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Classic Corvettes of Minnesota



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President's Report - Andre Montgomery

Presidents Message

Hello Classic Corvette Members: We are planning on coming back in time for our March Membership meeting. Our web-site calendar has been updated with the 2023 events so everyone can start planning their summer. I am sure we will be adding OUT-TO-EATS as well as other events as the year unfolds. We should be making an announcement on where to find CCOM clothing next month, so our membership can start to order.

Larry and Sue Bohrer drove over from the Villages to meet us for lunch. It was great to meet with CCOM members in Florida.



We just came back from the NCRS Florida regional in Lakeland, FL and met up with Steve and Gayle Potas with their new 2023 C8. (Enclosed you will find a picture.) The NCRS Florida regional is a great event with car judging of C1s thru C6s, most of them are in show room condition. This coming June 9th and 10th the North Central Chapter will be hosting the NCRS Midwest regional in Rochester, MN. Julie and I will be there with our '67 coupe, to be judged for a NCRS Topflight. Hopefully some of you can take a day trip to see some beautiful Corvettes. More details to follow once the event gets closer.



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Vice President's Report – Scott Maas

Roger Haro, Classic Corvettes of Minnesota member, received an invitation to attend the Remlinger Muscle Car Museum Holiday Party on February 11, 2023, in Winona, MN. Several CCOM members including Roger and Dinh Haro, Doug and Judy Tews, Scott and Stephanie Maas, and Suburban Corvettes members Garry and Katie Senn, decided to attend the party also. We met at the North Pole Restaurant in Newport, MN for brunch.

On our way to Winona, we stopped at the Lark Toy Store near Kellogg, MN. This was a great little store and attraction. They make and sell wooden toys. Lark Toys also has many vintage toys and games on display. They also have a working carousel ride that kids seemed to really enjoy. It's a great store to take the family or grandkids.

The Holiday Party was held at the Remlinger Muscle Car Museum, and was hosted by Jim and Debbie Remlinger. The building is a former lumberyard, that has been repurposed into a museum and car restoration facility. The museum has about 30 drag race cars from the 60's and 70's, including "Dyno" Don Nicholson, John Hagen, Mr. Norm, and Sox and Martin race cars. After looking at all the cars, we were invited to an open bar for refreshments. We were then invited to a delicious BBQ buffet. The food and desserts were excellent. We also had a nice conversation with Jim and Debbie Remlinger.

The next day, Roger arranged for us to meet the Remlingers at the Winona Family Restaurant for breakfast. We had a chance to visit some more with the Remlingers and heard some stories about building their museum, neon sign collection, and collecting race cars.

The Remlingers will also be having a Muscle Car Auction at their facility in Winona, MN on June 2-3, 2023. Check out their website for more details <u>Remlinger Collector Car Auctions - Classic Cars, Muscle Cars</u> (remlingerauctions.com).

Twin Cities "Auto Show" Update – I talked with a representative of the Twin Cites Minnesota Auto Dealers Association about their upcoming "Auto Show." Last year the event was held at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds. There was a bad hailstorm on one the show days. Many of the cars and trucks received hail damage. Because of this, the car dealers decided to move the "Auto Show" back to the Minneapolis Convention Center. Normally, this venue should be large enough for this show, but there is also a beer show scheduled for the same timeframe. Which is more important, a beer show or a car show? Oh wait, you don't have to answer that, ha-ha.

The show is scheduled to be held from March 31st to April 8th, 2023. Because of the smaller foot-print, the show organizers are not sure if they will have room for any car club displays. The Auto Show organizers will be contacting me later this month to let us know if they would like to have any CCOM Member Corvettes on display. Due to this short notice, it doesn't look like the CCOM will be having a presence at this show. I wish them the best of luck with this venue.

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Hang in there, spring is coming. It will be great to get the Corvettes back on the road again.



Scott Maas, VP, CCOM

Jim and Debbie Wemlinger



Center Left to Right: Dinh Haro, Judy and Doug Tews, Garry and Katie Senn

Tech Director's Report – Shawn Hanna

Not much is happening in the Tech area right now so I thought I would write a short report/article about Corvette paints over the years.

One thing is for sure, there have been some major changes and improvements in Corvette paints. The C1 paint colors used until 1957 were nitrocellulose lacquer. In 1957, the first Corvette colors to be "new" were Inca Silver and Imperial Ivory which changed to the "new" acrylic lacquer. I think most of us know the first color was Polo White on the '53 Vette. In '54, Corvette added 3 more colors: Pennant Blue; Sportsman Red and Black. In '55 we were able to choose some new colors: Corvette Copper; Gypsy Red and Harvest Gold. In 1956 we saw some new colors: Cascade Green and Arctic Blue. There were some minor changes to Copper, Black; red and the ubiquitous Polo White. An Inca Silver was added in 1957. There were lots of choices for cove colors but I'll skip them here. 1958 came some more changes with Charcoal; Turquoise and Yellow. In 1959 we were offered Cream and Sapphire; In 1960 Corvette added a new Maroon color. In 1961 we got Fawn Beige. In 1962, they added Almond Beige.

As we all know in 1963 the Mid-Year came along and an icon was born. GM still used acrylic lacquer on all mid-years. Over the 5 years of production we saw almost 25 different colors come through! Here's a quick list with year: Nassau Blue (1956-66); Ermine White (1963-64-65-66-67); Riverside Red (1963-64); Rally Red (1965-66-67); Silver Pearl (1966-67); Daytona Blue (1963-64); Milano Maroon (1965-66); Tuxedo Black (1963 through 1967); Sunfire Yellow (1966-67); Silver Blue (1963-64) Saddle Tan (1963-64).

The C3 (Sharks) ran for over 15 years and colors varied a lot creating 81 original colors!! In almost every year between 1968 and 1983 Corvette releases a unique/original color. There are so many it almost boggles the creative painter's mind. Here's the list for 1968: Rally Red; Polar White; International Blue; British Green; Safari Yellow; Silverstone Silver; Cordovan Maroon; Tuxedo Black; LeMans Blue and Corvette Bronze. 1969: Can-Am White; Riverside Gold; Fathom Green ; Burgundy; Monoco Orange; Tuxedo Black; LeMans Blue; Monza Red; Daytona Yellow and Cortez Silver. 1970: Marlboro Maroon; Donnybrooke Green; Laguna Gray; Corvette Bronze; Monza Red; Daytona Yellow; Cortez Silver; Classic White; Mulsanne Blue; Bridgehampton Blue and Ontario Orange. All Paint was acrylic lacquer.

See what I mean? Corvette went color crazy. There are tons more from 1971 to 1982 but I'm out of room this month. To be continued... Thanks to Corvette Central Tech Blog for the details.

Shawn Hanna, Tech Director.

Membership Director's Report – Julie Montgomery

Birthdays

- 03/05 Jerry Forness 03/07 Sandy Geronime 03/09 Michael Harrington 03/10 Dan Kallberg 03/11 Dick Jenson 03/12 Bev Clausen 03/13 Mick Anderson 03/14 Judy Nielsen 03/14 Joseph Walytka
- 03/16 Cesar Dominguez 03/17 Steve Potas 03/18 Bill McEwen 03/19 Greg Crum 03/19 Bill Friedrich 03/20 Bobbie Newberg 03/21 Mike Swecker 03/22 Jim Elkin 03/22 Len Geronime
- 03/24 Kevin Borstelmann 03/25 Carol Dorris 03/26 Susan Marks 03/29 Jim Davis 03/29 Mark Fitzsimmons 03/31 Thomas Paul

Meeting Attendance:

28 members attended our February's general membership meeting.

New Memberships:

Five new members joined last month, and they will be officially welcomed during the March meeting when I return from Florida.

Anniversaries:

Greg and Jean Crum are celebrating their 15th anniversary this month. Congratulations and thank you for your continued involvement in CCOM.

Cards/Flowers:

A fresh flower arrangement was sent for Shirley Britten's memorial and funeral service from all of us at CCOM. A heartfelt thank you email was sent to our club members from Jim, Shirley's husband and her son, Andy. Shirley is missed by so many of us.

If you know of a member currently in the hospital or home recovering or someone that is or has been sick, please contact me and I will send either a card and/or flowers on behalf of the club.

Membership Renewal:

83% membership retention this year.

Club & Corvette Statistics:

Memberships	Family	Single	Members	Corvettes
164	122	42	286	202

Corvettes:

C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8	
53 -	63 -	68 -	84 -	97 -	05 -	14 -	20 -	Total
62	67	82	96	04	13	19	21	
8	17	22	20	45	46	30	14	202

Member Profile Changes:

If you have any changes in your profile i.e., spouse/significant other, address, email address, phone, or car related - Send an email to <u>julievmontgomery@gmail.com</u>

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NCM Ambassadors Report -





I have added a few more upcoming events in the event section below.

The NCM Michelin Bash is set to take place April 27-29. This is about the time most of us will be it

NCM Motorsports Park Spring HPDE (motorsportreg.com).

The new Driven by Design exhibt is also is full swing. This is a 6500 square foot exhibt covering what it takes to create a legendary Corvette. This takes visitors through a history of design from the 50's through today.

Is anyone planning on this trip?

Factory

The factory tours are up and running with good availability. There have been a couple weeks recently with no tours due to plant closures.

Motorsports Park

The track owned by the National Corvette Muesum will become the first with a commeriaalized Z06 fleet. Visitors can drive laps in the all new Z06 Corvette. The course is 3.2 miles with 23 turns.

Raffles

There are several raffles in process right now. There is even a chance to win a C8 Z06. Visit this website for details:

Corvette Raffle - Raffle Home (corvettemuseum.org)

Events

Michelin NCM Bash – April 27-29, 2023

Registration is open.

Muesuem in Motion (MiM) Dragon Run Presented by Micheln – April 30-May 3 – Biltmore Estate, Asheville, NC

Registration is open.

NCM Vets 'n Vettes - May 11-13, 2023

Registraion is open. Several tours and events are happening over 3 days.

MIM MiM Explore Detroit – July 9-13.

Details coming. Looks like a great trip.

NCM 29th Anniversary Celebration – August 31- September 2

Registration opens in May.

MiM 'National Parks Tour' – September 24-30, 2023

Visits to the Grand Canyon's South Rim, Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon, Arches National Park, Glen Canyon Dam, Monument Valley, and Canyonlands National Park we you will get to enjoy some of the crown jewels of the National Park system. Details coming.

National Corvette Caravan – 30th Anniversary – August 29-31, 2024

Much more information later.

Membership

Starts at \$65 per year. Includes discounts on Corvette merchandise.

Secretary's Minutes – David Pounds

Secretary's Report Membership Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2023

Members Present: Joel Meyer-Editor, Dave Dubay-Member at Large, Dave Pounds-Secretary

Dave Dubay called meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Board Members Reports:

Dave Dubay called for "The Pledge of Allegiance" and asked if there were any members that were willing to organize an "Out to Eat" event. Julie Stulz handled the raffle duties and informed the members that the Spring Brunch will be held at the Machine Shed restaurant in Lake Elmo on May 20th. Tickets for the event will be \$20. There will be prizes and \$200 for gift cards. May 16th is the last day to sign up for the Brunch.

Dave Dubay thanked Nick and Nancy Osgood for greeting the members, and asked for volunteers to handle the raffles for future meetings. Dave also thanked Doug and Judy Tews for bringing the delicious cookies. Due to the rain and the fact that it's still winter, there were only 30 members at the February meeting, and 43 members at the January meeting.

Scott Maas (not present), has been working on finding a vendor for club clothing, and will have more information at the April membership meeting.

Treasurer-AJ Kupka (not present) reported a CCOM bank balance of \$19562.18 with two outstanding checks totaling \$266.

At 7:20 PM, Bill Gibson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Shayna Schwach seconded the motion.

Submitted by David Pounds, Secretary

<u>Secretary-Dave Pounds notes:</u> I want to thank Joel Meyer for helping me get my first report ready. Joel does a great job as Editor. It's a very time-consuming task, and he deserves a big thank you from the members. If you haven't read the last newsletter, it's full of great pictures and information. Also, I am on Facebook, and I would like to have any of the members friend me. My last piece of advice: You should never eat sandwiches in bed....You might get bread bugs.

Secretary's Report Board Meeting Minutes

Secretary's Minutes - Dave Pounds

Secretary's Report Board Meeting Minutes February28, 2023

Members present: Andre Montgomery-President, Scott Mass- Vice President, Dave Pounds-Secretary AJ Kupka- Treasurer, Julie-Membership Director, Jan Hanna-Past President, Tech Director- Shawn Hanna, Member at Large- Dave Dubay

Andre called meeting to order at 5:05 PM and talked about the new website. He also reported that the old website was down during the setup.

Scott Maas is still meeting with vendors for club clothing and other items like mugs, license plate frames, hats, etc. Scott is planning to pass out a check list of club items that members may want at the upcoming membership meetings. Members may also bring their own clothing to have it embroidered. There will also be a website to order items. Scott is considering "Names Marketing Group" in Shakopee as the club's supplier.

Scott didn't think that our club will be part of the Auto Show at the Convention Center, and is not sure if the club will participate in the Red Wing car show. Scott also talked about many of the upcoming events in 2023.

AJ presented an updated ledger sheet showing costs for all the scheduled events, donations, trailer restoration, new computer, etc. AJ is showing an expected budget shortfall of \$1292 for 2023. The board members also discussed the need for a new PA system at the American Legion.

Dave Dubay set up the new club website and will send a new password to all new and current members only. Dave also suggested that all club clothing and other items be ordered on line only. I also want to thank Dave for leading the February membership meeting and for all the hard work that he did on the website.

Shawn Hanna, Jan Hanna and the other board members discussed the need for a new PA system at the American Legion, and future Tech events.

Julie reported on new members and other members that left the club.

Andre also mentioned that the Mystic car show is still on the table for early September, however it still might not happen based on the fine print. We will be scheduling another planning meeting in April once snowbirds get back. Most likely this show would be limited to 10am to 3pm for this year and much less work than past Mystic shows.

The meeting adjoined at 6:25pm. Andre made the motion to adjourn, and Julie seconded with all in favor.

Editor's Remarks

For this month's cover picture, we're showing a 1961 Corvette Race Car, "campaigned" (raced) by "Dyno", Don Nicholson. This photo was taken by Scott Maas when he was at the Wemlinger event in February.

Check out the four ads submitted by members. Sure signs of spring when our members are thinking about selling their vehicles, in anticipation of getting a different 'Vette for the coming warm weather.

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Member-At-Large	Vacant		

Board Members

Upcoming Event List and Flyers

Black Hills Corvette Classic

July 2023 Trip



We (Chris and Nick Osgood) are bringing a group from Classic Corvettes of Minnesota to the Black Hills Corvette Classic July 12-16. The two pricing options are listed below. Some events are caravans, car shows, drag racing motocross, and meals with other Corvette owners!

Please let me know ASAP if interested.

Dates: July 12-16

Wednesday, July 12 – Hot Summer Nights in Sioux Falls, SD (Drive from Shakopee to Sioux Falls)

Thursday, July 13 – Caravan to Spearfish, SD (Drive from Sioux Falls to Spearfish) Friday, July 14 – Cruise thru the Black Hills / Vette Street USA in Spearfish, SD Saturday, July 15 – TBD Sunday, July 16 – TBD – Caravan back home

Cost: Option 1 – no cost for trip. We will plan routes and restaurants.

Option 2 - \$290– The paid cost includes several sponsored events from the Black Hills Corvette Classic including autocross and drag racing. Paid trip also includes downtown parking in Spearfish for Vette Street USA, we love this event. Other will park on side streets. More information at <u>Black Hills Corvette Classic</u>.

The group will travel together with both options. Additional costs: hotel, food, etc.

Hotels: I have a block of rooms at the following hotels: July 12 – Hampton Inn & Suites Southwest, Sioux Falls, SD - \$230 per night. July 13-16 – Tru by Hilton Deadwood – Deadwood, SD - \$257 per night.

Contact: Chris Osgood <u>osgoodc@outlook.com</u> or 612-756-1928



Advertising

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Advertising Rates- Electronic Newsletter Ads Only Ads are to be submitted ready for publishing, without creating or modifying

Page Size	1/8	1⁄4	1/2	Full Page
Inches	2x3	3x5	5x7	8x10
6 Month (minimum)	\$30	\$40	\$70	\$110
12 Month	\$60	\$80	\$140	\$220

Business Card (3" x 2") Electronic Newsletter Ads For Member's Businesses Vendors and Suppliers

\$15 for 6 months (minimum)

\$30 for 12 months

Contact Newsletter Editor, Joel Meyer at joel.meyer.minnkota@gmail.com

Classified ads for member's personal cars and accessories are free for a nominal $2'' \times 4''$ ad with one similar sized picture.

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2021 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray w/2LT:

Beautiful car up for sale! Red Mist Coupe with GT2 two-tone adrenaline red/black seats, Z51 performance package with Z51 spoiler, front lift with memory package. Genuine Corvette Accessors: fender hash marks in edge red carbon flash accent, edge red painted calipers, and edge red engine cover. Transferable extended warranty to 84 months or 50,000 miles. In service date: July 23, 2021, now reading 13,324 miles. One owner car, please call or email AJ with any questions. Price \$84,500 VIN: 1G1YB2D42M5119062

2023 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray w/2LT:

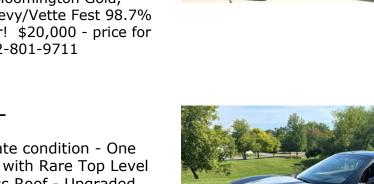
Torch Red 2LT Convertible, front lift w/ memory, performance exhaust, bright red calipers, GT2 seats, and battery protection. Included are the new wheels that were an option this year. MSRP \$88,470. Inbound delivery to Belzer's. call Alex Burns Fleet Account Manager (952) 451-9808

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For Sale – 2009 Corvette Coupe – LS3 – Automatic – 73000 miles

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