



1953 Through 1967

ILLINOIS CHAPTER NCRS, INC.

MEETING SCHEDULING

The meeting was called to order by Tim Partridge at 2:50 P.M. with an initial overview introduction of chapter formation. Carl Strohm then discussed the history of NCRS and presented a slide demonstration of this meeting's activity.

Subjects to be covered: meeting location, frequency, time, type of events and dues, set up SASE communication, structure of officers, new business, and Illinois Chapter Meet presentation to be held September 22, 23, and 24.

Meeting agenda discussion: Meeting time - Don Schweisthal suggested a Sunday afternoon meeting three to four times a year.

Rich Zelasko - suggested meeting locations in different parts of state. Bob Ricchio asked how many people are from down state. Tim stated he received mail from twelve NCRS members down state (Chicago area 140 members; Illinois membership approximately 200).

Larry Sherman - what function are the meetings going to be? He brought up that the Parent Organization does not have an "open meeting" to the general public. He asked if we are going to be talking about fenders and hubcaps one time and social events another.

Tim - we are going to follow the Parent Organization format and, therefore, will be family oriented with both technical and social aspects.

Steve Olson - would like a technical organization and to meet every other month not just four times a year. Tim said to start with, we will meet four times a year. Jim Krueghoff stated the problem is that we do not know other people from Illinois. It would be nice to have help when you are looking for car parts or have a problem. Sherry Krueghoff stated if we met early enough on Sunday, down state people could spend Saturday overnight here. Tim - we will schedule an Illinois Chapter meeting at Flint. Steve Olson - we should schedule an Illinois Chapter meeting at all major meetings.

Gary Perkins asked if we are going to send out bulletins after all our meetings. Tim - yes, we will mail minutes, questionnaires, and applications to all Illinois NCRS members after this meeting. Communications will then be with Illinois Chapter members only regarding Illinois Chapter business. We will use Driveline as our general communication tool.

Larry Sherman - why call it Illinois Chapter instead of Midwest Chapter? Tim - people from out of state can still join Illinois Chapter. Rich Zelasko - It might be smart to send out our information to Northeast Indiana.

DUES

It takes twelve NCRS members to sign a Chapter Charter request and we would like people to sign Charter today and pay membership dues of \$5.00. Discussion ensued regarding \$5.00 membership fee. After discussion, Tim Partridge made a motion to charge a membership fee of \$10.00. It was seconded by Gary Perkins. Motion was passed by the membership. Membership renewal will take place at anniversary of joining in an effort to maintain a cash flow instead of making all dues due and payable one time a year. The money will be to cover expenses (mostly mailing) and you will receive a laminated Illinois Chapter Charter as a souvenir. Tim suggested forming a judging team and offering our services to Corvette clubs at a fee for judging concourses. Discussion ensued and the item was tabled for a later meeting.

SASE
COMMUNICATION
SYSTEM

Carl Strohm discussed the SASE communication system with the primary interest in maintaining an active membership. Those that did not forward SASE to organization obviously lack interest and would help remove inactive members. Gary Perkins stated that SASE system sounds good in principle but has not worked for other clubs that he has belonged to. It was decided because of the \$10.00 membership fee that that should be adequate to handle postage through the first year while Larry Sherman suggested we table the SASE communication system for discussion at a later date if necessary.

OFFICERS

Carl Strohm discussed the officers organization indicating that Parent NCRS requested that the titles be Chairman and Co-Chairman, combination and/or individual Secretary/Treasurer and other officers as deemed necessary. It was suggested that the officers remain permanent consistent with Parent Organization whereby discussion then ensued both in favor of and opposed to a permanent officership. It was decided that Tim Partridge will become Chairman; Carl Strohm will become Co-Chairman; and, we are interested in individuals that would like to become Secretary, individuals that would like to become Treasurer, and individuals that would like to become Judging Chairman. We would entertain requests from any NCRS members becoming a member of the Illinois Chapter that is interested in holding one of those three positions.

NEW BUSINESS

Dave Burrows suggested we do an inventory of problems and interests of the potential members of the Illinois Chapter and organize our activities around solving those problems by providing information and/or speakers that could talk on those particular subjects. This might be best handled by providing a questionnaire which was discussed and will be included in the first mailing. Don Schweisthal suggested Illinois Chapter could be quite successful as it would provide for small personalized activities that were present in the original forming of NCRS, Inc. Rich Zelasko stated that he was impressed with the family orientation and thought it would be beneficial if the Illinois Chapter followed the same directions so that the wives and children could be included in our activities providing something of interest for them as well.

NEW BUSINESS
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Mitch Kaplan preferred the technical activities of the organization with less interest expressed in the social activities. Jim Krueghoff concurred and felt the technical aspect was extremely important while a good balance between technical and social activities is necessary to appeal to most people.

After a short break for refreshments, all returned to new business at which time each individual present introduced himself and his wife and stated the year car that he owned.

FALL PREVIEW

Preview for Fall:

The Illinois Chapter is scheduling a meet September 22, 23, and 24 in Rolling Meadows, Illinois at the Holiday Inn Holidome: Friday evening registration and literature swap; Saturday technical session, concours, shopping tour (with evening banquet) for ladies at Long Grove, Illinois with luncheon at the Hobson House; and Sunday picture taking. We are blocking fifty rooms facing courtyard. There will be a couple of technical sessions possibly with some national participation. Tim - we are going to change concept of banquet entertainment changing Corvette related speaker to entertainer. Corvette security will be provided. We will call a Chapter meeting at Flint for more details. Bob Ricchio - when is the Illinois Chapter meeting in Flint? Tim stated possibly Friday or Saturday when more people are there. Sherry Krueghoff - will our meet conflict with California meet? No, California meet is in October.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Bob Ricchio - how is Wisconsin Chapter doing? Tim talked with Mike Hunt at Waukashaw but could not attend meeting. They are having a meet in Wisconsin this weekend.

ADJOURNMENT

Twenty-eight members signed the Charter and paid dues and at 4:50 P.M., Carl Zver made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Patti Partridge.

Minutes submitted by:
Patti Partridge, Acting Secretary