



BRAZOS RIVER

July 2018

CORVETTE CLUB

2018 BRCC Annual Picnic



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2018 Club Officers

President	Tim Jacksy
Vice President	Beth Batista
Secretary	Kim Sheppard
Treasurer	Pam Sharp

2018 Appointments

Cruise Coordinator	Beth Batista
BRCC Charity	Larry DeYoung
Car Show Directors	Jim & Sharon Hill
Charity Raffle	Larry DeYoung
Historian / Newsletter	Jim Hill
Member Care	Sandy Varner
Merchandise	Larry Sharp
National Corvette Museum Ambassador	Open
NCCC Governor	Neal Bellamy
Yahoo email Group Manager	Jim Hill
Web Master	Sandy Varner

Membership Meetings

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

Meetings are held at the Harbor Lakes Golf Club, Granbury TX (See web page for map), meeting begin at 6:00pm for socializing and ordering dinner, club business starts at 7:00pm and usually over before 9:00pm.

Birthdays



Tom Limroth	July 3
Robert Mischel	July 24
Linda Watkins	July 25
Phil Harris	July 28

Anniversaries

Garrett & Pat Waddell	*40th	July 2
Terry & Betty Keck		July 5
Ed & Peggy Pultorak	*51st	July 23



Happy Anniversary!!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Tim Jacksy

June Picnic at the Varner's

Thank you, Terry and Sandy, for generously providing your home for our picnic. The weather was warm. Everyone brought food which combined to make a wonderful feast. There were also some excellent deserts.



The Varner's home and large shaded patio was perfect for this event. About 35 members were there and there was plenty of room to mingle, visit and enjoy our friendship.

Please feel free to contact me with your thoughts about the club.

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Cell – 817-235-8605

Tim Jacksy

MESSAGE FROM THE Vice PRESIDENT

BETH BATISTA



July is here, and the heat is on!! But, fortunately, summer is always cooler in a Corvette!

Our club members had a great time on June 16th, when Terry and Sandy Varner opened up their beautiful home to our club for the BRCC picnic. It's always a good time when we are able to get together to share food, fellowship and fun! Thanks to Terry and Sandy for doing this!!

We have several events coming up. Members can review upcoming events to see all posted activities on our Calendars page, linked from our home page.

Upcoming is the 4th of July parade on...JULY 4! If you have a great "parade wave" and want to do that wave from your car, in front of a crowd, contact John Bratta.

July 14, Tim Jacksy will lead a lunch cruise to Hard 8 in Stephenville. It's a great drive to Hard 8 from Granbury, but the road trip after lunch is even better!!! Tim knows some great backroads!

It's not too late to book your trip to Steamboat Springs CO for Vettes on the Rockies, August 21- 28. A few members going will be enjoying cooler temperatures. Contact Beth Batista or Tim Jacksy for more information.

The Varner's have also organized an East Texas Cruise for September 7-9, where participants will visit Washington on the Brazos, Breham, the Crockett and Sam Houston Nation Forests, and Jefferson, Texas. For more information, go to our "Calendars" web page and follow the links posted.

October 13 is our annual BRCC Car show. Items are needed for our Silent Auction. Still looking for a leader for this part of our car show, will discuss at upcoming meeting.

See you at the July meeting!

Beth Batista

MAY 3RD BRCC MINUTES

The Brazos River Corvette Club meeting was held on June 7, 2018 at Harbor Lakes Country Club.

Libby Lanzara opened the evening with a prayer blessing the meal, and giving thanks for the friendships.

Tim Jacksy called the meeting to order at 7:11 PM and welcomed everyone in attendance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Larry DeYoung.

Tim introduced Eugene Chiappe, who has a red coup corvette. Bob Kaman, who owns a 2000 silver corvette and a 1968 442 cutlass. Karen and Stephen LoBue, who have a 2008 atomic orange and a 2016 racing yellow corvette.

Twenty six members were present.

Reports:

The May minutes by Kim Sheppard are available on the web site and newsletter. Bob Brandies made a motion to accept the May minutes. They were seconded by Larry Sharp. None were opposed. All present were in favor and approved the minutes.

Pam Sharp read the club's bank balance. Bob Brandies made the motion to accept the current Treasurer's report and Larry Sharp seconded it. All present unanimously approved the May Treasurer's report. No members opposed the report.

Committee Reports:

Events/Cruise

Beth informed the members of the annual picnic on June 16th at Terry and Sandy Varner's home. There were 34 sign ups. The July 4th Parade is organized by John Bratta. The Lawsons are planning our annual get together on September 1. A cruise led by the Varners to East Texas on September 7,8, and 9th. Information is available on the web site. The annual car show is October 13th. Beth encouraged members to sign up to plan a run. It can be local or a couple hours away.

Newsletter/Car show/,Yahoo Group Manager/Photographer/Historian:

Jim Hill mentioned the nice article Beth wrote about her Dad in the newsletter. If any member has an interesting childhood story, Jim welcomes it for the newsletter. The corvette in the newsletter belongs to Bob Brandies. Jim is still looking for someone to start working on the silent auction. Jim and Sharon are busy with donations for the 50/50. Libby mentioned every member could donate an item or money for the silent auction. She and Kim will have a list available next meeting. Nick will collect the money donated for the silent auction. Jim mentioned a car show in Granbury this weekend.



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

National Corvette Museum:

Bob Mischel is taking that position.

Club Merchandise:

Larry Sharp reported business is booming.

Old Business:

Tim spoke about the boat show the Larson's displayed their 1955 wooden boat in. There was a nice turn out of members at the Loco Coyote cruise.

New Business:

Larry DeYoung spoke about the two flags the club sponsored at the Field of Flags in Granbury. One was for John Boyd and the other was for Terry Keck. Larry presented Terry with his flag that evening. Larry DeYoung informed the group of the Granbury ROTC golf tournament on August 11 at Pecan Plantation Golf Course. A vote was asked to sponsor the event. Jim Hill made the motion to sponsor the event and Terry Varner seconded it. All were in favor. Bob Williams will put a team together.

Open Discussion:

Jim Hill requested the club pick a date to be at Classic Chevrolet from 10:00AM to 1:00PM. The club choose September 22, 2018.

Charity Raffle:

Bob Cayman won the raffle.

Tim thanked everyone for attending.

Adjourn:

Larry Sharp made the motion to close the meeting and Bob Brandies seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM by President Tim Jacksy.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Sheppard

Secretary

UPCOMING EVENTS

BRCC 2018 Calendar

The primary interest in our club is centered on activities. Our best months are those with two cruises. We need each of you to organize and lead an activity. You will get all the help you need to contribute to our club success.

March 3	Hico Lunch Crusie	Terry & Sandy Varner	817-573-3472
March 17	Granbury Saint Patrick's Day Parade	John Bratta	
April 15	Cowtown Vettes and Vines Show, Burleson TX	Neal Bellamy	
	http://cowtownvettes.org/EventsN/2018/041518-VnV_I.html		
May 5	Loco Coyote Lunch Cruise	Tim Jacksy	817-235-8605
June 16	BRCC Annual Picnic	Terry & Sandy Varner	817-573-3472
July 4	Granbury 4th of July Parade	John Bratta	817-573-2272
July 14	Hard 8 BBQ Lunch Cruise	Tim Jacksy	817-235-8605
July 15 - 20	NCCC Convention, New Orleans		
Aug 21-28	Steamboat Springs Colorado.	Tim Jacksy	817-235-8605 & Beth Batista
Sept 1	Second Annual Love Rock Party	Donny & Kerri Lawson	214-616-6062
Sept 22	BRCC & Classic Chevrolet Car Show		
Oct 13	13th Annual BRCC Car Show	Jim and Sharon Hill	817-279-0959
Oct 20	Cowtown Annual Car Show	Jim and Sharon Hill	817-279-0959
Nov			
Dec 6	Christmas Party	BRCC	
Dec	Christmas Toy Car Show		

Technically Speaking

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Short Circuit

A Guide to Repairing Unusual C5 Problems by Draining the Stored Voltage From Capacitors

I have received numerous questions over the last few years about things that I think fall into a communications issue between modules, usually caused by a low voltage situation or after component replacement, or sometimes it's just an unusual occurrence.

These are just a few samplings of the questions that I have received that were cured by the procedure we will cover below.

Question: I own a 1999 C5 Corvette with a six-speed transmission. I noticed that the engine had been turning over slowly for the last few weeks so I replaced the battery and now the Welcome Corvette display will not illuminate and the engine will spin over but not start. I am suspecting PassKey issue disabling fuel pressure, but that does not explain no display on the dash.

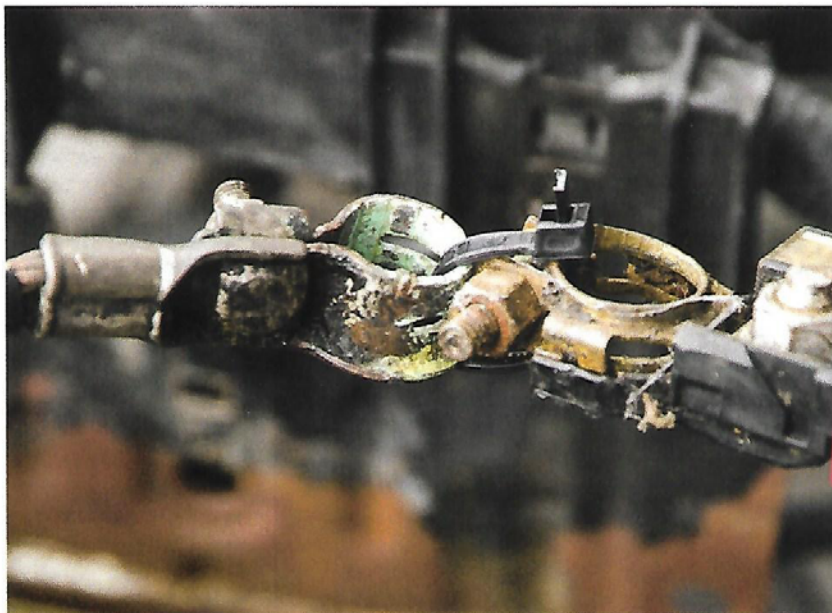
Question: I own a 1998 Corvette. The gauges and the Drivers Information Center (DIC) are not working after a jump start.

Question: The temperature would not adjust so I replaced the climate control head on my 2000 Corvette and now nothing will work on the new climate controller.

After working with the owners of these vehicles, a simple procedure resolved their problems.

The first clue that you may have a communication issue on a Corvette is that the DIC is not working. Remember, computers hate low voltage and will sometimes go into a logic lockup condition and cause confusion on the data bus. This low voltage or lack of communication can also cause a U code to set, which can be checked with a scanner.

When I think there is a communications issue on a C5 Corvette the first thing I do is



drain the capacitors. The safest way to perform this is to remove both battery cables from the battery, isolate the cables and leave them disconnected overnight.

I have also been asked several times about touching the battery cables together to drain the capacitors. I have not had any problems with this procedure when it is performed correctly. Here's that procedure:

- 1) Remove the key from the ignition.
- 2) Disconnect both battery cables from the battery, removing the negative cable first.
- 3) Isolate the battery from the battery cables. If it makes you more comfortable, remove the battery from the vehicle.
- 4) Connect the positive and negative battery cables together for approximately 5 minutes. This will drain all of the

capacitors in the computers and forces them to cold reboot.

5) Reconnect the battery cables to the battery, installing the positive cable first.

Cold rebooting should not affect the programming of any of the modules because it is very rare for this software to become corrupt. It is possible that you may have a computer or module that was having an underlying problem prior to performing this procedure. It is also possible to have a failed computer or module after a low voltage situation, such as a weak battery or an alternator that is not charging correctly.

Whenever you touch the battery cables together and drain the capacitors the clock will lose its memory, the radio stations will need to be reset, all fault codes will be cleared, the outside temperature may take

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some time to relearn, any systems with security codes will need to be reset and the computer will need to relearn the adaptive values.

Because the computer has to relearn the adaptive values, the engine may take some time to run normal again. You may experience low idle, or possibly stalling, until the system values are relearned. Most vehicles will go through the relearn procedure automatically. For the procedure to work you will need to keep the engine running until it idles on its own then drive the vehicle for approximately 10-20 minutes.

On rare occasions I have needed to use a scanner for the computer to relearn specific values like throttle body position, so it's possible you may need a good scan tool for the relearn procedure.

If you are uncomfortable with touching the disconnected battery cables together you can always leave them isolated overnight and it should accomplish the same thing as touching the battery cables together, it just takes longer to drain the voltage from the capacitors. I know this sounds scary to a lot of you out there, so I would recommend if you are uncomfortable with this procedure to take your vehicle to a mechanic you trust.

(Note: DO NOT USE THIS METHOD THINKING IT WILL MAKE THE AIRBAG SYSTEM SAFE TO WORK ON. To avoid personal injury or death, on vehicles equipped with airbags you must disable the supplemental restraint system before attempting

any steering wheel, steering column, airbag, or instrument panel component diagnosis or service following the service manual for your vehicle.)

If the problem persists, the next step is to check all the fuses.

You may also want to use a scan tool to see if one of the computers in the vehicle is not communicating. If a computer needs replacement, most will require the Vehicle Identification Number to be specifically programmed into them. Any computer programming will need to be performed by an authorized technician with the proper tools for programming a module.

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Now, before you start sending me letters telling me that this procedure will cause other problems I will refer you to the *GM Tech Link*, a monthly publication for the GM Dealership Service Professionals, specifically the Programming Tips section of the August 2005, Volume 7, #08 issue. “Some components contain capacitors, which can store voltage after being turned off. If stored voltage is released by a module while you are programming another module, it could cause confusion on the data bus, causing U codes to set. To prevent this, you may be instructed to disconnect the battery cables and touch them together. This drains the stored voltage from capacitors.”

I use this technique, and it is a very common fix for problems like the ones mentioned at the beginning of this article. Hopefully, this simple solution will allow you to repair unusual problems without pulling your hair out. Good luck and let us know if this helped you out. **VETTE**

Disclaimer: While all the contributors and editors at Vette magazine try and help with problems you are having with your Corvette, we cannot guarantee that you will not damage your vehicle more while trying to make a repair. While we hope you can fix your vehicle, ultimately you are responsible to research your problem and the advice provided by us here at Vette magazine. You and you only are responsible for the consequences that come from working on your own vehicle.



(Left) Connecting the positive and negative battery cables together for approximately 5 minutes will drain all of the capacitors in the computers and forces them to cold reboot. This is a very common fix for communication problems.

QUESTIONS

Got a question for our Tech Corner expert? Just jot it down on a paper towel or a lightly soiled shop rag and send it to us at **VETTE** magazine, Attn: Technically Speaking, 1821 E. Dyer Rd., Suite 150, Santa Ana, CA 92705. Alternatively, you can submit your question via the Web, by emailing it to vette@enthusiastnetwork.com. Be sure to put “Technically Speaking” in the subject line.

1963 Chevrolet Corvette parked in a garage for 45 years could be worth \$150,000



An all-original 1963 Chevrolet Corvette has popped up on Ebay after being parked for 45 years. The Washington-based classic car dealer selling it says that he came across it piled under a bunch of junk in a decade ago when he was checking out a different car. The first-year split-window coupe had been purchased new by the owner

and driven it since 1972, but he wasn't ready to give it up until last year. The car is equipped with the 300 hp 327 cubic-inch V8 and a 2-speed Powerglide automatic transmission. It was originally silver, but was painted green at the dealership before it was delivered to its first owner. The seller got the engine running again, but



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1963 Chevrolet Corvette Split Window Sting Ray Coupe Original Automatic

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Hello all, Here we have a 1963 Split Window corvette that we are reluctantly parting with. Our business has moved into a new location and funds need to be liquidated for a remodel project, otherwise we would not part with it. Its that cool!

The back story on this car is fantastic as well. I purchased an Mga from a gentleman around 10 years ago and he also had this Vette sitting in the garage. I have been trying to buy this car for the last 9 years and finally succeeded, as age caught up to him. He was the original owner, and bought the car new in Miami, Fl. The car has only been titled in one name as far as I know. When the car was purchased, Green was not an option and he had the car painted such before he took delivery from the dealership. Originally it was ordered a silver on black car, but has been green since 1963! The original owner was a police officer for the city of Miami and drove the car sparingly, and parked it in his cement floor garage in 1972. He would start it occasionally, but the last time it was tabbed was 73, still has the plates on it! Time wore on as it seems to do, and the car became a valuable storage rack in the garage, and didn't move out of its hiding place until I bought it. Its amazing how original and untouched this car is.

The exterior of the car has some of the most amazing patina I have ever seen. While I am aware the car will probably be restored and repainted, it is so cool just the way it is and draws a huge crowd. The body seems to be very straight and its pretty neat to see the seam lines from the factory. The gaps in the doors and hood all look straight. Obviously, things are weathered and will need restoring, but the stainless is actually quite nice and would polish up. Glass is crack free and pretty decent. There is a small amount of rust in the B pillar of the car, but I have seen no place else where there is any rust through. Hinge area all looks very nice, underneath is great. Just that one spot that I see.

The interior of the car is all there but is obviously in need of restoration. Im pretty sure everything is all original, even has the original wonderbar radio. The speedo and tach cables were making a ton of noise, so they were disconnected. I believe the fuel and oil gauge are working while the battery gauge is intermittent. The lights come on when you open the door. I would assume everything will need to be inspected and some level of cleaning/restoration will need to be done. But its much easier to have an original, nothing messed with, place to start.

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The engine is the numbers matching 300 horse turbo fire that the car was born with. To get it running we rebuilt the carb, changed out the alternator, starter and master cylinder, etc. But ALL ORIGINAL PARTS were kept and are included. The car actually runs pretty good. Next I was going to do a waterpump, but with our move I haven't had time. This is not a daily driver, but it does run and stop and steer. Expect to go over some things and check out the systems as are needed.

Overall this is a special car to me and im sure it will be for the new owner. Its not often you can find a legit one owner, mostly original split. Please feel free to call me with any questions at 425-802-8682. Thank you for looking and good luck.



2018 BRCC Annual Picnic Hosted by Terry & Sandy Varner



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SATURDAY	7:00 AM - 2:00 PM
SUNDAY	CLOSED

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SUNDAY	CLOSED



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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.*

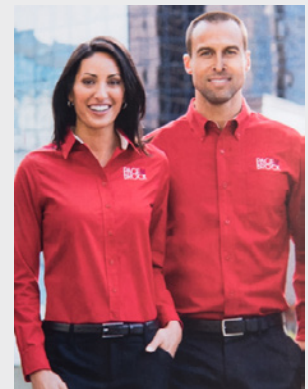
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Next Club Meeting July 5th

