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Quick Hits from the Editor ~

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

July 2 - 7:00 p.m.
The Point After
3015 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
(Logan Street), Lansing

(Be sure to wish Phil a happy 40th birthday!)

MINI-GOLF

July 16
6:00 pm
Hawk Hollow Golf Course
(Little Hawk Putting Course)

MYSTERY DINNER

July 19 Meet at 6:00 pm at Okemos Park & Ride

NEW MEMBERS !!!

Give a warm welcome to Ron and Lyn Shoal and Greg and Theresa Jenca !!!

You can send ideas, suggestions, or articles you'd like published to bluecorvette@bigfoot.com

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From the President . . .

Looking back at June, I tried to come up with a word to sum it all up. While it certainly had its highs and lows, I was only able to come up with "unforgettable". The month was not nearly as good as it should have been, yet it wasn't as bad as it could have been.

The things that originally brought us all together, our Corvettes, were a lot less important after Simon's accident and the birth of Cindy and I's daughter, Courtney. I've discovered that being a member of this club is less about the cars, and more about the relationships we have with the people who just happen to drive Corvettes.

It is inspiring to see what has been done and what continues to be done to help Simon and Gloria through what has to be one of the most difficult times of their lives. People from this club and from the Jackson club have given generously of their time and talents to make this difficult time a little more bearable for the Reiffers.

Simon's attitude has been incredible during this time. When Cindy and I visited him at the hospital a couple of days after his fall, I feared what I might see. What I found was a man with an upbeat, positive attitude and a determination that he will drive his Corvette again. I left there feeling better and feeling more hopeful about his future. With this drive and determination, along with the prayers of all those who are close to him, I'm sure he will have the best possible recovery.

June 16th at 1:14 p.m. marked the beginning of an exciting new chapter in my life. Cindy gave birth to our first child, Courtney Rose. Here I am, just short of my 40th birthday, and faced with re-prioritizing my life. Hopefully an old dog can learn new tricks!

Thanks to all of you who have been so generous, beginning with the baby shower at

the Reiffer house. It seems our members are more like an extended family, rather than just other members of a car club.

Thanks to all of you who were able to help out at the low speed events at Spartan Speedway this past Saturday. While the final numbers have yet to be figured out, I'm hopeful that we will have made more profit in one day than we have made in two days in the past.

We received many complements on the friendliness of our workers, the new course layout, and the overall quality of the event. Thanks again to all of those who made it happen.

It was great to see some of our own members out there on the track. Pam Thompson overcame her nerves to participate in the first event and turn in a respectable time. Jim Simmons gave himself and the spectators a thrill when he locked up his brakes and stopped just short of the barrels. Hey Jim, just remember to let off the gas after you cross the finish line. Rich Bratschi was able to get his son out of the driver's seat long enough to compete in two events. Gary Brothers and Brad Hutton drove in all five events. Brad, however, proved he was more skilled sliding sideways!

It was a special treat to see both Ray and Sharon Mcesseman at the track. Ray was out there driving fast again while Sharon was taking in the action from the stands. She certainly has come a long way since their accident earlier this year.

See you on July 2nd at the Point After. If you prefer to eat before the meeting, please try to order by 6:30.

Phil Hanses

CCCC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES 6/4/03

<u>SECRETARY</u>: Copy of the May general membership meeting minutes and board meeting minutes are in the newsletter.

<u>PUBLIC RELATIONS</u>: 50/50 raffle, club proceeds donated in memory of Gary Thompson tonight.

MEMBERSHIP: Current membership total is 96 (75 adult, 21 FCOAs). Would like to set a goal of 50 FCOAs by year-end. New membership brochures are ready for distribution.

<u>SOCIAL</u>: July 16th Hawk Hollow mini-golf at 6:00 followed by dinner. July 19th Mystery Dinner hosted by Phil and Cindy. If you have suggestions/requests for social events, please see Janet. There are open dates in September and November. 11 couples went to Traverse City.

<u>POINTS</u>: Reminder to all members and chairpersons, you must sign the sheet for point credit.

TREASURER: All accounts are balanced, and payables were approved to be paid.

EDITOR: July newsletter deadline is June 24th.

<u>COMPETITION</u>: Spartan Speedway low speed events NEEDS HELP!!! Volunteer sign-up sheet was circulated, and 30 signed up. THANK YOU from Rich. Also, a novice class will be held at the speed event if interested.

<u>GOVERNOR</u>: Received a thank you from Flint Disability Network for the Pres Kool car show.

<u>PRESIDENT</u>: If attending any NCCC events, it is important to have your member number for club credit as well as your own. Still looking for a site for a club picture. Let Phil know if you have any suggestions. Will schedule for early fall due to anticipated club growth.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: Jeff is getting new prices for magnetic decals and badges. Will not be attending Lugnut game as a group due to lack of interest.

NEW BUSINESS: If you're planning to attend Nashville, contact Mark or Shalimar. July 4th there will be a car show at the Meridian Mall, and it is scheduled as a club event. National Convention is in Hagerstown, Maryland. Registration forms are available in *Blue Bars* magazine.

Adjourned

CCCC BOARD MEETING MINUTES 6/18/03

SECRETARY: No Report

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Absent

<u>MEMBERSHIP</u>: 1 new (special) FCOA member, Courtney Rose Hanses!!! Also, 2 new adult members, Greg and Theresa Jenca!

<u>SOCIAL</u>: Mystery Dinner on July 19th, August 22nd and 23rd Crossroads at Mackinac, September 20th hayride hosted by Brad and Carrie Hutton, October 3rd and 4th MSU parade, October 11th color tour hosted by Don and Carol Armstrong, November 1st Mexican Train hosted by Don and Janet Johnston, Christmas at Bob and Shalimar's.

POINTS: Everything is up-to-date. See website or newsletter for current totals.

TREASURER: All accounts were balanced. If you are planning to play mini-golf, Colleen must receive payment by the next meeting.

EDITOR: July newsletter deadline is June 24th.

<u>COMPETITION</u>: Everything is ready for low speeds. Track opens at 8:30. Registration will be from 9:00 - 10:00. We will be picking lunch up from Heavenly Ham and have a BBQ for dinner.

GOVERNOR: Received e-mail from the Meessemans. They will be attending the low speeds on Saturday. August 2nd and 3rd a benefit show "Racing to Recovery" is being held in Indiana for the Meessemans.

<u>PRESIDENT</u>: Most advertisers have renewed for the zoo show. The board goal is for all payments and ads ready for print by the end of the month. Also, we need to prepare flyers to distribute in July.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u>: The copy machine lease expires August 30th. Jeff has contacted Comp USA, and they are willing to meet, beat, or upgrade any quotes we receive. They are also willing to give a member discount at the store.

NEW BUSINESS: The club would like to establish some type of raffle or fundraiser for Simon. The goal is to sell 2,000 raffle tickets. The drawing could be set for September 14th at the zoo show. The printer will do them for \$25. We are also considering a benefit car show. Gloria is updating the website with Simon's day-to-day recovery reports. She also requested visitors come after 4:30 PM due to rehab. We will discuss further at the next meeting.

MEMBER INPUT: Dave Kuempel suggested that we send a letter of protest to the Bridge Authority on behalf of the club as they will not allow cars to cross as a parade this year in Mackinac.

Adjourned

Social Update

June has been a quieter month after all the activities of May. Many will be going to Nashville for the 50th Anniversary, so they will have stories to tell us when they come back.

Rich & Colleen have Hawk Hollow Mini Golf on July 16th. Colleen needs your count and money for the dinner before the July 2nd meeting. Contact her at 517-339-8487 for the details on that.

Phil and Cindy are planning a Mystery Dinner for July 19th. Phil will inform us on the meeting place.

In August we have Corvette Crossroads in Mackinac City. They are not having the parade this year which was a fun time. But, we can come up with our own fun. This a wonderful time to get together and enjoy the area and club fellowship.

Here are some upcoming dates to put on your calendar:

September - Brad and Carrie are putting on a Hayride/Bonfire, September 20th / raindate the 27th.

October - John and Janyce Shepler are organizing the MSU Homecoming Events.

Also in October Don and Carol are planning a Color Tour, October 11th.

November is Mexican Train Night at the Johnston's, November 1st.

Then wind down the season with the Christmas Party at the home of Bob & Shalimar Maynard December 3rd.

Again, continue to be with Simon and Gloria in your thoughts and prayers as they go through physical therapy this summer.

Janet Johnston
Social Director

djohnston@voyager.net

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB 2003 POINTS STANDINGS

Through 6/12/03 PARTICIPATION POINTS

Carol Armstrong	9	Nancy Doty	12	Carol Putmon	15
Don Armstrong	16	Randy Gisse	6	Randy Putmon	15
Evelyn Aronson	20	Cindy Hanses	23	Gloria Reiffer	32
Jay Atchinson	0	Phil Hanses	23	Simon Reiffer	33
Kenalee Atchinson	0	Joy Hardman	8	Robert Ribar	7
Laurie Backus	6	Steve Hitchcock	1	Steve Sage	1
Kurt Bancroft	8	Tammie Hitchcock	1	Gregory Shannon	0
Don Baron	1	Brad Hutton	15	Janyce Shepler	6
John Bechtel	7	Carrie Hutton	13	John Shepler	6
Sandy Bechtel	7	Greg Jenca	0	Lyn Shoal	1
Melissa Bernier	3	Theresa Jenca	0	Ron Shoal	1
Colleen Bratschi	17	Don Johnston	31	James Simmons	11
Rich Bratschi	18	Janet Johnston	29	Vicki Simmons	0
Char Breeden	5	Greg Kapp	20	Bill Smejkal	4
George Breeden	4	David Kuempel	25	Linda Smith	8
Connie Britz	9	Diana Kuempel	23	Rick Smith	9
Mike Britz	11	Margaret Lewis	6	Loretta Spinrad	1
Gary Brothers	7	Mark Lewis	9	Steve Spinrad	1
Pam Candy	3	Lynette Macarty	0	Brenda Strobel	3
Maurice Cartier	0	Reed Macarty	0	Gordon Terwilliger	18
Dave Cripe	10	Bob Maynard	23	Margaret Terwilliger	18
Ken David	0	Shalimar Maynard	27	Gary Thompson*	2
Charlie DeYoung	2	Jeff McQuade	29	Pam Thompson	3
Patti DeYoung	2	Steve Pavlik	0	Ann Underwood	0
Karl Dickert	6	Joe Platte	6	MarLou Walker	0
Trini Dixon	10	Pam Platte	9	Peter Walker	5
Art Doty	12				

TOP TEN PARTICIPATION POINTS

1. Simon Reiffer	33	7. Dave Kuempel	25
2. Gloria Reiffer	32	8. Cindy Hanses	23
3. Don Johnston	31	8. Phil Hanses	23
4. Janet Johnston	29	8. Diana Kuempel	23
4. Jeff McQuade	29	8. Bob Maynard	23
6. Shalimar Maynard	27		

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ju	ly 2	2003	3			
		1	GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 🕫	HAPPY 40" BIRTHDAY PHIL © HANSES!	4 CLASSIC 4 CAR ★ SHOW HAPPY BIRTHDAY 5TEVE ⊕ PAVLIK!	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	JCC CAR SHOW
13	14	15	16 MINI-GOLF AND ★ BOARD ← MEETING	17	18	19 MYSTERY DINNER ©
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 FCC/ACC/ SCC LOW SPEEDS
27ACC/ CCM CAR SHOW AND FCC/ACC/ SCC LOW SPEEDS HAPPY BIRTHDAY © JOHN BECHTEL AND © KARL DICKERT I	28	29	30	31		

CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB Tentative Calendar of Events 2003

July		Sent	ember	
2	*General Membership Meeting	3	*General Membership Meeting	
4	~Classic Car Show	7	SCC Rallyes (2)	
12	JCC Car Show	9	Region Meeting	
16	*Mini-Golf & Board Meeting	13	Governors Meeting	
19	*Mystery Dinner	14	*Horsepower at the Zoo Car Show	
26/27	FCC/ACC/SCC Low Speeds	17	*Board Meeting	
27	ACC/CCM Car Show	20	*Hayride	
		21	KCC Speed Events	
August	•	28	JCC Rallyes (2)	
2	NOCC Speed Events		,	
3	JCC/HVCC Speed Events Octobe		ber	
5	Region Meeting	1	*General Membership Meeting	
6	*General Membership Meeting	5	KCC Rallyes	
?	*Board Meeting	11	*Color Tour	
15-21	NCCC Convention	11	FCC Rallye	
22-24	Corvettes at Carlisle	12	GLCC Rallyes (4)	
22-24	~Corvette Crossroads (Mackinac City)	15	*Board Meeting	
	·	19	CCM Rallyes	
		Nove	November	
		1	*Mexican Train Dominoes	
		4	Region Meeting	
		5	*General Membership Meeting	
		8	Governors Meeting	
		19	*Board Meeting	

December

3 *Holiday Dinner

^{*} CCCC Events

[~] Club Events



Meridian Area Business Association (MABA) is proud to present the 2003 Classic Car Show!!!



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Food

Entertainment

*50/50 Drawing

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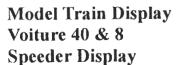
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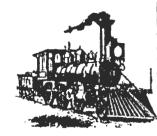


Corvette Show
Hosted By
Jackson Corvette Club

25 Trophies to be Awarded at 3 PM Dash Plaques (first 200) T- Shirts while quantities last. Goody bags Food Available on site. Live DJ







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Join us on July 16 at 6:00 p.m. at Hawk Hollow Golf Course (Little Hawk Putting Course) for 18 Holes of Mini-Golf on Real Grass! Afterwards (approximately 7:30), we will eat dinner at the golf course.

WHERE:

Hawk Hollow Golf Course 15106 South Chandler Road Bath, MI (north on Abbott Road/East Lansing)

WHEN:

Wednesday, July 16 6:00 p.m.

COST INVOLVED:

Mini-Golf - \$5 each Dinner - \$10.00 per person (dinner payment due by July 2)

MENU INCLUDES:

Hamburgers OR Grilled Chicken Breast Potato Chips, Cookies, Lemonade, and Ice

RSVP BY JULY 21

We will need to know how many will be attending the dinner. Dinner cost is \$10.00 per person. Prepayment for dinner is required by July 2.

IMPORTANT

Join Us For A MYSTERY DINNER

Meet at the Park & Ride lot at US-127 & Holt Road

6:00 PM Saturday, July 19, 2003

We will leave at 6:15 and cruise to an unknown restaurant for dinner.

Please RSVP to Phil by July 16 989-587-3422 bluecorvette@bigfoot.com SANCTION #s MI-032.033 TYPE OF EVENT: MI-034,035,036 LOW SPEED CLUB: FLINT CORVETTE CLUB MI-037,038,039 MI-040, 041 DATES: CLUB: SHIAWASSEE CORVETTE CLUB July 26, 2003 July 27, 2003 REGISTRATION: **REGION: MICHIGAN** OPENS: **ENTRY FEE:** weekend (10 events) 8:30 AM 9:00 AM per event CLOSES: NCCC: \$60.00 9:30 AM 10:00 AM \$8 DRIVERS OTHERS: \$70.00 \$10 ENTRY FEE: per day \$35 NCCC \$40 non NCCC MEETING: 10:00 AM 10:30 AM LOCATION: **Great Lakes Technology Centre** 4000 South Saginaw St. FIRST CAR OUT: 10:30 AM 11:00 AM Closed: X Open: Flint, MI 48507 EXHAUST:Drivers Meeting MANDATORY both days..... (Corner of S. Grand Traverse & Hemphill) **EVENT INFORMATION:** MAPS: SEE BACK OF FLYER CAMPER PARKING AVAILABLE FRI & SAT NIGHT AT TOM & DONNA JANOS'

CORN ROAST SATURDAY AFTER THE EVENTS NO FOOD SERVICE AT THE EVENT

EVENT CHAIRPERSONS:

MI-032

NAME: Jim Harris

PHONE #: (810) 621-3468

MI - 033

NAME: **Barb Harris**

PHONE #: (810) 621-3468

M1- 034

Pat Fulks NAME:

PHONE #: (248) 922-9018

M1-035

NAME: Bill Dalhlquist

(810) 653-2509 PHONE#

M1-036

NAME: Harry Drake

PHONE # (586) 739-2241

GOVERNOR:

NAME: Jim Harris PHONE #:

(810) 621-3468







MI-037

Sue Sweet NAME: PHONE # (989) 743-3159

MI-038

NAME: Alaina Striggow PHONE # (989) 277-7659

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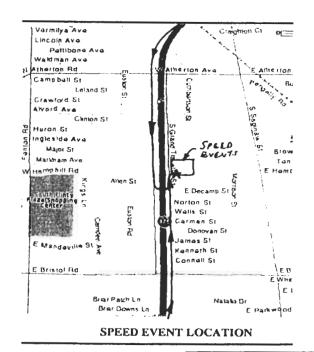
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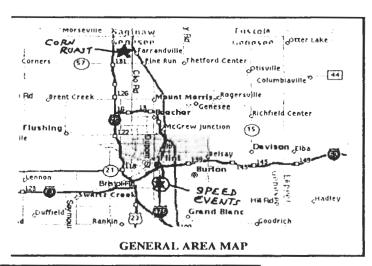
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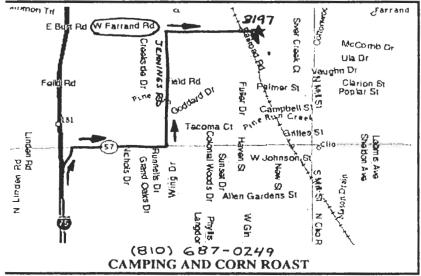
NAME: Melissa Shepard (989) 743=8741 PHONE #

GOVERNOR:

NAME: Jim Sweet (989) 743-3159 PHONE #:







RACING TO RECOVERY RnS



Michigan Region Members will be required to work the event.

MOTELS

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EVENT COORDINATOR:

GORDON McCANN 734-645-6097

HURON VALLEY C.C. Jim Keegan, Governor 406 Charles St.

Ypsilanti, MI 48198 734-482-7618

DATES:

AUGUST 2, 2003 AUGUST 3.2003

JACKSON C.C

Horton, MI 49246

517-688-4066

Steve Massie, Governor

12732 Dan Dell Circle

MICHIGAN

SANCTIONS: MI-065,066,067

MI-068,069,071

OAKS CORVETTE CLUB

Knights Inn

765-472-3971

PRE REGISTRATION JIM SWEET

5167 E. M-21

CORUNNA, MI 48817

NORTH OAKS C.C.

William Huntoon, Governor 2997 Old Orchard Dr Waterford, MI 48328

248-683-8179

REGION:

TYPE OF EVENT:

ENTRY FEES

LOW SPEED

CLUBS:

JACKSON

MI-074

NORTH

HURON VALLEY

CORVETTE CLUB

CORVETTE CLUB

REGISTRATION WEEKEND

OPENS:

7:00 am

8:00 am

MI-056,057,058

MI-071

MI-059,072,073

NCCC

\$8.00

EVENT

\$70.00

CLOSES:

9:00 am

9:00 am

OTHERS

\$10.00

PERU, INDIANA

\$90.00

DRIVERS

MEETING

9:45 am

9:45am

LOCATION: GRISSOM

AEROPLEX

EVHALICT

100 car limit

FIRST CAR OUT

OPEN

10:00 am

10:00 am ODEN

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13.2. NCCC OFFICIAL FLYER OUTLINE

SANCTION #: MI-056, MI-057 TYPE OF EVENT: 2 Matching Time and

MI-058, MI-059

2 Low Speeds

CLUB: Jackson Corvette Club (MI-046) DATE: Sunday, August 3, 2003

REGION: Michigan

GATE OPENS: 8:30 a.m.

REGISTRATION: OPENS 9:00 a.m. CLOSES 10:00 a.m.

DRIVERS MEETING: 10:00 a.m.

FIRST CAR OUT: 10:15 a.m.

EXHAUST: CLOSED

ENTRY FEE: NCCC Members \$10 per event; or \$35 for all four

Non-NCCC Members \$12 per event; or \$40 for all four

Note: Lower cost this year in lieu of trophies

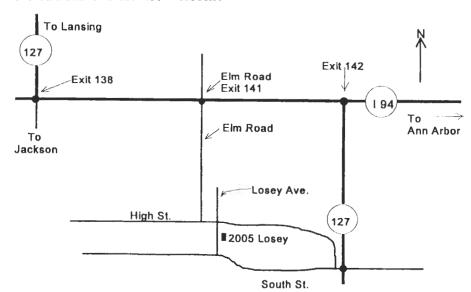
LOCATION: Modern Machine & Tool Company

2005 Losey

Jackson, MI 49201

Snell Rated SA or M95 or newer helmet required X

Χ All licensed and insured drivers welcome



EVENT COORDINATOR

NAME: Tim Diamond NAME: Steve Massie

ADDRESS: 642 Vaughn Road ADDRESS: 12732 Dan Dell Circle

> Leslie, MI 49251 **Horton, MI 49246**

GOVERNOR

PHONE #: (517) 547-3374 PHONE #: (517) 688-4066



We have rooms reserved at the Chippewa Motor Lodge in Mackinac City. This is a first come first serve basis. I have talked with the hotel, and we have the same rooms reserved that we were in last year unless you want something different.

Small Budget Rooms \$39.00 Thursday -\$59.00 Friday/Saturday

Larger Rooms \$59.00 Thusday - \$79.00 Friday/Saturday

The number to call to make your reservations is: 231-436-866lor 800-748-0124

Some people will leave Thursday, others will come Friday.

There will be flyers out for this, with more details. This fills up fast so I wanted to inform you about reservations.

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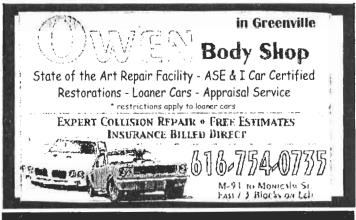
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