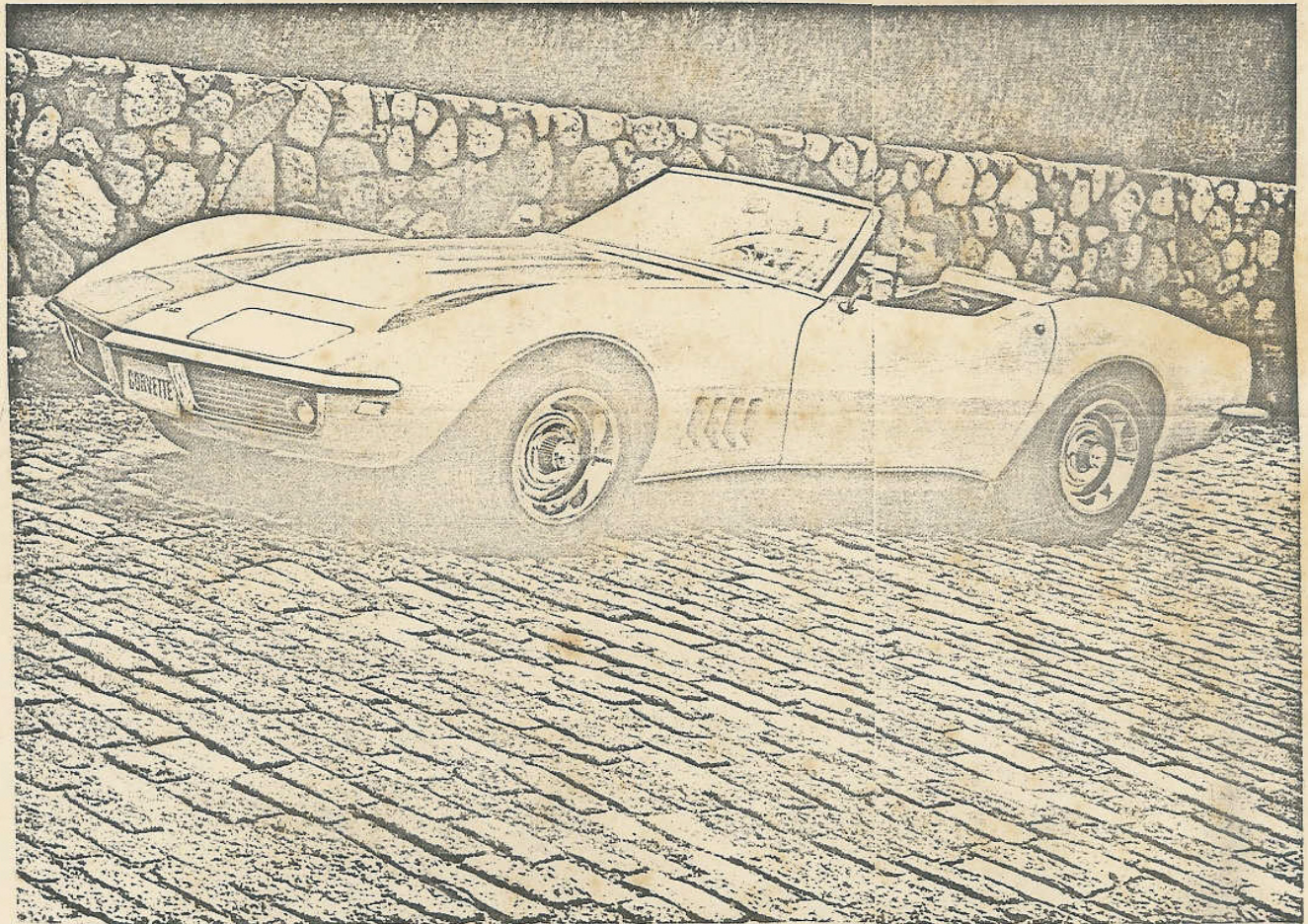


VETTE GAZETTE



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ATTENTION

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

I, Cliff Paine, move to amend the By-Laws of North Florida Corvette Association, Incorporated as follows:

Article V, Section 1, Number and Term of Directors to be changed to read as follows:

"Section 1. Number and Term of Directors. The business, property and affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors composed of six persons who shall be the duly elected officers of this corporation. Each director shall hold office until his successor is elected and qualified."

Article VI, Section 1, Officers to be changed to read:

"Section 1. Officers. The officers of the corporation shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant at Arms and Governor."

A new paragraph to be added at the end of Article VI, Section 6, to read as follows:

"f. Governor:

1. To be a member of the Board of Directors.
2. To handle all National Council business for the corporation."

I, Larry O'Steen, move to amend the By-Laws of North Florida Corvette Association, Incorporated, namely Article IV, Section 1, to be changed to read:

"Section 1. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the membership of this corporation shall be held on the first Wednesday in January of each year at 2600 Phillips Highway, Jacksonville, Florida."

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CORVAIR CLUB GYMKHANA

The Corvair Club held a gymkhana Sunday, September 17, 1967. Of course, members of NFCA were early arrivers, ready to defend our Club. The gymkhana was held at Gateway Shopping Center and was a bit smaller and tighter than the ones we have been having.

All Corvettes were in Class A, where Lang Chaires took home a first place trophy, Larry Porter won second, and Herb Sands came in third.

The ladies' class was a combination of Vettes, Porsches, Minnicoopers and a Corvair. But the girls of NFCA socked it right to them and Chryl Porter was first, Carole Wilmot was second and Dean Ledsome was third.

Everyone had a real good time, considering it was hotter than heck.

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NFCA CONCOURS DE ELEGANCE

The annual car show was held at Gordon Thompson's on Saturday, September 23. Everyone entering the contest found, to their great surprise, that cleanness was only a small part in the judging.

Billy Sauls, Geneva Bethea and Tom Crumrine (the judges) judged the cars on the National Council Concours de Elegance, which were things such as proper working horns, windshield wipers, emergency brake, all lights (including glove compartments). They also checked tread on the tires and the rubber around the windows.

After two hours of great checking, the judges decided the winners of the Stingray Class and the Classic Class. Congratulations go to Mr. Hesser, first place; Herb Sands, second, and Bill Durrance, third. In the Classic Class, Tom Mathewson won first, Larry O'Steen second and Wayne ? third.

Ribbons were given by NFCA and trophies were given by Gordon Thompson's. Mr. John Paul Jones presented the awards.

At the end of the car show, Herb Sands lead all the Vettes in a parade to Dallas Thomas Park to take pictures of the cars. After everyone had parked in a "No Parking" zone, the park police told us to move. We departed to the parking lot and took pictures.

All in all we had a real fun day.

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HAY, A WAGON AND A LOT OF FUN

Are you believing 42 people on a hayride? Yes, NFCA did it again! For years, we have been trying to have a hayride, and Larry Porter finally came through with plenty of people, not enough hay and not enough food, but a very big bon fire.

The Club met at G.T.'s at 7:30 P. M., October 7, and started the long trip to Westside Riding Stables, losing a few members on the way. When we arrived, everyone loaded on to the wagons, and a waiting alligator. Finally, we pulled off for a very eventful ride. Some of the people found it was more fun running along beside the wagons than riding. Others found more fun throwing the hay from wagon to wagon, sitting on ice chests, and other things. After an hour and a half ride, we reached the bon fire by the lake. We ate hot dogs and the usual. About 12 o'clock, we left and returned to our cars and roared over to Herb Sands' house for a small party.

We hope this will be an annual event.

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On October 14, 1967, NFCA put on one heck of a Poker Rally.

Starting from Gordon Thompson's at four o'clock, we all went in pairs five minutes apart on an hour rally which lasted about two hours. We had a little trouble at the second check point....there wasn't a coffee can anywhere to be found.

The rally took us through Southside, Arlington and numerous other places. The whole idea was to see who had the best poker hand (from the cards we drew from the coffee cans) at the end of the rally which terminated at Herb Sands' house.

Tropies were given out to Lenny and his wife, Joyce, first; Phil Chandler and Carole Wilmot, second; and Larry O'Steen and Geneva Bethea, third.

It ended with a party at the home of Bill Durrance in St. Augustine.

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S.A.D. GYMKHANA

As usual, NFCA was at Regency Square Sunday, October 15, to show the people of the world how to drive on a gymkhana course.

The rain didn't stop the NFCA boys from picking up some trophies. Herb Sands and Tom Crumrine brought out the gymkhana Vette for the first time. They really put on a show. The '64 silver blue 300 h.p. Vette took first (Herb) and second (Tom) places. In the girls' class, Chryl Porter took first place and Sally Morris of S.A.D. took second.

For an additional attraction, Lang Chaires tried to make his own course. It really wasn't his fault, everyone was sliding pretty bad.

Afterwards there was a small party at Raymond and Dean Ledsome's house.

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THE FAIR IS HERE!!

Yes, the Greater Jacksonville Fair is finally here, from October 18th through 28th.

Some of the Club members went Wednesday night after the meeting. Six cars went Friday night.

The fair was about the same as all the years before. As we walked all over the fair grounds, you could here whispering voices saying, "Those are the Vettors," which made us feel very good.

NFCA was represented in the Art Show. Carole Wilmot entered a drawing of her car. It was drawn for her by "J.J." Hardy and was in color. Everyone was surprised and pleased.

After looking at all the exhibits in the Coliseum, at Carole's request, we went to the Strip Show. She decided she doesn't want to see another one.

Then we rode many rides, almost killed each other on the bumper cars and saw a two-headed cow. We lost half our money trying to win teddy bears. Larry O'Steen won two.

Anyway, we had a real good time.

S.C.C.A. GYMKHANA

S.C.C.A. put on a gymkhana Sunday, October 22, at Gateway Shopping Center.

Yes, NFCA was there again! All the Corvettes ran in one class. First place was won by Hurley Haywood, second Mike Eastman and third, Tom Crumrine.

In the ladies' class Pat O'Steen (in a Minicooper) came in first and Carole Wilmot came in second.

Everyone who ran drove a fine race.

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POINT SYSTEM

As many of you know, we have a point system going on for the best member. At the end of the year, he or she will be awarded a watch.

One point is given for attendance at a meeting, an event and when you go to Thunderbolt Raceway. You get two points for every new member you get in the Club. So, if you want to win a new watch, start going to the meetings and participating in the events. That's the only way to have fun.

At the present time, Larry Porter is way ahead of everyone.

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ELECTION COMING SOON

As the year is getting close to the end, we have an election of officers coming up. This is a very important and touchy time of the year. I remind all of you to please be thinking and support the person whom you think will put out their best efforts for the good of the Club.

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Barry Clark lives at 5331 Weller Avenue. He works at Chrysler Corporation. He is single, 24 years old and has a 1967 "427" 390 h.p. Corvette. He is a graduate of Jacksonville University. Phone Number: 725-6968.

Jerry Cline has a '66 "427" 425 h.p. Corvette. He is 22 years old and is in Officers Candidate School. He lives at 1036 Crestdale Street. Phone Number: 721-0606.

Elwood T. Collier has a 1968 coupe ordered. It is silver with gun metal interior. He's 18 years old and is a pilot for the Georgia Forest Commission. He lives at 8233 Fort Caroline Road. Phone Number: 744-0361.

Terrell Strickland works at AT&T and is married to Edna. They own a blue convertible with white interior -- a "327" 300 h.p. Terrell is 25 years old. They live at 1591 Lane Avenue, South, Apartment 116H. Phone Number: 781-3755.

Bob Thomas was born in San Francisco, California. He has lived in Jacksonville for about six years. He owns a 1955 "327" 365 h.p. silver grey Vette. He resides at 235 Ravine Street, is 21 years old and single. Phone Number 356-4827.

Tony Thomas has a "327" 300 h.p. red convertible. He's 21 years old and goes to South Georgia College. He lives at 2940 Cherokee Avenue. Phone No. 389-0003.

Charles Hennon Vaughn is 25 years old and owns a '65 silver "327" 300 h.p. Corvette. He's single and works at Thor Chevrolet doing body work (if anyone is interested). He lives at 10341 Lawson Road. Phone Number: 725-7451.

John Ward works at General Motors, Chevrolet Parts Division. He's 23 years old and available. He owns a red '66 convertible "327" 350 h.p. He lives at 8441 Lawfin Street. Phone Number: 724-3576.

Douglas White goes to St. Johns Junior College. At night he works for his father at the Marion Motor Lodge in St. Augustine. He has a red convertible with red interior, "327" 350 h.p. He lives at Marion Motor Lodge. Phone Number: 829-2261 (St. Augustine).

SWAP AND SHOP

Complete set (5 wheels) of finned aluminum wheels. Knock off racing type. Optional equipment on 1966 Vettes. \$250.00 or best offer. Call 733-5050, Ext. 51, and ask for Mitchell Montgomery.

One set of two '64 340 h.p. heads complete; valves, springs, etc. \$80.00. Call Bob Thomas 356-4827.

1954 Corvette. Best cash offer or will accept street car as trade. Also yellow Stingray hard top \$140.00. Contact Mike Fraser.

"327" 365 h.p. engine. Contact Cliff Paine.

Lumax driving lights 100,000 candle power \$15.00 Tony Thomas 389-0003.

A set of 1964 Corvette hob caps. Doug White 829-2261, St. Augustine.

1967 Corvette Convertible 350 h.p. \$4,200.00 - Warren Stovall Phone 744-2597.

All for 1962 Corvette--411 positraction rear end, inside fender panels, 1 set hub caps, 1 14-inch wheel. Also have 8,000 RPM tachometer. Call Herb Sands 355-5728.

1967 Corvette, black scoop, fastback, heavy duty brakes, air-conditioned, fully equipped. 14,000 miles 4-speed 400 h.p. 427 cu. in. Royal Master tires. Bought February, 1967. Never been raced. 359-5570. 4231 Point Lavista Road West.

HAVE YOU HEARD:

1. Herb Sands is going to build the fastest gymkhana car in the world, but who is he going to get to drive it?
2. Dean must be a sound sleeper. Raymond had a hard time waking her up at the hayride.
3. Larry O'Steen is thinking about going into the used car business.
4. Lang Chaires has got flat spots on all four tires.
5. There is a chance that fresh hot dog buns will be served at the next cook out.
6. That some of our girls are losing 100 pounds.
7. That J.J. Hardy is coming home soon and Carole Wilmot is very happy.
8. That Mike and Pat are expecting _____ any day now.
9. That Billy, Bob, and Smitty are going on an extended cruise.
10. That Mike F. is on first name basis with the corvette assembly plant.
11. Mr. Hesser drives 1,500 miles a year to come to the N.F.C.A. meetings.
12. Chryl Porter has been taking all first place trophies lately.
13. Someone stole Warren Stovall's green ball.
14. N.F.C.A. Really Swings Sock it to me Wild Thing.

GOOD-BYE "CALIFORNIA" JOHN

As you may know, "California" John Plumer is on the move again. For those of you who didn't get to meet John, he is a good friend of most members in the Club. But after coming back to Jacksonville for two months, he was ready to hitch up his trailer to his Vette and be on his way back to California. I suppose he will be back next summer to mess around for a few months.

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CONGRATULATIONS!!

NFCA extends congratulations to Wayne Cost and Sharon on their engagement. The wedding date is planned for late spring of 1968.

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