

# DiscoVette

Newsletter of the Discovery Bay Corvette Club

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# Discovery Bay Corvette Club Executive Board 2016

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**Meeting Schedule: First Thursday of each month, except when otherwise noted.**

**Location: Discovery Bay Yacht Club**

**Board Meeting 6:30 PM**

**General Meeting 7:30 PM**

**All members are urged to attend the meetings and guests are always welcome!**

**Mailing address: PO Box 1158, Discovery Bay, CA 94505-1158**

**Next Meeting:  
February 4th, 2016, 7:30 pm**

# DBCC MINUTES / ORDER OF BUSINESS

DATE: January 7, 2016

**Call to Order (Lowell Onstad)** – Time 7:36 pm by President Lowell Onstad. Lowell welcomed all members and guests, and wished all a Happy New Year.

**Guests:**

- Dave and Shari Peck: has 05 C5, picked up the Sat after Christmas. Formerly Mustang people, had to have that car after Shari punched it. They love it.
- Roger Boaz, '99 first Vette, triple black. Father had a '66 convertible, remembered going to corvette club meetings and having fun.
- Howard and Delores Maxwell have a red '96 C4. They know Al and Paula, and Howard took videos of the club's participation in the recent Discovery Bay Parade.
- Anthony Deccio with friend Bev Neely has 2002 Z06.
- Don and Erlyn Payne (Erlyn is the new DBYC Commodore).

**V.P Report (Dave Hunter)**

- New Members: Dave has badges for Linda Hubbard. (Joanne Onstad took for Linda), and Arnold Plonczak

**Secretary's Report (Ed O'Brien)**

- Approval of previous meetings minutes: Al Moved Joanne Seconded. Unanimous approval by members.
- Ed explained new member checklist, asked for members to point out if they've been left off (Dave Gatt reported he had been), and guests to sign at bottom.

**Treasurer's Report – (Brian Enbom)**

- Reported 12/31/2015 balance of \$10464.68 reduction of approximately \$2500 due to end of year brunch but it was a great party. Membership count is 52 families.
- Looking for John Bento, Jack Hernandez (Jack reported not a member any more).
- Lifetime members will have their WSCC fees paid by DBCC.

**WSCC Report – (Joe Pimentel)**

- A WSCC meeting and banquet is scheduled in Sacramento on 16 Jan. Kathy and Joe will attend.
- The WSCC Convention being considered on alt years, with gatherings in the off years. Another proposal is to have convention each year, but have a clubs sponsor on alternate years. Also considering same location each year (North/South). Organization for convention may change, but WSCC convention will remain in July per bylaws.
- WSCC Autocross Dave Lott asked re: dates for WSCC Autocross meets? It is anticipated Helen Landis will have these available at the Jan 16th meeting.
- Kathy Pimentel presented a letter to Lowell from Buzz Marsden, WSCC. This letter thanked DBCC for participation in the Convention, and included a profit sharing check from convention for hosting car show in Reno in the amount of \$909.00.

**Webmaster Report (Ralph Cerna)**

- Confirmed Curt Maloney voted in and introduced.
- Discussed Webmaster functions, club website members-only area password will be changed at end of month. Members interested in obtaining club website password should see him. Roster & bylaws located in members-only area.
- A new, updated roster to be posted in next two days on club site.

### **Publication's Report (Laura Hardt)**

- Send articles or pictures to Laura for inclusion in the club's newsletter. Send to: corvettenewsletter@hotmail.com.
- Would like article and pictures of new corvette owners and new members with your car.
- Congratulated Al on his new book and requested a copy and information/article that she could publish.
- Please also send any pictures of events (i.e. December parade) via email to her.
- Howard Maxwell took parade videos. For videos, it was suggested to post on U-tube and Laura could provide link information in newsletter.

### **Quarter Master Report (Diana Cerner)**

- Diana thanked all members for participation in Christmas brunch.
- Diana will bring samples to March meeting,
- Items will be posted shown on website in future including pictures (with members modeling) and also in the newsletter.
- Lowell mentioned that new members receive a white polo shirt with DBCC logo.

### **Board Member at Large Report (Rich Allen)**

- Welcomed the new board, the club has been fun, and Rich welcomes the new members.
- The Inaugural for 2 years from now is right on schedule!
- Rich offered his help to all in the coming year.

### **Events Report – (Vicki Hunter)**

- Vicki worked for the Alameda Fair. She is planning a club run to the fair during the horse racing event, and this should be a lot of fun.
- Joyce Friesen presented a club event flyer for bowling at Harvest Bowl in Brentwood on Jan 30th, 3:45p.m. - 6:45 p.m. \$20/person. Price includes 3 bowling games, Pizza, soft drinks, Vicki will be attending. Event promises to be fun, and you don't need to bowl necessarily. Ralph will post on website. Show of hands showed significant interest.
- Vicki is happy to explore additional event ideas with members and assist
- Only currently planned events are in July, so rest of year is open for runs/events. Vicki will put out a calendar; Ralph will help her get events on website calendar.
- Jack Pera suggested an indoor event in Livermore; an indoor track. Jack will bring a flyer at next meeting. Planned racing Sun morning followed by lunch/wine tasting. Thinking of February. Lowell suggested to pick a date, Jack will get a date/flyer together next week. A show of hands showed significant interest.
- Jack also suggested a summer party at his home, and will report to club possible date at future meeting.
- Al Sauvadon discussed the Pismo run that he had to cancel last year. Run includes staying night in Paso Robles, and BBQ with SLO Vettes club, then return home up Hwy 1 via Monterey. Week after 4th of July suggested. Al will contact club after confirming with SLO club.
- Rich encouraged prospective members to participate in events, as this will give you credit for event participation for the member's first year.

### **Public Relations Report– (Kathy Doty)**

- Newspapers like to see club community service and suggests \$250- \$500 for donation to schools, etc. part of the community, or giving a scholarship. Lowell suggested \$500, asking for motion to set aside a budget item.
- Betty Moved that \$500 be set aside for a community charitable donation, and Vicki Seconded and members approved unanimously.
- Kathy indicated donations will be kept in our community
- Kathy planning to put together a newspaper article of DBCC history and community involvement.

### **Sunshine Report (Marilyn Allen)**

- Cheryl reported she had successful CT scan. However, John recently had an x-ray showing L4-L5 disk degeneration. Keep John in your thoughts.
- Mary Hodel hit her head on New Years' eve. Thankfully she's ok.
- January Birthdays: Carole Wilson and Trudy De Leon.
- Treats: Thanks to Diana who brought tonight's treats! Marilyn needs a volunteer to bring treats for September meeting.

### **NCM Ambassador Report (Dave Gatt)**

- Jack Pera's Go Cart event idea sounds exciting.
- Corvette Assembly Plant leads auto industry efficiency and solar use, a new 850 kW array is to be soon installed, that generates enough energy to make 850 corvettes/year.
- KBB.com voted Corvette best value for 2016. They stated that, beyond its stellar performance the Corvette is also a great daily driver.
- Dave is thrilled about GM selling LT4 motor for \$15,000, complete. The LT4 has 625hp and drops right into a C6.
- Dave reported Seinfeld gave President Obama a ride in his '63 split window coupe. The President returned the favor, giving Seinfeld a ride in Air Force 1.
- Ken Albers of Sonoma CA won the recent museum raffle, winning a new 2016 Z06. This is Corvette #15 for Ken, as he already owns 14 Corvettes.

### **Old Business: (none)**

### **New Business:**

- Brian offered prospective members via David membership applications.
- 50-50 Raffle: Special 10 tickets for \$5. John Fleb'ut won \$28.00, and bought drinks for everyone.
- Lowell recently received from Bob Anderson of the Reno, NV club, information regarding a Bakersfield Corvette Club sponsored run to Laughlin, NV, where they will be staying at the Riverside Resort, April 14-16. This run will be included with the newsletter and posted on the web site. DBCC members have previously participated and reported it a great run.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded, then approved by unanimous member verbal vote. **The meeting was adjourned 8:26pm.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Ed O'Brien, Secretary**



# President- Lowell Onstad



I would like to start by thanking the previous board for a job well done. Rich has done an outstanding job and it will be hard to repeat. I would like to welcome the new board which has a few new faces. It is nice to see our new members helping where ever they can. Our first meeting was basically getting acquainted with each other and each ones job for the coming year. It was really nice to see such a large turnout for this meeting. The meetings as well as our Corvette events & runs are a great way for current and new members to meet and get to know each other.

One thing that was voted on and approved was the paying of the WSCC dues for our life time members by the Corvette Club. We also voted on and approved giving \$500.00 to charity this year. Our biggest goal is getting club fun events set up for the year. Anyone interested in putting on a run, please call or e-mail Vicki Hunter with your proposal. I am making this short and sweet so until next month keep the Wave.

Lowell

## Sunshine Report- Marilyn Allen



### Good News Report

Happy New Year to everyone and welcome to our new board. I hope all our members have a great year filled with fun events and that everyone has a healthy year ahead. Cheryl Fleb'ut shared at our last meeting that she had some tests done and they showed no growth of cancer cells in her lungs. Congratulations!

That's the way we like to start the New Year!!

### Health Update

Mary Hodel fainted and hit her head on New Year's Eve. MRI tests came back negative as to any injury to her head. Thankfully she is doing well. Cheryl Flebut shared that her husband John was having some further tests done regarding pains he has been having in is back. We all hope and pray for a good outcome.

### Celebrating January Birthdays:

Trudy DeLeon—January 5th

Carol Wilson—January 21st

### Treats

Thank you to Diana Cernera for bringing the yummy treats to help celebrate the birthdays.

Next on the calendar for bringing treats are Amy Pera and Cheryl Flebut. Next meeting is February 4th.

I still need someone for the September 1st meeting. Someone came up to me at the meeting and offered to take that month but I can't remember who it was. Please let me know.

As always if you have a health update or good news to share please contact me. I try to be very sensitive to things I might hear and always ask the person involved if they wish me to say anything before I report it.

Good Health and Happiness to all! Marilyn



**When: Saturday January 30, 2016  
3:45pm—6:45pm**

**Where: Harvest Park Bowl  
5000 Balfour Rd.  
Brentwood, CA**

**Price of \$20 per person includes:  
Bowling & Shoes  
Unlimited Pizza & Soft drinks  
Awards**

**Price of \$10 per person for pizza only**

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**Names** \_\_\_\_\_

**No. of Persons Bowling** \_\_\_\_\_

**No. of Persons for pizza only** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to DBCC and mail to:**

**Joyce Friesen  
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# Discovery Bay Parade of Lights

12/5/15

Preparing for the parade





# After Party at the Zupan's



## NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM ARTICLE



by Dave Gatt

### Corvette Plant to Utilize Solar Energy

GM leads the auto industry in solar use in the US, and in an effort to continue their investment in clean, renewable energy, the company will break ground later this month on an 850-kilowatt array at Bowling Green Assembly.

The new array will be the largest solar installation by any automaker in Kentucky and will generate 1.2 million kilowatt hours of energy annually, enough to produce about

850 Corvettes. The Corvette features the greatest efficiency of any sports car on the market, delivering an Environmental Protection Agency - estimated 29 mpg highway rating.



### Corvette Named a Performance Car Best Buy



Kelley Blue Book has named the 2016 Chevrolet Corvette the Performance Car "best buy". Contenders for the award ranged from the 2016 Mazda MX-5 Miata, to the 2016 Ford Shelby GT 350. "But it was last year's winner, the Chevrolet Corvette Stingray, that carried the day on the strength of overall performance that compares favorably with sports cars costing tens of thousands of dollars more," the KBB.com editors wrote. "But beyond stellar performance, the 2016 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray offers the kind of comfort and drivability that takes it from a weekend- or special occasion-only fun car to a truly engaging vehicle perfectly suited as a daily driver."

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# Christmas Brunch Run! 12/13/15







# Publications- Laura Hardt



Hi everyone!

I want to start off by saying what an outstanding job our new Secretary Ed O'Brien did in writing our minutes. Great Job!

I hope you enjoy looking at the pictures from the Discovery Bay Parade of Lights and the Christmas Brunch Run. A big THANK YOU to our Secretary Ed O'Brien for providing me with some amazing pictures from the parade.

The theme for this year's Discovery Bay Parade of Lights was "Wild, Wild, West" and we really put both the Wild and the West into our entry. Our Corvettes had horse heads and even moving tails! This year we even had a float with a Corvette as well as our very own galloping cowboy. It was a sight to see. After the parade we gathered at the Zupan's home where we enjoyed a potluck gathering. What an awesome time! Thank you Mark and Denise for opening up your home.

The Christmas Brunch Run was just as much fun. The food was fantastic and we were able to gather a large amount of gifts to donate to needy children thanks to the generosity of our members.

What a terrific way to end 2015 but get ready for 2016. There will be many exciting events to come so please join the fun.

See you soon!

Laura Hardt

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## January

Trudy de Leon 1/5 Carol Wilson 1/21 Lani Maloney 1/21 Ron Parker 1/24

## February

Nancy O'Brien 2/5 Diane Hoffman 2/7 David Harris 2/13  
Patti Brunetto 2/14 Dave Hunter 2/16 John Fleb'ut 2/16  
Mark Zupan 2/20 Rich Allen 2/22 Marge DeSalles 2/22



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