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## **Chairman's Message**

By Ted Wilm

Welcome to the latest edition of The Bonding Strip. This issue is packed with updates from the National Convention that was recently held in Hampton Roads, VA. If you were unable to attend the Convention this year, you missed a great event. This "must read" edition of The Bonding Strip is the next best thing to being at the Convention. You will read about what it was like to attend a portion of the road tour to the Convention, learn about several judging accomplishments and awards, and most of all, you will see our club members having a lot of fun, enjoying friendships, among the backdrop of several spectacular Corvettes.

With our Las Vegas Regional event and the National Convention now complete, your club remains hard at work. We hope that you are planning to attend our Fall Chapter Judging Meet at Singleton Classics in Costa Mesa, CA on September 20 and 21, 2024. We already have several Corvette owners that have registered their cars to be judged. We also have several judges that have registered to attend, though we always welcome new members to attend and assist with judging. If you have not signed up already, please consider joining us, as a judge, observer judge, or as a club member.

If you have been thinking about getting more involved in your club in 2025, now is the time to throw your hat in the ring for next year's board of director nominations and election. There are a few board members that are not able to run for re-election this upcoming year so there will be some openings. If you are interested in running for a position or just lending a hand in support of others, please do not hesitate to contact me. We can likely come up with an opportunity that will fit your personal talents and the time that you have to provide assistance.

We also hope to see you at our annual Holiday Brunch that will be held on December 15, 2024 at the San Juan Hills Golf and Country Club in San Juan Capistrano, CA. This event is always a great way to enjoy the holiday season. The sign-up form is included toward the end of this newsletter.

As the new year approaches, we hope to expand club attendance to car shows in our area and also offer some fun road tours for you to participate in. We plan on structuring these as "drop in" events, where all you would have to do is let us know you plan on attending, so we have a sense as to the number of members and Corvettes that will attend. More to come as we identify events and map out fun places to explore.

Your club is planning our Spring Chapter Judging Meet that will be held at Jessup Auto Plaza in Cathedral City, CA on March 28-29, 2025. March is a great time to visit the desert, and Jessup clears out the new car showroom so we can place Corvettes that will be judged on the showroom floor. For many Corvettes, it may have been 70 years since they were the stars of a Chevy dealer's new car showroom. It is awesome to see a big showroom full of classic Corvettes. Online registration will open on November 15, 2024 on the NCRS National website and advertising will appear in the December 2024 issue of the Driveline. We will begin to accept first come first served applications from Corvette owners to have cars judged and also begin to line up judges and observer judges. This event is one of our most popular judging locations so circle the date on your calendar and do not forget to sign up early.

For most of the country Labor Day is the unofficial end of Summer. Members in other parts of the Country take their Corvettes out for one last drive before readying the cars for winter hibernation. For our Southern California members – we have several months of great driving weather to go before we get to the end of 2024. Get behind the wheel and go for a drive! We hope to see you soon at one of our upcoming events!

## **Report from the Road – Experiencing the NCRS Canadian Road Tour to the National Convention in Hampton Roads, VA Lead by Kay and Scott Sinclair**

By Beverly LeGate

John and I flew into Chicago and after a day in the windy city, we drove to Sawyer, Michigan, the first leg of our national road trip. We are heading towards the NCRS Official Canadian Road Tour to the NCRS Hampton Roads National Convention.

Our first stop, Scott and Pam Kohn's home. Our hosts are the most kind and generous people and lots of fun. What a beautiful area of Michigan and seeing the size of Lake Michigan was a real eye opener. It's an ocean. The Kohn's led us on a tour of the beginning location of Corvette Central and how Jerry Kohn started it all in his garage. What a great story and still today, Corvette Central has continued to be a major sponsor of NCRS at our Regionals and Nationals. Thank you, Scott and Pam for continuing the tradition.



### **Road Tour - Day 2**

We just happened to see new C8s in transit to their new homes!



Next stop, the Antique Automobile Club of America Museum where Scott Kohn had personal family ties to the Tucker Car Company which was never to be. The Museum is also home to the NCRS Archives.

With Scott and Pam, we are headed to Hershey, PA for some chocolate at the Hershey Chocolate Museum. Eat it fast before it melts! Departing Hershey, we will meet up tonight with the Official Canadian Road Tour in Reading, PA and I have never seen so much beautiful greenery.

The lawns are huge and are amazing to see. Our California lawns could never compare to the scenery from Michigan to Pennsylvania.

### **Road Tour - Day 3**

Below is a picture of our group gathered for the morning instructions in Reading, PA as lead by Kay Sinclair, our Tour Leader.



We headed to Front Royal this evening to meet up with three more members. Kay Sinclair conducted our last morning meeting.



Twelve cars were broken up in two groups of cars. We are heading to our first stop of the day the Classic Auto Mall. A huge mall holding over 900 cars on consignment. Just bring money!



We now know where all the corn in the USA is grown it's amazing. Every state has just miles and miles of corn fields. Corn is in almost everything we eat.



Crossing over the Mighty Susquehanna River. It was so beautiful.



The great Shenandoah River Bridge was also beautiful to see. We drove thru the National Park and Skyline Blvd. was gorgeous. We stopped at Quaker Steak & Lube Restaurant for lunch. The restaurant had a 1954 hoisted high in the air. Then I noticed the Harley Davidson swinging high over my head like a fan. I did not like it. Upon leaving, we realized we missed our opportunity for Terry McManmon to conduct an Advanced Judging School.



Off to Rutters for a quick ice cream break and a bit of relaxing. I am loving having air conditioning this year! Then a stop at the Shenandoah National Park Overlook. John is looking over the overlook. It was a great view.





ZIP Products hosted all NCRS National Road Tours. What a wonderful layout of food. What a wonderful and beautiful facility. Great supporter of our National Road Tour. Thanks, ZIP, for sponsoring the National Road Tour and all you do!



Next stop our NCRS National Convention in Hampton Roads. Joe SantaMaria can mark another great year heading up the groups of National Road Tours to the Conventions. Then the Last Night Out party and awards and our National Road Tour came to an end. Kay and Scott Sinclair did a fantastic, amazing, superb job. Thank you for leading fourteen Corvettes safely to our final destination.

### **2024 National Convention Road Tour Hard Luck Award presented to Bob Brown and his 1959 Corvette**

By Bob Brown

I began my journey from the San Diego area. I would be on the road for three days in my 1959 enroute to Texarkana, where I would officially join the Texas road tour to the National Convention in Hampton, VA.

During this initial phase of my trip I had zero problems, however, when I met up with the Texas group, I noticed the charging system on volt meter cluster wasn't charging and my car would no longer turn over. Luckily, I had a Halo jump starter in my trunk and it was able to get the car started. I couldn't continue the road tour without first getting the charging system checked out. A quick Google search identified a magneto shop in the area. The road tour went ahead, and the next morning I was at the magnetos shop when it opened.

I hate to say it, they were zero help. I guess when I told the guy what my symptoms were and I would need my system diagnosed he misunderstood me. I told him I didn't know if it's a drag on the generator that is causing my problem, and he says he can have a voltage regulator for me in about three days for a cost of \$200. I said, "I can get one for \$54 from AutoZone". I figured he was just going to throw parts at the generator until it was fixed. So, I left.

Every time I had to start the engine, I needed to use the Halo. That evening at the road tour stop I ordered a voltage regulator to be delivered by ten o'clock the next morning. Once again, road tour left and I stayed behind to get my new voltage regulator. I picked up the new regulator, got it installed and was back on the road by 11 o'clock. The voltage regulator worked great for about four hours. It was charging like crazy and then suddenly it stopped. I thought it was just a bad voltage regulator and kept on going, however, it turns out it was not charging at all and I was running strictly on the battery. At some point in Alabama or Mississippi, my car ran out of battery, and it just stopped the engine. Now I'm free-wheeling on the freeway but luckily there was a break in the traffic and I was able to cut across and parked in a Huddle House parking lot. I called AAA and explained my situation and they indicated it would take them about an hour.

Meanwhile a good old boy in the Huddle House came over and asked if I was having a problem. I once again explain my situation and he said he can help. He pulls his truck over beside my car and

proceeds to charge the battery for about 20 minutes, which was long enough to allow me to start the car. Then he instructs me to follow him to his house. His name was Junior and couldn't have been nicer. Junior had a pickup truck with a big LS engine in it that he was very proud of. He also had a 79 Firebird. We get to his house and he brings out this giant big old battery charger like the service stations used to have. He hooks me up and charges my battery for over an hour while he takes me into his house to meet his wife. We sat down for some sweet tea and some cool air conditioning. You meet the nicest people on the road when you're driving an old car. BTW - it took AAA more than an hour before they ever showed up.

So Junior has me all fixed up. I know that I'm running strictly on the battery, but I take off in hope to catch up with the road tour at the next hotel. When I get to the next town, I stop at the first AutoZone I see and I was not going to be left on the road if my battery runs out again. I bought a brand-new battery that I put in the passenger foot well, and I bought a set of jumper cables. I hooked one end of the cable to the engine compartment battery and routed the cable under the hood around the door into the foot well. I only hooked up the positive cable and left the negative cable unhooked until I needed it. If my engine quit again, all I had to do is hook up that negative cable and I'm back on the road again. I was not gonna be caught out in the boonies with a dead engine. That was my back up system. And for some reason I never ever needed it. My car started every time, and I made it all the way to Hampton Virginia with no further issues.

Meanwhile, I called an old military mate I had served with that lived in the Norfolk area. He's a gearhead and he recommended a local racing shop that could help me out. They couldn't have been nicer and were immediately able to diagnose the problem. Turns out the generator had one broken brush, and the other brush was only making periodic contact due to a broken spring or something. They sent the generator to be rebuilt and kept the car inside overnight. By 10 o'clock the next morning I was all fixed and back on the road. The only problem was the rebuilt generator didn't have the extended shaft to drive the tachometer gears. So, I was going to be driving home without a working tachometer, but that's not a problem. And lastly, thank you to the Texas Chapter members who helped me along the way.



Congratulations, Bob for achieving a 1959 Concours Judging Blue Ribbon and also an award for achieving the longest driven award in your 1959 Corvette, traveling 2,765 miles to the Convention.

## Southern California Chapter Members at the National Convention

By Beverly LeGate

All convention pictures are now on the NCRS Technical Discussion Board. Enjoy the pictures.

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/G3Pc6MrEvc5KUNP47>



Mike Vietro owner of CORVETTE MIKE is our Southern California Member who always is a Sponsor of our Chapter, Regionals and Nationals! You are the leader of the pack. Thank you for all you do for our hobby! Congratulations on your 1965 Performance Verification Award and your 1967 L89 Coupe Duntov Award.



Beverly Judging Exterior and Garry Mion Judging Mechanical on a C1.



The newest ZR1 Corvette at the Convention and John on the Mechanical Team. There were 30 1967s!





Mike Ingham, our President, presenting the Southern California Chapter with our Top Flight Award. Barbara Vignone is our Activity Chair and she leads us down the path to Top Flight every year. Pictured holding the Certificate is Mike Ingham on the right, Ed Vignone in the middle and Barbara behind Ed. Jerry Louer is on the left.



Celebrating our Chapter of the Year (thank you Barbara Vignone)! We have representation of our Southern California Chapter from around the world. Ron and Beth Bartow of Central Cal. Gary and Margaret Craig and Garry Mion of the Arizona Chapter and Murray and Wendy Forman of the Australia Chapter. Also pictured from SoCal Don Troyer, Dana Richard, John and Beverly LeGate. We are officially an International Chapter.



Our Member Murray Forman receives his Sportsman ribbon for his 2000. Murray purchased the car last year and it has been awaiting his return from Australia. He flew into the United States, picked up the car and participated with the Canadian Road Tour. Congratulations!



Dana Richard and Ron Bartow join the 300 Club – Congratulations!



The Welcome Reception was a tribute to NCRS and our 50 Years of existence. Many members got totally into the vibes. Sherry and Bob Demmel are on the left. Sharyl Ingham in the center, and Beth and Ron Bartow are on the right. I believe the Demmels received 2<sup>nd</sup> place! Fun night!



Southern California members head up the National Convention registration! Not only on Car arrival day but the whole week. Beth and Ron Bartow, Barbara and Ed Vignone, Jerry and Pat Louer, John and Sophie Tidwell, and Mike and Sharyl Ingham.



The Southern California Chapter Members Relaxing! From left to right: Norm and Shirley Shier, Beverly LeGate, Karen and Garry Mion, Dana Richard, Carol and Don Troyer, Jerry and Pat Louer, Ron and Beth Bartow, Jeff Ny, Wendy and Murray Forman (John LeGate was not pictured since he was the cameraman).



All convention photos for the awards banquet, start right here with Ron Bartow taking each picture with the owners in their Corvettes. We also end with Ron at the award banquet presentation with his wonderful slide show. What a fantastic job! No one gets past Ron!

### **Closer to Home – Attending the Cruzin’ Grand in Escondido Car Show**

Some of our Southern California Chapter members recently gathered at the Cruzin’ Grand Escondido Car Show. Mitch Guimarin, John Piovesan, Steve Hucik, Tom Rohner and Ron Sanchez were spotted hanging around their corvettes and our club’s NCRS table. It is great to all be together, appreciating not only the Corvettes owned by our members but all of the other cars that turned out for the car show. A good time was had by all. Your club hopes to do more of these “drop in” events taking advantage of the very strong Southern California classic car culture. If you know of an upcoming event and plan to attend, please let us know so we can get the word out to our membership. Here are some Cruzin’ Grand Escondido event pictures for you to enjoy.





## **SCC Board and General Membership Meeting Minutes – August 12, 2024**

By Steven Hucik, SCC NCRS Secretary

### **OPEN MEETING AND WELCOME MEMBERS:**

The SCC NCRS Board meeting was convened via video conference at 7:07 pm, by Board Chair, Ted Wilm. Ted opened the meeting and welcomed the Board members, board appointees and other NCRS members that were in attendance and noted that a quorum existed.

### **SCC BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

John Piovesan, Mitch Guimarin, Joe LeMay, Steve Hucik, and Ted Wilm.

### **SCC/NCRS MEMBERS/GUESTS:**

Dana Richard.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT AND MINUTES APPROVAL:**

Steve Hucik commented that draft meeting minutes from the July 8, 2024, Board meeting was previously distributed to the board. They were reviewed and commented on and finalized. Steve Hucik made a motion to approve the draft minutes, and the motion was seconded by John Piovesan. The minutes were unanimously approved.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Verity Hobbs provided an email report with the Chapter's financials. Ted Wilm summarized these finances for SCC from Verity. SCC is financially sound.

### **JUDGING CO-CHAIRS REPORT:**

Ted Wilm provided updates based on some inputs from Beverly who is on road returning from the NCRS Nationals in Hampton Roads in VA.

Fall Chapter Meet September 20 and 21, 2024 at Singleton Classics Car Storage and Museum in Cost Mesa. Nine cars have registered. This is a 5-point meet for Friday and Saturday. A road tour to the Fall meet to satisfy the NCRS Chapter Road Tour requirement is needed to be planned.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS MATTERS**

Update from the NCRS National in Hampton Roads, Virginia, August 4 – 8, 2024. Meeting was a real success. Lots of participation from SCC members. Some spectacular Corvettes being judged and showcased. Lots of pictures of cars and people released to all NCRS members last week.

SCC Chapter also received another NCRS Top Flight Award for 2023 at the NCRS Nationals, based on all requirements.

Holiday Brunch discussion indicated that it is still in planning.

SCC Awards Selection Committee led by John Piovesan is in progress.

Discussion of NCRS attendance at other car shows or events. Mitch Guimarin summarized the participation at the Cruzin Grand show in Escondido, August 2. Four to five SCC people attended and brought cars. Mitch set up a table, NCRS banner and brochures and Steve Hucik supported. John Piovesan showed with his family. Several other members including one all the way from Laguna Nigel, showed off their cars. Ted also mentioned that there is always a good interest and showing of cars in the desert areas of Palm Desert and Palm Springs. If there are any other car shows or events of interest, please forward information.

Discussion of SCC Spring 2025 Meet following the Mecum Auction in March 2025. A potential schedule is March 28-29, 2025, at Jessup Chevrolet in Cathedral City, Palm Desert. John Piovesan also offered his home for a judging event.

Update of SCC Top Flight Chapter Award Qualifications for 2024. Good progress on actions needed. There is a need for Technical articles. Six articles are needed.

Mitch Guimarin, our new Membership Chairman, confirmed 113 people in good standing with SCC and in NCRS database but two have let their NCRS membership lapse. He also indicated that the National NCRS membership has a relatively large number of members in Southern California who are not members of SCC. He is going to investigate how to send emails to them to encourage joining SCC.

#### **Future Judging Events near us:**

Ted summarized upcoming events.

SCC meet is scheduled for September 20, 21, 2024 in Costa Mesa mentioned above.

Northern California Chapter meet planned for Rancho Cordova, CA September 13 - 14, 2024

Arizona Chapter meet is planned for Mesa AZ November 2, 2024.

Arizona Regional Meet is planned for Glendale, AZ, May 1-3, 2025.

#### **Any Other Business:**

None.

#### **CLOSE MEETING:**

John Piovesan made motion to adjourn meeting. Mitch Guimarin seconded. The board unanimously approved to close the meeting at 7:57 pm.

## **SCC Board and General Membership Meeting Minutes – July 8, 2024**

By Steven Hucik, SCC NCRS Secretary

#### **OPEN MEETING AND WELCOME MEMBERS:**

The SCC NCRS Board meeting was convened via video conference at 7:04 pm, by Board Chair, Ted Wilm. Ted opened the meeting and welcomed the Board members, board appointees and other NCRS members that were in attendance and noted that a quorum existed.

#### **SCC BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ed and Barbara Vignone, Jerry and Pat Louer, John Piovesan, Mitch Guimarin, Beverly and John LeGate, Joe LeMay, Steve Hucik, and Ted Wilm.



**SCC/NCRS MEMBERS/GUESTS:**

Dana Richard.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT AND MINUTES APPROVAL:**

Steve Hucik commented that draft meeting minutes from the June 8, 2024, Board meeting was previously distributed to the board. They were reviewed and commented on and finalized. Steve Hucik made a motion to approve the draft minutes and the motion was seconded by Beverly LeGate. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Verity Hobbs provided an email report with the Chapter's financials. Ted Wilm summarized these finances for SCC from Verity. SCC is financially sound. Ted Wilm provided an update about the standing of the SCC-NCRS Chapter with the CA Franchise Tax Board. Verity Hobbs had provided several of the past tax records and other data that were missing in previous filings. After responding to the Franchise Tax Board requests successfully, the CA Franchise Tax Board reinstated retroactively to 2018, the Tax-Exempt status of the Chapter. This is an excellent result and thanks to Ted Wilm and Verity Hobbs for the actions to get this resolved successfully.

**JUDGING CO-CHAIRS REPORT:**

Update on September 20 and 21, 2024 Fall Chapter Meet at Singleton Classics Car Storage and Museum in Cost Mesa. 5 cars have already registered with 3-C1s, 1-1969, and 1-1990. This is a 5-point meet for Friday and Saturday. Best Western Plus at Orange County Airport, 2700 Hotel Terrace Dr. Santa Ana, has a \$119 rate with 7-day cancellation policy. September 5 is last date to reserve a room. Friday night dinner reservation has been made. Barbara Vignone suggested a road tour to the Fall meet to satisfy the NCRS Chapter Road Tour requirement. It was suggested that one tour could come from San Diego area and one from further north.

**GENERAL BUSINESS MATTERS**

Holiday Brunch discussion: Barbara Vignone talked with San Juan Golf and Country Club, and they have opening for December 15, 2024, Brunch. \$25 buffet with omelets and other options available. \$400 Private Room rental. Minimum of 30 people. Tax and tip are 30% adder, so cost is about \$2,300 for 36 people. The SCC Chapter will provide some subsidy for this event. After discussion of alternatives and dates, Steve Hucik made a motion to proceed the San Juan G&CC option and Barbara to lock down the date and reservation. Joe LeMay seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

After discussion led by John Piovesan about SCC Chapter Award nominations, Ted Wilm requested committee of John Piovesan, Joe LeMay, Ted Wilm to look at potential recipients. It was noted that not necessary to make awards every year. Committee is requesting any nominations from the Board. Ted will send out email to memberships requesting nominations for Distinguished Member Award and Lifetime Achievement Award.

SCC Board Member standing for Re-Election for 2025: Ted Wilm polled the Board members on their intentions for continuing as Board members. John Piovesan, Steve Hucik, Ted Wilm, Beverly and John LeGate all said they will continue their positions. It was requested that Board members retiring should try to find replacements if possible.

Upcoming NCRS National in the Hampton Roads, VA August 4 – 8, 2024. Several members are going to the event and were asked to provide photos so they can be posted to the next SCC Newsletter after the event.

Ted Wilm noted that there are two other NCRS chapter events coming up. The Arizona Chapter Meet in Mesa Arizona, November 2, 2024, and a Regional Meet in Glendale, Arizona, May 1 – 3, 2025.

Discussion of SCC Spring 2025 Meet following the Mecum Auction in March 2025. A potential schedule is March 28-29, 2025, at Jessup Chevrolet in Cathedral City, Palm Desert. They could offer to empty their showroom and have judging performed in the showroom.

Update of SCC Top Flight Chapter Award Qualifications for 2024: 2nd Quarter report has been sent to National. There is a need for Technical Reports. Six articles are needed.

Potential for future West Coast Regional: Ted Wilm will check with Mike Ingham on if there are any plans going forward for a Regional in 2026.

SCC NCRS Newsletter and Website: Beverly LeGate has been discussing with several other NCRS Chapters and National about their process and web maintenance. We need Website address and domain name, Website content preparation and website management and maintenance. Ted Wilm said he would reach out to Mike Ingham on how they use WordPress for Website and Newsletter for Northern California Chapter.

Mitch Guimarin said the Membership Chairmanship transition from Jerry Louer has now been completed. Mitch confirmed 111 people in good standing with SCC and in NCRS database. He also mentioned that Crusin Grand car show is on for August 2.

#### **CLOSE MEETING:**

Ted Wilm made motion to adjourn meeting. John Piovesan seconded. The board unanimously approved to close the meeting at 8:03 pm.

### **SCC Board and General Membership Meeting Minutes – June 10, 2024**

By Steven Hucik, SCC NCRS Secretary

#### **OPEN MEETING AND WELCOME MEMBERS:**

The SCC NCRS Board meeting was convened via video conference at 7:01 pm, by Board Chair, Ted Wilm. Ted opened the meeting and welcomed the Board members, board appointees and other NCRS members that were in attendance and noted that a quorum existed.

#### **SCC NCRS BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ed and Barbara Vignone, John Piovesan, Mitch Guimarin, Beverly LeGate, Steve Hucik, Mitch Guimarin, and Ted Wilm.

#### **SCC/NCRS MEMBERS/GUESTS:**

Dana Richard, Art and Glorie McNay

#### **SECRETARY'S REPORT AND MINUTES APPROVAL:**

Steve Hucik commented that draft meeting minutes from the May 13, 2024 board meetings were previously distributed to the board. They were reviewed and commented on and finalized by Steve Hucik. Steve Hucik made a motion to approve the draft minutes and the motion was seconded by Beverly LeGate. The minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Verity Hobbs and Beverly LeGate verified all accounts for the Las Vegas Regional and had complete agreement on financials. Ted Wilm provided a summary update of the finances of SCC from Verity Hobbs. SCC is financially sound. Ted Wilm made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report. John Piovesan seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was then unanimously approved by the Board.

#### **JUDGING CO-CHAIRS REPORT:**

Beverly LeGate announced that everything is now closed out on the Las Vegas Regional and the event was a great success. A nice profit was made from the event. Ted Wilm thanked Beverly for a great job for the successful event.

September 20 and 21, 2024 for Fall Chapter Meet at Singleton Classics Car Storage and Museum in Cost Mesa. 10 cars overnight stay capability. July 1 registration opens. Will be in the July 2024 NCRS Driveline. This is a 5-point meet for Friday and Saturday. Best Western has a \$119 rate close by in Santa Ana. September 5 is last date to reserve a room.

In/Out Burger was suggested as lunch possibility. John Piovesan also suggested a Taco Truck that was used at Verity Hobbs meet. Looking for a max of 7 cars to judge. Barbara Vignone suggested a road tour to the Fall meet to satisfy the NCRS Chapter Road Tour requirement. Details to follow. If a group is coming from the South, plan to get together as a Road Tour.

Spring meet suggestions: John Piovesan, Beverly LeGate and someone from Bonita have offered location for judging meet in Spring. It was tabled for further discussions.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS MATTERS**

Ted Wilm brought up Lifetime Achievement Award and Member of the Year Award. Ted suggested to form a committee to provide names for nomination. Ted Wilm, Joe LeMay, and John Piovesan volunteered for the committee. Mitch Guimarin was to send SCC Membership list to the committee. John Piovesan made a motion that the Distinguished Member Award can have repeat persons names awarded periodically. Steve Hucik seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Holiday Brunch discussion: It is time to reserve a location. Barbara will help but would like someone else to chair the event. John Piovesan suggested different locations. He suggested we think of options and make decision on venue quickly to get good date reservation. He also said we should consider more southern location. John was going to call the Mission Viejo golf and country club. Plan is Sunday December 1 or 8 tentatively. Pricing, private room, buffet line important. Expect about 30 people. Barbara will also check availability and costs at Alhambra location from last year.

SCC NCRS Newsletter: Constant Contact is not possible to get a newsletter. That is not their scope. Ended discussion. Region IX uses club members to generate inputs using VetCetera (a Word Document format). Web Designer Frank Turben provides Website support. He does several Arizona Clubs. Fees are: \$600 design, load, host website for one year. \$120 yearly fee. \$200 maintenance and adds newsletter. This was considered an excellent resource to provide SCC Website. Beverly was going to get quote in writing and give us options. August is the next schedule for newsletter. It was noted that towards the end of August it will be possible to get contributions from National Event in Hampton Roads. Glorie McNay also suggested getting photos and information on the National Corvette Museum Anniversary Road Caravan scheduled for the week of August 29, 2024.

Mitch Guimarin will lead effort to look at what non-NCRS events we can set up booth to promote membership. Cruisin Grand in Escondido is one possibility. Setting up NCRS display and provide brochures is all that is needed. Mitch will try to get NCRS brochures to distribute at events.

Beverly LeGate provided the possibility for a road tour to Temecula and Club buys lunch. John Legate will organize. John Piovesan said there is a local car club event on September 15 and will get details to try to participate.

John Piovesan brought up need to determine what to do with all the SCC historical documents that Ed Vignone transferred to John. John made motion to purchase storage bins to maintain material. Beverly seconded and motion passed unanimously.

### **CLOSE MEETING:**

Beverly LeGate made motion to adjourn meeting. John Piovesan seconded. The board unanimously approved to close the meeting at 8:18 pm.

## **SCC Board and General Membership Meeting Minutes – May 14, 2024**

By Steven Hucik, SCC NCRS Secretary

### **OPEN MEETING AND WELCOME MEMBERS:**

The SCC NCRS Board meeting was convened via video conference at 7:05 pm, by Board Chair, Ted Wilm. Ted opened the meeting and welcomed the Board members, board appointees and other NCRS members that were in attendance and noted that a quorum existed.

**SCC BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Ed and Barbara Vignone, Jerry and Pat Louer, John Piovesan, John and Beverly LeGate, Verity Hobbs, Steve Hucik, Mitch Guimarin, and Ted Wilm.

**SCC/NCRS MEMBERS/GUESTS:**

Dana Richard.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Steve Hucik commented that draft meeting minutes from the March 11, 2024 and April 8, 2024 board meetings were previously distributed to the board. They were reviewed and commented on and finalized by Steve Hucik. John Piovesan made a motion to approve the draft minutes and the motion was seconded by Beverly LeGate. The minutes of both meetings were unanimously approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Verity Hobbs provided a summary update of the finances of SCC. SCC is financially sound. Finances for the Las Vegas Regional showed a profit. Steve Hucik made a motion to accept Verity's Treasurer's report. John Piovesan seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was then unanimously approved by the Board.

**ADDITIONAL OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

Ed Vignone has four to five boxes of SCC History and files that needs to be dispositioned. John Piovesan volunteered to store the boxes in his garage until such time they can be reviewed and a decision on what should be saved. Steve Hucik suggested using a digitizing service to electronically save much of the contents. He suggested several people go through the boxes and decide what should be digitized.

**JUDGING CO-CHAIRS REPORT:**

Beverly LeGate provided the latest spreadsheets for the Las Vegas Regional in several emails prior to the meeting. All bills and invoices have been paid. A nice profit was made from the event. Beverly LeGate made a motion to use \$500 of the silent auction/raffle proceeds to go to the Second Harvest Food Bank charity. John Piovesan seconded and unanimously approved. Remaining items left over from the Silent Raffle and auction will be put in the Bonding Strip to try to sell and proceeds will go to the same charity. Ted Wilm congratulated Beverly and John LeGate for their leadership for a great Regional Event. He and Beverly also thanked the many volunteers who helped make the event a great success.

**GENERAL BUSINESS MATTERS**

Discussion of Fall Chapter Meet: Beverly mentioned that timing should be around mid-September. Possible location in Costa Mesa area at the Singleton Classics Car Storage and Museum. After some discussion of timing, it was tentatively set for September 20 and 21, 2024. There is a May 30 deadline for July issue of NCRS Driveline to provide details for the September chapter judging event.

John Piovesan also volunteered his home and garage for a Chapter Event, possibly next summer.

Discussion of "Bonding Strip": normally issued four times per year. Next issue due August. Awesome job by Beverly LeGate to get out the last Bonding Strip. Ted Wilm is still pursuing Constant Contact to provide service to produce issues. SCC members still need to provide the inputs for the contents.

Website operation: SCC needs someone to handle the management and add content. Ed Vignone has done a great job on this for many years. He will mentor new person taking over the function. Ted Wilm was going to contact other chapters to see how they handle their websites.

Jerry Louer will send out an email to membership to see if anyone is interested in web master position as well as "Bonding Strip" editor.

It was noted that SCC is a 501(c)6 classified organization. As such it can't get charitable tax deduction.

Some discussion of Bylaws status and Ted Wilm noted that the SCC Bylaws were revised August 10, 2020 and are available on the SCC Website.

Verity Hobbs proposed giving back some refunds from the SCC funds as the Chapter is financially sound. Could also sponsor more of the Annual Dinner celebration. This was tabled for further discussion at the next Board meeting.

Beverly LeGate made a motion to refund the Las Vegas Regional dinner tickets for those who had to cancel since we were able to resell the tickets. John Piovesan seconded, and it was approved unanimously.

Beverly LeGate discussed how to encourage more judging participation. She made a motion to refund registration to all judges. John Piovesan seconded. It was unanimously approved.

Barbara Vignone reported that the chapter of the year is required to host a road tour and tour connected to a Costa Mesa Chapter Fall Judging Event could be possibility.

Hosting a social event requirement could be satisfied by the Las Vegas Regional Banquet that was well attended by SCC members.

Jerry Louer posted a Technical Article in the Bonding Strip in May.

NCRS Display: it was suggested to use an upcoming car show.

Charity: SCC has already pledged \$500 to Second Harvest Food Bank from the Las Vegas Regional profit from the silent auction.

#### **CLOSE MEETING:**

Verity Hobbs made motion to adjourn meeting. Ed Vignone seconded. The board unanimously approved to close the meeting at 8:19 pm.

### **Newsletter and Technical Articles Wanted**

If you have been thinking about writing up a newsletter article or a technical restoration article about a Corvette project you have recently completed, please do so and submit it for publication. We all can benefit from your thoughts and experience. Submit your article as a Microsoft Word document, and any accompanying pictures as .jpg files. Please send your articles to Ted Wilm as soon as they are ready so we can consider adding your article to the next edition of The Bonding Strip.

### **Chapter Meetings**

Chapter meetings generally occur on the second Monday of each month at 7pm and typically last about an hour and one half. Meetings are being held via Zoom, and the Zoom link is distributed to all Chapter members on the preceding Monday. If you would like to attend any virtual meeting and do not have the link, please contact Mitch Guimarin, Membership Chair.

### **Advertising in The Bonding Strip**

Advertising rates are based on a calendar year. Rates do not include additional artwork services, if required. Copy should be submitted in Microsoft Word. Pictures should be at least 300 ppi. Submit advertising with payment in full to the editor. Make checks out to: SCC/ NCRS. Contact Ted Wilm with any questions.

Business card advertising. Business cards should be no larger than 3.5 "x 2". Larger cards may be reduced to fit. \$20.00 for SCC members, \$30.00 for non-members, per year.



Larger format advertising. Page rates are as follows; full page \$250.00; half page \$140; quarter page, \$65.00, per year. Sizes are approximate.

Active SCC members who are not affiliated with a commercial business serving the Corvette or classic car industry may advertise Corvettes and Parts for Sale or Wanted for free. NCRS member numbers and contact information and suggested prices, along with vehicle identification numbers for Corvettes, bodies and frames must be included. Such advertisements will not be carried over to the next issue unless requested by the member before the Editorial/Advertising Deadlines. SCC reserves the right to not run any advertisement for any reason.

The Bonding Strip Editorial/Advertising deadlines are as follows:

Volume 1. Feb. – Apr. Issue: January 10th,  
Volume 2. May – Aug. Issue: April 10th,  
Volume 3. Sep. – Oct. Issue: August 10th,  
Volume 4. Nov. – Jan. Issue: October 10th.

### **For Sale**

The following Corvette parts are for sale by Jerry Louer, NCRS #2466. Jerry will supply photos.

1957 tachometer with rev counter – very nice. \$350.

1957–1960 3736493 water pumps to be rebuilt. \$75.

All costs are plus actual shipping costs. Contact Jerry at (951) 310-6069 for more information.

Backyard Buddy four-post 7,000 lb. car lift manufactured by Advantage. The lift is in great condition. \$3,500 or best offer. For more information call Mike Azarin at (858) 663-9457 or Ed Vignone at (949) 292-3397.

	NCRS Events - 2024	
Sep 20th-21st	Southern California Chapter Meet	Costa Mesa, CA
Sep 28th	St. Louis Chapter Meet	Manchester, MO
Oct 17th-19th	Texas Regional	Frisco, TX
Nov 1 <sup>st</sup> -2nd	Arizona Chapter Meet	Mesa/Gilbert, AZ
	NCRS Events - 2025	
Jan 15th-18th	Florida Regional	Melbourne, FL
Mar 28 <sup>th</sup> -29	Southern California Chapter Meet	Cathedral City, CA
April 3rd- 5th	Carolinas Regional	Clemson Univ, SC
May 1st-3rd	Arizona Regional	Glendale, AZ
July 16th-19th	Kansas City. St Louis Regional	Springfield, MO
Sep 7th-11th	NCRS National Convention	Las Vegas, NV
Oct 23rd-25th	Texas Regional	Frisco, TX

	NCRS Events - 2026	
July 26th-30th	NCRS National Convention	Charleston, SC
Oct 22nd-24th	Texas Regional	Frisco, TX



# NCRS 2024 FALL FLIGHT JUDGED MEET

## Hosted By Singleton Classics in Costa Mesa

**TWO-DAY FIVE-POINT Event Friday & Saturday September 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>**  
All Registration and Judging Events will be at Singleton Classics Address: 2995-B  
Airway Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

**Event & Judging Questions Beverly & John LeGate Co-Judging Chairs 408-981-1200**

**ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>! The Registration Fee will be refunded for our Meet Judges.**

**ONSIGHT REGISTRATION OPENS FRIDAY 3PM - OPS CHECK 4-5PM - JUDGING SCHOOL STD DEDUCTIONS PRESENTED BY JOHN**

**PIOVESAN 5-6PM # Attending Followed By No Host Dinner The Yard House # YES 6:30PM**

**Fees: ONLINE REGISTRATION PREFERRED!**

Meet Registration Members **\$25.00 (INCLUDES SPOUSE & children under 23 yrs.)** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Guests ½ of members registration: Per guest **\$12.00 NON-NCRS MEMBER** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Flight Judging **\$95.00 OWNERS MUST BE PRESENT BOTH DAYS (instructions to follow).** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sportsman **\$4.00 No Ribbon \$14.00 With Ribbon** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Display (DUNTOV, MCLELLAN, HILL, CROSSED FLAGS, ETC.) **FREE** \$ N/A

**Cancellation Refunds Prior to September 1, 2024 Registration Closes September 17<sup>th</sup> TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Make checks payable to SCC/NCRS and Mail registration form, CURRENT INSURANCE, DMV REGISTRATION and fees to:**

**Beverly LeGate** PO Box 2739 Ramona, CA 92065 408.981.1200 [beverlylegate@yahoo.com](mailto:beverlylegate@yahoo.com)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ NON-NCRS Guest \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Affiliation (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Contact Phone Home/Work or Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ **NCRS National Membership #:** \_\_\_\_\_

The following information will be used on your judging summary sheet if you are having a car judged. Please enter the following car for [ ] Flight Judging  
53-2007, ( ) Sportsman ( ) Display DUNTOV, MCLELLAN, HILL ETC. \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_\_ VIN \_\_\_\_\_

Horsepower \_\_\_\_\_ Exterior Color \_\_\_\_\_ Body Cove Color \_\_\_\_\_ Trim/Interior Color & Fabric \_\_\_\_\_ **Horsepower, Exterior Color, Trim Color and Fabric entries are mandatory for all vehicles. In addition, 1963 through 2007 vehicles must include all numbers and characters from the Trim Tag or Service Parts Identification Label with respect to Build Date, Paint Code, and Trim Code plus Body Number for 1963 through 1967 vehicles.**

Body Build Date Code \_\_\_\_\_ Paint Code \_\_\_\_\_ Trim Code \_\_\_\_\_ Body No. \_\_\_\_\_

[ ] Conv [ ] Coupe [ ] Corvette Driven, [ ] Corvette Trailered, [ ] Need trailer parking Miles Driven \_\_\_\_\_

**Proof of current Registration and Insurance Required.**

SEND COPIES OR UPLOAD ON THE NATIONAL NCRS WEBSITE REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION. <https://www.ncrs.org>

Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_ Policy No. \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Interested in Judging ( ) Tabulator ( ) Interested in C1 ( ) C2 ( ) C3 ( ) C4 ( ) C5 ( ) C6 ( ) Circle 3 OPS. INT. EXT. MECH. OR CHASSIS

**HOTEL: Best Western Plus Orange County Airport North, 2700 Hotel Terrace Drive, Santa Ana Mention Block Under NCRS – To Reserve, Call Direct Telephone Number 714-432-8888 Free Wi-Fi Free Parking and FREE Hot Breakfast - King \$119.99 + Tax or 2 Queen \$129.99 + Tax Block reserved until 9/5/24. Please reserve Saturday night at the time of your booking. 7 Day Cancellation Policy.**

HOLD HARMLESS: Anyone attending this event, whether you bring a Corvette or not, must register and sign the following Hold Harmless Agreement. Anyone bringing a Corvette, whether to be judged or not, must read and sign the following Hold Harmless Agreement. Proof of registration and in-force insurance must be provided, most preferably in advance with your registration application, or at the Meet Registration Desk when you check in, BEFORE the car can be Operations Checked and / or placed in its final location. HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT I AGREE to insure my vehicle and property against loss, damage, and liability and to provide proof of such insurance to NCRS at time of registration. I AGREE to assume risk of any and all damages or injury and to indemnify and hold harmless NCRS, its officers, directors, agents, employees, Chapters and event workers for any acts or omissions which may result in the theft, damage or destruction of my property or injury to me or others occurring during, or as a consequence of this event, wherever located. I AGREE to abide by the NCRS Policy on Drugs and Alcohol. The use of illegal drugs is prohibited by anyone attending an NCRS event. The use of alcohol is prohibited by anyone participating in an NCRS event (includes while on the judging field, participating in driving tests and/or road tours), except during social events.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



## SCC/NCRS Holiday Breakfast

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 10 AM

San Juan Hills Golf Club

32120 San Juan Creek Road  
San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675



The Holiday Celebration is at the San Juan Hills Golf Club which is located between the historic Mission San Juan Capistrano and the San Juan Capistrano hills.

**The Chapter will subsidize the event. Your cost is \$25 per person.**  
**Reservation cutoff is November 30, 2024.**

### Directions:

**Southbound on I-5:** Take Camino Capistrano exit then turn Right on Camino Capistrano. Then Right again, its 1.5 miles on San Juan Creek Road. The banquet facility is the first building on the right.

**Northbound on I-5:** Take Camino Capistrano exit then turn Left on Valle Road. Turn Right, its 1.5 miles on San Juan Creek Road. The banquet facility is the first building on the right.

### Hotels:

**Best Western Capistrano Inn**  
27174 Ortega Hwy,  
San Juan Capistrano, CA, 92675  
949-493-5661



Mail your check & registration to:

Verity Hobbs, PO Box 2316 Newport Beach, CA. 92659 Phone: 949.378.3419

Information contact Barbara Vignone 949.292.3396 bvignone@cox.net

Names \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Member # \_\_\_\_\_ Corvette Driven ☐ Year \_\_\_\_\_

# Persons \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25 each.

Make Check out to SCC/NCRS. Total Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

**There will be a General Board Meeting with Auction**

**Thank you to our sponsors!**



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**Beth and Ron Bartow, Melissa and John Schiller and David Lockwood!**