

PCC General Membership Meeting
April 3, 2019
Fuddruckers El Toro Road

By Sandy Savanich

President Bob Rose called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and thanked Ray Marshall for stepping in for him last month while he was on vacation.

Bob introduced Randy Duncan, President of the Palm Springs Corvette Club who presented a plaque to PCC for its contribution to the recent Auto Cross that supports the Boys and Girls Club. They raised almost \$10k net. It was decided that John Iest would be the designated plaque holder. Bob Rose asked everyone who attended to please submit their fastest time from either day.

First order of business – the meeting minutes from March were accepted and approved.

Hospitality

Vicky Kovacs was absent and Co-Chair Kandra Longo announced all member birthdays and anniversaries. She also welcomed the following prospective members: Chris Knox, Drew Connor, Kevin Hill

Joe Gildner made an announcement to inform us of Barb's concussion from an unfortunate fall. Thankfully, a CT scan indicated that there was no other damage. She's back on the mend and we wish her a quick recovery so we can see her soon!

Sergeant At Arms

Bob Savanich reviewed the new member process and point system for our prospective members. No new badges to distribute. Bob is holding Greg and Sabrina Glick's badges until they attend the next meeting.

Club Store

Judy Nunn was not in attendance but Bob Rose mentioned the good selection of hats in stock and decals. For a very reasonable rate, you can bring your own clothing to Judy to be embroidered by Tanya.

Treasurer

Gary Lane announced that the club started with a balance of \$6,087. We collected \$421 from new members, dues, raffle and the remaining balance is \$5,916 after all bills were paid.

Historian

Ted Jung had no announcements to make and yielded the floor to David Yeates who shared his recent purchase which is a new process for laminating documents on foam board.

Awards Chair

Dave Hennings was not in attendance and Bob Rose shared that the Awards Committee is looking at the Hornblower yacht as our venue for our January 2020 event.

Editor

Don Wilder mentioned the lack of articles received and encouraged everyone to share their stories and pictures. Speaking of pictures, if you would like your car on the cover of the next newsletter, please send it to Don ASAP.

Something New! Photo Essay "Your Corvette in Reflection". Send pictures of your car with an interesting reflection on the surface of your car.

Nancy Marshall will assume editor duties in May while Don and Marianne are touring Europe.

PCC scholarship applications update. We received one (1) applicant from El Toro High School who is enrolled in a certified auto shop program in Long Beach. As mentioned at the last meeting, since we were concerned we wouldn't get any applicants, we opened the scholarship up to the Southland College Group and the director of the program said we should receive at least 12 applications. The committee will meet in the next week or so.

Spoke to the Chancellor of the California Community College system. He believes, the way to save the middle class of America is through trade schools. As Corvette owners, we should expect to get the most "bang for our buck" from the trade school versus the college system since technology is changing so fast, and there is a shortage of qualified mechanics.

Saturday April 13th at 4:00 PM - tour of Saddleback College Auto Tech Lab for PCC members. Learn first hand what the college is doing for students going into trade school. No need to sign up for the tour, just show up.

Before Don left the podium, Bob Rose wished to comment on Don's driving ability at Chuckwalla and suggested it may be time to change the "Don the Torch Wilder" moniker to "Dr Smooth". Don knows how to cut an apex and exit a turn like clock work! So here's to Dr. Smooth Wilder!

Technology comment for the techies. Bob Rose's Z06 was throwing an occasional "Service Rear Axle" error. He finally determined that it was his dirty air filter restricting air flow. Once replaced, the problem was solved.

VP

Ray Marshall thanked everyone who participated in these **previous events**:

Palm Springs Spring Fling Autocross.

Chuckwalla

Orange County Classic Auto Show

Kick the Tires – 19 cars showed up!

Upcoming events

April 6 - Willow Springs

April 13 – Saddleback Auto Tech Tour

April 27 – Kick the Tires

May 4 – Juvenile Diabetes 5 K at Lake Elsinore for Arch & Kathy Archard's 10-yr old Granddaughter Saylor. Caravan will leave from Carl's Jr at 7:00 AM. Please make a donation

May 4 – Edlebrook Car Show Torrance (1975 and earlier)

May 5 – Auto Club Speedway Speed Ventures event (Pattie is bringing cookies and Alyson is driving!)

May 19- Plastic Fantastic Seaport Village in San Diego. John Iest is the Coordinator and we will meet at Carl's Jr. in San Juan to caravan. There's usually about 40 cars. There is a limit of 400 cars at the event so register now! Online is unavailable so get an application from John so you can submit by mail with your

payment. Lunch at Harbor House at your cost. John will send a spreadsheet out that lists attendees, and those planning to go to lunch.

July 4 – Lake Forest Parade. Mark Alter announced that they are limiting the number of car clubs to 9, and each club can bring 12. The Alters have volunteered to host the event.

8-21- Corvette Nationwide Caravan. 8/21 departure and 8/28 arrival in Bowling Green. About 10 PCC members are currently signed up. See Ray Marshall for more info. Some members may go as far as St. George.

10/3-10/6 – PCC Cambria Annual trip. All the rooms at the Sea Otter are booked. Other options include adjacent Fireside Inn and The Castle Inn. Activities considered ice cream run, winery run, the air museum.

The full calendar of events can be found on the website and in our newsletters.

Old Business

None. Remember to pick up business cards by the podium and invite prospective members.

New Business

Mark Alter informed the group that the Corvette is going to pace the Indy 500 this year.

GM has given the speedway 49 cars, titled as 2019 model years, to function as festival track cars. All are Long Beach Red convertibles, except for the pace car which is a coupe.

Also, if anyone wants to check out the C8, go to Brink Of Speed website. Click on “Finally Taking Shape” and it gives you updated info on the C8. There have been issues with electrical systems and the glass breaking.

As for the C7, it has a finite lifetime. The company that provides the torque tubes for the C7 was sold to Unidrive, which assembles and sells to GM. All the tubes have been delivered and Unidrive is supposedly closing down. If GM doesn't solve the problem with the C8 by the end of the year, we may get into a similar situation as we did in 1983 when no 1983 cars were titled.

Sergeant at Arms

Bob Savanich was called up to assess fines and a whopping \$5.00 was collected.

At 8:05 PM, a 10-minute recess was announced.

Approximately 8:17 the meeting reconvened.

Don Fedderson was called up to discuss group interest in a venue in Carlsbad called the Miniature Engineering Craftsmanship Museum. He'll create a sign up sheet for a group outing in June.

The lucky 50/50 winner was prospective member Kevin Hill who won \$108.00. Congrats Kevin!

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.