



Monthly News

Hello fellow cruisers', lend me your ear. My name is Jerry Culbreth and I have been a member of the Corvette Club for about four years. During this time I have seen the club membership increase from a nominal amount to over 120. Presently I am responsible for maintaining the membership database and producing the mailing labels you see each month on your envelopes. I am adding a new responsibility to my club duties and guess what it is. You're right it's reporting the monthly news to keep you informed of what's happening. This is my first venture into producing this type of document so bear with me. I will need your help to provide me with any information that you feel needs to be distributed to the club members.

April Events:

Sonic Gathering - In last month's mail-out, we asked to have at least 40 cars show up at the Sonic drive-in. We didn't make it, but had a good showing of 27. With the weather turning warm and with the time change, let's make a special effort to have at least 35 cars present for the May gathering. Remember, Corvette gatherings are always held the third Saturday of each month at the Sonic Drive Inn located on North Monroe Street. Gathering starts at 7:00 PM and ends when the last Vette leaves the parking lot.

The manager of the Sonic drive in came by the gathering and gave her endorsement for this event. She said that she will advertise the event on their marquee starting on Thursdays before each month gathering. Sonic will also place fliers promoting the event into all carryout orders the week before the gathering. This advertisement is free and should have a huge impact on the number of Corvette admirers attending these gatherings. Please make a special effort to attend and let's bring as many of the earlier models as possible.

Spring Time Tallahassee Parade - We had 19 Corvettes representing the club in the Spring Time Tallahassee parade held on April 4. The years represented ranged from a beautiful 1955 Yellow Roadster to a 1998 Red Roadster. Both cars owned by Brian and Stacey Webb. Cars were arranged by year, from oldest to newest. Tires were spinning and rubber was burning, courtesy of club members driving the older models. Luck was with us and we didn't get reckless driving tickets, courtesy of the numerous Police stationed along the route. The crowd loved it the Police didn't. I can't wait until next Spring Time! Many thanks to John Harris, who owns a 1978 Silver Anniversary vette, for coordinating this event.

Easter Seals Car Show - A car show was held on April 25 at the Tallahassee Mall parking lot and was sponsored by Easter Seals and the Sonic Drive-ins. This event was held to raise money for the Easter Seals Organization. Local car clubs in attendance included the Classic Chevy, Street Rodders and Cruising Corvettes of Tallahassee. Cruising Corvettes had 10 cars present. The coordinator of this event was impressed with the cars he saw in the Spring Time Tallahassee Parade and decided to invite the club to participate in this event. Unfortunately the invitation came too late to organize and solicit club members to participate this event this time. If this event is held next year the turn out will be better.

April Business Meeting:

Attendance was very low for the April meeting. Only 8 members were present. Topics for discussion for the April meeting included officer selections, descriptions of officer positions, invoking yearly dues, club recognition decals and future events.

Officer Selections - The selection of officers has become a slow process due to the lack of interest. Any member interested in serving as an officer for a year, please come to the May meeting. We need your ideas and help to get this process in place so we can move on to bigger and better issues. Please see the following list of position vacancies:

1.	Brian Webb	President	(Big Block)
2.	Vacant	Vice President	(Small Block)
3.	Vacant	Secretary	
4.	Vacant	Treasurer	
5.	Vacant	Cruse Coordinator	

Descriptions of Officer Positions - The officer positions need to be established and set in place before the club can become a non profit organization. Further discussions are needed concerning this issue and will be on the agenda for the May business meeting.

Invoking Yearly Dues - Yearly dues need to be accessed to cover the administrative cost to properly organize and run the club. This money will be used to cover expenses such as postage that is now donated by member Mike Wallenfelsz.

Club Recognition Decals - An idea was presented to develop a small window decal of the club's logo to display in the rear window. This will let other Vette owners know that you are already involved with our club. The presence of the decal will also enable club members passing out Nice Vette flyers that this car is already a Cruising Corvette.

Please remember that business meetings are open to all club members and are always held on the third Thursday of each month at Patients 1st located on Kerry Forest Parkway. Meeting starts at 7:00 PM and last about an hour.

Future Events - It's that time of the year to start planning weekend rides. A cruse to Devoe Morre's Auto Museum is planned for Memorial Day, May 25. The museum is located on Mahan Drive east of Capital Circle. We will meet at the Killearn Publix's parking lot on Thomasville Road at 11:00 AM, then cruse to a local restaurant for lunch. After lunch the caravan will proceed to the museum. For those of you that haven't visited this attraction, it's well worth the \$7.00 admission. I hear that Batman's Batmobile used in the first two movies now resides there.

One event is in the planing stage for the month of June. A trip to the Bloomington Gold show is scheduled for June 23-26 and at least six members of our club plan to attend this event. This attraction draws Corvettes from all over the country. It may be the largest gathering of Vettes for the entire year. At this time, it is probably too late to make room reservations as this is a premier event.

Monthly Car and Owner Feature:

Each month I hope to have an article featuring a car and owner. A car will be selected at random for inclusion into each monthly issue. Digital pictures of the car and owner will be taken so be there early to take advantage of late afternoon light.

The inaugural article features a 1955 roadster owned by Brian Webb. Sorry we can't supply color pictures at this time to illustrate the beauty of this bright yellow model. Corvette admirers at the April gathering were impressed by the condition of a car whose age is over 43 years. It's my understanding that Brian has a couple of other beauties lying around his garage. Maybe we can get him to bring one or two of them to the next gathering. By the way, Brian has volunteered to be the Big Block (President) of the club for the next year. Brian wants every one to know that owning three beautiful vintage cars is not a requirement to be a Big Block.

