



River City Corvettes of Sacramento

April 2015 Newsletter

PERFORMANCE CHEVROLET on Madison Avenue is our proud club sponsor.

Business Meetings start at 7 pm on the first Thursday of each month at the Dante Club. Food is not served at the meeting, but there are nice restaurants close to the Dante Club. Next meeting is May 7, 2015.

President Tom Mason's Message

The Board of Directors, my Cabinet, the First Lady and myself want to say THANK YOU to all the members that donated their time helping Joan and myself. Also, without your friends, family and neighbors, this would not have been successful. Also THANK YOU for all of the donations and money you spent on them. Looking at all the upcoming events we have a busy next couple of months. Did you notice how many of the runs are being put on by newer members?? We have a lot of runs going on, the Board needs your help; we need members to give back to the club by running for an office this coming year. If you have any questions please ask myself or a Board member. If you have any suggestions on what needs to be done in the club NOW is the time to get your ideas known and lets get busy on a new group of members to help motivate the club.

Be sure to get out and enjoy the new places to go. That's it for now. Blue skies and Green lites and enjoy your cars.

Tom Mason, President

RCCS Business Meeting Minutes (April 2, 2015)

The meeting was called to order at 7p.m. by Tom Mason.

March Minutes were recognized and approved, 1st by Rosie Bjornsen and 2nd by Patti Herberger.

Treasurer's Report – Rick Sutter - The Treasurer's Report was given by Rick Sutter. The Treasurer's Report was recognized by the membership.

Visitors and New Members- Rosie Bjornsen – Rosie welcomed first time visitors Joe and Theresa Legastro who have a red roadster and Tim Wright from Dixon who has a 1958 Corvette.

Rosie announced eleven April birthdays.

Patti Doherty was thanked for bringing the birthday goodies for the April meeting.

Gary and Julie Menzies volunteered to bring birthday goodies for the May meeting.

Tom's Part: Tom said he has gotten some strange emails on the club's email address, but a recent repeated email trumped them all. He said a man named Jack Clark has been emailing the club asking if anyone would rent him a Corvette for his daughter's wedding. He said he has a 1977 Corvette, but needed a new model that would fit his daughter's wedding dress. Tom said if we knew of anyone who would rent their Vet to let him know!!!

Nash's Part: Nash addressed and introduced past and future events.

Past Events:

March 12th, Daffodil Hill Run – Joan and Tom Mason - Joan spoke saying she was sorry she had to cancel this run. The ground managers at Daffodil Hill said they had to close because it was too muddy. Joan said she understood that it had opened the next day. Joan said she would try again next year no matter if it rained, was muddy or it snowed.

March 22nd, Annual Club Crab Feed – Tom and Joan Mason and Nash Dhillon

Tom and Joan spoke saying that there were two raffle gift winners who did not claim their gift cards. One was the Tequila gift set which was to include a bowling gift card and a gift package for hair products that included gift cards for a haircut and a massage; contact Tom to claim the gift cards. 180 people attended the Crab Feed, and unfortunately five people became ill following the Crab Feed, but subsequently were feeling better, especially Keith Little, who ended up being hospitalized. Members who purchased tables for the Crab Feed were identified and thanked, as well as those individuals who helped out during the Crab Feed and presented them with thank you cards. Also identified and thanked were those individuals who brought in multiple donations for the raffle. The big spenders during the raffle were also named: Patrick and Janet Butler for a total of \$464 and Rudy Antonucci who won the silent auction by \$313 for the raffled Adirondack Chair donated by the Sheriff's Department. The Crab Feed was a financial success.

Upcoming Events:

April 9th, Brentwood Run – Ron and Jeanie Kayl

Ron and Jeanie were applauded for putting on their first run, Jeanie said they had 14 cars signed up for the run. She said she was taking money and signing up participants during this meeting. Signups and payment were to be made by April 2nd. The run plan is to meet at Wendy's located at Freeport and Pocket Roads off Interstate 5 next to the Home Depot parking lot. The drive will be to Cap's Oak Street Bar and Grill, 144 Oak Street, Brentwood, CA. Lunch is \$20 including tax and tip. Lunch will include coffee, tea, bread and butter and a salad. Meal choices include: Angel Hair Pomodoro, roma tomatoes, garlic, olive oil and fresh basil, Chicken Picatta sautéed with lemon butter and caper sauce, rice pilaf and fresh veggies, Tri-Tip with garlic mashed potatoes and fresh veggies or Salmon with rice pilaf and fresh veggies,

April 25th, Day at the Races – Robert Ramirez and Peter Bradt

Robert spoke saying 25 cars are participating. He said to meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Carl's Junior, 3776 Northgate Blvd., Sacramento leaving at 9 a.m. to drive to the Golden Gate Fields, Berkley, CA. Flyer information included that drive time is about 1 ½ hours with a planned "Rest Stop" about an hour into the drive at the Hunter Hill Safety Rest Stop on US 80. Robert said we have reserved parking. There is also a dress code that includes no tank tops, no shirts with offensive logos, no shorts, no flip flops or thong shoes. Also t-shirts and sweat pants are discouraged. Those ladies that may be interested can wear "festive" hats. Robert said to remember to bring a warm coat and a pair of binoculars. Robert Ramirez is collecting the \$45 per person and \$20 for minors (4-17 years old). Reserved and guarded parking is waiting for us at the Golden Gate Fields.

May 15th, Garden Tour - No one has volunteered to take on this run.

May 25th, Vettes for Vets and Muscle Cars – Tom Mason

Tom said this should be a fun day and is being held in the shade under the freeway. Val and John McMichael are one of the sponsors for this event. Contact Tom for more information.

May 29th, Horton Iris Garden/High-Hand Nursery Lunch – Bob and Roberta Hinchman

Roberta and Bob spoke. Plan to wear walking shoes. We will meet at 9:30 a.m. – depart 10 a.m. at the McDonald's at 4211 Sierra College Blvd., Rocklin, Hwy 80, Exit 109, Sierra College Blvd. **First stop:** High-Hand Nursery, Loomis. Meander around then we will have lunch in the High Hand Café. Two tables of ten seats each are reserved, but other open seating is available should the 20 reserved seating be exceeded. Order off the menu and pay for your own lunch. Credit card payment for your lunch is available, but cash payments would speed up the payment process. **Second Stop** Horton Iris Garden, Loomis. We will start with a short informational presentation and then you can go on a self-guided walking tour around gardens to see blooming Irises. Iris bulbs can be purchase for pick up in August or potted iris plants are also available for purchase. Flyers were provided during the meeting.

May 31st – June 2nd, San Simeon Run - CANCELLED

June 7th Elk Horn Saloon Brunch– Ed Dunbar and Jerry Neil

Ed and Jerry spoke saying they plan to meet at 9:30 Carl's Junior on Northgate. There will be a varied menu for breakfast/brunch at a two for one cost of \$20 per couple. After breakfast those who are interested can go on to the Swift's Gas Station Museum in Woodland. The admission fee is \$7 per person. They have quite a collection of gas pumps and signage. There is also a nice seating area in the back. Jerry and Ed said a flyer would be coming with more details.

June 19th, Old Five Mile House Lunch Run – Steve and Colleen Gibson

Steve and Colleen provided flyers for the Old Five Mile House Lunch Run located at Nevada City. Parking is available for 45 cars. Lunch is to be ordered off the menu and paid individually. Meet at Rockland Wal-Mart off Highway 80 and Sierra College Blvd. at 10 a.m. leaving at 10:30 a.m. Contact Steve and Colleen if you have questions at 1-916-517-3684 or email: vetteman03@wavecable.com.

June 26th-28th, Rogue River Run – Rick Sutter with Rod and Barbara Stelter

Rod and Rick spoke saying they are planning a Rogue River 5 1/5 hour, 53 mile, white water run on a 32 passenger boat. Flyers were provided at each table. The group will be staying at the Lodge at Riverside, 955 SE 7th Street, Grants Pass, Oregon. Call 1-877-955-0600 for lodge reservations. Make sure to say the reservation is under the River City Corvettes when reserving your room. There are 8 king bed rooms with river view at \$165 plus tax per night and 5 no river view standard king bed rooms for \$121.50 plus tax per night and 3 no river view double queen beds also at \$121.50 plus tax per night. The raft trip must be prepaid \$67 per person by May 1st.

July 6th – 12th, Western States Corvette Counsel's 50th Anniversary Convention and Celebration - Rick Sutter

Rick spoke saying our club is a member of the WSCC which provides our club cheaper insurance. This event will be held in Reno, NV, at the Grand Sierra Resort. It is estimated that 150 Corvettes will be attending and participating on and off. There will be auto cross, car shows, poker runs, Naval Air Station Lunch and Tour, a bowling tournament, a BBQ, an Awards Banquet with attempts be made to set up a show and additional events. Corvette Driver Los Vegas Corvette Driving School with raffle for free two days driving school.

July 12th – 15th Ashland – Bandon – Fort Bragg Run - Ralph Pockress and Bill Abbey

Bill Abby spoke saying the Option 1 Ashland, Option 2 Bandon and Option 3 Fort Bragg run will start on Sunday, July 12th at the Carl's Junior at Northgate approximately 9 a.m. They plan two nights (July 12th and 13th) at the Ashland Springs Hotel 1-541-488-1700. Rooms are \$169 per night + tax. There will be a dinner/dessert show July 13th \$60 per person paid in advance to Bill Abbey/Ralph Pockress. The show will be held at the Oregon Cabaret Theater, presenting the show "Cabaret". On July 14th those participating will head to Bandon Oregon, about 3 hours away, staying 1 night to the Bandon Inn 1-541-347-4417. Rooms are \$138.68 with tax. Bandon is on the coast looking down at the bay and crab boats. Plans are to visit a Zoo south of Bandon. It is recommended you wear closed walking shoes. Bill said they have visited the zoo each time they have made the Ashland Run and each time they have had the amazing opportunity to hold baby animals. They have held a baby lion, another time a baby tiger and the third time they got to bottle feed a baby bear. Bill said Bandon also has a world class golf course. 15 rooms have been reserved for both Ashland Hotel and Bandon Inn. Make your reservations as soon as possible. Let both hotels know you are with the River City Corvettes Club. More information on the Option 3 drive to and a hotel for Fort Bragg are coming. A further developed flyer will be coming, too. Let Bill Abbey know about options 2 and 3 by contacting him at 1-530-268-6939 or by email at: abbeybil@yahoo.com

Featured Corvette of the Month – Charity Smith

Charity gave clues to the members and presented the photo for the Corvette of the Month to Keri and Sue Berkler/Facciola.

Raffle - Robert Ramirez our "Master" Raffle Leader announced the two winning tickets for the 50/50 cash drawing. The lucky winners were Val McMichael and Jerry Neil. Robert thanked tonight's "Vana Ladies", Patty Doherty and Margo Henderson for delivering all the raffle prizes. Robert went on to thank his wife, Sandy, and Peter and Bonnie Brandt for their good work each month conducting the raffle during the club's meeting. Robert said 24 gifts were donated by club members resulting in \$465 worth of tickets being sold for tonight's raffle. Robert thanked the gift donators as well.

Tom Mason proposed a motion to adjourn the meeting with Anne Dunbar providing a 1st and Charity Smith providing a 2nd approving the motion.

Respectfully submitted by Roberta Hinchman, Secretary.

Happy May Birthdays to: Traci Antonucci 5/10; Kevin Bowers 5/11; Craig Burnett 5/9; Carolyn Cassidy 5/22; Gary Duncan 5/14; Colleen Gibson 5/22; Kerry Greene 5/10; Patti Herberger 5/28; Morton Richman 5/18; Chuck Sathre 5/14; Marge Sutter 5/16; Bonnie Holley 5/29 and Karen Vasile 5/20.

Thanks to Raffle Donors: The Kayls, Menzies, Keri Berkler, Facciolo, Dunbars, Stelters, Brunellies, Mounces, Paul Regnier, McMichaels, Bjornsens, Sathres, Gibsons, Masons, Whitmires, Petries, Dohertys and Jerry and Terrie Neil.

Thank you to our Phone Tree People... they are: Patti Herberger (phone tree manager), Rosie Bjornsen, Patty Doherty, Marty Farnetti, Kathy Greene, Roberta Hinchman, Lisa McNatt, Charity & Gary Smith, LaRee Brunelli, Marge Sutter and Chuck Sanchuk. These people really help us coordinate our events!!

A SPECIAL NOTE to support our fellow members that have businesses selling goods and/or services; Check our web site www.rivercitycorvettes.org for a list of those members and their businesses; they'll appreciate it!!

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Birthday Desserts	Rotating	Rotating	Rotating

SAFETY NOTICE: We have nice cars in our club and some of us like to drive very fast, but it's very important to put SAFETY FIRST!!! If you are not comfortable going fast, especially on a club run, please stay within your speed comfort zone. Stay toward the back of the pack, or volunteer to run with a slower group, if possible. It's

It's better to show up at the next location a little late, than to drive faster than you feel safe!