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# The Vette Set

Colorado Springs Corvette Club, Inc. News

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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, April 6, 2023 Meeting Location

Mike Maroone Chrevrolet 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, April 4, 2023

Tom Phillips 1645 Pinon Glen Circle Colorado Springs, CO 80919 (Chris' HOA Clubhouse)

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

#### 76 Members Present at the March Meeting

Curt Abernatha Don Adametz Brenna Allen Joshua Allen John Amen Gail Applekamp Scott Applekamp Robert Balink Todd Barnhardt Juanita Bochnak Manfred Bradley Ve Etta Bradley Tad Brown Mike Burks Jean Cantu John Cantu Chris Capshaw Jonathan Capshaw Gail Creighbaum Jane Creighbaum Nani De Felice Pete De Felice

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Larry Valentine Gary Walters Colleen Williams John Williams Lynn Wittrock Debra Wynn Ronald Wynn Debbie Yale Gary Yale Jimmy Zajicek

# Guests At the March Meeting – Welcome!

NameCorvetteKeith Knudson1992 White Convertible



#### **March Meeting Minutes**

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

Chris thanked Maroone Chevrolet and anonymous door prize donors.

Winter Member of the Season: Sponsored by Maroone mangers Curt Abernatha and Rich Frizzell: The "Winter Member of the Season" winner was Scott Cronk. Scott won a free oil change and a full auto detailing from Maroone.

#### Treasurer's Report - Anita Smith

Anita said anticipated 2023 annual budget is on track. The club is still very comfortable.

#### Secretary Report - Chris Capshaw

No corrections or updates to the February 2023 minutes. February minutes approved as printed. Chris encouraged members to submit ideas for a newsletter article, reminding them submissions need to be in by or before the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.

#### **Past Events**

Dub Bridge Night on February 11th: Winnie Bochnak: Thanks to Winnie and Mike for providing a location for a fun night with Corvette enthusiasts! Great company, everyone brought something to munch on, and beverages were available to all 32 who participated. Low Woman and Low Man "winners" were Barb Hoeppner and Mike Bochnak. Second place winners were Debbie Helus and Steve Smith. The first-place recipients were High Woman, Alta Olejnik and High Man, Tom Hoeppner. All are encouraged to attend next year!

#### New Business Museum Update – Chris Capshaw

Chris reported that Barrett is recovering from surgery. There are still raffle tickets to purchase. Chris printed out raffle forms which include Barrett's name if anyone is interested.

#### New Cars - Upgrades - Special News:

Tom Phillips won the drawing at the Christmas club party for a C8 allocation from Maroone and has a black with red interior C8 convertible scheduled for delivery around May 1<sup>st</sup>!

Richard Palkovic is on the list for a new C8.

Tom Phillips has Corvette signs available that sell for \$95 - \$120 and members receive a club price of \$70.00. He has 6 signs: 3 Stingray and 3 Corvette signs in different colors.

#### **Governors Report - Walt Jenkins**

NCCC Update: All should have received new President Deb Murphy's email. She succeeds Dale Samuelson, previous NCCC president. NCCC has 16 regions with 17,520 members and 233 clubs. Scholarship applications for college candidates closes May 1st. National convention is in Bowling Green, Kentucky, at the National Corvette Museum, June 24th – July 2nd. 650 have signed up now and it is anticipated to be one of the larger Corvette enthusiast gatherings held this year.

Non-NCCC members are not covered by NCCC insurance. Waivers at events MUST be signed by each individual participant. Friends or spouses cannot sign waivers for each other. New judging guidelines have been adopted for shows and racing. A reminder that your children and grandchildren are eligible for the Future Corvette Owners Association.

#### **Upcoming Club Events & Activities:**

March 21st: Tech Night: Larry Valentine; 4:00 – 8:00pm at Tom Ury's place; 4412 Valli Vista Road, Colorado Springs, 80915. Bring your car and helmet for inspection.

March 25<sup>th</sup>: Highway beautification; Chris Capshaw; starts around 9:00am, at 5510 South US Hwy 85 / 87, Colorado Springs, 80911. The more participants, the faster we will get done with our trash pickup! Everyone is encouraged to come out and get your "steps" in for the day and have a good time with club members; and maybe you'll find some money on the side of the road!

April 23<sup>rd</sup>: Cone Zone Autocross: Larry Valentine; Gates open at 7:00AM, registration and tech starts at 8:00am, driver meeting at 9:30am, and first autocross at 10:00am. Check out this YouTube video by club member Jordan Uzzo from last year to see the fun! (176) Cone Zone 2022. Colorado Springs Corvette Club Autocross. - YouTube

May 13<sup>th</sup>: Fun In The Sun Car Show; Rick McGuffin & Scott Cronk: Rick reported 45 cars registered so far. Need more judges to volunteer. There will be an overview meeting for judges to be announced about a week before the show. Show will be held on east side of Maroone parking lot. Online registration closes midnight May 11<sup>th</sup>. Let's all get out to this event and show support for our sponsor Maroone Chevrolet-North!

#### **New Members - Tom Phillips**

Guests in attendance were Keith Knudson. Thank you for visiting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Minutes by Scott and Gail Applekamp



# April/May 2023 Calendar

Sat Mar 25 **Highway Beautification** Gary Walters and Ted Severn Tue April 4 **CSCC** Board Meeting Tom Phillips Mike Maroone Chevrolet North Thu April 6 7 pm CSCC Club Meeting Sun April 23 **CSCC Cone Zone Autocross** Valentine's and Ury's Tue May 2 **CSCC** Board Meeting Walt Jenkins May 4 7 pm CSCC Club Meeting Mike Maroone Chevrolet North Thu Scott Cronk and Rick McGuffin Sat May 13 CSCC Fun in the Sun Corvette Show

Calendar dates as of March15, 2023.

For the latest updates, flyers, and pictures, check out events on our webpage: <a href="www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org">www.coloradospringscorvetteclub.org</a>

#### 18th Annual Dub Bridge Card Game

Submitted by Winnie Bochnak

The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Dub Bridge Card Game was held on February 11, 2023. There were 32 people that attended this event. Before starting the card game, all of us enjoyed snacking on all the delicious goodies that everyone brought. Numbers were drawn to see what table you were to start at. We had a couple of new players and our competitive ones. It was a fun time, and we thank you for coming and making this a successful event. The winners and losers received trophies and cash prizes. We also gave out a few door prizes.

Those in attendance were-- Steve D./Dave & Phyllis U./Pete & Nani D./Pete & Alta O./ Anne & Bud S./ Debbie & Gary Y./ Larry & Gwenda V./ Debbie & Calvin H/ Lorren & Laurie L./ Scott & Gail A./Mike & Diana D./ Barb & Tom H./ Tom & Vicki U./ Steve & Anita S./ Denise P./ Jane C./Roger M./ Mike & Winnie B./and our Sargent of Arms Jerry P. & Gail C.

<u>WINNERS</u> - 1<sup>st</sup> Place-High Man & High Woman - Tom Hoeppner & Alta Olejnik 2<sup>nd</sup> Place-High Man & High Woman- Steve Smith & Debbie Helus Last Place- Low Man & Low Woman – Mike Bochnak & Barb Hoeppner















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

Non-member – Corvette For Sale Advertising \$100/month For website & newsletter advertising (Deadline – 10<sup>th</sup> of the month)



## TheColorado Springs Corvette Club of The Rocky Mountain NCCC Region Presents:





# \*\*Cone Zone Autocross\*\* 3 Low Speed Autocrosses

#### Sunday – April 23, 2023

Pikes Peak International Raceway, West VIP Parking Lot 16650 Midway Ranch Road, Fountain, CO 80817 I-25 @ Exit 122



### Gates Open at 7:00am

#### Registration and Tech Inspection:

8:00am to 9:15am

\*\*Autocross Driver's Meeting at 9:30am



Autocross 1 - 10:00 am Lunch - After Autocross 1 - on your own Autocross 2 & 3 - After lunch

> Autocrosses = \$25 each Enter all 3 Autocrosses = \$65

#### Online Registration at:

https://www.corvettesnccc.org/NCCCOnlineRegistration/Programs/Registration.php?eventId=1 OnlineRegistration closes at midnight on Thursday, April 20, 2023

> Low Speed Autocross 1: NCCC Sanction # RM-183-001 Low Speed Autocross 2: NCCC Sanction # RM-183-002 Low Speed Autocross 3: NCCC Sanction # RM-183-003

#### Exhaust: OPEN

Car numbers need to 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. Fire Extinguisher required for Group 3 cars, suggested for Group 2.

\*All Times are Mountain Daylight Time

Trophies for Autocross - \$20.00 each

#### Chairpersons:

Autocross 1: Larry Valentine, |gvalentine66@msn.com, 719-229-5244 Autocross 2:Tom Ury, tfury@comcast.net, 719-210-1630 Autocross 3:Vicki Ury, vlury@comcast.net, 719-233-3081

Co-Chair: Gwenda Valentine Co-Chair: Larry Valentine Co-Chair: Tom Ury

Governor: Walt Jenkins, waltienkins@comcast.net, 719-337-1143

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## We've Got Winners! Submitted by Chris Capshaw

Not only is driving our Corvettes, and participating in events fun, but we can earn recognition and prizes too. On March 11th, the Rocky Mountain Region recognized the top region members for 2022, and many of our members went home with prizes ranging from Adams car care products, to very nice custom leather jackets. In the overall championship category, which includes standings from all event categories, our club was well represented. In the men's division, Steve Smith was 6th, Roger Miller 7th, Scott Lewis 8th, Walt Jenkins 9th, Lorren Loewen 10th, and John Ames 11th. In the ladies' division; Anita Smith was 2nd, Anne Lewis 3rd, Laurie Loewen 4th, Roxann Dearman 7th, Pam Dougherty 9th, Vicki Ury 12th, Jeanne Urban 14th, and Susan Umland 15th. Steve and Anita Smith also took top honors in the Rally category, while Rick McGuffin and Diana Dittman were the top Car Show winners. Rick McGuffin spoke about how much fun he had competing in car shows, and the great people he met while doing so. Rick also publicly thanked Tom Hanon for his friendship and being Rick's inspiration to compete. The greatest award was the last to be announced. Steve and Anita Smith were the recipients of the Region Executive Officer's Award, for their contributions to the Rocky Mountain Region.

# CSCC Annual Tech Inspection Night for 2023 Season

When: Tuesday, March 21, from 4pm to 8pm

At: Tom and Vicki Ury's Garage, 4412 Valli Vista Road, Colo. Spgs, (719-210-1630 if lost)

Remember to bring you helmet for inspection.

Watch your email for more information.

Larry Valentine



# **CSCC Highway Beautification**

March 25 – CSCC Highway Beautification Community Service 9:00 am. We will be working our assigned section of Highway 85/87 in Security. The club supplies orange vests, pickup tongs, and trash bags; plan on 1-1/2 hours work time, depending on trash and how many Corvette club helpers show up. Hope to see you there, Gary and Ted.

Please come out and help the community.





# The 31st Annual "Fun In The Sun" Corvette Concourse D'Elegance Car Show

Concourse - Street & Show - Wash & Show

May 13th, 2023

MAROONE CHEVROLET NORTH

Cost: \$25.00

# Mike Maroone Chevrolet North

1570 Auto Mall Loop, Colo Spngs, CO 80920

On Site Registration Opens At 8:00 am & Closes At 9:45 am
Register Online At:

https://www.corvettesnccc.org/NCCCOnlineRegistration/Programs/Registration.php?eventId=9

Online Registration Closes At Midnight Thursday, May 11th NCCC Sanction #RM-183-005



Drivers Meeting at 9:45 am
Rags Down & Judging Begins at 10:00 am
Trophies & Classifications According to NCCC Guidelines
Food service will be available

Chairperson: Scott Cronk
Chairperson: Rick McGuffin
Chief Judge: Chris Capshaw
Governor: Walt Jenkins
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# Get to Know Your Fellow Members An Interview with Gary & Jackie Benson

by Diana Dittman

How long have you been a CSCC member? Since April of 2021.

What Corvette(s) do you currently own or have owned? A 2010 Crystal Red Metallic Coupe.

Marital Status? 50 years! (Congratulations!)

How did you meet? Gary and Jackie knew each other in Junior High as acquaintances. In high school Jackie's family moved two doors down from Gary and his family. They started dating when they were Juniors in high school. They dated for six years and then tied the knot.

Where are you from? They both consider themselves natives as they have lived in Colorado Springs for 70 years. Gary was born in Kansas and moved here when he was one year old. Jackie was born in North Dakota and moved here as an infant as well.

Employment? Gary is a print operations manager at Compassionate International and has been there for 15 years. Before that he worked at Current in the pre-press room, press room, and as an engineering manager. He was there for 36 years. Jackie worked in retail sales and also as a teacher's aide at the elementary school level. She then took care of both her and Gary's aging fathers.

Kids? They have one daughter who works for Centura Health. Their granddaughters are 9, 7, and 3 years old. (They moved here a year and a half ago and enjoy spending time with them.)

Pets? No.

Favorite club activity? They enjoy going on the cruises and car shows.

Hobbies? Gary has always been a gear head. In the past he owned a Z28 Camaro and a built up 1971 El Camino. He has also owned 36 motorcycles at one time or another. He currently has 5 including two Harley's. He says, "They all share the garage with the Corvette." Gary and Jackie have ridden 150,000 miles all over the western states on their various big touring motorcycles.

What is the best vacation you ever took? They really enjoyed their Alaskan cruise that they took five years ago on the inside passage going to Juneau, Ketchikan and taking a helicopter ride to Mendenhall Glacier.

What is your dream corvette? Besides the one they own Gary's would be a 1967 435 horse power with side pipes, red with a black stinger and black interior. (I do believe he as thought this through quite a bit!)

How did your love of Corvettes come about? Since grade school he was always building model cars. Some of the guys that he hung around with had Corvettes and he wanted one too.

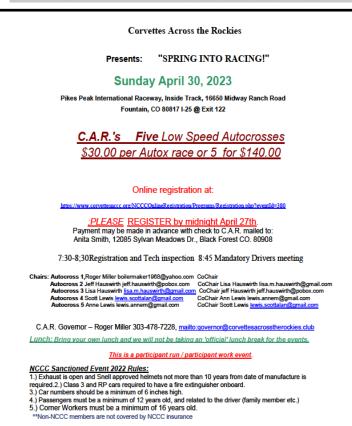
Anything else that you would like to add? They have enjoyed being in the club. They helped out with the Christmas gift cards and are volunteering at the upcoming Fun in the Sun show. They hope to join in more events so they can meet more members.

Thanks for the interview Gary.



# Please support other Corvette Clubs in our Region







May 27, DCA Corvettes on Colfax Car Show When Sat, May 27, 8am – 2pm Where 14500 E Colfax Ave, Aurora, CO 80011

May 28, DCA Memorial Autocross When Sun, May 28, 8am – 3pm Where 28057 Railroad St, La Junta, CO 81050

The weather is getting warmer so be sure to check out the calendar on the CSCC website, so you don't miss out on any of the fun events. Let's get out there and enjoy our Vettes!!

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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.

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