

NICC Club Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2007

- 1) In the absence of President Harry Pointon, Membership Director Bruce Mayer called the meeting to order at 6PM with 56 members present. Bruce introduced the club officers. He also introduced guests Bob & Jill Rogers (2008 Corvette) to the membership. Applause.
- 2) Minutes from the October meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter. It was brought to the membership's attention that the following item was not displayed correctly on the website. It should read: "*Editor, Richard Swihart, acknowledged the strong support the club has received from Callie Byers at Bocker Chevrolet our club's sponsor. Richard also announced he has sourced magnetic name tag holders and has a supply available for others who are interested in trying these out.*"
- 3) **Social Director** Bonnie Curran, reviewed the raffle prizes: Bloomington Gold Corvette Bear and two types of Corvette wrapping paper; Corvette Duffle Bag with "American Revolution" poster, and the "Mystery Box."
- 4) **Membership Director** Bruce Mayer, noted that the membership roster has increased to 170 NICC members. Our newest members are: John and Dawn Chowaniec from Janesville, James and Diana Mears from Byron, and Jerry and Marianne Schmaling from Loves Park. Please welcome them to the club. Please help yourselves to the rosters, pamphlets, and static cling club insignia stickers that are available at the meetings. Renewals are due. At this time a \$10 late fee is assessed to those that haven't paid yet. Remember to make all changes to your Membership Application. Also fill out if you are National Corvette Museum members and the backside notes. If you want to receive meeting minutes via e-mail, please add your e-mail address to the application. Remember to put on the back of the club brochures your name and phone number or any club officer so if prospective club members have questions, they have someone to contact. You could also tell them to use our web site listed in the pamphlet. Monthly attendance drawing will be \$10 tonight.
- 5) **Governor** Arnie Bailey updated the membership on Regional Points.

<u>Club:</u>	NICC	2 nd Place
<u>Men:</u>	Jim Thomas	3 rd Place
	Dale Samuelson	5 th
	Jack Wilson	6 th
	Arnie Bailey	40 th
	Gary Vosberg	43 rd
<u>Women:</u>	Carolyn Samuelson	2 nd Place
	Joan Thomas	3 rd
	Janet Wilson	7 th
	Nancy Bailey	18 th

Arnie gave a complete report on NICC's entrants and their finishes at the Midwest Regional Championship Series Low Speed event held October 7th at Rantoul IL:

1SH	Arnie Bailey	3 rd Place
1C/D	Jim McGowan	2 nd Place
1G	Dale Samuelson	FTD Men's Group 1 A-D
2A/B	Gary Vosberg	1 st Place
2E	Jim Thomas	1 st Place
1SHL	Nancy Bailey	2 nd Place
2EL	Joan Thomas	FTD Ladies Group 2 E-M
1GL	Carolyn Samuelson	Ladies Overall FTD

Competition: Each NCCC member club can sanction up to seven events per year. Next weekend, in St. Louis MO, the regional Governors will be establishing the sanction calendar for 2008. These events are money-makers for our club. Labor Day Weekend we had enough workers from other clubs to help run the events. We need people to work in registration, tech, timers (already have two dedicated members in Dale & Carolyn Samuelson), corner workers, etc. None of the worker jobs are really demanding. It would include posting stickers on the scoreboards, registering entrants, shagging pylons, etc. We have canopies, radios, flags, etc. to provide to workers. Club members in attendance see what we do at a race. The more people we have to work, the better it is for everyone. We've been lucky at Rockford Speedway with help from club members. This year we were bumped off of our Rockford Speedway date because of the NCCC Convention and we ended up on October 21st at Tire Rack, South Bend IN, on a weekend when Notre Dame was playing raising room rates to hundreds of dollars.

We are having another problem with getting Rockford Speedway due to the 2008 Priority Worksheet determining which club has that weekend. Arnie will be submitting a motion to change the Midwest Region Standard Operating Procedures to grandfather those dates for clubs that need to move due to Convention schedules. We would like to stay in Rockford. If not passed, we will need to go elsewhere.

We have events for the club and the region to reciprocate what everyone else does as well as well as income for both.

Badger State Vettes holds events at the old AMC Proving Grounds, now MGA Research, in Burlington WI. It is one of the most open, safe premier facilities left in the region. They have asked NICC to go in with them to take over the Sunday date. This would be a good chance of having access to MGA as well as looking at about the same amount of income as our October 21st events. Tire Rack is 3 hours away. Burlington is about 1-1/4 hours.

We will try our best to stay at Rockford Speedway if we can, but if not we will accept Badger State Vettes invitation.

- 6) **Treasurer** Dale Samuelson reported on the financial activities of the club for the past two months. Dale reported that membership dues to National and postage for Support the Troops are still outstanding expenses. We should end the year better off than last year. The report handed out to the membership was accepted as printed.
- 7) **Parade Director** Tony Kieffer: No Report
- 8) **Editor** Richard Swihart advised the club members of the latest **VETTE VISIONS** advertiser: Automotive Solutions, Inc. out of Belvidere. If in the area, stop in and see them.
- 9) **Parliamentarian** Dennis Matthews. See New Business under *NICC By-Laws* and "NCM Ambassador".
- 10) **Sergeant-at-Arms** Gary Vosberg collected badge fines of \$0.50 each from those members not wearing their nametag.
- 11) **Director of Public Relations** Brick Logan: No Report
- 12) **Quartermaster** Wendy Bennett: Absent
- 13) **Webmaster** Joan Thomas: Report is on the website.

Old Business

Past Events: Nancy Bailey reviewed the Labor Day Weekend and the October 21st NICC events stating number of entrants and income from each.

Support the Troops: Richard Swihart contacted the National Guard Armory. They gave him the name of a lady to contact. She gave Richard one more name to send our packages too. We still need three more names. If you know of anyone, please contact Harry Pointon.

New Business

2008 Officers: Gary Vosberg presented a slate of officers for 2008. A motion and a second were accepted for each name listed below.

President	Harry Pointon
Governor	Arnie Bailey
Secretary	
Treasurer	Dale Samuelson
Membership	Bruce Mayer
Parliamentarian	Dennis Matthews
Sergeant-at-Arms	Wally Ramsey
Editor	Richard Swihart
Social Director	

If you know of anyone interested in the above offices, including yourself, please contact Gary Vosberg at 815-234-4340.

NICC By-Laws: Dennis Matthews read an NICC By-Law to include a new appointed board position "NCM Ambassador".

SECTION 3. Duties of Officers

Nineteenth NCM Ambassador: The NCM Ambassador shall represent the NICC to the National Corvette Museum Council (NCM) and its staff. The Ambassador provides our club a two way communication link to the NCM. The representative/liaison receives the most current and correct information from the Museum, and conveys that information at our club meetings and/or events. The Ambassador promotes and solicits support for the Museum and other promotional activities. Additionally, the Ambassador communicates concerns, ideas and suggestions to the NCM.

Appointed Positions:

Quartermaster
Public Relations Director
Webmaster
Parade Director

NCM Ambassador

The addition will be printed in the newsletter and lay on the table until the December meeting when it will be voted on.

Honorary Member: Joan Thomas asked the Board, in absentia, to consider Randy Jones as an Honorary Member. She has already talked to him about it. The Board asked the membership to accept the Loves Park D.A.R.E. Officer, as an Honorary Member of NICC. The stipulation is that as long as they have the D.A.R.E. program and a Corvette, NICC will accept that officer as an Honorary Member. Motion made, seconded and passed.

Toys for Tots: Don't forget to bring unwrapped gifts to the December meeting. Men should bring a boy's gift and women a girl's gift.

New Cars: Kira and Steve Kostka are the proud owners of a loaded Le Mans Blue, Charcoal interior, 2005 Ragtop.

Raffle Winners: Bob Rogers Corvette Duffle Bag and “American Revolution” Poster
Tom Volscho “Mystery Box” with Microfiber Cloth, Red Corvette Tote Bag and
Lunch Bag

Attendance Drawing: Kari Anders \$10

Next Meeting: December 2nd with a 5PM Social Hour and 6PM Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48PM.

Respectfully submitted for Bob Manzer,

Nancy Bailey