

Beyond the Glass

Established 1963

September 2023 Newsletter

Cedar Rapids Corvette Club

September Birthdays

1	Linda Frank
5	Diane Peters
7	Carol Knapp Del Winter
10	Mary Peters
11	Kim Buckingham
12	Chris Bauer
15	Harold Wurst
17	Kim Bowen
19	Pat Schneider
20	Richard Rozinek Janice Otto
21	Roger Thompson
23	Chris Thompson
24	John Krob
27	Felicia Richardson
30	Dave Bauer



From the President's Desk

Welcome to the September edition of our club newsletter. Club activities are gearing down for the summer aqud gearing up for the fall.

CRCC Crusin'

September 16th we are Cruisin' to Pioneer Heritage Village. This is by invitation. We will be displaying our Corvettes from 10AM to 12:PM.

Leaving from Harbor Freight at 9:30 AM.

After that we will be attending Lizzie's Restaurant all in Marengo.

Our annual Leaf Run is being set for October 15th.

Will be lining up behind the Depaco Credit Union across diagonally from WalMart in Marion. Departure time yet to be determined. Save the date.

Our Halloween Party will be on October 28th.

Otter Creek Lions Park.

Address 3414 Midway Rd. Toddville 52341.

Save the date as more details are coming. Start planning your costume.



September Anniversaries

5	John & Pam Van
	Heukelom
9	Gary & Carol Cummings
11	Daniel & Teresa
	Scheeler
17	Orlyn & Kathy Brunssen

Geoffrey Knoerzer President

Cedar Rapids Corvette Club

September 21, 2023 meeting agenda

Open the meeting

Welcome members and Guests.

Vote in potential new members.

Good & Wellness.

Secretary report, review and approve the previous meeting's secretary report.

Treasurer report, review and approve the financial report.

Officer reports.

Committee report.

Old business:

New business:

50/50 drawing

Adjourn

The next meeting will be October 19, 2023

Cedar Rapids Corvette Club Meeting Minutes August 17th, 2023

President, Geof Knoerzer called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM at Pat McGrath Chevyland. There were 46 members present. Doug Helgeson was voted in as a new member.

Good and Wellness

- President, Geof Knoerzer read the August birthdays and anniversaries.

Approval of Secretaries Report-

 President, Geof Knoerzer asked if there were any corrections or additions to the Secretaries report for the August meeting. President, Geof Knoerzer called for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion was made by Dick Butschi and seconded by John Dolphin. The motion passed.

Secretaries Report Sue Rudd-

- Secretary, Sue Rudd sent a sympathy card and memorial check to Pat and Doug Blake for the passing of Pat's mother.

Treasurer's Report Dennis Primrose-

 Treasurer, Dennis Primrose read the financial report and there were handouts passed out to read. After questions and discussion for the entries for the Auto-Cross and the Car Show the issues were resolved.

Approval of Treasurer's report-

- President, Geof Knoerzer called for a motion to approve the Treasurers's report. A motion was made by Al Willenborg and seconded by Mike Finley. The motion passed.

Webmaster Report Bob Bowen/Andrew Bowen-

- No report.

Vice President Report Diane Bowen-

 Diane Bowen shared that the trailer had been audited. She said the First Aid Kit needs to be updated. She asked the club if they thought we should get Harold Wurst a gift card for hauling the trailer and it was suggested to do a donation for those who wanted to donate.

Governor Report Mike Finley-

- Governor, Mike Finley reported that he would wait until September to enter money for new members to keep money straight for the NCCC.
- Mike also commented that there would be a Governor's meeting in September and reported they would be working on a new rule book.

Social Director Jim McLaughlin-

- Social Director, Jim McLaughlin handed out tickets for the August 30th Ballpark Night and Party Area.
- Jim reminded the membership of up coming September 16th Pioneer Hertitage Museum cruise in Marengo, Iowa. We will be eating at Lizzie's Dining Car and Caboose Bar in Marengo. Send your RSVP's to Jim.
- Jim announced the Fall Leaf Run will be October 15th. The cruise will be approximately two hours each way.
- Jim announced October 28th is the date set for our annual Halloween Party.

Homecoming Director Tracy Rudd-

- Homecoming Director, Tracy Rudd announced that there were many openings for parades on HC site. He also said that Kennedy had many openings and they had already paid so asked members to please consider if it worked in their schedules. He also brought his HC Kit to show new members and those members who had never done parades to use to protect their cars. If you have questions about homecoming please call or email him.

Historian Report Malinda Finley-

- Historian, Malinda Finley announced that the 60th Anniversary Photo would be on Thursday, August 24th at 5:00 at Pat McGrath Chevyland but they are asking to be there sooner so all the members can be lined up. Due to extreme heat on August 24th the date was postponed to Tuesday, August 29th.

E-mail Messenger Report Bob Bowen-

- No report.

Face Book Director Mike Finley-

- No report.

Trustee's Report - Terry Primrose, Gary Thompson, John Watertor-

- Trustee's Terry Primrose, Gary Thompson, and John Watertor reported the number in attendance.

Auto-Cross-

- Bob Bowen reported that 21 members helped for the two day event and he thanked those members. He also thanked those that prepared and brought food to the event. There were 6 members and 6 out of town drivers that participated. He reported there were a variety of cars including a female driving a C8. The event didn't charge drivers for food but had a donation jar which collected money to give to the Scholarship fund.

Old Business-

- Paul Hildebrand announced he still had dash plaques left from our car show for anyone who would like one.
- Geof said he would still like to get a committee together including the three Trustees and a group of possibly another 6 members to talk about changes the club needs for looking at changes for the future. This may include the Standing Rules and By Laws. He said he is collecting other club documents for comparisons to help with this project.

New Business -

- Del Winter reported to the members that Marion would be having their Marion parade again after 4 years. It will be called "Fall into Marion Parade" and be on September 9th at 10:00. He told members if they were interested in driving to contact him. He also said the Show and Shine would be on September 24th at Thomas Park. He said there would be a food vendor and that donations will go to the Honor Flight.

50/50 drawing

- The 50/50 winner was: Malinda Finley.
- Our next meeting is September 21, 2023 at 6:30 at Pat McGrath Chevyland.
- President, Geof Knoerer adjourned the meeting at 7:49 and there were no motions for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Sue Rudd.

September History Report

September 2023 is here and it has been a really nice year. The weather was great for our Show and Shine and the Auto Cross. There was a lot of member participation. Kuddos to all of us! The dinner cruises Jim McLaughlin planned for us took us to new places and restaurants. The only downfall was Jim wasn't buying!! We've had several new members this year so our CRCC family is continuing to grow. As pointed out in the 1973 history new members' are our most valuable asset. Sometimes looking thru our older history gives us ideas for new things to try!! Let's see if we can find something fun to do in the pages of history.

In September of 1973 The Christmas party committee was formed and planning started. Herm Happ was planning a Fun Kahna at Lindale Mall on Sept 30th. Steve Menzer suggested forming a committee to select nominees for upcoming officers.

The traveling trophy was given to Skip Morrison for losing his keys while sitting inside his car?? So far 12 schools have called for homecoming cars.

In September of 1983 The historian wrote he has always wondered why a person would put a Corvette through the hardships of a Gym Kahna course. First of all, Webster describes Gym Kahna as a meet featuring sport contests, like horse riding events. Gym Kahna sounds like something you tumble over at the High School gymnasium. After much thought Historian Greg Lint decided he had come up with the proper definition. Maybe they could define it as The Small Block Supreme, Race Against Time or Pylon Scuffing Event. After participating in his first speed event Greg wondered why he had waited so long after shaking off the butterflies and sweaty palms he was ready for more. He wrote that if you haven't tried it your missing out. Especially when Bob Bowen tries to beat your time. P.S. A SPECIAL NOTE WAS ADDED TO: Mr. Bowen, you can't pass your baseball hat off as a helmet.

Just a warning to new 1984 Corvette owners. The 1984 Vette can be picked up on radar at 1900 feet. The earlier models it was 1300 feet. The reason is the position of the radiator. There is also a note to members if you know someone with a Corvette invite them to one of the club meetings. Gary and Sandy Sikecks joined the club. They own a 1968 Silver Convertible.

In September of 1993 The Auto Cross was set up for September 11, 1994. Doug Abney got a bucket truck and took CRCC group pictures. The 8 X 10 pictures were available for purchase at a cost of \$2.61 each. Also available for purchase were pictures of the reunion at \$2.99 each. Scott Cummings attended his second event and was voted in as a new member. Terry Kocher said we need trailer repair since it has been leaking. There are also problems with the hitch and there is no signal or break lights. Dennis Purcell offered to store it for the winter so it will be repaired in the spring. The timer for the auto cross needed repair. That was a winter project. Cindi Kocher reported she has the 30-year history done. The point system was eliminated so that people could enjoy the club again.

In September of 2003 The meeting was at the Lighthouse Restaurant. CRCC took 5th place in the newsletter contest. It was a rainy day for the ditch clean up but CRCC members showed up. It was decided to postpone the ditch cleaning. No report on what activity they did instead! Tuesdays dinner cruise went to Jake's Steaks in Walker. Paul Hildebrand reported that 36 people went on the Gunder Burger run. Cindi and Terry Kocher announced the birth of their Granddaughter, Miranda Charlene on Sept 10th. Parents were daughter Tracie and son in law Mark. President Bernie Willenborg wrote a reminder that if you have any constructive suggestions to make the club better let the officers know.

In September of 2013 Dianna Knutson wrote that she believes that if you take on the duties of an officer you should take the obligation seriously. She wrote feels she can no longer give the historian position the time it deserves and as such she will not be the historian for 2014. It was noted in the meeting minutes that Chris Beebe has a 1976 Corvette Stingray. White with red interior. It doesn't say why we needed to know that!! Maybe he got a new one???Diane Bowen reported that NCCC gave away 12 scholarships. Seven of the Charter members attended the 50th anniversary banquet. Our monthly dinner cruise went to Okoboji Grill. The 10th Honor Flight came in on Sept.10th. Sept. 21st had the 2013 car show at the Lake at Bobbers. Our Newsletter had an article about Dean McCall. He was an lowa Lions Tissue Transport Relay volunteer with the 2010 program thru the Mount Vernon Lions Club. The time involved averaged about one run a month or approximately 4 hrs. a month. A normal run is from Coralville to Anamosa. Dean had recently made two runs from Coralville to Dubuque. The Lions Eye Bank was established in 1955 as a joint project of the University of Iowa Department of Ophthalmology and visual sciences and the Lions Club. One Cornea has the potential to save the sight of five people. Good Job Dean!

In September 2021 There is a dinner cruise to the Sundown Bar and Grill in Williamsburg. A fall cruise is in the works. September 21st the club welcomed in an Honor Flight. Harold Wurst once again volunteered to store the club trailer. It was planned to give the charities the club donations at the October dinner.

Another year is on the way out!! I'm just not ready to quit and put the Corvette away! Your Historian, Malinda P.S.

No recipes for a while due to lack of time.