

# Northstar Chevelle Club

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## Red and black 1970 Malibu



### Original Options

- 350 small block w/2bbl carb
- TH-350 auto transmission
- 3.31 12 bolt posi rear.
- Bench seat interior (originally green)
- 3 Buildsheets.

### Current Features

- Aluminum intake and 4 bbl carb.
- Dynomax performance exhaust.
- Ken Harrison stereo system.
- Cragar SS wheels, BFG tires.
- Procar bucket seats.
- John Delke LED taillights.

### **RICK POCHMARA - Albertville, Mn.**

I grew up in Detroit, Mi. and recently moved to Albertville, MN a few years ago. I have been married for 43 years to my wife Carmen. We have 4 children and 7 grandchildren. After working for GM for 32 years, I have since retired and am now bored out of my mind. However, before my time at GM, I bought a brand new Ford Fairlane in 1968. Although I always drove and loved the blue oval, a red light encounter on Telegraph Rd. with a local group of Camaro guys gave me a change of heart. But, it wasn't the Camaro's, one guy in the group had a Chevelle and that's all it took. A good look at his taillights. "A long straight road in Motown."

I also spent many years in the custom van and truck scene. Even started my own custom van club back then. Then I bought a motorcycle and starting with a Goldwing and then to a Harley. I was active in the bike club venue until I sold my bike. In 2005 I started looking for a Chevelle and found a 1970 Malibu for sale on the Internet, listed in Florida. I already had a friend down there and he was willing to check it out for me. It turned out to be decent car so I struck a deal with the owner and up it came to MN via a shipping company.

The engine is still the same original 350. It originally had a 2 barrel carb and intake on it. Once I got the car home I enjoyed it for the summer then made some changes. I upgraded to a 4 barrel and aluminum manifold. The rear axle is still the original 12 bolt, 3:31 posi rear. It originally had a bench seat I replaced with a pair of Procar bucket seats. New door panels. A Ken Harrison stereo system to upgrade the stock unit. A custom billet steering wheel. It was also just to quiet and I wanted something that wasn't too obnoxiously loud but sounded like a muscle car, so I installed a Dynomax exhaust system and it sounds great. The previous owner added the SS trim which he also painted it red with black SS stripes. John Delke LED taillights were also added for additional safety. Along with a bolt in 3 point seatbelt upgrade harness just like today's cars have with a buckle that goes across your chest and lap. Since it's just like the familiar shoulder strap assembly like modern belts, it hangs from the original seatbelt locations up at the headliner,

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and both floor locations. When the interior was taken apart. A total of 3 build sheets were found. It originally had a set of Boyd Coddington wheels on it, but when I got the car shipped to me. The wheels were not on the car like in the pictures. I ended up getting the wheels from the seller but I liked the look of the Cragar SS and installed a set with BF Goodrich Radial T/A tires. Now that im happy where im at with this car. I will continue to enjoy driving and showing it off.

*Rick was interviewed By Chris Reid, Dave Sietz and Brad Wilder. (We were all hanging out in Ricks backyard one Sunday afternoon earlier this summer.)*



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### Northstar Chevelle Club News - **Making Changes and improvements.** - by Chris Reid

What is this in your mailbox? Well its a freakin Northstar Chevelle Club newsletter. Thats what it is. It sure has been a long time since we have put out one of these and thats one of the first major changes that was decided on over this past summer. Derek Kiefer had been doing them for years and did the best he could to continue getting a regular newsletter out but the time it took to do so just was getting few and far between, now with him and his wife, Jenna, expecting thier first child soon (*congrats by the way*). He was more then willing to pass this along to someone else willing to do them. Thats where I came in. At first they were monthly, then bi-monthly, then, well, you know. My plan is to keep them bi-monthly. As for feature cars, we still need you to send pictures of your car and a story about it and maybe a little about yourself. I also plan visit members and get thier story myself too if that works. For this issue, club members, me, Dave Seitz and Brad Wilder sat and got Rick Pochmara's story about his 70 Malibu hanging out at his house one Sunday afternoon over a few cold ones out on his deck for example. He has also offered to help me out with newsletters and is also in charge of club merchandise.

During our meeting on Aug. 18th, we made another change in position, Derren Arnold whom has been our webmaster for several years now has decided to step down, also because of the time to maintain the website. John Enga has decided to step up and take on the task as our new webmaster. Thank you Derren for doing this for us the last several years and thank you John for stepping up to the job. Also, club member Ian Mcarree's wife, Lori. Has stepped up to help us with the secretary position. Thank you Lori for helping us out.

Events are being planned and worked out too. Our first ever NCC BBQ will be held at Weaver Lake Park in Maple Grove on Sept 8th. It will be a pot luck type of event so please bring food and BYOB so dont forget to bring beverages for yourselves too. I do not know if there is alcohol allowed at this park so ill leave that up to everyone at their own risk. We are also planning a fall cruise again this year. Heading out to Elmers Car Museum, in Fountain City, WI, just like we did a few years ago. Its a great time and the perfect time of year to be down in that area. We will be meeting in Red Wing at Memorial Park, there is a gorgeous scenic outlook high above the city.

Also remember we are on the web at [Northstarcheves.com](http://Northstarcheves.com). Check out the website and visit our excellent forums.

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## Northstar Chevelle Club officer positions.

President: Brad Wilder

Vice-President/Secretary: Derek Kiefer.

Secretary: Lori Mcaree

Events Cordinator: Chris Reid, Rick Pochmara.

Webmaster: John Enga.

*If you would like to help with any positions in the club, existing or not, contact Chris Reid.  
[Chevelle396guy@msn.com](mailto:Chevelle396guy@msn.com)*

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## Northstar Chevelle Club Merchandise for sale

Northstar Chevelle club has t-shirts, sweatshirts, polo shirts and hats. All with the Northstar Chevelle Club logo on them. We also have license plates too.

T-shirts: \$10      Hats: \$10      Polo shirts: \$22  
Sweatshirts: \$18      Window Decals: \$5      License Plates: Was \$10, now on clearance...\$5!!!!  
Membership: \$25, year.

To order, contact Dave Seitz (763)662-2336. Or Rick Pochmara (763)497-7169

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## Upcoming Events:

### NCC, 1ST EVER FALL BBQ:

Saturday, September 8th, 4pm.

Weaver Lake Park

8401 Dunkirk Ln N, Maple Grove, MN

Potluck. Please bring food and drinks for yourselves.

This will be our Sept. Meeting so at sometime during the BBQ, a short club meeting will be held.

November 17th, Meeting: To be determined.

January 2008 Meeting: Also to be determined.

### 2007 FALL CRUISE:

Saturday, October 6th. 9:30AM

Departing from ... in Red Wing, MN,

Destination will be Elmers Car/tov. museum

Fountain City, WI. ...**Memorial Park**

*If you would like to host a club event. Please contact Chris Reid. Chevelle396guy@msn.com or 612-396-1045.*

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## Free Classifieds: call or email Chris Reid to list your items.

**1970 El Camino SS396.** Car has had a full frame off resto completed and 6xxx miles since. This is a matching numbers car with 3 build sheets, protecto plate and other docs to prove its authentic. I have had the car 9 years and am the 4th owner. I am selling to fund a new car project. I would consider a partial trade of a Harley.

Brad Wilder, 763-724-4129. [bwild70ss396@netscape.com](mailto:bwild70ss396@netscape.com)

**For sale:** 68-72 stock 10 bolt, gas tank from 72 Malibu, Lokar Street Rod shifter, stock rear springs with isolators, SBC Edelbrock Torker II intake, 2 pairs of Chrome SBC valve covers, stock master cylinder w/bleeders, Chrome 14X3 in. Air filter, upper control arms ready to install with new rubber bushings and POR-15 black, no miles.

Dave Seitz (763)662-2336. [Seitzdavid@hotmail.com](mailto:Seitzdavid@hotmail.com)

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