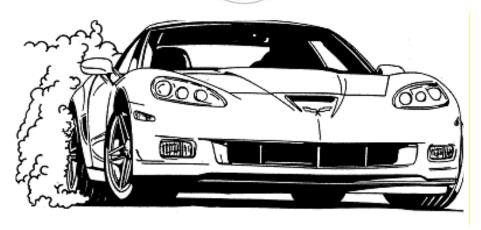
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Nichole Parnell's

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# Calendar of Events

Aug 8 <sup>th</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup>	Racing at the Speedway – Canceled
Aug 18 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting – Nichole Parnell's
Aug 28 <sup>th</sup>	Best of Iowa Cruise – See Flyer
Sep 15 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting – Smokey D's BBQ
Sep 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday Fun Day – Pending
Oct 20th	General Meeting – Smokey D's BBQ

# Officer Reports

#### From the President...

I probably sound like a broken record at this point but the Coronavirus Pandemic is still in the news. It continues to affect our day-to-day lives but perhaps the hottest current topic with it state-wide is returning youngsters to school safely. As the father of a middle school teacher, I certainly understand all of the discussion surrounding this issue. On top of that, there is growing clamor for face mask mandates, both state-wide and nationally. There is no question that we see more and more people wearing them out in public. Countless businesses require employees to wear face masks and a growing number are requiring the same of their customers. I'll repeat this as well... we all need to use common sense!

Of course, we are all aware by now about NCCC's cancelation of the national points program for the entire competition season but you can still accumulate regional event points. There are a handful of events available in the West Region but CCI has canceled all of our regional events, as you know. We continue to hold monthly cruises so please take advantage of that opportunity. By the way, one of those is on tap for the last Friday of August.

The threat of bad weather unfortunately interfered with our outdoor general meeting in July but Nichole Parnell has again offered her house for an outdoor meeting this month. Just bring food and drink of your choice and make sure you remember your lawn chairs. I hope to see you there.

Again, please check CCI's website or find us on Facebook to see what else is going on and as always, continue to play it safe and stay healthy!

Dave Howard, President

#### Governor's Message...

Since Covid-19 has canceled most of our usual club activities, I'm going to keep this brief. Hope you all have been able to join in on some of the monthly cruises that Kris Howard has set up for us. These are always enjoyable and get us the contact with other CCI members that we need.

With no national points program, there are only regional points available but most of the West Region clubs have canceled their events like we have. As I have said before, the Cornhusker CC is one of the few clubs hosting events this year. You can check their website or go to the Competition page of the WR website for information. One last item — the WR needs people for all officer positions. See the nomination form below if you want to apply.

#### **Nomination of West Region Officers**

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Hope to see you all soon, stay safe and COVID free!

Denny Luther, Governor

# Meeting Minutes

## Board Meeting, July 7, 2020

The CCI Board held the July meeting virtually via Zoom with President Dave Howard calling the meeting to order @ 6:38PM. Dave opened the meeting by saying it was announced Monday that CCI lost club member Scott Mitchell over the weekend and that arrangements are currently pending. Stay tuned for information regarding visitation and funeral services.

#### **Officer Reports**

Secretary's Report: Judi Nikolish noted that June's Board meeting minutes were distributed earlier in the week. Dave asked if anyone had comments or discussion and hearing none, he asked for a motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion was made by Kris Howard, seconded by Gary Foster and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Gary provided balances with CDs included. The operating balance has remained lower than normal due to the lack of activities and the dollars generated by those activities. Discussion of our selected charities

followed. Our club check will be delivered this Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> to the Gold Star Museum at Camp Dodge. CCI has the paperwork for six new club members. That paperwork and checks will be held until after September 1<sup>st</sup> when the 2021 CCI renewal period begins. Those new members will be advised. CCI will work to get our Ankeny Airport autocross deposit check refunded and that check will be donated to the Ankeny Airport Museum. A motion to approve Gary's report was made by Kris, seconded by Judi and the motion passed.

We moved our Old Business discussion up to this point in the agenda so Kathy Towner of WinCommunications, CCI's new Web Designer, could join our Zoom meeting and provide us with her initial thoughts and ideas regarding our website. She suggests we use a "Bill Board" type approach for reaching new members and emphasize CCI as a people driven club with pictures of members with their Corvettes.

Appearance of the website's home page is key, as is the site being "user friendly." The site should be a "tool" for members and potential new members to easily understand and navigate. Discussion of converting from the current Wix platform followed. There was also discussion of having registration & renewals on-line and how that may or may not fall in line with NCCC Rules & Regulations. Denny Luther made a motion to have Kathy proceed with development of proposals to transition the website to WordPress with the associated costs so that the CCI Board can review and approve prior to any work or spending. Kris seconded Denny's motion and the motion passed.

Vice President's Report: Kris said a cruising social event is being planned for July 31<sup>st</sup>, going to Bondurant and elsewhere. Details to follow. Our July general meeting will be conducted at Nichole Parnell's home with a 7PM start time. This will be an outside meeting – bring your own food/refreshments and chairs. Remember social distancing as we'll do at all CCI meetings and events! Plan "B" will be to move into her large garage or meet via Zoom as members so desire.

Governor's Report: Denny reminded the Board that a new COVID-19 NCCC member waiver will be implemented and used immediately for all CCI events. Denny will provide Wayne II with the exact form so he can make this available. Denny stated that as we knew, all NCCC point events have been canceled for 2020 and he went on to say that due to unknowns related to COVID-19 and other factors, our proposed August event is not coming together at either the Iowa Speedway or the Ankeny Airport as a substitute site. Denny then made a motion to cancel the event. Gary seconded and the motion passed. Competition Director's Report: Nichole had no report as all autocross events have been canceled for 2020.

Member at Large Report: Steve Howard had no report but thanked Nichole for offering to have our July 21st general meeting at her house. Editor's Report: Dave had no report. Points Director's Report: Wayne Nikolish also had no report. Membership Director's Report: Mike Golightly said that total membership now stands at 116. Social Media Director's Report: Pat Whalen was absent, no report.

New Business: none. Next Board meeting is August 4<sup>th</sup>.

A motion to adjourn was made by Gary, seconded by Denny and the meeting adjourned @ 7:49PM.

Respectfully,

Judi Nikolish, Secretary

### General Meeting, July 21, 2020

The July general meeting was called to order by VP Kris Howard (President Dave Howard was absent) @ 7:09PM. The meeting was held via Zoom and no guests or new members signed in.

#### **Officer Reports**

Secretary's Report: Judi Nikolish said the minutes from the June general meeting are published in *Sportsmate*. Gary Foster made a motion to accept the minutes as published and Wayne Weidmann seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Gary stated that our club treasury has not experienced much financial activity due to COVID 19 and various club activities being canceled. Gary is holding new membership applications for Richard Petticord, Jeff Jackson, Rick & Judy Prevette and Chad & Tracy Zimmerman until after September 1<sup>st</sup>. Gary's financial report was motioned for approval by Judi, seconded by Denny Luther and the motion passed.

Vice-President Report: Kris spoke to our June social which was a cruise to Albia, Iowa to see the Solder's Monument. This monument is nothing short of "spectacular" and THANK YOU to Paul Wyman for organizing this cruise! Our July social/cruise will be Bondurant (Reclaimed Rails) then on to Nevada, Iowa to eat at Star Bucks Drive-in. See the flyer in *Sportsmate*! Our August 18<sup>th</sup> general meeting will be conducted at Nichole's home at 7:00PM. Bring your chairs. No food or refreshments will be served so BYO please.

Governor's Report: Denny stated that we have received NO news or updates as to racing/autocross this year. A potential September event remains to be seen as well. Denny also stated that all West Region Board positions are open (not filled) as per Regional Executive Gene Gau. Denny said that the Cornhuskers have conducted several events and have a couple more upcoming. Please see the Cornhuskers calendar if you are interested in participating. Reminder that no NCCC Points will be awarded through 2020. Competition Director's Report: Nichole Parnell had nothing to report.

Editor's Report: Dave was absent, no report. Points Director's Report: Wayne Nikolish said all cruising & social points have been posted. Membership Director's Report: Mike Golightly will be contacting new members to advise them of an upcoming car show (unrelated to CCI). Mike also spoke to our club's recent financial donation to the Iowa Gold Star Museum located at Camp Dodge (see the article in *Sportsmate*). Social Media Director: Pat Whalen was absent, no report. Member at Large Report: Steve Howard had no official report but wanted to comment on how appreciative Scott Mitchell's family was as to the showing of our CCI club members with their Corvettes at Scott's visitation.

Old Business: New 2021 Board member nominations to be reviewed at our August 18<sup>th</sup> general meeting. New Business: Our club has a new website provider, Kathryn Towner, owner of WinCommunications. New website proposals with costs to be presented to the CCI Board prior to August's Board meeting. Buy & Sell: None.

Next general meeting is 7:00PM on August 18<sup>th</sup> @ at Nichole's House (details in *Sportsmate*).

Motion to adjourn by Nichole, seconded by Sheri J. and meeting adjourned: @ 7:38PM.

Respectfully,

Judi Nikolish, Secretary

# CCI Odds and Ends

#### **General Meeting Details**

Please plan to attend CCI's August general meeting at Nichole Parnell's residence. Here are the details:

# 4565 NE 41<sup>st</sup> Ave Des Moines

Located a few blocks south of Hubbell Ave on the south side of NE 41<sup>st</sup> Ave. The house is just west of the intersection of NE 41<sup>st</sup> Ave & NE 46<sup>th</sup> St.



Bring your own food and beverage and we'll eat "picnic style" during the meeting. Don't forget your lawn chairs!

# See you on the 18th!

#### **Member News**

**New Members.** Look to this space for the most recent additions to the CCI family. We're holding several applications for membership until after September 1<sup>st</sup> so those folks don't have to pay renewal dues for 2020. We'll recognize them in the September *Sportsmate*.

**Birthdays.** Wishing a Happy Birthday to the following members with August birthdates:



Judy Haines	8/5
Bette Murray	8/7
Sheila Wyman	8/14
Rhonda Golightly	8/15
Dave Vance	8/18
Bill Brittain	8/27

**Condolences.** Please keep these members in mind as they cope with the loss of a loved one.

Our condolences go out to Joel Klug & family on the recent loss of his Wife and our fellow club member, Sharon Klug.

A procession of Corvettes made its way to the visitation for Sharon on August 12<sup>th</sup>.





**CCI Apparel.** CCI apparel is available from Kris & Steve Howard's KSH Design Studio. Choose from long sleeve t-shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies. If you're new to CCI or just want to sport some of the latest designs, you can print the order form on Page 9 or use this link to the form:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/10z ro0eP0a5-53oDLtYALP6J1owotKnPh QefaVGe8\_HU/edit?usp=sharing

Custom embroidery services are now available from KSH also! Check with Kris or Steve if you want a piece of CCI apparel embroidered.

West Region Event Points. Wayne Nikolish wants to remind any CCI members who participate in events elsewhere in the region that he would appreciate an email advising him of such. That way he won't miss posting their points

to his points spreadsheet. You should email him at retirednik@gmail.com.

#### **Events**

Here's a wrap-up of recently held events along with a description of events on the horizon:

**Best of Iowa Cruise.** A good-sized group of CCI members took a cruise from Bondurant to Nevada for dinner at Star Buck's Drive-in on July 31<sup>st</sup>. Judging from the photos, it was a pleasant and enjoyable time. See the pics below.

#### Save the Date!

Mark your calendars and look for more details in upcoming issues of *Sportsmate*:

**July 31, 2020.** CCI's next cruise of the season is a Best of Iowa Cruise to the tiny hamlet of Orilla, IA. We're going for chicken at where else? The Chicken of course! Join us in Altoona for a scenic cruise to Orilla. You'll find the flyer on Page 10.



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Towa's Friday, August 28, 2020

And what better place to go than The Chicken?

We've been there before

but this time we're starting in Altoona.

Meet @ 6PM at the Kum & Go on NE Broadway just east of Hubbell Ave.

From there we'll take a scenic cruise through the countryside to Orilla for dinner around 7-7:30PM on the patio at The Chicken.

Cruise back home on our own.



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