and prayers on the passing of a nephew. She’s in Wisconsin for two weeks.
- Welcome back Phil Booty from his open-heart surgery earlier this year. Looking Good Phil! Phil is also going to be a Great Granddaddy in September. Congratulations!!
- Welcome back Wendy & Jon Briggs!!!

- Racing & Leisure Event Coordinator: **Mark “I can drive better than Stef, but he can fly better than me” Reese** – reported that he bestowed the honor of taking Cole’s new Z06 past 500 miles (Stef is enamored with gauges and colored lights in the cockpit) so he could see the Tach change the redline. This was on the way to Leeds Alabama to check on the airworthiness status of Huntress (spoiler alert: She’s “not” – I think she’s NMC-P). Well, the real reason is that Mark wanted the Z06 for the trip home without the restrictions when you are under 500 miles. David “Flyboy” Windham got a turn at the wheel a few days later... went from “Tour, to Sport, To Track Mode” and then BOOM!!! Nailed it. Pulled more lateral Gs than an F18 taking off from the USS Ford!

- Web Master: **Julie „I’m an Airshow star!“ Hall** – got us the latest on the website. Things are looking good. Expect some great „Airshow/Carshow“ pictures soon!
- NCM Ambassador: **Carolyn “Air Boss” Middleton** – Kept a tight control on ramp and assembly operations and reported the following:
 - There was a tech order violation as Carolyn reported that GM had come out with a Service Bulletin on C8 convertible leaks. Somehow the word C8 and (get ready for this!!) CAR WASH was put in the same sentence.... Oh no!!! That is a major Tech Order violation. C8 drivers who take their beauty to the CAR WASH should lose their aeronautical rating and be restricted to driving FORDs only! Real Corvette Drivers don’t do CAR WASHES!! (Got you, David Windham. Revenge for that despicable and uncalled for minivan comment – minivans have feelings too).□ □
 - For future Corvette pilots; all future Corvette C8 variants will feature forced induction:
 - Current fleet power statistics include: C8 Stingray - 6.2L V8 LT2 with 490 HP and 465 FPT & 495 HP with 490 FPT (optional performance exhaust system). The C8 Z06 – 5.5L V8 LT5 with 670 HP and 470 FPT, and the C8 E-Ray – 6.2L V8 LT2 with 655 HP.
 - Future power statistics project; C8 ZR1 – 5.5L V8 LT7 – turbocharged variant of the Z06 with more than 670 HP, the C8 Zora – a hybridized version of the ZR1’s LT7 forced induction. Question on the fleet -- Will there be a C8 Grand Sport? – not sure right now what the status is.
 - Reference the aforementioned CRIMINAL TREATMENT OF A CORVETTE and the words CAR WASH, the C8 Corvette Convertibles MAY have a water leak: Reports of water leaks around the side glass while in high pressure car washes (there’s that word again) or while being cleaned with high-pressure equipment may casue a leak. GM has issued a service bulletin to address it (my service bulletin; don’t use car washes!). They remove the existing weather strip, install a piece of of semi-closed EPDM foam, and then put the weather strip back in place. They do say that if there is no leak currently, leave it alone (I say leave it alone and stay out of the CAR WASH!). If it needs the fix, it takes less than one hour.
- The National Corvette Museum Store has a New Vintage Shop:
 - If you want to clean out your closets, here is an opportunity! NCM will have the coolest vintage Corvette Merchandise. Donate your items to the Museum – drop off at the NCM Store, or mail to Corvette Store Attn: Vintage Shop. Donations MUST arrive in a closed bag or box. All Items will be inspected, and items will not be returned. Please include name, address, email, and phone # for donation purposes. The Corvette store will determine the resale price. They will not take: Dirty, broken, or damaged items, Bedding, Socks (ewwww!!), Batteries or battery tenders, food, perishable items or personal hygiene products, auto parts (sorry Mark Reese), large appliances, personalized items, paint, or any chemicals.
- Corvette Museum events (See NCM website for more details):
 - NCM Birthday Bash – April 25-27
 - MiM Dragon Run presented by Michelin @ Biltmore Estates – April 28-May 1
 - MiM LeMans Tour – June 8-June 18
 - 2024 Corvette Caravan & 30th NCM Anniversary – August 29-31
 - MiM 1-Lap of Kentucky (all the same – just different dates):
 - September 24-28

- October 1-5
- October 15-19
- October 22-26
- Vets 'n Vettes presented by Mobil1 – November 7-9
- Corvette raffles:
 - April 18, 2024 - 2024 Riptide Blue Corvette Coupe - \$150, 1500 tickets, 883 left
 - April 26, 2024 – 2024 Build your own Corvette or \$85,000 - \$250, 1500 tickets, 1128 left
 - April 27, 2024 – 2024 Red Mist Corvette Convertible - \$20, Unlimited tickets to be sold
 - May 16, 2024 – 2024 Hypersonic Gray Corvette Convertible - \$200, 1500 tickets, 1371 left

Business: See above, don't make the Crew Chief mad at you -- membership dues are a cheap \$36/year. See Pam & Vickie – NOW! Make checks payable to CCCC.

New Business: Interested in hosting CCCC Christmas Caravan Dec 21st? We already have a host for our appetizers. The remaining is main course & dessert. See David Dodd if interested.

Update: All events are covered for this year!! Yea Team CCCC!

Upcoming Events:

a.i.1. **Sat- Sun Apr 6-7.** Beyond the Horizon Air and Space show at Maxwell. Featuring the Blue Angels, STEM expo (expecting 5k students), flying demonstrations, warbirds and static aircraft, and activities for children. 8am-5pm each day. Free admission and parking.

After Action Report

A. Thursday was “set-up” day. Thanks to David Windham and crew for helping get our “territory marked”(Named Area 51) with stanchions and cord as well as getting the first 7 cars set up. Thank you to Mark Reese and John Heitland for helping get cars to the show. John Morykwas brought his Ford Model T for the entire weekend!

B. Friday was the High School STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) day (School kids). We had 20 cars!! Larry Coleman and Otis Junior Thomas brought their beautiful C8s. We had to let David Windham in with his FORD COBRA (had to hide it in the trailer to sneak it past the gate guards). Julie brough her Z06. Jim Vinson had his C7. Dakota Christain brought his C3. Billy Moses had his C7. The Windhams also had their C7s and “Sunflower”. Don Larkins’ Camaro was there. Well, 90% of the kids were good and polite. The rest, well, lets’ say we were busy. After mission note: We will not do this day again, too much work.

C. Saturday was WONDERFUL! 25 cars!! Perfect weather!! Families were nice!! Kids behaved!!! Greg Lyons brought his C2 split window. Dakota Christian’s C3 spent the night. Greg Thigpen had his C8. Billy Moses brough his C7 back. Kathy Windham’s beautiful “Sunflower” and the two C7s spent the night as did Julie Hall’s C5 Z06. Tony Ferraro helped complete the “set” with his C4. The Muttersbaugh gang not only brough beautiful C7s, but SNACKS TOO (what a spread – thanks!!!!!!)! The Pres and Mrs. Pres had their C6s. Thanks to all!!! Air Demonstrations (all 7 of them – including a jet powered glider) were great – we had nice seats --- we used David Windham’s trailer as a backstop and set up awnings in front of it.

AND – inside bathrooms in Base Ops! It pays to know “people”! ☐ ☐

D. Sunday was “rinse and repeat” – 17 cars! Wonderful time. The Pres and Mrs. Pres brought snacks and cake!!! Is life good or what!!??!! Also thanks to Dave's lovely and talented wife/chef/physician, Kathy Windham for baking banana bread for the ground crew...it was amazing! If you missed a slice, blame 'Maverick' and 'Ice-man'. (They got the last slices.) (Tagets...acquired.....good tone...consumed!) Again, thanks to David Windham and crew for helping take down our “Area 51”. And thanks to Mark Reese and John Heitland (again) for doing the shuttle service in reverse. It was funny to watch John fold himself up to fit in Mary Kay's C3! Mark did an excellent job ops testing No Tree's new transmission (installed the day before we had to move it to Maxwell).

Bottom Line: We'll do it again, just not the STEM day. ☐ ☐

NOTE: There is an effort by current leadership at Maxwell to reintroduce “Runway days” where we drive out beauties down an 8,000' x 150' main runway!!! News when I get it!

2. **Sat. Apr 6:** 1st Sat event. Car Cruise n' at Dreamland BBQ, Vaughn Rd. Montgomery. 9-11am
3. **Wed. Apr 17th:** Ladies Luncheon @11am: Patsie Demo's home. Bring your favorite side dish or dessert. For those attending, an address can be provided for them.
4. **Sat. Apr 20th:** Cars, Coffee & Donuts at Riverside Chev Wetumpka. 10am-noon. We had a great turn-out for our first one last month.
5. **Sat. Apr 27th:** Dreamland BBQ Cruise In. 4:30ish -8ish Address: 7900 Vaughn Rd, Montgomery.
6. **April 25-27th:** 27th Annual Michelin NCM Bash. Online registration closes Friday Apr 5th @ 9am. <https://www.corvettemuseum.org/event/michelin-ncm-bash/>
7. **Sat. May 4th:** First Sat Cruise In. Dreamland BBQ, 7900 Vaughn Rd., Montgomery, AL 9am-11am.
8. **Sat. May 4th:** Heart of Dixie Mustang Car Show @ Bass Pro, Prattville, AL. 9am-2pm. \$25. Includes one lunch ticket.
9. **Sat. May 11th:** ELMORE COUNTY FOOD PANTRY JEEP, CAR, & ATV SHOW @ Wetumpka Sports Complex 2350 Coosa Parkway. Gate Fee \$25 + \$5 per car. 8:30-2:30pm
10. **Sat. May 11th:** 4pm-7pm Montgomery Sunrise Rotary Club Car shrimp boil at the Train Shed Montgomery. Family Fun: Live music, kid's games, and activities, including face painting and inflatables. Proceeds: The Second Chance Foundation (youth).

Did you tell Billy Moses last month you were bringing your Corvette? If you bring your cars to display the ENTIRE TIME of the event, you may enjoy 1 meals on the house. They want your cars there around 3pm. Again, the event begins at 4pm. If you would like to make any type of donation, I am sure they would appreciate it. Come on out and enjoy a night full of entertainment.

11. **Fri + Sat. May 24th +25th:** Hendrick Driven for Veterans 2024 Talladega Track Day. May the 24th, Friday will be the afternoon Show and Shine at event sponsored by Hendrick Chevrolet.
12. **Sat. May 25th:** Car Cruise In @ Dreamland BBQ. 7900 Vaughn Rd., Montg. 4:30ish -8ish. (some get there earlier than 4:30)☐ ☐
13. **Sat. June 8th:** Train Shed Car Show @ 300 Water Street at Union Station Train Shed. \$20.

Food will be available to purchase. Sign up starting at 10:am. You want to get there earlier than 10am.

14. **Thu-Sat. Jun 27-29:** Roebing Road Raceway, Bloomingdale, GA (formerly Savannah International Raceway) The track is a 2.02-mile 9 turn road course. Featuring ample run-off room (Pam can contest to this) Captain Mark Reese will explain the upcoming event. And Explain he did! He had pictures for those who don't like to read words. He's working hotel accommodations, details forthcoming. Explained the track day and how it works – we run in classes. He assigns the classes. The day starts (after the morning driver's meeting) with some parade laps to allow folks to get the feel of the track. Then the "class wars" begin (just kidding, it's "point to pass" rules) – I think he said we'd run 20 minute sessions. Also, he is willing to take people on the track in their car to help them with their track skills. Side trips (not into the gravel, but into Savannah) are also being worked. It has always been a great weekend for the fabulous CCCC.

15. **Sat. Jun 29th:** Car Cruise 'N @ Dreamland BBQ. 7900 Vaughn Rd., Montg. 4:30ish - 8ish. (some get there earlier than 4:30) 4th of July celebration. **THIS IS A CCCC SPONSORED EVENT.** Dress yourself and your cars in a patriotic theme. Awards for best dressed couple (yea, right, Rita and Larry win it just about every year) as well as best decorated car. We need volunteers for judging.

CAPITOL CITY CORVETTE CLUB CAR SHOW SAT. NOV 2ND 9AM-2PM @VILLAGE GREEN PARK, MILLBROOK, AL.

Tell everyone you know we are having another car show this year.

Quilt: CCCC ladies will be creating a quilt for this year. Again, the donation tickets will be 5.00 each. The quilting team is looking to begin creating in August.

Charitable Items Needed:

A. **MOM (Montgomery Outreach Ministries):** Carolyn Middleton

Items Needed:

<u>Lunch Bags</u> <u>White or Brown</u>	<u>Pens</u>	<u>Post It Notes-All Sizes +</u> <u>Note pads 4x6 or 5x7</u>
<u>Copy Paper</u>	<u>Spray Air Freshener</u>	<u>Paper Clips &</u> <u>2024 Calendars. Those you may obtain from</u> <u>your mail and do not use.</u>
<u>Rubber Bands</u>		

B. **Homeless Sleeping Mat Ministry:** Vickie Lavender

Homeless Sleeping Mat Ministry is through several local organizations that weave and make

sleeping mats for the homeless population out of plastic shopping bags and supplying toiletries, socks, wash clothes, blankets to those in need. **Special mention: those free tote bags you get? Those would be appreciated as well.**

Remember if you all stay at a hotel this year, if you would, bring your unused toiletries to the meetings.

50/50 DRAWING: was for a trip to Jamaica for two, but then David said: “we’re not gonna do that”, so the air of anticipation and excitement just left the room. There were “updates to the updates to be updated” concerning the 50/50 amount as late ticket sales added to the “take” (kinda like when the Lotto goes past a Billion dollars, I guess). And David has a unique method to mix the tickets; he puts a Moon Pie in with the ticket stubs as a “tenderizer” – new ideas are always welcome, even the suspicious ones. Larry Martin had his hand in the Moon Pie jar this month as he won the 50/50 (\$105 big ones!) – he donated it back to the club! The only reason he won is because Keith Kozak couldn’t make the meeting!

More comments/business?

Adjourned at 7:34.... And thanks for not “budging” until the meeting was over. Lots of people put in lots of work to make this club “happen”. ☐ ☐

Reminder, please let Carolyn Middleton know, if you have received a car insurance quote, renewed, or have obtained a new policy, purchased a raffle ticket, new/renewal NCM membership.

Need a Club decal for your car? Carolyn Middleton can help. She has small silver & large decals. \$20ea (\$10 to cover materials & \$10 goes back to the club.)

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