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Newsletter of the Discovery Bay Corvette Club



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Meeting Schedule: First Thursday of each month, except when otherwise noted.

Location: Discovery Bay Yacht Club

Board Meeting 6:30 PM

General Meeting 7:30 PM

All members are urged to attend the meetings and guests are always welcome!

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**Next Meeting:
November 3rd, 2016 7:30**

President- Lowell Onstad

Well, because I didn't write an article last month I had better write one this month. Not a lot to say that is very interesting to me but maybe to you. I would like to thank my Board for staying with us for another year and for Danica and Tim for taking over the vacancies. Our run to the Boathouse turned out good other than the Temperature was a little high. Didn't stop those hearty Bocce players. Our club has grown quite large and there are a lot of new members. I have asked all members to wear their Badges at the meeting so that people can identify with you. It is hard to get to know new people and them to get to know you without some kind of identification. See you at the next meeting!



Secretary - Ed O'Brien

DBCC General Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Lowell Onstad

Lowell welcomed guests:

Allen Bellinghouse, has a 2013 427 Convertible collectors' car.



V.P. Report (Jack Pera): Has nothing specific to announce to the group. He has name tags for Peters, Chapman, and Maxwell, and Arnold Plonczak, and presented tags to the Peters. Diana worked with those who needed shirts.

Secretary Report (Ed O'Brien): Announced Correction made to Sept minutes regarding McDonald guests. Bob Anderson Moved to accept and Paul de Leon seconded, and club voted unanimously to be accepted.

Treasurer Report (Brian Enbom): Brian was not present. Lowell reported that the club is in good financial condition.

WSSC Representative: (Joe Pimentel) Joe not present.

Webmaster Report (Ralph Cernera): Nothing new on website, all posted. Current newsletter posted, and as well as current flyers for runs. Still missing some WSSC numbers, all members please check the roster and if the number is missing please email Ralph know your WSSC member.

Publications Report (Laura Hardt): Laura was not present. She requests members email pictures and articles to her.

Quartermaster Report (Diana Cernera): She has winter jacket, visors, etc. available. See Diana if interested.

Member At Large Report (Rich Allen): Inaugural is on schedule for next year. He is looking into locations, including Black Oak, that still on the list, but Rich is looking for suggestions from members.

Events Report (Shari Peck and Cheryl Fleb'ut): Shari went through the list of current events on the calendar.

1. Shari announced the club had a great run to the Boathouse, and thanked Jack Parker for finding the Boathouse and Lowell and Joanne for leading the run. Shari played bocce, and Bob Anderson and Joe Pimentel won the tournament.
2. Shari announced the next run is the Nichelini Winery Run for Sat. Oct 22nd, hosted by John and Cheryl. Disco Johnny BBQ tri tip and chicken, \$20/person. Start time is 9:45 am at the Yacht Club. Shari has flyers and needs real good headcount, with early RSVP. See Shari after the meeting for getting the headcount correct. Though changes doubtful, if any changes to the event occur Shari will communicate via email blast.
3. Kathy Doty announced Byron Delta Lyons Wine tasting and Art exhibition on Nov 12th from 2 to 6 pm. Kathy will provide a flyer next month.
4. Shari discussed the DB Lions Car Show on Sept 10th. There were 3 members in attendance---and only 1 corvette. Jack Parker's Ford Shelby won the award. Also Brian Enbom brought his Ford Shelby kit car, and Dave and Shari who brought their Corvette.....the only Corvette in the show. The announcer made mention that the most

participation would not be going to DBCC this year, and Shari announced that she will encourage all DBCC members to attend next year to win the trophy!

5. Shari announced the impromptu run to Clayton was fun, six cars, and all went to Skipolini's.

6. Light Parade on Dec. 3rd. Shari needs help. Marilyn and Rich will be helping. Shari needs two other couples who will sit on the committee and in the parade, and 5 cars. Planning is in progress, and is on calendar. Theme is Rockin Round the Christmas Tree. Scott and Michelle volunteered to be on the committee.

7. Christmas Brunch at Carpaccio's in Oakley on Dec. 11th. Flyer will be out in aprox week. Cost is \$25/person, leaving Chase Bank at 10am. Bob Anderson suggested the club pick up one of the persons, to make it \$25/couple. Board of Directors will take under consideration. Many food items are on the menu. Bring toy gift (Toys for Tots). The room can accommodate 120 people, with great food and a mimosa for all. Shari is also considering a Secret Santa activity as well, and will let everyone know the ultimate plan for the day.

8. Ed discussed getting together to caravan up to Maxwell for the run to the \$25 Hooked on Driving at Thunder Hill Corvette event. Dave Gatt says it's a great fun, so he suggested to get there early!

9. Lowell discussed John D'Agostino's Cool and Caddy Nights run from Brentwood to Locke. \$30 entry fee. Date is Oct 15th, starting at Streets of Brentwood.

Public Relations Report (Kathy Doty): Kathy announced that Liberty High sent a thank you for DBCC's support of the scholarship, and a request for support next year. Discovery Bay Corvette Club est. 1989 will have a brick at the East Co Co County Historical Museum brick walkway being built. DBCC contributed \$100 to support the museum and purchase a brick. We will be notified when they set the brick so we can be present if we wish. Diana mentioned how helpful the museum staff was during DBCC's recent gimmick rally.

Sunshine Report (Marilyn Allen): Marilyn was not present, Rich provided Marilyn's report

1. Gordy and Carol are back from their trip to Viet Nam. Gordy wasn't fond of the food, however.

2. Rich and Pam Dooley are back from Alaska, they had a great time.

3. Denise and Mark are in Hawaii on vacation.

4. Lowell's surgery postponed, but he's looking forward to it soon.

5. John Flebu't is going in for his procedure tomorrow, keep him in your thoughts.

6. Betty Silva had surgery on last Monday.

7. Marilyn will be going in for her hip replacement Monday.

8. Happy October Birthdays! Al Sauvadon, Neva Burdick, Joe Pimentel, Curt Maloney, Steve Buckman, Lee Brant, Diana Cernera, and Deborah Chapman.

9. Treats: Thanks to Patty for bringing treats and Janie for bringing plates and birthday goodies. Joanne Onstad and Diana Cernera are scheduled to bring treats for next month (Nov). Get your flu shot!

NCM Ambassador Report (Dave Gatt): No Caravan news. Corvette Daytona prototypes team mates curtain call occurred with three teams, and Action Express won the title, 3 years running. NCM announced winners for newsletter (Temecula CA), website (St. Louis MO), and parking lot banner. Dave suggested DBCC enter next year. Laura was WSCC honorable mention last year.

Old Business:

1. Lowell, looking for a quick buck from members, did a scan to ensure all members were wearing badges.

2. Lowell also announced that because Tim agreed to do WSCC rep, Danica agreed to do Public Relations, and Dave agreed to continue as NCM Ambassador, there won't be a need for elections this year.

New Business: None

50/50 Raffle: There was a raffle tonite. Dave Peck won the raffle \$70

Adjourn meeting: Tim Denham Motioned, Paul seconded, and unanimous approval for adjournment.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. by Lowell.

Clayton Oktoberfest

10/2/16



Shari Peck's shoe broke! But help is on the way!

Once her shoe was "fixed",

Sheri was happily on her way!



NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM ARTICLE



by Dave Gatt



One of the most important additions to 2016 has been the return of Ford to professional sports car racing. They obviously have a huge legacy from fifty years ago that hasn't been forgotten. To have Ford want to come back and become a part of the Series, is a testament to what we've been doing all along. All of us in racing including Ferrari, Porsche and BMW, along with the Series itself, can take credit for having created such an appealing environment to cause someone like Ford to want to come back. The Presence of the Ford GT seems to have added another level of excitement to the series for the fans. Obviously the media has locked in on the return of the old Ford verses Chevy rivalry, but we have respect for all of our competitors. We view every one of them as the world's best. To us, Ford is just one more worthy opponent that we have to deal with. We know they are formidable and that they are bringing their best to the track, but so are we. We can all drive our Corvettes with pride.





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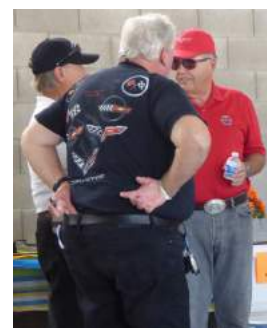
Convenient Location: Near shops & restaurants

Complimentary shuttle service

Complimentary car wash with service

Hooked on Driving at Thunder Hill

10/12/16



Arrived at **THUNDERHILL** RACEWAY PARK





Frequently Asked Questions

What are the dates of the event? The National Corvette Caravan festivities at the National Corvette Museum are August 28-31, 2019. Each individual caravan has varying departure dates and activities. Please visit the caravan for your area for complete details.

When does the Caravan begin? Dates of departure vary by location and caravan. Please visit the web page for your state or area to view the complete travel agenda.

How do I register for Caravan? Registration will open on the National Corvette Museum's website in 2018.

How much does it cost to register for the Caravan? Cost will be announced in 2018.

Do I have to be a member of the National Corvette Museum to participate in the Caravan? No. But we hope you'll consider joining as a member! Memberships are only a tax-deductible \$50 per year for an individual and includes discounts on event registration, Corvette Store discounts, America's Sports Car magazine subscription and more.

How do I change my registration if I decide not to attend after registering? Info

How do I cancel my registration if I decide not to attend after registering? Info

If I cancel my registration, do I get a refund and how do I apply for it? Info

When will the agenda of events be available? Fall 2018

Will there be sufficient parking at the NCM during the event? Parking will be available at the National Corvette Museum, the NCM Motorsports Park, the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge, and grass areas surrounding the Museum.

Will GM Corvette Assembly Plant Tours be available? The Plant is open for tours weekdays. More information about specific times and registration will be available in 2018.

Will the NCM Motorsports Park be open for the Caravan event? Yes, the NCM Motorsports Park will offer a number of activities including touring laps in your own car and hot lap rides.

How can I find a hotel room in Bowling Green for the event? Please visit our lodging page to see a list of options in Bowling Green and the surrounding areas. Please keep in mind most places do not accept reservations more than one year prior. Some hotels will keep a list more than one year out. Room blocks at hotels often open up a month or so prior to the event so if you book outside of the Bowling Green area there may be an opportunity to find a room in town as the event draws near.

What else is there to do in the Bowling Green area? If you're looking to explore the Southern Kentucky region before or after the big event, visit the Bowling Green Area Convention & Visitors Bureau website (www.VisitBGKY.com) and the Kentucky Department of Travel & Tourism website (www.KentuckyTourism.com) are great resources to help with planning.

Chevrolet Updates the 2017 Corvette Configurator with New Features!

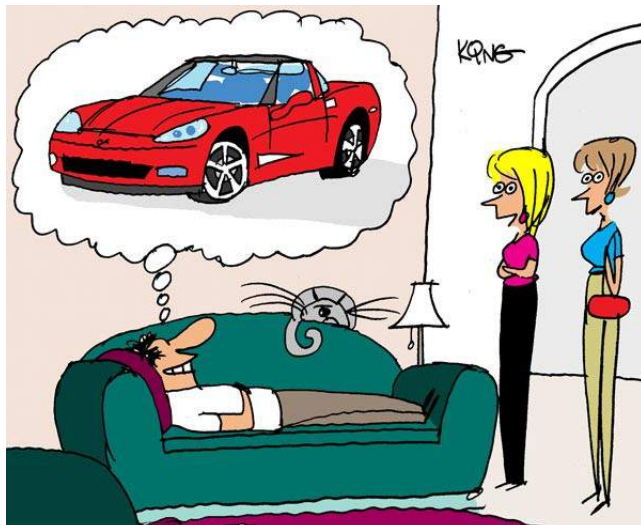
Good news for those looking to buy a new 2017 Corvette.

Chevrolet has recently updated its "Build and Price" Configurator for all 2017 models including the Corvette Z06.

The new Corvette configurator allows you to view your dream Corvette with large pictures that scale the width of your screen so you can see the options and details much clearer as you are building the car.

The new Build and Price Configurator now features 8 different sections whereas the previous Configurator only offered 6. The new tabs are Configuration-Body Style, Trims, Color, Packages, Interior, Exterior, Accessories and the Summary. At the end of the process, the Summary shows you the MSRP for all the Options you selected.

You can view the new Corvette Build and Price Configurator at Chevrolet.com



"How sweet, he's smiling. He must be dreaming about me."

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Five months into his coma, Brad's wife finally finds the words to bring him back to life.

John & Cheryl's Nichellini Family Winery Run!

10/22/16





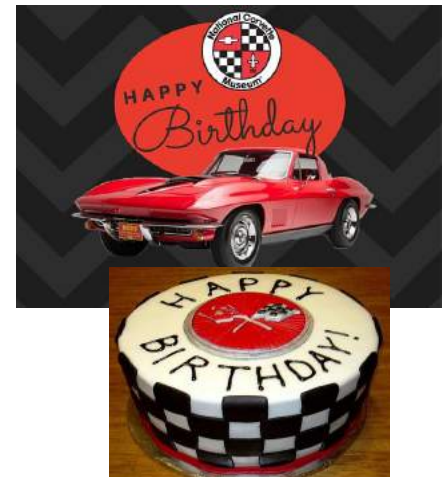


October

Al Sauvadon 10/2 Neva Burdick 10/12 Joe Pimentel 10/19
 Paula Sauvadon 10/21 Curt Maloney 10/21 Steve Buckman 10/24
 Lee Brant 10/28 Diana Cerner 10/29 Deborah Chapman 10/31

November

Bill Helfrick 11/3 Pam Dooley 11/11 Ed O'Brien 11/14
 Carol Ayers 11/16 David Franklin 11/22 Scott White 11/22
 Amy Pera 11/25 Steve Hoffman 11/27 Sandy Mize 11/29 Tony Silva 11/29



Publications- Laura Hardt

Hi everyone!

As you can see by the pictures in the Newsletter we have been having Great Runs.



The Run to Clayton's Ocktoberfest was fun and funny too. We had lunch at Skipolini's. The food was great. After we ate we started walking and then suddenly Shari's shoe broke. The shoe got quickly fixed by her husband with tape provided by the police!

The Run to Nichelini Family Winery was amazing. The Winery is very beautiful and the wines are excellent. There was so much great food and some members even played bocce. We all had a great time!

Jerry and I celebrated our 3rd year wedding anniversary on October 12th. Being the Corvette enthusiasts that we are, we decided to celebrate our anniversary by participating in the Hooked on Driving at Thunderhill. What an experience! It was a lot of fun but we almost didn't make it there.

The group was heading to Thunderhill after having lunch when we got behind a slow moving truck. There was a long stretch road and Mark Zupan passed the truck. Jerry then decided to pass the truck too. All of a sudden the truck tried to ram us off of the road but luckily my husband's excellent driving prevented a disaster. When we arrived at Thunderhill, members from the Santa Clara Corvette Club told us they also had issues with the truck. One member was able to take a picture of the truck so we were able to get the license plate and report it to CHP. We felt it needed to be reported because the person driving the truck might kill someone if he does it again. He tried doing crazy things to Corvette drivers but we have amazing cars and are excellent drivers. If the truck driver tries doing the same thing to others, they might not be so lucky.



The Thunderhill racetrack was very interesting. It is an experience you will never forget. It is fun but freaky. There is a part of the track where you go up a hill then you can't see where the road is. After racing on the Thunderhill racetrack Jerry and I continued our anniversary celebration by going out to dinner.

What a great anniversary celebration! Wonder what we will do next year?

Love you Jerry! Thank you for everything!

Jerry and Laura together forever!

Laura Hardt

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