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May 2018

CORVETTE CLUB

Newsletter



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BRAZOS RIVER CORVETTE CLUB
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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



Paula Mischel	May 6
Tori Schaneman	May 11
Tim Page	May 13
David Dowell	May 15
Ed Pultorak	May 16
David Penwell	May 22

Anniversaries

Robert & Susie Williams May 2



Happy Anniversary!!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Tim Jacksy

CORVETTES AND CO-WORKERS

I had a Co-worker in about 1980 that bought a C3 coupe. He brought it by my house to show it to me. I was very impressed. I was driving a Datsun 280Z 4 speed manual at the time. Never thinking about getting myself a Corvette.



In around 2003 I had another Co-worker that bought a Corvette this one was a C5 Convertible. He took me for a ride in it with the top down. Again, very impressed. This time I started thinking about getting one. I was driving a Volvo 940 with 200,000 miles on it at this time. I decided why not trade the Volvo in on a Corvette just to see if I would like having one. Thinking I might not like it I started looking at older Corvettes that had already depreciated. So, in 2004 I traded the used-up Volvo in on a 1994 Coupe with an automatic, Torch Red. Of course, I loved it and the color. My Co-worker with the C5 said “you just joined a new family”. Not sure what he meant at the time I do now.

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

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Tim Jacksy

MESSAGE FROM THE Vice PRESIDENT BETH BATISTA



And another thing I love about my Vette is driving it. I enjoy the feel of the car and appreciate the responsiveness of being behind the wheel.

Last year, I test-drove a new Tesla to see what all the fuss was about. It's wicked fast off the line and the technology is awesome. I experimented with some of the "bells and whistles" of the car, including the Autopilot Convenience Feature which allows the car to automatically steer and change lanes on the highway. When this is paired with cruise control, the car essentially drives itself down the road. When I put all of these functions to work, the car did, indeed, drive itself down the road. In fact, recently, a Tesla owner decided to let the car do all the driving when he set the car to drive, then swapped into the passenger seat, put his feet up on the dash and his hands behind his head. Well, he was caught in the act of not being a "fully attentive driver" and was arrested. For me, the experience of letting the car drive itself, it was a bit unnerving as I was being driven down Central Expressway in Dallas without my hands on the steering wheel. It was very cool, but it was like the driver was not really meant to be an integral part of the car, which is one of the best parts of driving my Vette. I hope Chevrolet will always let the Corvette be a driver's car.

Be sure to join us for the re-scheduled lunch cruise to Loco Coyote, this Saturday, May 5. Meet up at the Starbucks on 377 at 10:00 for a 10:30 departure. Radios tuned to 5-0. I don't want to see any of the drivers hanging out in the passenger seat! ☺

Beth Batista

FEBRUARY 1ST BRCC MINUTES

Brazos River Corvette Club Meeting April 5, 2018

The Brazos River Corvette Club meeting was held on April 5, 2018 at Harbor Lakes Country Club.

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

The 2018 President Tim Jacksy called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM and welcomed everyone in attendance.

No guest were present.

Twenty four members were present. New Members present were Joel and Pam McLean, Cindy and Jim Morris, James Robinson, and Mary and Allen Kettlehut. They spoke about the corvettes they owned.

Reports:

The March minutes by Tim Jacksy are posted on the web site. Gary Sheppard made a motion to accept the March 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. Terry Varner made the motion to accept the current Treasurer's report and Tom Limroth seconded it. All present unanimously approved the Treasurer's report. No members opposed the report.

Committee Reports:

Events/Cruise

Beth spoke about the April 7th cruise to Loco Coyote to be led by Tim Jacksy. We are to meet at 10:00 AM in the Starbucks parking lot. The cruise will leave at 10:30 AM. Bring your radio and set it to channel 5. Neal Bellamy has a cruise planned for April 15th to Cowtown Vettes annual show held at The Lost Oak Winery. Plan on meeting at the Krogers parking lot at 1:00 PM to depart at 1:30 PM. The entry fee is \$10.00 and you can bring a picnic lunch, ice chest and chairs. Neal also spoke about The Lone Star Corvette Classic show on May 18,19,20th. It is being held at the Texas Motor Speedway. There are many activities.

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

Jim Hill explained that he and Sharon will be unable to do the car show this October. Jim received many volunteers to help them out this year. His son will continue to make the trophies. Jim encouraged the members to read the newsletter. Jim also spoke highly of Classic Chevrolet. James Robinson gave them a good report too.



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

Member Care:

Sandy Varner had nothing to report.

NCCC Governor:

Neal Bellamy spoke above.

Webmaster:

Sandy Varner updated the web calendar.

Club Merchandise:

Larry Sharp can order name tags and shirts.

Old Business:

Tim said the Hico cruise had 15 vettes and the weather was perfect. The General Granbury parade went well.

New Business:

Tim has information on a fully restored 1954 red corvette. Please speak with him if you are interested. Terry Varner has a cruise planned in May or June. It will be a three day event to east Texas. He is looking into Washington-on-the Brazos State Historic Sight, a working farm, possibly including Crockett, Jefferson and College Station. He will have more details later as he finalizes the trip.

Open Discussion:

Beth will hand out directories to new members. Jim will take your photograph and he needs a bio from new members. Our second annual Labor Day picnic will be hosted by Kerri and Donny Lawson at their home on Saturday September 1st.

Charity Raffle:

Beth Batista won the raffle.

Tim thanked everyone for attending.

Adjourn:

Larry Sharp made the motion to close the meeting and Terry Varner seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM by President Tim Jacksy.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary

Kimberly Sheppard

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
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June

July 15 - 20	NCCC Convention, New Orleans
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Aug ?	Steamboat Springs Colorado.	Tim Jacksy	817-235-8605
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Sept

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		

* Help us fill this up *

CORVETTE OPINIONS & STUFF SEEN FROM PAST ARTICLES

The Corvette is America's only true original sports car. The Viper got killed off (once again) last year and the Camaro and Mustang only recently became good enough all around cars to even be considered "sports cars" because before that they were only Pony cars that could handle okay and had decent power, but were never competitors to Porsche and Ferrari the way that Corvettes are. Speaking of which, the Corvette Racing team is the most successful sports car racing team in history, winning more championships than any of their rivals. Being that the Corvette has been in continuous production since 1953, I'd say they've got a pretty good thing going on. Each generation the car has gotten substantially better and improved where the previous generation lacked. The Corvette is America's only true sports car, and it's a hard value to beat for what it offers driving enthusiasts. I'm looking forward to seeing where the future takes Corvette.

You should definitely go test drive a C5-C7, even though any of the generations would probably suffice. I've owned 2 C5 Corvettes and they were the best cars I've ever owned and are sure to put a big smile on your face. Especially considering the fact that they can be had in good condition for around 15-20 grand. I say you only live on this earth once, so you should look into buying one. That's one thing you won't regret, because given how much time we spend in our cars each day, it should be something that you enjoy and something that offers an escape from the norms of society, something the Corvette offers in plenty. Take it from me, it will feel like the best purchase of your life.

Allen Lineberry, 57, and his family were doing their last family vacation with his wife before his two daughters were to move out and start college. They were heading to Chicago, but stopped at the National Corvette Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky. Lineberry decided to make a little gamble while touring the museum and bought a raffle ticket for the just released C6 Corvette. "My wife and girls could not believe I would spend a \$100 on a small piece of paper ... but I figured it was as close to a 'vette as I would ever be," he said. After their road trip, Lineberry got a phone call that he had won the car in the raffle drawing. "This was perfect timing, it just has two seats and its just enough," he said.

At 12, Eddie Hicks would see his friend's uncle, Harry, drive around town in a Corvette, a new model every two years. "Everyone in town would wait with anticipation to see what the next one was like," he said. It was his lifelong dream to own a car like Uncle Harry's. Upon retirement, Hicks, 71, finally got a red 2013 coupe. "I drive it around town, a much bigger town. I can see people pointing and talking about my Corvette and I wonder if they are pointing at me, like Uncle Harry, and saying 'One of these days I am going to get me one of those,'" he said. "All sports cars look good, but a Corvette is truly 'America's sports car.' The history, the clubs, the events and most importantly just the fun of driving it," Hicks said.

From a timeless classic, to an affordable buy, Corvettes have been a part of some people's lives for decades, and they continue to leave an impression on car enthusiasts.

1953 Corvette Inline 6 **Fast? Not so much.**

The Chevrolet Corvette debuted in 1953 as a hand-built, “polo white” convertible with a “sportsman red” interior, and as sports cars go, it was a bit of a dog. With styling that could easily turn heads, the ‘Vette lacked the guts to back up its looks, with an underpowered 235 cubic inch inline 6-cylinder under the hood.

But true to the American spirit, there are few car-based problems that a big V8 and lots of horsepower can’t fix, and the Corvette has followed that timeless formula ever since, much to the joy of car fans from sea to shining sea.

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1955 Corvette V8

While the Corvette did debut two years earlier, many claim that it became a true sports car legend with a V8 under the hood, and we’d agree. For 1955, Chevy offered their now iconic fiberglass-bodied sports car with a 265-cubic-inch engine as an option in 1955, proving that the ‘Vette could handle the best the world had to offer. Equipped with the three-speed manual transmission, 0-60 time improved from 11-seconds with the inline-6 to 8.5 with the V8. This upgrade in performance likely saved the Corvette from being axed from the Chevy stable, and we’re more than thankful for that.

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INTERIOR	EBONY
MILES	21,733
VIN	1G1YS2DW4A5100820
STOCK NUMBER	100820
BODY DESCRIPTION	2DR CPE Z16 GRAND SPORT W/3LT
ENGINE	6.2L
DRIVE WHEELS	RWD
TRANSMISSION	6-SPEED MANUAL

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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 May 3rd

