

MINUTES OF DEC. 5, 2001 MEETING OF LONG ISLAND VETTES, LTD

The meeting was called to order by President Lou Cocco, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Members were reminded to sign in and check the date of their membership renewal on the register. Any corrections on the list should be reported to the Membership Secretary, Carol Kalolekas. In the meantime, enter their name on the last page. Membership does not run with the calendar year, but from the date of membership. Tonight Tony Z. is selling 50/50 tickets. Thanks to Opie for selling them last month. Thanks to Al & Georgette for bringing coffee and snacks! The motion was made to waive the reading of the Minutes of the last meeting. The motion was seconded and passed. Minutes are posted on the club Website.

PAST EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

We have had no club events since the Winery Cruise, due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Pres. – Lou Cocco – Lou reminded people to support the advertisers in the Newsletter and let them know you saw the ad there.

We are still collecting for Long Island Cares.

V.P., Newsletter Editor & Webmaster – John DiFilippi – Not here tonight. Working.

Treasurer – Rich Fingerhut -	Beginning Balance	\$3,142.94
	Income	130.00
	Expenses	284.00
	Ending Balance	\$2,988.84

This is the last report for Rich F. as Treasurer of LIV.

Membership Secretary – Carol Kalolekas – Not here tonight – On vacation.

Judging Coordinator – Mark Tulley – Nothing to report.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Club Calendar:

Jan. 7, 2012 – Club Anniversary Dinner

Jan. 23 - General Meeting

Feb. 6 – General Meeting

Aug. 23-26 – Corvettes at Carlisle

Sept. 9 – Probable Sandy Kane Cruizin for a Cure Show

Sept. 16 – Probable Mangano Show in Nassau Co.

Sept. 30 – Vettes at the Vanderbilt

Elections

The candidates for Board positions are all running unopposed. Pres. Lou C. gave members present the option of either electing by show of hands or have the General Secretary cast one vote to accept the ballot as is. The members voted and decided to have

the General Secretary cast one ballot to accept the ballot as is. The vote was cast and the candidates were elected to their respective positions.

Lou C. thanked the members of the Election Committee for their work this year for the elections.

Holiday Party

Lou C. reported that since the party has been moved to Jan. 7, 2012 due to the conflicts with all the other parties at the Holidays, and since that is about the date of the first meeting of the club 10 years ago, that we will consider this our Anniversary Party. Bill H. is the Chairman for the event. Bill reported that the event will be held at Butterfields on Old Willetts Path in Hauppauge, near the Northern State Parkway. The cost will be \$30 per person, with the club underwriting the additional cost. We have to guarantee 30 people but the room can hold up to 40. Flyers are on the table. Food will be served buffet-style and there will be a DJ at the restaurant that evening.

If there is a snow storm, the event can be rescheduled or the money refunded.

The event will also be for the Installation of Officers.

Events Committee

Lou C. reported that we have been unable to find one person willing to undertake the position of Activities Chairman. However, he has been able to find three people who are willing to share the responsibilities, so they have been appointed to serve together as the Activities Committee. Thanks to Art Donnelly, Phil Kostis, and Joe Opatovsky for taking on this position!

Valentine's Brunch

The Activities Committee reported that they are looking into locations and dates for the Valentine's Brunch. Last year it was held at Giorgio's in Baiting Hollow and it was a great time. That is an option for this year. They are looking at other venues. The date is not set yet, as Valentine's Day is on Tuesday. Probably we would hold the event the weekend after Valentine's Day, but that is not yet set.

OPEN DISCUSSION

NCRS Thank-You

Lou C. read a letter our club received from NCRS thanking us for our help co-hosting the Winery Cruise and fund-raiser for Wounded Warriors. The event was held at Laurel Lakes Vineyard. NCRS was able to raise over \$3,000 for Wounded Warriors with National NCRS adding to that. It was a really fun day and a great way to stock up on wine for the Holidays.

Judged Shows

Discussion was held regarding the number and location of judged shows the club members want. It was felt that more than 2 shows, with all the other activities of the season would be the best number.

It was also felt that if possible we should try to get dealer sponsored shows, so the trophies could be purchased by the dealership, helping us to make some profit on the

show. Phil K. is working on a possible show with a dealership, though the date of the show is uncertain.

Discussion for making the Vanderbilt Show either an all-car show or all-GM car show. Judging would be for Vettes, with People's Choice for the non-Vettes.

Marketing of any show should begin months before the show. The club has been lax about aggressively marketing our events, and this has probably hurt attendance at our events. We need to be much better at this or there is no real point in holding the event.

Membership

Discussion about how to increase our membership proposed several possible approaches:

- Amend our application with a description of the club and activities.

- Place our application in all the GM dealers and Corvette shops on the Island.

- Have everyone take some applications to the Cruise-Ins when they go and put them in all the Vettes there.

- Form a committee, with the Membership Secretary as chair, to form ideas.

- Look at old membership lists, car show attendance lists, etc. and include in e-mails.

Sunday Morning Hang-out

It was felt by many of the members that meeting at the beach is better than having a separate hangout. Plus it might be a chance to find some new members.

Website

Many of the members commented that the website is too difficult and some of them can't get on it. John D. was not here to help with this. The activities are out of date, are hidden, and members can't get it. They've given up. Lou C. will speak with John D.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING – Monday, January 23, 2012

50/50 - Mark T. won for the first time ever! Congrats!

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Lou C. wished everyone a happy holiday season – Hanukkah and Christmas.

The motion to adjourn was made, seconded and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marty Baker-Fingerhut
General Secretary