



Star City Corvettes
Lafayette, IN

By-Laws

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Article I

Section 1. NAME

The name of the organization shall be Star City Corvettes.

Section 2. PURPOSE

The general purpose of the organization shall be to promote and plan events, trips, and activities for its members; to encourage the exchange of information as to the operation, maintenance, restoration and use of the Corvette; to encourage careful and skillful driving on public highways and the strict observance of the motor vehicle code of the community and state.

Article II

Members

Section 1. QUALIFICATIONS

Members shall be limited to owners or operators of Chevrolet Corvette motor sports vehicles. Applicants must be eighteen years of age or older and hold a valid vehicle operator's license.

Section 2: CLASSIFICATIONS

Members shall be limited to only one NCCC number (with the exception of Honorary members) and be classified as follows:

- A. Primary Members.** Upon receipt by the Club and VP of Membership and with approval of the application, payment of the required initiation fees and dues the applicant shall become a Primary member. Every member must comply with the requirements set forth in Section 1 to be eligible to continue as a Primary member of this organization.

- B. Spouse / Companion Members.** The spouse or companion of any Primary member and whose mailing address is the same as the Primary, may apply for membership. Upon receipt by the Club, VP of Membership and with approval of the application, payment of the required dues, the applicant shall become a Spouse / Companion member. Such member shall be entitled to all

privileges of Primary membership. A Primary member may only have one spouse / companion member at a time.

- C. Honorary Members.** Membership at any duly organized meeting, may elect Honorary members by unanimous vote of the members present. Honorary members shall be exempt from payment of dues and shall be entitled to all the privileges of Primary members, except the right to vote or hold office. Honorary members need not comply with the requirements of membership set forth in Section 1 of this article

Section 3: OFFICIAL MEMBERSHIP

The Vice President of Membership or a member of the membership committee shall present the application to the organization at its next regularly scheduled meeting. The application must receive approval by 75% of all members present. The ballots will be counted by the Vice President of Membership or committee member and they shall be notified of the results by email or by mail. Membership shall be contingent on joining NCCC; payment of NCCC and SCC dues and initiation fees. (Spouse/Companion membership may be SCC only)

Section 4. DUES

The amount required for annual dues shall be recommended by the board and approved by the majority of members in attendance at the business meeting. Any increase in the NCCC dues will be added automatically to the amount due for NCCC membership. All dues are payable before October 31st.

New member dues are payable after being accepted as a SCC member. New member dues will be 1/12 of annual SCC dues for each of the remaining months in the due's year. The induction fee for a new member will reflect the dues owed, name badge and any other costs of enrollment. (Rev April 2019)

Section 5. EXPULSION

Membership will lapse for non-payment of dues by the specified due date. (See Section 2. Dues) Infraction of organization rules or other such causes as determined by the majority of the Board of Directors will be cause for expulsion. However, before such action is taken, the member shall have a chance to remedy said cause for expulsion. (Rev. 87)

Section 6. RESIGNATION

A letter of resignation shall be effective upon receipt by the Secretary.

Article III

Section 1. MEETINGS

Meetings of the organization shall be held twice each month. Either the first and third week or the second and fourth week, as established by a vote of the organization members. The Board of Directors shall meet as deemed necessary.

Section 2. **SPECIAL MEETINGS**

In addition to any provision of the By-Laws, special meetings may be called by the President or by a majority of the officers.

Section 3. **QUORUM**

At all stated meetings of the members, those members present shall constitute a quorum. (Rev. 21)

Article IV

Section 1. **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors shall consist of all elected officers and the recent past President and the Webmaster who will be appointed by the Board of Directors. (Rev 2020) The tax-exempt status will be an automatic agenda item for meetings of the Board of Directors. (Rev 2017)

Section 2. **NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS**

A nominee must be a member who has been a member in good standing for at least six (6) months. All nominations for officers shall be made from the floor or from the nomination committee. Officers shall be nominated at the first meeting in October of each year. (Rev. 87)

The ballot shall be sent to the members before the November business meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted prior to the vote.

Section 3. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Election of officers shall be held at the first meeting of November of each year. Election of officers will be composed of a majority vote of members present at the meeting. Officers' terms shall commence on the first day of January. (Rev. 87)

Section 4. **VOTING**

Voting for election of officers shall be by written ballot or by voice vote if running unopposed. (Rev 90)

Article V

Section 1. **DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT**

The president shall preside at all meetings of the members and the Board of Directors and shall perform duties pertaining to this office. The president shall verify that all necessary tax forms are filed with state and federal government as prescribed by law. (Rev 2017) The president may call special meetings under the provisions of Article III. The President shall be Chief Executive of the organization.

Section 2. **DUTIES OF THE VICE PRESIDENT OF MEMBERSHIP**

The Vice President of Membership shall greet and provide a membership application and related materials to prospective members. The Vice President of Membership shall keep and maintain an up-to-date list of current members and shall notify the Vice President of Competition of each new member. The Vice President of membership will send out due's notices to all members by September 15.

Dues will be sent to the Treasurer for deposit. Member's names will be given to the Vice President of Membership to record as paid.

In the absence of the president, resignation, or ability to act, the duties of that office shall be performed by the Vice President of Membership.

Section 3. **DUTIES OF THE VICE PRESIDENT OF COMPETITION**

The Vice President of Competition shall maintain competition and participation point standings for all organization members and shall take attendance (by name) at each meeting. A competition point system shall be established by the V.P. Competition and presented by the first meeting of January, then approved by a majority vote of those members present at the last meeting in January. In the absence of the President and the Vice President of Membership, the Vice President of competition shall perform the duties of the office of President.

Section 4. **DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY**

The secretary shall attend all meetings and shall record all minutes and votes in a book kept for that purpose. The secretary shall have custody of all minutes of previous meetings. In the absence of the Secretary from any said meeting, a Secretary Pro-tempore shall be chosen by the presiding officer.

Section 5. **DUTIES OF THE TREASURER**

The Treasurer shall have custody of all monies, debts, and obligations belonging to the organization. He shall make all payments of debts belonging to the organization. The treasurer will file all necessary tax forms when due to the state and federal government as prescribed by law. The president and Board of Directors will be notified when these forms have been sent to the state and federal governments. (Rev 2017) He shall give bond, at the expense of the organization, if required by the Board of Directors. No debt shall be paid by the Treasurer without specific approval of the President or Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall itemize expenses and receipts and report the status of the treasury at each regularly scheduled meeting. (Rev.90)

Section 6. **DUTIES OF THE GOVERNOR**

The Governor of the organization shall handle such duties as are prescribed by the National Council of Corvette Clubs.

Section 7. **DUTIES OF THE SOCIAL DIRECTOR**

The Social Director shall solicit hosts for the monthly social events in January. The host shall provide details of the event to the Social Director. The Director will communicate the arrangements of the social events to the membership.

Section 8. **DUTIES SERGEANT OF ARMS**

The Sergeant at Arms shall assist in preserving order at all meetings and social affairs or the organization. He shall perform such other functions as the President and Board of Directors may direct from time to time.

Section 9. **DUTIES OF PUBLIC RELATIONS**

The Director of Public Relations shall be responsible for promoting, furthering the image, and disseminating information relative to the organization as the President and Board of Directors may direct from time to time.

Section 10. **DUTIES OF THE WEBMASTER**

The Webmaster is responsible for the club's online presence. The website should promote Star City Corvettes by providing information to club members and the public. Some items on the club's website may include:

- Calendar of events
- Contact information
- Photo albums
- Club officer information
- Club activities and announcements
- Information about Club
- Constitution, By-Laws, History and Guidelines and other forms as determined by board of directors.

Section 11. **DUTIES OF THE PAST PRESIDENT**

The Past President shall serve on the Board of Directors in an advisory position and shall perform other duties as designated by the President and/or Board of Directors. The Past President shall not be allowed to vote at any Board of Directors meeting.

Article VI

Section 1. **ACTIVITIES**

The organization activities shall be subject to approval of the Board of Directors and/or the membership.

Article VII

Section 1. PERSONAL LIABILITY

All persons or corporations extending credit to, contracting with, or having any claim against the organization or the Board of Directors, shall look only to the funds and property of the organization for payment of such contract or claim, or for payment of any debt, damage, judgment, or decree, or any other money that may otherwise become due and payable to them from the organization or the Board of Directors, so neither the members of the organization, or the Board of Directors, present or future shall be liable personally thereof.

Article IV

Section 1. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors shall consist of all elected officers, the webmaster (Rev March 2020) and the recent past President. The tax-exempt status will be an automatic agenda item for meetings of the Board of Directors. (Rev 2017)

Section 1. AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

The Board of Directors of the organization, or any (10) ten active members in good standing, by written proposals submitted to the Secretary, may propose an amendment to the By-Laws. Upon such proposal being made, members not present at the reading of such proposal shall be notified of the proposed By-Law amendments. Ballot voting shall be controlled by the same rules as set forth in ARTICLE IV, relating to the election of the Board of Directors. If two-thirds of the members vote in favor of the proposal at the meeting, the proposed amendment shall thereby be approved and adopted.

Article IX

Section 1. DISSOLUTION, PROPERTY

If for any reason, this corporation is disbanded, or dissolved, any property held in corporate name, shall be liquidated and turned into cash in accordance with the decisions made by the then active members. After all corporation liabilities have been paid, the remaining cash shall be donated to a non-profit charitable organization chosen by the then active members of the organization.

Section 2. DISSOLUTION

Dissolution of the corporation shall be in accordance with all applicable Federal and State of Indiana Laws.

STAR CITY CORVETTES

CLUB RULES

Dear Prospective Member,

We as members of Star City Corvettes thank you for considering membership in our organization and the Indiana Region of the National Council of Corvette Clubs.

The members of Star city Corvettes are working hard to provide all members with an organization that is structured to reflect their wants and needs as well as to promote a positive image in our community. Therefore, we ask that you carefully review the By-Laws as well as the following rules **BEFORE** you complete the membership application. Our Vice President of Membership will answer any additional questions that you may have.

1. The organization shall not purchase alcoholic beverages to be served at parties after events.
2. There will be no consumption of alcoholic beverages during meetings, or other competitive, benefit or display events, other than at socials.
3. Loss of driving privileges due to traffic violations will be cause for review.
4. Excessive or abusive and vulgar language will be cause for review.
5. Participating in a physical altercation during any organization event or meeting will be cause for review.

Your driving habits and public behavior, especially when you are behind the wheel of your Corvette should reflect the positive law-abiding image that the organization has attained.

Membership in the Star City Corvettes for you and all members, new and old is contingent on strict adherence to all rules and regulations. If after reading our By-Laws and regulations you wish to apply for membership, we cordially invite you to complete the membership application.

The Board of Directors

Star City Corvettes

STAR CITY OF THE WEST

Lafayette, IN

The origin of the name “Star City” as applied to the city of Lafayette is more of a legend than documented fact. As of this time, history cannot identify a person or persons responsible for coining the term.

It is known that in 1826, about a year after William Digby founded this town, a small steamboat came up-river and docked at a wharf at the foot of Main Street. This started an era of riverboat traffic that would cause the city to prosper. Lafayette became the principal trade city on the Wabash River. The Wabash and Erie Canal also terminated close to Lafayette. In that era, river towns were inclined to brag about themselves. On the Ohio River, Cincinnati was the undisputed “Queen City of the West”. Lafayette was the upper most city on the shipping lanes of the Wabash. Indiana at that time was the west. Cincinnati boats were often docked at the Lafayette wharf and Lafayette boats were often docked at the Cincinnati wharf. As the bragging started, Lafayette was not to be outdone by Cincinnati, so they spread the word that Lafayette was indeed the “Star city of the West.” The name “Star City” became a common name for Lafayette. The riverboat era ended sometime in the 1850s, but the Star city name stayed.

In time the name was used by some businesses. A well-known firm was the Star City Bottling Works. The M.J. Schnaible Company also used the name for its chief product, “Star City Soap”. The last business using the name was the Star City Building and Loan Association. They closed in the early 1970s.

The name “Star City” was started by a group of people involved in transportation. The steam boats were the best of that era. We feel that the Star City name has a definite place in our organization. Lafayette is a great city, and the Chevrolet Corvette is definitely the best in exciting transportation today.

If we combine the City and the Corvette, we have the BEST!

“STAR CITY CORVETTES”

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**STAR CITY CORVETTE CLUB
PARTICIPATION POINT SYSTEM**

A member of the Star city Corvette club may earn Participation Points toward the annual club awards as follows: (note: November 1 to October 31).

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| 1. Host a Social Meeting | 10 Points |
| 2. Work at Vettes for Vettes | 10 Points |
| 3. Sponsor a new member | 10 Points |
| 4. Attend a Business Meeting | 5 Points |
| 5. Attend a Social Meeting | 5 Points |
| 6. Attend Ice-cream Tuesday | 5 Points |
| 7. Attend Fuel Up Saturday | 5 Points |
| 8. Attend an Outing | 5 Points |
| 9. Attend Car Show on SCC Social Calendar | 5 Points |

Car Show qualification determined by Social Director

Note: Overnight outings receive 5 points for each night out

1st Place: Men's and Women's SCC Member \$50.00 credit to Freckles toward any SCC logo item.

2nd Place: Men's and Women's SCC Member Receive \$25.00 credit to Freckles towards any SCC logo item.

POINTS MUST BE TURNED IN TO THE VP of COMPETITION WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE EVENT TO RECEIVE CREDIT. NO EXCEPTIONS

THE VP of COMPETITION DECISIONS ARE FINAL.