

# The Flag Bearer

A Publication of the Southeast Chapter of the NCRS
(National Corvette Restorers Society)
April 2023

#### Highlights:

- Chairman's Report
- 6 Corvette enthusiasts joined our Southeast chapter in Q1
- Technical Article on an A-frame repair and Protecting your car when loading on a trailer

## Chairman's Report

I hope you were able to attend the SE Chapter Judging Meet at Corvette Expo. The meet and Corvette Expo were very well attended and there was a lot going on. The weekend weather was wonderful, attendance was great and we judged some excellent cars. Chris Henry deserves special recognition for adding a new dimension to the show.

One of the requirements for the Top Flight Chapter Award is to do outreach educating other car enthusiasts about NCRS. We usually meet this requirement by entering a car in a car show and sticking a note on the car about NCRS. But Chris developed and funded an excellent exhibit with posters, exhibits, and information. Chris, Dave DelVecchio, Tom Walther, Lynn Skipper and Charlie Fuller displayed their cars. In addition, a 1960 Chasses borrowed from Greg Wyatt helped draw people into the exhibit. They worked on the exhibit, talked with interested people, answered questions and as a result accomplished our mission, spread good will and helped the Chapter get some new members. Great job guys!

Again, special thanks to the Florida and Carolinas Chapter guys who were there to help. Most of them are now also members of our chapter and I hope you will consider joining the Florida and Carolinas Chapters and supporting their activities.

The Love of Corvettes brings us together. However, the SE Chapter members are a fantastic group of people who I enjoy being with. I am looking forward to our next time together. See you at Buyavette.

Thanks, Tom Beuglas

## Vice Chairman's Report

As Tom and Rich wrote about, the Corvette Expo was a success. There were 29 NCRS members that attended, 26 of whom were from our Southeast chapter. It was great to see a great turnout and connect at such a nice venue. For judging, there were 20 judges and tabulators plus we had 3 observers judges helping us out. Tom Beuglas led a top-notch Judging School on Friday afternoon and Chris Henry presented an outstanding NCRS display. With all of these events, we are well on our way to achieving another Chapter Top Flight award for 2023. Thanks Rich, Tom and Chris for your hard work.





Jim Krakau

## **Judging Chairman's Report**

Our SE NCRS Spring Meet was held in conjunction with the Corvette EXPO in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. on Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our hosts for accommodating our event and for finding sufficient room to judge six cars. The feedback received from participants has been more than positive.

In addition to our Flight and Sportsman cars, we had a display with 5 cars and a restored chassis. This special display was managed and coordinated by Chris Henry and is described in detail elsewhere in this newsletter.

On Friday morning, all our Flight-judged cars arrived. Cars were positioned on the loading dock area and operations judging was completed. Then cars were positioned inside the building. Flight Judging took place on Saturday.









We once again had an evening social at the Black Fox Lodge on Friday with 24 attendees. What a great turnout! All the restaurant staff were delighted to accommodate our group. Everyone who attended enjoyed themselves and liked the fact that it was at the hotel where many stayed.





Our main judging school was presented by Tom Beuglas. We had the opportunity to review a restored 1960 Chassis complete with bumpers and steering column. Tom organized the class into three teams, each with a skilled leader. The group leaders were, Gary Jaynes, Jeff Meadows and Jim Ranahan. Each group evaluated and scored a different portion of the chassis also including some exterior items – tires, wheels, wheel covers, bumpers, etc. It was great that everyone was engaged and participated, to the point that the class went beyond the scheduled one hour. The chassis is owned by Greg Wyatt (Vintage Corvettes) and was loaned to the SE Chapter for this purpose. Many thanks to Greg for the loan, Tom for his organization and the team leaders for their guidance. At the end of the chassis portion of our judging school, John Ballard did a short segment on vin & trim tags and engine pad stamps. Thank you, John.







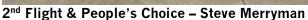


We had two categories of vehicles at our event.

The following cars were presented for Flight judging, and awards were as follows:

1962 owned by Steve Merryman
1963 owned by Ed Dacus
1965 owned by Ralph Goode
1965 owned by Ronald Wallace
1967 owned by Ed Meyer
1972 owned by Pierre Tourney
Top Flight
Top Flight
Top Flight







Top Flight - Ed Dacus





Top Flight - Ralph Goode

Top Flight - Ronald Wallace





Top Flight - Ed Meyer

Top Flight - Pierre Tourney

And, finally, we had our Sportsman cars:

1967 owned by Chris Henry 2018 owned by Bob Kinstrey 2018 owned by Lynn Skipper

A very special congratulations to all!

Judges and tabulators--thank you to all for volunteering your hard work. We had a very good turnout from the entire region—with judges from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, South Carolina and Tennessee, and some Chapter member observer judges from South Carolina and Tennessee. Our tabulators traveled from Georgia and Florida. Without your efforts, none of this would be possible. Again, your time, effort and knowledge are appreciated by all.

We also had an additional award, the Women's/People's choice award. All Flight cars were eligible. The award went to Steve Merryman with his 1962. Congratulations, Steve!

Hope to see all of you at our Summer Meet in Atlanta, Ga. scheduled for June 24 at Buyavette. Details of the event will be available online at ncrs.org in "coming events" when this newsletter is published.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any judging questions or concerns.

Rich Mauser SE NCRS Judging Chairman rjmauser@bellsouth.net 407-230-2303

# Secretary / Membership Report

I am pleased to have been named as the new SE Chapter Secretary/Membership/Event Administrator and look forward to meeting many of you in the upcoming year and for years to come! Many thanks to Janice Mason for her years of service and for helping me with the transition to my new role!

I am happy to report five new members and one former member to our chapter since the last edition of the Flagbearer. Please join me in welcoming:

66892 - Ed Dacus, Memphis, TN

13264 - Mark Donnally, Harrodsburg, KY

69993 - Kerry Jamison, North Charleston, SC

69752 - Dayton Long, Franklin, TN

68235 - Steve Merryman, Watertown, TN

64311 - David Riley is a returning member to the Chapter and is from Hohenwald, TN

As of March 31, 2023, we have a total membership of 95 members.

Sadly, we said good-bye to two Southeast Chapter members who have passed away recently—longtime member Lael Huffstutler and recent member Greg Marshall.

We have a total of 9 members whose Southeast Chapter memberships expired in 2021/2022 and in the first quarter of 2023. Though several attempts were made requesting membership renewals, either there was no response, or they declined their southeast chapter renewal so they have been removed from the chapter membership list.

We were fortunate to have 8 other Southeast Chapter members whose memberships had expired in 2021/2022 renew their memberships with us during February and March.

I continue to get reports from the NCRS on new members who have joined the NCRS National and who live in our region. There is a total of nine new NCRS National members in our region whom I have invited to join us. Hopefully follow-up with these contacts will continue to result in adding new members to our Chapter.

Dues help to ensure the Chapter's continued success in fulfilling its purpose of preservation, restoration, and enjoyment of early Corvettes and to conduct meetings, tours, and programs of any sort relating to the development and history of Corvettes.

Dues may be paid online at NCRS.org, services, renewal membership, or by mail to the address below. Chapter dues are \$30 per year. I am attempting to send out dues notices monthly. However, you may contact me at any time if you are unsure about the status of your dues.

Marianne Landis 143 Oakview Drive, Ellijay, GA 30540

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# Treasurer's Report

### Southeast Chapter of NCRS, Inc. Quarterly Financial Summary Jan 1 - March 31, 2023

Beginning Balance	January 1, 2023	\$ 12,844.89
Income	Membership Dues	\$ 1,340.38
meeme	Spring Meet Registrations	\$ 1,720.73
	Donation to Charity Fund	\$ 25.00
	Soft Drink Sales	\$ 25.00
	Total Income	\$ 3,111.11
Expenses	Federal 990-N Filing Fee	\$ 40.00
	New Checks Printing Fee	\$ 72.01
	Spring Meet Expenses	\$ 1,694.41
	Departing Officers Gift Certificates	\$ 200.00
	Total Expenses	\$ 2,006.42
Ending Balance	March 31, 2023	\$ 13,949.58

Submitted by:

Dave DelVecchio - Treasurer

# **NCM / Communications**

#### **Corvette Sales Brochure Sale**

This might be your chance to add to the history of your car. Listed on sale are 1999, 2001,2002, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008-2012, 2014 and 2015. Prices vary but none are over \$2.55!!!!

#### 26th Annual Michelin NCM Bash Reminder

This is coming up later this month. Online registration is now open (through 4/19) for the April 27th - 29th event. Onsite registration will also be available. See the NCM website for details.

Coinciding with the Michelin bash, the new McMichael Family Education Gallery dedicated to enhancing the educational experience for young visitors will open on April 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### Raffles:

- 2023 Red Mist Corvette Coupe 4/20/2023 Price: \$150.00 Tickets: 1500 Drawing: April 20, 2023
   2:00 PM Central Time
- 2023 70th Anniversary Convertible VIN 00002 Price: \$250.00 Tickets: 1953 Drawing: April 28, 2023 3:00 PM Central Time
- 2023 Torch Red Corvette Convertible Price: \$20.00 Unlimited Raffle Drawing: April 29, 2023
   3:00 PM Central Time

To purchase any of these raffle tickets, you must go to the NCM website, download the raffle ticket form, and mail it. The museum will confirm your purchase.

## NCRS Board Minutes for the January 6th meeting are at:

https://www.ncrs.org/docs/010623.pdf

### **Member's Awards & Recognitions**

Re: Early model E54S001601 Duntov Factory Black Corvette on display at the New Savoy Automobile Museum in Cartersville, Ga.

My early model factory black 1954 corvette was invited to be shown in the new Cartersville Savoy automobile museum exhibit for 2023. The exhibit is focused on local cars not seen in Georgia. It's part of the display for presentations for GM archive designs. It will be exhibited through June 4th.

It will be included in an evening with GM Designer Archive "Christo Datini" who is the manager of GM Design Archive and Special Collections. He is speaking on the history of GM design, keeping the GM tradition alive and growing into the 21st Century.

If anyone would like to see the old cars and corvettes on display, go to the website....

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<u>SavoyMuseum.org</u> or Google it on YouTube. Now we have a great car museum in Georgia to start competing with the Peterson Museum and the Gilmore car museum - it is awesome!!!!!

Mark Wiley (47367)



Please let me know if you have received recent awards to include.

NCRS registered marks used in the Southeast Chapter Flag Bearer include NCRS Founders Award ®; NCRS Judge Award ®; NCRS Performance Verification Award ®; NCRS Flight Award ®; and NCRS Sportsman Award ®. These are registered with the United States Department of Commerce and Trademark Office. The NCRS American Heritage Awards application is pending.



#### **MEMBERSHIP AUTO RENEWAL**

Renew Membership Now online through the NCRS Online Store. You can renew for ONE year or TWO years at a time if you like. http://www.ncrs.org/shop/index.php?main\_page=index&cPath=65

National Corvette Restorers Society www.ncrs.org

National Corvette Museum www.corvettemuseum.com

Southeast Chapter NCRS www.sec.ncrs.org

## **Technical Articles**

#### **SUSPENSION and PRESSURE**

BY CHRIS HENRY

The basic auto A frame suspension has been the norm for over 100 years.

Ralph Goode from Alabama, one of our members, drove his 1965 Corvette to the Corvette Expo. We had an opportunity to meet and spend some time with him with all of us making the best of an unfortunate situation. Just as he was pulling into the parking lot, after a 200-mile drive, his upper A-frame came apart pushing it into the radiator shroud. Dead Stop! What to do one hour before Flight Judging starts?

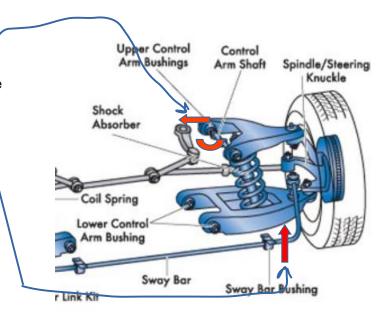
With the help of the car's original jack, a small rotor jack and a pry bar, we were able to take the pressure off the upper A-frame and pry it back onto the control arm. Not a total fix but enough to get him to the judging area. Ralph ultimately was awarded *Top Flight* at our judging event at the Expo. Congratulations and welcome to our NCRS Chapter where we do all we can to get your car judged at our events!

The front bolt worked itself out. When Ralph had to brake hard, this put pressure on the front of the upper A frame which rotated out, off the control arm rotating into the radiator shroud. The bolt was gone. The rubber in the bushing busted out letting the arm come off the shaft.

First Ralph jacked up the front and removed the wheel-tire.

By placing a jack under the lower ball joint, allowing the top A frame to free up from the weight of the car, we were able to pry and push the AF back on the shaft. The spring and weight of the car was transferred to the jack, off the spindle and AF.

Not road worthy, but able to drive to the judging area.



ARTICLE & ILLUSTRATION BY CHRIS HENRY

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# **Protecting Cars When Entering a Transport Trailer**By BOB KINSTREY

Many cars have been damaged while trying to get them into or out of transport trailers. There are simple and inexpensive means to minimize / eliminate damage. Todd Crook, CCNCRS, implemented some tricks on his trailer based on what he recently saw at Carlisle. To protect his car from the trailer door cables he installs "Swim Noodles". He split the noodle down the side thus allowing the sides to be separated. He then slips the noodles over the cables once the trailer door has been lowered. The noodles offer an inexpensive and easy way to provide a soft protective covering.

To help guide the car into the trailer and avoid the trailer's fender wells Todd attached two flexible





reflectors, the type used to mark driveways, to the edge of the fender wells. Any tall flexible and visible stick/marker will work. They are readily available at local stores.





To avoid having to climb in and/or out of the driver side window once the car is inside the trailer it is best to purchase a trailer that has a door opening adjacent to the located of the driver's door once the car is parked. This is especially important if you are transporting a coupe.



Another trick is to mount safety mirrors, the kind typically used in industrial plants, in the front inside corners of the trailer. This allows you to see where the car is relative to the inside of the trailer as you drive the car in and/or out of the trailer.





The ramp into the trailer should have a non-skid / non-slip surface. Loading a car into a trailer during a rainstorm can be disastrous when a bit too much power is applied, and the car starts to skid. Nonskid paint systems are available at a variety of stores.

#### NCRS 2023 Calendar of Events

	EVENT	LOCATION	
June 1-3	Altoona Regional	Altoona, PA	
June 8-10	North Central Regional	Rochester, MN	
June 23-24	Buyavette Summer Meet *	Atlanta, GA	
July 23-27	2023 NCRS National Convention	French Lick, IN	
Oct. TBD	Fall Color Tour *	Summerville, GA	
Oct. 19-21	Texas Regional	Frisco, TX	

• NCRS – SE Chapter Event

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Ron Deering sent a reminder about the annual Corvette event on May 6<sup>th</sup> at Days Chevrolet in Acworth. Full information can be found at: <a href="http://supervettesaturday.com/">http://supervettesaturday.com/</a>



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# Classified Ads

#### **CARS FOR SALE**

# For sale: 1999 Corvette Coupe, 5.7L V8 Engine, Black on Black, Manual transmission - 6 speed.

Less than 47,000 miles. No known mechanical problems, excellent condition. Very clean. New battery tires good for many more miles. As is, no warranty.

VIN: 1G1YY22G5X5123963.

Only two owners. Originally delivered in Pennsylvania. Second owner has owned the vehicle for 15 years: registered vehicle in Maine in 2007 to 2017 (garaged and not driven in Winter months in Maine). Registered and have driven in S. Carolina since 2017.

No accidents, clean title. Non-smoker.

Selling price: \$20,900. Will consider serious offers. Listed on Facebook Marketplace and other sites.

Seller: Greg Howat 207-217-8118

**1984 Corvette** Red exterior / grey interior, 4 speed w/overdrive and 33k original miles. I have owned it for 2 1/2 years. Purchased from original owner. Don't want to sell on open market, reason I'm contacting y'all. If anyone is interested e-mail or call me.

larryrochester@att.net 864-325-4016

**FOR SALE - Parts & Items** 

NEW IN BOXES – 1967 repo bolt on wheel set.

Complete 2.5-inch chambered exhaust system for midyear,

5 excellent repo narrow white wall tires, caps, and wheels for 1965 - used once for judging. 1968 wheels.

water pump 3782609 1961-63 core;

hubcaps 1963, 1964, 1966, PO2; 1971 original spare Firestone wide oval w/ dealer sales albums 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978; alternators 1100628 3B4, 1100693 5G30, 6J20;

Holley Carbs: 1966 427/425 33886101 Core, 1965 327/365 #3849804 Reissue no date, 1966 327/300 – 350

h.p. #3884505 Service Replacement; 1963 WCFB #3826005

1963 original windshield; 1963 -1967 replacement windshield;

3 1966 restored and dated 390HP Holley carbs;

set of 5 1967 rally wheels.

Original 1971 white letter spare tire and wheel;

3 1965 - 1966 power brake master cylinders – restored.

sets of hubcaps 1963, 1964, 1966, PO2; 1967 trim rings – restored.

Contact: Tom Beuglas (404) 456-3711 or email <a href="mailto:beuglast@gmail.com">beuglast@gmail.com</a>

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1964 Starter 1107320 Date Code 3 K 29 (October 29, 1963) \$75.00

Contact: Stephen H. Byrd (865) 250-1968 or email <a href="mailto:bunkybyrd@gmail.com">bunkybyrd@gmail.com</a>

BlackWing air filter unit complete with MAF. This is from throttle body to air filter style. \$250.00



4 new 67 bolt-on-knock-off rims from Top Flight Corvette. 4 new Cooker B.F. Goodrich redline radials, 215/70/15. \$3,000.00 for set-up no shipping but can possibly make delivery connections.







Contact:
Steven Heck
sheck327@gmail.com

870 small block for 63 car. Casting 3782870, A293. Great 327cu bare block. Std bore, never decked. Has original bearing caps. Block will need to go to the machine shop as it has been in my basement for 31 yrs.

AndyJordan NCRS #12924 678-576-4418 ajvet@comcast.net

#### **WANTED - Parts & Items**

2 Original or NOS 1965 Corvette hubcap spinners 1965 Fuel Injection Air Cleaner that needs restoring. Any condition is considered. **Stephen H. Byrd (865) 250-1968** <u>bunkybyrd@gmail.com</u>

#### **WANTED - Corvette**

**Wanted** Need your HELP Looking for First Corvette 1967 Blue Convertible 350HP Small Block 4 speed Black interior low option



Still have Bill of Sale Purchased @ Martin Burk Chev Forest Park, Ga. Chris Henry (61744) Southeast Chapter

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