



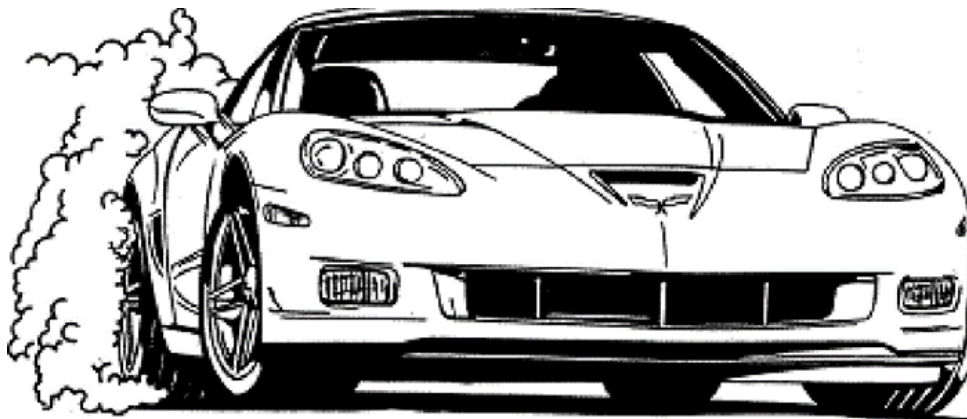
Corvette Club of Iowa Newsletter

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Calendar of Events

September 23-24	CCI Autocross at Merle Hay Mall
October 17	General Meeting—Keg Stand WDSM
October 20-22	Fall Color Run
November 1	Membership Renewal is Due
November 11	Toys for Tots Drive
November 21	General Meeting—TBD



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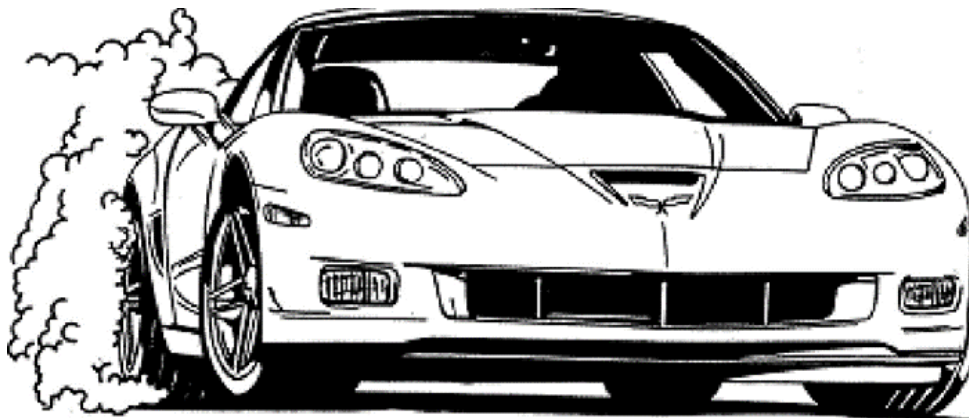
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Officer Reports

From the President ...

A few months ago, a few of us had a nice tour with a funny story with a funny twist I wanted to share.

While driving through part of Story County, we came into the City of Maxwell, and as soon as we came around the curve that took us northerly through town, both sides of the street were lined with a lot of people. "Wow, people were alerted in advance about our group coming through town for our parade of Corvettes!" Well, not exactly. We stumbled into an upcoming parade for their annual Old Settlers town celebration that is held the first weekend in August. We went by one block of parade viewers, and then I tried to wiggle our way around town, staying away from Main Street. I decided we would have to jump back onto Main Street for one block. Mistake.... When I saw all the firetrucks pointing at us and blocking the street, I decided it was time to turn east and try to get back towards our planned route. It was a definite learning experience, and it made an even more fun and unforgettable trip. The next time anyone plans a route, it may be a good idea to see if there are any planned parades or other town celebrations!

We drove as many curvy county roads as we could find, ending up at the Haverhill Social Club, in Haverhill, Iowa. If you haven't heard of Haverhill, it has a population of about 165 people as of the 2020 census, so there isn't much to see or do there except for shopping at the antique store and having a beverage of your choice and maybe lunch or dinner at the Haverhill Social Club. It is a great place to visit, and it is hard to describe. Maybe it was an old-time grocery store at one time? I am not sure. But with a huge back bar with higher-end whiskeys that you don't see in many other places and good food, old shotguns and rifles hanging on the wall near the top of the ceiling, and an odd men's restroom, it is enough to win a lot of people's hearts. Just ask Laurie, as this is one place where you can still get a favorite of hers: Reuben pizza! About the restroom, well, you just have to go there and see it.

After leaving the Haverhill Social Club, we visited the Matchstick Marvels Museum in Gladbrook. I heard multiple members say they didn't have any idea this museum existed, and it seemed like everyone enjoyed it. If you haven't been there, and want to do a road trip, that may be an option for you. You can look it up and visit their website if you want, but it doesn't compare to seeing the artist's creations in person.

And then to top it all off, we did end up in our own parade when we went through Nevada on the way to get ice cream at Hickory Park in Ames. Our daughter, Jennifer, had been informed we would be rolling through Nevada on Lincoln Highway and she, her fiancé, their dog, and a friend were all on her front porch waving and holding a sign for CCI. Maybe I am a little bi-ased, but I loved it!

Ice cream at Hickory Park was great as usual, and from there, everyone took their own directions home.

Changing up the topic, we badly need your help in finding members who would help the club with a number of board positions. If you want to help, please reach out to Dave Brown or me. Our contact information is in our monthly newsletter.

I hope to see you at the next meeting, or on the road.

Save the Wave!

Carrol McCracken, President



General Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2023

The general meeting of Corvette Club of Iowa was called to order at 7:04PM on September 19, 2023 at The Keg Stand in West Des Moines. President Carroll McCracken was present and welcomed Dave Howard back. Dave thanked everyone for all the support from the club and members. Carroll Reported the nominating committee needs some help filling the role of VP. Heather Streeter has agreed to take on the Secretary position. Dave Brown is going to take the Member at Large position.

Secretary Dave McChesney reported that minutes are complete but there was no newsletter that got published. Dave read the minutes from the July meeting aloud, as well as the August minutes. Nichole DiMaio motioned to approve the July Minutes. Motion passed. Dave Brown motioned to approve the August minutes, motion was approved.

Steve Rahn left the Treasurer position about 3 weeks ago. We are still looking for someone to assist with that role and transition.

Gary Foster attended the Governor's meeting in St. Louis. The West Region had a meeting to discuss membership prior to the National meeting. 3 drag race records were set at the national convention. Insurance waivers now have to be kept and stored for 5 years. Minor waivers must be kept until they reach the age of maturity. In sanctioned car shows, C8 will be "C" class. The RMD reported that club membership is at 19,246. There are currently a high number of museum deliveries. Governors were scolded a bit because spouse information is not making it into the database. West region dues are now payable. Sanction fees are to be paid prior to events occurring. The west region secretary talked about officer elections for the next year. The National Meeting will be May 13-19 in Joplin, MO.

Competition Director Mark Cooper advised the second autocross event will be this weekend at Merle Hay mall. He has the site layout at the meeting if anyone would like to see it. Set up will be Friday afternoon at 2 or 3 pm. Tech will begin at 7:30am Saturday. Spectators, competitors, or anyone who will be in the CCI controlled area will be required to sign a waiver and get a wristband.

Member at Large Jeff Jackson was not present and had no report.

Points Director Laurie McCracken had nothing to report, but reminded everyone that you get additional points for early membership renewal.

Membership Director Mike Golightly discussed member losses from death and sickness.

Social Media Director Pat Whalen mentioned we can make a special place on the website minutes if we need to. Renewal is up and running on MSR.

Old Business: Reminder for TP roundup.

New Business: Wayne has been in the hospital but just returned home.

Buy/Sell: Nichole DiMaio has a Charger SRT for sale. Dave McChesney has a 1994 Corvette for sale.

Motion to adjourn by Bill Britton. Seconded by Sheila Wyman. Adjourned at 8:14 PM

Dave McChesney, Secretary

CCI Odds & Ends

TP Round-Up for Veterans

Paul Wyman coordinated a very successful Community Service event which donated toilet paper and other personal care items for the Veterans of Des Moines area.

- 237 rolls of toilet paper collected and donated
- \$563.51 collected and used to purchase food and other personal items for the VA.

A big shout out to Paul Wyman for his work on this great cause!



CCI Apparel

CCI apparel is available from Kris & Steve Howard's KSH Design Studio. Choose from t-shirts, long sleeve t-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies and more. Custom embroidery services are now available from KSH as well! If you are new to CCI, want a piece of CCI apparel embroidered or just like to sport the latest designs, check with Kris or Steve.



CCI Toys for Tots Cruise

Saturday, November 11—10:30am

Bring a new, unwrapped toy or cash donation (check is preferred) to Bob Brown Chevrolet 135/80 Exit 126 Douglas Ave in Urbandale. We will present the gifts and our club check to Bob Brown's and then cruise to Cozy Café in Johnston for lunch. Will be at Cozy Café just before noon.

How to Renew Your CCI Membership

CCI Membership Renewals are due by November 1, 2023.

Renew your membership in CCI and NCCC before the \$10 price increase starting Nov 1st. It is easy to renew your membership on-line through MotorsportReg. Your user name is your email address. If you are renewing for two (spouse/partner) you can do both at once to make one payment. The video walks you through the process.

[Video instructions](#)

[Renew on MotorsportReg](#)

You can register on MotorsportReg up to OCT 31st at midnight to get the \$56 price. Starting Nov1st the price increases to \$66. If you renew by mail the Treasurer must receive your payment by OCT 31st.

All registration information is on our Join Us page on the website. [Join Us](#)

If you have already renewed your membership...Thank You for your membership.

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