

*June 2012*



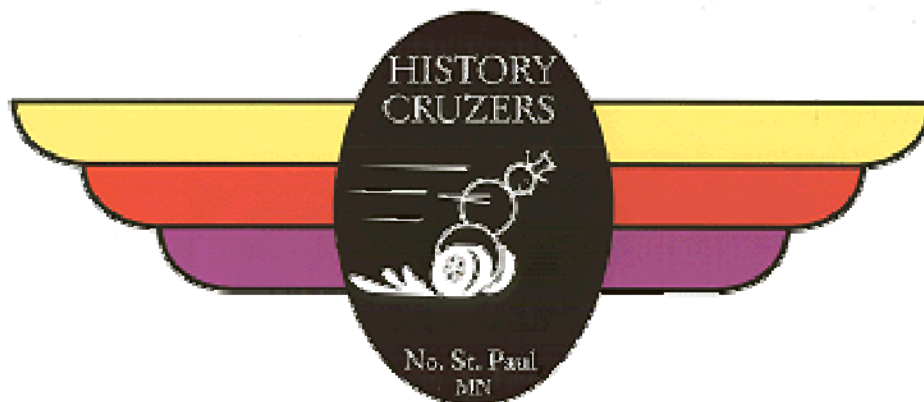
MINNESOTA'S '64 - '87 CHEVELLE AND EL CAMINO CLUB

**President: Stan Shinker**  
**Webmaster: John Delke**

**Vice President: Tom Brokaw**  
**Treasurer: Michael Sabby**

Next Meeting and NCC Event!!!  
Friday June 29 - 5pm  
"History Cruzer's" show - North St. Paul

Hosted by Northstar Chevelle Club



We have priority parking at the corner of 7th Ave & Margaret.  
Put this one on your calendars! Lets have a "show of force!"

# Meeting Minutes

Northstar Chevelle Club

Saturday, May, 2012

Kevin/Dashboard's Man Cave (Cleanest shop in the Twin Cities)

11:30 AM-1:00 PM

## AGENDA

1. New Member Introductions: (Bruce 1971 Convertible)
2. Old Business:
  - a. Treasurers report Mike Sabby
  - b. Web News/Updates (John Delke)
    - i. 106 Registered users
    - ii. 15,557 total post as of meeting time
  - c. Club Donation to Kurt Eastberg (Tanaman)
3. New Business:
  - a. Updated club banners received- 2 each one sided for \$350.
  - b. NCC Drag Racing Review (John Delke)
  - c. Club Apparel (Craig Savina)
  - d. Members Rides-Need more stories and pics.
4. Upcoming Events:
  - a. NCC Picnic Sunday May 27-Maple Grove-11:30 PM- NCC Event!!!
  - b. Saturday June 2nd
    - i. Pequot Lakes Show
    - ii. Start of bi-weekly Hastings Show
    - iii. Kurt Eastberg's (Tanaman) Wife's benefit Eagles Club Owatonna
  - c. Saturday June 16 NCC Meeting Dyna Tech, Jordan, MN
  - d. Friday June 29 St. Paul Cruise-In NCC Club of the Night NCC Event!!!
  - e. Powercruise-BIR July 13-15
  - f. Car Craft Summer Nationals July 20-22
  - g. NCC/MSMZ Automania Car Show Sunday August 19.
  - h. MSRA Fun Run-BIR August 24-25.
  - i. Midwest Chevelle Regionals-Kansas City, MO September 21-23.
  - j. 2012 Fall Cruise-Duluth October 6-7 NCC Event!!!
5. Open Forum
6. Meeting Close

# July 20-22 Car Craft Summer Nationals

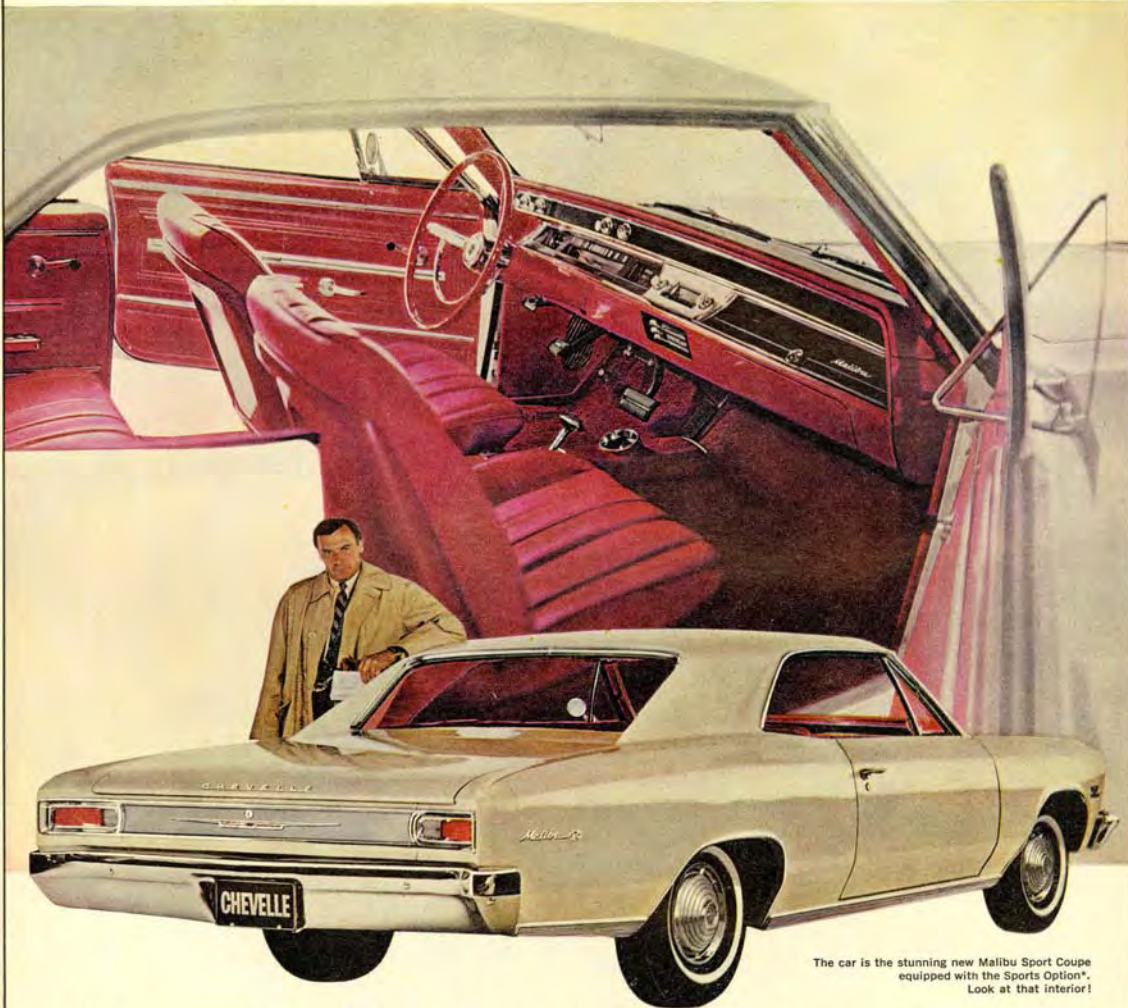
(Have you registered yet? Do it early... Save \$\$\$)

**CAR CRAFT** **SUMMER NATIONALS**



**PERFORMANCE**  
VEHICLES • PARTS • RACING

WELCOME TO THE *Luxury* LOVIN' '66 CHEVROLETS



The car is the stunning new Malibu Sport Coupe equipped with the Sports Option\*. Look at that interior!

## '66 CHEVELLE

It's as different inside as it is outside. And this Chevelle's the sportiest of all the sporty Chevelles: the Malibu Sport Coupe with the Sports Option.

A rakish Sport Coupe with recessed rear window marks a brand-new look for '66 Chevelle and tops its nine-choice lineup. Included are such most-wanted models as a new-this-year 4-door hardtop, a down-to-earth-priced 300 series Convertible, a brace of 86-cubic-foot-sized Station Wagons and of course, 2- and 4-Door Sedans. Take your pick. As for power — well, just say the magic words and you can order from a 120- or 140-hp Six and 195- and 275-hp V8. If you elect for the Sports

Option for your Malibu Sport Coupe or Convertible, you can power all the way up to a special 360-hp 396-cu.-in. V8, get Strato bucket seats, 3-Speed, 4-Speed or automatic with floor console, and there's a long list of other extras available. Chevelle '66! Great! The newest style in middle-sized cars. Really now, isn't it time you put a little luxury in your life? The place to start is your Chevrolet dealer's.

**CHEVROLET**

A GENERAL MOTORS VALUE

\*Basic Sports Option includes: Special model identification and exterior trim, Strato-bucket seats and all-vinyl interior.

## Ride of the Month

### Jim D's 1972 Chevelle

#### "Bad Bowtie"

The car started life as a bench seat, 350, 4 speed Malibu with 67,000 miles. I liked it as I can fit the whole family in it. We got the car back in 2004 from an Akron, OH gentleman who had a 496 in it, blew it up and had a dream to make it a 540. For health reasons he could not finish it, but had 95% of the parts, a 540 built, and a TH400 to go behind it.

It sat for a few years before I had the funds and the time to finish it up. I took the car to a "hotrod place" to finish it up. (A friend and I got the engine and tranny in, but that was it). To make a long story short, the "hotrod place" fired up the engine without priming it, and it did not live long. I have learned a very valuable, but costly lesson from this experience. First "hotrod places" charge a ton of money and are not really that good at some-thing that is not a ground up where they use their parts that they are familiar with. They actually build cookie cutter hotrod cars from an engine, electrical & drive train perspective.



Looking back I am grateful I took it there. Believe it or not, there was more positive than negative that came of it. First, I can say I am very happy to find people from this very club and others who helped solve issues and problems. After the engine mishap my son JJ was fired up to get it done. He helped in the whole process and I could not have gotten it done without him. I also had a good friend Tim help with the engine and tranny install and I am grateful for it. This was my first experience putting a car together, and had a lot of fun doing it.



The engine & drive train took on a whole new transformation and planning. Took the



block to Sputz Performance in Owatonna and I began to work up a plan. First, the goal was to build a killer street-able beast that would run on pump gas, want to keep

the cost down without sacrificing quality, and to learn as much as possible from knowledgeable people. By surfing the 'net I was able to find many of the parts I needed at reasonable cost. Also by selling parts from the original 540 build, I was able to recoup costs. Got all the parts to Sputz and he went to putting it together.

The build:

- 557 BBC
  - Merlin II 4.5 bore
  - Callies 4 3/8" 4340 crank
  - Callies H beam 4340 rods L19 bolts
  - Mahle pack forged 4323 pistons 8cc dome
  - AFR 335CNC heads 112cc chambers with Jessel shaft mount rockers
  - ISKY EZ rollMAX "no needles" lifters
  - Merlin SP intake
  - Holley 1000HP carb
  - TH400 built by Burt Brown Racing Transmissions (Straight Cut gears normal Valve body)
  - Pro Edge Converter @ 3200 stall
  - Gear Vendors OD
  - Denny's Nitro custom Driveshaft
  - Strange Dana S60 with Detroit Locker, 4.10 gears, Wilwood disc brakes
  - AFRC rear adjustable upper and lower control arms
  - Spohn ARB
  - Lemons headers and Flowmaster 40 3" exhaust
  - Strange SA shocks all 4 corners
- Engine dyno'd 758HP @ 6000RPM and 720FtLb @ 4900RPM

As for the body we stripped the hood and trunk to bare metal and my neighbor repainted them, I love the red stripes. The car is great on the street and I love to take it to the strip. Got to be careful, as it runs a little fast at the track. It is little hard on gas and do not take it for long cruises. The "bad bowtie" name came from the black and red plate license plate my wife and son found that says "**Bad Bowtie**"



**Don't forget to purchase your 2012 Chevelle calendar!!**



Calendars are available at our monthly meetings, or you can order them using the Club Merchandise link on our website. Cost is \$12 plus \$3 S&H for up to 2 calendars. \$10.50 S&H **for 3 to 20 calendars. Shipping to a single address only with each order.**

**Chevelle.  
Looks like a million for \$3885.**



Though you'd never know from its looks, that gleaming Chevelle you see above is one of America's lowest priced mid-sized cars. Not only that, but based on the same comparison of Manufacturers' Suggested Retail

Prices, at \$3,885 it's also priced lower than 34 American compact models. (26 in California.) And that \$3,885 will buy you a good-looking Chevelle Malibu Coupe just like the one here. With a coach window in a formal roofline.

With fiber glass radial tires. Front disc brakes. Full Coil suspension. Seating for six. 15.3 cubic-foot trunk. Full carpeting throughout the passenger compartment. And dozens of other features,

all standard. The only things not included in the Chevelle's price are taxes, license, destination charges, the white stripe tires (\$43), and the full wheel covers (\$35), shown here. And the price holds true

everywhere in the U.S., except California where prices are higher. The \$3,885 Chevelle. The only thing more attractive than its looks is its price. Check them both out at your Chevy dealer.

**Smart, complete, mid-size Chevelle.**