

**HIGH SIERRA CORVETTES  
HSCC General Meeting MINUTES**

**September 21, 2022**

**Margarita's, Grass Valley**

**Meeting called to order at 6:03, 37 members +1 guest (Don, who became a member!) Franklin, David**

**Sunshine Report:**

**Mulay, Linda**

**Birthdays:**

Chris Megenity (Sep 2), Dale Durrett (Sep 7), Sharon Murray (Sep 25),  
Mike Van Dermark (Sep 28)

**Anniversaries:**

Scott & Cyndie Purdy (Sep 5), Steve & Stella Bluestein (Sep 10),  
Matt & Marnie Malone (Sep 25), and Gary & Bonnie Reifel (Sep 30—55 years!)

**Newly Engaged:** Rick Utermoehlen and Kathie Van Zandt

**Treasurer's Report** As reported; September's ending balance will reflect any  
Accounts Payable related to Anniversary trip, holiday party deposits

**Durrett, Jennifer**

**Social Activities/ Past events**

Sept 13-16 Anniversary Trip to Morro Bay Becky Boyes reported that 23 cars left the Grass Valley area, and 25 cars arrived essentially on time at Morro Bay without losing anybody, and enjoyed a single-hand poker run on our way down. Debbie Franklin made over 12 dozen cookies to share during the hotel check in, and during our first dinner. Scott Purdy modeled the t-shirt the attendees were given as part of our goodie bag, and the bag also held assorted items like chap stick, protein bars, water, flash light, candies, and corvette pens and pad. Kym Johnson came up with a new nickname to match the teensie-weensie oops on the back of the t-shirt...HSCC for "High Sierra Sexy Corvettes". What's a small oops between club members? We didn't mind. We wore our new shirts at Hearst Castle. We enjoyed several great meals, at the hotel, Great American Seafood Company, and during our Sunset cruise. We were even sought out by our new unofficial upper New York chapter member who just couldn't wait to tell us all about her love of corvettes and how she had to talk to us that evening. Look for many fantastic photos taken during our Anniversary trip, including an aerial drone with all of our cars in front of Morro Rock.

**Committee Reports/Upcoming Events**

Oct 4<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors meeting, 9:00am, Lumberjacks, Grass Valley. Please RSVP no later than the Sunday prior (October 2<sup>nd</sup>) to any Board member if you plan to be attending. We will be discussing the annual Holiday Party at this meeting.

Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Picnic Bonnie Reifel spoke on behalf of Cathy Shepherd and passed around the sign-up sheet again, with the usual pot luck items and our club providing the tri-tip. She explained how important it is that you RSVP to get your name on the guest list to get in the gate. The picnic starts at 3:00pm (it will be cancelled if it rains). However, if you are interested, Lake Wildwood is also having their annual car show from 11:00-3:00pm that same day and you are welcome to view it, or for \$10 you can also apply to show your car. Again, please RSVP ahead of time to get a parking pass for the car show, or your name on the gate list. Contact either Cathy Shepherd or Bonnie Reifel for questions.

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**Oct 12<sup>h</sup> General Meeting-----Please note change of date.** Due to the unavailability of our usual meeting place, Margarita's, we have been asked to move our general monthly meeting for this month only. We will send an email reminder ahead of time also. We hope to see everyone there.

Oct 26<sup>th</sup> Poker Run Steve Johnson discussed the poker run that will begin at 11:00am, meet at the Starbucks near the Target construction zone. This will be approximately two hours, and Steve is planning on taking us on corvette-friendly scenic roads. This will be a different poker run compared to the Anniversary run in that it is based on a scavenger hunt, but you can increase your odds of winning by purchasing more hands, each hand \$5.00.

Nov 11<sup>th</sup> Veterans' Ceremony, Grass Valley Veteran's Hall Cap Wallington is encouraging us all to attend this year's annual Veteran's ceremony. He plans to be wearing his dress whites, and hopes that other veterans will join him in this recognition of service. Parking is available, but Cap suggests getting there early for better parking. The ceremony begins at 10:00 and ends promptly at 11:00am. Again, 11-11-11, November 11<sup>th</sup> and ends at 11:00am.

Nov 16<sup>th</sup> Planning meeting for 2022-2023 Steve Johnson will be the chairman for our annual planning committee, to be held during our regular November meeting. It is critical that members come with ideas of places to go or what you would like to do. For example, where did the club go before that you really enjoyed? Please consider leading one of these events, but if you are unsure of what to do or how to organize—no problem. We have HSCC members that can co-chair it with you. No matter what, bring your ideas, please. David Franklin shared that he hopes to plan a trip for Bodega Bay in early September, 2023 with a drive through Russian River Valley, and stops in both a winery/Korbel AND a brewery for those of us who prefer hops (not this secretary, nope, not me). He also told us that he contacted Reno Corvettes to see if they have any interest in a shared event, and reminded them of the NAS-Fallon trip during the WSCC Reno convention a few years as an idea that was very popular then. If you will not be able to attend in November, send your ideas or questions to our VP, Steve Johnson.

December 3<sup>rd</sup> 25 Hours of Thunderhill Raceway John Beckwith told us about this fun racing event that is happening in December, strictly for the racers' bragging rights. We will leave around 8:00am, and stay until 2-3:00pm. The drive can be spectacular because of the rice fields and migrating birds. Unfortunately, this is a "shine only" event---if it rains, we stay warm and at home. Racing continues rain or shine for the drivers.

December 16<sup>th</sup> (Friday) Holiday Party at The Ridge in Auburn Steve Bluestein passed out a sample menu and asked attending members to select one salad and up to two entrees; winning entrees so far were the Prime Rib and the Salmon (sorry quinoa), but a formal tally will come later. We need a minimum of 50 people to get the smaller room without dance floor (last year only 38 folks could attend, Co-Vid19 being a big issue). Steve will call to find out the minimum attendance required to secure the larger room with dance floor, since HSCC has already paid for a band. In order to meet the requirements for this larger room, we will open up admittance to an additional couple per membership, based on availability. Prices for members and non-members will be decided once the menus and room fees are known, but plan on approximately \$65-75 *per person*. This number may change either up or down and we will let our club members know as soon as we do. If you would like

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to help with any of the planning, please RSVP to any Board of Director (BOD) member and let them know that you want to attend the October 4<sup>th</sup> BOD meeting at 9:00am, Lumberjacks, Grass Valley.

**Old Business**

Be sure to send pictures of any event or activity since Jan 2022 to **Franklin, David**  
Mary Jayne Emmons (4maryjayne@gmail.com)

**INTERMISSION David's Game Show, otherwise known as Corvette Trivia**

David asked 4 questions, based on the book "Corvette Trivia". Season-themed "prizes" were awarded.

- 1) The first corvette had how many horsepower?
- 2) 1972 was the last year for what corvette feature?
- 3) In what year did GM make the one-millionth corvette?
- 4) When the C-6 was being developed by GM, its design was delayed by another GM car. What car was it?

See end of Minutes for the Answers. We can tell you that Rick Tassano knew at least half!

**New Business**

**Franklin, David**

Publicity, this year HSCC participated in several parades, and we have a new flyer to pass out to your friendly auto dealer or repair shop. We are also looking into printing more business cards to leave on any parked corvette you see, telling them about our club. Our newest member, Don Miguel, saw us in the parking lot while we were staging for Jim Booth's Reno Cars and Coffee Run, and was given one of these business cards. We look forward to also meeting Don's wife Kim, when she can get free from her work down in the Bay Area. The new flyer was previously sent out via email on September 7<sup>th</sup>; check your spam folder if you did not receive it.

While reviewing attendance records for 2022, we averaged 32 members each month. What this means is that if you haven't seen one of your friends for awhile, please give them a call, let them know what we're doing and invite them to join us for an activity, or maybe just a beverage at one of the general meetings.

Fund Raising is an on-going issue for many clubs, and ours is no exception. We are still doing the 50/50 raffle every other month for our designated charity, and now every other month the 50/50 raffle proceeds will go to the club directly. Other suggestions are more Poker Runs, a donation jar, and our bi-annual Wine Raffle to be held after the November general meeting.

Honorary memberships for Dave and Sue Garber, and Jay and Nita Jacobson was discussed. A motion was asked whether to grant honorary membership to these two families, and by a show of hands it was approved, no nays were heard. A question was raised about previously granting this same status to members who had become widowed, and Debbie made an error....it IS in the 4<sup>th</sup> revision of the By-Laws, Section 3/Membership. Please accept her apologies. Still lots to learn.

Speaking of By-Laws, the President will make a list or proposed changes in January, and form a committee. If you have suggested changes or would like to be a committee member, contact David.

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Chris Megenity would like to remind everyone how important it is that you RSVP back to her to confirm your attendance at a general meeting, please. Margarita's works hard to ensure enough tables and wait staff are available for our meetings. While we averaged 32 people meeting in 2022, tonight we had 38, and Becky reminded us that back in 2018 we had on average 48. Thank you in advance.

**Closing remarks**

Save your pull-tabs (Becky Boyes), eye glasses/Hearing Aids (Chris Megenity); hotel items and photos of events and your car (Mary Jayne Emmons).

Becky explained how the pull tabs work as a "donation" for the Ronald McDonald House. There is a recycling business that has agreed to accept only the pull tabs since this decreases his storage space the entire can requires. In addition, he agrees to not only pay the usual \$0.05 cents per can recycling reimbursement but will also MATCH the money. The money raised through Pull tabs is the major fund raiser for Ronald McDonald house, which allows families to stay in the Ronald McD house or, if full, a hotel AT NO COST so that a family can stay with their sick child. You still have time to bring your pull tabs to Becky in October and November, as she will be dropping off our collection in December.

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm by David Franklin**

**50/50 Raffle** was held by Becky Boyes. \$125 was raised, and our newest member, Don Miguel selected the winning ticket. We all saw it, no collusion, and Becky won. Congratulations Becky!

September raffle donations of \$60 will go to HSCC general fund, \$65 to Becky Boyes

***Game Show Answers:***

- 1) 150 HP, in addition it had a 3.76 Litre in-line 6 cyl (230 cubic inches)
- 2) Chrome front bumper
- 3) 1992, a white C-4 convertible
- 4) Cadillac XLR luxury 2 seater, with removable hard top in 2004