

**Annual General Meeting  
of the Corvette Club of Nova Scotia  
held 1 p.m. Sunday, 18 October 2020  
at the Courtyard & Residence Inn, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia**

**Call to Order**

1. Meeting called to order by CCNS President Ivan Hines at 1:00 pm.
2. Ivan Hines welcomed everyone in attendance (22), outlined the agenda for the meeting and sought any additions to the agenda. There being none, a motion to accept the agenda as presented was made by Tim Gilby, seconded by Nancy Latimer, and passed.

**Review of CCNS 2019 AGM Minutes**

3. Having previously been distributed for review, Secretary Doug Butt asked if there were any errors or omissions that needed to be corrected in the 2019 AGM minutes. There being none, Kim Gilby made a motion to accept the 2019 AGM Minutes as published which was seconded by Marian Reid and passed.

**Reports**

President's Report

4. Ivan Hines thanked the CCNS sponsors, executive and members for all of their efforts in keeping interest in the Club alive during this most challenging pandemic year. Despite only a few CCNS runs being held, and without a Maritime Meet, the Club's membership numbers stayed strong due, in part, to the initiative of members at large who organized a number of smaller "neighbourhood" drives.
5. On a personal note, he also shared word of their newly acquired 2020 mid-engine C8 Corvette and, while his Vettes are now in winter storage, he expressed hope that 2021 will bring with it more opportunities for runs and activities for all CCNS members.

Vice President's Report

6. Jody Crook thanked all those who participated in a number of local charity "drive-bys" which generated positive comments and PR for CCNS as well as those who organized and participated in the runs held. Kudos go to all those who took it upon themselves to keep the Club's Corvette spirit alive in 2020.

Treasurer's Report

7. Rick Latimer reported that as of the AGM the Club had a membership of 113, owning some 136 Corvettes from generations C2 to 8 inclusive, a bank account balance of \$11,899.23 and provided a written report on income and expenses. He thanked the Club's seven tiered sponsors and drew specific attention to the additional CCNS donations made to charity (Red Cross and Feed Nova Scotia) which not only assisted in meeting community needs in light of the mass shooting in Portapique and the COVID-19 pandemic, but also helped reduce the year-end bank balance given CCNS' not-for-profit status. The financial summary report, as well as a copy of the bank book balance as of end September 2020, are attached. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Tom Kennedy, seconded by David Kelly, and passed.

Charity Coordinator's Report

8. Joan Butt reported that on behalf of CCNS, she had presented 50 sets of member donated pyjamas to the Berwick and District Lions Club for last Christmas' Hamper Drive. This act of charity was greatly appreciated and generated some very positive PR coverage for CCNS. She then advised that it is the Club's intention to conduct another Pyjama Drive for this Christmas 2020. In addition to the Club's selected 2020

charity, and as mentioned by the Treasurer in his report, CCNS made two additional donations to charity during 2020. On behalf of the Club members, the Club's Executive approved a donation of \$1,000 to Feed Nova Scotia as the result of the COVID-19 pandemic and, further, a motion made via email and passed by the Club members to enable a further \$1,000 to be donated to the Red Cross to be earmarked for Portipique assistance.

9. Despite a much reduced level of Club activity, Joan thanked those who supported the 50/50 draws, which raised \$270.00, held during the Club's breakfasts, Holiday Party and runs. She reported that this \$270.00 would be donated to the Club's 2020 charity, the (Q104) Children's Trust Fund, and made a motion to top that up by a further \$730.00, to make the donation \$1,000.00. This motion was seconded by Tom Kennedy, seconded by Calvin Pearce, and passed.

#### Event Coordinator's Report

10. Calvin Pearce thanked all who had contributed to the Club's activities during 2020. He made specific mention of the Wednesday evenings runs and the the runs led by Orrie and Doug, the last of which saw 29 Vettes cruising along the Noel Shore; hopefully a sign of better days ahead next year. As Calvin is stepping down from his role, his past efforts were recognized by all in attendance.

#### **Old Business**

##### CCNS Facebook Group Policy

11. Matt Meade was absent but has finished the Facebook Group Policy document which will be further distributed for comments before being formally adopted by the Club. Thanks go out to him for this.

##### CCNS Insurance

12. Rick Latimer advised that both general Club liability and directors/officers insurance had been secured for CCNS through group membership with the Canadian Council of Corvette Clubs – Eastern Region (commonly referred to as CCCC – ER or simply Quad – C). While still costly at \$20 per member, it is insurance that is specific to the Club's needs as well as being cheaper than any other available general and D/O insurance.

#### **New/Updated 2019 Business**

##### ACCC

13. Ivan Hines stated that the Fall meeting was held virtually via shared ACCC Club reports in light of the pandemic. A compilation of the ACCC Clubs' write-ups was provided to those present at the AGM (and subsequently distributed to all members via e-mail on 19 Oct 20).

##### CCC-ER

14. Doug Butt gave a brief overview of the role and advantages of Quad – C membership beyond that of simply group insurance. Additional Quad – C information may be found at: <https://www.quadcast.com/>

##### CCNS Webpage Update

15. Given the ongoing challenges associated with maintaining a visible and up to date Club website, Ivan Hines determined that a new platform and look would be to the Club's advantage. Using resources that were made available to CCNS at no cost, he had a demo site set up and gave a live demonstration at the AGM which was very well received. During the discussion that followed, it was noted that overall control of and responsibility for the website would remain with the Club's exec, that an effort would be made to

increase that number of members' Vettes photos and that the members would be identified without the use of their surnames to address any privacy concerns.

CCNS Facebook Group Page

16. Once comments have been received and considered by the exec, the policy will then be formally adopted.

### **Election of 2020 Positions and Chapter Reps**

Events Coordinator

17. There being no volunteer forthcoming, the Club will seek to find someone willing to take on the role of Events Coordinator from CCNS membership.

Newsletter Editor

18. Darleen Langille volunteered to continue in the role of CCNS Newsletter Editor and her offer was unanimously accepted.

Charity Coordinator

19. Joan Butt volunteered to continue in the role of CCNS Newsletter Editor and her offer was unanimously accepted.

Website/Facebook Group Coordinator

20. While the role of Website Coordinator will now be held by Ivan Hines and shared with others on the exec, Matt Meade volunteered to continue in his role as the Facebook Group Coordinator and his offer was unanimously accepted.

Chapter Reps

21. All Chapter Reps offered to continue for 2021 and were acclaimed as follows:

Halifax Chapter Rep: Calvin Pearce  
Valley Chapter Rep: Ian Reid  
South Shore Chapter Rep: Randy Eisnor  
Eastern Shore Chapter Rep: Philip Gale  
North Shore Chapter Rep: Mark Delorey  
Tri County Chapter Rep: Jody Crook

### **Election of 2021 Executive**

President (Year two of a second two-year term 2020 and 2021)

22. Ivan Hines offered to continue for 2021 and was acclaimed as such.

Vice President (Year one of a second two-year term 2021 and 2022)

23. There being no other nominations put forward for the position of Vice President, Jody Crook offered to continue for a second two-year term and was acclaimed as such.

Secretary (Year two of a second two-year of a second term 2020 and 2021)

24. Doug Butt offered to continue for 2021 and was acclaimed as such.

Treasurer (Year one of a second two-year term 2021 and 2022)

25. There being no other nominations put forward for the position of Treasurer, Rick Latimer offered to continue for a second two-year term and was acclaimed as such.

Director at Large (Year one of a second two-year term 2021 and 2022)

26. There being no other nominations put forward for the position of Director at Large, Tom Kennedy offered to continue for a second two-year term and was acclaimed as such..

Past President

27. Matt Meade offered to continue for 2021 and was acclaimed as such.

### **AGM Chairperson Handover**

28. With the elections completed and the 2021 CCNS Executive in place, the AGM focus shifted to the business of 2021.

CCCC – ER Membership 2021

29. In addition to other benefits, it was reiterated that continued Quad – C membership would provide CCNS with the type of insurance coverage desired by the Club as previously discussed, albeit with an associated cost that would need to be reflected in the Club's 2021 budget. After some discussion, a motion for continued membership in Quad – C for 2021 was made by David Kelly and seconded by Steve Murphy. While not unanimous, a majority vote passed the motion.

Budget 2021

30. Ivan Hines asked the Treasurer to step those present through the details of the draft budget for 2021. Rick Latimer did so, noting the nuances resulting from not holding a Maritime Meet in 2020 nor seeking sponsor money in 2021, and of the desire to give the Maritime Meet organizers time to better align revenue and expenses over the coming years while concurrently drawing down excess year-end funds in the CCNS bank balance. To provide for longterm financial stability, the 2021 budget further proposes that the annual dues be increased to \$40. After much discussion as to how best achieve a balance between Club revenues and expenses in general, a motion was made to adopt the 2021 budget as presented, including the increase in the membership dues to \$40 annually, by David Kelly and seconded by Tim Gilby. While not unanimous, a majority vote passed the motion.

Nominations for 2021 Charity

31. Several charities were considered for support in 2021 including Feed Nova Scotia, the (Q104) Children's Trust Fund and The Children's Wish Foundation. After discussion, there was a majority vote that Feed Nova Scotia would be the CCNS Charity for 2021. Additionally, after input from those present, it was agreed that the Brunswick Street Mission, Halifax, and the Valley Care Pregnancy Centre, Kentville, would be the recipients of this year's Pyjama Drive.

Holiday Party

32. Several venue options for a Holiday Party were considered for a gathering to be held in January 2021. In the end, there was consensus to investigate the possibility of gathering at Hatfield Farm for a Holiday Party on 9 January 2021, pandemic restrictions permitting. More information to follow.

#### Breakfast Club

33. As in the past, the "no reservations" CCNS Breakfast Club gatherings will continue during the off-season at Vernon's Thunderbird Diner, 2094 Hammonds Plains Rd, although there was some discussion given that Vernon's had not donated sponsor funds during 2020. Calvin Pearce agreed to follow-up with Vernon and advise the President as to the outcome. Regardless, the CCNS Breakfast Club will meet at 10 am every third Sunday morning, November through April inclusive, pandemic restrictions permitting.

#### 2021 Maritime Meet

34. Ivan Hines stated the intent that the highly successful CCNS hosted Maritime Meet would continue to be held in conjunction with Yarmouth Seafest in 2021. Notwithstanding potential pandemic implication, a planned change in accommodation to better address parking and security issues, and perhaps a few other minor tweaks, the format for the 2021 Maritime Meet will be similar to that of 2019. The dates for the Maritime Meet will be 16-17 July 2021. More details to follow.

#### "Run for the Hills" Cape Breton 2021 Update

35. Doug Butt advised that earlier this fall that he and Peter Arsenault, plus spouses, had done a dry run to Cape Breton and of the Trail in preparation for next year which included securing a block booking of 22 rooms at the Silver Dart Lodge, Baddeck, for the run which will occur over the Thanksgiving weekend, 9-11 October 2021, pandemic restrictions permitting. It is expected that the block booking will open for CCNS reservations next spring. Should demand exceed the block booked accommodation supply, a wait list will be maintained by the Lodge but, to ensure the possibility of accommodation on that busy weekend, accommodation may be made at other locations at any time. More details to follow.

#### 2021 Calendar of Events

36. While a volunteer Events Coordinator will develop a full calendar of events in the fullness of time, a few 2021 dates were tentatively noted during the AGM, pandemic restrictions permitting:

CCNS Run led by Orrie 2 May  
CCNS Run led by Calvin 16 May  
Bar Harbor 3-6 June  
Lounsbury Show 10 July  
Moncton Nationals 7-11 July  
Kingston Corvette Invasion II 18-20 June  
Corvettes at Carlisle 26-28 August  
Annapolis Valley Run led by Ian 12 September (alt 19 September)

Chapter Reps and CCNS event hosts are asked to provide further information as soon as it becomes available to them.

#### **Items from the Floor**

37. CCNS Logo. It had been observed that an individual has used their initiative to organize a purchase of various apparel items via the CCNS Facebook Group that would be embroidered with the

CCNS logo. The issue raised was who had the right to use the Club's logo and should the Club seek to control such offerings in some manner. While many different views were expressed, it was generally agreed that the Club does not want to run a kit shop, maintain an inventory of apparel or permit totally uncontrolled selling of Club related apparel. One possible solution may be to select a few embroidering businesses in Nova Scotia who would be given the CCNS logo to hold on file and where CCNS members could be directed to have items embroidered at their own expense. Bette-Mae Madden and Calvin Pearce were asked to follow-up on this possibility with businesses that they previously had dealings with and report their findings back to the President.

38. CCNS Runs. A question was raised as to membership requirements for participation in CCNS runs. Notwithstanding the fact that CCNS sponsored runs consist of private vehicles travelling on public roads, it must be acknowledged that CCNS members do pay annual dues and, for them, this provides certain rights and privileges conveyed with their Club membership, including coming under the umbrella of the Club's insurance coverage. While CCNS member's guests may be permitted to participate in CCNS runs and activities, eg 50/50 draws, they are not, implicit or otherwise, extended any Club member rights or privileges whatsoever. Certainly the greatest value in guest participation is the generation of potential new CCNS members however the expectation is that such guests will join CCNS if they wish to continue their participation. In fairness to CCNS and other CCNS members, it is primarily incumbent on the inviting CCNS member to ensure that their guest(s) get the most from their experience, are provided with member registration information and do not continue to participate as guests if a membership application has not been submitted.

39. Executive Tenure. Given the fact that 2020 was in most ways a "non-event" year, the possibility was raised as to extending the tenure of all elected CCNS positions by one year. The President agreed to take this into consideration with the exec prior to next year's AGM elections.

40. In Memorial Donations. Rick Latimer made a motion to increase, from \$25 to \$50, the "in memorial" donation amount made by CCNS when members suffer a loss in their immediate family. This was seconded by Joan Butt and a majority vote passed the motion.

### **Adjournment**

41. Having brought all the AGM business of the Club to a close, President Ivan Hines thanked all in attendance for their presence and declared the meeting adjourned as of 3:45 p.m.

### **2021 CCNS AGM**

42. The 2021 CCNS AGM is planned to be held 1:00 pm, 24 October 2021, at a location TBD.

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President

Douglas W Butt  
Secretary