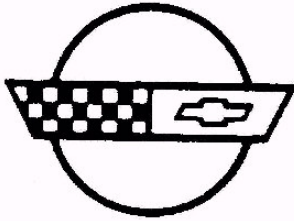




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# 2008 Officers

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# 2008 Events Calendar

<b>August:</b>	8/10 – RCC AUTOCROSS 8/16 – Event – Holmen Kornfest Parade 8/24 – Picnic at Coon Valley Park Shelter/Monthly Meeting (12 Noon)
<b>September:</b>	9/13 – Blue Angels Air Show – Eau Claire 9/(20/21) – Ride N’ Dine Event Masters - Dave and Kathy Fontanini 9/28 – Meeting @ Forest Hills 5pm with meeting starting at 5PM
<b>October:</b>	10/11 – Ride N’ Dine Event Masters - Dennis and Cyndy Schaper 10/26 – Meeting @ Forest Hills 5pm with meeting starting at 5PM
<b>November:</b>	11/?? – Year End Party - Piggy's

# Monthly Newsletter

## President's Message

We are heading into the Summer Home Stretch!!! The Autocross, Korn Fest, 35th Anniversary Picnic are coming up and I am being reminded School is starting soon!!! I want to thank all of the members who braved the Monsoon at Rudy's last week. I would like some feedback but even though it was nearly a rain out Gary Rudy has invited us back to try again next year.

We are looking forward to a big turnout for the Autocross with better promotion and an added event. Let's hope it's bigger than ever. We need help to run this event and it is our biggest fund raiser of the year for the club. Tom has suggested that a ½ day would be great and if you have the whole day even better but we appreciate your participation and it should be a fun event. So please sign up with Governor Stibbe today.

Don't forget to set aside the next week for Korn Fest Parade and Car Show. If we get 8 or more cars for the show we can make some money for the club!! The Korn Fest Parade should be our last of the year so let's go out with a bang!!! I am sure Duffy has some candy left so if anyone wants to walk and hand out candy you are more than welcome. I think it was a big hit at Trempealeau.

I want to thank Gesslein's for hosting the meeting last week and combining it with their Ride N Dine. They have a lovely rural compound which holds a lot of personal touches.

See you all at the Autocross!!!

Charlie Britten  
RCC President

## August 2008 Newsletter - July Meeting Notes

**General Meeting:** Attendance: Charlie & Carol Britten, Kathy & Dave Fontanini, Claude & Judy Mosley, Tom & Mary Stibbe, Mike & Cindi Carney, David & Jo Nau, John & Sue Gesslein, and Ted & Kathy Previn.

Thank you to John & Sue for hosting this month's membership meeting in their home!

**Treasurer's Report:** No report.

**Governor's Report:** Tom continues to get things ready for the Auto Cross on Sunday, August 10th. The event is held rain or shine. The embroidered caps and visors have been ordered, as well as the trophies and the NCAA award.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. The drivers meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. followed by a parade lap with the first car out at 10:00 a.m. An individual has been hired to operate the timing equipment, which he will bring. The \$150 that our club pays to him, he donates to his Corvette Club for the use of their timing equipment.

Volunteers are still needed. Morning or afternoon shifts are available. Volunteers are asked to bring radios the day of the event. Tom will have extra batteries on hand. Tom has received various calls from individuals inquiring about the auto cross. Postcards will be sent to previous participants. Charlie and Tom have put together a flyer that will also be distributed throughout the area. It was suggested to give drivers, upon registration, a colored wristband. Patty Parker has offered to bring lunch in for the volunteers.

**Webmaster's Report:** John will put some of the photos that were taken at the Trempealeau parade on the website. He needs information (addresses/phone numbers) from some of the new members, in order for him to update the member's page. John requests that the membership meeting minutes, the governor's report and the President's message be submitted to him a week after the membership meeting, so he can put together the newsletter in a timely manner.

**Event Chairperson:** Rudy's Drive-In in La Crosse will be having a car show on Tuesday, 7/29th at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to bring your cars. Three trophies will be given out that night. Members are not eligible for a trophy.

The Holmen Kornfest (Saturday, August 16) will be the next parade that our club will participate in. No times are available at this time. The Lion's Club hosts a car show on Sunday. If a club brings in 8 or more cars, they are eligible to receive a \$100. It was suggested that our club try to have 8 or more cars at the car show. Mike will follow up with the members on this.

The 35th Anniversary picnic will be held on Sunday, 8/24 at Coon Valley park. It will begin at 12:00 p.m., pot luck and BYOB. A postcard will be sent out to all current and past members. Dennis, Tom and Charlie will go through some of the old address lists to obtain names and addresses.

**Old Business:** The club sent a donation to Vernon County Human Services to be used towards a needy individual/family after the torrential rain and flood in August 2007. A thank you was received from the agency expressing their gratitude and appreciation from the family. [Click here to see the letter.](#)

**New Business:** Charlie will check the RCC letterhead to make sure that it displays the correct mailing address of the club.

Mike received a of \$150 check from Mark Marquardt for our participation in the Eau Claire car show. He will send it to Mavis for her to deposit.

There is an air show in Eau Claire on Saturday, September 13th at the regional airport. The Blue Angels will be participating in the air show this year. The Eau Claire club has invited our club and Rochester to attend the air show and park on the grounds. We are to meet at the Eau Claire North high school on Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. and then have a police escort to the grounds. It was suggested to go up to Eau Claire Friday night, instead of Saturday morning. Tom expressed an interest in doing this. He will obtain more details and email the club.

Kathy and Dave will host the ride and dine on either September 20 or 21st. More details to come.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Fontanini  
RCC Secretary

## **Governor's Report - August 2008**

Sunday, August 10th River City Cup at the La Crosse Fairgrounds Speedway, West Salem

For nearly 30 years, the River City Corvette Club has hosted auto-crossing at the La Crosse Fairgrounds Speedway. This year is no exception. A seven event day is offered to Corvette drivers and anyone else wishing run against the clock on a pre-determined course of slaloms, gates, and chicanes. If your interested in improving your driving skills, this is a great way to learn driving techniques on a closed course. Bring your Helmet (Snell 2000 or newer safety designated required), drivers license, and your vehicle. We will guarantee you will not soon forget your day on the Speedway.

For those with a little less enthusiasm to enter these events, you can come to the Speedway and enjoy watching the action. You can mingle among the drivers, and have ample opportunity to get close to the action on the course. If your curious about auto-crossing, there is no better position than to be posted on a corner to compare driving styles of the drivers.

The event can always use your assistance! Please contact Tom Stibbe ([tmstibbe@msn.com](mailto:tmstibbe@msn.com)) if you can share a few hours to volunteer with this once per year event.

Saturday, September 13 Blue Angels Air Show – Eau Claire

Plans are being finalized to attend the Air Show with the Chippewa Valley Corvette Club. Special on-site parking and a police escort into the grounds has been arranged. Mark your calendars and watch for more information coming your way.

## **Webmaster's Notes**

To see what club events are coming up for the month of August, please check the [Events Calendar](#) page.

Members, if you would like to have apparel with the River City Corvettes logo, go to the [Links](#) page and checkout Personal Touch Monogramming.

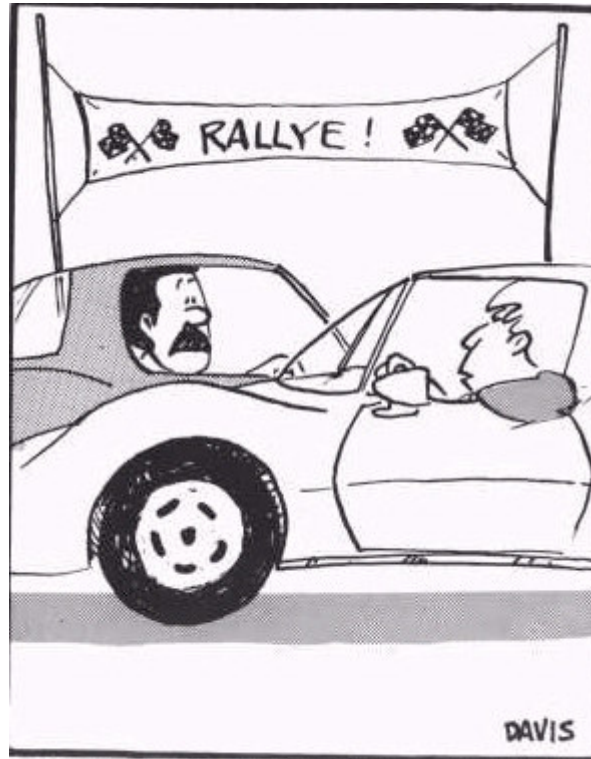
New pictures have been added to the [Gallery](#) page.

Our 35th Anniverary [Home](#) page (2008 only) has a new look.

To get a copy of this month's newsletter, just click on [Download](#).

If you are a Corvette owner and would like get more information about the River City Corvettes Club, just send us an email at [postmaster@rivercitycorvettes.com](mailto:postmaster@rivercitycorvettes.com).

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"If my wife catches me at this Corvette rally she'll kill me. She thinks I'm having an affair!"

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