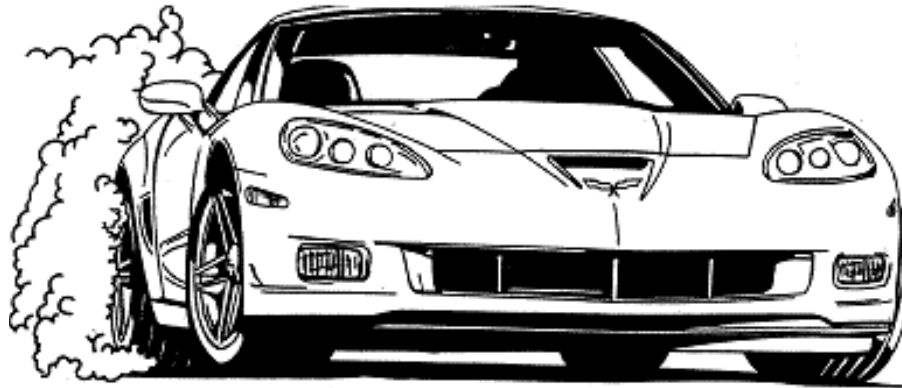


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Calendar of Events

- Mar 13th Wild Wade's Swap Meet – See Flyer
Mar 15th General Meeting – Big Al's BBQ, West Des Moines
Apr 19th General Meeting – TBD
May 17th General Meeting – Camp Dodge Pavilion, Johnston
and CCI 60th Anniversary Party

Officer Reports

From the President...

Greetings Corvette Club of Iowa Family,

March is here and for those of you reading this from somewhere in Iowa you know it has been warming up, wait... sorry... it's snowing again, wait... it's warm again!

Let me start off by checking in on all of you that have been impacted by the storm the other day. As a National Weather Service Trained Storm Spotter with a degree in Meteorology (just for my own knowledge, not for work), I was very aware of the storms and saw the tornado and damage first hand as I was out providing reports for the NWS. I hope and pray that all of you are healthy, with limited damage to your homes/cars. Please reach out to myself or any of your family here in the Corvette Club of Iowa if you need anything.

I LOVE this time of year. The projects I have thought about all winter are almost ready for me to begin. Landscaping work on the house, building projects and then the fun of getting Monica (my Corvette) ready for the year of cruises, autocross and car shows. That is something my wife doesn't understand. "Honey, why don't you pay someone to detail and wax the car?" There is nothing wrong with that.



However, my wife just doesn't understand that I absolutely love to wax and detail my cars. It's a form of therapy for me. I get to put the hard work in to make the car look as nice as possible and then admire the results. Not too often in life do we really get to see the fruits of our labor instantly. My dad taught me everything about

taking care of my cars; from learning how to rebuild the motor, to general maintenance, to keeping it clean and protected. As a teenager I would weekly wash and wax my car. It may have been an '86 Oldsmobile Calais with over 100k on the odometer but it looked like it just came off the showroom. I've grown over the years in my process and knowledge of how to best detail my cars. I won't go into details here but it is a lengthy 8 step process.

Monica also gets special treatment from my family. My 12 yr. old step daughter is notorious for dragging her softball bag along the side of my wife's Traverse. But she knows to never touch the paint on the Vette. Even my 2 yr. old knows the rules are different around the Vette.

What are your processes with your cars? What rules do you have? Chances are you have different rules and different processes than with your other cars/possessions. As true spring begins (Meteorological Spring was on March 1st, but the weather says otherwise), what are you looking most forward to? How do you begin to get ready for the car season? Things that are the most important to us are the things we devote the most time and attention to. Oprah said it best when she said, "How you spend your time defines who you are." This includes our families, or prized cars, our hobbies, etc. I look forward to when our club meetings start to explode with strong attendance again with the change of the seasons. This club for me is something I give time to, as many of you do, because it is important. It's great to share life with you wonderful folks. As you prepare your cars for the spring and summer (unless you are Wayne Weidmann whom I don't believe has ever stopped driving his C8 all year) don't forget to put some effort and time into CCI. Help us polish the club, volunteer as you are able, attend outings and events, reach out to fellow members and connect. This club will only be as important to you as you give time for it.

Please share some of your detailing tips with me when you see me at events/meetings. I love learning and might even be able to share some tips with you. Looking forward to connecting with you all more in the warmth.

Vroom Vroom,

Jeff Jackson, President

Governor's Message...

In this Governor's Message I will pass along information from the February Governors' Meeting in St. Louis and give you an idea as to how the 2022 competition season is coming along.

From the Governors' Meeting:

I presented a \$1,000 check from CCI made out to St. Jude Children's Hospital to Michele Cantelmo, the NCCC Director of Charity. She will deliver it on to St. Jude, along with other clubs' donations. The NCCC contributed \$13,635 to St. Jude last year.

The 2022 NCCC membership cards have been mailed out. You should have received yours by now if you renewed in a timely manner. Please review your card to ensure your information is printed correctly. If not, please contact your Regional Membership Director (Nan Brittain) or me. The interest in permanent West Region numbers is less this year than in years past. As a reminder, the \$15 you spend to receive a permanent number goes straight into the WR Scholarship Fund to help West Region members and their children/grandchildren fund some of their higher education costs. If you haven't already, please consider sending in a permanent number request. You can find the application on the WR website at www.westregionnccc.org, then click on COMPETITION. You will see a list of available 2022 numbers as well as the permanent number request form. Fill it out and send it to Gary Brisbois, RCD.

As many of you know, the National Corvette Museum sustained some significant damage in the tornados that occurred in the area on December 11, 2021. The track is functional. HPDEs will resume this month. Touring laps, Corvette Experience, Andy Pilgrim schools and corporate events are being phased in as repairs to facilities and assets are completed. The tower, pavilion and garages need to be rebuilt. They are trying to include some upgrades in the rebuild. The museum itself escaped with minor damage and it is open to the public. The 2022 Michelin National Corvette Museum Bash will be held at the museum April 28-30. This is a fun weekend to see the museum and participate in a number of fun activities centered on the Corvette, America's Sports Car. It would also be a good opportunity to check out the tornado damage and see how the rebuild is going. For more information on the

museum or the Bash, go to their website at www.corvettemuseum.org.

NCCC Scholarships were discussed. There is money available for these National scholarships again this year. If you have children or grandchildren who will be attending college next year, please consider applying for one of these awards. For applications or to find out more information, go to www.corvettesnccc.org and click on SCHOLARSHIPS. The deadline for applications is May 1. Remember too that the West Region of NCCC also has a scholarship program. The application process is much simpler and you can find more information and the application at www.westregionnccc.org. Diane Bowen from CRCC will chair the WR Scholarship Committee, again this year.

After some question as to if we would have a National Convention next year, NCCC has come forward to host the 2023 convention in Bowling Green, Kentucky. This convention is important in that it coincides with the 70th Anniversary of the Corvette. It will be held June 24-30, 2023. Some of the featured activities will include visits to the County Music Hall of Fame, a downtown Nashville tour, as well as the usual competition events. A real treat will feature drag races at the historic Beach Bend Raceway Park. This track has been around since 1950 and still has that "old school" feel to it. There is still time to register for the 2022 Convention, which will be June 11-18 in Atlantic City, New Jersey and it looks to be a lot of fun. Go to www.corvettesnccc.org and click on CONVENTIONS for more information. A proposal was also made for a 2024 Convention to be held in Joplin, Missouri. More information will come, but if it happens, that event is in the West Region, so WR clubs may be asked to help.

CCI's 2022 competition events are progressing:

Although we are yet to be officially approved by the Polk County Aviation Authority for the May 28-30 low-speed events at Ankeny Airport, we have submitted our application and expect to receive approval very soon. We have the sanctions and everything loaded into the online registration app. and the flyer has been sent to the RCD. The dates of our second autocross of the year will be June 25-26. We don't have a location for that event yet but are still searching, so if you know of a large parking lot that might work for an event, please let Denny Luther or me know. Finally, the date of our rallye (Lawman's Pokey Run) will be September 18th. It will take place on

public roadways in Central Iowa and will finish at an area restaurant. We'll have more information on this event in the coming months.

That will do it for my report this month. I'll see you at the CCI General Meeting on March 15th.

Gary Foster, Governor

Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting, February 10, 2022

The Board meeting of Corvette Club of Iowa was called to order at 6:35PM, February 10, 2022 at Whiskey House in Ankeny by President Jeff Jackson. Secretary Dave McChesney was present.

Jeff had nothing new to report and moved on to approval of the Board minutes from January. Dave McChesney asked for comments or discussion but heard none. Carrol McCracken motioned to approve the secretary's minutes as presented, Gary Foster seconded and the motion carried in the body. Laurie McCracken submitted the Treasurer's report for the month of January. She reported January beginning and ending account balances and also reported moving funds from Competition to the Charity Fund to bring the balance up to 10% of total funds. She also paid the trailer registration and said sponsorship money is coming in.

Vice President/Social Director Carrol McCracken reported on the Valentine's Day dinner at Latin King. Attendance was down but food was good and fun was had by all. Wild Wade's on March 13th is the next social event. Reimbursement was made to Paul Wyman for the \$60 cost of the space there. Governor Gary Foster reported working on the competition calendar for the year. Trophies have been ordered for 2021 awards and should be ready for the next general meeting. Don Hoskins award will be presented @ 60th anniversary celebration in May. Ankeny event application has been submitted with the \$200 fee. Approval is pending for the council meeting on March 10th. Competition Director Denny Luther reported the Memorial Day event at Ankeny will be split/shared with Cornhusker CC. Saturday and Sunday will be hosted by CCI and Monday will be hosted by Cornhuskers. There will be 7 events

per day over the 3 days. Working on a June event at the Iowa State Fair Grounds. Working on a car show, venue to be determined. Likely speaker at CCI anniversary will be Corvette production plant manager. Online registration will be implemented for the race events this year. Chariton event will not happen.

Member at Large Wayne Weidmann asked for recommendations for future club meetings. He said we would return here at Whiskey House for the March Board meeting. Editor Dave Howard mentioned content is needed for the *Sportsmate*. This month's issue will be on the smaller side. He thanked Jeff, Gary and Dave for the timely submissions of their reports to him. Points Director report was made by Gary. Next month he will turn Points over to Janelle Ohmstede. Membership Director Mike Golightly reported he is still reaching out to non-renewed members. Social Media Director Pat Whalen was not able to attend and sent nothing to report.

Old business – 60th anniversary party basic budget has been laid out by Mike and the program and venue are decided. Food options were discussed and a recommendation was made by Mike to sample a BBQ place in Winterset. Excellent food and cost significantly less than other quotes received. Attendance cost discussed to decide what member out of pocket cost should be. New business was discussed. Last year's charitable contributions were re-capped. Discussion was made about adjustments to this year. A \$500 amount was reserved for late-year contribution if something arises. If nothing arises it will automatically go to a chosen charity. Similar contributions to last year were agreed upon with the exception of the change for the \$500 "other" category.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Carrol. Meeting was adjourned at 8:59PM.

Dave McChesney, Secretary

General Meeting, February 15, 2022

The general meeting of Corvette Club of Iowa was called to order by Board President Jeff Jackson @ 7:02PM, February 15, 2022 at Jethro's Lakeside in Ankeny. Secretary Dave McChesney was present. There were no new members or guests in attendance.

President Jackson had nothing additional to report and opened the floor to discussion of last month's minutes. There were no comments regarding the minutes and Jim Lucas motioned to approve the Secretary's January meeting minutes as published. Denny Luther seconded and the motion carried in the body. Laurie McCracken submitted the January Treasurer's report which included beginning and ending balances in accounts. She also reported moving funds to the Charity Fund to bring it to 10% of the total treasury. Laurie closed by noting that the trailer registration has been paid. Motion to receive and file her report was made by Dave McChesney, seconded by Dave Howard and the motion carried the body.

Vice President/Social Director Carrol McCracken mentioned the upcoming Wild Wade's event and also reported on the Valentine's Day dinner at Latin King. Attendance was down but still was around 20. The food was good and everybody had a great time. Governor Gary Foster reported a meeting was had with Cornhusker Corvette Club and agreement was made to cooperate on competitions this year in regard to hosting and management of timing. Two autocross events are already organized, with the event at Ankeny over Memorial Weekend firm and a second event at the State Fair Grounds or DMACC being a possibility. A car show and poker run are in the works as well. Competition Director Denny Luther reported the Memorial Day event at Ankeny will be shared with Cornhuskers. Saturday and Sunday will be hosted by CCI and Monday will be hosted by Cornhuskers.

Member at Large Wayne Weidmann conducted the 50/50 raffle and had nothing else to report at this time. Ken Merten won the raffle and donated his proceeds back to CCI. Next general meeting

will be at Big Al's BBQ in West Des Moines. Editor Dave Howard reported this month's *Sportsmate* was on the smaller side. He pointed out the flyer for the Wild Wade's event at the State Fairgrounds. Doors open at 8AM and the event closes at 3PM. Points Director report was made by Gary Foster. He indicated many people are currently tied at the top of the standings early in the year. Next month he will turn Points Director duties over to Janelle Ohmstede. Membership Director Mike Golightly reported current membership at 129. Good for this point in the year. Social Media Director Pat Whalen was not able to attend and there was nothing to report.

Old business – Paul Wyman provided additional information about Wild Wade's. New business was discussed. 2021 Award presentations are postponed to next month for better attendance. Trophy cost of \$1,062.51 needs to be approved by the members in attendance. Jim Lucas motioned for approval, Denny Luther seconded and the motion carried the body. Second item of new business is charities. Last year's charitable contributions were re-capped by Jeff and this year's were gone over to provide clarity to members. Recommended allocation: \$1,000 to St Jude, \$750 West Region Scholarship Fund, \$750 Toys for Tots @ Bob Brown, \$250 Children and Families of Iowa, \$250 Iowa Gold Star Military Museum and \$500 reserved for late-year contribution to other local charities if something arises. Paul Wyman made a motion to approve the recommended charities, Jim Lucas seconded and the motion carried the body. A basic budget for the 60th anniversary party has been laid out and the program and venue are decided. Paul talked about 60th anniversary event shirts which are available as a 2 tone "camp" shirt with CCI logo. Cost varies from \$35 to \$41 based on size. Lady's shirts are not available so ladies may want to try on sizes before ordering. There was no Buy & Sell.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Denny Luther and the meeting adjourned @ 7:37PM.

Dave McChesney, Secretary

CCI Odds and Ends

General Meeting Details

Join us for CCI's March general meeting at Big Al's BBQ in West Des Moines. Here are details:

Big Al's BBQ
1960 Grand Ave, Suite 23
West Des Moines

Located directly north of the Hy Vee at Grand & Railroad. It's right in the corner of the strip mall at the east end of the east/west section.



Gather to eat & socialize @ 6:00PM
Meeting following @ approximately 7:00PM

See you on the 15th!

Member News

New Members. Look to this space for the most recent additions to the CCI family. We have no new members to report for February.

Birthdays. Wishing a Happy Birthday to the following members with March birthdates:



		Janelle Ohmstede	3/11
		Alan Heggen	3/17
		Dennis Miller	3/18
		Jerry Ruggle	3/20
		Emeal Myles	3/23
		Laurie McCracken	3/24
David Brown	3/25	Jeff Jackson	3/27
Arda Mathern	3/29	Shannon Ford	3/29

Condolences. Please keep these members in mind as they cope with the loss of a loved one.



Our condolences go out to Pat Whalen & family on the recent loss of his Mother.

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 also! If you are new to CCI, want a piece of CCI apparel embroidered or just like to sport some of the latest designs, check with Kris or Steve.

Events

Here's a wrap-up of recently held events along with a description of events on the horizon:

Wild Wade's Swap Meet. Wild Wade's returns to the Iowa State Fairgrounds on Sunday, March 13th after taking last year off. You don't want to miss this all things automotive under the sun event! CCI will again have its customary promotional space near the NW corner of the Varied Industries Bldg. so stop by and spend some time with us. See the flyer on Page 10.

Save the Date!

Mark your calendars and look for more details in upcoming issues of *Sportsmate*:

March 20, 2022. A Sunday cruise to Omaha to attend the 2021 West Region Awards Banquet is in the works. The banquet will take place at Field Club of Omaha starting with a 1PM dinner followed by awards. Check with Gary Foster at CCI's March 15th meeting for more information.

May 17, 2022. CCI's 60th Anniversary Party at Camp Dodge Pavilion in Johnston is planned in conjunction with our May general meeting. This represents a major milestone in the history of CCI and we hope every club member is able to attend. A catered meal and prominent guests will be featured at this event. Stay tuned for details.

Buy & Sell

FOR SALE: Fuel Rail Covers. Fuel rail covers for an LS 3. OEM Machine Silver w/ red lettering, includes the pads that go underneath them. \$300. If interested, contact Larry Steffen at 515-975-3885.

FOR SALE: Ansen Sprint Wheels. Set of 4 vintage Ansen Sprint wheels for C3 or possibly will fit C1. All 4 are 8.5" x 15" size. They are in natural unpolished finish and in good condition with no cracks, gouges or scratches. \$250 for all 4. If interested, contact Tom Treska at 515-276-7332 (home phone with answering machine).

FOR SALE: 1994 Corvette. Torch Red 1994 Corvette with red leather interior and removable hard top. Low miles (45,048) and is in

great condition but driver's side pop-up headlight not working and a few knicks on paint. Always stored inside and not driven during winter or rain. Comes with custom car cover. Asking \$8,500. Contact Will at 515-556-1377.



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Wild Wade's *High Performance Swap Meet* *and Trade Show*

Varied Industries Building at the Iowa State Fairgrounds
Sunday, March 13, 2022
8:00AM - 3:00PM

Again this year CCI will have a space at Wild Wade's
to display NCCC and CCI promotional materials

Come out... and tour the show, there's
lots to see!

Hang out... with us for some good old
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