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Chapter Judging Meet at
Medved Chevrolet



Chairman's Report

By Rick Reiff

The mid-engined Corvette is finally a reality.

Here it is time for the Q4 newsletter article already! Hopefully with the summer behind us you've had a chance to get your Corvette out and enjoy some drive time and/or attend some car shows (or like me, get a little more restoration work completed on the project car). Since the last newsletter Tom Hosea and I (the 2020 Regional co-chairs) have got together along with

some of the committee members to get the schedule hammered out as well as get the menus put together for the event. We are making progress and have sent the registration form and schedule to Vinnie Peters for putting in the November Driveline, so be sure to check that out when it is published. Our next 2020 Regional meeting is taking place on October 12 to continue the planning and committee coordination process. Thanks to those of you that responded to my mass-email about needing Chapter members help. We are going to need more members to step up as the planning process continues so your help to make your regional a success will be needed (you Chapter members in Australia, the U.K. and Europe have a pass).

Another thing that has happened since the Q3 newsletter is the unveiling of the C8 Corvette. The mid-engine Corvette is finally, after decades of discussion and anticipation, a reality. Zora is smiling. I was lucky enough to see one in person at the IMSA races at Road America in August where one was on display. It really is stunning in person and I'm sure will be a top performer, especially at the planned price point. Can't wait for the car magazines to test drive it and share the driving experience with those of us that will have to wait awhile to get one. I'm sure some of our Chapter member are signed up on the waiting list to get one.

That's it for now. Have a great fall season and I hope to see you at one of our events in the future.

Rick Reiff
Chairman





RMC once again achieved NCRS Top Flight status for 2018.

Chapter Membership and Top Flight Chairman Report for Oct-Dec 2019 Newsletter
We have added the following new members since my last report: Craig Stephan (year?) Matt Barron (1966, 2002), Susan Farago and Leary Walker (1977). Please extend a welcome to these new members at a future meeting.

With these new members, our current membership is at 123 members.

Membership Report by Steve Beatty

It's almost that time of the year to think about renewing your RMC membership. Watch for the 2020 RMC membership dues notices to be sent out in mid-November to those members whose memberships are expiring at the end of this year. Renewal online via the National NCRS website is encouraged using this link:

<https://www.ncrs.org/forums/register/chapter-membership.php>

REMINDER, you must be a current member of National NCRS to be a member of RMC.

Chapter notices are generally sent out via email using the addresses contained on the National NCRS' member email database. Accordingly, please make sure your National NCRS profile email address is always up to date to avoid missing Chapter news. Here is a link to your member profile:

<https://www.ncrs.org/forums/register/change-address.php>

Chapter Top Flight Award

RMC once again achieved NCRS Top Flight status for 2018. The award was presented to the chapter at the 2019 National Convention in Greenville, SC. A special thanks to all of the members whose contributions and efforts made it possible for the Chapter to continue its tradition of earning this award.

Recent chapter activities (discussed elsewhere in this newsletter) have been checking off all the requirements for the chapter to earn another Top Flight Award in 2019.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the remaining scheduled events this year.

Steve Beatty
Membership Manager



This picture is from a previous year flight award presentation. ED



In September we headed to Estes Park on our fall road trip.

Summer is over and unfortunately that means we will be driving our Corvettes less often. The thought of snow doesn't thrill me, but the change to cooler fall temperatures is welcome.

Activities by Jeff Roth

We had some fun activities since the national road tour and convention. Shortly after the tour, Lynn and Glenn Reiff opened their northern Colorado home to us for the summer party in July. We had 50 or so people attend and we enjoyed a great lunch that included everything from appetizers, salads, main dishes and dessert.

We all had a good time checking out Glenn's cavernous shop. Everyone was green with envy looking at Glenn's space wishing they had a shop like that or a place to send their favorite grease monkey to spend the day. All of the Corvettes parked in their driveway were pretty impressive too. We really appreciate the Reiff's hosting again this year.

August found us back at Tennyson House for Children, our chapter charity. We interacted with about 30 kids who enjoyed the remote-controlled toy cars and choosing stickers from Dirks collection. We treated them to pizza for lunch before they came out to the cars with clean hands. They all had a great time sitting in the Corvettes and honking horns. Again, this year, the chapter donated \$500.00 to the Tennyson House which serves abused children and aims to reintegrates them back into safe families, supportive schools and vibrant communities.

In September we headed to Estes Park on our fall road trip. We met in Boulder and drove the Peak to Peak highway to Tim and Ann Krall's home. The colors were just starting. The views were still spectacular and the weather was perfect. We enjoyed a barbeque lunch in Tim's unbelievable garage. He has more memorabilia than you see on American Pickers. With an ethyl gas pump, an old payphone, a juke box, and signage galore, it is mind boggling to take it all in. What a treat to drive my 62 in such beautiful country. I will merely mention the I-25 traffic jam on the way home, but I made it to an exit in the midst of overheating! Many thanks to Tim and Ann for their hospitality.



*Roadside stop on the road tour.
Picture by Jeff Roth*

Coming up this October is a tech session on rebuilding brake calipers taught by Dirk Gaddis and lunch at Corvette City, followed by a November Judging Meet.

Jeff Roth
Activities





Historical photo of French Lick resort. ED

2020 National Road Tour to French Lick, Indiana

Yes, it has a funny name but all indications are that this destination for the 2020 NCRS National Convention promises to be a top notch resort. Join us as we explore another area of our country as we make our way to the National Convention.

Our tentative plans call for us to begin our trip with a BBQ at our home on Friday, July 10, 2020 with a departure set for Saturday morning July 11.

A brief summary of the trip, which is in the final planning stages includes the following:

- Saturday, July 11: Overnight in Salina, Kansas.
- Sunday, July 12: Tour the Dwight D. Eisenhower Presidential Library in Abilene, Kansas and an overnight stay in Topeka, Kansas.
- Monday, July 13: Overnight in Branson, Missouri.
- Tuesday July 14: Tour Branson, Missouri; overnight in Branson, Missouri.
- Wednesday, July 15: Overnight in Effingham, Illinois.
- Thursday, July 16: Tour Mid America Motor Works and overnight in Anderson, Indiana.
- Friday, July 17: Tour the Cord/Duesenberg Museum, Auburn, Indiana; overnight in Anderson, Indiana.
- Saturday, July 18: Tour the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Indianapolis, Indiana then on to our Last Night Out celebration.

Don't miss out on the fun!
 Questions? Contact Tom Di Rito
 (Home: 303-791-0351) or via email at Totirid@aol.com.



Barrett Benson
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A BRICK WITH OUR NAME

In my visit to the April 2019 Michelin Bash at the National Corvette Museum (NCM), I located the Rocky Mountain Chapter's Walk of Fame Brick located near the entrance to the NCM. I found that our brick needed to be replaced as the lettering had lost most of its color and the brick surface had worn down from foot traffic. I notified the Chapter's board members and they authorized the replacement brick.

I attended the NCM's 25th Anniversary Celebration on August 29-31, 2019 and am pleased to report that the replacement brick has been constructed and installed (See photographs of both bricks). The Walk of Fame Bricks are located along the walkway in front of the Museum and each brick has a specific grid location assigned to it (see below). If you are visiting the NCM and don't remember the location, ask the Museum personnel at the main desk and they will give you the grid location. The RMC brick location can be found in their computer either under my name or the RMC name.

The replacement brick, identical in size as the original brick, was placed in another area than our original brick. The original brick is still in place at grid coordinates 46 F; the replacement brick is at coordinates 3 E. I have requested that the replacement brick be relocated to the original location which is in a prominent site near the front door. I will inform you when the replacement brick is re-located to the 46 F grid location.

The NCM offers a number of ways to recognize a special someone, car, Corvette Club, events, and more, including the commemorated Walk of Fame bricks. Each brick is considered a tax deductible donation because of the NCM's 501(c)3 status. I personally have bricks signifying my Lifetime membership, Ambassador affiliations, and hexagon bricks commemorating my 2014 Museum Delivery of my Stingray coupe and the 2019 NCM's 25th Anniversary. If you are interested in a brick, I can order it for you at a discount because of my Lifetime membership status. I have brochures for the various bricks for you to examine should you be interested.



NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM CORVETTE RAFFLES

ABOUT THE RAFFLES

The National Corvette Museum conducts a series of raffles each year as a way to raise funding for the day to day operations of the Museum. The raffle fundraisers are a tremendous help to the Museum and a large part of our planning and daily operation funds. Licensed by the Kentucky Department of Charitable Gaming- License Number ORG0000854.

THE RAFFLE EXPERIENCE

All raffle winners will also enjoy the benefits and excitement of taking delivery of their new Corvette at the Museum as part of the "RBC Museum Delivery" experience. A VIP tour of the Museum and Corvette Assembly Plant (if available), one-year individual membership to the Museum, hands-on training/instruction by a NCM delivery team member, program decal and a wall plaque as a part of the Museum Delivery experience that is available exclusively through the Museum. R8C deliveries are viewed worldwide via the Museum's webcams. Visit raffle.corvettemuseum.org for rules & upcoming raffles.

ELIGIBILITY

Winner/purchaser must be 18 years old with valid driver's license.

Upon receipt of your completed ticket request form with payment, if tickets are still available, a raffle ticket stub will be completed with your contact information and placed in the raffle ticket drum.



UPCOMING RAFFLES

Thursday, September 19, 2019
2019 Elkhart Lake Blue Convertible
Tickets \$100, Limited to 1500 Tickets

Thursday, October 24, 2019
2019 Arctic White Corvette Coupe
Tickets \$150, Limited to 1000 Tickets

Thursday, November 21, 2019
2019 Shadow Gray ZR1 Coupe
Tickets \$300, Limited to 1500 Tickets

Saturday, April 25, 2020
2020 Black Corvette Coupe
Tickets \$20, Unlimited Tickets



RETURN TICKET FORM BELOW WITH
PAYMENT TO:

National Corvette Museum
Attn: Raffle
350 Corvette Drive
Bowling Green, KY 42011

Corvette Raffle Ticket Request Form-NOT A TICKET

NO. OF TICKETS: __@ \$100/tkt 9/19 __@ \$150/tkt 10/24 __@ \$300/tkt 11/21 __@ \$20/tkt 4/25/20
TOTAL: \$ _____

NAME(s): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

TICKET(S) SOLD BY: _____ Ambassador Barrett Benson

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT: Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____ Security Code: _____

RETURN TICKET FORM WITH PAYMENT TO: National Corvette Museum Attn: Raffle, 350 Corvette Drive, Bowling Green, KY 42101

CORVETE RAFFLES

The Museum raffles new Corvettes during the year, both by limited and unlimited tickets, depending on the type of raffle offered. Previous to 2019, tickets were available on-line, by phone, at the Museum or through an Ambassador. In 2019, state and federal gaming laws prohibited such sales using the U.S. mail, internet or phone. One has to be physically located in Kentucky to purchase the actual ticket. The NCM's current procedure to obtain raffle tickets without going to Kentucky is by downloading a public form from the NCM web site or by the Ambassador form directly from me. To make it easy for you, I will provide a *Corvette Raffle-Ticket-Request-Form*, you fill in the required information, and pay me by cash or check. You can order as many tickets as you want using the same request-form. The request-form may include more than one raffle, so check the appropriate raffle(s).

The form is updated as new raffles are announced. Previously, you retained a stub from each ticket you purchased; instead, I will e-mail you a pdf copy of your request-form. I will send the form along with your payment to the Museum and they will notify you by e-mail of your ticket(s) number. I have the Ambassador Request Form with me at our monthly



Ralph Ridge
Judging Chair

We are having a Chapter Judging Meet at Medved Chevrolet on November 17th

In case you haven't heard, we are having a Chapter Judging Meet at Medved Chevrolet on November 17th. I already have five cars entered (including one Concours) and will probably limit the total number to six. We will again need judges for this meet, so I encourage everyone to go online and register for this event. As I mentioned in the last newsletter, there will not be a chapter meet next spring as we'll be doing our RMC Regional in May.

I have been invited to the Nebraska Chapter Meet in October and am looking forward to meeting some chapter members there. They are planning a two day meet on the 18th and 19th. Then it will be off to Frisco, TX for the Texas Regional on the 25th and 26th. I am planning on taking the '63 resto-mod convertible that I have been building to get judged in the Concours division. After the meet, I will trailer the car to Ohio to present to my daughter for her 50th birthday.

Wow, guess I'd better get to work and get that car finished. See you in November.

Ralph



Merchandise
By Eckhard Pobuda

We now have most sizes of the heather gray ring spun t-shirts, blue silk touch polo shirts, royal blue sweatshirts, gray sweatshirts with embroidered logos. This includes: Heather Charcoal Ring Spun Short Sleeve T-Shirts (Pic 1); Black Heather Silk Touch Long Sleeve T-Shirts (Pic 2); Blue Silk Touch Short Sleeve Polo Shirts (Pic 3); Royal Blue Long Sleeve Sweatshirts (Pic 4). All of this merchandise is available in all sizes. Also, we have replenished the inventory of several of our popular items such as the Chambray Shirts with embroidered pockets and Black Short Sleeve T-Shirts with embroidered pockets. Prices are shown in the attached Merchandise Inventory. Merchandise may be purchased at NCRS RMC events.

Eck Merchandise

Item	Value	Color
2015 National Cooler	\$10.00	Blue
Aprons	\$15.00	
Challenger Jacket (SM - XL)	\$82.50	Red/Navy
Challenger Jacket (SM - XL)	\$82.50	Black/Black
Challenger Jacket (SM - XL)	\$82.50	Blue/Navy
Challenger Jacket (XXL - XXXL)	\$85.00	Red/Navy
Challenger Jacket (XXL - XXXL)	\$85.00	Black/Black
Challenger Jacket (XXL - XXXL)	\$85.00	Blue/Navy
Fleece Vests	\$35.00	Red
Fleece Vests	\$35.00	Blue
Fleece Vests	\$35.00	Black
Hats	\$15.00	Black
Hats	\$15.00	Black/Red
Hats	\$15.00	Brown
Hats	\$15.00	Beige
Hats	\$15.00	Beige/Green
Hats	\$15.00	Beige/Black
Hat Pins	\$3.00	
Pocket Knife	\$5.00	
Polo Shirt - Short Sleeve	\$30.00	Red
Polo Shirt - Short Sleeve	\$30.00	Blue
Polo Shirt - Short Sleeve	\$30.00	White
Polo Shirt - Short Sleeve - Silk Touch (SM - XL)	\$25.00	Blue
Polo Shirt - Short Sleeve - Silk touch (XXL - XXXL)	\$30.00	Blue
Subtotal Polo Shirts		
RMC Window Sticker	\$2.00	

Chambray Shirt (SM - XL)	\$35.00	Denim
Chambray Shirt (XXL - XXXL)	\$40.00	Denim
Chambray Shirt -Short Sleeve	\$30.00	Denim
Shopcoats - 38R	\$35.00	
Shopcoats - 40R	\$35.00	
Shopcoats - 42R	\$35.00	
Shopcoats - 52R	\$35.00	
Shopcoats - 54R	\$35.00	
Shopcoats - 56R	\$35.00	
Shopcoats - 58R	\$35.00	
Sweatshirt (SM - XL)	\$25.00	Gray
Sweatshirt (XXL - XXXL)	\$25.00	Gray
Sweatshirt (SM - XL)	\$25.00	Royal Blue
Sweatshirt (XXL - XXXL)	\$25.00	Royal Blue
T-Shirts - SS - Embroidered w/Pocket (SM - XL)	\$15.00	Black
T-Shirts - SS - Embroidered w/Pocket (XXL - XXXL)	\$20.00	Black
T-Shirts - Short Sleeve -Stenciled	\$10.00	Gray
T-Shirts -Ring Spun SS -Stenciled (SM - XL)	\$10.00	Heather Charcoal
T-Shirts - Ring Spun SS -Stenciled (XXL - XXXL)	\$15.00	Heather Charcoal
T-Shirts - Silk Touch LS -Stenciled (SM - XL)	\$15.00	Black Heather
T-Shirts - Silk Touch LS -Stenciled (XXL - XXXL)	\$18.00	Black Heather



Pic. 3



Pic. 1



Pic. 4



Pic. 2



For Sale 4/19

For Sale - 1972 Corvette coupe - Original 350 CID, Automatic, PS, AC, Excellent chrome, New tires, exhaust, suspension, Frame restored, otherwise original, Elkhart Green, Black leather interior, Owned since 1979, \$18,000, Call Joe - 303-791-2961 (home), 303-483-5167 (cell), maryandjoe@mac.com

Project Car for Sale 4/19

1960 Corvette project. No engine or transmission. Car is screaming to be a Resto-Rod or can be restored. Nice Hardtop, Ragtop frame, Windshield Assy., Instruments. Body is quite nice and stripped. Some parts missing. \$18,000. Car is located in Ft. Collins. Clean Colorado title. Please contact Glenn (970) 846-6801 for photos. or any questions. Thanks, Glenn Reiff #7704 (970) 846-6801

Looking for a Car 4/19

this is Peter Guntermann, NCRS member #63597. I'm writing to you as I hope you can help me with my search for my next Corvette. I want to add a 1970 BB convertible to my collection. Presently I own

- 67 L79 Coupe 2 Top Flights 1 of 34 built with L79, K19, C60, M20 and N40
- 71 454 convertible only ever in Germany by NCRS judged Corvette, done by the dutch chapter in 2018 (2nd Flight)
- 72 SB Coupe with DUNTOV award and less than 33k miles (page 205 "Corvette Sports Car Superstar")
- 82 Coupe with Bloomington Gold (less than 19k miles) my "daily driver"

Now I am looking for a 1970 454 Convertible (might consider LT-1) in mint to excellent condition must haves are

- 4speed
- power steering
- power brakes

TOP Flight and known history would be phantastic peter_guntermann@web.de

For Sale 10/19

1967 Corvette Coup FOR SALE Marina Blue, Bright Blue Interior 427/400HP Has following options AC,PW,PB,PS Radio,Telescopic Column, Leather, Side exhaust, All restored Top Flight Car at Spring NCRS RMC Contact Jerry Mulick 847-274-8351 jemulick@aol.com NCRS 15566

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