



Heart of Ohio Chapter Newsletter

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Chairman's Message

Do you feel the cold coming on? At this writing the trees are changing to a beautiful autumn hue and the lawns of summer have turn to a snow dusting of autumn leaves. This means that it is time to put away the toys of summer and prepare your Corvette for hibernation. Or, you can check your bank accounts and begin your plans for your winter restoration projects.

This past October 20th was the Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS chapter meet once again held in Lancaster Ohio. Our chapter member Dan Singer and his wonderful spouse Karen Singer were our kind host once more. This chapter meet brought out five midyears, four 67's, one 66', plus a 79 shark. The interesting Marine Blue 67' was an original 36,000 mile non-restored Big block Vette. This car was used as a reference for judging some of the other cars that were in the chapter meet. Jim Salvino also brought in his latest buy a 67' red small block car that took home a top-flight award. A new member to our chapter brought his 66' big block coupe he as well took home a top-flight award.

I do wish to say many thanks over for our friends and members Steve and Mike Hack, from Queen City chapter, Terry Buchanan and Mike Ammer from Dayton chapter, my judging partner Tom Bertosa coming in from Chardon, OH east of Cleveland. Thank you all for making the long trip. Also, a special thanks goes out to Steve Steffensen for putting on a Parts Seminar after the judging. Special thanks to Lisa Smith our Judging Chairperson that coordinated this year's local chapter meet. And, I must not forget, a special thanks to Janis Steffensen and Sue Yasher for their assistance to tabulating the scores.

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I would like to remind you that in October I received a check from The Ohio Corvette Alliance clubs' the Gathering IV for the sum of \$640.00 for our part of the Charity proceeds raise for the Heart of Ohio Chapter's participation. The Heart of Ohio Chapter's Board members will decide which charity will receive our good will.

Special Note - Put on your Calendar's a Fall General Membership get-together at Randy Early's garage, Sunday November 11th for food and fun plus a review of Randy's stable of Vettes. This will be your chance to mingle with our members and enjoy one on the last fall outdoor cookouts. A topic of discussion will be How to Winterize your Corvette. You are asked to bring an item to share. Please RSVP to me at gzuniga@columbus.rr.com. More details to come.

**See you at the Heart of Ohio Chapter-NCRS
General Meet!
Upper Arlington , Columbus, OH**

Please send a message to Herb Harlton the Chapter's Newsletter editor of what articles or seminars you would like to have or read about to assist you in your project. Or may be you would like a hands-on assistance with your problem(s). Just sent and e-mail to anyone of the board



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members and we will be glad to get you the help you need.

Enjoy any last nice days of fall and save the wave!

Lou Zuniga
Heart of Ohio Chapter NCRS
President/Chair

November Events

November 3 ProTeam Al Grenning Seminar – See attached flyer for details.
November 11 HoO General Meeting and Cook-Out
November 18 Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Judging School at Dennis Mitchell's

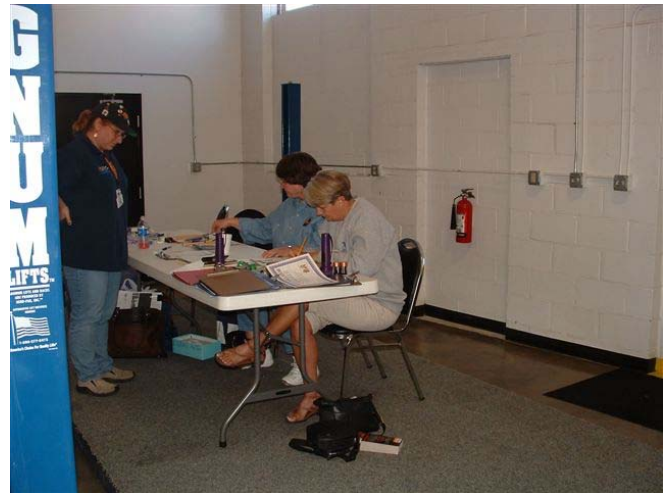
Judging Chair's Message

The Heart of Ohio chapter was treated to a spectacular fall day for our chapter meet. Seven cars were judged and nearly 40 people came out to



judge and have their cars judged. Six cars were awarded Top Flight honors, while one received a

Second Flight award. Steve Steffensen put on a very informative judging school about mid year parts identification. Thanks Steve!



Sue Yasher and Jan Steffensen worked all day to tabulate the results, including chasing down judges who left a line or so blank or even the team leader (Steve) when he neglected to initial the sheets. Deciphering handwriting is always a challenge, but they were able to work so quickly and efficiently that each owner received their judging sheets along with their ribbons at the end of the day. Thanks for your hard work!





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Best of all, attendees were treated to a home cooked breakfast of scrambled eggs, sausage, and mixed fruit, as well as delicious homemade chili, bread, and other side items. Snacks were provided all day to keep everyone's energy up. All of this was handled by Karen and Dan Singer, who also provided the indoor space for the meet. Thanks Karen & Dan for everything you did!



It was a beautiful day, with beautiful cars, and wonderful people – all of the things NCRS members hold dear!

Lisa Smith
Judging Chair

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 Garry Brown our Membership Chairman:**

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Calendar Of Corvette Events

Dates in Bold are Heart of Ohio Chapter events

Dates underlined are NCRS chapter events

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

Dates in plain type are other Corvette related events

November 2007

- November 3 **ProTeam AI Grenning Seminar** – AI will present two sessions - one at 10:00 AM and another at about 1:30 PM. Breakfast and Lunch will be served by ProTeam and their facility will be open to all that attend. See attached flyer for additional detail.
- November 11 **HoO Chapter Meeting and Cook-Out at Randy Early's Garage (Details to follow).**
- November 18 Pittsburgh NCRS Chapter – Judging School at Dennis Mitchell's

December 2007

- December ?? **HoO Christmas Party (Date, etc TBA)**

January/February 2008

- January 9-13 NCRS Florida Winter Regional Meet – Kissimmee, Florida
- January 31 – February 3 NCRS Judges Retreat – Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas

April 2008

- April 17-19 Southwest Regional, Chattanooga, Tennessee

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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July 2008

July 20-24

NCRS National Convention – St. Charles, Missouri

July 2009

July 12-16

NCRS National Convention – San Jose, California



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Indiana, Ohio and Michigan NCRS Chapters
National Corvette Restorers Society
Al Grenning, Technical Seminar Presentation
Saturday, November 3, 2007

Sponsored and Hosted by
Pro Team Corvette Sales
Napoleon, Ohio

(Both the morning and afternoon sessions will use large on-screen projections of information and examples that would take the average Corvette enthusiast a lifetime to experience)

AM SESSION – Documentation, Tags and POPS

Research pertaining to Corvette fundamentals such as documentation, manufacturer's tags and Protect-O-Plates has been steadily advancing. Large and very important data bases on these topics have been accumulated. Data bases representing total production are a reality for certain build periods. Specifically, the window of understanding concerning 1960's era Corvettes has become unprecedented.

The objective for this session will be a detailed investigation of document sequences along with the company's efforts to apply a formal description of each Corvette manufactured. The discussion will include a full explanation of information found on typical documents as well as the correlation to trim tags and Protect-O-Plates. Topics will include: exception letters, expected dates of production, date received, dealer codes, zone codes, district codes, COPO orders, fleet orders, plant ID #s, job numbers, sequence numbers, engineering revisions, body build date sequencing, body numbers, trim tag dates, GMAC tracking and other items. Along the way the session will examine notable company missteps, conundrums, exceptions and omissions.

PM SESSION – Cylinder Case Originality

Cylinder case originality has become a basic consideration for the valuation of classic Corvettes. Even so it has become evident that the *exception, aberration, correction, error, do-over, misapplication and general conundrum* was a typical and normal part of every day production. Research shows that long held assumptions need to be adjusted. The fact is that many original Corvette engines have pads with aberrations that cause improper evaluation due to misinterpretation. For this session it will be assumed that casting numbers and casting dates are satisfactory in all cases. The emphasis here will be steel

stampings on the engine pad. Affirmation of the NCRS engine pad judging standards has a significant affect on Flight Judging scores. The words “correct”, “normal” and “appropriate” are basic to NCRS judging guidelines. Even though an example may not be original it may still completely satisfy the standard for affirmative credit. The session will examine both how this is possible and the specifics of legitimacy. There are many aspects to the authentication of originality concerning the formal information that was applied on an engine pad by Chevrolet. Years of research have confirmed that factory production was capable of significant deviations and miscues in all facets of steel stamped engine pad information. Many of these will be seen on screen today – all of it the work of the UAW.

AI Grenning NCRS Seminar Itinerary

We will need a final head count by **October 15th, 2007**

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Arrival and sign-in
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Coffee and rolls
8:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. Free roam of ProTeam facility
10:00 a.m. Begin morning seminar
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Catered lunch
1:00 p.m. - 1:50 p.m. Free roam of ProTeam facility
2:00 p.m. Begin afternoon seminar
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Open house (snack) free roam of facilities

Nearby lodging is available at:

- **Best Western Napoleon Inn**
- **Holiday Inn Express Suites Napoleon**
- **Augusta Rose Bed And Breakfast**
- **Knights Inn Napoleon**

Questions or Directions:

- contact Beth Waisner, toll free: 888-592-5086 or email: proteam@proteamcorvette.com