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Notes from the Prez

Well August proved to be a very busy month for many of our members. We had the drive & eat, The Southwinds Car Show & Vettes on the Rockies in Dillon Colorado all on the same weekend.

The drive & eat was planned by John & Connie Fitzgibbons. We went to Smolan Ks. to the Hickory Tree. It was a great place to enjoy, the food was very good, we got to walk around the old school to see all the old memorabilia that brought up memories and several stories were told by everyone as they were enjoying the tour. We had 24 people that attended a very good crowd considering that so many members were out of town in the mountains and we had members that put there cars in the Southwinds Car Show.

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Ron Britt & John Fitzgibbons are planning the trip to Abilene on October 26th, which is on a Saturday. We will discuss more detailed plans in our next meeting. We will have information on the different sight for us to partake. We will also try to have information on bed & breakfast for those of us that might want to spend the night in Abilene. So mark your Calendars!

I want to remind everyone on a couple of items:

The Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend is coming up on us fast. We only have a month, so we need to start thinking about the number of groups and the times the groups plan on leaving. The date is Oct. 3rd-6th.

During Sept. & Oct. is time to renew your club membership dues.

Thanks, hope to see everyone at our next meeting! John Fitzgibbons



Minutes of ACCC meeting August 7, 2002

The meeting was called to order at 7pm by president John Fitzgibbons. Larry Roth brought some information about a corvette auto cross rally sponsored by The Cornhusker Corvette Club, The Platte Valley Corvette Club, Midwest Corvette Society and the Crossroads Corvette Club. The auto cross racing is held on 8/30/ 02 thru 9/02/02 Labor Day Weekend which include high speed on a 2.2 mile track. Through out the weekend is funkhana, poker run, car show, and many more activities for everyone. Cornhusker Cornvette Club is sponsoring a people's choice car show at Sid Dillon Chevrolet on September 21st at Fremont, Nebraska, open to anyone interested in participating.

If interested contact Doug Mehl for more information about this event at Mehldg@aol.com. The Air Capital Corvette Club is planning a trip to Abilene, Ks on October 26th. The time and meeting place is yet to be determined. We will be taking a tour of Eisenhower Museum and other interesting places. Will discuss details at the next two meetings along with our big corvette show in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Swap & Shop (Grady is needing a C4 tire sensor gauge). Grady won the 50/50 pot and donated it to the club and John Fitzgibbons won the door prize. Ron Bozwell was a guest he owns a 73 Sting Ray Convertible. Doug Mehl

Friday September 6th. Drive & Eat

Meet in the parking lot south of the Ice Sports Wichita Skating Rink 505 W. Maple.

Hosted By: Kent & Louise Michael

Group Leaves Promptly at 6:30 PM

Note Time Change For This Month Only



2002 Schedule of Events					
September 4	A.C.C.C. Meeting, Don Hattan Chevrolet.	September 22	8th Annual Show & Shine Presented by the Wichita Police Department, WSU Parking		
September 6	September Drive and Eat - Kent & Louise Michael		Lot, Wichita, Kansas.		
Flex Y2K Car Show, Muscle Inc.	Flex Y2K Car Show, Muscle Inc., Sedgwick County Park, Wichita,	September 28	Fall Cruise-In, Emma Chase Cafe, Cottonwood Falls, Kansas.		
Ocptember 0	Kansas.	September 28-29	27th Annual Last Run Car Show, Arkansa City, Kansas.		
September 8	4th Anniversary Hair Mechanix Car Show, 5424 E. Central, Wichita, Kansas.	October 2	A.C.C.C. Meeting, Don Hattan Chevrolet		
September 14	Douglas Frontier Days Car Show, Downtown Douglas, Kansas.	October 3-6	Eureka Springs Corvette Weekend, Eureka Springs, Arkansas, www.eurekaspringscorvette.org		
Sonic Cruise Night & Poker Run. Be at the		October 5	17th Annual Udall Fall Festival Car Show, Udall, Kansas.		
September 14	Kansas between 5:30 and 6:30 pm. for instructions.	October 5	Whitewater Fall Festival Car Show, Whitewater, Kansas.		
September 14	14th Annual Big MAC Rod Run, Lakeside Park, McPherson, Kansas.	October 5	17th Annual Udall Fall Festival Car Show, Udall, Kansas.		
September 14	Annual "Cruz-In" at Brent's Diner, 4834 E. Lincoln, Wichita, Kansas.	October 11	October Drive and Eat - Gary & Betty Henderson		
September 14	6th Annual Home Town Open Car Show, Home Town Buffet, 6820 W. Central, Wichita, Kansas.	October 26-27	Sedgwick Street Rodders Swap Mee Sat 7am-5pm, Sun 8am-4pm, Free Admission, Kansas State Fair		
September 20	Valley Center Fall Festival Car Show, Valley Center, Kansas.	November 6	Grounds, Hutchinson, Kansas A.C.C.C. Meeting, Don Hattan Chevrolet.		
September 20-21	4th Annual El Dorado Open Car Show, Downtown, El Dorado, Kansas.	November 8	November Drive and Eat - Kevin & Cher Lundberg		
September 21	Sedgwick Car Show, Sedgwick, Kansas.	December 4	A.C.C.C. Meeting, Don Hattan Chevrolet.		
September 21	Bosley's Super Store Show & Shine Car Show, Broadway & MacArthur, Wichita,	December 6	December Drive and Eat/Christmas Pot Luck Dinner - Daryl & Cindy Burbach		
	Kansas.		2003 Schedule		
September 21	Oaklawn Car Show, 47th & K-15, Wichita, Kansas.	January 17-19	46th Annual Darryl Starbird Hot Rod & Ca Show, Wichita, Kansas.		
2002, Effinghan pre-register pric receive confirms a FREE Admiss September 21-22 Ticket, entitling passengers to c poster, one lape each. (After Sep	Mid America Designs Inc, Corvette Funfest 2002, Effingham, IL, All attendees, who pre-register prior to September 6, will receive confirmation in the mail along with	January 25	Automobilia's Classic Car Cinema, Movie & More, Orpheum Theater, Wichita, Kansas.		
	a FREE Admission Decal & Show Entry Ticket, entitling you and one of your	February 7-8	28th Annual Sunflower Swap Meet, Kansas Coliseum, Wichita, Kansas.		
	passengers to one event T-shirt, one poster, one lapel pin and one Funfest meal, each. (After September 6, late and on-site registrants will be required to pay a \$10 admission fee.)	February 22	Automobilia's Classic Car Cinema, Movie & More, Orpheum Theater, Wichita, Kansas.		

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Cruise Nights:

Every Friday Night: (Weather Permitting), Backyard Burger, 21st & Ridge Road, Wichita Kansas. *Every Saturday Night:* 6-9 P.M., Spangles Oldies Car Show, Spangles, Pawnee & Seneca, Wichita, Kansas. *Second Tuesday of Each Month:* 6:30 P.M., Benton Antique Mall & Restaurant, Benton, Kansas *Fourth Friday of Each Month:* Fried Catfish Dinner & Live Rock & Roll, Emma Chase Cafe, Cotton Falls, Kansas.

Second Sunday Morning of Each Month: Antique Auto Breakfast, Emma Chase Cafe, Cottonwood Falls, Kansas.

Minutes of ACCC E-Board Meeting August 19, 2002

The board meeting was held at Ken and Gene McGrew's house at 7pm. We discussed the trip to Abilene and the activities that are available such as Eisenhower Museum and other places. We also discussed the time and place to meet at and will be determined at the meeting first of month. The August 10th drive and eat hosted by John and Connie Fitzgibbons was a success. About 15 cars went to Smolin. Ks. for a wonderful barbecue buffet at an old school house that has been converted to a unique restaurant. Larry Roth stated that the NCCA (National

Corvette Clubs of America) main meeting would be held in St. Louis or Memphis this year. Also there is to be a corvette auto cross in Topeka in October, more information later. For club shirts contact Don Crigler at home or e-mail. The club scrapbook is still missing some pictures of members cars please check with Kent so we can get this completed. The next board meeting is to be held at Larry Roths house. Next club meeting we will talk about the successful car show, Corvette on the Rockies held at Frisco, Colorado the first weekend in August.

"INTRODUCING AN ENTIRELY NEW LEVEL OF OVERKILL THE Z06" Doug Mehl

Treasurers Report

Checking:	
Balance:	
August 1	\$436.63
Expenses:	
Ice Cream Social	\$12.00
Incorporation Fee	\$40.00
Balance:	
August 31	\$384.63
Savings:	
Balance:	
August 31	\$1040.02

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Gene and Daryl's Excellent Adventure or When Two Tight Wads Met

This is a story about a Corvette trip but is more about living on the cheap. Gene Brown and I left for the Black Hills Corvette Classic on Wednesday afternoon. We made North Platte, NE that evening and sure enough, we decided to stay in the motel that Gene had booked the club into once before because it was cheap. This is the motel where there was no hot water. Well, 4 years ago, a Russian woman married an American and they were now running the business. There definitely was hot water and the place was clean and it was interesting listening to her tell about how they got together. On to South Dakota the next day. We knew we wouldn't find a place in Spearfish so we stopped in Rapid City. We checked a Motel 8. \$78 a night. Too much for me so we drove on into town and found a motel for \$47 in a seedy part of town. I booked it like Danno. Gene was so scared of the place; he slept with his gun laying on the night stand beside him. Needless to say, I didn't get up in the middle of the night for a rest room break for fear of being shot.

Attendance at the Vette meet was down. There were still fires in the area and the woods were very dry and brown. One fire had burned right to the backyards of Deadwood but we only saw one building that appeared to have burned because of the forest fire. We drove out towards the Black Hills Bed and Breakfast where we had stayed the last time we went, and fortunately the fire hadn't gotten out that far. The mine in Lead has closed and they were in the process of bulldozing all the buildings. I hated to see that aspect of history being demolished and everything looked pretty bleak. The Corvette street show was again held in downtown Spearfish rather than Deadwood. It was rather lonely without all our other friends from ACCC.

The next night found us in Lewistown, Montana. A town of about 20,000 and miles from anywhere. They were having a baseball tournament and the Oak Ridge Boys were in town so there were no motel rooms to be had. Finally, one motel operator said that we could check the Hotel Clifton but we probably wouldn't want to stay there because "they rent by the month." We found it and pulled Gene's Vette up in front. Gene's car was probably worth 10 times all the other cars in front put together. The Clifton was built in 1917 and was now owned by a couple trying to restore it. Rooms were \$22 with a communal bathroom or \$26 with your own bathroom. Again, I booked it, as it looked better to me than sleeping out underneath the stars. The rooms turned out to be clean and the beds comfortable although there was no A/C and no wind with the temperature in the upper 80s.

The next day we made Mary and Herb Hanson's place just outside of Kalispell, MT. A really pretty log home with lots (and I do mean lots) of garage space for all of Herb's Vettes. Their son and granddaughter from Portland, OR were also coming in so sleeping quarters were at a premium. Gene and I stay inside a Winnebago that Herb was rebuilding. It was inside the largest garage with a '72 Cougar convertible and a '93 40th anniversary Vette on one side and a rolled Chevy pickup on the other. A car lover's dream. Rest room facilities were just outside the back door. We spent three glorious days there doing some fishing and seeing the countryside.

Back towards Wichita and home. The next night we stayed in a little log cabin about 3 miles from where "The Horse Whisperer" was filmed. The little log cabin had 3 bunk beds in it to be used with sleeping bags. Did have electricity but again no A/C and it was hot. Had to prop the front door open all night to try to get some cooling but that was no big deal as there was no lock on the front door anyway. \$36 per night. Rest room facilities out back or you could walk around a pond to the communal bathrooms. Our last night on the road was in western Nebraska where we got a real nice motel for \$47. And now you know how to take a week and a half vacation with total lodging per person around \$100.

Daryl (squeaks as he walks) Burbach



September 6th Drive & Eat

The September Drive & Eat will leave half an hour earlier than our usual starting time. *We will leave the Ice Skating Rink at 6:30 pm*. The drive should take about 30 to 40 minutes.

The restaurant's special for this Friday is Prime Rib, but we can also order off the regular menu.

The restaurant does **NOT** take credit cards so come prepared. They do take cash or checks.

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Next Meeting Wednesday, September 4th, 2002 7:00 P.M. Don Hattan Chevrolet 6024 N. Broadway Wichita, Kansas

The Air Capital Corvette Club meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at Don Hattan Chevrolet, 6024 N. Broadway, Wichita, Kansas unless otherwise stated.

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