

May - June 2006

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May 27 Wallace Bow Day May 28 Go Cart Racing June 2 Multi-Club Car Show June 3 Go Cart Racing June 6 NMCA Council Meeting NMCA General Meeting June 16 June 17 Wallace Bow Day June 24 Route 66 Celebration July 8-9 July 9 NCRS Annual Picnic* July 11 NMCA Council Meeting July 21 NMCA General Meeting July 27-30 Vettes On The Rockies August 5-11 NCCC National Convention August 8 NMCA Council Meeting August 18 NMCA General Meeting August 26 NMCA Progressive BBQ* August 26-27 NMCA Event

Sandia MotorSports Park, 8 am start (racing - non-NMCA) 10355 Central NW - non-NMCA event Carlsbad, NM (non-NMCA) 10355 Central NW - non-NMCA event Sandia Computers on Wyoming, 6:30 pm start CASA Chevrolet - 7 pm Sandia MotorSports Park, 8 am start (racing - non-NMCA) Car show at Traditions Mall & Sheraton Old Town (non-NMCA) Corvette-Porsche Challenge Sandia MotorSports - NMCA layout 7/8 - Porsche layout 7/9 Hyde Park, Santa Fe (non-NMCA) Sandia Computers on Wyoming, 6:30 pm start CASA Chevrolet - 7 pm Breckenridge, CO (Looking Glass Corvette - non-NMCA) Orlando, FL (non-NMCA) Sandia Computers on Wyoming, 6:30 pm start CASA Chevrolet - 7 pm Various locations throughout Albuquerque area Sandia MotorSports (late addition to list - details to follow)

Details (further details in this newsletter & at nmcorvette.org)

* insufficient details provided by publication time

Further details of all above listed events can be viewed at www.nmcorvette.org in the events calendar pages. Look at calendar and not just listed items on left side of screen. Many non-NMCA events are also in the calendar. 505-343-0400 ext 4 is the NMCA "event line" for late developments on scheduled events (please do not leave message) To contact NMCA, send message to: info@nmcorvette.org

Corvette for sale? Corvette parts for sale? Looking for a Corvette? Check out www.nmcorvette.org and list your Corvette and/or Corvette parts for sale, for free. Complete details on the web site. So far this has been an under-used free service, however several individuals who have posted with us have sold their Corvette.





Leo & Judy Romero

Red 1959 Convertible



Michael Rothman

1971 Blue Coupe (454)

Welcome to the most exciting Corvette club in the Southwest!





MAY



Mary Mleczko -1^{st} Barbara Jackson -1^{st} Helga Judd -1^{st} Janet Ellison -3^{rd} Tommy Garcia -5^{th} Bobby Baca -5^{th} Sandy Castillo -9^{th} Chuck Donoghue -13^{th} Mike Robb -16^{th} Ella Colman -16^{th} Bill Lawrence -23^{rd}

Jim & Barbara Thomte – 5/1/82 Stuart & Karen Gorelick – 5/15/76 Mike & Mary Robb – 5/25/?? Donnie & Dusti Marchi – 5/31/02 Shane & Debbie LeMon – 5/31/80

JUNE

Russ Hague & bride - 6/2/95 Bruce & Debra Behrends - 6/4/77 Mitch & Sandi Taylor - 6/5/74 Bill & Barbara Jackson - 6/6/70 Marcus & Brenda Bunting - 6/10/67 Larry & Lori Jordan - 6/10/98 John & Sandy Castillo - 6/12/04 Steve & Jean Haydu - 6/14/97 Bob DuBois & bride - 6/15/95





Council Meeting Minutes - May 2006

- Meeting was called to order by VP Jack Richards at 6:35 pm.
- Officers in attendance were VP Jack Richards, Pres. Stu Gorelick, CIA David Judd, Governor Ron Scott, Secretary Suzanne Monroy, Treasurer Lori Jordan, Membership Dan Bond & member, Hugh Monroy.
 Jack presented guestions/concerns from webmaster Phil Ellison.
 - a) 5/20 Vettes vs. Vipers drag race who is chairperson? What time to arrive? Cost to members? Trophies? Chairperson should speak to members re: event @ 5/19 General meeting. Lori Jordan will contact Bill Jackson re: whether we have the drag strip reserved. Ron Scott will try to get authorization to this event from NCCC. The cost to rent the track is \$250; it was decided no charge to Club members.
 b) Phil stated that the website was hacked again last week. The web designer needs exactly what we want in priority order & Phil will provide this info. \$500 allotted for the site is not enough to include our current online photo album. c) Please provide page locations for sponsor logos/ads. Stu will forward required info & logos on to Phil for publication in the monthly newsletter. d) Membership list should be sent out at least twice/calendar yr. Suggestion: once a month CIA send a complete valid member list to all officers. Also, NMCA competition pts should be posted quarterly. e) Suggest that stories/photos for publication to the newsletter be sent directly to the webmaster @ info@nmcorvette.org.
- Jack then went around the room for updates from each Officer present. Guest member, Hugh Monroy, brought to the Council the idea of meeting w/other clubs in the area, specifically SWMS (Southwest Motor Sports), to discuss getting together on events. Stu will contact SWMS president & attend the next SWMS meeting w/Hugh to discuss how we can help each other. Hugh also suggested that we clarify which events listed on the NMCA website are sanctioned NMCA events & which are Wallace Bow events.
- David Judd, CIA, will bring the current competition points to the next General meeting.
- Stu read information sent by Activities Director, Larry Osborne, re: the cost for dinner @ the next General mtg. being provided by Ambrozia, \$11/ea. An email will be forwarded to get a count before the mtg. He also shared that the new larger storage shed being rented to house our Club equipment is inside protected from weather; he has also changed the billing address to the Club P.O. Box. He had 4 keys made & will give 3 of the keys to Pres. Gorelick for distribution to Officers as well as the passcode to the facility.
- Membership Director, Dan Bond, stated that he has sent out 6 new member pkgs. He also requested permission to purchase additional logos; this request was approved by the Council. He is also having additional new member cards printed.
- Lori stated that all bills are paid. She also talked about the upcoming Rt. 66 Car Show; the cost is \$25/car. It was suggested by Stu that the Club cover the entry fee cost for members attending this event; the motion was seconded & approved by the Council. In addition, she talked about the Museum Car Show 5/21 & suggested that Club participants meet as a group @ 7 a.m. @ the Albuquerque Inn (formerly the Old Town Sheraton) & go together w/NCRS & the Rio Grande Clubs. Lori will talk to the Rio Grande Club @ their next mtg. There was a motion to have the Club cover the entry fee cost (\$10/car) for the Museum Car show; the motion was seconded & approved by the Council. The CORVETTE is the featured car this year.
- Secretary, Suzanne Monroy, stated that the Bunting's have offered their home for the Progressive BBQ (dinner & dessert portion) in August; she will ask for another family to volunteer their home for the BBQ. She will also need someone to take notes @ the July Council & General mtgs as she will be in Europe during July.
- Governor Ron Scott, shared that information re: insurance information from the NCCC Governor's mtg. He will give a presentation on NCCC @ the next General mtg. He stated that the National Convention host hotel in Orlando, FL is the Disneyworld Hotel. Check the NCCC website for costs, dates & additional information.
- VP Jack Richards talked about the upcoming SWI; he is having difficulty getting coordination from volunteers; he will ask for help again @ the next General mtg. He would also like suggestions for the BBQ portion of the event; Powdrell's is not returning his calls. The Outback was mentioned as an alternative.
- Pres. Stu Gorelick said that a representative from Ronald McDonald House will attend the next General mtg. May 19. He also stated that he would contact Doug Bird re: his attending the next NCRS meeting. Stu will ask for a show of hands of those who plan to attend the Rt. 66 Car Show & those who will participate in the Museum Car Show 5/21.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 by VP Jack Richards.
 Respectfully submitted by

Suganne Suzanne Monroy, Secretary



General Meeting Minutes - May 2006

- The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Stuart Gorelick.
- The dinner preceding the meeting was catered by Ambrozia. Once again we had a good crowd.
- Stu talked about going to Sierra Vista last month; Steve & Theresa Rahe, Jack Richards & Stu all attended. Everyone placed!
- Stuart introduced Dale Masko, who gave an overview of how his organization supports the Ronald McDonald House here in Albuquerque. The House is in the process of increasing the number of residences provided @ a low cost to families of children who need long-term hospitalization. They will also be helping furnish an area w/in the new UNM Hospital where families can go to get away from the hospital atmosphere while visiting with their children. Stu stated that the Council would be making a decision in the near future regarding the amount of funding the Club will raise/contribute to Ronald McDonald House in 2006.
- Stu asked any new members to introduce themselves & tell us what year Vette they own. Leo has a '59 Vette; Jackie Haydu, an '89 Vette; & Mike Rothman has a '71 Vette.
- <u>Vice President</u>, Jack Richards, asked everyone in attendance to complete the questionnaire he passed out & turn it in at the end of the meeting. We want to get a clear idea of what type of events the membership wants to participate in.
- Stu shared w/members an event taking place 5/26 in Cortez, CO; it's a cruising event free of charge. *NO CLUB AFFILIATION*
- <u>Treasurer, Lori Jordan</u>, stated that we are current on all bills. She also talked about the Museum Car Show Sunday 5/21. We will meet @ the Albuquerque Inn @ 7 am and drive into the show w/the NCRS & Rio Grande Clubs. The entry fee is \$10 which NMCA will reimburse to any Club members who attend (just keep your receipt & turn it in). This year the Corvette is the featured car.
- Lori also told us that during the caravan to Los Alamos in April, she met the very first NMCA president, Jack House. He gave her some old pictures & a copy of the roster of members. Stu will scan these documents & send them on to the webmaster.
- Stu reminded everyone about the Rt 66 80th Anniversary Car Show, 6-23-25 @ the Albuquerque Inn (formerly the Old Town Sheraton). The Club will also reimburse the \$25 entry fee for Club participants. Get your registration forms in ASAP (see our website & download). He also reminded members to continue to use the punch cards passed out in April; every time we buy something or have our cars serviced @ any CASA dealership we get our card punched. Turn your completely punched cards into Larry Osborne & he'll issue you a new one.
- Member/sponsor Bruce Behrends asked when his ad will appear on the website; also, when will his business be added to the Club banner? Stuart said that he will be taking care of the banner this week.
- Bill Jackson mentioned that every Saturday morning from 7-9 am there is an informal car show @ the Krispy Kreme on Juan Tabo across from Lowe's. There has been an increasing number of cars showing up each week, so come on out and join us. Everything from Vettes to Messerschmidts have been on display!
- Chuck Tipton stated that Sandia Motor Sports Complex has invited our Club to provide a car show @ the track on a Saturday night.
- <u>CIA, David Judd</u>, told the membership that he keeps track of all sanctioned NCCC events points accumulated by members & at the end of the year the winners receive a free dinner @ our annual banquet & their dues reimbursed for the upcoming year. David also asked that any members who are not receiving emails or the newsletter to let him know if they have an address or email change & he will update the membership list. He also asked how many members would be interested in attending the Oktoberfest in Ruidoso, NM 10/21-22. About 10 folks stated they were interested in attending; David will check into getting a motel rate for the Club.
- <u>Governor, Ron Scott</u>, gave a talk about NCCC our National Corvette Association, insurance, events & the cost to join; initial cost \$35/renewal \$20 annually. This fee allows members to participate in National competition events from coast to coast. NCCC has sanctioned events such as autocrosses, concours, ralleys & car shows. When you receive your NCCC package there is a coupon inside which allows you to get a copy of the Rule Book (it is your responsibility to know the rules before you participate in any event, don't depend on others to inform you). In addition, NCCC annually holds a raffle to raise money for the American Kidney Foundation. This year the National Convention is in Orlando, FL; 2007 in Nashville, TN; 2008 in Tulsa, OK.



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May general meeting minutes, continued:

- NCCC also has a novice autocross program; after 10 sanctioned events w/in 18 months, you can receive a card which allows you to participate in competition events. You can also attend a certified racing school to qualify. NCCC members also have a \$1 million insurance policy which covers against 3rd party liability. There is also a minimal medical allowance coverage. However, if you participate in a parade & a passenger falls out of your vehicle you are not covered. NMCA is part of the Roadrunner Region of NCCC which covers AZ, NM & El Paso, TX. Roadrunner is only one of 15 regions in NCCC. If you have any questions re: NCCC, please don't hesitate to ask Ron.
- <u>VP, Jack Richards</u>, talked about the Indian Summer Southwest Invitational (9/29-10/1); our annual NCCC points event. This will be the 37th year for SWI & we usually get a good turnout from other Roadrunner Region clubs. There will be 7 events: 2 autocross (Wallace Bow), funkhana (the Haydu's), People's Choice Car Show (Suzanne Monroy & Lori Jordan), golf event (Stu Gorelick), matching times event (?) & Powdrell's will provide a catered BBQ dinner on Saturday night. In addition, Friday night there will be a banquet @ Rt. 66 Casino, Saturday night a parade lap around the track @ intermission & free entry to the road races. Jack asked for 2 volunteers to set up the route for a rallye.
- Stu then introduced our newly appointed <u>Competition Director</u>, <u>Hugh Monroy</u>. Hugh went over some upcoming events; he talked about NMCA getting together w/SWMS car club for racing events. He & Stu will meet w/SWMS officers Tuesday 5/23. Hugh also told members that if you enter an event you can download the proof that you entered the event off the internet. If you are trying to get certified you will need to show proof of entry to 10 sanctioned events w/in 18 months.
- <u>Public Relations Director, Wallace Bow,</u> stated that the Vettes vs Viper drag races will take place in late July. We have already received an NCCC sanction number for this event; details on the exact date & time will be on the website shortly.
- May 13, there was an auto cross practice/time trials @ Sandia MotorSports in preparation for the Southwest Invitational this coming September. The timing equipment worked well & we are good to go!
- <u>Secretary, Suzanne Monroy</u>, shared that Brenda & Mark Bunting have graciously offered their home for the BBQ portion of the progressive BBQ 8/26. She asked that members consider offering their home for the appetizer/salad portion of the event & let her know by July 1st. She also told members that Mike Robb was hospitalized for surgery & is now home recovering. Then Suzanne asked for someone to take notes for the July Council & General meetings as she will be out of town; Gloria Osborne stepped up. Thank you Gloria!
- <u>Activities Director, Larry Osborne</u>, stated that he would have a suggestion box outside the meeting room w/paper & pencil at each meeting. If you have any suggestions for the Council, let us know. He told members that next month Subway would provide the pre-meeting supper for \$5/person; drinks & chips included.
- Watch for information re: a car show @ CASA Chevrolet on Lomas in late June. Ron Scott will request a sanction number from NCCC.
- There were drawings for door prizes; the meeting was adjourned @ 8:15 pm by Stu Gorelick.
- Next Council meeting is 6:30 pm on Tuesday, 6/6 @ Sandia Computers on Wyoming (*All members are welcome to attend*).
- General Meeting will be held on Friday, 6/16 @ 7 pm @ CASA Chevrolet on Lomas NE.

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Monroy

Suganne Suzanne Monroy, Secretary

When What

May 28 & Jun 3 Go Cart Racing

Details

Chairperson: Larry Osborn Contact information: 831-5055 or losborn5055@msn.com Time: Noon on May 28th & 2 pm June 3rd Cost: \$35/driver Where: 10355 Central NW Special notes: helmets required. This is a non-NMCA event.

Jun 17 Wallace Bow Day - Sandia MotorSports Park

Details

Chairperson: Wallace Bow Contact information: wjbow@wallacebow.com Time: gates open 8 am Cost: \$50-\$70/driver Special notes: helmets required. This is a non-NMCA event.

June 24 Route 66 80th Anniversary Celebration & Car Show

Details

Requires individual registration - registration applications on web home page Cost: \$25/entry (paid by NMCA) NMCA suggests selecting Sheraton Old Town as your show location Featured car this year is the Corvette (last year was GTO) Details: www.oldrt66.com, or bshaffer@oldrt66.com. This is a non-NMCA event.

July 8-9 Corvette-Porsche Challenge

Details

Chairperson: TBA Contact information: TBA Meet: Sandia MotorSports Park - time TBA Cost: TBA Special notes: NMCA layout 7/8 - Porsche layout 7/9 - helmets required

July 9 Multi-club Corvette Gathering & Picnic

Details

Chairperson: TBA Contact information: Doug Bird is the contact person for NMCA members Meet: TBA Cost: TBA Event: BBQ, Corvette Show at Santa Fe Hyde Park . This is a non-NMCA event.

August 26 NMCA Progressive BBQ

Details

Chairperson: Suzanne Monroy Contact information: Suzanne Monroy Meet: TBA (multiple stops involved) Cost: TBA Event: progressive BBQ. Volunteers needed.



NMCA C-4 CORVETTES

NMCA MEMBER INPUT

I purchased this car about 4 yrs. ago on eBay. She had 16,000 original miles and she came with a name. A car like this had been a dream of mine for a LONG time....... She finally got her rightful name applied this year by BOBO and she feels complete . . .

Bobbie & Chuck Younglund







Museum Car Show May 21st

Why did NMCA, RGCC & NCRS Corvette owners climb out of bed at dawn and meet near old town at 7 am on Sunday May 21st? 25+ corvette owners met up so as to enter the 22nd annual Museum Car Show as "team Corvette". This annual car show sported 300+ cars offering all different makes, models, years and colors. Some purely stock, others heavily modified. Regardless, the show was huge and the spectators got an eye-full. While the temperature got warmish, the Corvettes were hot and stole the show (my opinion may be slightly skewed!) From a 1958 to a 2006, all generations of Corvette were represented.

Additional photos may be viewed at www.nmcorvette.org in the May 2006 photo album area.

Strange But True ... The yellow 1969 above belongs to Phil Ellison. This car was purchased and has been under his ownership since November 1979. He is 4th owner, and has been led to believe that this has always been a New Mexico car. During the car show a gentleman admired this Corvette, then took a closer look at it. This was followed by the "who owns this Corvette" guestion. Phil stepped forward ready to answer the typical guestions asked about his '69. But this time the tables were turned, as Phil soon discovered that this individual happened to be the original owner! For 27 years Phil has owned this Corvette, but never knew the exact roots or details until now. The individual who made these claims of original ownership had knowledge never before revealed by Phil. As an example, Phil has the original owners manual, and in this manual are notes of maintenance plus a receipt for tires purchased. No name on the receipt, but there is an address. This guy knew the address! So what started out as a typical car show ended with a wonderful reunion of sorts. Not only does the original owner have details, he also claims to have original paperwork from his purchase made from a Las Cruces dealership, and he plans to share this, along with some original parts still in his garage, with Phil. Stay tuned for further developments on this reunion. For 27 years the story was assumed, but never confirmed. Now, it appears the entire story will be told, and this Corvette's history will no longer contain a guestion mark. And talk about small world ... Phil and the original owner live less than 5 miles apart, and have for 10+ years! Let this be a lesson to any Corvette owner ... you never really know who that person is admiring your car. Perhaps all Corvette owners who have a gray area in their car's past can be as fortunate to have the blanks filled in as Phil is about to experience.

WEEKEND EDITION

05.13.06





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Getting seniors

signed up

The \$1.3 trillion Medicare benefit has proved to be a struggle for bureaucrats as they deal with flaws and assemble a competent work force to help people choose plans



WHO'S COUNTING? Duke City is measuring up to mayor's ideals.

PHILL CASAUS. PAGE A2

THEY'RE WATCHING

Spy cameras are used to keep track of U.S. from space. DATELINES, PAGE A4





NMCA member is valedictorian! A possible first for NMCA

Congratulations are certainly in order for Sara Russell, NMCA member & daughter of Mary & Rich Mleczko. Sara (second from left above) attended Eldorado HS and graduated this May with a 4.4 GPA. All the best to Sara as she starts her college experience.



"Driver's Seat" - a message from the NMCA President

Summer is upon us, and the Corvette is destined to be outside. Beautiful skies, warm temperatures, and views all around us, as far as the eye can see.

Our club has come a long way this year, with the hard work of your council and members. But we still have a long ways to go. Car shows, Caravans, and Autocross / Drag racing are just a few events we have planned over the next few months. Find out what tweaks your button, and come out with your baby and show it off.

I want to wish Mike Robb a fast recovery, and we look forward to his company and fellowship again.

Southwest Invitational looks like it's shaping up to be a real winner, with Jack Richards setting up what will be one of the best weekends our club has ever seen. We are going to need some of you to help work this event, to make it run smoothly, and make a good showing for all of our out-of-town guests. NMCA has the rep in our region of being a first class Corvette Club, but that reputation doesn't come without hard work and dedication. If you have any desire to give back a little to your car club, this event is the one to do it with. You won't go unrecognized for your efforts. Get with Jack this next month and let him know your there for him and the club.

Thanks, Larry for a fabulous meal before the General Meeting this month, great turnout and lots of fun. CASA really came through for us with some wonderful door prizes this month, and for that we thank them, so please use the dealerships that sponsor us CASA Chevrolet, Sunshine Buick GMC Pontiac, and CASA on the Westside for all of your new and used cars, parts and service needs.

Check your car over real well this year. Hot weather can do all kinds of bad stuff to a Corvette, so check your fluids, oil, suspension, drive train, motor, transmission, ashtray, radio, wheels, tires, exhaust, headlights, tail lights, wiper blades,.....oh my, I didn't know my car needed so much attention. I'll leave it to the pros. To complicated for me......by the way, does anyone know what that red triangle thing is next to my air conditioning duct is on the dash? I'm afraid to push it and find out what it does.

Get your registration in quick for the June 2006, 80th Anniversary Route 66 events. We need a lot of cars from our club for this event, and the club has voted to reimburse you for the \$25.00 registration fee. Just bring us your fee receipt to a general meeting and Lori will see to it.

Have a great summer, and be safe, remember "You have no class unless you drive Fiberglass!"

Stuart Gorelick sngore@aol.com President NMCA

Web Changes & Information:

You'll now find Tach Times on the club web site. Just use the link that says "newsletters". Full color, and ready when you are. Some members have complained about the inability to open a .pdf file. This is perhaps the most common computer file available. Throughout our site, and at the newsletter page, you'll find a link to Adobe, where you can download a free reader for .pdf files. The site is safe, the download is quick, and the results are instant. If you continue to have problems opening .pdf files, you may wish to consult Stu Gorelick at Sandia Computers. He or his staff may have additional suggestions or solutions.



NMCA Activities Questionnaire

Please complete and return to NMCA (mail to NMCA @ PO Box 91355, Abq, 87199 or bring to next meeting) Name NCCC member Yes _____ No _____ Would you participate? Would you help organize? <u>Activities</u> Comments Southwest Invitational Autocross Matching Times High speed event _____ Drag Race **Gimmick Rallye TSD** Rallye Poker/Chance Rallye Funkhana Car show - Concours Car show - Peoples Choice Car show - Charity/civic _____ Parades Cruise - one day Cruise - weekend **Custard Cruise** Dinner Cruise _____ Concert/Movie Cruise Picnics Progressive Dinners _____ Banquets Just want to attend meetings Other (explain)



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