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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE BY PHIL D'ALESSANDRO



It's been an active first and second quarters for the Chapter, all thanks to your participation, our Judging Chairman, Gary Craig as well as the Activities Chairman, JR Richards (with the assistance of our Vice Chairman, Dave Talley). Chapter participation has been outstanding, with new members taking an active role during events.

As a recap these are the activities that have us on track to remain a Top Flight Chapter for 2019:

- January: Chapter Meeting and Judging School; Stamp Pad Surface Finish
- February: Concours in the Hills
Judging School: Introduction to NCRS Flight Judging
- March: Judging School: NCRS Judging Etiquette
Chapter Flight Judging Event
- April: Road Trip to Payson and Kohl's Ranch
- May: Judging School: Judging C2 Chassis, Part 1 held at Scottsdale Airpark
Judging School: Judging C2 Chassis, Part 2, held at Jim Rand's garage
- June: The May 18th event took the place of the June monthly meeting.

Again, my thanks to everyone's participation.

The Board has heard your concerns about adequate parking and meeting facilities. The Scottsdale Airpark was our first "new" location, which was deemed a success by attendees and presenters. We have located additional facilities which meet our requirements for future meetings or events which should resolve past concerns.

The National NCRS meeting is coming up in July and I believe the Chapter will be well represented. Additionally, another event being held in California on July 18th which of course is the worst kept secret of the century, the final admission by GM of the C8 mid-engine Corvette. I guessed wrong on location, thought it might be in New York, as the first Corvette was unveiled, or at the NCRS National Convention since the audience just might be interested. For sure, Corvettes at Carlisle will be a showcase. I know we have heard the rumors that the C7 is done but just think about that, an entry level, without the additional dealer markup (which Chevrolet is not endorsing) is rumored to be \$70,000, while entry level C7s are in the mid-\$40's, that's quite a jump. And with 10,000 Corvettes sitting in inventory, I'm confused. By the way, why hire 400 more employees for Bowling Green if you are making only one car? Guess we'll know the answers in a few months.

For your bedtime reading pleasure, an updated copy of Chapter By-Laws was distributed last month with a copy to National, so we are in compliance. One item which is missing, addresses the term length for board officers, not critical but it will be addressed in the future and perhaps a new position of "Immediate Past Chairman" to add continuity in transition and it would be for one year. Any thoughts or additional comments are welcome.

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The 2021 Regional is two years away, twenty-four months and four days from me writing this. What's the big deal we have plenty of time? That's what I thought last year when we started at 746 days. In September 2019, we will start to have planning sessions with the CORE Team. As in 2018, the planning team will consist of group leaders and their members. Who are they? With the exception of a few people, it's open. Want to be a leader? Let me know how you want to be involved. These are the main areas: Administration, Financial/Budget, Food Activities, Judging and all things related, Tabulation, Logistics/Traffic, Public Relations, Fundraising, and Contributions.

We-Ko-Pa re-development is in full construction mode, with an anticipated grand opening more than a year before our Regional. I visit on a regular basis to see the progress and, of course, getting feedback on the use of the old casino for our flight judging. We set the bar last year and with your help, will raise it higher in 2021!

Have a great and safe summer season! Watch the kids by the water and use your sunscreen! Always ready to hear your thoughts on improving the Chapter.

2019 AZ Chapter Board

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2019 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Activity & Contact Information
January 26	Judging School & Chapter Meeting: Stamp Pad Surface Finish Van Chevrolet in Scottsdale, AZ
February 9	Concours In The Hills—Fountain Hills Contact Phil D'Allesandro
February 16	Judging School & Chapter Meeting - Check the Chapter website for up to date info
March 1-2	Central California Chapter Judging Meet—JB Dewar's Private Museum
March 8-9	Spring Chapter Judging Meet—Check the Chapter website for up to date info
March 14-17	National Judging School—Grapevine, TX
March 22-23	Southern Arizona Chapter Meet—Tucson AZ
April 5-6	Southern California 5pt Spring Chapter Meet—Glendora, CA
April 20	Kohl's Ranch Driver Starting point is We Ko Pa Resort
April 26-27	Norther California Chapter Meet Suisun City, CA
May 4	Judging School—C2 Chassis Part 1 Scottsdale Airport Business Center—Stearman Room
May 18	Judging School—C2 Chassis Part 2 Member Home
July 14-19	National Convention—Greenville, SC
September 7	Judging School & Chapter Meeting—Concours Judging Alpio's at Troon, Scottsdale
September 19-21	All California Regional—Lake Tahoe, NV
October 11-12	Southern California Fall Chapter Meet
October 18-19	Fall Chapter Judging Meet
October 24-26	Lone Star Regional—Frisco, TX
November 3	Southern Nevada Chapter Judging Meet—Las Vegas, NV
November 16	Judging School & Chapter Meeting
December 1	Chapter Holiday Party – Casino Arizona

The above list of events are subject to change.

Visit the [Chapter Website](#) for latest details

GET INVOLVED!

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR THE CLUB IS LOOKING TO HOLD TECHNICAL AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES IN ADDITION TO OUR TRADITIONAL JUDGING ACTIVITIES.

IF YOU HAVE AN IDEA YOU THINK OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CLUB WOULD BE INTERESTED IN, PLEASE CONTACT A BOARD MEMBER TO DISCUSS IT.

THE NEXT MOVE IS YOURS!

CHAPTER JUDGING SCHOOLS BY GARY CRAIG

Arizona Chapter Judging School – C2 Chassis Part 1

On May 4, the Arizona Chapter held a Chapter Meeting and Judging School at a new location in Scottsdale Airpark. The location had plenty of parking for our members to drive and park their Corvettes and at least 19 Corvettes were seen in the parking lot plus a US Army biplane was on display when you entered the building, very cool! The subject of the Judging School was the presentation that Jim Rand and Gary Bennett gave at the Las Vegas NCRS National – Judging C2 Chassis. The Judging School was attended by 37 members so we had an excellent turnout for this Judging School. Either folks must be searching for more judging points or the subject of the Judging School (C2 Chassis) and the presenters (Jim and Gary) were the carrot, I know it was the latter. Jim and Gary presented the various differences between the 1963 thru 1967 Corvette chassis and the changes that were made by GM to correct many of the problems that were seen on the 1963 chassis or enhancements to the Corvette such as disc brakes in 1965. Jim and Gary started by describing the usual items for Judging on first page of the 63-67 Chassis judging sheet and flowed thru the rest of the Chassis section. There were many questions from the audience and everyone came away with a further knowledge of C2 Chassis.

Arizona Chapter Judging School – C2 Chassis Part 2



On May 18, Jim Rand was gracious enough to host Part 2 of the Arizona Chapter Judging School at his home. Again, many members drove their Corvettes (over 14) to Jim's house (including myself since I did not need to bring the coffee – THANKS Jim). Jim had two cars for usage in the Judging School, a beautiful 1963 and 1967 tri-power 427, just love those tri-power cars. Jim had available two lifts that were used to lift the two cars up in the air so everyone could examine much more of a C2 Chassis than could normally be seen from the ground by us rotund fellows. These two cars were perfect, it was tough for the participants to find any "Not Typical Factory Production" items on these two cars especially the 1963. However, Jim had his past judging sheets from National so we knew what to have our participants look at and review with the Technical Information Manuals. The members broke up into smaller groups and looked at the top side of one car and the bottom side of the other car while the other car was up in the air on the lift. After everyone had reviewed the two

cars, the first car was put up on the lift while the second car was lowered and the judging review process was continued. It was very informative on seeing the various details that Jim and Gary presented during Part 1 and seeing those details on the two cars. I would like to give a big appreciation and thanks to Jim and Gary for presenting this topic to our members and for Jim on hosting Part 2 at his house and the usage of his two Corvettes.

Fortunately, now with the number of members that have been trained on C2 Chassis, I can tap into this knowledge base for future Chapter Judging Meets as I now have at least 37 C2 Chassis judges 😊

HELP HAS ARRIVED BY GARY CRAIG

I would like to inform the Arizona Chapter membership that David Peterson has accepted the position of Assistant Judging Chairman. Thanks, David, for stepping up and accepting this position. Soon the 2021 Arizona Regional will take place as well as all other Judging Schools, Chapter Meets, and Technical Sessions and your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

UPCOMING JUDGING EVENTS BY GARY CRIAG

2019 NCRS National

Next major event will be the 2019 NCRS National in Greenville, South Carolina from July 14 thru July 19. Hope to see many of our Chapter members at the National.

Arizona Chapter Judging School - September

On September 7th, we will hold our next Judging School at an extraordinary facility and location: Alpio's at Troon. This is a great location and perfect for everyone to drive their Corvettes to the school. There will be a Coffee and Cars starting at 8:30 am followed by Chapter Meeting at 9:15, then the Judging School will start at 9:30 and go until 11 am. The main topic of this Judging School is Introduction to Concours Judging. With the 2019 Fall Chapter Meet occurring the following month, this Introduction to Concours Judging topic would be very beneficial for the potential members that bring their car out for Concours Judging as well as providing information to the members regarding this new judging process. A flyer for this judging school will be sent out to the members after the NCRS Nationals.

Arizona 2019 Fall Chapter Meet - October

On October 18 & 19, we will hold our 2019 Fall Chapter Meet at the Barrett-Jackson Collection Showroom in Scottsdale. Friday will be a judging school followed by the Operations and Flight Judging on Saturday. It will also be a great time to catch up with friends and support your fellow enthusiasts! Signups for this event will start right after the 2019 NCRS Nationals (approximately July 20) A flyer will be available in the Driveline or (preferred), you can [signup online here](#).

Please mark your calendars!

C2 SOFT TOP TAG PROTECTIVE SLEEVE BY DAVE BARCLAY

You know the tag...with that "dire" Government warning to dealers...about NOT removing it before turning the car over to customers. Of course, as soon as the customer drove the car with this tag exposed, the elements start to deteriorate it immediately. That is if the customer didn't rip it off.

Have you ever wondered...how can you keep that warning tag sewn on the rear of your convertible top from becoming faded and tattered? The red lettering is especially prone to fading when exposed to the sun.

Here is an idea on how to preserve this tag...that is easy, and takes no time at all to accomplish.

First...locate a plastic sleeve like those that we all get with our name tags at NCRS events, and cut one down to approximately 2" X 4", leaving it open at one or two ends, your choice. Try to find a sleeve that is made from good stiff plastic. In the photo at right, you will see a cut sleeve and a white note card cut down to about 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " by 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ " so that it will fit easily into this plastic sleeve.



In Addition...I placed a loose warning tag, made of paper, I had picked up years ago from Long Island or Paragon over the note card. These tags can be purchased from suppliers very reasonably. This is optional, since the plain paper note card will protect the installed tag from the sun. However, the paper tag does look better because it reads the same as the tag that it is protecting.

Now fold a small piece of masking tape...I like blue because it seems to stick better...in a circle and put it on the back of your protective sleeve... also shown in the photo above right.

Shown in the photo at left, you very carefully place the sleeve and its contents over your installed tag.

Press it down on the soft top with the tape in place. The photo at right shows your protective device in place with the masking tape holding it firm.

Driving doesn't seem to bother this sleeve, probably because the wind blast goes over the top and results in a lower pressure area where the sleeve is. When the time comes to show your car or have it judged, the sleeve removes easily and can be stowed.



ANNUAL ROAD TRIP BY JR RICHARDS

April 20, 2019, dawned a beautiful day just perfect for a drive in a Corvette. Fortunately it was the scheduled day for the Arizona NCRS Chapter drive. We met at We Ko Pa Resort on the Beeline Highway to begin our adventure to Kohl's Ranch located 17 miles East of Payson just below the Mogollon Rim. Eighteen Corvettes and two non-Corvettes met in the parking lot for the 70 mile drive. We were joined by one more member driving a Corvette in Payson so it was a great turnout. We realized that it was too big a group to keep together so we left as two separate sections but once we were well underway we did all join up. All those Corvettes, especially the C-2s and C-3s in the lead drew quite a bit of attention.



We pulled into Kohl's ranch around 11:30 for a delicious lunch. The tall pine trees, cool mountain air, clear blue skies, and the log buildings of the old "ranch" only added to the atmosphere. Thirty nine Corvette aficionados sat together in the dining room talking about what else!! Corvettes!

Overall it was an excellent day for driving, eating, and enjoying the camaraderie of fellow enthusiasts.



BLOOMING GOLD BY PAUL MOREL

I recently traveled to Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the Bloomington Gold show.

The Gold collection featured the sharks of 1968-1972, which was right in my wheel house. It featured some of the rarest and most awarded cars of this era. A GM owned 1965 Manta Ray was displayed. This was a GM concept car built from which the new C3 was designed. The collection had four L88 race cars from 1968-69. An interesting story about one car found and restored by Kevin Mackay. It started when he went to the shop of the racer who drove the car and had recently passed. They were selling off his racing parts and automobilia. He discovered a box of paperwork, inside was every piece of paper relating to the L88 from new, until the racer sold it off. He bought this box for \$25 and then set out on a long journey to find the actual car. In the days of no cell phones and Internet this was quite a task. He did locate the car, rusted and sinking into the earth in a back yard. Many NCRS members brought cars and one particular member brought 5 cars! No one needs three L88's Guy! It was great to see fellow NCRS members and see these rare pieces.

Other rare cars were a 1969 ZL1 1 of 2, 1971 ZR2 1 of 12, 1972 ZR1 1 of 20. Many cars were triple crown cars. The triple crown is a NCRS Duntov, Bloomington Gold certified and MCACN . Which is the muscle car and corvette nationals held in Chicago in November. Long time member Terry McManmon brought his 1970 LT1. A five star bowtie car that he bought

new and had Zora sign his title. Speaking of Zora, at the 2020 show, the gold collection will feature a tribute to Zora, the father of the corvette. Many special cars that Zora influenced will be featured. On a non corvette note, Dana Mecum had his 1968 one and only Z28 convertible on display. The car was ordered built by Vince Piggins GM muscle car division in order to convince his boss Pete Estes to green light the Z28. Estes loved convertibles and signed off on the Z28. Sales went from 602 in 1967 to 20,302 in 1969. This remains the only first generation Camaro ever produced in a convertible.



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