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# The Connection

#### The Monthly Newsletter of the Capital City Corvette Club

#### **Activities for November**

#### **General Membership Meeting**

November 2nd • Social/Dinner – 5:45pm • Meeting 7:00pm Delhi Café • 4625 Willoughby Road • Holt

#### Bingo

Saturday November 5th 2:00 to 4:00 PM 6090 W. Michigan Ave - Lansing MI (Followed by dinner at Fireside Grill)

#### **Breakfast**

Saturday November 12th @ 9:30 am Bob Evans 900 American Rd, Lansing

#### **Board Meeting**

November 16th ● Dinner– 5:30pm ● Meeting 6:30pm Delhi Café ● 4625 Willoughby Road ● Holt

**Note:** There is not a membership meeting or Board meeting in December due to the holidays.

#### **November Birthdays**

James Sutherland	2-Nov	Joe Platte	21-Nov
Art Doty	4-Nov	Duane Richardson	21-Nov
Skip Herold III	8-Nov	Shirley Greening	25-Nov
David Pursel	12-Nov	Sue Latchaw	30-Nov
Susan Ramsey	20-Nov		

Contact Chris Wieczorek if you would like to organize a social event.



Please submit newsletter articles to 4c. editor @ cccorvette.org by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.

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**Saturday, November 5, 2016 2:00 – 4:00 (setup at 1:00 pm)** 

### **Delta River Senior Village**

a Volunteers of America Community

6090 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing 48917

Keep gathering your "fab" Bingo prizes. Handmade items are always a plus, but if you're not the "crafty" sort, stop into Meijer or the dollar store and pick up some bric-a-brac and basic household items.

Please bring your favorite snack and/or dessert to share! We will head over to the Fireside Grill for dinner after Bingo.

Contact Chris Wieczorek 517.996.6072 with questions.

#### **Election Time!**

#### Election of Officers:

It's that time of year for the fall election of our 2017 club officers. The Capital City Corvette Club By-Laws (2012) state, Article IV, Section A1, Officers - Must be Members in good standing and hold their NCCC number with CCCC. Article IV, Section B, 2a, requires that the President must have held a prior elected office in the Club and Article VIII, Section A requires that club officers have their CCCC membership dues renewed for the coming year.

Those nominated for positions in 2017 are;

PRESIDENT: Jerry Wardell Deanna Pyle SECRETARY: Mike Britz TREASURER: V/P GOVERNOR: Simon Reiffer **COMPETITION DIRECTOR:** Mike Sprague EDITOR: Kara Richardson **MEMBERSHIP:** Angela Hyde POINTS: Sally Wardell **PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Patrick Lickfeldt SOCIAL DIRECTOR: Chris Wieczorek

#### Annual Dues:

NCCC/CCCC dues are renewed each fall for the upcoming year. Renew your membership prior to the end of the November general membership meeting to avoid a \$10 late fee, imposed by NCCC.

#### 2016 – 2017 Activities

#### Bingo at Delta River Senior Village

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#### **Breakfast**

Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 am Bob Evans 900 American Rd, Lansing

#### **Holiday Party at Coral Gables**

Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Flyer to follow

#### **North American International Auto Show**

January 2017 - Experience the next generation of transportation at the North American International Auto Show 2017. See more than 500 vehicles on display, representing the most innovative designs in the world and experience North America's largest and most prestigious automotive showcase.

#### Welcome New members

#### Capital City Corvette Club extends a warm welcome to our newest members:

- David and Ann Voss from Commerce Township. David and Ann drive a 2006 silver metallic convertible.
- Geoffrey and Joyce Cradit from Lansing. Geoffrey and Joyce drive a 2005 blue coupe.
- Edward Swisher from East Lansing. Edward drives a 1958 silver convertible and a 2015 Laguna blue convertible.
- Barry and Beverly Bishop from Holt. Barry and Beverly drive a 2017 Long Beach red convertible.
- Stanley and Zola Olson from Haslett. Stanley and Zola drive a 1992 red coupe. Stanley is Colleen Bratschi's brother.
- Richard Robbins and Susan Ramsey from Dimondale. Rich and Susie drive a 2016 Long Beach red convertible.
- Duane and Kara Richardson from Byron. Duane and Kara drive a 1997 red coupe.

#### November 2016



#### CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES - OCTOBER 5, 2016

PRESIDENT: Dave Pursel called meeting to order @ 7:05pm.

Dave welcomed many new members attending the meeting: Dave & Ann Voss, Bill and Jan Haggerty, Ed Swisher, Geoff & Joyce Credit.

Dave also welcomed Ben Behnke from Shaheen Chevrolet. Ben informed the members that a check for \$3000.00 would be given to the Childrens Miracle Network from the proceeds earned at the car show of September 24<sup>th</sup>.

Ben thanked all involved and let our club know that Shaheen Chevrolet would be very interested in holding a 2<sup>nd</sup> car show in 2017. He did express that they would like to hold it on a Sunday instead of a Saturday as it was held this year. Everyone in the club showed interest, so looks like planning will begin.

SECRETARY: Colleen Bratschi asked for approval of the September membership meeting minutes. Motion was made by Bob Pyle, and seconded by Mike Britz. Motion was carried.

Colleen continued the nomination process at this point of the meeting. Request for nominations for each board position were made and only 2 nominees for the Editor position were presented: Kara Richardson & Sandy Bechtel. Colleen will contact each to see if they are interested.

Colleen made a motion to close the nomination for the 2017 Board, Dave Purcel seconded that motion and it was carried.

Colleen made members aware that there would be no need to have a ballot for 2017 Board as there was only 1 person for each position. They are as follows:

PRESIDENT: Jerry Wardell SECRETARY: Deanna Pyle TREASURER: Mike Britz

V/P GOVERNOR: Simon Reiffer

COMPETITION DIRECTOR: Mike Sprague

EDITOR: OPEN = Nominees Kara Richardson & Sandy Bechtel

MEMBERSHIP: Angela Hyde

POINTS: Sally Wardell

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Patrick Lickfeldt SOCIAL DIRECTOR: Chris Wieczorek

Dave Pursel will present the 2017 Board at the November membership meeting.

TREASURER: Mike Britz reported that financial statement was sent to all board members before the meeting, and that all bills are up to date.

V/P GOVERNOR: Simon Reiffer reported that he had attended the Governors meeting in St. Louis, Mo. in October. Simon reported that at that meeting it was discussed that the 2018 NCCC convention may be held in New Orleans, and that voting for the 2017 National board would be coming up, and Bylaw changes through NCCC. Simon will be our vote on these items, and requested that all members make

sure that they read the E-mail that comes from our NCCC president, so we continue to be informed on important issues.

COMPETITION DIRECTOR: Rich Bratschi had no report

EDITOR: Jerry Wardell had no report. Jerry reminds members to have articles for the newsletter to him by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month.

MEMBERSHIP: Angela Hyde reported that we have 115 regular members, 2 honorary members, and 38 FCOA members. Angela wants to remind members that 2017 club dues are due by the November membership meeting in order to not have a late fee of \$10.

POINTS DIRECTOR: Sally Wardell reported all points up to date

PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR: Tom Wieczorek was absent. Chris extended for Tom a huge thank you to all who helped at the Shaheen car show. Tom also wanted to extend a special thanks to Milton Scales for making the DJ job seem so easy. Everyone is hired for next year!!!!

SOCIAL DIRECTOR: Chris Wieczorek reminded everyone to check the clubs calendar for year end events.

#### APPOINTED OFFICER REPORTS:

HEARTS & FLOWERS: Deanna Pyle reported all cards up to date.

HISTORIAN: Sue Keith was absent

NCM AMBASSADOR: Kim Keith was absent

PHOTOGRAPHER: Fred Darin reminded new members that if they want to have a picture of their car on

the website to send it on to him. Fred Darin@ CCCC

QUARTERMASTER: Craig lansiti was absent

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Bob Ribar had no report

WEBMASTER: Gloria Reiffer had no report

PAST PRESIDENT: Sandy Bechtel was absent

NEW BUSINESS: Gloria Reiffer presented that MSU credit union would like to offer to our club a blanket membership to all interested members. Please mention that you are a CCCC club member if you are working with them for future accounts or loans.

OLD BUSINESS: Nominations were taken care of earlier in the meeting.

50/50: Jim Simmons was the winner!!!

ADJOURNMENT: Dave Pursel called meeting closed @ 8:09pm

Prepared by your Secretary;

Colleen Bratschi

#### CAPITAL CITY CORVETTE CLUB

#### BOARD MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 19, 2016

PRESIDENT: Dave Pursel called meeting to order @ 6:33pm

SECRETARY: Colleen Bratschi reported that Board minutes from the September meeting had been approved by e-mail. Thanks to all.

Colleen also reported to the Board that she made calls to Kara Richardson, and Sandy Bechtel asking them if they would consider the Editor position for the 2017 Board, as they were nominated at the October membership meeting.

Kara Richardson accepted ©

TREASURER: Mike Britz reported that nothing had changed from the financial statement sent earlier in the month. All bills current

V/P GOVERNOR: Simon Reiffer reported that he had attended the Governors meeting, and voted for the NCCC board positions and the 7 Bylaw changes. If you would like to see more about the results please go to the NCCC website after the 15<sup>th</sup> of November.

Simon will not be attending the next Governors meeting, but would like to remind anyone interested in attending a Regional Meeting the next will be held Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> at LaSenorita Restaurant in Lansing, Mi.

EDITOR: Jerry Wardel had no report. (he did dance a jig as he will not be the editor next year).

POINTS DIRECTOR: Sally Wardell reported all points up to date.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR: Angela Hyde reported that we have 115 regular members, 2 honorary, and 38 FCOA members. At the time of the Board meeting Angela reported we have 60 renewals paid for 2017.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Tom Wieczorek reported that he will be sending out letters for the 2017 advertizing year. Tom confirmed that we have 4 ads in the newsletter that are complimentary. (Delhi Café, Spartan Barricade, 2 for Shaheens).

SOCIAL DIRECTOR: Chris Wieczorek went over the final events for the 2016 season. (check club calendar for these). Discussion was made about the food cart/trucks that might be used for next year's Shaheen event. It was decided that Chris and other board members would investigate and bring information to another board meeting.

COMPETITION DIRECTOR: Rich Bratschi had no report

#### **APPOINTED OFFICER REPORTS:**

HEARTS & FLOWERS: Deanna Pyle reported that all cards were up to date.

HISTORIAN: Sue Keith was absent

NCM AMBASSADOR: Kim Keith was absent

PHOTOGRAPHER: Fred Darin was absent

QUARTERMASTER: Craig lansiti was absent

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Bob Ribar was absent

WEBMASTER: Gloria Reiffer had no report

PAST PRESIDENT: Sandy Bechtal was absent

OLD BUSINESS: Gloria reported that MSU credit union needs someone from the club to fill out papers so CCCC members can become members. Mike Britz will take care of this for the club.

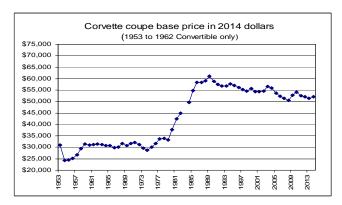
NEW BUSINESS: Simon Reiffer proposed that CCCC try to obtain 1 additional sanction number this year so that when we put on the Blessing of the vets we can hold 1 additional rally. He will look into that at the Regional meeting in November and report back to the Board.

Dave Pursel called meeting over @ 7:32pm.

Prepared by your Secetary;

Colleen Bratschi

#### **Corvette Base Price over the years**



#### **Winter Storage Tips**

- Wash, dry and wax.
- Change oil & filter.
- Check antifreeze
- Over Inflate tires to about 45 PSI and set tires on thick carpet pieces.
- Add a good gas stabilizer to fuel tank
- Install Battery Tender. No need to remove or disconnect the battery.
- Add Moth balls (in several small pantyhose type footies) under the hood. This keeps mice away from nibbling on hoses, rubber parts, sparkplug wires, etc.
- Place fabric softener sheets in the foot wells and rear area. This is thought to discourage small varmints or mice. Even if it doesn't, the car will smell nice.
- Unhitch the top latches on convertibles so that the top is relaxed for the winter.
- Remove any freezable liquids you may have in your storage compartments.
- Block tail pipe openings to keep mice or red squirrels from nesting. Steel wool is a good choice or tuperware caps if they fit tight.
- Another good option is to put a vinyl tarp on the ground or garage floor under your car, even if it's cement. Moisture rises through the floor and the tarp will help prevent condensation on your undercarriage.
- Put on a good car cover and wait for Spring.

#### Reading Diagnostic Trouble Codes (DTC)

All C5's have the ability to display Diagnostic Trouble Codes on the Driver Information Center (below instrument cluster). Other models require an OBDII code reader connected to the diagnostic connector.

- 1. Turn the key to the ON position, but don't start the engine.
- 2. Clear any present messages by pressing the RESET button.
- Hold the OPTIONS button down, and press the FUEL button 4 times. This will get you into the CODES section of the Driver Information Center (DIC) below instrument cluster.

The computer will automatically display all the codes your car has generated. It will cycle through each code every 3 seconds. Any code that ends in H is a history code (something that has occurred in the past).

Once the computer has finished stepping through all of it's codes, press RESET to enter Manual Configuration mode. It should start with a module and either display "NO CODES" or "number of CODES".

<u>To reset the codes – optional - if you wish to clear</u> codes

- When a code is displayed in the manual mode press and hold RESET until it displays "NO CODES".
- 2. Press OPTIONS to go to the next module.
- 3. Repeat these steps until you have reset the codes in all the computer modules.





# Capital City Corvette Club Participation Points for Year 2016



Members: 117

As Of: Sunday, October 30, 2016

23	David Averill		Jim Balla		Dana Beaman		Kim Beaman
56	Sandy Bechtel		Ben Behnke	7	Barry Bishop	2	Beverly Bishop
18	Mary Blackwood	21	Tim Blackwood	8	James Boettcher	9	Mara Boettcher
57	Colleen Bratschi	57	Rich Bratschi	7	Connie Britz	41	Mike Britz
1	NancyLee Buck		Randy Buck	25	Terry Burke	2	Geoff Cradit
2	-	8	Dave Cripe	9	Pat Cripe	35	Fred Darin
17	Marlene Darin	12	Darwin Day	8	Sheila Day	36	Art Doty
36	Nancy Doty	4	Jim Greening	6	Shirley Greening	4	Jan Haggerty
4	William Haggerty	20	Jeanne Harris	32			Howard Hein
17	Sheila Hein	8	Peggy Herold	8	Skip Herold III	8	Skip Herold Jr
	Jim Hoppin	96	Angela Hyde	94	Craig lansiti	56	Janet lansiti
16	Greg Kapp	80	Kim Keith	80	Sue Keith	10	Fred Koos
9	David Kuempel	7	Diane Kuempel	17	Marty Latchaw	12	Sue Latchaw
15	Ellie Lickfeldt	34	Patrick Lickfeldt	12	Carlo Litrenta	21	Janet Litrenta
45	Scott Lumbert		Lee MacGillvray	49	Bob Maynard	22	Shalimar Maynard
36	Chuck Miller	44	Diana Mosher	14	Barb Musselman	14	Steve Musselman
6	George Nelson	6	Laurie Nelson	2	Stanley Olson	2	Zola Olson
25	Dominique Palacio	25	Jerry Palacio	1	Diana Parks	4	Howard Parks
17	Joe Platte	40	Suzanne Politza	60	David Pursel	28	Kathryn Pursel
14	Carol Putmon	14	Randy Putmon	102	Deanna Pyle	96	Robert Pyle
12	Susie Ramsey	150		149	Simon Reiffer	52	Robert Ribar
5	James Richards	8	Duane Richardson	10	Kara Richardson	12	Rich Robbins
16	Milton Scales		Ralph Shaheen	1	Brenda Shatkosky	1	Richard Shatkosky
31	Jim Simmons	3	Vicky Simmons	16	Barbara Ann Sipka	16	Thomas Sipka
	Loretta Spinrad		Steve Spinrad		Janet Sprague	11	Michael Sprague
18	Ralph Swan	20	Susan Swan	4	Ed Swisher	40	Connie Taylor
44	Thomas Taylor		Harold Twining	33	Katherine Twining	9	
4	Ann Voss	4	David Voss	104	Jerry Wardell	110	Sally Wardell
147	Christine Wieczorek	117	Thomas Wieczorek	24	Larry Wight		Sam Zabawsky

#### **Current Points Standings**

150	Gloria Reiffer
110	Sally Wardell
96	Robert Pyle

149 Simon Reiffer104 Jerry Wardell94 Craig lansiti

147 Christine Wieczorek102 Deanna Pyle

117 Thomas Wieczorek96 Angela Hyde



#### Classifieds



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