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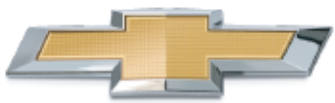


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In July of 1956 in the East Bay, two Corvette owners, Johnny Zeh and Jerry Wright, waved & stopped to talk. Corvettes were few in numbers then & several weeks could pass before encountering another. These drivers discussed starting a Corvette Club.

By July 15, 1956, an informal meeting of Corvette owners decided to establish the Northern California Corvette Association. These early Corvette owners met frequently at each other's homes with their numbers increasing each month.

On March 28, 1957, an initial group of 35 met at Daily Chevrolet in Oakland to establish the by-laws. By then Josh Hogue, San Francisco Examiner's sports car event columnist suggested that this group combine with the one meeting at Les Vogel Chevrolet in San Francisco.

On **May 9, 1957** NCCA was incorporated & 40 members elected Roy Storey President. Roy was a TV & radio sportscaster & Corvette participant in SCCA's regional races. Sandy Greenblat was elected Vice

President, Patty Gellenbeck, Secretary & John Zeh, Treasurer. The charter membership for NCCA was closed at the end of May 1957 listing 47 members.

President Roy Storey suggested a series of autocross events named after Grand Prix races. NCCA presented Northern California's 3rd autocross. 150 cars drove the course at the Milpitas Ford Plant. This series set the standard for autocrossing in Northern California. Though Roy Storey was soon transferred to Hollywood by CBS, he helped NCCA to properly start as a competing club.

NCCA is still participating in autocrossing, drag races, track racing & car shows. The club is the oldest member of the Western States Corvette Council (WSSC), joining in 1966. We have evolved into more of a social club over the years with the focus on day & weekend trips. In recent years interest has increased in racing, with members taking trophies in drag racing and autocross and entering more and more open track days at Sonoma, Thunderhill, Weather-Tech Raceway at Laguna Seca and Button-willow race tracks.

NCCA celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2007 by inviting past presidents to a dinner dance where we shared memorabilia. Our calendar is filled each January with events for the coming year that include trips to an assortment of locations, car shows, our annual fall banquet, & Christmas party.

The club's signature annual event, **Vette Magic**, has traditionally been a two-day, all Corvette Car Show & Drag Races. It is sponsored and organized by NCCA each summer. In 2015, for the first time, in a major break with tradition, Drag Races for the **40th Vette Magic** were opened to all "Bowtie" (Chevrolet) and then in 2016 for the 41st, to all GM sedans and sports cars. Each year this event draws a large number of Corvette racers and spectators from Northern California & the surrounding states.

NCCA is a valuable member of our community, as we contribute to several charitable organizations each year through our charitable foundation.

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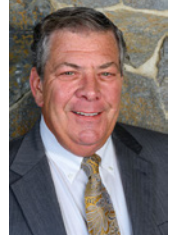
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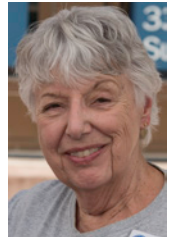


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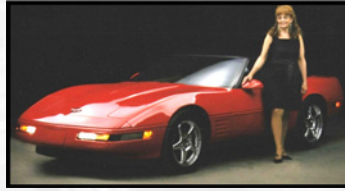
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General Business Meeting Minutes

Shirley Smith, Secretary

Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2021
7:00 pm at Harry's Hof Brau,
San Leandro



Call meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Roll Call of Members - 14 in attendance.

President: Rob Andersen
WSSC: Rob Andersen

Welcome members.

A motion was made to approve the minutes in last month's K and all approved.

We have guests with us this evening – Patrick Mullen and friend, who have a 1963 convertible and a 1957 corvette. He has had many different convertibles in the past. He is currently working on both of the convertibles to get them up and going again. Welcome!

I contacted Dave Mecariello to get updates and log in issues on our club website resolved.

Dave sent me a link so that I can update the club calendar on the website.

Dave will be continuing as Webmaster for the club.

Shirley, Mary and I will team up to cover the Social position until we find a replacement. We will be asking other Board members to help out as needed.

Thanks to Harvey for arranging a great dinner for the Fall Banquet.

The food was great and the hors d'oeuvres were very good.

Everything was wonderful.

We had 20 members attend. Group was the smallest the club has had.

I will check with WSSC about the insurance costs for the car shows for next year. Hopefully, we will not have to purchase another policy on top of what they cover.

We are looking for people to plan & lead runs. Small runs, or a lunch run would be great. Please let us know if you are interested in setting something up for next year.

We need a flyer for the Social Social gathering made up and put in the K!

Nothing for WSSC at this time.

VP Events / VP Motorsports – Mary Coon

Tonight's update via email:

San Andreas Gift Donations for the children – I need a final vote from the Board tonight on whether to keep donations at \$25 or \$30 each.

Once approved, I will order gift cards online with Walmart Corp.

George is going to provide the Federal tax ID# to get an account opened for NCCA (Note: This has all been handled via email as of tonight's meeting and the donation amount will be \$30.00 per child for 65 kids total.)

George Robinson - Treasurer & Gene Peters – Associate Treasurer

Treasurer's Report – Balance of our Charitable Foundation account is same as last month.

The board and members voted tonight to spend \$30 for each child for the San Andreas foster children Christmas gifts.

There will be a total of 65 children this year.

Mary will be purchasing gift cards.

General Account is looking good.

Charitable Foundation – we will be mailing out \$300.00 donation checks in the next week to the charities. (See Charitable Foundation for the list of Charities we have chosen to donate to this year).

I had some issues online with the bank statement today and was not able to print them out.

Checks/Expenses paid out –

Color print for the K.

WSSC for new member fee.

Paid to Bruce Bourne for postage mailing of the K for a couple months.

Deposits were made by Mary for membership renewals.

We started selling some advertisements for the K and our sponsors would like to see the ads every month.

Rob A. asked how much do we need for the car shows to next year? Approximately \$2,000 per show.

Secretary: Shirley Smith

NCCA Christmas Party – at Black Bear Diner – 807 Camino Ramon, Danville, CA.

Our Christmas Party Starts at 6pm.

Bring canned goods and gifts for the kids to donate to the Davis Street Center.

We will be having a white elephant gift exchange.

Please bring a thoughtful gift value of \$20.00 to participate in the exchange.

You will be covering your own cost of dinner or drinks.

You will be able to order off the regular menu if you choose to have dinner and/or dessert.

Please contact Rob, Shirley or Mary to let them know if you are attending the Christmas Party.

Social Social will be held on February 19th, 2021 at Gene & Denise

Peters home located at 261 Royal Palm Place, Danville, CA 94526.

Time: 12 Noon.

Pot Luck! Please bring a dish to share!

Please contact Rob, Shirley or Mary to let them know if you are able to attend.

Membership: Ken Coon

Via Email:

There are about 10 members' renewals still outstanding.

I will reach out to a few folks via phone calls next week just to confirm if they want to continue to participate.

Social: E Board Members

We are looking for someone to volunteer to take this position over. For the time being the E Board will handle all aspects of Social.

NCCA Christmas Party – on Sat. Dec. 11, 2021 at the Black Bear Diner in Danville. See flyer in the K for more information.

Social Social Feb. 19, 2021 - 12 noon at Gene and Denise Peters home in Danville, CA. Note: We will try to have a flyer made up for this event and in the K in January 2022.

Publications: Scott Devine

We need content for publications.

Please upload to Media Fire any pictures you have taken recently of your corvette, other corvette's, events or Sunday drives you have taken.

If you are participating in an event or out for a drive, please send pictures and a write up if you can for the K.

Sponsorship – Edie Devine

No updates at this time.

Rob Andersen will contact Abel Chevrolet about sponsorship.

Rob will check to see if we can get them to cover a 2 page ad for the K and sponsor our car shows.

Charitable Foundation: Hal & Madeline Briar

It was decided tonight that we will be sending \$300 checks to the following charities – Alzheimer's Association, Semper Fi, Ruby's Place, Davis Street Family Resource Center, American Cancer Society, SOS Meals on Wheels and Morningstar Outreach - which is a new charity we have added this year.

Historian: Herb Clore

We did have a fall banquet this year.

I was able to put together a short video.

We then decided at the dinner to watch some of the older fall banquet videos.

It was nice to see members from the past events and the pictures from the 2018 Dream Drive.

Thank you from Rob and George and everyone present tonight to Herb for a great video!

I have decided I will add some of the old videos into our fall banquet video next year.

George will send current pictures from the 2021 fall banquet to Scott and Herb.

BMAL: Tim Sullivan

Nothing to report at this time- per Gene Peters.

Public Relations: Bruce Bourne – Nothing to Report at this time.

Bruce- Please note: Please cancel sending a K to Tim McGrane.

Please add Terry Thompson at the Blackhawk Museum to the K mailing list. The address is, 3700 Blackhawk Plaza Circle, Danville, CA 94506.

Please correct Scott Devine's address. His K was returned as it had the wrong city on the label. Thank you!!

Web Master – Dave Meccariello – Nothing to Report at this time.

Note: Per Harvey – Hoping that Tim's jacket will arrive in January or Feb. 2022.

Note: Per Don Henning - Nothing new to report!

New Business: None

Old Business: None

Meeting adjourned: 7:41 pm





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DECEMBER 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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19	20	21	22	23	24	Christmas
26	27	28	29	30	31	New Year's Day

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Please note that event dates & details occasionally change. It's a good idea to check relevant web sites before making final plans.

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JANUARY 2022

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2021 YEAR IN REVIEW





Occidental Run - May 2021





Peanut Run - May 2021





2021 VETTE MAGIC

























NCCA SOCIAL-SOCIAL 2022

POTLUCK LUNCH
BRING ENTREES and DESSERTS

WHERE: Gene & Denise Peter's home

261 Royal Palm Place, Danville, CA 94526

WHEN: February 19th, 2022 from 12 Noon to 3pm

BRING: Ideas, runs and events for NCCA 2022 calendar

This NCCA Social-Social potluck lunch meeting is open to all members and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Many events were cancelled in 2021 due to Covid, and we hope 2022 will be a new fun year!

If you have a favorite run, event, restaurant or winery you think members would enjoy, this is the time to add to our NCCA calendar. You just need to present a good idea and a preferred date. We will work with you to plan your event in accordance with NCCA guidelines. We want to plan many fun runs for 2022. This is exciting when people see us drive together with 20-30 corvette's down the road. We really missed that in 2021.

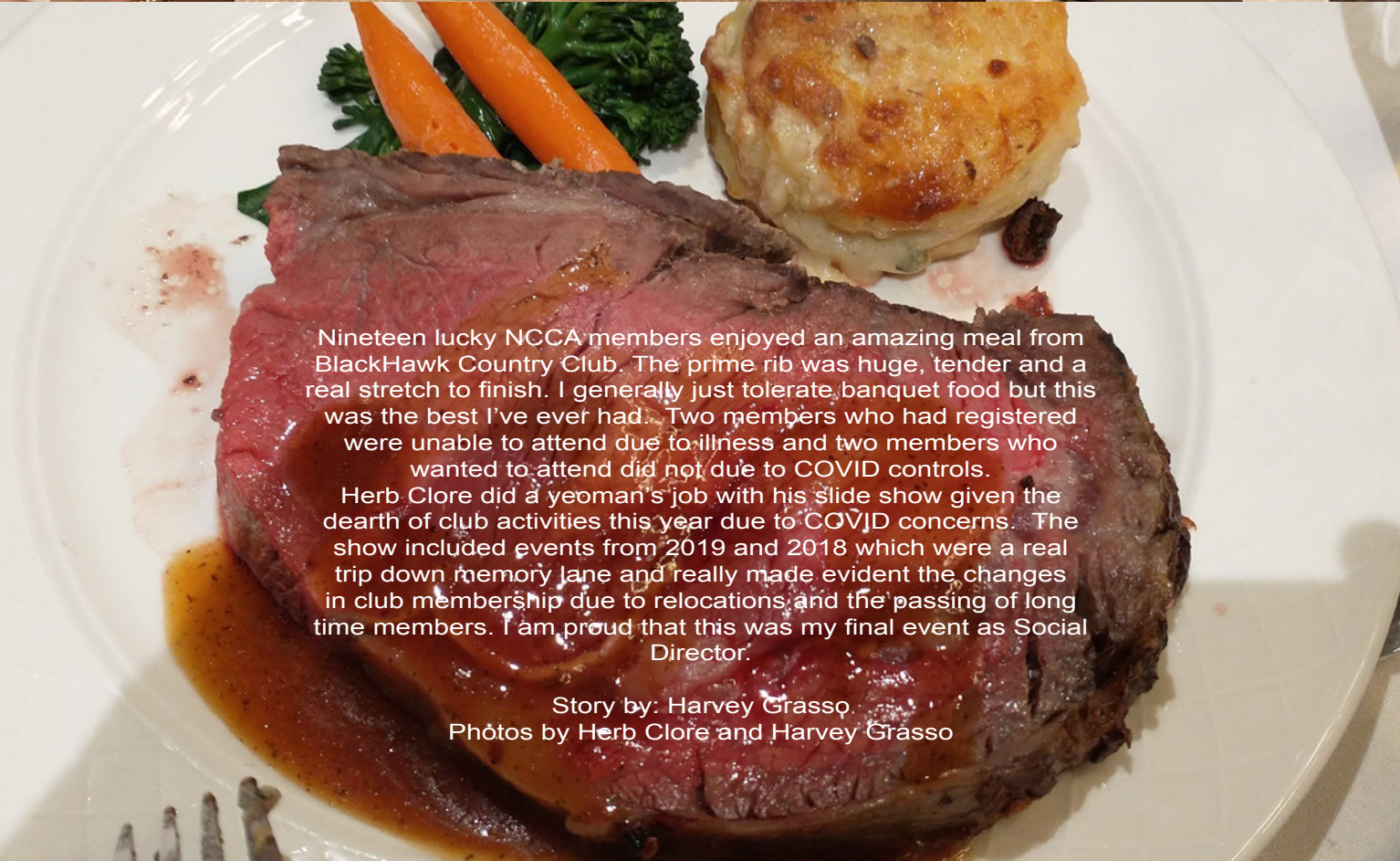
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2021 FALL BANQUET





Nineteen lucky NCCA members enjoyed an amazing meal from BlackHawk Country Club. The prime rib was huge, tender and a real stretch to finish. I generally just tolerate banquet food but this was the best I've ever had. Two members who had registered were unable to attend due to illness and two members who wanted to attend did not due to COVID controls. Herb Clore did a yeoman's job with his slide show given the dearth of club activities this year due to COVID concerns. The show included events from 2019 and 2018 which were a real trip down memory lane and really made evident the changes in club membership due to relocations and the passing of long time members. I am proud that this was my final event as Social Director.

Story by: Harvey Grasso
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NCCA CHRISTMAS Party



**SATURDAY, December 11,
2021 at 6pm**

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Danville, CA 94526

No host beer and wine at 6:00 pm and Dinner off the Black Bear menu at 6:30 to 7:30 pm.

The White Elephant Gift Exchange will start after dinner; so, if you want to join the fun, bring a thoughtful gift, valued at \$10-20, to get a gift – It can be funny or serious..

Please bring canned foods for our annual Davis Street canned food drive and an unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots.

For planning purposes please RSVP to Harvey Grasso at

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Mike Lupeika	9
Pat Hendrix	15
Gene Peters	18
Mike Jordan	19
George Barby	22
Harvey Grasso	28

Mike Rosenzweig 31

January

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Steven Ashbacher	14
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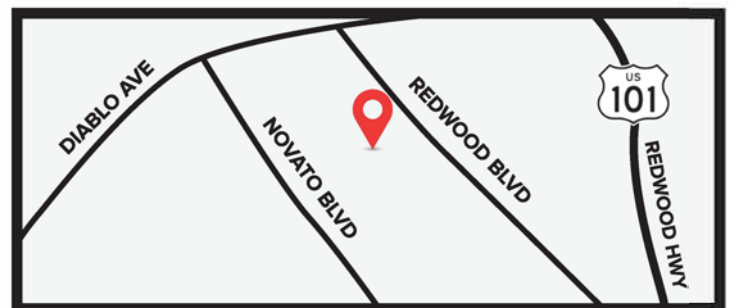
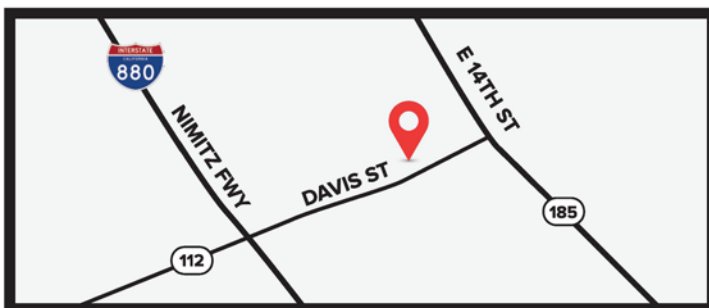
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