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Introduction

Welcome

This handbook has been developed to assist with your orientation to the Chapter by outlining what you can expect from it and vice versa. Areas addressed include the current Board Members and their responsibilities, membership expectations, newsletter, web site, Chapter social activities, technical education, judging, tabulating, services, and more.

Board Members

The Chapter is led by elected Board Members including the positions of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Judging Chair, Membership Chair, Activities Chair, Technical Director, Newsletter Editor and Web Master. Elections are held on the first Thursday of October each year. The Board plans the activities for the year, supports all judging activities, and is responsible for the financial health of the Chapter. Board positions are exclusively filled by volunteers. The future of the Chapter will be determined by new members like you, willing to assume leadership roles. You will get out of the Chapter experience exactly what you put into it. It is up to you whether your membership will be a rewarding one.

Chapter Bylaws

The purpose of the bylaws is to provide the North Central Chapter of the National Corvette Restorers Society, Inc. members with a uniform set of guidelines by which to operate and embodies the requirements as set forth by the NCRS in the NCRS Chapter Manual.

These guidelines offer a reasonable level of operational flexibility and must be closely observed in order to preserve the purpose and standards of the NCRS Inc. Failure to observe the chapter guidelines can result in revocation of the North Central Chapter charter by the NCRS. The bylaws can be found on the Chapter website as follows:

www.northcentralncrs.com/about/bylaws/

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Membership Expectations

What Can You Expect From Your Membership in the Chapter?

All of the following are provided by members volunteering their time.

- Quarterly newsletters.
- Annual calendar of activities.
- A website with all pertinent Chapter info.
- A Facebook page where Chapter activities are shared.
- Many member resources to advise on restoration questions and issues.
- Chapter sponsored technical and social activities.
- At least one Chapter sponsored judging school per year.

What Does the Chapter Expect of its Membership?

- Learn to judge your year(s) of Corvette using the NCRS judging system. We must have qualified judges to support our Chapter and Regional meets. Whether you want to bring your car through judging or not, becoming a judge is a great experience that will increase your knowledge about Corvettes and get to know a great group of people in our Chapter
- You have knowledge and experiences to share so consider contributing articles to our Chapter newsletter. Articles don't have to be long or complicated. If you are working on your car and found a trick to save time or money, write a short article about it. Keeping in mind that other members of the Chapter may benefit from it.
- All Chapter activities and the Board are supported 100% by volunteer time. You
 will be asked to volunteer at times to support the Chapter so please be willing to
 give some time.

Board Member Responsibilities

Chair Person

The Chair Person has general and active management of the Chapter. He or she shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board are carried out. The Chair Person shall see that the Chapter Board Members properly perform their duties and shall from time to time report to the Board Members concerning the operations and management of the Chapter. The Chair Person may also give notice of Board meetings. The Chair Person shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board Members and/or Officers, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Vice Chair Person

The Vice Chair Person has all the powers and will perform all the duties of the Chair Person in the absence or incapacity of the Chair Person. The Vice Chair Person shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board Members and/or Officers, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Secretary

The secretary is an important member of the board and is responsible for taking notes at all meetings and submitting these notes to the newsletter editor for publication. They are also emailed to each board member and approved at the next board meeting. Approved meeting minutes are also emailed to all Chapter Members on a monthly basis. This creates an accurate record of events and decisions. The Secretary shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board Members and/or Officers, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Treasurer

The Treasurer shall keep full and correct account of all receipts and disbursements of the Chapter, shall maintain all accounting and banking records, and shall deposit all monies in the name of the Chapter in financial institutions designated by the Board Members and/or Officers. The Treasurer shall disburse the Chapter's funds as may be ordered by the Board Members and/or Officers, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the Chair Person and the Board Members, upon their request, an account of all his or her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Chapter. The Treasurer will provide financial reporting as needed by the Chapter.

Judging Chair Person

The Judging Chair Person shall maintain and obtain up-to-date copies as necessary of NCRS National Corvette judging manuals and judging supplies such as Flight award ribbons, appoint judges, and supervise judging of Corvettes at Chapter sponsored events. The Judging Chair Person shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board Members and/or Officers, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Membership Chair Person

The Membership Chair Person shall maintain and keep current the roster of Chapter Members and shall collect and remit to the Treasurer all Member dues for deposit in the Chapter's accounts. Currently, the Membership Chair Person also acts as the Flight Program Administrator with the responsibility for collection, compilation, and submission of all documents required for the NCRS Chapter Top Flight Awards Program to the proper representative of the National NCRS. He or she makes sure the Chapter fulfills its responsibilities and meets its goals to earn the "Top Flight Chapter" status each year. The Membership Chair Person shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board Members and/or Officers, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Activities Chair Person

The Activities Chair Person shall organize, facilitate, and manage Chapter events including the Annual Meeting, except for events that other Members organize and manage with the consent of the other Board Members. The Activities Chair Person shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board Members and/or Officers, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Technical Director & Assistant Technical Director

The Technical Director (and/or Assistant Technical Director) shall arrange for and conduct seminars regarding the history, preservation, and restoration of Corvette automobiles. The Technical Director shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board Members and/or Officers, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Web Master

As an active local Chapter of the National Corvette Restorers Society, we are obligated to maintain a website available to all internet users. The Web Master is responsible for the design, hosting, updating, and maintaining the Chapter website and Facebook page. This allows both members and nonmembers to explore our Chapter and its activities. On this site viewers can find out what we are all about. Posted on the site are activities past, present, and future, names of the board members, and any other items deemed necessary for a good, functional website. The Web Master shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Chapter Board Members and/or Officers, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

The National, Chapter and Facebook web site addresses are:

www.ncrs.org www.northcentralncrs.com

www.facebook.com/northcentralncrs

Newsletter Editor

The Newsletter is a required activity of an NCRS Chapter in order to maintain its active standing in the National Corvette Restorers Society. The Newsletter Editor is responsible for the composition, editing, printing, and emailing of the Chapter's Newsletter. This newsletter is managed, published, and distributed quarterly via email by the Newsletter Editor and contains various articles of interest to the Chapter members and the National organization. Most of the articles are written by the members about chapter events and activities. Every quarter the newsletter includes articles about tech sessions, judging schools, social activities, and projects performed by individual members deemed helpful or interesting to other Chapter members. The newsletter may also contain advertisements for Corvette related services, repairs, and sale of member owned Corvettes/parts. Also included in the newsletter are the Chapter and Regional/National Calendars of Events which is helpful to members in planning their participation for the year. The Newsletter Editor shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Chapter Board Members and/or Officers, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Member participation is important, necessary, and helpful in putting out an interesting and effective newsletter.

Member at Large

A member of the board "at large" has no specific duties unless assigned by the chairman of that board, or a board committee, but has the same rights and responsibilities as other board members. For the chapter, the member-at-large is typically responsible for reaching out to membership to gauge interest in being featured in the member spotlight for the quarterly newsletter. The member-at-large also helps to maintain the chapter contact list of people that membership can reach out to for judging and technical expertise. The Member at Large shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Chapter Board Members, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Historian

The Chapter Historian shall collect and maintain the historical archives of the Chapter which shall include photographs, documents, newsletters, and other memorabilia of the Chapter, and make them available in whole or in part upon request to the Board Members, Officers, and Members for review and display upon request. The Chapter Historian also keeps track of what year(s) Corvettes our members own. The Historian shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Chapter Board Members, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Merchandise Manager

The Merchandise Manager shall be responsible for vendor coordination, collecting money for and ordering Chapter related merchandise (name tags, shirts, hats, flyers, posters, etc.). The Merchandise Manager shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Chapter Board Members, as required by National NCRS, and per the requirements of the NCRS Chapter Awards Program.

Chapter Membership

Membership Eligibility and Dues

Membership in the North Central Chapter is open to any National NCRS member. You are not required to own a Corvette to join the National NCRS organization or a Chapter, just an interest in enjoying, restoring, and preserving Corvettes. Membership application forms are available on our Chapter web site at www.northcentralncrs.com or by contacting the Membership Chairman to have an application form sent to you.

North Central Chapter member dues are currently \$25.00 and require you have an email address so you can receive the Crossed Flags Newsletter via email notification. Each member needs to have an email address so that Chapter events and activity changes can be communicated in a timely manner. If you haven't given us your email address, forward it to the Membership Chair so you can timely receive pertinent Chapter information. The Tech Director and Judging Chair both send out notifications by email approximately 7-10 days prior to each planned event. Monthly Board Meeting notifications are also sent out via email.

NCRS Membership Database

The Membership Chair uses the NCRS Membership Database for keeping track of our members' dues. Information that needs to be changed such as a mailing address, email address or phone number can be updated on the NCRS website at www.ncrs.org. If your email address changes, please also provide the Membership Chair with your updated address so that you will continue to receive the chapter emails.

Looking for New Members

The Chapter is always looking for new members, especially individuals who will actively take part in some or many of the scheduled activities. Chapter members are getting short changed if they don't get involved and take advantage of the wealth of information other Chapter members have. The Chapter does mailings to national NCRS members who do not belong to the North Central Chapter, and other Corvette events are attended to hand out Chapter membership information. If you know a Corvette owner or someone who is thinking about purchasing a Corvette, tell them about the NCRS and the North Central Chapter.

NCRS Membership Number

When you join the NCRS, you are given a membership number. If you are not sure what your number is, you can find it on the address label of your next issue of either <u>The NCRS Driveline</u> or <u>The Corvette Restorer</u>. Memorize this number or else carry it with you to all events as it is important in earning participation credit.

Activities & Events

Technical Sessions

Tech sessions are usually held the third Saturday of the month. The type of tech session and where it's held information is emailed to you approximately one week ahead of time. So, keep the third Saturday open and wait for an email to see if the tech session interests you and you want to attend.

Tech sessions are hosted by members who are doing restorations and/or repairs on their Corvettes so other members can see how it is done and so other members can help the host. The type of tech sessions that have been done include body-offs, body-drops, engine rebuilds/repairs, brake services, paint removal, electrical repairs, interior repairs (seats, carpet, door panels, or dash), convertible tops, and so on. The Chapter has many members with restoration/mechanical knowledge, and they are anxious to teach and assist the other members in the restoration or repair of their Corvette.

To host a tech session, a member should contact the technical director of the Chapter to schedule a technical seminar. The director will assist the member with the planning and execution of the session. There are some requirements to host a session like a location, special tools/equipment, sometimes the project is too large for a Saturday completion, any of these situations can all be worked out with the help of the technical director. The Chapter owns some special tools that are available to members just for the asking. So don't be afraid to host a tech session! The Chapter needs your participation so we can fill the year with tech sessions of interest to all.

The host is compensated by the Chapter for expenses like rolls, refreshments, and lunch. The session normally starts at 9:00 am and may go past lunch if needed, most of the time the session ends at noon.

Please call or email the Technical Director with any questions about a tech session. Even if it's a small project, we can combine two or three small projects on a Saturday morning. Tech sessions are a fun and very informative way to spend a Saturday morning with people that have the same interests as you.

Social Activities

Throughout the year, social activities are planned to complement the many technical and judging activities. The social activities are designed to have spouses and "significant others" involved in our chapter.

The activities have included in the past the Winter Social (member get together), Spring Casual Night Out (member get together), the Chili Challenge (includes other clubs),

Chapter Picnic, Chapter Road Trip, Road Trips to the National Convention, Corvette or car shows, and occasional impromptu outings.

The activities are well attended, and a good time is had by all. We are always open to suggestions and chairing an event is appreciated.

Judging Events

More than fifty years after its formation, NCRS is known worldwide as the source of information on Corvettes.

The National Corvette Restorers Society Mission:

Formed in 1974, the National Corvette Restorers Society is a non-profit hobby group of 15,000+ families dedicated to the restoration, preservation, history, and enjoyment of Corvettes made from the model years 1953 through the present.

If you are looking for a 1953 - 2007 Corvette: The seller is telling you "the numbers match". Do you know what they mean? Are they truthful? Join the NCRS and learn from all of the information we have gathered to make a wise decision when you purchase your Corvette.

If you already own a 1953 - 2007 Corvette: No matter what you are up to, NCRS members have been there before. Benefit from all of the information we have gathered over the years to make better and smarter decisions as you restore and maintain your valuable Corvette.

Also from the website are the following two paragraphs regarding judging:

The NCRS has compiled and is constantly updating highly detailed judging standards and rules for each basic model division from 1953 through 2007. The guidelines in these NCRS Technical Information Manuals are recognized throughout the hobby as THE STANDARD in determining originality.

The judging system is designed to educate each owner about their car as well as providing recognition for excellence in the areas of restoration, performance, or preservation. It is not a "cleanliness contest" like other events, nor do you compete against your friends' Corvettes. Judging is not done by some secret group of "experts".

With this information as a basis, it is felt that judging is the single most important feature of this organization.

The National organization places certain firm obligations on us as a Chapter, one of which is an annual Chapter Judging Meet. Every member of this organization is interested in gaining knowledge about their Corvette. If you want to restore a Corvette to NCRS standards, you should get involved in judging. It is the very reason for our existence.

We are different from most other Corvette clubs, or any car club for that matter, in that we judge our cars against the factory standard rather than popularity or outward appearance. This judging is done with a judging manual in hand.

Every member is a judge to one degree or another. In this endeavor we all are trying to improve; and it is the job of the Judging Chairman to help us improve these skills. There are local Chapter judging seminars a few times throughout the year, and also National holds seminars occasionally and puts out training DVD's. All this is done in attempt to help improve our judging.

If you want to learn about the originality of your car and ways to make the restoration of it closer to what the factory did, there are three things you should do.

- 1. Get active in your local Chapter. You learn so much by being around others who share the passion for this hobby.
- 2. Purchase an NCRS Technical Information Manual & Judging Guide for your car.
- 3. Learn about the car judging opportunities available to you at www.ncrs.org or by purchasing the *Judging Reference Manual*.
- 4. Get active in the NCRS judging program.

Look for an opportunity to participate and we look forward to working with you.

Participation Opportunities

Everyone is Welcome

The NCRS is open to everyone interested in the enjoyment, restoration, preservation, and history of the Corvette. Families and enthusiasts of all ages can enjoy and participate in Chapter events. You can be a member even if you don't own a Corvette! Our Chapter is a great resource for people seeking to own a Corvette and are looking for knowledgeable and personal help or advice.

Tabulation

You personally may not want to judge but might enjoy being involved by tabulating at the judging meets. This is a critical job, and we are always looking for help to accomplish it. It is simply a matter of adding up all the points that have been deducted in the judging process to determine the total points that will be awarded for each car. At events like our Regional judging meet, we need help with managing the registration table.

Social Events and Road Tours

There are also social events which allow for getting together just for fun. The Chapter has a road tour each year for a chance to drive your Corvette (or your family car if you prefer) and have a great experience. You can enjoy being involved in a hobby for which your family, spouse or significant other can also be involved. We encourage your participating in our Chapter. You will be surprised by all the great friends you will meet who share the same passion!



Chapter Contacts

Below is a list of chapter members who have either owned, judged, or are knowledgeable about specific C1-C6 model year Corvettes. They can be contacted for technical or judging advice and to answer questions you may have about your own Corvette. As noted below, we are looking for additional members to volunteer as contacts for the model years that have vacant spaces.

Model Year	Technical	Judging
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1961-62:	Kevin Sullivan ksullivan 17415@yahoo.com	Kevin Sullivan ksullivan17415@yahoo.com
	Paul Burski burski@frontiernet.net	Paul Burski burski@frontiernet.net
	Ryan Clayson shaggsloco22@gmail.com	
1963-64:	Bob Lund bobsstingray@yahoo.com	Jerome Lardy jeromemn@msn.com
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Fuel Injection:		
Body & Paint:		
Interior & Top:		