# Road Notes

# ROUTE 66 CORVETTE CLUB

- Largest Club in the NCCC Midwest Region



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On the Cover: One of the planes in the collection at the Commemorative Air Force at Smartt Field north of St. Charles. Side bar: Maligne Lake, Canadian Rockies 2013. Photo by Doug Stone.



### **Meeting Location** First Thursday of each month @ 7:00 pm January thru November



### <u>Map</u>

Old Hickory Golf Course #1 Dye Club Drive St. Peters, MO 63302 636 -447- 8960

http://www.OldHickoryGC.com

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President Don Lorimier

Vice President Paul Kaus

<u>Treasurer</u> Rich Weinhold <u>Directors</u> Bob Lamb Mike Spathelf John Kozlowski Governor Tom Reitz

Secretary Doug Stone

Past President Bill Mitchell

**Committee Chairs** 

<u>Audit</u> Bill Mitchell Bob Isermann NCM Ambassadors Mike Spathelf Jan Spathelf

> Newsletter Doug Stone

Financial Planning Open

> <u>Nomination</u> Bob Lamb Robert Gamlin Craig Besand

Sponsorship Bob Isermann Mike Spathelf

<u>Trailer</u> Danny Clayton

Rules & Regulations Lynda Rothweil

> <u>Social</u> Larry Boyd

<u>Website</u> Joe Anelle Lynda Rothweil

Contact a Board Member

NCCC Events

Tom Reitz

Car Show Paul Kaus

<u>Charity</u> Howard Sardis Sheryl Ray Tom Desmond

Membership Dave Hecht

## **President's Message**

#### September

Fall weather will be here soon, which provides the opportunity for our club to get out on several Road Runs and enjoy the beautiful countryside and driving your Corvette.

Our Social Committee is working hard to keep our membership busy between now and the end of the year. Be sure you are checking our Calendar on the Route 66 CC web page.

Just a friendly reminder, please be sure you wear your Route 66 Name Tag to each event. We have many new faces that participate, and it is helpful for all of us who attend, so we can introduce ourselves and make everyone feel comfortable.

Our Treasurer, Rich Weinhold, reminds everyone that our Annual Dues are due By The End of October. You may make payment in person at our September or October meeting via Cash or Check, or ...go to our web page and follow the link to make payment via Square.

It is also that time of year to prepare for our November meeting and election of officers. If you are interested in one of the open positions, please reach out to one of our Nominating Committee members for further information. They are Bob Lamb, Craig Besand and Robert Gamblin.

I look forward to seeing everyone at one our upcoming events or monthly meetings.

Best Regards Don Lorimier



# **Our Sponsor**





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### **ROUTE 66 CORVETTE CLUB**

Date: Location: Call to Order: Submitted By: Thursday, September 5, 2024 Old Hickory Golf Club 7:00 PM Doug Stone



#### **Introduction of Officers:**

President: Vice President: Secretary: Treasurer: Governor: Directors:

Past President:

Don Lorimier Paul Kaus Doug Stone Rich Weinhold Tom Reitz Bob Lamb, Mike Spathelf, John Kozlowski Bill Mitchell

#### **Introduction of Committee Chairs:**

Audit & Financial Planning: Bill Mitchell,

Nominating:

NCCC Events: Rules & Regulations: Car Show: Social: Charity: Sponsorship:

Membership: NCM Ambassador:

Newsletter: Website & Graphics: Bill Mitchell, Bob Isermann Don Lorimier, Bob Lamb Tom Reitz Lynda Rothweil Paul Kaus Larry Boyd Howard Sardis Bob Isermann, Mike Spathelf Dave Hecht Mike & Jan Spathelf Doug Stone Joe Anelle

#### President's Opening Remarks: Don Lorimier

- We have had no update yet from Old Hickory regarding the new PA system that they are pursuing.
- Don introduced the club officers.
- Thanks to all for your thoughts and prayers regarding Don's and Carlene's daughter-in-law that passed away recently.
- We were able to get together at the Lambert USO to get a picture of the check presentation. We will meet at Poage Chevrolet tomorrow for their check presentation at 9 am.
- We still need a car show chairman. Please talk with Paul or Don.

#### **Corrections & Approvals of Last Month's Minutes:**

No changes were needed.

• A motion was made to accept the minutes as submitted. That motion was seconded. A Yay/Nay vote was held. The motion passed.

#### **Officer's Reports: (cont.)** Introduction of New Members/Guests: Dave Hecht

#### New Members:

Gary and Jill Thompson - 2023, Coupe, Pearl David and Lori King - 2003, Convertible, Medium Spiral Grey Jeff and Kristy Weldon - 1998, Convertible, Torch Red Guest:

Larry Rieders – Blue Convertible 1969, Silver Coupe 1998 & Blue Convertible 2017

#### Car Show: Paul Kaus

Extra car show T-shirts are For Sale for \$15 - Get them tonight!!!!!

We still need a chairperson to lead the planning for the 2025 car show. Paul Kaus had this position for the past 2 years and it is time for another member to pursue this great opportunity.

#### **New Business:**

Bob Lamb \_ 2024 Election / Nominating Committee Update

- Bob reports that we will be electing President, Treasurer and Governor and one Board Member in November.
- President: Dave Hecht has volunteered to put his name in the hat for that position.
- Treasure: Rich Weinhold has decided to stay in that position for two more years.
- Governor: Craig Besand agreed earlier in the year to replace Tom Reitz.
- Board member: Bob Lamb's board position is open. Candidates today are Dennis Osterhorn and Ray Shea.
- Nominations close at the end of the October 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Please contact Bob if you want to run for any of these positions. Candidate speeches and voting will occur at the November meeting.

Car Club Photos to go on the website will be taken before the October meeting. Come between 5:00 and 6:30 to Old Hickory where Bob Isermann will stage the photo session.

We received a thank you letter from the Veterans Memorial in Perryville for our donation.

#### VP's - Board of Directors Report: Paul Kaus Members Present:

Tonight's Meeting Attendance was 61.

• 52 members attended the July meeting.

#### Sponsorship Report: Poage Chevrolet, Joey Vassallo

- Poage Appreciation Day \_ Friday; September 20<sup>th</sup>
- No report

#### *Officer's Reports: (cont.)* Treasurer's Report: Rich Weinhold

- August 2024 Treasurer Report See next pages. (Reports only in Members Issue.)
- Income & Expense Comparison to 2023 See next pages.
- 2025 Dues Are Due before the October meeting
  - Rt 66 Web Page \_ Square or send a check to Rich Weinhold

#### NCCC Governor's Report: Tom Reitz, Craig Besand

NCCC STUFF

- See photos of the Rantoul Autocross in the event section of Road Notes.
- The next Governor meeting is September 14<sup>th</sup> at Westport Plaza, see me if interested in attending.
- There will be low speeds (autocross) at Pekin, IL on October 5-6.

#### Trailer Committee: Danny Clayton

No report.



#### NCM Ambassador Report: Mike and Jan Spathelf

- Update \_ NCM 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mike and Jan worked 44 hours in the store last week for the anniversary and the Caravan. They have been volunteering there since 2014.
- Caravan Report 5 to 6K cars attended.
- Ambassadors Meeting Recap
  - The new director was introduced. He is Ryan Eichler. He is also the marketing director for the NCM Academy. The academy is for Ambassadors and is Nov 5-7. I'll have more info about that at the next meeting.
- Vets for Veterans November 7 9, 2024. (Editors note: See Vets 'n Vettes information on the page following the Treasurer's Reports)
- Thanks to Dick Heider for loaning shirts and a poster from the opening of the museum for the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary. They were displayed in the museum store window.

*Officer's Reports: (cont.)* Treasurer's Report: Rich Weinhold

### Treasurer's Reports Members Only

TOC Rich Weinhold, Treasurer 2023-2024

*Officer's Reports: (cont.)* Treasurer's Report: Rich Weinhold

### Treasurer's Reports Members Only





*Officer's Reports: (cont.)* NCM Ambassador Report: : (cont.)



#### November 7 – 9, 2024 <u>CLICK HERE TO REGISTER</u>

In 2008, we proudly started a cherished tradition honoring our veterans with the Vets 'n Vettes event. The celebration begins Thursday with an exciting half-day at the NCM Motorsports Park, where a complimentary lunch will be served to all participants. On Friday and Saturday, we continue the festivities with exhilarating road tours and a special luncheon. This event provides veterans, servicemen and women, and supporters a welcoming space to connect, share stories, and celebrate their experiences together. •Lifetime registration is \$35 per person, member registration is \$40 per person and non-member registration is \$50 per person.

•Online registration closes at 9:00 AM CDT on Friday, October 18, 2024.

There are no refunds for activities after online registration closes. All activities are open to event registrants *only*.
Online registrants will receive a hard card credential, lanyard, and event pin.

For more information, please follow this link: <a href="https://www.corvettemuseum.org/museum-events/">https://www.corvettemuseum.org/museum-events/</a>

### **2024 Caravan Statistics**

### **30TH ANNIVERSARY**



### **BY THE NUMBERS**





180+ CAR WASHES AT MSP



300+ LBS OF BURGERS 200+ LBS OF FRIES SERVED AT STINGRAY GRILL

MEDIA COVERAGE REACHED **1,000** TIMES MORE PEOPLE THAN ATTENDED 5,871 TOTAL EVENT REGISTRATIONS

> 52 SEMINARS



8,725 HOURS MUSEUM STAFF WORKED

25 NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS





27 SERVICE REQUESTS FROM NCMI \*INCLUDING THE ONE-OF-ONE 30TH ANNIVERSARY ZOG RAFFLE



25 R8C AND 9 MUSEUM DELIVERY EXPERIENCES

SIX ARTIFACT PIT STOPS REPRESENTING

**300** COLLECTIVE YEARS OF CORVETTE HISTORY

CORVETTEMUSEUM.ORG

#### Committee Reports:

#### Rules & Regulations Committee: Lynda Rothweil

No report.

#### Website & Graphics: Joe Anelle

No report.

#### Road Notes Newsletter: Doug Stone

- Stories for Road Notes:
  - Send your car stories especially Corvettes but whatever you want to tell of your car experiences.
  - Tell us about your favorite drives. Where do you drive to when you just want to get out with your Corvette?
- Many stories and drives have been published in past issues. Look them up at the club website.
- Also send your suggestions for new topics.
- Doug mentioned a special presentation by Mike Dixon about the St. Louis Corvette Assembly Plant to be made at the February club meeting. Mike used to work at the plant.

#### Membership: Dave Hecht

- Membership as of tonight: 223 as of tonight, was 217 last month.
- Dave is creating a Google form for us to sign up for events. This form will replace the discontinued GroupWorks that we had been using. Links to the form and attendees will be included in all club event emails.

The membership directory is available online at Route 66 Corvette Club Directory

General Membership Reminders:

- Green "Club Polo Shirts" \_ Shirt Kong
- Club Name Tags \_ Solo Products / St Louis
- New Club Patches and Lapel Pins are available at meetings
- Two-way Radios are helpful on runs.

#### Handy Club Info:

- Add the Rt66CC Calendar to your Google Calendar:
  - <u>https://www.route66corvetteclub.com/calendar.html</u>
  - Pick: + GoogleCalendar
- Add the Club Logo to Apparel and Accessories:
  - See our website and contact Shirt Kong for more info:
  - <u>https://www.route66corvetteclub.com/clubMerch.html</u>
- To order individual green polo Club shirts with logo ask to talk with Samm.
- Order name badges at the following link:
  - <u>https://soloperformance.com/products/route66</u>
- Dining Membership at Old Hickory's full-service, casual dining restaurant, The Bistro, is no longer available. Existing dining memberships will continue with no changes.

#### Committee Reports: Social Committee: Larry Boyd

Upcoming Events:

September-October-November 2024

September:

- 1. Sept. 7 Rt 66 CC Annual Picnic @ Park 370-Don L. & Larry B.
- 2. Sept. 14 Birthday Bash-Hawthorne Inn-Purina Farms-Ray S. & Patti H.
- 3. Sept. 15 OCC Car Show
- 4. Sept. 17 Warm Springs Ranch & amp; Oak Cooperage-Larry B.
- 5. Sept. 20 Poage Chevrolet Appreciation Lunch-Don L.

6. Sept. 27-28 Kustom Corvette Club Car Show-Don L.

October:

- 1. Oct. 5 BTCC Show & Shine Car Show
- 2. Oct. 12 Aries Sky Lift-Birthday Bash Mike McMillen
- 3. Oct. 17 White Haven & Telegraph Cafe-Mike & Jan
- 4. Oct. 19 Ladies Lunch-Bunko-Patti hall
- 5. Oct. 19 Surprise Mike Hicks Run
- 6. Oct. 26 Ghost Tour-Larry B
- 7. Oct. 27 Diamond Mineral Springs-Patti Hall
- 8. Oct. 27 Trunk or Treat-David & Patti Hall

#### November:

- 1. Nov. 7 9 Vets N Vettes @ NCM
- 2. Nov. 9 10 Quincy Christmas Market Festival-Ray S.
- 3. Nov. 16 Rack House-Cottleville Birthday Bash-Mike H. & Larry B.
- 4. Nov. 19 Mystery Fun Run-Mike Hicks

#### Event Sign-Up - Update (Groupworks replacement)

Our new system is in place and being used. Dave Hecht created the system using Google Drive documents. Sign up for an event is done through a link in event initiations that leads to a blank Google document. The data from that document is sent to a Google Sheets file. All of the club members can review the attendees on this sheet via a link in the event announcement that the social committee sends to all members. Updates to the information, like adding an attendee or canceling, can be made as needed. Some will be asked to request access to the information. Complete the access request. David will get an email, and he will give you access.

Please consider attending the Open Artists' Studio and Garage Tour being put on by club Members Suzanne and Michael Koenen. See the next page for details.



# Open Artísts' Studío & Garage Tour Suzanne Gallí Koenen

Míchael Koenen

Friday, November 15, 2024 5 - 9 pm Saturday, November 16, 2024 10 am - 5 pm Sunday, November 17, 2024 10 am - 5 pm

> Apple Grove Gallery 4327 Apple Grove Lane St. Louis, MO 63128 314-799-5009 suzanne.galli.koenen@gmail.com www.sgkart.com

ome by the studio of Suzanne & Michael for creative fine art. Start your holiday shopping with one-of-a-kind gifts!

#### Committee Reports: (cont.)

Tech Korner: Rich Weinhold, Doug Stone <u>FIXING what GM MISSED on the Convertible C8 Corvette! DIY – Open and Close your</u> <u>convertible top without having to hold the button.</u>

From Concept To Legend: 10 Milestones In Corvette Evolution

What Makes the New Corvette ZR1's Engine So Powerful? An Engineer Explains

<u>'What you think is full synthetic isn't really full synthetic': Mechanic shares truth about full</u> synthetic oil

**Chevrolet Offers Corvette Academy Videos** 

Some Techy (Geeky) Aero Tech:

- This video has some aerodynamics testing of C1 thru C6 Corvettes. The vertical back window on the C3 up thru 77 added a lot of drag and turbulence. Video: <u>Wind Tunnel Test:</u> <u>All Generations of Corvette C1-C6</u>
- And some more about the aerodynamics of pop-up headlights. Watch how the air flows smoothly (laminar) over the front of the car and then how it looks after passing over the head lights and vertical back window (turbulent and spread out- not a smooth flow anymore.) Video: <u>Automotive Aerodynamics Episode 2: Pop-up Headlights</u>

#### Charity Committee: Howard Sardis (Tom Desmond)

The USO is the main charity for the club. But we give money to other charities – whatever we have over a \$10K bank balance at the end of the year. Send suggested charities to Howard and Tom Desmond by the end of October. Each must be a 501C3 organization. The committee will vet the suggestions, looking at their effectiveness for their cause.

Collection bins for Toys for Tots will be at our meeting in October, November, and December.

**Old Business:** 

None.

#### Wear Your Pride: Tom Reitz

The pot tonight is \$170 after it was not won at the August meeting. Remember to wear your "Route 66 Corvette Club" shirt, jacket, or hat to meetings. Also known as "Wear Your Pride"! The basic rules are that pins do not count; name tags do not count. The pot rolls over every month that it is not claimed, increasing by \$10 per meeting until claimed then starts over at \$10 again. The pot was NOT won tonight, the name drawn was Julie Ferris. She was not present. The pot will be \$180 at the October meeting.

#### Committee Reports: (cont.)

#### 50/50 Drawing: Chris and Greg Fultz

\$310 total was collected. \$155 to the Weekend Hunger Project. \$155 went to Bill Mitchell.

Bob Isermann has a C6 cover to give away. It went to Tom Raga.

Mike has another couple of items to give away – One went to Russ Thorp, a ceramic towel. And Ray Shea and Carlene Lorimier also won towels.

#### Motion to Adjourn:

A motion was made to adjourn, and that motion was seconded. A Yay/Nay vote was held. The motion passed.

Don Lorimier President



#### *Membership Anniversaries:* September:

Members		# of Years	Joined
NELSON	Ron & Detta	12	Sep - 12
MILLER	Matt	8	Sep - 16
LUEBCKE	Jason	6	Sep - 18
THIMIOGIANIS	Koula	6	Sep - 18
REIDY	Mike & Denise	5	Sep - 19
JOHNSON	Travis	5	Sep - 19
SHEA	Raymond & Marylynne	4	Sep - 20
GETZ	Linda	4	Sep - 20
HEIDER	Dick & Cindy	4	Sep - 20
SMITH	Jack & Linda	4	Sep - 20
VON MINDEN	Tom & Alana	4	Sep - 20
YOUNG	Jonathan	2	Sep - 22
STURGESS	David & Pam	1	Sep - 23
FORCE	Michael & Patricia	1	Sep - 23
HUDSON	Michael & Jamie	1	Sep - 23

#### October:

Members		# of Years	Joined
STREIB	Nancy	15	Oct - 09
SPATHELF	Mike & Jan	13	Oct - 11
HENKE	Frederick	12	Oct - 12
KLEEMEYER	Brian & Tammie	12	Oct - 12
CRAIG	Jeffrey & Patty	8	Oct - 16
LINDEMANN	Teresa	7	Oct - 17
RENDELL	lan & Jama	6	Oct - 18
THARP	Russ	6	Oct - 18
RATLEY	Randy & Sharon	4	Oct - 20
POLLIHAN	Bill & Bernadine	3	Oct - 21
HANNA	Larry & Joellen	2	Oct - 22
LAWSON	Steve	2	Oct - 22
PENBERTHY	Reggie	1	Oct - 23







**Event Photos:** 

## <u>Big Things, Small Town -</u> <u>Casey, Il</u>

8-3-2024











### **Impromptu Run to Hermann**

8-7-2024



To see more photos and read a description of each event *click the titles* to go to the full photo album.

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Event Photos: <u>Commemorative Air Force</u> <u>of Missouri Museum</u>

8-19-2024



















### **Birthday Bash to Bluff City**













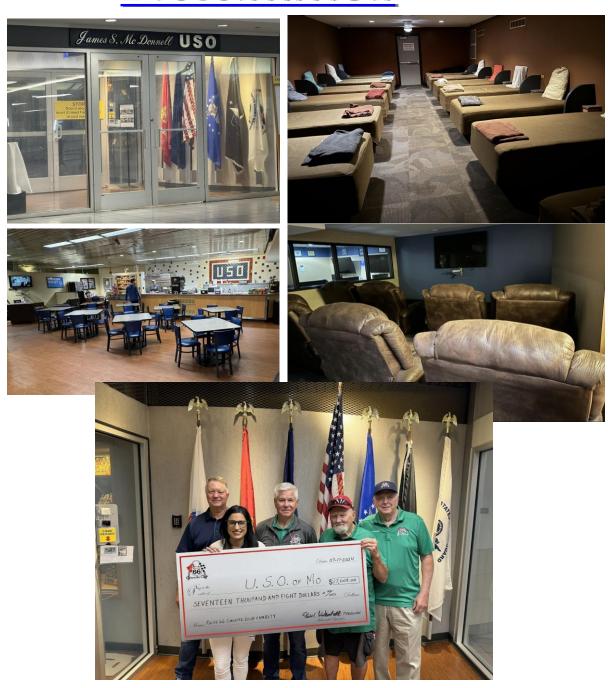




To see more photos and read a description of each event *click the titles* to go to the full photo album.

**Event Photos:** 

### Route 66 Corvette Club & USO of Missouri Check Presentation 8-21-2024



To see more photos and read a description of each event *click the titles* to go to the full photo album.

# NCCC Rantoul Autocross August 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>

Brian Kleemeyer - tan C4 Tom/Chris Reitz - purple C4 Jeff/Patty Craig - pewter C5 John/Angie Midkiff - orange C6.







Thanks to Chris Reitz for these photos





### **October**

Member		Birth Date
SICKELS	David	October 12
LUECK	Keith	October 12
RAMPONI	Wade	October 14
ANELLE	Joe	October 19
DISANO	James	October 20
REINHARDT	Roger	October 24
BACH	Thomas	October 27
FULTZ	Greg	October 28
RAGA	Lynn	October 28
CANADA	Dennis	October 30
STURGESS	Pam	October 30
HUDSON	Michael	October 30
VINCE	Scott	October 31
TURNER	Barbara	October 31

# September

Member		Birth Date
ISERMANN	Bob	September 2
OSTERHORN	Dennis	September 9
SHEA	Marylynne	September 11
SCOPEL	Rand	September 12
VON MINDEN	Tom	September 12
McGAHAN	Denise	September 12
HEIDENREICH	Brenda	September 13
REITZ	Chris	September 13
HAMMER	Harry	September 13
REYNOLDS	Jackie	September 20
KOZLOWSKI	Sandy	September 22
REIDY	Denise	September 22
PATTERSON	Nancy	September 23
ROTTMANN	Bill	September 24
RENZ	Yvonne	September 26
McMILLEN	Michael	September 28
LAWSON	Steve	September 28
McKENNA	Jeanne	September 30



# Gasoline Alley

### The 5 Slowest Corvettes to Ever Roll Off Of The Assembly Line

### 5 Facts That You Might Not Know About The Corvette

Watch "The New 2025 Chevrolet Corvette SUV is Unveiled -Comfortable SUV But Sport Car !"

#### From Dove candy wrappers:

- "Your vibe attracts your tribe." ~Libby W. California
- "When life isn't going right, go left." ~Haylea S., South Dakota
- "Inhale the future, exhale the past." ~Layne H., Ohio
- "After every storm there's a rainbow, no matter how long it takes to show up." Grace V., Ohio
- "Hands are meant to be held.", Carina T., Nevada
- "Laugh it off.", Amy T., Kentucky
- "Every moment matters, including this one!", Autumn B., Florida
- "Write a letter to a friend...and send chocolate with it.", Alyssa M., Minnesota
- "Keep life moving forward, looking backwards is only for time travelers.", Rachel O, Washington
- "Be the sculptor of your dreams.", Joanne G., California
- Always make your past-self jealous." Erin M., Kentucky
- Everyone has a happy ending. If you're not happy, it's not the end. Dove
- "Live your life everyday with no regrets, it'll be worth it." Daniel M., Pennsylvania
- "Be YOU-nique!" Bethany P., New York
- "You got this! Alicia H., Washington
- Don't talk about it, just be about it. Dove
- Life happens between an inhale and an exhale! Brianna Z., Nevada
- "Book the flight." Bri M., Michigan
- Don't let the hard days win. Dove
- Don't let anyone dim your light. Dove



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