



# *The Side Draft*

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## ***Chairman's Message***

**..... Tom James**

October has arrived and so have the cooler temperatures.

This month we have our Judging Meet at Kelsey Chevrolet. We have four (4) cars to judge: a 62, 58, 76 and a 2001. These cars are being judged in the NCRS Flight Division and in the Concours Division. It will be interesting to see and hear how the different areas are looked at in comparison to what we are used to seeing. Judging will start at 8:00 AM on Saturday with lunch served at 12:00 Noon and judging should finish around 2:00 PM with the awards ceremony to follow. Bring your notepads and pencils and be prepared to be impressed on the quality of the judges the NCRS has.

Last month's meeting took place at the Horsepower Farm in Middletown, Ohio in conjunction with our annual picnic. We had a great turnout again with perfect weather and a lot of nice classic Corvettes on hand. Thanks to Opie and Sue Willis for a great venue for our picnic. I am sure I speak for everyone who attended that it was a great time to spend together catching up. Thanks also to the wives who put a lot of hard work in preparing the fantastic lunch we all

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## ***October Meeting Information***

**Date:** Tuesday, October 18, 2022

**Time:** 6:30 PM

**Location:** Kathy Plummer  
866 East Columbia Avenue  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45215

**You will not want to miss this meeting; come with a healthy appetite! Kathy always puts on a wonderful feast for our members.**

**Please remember to bring a chair to the meeting.**

**As well, we will be collecting unwrapped toys to be donated for the Toys For Tots Campaign at this meeting.**

## ***QCNCRS Website Information***

<https://www.qc.ncrs.org/>

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## ***NOTICE!***

***Newsletter Deadlines***  
**The deadline for getting information, into the newsletter is the 2nd of each month.**

**If it isn't here, we will publish without you.**

enjoyed. Thank you, ladies. We could not have done it without you.

One request from Opie is to help him fill up boxes for the Toys For Tots Campaign this Christmas. Last year he, along with the help of his monthly cruise attendees, filled 106 boxes of unwrapped toys to donate to underprivileged children for Christmas. This year I would like to help him surpass last year with the help of our Club. Having said that, at our October and November meetings I am asking for your help in bringing an unwrapped boy's or girl's toy to place in the boxes that will be on display at our meetings. I know that our members can make a difference in a child's life at Christmas as we are the number 1 charitable NCRS Chapter in the USA several years running, so please help the Toys For Tots drive this year.

Stay tuned for another tech session at Chris Rockenfield's house in November. The topic will be decided upon soon.

We have two (2) new members this month. We welcome back Karen Slattery and a new member to our Chapter Scott Myers. We hope they can attend our monthly meetings. Karen has just had the Corvette Bruce, her late husband, was restoring finished by Cars Restoration. Pete Corcoran and Mike Frey did an incredible job finishing what Bruce had already started. We hope Karen will share the restoration with the Club.

Next month's meeting will be held Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at Kathy Plummer's house, 866 East Columbia Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45215. Kathy always puts on a wonderful feast, and this will be one meeting you will not want to miss.

Hope to see you at the Judging Meet on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. Save the Wave.

Tom

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## **Fun Facts ..... Tom James**

There was no such thing as a 1968 Sting Ray. Seeking a thorough departure from the previous generation, in 1968 Chevrolet completely abandoned the Sting Ray nomenclature for its sleek, new shark-inspired offering. Look at any 1968 model, and you'll only find Corvette letters and crossed-flag body emblems. At the time the Sting Ray brand had only five model years in the public eye. Had it taken root yet? Certain decision makers at General Motors clearly didn't think so and the name was dropped. In 1969, however, the course reversed, and the Stingray name returned with no public explanation for its one-year absence. For this second go-round, Chevrolet expressed the name as one word (Stingray instead of Sting Ray) and employed script lettering instead of a block font.

Planning for the 1968 Corvette began just as the first 1963 Sting Rays were rolling off the St. Louis assembly line in August of 1962. Although the earlier Vettes used simple 1950s British sports cars as benchmarks, far more advanced Italian and German offerings such as the Lamborghini Miura, Ferrari Dino, and Porsche 911 became the bogey for the 1968 designers. That meant serious consideration of rear- and mid-engine platforms. As late as 1966, a mid-engine successor to the 1967 Sting Ray was still a 50/50 possibility. To help determine the best route forward, General Motors launched several in-house competitions that resulted in an assortment of entirely different rear- and mid-engine prototypes.

The story of how the Mako Shark I (1961) and Mako Shark II Corvette show cars influenced the final 1968 Corvette body shape is well known. Little known is the fact that the Mako Shark I was disassembled and rebodied to become the Mako Shark II for the 1965 auto-show season. Of the two, the Mako Shark II was clearly the stronger influence on the eventual 1968 production offering. By contrast, the Mako Shark I provided a good idea of what the 1963 Sting Ray would look like when it appeared on the 1961 auto-show circuit.

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**QCNCRS Corvette related classified “wanted and parts for sale” are free; however, they cannot be carried over to the next issue unless requested before the issue deadline.**

### **TERRIE'S CORVETTE TRIVIA** Ans. on Last Page

1. The '76 Corvettes have wheels which are color coordinated with the cars. True or False.
2. What was the first year for air-conditioning? 1956, 1963 or 1971.
3. What was the first year for 7-inch wide wheels? 1957, 1963 or 1968.
4. The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary package in 1993 was available with the coupe, the convertible and the ZR1. True or False.
5. In what year did an engine's horsepower rating first pass 1 hp per cu. in.? 1957, 1958 or 1962.
6. Was the electronic air-conditioning control option (RPO-C68) available in coupes and convertibles in 1987? Yes or No.



**September QCNCRS Meeting Minutes**

..... Chris Rockenfield

September 18, 2022  
QCNCRS Meeting Minutes  
Horse Power Farm, Middletown, OH

Tom James opened the meeting thanking Opie for having us again this year for our annual picnic and for ordering such wonderful weather for it.

The Club Judging meet is scheduled to take place October 8th at Kelsey Chevrolet in Lawrenceburg. We currently have 12 judges and 4 cars registered for the event. This will take place in the 3-lane drive through in the body shop at the back of the building. During this event we need to map out where the 2023 swap meet will be; 60-70 spaces will be needed. If anyone can help do this at the judging event, your help would be appreciated.

Barb Hilbert then read the August Financial report. It was approved.

Terrie James announced that Karen Slattery (widow of former member Bruce Slattery) is the club's newest member. Kathy Plummer will be hosting our October 18th meeting and will hopefully be re-joining the club.

The Corvette plant is open for tours for museum members and Terrie James is working on getting the club in for a tour. There was a brief discussion on a bus tour or caravan to Bowling Green for a plant and museum tour as well as lunch. Tom James will get an idea of the costs involved to help determine what the club will cover.

Opie Willis spoke about the Toys for Tots drive taking place again November-December. Boxes are available for anyone who might want to place one in their workplace. As well, a box will be available at the October meeting and members are asked to bring a new unwrapped toy. Everyone was encouraged to attend the December Cars & Coffee at the Horsepower Farm.

Sunday March 19th from 8am – 2pm will be the club Swap Meet at Kelsey Chevrolet. Terrie James wanted to thank Jeff Lauch for taking over the silent auction from her.

**September QCNCRS Meeting Minutes**

..... Chris Rockenfield - continued

Tom James spoke about Corvettes At Carlisle held in August of this year. Great weather and quite a few members showed up. There were about 3500 cars on the grounds, many C8's.

Joe Eyl mentioned the Tech session that will take place at Chris Rockenfield's house in November.

Split the pot was drawn and the meeting was then adjourned

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**QCNCRS September Meeting Photos**



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## Technical Article – C2 Fuel Line by Joe Eyl

Here is a picture of a fuel line that I took off a C2 Corvette.

This fuel hose is of the old style used when we had good gas.

This shows us that we need to keep an eye on these type of parts and replace them with some of the new hose that is made with material compatible with the gas with alcohol added.







## CLUB SHIRT SIZING AND PRICING

	<u>COLOR</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>COST</u>
Sport-Tek Posi Charge Textured Polo	Navy	S-XL	\$30.00
Sport-Tek Posi Charge Textured Polo	Black	S-XL	\$30.00
Sport-Tek Posi Charge Textured Polo	Red	S-XL	\$30.00
Sport-Tek Posi Charge Textured Polo	White	S-XL	\$30.00
Sport-Tek Dri-Mesh Polo	Navy	S-XL	\$45.00
Sport-Tek Dri-Mesh Polo	Black	S-XL	\$45.00
Sport-Tek Dri-Mesh Polo	Red	S-XL	\$45.00
Sport-Tek Dri-Mesh Polo	White	S-XL	\$45.00
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Jerzees Dri Power 50/50 T-Shirt	Black	S-XL	\$15.00
Jerzees Dri Power 50/50 T-Shirt	Red	S-XL	\$15.00
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2XL	+\$ 2.00
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SHIPPING COSTS:

Pick up at monthly meeting: free  
 Send via US Postal Service: \$8.00/shirt



**CLUB SHIRT ORDER SHEET**

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**STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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Sport Tek Dri-Mesh Polo - Ladies	Navy Black Red White			\$45.00	
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- 3XL                   +\$ 3.00
- 4XL                   +\$ 4.00
- Embroidered Name +\$10.00/shirt

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## QUEEN CITY CHAPTER 2022 CHAPTER REGISTRATION FORM

**Annual Chapter Dues \$20.00**

**First Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, State, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

*You must be an active member of NCRS to join a chapter.*

**National NCRS Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Options for membership renewal:

1. Renew Queen City Chapter Membership online at:

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

2. Complete the above form and send payment of \$20.00 (payable to QCNCRS) to: Terrie James, 7329 Southpointe Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233.

**Questions, please call Terrie James at 513-300-6411 or email at [tmjames7329@gmail.com](mailto:tmjames7329@gmail.com).**

**Trivia Answers: 1. False. 2. 1963. 3. 1968. 4. True. 5. 1958. 6. Yes.**