# azos River Corvette Club Newsletter

# 4th of July Parade

Started out no rain - Then about 4" of rain during the parade. Still spectators stayed & enjoyed





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#### Newsletter

#### 2021 BRCC Officers

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer

Becky Skaggs Vinceen Parks **Jim Morris** Larry DeYoung

Cruise Coordinator	Becky Skaggs
BRCC Charity	Donna Poe
Car Show Directors	Bob & Theresa H
Charity Raffle	Bob Williams
Historian / Newsletter	Jim Hill
Member Care	Arlene De Young
Merchandise	Larry Sharp
National Corvette Museum	Bob Mischel
Ambassador	
NCCC Governor	Neal Bellamy
Email Group Manager	Sandy Varner
Web Master	Sandy Varner

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# Happy Birthday

Betty Keck	Aug	5
Larry DeYoung	Aug	6
Garry Sheppard	Aug	7
Terry Keck	Aug	16
Jim Hill	Aug	24

Anniversaries

None for August

#### Membership Meetings

General membership meetings are held the 1st Thursday of each month, exceptions are posted on the web site and members notified via group email.

Meetings are held at Spring Creek BBQ, Granbury TX, begin at 6:00 PM for socializing and ordering dinner, club business starts at 7:00 PM and usually over before 9:00 PM.



# 2021 BRCC President Becky Skaggs

This past month involved two activities, which was the Granbury July 4th celebration parade held on July 3rd. The other activity was the Buc-ee's trip with lunch on July 24th. A separate trip report is included on the cruise. The parade though was something else with the downpour we had. We had some sprinkles that was enough just before the parade started at 10am that caused us all to put our tops back up/on. I could not believe that they were having the parade then the downpour started at 10am, however once I saw the many enthusiastic people that attended the parade there was no doubt why we were doing this. We had each Corvette generation represented with: C1 – Morris, C2 – Neely, C3 – Copeland, C4 – Price, C5 – Hill, C6 – Parks, C7 – Skaggs, C8 – Gourley. A HUGE THANKS to all that were in the parade. I must share that Billy Parks in front of us was revving his engine and the crowd loved it every time. Even the cops would turn around to look and smile. Earl and I had fun watching this for the 4 miles. Thank goodness that we had the whole road and could drive more in the middle of the two lanes. There were areas where the sides of the road were very deep but that

did not stop people from standing in it and celebrating. When we got home, we had 4 inches of rain. I have a feeling that might have been Granbury's wettest parade.

This is vacation, travel, family, and grandkid time. In August, in addition to our monthly meeting we only have a cruise planned for Saturday, August 28th. We will be going to the Mammoth National Museum in Waco with lunch at Jon Lillie's Steak House. The Gresham's indicated this is a perfect drive for Corvettes, so you will want to be sure to join us. Things will pick back up; however, we need some of you to take lead of a cruise. The cruise can be as simple as to meet up with short drive to a place for lunch. Based on the survey taken at the last meeting, our club is all about cruising together to do something. In other words, we just want to drive our awesome Corvettes. If you want to lead a cruise and just not sure of any ideas, please reach out to myself as I have a couple of short cruises you could do for a lunch outing as well as a list of past activities. I am planning to approach a couple of you soon if I do not get any takers.

It is time to start gearing up for our October 9th Car Show. This takes an army to pull it off, so Bob and Theresa need your help both before the show and at the show. Bob and Theresa have both been working hard behind the scenes this year with things that needed to get done, however now they need us to assist. Please plan to attend the August meeting as most of it will be focused on the Car Show topic.

Membership was approved for Michael and Gloria Hokanson, Rebecca and Kelly Van Buren, and Tom McElroy bringing us to 71 members. We welcome you to our club and look forward to getting to know you better. We had 5 other guests at our July meeting. We had 3 guests in two cars on our Buc-ee's cruise. Keep up the great work spreading the word and encouraging. The efforts are making a difference to grow our fun club!

On August 5th, we will have the monthly club meeting at Spring Creek BBQ. The meeting starts at 7pm, so as usual please get there about 6pm to have dinner prior.

Remember to keep on recruiting and join in on the fun with our cruises and other activities. We have our annual picnic coming on September 11th and the Car Show on October 9th. Please reserve these two key dates on your calendars. See you soon.

Becky Skags

#### **BRCC Meeting Minutes July 1, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Becky Skaggs at Spring Creek BBQ. 33 members and 5 guests were present. Billy Parks led the evening prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Terry Varner.

#### Announcements

Member Update: Current membership stands at 66. 5 guests were in attendance – Ron and Janie Roberts who own a Blue C8 convertible; Adele Hana who owns a Pewter C5 and Jay and Vicki Gustafson who have a Nightrace Blue C7.

The membership voted on accepting 5 new members:

Tom McElroy (Crystal Red 2009 Z51 convertible). A motion was made by Earl Harris and seconded by Sandy Varner to accept his membership. The club voted in favor.

Michael and Gloria Hokanson (Red 2017 Z51 convertible). A motion was made by Robert Williams and seconded by Ron Poe to accept their membership. The club voted in favor.

Kelly and Rebecca Van Buren (Black 2002 coupe). A motion was made by Jim Hill and seconded by Terry Varner to accept their membership. The club voted in favor.

Becky will email an updated membership roster to every member. Contact Becky if you do not get one.



# BRCC Secretary JIM MORRIS

Reminder: If you are missing bio information in the club Directory, please put it together and email it to Jim Hill.

#### Reports

A motion to approve the June meeting minutes was made by Larry Sharp and seconded by Arlene DeYoung. Members approved the minutes.

#### **Treasurer Report**

Larry DeYoung reported that there is \$2,767.51 in the bank. A motion to accept the report was made by Earl Skaggs and seconded by WJ Gourley. The motion passed.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Events Coordinator Becky (acting) passed out a survey asking members what their preferred activities and events are. If you were not at the meeting watch your email for it. These are anonymous and the results will be shared at the August meeting.

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You will receive the latest list of upcoming activities via email, soon.

June was an active month with social/community give back events at Waterview, The Cove and Courtyard at Lake Granbury, as well as the Friday night social event at Lakeview Inn. We also enjoyed a picnic with the Granbury Car Club at Bob Steven's ranch!

On June 26 th Terry and Sandy Varner led a great cruise to Hico and Clifton for lunch at EIS in Hico and a visit to Clifton Classis Chassis.

July activities include the 4 th of July Parade and on July 24th, Becky and Earl Skaggs will lead a cruise to Buc-ee's and lunch (but not at Buc-ee's) north of Fort Worth Details to come.

August 28, Jim and Linda Gresham will lead a cruise to Waco to see the Mammoth Nat'l Park. We'll have lunch along the way. Details to follow.

No Lake View Inn gatherings until September.

Reminder to reserve Saturday September 11 from 5-8pm for the club's annual picnic which will be hosted by Donny and Kerri Lawson again. The Lawsons will provide all food and members need only to show up. Kerri will send out invitations later to get a head count.

October 9 th is the date for the BRCC Car Show in the Square. The following Saturday is the Cow-Town car show in Fort Worth. Please consider attending their show as they are big supporters of our show.

The Events Coordinator position remains open so please give some thought to volunteering.

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Jim is reminding us to get bio information and pictures of your cars to him so he can update the directory.

#### **Car Show**

Becky led a discussion concerning the judging of BRCC member cars. Concern was raised that we get good participation per feedback from others as there are not politics in the judging of cars as we do not enter our own car show. They indicated that this happens in other car shows

they attend where the car show members enter their own cars. The concern is we do not want this to change and us lose the number of entries we get. Three key items were shared that will help this: 1) The event to have a "Peoples Choice" award for our members only will not be advertised, so no one will know about it until they show up. 2) We will be parking in a separate area. 3) The judging is by voting from anyone in attendance at the car show.

#### **Decision:**

The earlier decision to have a separate category that is not judged with member only participant cars stand – BRCC cars will operate as a "People's Choice" award only.

#### **Member Care**

Arlene DeYoung let us know that Terry Keck continues his recovery from back surgery and that Alan Kettlehut is recovering from surgery.

#### Webmaster

Sandy Varner reported that she has been having trouble getting into the sight but hopes to have it updated soon.

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#### **National Corvette Museum**

Bob Mischel stated that admission to the Museum is free if you mention that the BRCC is a member. Also, NCM is nominated as one of the top 10 automotive venues, and you can vote for them on their website.

If you are feeling lucky, you can enter one of the 3 active Corvette raffles on their site.

#### NCCC

No report

#### **Club Merchandise**

Larry Sharp showed an assortment of hats that have our logo on them – all priced at \$15. You can also special order them, just check with Larry.

#### Charity

Donna Poe reminded us that this years' donation will go to People Helping People.

#### **New Business**

Becky led a discussion on removing the BRCC Facebook page after receiving feedback on last month's decision to remove it. A guest as well as existing members that attended the meeting and did not attend the meeting raised concern about removing our Facebook page. Some felt that the club needs the visibility to attract new members as well as a communication tool while others

were concerned about privacy issues since we post member pictures. There was a lengthy discussion. There are two volunteers willing and wanting to maintain the site. Becky suggested we could try it for a year, then revisit the value. They have been updating it recently as was noted in the meeting. One of the members in the meeting searched for Granbury Corvettes on Facebook via his smart phone based on a question and our site did come up. After weighing the pros and cons of such a move it was decided to table the idea for now and discuss at next month's meeting. People wanted to give it some thought. A motion to table was made by Donna Poe and seconded by Terry Varner. The motion carried. This will be on the agenda for the August meeting.

#### 50/50 Raffle

Cindy Morris won \$65 while the club treasury got \$65 larger.

#### A motion to adjourn

came at 7:53 pm by Libby McHaney. WJ Gourley seconded the motion.

Submitted by Jim Morris,

Jim Morris

Secretary.

# BRCC 2021 CALENDAR PAST & UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 16	Cruise & Lunch to Hamilton Tx	Terry Varner	
Feb 27	Safe Cruise & Picnic Lunch	Becky Skaggs 817-239-0061	
March 20	Cruise to Eagle Mountain Lake	Garry & Kim Sheppard	
April 17	Cruise & Lunch to Mary's Cafe	Bob & Theresa Halford	
May 14 May 15	Friday Social At Lakeview Inn 5:30 - 7:00 PM Cruise to Wildcatter Steakhouse, Graham Tx		
May 29	Memorial Day Field of Flags	Larry & Arlene DeYoung Larry & Arlene DeYoung	
June 11 June 18 June 19 June 26	Waterview Car Show Social Courtyards at Lake Granbury Ca Bob Steven's Ranch Collector C Hico Lunch Cruise and Museum	ars & Picnic Lunch	
July 3 July 24	4th of July Granbury Parade Cruise & Lunch Buc-ee's	Becky Skaggs Becky Skaggs	
Aug 28	Waco Cruise Lunch & Mammoth	National Monument Greshams	
Sept 11	Yearly Picnic	Donny & Kerri Lawson's 5:00- 8:00	
Oct 9 Oct 16	15 <sup>™</sup> BRCC Car Show Cowtown Annual Car Show	Halfords 432-413-3099	
Dec 2	Christmas Party		

# June 26 Trip Report

#### July 24, 2021 BRCC Cruise to Buc-ee's in the North Fort Worth then on to The Villa Grande Mexican Restaurant in Haslett

On July 24, Becky and Earl led a twelve-car cruise avoiding as much as possible with the major highways to get to Buc-ee's in the North Fort Worth area with the location at the southeast corner of I-35 and 114. The weather has now turned hot. I suspect that we will soon see the grass turn brown as nearly everything was still green. This is very unusual for late July. The primary route to our main destination was 51 north, then a couple of FM roads that take us to 114 in Boyd, which led to Buc-ee's.

Bob and Pat Cooper joined as guests. They first heard about us via our monthly calendar item in the Hood County Newspaper. They drove a C5 convertible. Our pit stop was at the Chevron on 199 in Springtown. We had another 2019 Corvette see our cruise and stop by to talk with us. Eric is a retired 25-year military veteran, who lives between Weatherford and Springtown. We invited him to join our cruise and he did. This now made us a thirteen-car cruise.



We stopped at Buc-ee's looked around and shopped for a little over 1 hour. I must say the Beaver Nuggets are very good especially the cinnamon flavored. We then headed to our lunch stop at the Villa Grande Mexican Restaurant in Haslett. This is a five-restaurant chain in the Denton and North Fort Worth area. From everyone I talked to, their food choice was very good. We left there with a route that took us back to FM 51, which got us into Granbury about 4:30pm.

Looking forward to the next cruise on August 28th, which is led by Jim and Linda Gresham. We will be going to the National Mammoth Museum in Waco followed by lunch. Be sure to reserve this on your calendar. Until then, let's enjoy our Corvettes whenever we can.

Reporter: Becky Skaggs





#### Newsletter

August 2021

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### **BRCC Logo Merchandise**

Larry Sharp has lots of great merchandise for sale with the BRCC logo on them. Here is a sampling of most of our items. *We are open to additional item upon request.* 

Larry Sharp *Merchandise* 817-475-9692 LarySharp2004@gmail.com



Nike Polo Shirts 363-807 .....\$ 30.00 Many colors, Yellow, Light Blue, Med Blue, Varsity Red, White, Black, Pink & Others

Sport Wick Stretch 1/2 Zip Pullover ......\$35.00 Mens & Ladies styles XS-4XL Mens: Black, Charcoal Grey, Navy Blue Med Blue, Forest Green Maroon Ladies: Black Charcoal Grey, Med Blue Dust Rose, Pink Rush, Navy Blue, White

Sweatshirt 1/4 Zip 9-Oz Pullover......\$35.00 Mens & Ladies styles XS-4XL & Tall Black, White, Vintage Heather, Graphite Heather, Light Heather, Forest Green, Dark Pink, Pink, Maroon True Red, True Navy, True Royal

Long Sleeve Dress Cotton/Poly S608 ..... \$25.00 Mens Button Down Ladies Open Collar All colors

Long Sleeve Denim Mens & Ladies .......\$35.00 Mens Button Down Ladies Open Collar XS-6XL and Long

ADD \$3.00 FOR EMBROIDERED NAMES

Name Tags .....\$9.00













# Next Club Meeting August 4th Spring Creek BBQ



