

**National Council of Corvette Clubs  
Indiana Region Minutes  
February, 27 & 28<sup>th</sup>, St. Louis, MO**

**Present:**

James Bartuska - Governor, Michiana CC  
Bill Borst- Governor Star City Corvette  
George Buday - Governor, Elkhart Vette Set  
Kay Clawson - Indiana Region Treasurer, Ft. Wayne CC  
Butch DeWitt - Governor, Corvette Indy  
Tammy Dewitt- Regional Membership Director, Corvette Indy  
Ben Doll- Governor, Circle City Corvette Club  
Dan Figgins- Governor, Ft Wayne CC  
Terry Garrett - Governor, Lafayette CC  
Mike Godfrey- Region Executive, Michiana CC  
David Godfrey-Region Competition Director, Michiana CC  
Bill Lapham - Webmaster, Corvette Indy  
John Morrow - Governor, Hoosier Corvette Club  
JR Hutto- Governor, Darby City CC  
Dick Runyan - Governor, Corvette Club of Indiana

**Absent:** James Blackwell, Ralph Clark, Richard Freeman, Terri Hawkins, Skip Holcomb, Dan Jacquess, Jim Krebs, Barry Sanders, Alan Smith, Chris Milton, Rita Robison, Joan Thuer

**Guests:** Colleen Garrett, Jill Borst, Karen Figgins, Paul Clawson, Mary Bellamy, Mike Little, Sue Runyan and Chris Lindebrekke.

Meeting was called to order at 8:30 am

**Secretary's Report** - Indiana Region Secretary, reported that there were no changes or additions to the November minutes. A motion was made, seconded, and passed, that the November meeting minutes be accepted as published

**Treasurer Reports** - **Kay Clawson**, Indiana Region Treasurer. Treasurer's Report was accepted as published. Kay then briefly discussed the expenses to put on the regional banquet which was almost a zero balance event i.e. income covering expenses and in fact there may be a check to come from the caterer. Motion to accept as presented, and seconded.

Also included was a profit and loss statement for this year.

**Membership Director – Tammy DeWitt**

During Tammy's report the representative from Legacy insurance, the NCCC liability insurance carrier, came into the meeting and was introduced. He gave a brief report

on the status of previous years claims activity which he claimed was minimal to none and thanked the group for the great safety record. Mike Godfrey questioned him that the major reason for these results can be attributed to our adherence to the NCCC safety rules and regulations. As there were no further relevant questions the representative excused himself and left.

The new Blue Bars editor is Elaine Hereta. Tammy indicated that if new members wished previous copies of the BlueBars magazine (1962-2014) there are some available through her. Tammy recommended to check out the NCCC website and utilize the “quick guide “for navigation purposes and the discounts available for NCCC memberships identified on the web page.

### **Region Competition Director, David Godfrey -**

David presented a rebate check for \$709.00

The number of jackets given out in the 2014 competition year were 48 jackets in the Indiana Region and 35 Jackets in the National Region. Two motions were also made and passed that regional jackets be presented to Betty Parks and Shirley Lampka in recognition of all of their efforts on behalf of the Indiana Region.

There are additional patches available for approx. \$3.00 ea should anyone need them

Dave discussed ruling changes in the C3 corvette stock class as it related to:

- \* Tire width
- \* Wings and fascia
- \* Removal of wings plus the wing brackets
- \* (no stock C3 corvette configuration had a wing configuration)
- \* There has been approval of two Driver Schools. One at Pocono Raceway- Long Pond PA, the second in the southwest area at the Hallett Motor Racing Circuit-Jennings OK

Dave recommended the board check out the competition database changes which have made it easier to access events and there is a **database user's guide on the NCCC website**

Lastly, do not forget to let David know if you are not going to use all your sanctions as he can find a good home for them.

Terry Garret requested a list of the Lafayette CC members who were eligible for the awards and Dave indicated he would provide the list

### **Region Executive Report-Mike Godfrey**

The discussion points of the RE meeting held the previous evening were noted as follows:

- \* Rulebook presented as a package
- \* Allow Competition Committee choice to make allowances where necessary
- \* Region exec and RCD husband and wife. Bylaws does not allow primary member (review wording to enter a “grace period”)
- \* Lifetime member switches to an associate member if no corvette is purchased.
- \* The NCCC club website Contest is now open. Entries close July 1, 2015.

It was recommended again that the RE committee to be appointed as the Bylaw committee and the past presidents as the committee chair however Jim Walton is appointed as the committee chair.

### **Old Business**

The regional banquet was a great success with everyone having a goodtime. As David indicated 48 Jackets were handed out to the worthy recipients.

The discussion was the opened by Mike Godfrey regarding the Circle City Corvette club event in Sept19 & 20, 2015 at the Motorsports Park in Bowling Green Ky. Mike confirmed that CCCC had hired the Indiana Region competition group to provide timing during the event.

He indicated that CCCC is looking for corner workers and said workers need to be agile to get to the cones that will be defining the race track and the turns.

There were additional general discussions on accommodations, parking and camping facilities in the bowling green area. Dan Figgins then asked if all volunteer (workers) were given parade laps free. Ben Doll took the action to find out and respond.

Putnam Park – will be May 30 & 31<sup>th</sup>, 2015. As is customary the region will require a number of volunteer (workers) to support all the necessary activities. Paul Clawson is the point of contact should you wish to volunteer. The cost to participate has increased, due to increased track rental costs, to \$225.00 prior to May, 2015 and to \$240.00 after May 1, 2015. The host hotel is the same as it has been, however, there has been a fee increase. It appears they have cutback the number of reserved rooms so the recommendation is to reserve early.

The Putman Park flyers where then circulated among the board members and the comment was made that the flyer is also available on the region and NCCC website.

### **New Business -**

The region negotiated two contracts from Grissom for 2015 for four weekends. The first contract is for the charity event at the end of March and Roger is donating the fee for that weekend towards the charity event.

The other contract is for \$975.00 for the other three events which is the same cost as last year. The clubs hosting these events will be charged \$325.00 for their weekend. Be sure to send your payment to Kay Clawson.

John Morrow then talked briefly about the Spring Fling car show on May 3, 2015 and passed out flyers to the board members. In addition the club is hosting three rallies, one fun and two poker rallies that will start from the car show location. Details will be provided on region website and flyers sent to governors in the next week or two.

Bill Borst of Star City Corvettes is sponsoring the Vettes for Vets Day on May 2, 2015 gathering. He indicated the Indiana Veteran's Home is on board again; however they have not yet passed along their list of needs. He did indicate he would contact them again to see what they require.

Mike Godfrey noted he received a call from Alan Smith on his way to the meeting and the Original Circle City Corvette Club and Indianapolis Corvette Club plan to host Brown County again in 2015. The weekend is already noted on the schedule.

Speaking of the schedule, Bill Lapham put up the schedule event calendar from the region's website and indicated the dates highlighted in yellow require firming up by the host club, corrections and/ or are available.

The next event to be discussed is Bloomington Gold at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Specifically Dave Heinemann, NCCC president, contacted the Indiana Region in January and has requested that the Indiana Region put on an autocross event at Bloomington Gold. The event would take place in the "South Lot" inside the track situated in the secondary pit area. This space was/is used as an area for when they have multiple races and where the sports cars clubs usually set up their tents and trailers etc. The autocross will be open to everyone.

The course will be available for 'all comers' during the three days of Bloomington Gold, June 25 -27, 2015. This is a non-sanctioned event. Mike stated that the reason Dave Heinemann gave for us to do this is to promote NCCC club membership to corvette owners and specifically those folks in the Indiana region to join our region's clubs. Mike said he agreed to do it and preliminarily has asked Hoosier, Corvette Indy and the Circle City Corvette Club to assist, but all the Indiana region clubs need to think about getting involved. Mike then indicated he was meeting with the Bloomington Gold representative later that afternoon to work out the details.

Dick Runyan asked about the course description which brought up other questions regarding workers' passes, safety, and insurances i.e. Bloomington Gold or Legacy, staging, tech inspection, traffic control, etc. It was too early to speculate and a lot more discussion will occur on the subject. Mike did indicate that Bloomington Gold will cover some of the expenses for the autocross.

Discussion then went to the six clubs within the Indianapolis area, and hope being expressed that these clubs work together benefit the event, recruit new members, and do so without undo intimidation or pressure towards each other.

Dan Figgins asked about club parking at the event. John Morrow responded that there is club parking and to check the Bloomington Gold website for details. Dan followed up with a question of using sanctions to attract workers. Mike indicated that is a question for this board to respond to at a later date. John also indicated that the Bloomington Gold website is already addressing fees for items such as

- ✿ Trips around the track i.e. 2 laps for \$25.00
- ✿ Autocross fees of 5 laps for \$25.00 c/w car safety requirement details
- ✿ A driver experience in an Indy racecar for \$430.00.

Bill Lapham stated Corvette Indy was asked by a Bloomington Gold representative to put together a “dine and drive” event for Saturday June 27, 2015 and they have agreed to take on the task. Bill went on to say they are treating this recognition by Bloomington Gold as an honor.

Butch Dewitt stated Corvette Indy was asked by a group of folks to support an event coming to Indianapolis Motor Speedway which involves a not for profit charity event involving a young boy and his deceased Grandfather’s corvette. The event is scheduled to occur on July 1, 2015. Butch just wanted to brief the board to see if there was interest.

There was no other discussion at this time, and the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am

Transcribed by Ben Doll

Submitted by Rita Robison

Attachments:

Region Treasurer Report

Motions for Betty Parks and Shirley Lampka to receive jackets.