

## **NCCC WEST REGION QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES**

02-28-15

Westport Plaza St. Louis, MO

### **Regional Executive, Jon Manz called the meeting to order at 8:41 AM**

#### **The following officers were present:**

- RE, Jon Manz
- RCD, Joe Eller
- RMD, Sheila Wyman
- Treasurer, Linda Hommer
- Secretary, Proxy, Marie Manz

#### **Governors in attendance:**

- Tim Bailey, Mid America Corvette Club
- Jack Bidding, Glass Express Corvette Club
- Phil Rankin, 4 State Vettes, Inc.
- Frank Wietharn, Topeka Corvette Club
- Sheila Wyman, Proxy, Corvette Club of Iowa for Denny Luther

#### **Guests:**

- Gene Gau, 2016 Convention Director
- Jerry Koraleski, 2016 Convention Co-Director
- Gary Brisbois, CCC
- Debbie Rankin, 4 State Vettes

### **2016 NCCC Mini Convention Co-Directors Report, Gene Gau & Jerry Koraleski**

- Hotel and track contract signed, bus agreement signed
- Letter of Intent from car collection representative in Lincoln, NE
- Tours are set
- Conducting monthly meetings with chair people at Huber Chevrolet
- Meeting with Al (Bernie) Willenborg for trophies/shirts in a week or two
- Monday night – Special plans for awards ceremony/Salute to Military
- Tuesday night – President's party 5–6 PM – no meal – heavy hor d'oeuvres & desserts
- Car Show – Money raised donating to returning Veterans with Disabilities charity
- Wednesday night – Cook Car Museum, Lincoln, NE. Opening up to us. Wants money donated to charity in their name. \$1,000 budgeted give away with car show money
- Tuesday/Wednesday – High Speed and Low Speed Events
- Thursday – Adding two tours for racers that miss other tours. Car raffle/Poker rallye scheduled
- Registration \$190 includes three meals/Documents are all formatted on the computer

#### **Governor's Roundtable:**

- Mid America Corvette Club – June 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>- 14 low speed events. Request in to GM. GM does not confirm until 30 days before event or sooner. Extra shift will knock club out of venue. Picked up helmet stickers and the cardboard came up with sticker. Returned and will have ready for the banquet

- Glass Express Corvette Club – September 19 Irish Fest- Irish Corvette Show, sanctioned PC at Downtown St. Joseph; July 24<sup>th</sup> non-sanctioned PC, with Charlie & the Stingrays. Cruise night at the Casino, going to continue as this was a popular event  
Joe Eller stated that Route 66 in the Midwest Region will be holding a 14 low speed event in St. Charles, MO at the St. Charles Family Arena parking lot on September 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> which is in the West Region.
- Topeka Corvette Club - Heartland Park is in jeopardy. City wants to buy, as it already owns the land it is on. Petition started to go to tax voters. Petition got ruled invalid by a judge. In the hands of the appeals court now. If appeals court rules in favor of the petition, Heartland Park will go dark. Frank thinks they will rule in favor of the City. No events planned for 2015.
- 4 State Vettes – Introductions with Phil Rankin. June 4 thru 7 – Vettes in the Midwest is a non-sanctioned auto cross/ drag race/concourse events. Holding non sanctioned auto cross once a month. Friday night cruise night on Main St., in Joplin. Also, responsible for Eureka Springs. Event lost parking lot at the Chevrolet dealership. This year the Eureka Springs is Thursday to Sunday. The auto cross is on a smaller lot in town at the Convention Center. All non-sanctioned events Discussion followed regarding sanctioning events in the future
- Cedar Rapids Corvette Club – Joe Eller reported July 25 at Hawkeye Downs, Cedar Rapids – 7 low speed events. Having a joint event with the Midwest Region in Mt. Joy, IA on July 26<sup>th</sup> at the National Guard Armory – 7 low speed events
- Corvette Club of Iowa – May 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> at Chariton, IA. There is a 21 event same weekend in Tennessee, feel a lot will be attending, so reduced to two days. June 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, Newton, IA – Low speeds/High speeds; August 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, Ankeny Airport. Joe discussed issues with other airports due to new FAA rules, SE region lost airport weekend.
- Cornhusker Corvette Club – Events are May 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> at Southeast Community College, Lincoln, NE – 14 events; June 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> at Mid America Center, Council Bluffs – 14 events; July 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> at Mid America Center, Council Bluffs - 14 events; August 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Pre-convention warm up at the Raceway Park of the Midlands, Pacific Junction, IA – 7 low speeds/4 high speeds; September 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> is Summer Festival, Saturday is a PC, Funkhana, Rallye, Sunday is 7 low speed events, Monday is 5 high speeds; October 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, Dave Hawks Memorial Drags, Kearney, NE – Drags on Saturday, 7 low speed events on Sunday.

### **Secretary Report, Jon Manz**

- Jon called for a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion was made by Sheila Wyman, seconded by Jack Bidding, motion passed

### **Financial Report, Linda Hommer**

- Motion was made by Sheila Wyman, seconded by Frank Weitharn, motion passed

### **Web Master Report, Kathy Brisbois**

- Kathy Brisbois has agreed to act as the West Region Web Master for one more year. We looked into paying for a Web Master, however, the costs were out of line. We agreed to pay Acrobat software for Kathy to do her job. Cost to the Region was 99.99. Phil Rankin of 4 State Vettes declared that his business is a large ISP, and volunteered his services, if necessary

## **Regional Membership Director Report, Sheila Wyman**

### **Notes from RMD Meeting**

- Membership totals are down over a 1,000 between renewal numbers and last year's figures
- Heartland Corvette Club came back in first part of February. 30 plus members.
- FCOA Director, Pat Kelly reported that she receives applications for a gift on a special event date. She needs to receive these applications 30 days prior to the special event
- New **Blue Bars** editor mailed out the spring 2015 edition first part of the week. Articles deadline extended to March 7. Be sure to keep addresses in the data base up to date. Had a lot of return mail, cost 57 cents apiece
- Enthusiast members are becoming a concern. Discussion to change the bylaws to tighten down the enthusiast member guidelines.
- When renewals need to be paid has become an issue as many clubs are waiting until the last minute. Clubs not getting in by the December 15<sup>th</sup> deadline. Looking at changing the bylaws to December 10<sup>th</sup> deadline
- New NCCC Treasurer, Betty Parks, needs help from RMD's on definitively what the money in the Treasury is for. Need to recreate the member classifications. Prior Treasurer did not breakout the money

## **Regional Competition Director, Joe Eller**

### **Notes from RCD Meeting**

- Two rule book clarifications. 1. Wing or spoiler in low speed event in group one or one street, if they show up at a high speed event without the wing or spoiler, but leave the brackets. Is that allowed? Not allowed, cannot leave on and be in compliance with the rest of the rule book, based on the way the rule book was written in other sections
- C-3's referenced that 78 to 82 wheel size is 15 x 8.5, correcting tire chart. Tim Bailey stated that starting with 69 they had 8.5 inch wheel, 68 had an 8 inch wheel. Discussion followed
- Tear down list in the rule book. Found section that was not complete. Joan Thomas, NCCC Webmaster, found where it got dropped and putting back in. Verifying the information with the people that handle record drag tear downs. Discussion followed regarding tear downs
- Three high speed schools sent in and approved. Southwest Region, Hallet on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup> with sanctioned events on Saturday & Sunday. April 12, school in the morning, and sanctioned events in the afternoon. May 2 & 3 at Pocono Raceway
- Online event registration discussed. Walt Jenkins asked to put together cost estimates incurred to NCCC. Will have more discussion in April. Discussion followed

## **Regional Executive, Jon Manz**

### **Notes from RE Meeting**

- Change in how Governors Meeting will run. RE's will be introduced, and then RE's are to introduce their RCD, and RMD
- Financial report showed a loss of \$22,000
- Charity, grants, scholarships lost money also
- Car raffle, not paid anything to National Kidney Foundation. Looking at not having a national charity in 2016 as individual clubs have their own charities.
- IRS issues with raffling car with regards to the taxes.
- Discussed enthusiast membership class.

## **Old Business**

- Sheila Wyman reminded everyone that the West Region Banquet was March 28 at the Echo Valley Country Club in Des Moines. Guest speaker will be excellent
- They currently have 45 reservations. Having a buffet and would like to have between 60 and 80
- Encourage club members to attend

Motion to adjourn made by Tim Bailey, seconded by Frank Wietharn, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

*Marie Manz*

Submitted by Marie Manz, Proxy WR Secretary