

## Minutes of the National Park Corvette Club Meeting

A general meeting of the National Park Corvette Club (NPCC) was held on Thursday, March 23 at Smokin In Style BBQ restaurant, 2278 Albert Pike Road, Hot Springs, Ar. The meeting was called to order by President, John Grant at 6:31 p.m.

The following officers were in attendance:

John Grant, President, Rodney Davis, Vice President, Jo Lloyd, Treasurer, Lori Lewis, Secretary, and Board Member, Randy Lewis. Also present were board members Robert Louton and Shelby Hignight. We had 42 members present. 18 Corvettes on display in the parking lot.

Member Bobby Southard was recognized for his purchase of his 2023 Red Stingray Hard Top Convertible, as was Club Secretary & Board Member Lori & Randy Lewis purchase of their 2023 Rapid Blue Stingray Hard Top Convertible. Comments were made by John about one of striking features of the was the body-colored stitching highlights in the seat and trim.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Minutes from the meeting held in February were previously emailed to members. A motion was made by Wayne Thomason to suspend reading of the minutes and seconded by Robert Louton. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jo Lloyd next read the treasurer's report. It was reported there was an ending balance of \$2,818.85 A motion to accept this report was made by Rodney Davis and seconded by John Frances. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mike Bridges and Corvette Corner was presented. He discussed personal observation and differences between the C-8 & C-7 as an owner of both models. Shifting differences were highlighted among other features of the C-8. Fluid changes and tire rotation as well as air pressures were also discussed.

John Grant mentioned that there were t-shirts available for pick up and order. T-shirts can now be ordered with NO minimum allowing members to order at any meeting and have the shirts by the next meeting. Also, that name tags could be ordered for \$10 each.

He then mentioned that we have some extra rooms and plant tour times available if anyone still wants to go to Bowling Green with the Club. There were sign-up sheets for each assigned plant tour time and that late comers would be on the 12:15 tour time. Groups were also assigned to each of 3 lead drivers to make the trip to the plant and a list was passed out for attending members with the respective assignments.

Revised annual calendars were handed out and John pointed out that our May meeting will be early. We will meet on May 18 instead of the 25th because of our Bowling Green trip. He also talked about board nominations being taken at this meeting and the actual voting at the June meeting. It is believed that all current board members plan to run again. The new Board takes effect July 1<sup>st</sup> 2023.

Many up-coming events and Car Shows were listed and highlighted to provide members with the opportunity to show their car if desired. A flyer to the Hot Springs Cruisers Show, May 6<sup>th</sup> was passed out to members and discussion included the great charity "Potters Clay" that is supported by the show.

Discussion included; Our monthly cruise to De Gray lodge was a great success with 21 Corvette one SUV and 42 members in attendance.

Our next month trip will be April 15 to Wiederkehr winery for lunch, with an itinerary and map provided. A sign-up sheet was also provided. If you would like to attend, please let us know asap as we have to give a count to the restaurant.

A revised Overview of the Bowling Green trip was provided to members planning on attending the Bowling Green trip with revised times for Plant Tours.

Also, the Route was discussed to Bowling Green and that we would be traveling a Northern Route to avoid the Tennessee road construction and traffic issues that Nashville poses. A map of the route was passed out to all in attendance.

Route Detail were presented and passed out outlining the trip meeting places and times for members from Hot Springs, Hot Springs Village and Benton/Bryant area and planned restroom and lunch stops.

A List of Corvette Plant Attendance Rules were discussed and passed out to members.

The June 17<sup>th</sup> day cruise to the Dondie River Princess in Des Arc, AR was discussed and flyers and maps passed out . This will be the Club's first afternoon cruise. A sign-up sheet was provided for members wishing to attend.

Door prizes:

XL men's t-shirt won by Ken Coleman

L men's t-shirt won by Brian Fisher

C-8 poster and \$10 outback card won by Doug Trowbridge

\$25 Outback card won by Danny Short

\$25 Outback card won by Mickey Yach

\$25 outback card won by Duane King

\$25 outback card won by Russ Sauders

Our next meeting is April 27.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.