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NVCC Council Member of the Year and NVCC Member of the Year Named!

Collin Mac Donald and Don Kerndt were recently recognized for their continuing efforts in support of the NVCC and its' activities. Collin was recognized at the 2002 Council Member of the Year and Don as Member of the Year.

Collin was recognized for his continuing efforts to promote the club's many activities and his support in res-

urrecting the tremendous success of the 2002 NVCC Concours.

Don was recognized for his tireless support of autocrosses, Spooktacular, rallyes and always ready to help out in any club endeavor.

Congratulations and many thanks to both these gentlemen for their promotion and support of the NVCC ideals.

Newsletter Article Submissions

DEADLINE: 5:00 p.m. Friday
after the General Council meeting
(2nd Tuesday of each month)

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photos in .jpg format

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www.nvcorvetteclub.com**



Photo by Dick Hammaker
Collin MacDonald CMOTY, Don Kerndt MOTY



Presidential Pontifications from Paul Hertel

Something George Skalkeas said at B4's Christmas party got me thinking. When I complained of having a hard time finding a job, he said, "Well, do you tell them that you are the CEO of automotive related business?" I chuckled and really didn't think that much of it until recently when I realized that he is right. NVCC is a business to which I am the President. So I looked at the club from a business perspective and found some things that I would like to see changed.

First and foremost is keeping the membership and potential members well informed on club activities. The best way to accomplish this is to have a web site "packed to the gills" with information. If there is a question, I want the answer to be "It's on the web site." When is event x? Who's registered? How much does it cost? "It's on the web site." You get the idea.

Next, we need better accountability for our events. We need to see how much an event brought in income and how much in expenses. As everyone knows, to increase "profitability," you have to increase income or reduce expenses. As an example of reducing expenses, we always have an abundance of Spooktacluar and Concour shirts. I think it would be prudent to order fewer shirts this year.

Finally, we need to get out of the "that's the way we have done it in the past" mentality. I am taking steps to provide the committee chairs with detailed information that will aid in process changes. We can make this club more "profitable" by making some short and long-term changes. If we make more money, we can have more fun.

Next month, I'll talk about charities.

Best regards,
Paul

Ps. Be sure and come to the February 25th General Business meeting to pick up your Official Club Shirt and to participate in a very special 50/50 raffle.

Respectfully, Paul



The Zob electron blue zone by Jim

At the January membership meeting there were some guests and prospective members attending the General Membership Meeting. When asked why they were attending by Paul, they stated basically they were attempting to find out what kind of people make up NVCC. At the end of the meeting I spoke to the three women to find out their interests and explain that while NVCC has some great competitive events we were also a great social club with the annual banquet, picnics, fun rallies, etc. We as a club need to do more of this.

When I came to the my first meeting a year ago everyone was very nice and willing to talk to me but I had the distinct impression that no one was willing to go out of their way to welcome me into the club, find out what I was looking for in NVCC, why my interests in Corvettes and generally why was I there. Being in sales this did not stop me. I introduced myself to Paul, told him what my interests were, told Paul I was willing to help out, etc. Paul was most gracious and said the club always needs new blood.

We need to ask, do we want a larger membership? Do we want to assure ourselves of new active people in the club? Should we set ourselves goals to get to 120 members? 150? 200??

Paul was kind enough to explain to me that sometimes the members can be closed to "new people" and I would have to push my agenda to be accepted.

My experiences over the past year were all positive but I did notice that some people that also came to the club at the same time are not members anymore, don't show up for events and never became involved. We are short volunteers in our rallye committee right now wouldn't it be appropriate to engage new people?

Some of the issues as I saw them:

- emails asking specifically people to help – that's how I ended up with newsletter.
- .seeing the jackets and awards given out for helping in events maybe I am dumb but I still don't understand specifically how those happen.
- Helping Mike Sarver at autocrosses—there are never enough hands to help
- Engaging old and new members John Tribble and Jeff Kirk and befriending them— 2002 z06 NVCC subclub!
- Continually knowing about what opportunities are available to volunteer
- Maybe we need to assign an existing member to prospective members to follow up and ask if there are any questions? - Just some thoughts...

Jim Beaupre **NEXT MONTH: Daytona 500!**



What's Happenin'...

MARCH

1 Darts –Social night Zoel and Wanda
Robinson home 7:30 pm
6 KARTS! Go Kart Racing, Sterling VA
7:00pm
9 Informal Social Hopsfrog—10:00 am
11 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm

25 NVCC General Membership meeting
@Koons—7:30 pm

APRIL

8 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm

22 NVCC General Membership meeting
@Koons—7:30 pm

MAY

13 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm

27 NVCC General Membership meeting
@Koons—7:30 pm

JUNE

10 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm

24 NVCC General Membership meeting
@Koons—7:30 pm

JULY

9 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm

23 NVCC General Membership meeting
@Koons—7:30 pm

AUGUST

12 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm
15-21 NCCC Convention, Hagerstown
22-24 Corvettes @ Carlisle
26 NVCC General Membership meeting
@Koons—7:30 pm

SEPTEMBER

9 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm
21 Concours—Dulles Expo Center
23 NVCC General Membership meeting
@Koons—7:30 pm

OCTOBER

11-12 Spooktacular Summit Point, WV
14 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm

26 Thorton Gap Cruise
28 NVCC General Membership meeting
@Koons—7:30 pm

NOVEMBER

11 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm
25 NVCC General Membership meeting
@Koons—7:30 pm

DECEMBER

9 NVCC Council meeting @Koons-7:30 pm

Who ya gonna' Call ?...

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Socially Speaking from

Edie Soles

SOCIAL – DART NIGHT

MARCH 1, 2003



7:30 PM TO WHENEVER

HOSTED BY: ZOEL & WANDA ROBINSON
1821 SAINT BONIFACE STREET, VIENNA, VA 22182
703-255-1746

Come out to join us for an evening of socializing, story telling and a few games of darts. You don't need to be a dart player to join the fun. The dart games are for fun, don't be shy if you have never played before, teams will be randomly picked once we know how many players we have.

RSVP via email or phone to let us know if you are planning on joining us and let us know if you plan to play darts.

Bring your own booze, mix and a munchie. Also bring your own darts if you have them, we only have a few sets.

Directions to our place:

From Route 123 (Maple Avenue, Vienna)

- - take Beulah Road, (North)
- - go 2 miles and turn left on Abbotsford Drive (entrance to Eudora community)
- - turn right at 2nd opportunity – Saint Boniface Drive and follow down to just about the end, we are on the right hand side.

Impromptu Sunday Brunch & Social

Let's get together for Brunch at Hopsfrog Tavern.

WHEN: Sunday, March 9, 2003
10:00 am – 12:00 pm (or until you can't eat anymore!)
Show up a little early for front row parking

WHERE: Hopsfrog Tavern
5745 Burke Centre Parkway
Burke, VA 22015
(703) 239-9324

SOCIAL: Hopsfrog Tavern's Sunday Brunch is \$10.95 + drink + tax + tip.
Please bring cash - \$15.00 per person
(Hopsfrog requested one check)

Please **RSVP** by March 6, 2003 to Dick Hammaker
(703) 250-8644 or hammaker@erols.com

Directions:

From I-495 – Take the Braddock Exit (Ext 5 – Rt 620 West)

Go approx 5 miles to Rt 123 (Ox Rd)

Turn left on Rt 123

Turn left on Burke Centre Parkway (approx 1/2 mile)
Hopsfrog Tavern is on left (hard to miss!)

WINTER RACING—GO KARTS!!

Thursday March 6th --**Go Karts**—All Sports in Sterling (Ralph)—Show 7p.m., track 7:30 p.m. Possible \$150 per team of 2-relays, or about \$75 each. Let Ralph Watts know early head count/names.

Usually have 15-20 people

If you waited too long to register don't forget to come out and cheer on the team!

Sincerely; Edie Soles, Social Director NVCC

Auto Crossing Screeches
By
Mike Sarver

Two big events have been set for 2003. The Spooktakular is firm for October 11—12 and our support of the NCCC National Convention events at Summit Point on Monday and Tuesday, August 17th and 18th. Expect 250 entrants with one day running the Summit course (high speed) and one day the Jefferson (low-speed). Enter soon if you expect a spot.

If you have not heard the ownership of Old Dominion Speedway has changed. We are checking on the impact for our summer event series.

Respectfully, Mike

Rallye Wrapup from
Dick Hammaker

There were no rallye activities in January **but see note below if we are going to have some in 2003!**

[2002 Final Rallye Series Results](#)

Congratulations to the 2002 Rallye winners who were properly recognized and rewarded at the Annual Banquet on January 9th:

Driver	Navigator
1st Place Joe Daly III	Carol Evans
2nd Place Mark Bergstrom	Barbara Shaw
3rd Place Alice Arielly	Trebor Moser

Don't forget after many years of doing this I am looking to participate more and help less. The NVCC is seeking a replacement Rallye Director. Please!

Dick Hammaker

"The 1982, 1983 Corvettes offered no manual transmission option"

NCM Ambassador Corner by Don Patrick

March 2003

CALENDAR EVENTS

- April 24-26: C5 Birthday Bash
- May 1-3: The Visit 3.0 – Porsche at the NCM
- May 8-10: ZR-1/C4 Gathering
- May 22-24: Corvette Forum Cruise-In
- June 23-30: 50th Anniversary Celebration
 - June 23-26: National Corvette Caravan
 - June 27-28: 50th Anniversary Celebration (Nashville, TN)
 - June 29-30: 50th Anniversary Celebration (NCM)
- August 28-31: Corvette Celebration/Hall of Fame
- September 26-28: Camaro/Firebird Gathering
- October 9-11: Corvette Pace Car Reunion

Chevy Rock n Roll Tour display. Race attendees will have the opportunity to see the car Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 8 to 5 and Sunday from 7 to 1. Its artwork scheme is patterned after the DEI team cars, and features a sleek and racy "E" design that can't be missed! A photo of the Corvette Z06E is now available on our website! Take a look and order your tickets online at:<http://www.corvettemuseum.com/raffle/index.shtml>

Your editor went to the 500 and here are some pics of the "E" Z06

C5R CORVETTE 2003 RACING SCHEDULE

- March 15: 12 Hours of Sebring, FL
SPEED Channel
- April 6; Mexico City, Mexico
SPEED Channel
- May TBA: TBA, Europe
TBA
- June 29: Cadillac Grand Prix of Wash. DC
CBS
- July 27: Grand Prix of Sonoma, California
NBC Sports
- August 3: Grand Prix of Trois-Rivieres, Ouebec, Canada
SPEED Channel
- August 17: Grand Prix of Mosport, Ontario, Canada
SPEED Channel
- August 24: Road America 500, WI
NBC Sports
- September 7: Monterey Sports Car Championships, CA
NBC Sports
- September 27: Grand Prix Americas, FL
SPEED Channel
- October 18: Petit Le Mans, GA
SPEED Channel



CURRENT NEWS

EARNHARDT SIGNATURE SERIES Z06E ON DISPLAY AT DAYTONA

If you plan on being a part of the excitement at the Daytona 500 race, then you might be one of the first to catch a glimpse of the Earnhardt Signature Series Corvette Z06E the NCM is raffling at \$25 per ticket. The car will be on display at the Daytona "Fan Fest" - GM Experience Area's -



Logo on the roof pillar.

A winner for the one of a kind Earnhardt Corvette Z06E will be drawn on June 30, 2003 as part of the 50th Anniversary Celebration activities at the Museum. For more information on being a part of the National Corvette Caravan/50th Anniversary Activities visit: <http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/>

NEW 50TH MERCHANDISE IN THE CORVETTE STORE

This week's new Corvette Store items include 50th logo etched beverage glasses available in a set of four - 12oz glasses, long-sleeved denim shirt with 50th embroidered logo on front chest, a 50th Anniversary Corvette Promo set in 1:25 scale featuring a 50th Edition Coupe and Convertible, and a 50th Anniversary T-Shirt showcasing an "EST 1953" logo on front. Have your member number ready when placing your order to receive your NCM member discount. Order these and other Corvette apparel and memorabilia online at: <http://www.corvettemuseum.com/store> or call (800) 53-VETTE.

EXCLUSIVE CARAVAN PARTICIPANT MERCHANDISE AVAILBLE SOON!

A new line of merchandise exclusively for National Corvette Caravan participants has been designed and will be made available for ordering soon! A special "Caravan Participant" logo has been created for this exclusive line of merchandise that includes leather and lightweight jackets, men's polos, ladies shirts, sweatshirts, garment and travel bags and much more. This exclusive line of merchandise will be made available to caravan participants only and ordering will require your caravan registration number. More information will be made available soon via our NCM Central announcements and through our monthly member magazine - America's Sports Car! Stay tuned and register now for the 2003 National Corvette Caravan!

Join thousands of Corvette owners from across the U.S. and be a part of the National Corvette Caravan and 50th Anniversary Celebration activities! Click here for more information on how to register: <http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com> or call (800) 53-VETTE.

R8C MUSEUM DELIVERY - JANUARY UPDATE

91 people took delivery of new Corvettes at the Museum for the month January. The R8C Museum Delivery option includes a VIP tour of the Museum and Assembly Plant, hands on demonstration, one-year NCM Individual Membership and much more. If you are considering purchasing a new Corvette, add the R8C option to your Corvette order. For more information on the Museum Delivery Program, contact Gary Cockriel at: <mailto:gary@corvettemuseum.com> or call 1-800-205-4248. Museum deliveries are viewed world-wide via our webcams available at: <http://www.corvettemuseum.com/webcam/index.htm>

OWN A ONE OF A KIND GOLD CORVETTE

A special raffle is underway while tickets last on a one of a kind Gold Corvette designed and created in conjunction with the JD Power Gold award, which is scheduled to be awarded to the best automotive assembly plant in North America. The drawing for the "Going for the Gold" Corvette will take place on Sunday, June 29th, 2003 at the "Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie and Corvette" Block Party scheduled as part of the 50th Anniversary Celebration activities at the Museum June 29-30. A portion of the raffle proceeds will also be given as a donation to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Only 2003 tickets will be sold - so purchase your ticket now by clicking here: <http://www.corvettemuseum.com/raffle/index.shtml>

2004 CORVETTE CONVERTIBLE RAFFLE TICKETS ONLY \$10 EACH

This year's annual raffle features a 2004 Corvette Convertible and tickets are available at only \$10 each! The 2004 blue convertible offers an automatic transmission and the winner will also receive the R8C Museum Delivery option on the new Corvette. A winner will be drawn at the Museum's 9th Anniversary Corvette Celebration, August 28-31, 2003. Additional information is available via our website at: <http://www.corvettemuseum.com/raffle/index.shtml> or by calling (800) 53-VETTE.

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CURRENT ACTIVITIES

2003 NATIONAL CORVETTE CARAVAN

Join thousands of Corvette enthusiasts from across the globe as the National Corvette Caravan journeys to Bowling Green and Nashville for the 50th Anniversary Celebration. Over 4,000 people have already registered - don't miss your chance to be a part of Corvette History! Register for the National Corvette Caravan and find out about the exciting 50th Anniversary festivities by clicking here: <http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/> or call (800) 53-VETTE.

Register to be a part of the National Corvette Caravan and check out the exciting 50th Celebration activities here: <http://www.nationalcorvettecaravan.com/index2.shtml>

BACKGROUND

NVCC is one of the founding members of the NCM (Card No. 1523). Club benefits are:

- Free individual or group admission to the NCM.
- 10% discount on NCM and Catalog merchandise.
- Free subscription to the magazine "America's Sports Car."
- NVCC plaque reconciliation in the museum.

If any NVCC members are planning a trip in the vicinity of Bowling Green, Kentucky, a visit to the home of the NCM and the Corvette factory should be in your plans. The NCM card can be borrowed from our President.

For additional information log on to: <http://www.corvettemuseum.com> or call the NCM at 800-53-VETTE (800-538-3883) or contact Donald Patrick.



NOT an Earnhardt Corvette!

BEST SNOW STORY...

Just wanted to say this about the snow...

Was on a business trip and drove back to Arlington from South Carolina yesterday; South Carolina, where it was 73 degrees and beautiful. Got home at 1430 in the afternoon having fought the snow and ice, and may I say, people who can not drive nor have respect for snow, or the laws of physics, with my 2003 Z06.

I got all the way back to my apartment in Shirlington Village only to get stuck in an un-plowed street, right in front of my apartment building, 50' from the garage. The grade was too much to overcome with the snow and ice under my tires made for the track; and the snow fell hard...

I tried without success to free her. Asked countless numbers of people to help push. I called GM Roadside assistance, only to have them call me back after an hour and a half to cancel, because they would not go on any side streets; and the snow continued to fall...

Asked guys with pick-up trucks and plows to sweep the snow out between me and my destination to no avail, they just couldn't clear the way. Called it quits; and the snow continued to fall...

So there she sat all night. I couldn't sleep thinking about her and hoping, that no one in a snow plow or a crazy in a 4 wheel drive would drive up on her. Then this morning I commandeered a snow and coal shovel and spent 3 hours freeing her from her icy bonds; but the sleet and snow continued to fall...

The street and driveway had been plowed as I was shoveling and after working feverously for 2 hours, I asked 4 dog walkers to assist me with a push to develop some horse power and enough forward momentum to get her up the slight grade and into the sanctuary of the garage.

It worked! Whoo-Yah! Now I am relaxing with a Single Malt Scotch, finally home from my trip watching the snow stop falling...

Signed,

A NVCC new prospective member Tony Rodrigues

GROOVIN' and VIEWIN' IN YOUR VETTE!

Everyone knows how fun it is to drive a Corvette, and some of us know it's fun just to watch. Some people video-tape their driving to record the event. "How did I look out there?" Others tape in order to improve their technique. Here are some of the ways that people save their video projects.

Most people are recording with video cameras that use the smaller cassettes. This is practical because it allows the camera to be compact. Seldom do you need to record for extended periods while driving, so the smaller tape capacity is no problem.

Many digital video cameras allow direct downloads to the hard drive of a computer. This can be a convenient way of storing and organizing your tapes. Transferring the project requires software provided with the camera, or an adapter with aftermarket software.

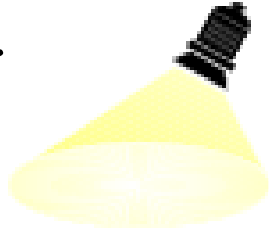
Cameras that record directly to a CD-Rom are expected to be on the market soon. This will be convenient, as the CD can be played on any computer with compatible software. It will also be more expensive, as are most new gadgets.

For those of us without the capacity for direct CD recording, there is still a way of saving your tape digitally without having to go to a graphics studio. There are adapters that connect the USB port on your computer to an output jack on your camera. These adapters cost between \$50 and \$100, depending on the store and the software that comes with it. The device that I use is called "Instant video" (ADS TECHNOLOGIES / USB INSTANT VIDEO W/USB CABLE AUDIO/VIDEO CABLE & SOFTWARE (mfg part #USBV-170)) and was purchased from <http://www.thenerds.net>. It is also available at several other sites, including <http://www.techdepot.com> and <http://www.shopharmony.com>. There are probably other similar adapters that perform the same function, but the software will be the most important consideration for your purchase. I got the best price at the Nerds, and received the product within 3 days of my order. But the software I got was the basic version of Ulead Studios video editing software. It has the capacity to convert If you have the need for more powerful editing, there are software upgrades available. For any video project that involves your computer, you need a big hard drive and lots of RAM. The packages have their own recommendations, but a hard drive > 10MB, a processor of P-III or better, and 256 MB RAM should get you started.

If you have the need to see (and hear) for yourself how that titanium exhaust on the Z06 sounds @ 4,500 rpm, you will enjoy being able to save, share, and archive your accomplishments in digital format.

David Rankin

**Members
CORNER**



from Judy Patrick

February Report

We currently have 94 Active members and 5 prospective members

NEW MEMBERS - Welcome them!!

Phill Berne—2002 Blue Z06

Prospective Members:

- Patti & Russ Puncocar - 2001 Pewter Coupe
- Tony Rodrigues - 2003 Red Z06
- Ron Ingram—1999 Black Convertible
- John Mc Cauley—2002 Black Z06

Note: You remain a “prospective” member until you pay your membership dues and return your NCCC form to Judy.

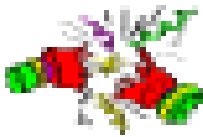
Additional NVCC key rings (\$6 ea.), NVCC window decals (\$2 ea.) and NVCC windshield banners (\$5 ea.) are available to active members. See Judy for these.

See Judy at the business meetings and events for your 2003 membership card.
Judy Patrick



Happy Birthday!! Happy Birthday!!

February Birthday's:



- Bob Comp-ton Feb. 1
- John LefevereFeb. 6
- Judy Patrick Feb. 10
- George SkalkeasFeb. 11
- Steve ValsamisFeb. 14
- Larry Purcell Feb. 20

“If the 1967 option of a 36 gallon fuel tank was available—a Z06 could be driven approximately 900 miles non-stop!!”

March Birthday's:

- Rich Roemer 3
- Gerard Bradd 13
- Mike Sarver 14
- David Rankin 16
- Kirk DeNee 25
- Kurush Reid 29
- Bob Miller 30
- Barb Shaw 30



NVCC Business Meeting Minutes – January 28, 2003

Submitted by Alice S. Arielly, Secretary
Koons Chevrolet, Tysons Corner, VA

Meeting Start: 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: 15 Council + 18 Members + 4 guests = 37

NCCC Convention 2003 Report: George Gallant, Convention Director, was our special guest. He stated that everyone should have gotten their 2003 membership packets—be sure to return the form for your new bylaws. Also, National has invited everyone to June Corvette Caravan in Nashville – they have 250 spaces for the car show. (See the NCCC web site www.corvettesnccc.org for registration form - closes Feb. 28th or www.Corvette50th.com for info).

2003 Convention Details (see www.ernccc.org for details & registration forms). George showed the video promoting the 44th NCCC Convention, Hagerstown, MD, August 15-21st, (followed by Corvettes at Carlisle). He pointed out that the location is perfect—both low speed & high speed autocross can be run simultaneously (at Summit Point); banquet facility at the Clarion can hold 1200 people. We have 160 of their 400 rooms blocked - get registration in early to stay at Clarion (must stay 5 nights if choose Clarion). Some highlights:

- If you're running your car, he suggested that you come up Friday for tech. All 500-600 cars will be teched in breezeway in service lane of Chevy dealer; they'll have a fast tech for rallyers.
 - Saturday will be busy: Registration & Tech. Lunch picnic hosted by Goodyear; (condensed) National meeting in afternoon, followed by Drivers meeting for entire group—all chairs will speak to speak; Evening: 'Gaz' (Stevie Wonder impersonator)
 - Sunday. Can still register & tech. Morning car show at Hoffman Chevy (200 cars expected); Parade in afternoon—downtown Hagerstown Historic District (106 cars expected—2/year). Special prizes will be awarded if enter parade. After parade, downtown in square: 50's/60's party under the stars, includes party, 4 bands, soft drinks, food, hosted by Firestone. Plan to get you back to hotel by 9-10 p.m.
 - Monday & Tuesday. Low & High Speed Events at Summit Point (**OUR club is helping to host this!!**) Racers: Expect good turnout; 125 cars/day = 250 total. Car limits on high & low speed events—will be filled by end of February. Changed lineup (from low speed a.m. high speed p.m. & free day) to all day racing both days. Parties both nights. **Club workers:** get lunch for event both days.
 - Wednesday. Drag Races at Mason-Dixon Drag Strip (if no rain) – mini-groups by bracket; DJ eve, roast. If it rains, Thursday's events will be on Wednesday & vice versa.
 - Thursday. Rallye & Funkhana.
 - Dinner time-free; Parties start at 8 p.m. Themes: Monday, Lancaster CCC, Hawaiian theme. Tuesday: Free State CC. Wed night DJ + roast of local NCCC 'godfather.' Parties – live entertainment every night, except Thursday (Thursday night-banquet--Will celebrate 50th anniversary of Vette). Day passes \$35 – covers party only.
 - Non-racing events: Road Tour (self-driving)—will get special memento if sign up. Battlefields, outlet malls, antiques.
- Last 'local' convention – had 1000 people in Poconos in 1990, hosted by ERCC. Expect at least this much this year (usually get 800-900). Trophies will be given out each afternoon of following day. Can bring 1 guest @ \$105 even if non-NCCC. George sold polo shirts at meeting for \$30. T-shirts will be available at Convention only. If you've never been to a convention, try this one--both Dick Hammaker & Alice Arielly reiterated the benefits of convention.

Treasurer's Report. Jeff Reinke gave the Treasurer's report. Primary income & expenses for December & January were for the Holiday party, which had 61 attendees.

Autocross. Mike Sarver stated that he & Zoel were working to fix the awning.

Concours. Collin MacDonald reported that September 21st was locked in at the Dulles Expo Center. We're on their web site. He's working radio promotions. Don Kerndt will co-chair. Koons wants to discuss details.

Membership. Judy Patrick reported 91 Active + 4 prospective New Members.

Newsletter. Jim Beaupre put a new look on the newsletter.

NCCC. Andrej Balanc reminded everyone that 'undated' high speed licenses expire this year. Check your expiration dates! Need to get it updated – 10 low speeds or 1 driving school in 18 months will qualify.

Historian. Ralph Watts presented Jeff Kirk, last year's historian, with the 'cornerstone' award. We had five questions; winners: Jim Beaupre, Jeff Kirk, Dick Hammaker, Jeff Reinke, Bob Burnett, who each won a raffle ticket. Think you know the answers? Here are the questions: 1. In which year did the Corvette first have catalytic converters and pointless ignition and was the last year for convertibles this body style? Answer: 1975

2. What year was the last for vinyl interiors in Corvettes? Answer: 1976

3. What year the the 396 cubic inch engine king? Why 396? Answer: 1965 because GM anticipated NASCAR would restrict engines to 400 cubic inches.

4. What years did the Corvette have a 6 cylinder engine? Answer: 1953, 54, and 1955 (six were produced in '55).

5. Which year debuted the black interior for the C4? Answer: 1988

NCM. Don Patrick pushed the 50th Anniversary Celebration in Bowling Green, it's filling up fast. He also had raffle tickets for Dale Earnhardt Z06 convertible + 1-of-a-kind gold C5, plus laminated calendar cards.

Rallye. PLEASE VOLUNTEER AS RALLYE DIRECTOR!!! Our director for the last 8 years, Dick Hammaker, offered to help out new chairman. He already has several rallye events planned.

Social. Edie Soles already has an ambitious schedule lined up. Highlights coming up:

- February 15th - **Bowling party**, Rte 7., Sterling, VA, have met goal of 15 people, can accommodate more.
- March 1st, **Dart tournament @ Zoel's**, Vienna (BYOB + snack).
- Thursday March 6th --**Go Karts**—All Sports in Sterling (Ralph)—Show 7p.m., track 7:30 p.m. Possible \$150 per team of 2-relays, or about \$75 each. Let Ralph know early head count/names. Usually have 15-20 people
- **Picnic.** Ron, Monique, & Sandy have volunteered to host it again, including a Yahtzee rallye - either 5/10, 5/18, 6/?.
- Lots of cruises coming in.

Spooktacular. George Skalkeas gave us the October 11-12th date. Wants to have registration forms available at convention.

Web Site. Brad Sneade is redesigning web. Will keep current site updated. Working to resolve mailing list conflicts with Earthlink. Paul reminded everyone to check your database information to make sure it's current (when it comes up!).

Raffles. Oil Change won by Maury Brumm. Other prizes (grab box): Jeff Kirk, John Tribble, Chuck Pellerin, Maury Brumm. 50/50: Took in \$60. \$30 prize won by Jim Beaupre.

Trivia item. Dick Hammaker told us that Ed Masak, who is moving to FLA, had a 1984 13th annual East Coast Vette-together prize. The beer stein that Dick showed us brought back memories!

Member of the Year. Dick Hammaker took member & council member of the year picture--congratulations to Don Kerndt and Collin MacDonald.

Meeting adjourned: 8:45 p.m. Several member reconvened at the Vienna Inn, off 123 in Vienna, to socialize.

1/14/03 Northern Virginia Corvette Club Council Meeting

Attending: Paul Hertel, Jeff Kirk, Dick Hammaker, Judy Patrick, Don Patrick, Jeff Reinke, Brad Sneade, Joe Daly, Edie Soles, Mike Sarver, Ralph Watts, Andre Balanc, Zoel Robinson, Don Kerndt

Minutes: Paul

Expressed thanks to the new council.

Goals for 2003: Increased Membership Participation, By-Law Changes finalization, Club Merchandise finalization, Improved Web Page

Budget approach for the year: Once the budget is approved the chairperson is authorized to spend the money without subsequent council approval. Requested the 2003 budgets and a budget cash flow by month.

Autocross: Contact at ODU, Ed Massak is leaving the area, Mike S or designee needs to make contact with ODU Dickie ? Need to finalize the event dates. Mike needs 150 ft of cat5 cable. Need to get club tent to Maury for repair.

Koons Sponsorship: Paul asked council to identify specifics of Koons support for the year. Want to do a formal letter to Koons and identify the request early. Example: Koons to pay for travel of Reese Cox to Spook, also need to determine what we can do for Koons, e.g. NVCC Web link to Koons.

Treasurer: Paul requested that software such as Quicken be obtained and the NVCC books be set up. Need to track income and expense by activity (concoors, autoX, rally)

General Meetings: Need way to improve meeting. May have meeting meet at Koons and then adjourn to a restaurant for a more social event. Reduce duplication between the council meeting and the general meeting.

NCCC Rep: Note that high-speed licenses with no date need to be renewed.

Concoors: Event date 9/21. Okay by Andre (NCCC) Need to get contract done with the Expo center. Collin is working with the fire marshal to obtain waivers for the 1/8th tank requirement.

Membership: reflects 90 active members and 7 prospectives. A current membership list was passed out.

Newsletter: Jim Beaupre will assume this role.

Rallye: No one has volunteered for the chairperson position. Dick suggested that the rallye program consist of fun rallye events that would be primarily social in nature. There would be no fees and no points with the program.

Social: Members request more cruises, may go to Gettysburg per Edie. Schedule a go-kart day (week day),

WEB: Brad working on new site, had basic mock-ups. Need 1- 1 1/2 month to complete. Paul requests more info and inter active items, more pictures. Wants to move the club email server to the ISP handling the WEB site. WEB site is an important item for the club, it will help with new members and current members. Give Brad a list of site requirements so they can be included in the design. Need to clean up the old information on the current WEB site, Tom Green to be contacted.

Associate Membership: Concept was discussed. By-Laws (not yet approved) allows for associate membership, There is no insurance issue or any with NCCC.

Other: Austin Healey club is waiting for an answer on the club's paid help with their autoX at summit.

Don Kerndt
Council Member-at-Large

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Dave Endres (703) 790 8666 email: dendr@aol.com

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