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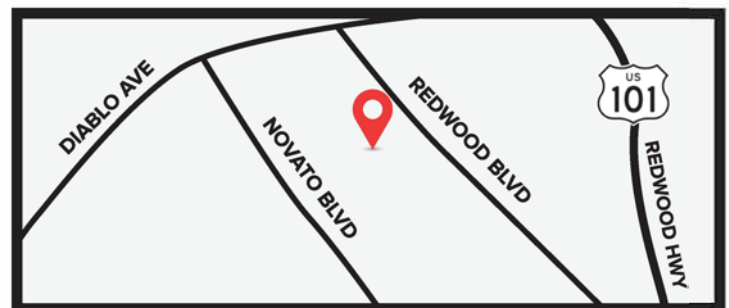
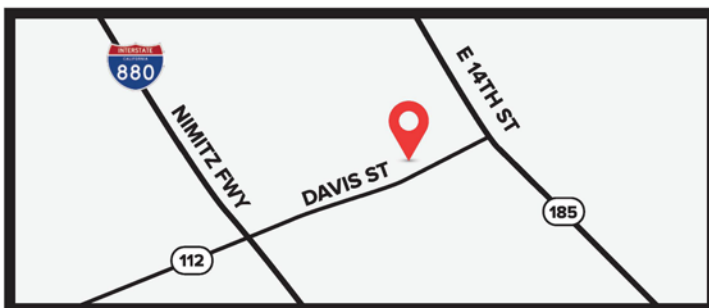
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In July of 1956 in the East Bay, two Corvette owners, Johnny Zeh and Jerry Wright, waved & stopped to talk. Corvettes were few in numbers then & several weeks could pass before encountering another. These drivers discussed starting a Corvette Club.

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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 (WSCC), 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 50<sup>th</sup> 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.

## TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

- NCCA MEMBERSHIP IS DUE SEPTEMBER 1ST
- \$110 RENEWAL (ONLINE K), \$135 RENEWAL (PRINTED K)
- NO LATE FEES IF PAID BY OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>
- \$10 LATE FEE IF PAID BY NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>
- \$20 LATE FEE IF PAID BY DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>
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\*2021 \$10 Increase for WSCC Dues



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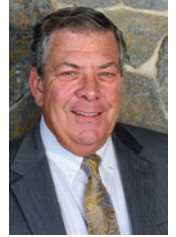
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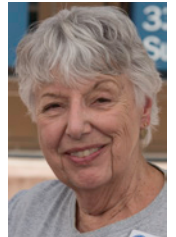


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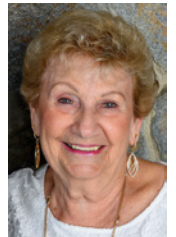


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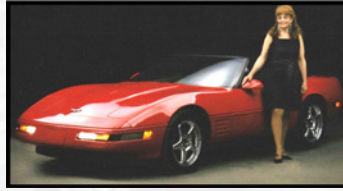
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# General Business Meeting Minutes

## Shirley Smith, Secretary

Wednesday, April 6, 2022  
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** – No report – Out due to surgery on his foot.  
**WSSC: Rob Andersen** – Report made by Mary Coon

**VP Events – Mary Coon – President Pro Tiem**  
Welcome members.

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

We have one guest this evening – Billy Roth with a C8 – 2020 Red corvette. Welcome.

First order of business – Update on WSSC Insurance issues – Mary & Ken Coon

Update from WSSC – They have lost their insurance. They have found a company that will offer insurance to them. I have sent an update out to all board members for review. WSSC held another emergency meeting a few nights ago, regarding the insurance issue.

At the last meeting there was a lot of resistance from the clubs. A wheels turning event/run is not covered by the insurance company. This created a lot of problems with the clubs in WSSC.

WSSC went back to the insurance company to re-negotiate and now the insurance company is going to allow caravans/runs but they have to be designated by each club and communicated in advance to WSSC with a \$200 fee per event to be paid by the host club that is liable. Not the person posting the event. (ie: Steve Ledson - Ledson Winery)

We may be required to collect signed disclaimers stating that event is not covered by WSSC Insurance.

On our club calendar for this year, we have six (6) events that are going to require us to pay the \$200 fee. If we ask other clubs to join us on a run we can ask them to share the cost of the \$200 fee.

Legend's on Display car show is a wheels turning event. We will need to have a 1 day insurance policy for this event. WSSC has agreed to reimburse us for the fee for this event only.

Our Meetings, Social Social and Fall Banquet do not need the extra fee to be paid.

We are looking into securing our own insurance for the club. The New proposed policy from WSSC will run from April 2022 to April 2023. We may stick with WSSC insurance for the rest of the year.

Gene Peters mentioned NCCC insurance as they are national and we could look into going with them. (Note: Per Mary - Rob Andersen has looked into this insurance and at this time we will not pursue).

Other clubs are getting their own insurance bids, but they don't cover a wheels turning event. They were told something different at first and then the company changed up what they were saying. They now have an attorney involved.

We have to get back with WSSC this week. We need to give them an answer. E-Board members have been sent all the information by email and I have asked any board members who could not attend tonight's meeting to vote via email. We have enough board members here tonight to take an in person vote.

WSSC has been turned away from insurance companies; they are being blacklisted because of a claim where an individual was killed at an autocross event.

Currently we have 2 car shows for this year.

Ledson Winery event will be hosted by Steve Ledson – Owner of Ledson Winery. We will not have to pay for the fee for this event. Steve Ledson will be inviting corvette owners to join him for a fun day at the Castle.

Harvey Grasso – Wants us to look into NCCC insurance. He wants to know if we have got an application from them? Mary told him no we have not.

We do not have to make a commitment to WSSC in December of 2022 when dues are being paid to them. If we decide not to go with the WSSC insurance for the following year then we will back out of WSSC.

One (1) issue is the E Board D&O insurance (Directors and Officers). It is currently paid thru October of 2022 thru WSSC. If we do not renew with WSSC we will need to get our own D&O insurance policy. Cost to be determined at a later date. The club will have to pay for this insurance. We also will be without insurance for 2 months if we do not secure insurance before October of 2022. We are still looking for other options of insurance.

Per Mary – maybe at next month's meeting we will have more bids on new insurance and we can poll our members. This insurance would start in December 2022.

George Robinson made a motion to the E Board members present to vote for the insurance thru WSSC through 2022. Vote taken – Six (6) E Board members voted yes. One (1) E Board member voted yes via email. For a total of 7 Board Members. It has passed that we will go with WSSC insurance.

A Vote was taken by the club members in attendance regarding the insurance. Vote taken – Thirteen (13) Agree & One (1) does not.

We will get back to WSSC and hopefully Helen Landis will get us a policy for the one (1) day for Legend's on Display Car Show.

Mary will also look into our own insurance for the event. Legend's on Display Car Show will be held on May 22, 2022.

As for now we are moving forward with May 22, 2022 Legend's on Display car show.

Helen Landis will send out an email blast of our flyer thru mailchimp once we have the flyer ready to go.

We are now partnered with Motorsports Reg. All car show entrants can register online for the upcoming car show.

We can also put a registration link on our website, so that people looking

into the car show can register for our event online in advance. We will also accept registration the day of the event via cash, or Credit Card via square.

Currently we have sponsorship interest from TPS. Edie Devine had been working with TPS. Edie has moved and has turned over all information over to Mary and Rob. Hopefully we can get TPS to sponsor us for the year.

We need to order all the trophies for the car show by April 14th. Our DJ is set.

I have contacted Terry Thompson at Blackhawk museum and he will set up a tent for us just like he did in the past.

We will need VOLUNTEERS to help at this event. Please let us know if you will be attending and able to help out. Gene Peters will bring the trailer to the car show.

We will have a cutoff date for the online registration. Motor Sports Reg will give us a list of paid registrants.

Mary will need the rate page for the K advertising from Edie Devine. Mary will contact her for the information.

Current approximate costs for Legend's on Display are \$2000.00 for DJ, WSCC fee and Trophies.

#### **VP Events / VP Motorsports – Mary Coon**

See above for all information.

#### **George Robinson - Treasurer & Gene Peters – Associate Treasurer**

Current status as of end of March - our bank accounts are good.

Colorpint (K) Check paid

Bruce Bourne K Mailing-Postage Check paid

Deposit of Dues from Mel Lim

Charitable Foundation balance good.

No activity since last meeting for charitable accounts.

#### **Secretary: Shirley Smith**

**Nothing to Report!**

#### **Please note: May 9th, 2022 is NCCA's 65th Birthday!**

Michelle Ferretta is looking for a bunch of Corvette News magazines:

#### **“Corvette News” Magazine's Wanted**

Volume 1, No 1

Volume 1, No 2

Volume 1, No 3

Volume 4, No 4

Volume 4, No 5

Volume 4, No 6 (Supplement “The Corvette Story”)

Volume 8, No 3

Volume 8, No 3 (High Caliper Braking Supplement)

Volume 8, No 4

1977 Feb/March

1977 Oct/Nov

1978 Aug/Sep

1979 Feb/Mar

1981 Oct/Nov or Fall Issue

1984 Summer Issue

1986 Fall Issue

1987 Winter, Spring, Fall

If anyone has any of these magazines and would like to donate them to the club. Please contact Shirley Smith.

#### **Membership: Ken Coon**

Billy Roth joined us tonight for his first meeting. He is looking forward to joining our other events and also joining the club.

We have five (5) prospective members interested in joining our club. Most have reached out via NCCA website & Facebook.

If we opt out of insurance from WSCC that may change our dues for next year based on what we pay for Board & General Liability Insurance.

#### **Social: E Board Members – Open Position**

Nothing to report at this time!

#### **Publications: Open Position!**

#### **Sponsorship – Mary Coon & Rob Andersen**

See report from Mary above.

#### **Charitable Foundation: Hal & Madeline Briar**

We need to plan for prizes for the car show. Michelle Ferretta and Shirley Smith have been getting together raffle prizes.

We need to increase the amount of raffle prizes to at least 40 for the upcoming car show. We are looking for donations of raffle prizes from our club members.

Please contact us if you have a donation by May 10th.

We will be sending out via email a request to all our club members looking for donations towards raffle prizes or cash donations.

Depending on the response we may be able to purchase a large item to raffle.

We are planning on having a 50/50 raffle.

#### **Historian: Herb Clore – No report at this time.**

Via Email – Herb will have costs for mailing the K.

#### **BMAL: Tim Sullivan – Nothing to Report at this time.**

#### **Public Relations: Open Position!**

Herb Clore handling mailing of the K.

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

New Business: None

Old Business: None

Meeting adjourned: 7:47 pm



MARCH 2022

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17 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

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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.

For additional details see the NCCA website: [www.nccacorvettes.org](http://www.nccacorvettes.org)

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# MAY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8 <b>Mother's Day</b>	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 <b>A Legend on Display Car Show @ Blackhawk Museum</b>	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 <b>Memorial Day</b>	31				

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# GOODGUYS CAR SHOW

## A PICTURE PERFECT DAY

We enjoyed the Car Show at the Alameda Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, CA on MARCH 25-27.

Goodguys opened their 2022 Car Show season ready to feature 17 events across the U.S. It is also opening their events to a new generation of automotive enthusiasts.

The new national event vehicle year means any vehicle from 1997 or prior will now be eligible to participate all weekend long. It was a full house of cars and enthusiasts.

Pictured to the right; Ken & Maria Coon, Stan & Jennifer Krafft







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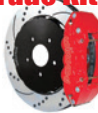
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# BOWLING



## BOWLING FUN & LUNCH

On March 19th a few bowling ringers got together for a friendly game on the alley. We then met for lunch at a Cajun style restaurant- Clementine's in San Ramon. Great Spring day for catching up with friends. Thank you to Harvey Grasso for setting up a fun event.



Ken & Maria Coon; Hal & Madeline Briar; Harvey & Pat Grasso; Ron Surma; Denise Peters

# GREENHORN CREEK RESORT

## FIRST DAY OF SPRING LUNCHEON

On March 20th we gathered for a Pasta Buffet. We enjoyed 4 different pastas, caesar salad, rolls and cheesecake bites. Invited guests from NCCA and Rio Vista Car Clubs joined in on the fun. Everyone had a great time socializing and the Boccé courts were ready for anyone who wanted to play. A big thanks to COL for the invitation.



Pictured NCCA;  
Hal & Madeline Briar;  
Ken & Maria Coon;  
Denise Peters



# BODEGA BAY

## LUCAS WHARF RESTAURANT

On April 9th we gathered in Bodega Bay for a special day by the Bay. Lunch at Lucas Wharf Restaurant didn't disappoint. Plenty of Seafood for our journey along HWY 1.



Hal & Madeline Briar



Tippi Hedren, Captain Dave's Ice Cream Parlor



Pictured;  
Steve & Mary Grodin;  
Russ & Sandra Teves;  
Hal & Madeline Briar;  
Harvey & Pat Grasso;  
Steve & Cynthia Kesinger;  
Ken & Maria Coon



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# A Legend on Display

## All-Corvette Show



**WHEN:**

**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

**WHERE:**

**Blackhawk Museum**  
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(Lower parking lot in Plaza)  
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## **Buckle Up And Race To The National Corvette Museum With The Most Famous Toy Vehicles On The Planet, Hot Wheels®**

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All roads lead to Bowling Green, KY as the National Corvette Museum opens Hot Wheels™: Race to Win™. This new family exhibit will get visitors revved up with immersive activities for three generations of Hot Wheels® fans. There's something for parents, grandparents, and today's youngest Hot Wheels fans. Hot Wheels: Race to Win will make a pit stop beginning May 27, 2022, continuing through September 25, 2022, at the National Corvette Museum.

Introduced by Mattel in 1968, Hot Wheels have come a long way, both in the diecast and life-size varieties. More than 800 models and 11,000 variations of Hot Wheels cars have been created and more than 4 billion Hot Wheels diecast cars have been sold.

"Generations of children have enjoyed the thrill and speed of racing with Hot Wheels, and this new interactive exhibit now brings families together to learn what brings racing to life in a fun and memorable way," said Julie Freeland, Senior Director, Global Live Events & Attractions, Mattel.

In the exhibit Hot Wheels: Race to Win, visitors can be part of a dynamic race team working together to build and test the fastest and safest speed machines on the planet using Hot Wheels diecast cars to experiment and play. This behind-the-scenes look at the thrilling world of racing investigates the scientific process for designing super-fast cars and helps families who have the need for speed understand how it is achieved. The exhibit was created by The Children's Museum of Indianapolis in partnership with Mattel.

"This family learning experience provides hands-on opportunities for parents to explain complex physics concepts in fun ways utilizing the popular Hot Wheels toy cars as they experiment with different principles to see which makes a car go fastest," said Jennifer Pace Robinson, president and CEO of the museum that produced the exhibit, The Children's Museum of Indianapolis.

Children and families will love the Pit Stop Challenge in which they can race the clock – and their family and friends – to change tires and refuel cars. A 6-lane downhill speed track, booster power track, adjustable angles track, and timing track are just a few of the ways visitors will be able to test their theories regarding the science of racing and cause and effect. Real race car parts, authentic artifacts, and captivating memorabilia including Corvettes from the National Corvette Museum's collection will round out the experience.

According to National Corvette Museum President and CEO Sharon Brawner, "We are eager to showcase the Hot Wheels: Race to Win exhibition at the National Corvette Museum for Hot Wheels fans of all ages to experience the history of America's sports car in an educational and interactive space. The Corvette's long-standing representation within Hot Wheels is one that carries across generations and we can't wait to see the appreciation for both brands at our museum. This Limited Engagement Gallery Exhibition will be a place where everyone feels like a kid."

The museum invites Hot Wheels fan of all ages to push the limits of imagination and learn about the world of racing in this all-new exhibit.



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