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JUDGING CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Here we are with a new judging season. We started the year with several virtual judging schools provided by Mike Treece. The response was outstanding with an average of 130+ members in attendance and a chance for judges to exchange knowledge.

Indiana's first meet is March 31 – April 1. Friday for ops on cars trailered and judging of the 1969. With a judging school squeezed in. I hope this will allow for extra judges on Saturday since we are short judges.

The line up of corvettes , 1-1963,1-1965,2-1967,1-1969 and 1-2003

This year's National is in French Lick. There are several regionals prior. Tucson March 23-25, Altoona June 1-3 and North Central (Rochester MN.) June 8-10. Bloomington Gold is June 1-3 in Bloomington IL.

If there is any interest in a fall meet let me know.

Sincerely, Rick Coker, Indiana Judging Chairman

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Chairman's Message

Chapter members,

The Indiana chapter is holding a judging meet March 31/April 1, at Larry Gerig's near Roanoke Indiana. We could use more judges.

Heart of Ohio has a judging meet April 29 at C and N Motors in Marysville Ohio. We have a 1961, 1963, 1966 and a 1969 to judge. We need more judges for this meet as well. It would be greatly appreciated if you can help.

We still have more car owners that would like to have their cars judged but can't unless we have more help.

Please register on the website and give us a hand.

THANK YOU

Mike Treece, Indiana Chapter Chairman

Winter Judging

For many of us, winter is the time when our Corvettes are parked inside waiting for days of sunshine and warmer weather. Meanwhile we are doing whatever we do that keeps us busy while trying to stay warm.

Thankfully we've had the opportunity to join virtual judging classes created and taught by Mike Treece. This year I attended two different sessions and both were very interesting and informative. It's a great way to enjoy our cars while they are hibernating.

If you haven't attended one yet, look in the events page on the NCRS website and sign up next time.

Steve Berlincourt

INDOOR SWAP MEET AND CAR EXPO

WHEN:

Sunday, March 19, 2023
8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

WHERE:

Kelsey Chevrolet
1105 E. Eads Parkway
Greendale, IN 47025

GATE ADMISSION \$5.00

Proudly donating over
\$68,000 from this event to:



Shriners
Children's
Ohio



HOSTED BY:

Queen City Chapter
Of The National Corvette
Restorers Society

WHAT TO KNOW:

- Swap spaces sold out the last 12 years!
- Many classic GM parts.
- Car corral, food, bid-and-buy; all on-site at this event.

COME VEND WITH US:

\$25.00 FOR 100 sq/ft
space but you must
register in advance.

HOW TO REGISTER:

Registration form on the
reverse side.

Call Tom James at 513-
377-8182 for more
information.

E-mail completed forms:

tmjames@fuse.net

Queen City Swap Meet

Vending Space(s) [100 sq ft.] _____ (quantity) X \$25.00 = \$ _____
Indoor Car Corral: _____ (number of cars for sale) X \$50.00 = \$ _____
Outdoor Car Corral: _____ (number of cars for sale) X \$25.00 = \$ _____

NAME: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

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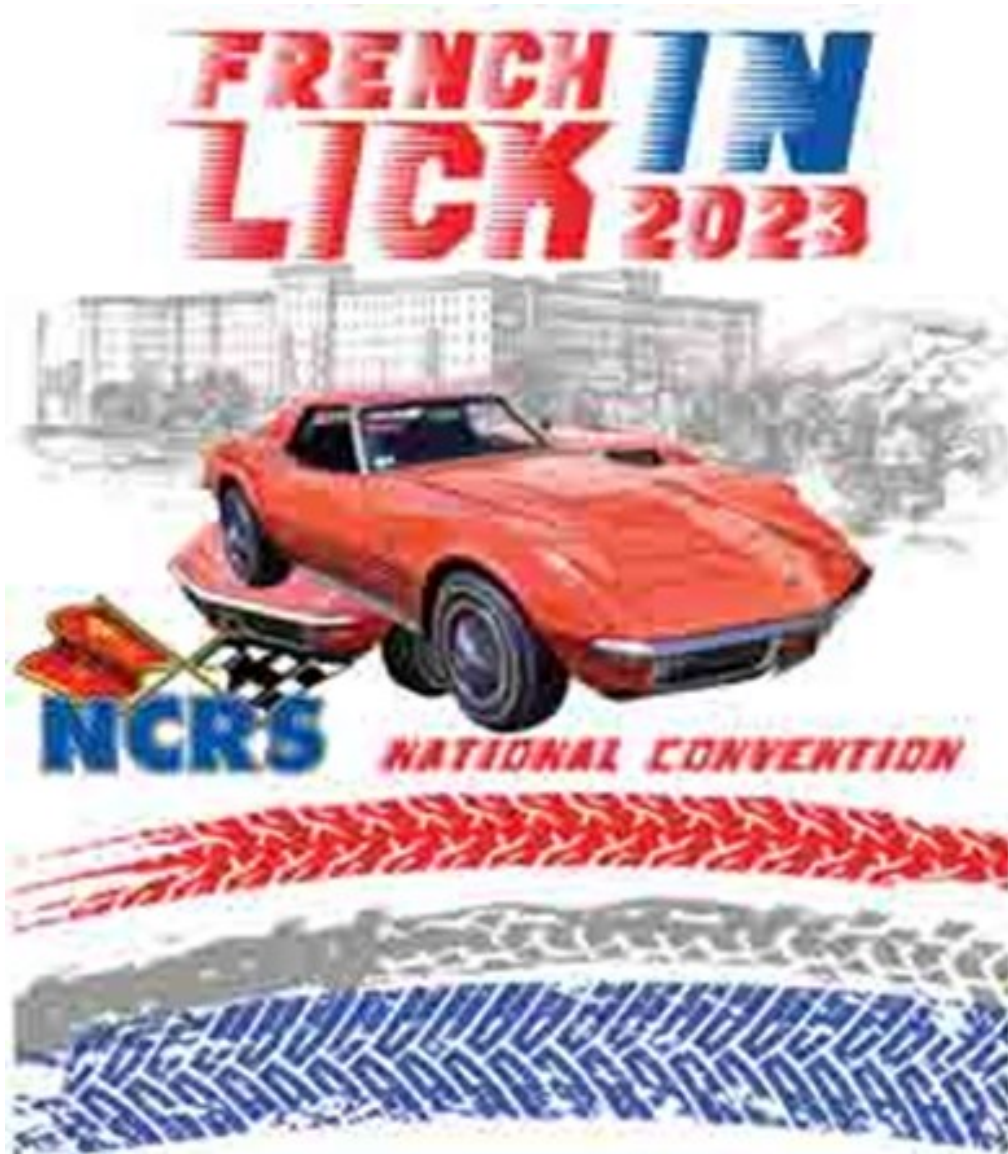
E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Contact Tom James with the Queen City NCRS with any questions at 513-377-8182 or e-mail twj@fuse.net.

Completed registrations should be mailed to 7329 Southpointe Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233. Checks should be made payable to "QCNCRS".

Registration confirmations will be sent to the above e-mail address with further event details.

French Lick 2023 National Convention



The 2023 National Convention will be in French Lick Indiana

The location is in beautiful southern Indiana, and you need to plan now to be there. We all need to pitch in and help to make this a very successful convention. If it is a great success, we might just be able to have future conventions there.

If any Chapter Members were missed or received any award that was not acknowledged, please contact me and I will add any corrections to the next Points and Plugs. John Waggoner ncrs@ncrs.org.

NATIONAL CORVETTE RESTORERS SOCIETY
Board of Directors Meeting

Summary Minutes

January 6, 2023
Via Zoom

NCRS Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM EST

Present were: Shannon Urton, John Ballard, Brad Hillhouse, Mike Ingham, Bob Johansen, Patricia Kropac, Harry Ledgerwood, Michael Murray, Mark Tulley, David Brigham, Joan Burnett, Larry Colvin, Marilyn Heitzman, David King, Vinnie Peters, Joe Santamaria, John Tidwell, John Waggoner.

1. Meeting Opening.

- a. Agreement on Agenda.

2. Approval of Minutes from the October 20 and October 28, 2022, Board Meetings – Larry Colvin.

- a. *Mike Ingham moved, and John Ballard seconded, to approve the minutes from the October 20 and October 28, 2023, Board meetings.*

- i. Discussion: None.

- ii. *Passed: 9 For, None Against.*

3. Reports To The Board

a. President's Report – As Read By Shannon Urton.

- i. "Happy 2023! I am excited for all that is in store for the NCRS this year.
- ii. In the fall I discussed the DUTIES of trust to our members. Duty in care, loyalty and obedience. That arose from a fear that in our service to the members and Regions we were elected to represent individually and collectively NCRS, Inc. is our priority.
- iii. Three pillars of governance whereby a Board provides oversight, foresight, and insight.
 - 1. Fiduciary pillar ensures we are faithful to the mission, accountable for performance, and compliant with rules, regulations, and laws.
 - 2. Strategic pillar ensures we set the organization's priorities and course and employ resources accordingly.
 - 3. Generative pillar ensures leaders bring wisdom and insight to critical issues facing the organization before or while policies, strategies, plans, and tactics are formed and discussed."

b. Vice President's Report – Mark Tulley.

- i. Lots of great activities planned for 2023.
 - 1. Especially the National Convention in French Lick, IN.

c. Secretary's Report – Larry Colvin.

- i. NCRS documents are being centralized under a new records-retention policy.

d. Finance and Operations Report – John Tidwell.

- i. Ready to assist Chapters with Form 990 filings.
- ii. No major changes to the financial forecast.

e. Judging Report – Dave Brigham.

- i. Discussed an IT issue with data entry for C6 cars.
 - 1. Need additional funding to fix the issue.
- ii. Looking for additional technical manuals which need updating.
- iii. Dave brought up a judging issue with Brad Hillhouse's car at the Frisco, Texas Regional.
 - 1. Brad Hillhouse responded, and a spirited discussion ensued.

f. Publications – Mike Ingham.

- i. Continue to look for opportunities to reduce costs.

g. Restorer and Driveline – Vinnie Peters.

- i. Referred to his attached report.

h. Membership/Convention Management – Marilyn Heitzman.

- i. Marilyn reviewed the Membership report.

i. Merchandise Management – David King.

- i. Dave reviewed the Merchandise Management report.
- ii. Shannon Urton asked how Dave decides what events to attend.
 - 1. Dave reviewed the financial performance of events he attends.
- iii. Dave is looking for new books to sell.
- iv. Discussion about the technical manual correction process.

- v. Shannon Urton reviewed the costs for the NCRS Store to attend certain events.

- 1. Costs have been increasing.
 - 2. Discussion of the Barrett-Jackson event attendance process and experiences.

j. National Corvette Museum (NCM) Report – Shannon Urton.

- i. “70 Years of Corvette - A Birthday” Display at the NCM.

- 1. Starts June 29, 2023, ends January 1, 2024.
 - 2. Already have over 50 car display applications from members, even before the Driveline announcement is received.

k. Road Tour Report – Joe Santamaria.

- i. Nine tours confirmed for 2023 in French Lick, IN.
- ii. Registration cost is increasing from \$70 to \$90.
- iii. Most cars have registration and insurance on file.
 - 1. John Tidwell cautioned the Board about the perils of having cars on road tours without registration and insurance data on file.
 - a. Liability insurers may not pay for incidents if data is not on file.
 - 2. The Board made it clear that registration and insurance data must be on file or cars will not be allowed to attend.

l. NCRS Foundation – Joan Burnett.

- i. Joan noted that her term on the NCRS Foundation Board ends this year.
 - 1. She is interested in continuing on the Foundation Board.

m. Historic Documents – Mark Lincoln (Not Attending).

- i. No Report.

n. Website/IT – John Waggoner.

- i. John reviewed the IT report.

o. Archives Report - Bill Sangrey (Not Attending).

- i. No Report

p. Marketing and Social Media Update – Shannon Urton.

- i. New print advertising campaigns have been initiated as determined by SBI from September.
- ii. Constant Contact has driven an influx of more than 300 people to Facebook pages.
- iii. Reviewed Instagram and Twitter status.

4. Activities.

a. Regional Events Schedule – Mark Tulley.

- i. Added a Tucson Regional event for 2023.
- ii. Shannon Urton brought up the issue of late confirmation notification of events.
 - 1. Goal is to finalize the schedule three years out.

b. National Conventions – Shannon Urton.

- i. Dave Brigham gave a recent history of National Convention car counts and award history.
- ii. Current National Convention Schedule:
 - 1. 2023 - French Lick, IN; July 23-27, 2023.
 - a. Reduction in National Sponsorship Commitments.
 - 2. 2024 - Hampton Roads, VA; August 4-8, 2024.
 - 3. 2025 - Las Vegas, NV; September 7-11, 2025.
 - 4. 2026 - Plan to return to the east coast.
 - a. East coast events always get the highest turnout.
- iii. Corvette dates to be noted:
 - 1. QCCC announced 2023 date of October 21, 2023.

5. Old Business.

a. Review and Update Board Meeting Action List – Larry Colvin.

- i. Items on the August 20, 2022, Action List were reviewed and updated.

b. Committee Reports – All.

i. Bylaw Committee – Mike Ingham.

- 1. Working to remove policies and procedures from the current bylaws.
- 2. Bylaw proposal.

a. Shannon Urton moved, and Patricia Kropac seconded, to amend and restate the Bylaws of NCRS. Inc. as recommended by the Bylaws Committee and as presented in the attached document.

- i. Discussion: None further.
- ii. Passed: 9 For, None Against.

- 3. Existing Policies and Procedures Proposal.

- a. *Shannon Urton moved, and Patricia Kropac seconded, to reaffirm the following four existing policies and procedures:*

1. *Board Of Directors Meetings, April 2022.*
2. *Executive Sessions, June 2022.*
3. *Drug and Alcohol, noting date of 2006.*
4. *Membership Suspension and Termination, 2018.*

ii. Discussion: None further.

iii. *Passed: 9 For, None Against.*

4. New Policies and Procedures Proposal.

- a. *Shannon Urton moved, and Harry Ledgerwood seconded, to adopt the following new policies and procedures as recommended by the Bylaws Committee:*

1. *Document Retention and Destruction*
2. *EEO*
3. *Harassment Policy*
4. *Privacy Policy*
5. *Social Networking Policy*
6. *Whistleblower Policy*

ii. Discussion: None further.

iii. *Passed: 9 For, None Against.*

ii. Publications Committee – Mike Ingham.

1. Potential increase in advertising rates.

- a. Vinnie requested help selling advertising.

iii. Elections Committee – Patricia Kropac.

1. Have not made much progress on the Presidential election process.

iv. Concours Committee – Mark Tulley.

1. Harry Ledgerwood volunteered to be on the Concours Committee.
2. Discussion of the challenges in changing the program name.
3. Shannon Urton noted that historically, we are entering our fourth year of considering a potential name change.
 - a. The Board has dedicated time, energy, committee time, and resources to advancing the program.
4. *Shannon Urton moved, and Patricia Kropac seconded, to change the Concours program name to “Modified Corvette Class” with “Stock” and “Custom” divisions.*

- a. Discussion:

- i. Mark Tulley wants to review the potential effects of the name change.

- ii. Dave Brigham feels strongly that the Judging Office should be separate from the Board and thus should be solely in charge of naming and operating the program.

- 1. Vinnie Peters strongly supported Dave Brigham's position.

b. *Failed: 4 For (Hillhouse, Kropac, Murray, Urton), 5 Against (Ballard, Ingham, Johansen, Ledgerwood, Tulley), None Abstained.*

c. Administrative Access and IT Build Update – Shannon Urton.

i. Shannon Urton made the following statement:

- 1. "I would like to thank John, Rob, Gary and Sherri for their due diligence to find a workable solution to our problem of access control.
- 2. Their investigation brought to light many additional concerns for our IT infrastructure and security. Sherri's security review "efforts to protect NCRS" has been exemplary by volunteers and those working part-time. Needed to "further strengthen the security posture of the NCRS".
- 3. Some chapter sites not encrypted or lack up-to-date SSL (secure socket layers) certification (6 of 48) websites.
- 4. Password protocol and two-factor identification.
- 5. Written proposal from IT regarding its' steering committee is not consistent with our committee structure.
- 6. For the IT collective to submit for approval of what is required of this BoD to decide upon cannot be honored as presented".
- 7. Shannon recommended formation of an IT Steering Committee with the following members:
 - a. Mark Tulley, Patricia Kropac, John Tidwell, John Waggoner, Shannon Urton.
- 8. Purpose of the committee will be to bring recommendations on IT issues to the Board of Directors.
 - a. A recommendation will be made by the IT Steering Committee to the Board of Directors regarding IT access for all roles.
- 9. Consensus of the Board to implement the IT Steering Committee.

d. NCRS Marketing Infrastructure – Shannon Urton.

i. US Digital Partners revisit from October:

- 1. Similar presentations to the Board were made in early 2018 from Canyon Creative and Floyd & Partners.
 - a. \$30k-50k range.
 - b. The Board did not think that the proposed expenditures were worth it as it was perceived more as a marketing campaign from Floyd & Partners.
- 2. Today it is more about infrastructure and IT security for the future rather than marketing.

3. Our strategic and action plan intent was to investigate and implement plans moving forward in 2023.
4. Why make this capital investment?
 - a. Website is what every potential member sees of us first, it is our “cornerstone”.
 - b. Keep and retain members.
 - c. Stand out in the Corvette crowd.
 - d. Less than ideal design hurts search rankings.
 - e. UX focus is the industry standard.
 - f. We are way overdue.
- e. **National Town Hall Membership Meeting – Shannon Urton.**
 - i. Will review and discuss the strategic and action plans.
- f. **NCRS National Gallery – Shannon Urton.**
 - i. Will be held at French Lick in 2023.

6. **New Business.**

- a. **Membership Renewal Experience – Shannon Urton.**
 - i. Shannon described the NCRS contacts she received as her NCRS membership expired.
- b. **Optimization of Constant Contact Marketing – Shannon Urton.**
 - i. Discussion regarding what Board members would like to see.
 1. Primarily, Board members would like to see it used more often.
 - a. Inform people about what is going on in the NCRS.
- c. **Fund Raising for NCRS, Inc. – Shannon Urton.**
 - i. Shannon described how a potential sweepstakes option using TapKat (attachment) would work.
- d. **Regional Director Reports.**
 - i. **Region I, Mark Tulley.**
 1. All Chapters have Spring events planned.
 - a. Have avoided date conflicts with other events.
 2. Few Chapter reports have been received.
 - ii. **Region II, Shannon Urton.**
 1. Have some new Chapter Chairs.
 2. Zoom calls are scheduled.
 - iii. **Region III, Patricia Kropac.**
 1. All Chapters are in the Chapter Top Flight Program.
 2. Some Chapters have donated to the NCRS Foundation.
 3. Trying to coordinate events across Chapters.
 - iv. **Region IV, John Ballard.**
 1. All Chapters are in good order except the Florida Chapter.
 2. Upcoming Florida Regional event is in preparation.
 - a. Currently have 42 cars registered, 6 PV's.

v. Region V, Michael Murray.

1. All Chapters are doing well, all growing.
2. All Chapters have the same Chapter Chairs.
3. Upcoming Regional is in good shape.
4. Chapters are working together to avoid event conflicts.
5. Conducting Zoom meetings with Chapter Chairs.
6. Planning Zoom meetings with Chapter Judging Chairs.

vi. Region VI, Brad Hillhouse.

1. Ralph Ridge sends his regards to the Board.
2. Conducted Zoom meetings with Chapter Chairs.
3. Chapters are working together to schedule events.
4. 2025 Regional proposal is making progress.

vii. Region VII, Harry Ledgerwood.

1. All Chapters are scheduling events.
2. Have two new Chapter Chairs.

viii. Region VIII, Bob Johansen.

1. All Chapters have meets scheduled.

ix. Region IX, Mike Ingham.

1. All six chapters are doing well.
2. Have a busy meet schedule coming up.

x. Region X, Mark Tulley.

1. Very little going on.

Shannon Urton moved, and Harry Ledgerwood seconded, to adjourn the meeting.

Passed: 9 For, None Against.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 PM EST.

Next Board of Directors meeting is March 17, 2023, at 11:00 AM EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Colvin

NCRS Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Indiana Chapter Treasurers Report.

1/1/2022 – 6/27/2022

Beginning Balance

Checking Account	1/1/2022 = \$1485.53
Savings Account	1/1/2022 = \$6371.47
PayPal Account	1/1/2022 = \$6569.45
Beginning Balance	1/1/2022= \$14426.45

Ending Balance

Checking Account	6/27/2022 = \$470.90
Savings Account	6/27/2022 = \$11873.41
PayPal Account	6/27/2022 = \$171.72
Ending Balance	6/27/2022 = \$12516.03

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
Mar 19, 2023	Queen City Indoor Swap Meet	Greendale, IN
Mar 31—Apr 1, 2023	Indiana Chapter Spring Judging Meet	Roanoke, IN.
April 29, 2023	Heart of Ohio Chapter Judging Meet	Marysville, Oh
May 5-6, 2023	Wisconsin Chapter Judging Meet	Reedsburn, WI
May 19-20, 2023	Illinois Chapter Spring Judging Meet	Pontiac, IL.
June 1—30, 2023	70th Anniversary Display at NCM	Bowling Green, KY
June 23—24, 2023	Michigan Chapter Judging Meet	Dearborn, MI
July 23—27, 2023	NCRS National Convention	French Lick, IN.

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