



Heart of Ohio Chapter Newsletter

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Chairman's Message

Where has Summer gone? We are at the end of August, growing up in Minnesota meant the first week of September was the start of the school year. But here in wonderland, school starts in August, which I still find hard to accept.

Anyway, only a week away and the start of fall begins with the Bob McDorman Corvette Chevy show. I have had a great response from our members to show case their dream machines for the McDorman show. This is the Heart of Ohio Chapter's opportunity to display and recruit new members in a captive Corvette specific audience. Coffee and Donuts will be provided for those early birds that make it and I am working on a few other perks as well in an effort to pay those members for their support.

If you recall last month was the Corvette Alliance, Gathering III, the event was on held Sunday July 30th in downtown Lancaster, Ohio. The official count was close to 400 Corvettes, a bit short of our expectations of 600 Vettes. Perhaps the clear, hot, 90 plus degree weather kept some of our fellow Vette enthusiast away for fear of overheating. I know I have a problem with my Big Block in this issue. The best I hope for, is a too and from an event with little or no idling time. There were many types of Vettes there from old to new, from original to wildly modified. Music was provided with a DJ and the Oldies just kept on playing. The Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS members showed with a respectful 15 or more members participating. Of course the three stooges, plus one were there to cause a commotion. However, the only commotion we made was complaining about the weather and downing a few waters to cool our systems. I spoke with a few prospective members and was able to sign Dan

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Singer, a well known and city father from Lancaster, Ohio with a 1958 Roman Red Roaster that he is restoring to NCRS specs. I also took the opportunity to talk with a few vendors to make arrangements for our up coming Chapter meet in October 14th. In all, the show was a fine assortment of Corvettes and time well spent to raise funds for our NCRS charity commitment. I am hoping next year we obtain more members to attend this event, as this is the Heart of Ohio Chapter's only event focus on charity funds raising. By the way, the Heart of Ohio Chapter's split of the proceeds is \$300.00. The proceeds will be given to a charity that will be decided later by the Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS board.

I spoke to Stew Van Kirk in the hospital this past Wednesday evening this week. Stew is suffering from a bout of cancer as you may have read from our e-mails pasted around. On top of the battle with cancer Stew was operated on for a triple by-pass heart ailment. Well the Thursday before our talk, Stew was taken back to OSU for a heart attack. Stew needed a stint to repair additional blockage. Stew is now feeling much improved and cannot wait to get home. As we talked, Stew now



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was talking Corvettes, wanting to order parts and start moving on. One of Stew's friends had stopped by and has taken the transmission to have it rebuilt while he is recuperating. As soon as Stew is able I will send out a notice to all that wish to participate in making Stew's 57' come alive again. In the mean time keep your thoughts and prayers for Stew's recovery.

I wish to remind all our members that Queen City Chapter will be hosting their local Chapter meet, Friday and Saturday September 22nd and 23rd at King's Island. The park will be open as usual. You are welcome to bring a Corvette and park in the Corvette corral, attend the chapter meet at no charge. If you are judging or wish to observe or enter your Corvette you will need to register and the sooner the better.

I also wish to remind you that Steve Hack, Queen City Chair, has extended a discount on parts ordered through his business. Steve expressed that he would reduce our cost of parts by 10% for orders placed through Eastern Corvettes. So, if you are in search of parts give Mike or Steve a call at (513) 553-2080 or use their web site to contact them at www.easterncorvettes.com. I have taken advantage of Steve's offer and purchased parts for my Vette from Eastern Corvettes, very pleased.

Last minute interjection,

One of the Chairs for the Boardwalk Corvette Show in Ocean City New Jersey states: First of all, let me take this opportunity to thank you for having our event listed on your calendar. We really appreciate it!

However, our Corvette show in Ocean City NJ is September 24th **not October 13 - 14.**

Come Join us, at the Bob McDorman Corvette Chevy Show.

Save the Wave!

Lou Zuniga
Heart of Ohio Chapter NCRS
President/Chair

September Events

- Sept. 2 Cross Flags Corvette Club at Ricart's Chevrolet, Columbus (Alliance Event)
- Sept. 9 HoO Display – McDorman Chevrolet
- Sept. 15-17 Super Chevy Show – National Trail Raceway – HoO Organized Group Function
- Sept. 15-17 Mid-America Fun Fest – Effingham, IL
- Sept. 17 NCRS Pittsburgh Chapter – Chapter Picnic – Cedar Creek Park
- Sept. 22-23 NCRS Cincinnati Chapter – 17th Annual Chapter Meet – King's Island Resort and Conference Center.
- Sept. 23 NCRS Lake Erie chapter – Fall Chapter Meet – Hudson, OH

Upcoming HoO Special Events

September 15-17 – Super Chevy Show

National Trail Raceway will host a Super Chevy Show in September. If you have never been to this Show it is a must see - From the car show (stock to wild customs) to the nitro coupes the show is a unique event. The track is located a few miles from Perry Yasser's house in Hebron. If you are interested in attending let Perry know. He will be arranging a meeting time and place. For more information see www.superchevyshow.com



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Chapter Meeting Notes

See Lou's Chairman's Message for a report on the Gathering III, the HoO's function for the month of August.

Mid-Ohio Vintage Racing Road Trip

On Sunday August 20th the Heart of Ohio Chapter of the NCRS organized a club road trip to the Vintage Grand Prix of Mid-Ohio. This annual three-day event is held at the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Race Course near Mansfield and attracts sports car racing fans from all over the Midwest. This is its 25th year. Race qualifying was held on Friday and Saturday with Sunday being the day for the Feature Races and the Concours d'Elegance. An additional bonus on Sunday was two special races celebrating 40 years of Trans-Am Racing.

The Vintage Grand Prix is for race cars from the 50's, 60's and 70's with a few from later years mixed in. It is sponsored and sanctioned by the Sportscar Vintage Racing Association (SVRA) who holds a number of these races every year at selected tracks around the country. We are fortunate to have one within an hour's drive of Columbus.



Perry Yasher was the Day Chair and organizer of this HoO Road trip and four club members attended. In addition to Perry and his wife Sue, in attendance were Randy Rink and his wife Priscilla, Lou Zuniga and wife Marie and I. Together we had three Corvettes and one non-Corvette (at least it wasn't a PT Cruiser but the owner will still remain anonymous).

We met for coffee and a quick breakfast at the McDonalds at the 1-71 Delaware Exit and then it was off via mostly two-lane back roads to the track; about an hour's leisurely drive through the Ohio countryside. Perry led the way and at 9:30 we were heading into the track. The temperature was cool and it was overcast but there was no hit of rain – perfect weather for a day at the track.

Mid-Ohio reserves a large portion of their infield for car club corrals and we pulled into our assigned area. Each club had a large sign designating their club name and their reserved parking area. It was really neat reading the signs as we drove in and seeing sports car marques that I thought were virtually extinct. Not just one or two of these cars, but in some cases 12 or more. There were clubs for Austin-Healeys, MG's, Porsche 356 Speedsters, Datsun Zs, Sunbeam Tigers, Morris Minors, Morgans, Jaguars, even a few Camaros and a lone '55 T-Bird. There were car clubs from all around Ohio plus Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky and Pennsylvania. Corvettes and Corvette Clubs were definitely in the minority.

In addition to the races there were two other events being held concurrently – one was a Concours d'Elegance for anyone who wanted to enter, the other was the "British Car Showdown" featuring MGs. There were 347 cars entered in this first event last year and I would guess an equal number this year – in all it was quite a sight.



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After arriving we took our folding chairs and staked out a viewing area on the “S” curves not far from where we parked our cars. Our view was excellent and unobstructed even though this was a popular place to watch the action. We were early enough to catch the end of the practice sessions and later on that morning they ran the first of the day’s ten races.

The SVRA has established ten classes of Vintage Race Cars largely based on the classes they competed in when they raced “for real”. It was these classes that ran on Sunday although two of them were combined for lack of enough entries. In addition, there were two races of Trans-Am cars – one group called “Vintage” Trans-Am; the other called “Historic” Trans-Am. I am not sure what the difference was but both races were exhilarating with some serious racing going on.



During the lunch break all of the cars entered in the Concours d’Elegance were invited to make a parade lap on the course. Of course all three of us took them up on their offer (the non-Corvette driver drove Perry’s car). If you do the math and imagine over 300 cars on a 2.4 mile, 15-turn track all at one time you get the picture that this lap turned out to be basically a rush-hour like, stop and go drive. Nonetheless it was fun and it gave you a feel of

what being on a racetrack was like. It also provided several nice photo ops of our group.

As we were getting ready to drive in this parade lap we were presented with an added bonus – Randy Rink’s 1963 Fuelie Roadster was chosen to be judged in the Concours finals. So, after a quick polish touch-up, it was off to victory lane for further judging for Randy. As it was he did not win, the highest honors went to a Porsche 356-A Speedster, but just to be selected as one of the nicest from a group of 300 plus beautiful cars was quite an honor.



After lunch we settled down in our chosen observation spot and watched several races. The two Trans-Ams feature races were first and the various Class Races followed them. The sun stayed out and the weather turned just warm enough to make it the perfect temperature for race watching. We had an excellent vantage point and were able to witness some great racing.



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Towards 4:00 the crowd began to thin slightly and some of us had to be on our way home. I stayed awhile and walked around the Concours display field looking at and photographing some really neat old cars. I too headed on home about 5:00 tired and race watched-out for the weekend.

It was a great time and I am looking forward to going again next year.

And thanks to Priscilla Rink for the use of her pictures.

Herb Harlton
Newsletter Editor
Heart of Ohio Chapter, NCRS

Authors Wanted

Do you have anything that is Corvette or car related you want to share with our members? A special vendor you found, a tip on how to fix something, a story about a corvette experience. Anything you think might be of value or interest. **We welcome your contributions!**

Please take a few minutes and send me an email. I will be glad to put it into our Newsletter. You can reach me at Herb@harltons.com or (614) 847-0774.

Herb Harlton

Moving?

Let us know if your mailing address or your e-mail address has changed so, we can update our records and keep you up to date. **Please send changes to Membership Chairman:**

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HoO Vendor List

Help others find quality services and vendors. Share your good experiences by contributing to our list. Send me listings for your favorite vendors. *HH*

Aluminum Arc Welding

Ohio Trailer Supply Inc.
2966 Westerville Rd.
Columbus, Ohio 43224
PH: (614) 471-9121

Brakes & Fuel Lines

Fine Lines, Inc.
127 Hartman Rd.
Wadsworth, OH 44281
Phone 800 778-8237

Corvette Reproduction Parts

Corvette Central
P.O. Box 16
13550 Three Oaks Road
Sawyer, MI 49125
Phone 800-345-4122

Corvette Parts, Service & More

Corvette Corner
1661 E Dublin-Grandville Rd.
Columbus, Oh 43229
Phone 614 888-6688

Columbus Corvette
572 S. Nelson Road Building Q
Columbus, OH 43205
Phone 614 253-0066
(Fuel injection adjustment)

Corvette Parts & Instrument Restorations

Corvette Specialties of Maryland
1912 Liberty Road
Eldersburg, MD 21784
Phone 410 795-3180

Corvette Reproduction Parts

Trim Parts Inc.
2175 Deerfield road.
Lebanon, OH. 45036
Phone (513) 934-0815
sales@trimparts.com

Long Island Corvette Supply Inc.
1445 Strong Avenue S.
Copiague, NY. 11726
Phone 800 466-6367

Mid America Motorworks
#1 Mid America Place
P.O. Box 1368
Effingham, IL 62401
Phone 800 500-1500

Paragon Reproductions
8040 S. Jennings Road
Swartz Creek, MI 48473
Phone 810 6554641

Electrical Components

Lectric Limited
6750 W. 74th Street - Suite A
Bedford Park, IL 60638
Phone 708 563-0400

M&H Electric Fabricators, Inc.
13537 Alondra Blvd.
Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670
Phone 562 926-9552

Frame Repair

Ferris Frame Restoration
11183 Broad St. Southwest
Pataskala, OH. 43062
Phone 740-927-2299

Glassworks & Stainless Steel

The Hardtop Shop
238 Spring Run Road
Crescent, PA. 15046
Phone 888 340-7812

Holley Carburetor Restoration

Holley Custom Speed Shop
509 Industrial Drive
Springfield, TN 37172
Phone 888 465-5395

Horn Restorations

The Horn Works
967 Hackett Street
Beloit, WI 53511
Phone 608 361-0095

Interior & Upholstery

Al Knoch
9010 North Desert Blvd
Canutillo, Texas 79835
Phone 800 880-8080

Metal Acid Dipping

US Metal Processing
1089 Claycraft Rd.
Columbus, OH 43230
Phone 614 575-1806



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Oil & Fluid Services

Valvoline Service Center
2609 Dublin-Granville Road
Columbus, OH.
1-614-899-9222
Discount to Corvette owners
State your are a member of the
Corvette Alliance

Paint & Body Shop

Murphy's Classic Restorations
841 Clubview Drive
Dover, OH 44622
Phone 330-343-8778
Fax 330-364-5988
Web Murphysclassics.com

Powder Coating

Columbus Custom Powder Coating
915 Distribution drive
Columbus, OH 43228
Phone 614 276-6181

Radio & Clock Repair

Radio & Clock Repair
D&M Restoration
46 Grand Ave.
Greenville, SC 29607
Phone 800 722-0854

Radiator Repair

Hedrick Auto Radiator Inc.
2733 Morse Rd.
Columbus, OH 43231
Phone 614 475-3048

Suspension & Brakes

Precision Engineering
3111 Fortune Way Suite B-13
Wellington, FL. 33414
Phone 888 748-0362

Transmission Repair

Scott's Transmissions
7186 Broad Street S.W.
Pataskala, Ohio 43062
PH: (740) 927-5886

Weather Strip & Rubber Products

Corvette Rubber
10640 W. Cadillac Road
Cadillac, MI 49601
Phone 888 216-9412

Wheel Alignment

Bee-Line Alignment Service
1030 Harmon Avenue
Columbus, OH 43223
Phone 614 443-7681

NTB/Tire Kingdom
2195 Baltimore-Reynoldsburg Road
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068
Phone 614 863-6926

Window Sticker Reproductions

Triple A Enterprises
P.O. Box 8463
Bloomington, IN 47408
Phone 812 245 8252
<http://www.window-sticker.com>



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Calendar Of Events

Dates in Bold are Heart of Ohio Chapter events

Dates underlined are NCRS chapter events

Dates in italics are other Corvette related events

Dates in italics and underlined are **Corvette Alliance** events

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October 2006

- October 8 *Classic Glass Corvette, Corvette Alliance – Atwood Lake Car Show*
October 8 NCRS Pittsburgh Chapter – Fall Road Tour (Tentative)
October 14 **HoO Indoor Chapter Meet, Broadway Center, Lancaster, OH**
October 15 NCRS Pittsburgh Chapter Judging School – North Hills of Pittsburgh
October 19-21 *Fall Corvette Expo – Knoxville, TN*

November 2006

- November 4** **HoO Chapter Meeting, Election of Officers and 2007 Program Development**
November 18-19 *Chevy Vette Fest – Chicago, IL*

December 2006

- December 9** **HoO Holiday Party**



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January 2007

January 17-19 NCRS Florida Winter Regional Meet – Kissimmee, Florida

April 2007

April 17-19 NCRS Tennessee Regional Meet – Chattanooga, Tennessee

July 2007

July 22-26 NCRS National Convention – Boston (Marlborough), Massachusetts

May 2008

May 15-18 NCRS Michigan Regional Meet – Novi, Michigan

June 2008

June 12-14 NCRS Pennsylvania Regional Meet – Seven Springs, Pennsylvania



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QUEEN CITY NCRS CHAPTER JUDGING MEET

Friday and Saturday September 22-23, 2006

**King's Island Inn and Conference Center
(Across from Paramount's King's Island)
Cincinnati, Ohio**

Our annual judged even is focused around a fun weekend for the entire family! Registration begins Friday with Tech Sessions to follow. An Awards Banquet is set to end Saturday's Judging Meet.

Registration \$35.00 (before September 1st) – includes coffee and doughnuts, lunch, event t-shirt and beverages all day.

Dinner (call for reservations and pricing)

For further details and to register call Steve Hack at 513/553-2080 or see our website (www.NCRS.org/QC/)



INDOOR CHAPTER MEET

HEART OF OHIO CHAPTER – NCRS

OCTOBER 14, 2006

The Broadway Center
222 South Broad Street
Lancaster, Ohio

REGISTRATION

Name _____ Spouse/Guest _____
Address _____ E-Mail _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Home Phone _____ NCRS No. _____

EVENT SCHEDULE

7:30 AM Registration Opens-Coffee & Donuts Provided

9:00 AM Judging Begins

8:15 AM Judges and Owners meetings

Noon to 1: PM Lunch

COST

Meet Registration (Member & Family) \$ 20.00
Additional Guest @ \$10.00 per person X (No. _____) \$ _____
Late Fee (if postmarked after 10/1/2006) @ \$5.00 \$ _____
Flight Judging Entry @ \$35.00 per car \$ _____
Sportsman Award @ \$20.00 per car (All Corvettes are eligible) \$ _____
Total Amount Remitted \$ _____

(Make checks payable to: Heart of Ohio Chapter – NCRS)

PLEASE NOTE:

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER.

NO JUDGED CAR REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER: October 1, 2006.

PREREGISTRATION DATE IS BASED UPON POSTMARKED DATE.

LUNCH AND BEVERAGES ARE INCLUDED IN REGISTRATION FEE!

JUDGED/DISPLAY CAR INFORMATION

Year _____ Coupe _____ Convertible _____ Other _____ Color _____
Engine CID/HP _____ / _____ Complete VIN _____
Insurance Company _____ Policy # _____ Expires _____

NOTE: You MUST enclose proof of insurance or your registration will be returned!

We reserve the right to limit the number of cars judged – please register early!

JUDGES INFORMATION

I will Flight Judge: 1st Choice _____ 2nd Choice _____
Preference: Interior _____ Exterior _____ Mechanical _____ Chassis _____ Operations _____
NCRS Judging Level: _____ Observer Judge: Yes _____ No _____

I would like to Tabulate (Name): _____

I agree to insure my vehicle against loss, damage and liability and to provide proof of insurance to NCRS.
I agree to assume the risk of any and all damages or injury and to indemnify and hold harmless NCRS, its officers, directors, agents, employees and chapters for any acts or omissions which may result in the theft, damage or destruction of my property or injury to me or others during or as a consequence of this chapter, wherever located.

Signature _____ Date _____

Mail To: Randy Rink, 8281 Honda Hills Road, Thornville, OH 43076

Judging Contact: Randy Rink (740) 243-2538

Directions to meet: From Columbus; south on SR 33, use the Lancaster by pass and exit at SR 22. East on SR22 as it turns into Main Street. At Main and Broad go south to 222 Broad Street. From Cincinnati; proceed north on US 71 to US 270. East to SR 33 then south on SR 33 to SR 22, east to Broad Street, turn right and go south to 222 Broad Street.