

# MACC

## The Mid Alabama Corvette Club



# MACC "TRACKS" MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

August – 2010

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### *A message from the President:*

## 2010 CHAPTER OFFICERS

**President & Executive Board Member:**

**Dennis Hopkins**

**Vice President, Show Chairman & Executive Board Member:**

**Acting President - Paul Boehme**

**Secretary & Executive Board Member:**

**Kathie Jones**

**Treasurer & Executive Board Member:**

**Sara Boehme**

**Past President & Executive Board Member:**

**Terry Mathews**

**Membership:**

**Dwain & Tricia Lawrence**

**NCM Ambassador:**

**Fred Atkins**

**Newsletter:**

**Terry Mathews**

**Web Site Co-Chairs:**

**Paul Boehme & Thom Williamson**

**Social Co-Chairs:**

**Donna Allen & Shari Bailey**

**Sunshine Chair:**

**Babs Lucas**

**Goodwill Ambassador**

**Doyal Marks**

How about these hot August days and nights? Miserably hot but so much better than winter. I understand things are coming together for the upcoming new staff to take over. Just wanted to say, I'm sorry, I will not be able to finish my term, please continue the support you have for the club.

Our annual Picnic was a success; it was good to see everyone. I thoroughly enjoyed myself and my thanks to the cooks and the planning it took to make it all happen. Donna & Shari really did a bang-up job with the social chairs this year.

Fred Atkins is putting together the trip to Bowling Green, be sure and let him know if you have any interest in going. If you have never been it's a treat to see the museum and the assembly plant.

I want to thank everyone for their support over the past year. We had lots of fun and did many different things. Without you members we never could have pulled off the State Wide Meet at Barber's.

The Mid Alabama Corvette Club is something special, so please support the efforts that so many put together for everyone to enjoy. Remember these jobs don't pay much, so be sure and thank the members that work so hard for your enjoyment.

Terry Mathews has agreed to finish the newsletter in my absence. Be sure and tell him thanks the next time you see him. Just want everyone to know I will be back but only as a card totin' member. Just need a rest from all the work that was done this past year.

*Until next time, continue to save the wave and remember to "keep the shiny side up"*  
*Dennis Hopkins*

## **HOT TOPIC – TO BE VOTED ON**

Sara Boehme – MACC Treasurer

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This is a change to the MACC BY-LAWS. It will be voted on for approval at the August monthly meeting.

To all members of Mid Alabama Corvette Club:

When Bill Ringler and his committee did the audit of the 2009 accounting books, a couple of recommendations were made for additions to our By-laws. We have several checks that are written each year that we do not have a bill or receipt for. Some examples of this are the donations to Magic Moments and the National Corvette Museum. The cancelled check has always stood as the receipt on these. Our bank no longer returns cancelled checks to us; therefore, the committee suggested that any check written for over \$100.00, and does not have a bill/receipt for it, should have a copy of the cancelled check. The other suggestion was for the By-laws to include the approval requirements before checks are written.

There were no errors or discrepancies found by the committee. I am enclosing a copy of Bill's letter to the Board regarding the audit and the amendment to the Treasurer's duties for the By-laws. Please look over the amendment and be prepared to vote on its approval at the next meeting.

As always, I have copies of all the financial information at every meeting for you to look at if you would like. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Bill's letter to the Board giving the report of the audit committee:

To: **Mid Alabama Corvette Club Executive Board Members**

An audit of the MACC Treasurer's records for 2009 was conducted this afternoon by Bill Ringler, Willis Grove (SCORE volunteer), Clarence Petty (SCORE volunteer) and Paul Boehme with MACC Treasurer, Sara Boehme. Dennis Hopkins had requested that two members from outside the club participate in the audit. Mr. Grove and Mr. Petty are active volunteers in SCORE [Service Corps of Retired Executives] with Bill Ringler and agreed to provide their services as former small business owners. Paul Boehme, Vice President, participated as required by the MACC By-laws.

An examination of the 2009 MACC bank statements, reconcilements, deposits and disbursements (with associated receipts) was carried out by the attendees. All transactions look to be in good order and Sara is to be commended for her professional approach in keeping the financial records for the Club.

Since Regions Bank does not provide copies of returned checks in the monthly bank statements, it is recommended that the Treasurer obtain an image printout of all checks

written for greater than \$100 that do not have a receipt to support the respective expense.

It is also recommended that the Board update the By-laws to state that checks written over a certain dollar amount be pre-approved by the President.

Respectfully,  
Bill Ringler

**Proposed amendment to the By-Laws of the Mid-Alabama Corvette Club (posted in red):**

Article V Section 4. **Duties Of The Treasurer**

The Treasurer shall, subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be made by the Board of Directors, have custody of all monies, debts, and obligations belonging to the Club. The Treasurer shall receive all monies of the Club account. The Treasurer shall make all payments of the Club debts and file any required tax documents. All contracts, checks, drafts, notes or other orders for payment of money shall be signed in the name of the Club by the Treasurer. **The President can approve expenditures up to \$100 by verbal direction to the Treasurer. Any expense above \$100 must be voted on by the Board of Directors before the check can be written. The Treasurer is to obtain an image printout of all checks written for greater than \$100 that do not have a receipt to support the respective expense.**

The Treasurer shall give a report on the financial status of the Club at the annual meeting and monthly membership meetings and if so requested any other meeting of the Board of Directors. An annual records review (audit) will be conducted by a three **voting** member committee (including the Vice-President) appointed by the President or at any time deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

**Respectfully submitted by Sara Boehme, Treasurer**

NOTE: Your MACC Board of Directors recommends that this amendment be approved.

# Sunshine News

Babs Lucas

Isn't it wonderful to live in the great southern state of Alabama? Yes, the temperatures are unbelievable, as well as the heat index; the sun shines bright and with little rain and hardy ever do we have snow!!

August is a big month for birthdays (16):

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOLKS !!!!!!!!!!!!!

Jack Kempth Tony Smith Mary Mell Smith Jackie Walker Bill Ringler

Bettie Torme Billy Lucas Mark Davis Jeanne Promer Babs Lucas

Donna Klosowsky Evelyn Ringler John Promer Raymond Williams

Kathie Jones Mike Sparks

## Happy Anniversary goes to these members:

JoAnn & Jim Harris Venny & Lee Cable Todd & Jan Pope

Jim & Cindy Maddox Wayne & Donna Allen


If you were not at the July picnic, then you were missed! We all enjoyed the day and we only thought it was hot that day.

For all the new members that have joined us in the last few months.. .WELCOME!! Please come join the fun by coming to the activities of the club. Get to know us and be our friends.

Stay COOL and collected; Take care,  
Babs Lucas  
Sunshine Chair

## **AUGUST MEETING**

We are going Mexican in August ! OLE!!!!

This is out in Odenville by Hoke's house. Really good food, Hoke says it is the "best he has ever had"  Good steaks + Mexican food + good friends = Great Meeting!

**DATE:** Sunday, August 15, 2010

**TIME:** EAT: 1:30 Meet: 2:30

**PLACE:** Mi Casita

170 Council Drive

Odenville, AL 35120

(205) 629-3136

**DIRECTIONS:** From I-20 East, take Exit 144-B. Go right (North) on Hwy. 411 (SR 25) approximately 9 miles. Mi Casita is on the right in the Piggly Wiggly shopping center.

Adios Mi Amigos, Donita

## **Upcoming Events**

### **IRON BUTT III**

WE PULL OUT FOR THE WILD WILD WEST AUGUST 20, 2010 AT 7 AM. WHAT A TRIP THIS IS GOING TO BE, CLOSE TO 5,000 MILES IN 12/14 DAYS. NOW YOU UNDERSTAND WHY IT IS CALLED " IRON BUTT " .

# **NATIONAL CORVETTE MUSEUM NEWS**

Fred Atkins

## **NEW GM CORVETTE PLANT MANAGER NAMED**

GM Bowling Green assembly plant manager Bob Parcell has been appointed plant manager, Lordstown Complex effective August 1, 2010. Dave Tatman current plant manager of Warren, Willow Run and Parma Transmission Operations, will succeed Parcell as Bowling Green assembly plant manager. Dave Tatman is ready to jump in and lead the ship at Bowling Green assembly, the world's only producer of the Chevrolet Corvette. Be sure to watch for our September/October issue of America's Sports Car magazine where we will have a feature article and interview on Dave Tatman!

## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

Dwain & Tricia Lawrence

**No new members to introduce this month.**

## **1979 Corvette Trivia:**

By Thom Williamson

Where have all the '79 Corvettes gone? Production in 1979 was 53,807 cars, all coupes. This is a record for single year Corvette sales that still stands today. What happened to all those cars? High demand for the 1978 carried over to 1979 and a redesign of interior comfort and exterior styling revved up sales for America's Sports Car.

The overall body geometry, T-tops and independent rear suspension made the C-3 Corvette a bad choice for drag racing, so not many were cut up and made into drag cars. Some were raced on road courses with a great deal of success. Corvettes made between 1976 and 1981, (with the notable exception of 1978), have never been known for their collector car status which is good compared to the American Made Automobile in general but poor compared to other Corvettes. So I suppose to answer my own question.... Where are they now?..... They have been driven and enjoyed and restored and driven some more. I'm sure many have been retired to the bone yard by careless drivers and harsh winters, but many others await their owner and a warm summer night to be driven and enjoyed some more.

## **QUICK THINKING !!!!!!!!!!!**

When asked by a young patrol officer, "Do you know you were speeding?"

This 83-year-old woman talked herself out of a ticket by stating, "Yes, but I had to get there before I forgot where I was going."  
Submitted by Tony Crapet

## **CLASSIFIEDS**

**HELP WANTED** Editor for monthly Club Newsletter. A large and well known club of Corvette owners in the central Alabama area is in need of someone to be the Editor of their monthly newsletter. This position requires no real skills, no long hours, and the pay is not that great – just slightly under minimum wage and is negotiable as long as you agree to accept \$0.00 per hour. However, it does pay time and a half for overtime and double time for holidays.

It does keep you on the cutting edge of what's happening in the club, and it is FUN!!!!!!

**DON'T DELAY REPLY TODAY – Your MACC is calling you!**

Reply to: Paul Boehme Mid-Alabama Corvette Club – The greatest bunch of people in the world.

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Links of Interest:

***Drive your Corvette, to work at least one day!***

