



BRAZOS RIVER

March 2016

CORVETTE CLUB

Newsletter



Spring is Here

Time to get your Corvette washed, polished and in shape for those road trips.



**HAPPY
St. Patrick's
DAY**

Thursday, March 17

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2016 Club Officers

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| President | Terry Varner |
| Vice President | Ed Pultorak |
| Secretary | Kim Sheppard |
| Treasurer | Teresa Batson |

2016 Appointments

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| Cruise Coordinator | Kelly Fulmer |
| BRCC Charity | Pat Waddell, Berrie Mull & Libby Lanzara |
| Car Show Directors | Jim & Sharon Hill |
| Charity Raffle | Lary DeYoung |
| Competition Coordinators | Neal Bellamy/David Penwell & Dale VanFosen |
| Historian / Newsletter | Jim Hill |
| Member Care | Pat Waddell |
| Merchandise | Larry Sharp |
| National Corvette Museum Ambassador | Guy Mabee |
| NCCC Governor | Neal Bellamy |
| Yahoo email Group Manager | Jim Hill |
| Web Master | Sandy Varner |

Membership Meetings

General membership meetings are held the 1st Thursday of each month, exceptions are posted on the web site and members notified via Yahoo mail.

Meetings are held at the Harbor Lakes Golf Club, Granbury TX (See web page for map), meeting begin at 6:00pm for socializing and ordering dinner, club business starts at 7:00pm and usually over before 9:00pm.

Birthdays



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| John Kleber | Mar 18 |
| Theresa Halford | Mar 18 |
| Sharon Hill | Mar 19 |
| Neal Bellamy | Mar 24 |
| Bill Taylor | Mar 28 |
| Pat Waddell | Mar 31 |

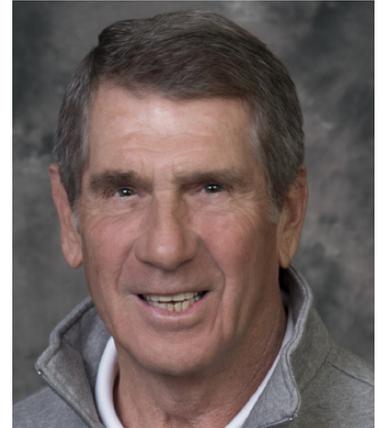
Anniversaries

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| Larry & Arlene DeYoung | Mar 15 |
| Tom & Jeanne Limroth | Mar 26 |
| Donny & Kerri Lawson | Mar 31 |

Happy Anniversary



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Terry Varner



We are heading into March, and the winter doldrums are about over. Before we get into the up coming activities I have a brief comment on meeting etiquette. I don't want to be a dictator, and pound the gavel all the time to get order. I'm asking the members to respect the person who has the floor, and not carry on a conversation while someone's speaking. It has been brought to my attention that this is very distracting to those who trying to listen. It is my goal to get the business portion of the meeting done as quickly as possible, which will leave us plenty of time for socializing. I thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

It has been decided we need to have more discussion on the charity selection process. In the "Old Business" portion of the March meeting agenda we will have an open discussion on the charities we have listed so far, and any additional ones someone might want to bring up. Once this is completed, we can proceed to a vote. The charities we have introduced so far are as follows:

Ruth's place
Habitat for Humanity
Christmas for Children (works with The Salvation Army Women's League)
Hood County Children's Charity (works with Mission Granbury and The Salvation Army)
Friends of The Library

For the fun stuff, we have are first cruise February 27th to Hico Texas, home of "Brushy Billy," aka "Billy the Kid". Hosted by Jim and Sharon Hill, and Earl and Carol Harris. The plan is lunch at Jersey Lilly's, in Hico, a good Mexican restaurant. There will also be some shopping and touring of downtown Hico. Check our website events calendar for details. There are more events already on the calendar for March. Once again check the website for details. This is the kinda of events we are looking for. We need more of you to come up with ideas, like this one. Get with Kelly Fulmer our activities director and he will make it happen.

Thank you again for your RSVP's for the meeting dinner, we were right on the count for last meeting. This really helps to make sure we have food for everyone.

Keep watching Yahoo Groups, for e-mail Blasts on upcoming events.

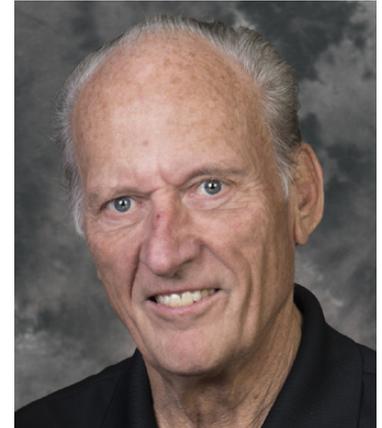
Look forward to seeing everyone at the March meeting.

The Pres.

Terry Varner



MESSAGE FROM THE Vice PRESIDENT ED PULTORAK



Upcoming is our March meeting – we will be selecting our charity for this year’s car show. From my perspective, we have a very nice slate of candidates (unlike many political elections). So, be prepared to vote.

Well, our first “lunch” cruise of the year to Hico was a sounding success -- we had 16 cars. A round of applause to Jim & Sharon Hill and Earl & Carol Harris for organizing the event on relatively short notice.

I noticed in the calendar that we had several more open weekends that someone might consider suggesting a destination. If anyone is interested, we could do a Sunday cruise to the Ft Worth Botanical Gardens with brunch. I’ll bring it up under New Business.

But don’t be shy. If you don’t feel comfortable organizing a destination cruise by yourself, just bring it up during New Business and we’ll get someone who’s done one before to work with you.

Ed Pultorak





FEBRUARY 4TH BRCC MINUTES

The February 4, 2016 meeting of the Brazos River Corvette Club was held at the Harbor Lakes Country Club.

John Bratta gave a nice blessing for the meal.

At 7:00 PM Terry Varner came forward to open the meeting and thanked everyone present. He requested a veteran to come forward to lead the members in the pledge.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by John Bratta.

No guest were present and 42 meals were served.

Terry informed the group that speakers were present to represent their charities. He asked Ed Pultorak to introduce our guest speakers.

Ed introduced Craig Gossard with Ruth's Place. Craig thanked the members for their support last year and would appreciate the support again this year. He informed the members their mission is to build a strong community by providing health care and social services to low income families. They do this by offering dental, vision, life skills, summer kids lunches and the food pantry. Ruth's place has introduced a car clinic this year to help the needy.

Next Ed introduced Sue Cooper with Hood County Children's Charity Fund. It is the oldest charity in town dealing with children. Sue reminded us that there is a large need in our community. Their goal is to provide for the immediate economic, physical, educational and emotional needs of the Hood County children. They are now putting a strong emphasis on scholarships to trade schools or colleges. They are a volunteer group.

Norm Synder with Christmas for Children was next introduced. They support the Angel Tree Program. They are also a volunteer group. They sent out 2609 gifts last year. Only about 20% of the names on the Angels Trees are taken and they provide gifts for the remaining 80%. They need \$100,000.00 in donations to provide for the Angel Tree Program. They would appreciate our help and donations.

Pat Waddell came forward and informed the group she was approach by Melissa for the Friends of the Library. They are looking for an enclosed car trailer that could be donated or raise money to purchase one. They are interested in starting a mobile book program and reaching people in the outer areas.

The Salvation Army Womens Service League was mentioned by Libby Lanzara.

No other charities were mentioned and Terry requested the members to please email him any other charities they would like to be on the list for voting. Terry hopes to have the list by the March meeting.

Reports:

Terry asked for any corrections to the January minutes. None were given. A motion was made by Terry Keck to approve the minutes and seconded by Teresa Batson. All unanimously approved the minutes.

Treasurer Teresa Batson read the balance of the club and reported we were in good shape. Gary Sheppard made the motion to accept the Treasures report and Betty Keck seconded it. All present agreed to pass the Treasures report.



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES CONTINUED

Committee Reports:

Events/Cruise

Kelly Fulmer reminded everyone the Super Bowl party was anytime after 3:30 PM at the home of Libby's. He is ready to rock and roll with some cruises this year for the month of March. The weather should be good.

Newsletter/Car show/Yahoo Group Manager/Photographer/Historian

Jim and Sharon Hill handed out the new directories. They are great. He had nothing new on the car show and the newsletter was thin the month of January. Let him know if you have anything to post in the newsletter.

Member Care

Pat Waddell did not send out any cards to members. All is good.

NCCC Governor

Neal Bellamy informed the group that track day has been changed to April 30th. It is \$120.00 and limited to 25 drivers. The Lone Star Corvette Show is May 21, 22, and 23. They have dinners, cruises and a track day. Neil has a information sheet available.

Webmaster

Sandy Varner had nothing new to report.

Charity raffle

Larry Dejong was selling tickets that evening.

New Business:

Larry DeYoung brought up MOA Chapter. It is in need of funds for their field of Flags on Memorial Day weekend. It will be in the field by HEB and McDonald's this year. It is to support Veterans and First Responders. Chip Mull made a motion to donated \$100.00 and Phil Harris seconded it. All were in favor.

Teresa Batson reported she has stamps found at the Christmas party.

Peggy Pultorak spoke that Norm would like to set up a table at the car show if the charity is not selected.

Jim Hill came forward and spoke that he is having favorable responses with the city. They would like to join us and have the Harvest Moon Festival at the same time of the car show. Jim spoke the city is impressed with the BRCC and this may bring more people together to raise money at the silent auction. More discussion is needed.

Charity Raffle:

Larry DeYoung sold \$125.00 in tickets. John Perfetto won the 50/50 raffle.

Adjourn:

Larry Sharp made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Gary Sheppard.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Sheppard



UPCOMING EVENTS

BRCC 2016 Calendar

The primary interest in our club is centered on activities. Our best months are those with two cruises. We need each of you to organize and lead an activity. You will get all the help you need to contribute to our club success.

Please contact our Activity Director Kelly Fulmer 817-296-7554 to plan an event.

Jan

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| Feb 7 | Super Bowl 50 | Libby Lanzara 817-944-4887 |
| Feb 27 | Lunch Cruise to Hico | Hill's & Harris's 817-279-0959 |

March

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| April 30 | Motor Sport Ranch Track Day | Neal Bellamy 817-975-1422 David Penwell & Dale Van Fossen 817-999-1621 |
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May

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| July 4 | 4th of July Parade | John Bratta 817-0573-2272 |
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September

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| Oct 8 | 10th Annual BRCC Car Show | Jim and Sharon Hill 817-279-0959 |
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| Nov 11 | Veterans Day Parade | John & Peggi Bratta 817-0573-2272 |
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| Dec 7 | Christmas Party | BRCC |
| Dec ? | Christmas Toy Car Show | Neal/Jane Bellamy 817-975-1422 |



UPCOMING BRCC EVENT



On Saturday April 30, Brazos River Corvette Club will again host a high performance driver education event at MotorSport Ranch in Cresson. This half-day event is not a race but rather an opportunity for you to drive more aggressively in a safe environment and to see how well your Corvette handles the track.

If it rains on Saturday, we will hold the event the next day, Sunday May 1.
<http://brazosrivercc.com/msr/index.html>

The entry fee is \$120 and entrants will be limited to 25 drivers.

This event is designed for novices and less experienced track drivers using their daily driver cars rather than for highly experienced drivers and race prepared cars.

You will attend three classroom sessions designed to educate you on the dos-and-don'ts while on track, and to provide you with helpful driving hints to make your experience more enjoyable.

You will drive on-track in two lead-and-follow, no passing, low key track sessions that will help you learn the track. During these sessions, family and friends may be passengers.

You will have two track driving sessions to go as fast as you feel comfortable. Drivers will be divided into two groups based upon track driving experience level. Passing will be allowed, but only on straightaways and only with the slower car giving a "pass me here" signal.

Other than bringing a helmet (open face preferred, rentals available) and wearing long pants and closed toe shoes, no special "race only" equipment or preparation is needed. If you feel safe driving on the highway to reach the event, your car is track ready for this event.

However, some common sense vehicle preparation is strongly recommended:

- Any normal daily driving problems with the car should be repaired prior to the event.
- Coolant is less than 5 years old and up to the recommended level.
- Wheels are properly torqued to factory recommendations.
- Tires are properly inflated and have no cord showing anywhere.
- Oil is at the recommended level. Non-dry sump cars should overfill per Chevrolet recommendations.
- Brake fluid is reasonably fresh (less than 5 years old) and up to the recommended level.
- Brake pads have at least one-third of their life remaining.

But most importantly, prepare to have fun. This is not a race but will be a great opportunity to have fun in your Corvette and then to tell tales of your driving prowess.

Please call Neal (817-975-1422) or Dale (817-408-7817) or David (817-999-1621) with any specific questions.





Brazos River Corvette Club visits National Corvette Museum September 12, 2013

BUILD SHEETS & WINDOW STICKERS

Your Corvette Collection just isn't complete without a copy of your build sheet and a reproduction window sticker! The National Corvette Museum offers build sheets and window stickers for any Corvette assembled in Bowling Green since the GM Plant opened in 1981.

Build Sheets

There's a lot of nifty paperwork associated with cars. Most people throw the stuff out shortly after buying their car but in some cases the original paperwork is still available with the car.

The Build Sheet, often considered "the holy grail" to many folks is a cool item to find. It is often the only means of verifying exactly what options came with your particular car, and helps you determine how many Corvettes were produced exactly like yours. The build sheet is what goes down the line with the car when it is being assembled. It indicates to the line worker exactly what goes on that specific car. Build sheets vary in size from year to year, 8½ X 11 up to 11 X 17 and you have the option for it to be laminated.



FAQ

Q. Does the build sheet contain the build date?

A. No. In 2006 the Assembly Plant quit putting dates of any type on the build sheet. Prior to that, the date on the build sheet was NOT the date the car was built, but the date the order was entered for production. It has been reported that it took 7-10 working days from the time the order was entered until the Corvette rolled off the production line.



Q. Does the key code appear on the build sheet?

A. No. The key codes do not appear on the build sheets due to security reasons. Key codes can only be obtained through an authorized dealer.

Q. How can I obtain a build sheet for a Corvette built in St. Louis?

A. We do not know. We have been told by General Motors that all records from the St. Louis Plant were destroyed in a fire after the Assembly Plant was re-located to Bowling Green in mid-1981.

PURCHASE A BUILD SHEET

Build Sheet (Paper) – \$35 Members* / \$45 Non-Members
Additional Paper Copy – \$10 Members* / \$12 Non-Members
Lamination – \$5 each

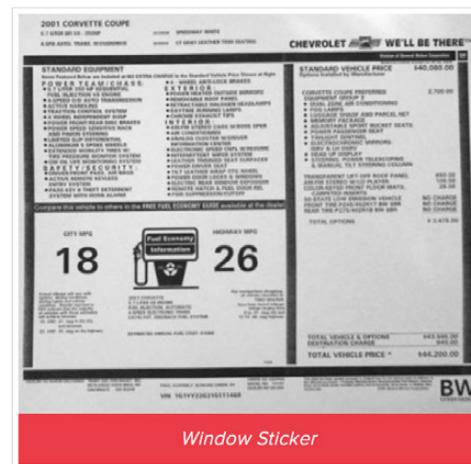
*eMemberships are excluded

Notice: we are missing the following build sheets for 1982 – VIN numbers 109001 thru 117800, 118201 thru 118400, 119201 thru 119800.

Window Sticker

Also called a Monroney Label, this is the sticker that is affixed to a new car when it is delivered to the consumer. A law was passed by Congress in 1958 requiring all automobile manufacturers to affix a price label to all new automobiles showing Manufacturers Suggested Retail Prices for a vehicle and all options installed at the factory. This law was proposed by Senator John Monroney, and was to begin with new 1959 models.

If your car is a show car, this informational piece is a must! Some car shows such as Bloomington Gold require you to have a list of options on the car. What better way than a reproduction of the window sticker? If you are ordering a reproduction window sticker, you must order the build sheet at the same time.



PURCHASE A WINDOW STICKER

1981 – current Window Sticker/Build Sheet Combo – \$75 Member* / \$90 Non-Members
Additional Copy Window Sticker – \$10 Members* / \$12 Non-Members
Lamination – \$5

*eMemberships are excluded



National Corvette Museum Bricks
 Purchased by BRCC Members



2016 Corvette Z06 C7.R is Totaled Hours After Delivery



Chevrolet paid homage to the Corvette Racing C7.Rs in 2016 by building 650 C7.R Special Edition Z06s, 500 of which were sold in the USA with the other 150 going abroad. The new 650-horsepower special editions are loaded and featured special graphics including a Jake graphic on the hood.

Unfortunately, the amount of these special editions in the US was just reduced for 499 after a spectacular crash in Katy, Texas pancaked a Corvette Z06 C7.R Coupe on the same day it was to be delivered to a customer.

Don't know if this Corvette crash is a result of a joyride gone wrong by employees of the window tint business or what at this time. The up-loader does make the comment "I assume the owner wasn't too happy when he came to pick it up that evening" which suggests that the new owner's best day ever turned into his worst day ever when he got the news that his new Corvette had been totaled.

It's hard to tell the full extent of the damage but its pretty much all-over with most of the rear in pieces. Corvette enthusiasts have already praised the fact that the cockpit of the car was intact while at the same time speculating about the condition of the not-yet-broken-in LT4 engine.

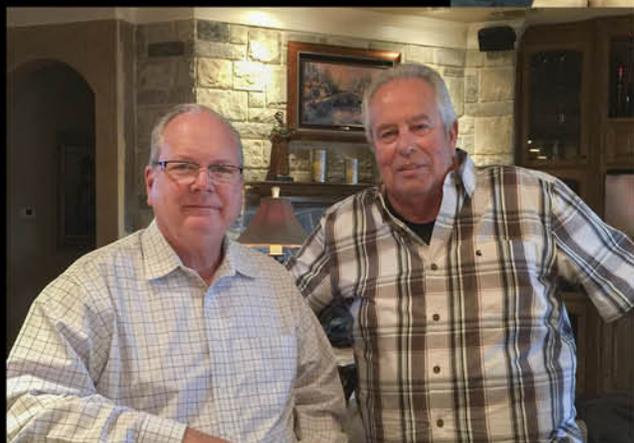
"The story is this guy waited 1 year to get this C7R Corvette, it never made it past the make ready department. Totaled in 5 minutes and driver in the hospital. The customer never even saw his car. This happened in Houston February 10th on the west side."



libby lanzara Hosted



SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA
02.07.2016



**THIRTY TWO MEMBERS CAME
OUT CRUISING TO NICO
LUNCH WAS SERVED AT
JERSEY LILLY'S
MEXICAN RESTAURANT**





BRCC Logo Merchandise

Larry Sharp has lots of great merchandise for sale with the BRCC logo on them. Here is a sampling of most of our items. *We are open to additional item upon request.*

Larry Sharp
Merchandise
817-475-9692

LarySharp2004@gmail.com



Flame Caps\$ 12.00
Solid Color sandwich bill caps\$ 12.00



Nike Polo Shirts 363-807\$ 30.00
Many colors, Yellow, Light Blue, Med Blue, Varsity Red, White, Black, Pink & Others



Sport Wick Stretch 1/2 Zip Pullover\$35.00
Mens & Ladies styles XS-4XL
Mens: Black, Charcoal Grey, Navy Blue, Med Blue, Forest Green, Maroon
Ladies: Black, Charcoal Grey, Med Blue, Dust Rose, Pink Rush, Navy Blue, White



Sweatshirt 1/4 Zip 9-Oz Pullover.....\$35.00
Mens & Ladies styles XS-4XL & Tall
Black, White, Vintage Heather, Graphite Heather, Light Heather, Forest Green, Dark Pink, Pink, Maroon, True Red, True Navy, True Royal



Long Sleeve Dress Cotton/Poly S608 \$25.00
Mens Button Down Ladies Open Collar
All colors



Long Sleeve Denim Mens & Ladies\$35.00
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