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“The general purpose of CSCC is to encourage planned trips, events and social activities for members of CSCC; to act as a source of technical information; to establish rules and regulations covering all activities of CSCC; to provide and regulate events and exhibitions of Corvettes; and to encourage careful and skillful driving on public highways; and to own personal property as needed for the foregoing purposes.”

Meeting Information

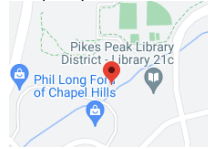
Monthly business meetings are scheduled the first Thursday of the month.

The next meeting:

7:00 P.M. Thursday, Sept. 7, 2023

Meeting Location

Mike Maroone Chevrolet North
1570 Auto Mall Loop, Colorado Springs, CO 80920
(719) 377-3741



[click here for map](#)

Hello Corvette Enthusiast,

Board Meetings

Meetings are held the Tuesday prior to the business meeting.

The next board meeting:

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

Anita Smith

12202 Goodson Rd

Colorado Springs, CO 80908

(The chairperson for each event should attend the board meeting prior to their event.)

100 Members Present at the August Meeting

Curt Abernatha	Brian Dahl	John Gue	Dan McCarty	Michael Smith
Don Adametz	Nani De Felice	Doug Hantelman	Linda McCarty	Steve Smith
John Amen	Pete De Felice	Joni Hantelman	Rick McGuffin	Karl Soneson
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Gail Creighbaum	Tony Gonzalez	Lori Marriner	Anita Smith	Ronald Wynn
Jane Creighbaum	Jeff Gray	Rick Marriner	Jeff Smith	Debbie Yale
Scott Cronk	Susan Gray	Dean Mattes	Julia Smith	Gary Yale

Guests At the August Meeting – Welcome!

Name	Corvette
Skip Morgan	1965 Nassau Blue Coupe
Wayne Ebert	1992 White Coupe
Dick McGraw	1998 Silver Coupe
Daniel Selman	2005 Victory Red Coupe
John & Linda Nelson	2019 Blue Grand Sport
Lelvin Crowe (L.C.)	1979, 1981, 1991

***** Annual CSCC Membership Renewal*****

Coming soon – look for your membership renewal notice in the mail in September.

Payments are due no later than Thursday October 5, 2023. Make it easy - Bring to the October meeting Or Mail to Anita Smith, Treasurer as instructed on the renewal notice.

August Meeting Minutes

The August meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Chris Capshaw.

Thank you goes to Maroone Chevrolet-North, and anonymous door prize donors. Several door prizes were enthusiastically selected by the meeting attendee winners! Also, thank you to Maroone Chevrolet-North for providing chairs and pre-meeting snacks.

Treasurer's Report – Anita Smith

The budget did not change much from July. The club is still comfortable.

Secretary Report – Jodi DeSchepper

No corrections or updates to the July 2023 minutes. The July minutes were approved as posted. Thank you to everyone who has sent in articles and please continue to send Jodi any articles or information you would like to see in the newsletter.

Past Events

Black Hills Corvette Classic – Chris Capshaw Took place July 12-16. Had about a dozen cars and 23 people. A show of hands of those who attended and if they thought it was worth the drive. Everyone responded yes and that they had a great time. Chris mentioned that next year the extended event will be the National Corvette Caravan to Bowling Green.

Highway Beautification – Ted Severn

Ted and Gary Walters are the chairs. 23 members with 7 Corvettes and couple of other cool vehicles attended. Thank you to everyone who helped. With all the help it was completed in about 1 and ½ hours and only a couple of snake appearances. Next time will ask for it to be mowed ahead of time.

New Business

Christmas Gift Cards – Brent Renholm

This is the 41st year of this community event. It is only possible with the members donations and the donations we receive from High School homecoming events. The club presents \$50 gift cards to 11 or 12 schools in the region to help families in need. We usually can help out about 125 families however last year we will be able to help 140. If possible, please add some additional funds to your club renewal for this worthy cause.

Music on the Mesa – Greg Sheldon

Guest Greg Sheldon who is a Corvette owner asked for several Corvettes to feature in a Corvette display at Gold Hill Mesa on Aug. 12th. Anyone in the display will get a ticket to the concert and professional pictures will be taken. This will take place from 3 – 7. He will be sending out an email with details.

Museum Update – Barrett Benson

Barrett is back after his two hip replacements. He was able however to attend the convention at the NCM. He was named Master Ambassador once again. This prestigious title is only possible if members inform Barrett if they have insurance through the NCM and if they add his name when purchasing raffle tickets or attending other events. Barrett

stated that the new CEO is a real go getter when raising money. Barrett will be traveling back to the NCM for the Hall of Fame inductions over Labor Day. He also mentioned that the club is an annual supporter of the NCM and receives 6 free tickets to the NCM so if you are planning on visiting the NCM please contact Barrett for a free ticket. Also, he has several different raffle tickets for sale.

New Cars – Upgrades – Special News:

Mike and Diana Dittman bought Pete De Felice's beautiful and award winning 2017 Long Beach Red Metallic C7. They are in love with it.

Bob Bell purchased a 2023 70th Anniversary C8.

John Amen purchased a 1965 coupe from Florida to join his other Corvettes. It currently does not have a motor, but he is looking forward to restoring it.

Jeanne Urban's granddaughter was a NCCC scholarship winner. Congratulations Sophia!

Jim Mesite's grandson also was a NCCC scholarship winner. Congratulations Brad!

Governors Report – Walt Jenkins

First off Walt mentioned that he was very proud of his son who went into the Navy August 1st.

RMR Update: RMR is hosting a car show at Ft. Lupton on Sept. 2 and autocross at PPIR on Sept. 3.

NCCC Update: 12 members from the region attended the convention in Bowling Green. Was a great time even with a tornado and rain. Please visit the NCCC website and review the proposed changes to the bylaws and rule book. Provide Walt with any feedback you have.

Upcoming Club Events & Activities:

August 12 – Maroone Charity Corvette Show – Rick McGuffin Please plan on attending this club charity show. There will be 3 awards presented in each of the 9 classes. Just a few volunteers are still needed. Please talk to Rick. Please Pre-register online. Remember that pre-registering is not a firm commitment, it just helps greatly with show organization. All the entry fees will be matched by CSCC and Maroone Chevrolet. Also, a big thank you to Maroone Chevrolet as they are covering all the expenses for the show. Please send your registration fee to Anita.

August 19 – Inn at the Garden Plaza Car Show – Chris Capshaw Please consider signing up for this neat car show at the retirement home. It is free and they will have trophies, cash prizes, food, and special entertainment. It is a joy seeing the residents' eyes light up seeing all the Vettes.

Sept. 23 – Gunnison Getaway – Todd DeSchepper Please plan on attending the 2nd year of this event. There will be a car show and rallye featuring Todd's stupid, fun games. Please pre-register and send money to Anita. It should be a fun event for all.

October 15 – Fall Autocross – Walt Jenkins. This will be a blast as it is on the inside track at PPIR. Please register online. Come on out to run, be a passenger or just enjoy watching others.

November 5 – S'No Flake Rally – Dan and Linda McCarty. Dan and Linda performed a cute and creative skit to teach members about the upcoming Rally. Registration will be online very soon. More information in the coming months as the skit continues.

New Members – Tom Phillips

Guests in attendance were, Skip Morgan, Wayne Ebert, Dick McGraw, Daniel Selman, John & Linda Nelson, and Lelvin Crowe. Thank you all for visiting and welcome to the club, Skip, Wayne, Dick, and Daniel.

Good News – Bad News Suitcase Auction. The suitcase with a winning bid of \$40 went to Pete De Felice. The suitcase held many impressive items. Pete will bring it back in 2 months to be auctioned off again.

Mike Bochnak informed members that there are several other car events happening in the region. Please check out the other shows taking place including the car show at Fort Carson next Saturday.

Tony Gonzalez presented Chris Capshaw with a six pack of beer from Spearfish brewery in thanks for all that Chris did to organize the trip to the Black Hills Classic. They had a great time even if their trip to Sioux Falls was a little rough.

Tom Phillips still has some Corvette picture frames for sale at \$70 a piece.

Please be sure to check out the events calendar on the CSCC website.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes by Jodi DeSchepper



September / October 2023 Calendar

Sat	Sep 2-4	RMR Weekend	Lorren Loewen
Tue	Sep 5	CSCC Board Meeting	Anita Smith
Thu	Sep 7	7 pm CSCC Club Meeting	Mike Maroone Chevrolet North
Sat	Sep 23	Gunnison Getaway	Todd & Jodi DeSchepper
Tue	Oct 3	CSCC Board Meeting	Lorren Loewen
Thu	Oct 5	7 pm CSCC Club Meeting	Mike Maroone Chevrolet North
Sun	Oct 15	CSCC Fall Autocross	Don Adametz and Walt Jenkins

Calendar dates as of August 15, 2023.

For the latest updates, flyers, and pictures, check out events on our webpage: www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org

Nitrogen for your tires?

(This is a reprint from an article that I wrote back in 2015 for the club newsletter)

As an engineer, I often wonder about new technologies and why do we use them. Here's an education on nitrogen and tire pressure you may find interesting.

To fully understand why nitrogen is used in some tires and not in others, we need to understand a few basic principles. Hopefully, after you've read this, you will have enough information to make a decision if nitrogen is right for you.

Most of what you are breathing right now is Nitrogen (N), so yes, you already have nitrogen in your tires, 78% to be exact. The rest is mostly oxygen (21%). The nitrogen molecule is much larger than Oxygen and hot dog shaped, so it stands to reason that the oxygen leaks out from the small pores in your rubber tires faster, leaving your tire underinflated in just a few months.

If you are lazy and refuse to check your tires monthly, maybe nitrogen is for you, but read on. Your tires inflate and deflate all by themselves, based on ambient temperature, about 1 psi for every 10 degrees. Cold tire pressures can vary by as much as 5psi without doing anything, regardless of what gas is in the tires so seasonal pressure checks are important.

There are some other benefits to Nitrogen. It is a gas that carries no moisture, compared with Oxygen. Heat in a tire is less affected by pressure if there is no moisture in it. If you have an old classic car with 40-year old tires, having nitrogen in them can help with less corrosion of both the wheel and the steel components in the tire. Racing with nitrogen allows for less pressure variations as the tires heat up and can be a benefit. Aircraft use only Nitrogen because it reduces the severity of fire with their magnesium wheels in a blown tire scenario.

If your tire has Nitrogen, it may have a green dot on the valve cap. You will have to increase or rarely even decrease your tire's pressure just due to seasonal temperatures if you have pure nitrogen or not. You should air up your tires to match the sticker on the driver's door or door pillar—NOT THE SIDE OF THE TIRE. Noted tire pressures are adjusted for the weight of your vehicle. The temperature of the tire should be cold—not in your garage cold, for the reading to be correct. You can adjust for the temperature in your garage by adding 1psi for each 10 degrees colder it is outside. Also, never trust your tire pressures after you get the car back from getting new tires—check them yourself the next morning when they are cold.

Atmospheric pressure also has a huge effect on tire pressures too, so if you travel to sea level from 6000 feet in Colorado, your tires may need to be re-inflated and vice-versa upon returning home. Keeping your tires inflated properly will ensure longer life and best handling when needed for cornering or braking.

Bottom line is, in my opinion, if you keep your pressures maintained and check them no later than every two months, it's probably not worth the extra expense.

Tom Ury, CMfgE

Colorado Springs Corvette Club

Thank you so much for the lovely peace lily in memory of my mother, Dorothea Kangas.

Your thoughtfulness and kindness from this club means a lot to Ron and me.

Jeanne Urban



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Non-member Business Ads:

Business Card	\$10.00/month
1 / 4 page	\$15.00/ month
1 / 2 page	\$20.00/month

For website & newsletter advertising (Deadline – 10th of the month)

Black Hills Corvette Classic

Submitted by Chris Capshaw

We had a good number of members attend the 52nd annual Black Hills Corvette Classic in Spearfish, South Dakota between July 12th and July 16th. A total of twenty-three members in twelve Corvettes participated and had a wonderful time. Many took the opportunity to tour local attractions like Devil's Tower, and Mount Rushmore. There were events like a murder mystery, a diamond give-away, drag races, autocrosses, and a show and shine car show. A shout-out to Todd DeSchepper took second place in autocross for C8 Corvettes. Social events were also held, which allowed our members to mingle with other Corvette enthusiasts, from all over the United States and Canada. This event happens every year and is certainly one you want to add to your Corvette bucket list.



Get to Know Your Fellow Members

An Interview with Mark Forbes

Submitted by Diana Dittman

How long have you been a CSCC member? **Rejoined CSCC in January of 2023. Was a previous member in the early 2000's.**

What Corvette(s) do you currently own or have owned? **Currently own a 2019 Elkhart Lake Blue Z06. Has had a '77, '63, 2002, and 2015.**

Marital Status? **Jean and Mark have been together for 35 years, married for the last 10 years.**

How did you meet? **Jean and Mark met at work. (Digital). Fellow CSCC member Walt J. also worked there. Mark said that he was very shy at the time. Walt threw Mark a 30th birthday party and asked Mark if he should invite Jean. Mark said sure and worked up the nerve to finally talk to Jean. Their first date was a bicycle ride to black forest and back. Jean was an avid bicyclist. Mark said that he also did some riding. In the mid 90's they both sold their houses and built a house together.**

Where are you from? **Mark was born in Michigan, but grew up in Biloxi, Mississippi. While working for Digital in Massachusetts he decided that he wanted to move and transferred to Digital in Colorado Springs. Jean is a Colorado native, born in Denver, and has always lived in Colorado.**

Employment? **Mark was a software engineer for 38 years. He was with Digital for 18 years, then with Quantum for another 18 years. He finished up at Western Digital and retired from there. Jean was also a software engineer, but then got tired of high tech and went to work as a veterinarian technician for 20 years. She is also retired.**

Kids? **No**

Pets? **4 cats named Zendal, Widget, Pete, and Artemus. (all rescues).**

Favorite club activity? **Enjoys the cruises the most.**

Hobbies? **Mark and Jean are both avid bicyclists. They have ridden in South Africa, Alaska, Arizona, Oregon, New Mexico, Montana, Wyoming, Utah and all over Colorado. Mark also does photography. He has built a 3-D racing simulator as well. Jean likes to garden and does woodworking.**

What is the best vacation you ever took? **They went on a Safari in South Africa, Zimbabwe, and Botswana.**

What is your dream corvette? **Mark currently has a C8 being built, torch red. When production is done it will be shipped from Bowling Green to Callaway in California for a supercharger. Update: his C8 was built on June 30th.**

How did your love of Corvettes come about? **Mark said that when he was 18 years old he came across a 1965, no engine or transmission. He wanted it, but had no place to store it. Since then he vowed that he would own a Corvette someday.**

Thanks for the interview Mark.



COLORADO SPRINGS CORVETTE CLUB

Gunnison Corvette Rallye and Car Show

Date: September 23, 2023

Poker Rallye - - - # RM-183-R08

Saturday, September 23rd – 2:00 PM (MDT)
\$25 per Car

People's Choice Car Show - - -# RM-183-R07

Saturday, September 23rd – 10:00 AM (MDT)
\$25 per Car

Both Events - - - \$45.00



REGISTRATION OPENS: June 15th, 2023 - [Link to Register](#)

ON-LINE REGISTRATION CLOSES: Midnight - - - September 21, 2023

Registration will also available at the event.

Information (as follows) for Rallye – Start will be conducted at the host hotel: Tech Inspection 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM on September 22, 2023, or at the Car Show Driver's Meeting at 1:45 PM - - - on September 23, 2023
First Car Out at/before 2:00 PM - - - on September 23, 2023

HOST HOTEL

Comfort Inn & Suites Gunnison-Crested Butte (970) 642-1000
911 N. Main St., Gunnison, CO, 81230 Std Room Rate: \$149 + Tax (Do NOT book on line!) Limited Rooms – Reserve ASAP
(Ask for Corvette Club Rate)

Please pre-register on line, and send pre-payment for BOTH events to Todd DeSchepper.

NCCC RULES WILL BE USED FOR THE EVENT

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Additional registration will be conducted (for either/both events) at the host hotel from 3:30 – 5 PM on Sept 22, 2023 and from 9:00 – 10:00 AM on Sept 23, 2023.

Last minute entries will be taken at the car show, but all cars in the show must pay registration fee.
Last minute entries for the Rallye will be taken during the Car Show.

Non-NCCC members are not covered by NCCC insurance



The Colorado Springs Corvette Club of the
NCCC Rocky Mountain Region Presents:

Fall Autocrosses

4 Low Speed Autocrosses

\$30 per race or all 4 for \$110

Sunday – October 15, 2023

Pikes Peak International Speedway – Fountain, Colorado

Take I-25 to exit 122

Note that we will be using the INSIDE Track, not the parking lot!

Gates Open at 7:00 am, Autocross 1 starts at 9:00 am

Tech Inspection 7:30 to 8:30am
Drivers meeting 8:45am
Course is hot: following meeting

These will be work/run events.

All participants will be required to help
as requested.

Low Speed Autocross 1: Sanction # RM-183-007

Low Speed Autocross 2: Sanction # RM-183-008

Low Speed Autocross 3: Sanction # RM-183-009

Low Speed Autocross 4: Sanction # RM-183-010

Online Registration at:

<https://www.corvettesnccc.org/NCCCOnlineRegistration/Programs/Registration.php?eventId=15>

Registration closes at midnight on October 12, 2023

Checks payable to CSCC and mail to: Anita Smith 12202 GOODSON RD.
Colorado Springs, CO 80908

VENMO Payments can be made to @Anita-Smith-88

Exhaust: OPEN

Car numbers should be at least 6 inches tall, applied to both sides of the car, and of contrasting color from the car.

Snell Approved helmets not more than 10 years from date of manufacture are required for all events. Class 3 cars are required to have and Class 2 cars are suggested to have a Fire Extinguisher.

Safety and/or NCCC Rulebook infractions may result in disqualification or rejection from current and future event participation. No refunds will be made in this instance. Restrooms are available.

Note: Non-NCCC participants are NOT covered under NCCC Insurance

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treasurer@coloradospringscorvetteclub.org

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In order to limit the number of unsolicited emails, when at all possible, please refrain from using the "Reply All" function, and only reply to the original sender.

NCCC Rocky Mountain Region Website

[NCCC Rocky Mt Region Website](#)

For a list of Regional Officers, Regional Clubs, expanded list of the regional Calendar of Events, Event Results, Race Number registration form, Rules and Forms, NCCC news, and more, visit and stay informed.

This link is also available on the CSCC web site.



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