



River City Corvettes of Sacramento

May 2011 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. No food will be served at the meeting, but there are nice restaurants close to the Dante Club. Next meeting is June 2, 2011.

President Rick Sutter's Message

One of the things that have kept this club going and so great for 34 years is our members volunteering to help the club as needs arise. A great case in point is the members that have stepped up to help the past year. They include John Klunder, Jim and Diana Mork, Jim Bjornsen, Bill and Gayle Crenshaw, Bill Vasile, Craig Burnett and Gary Smith. And of course those that have continued to help from previous years. With the August 4th election rapidly approaching we need candidates for both President and Vice President; Craig Burnett has agreed to run for Secretary while Joel Karam will be running for Treasurer. With that being said we really need your help now, the club cannot run without a President and Vice President. Anyone interested in running for one of the offices, please send me a letter stating your interest in running.

Thank you to Joan Mason, Dan Noell, Jack Harris, Richard Petrie, Val McMichael and Carol Klunder for putting either a run or an event during the month. I can tell you first hand that Jack and Richard not only put on a great run but also showed us a lot of history with the Salt Flat and air force base. The garden tour put on by Val and Carol was terrific along with the homes and backyards of the Gaustad's, Stark's, Doherty's and McMichael's. Although we were out of town for Joan and Dan's run, I heard everyone had a great time.

Congratulations to Jim and Diana Mork for receiving Car of the Month honors. The Morks were members of the club for several years until 2002 when they relocated to another state. Last August, the night that they were elected back into the club, Barbara Yates was pleading with someone to take over the birthday cakes, and the Morks stepped up to the plate and have done a great job of bringing us calories all year. Thank you Jim and Diana.

Vice President Craig Burnett's Message

At tonight's meeting we netted approximately \$300 from our raffle and split the pot. Our members are really coming through with some nice gifts to raffle off! Much thanks to the Kocher's and Crenshaw's for their professional job of running the raffle!

We heard from the event sponsors about the Daffodil Hill/Preston Castle run; the Bonneville Run; the Garden Tour; and Cicotte's 50th anniversary. Everyone had a successful event and all the attendees had a great time!

Rick and I met before the meeting and discussed whether the Club should host the planned Halloween Party on Saturday, October 29th this year. It is a lot of work, and as we didn't have enough show of hands at the April meeting, plus neither of us received any communication from members in support of the party; therefore, with the costs involved for the meals, hall rental, decorations, DJ, etc., we made the decision to cancel the Halloween Party for this year.

The rest of the season promises some very exciting runs and events, and right now it looks like at least 10 runs/events are planned through September!!! The event/run host puts in a lot of time to make sure the events are productive. Because of the members stepping up and sponsoring the runs/events this makes your Club a joy to be a part of. Be sure to sign up ahead of time as a courtesy to the host and be prompt on the start times.

A big thank your to every one who brings a nice gift to our monthly business meeting. Bring anything you would like to win and it doesn't have to be Corvette related. We sell raffle tickets at the beginning of the meetings and this in turn gives all of us a chance to win a nice prize and money. Our raffle volunteers, Dennis & Marj Kocher and Bill & Gayle Crenshaw work very hard and make the raffle fun and an important fund raiser for the Club. THANK YOU!!!

RCCS Business Meeting Minutes (May 5, 2011)

President Rick Sutter called the meeting to order at 7:02.

Anne Dunbar made the motion to accept the minutes of the April meeting, Brenda Mounce seconded.

Treasurer's report was given by Gary Smith

Rosie announced that there were two first time visitors, Ken McPherson & Jim Zammiello, and read the list of 20 May birthdays. Thank you to Jim and Diana Mork for the cakes.

Rick reminded us that August elections are coming up, and we still need someone to run for president and vice-president. If you would like to run, give Rick a letter of intent at the next meeting. He then asked all previous officers to stand, and pointed out all the past-presidents who comprise our board of directors.

Ed Dunbar gave a talk on run etiquette. 1. Runs need to be well organized. 2. CB's or hand held radios are a must. 3. Generics travel in the rear. 4. DO NOT PASS THE LEADER! 5. Use the River City Shuffle; i.e., when generics get in the group, one car can run block to allow the rest of the pack to shuffle back in formation. 6. Go at the speed that you are comfortable with, but let the leader know if you are uncomfortable with the higher speeds. It is important that we stay together. 7. Large groups are usually divided into two groups. The second group can be a slower group if there are a large number that prefer a slower pace. 8. The front of the pack tends to keep the most consistent speed. 9. CBs will work with the antenna on top of your luggage instead of mounted outside the car, but the range is diminished. 10. Bring extra batteries if you use a hand held. 11. Organizers should give written directions and lists off cell numbers is a good idea. It is also a good idea to carry a club roster with you.

Dues are due July 30.

The first raffle drawing was held. There were 25 prizes.

Rosie announced that Darrel and LaRee Brunelli's daughter, Tiffany, was visiting.

Past events: Craig Burnett

4/7 Daffodil Hill/Preston Castle Run – Masons & Noells – fun run, even though the weather didn't cooperate. The winery was closed, so they visited Volcano Park as well as the castle.

4/17-4/22 : Bonneville/Wendover Run – Jack Harris & Rich Petrie – Great weather on the way over. Beautiful scenery. Fun day at the salt flats, then a tour of the mysterious AFB. They were shown a giant hole where the A-bomb was lifted during the testing period. People took different routes home as the weather forecast was iffy.

4/29: Garden Tour – Val McMichael & Carol Klunder – Marvelous outing. Beautiful gardens and artwork. Fabulous refreshments. Thanks to High Hand Nursery for the excellent demo, and Connie Gaustad, Kelley Stark, Patty Doherty, and Val for opening their homes, as well as providing refreshment. Thanks to Carol for all the yummy food at Val's.

Val announced that the ladies shirts we ordered will not be in until next week. She will bring them on the San Simeon Run.

4/30: Cicotte's 50th Anniversary party – Carol & John – It was a great party, with a large group in attendance. Thanks to Kerry Greene for providing the entertainment. Thanks to Kathy Greene for being "The glue that held it all together". The wind stopped on cue at 4:00.

Upcoming Events:

5/6 Cinco de Mayo – Craig for Rick – held in conjunction with Ranch Cordova Elks. \$12 pp, drinks at Elks prices, DJ Brian & singer Jerry will provide music for dancing. 138 are already signed up to go. Give checks made out to RCCC to Gary.

5/13 - 5/15 San Simeon Run – Anne Dunbar & Kelly Barrington - Meet at McDonald's on Pocket Rd. east of I-5 at 8:00, leave at 8:30. We will be stopping at the rest stop near Westley, then on down I-5 to Harris Ranch for lunch. From there we will travel across 198, stopping for gas along the way, hitting 101 near King City stopping at the rest stop north of Paso Robles, we head over to hwy. 1 south from Paso Robles. There will be a blind wine tasting cocktail party Friday evening. Bring a bottle of wine to taste in a bag, as well as a dish to share. Saturday you are on your own. Go to HearstCastle.org for tour reservations. Saturday evening is the banquet, mixed grill of tri tip, salmon & chicken, with salad, potato and veggie, followed by dessert. The cost is \$35 per person, please give checks to Kelly tonight. This run is sold out.

5/14 Taste of Carmichael – Mort Richman – wine, beer, food, \$35 pp. half the proceeds to go to Kops for Kids.

5/21 Ladies Luncheon – Rosie Bjornsen & Dianne Burnett – Sign-up to bring a salad or dessert. There is room for 40 ladies. It will be held at Rosie's, 5010 Arroyo St. Fair Oaks, at 1:00. Bring your own wine if you want it. There will be games, of course, so bring your thinking cap. Try to carpool. Park as many cars as possible in the driveway. It should hold 12 cars if we do it right. Let Rosie know what you are bringing if you haven't already done so. This event is full.

5/27 - 5/30 Memorial Day Weekend: Ashland Run –Ralph Pockress - Bard's Inn Best Western a new venue for us. Call Ally at 541 482-0049, she's off Wed.-Thur. All rooms are non-smoking and \$120. Oregon Cabaret Sat. night "Holmes and Watson Save the Empire". Send checks of \$60 per person to Ralph. Meet at Carl's Jr. on Northgate off 80, at 9:00, leave at 9:30. Stopping in Weed for lunch at HiLo. Friday night potluck/cocktail party. Bring plenty of quarters for LCR dice.

6/8 Reno National Auto Museum –Rick Sutter – There will be a group meeting on 50 then travelling to 80 and picking up the rest of the group in Auburn. Many will want to stay overnight. For room reservations call The Peppermill, our visit their website www.peppermillreno.com. Rates are \$49, \$59, or \$99, if we get 10 rooms, so tell them you are with RCCC when you make the reservation.

6/17 - 6/19 Rogue River Run – Stelters and Sutters – Father's Day weekend, White Water Experience \$62 pp due by 4/1. Make reservations at The Lodge at the Riverside 877 955-0600. King w/river view \$160 per night, standard king \$112.50, dbl. queens \$112.50, all plus tax. Mention RCCC to get these rates. Nine cars are signed up so far.

7/17 - 7/20: WSCC Convention – Rick – This is the group we now have our insurance with. The convention is being held in Minden, NV. There will lots of clubs there, as well as lots of fun things to do. For more info go to the WSCC website.

7/30: Progressive Dinner – Sathres – Joyce would like you to contact her if you are willing to open your home as part of this event.

9/16 - 9/18: Santa Barbara Run – Kelly Barrington – We have 25 rooms blocked, of which 15 are already booked. Sharon Condon's brother's club from Desert Hot Springs are joining us, as will the Santa Barbara club. We will be stopping at Steamers, in Pismo Beach for lunch. Friday night there will a pupu potluck. Saturday there will be a scavenger hunt in Los Olivos, with the awards banquet that evening at Pizza Mizza Café. Cash prizes will be awarded for the hunt as well as the Poker run, which will start at McDonalds the AM we leave, and culminate at the banquet. Sunday, for those of you staying the third night, you are on your own to explore, then meet at Dargen's Irish Pub that evening for food, pool and darts.

10/29 Halloween Party – Craig – cancelled

8/6: The Club Birthday Bash will be a combination Pirate/luau theme. More info to come.

Johnny K's Korner: John told 5 hilarious jokes, concerning little boys in the bath, shampoo in the shower, a pastor playing hookie to play golf, a joke about a lawyer, a blond, and crabs, as well as an ethnic joke . LOL

Car of the Month: John Klunder – Drum roll please. 1.All Corvettes are red. 2. Not a C-6 or C-2. 3. Not virgins, more like Corvette sluts. 4. Rats & horses 1st attracted him. 5. They like to golf. 6. Clubwise, they have been there, done that, & doing it again. Congratulations go to Jim & Dianna Mork and their beautiful red C-5. Jim said that it was great to be back with RCCC.

There is a new catalog for shirts and jackets and Jim Bjornsen has copies available to borrow. Jim announced that he has talked to our supplier, and they no longer require a minimum number of clothing articles before placing an order. This will speed up getting our clothing, and members can now go directly to our supplier at anytime with any number of garments to personalize and/or order through their catalog. While it is no longer necessary to involve Jim when ordering shirts or jackets, he said he would still handle orders for members if they want him to. He also said he would provide contact information for our supplier when he sends out the newsletter this month.

Brenda Tarter thanked everyone for the cards following her hand surgery.

Tom Doherty has hats on the stage.

New members see Klunders for name badges.

Thank you to Morks for the cakes and Performance Chevrolet for their continued support.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33, without a motion.

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Barrington, Secretary

Happy June Birthdays to: Rudy Antonucci 6/10; Karen Padilla 6/9; Joy Schmiedt 6/21; Carol Cicotte 6/20; Gayle Crenshaw 6/22; Anne Dunbar 6/20; Cate Jinneman 6/6; Sharon Karam 6/20; John McMichael 6/24; Chuck Sanchuk 6/8; Larry Stark 6/19; Rod Stelter 6/15; Nancy Whitmire 6/5 and Don Williams 6/7.

May Raffle Donors: the Mounces, Barringtons, Dohertys, Klunders, Vasiles, Yates's, Dunbars, Kochers, Sutters, Smiths, Sanchuks, Harris's, Bryants, Marchands, McMichaels, Gibsons, Masons and Terrie Hunt and Jerry Neil.

Thank you to our Phone Tree People... they are: Patti Herberger (phone tree manager), Rosie Bjornsen, Pam Cameron, Dianne Burnett, Patty Doherty, Marty Farnetti, Kathy Greene, Margo Henderson, Dennis Kocher, Tom Mason, Lisa McNatt, Charity Smith, Terry Snow, Marge Sutter and Richard Whitmire. These people really help us coordinate our events!!

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SAFTETY 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 the slower group, if possible. It's better to show up at the next location a little late, than to drive at a speed you don't feel safe!