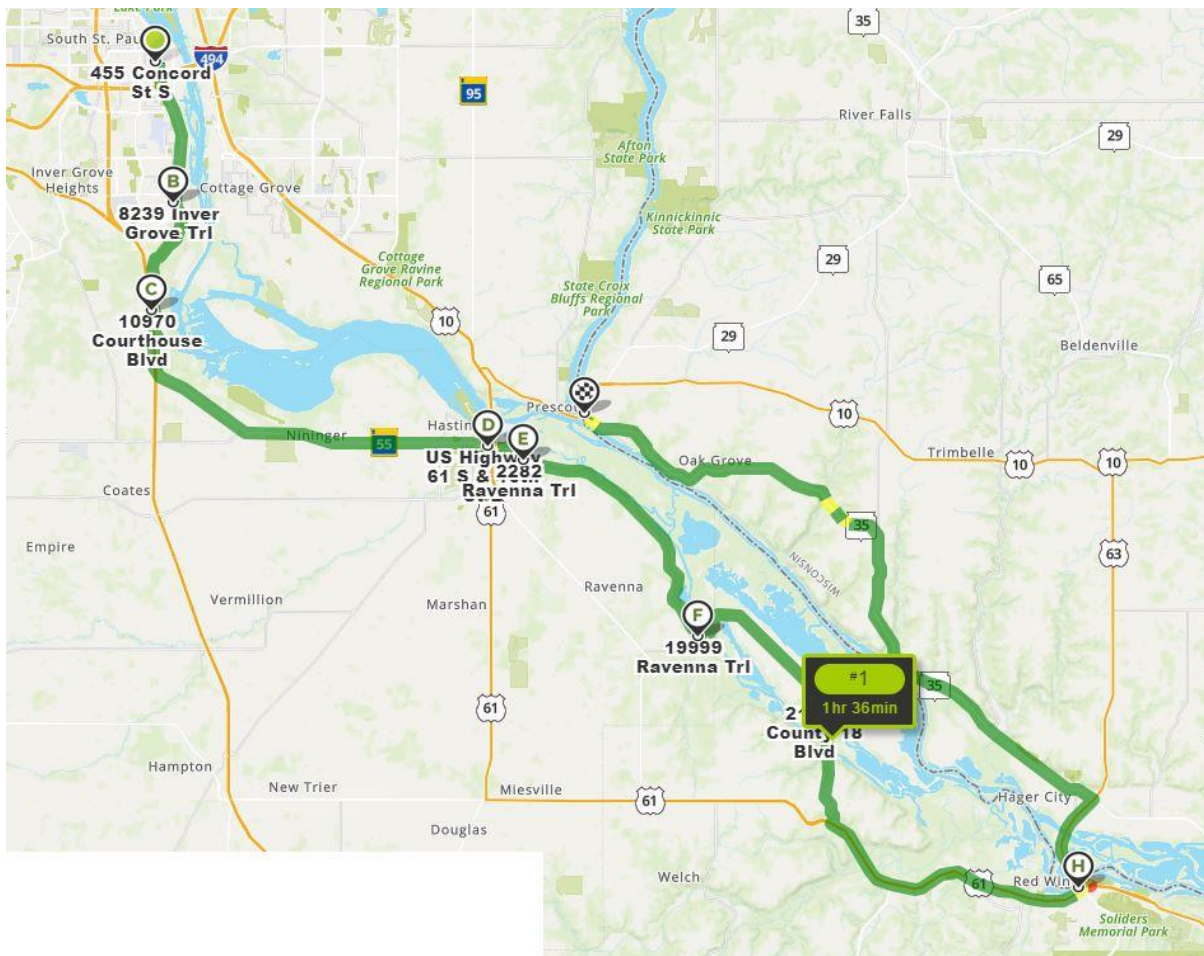


**Summer 2020**  
**June, July, August**



## Summer Newsletter

**June Recap** – With Back to the 50's cancelled and with COVID in high gear the club continued with a car club cruise as a great way to still see one another in a safe fashion. Again, thanks to Hank, Jenny and others for planning the route. Our club gathered in South St. Paul at the Kwik Trip just before 10 AM. There was a good turn-out and the rain held off at the start. The members headed South on 52 along the Mississippi River through Hastings and Red Wing. The route crossed the river and headed to the destination of Prescott, WI. The drive was great and happy to report no major vehicle or route issues!



The Cruise Route



Meeting at the Starting Point



A Quick Stop on The Way

For lunch we gathered at a park near the Prescott Middle School and held the monthly club meeting. We discussed upcoming shows including cancelation of Hastings, the uncertainty of Powercruise, and changes to Coon Rapids. The organizers of Street Machines Nationals informed clubs that the State Fairgrounds were not able to host the event and other locations were under consideration.



For a second cruise in a row I was caught in the rain on the way home. Where did I put that Rain-ex!

A few members of the club also went on an informal “Ice Cream” cruise on the 8<sup>th</sup> and others attended the Rum River Rods show on the 24<sup>th</sup> amongst others.

**July** – As many of us anticipated the highlight of the summer, Street Machines Nationals, was cancelled due to COVID-19. Due to officers' schedules and late cancellation there was no July meeting.

**August** – With a continued pause on close interaction the club held a cruise to the Minnetonka Drive-In located in Spring Park on August 8<sup>th</sup>. The members gathered at the Marsh in Minnetonka and headed southwest along the shores of Lake Minnetonka towards Lake Waconia and then northeast through St. Bonifacious and Minnetrista.

Turn-out was strong with 12 cars and 20 in attendance. A few members met Robb Swenson and his '67 Malibu for the first time.



The Cruise Route

The club arrived at the Minnetonka Drive-In and were able to talk with the owner, Dave. He is planning for their 60th anniversary celebration next year!



Club Members at the Drive-In

Hank called the club meeting with the members and guests. Bruce and Vic framed what many of us were thinking – the cruises have been great and much appreciated. Given the slowdown in shows this summer it has been exciting to spend time with and see one another.

On a side note John Delke has a pulse on PowerCruise and noted it was up in the air until about a week prior to the event. Even with short notice there were 600 registrations in a week.

**September** - A Recap of the Long Lake cruise will be sent in the next Newsletter.

## **Trivia, Fun Facts, Random Notes**

### **- Chevelle Family Tree**

Chevilles are unique in there are multiple nameplates series within the family. Below is the breakdown of the Chevrolet VIN designation. Each 'limb' shows the series number and name.

5000 Series Chevelle

53-5400 ~ Chevelle 300, El Camino (1964 only)

55-5600 ~ Malibu, El Camino (1964 only)

57-5800 ~ Malibu SS (1964 only)

13000 Series Chevelle

131-13200 ~ Chevelle 300 (1965-1967)

131-13200 ~ Chevelle 300, Nomad (1968-1969)

131-13200 ~ Nomad (1970-1971)

B - Nomad (1972 only) (Fisher Body continued to use 131-13200 style designation)

133-13400 ~ 300 Deluxe, El Camino (Deluxe) (1965-1967)

133-13400 ~ 300 Deluxe, El Camino (Deluxe), Nomad (1968 only)

133-13400 ~ 300 Deluxe, El Camino (Deluxe), Greenbrier (1969 only)

133-13400 ~ Chevelle Standard, El Camino, Greenbrier (1970 only) (Canada continued with the 300 Deluxe name)

133-13400 ~ Chevelle, El Camino, Greenbrier (1971 only)

C ~ Chevelle, El Camino, Greenbrier (1972 only) (Fisher Body continued to use 133-13400 style designation)

135-13600 ~ Malibu, El Camino (Custom) (1965-1968)

135-13600 ~ Malibu SS (1966-January 1967 Canada only)

135-13600 ~ Malibu, Concours, El Camino (Custom) (1969-1971)

D ~ Malibu, Concours, El Camino (Custom) (1972 only) (Fisher Body continued to use 135-13600 style designation)

13700-13800 ~ Malibu SS (1965 only)

13817-67 ~ SS396 (1966-1967)

13837-67-80 ~ SS396 (1968 only)

137-13800 ~ Concours (1967-1970)\*

13800 ~ Concours Estate (1969-1971) (Only V8 engines available)

13857 ~ Monte Carlo Coupe (1970-1971)

H ~ Concours Estate, Monte Carlo (1972 only) (Fisher Body continued to use 137-13800 style designation)

### **- Chevelle/GM Restoration Packages**

The GM Heritage Center has the GM "restoration" kits available online in .PDF document format. Below is the link and the documents are interesting to review and are free to access.

[http://chevellestuff.net/tech/gm\\_restoration\\_kit.htm](http://chevellestuff.net/tech/gm_restoration_kit.htm)

### **- Officer Positions**

Officer elections will occur in November. Anyone interested in an Officer position for 2021 should e-mail Jenny at [jenny.staniec@northstarchevelles.com](mailto:jenny.staniec@northstarchevelles.com).

## - Newsletters

Same as the last newsletter I want to thank Jenny for sending meeting minutes, agendas, and event updates. This summer was extremely busy for me personally as my wife and I struggled to balance work and care for our daughter as many of her summer camps were canceled. We wanted more pain and decided to sell our house. As some of you are aware, I also had a major accident with my Chevelle so way too many things going on at once! I appreciate the club members patience! As noted above if someone has an interest in writing the Newsletters please email Jenny.

## Upcoming Events

November – Bowling cancelled due to social distancing limitations. We will visit the Commemorative Air Force Minnesota Wing in South St. Paul on November 21.

President Millette mentioned that Veit Automotive Foundation and Museum is currently closed for construction, making them a good candidate for a visit in 2021.

### **October: No Club Meeting**

**November: Commemorative Air Force Museum– South St. Paul**  
Saturday, November 21 – 10:00 A.M.

**December: Mark your calendars for the 2020 holiday party, to be held**  
Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 P.M.

Machine Shed

Private room allows for adequate spacing per COVID-19 guidelines.

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