

THE ACCCelerator ***AQUIA CREEK*** ***CORVETTE CLUB*** ***February 2023***



ACCC VP Ron Mahaffey's 2003 C4 coupe

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Next Meeting: Feb 21
Start Time: 7:00 pm
Aquia Harbor
Stafford, VA

Happy Valentine's Day

This column is a short one this month. We are one month down in the New Year already and it's unbelievable, no snow, and on the 30th, my truck read 61 degrees. Skip, Marie, Joan, Jack, Clara, Terry, and Gail have made their annual trip to Daytona to watch the Rolex 24 Hour race, this year though, with only one Corvette entry, which made a good showing and finished second in class. I followed the last hour and a half on NBC and through the windshield of the C8, going down the front stretch with four minutes to go, I was waving at our ACCC members sitting in the stands

This month we have some great holidays, Ground Hog Day, Valentine's Day (take your Sweetheart to dinner), Presidents Day, and also appearing, Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day on February 23rd, so start celebrating. I'm reaching folks, don't judge me.

Also happening on February 4th, our monthly breakfast will take place in Central Park, see Ron Mahaffey's event calendar. Always a good place for a group breakfast with all the bacon you can eat. I would like to see a large group out for this one. Let Marie know if you will be attending.

Next month, some of us will be heading down to Nags Head on the Outer Banks, for the annual St Patrick's Day Celebration. Ron sent an email on this event and MaryAnne is the POC. If you plan on going, please let her know. We will have some meeting points later for the cruise down to North Carolina.

Remember folks the first day of Spring is next month and hopefully we will be on our way to a great Corvette Spring and Summer. Plan on getting out and attending some of the planned events.

So until I have more to say, I will sign off until next month.

Al

Al McCloud, President

Most Corvettes are Red!

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Newsletter

Pete Rutledge

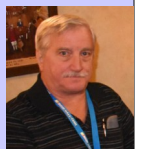
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January 14, 2023, ACCC Board Meeting Minutes

ACCC Board Meeting

January 14, 2023

Eggspectation, Gainesville, VA

In attendance:

Al McCloud - President

Steve Argubright - Secretary/Treasurer

Skip Sizemore - Past President

Chris Mendl - Membership Governor

President Al McCloud called the meeting to order at 12:08pm.

President's Report.

--Offered a Sunset Clause recommendation to change the By-laws in the event members do not come forward to serve as board members. The membership will vote on this at the January 17, 2023 general meeting.

Vice President's Report. No report, not in attendance.

Secretary/Treasurer Report.

--The Club's 2022 federal and state income tax return paperwork has been submitted to Mr. Michael J. Klein, CPA.

--As of January 1, 2023, the Club's checking account balance is \$2,690.72.

Past President Report.

--Offered a recommendation regarding food service at the annual picnic. To be further discussed at the January 17, 2013 general meeting.

Membership Governor Report.

--Offered information on a possible club visit to the new home for a Civil War collection. To be further discussed at the January 17, 2013 general meeting.

Newsletter Editor Report. No report, not in attendance.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjournment: 12:18pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve

Steve Argubright

Secretary/Treasurer

January 17, 2023, ACCC Business Meeting Minutes

**ACCC General Meeting
Aquia Harbour Clubhouse
January 17, 2023**

Board Attendees:

Al McCloud - President
Ron Mahaffey - Vice President
Skip Sizemore - Past President
Chris Mendl - Membership Governor
Steve Argubright - Secretary/Treasurer

Members: Dave Jones (NCM Ambassador) Nan Wehmeyer (Goodwill Ambassador), Barbara Mendl-Jett, Margaret McCloud, MaryAnne McGovern, Albert Martinez, Rebecca Hamil, Mike Shepherd, Bettie Shepherd, Marie Sizemore

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

President's Report.

--A motion to accept the minutes from the December 4, 2022 general meeting was approved.

NCM Ambassador Report.

--Did you know? You can select museum delivery for your new C8 by selecting Option R8C when you order. The Option is \$995.00.

--The NCM Experience - Take your car to the Museum for a chance to spotlight your Corvette. For \$500 you can have a special ceremony showcasing your car with a VIP tour, wall plaque, decal for your car, full exterior cleaning and placement of your car inside the museum on Corvette Boulevard.

Additional information on the NCM Experience is available by contacting the Museum Delivery Program Manager - Shane Webb at: shane@corvettemuseum.org or call (800) 205-4248.

Secretary/Treasurer Report.

--The checking account balance is \$X,XXX.XX.

--The Club's federal and state income tax return paperwork has been submitted to Michael J. Klein, CPA.

Membership Governor Report. The club has 48 active members. An updated membership roster will be occasionally updated via email to all members.

Vice President Report.

--The next ACCC breakfast will be at the Jukebox Diner in Manassas on Saturday, February 4 at 10:00am. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by the membership that future breakfasts will start at 10:00am.

January 17, 2023, ACCC Business Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

--Events for Valentine's Day and St. Patrick's Day are pending.

--A multi-Corvette Club cruise is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, April 23 at Capt. Billy's Crab House in Newberg, Maryland. Details to follow.

Past President Report. Nothing to report.

Newsletter Editor Report. The Newsletter Editor was not present. Members were reminded to submit newsletter articles.

Wellness Check: According to the Goodwill Ambassador, no expressions of sympathy or get well support were sent since the last meeting.

Old Business.

--Toys for Tots. Seventeen ACCC members and a few BCC members delivered toys at the Museum, followed by lunch at the Tun Tavern. During lunch the ACCC was presented a certificate of appreciation by three active duty Marines in their dress uniforms. Final report.

New Business.

Annual Picnic

--The annual picnic will be held on Sunday, September 17 at a location to be determined. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by the attendees that, as a cost saving measure, members will bring covered dishes, with the club paying for hamburgers, hot dogs, and miscellaneous expenses.

Bylaw Changes

Motion 1 - The President introduced an addendum to Article XIV: SECRETARY/TREASURER, Section 1 that reads: "The Secretary/Treasurer shall assure that the account balance does not go below the plateau of \$1500.00."

After considerable discussion, but no motion by the members, the addendum was withdrawn for further revision and study.

Motion 2 - The President introduced an addendum to be added as Section 9 to Article VIII: VOTING that reads: Section 9: During the period of January-September, the Board should be recruiting and grooming future Board member candidates. During the election process there must nominees for at least a President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, and Membership Governor for effective management of ACCC activities and events. Should there not be sufficient nominees by the October business meeting, the Club will go into a sunset phase. The Treasurer will, at the end of the year, transfer all funds in the club bank account to the charity or charities elected by the membership. The Club will then be officially disbanded once all financial obligations and records are reconciled, and the account is closed."

January 17, 2023, ACCC Business Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

After considerable discussion, but no motion by the members, the addendum was withdrawn for further revision and study.

See Footnote #1.

--January birthdays and anniversaries were announced.

--Dave Jones won the 50/50 drawing and donated all the proceeds to the treasury.

Adjournment: 7:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve

Steve Argubright
Secretary/Treasurer

--Footnote #1. On 1/18/2023, the President stated by email that the by-laws will remain the same with no changes.



Aquia Creek Corvette Club

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AQUIA CREEK CORVETTE CLUB

The purpose of this organization shall be to provide educational needs for those with Corvettes, and for the preservation, restoration, and enjoyment of all Corvettes.

NOW IN OUR 36th YEAR

Aquia Creek Corvette Club (ACCC) was formed in September 1987 by a group of die-hard Corvette enthusiasts from Aquia Harbor in Stafford, VA. The name was selected reflecting the Club's geographic and historical origins in the Old Dominion. Through hard work and commitment, ACCC has enjoyed constant growth and now boasts 54 members representing nearly 70 Corvettes, from a 1953 to 2020. ACCC membership consists primarily of Stafford County residents, but has members from Prince William, Fairfax, Fauquier, Spotsylvania, Culpeper, Loudon, Louisa counties, and two in Florida. Since September 8th, 2014, the ACCC Facebook Group has been limited to ACCC members only, except for a few that were already group members.



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ACCCording to the Vice President & ACC EVENTS

Ron Mahaffey

Feb. 4, 2023: A monthly club breakfast is scheduled for February 4 at the Great American Buffet, Central Park, Fredericksburg, VA, at 10 AM. Please let Marie Sizemore know if you will be attending (please email Marie at bugbent@aol.com not later than February 1).

Feb. 18, 2023: Also in February, Mary Ann made arrangements in Culpeper for the Mardi Gras event. She has made a reservation for 10 people at Sweet Roux restaurant for Culpeper Mardi Gras on Feb. 18 at 1 PM. She must have a definite number of attendees by Feb. 14 for the restaurant. To date, the following people have signed up: Skip and Marie, Ron and Elizabeth, Nan, Rebecca, Steve, and Mary Ann.

Long Range planning: The March monthly breakfast will be at the "Juke Box" in Manassas, more to follow on that event as we progress through February. Something for March that requires your attention now is "St Patrick's Day in the Outer Banks." Again our friend Mary Ann contacted the Tar Heel Motel in the Outer Banks and made arrangements for club personnel to get rooms there. Arrangements are for the Tar Heel Motel at Mile Post 16, 10 rooms (3 kings and 7 with 2 queen beds); rates: king \$80/night, queen \$90/night, all rooms have microwave, TV, mini-fridge, pet friendly at an extra cost; block is reserved for nights of Mar. 17 thru 20 (the parade is on Sunday March 19 at 1PM) but you only need to stay for 2 of these nights (no single night reservation); no food service, but there are eating establishments nearby; non refundable 14 days prior to stay but reasonable travel insurance available; hoses will be available for car washing. This is a local (non-chain) facility that hopefully will be satisfactory as chain rates were exorbitant. Call 252-489-0756 to reserve & tell them you are with ACCC Corvette Club. Any non-reserved rooms will be returned to the hotel February 28. Recommend you make your reservations soonest.

*** Again please let Mary Ann know if you reserve a room to help her when dealing with the hotel. Mary Ann's email is: 926jam@comcast.net





NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM (NCM)

February 2023

Dave Jones

A historic month for Corvette. On January 17, 1953 at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City at the opening of Motorama, GM unveiled the new American alternative to European sports cars, the Corvette, named after small nimble warships. Approximately 50,000 people visited the show that opening day in New York with a total of 1.4 million viewing the display as the show traveled to major cities around the country. Based on the enthusiastic response from the public and the press, GM expedited the production schedule. Bear in mind that this was a fiberglass concept car, not a production-ready version. With typical American ingenuity, resourcefulness, tenacity and a sense of purpose, a plant in Flint, Michigan was retrofitted. A production-ready design was finalized utilizing components from other GM vehicles, including a modified 6-cylinder engine, two-speed power glide transmission, and various other braking and suspension systems. A workforce and supply chain were organized so production could begin by June 30, 1953. Three hundred of these cars rolled out of Flint between June 30 and Christmas Eve, 1953. This year, seventy years later in 2023, we are enjoying the 8th generation of the Corvette, America's Sports Car.

For those into trivia I offer the following from 1953:

One pound of hot dogs - \$0.19	Pie Crust - \$0.33
World Series Tickets - \$7.00	Bicycle - \$39.99
Drive-in Movie, per carload - \$1.00	Lawn Mower, 17.5" - \$84.95

For those who enjoy history, some 1953 events include:

January 1 - Hank Williams dies.

February 28 - James Watson and Francis Crick discover the double-helix structure of DNA.

April 13 - Ian Fleming publishes "Casino Royale," the first James Bond novel.

May 18 - Jackie Cochran is first woman to break the sound barrier, in a F-86 Sabre.

June 2 - Queen Elizabeth II is coronated.

June 30 - First production Corvette is built in Flint, Michigan.

August 12 - USSR tests its first hydrogen bomb.

December - First *Playboy* published, featuring Marilyn Monroe on the cover.

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February 2023

Dave Jones

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From the NCM, plant tours are resuming. Bowling Green Corvette plant tours were halted 5 years ago but are returning. Tours must be booked in advance and can now be booked through the end of March 2023. The Museum will be conducting tours on January 16th and one can see all stages of production, however, assembly operations will not be running. Tours are limited to 15 people per hour and guests must be at least 13 years of age. Plant tours for non-members are \$50 per person which includes admission to the Museum. NCM members may purchase a plant tour only for up to 2 individuals for \$35 per ticket. Members can reserve their tour in their Members Only Portal of the Museum website. Closed-toe and heel shoes are required and high heels are not permitted. No electronic devices, i.e. cell phones, cameras, tablets are allowed and guests who use a mobility aid, i.e. cane, walker, crutches will not be allowed to take them on the tour. Wheelchairs will be made available to those in need.

Dave

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www.corvettemuseum.org

www.corvettestore.com



Following up on the cover article from last month...

ACCC Member Lee Morton



Behind the wheel of a red C8 at
Ron Fellows Performance Driving School,
Spring Mountain, Nevada

ACCC Members Participated in the

*First Breakfast of the New Year
Eggspectations
Gainesville, VA - Jan 14th*

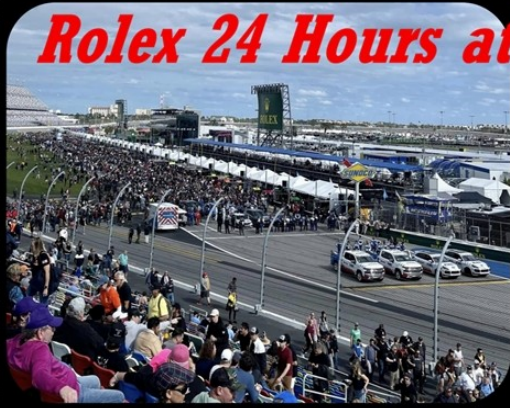


Skip, Marie, Joan, Terry, Gail, Jack, & Clara Rolex 24 Hr at Daytona



Jan 27-29, 2023

Rolex 24 Hours at Daytona



Corvette, 2nd in Class at the Daytona Rolex 24 Hr Race



No. 60 Acura ARX-06 of Meyer Shank Racing Overall Daytona Rolex 24 Hr Race



Follow-up to Toys for Tots...



15 January 2023

Mr. Al McCloud
President, ACCC
16061 Kings Mountain Road
Woodbridge, VA 22191

Dear Mr. McCloud,

On behalf of the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation, we would like to thank you for the continued tremendous support of our program by the Aquia Creek Corvette Club. Our preliminary campaign results are in, and we were able to distribute over 23 million toys, books and other gifts to nearly 10 million less fortunate children all across the Nation.

If not for the exceptional support by organizations like the Aquia Creek Corvette Club, we wouldn't be able to accomplish our mission of providing joy and hope for a brighter future to America's children in need.

We simply can't thank you enough!

All the best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelley J. Hardison".

Kelley J. Hardison
Deputy Vice President
Marketing & Development

I received the above letter on Jan 28th expressing thanks for ACCC support. The thanks also goes to Steve Argubright's coordination and the Corvette drivers from ACCC and the Battlefield Corvette Club for the many toys they delivered to the museum. Thank you.

Handwritten initials "Al" in a cursive script.

More follow-up to Toys for Tots...

In addition to letting us use their Stafford facility as an assembly point for our annual Toys For Tots deliveries, Hilldrup Moving and Storage also offers car and boat storage at their facility in Fredericksburg. If you know anyone who may be interested in storing cars or boats on a seasonal or long-term basis they would be glad to help. Please see their flyer below. **Steve Argubright**



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PARK & STORE

If you simply want to know your car, truck or motorcycle is safely inside a secure storage facility, Hilldrup's Park & Store service offers just that. You drop off your vehicle and we park it in a storage vault until you're ready for it.

\$150 MONTHLY*

FULL-SERVICE AUTOMOTIVE STORAGE

Not only do you want your vehicle to be safe and secure, but you also want to ensure that it's properly maintained while you're not driving it on a regular basis. Hilldrup's team will conduct monthly maintenance on your car, including checking its tire pressure, maintaining its oil change schedule, and running it regularly so that your car's fluids and battery all operate as they should.

\$285 MONTHLY*

BOAT & RV STORAGE

Your recreational vehicles are no small investment, and it's important that yours is safely stored away when not in use. Hilldrup's Central Virginia storage facility offers storage for smaller boats and RVs within our secure facility.

CONTACT US FOR A QUOTE

FULL-SERVICE AUTOMOTIVE STORAGE & CARE INCLUDES:

- Start and run engine for 30 minutes.
- Turn on air conditioner for a minimum of ten minutes.
- Run heater for a minimum of 10 minutes.
- Check tire pressure.
- Check all fluid levels (such as engine oil, transmission fluid, radiator and battery fluid).
- Check for any fluids that may be leaking.
- Exercise all accessories in the vehicle (to include power windows/windshield wipers, seats and mirrors).
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- Exercise clutch and brake.
- Update maintenance records for each vehicle (record all preventative maintenance actions performed and date).
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* Prices reflect rates as of 12/8/2022 and are subject to change, please request a quote for our most current rates.



What Did You Do to Your Corvette?!!

Jack Whitis — 2012 Grand Sport Centennial Edition

The things he did:

- "Kooks" long tube headers
- Kooks X pipe with high flow cats
- ZR1 Splitter, gloss black
- Carbon fiber mirrors
- Tune
- Power Stop brake rotors
- Stainless steel flex brake lines

<i>February Birthdays</i>	<i>February Anniversaries*</i>
<p>Joan Yaros — Feb 2 Barbara Medl (Jett) — Feb 5 Jerry Mackling — Feb 6 Jane Loveland — Feb 7 Joan Fisk — Feb 8 Dottie Shadbar — Feb 12</p>	<p>Marie & Skip Sizemore — Feb 14 Beth & Paul Thompson — Feb 16</p>

Please Note: If we fail to list your birthday or anniversary, it may be because we don't have your dates in our membership database. If you would like to see your birthdays/anniversaries

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1991 Corvette coupe. Only 40,385 miles. Bright Red exterior (original paint in excellent condition), red leather interior, 6-speed manual transmission, adjustable performance handling package, sport seats, electronic AC, Delco/Bose music system, and bronze-tinted transparent top. Includes laminated build sheet and window sticker, as well as original window sticker. Car is in like-new condition. Never in an accident. Includes 3-volume set of service manuals and original owner's manual. Full owner history (with photo of original owner taking possession at the dealership). 250hp L98 engine (the last year of the L98). All original, unmodified, and garage-kept. Ready to drive and show. \$16,600/BO (cheap enough to be your 2nd Corvette). Old enough to be exempt from Personal Property Tax and qualifies for antique vehicle registration (one-time fee, no annual registration fee, no annual inspection). Contact Pete Rutledge, 703-853-8209.



February 2023



NOTE: See "ACCC Events" on Page 5 for the details on particular events. **ACCC club events**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 10AM- Breakfast @ F'burg
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 1PM- Mardi Gras @ Culpeper
19	20	21 ACCC membership meeting @ Aquia 7PM	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

ACCC CLUB JACKETS



Members can order club jackets embroidered with our logo by Heartland Sign Works, 2072 Jeff Davis Hwy, Stafford Courthouse, VA 22554 (open 8:30-5:00, Mon-Fri). As shown in the pictures to the left, a large embroidered club logo is on the rear; the front would normally have a smaller club logo on left chest; other options available but might be extra cost. Jackets come in **three varieties (prices do not include tax)**:

1. **Competitor Jackets** — nylon outer shell, front zipper; \$61.98 up to XL; \$63.98 for 2XL; \$65.98 for 3XL; \$67.98 for 4XL; \$69.98 for 5XL; \$71.98 for 6XL.

2. **Denim Jackets** (shown at left) — stone-washed indigo denim, button front; \$69.98 up

to XL; \$71.98 for 2XL; \$73.98 for 3XL; \$75.98 for 4XL.

3. **Welded Soft Shell Jackets** — polyester woven shell bonded to water-resistant film insert and polyester microfleece lining, front zipper; same pricing as denim jackets, above.

(ABOVE PRICES WERE UPDATED IN FEB. 2021)

Contact Heartland Sign Works (address and phone above) to place your order.

QUALITY JACKETS AT GREAT PRICES!!



ACCC STORE

Items For Sale at all Club Events*



American Flags: \$7.00 ea.
Club Flags: \$16.00 ea.
Patches: \$5.00 ea.
Decals/Stickers: \$3.00 ea.



ACCC Name Badges



* Available at Prince William Engraving, 2608 Dynasty Loop, Woodbridge, VA 22192. PH: 703-494-2658. Badges take 5-7 days and will cost \$12.19 each (when we last checked).

2023 Aquia Creek Corvette Club Membership Renewal Application

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (home): _____ Work: _____

Spouse: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Spouse: _____

Birthday (member): _____ Spouse: _____

Anniversary: _____

May this information be published in the ACCC Member Directory Yes - No (circle)

Corvettes currently owned:

Year _____ Style _____ Color _____ Engine _____

Year _____ Style _____ Color _____ Engine _____

DUES INFORMATION:

DUE: Nov. 9 2022

ACCC Annual Dues (Member) _____ \$30.00 \$ _____

ACCC Annual Dues (Spouse) _____ \$20.00 \$ _____

ACCC Annual Dues (Associate membership) _____ \$20.00 \$ _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO ACCC AND FORWARD TO:

Chris Mendl
203 Northview Dr.
Falmouth, VA 22405

