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## River City Corvettes of Sacramento October 2015 Newsletter

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**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 Nov 5, 2015.**

### **President Robert Ramirez' Message**

Our planning meeting was a great success, thanks to Ron, and Jeanie, who made up our calendar on large flip chart poster paper. There was one page per month and they were all mounted up on the wall so everyone could see them clearly. It was well thought out and organized, and everyone had nothing but positive comments.

I want to thank everyone who offered to either put on a run or event, or assist. This is going to be a great year and we can look forward to one that is full of fun.

Let me also remind everyone that if you do have an idea for a run or event but don't necessarily want to head it up yourself, let us know. We can find someone who can work with you so it can be put on. The first one can be a little intimidating, but we have lots of experience amongst our members and they are willing to help. After all, we just want to have fun.

Have a great and safe month.

**Robert out.**

### **Vice President Ron Kayl's Message**

Hi All, we had another wonderful meeting last Thursday. It was our planning meeting and we have a lot of fun runs on the calendar. I will be sending a copy out to all the members for additions, corrections and for your planning. Have a great month and hope to see you all at the next meeting.

**Ron Kayl, Vice President**

### **RCCS Business Meeting Minutes (October 1, 2015)**

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Robert Ramirez.

**Corrections/Additions to Prior Meeting Minutes: - Robert Ramirez:** Robert asked if anyone had any corrections and/or additions to the September 3, 2015 meeting minutes. No corrections or additions were presented. A motion was made by Robert to recognize and approve the September 3, 2015 minutes with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Bjornsen.

**Treasurer's Report – Rick Sutter:** The Treasurer's Report was given by Rick and was recognized by the membership.

**Visitors and New Members - Rosie Bjornsen:** Rosie wished a happy birthday to the 18 members having a birthday in October.

Heidi Goodman and Dave Bull were thanked for bringing the birthday cake and cookies in celebration of the October birthdays.

### **Past Events:**

**September 13, 2015 – Woodbridge Brunch Run and Berghold Winery Tasting – Patti Herberger:** Members driving 32 corvettes met in Rancho Cordova before heading to the Woodbridge Crossings Restaurant in Woodbridge for brunch. After brunch, the group traveled to the Berghold Winery where they enjoyed touring the winery, wine tasting, and RCCS member Kerry Greene playing piano and singing for the group. The owner of Berghold Winery did a presentation discussing his collection of extremely rare armoires that he has turned into wine cases. A 50/50 raffle was held during the run. Carroll Holley won \$100, Roberta Hinchman and Kerry Greene each won \$50 and the remaining \$225 went to the RCCS.

## **Upcoming Events:**

**October 2 – 4, 2015 - Fort Bragg Run – Joan Mason:** Participants will meet at the Starbucks, 1140 Exposition Blvd, next to the COSTCO gas station, at 8:30 a.m. and leave at 9 a.m. On the way to Fort Bragg, lunch, on separate checks, will be in Upper Lake at the Blue Wing Saloon and Café. A few members who just want a one-day run will follow the group to lunch and then head home on their own. Friday evening there will be a 5 p.m. potluck appetizer and BYOB gathering in the hospitality suite of the Harbor Lite Lodge. Saturday dinner, on separate checks, will be 6:30 p.m. at Silver's at the Wharf Restaurant located at 32260 N. Harbor Drive. On the drive up to Fort Bragg, there will be two routes to choose from, a "twisty" route (Hopland Grade) and a second route that is more relaxed and easier on passengers.

**December 2, 2015 - Ladies Christmas Luncheon - Sandy Ramirez:** This event will be held at the Frasinetti's Winery and Restaurant, located at 7395 Frasinetti Road, Sacramento, CA 95828, (916) 383-2444. Frasinetti's Winery and Restaurant is Sacramento's oldest family owned and operated winery established in 1897. Blending old world traditions with improved methods of the present, Frasinetti's offers a combination of good food and wine in a rich, historical setting. The event will include wine tasting, lunch, and a cookie exchange. Wine tasting in the Frasinetti Tasting Room will begin at 11:30, with lunch following around noon. Bring two dozen cookies for the cookie exchange. The three lunch choices offered are Chicken Frasinetti, Penne Pasta Vegetarian, and Chicken Cobb Salad. Coffee/tea/soda is included with lunch. No corkage fee will be applied if you drink wine purchased in the Frasinetti Tasting Room. Cost is \$28 per person. Checks are payable to Bonnie Bradt and must be received by her, along with your lunch selection, before Thanksgiving Day. A flyer was placed on the tables which provided additional information about this event. Call Bonnie Bradt with any questions or to reserve your seat at (530) 205-6081.

**May 15-17, 2016 – San Simeon Run – Dan and Cathy Quigg:** This is a Sunday-Monday-Tuesday run, as the hotel rates are much better than on weekend nights. Lodging will be at the Best Western Plus Cavalier Oceanfront Resort, located at 9415 Hearst Drive, San Simeon, CA, 93452, (805) 927-4688. This Resort is a destination for discovery and unbelievable natural beauty, where classic luxury and gracious hospitality ensure a memorable stay. It is located on California's scenic Highway 1, arguably the world's most beautiful roadway and a gateway to the natural migrating Gray Whales, California Sea Otters, and some of California's finest vineyards and wineries. A block of 25 rooms are reserved which includes ocean view rooms @ \$179 per night and standard rooms @ \$144 per night. Some rooms have fireplaces and there are fire pits on the beach. When calling for reservations make sure you tell them you are with the RCCS. If there is any question, tell them it is at the AAA rate. Downstairs rooms have been requested, but you can make changes if you would like at the time you make your reservation. It is anticipated the group will be stopping for lunch on the way down, sharing hors d'oeuvres at the hotel on Sunday evening and probably meeting for a banquet for dinner on Monday.

**Calendaring of New Year Events – Robert Ramirez and Ron Kayl:** Robert and Ron recorded suggested runs and activities from club members, as well as those events held annually by the club. These dates and the corresponding events will be recorded on the annual club calendar which will be published before the end of the year. There was a lively and spirited discussion of all types of events and runs and it appears that 2016 will be loaded with many great activities. If anyone has any other ideas for runs and events, or activities, please contact Ron Kayl, as soon as possible so the event/run can be included on the calendar. While events can also be added at a later date even if they are not included on the printed club calendar, it is much easier for the membership to schedule and plan their participation, if most of the anticipated events/runs are listed on the calendar.

**REMINDER: Run and event planners please provide copies of run/event flyers to Bill Vasile, the Webmaster, so he can get the information about your run/event on the website.**

**Christmas for Kids Charity: - Terrie Neil:** Terrie distributed an "appreciation and thank you" letter from the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department for those who helped raise \$2,254 for the Sheriff's Toy Project/Christmas for Kids during the silent auction at the RCCS Luau. Terrie also asked members to remember to bring their donations for the Christmas for Kids charity to the November meeting if at all possible.

**Jokester of the Month:** Jokes were not presented so the membership could spend more time discussing and planning the 2016 events calendar.

**Featured Corvette of the Month – John Klunder:** John announced the October 2015 Car of the Month winners as Don and Susan Hess, and presented Don with a beautifully framed picture of their 2011 Supersonic Blue Grand Sport Corvette. They have been members of the RCCS since 2014. Congratulations Don and Susan! John indicated due to feedback received from prior Car of the Month recipients, from now on the recipients will have a choice between receiving a large or small picture.

**Closing Comments - Robert Ramirez:** Robert indicated he had received several inquiries as to how the recipients of the RCCS Car of the Month are selected. The President considers several factors when making their selections of potential recipients. Those considerations include whether they are a positive club supporter, do they regularly attend

meetings, do they attend/participate in runs/events, have they sponsored/co-sponsored and/or supported runs/events, and/or have they volunteered for RCCS fundraising events or the Christmas for Kids charity. Basically, the President is looking to recognize active club members.

Paul and Carol Willett volunteered to bring the treats in celebration of the November birthdays to next month's meeting.

Rudy Antonucci made a motion to close the meeting with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandy Ramirez. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

**Respectfully and humbly submitted by Keri Berkler, Secretary**

**Happy November Birthdays. Rosie (11/23) and Jim (11/3) Bjornsen, Tom Doherty 11/5, Michael Condon 11/3, Mary Abbey – 11/17, Brian Barrington 11/5, Kelly Barrington 11/4, LaRee Brunelli 11/26, Glenn Carlisle 11/29, Don Herberger 11/26, Terrie Neil 11/25, Ron Kayl 11/11, Richard Petrie 11/15, Patti Pierce 11/9, George Serrechia 11/1, Dan Quigg 11/12, Wayne Turrell 11/24 and Rich Whitmire 11/1.**

**Thanks to Raffle Donors: NO RAFFLE THIS MONTH DUE TO PLANNING SESSION**

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](http://www.rivercitycorvettes.org) for a list of those members and their businesses; they'll appreciate it!!**

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