

Road Notes

ROUTE 66

CORVETTE CLUB



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And

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Stella's Wish



Lake St. Louis Canine Unit



On the Cover: A photo from the Packard Museum that was visited by members during the Dayton Road Trip

Side bar: El Capitan in Yosemite National Park. Photos by Doug Stone, 2003.



CORVETTE

MEETING LOCATION

**First Thursday of each month @ 7:00 pm
January thru November**



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Old Hickory Golf Course
#1 Dye Club Drive
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President's Message

June 2022

Hello everyone,

Many of you are aware that our annual car show was rained out for the first time in its long history. Although this was disappointing, the Car Show Committee met and decided to have the car show July 16th. We are excited and hopeful that additional cars will register for this show which benefits our local USO.

Our club continues to grow with five additional members added after our May club meeting. This brings our overall membership to 165, the largest total in our club history.

The Autocross committee recommended and the club approved the suspension of our annual autocross event due to low participation at other autocross events and the continued rise of fuel costs. It's our hope that this event can be held in 2023.

Please look at our social calendar on our web page for exciting and fun events that Bob Isermann and his social committee have planned for the upcoming months. We are a club that enjoys our friendships, our cars and our social events. Thank you all for your loyalty and participation in our club, because of you we continue to grow and prosper.

Have a great month of June.

Bill Mitchell
President
Route 66 Corvette Club



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Meeting Minutes

ROUTE 66 CORVETTE CLUB

Thursday, June 2, 2022

Location: Old Hickory Golf Club

Call to Order: 07:00 pm

Submitted By: Michael McMillen

Introduction of Officers:

President: Bill Mitchell
Vice President: Jeff Schweikert
Secretary: Lori McMillen
Treasurer: Rich Weinhold
Governor: Tom Reitz
Directors: Lynda Rothweil,
Mike Spathelf,
Mike McMillen
Past President: Bob Isermann

Introduction of Committee Chairs:

Audit & Financial Planning: TBD
Nominating: Don Lorimier and
Bob Lamb
Autocross-Technical-Trailer: Tom Reitz
Rules & Regulations: Lynda Rothweil
Car Show: Rich Weinhold
Social: Bob Isermann
Charity: Howard Sardis
Sponsorship: Bob Isermann &
Mike Spathelf
Membership: Don Lorimier
NCM Ambassador: Mike & Jan
Spathelf
Newsletter: Doug Stone
Website & Graphics: Joe Anelle

Members Present (51):

Last Name	First Name	Last Name	First Name	Last Name	First Name
BESAND	Craig	ISAKSON	Chad	POAGU	Joel V
BONOMO	Jeff	ISAKSON	Misty	POLLIHAN	Bill
BOYD	Larry	ISERMANN	Bob	RATLEY	Randy
CLAYTON	Danny	JILLSON	Jim	RATLEY	Sharon
CLAYTON	Jeri	JILLSON	Mary	RAY	Kirk
CZERNIEWSKI	Leo	KAUS	Paul	RAY	Sheryl
DESMOND	Tom	KLEEMYER	Brian	REITZ	Tom
FORTHMANN	Bill	KOENIG	Bob	ROTTMANN	Bill
FULTZ	Chris	KOENIG	Michelle	SCHWEIKERT	Jeff
FULTZ	Greg	KOZLOWSKI	John	SEIFRIED	Ron
GAMBLIN	Robert	KOZLOWSKI	Sandy	SHEA	Ray
HALL	David	KRIEGERMEIER	Tom	SPATHELF	Mike
HALL	Patti	LORIMIER	Carlene	STONE	Doug
HECHT	David	LORIMIER	Don	SUTTON	Linda
HECHT	Joan	McMILLEN	Michael	THARP	Russ
HENKE	Frederick	MITCHELL	Jeanie	WEINHOLD	Rich
HICKS	Mike	MITCHELL	Bill	WEIS	Elmer
				WELLS	Randy



Presidents Opening Remarks:

- Introduction of officers and board members. Bill Mitchell introduced the officers and board members. Bill mentioned that Michael McMillen would be taking notes this evening for Lorrie McMillen. Bill let the membership know that Chad and Misty were moving to Grand Junction, Colorado, and how much the club will miss them! Bill talked about how the Clubs Car Show was rained out for the first time in 15 years. Bill thanked everyone for their help and support in setting up the tents and then taking everything down in the rain. The car show has been rescheduled for July 16th at Poage Chevrolet.

Introduction of New Members/Guests:

- Clay Hodge was both a guest and now has become the newest member of the Route 66 Corvette Club. Brenda Ward, Chuck Harr, Tim Harr and Nikki Harr were guests as well. (Editor's note: They have joined our Club since the meeting.)

Corrections & Approvals of Last Minutes :

- Motion made to accept the minutes of May meeting as approved and final.
 - Motion: Don Lorimier
 - Second: Jeff Craig
 - Type: YAY / NAY - show of hands
 - Result: Motion approved.

New Business:

- The Route 66 banner was auctioned off for \$500.00. The winner of the banner wishes to remain anonymous.
- Bill informed the membership that he had spoken to Lorrie McMillen, and she wishes to step down from her position as secretary. Bill thanked her for her commitment and appreciated her time as secretary of the club. Doug Stone has volunteered to fill the secretary position. Bill asked for a vote from the membership to elect Doug Stone as secretary of the club until November, 2023, election of officers.
 - Vote from membership to elect Doug Stone for Secretary of the club until the November 2023 election of officers.
 - Motion: Don Lorimier
 - Second: Sheryl Ray
 - Type: YAY / NAY - show of hands
 - Result: Motion approved.

Sponsorship Report: (Poage Chevrolet)

- Poage Chevrolet is participating in the Wentzville Rod Run and the proceeds will go to the DARE program. Randy from Poage Chevrolet mentioned they have three Corvettes for sale and reminded the membership they offer 10% discount on all parts and labor. They can also work on GM cars and trucks. Randy also mentioned that they have three Corvette specialists at their dealership.



Governor's Report

NCCC STUFF: (Tom Reitz)

- The Governor meeting was held May 7th at Westport Plaza.
 - No updates
- Upcoming events: 21 low speed events May 28-29-30th in Rantoul, IL

AUTOCROSS: (Tom Reitz)

- The autocross committee has been following trends in autocross attendance across the Midwest Region of NCCC the past two years, and trends are in a negative direction. Most recent was May 21-22nd 14 events at TireRack in South Bend, Indiana. This event normally draws 60+ entrants yet this year had 31. Last weekend over a three-day Memorial Day "Midwest Region fundraiser" 21 event weekend in Rantoul, IL, we had 24 on Saturday, 28 on Sunday, and 22 on Monday at an event that normally draws 60+ entrants. (There were 40 entrants there last year).

Our event last year in 2021 had 24 entrants.

I believe gas prices are a large factor in this, COVID did not help, and the overall aging of the NCCC membership has reduced attendance at events as NCCC as a whole is sliding towards a more "social" type atmosphere with less emphasis on competitive events. These trends are well displayed in our own club over the past 15 years.

Therefore, I think it's time to pull the plug and cancel the annual autocross for the foreseeable future. It is an event requiring massive amounts of work over a two-day event by many people and the reward will be small with a current estimate of 20 entrants.

Our efforts will be better served on things like an annual club picnic (last years was awesome!) as well as fantastic road runs and events put on by our social committee, many thanks to Bob Isermann and his group.

No expenses have been put towards the autocross this year, so no loss to club. Airport is fine if we cancel.

I can / will let the general membership know at the club meeting this Thursday during the governor's report.

There was discussion about the track day at NCM. This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy your car or a rental on a real track. He encouraged anyone who has not experienced this opportunity to try it out. You can go the NCM website and check their track day schedules.

Tom Reitz also discussed since there will not be any Autocross this year perhaps we could schedule a Poker Run. There were many people that raised their hands when asked if they would be interested in this event.

Governor's Report, *cont.*

TRAILER COMMITTEE: (Tom Reitz)

- No report

VP's - Board of Directors Report: (Jeff Schweikert)

- No report



WEAR YOUR PRIDE: (Tom Reitz)

- The pot is at \$40 after last meetings pot was not won. Remember to wear your "Route 66 Corvette Club" shirt, jacket, or hat. Also known as "Wear Your Pride"! Basic rules are pins do not count; name tags do not count. Must be an article of clothing. Pot rolls over every month it is not claimed, increasing by \$10 per meeting until claimed then starts over at \$10 again. Jeanie Mitchell's name was drawn; however, she was not wearing anything with the Route 66 Club Logo! Next month's prize will be \$50

June Membership Anniversaries:

Members		# of Years
REINHARDT	Roger	21
WAGANER	Lester & Sharon	15
MULLETT	Joyce	10
STEWART	Greg	10
MITCHELL	Bill & Jeanne	3
DESMOND	Tom	2
DAVIS	Shannon, Dana & Bailey	1
KOZLOWSKI	John & Sandy	1
LORIMIER	Don & Carlene	1



Club Car Census		
Years	Generation	Qty
2020–present	C8	10
2014–2019	C7	34
2005–2013	C6	16
1997–2004	C5	16
1984–1996	C4	11
1968–1982	C3	13
1963–1967	C2	4
1953–1962	C1	1
Total:		105



Committee Reports

NCM Ambassador Report: (Mike Spathelf):

- Jeff introduced Mike Spathelf. Mike discussed the new pricing structure concerning the National Corvette Museum membership renewals. The new pricing goes into effect June 15, 2022. Now is the time to renew before the price increase. Mike printed handouts at each table that reviewed the new pricing structure for individuals, families, seniors, and five-year renewal. Mike also discussed the new Hot Wheels display and reminded everyone of the monthly raffle for a new Corvette. Mike also reminded us about the National Corvette Museum car insurance and how it may save you money and you can buy this insurance on your other cars other than a Corvette. Mike also discussed the National Corvette Museum trip August 11 through the 14. Mike had a handout sheet with all the details and dates of this trip. (Editors note: The deadline for confirming attendance for this trip is at the Club meeting on July 7th.)
- Highlights of the NCM Road Trip include an NCM tour, a WKU Planetarium tour, Nashville Ryman tour and the Lane Motor Museum unique cars tour.

Rules & Regulations Committee: (Lynda Rothweil)

- No updates.

Graphics: (Joe Anelle)

- No updates.

Charity: (Howard Sardis)

- No updates.

Tech Corner: (Rich Weinhold)

- No updates.



Social Committee: (The Ambassador of FUN - Bob Isermann)

- Bob reminded the membership and the new members how busy the Corvette Club is and the many activities the social committee has planned over the year. The social calendar is available on our website and published in the Road Notes. Bob reviewed the events in May, which included the Loading Dock, in Alton, Illinois on May 7. Mike Spathelf was the lead on a trip to Dayton, OH May 11-14. The trip included the Air Force Museum, the Cash Register Museum, and the Packard Museum plus other highlights along the way. May 21 was the Route 66 Car Show, which unfortunately was rained out! May 28 was a trip to Warm Springs Ranch which is where many of the Budweiser Clydesdales are born, boarded, and trained. June 3 is the Wentzville Rod Run which the club always participates in. June 11 is the Spirit of St. Louis air show. We want to thank St. Louis Auto Detail for inviting us to park in their parking lot since the airshow is always such a crowded event. June 12 is a trip to Missouri Penitentiary in Jefferson City for a private tour of their facilities. Mike McMillen is the lead for this trip. June 15 is a trip to Center for Autism Education with the lead being Bob Isermann. June 23 is a trip to Hermann, Missouri which will include a lunch and wine tour. The lead for this trip to Hermann will be Don Lorimier. If interested in any of these upcoming events, please contact the lead person.

Committee Reports

Social Committee: (The Ambassador of FUN - Bob Isermann), cont.

- There was discussion and a motion to spend no more than \$300 for the July 3 O'Fallon parade.
 - Motion: Don Lorimier
 - Second: Mike Spathelf
 - Type: YAY / NAY - voice vote
 - Result: Motion approved.
- Doug Stone discussed the World's Fair Festival at Forest Park September 3rd.
 - Saturday September 3, 2022, there is an opportunity for you and your Corvette to participate in St. Louis World Fare Heritage Festivals and Games held at the Upper Muny Parking lot in Forest Park. Show your car from 12 to 4. The public attending the event will enjoy seeing your cars, especially learning about any that were built in St. Louis.
 - There will be tons of free entertainment at the festival. Food and drink are also available. More information about the festival is available at <https://stlworldsfare.com/>



Calendar of Events

Event details are listed in the website calendar

2022 Social Calendar

UPDATED: MAY 29, 2022

DATE	EVENT	LEAD	NOTES
JUN			
3	Wentzville Rod Run		
11			
12	Penitentiary Jeff City - 9AM Leave 11pm Lunch 1pm tour	Mike Mc / Mike H	Lunch - Prison Brews Jeff City QT 94 & O'Fallon Scenic Route
15 WED	Center for Autism Education-Adult Day Services	Bob I	Day Services program for adults with Autism 3 HOURS
23 THUR	Herman Day Trip	Don	11:00 CONCERT HALL & BARRELL TAVERN(LUNCH) STONE HILL TOUR (BB)
JUL			
2			
3	O'Fallon Parade	Bob	DETAILS TO FOLLOW
7	NCM Trip Attendance Deadline		
9	Churchill Museum - PRIVATE TOUR. FULTON	Mike Mc	9:30 Leave - Tour 11:00 QT 94 & O'Fallon
10			
16	CAR SHOW		
17			
23	Favazza's & (Tour Bertarelli Cutlery?)	Larry Boyd	DETAILS TO FOLLOW
24			
DATE	EVENT	LEAD	NOTES
30	Maryland Heights Renewable Energy Center Tour??	Danny	
31			

Calendar of Events cont.

AUG			
11 Thur	NCM & Nashville, TN	Mike S	
12 Fri	NCM & Nashville, TN	Mike S	
13	NCM & Nashville, TN. (Need to know by JULY 7 if going)	Mike S/Larry B	10am -Ryman Auditorium tour \$32 pp Lane Museum (Sat)
14	NCM & Nashville, TN	Mike S	
27	Litchfield, IL. BD BASH	John Kozlowski	Route 66 Museum /Ariston Café
SEP			
3	STL WORLD's FAIR – Forest Park	Doug Stone	C-1,2,3. is a plus. All years welcome
10	Michigan Lighthouse Tour + Extras Sightseeing	Mike H	FULL
16	Michigan Lighthouse Tour + Extras Sightseeing		
24	Club Picnic. MAY TAKE CLUB CAR PHOTOS	Mick Mc	Lake St. Louis
DATE	EVENT	LEAD	NOTES
OCT			
1	BTCC Car show	Patti	
2			
8	Autocross CANCELED	Tom R	
9	Autocross CANCELED		
15			
16	Chaumette Winery. BD Bash CONFIRMED	Patti	11:30 Lunch 12 W bar & Grill Farmington 1:30 Chaumette
NOV			
4	Route 66 Mo	Ray	Joplin - Springfield - Some may opt to Branson. More discussion
5	Route 66 Mo	Ray	
6	Route 66 Mo	Ray	
DEC			
3	Christmas Party	Bob I	STARTS AT 6PM

Committee Reports: (Cont.)

Membership: (Don Lorimier)

- The club now has 159 members. Great to see new members join the club. Don asked for membership to check the roster and make sure the information is correct and if not to contact him with the information changes.

Car Show Committee: (Rich Weinhold & Don Lorimier)

- Don verified July 16 as the new date of the Route 66 Corvette Club Car show. The car show committee will be meeting again on June 22, July 13, and July 27 to review details for the upcoming car show. Don emphasized we need to honor all commitments we made to sponsors and to work with them as much as possible. All prizes and baskets are still in place for the car show. Don mentioned no more liquor needs to be donated for the liquor basket.

Newsletter: (Doug Stone)

- If you see anything in this issue that is out of place or that needs to be added or removed please contact me via the link in the website or newsletter@route66corvetteclub.com.
- The next to last page, Gasoline Alley, is for members to add Corvette information or stories that they would like to share with other club members. Please send your inputs and I'll work them into future issues.

Old Business:

- None

50/50 Drawing: (Chris and Greg Fultz)

- Total Collected: \$270.00
- Total to Charity: \$135 donated to food bank.
- Winner: Brian Kleemeyer \$135.

Attendance Prizes: (Mike Spathelf)

- None

Motion to Adjourn:

- Motion: Greg Fultz
- Second: Don Lorimier
- Type: Yay/Nay – voice vote
- Result: Meeting Adjourned

Minutes Taken By:

Michael McMillen



May 2022 Event Photos

Lake of the Ozarks

Car Show 5-1-2022



Loading Dock

Birthday Bash 5-7-2022



To see more photos and read a description of the event [*click the titles*](#) to go to the Route 66 Corvette Club website.

Dayton, OH Air Force and Other Museums 5-11 to 14-2022



Car Show - Rainout 5-21-2022



To see more photos and read a description of the event [*click the titles*](#) to go to the Route 66 Corvette Club website.

Warm Springs Ranch 5-28-2022



To see more photos and read a description of the event [*click the titles*](#) to go to the Route 66 Corvette Club website.



June 2022



Member		Date
RAUP	Jeff	1-Jun
BOWERS	Rich	3-Jun
JILLSON	Mary	3-Jun
JACOBSON	Mike	4-Jun
KAUS	Cindy	4-Jun
WALKER	Linda	4-Jun
GAMBLIN	Robert	10-Jun
RAY	Sheryl	15-Jun
GIBSON	Jim	20-Jun
MITCHELL	Jeanne	24-Jun
REITZ	Tom	26-Jun
SPATHELF	Mike	26-Jun
FORTHMANN	Debra	28-Jun
THIMIOGIANIS	Koula	29-Jun
WEIS	Elmer	30-Jun

July 2022

Member		Date	Member		Date
DANNENBERG	Thomas	1-Jul	LUEBCKE	Kay	15-Jul
KLEEMEYER	Brian	3-Jul	ISAKSON	Misty	16-Jul
WORTKOETTER	Jim	3-Jul	MOORE	Karen	17-Jul
BRADY	Judy	4-Jul	HEIDENREICH	John	18-Jul
KLEEMEYER	Tammie	4-Jul	VANLANDINGHAM	Jennifer	18-Jul
RATLEY	Sharon	6-Jul	WHITT	Joyce	20-Jul
BAUMANN	Betty	7-Jul	STONE	Doug	22-Jul
NELSON	Detta	8-Jul	FULTZ	Chris	25-Jul
DAVIS	Jan	9-Jul	BRANDT	Scott	26-Jul
GAMBLIN	Kim	11-Jul	WORTKOETTER	Deborah	28-Jul
SEIFRIED	Ron	14-Jul	CZERNIEWSKI	Sandy	31-Jul
ANELLE	Joann	15-Jul	DAVIS	Dana	31-Jul

Gasoline Alley



219 years ago:

- On April 30, 1803, American negotiators in Paris signed three separate legal instruments with France that together, transferred to the US all French claims to the Louisiana Territory. In an instant, America doubled in size.

President Thomas Jefferson, the farmer and scientist, obtained a Congressional appropriation to finance an expedition to the new lands.

He appointed his personal secretary, Meriwether Lewis, as the expedition commander, and together with William Clark, Lewis's friend and former Army commander, the forty-five person "Corps of Volunteers for Northwest Discovery" departed from St. Louis one year after the Purchase documents were signed.

Did You Know??

- 10 [Corvette Concept Cars](#)
- When the first Corvettes were created in 1953, only VIPs were able to purchase them. This included mayors, governors, and celebrities. Not a single Chevrolet dealership in 1953 received a Corvette, yet the rich elites were not interested, and many of the Corvettes never sold. This threatened the continuation of production of the vehicle, and it was nearly discontinued.
- Hours before the Motorama NYC show in January 1953, the Corvette logo had to be changed. The original logo was a checkered flag and an American flag, but the designer learned that it was illegal to have an American flag on commercial products. The American flag was changed to a French Fleur-de-lis, a reflection of the French etymology of the Chevrolet name!
 - Source: Chevy Corvette Trivia Book

Thoughts of the Month...

- The saddest aspect of life right now is that science gathers knowledge faster than society gathers wisdom.
— Isaac Asimov
- You cannot teach a man anything; you can only help him discover it in himself.
— Galileo Galilei





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