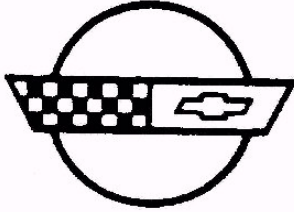




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President: Tom Stibbe
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NCCC Governor: Charlie Britten
Activities: Dave & Kathy Fontanini
Webmaster: John Gesslein
Sergeant-at-Arms: Cyndy Schaper

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2012 Events Calendar

September:	1st Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis 8th Saturday, Swingle Ride & Dine 13th-16th Thurs.-Sun., Fun Fest, Effingham, Illinois 23rd Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm 8th, and 22nd, Saturday Nite Cruise In, Hastings, MN
October:	6th Saturday, Cars and Coffee, Minneapolis 13th Saturday, Color Run, La Crosse, WI 28th Sunday, Club Meeting 5:30/6:30 pm
November:	3rd or 10th? Saturday, RCC Year End Dinner Celebration 17th-18th Sat. & Sun., Corvette Nationals & Muscle Cars Rosemont, Illinois 23rd Friday, Holiday Parade, 4:00 pm
December:	PLEASE NOTE - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Monthly Newsletter

President's Message

Congratulations to Chuck and Carol Britten for the successful River City Road Rally held on August 11th. The Rally took folks along County and Township Roads found east of La Crosse. The Rally finished at Schmidty's Restaurant, with social time and awards. The outdoor patio area was useful in the late afternoon. Fourteen Corvettes participated on the Rally. Thanks to the folks that assisted Chuck and Carol with the Rally registration and car tech. Jim and Judy Rowley were recognized for their rally efforts, scoring the most points of anyone from RCC.

The relatively new Corvette Tribute event (held at Road America on August 19th) was a full day of Corvette fun. Chuck Britten and myself participated in the NCCC low speed autocross, held on the Kart Track at Road America. The autocross gave about 50 seconds worth of timed driving on a closed course, sending your adrenalin level much higher than the actual speeds (up to 50 mph). Chuck and Carol Britten and myself with Ron Parker participated in the Track Touring event. Corvettes were allowed to drive the 4.5 mile road course for approximately one hour. The Road America Corvette Pace Corvettes were on the track, keeping us at reasonable speeds. I shared driving duties with Ron Parker (former RCC member) during the event. Ron's driving took us up to 120 mph on the 1 mile straight. Jim Hubert and Tom Jerisha took plenty of photos, which you can see on the website or facebook page for RCC. I am sure we will see more RCC participation in future Corvette Tribute events.

Schools are starting, summer is winding down. There are still some great events for our members to participate. There will be a group of members going to the Corvette Funfest, held in Effingham Illinois on September 14th/15th/16th. Dave Fontanini has found a great GM auto museum in Decatur, Illinois. Funfest is offered by Mid-America Motorworks and will include a free concert on Saturday evening. There is still time to join us, but you must make your reservations. We are staying at Holiday Inn Express, Tuscola, Illinois, tel: 217-253-6363. Please pre-register with Funfest at www.corvettefunfest.com, cost is now \$35 per corvette. We have arranged group parking for River City Corvettes. Please contact myself or Dave Fontanini for more information.

During September, don't forget these events: -Saturday, September 8th Ride and Dine, by Mark and Mary Swingle. Departs 4:30 pm Pettibone Beach Parking Lot, inside of

Pettibone Park, on Pettibone Island. -Sunday, September 30th, Gays Mills Apple Festival Parade, Phil Murray, Departs 10:15 am, Shopco South.

The next monthly club meeting will be on Sunday, September 23rd, 5:30 dinner/6:30 meeting. We will begin collection of renewals for 2013. Renewals are \$35 single, \$45 couple if paid prior to the October meeting. After the October meeting, renewals will include an additional \$10. During the meeting we will also begin the process for electing new officers for 2013. Nominations will occur at the September meeting, and elections will be at the October meeting.

Tom Stibbe
RCC President

September 2012 Newsletter - August Meeting Notes

General Meeting: Attendance: Chuck Britten & Carol Nelson-Britten, Tom & Mary Stibbe, Mike & Cindi Carney, James & Linda Hubert, Palmer & Martha Hoffland, Tom Jerisha, Claude & Judy Mosley, Phil Murray, Ron & Ramona Callender, Jim & Judy Rowley, Mark & Mary Swingle, Denis & Cyndy Schaper, Dave & Kathy Fontanini and Maurice & Valerie Jones. 26 Members + 1 guest.

Meeting called to order at 6:45 PM by President Tom Stibbe.

Secretary's Report: Minutes for the July 22, 2012 meeting were reviewed at the meeting. No corrections were recommended.

Treasurer's Report: New member dues (joined after July 1) are being held in the treasury until October when the NCCC renewals for 2013 are due. Car Show & Road Rally expenses are not finalized yet but will be for next month's meeting.

Governor's Report: RCC thanked Charlie for a Good job on rally. Nine cars from the club and 5 non-club cars participated. Jim & Judy Rowley were presented with a plaque for having the highest total points earned in the RCC. Jim Hubert had several photos on display, including Chuck Britten's car on the track at Road America during the recent Corvette Tribute event. Britten briefly mentioned the NCCC.

Webmaster's Report: John was not present so no report was given.

Event Chairperson:

- Cars & Coffee Minneapolis Sept 1st will have to leave at 6:00 AM will provide meeting place by e-mail.
- Mid America Fun Fest in Effingham, IL Sept 14th – 16th. Meet at the Kwik Trip just off I-90 exit near the Olive Garden at 8:30 AM on Sept 14th. Will stop in Rockford for lunch and the Decatur Car Museum. Holiday Inn in Tuscola [217-253-6363]. Concert will be World Class Rockers, (members from a variety of well known bands playing their hits.)
- Big Blue Bridge Car Show Dahl Ford La Crosse on Sept 30th from 9:00 to 3:00 PM. Dave needs volunteers to work the show. There are two shift requiring two people each shift 9:00 to Noon and Noon to 3:00PM.
- Area car clubs are getting together to help Operation Home Front & Honor Freedom Flights More details at next month's meeting.
- Fall Color Run will be Oct 10th. Pre-register by Oct 4th \$20 / car. Lunch will be at the Rockton Bar because the Fire House is no longer open. Lunch is \$10 / person. Friday night festivities is \$42 / person.
- Stevenson Auto Museum Richland Center trip on Oct 11th. Will leave from Dahl Ford at 10 am.
- November 17th Corvette Car Club show in Rosemont, IL more details at next month's meeting

Old Business:

- 1) Mike Carney thanked everyone who helped during the Car Show. Rain affected attendance but it was still a good show. Mike is willing to chair the event again next year.
- 2) Mark Swingle presented a race report on Mike Carlson who is sponsor by the RCCC. He finished out of the top spots at the last race.
- 3) The Ride & Dine on August 18 went to Slipperies in Wabash, WI. Six cars and 10 people attended.
- 4) Phil Murray reported The Community Day Parade in Onalaska on August 25 was well attended with 10 cars. The club went to Features in Holmen for lunch after the parade.

New Business:

- 1) Nominations for club officers will be held at September's meeting with the election at

our October meeting.

2) We will start collecting 2013 annual dues at next month's meeting. RCC sends in our NCCC renewals on November 1st. Please remember there is a \$10 discount for paying renewals no later than the October meeting.

3) Monthly Ride & Dine:

a. September is being organized by Mark & Mary Swingle on Sept 8th leaving Pettibone Beach House parking lot at 4:30 PM. Please RSVP so Mark can make the dinner reservation.

b. October is being organized by the Callender's. No details provided.

4) Parade Schedule (Phil Murray):

a. Our final parade will be Gays Mills Apple Fest September 30th. Meet at the Shopko South parking lot at 10:15AM. Will eat lunch before parade. More details will be provided at the September meeting.

5) Tom Stibbe discussed the end of year party to be tentatively held Nov 10th at Pogreba, Freight House, or Piggy's.

6) Carol Nelson- Britten will again chair Rotary Lights. The Britten's will attend the reception held at the Century Tel building.

The next monthly meeting will be September 23rd at Schmidty's.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Callender,
RCC Secretary



September Birthdays

Martha Hoffland 9/11

Susan Gesslein 9/13

Mary Stibbe 9/25

Webmaster's Notes

To see what club events are coming up for the month of September, please check the **Events Calendar** page.

Check out our Facebook page, a link to it is on our home page.

New pictures have been added to the **Gallery** page.

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**.

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