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General Information

The club is a not-for-profit Kansas corporation, dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of all Chevelles and El Caminos. Ownership of a Chevelle or associated vehicle is not required. Club newsletters which include minutes of meetings, upcoming events, and technical articles are also found on club's website and are forwarded to members. Business meetings are convened on the last Thursday of each month, with the possible exceptions of November and December, for the purpose of discussing and planning future club events. The meetings begin at 7:00 p.m., at Hendrick Chevrolet, 8300 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Merriam, Kansas unless otherwise noted in the newsletter or on the club's website. Members may advertise vehicles/parts for sale, trade, or wanted in the newsletter for no charge. Call the editor (Brian Findley) at 913/558-1453 or email at findley13703@gmail.com

Board Information

Chair:	Roger Verstraete
Co-Chair:	Ed Smoot
Secretary:	Debbie Gragg
Treasurer:	Eugene Hallouer
At Large:	Randy Cummins
At Large:	John Gragg

Newsletter Editor: Brian Findley

Monthly Meeting Agenda

Monthly meetings are held the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m., at Hendrick Chevrolet, 8300 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Merriam, Kansas.

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Introductions
- 3) Reports/Discussion
- 4) Upcoming Events
- 5) Report of Treasurer
- 6) Additional Items
- 7) Adjournment

Dues

Annual club dues (\$35) are to be submitted by April 30th. If you have not renewed your membership by this date there is a three month grace period. You can mail your dues to:

Mid America Chevelle Club
c/o Eugene Hallouer
12318 W. 61st Street
Shawnee, KS 66216

Reminder – Club dues are to be submitted 4/30.



2019 Meeting Minutes

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB
HENDRICK CHEVROLET, MERRIAM, KS
June 27, 2019
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Verstraete. There were 25 persons present. There were two visitors attending. Introductions were made by the individual members.

The minutes of May meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Updates on members: Anna Hallouer had four of the 30 stitches removed and is now able to take a shower. She will see the surgeon in a couple weeks to determine therapy. Daryl Elliott had an accidental gun discharge and was wounded in his tibia and currently undergoing therapy in a rehabilitation center. Ted Farley walked into the meeting, adding this was his first day; he was very happy. Joedy Terrill had a pacemaker placement earlier on this day. John Gragg has shingles on his upper left eye and forehead.

It was reported the picnic at John and Phyllis Prouty's home was successful – good time and the location dodged the rainstorms. John and Debra Gragg hosted the First Friday event in June. All who attended the Paola Car Show had a good time. The short stack challenge at "We B Smokin" fell short – Rick Byfield tried his best. It was also noted the Verstraete 1970 overheated due to fan clutch problems; which required him to return home in a borrowed 1972 fan clutch. It was also noted the recent Leawood Police Car Show was located in a parking garage which was hot, but it was for a good cause.

The members were informed the all is good for the September Show. Nebraska Furniture Mart will provide the porta-potties; as well as either food trucks or food court. A Committee meeting is forthcoming. Mr. Verstraete asked if the same location would suffice for the 2020 Regional meetings. There were no negative comments.

Mr. Calder overviewed the upcoming events, which can be found on the Club's Facebook page, website, as well as e-mail distribution. The July First Friday event will be hosted by Ed and Inga Smoot at A-Z near Paola, KS. Other items mentioned included a cruise to the Evel Knievel Museum /Historic Harley Davidson Museum and Fairlawn Cruise in Topeka (July 13) and Street Machine Nationals, St. Paul MN, and Chilicothe, MO Car Show.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted and the members present were informed there are currently 73 memberships.

Jackie Gilpin won the \$25.00 monthly draw.

There being no further official business, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. Immediately following, members cruised to Old Shawnee Pizza.

Submitted by:

Debra S. Gragg
Secretary

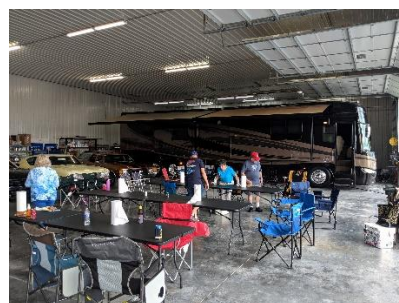


June/July events attended by MACC

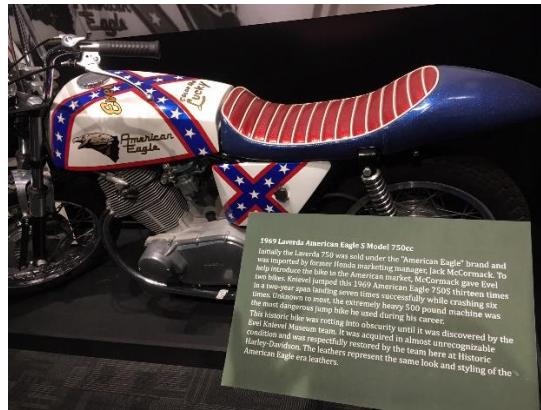
Our President did a good job of summarizing the past month's activities. Below are a few additional picture for you viewing pleasure. June 28-29-----Midwest Chevelle Regionals--- Springfield, MO 11 members cars



July 5 First Friday Cruise to Ed and Inga Smoots.



July 13--Tour of Evel Knievel Museum in Topeka, KS. This museum opened two years ago and is full of Evel Knievel history and memorabilia. We had 10 members make the trip. It is a great museum. After the tour several of us went to the Topeka cruise night for a couple of hours.



July 18-21 Steve and Brian made the trip to Minneapolis, MN for the Street Machine Nationals. There we met up with Stan Shinker and members of the NorthStar Chevelle Club. Hot Friday and rain Saturday morning but turned out very nice in the afternoon.





Calendar of Upcoming Events 2019

August 2---First Friday Cruise In-Rick and Kelly Byfield,19410 Edgerton Road Edgerton, KS 6:30 pm. The Byfield's will provide sub sandwiches. Please bring a side dish or dessert, drinks and chairs. RSVP to Rick at 913-219-5428 cell/text or Kelly at kjbyfield@gmail.com

August 17---Alma, KS Car Show. Meet for breakfast at Pegah's West, 5354 Roberts (K7 and Johnson Drive) Shawnee, KS at 8a.m. Depart for Alma around 9a.m. traveling west on I-70. More info at www.hotalmanights.com

August 18---Sunday Cruise to the K if anyone is interested.
Must register online at www.mlb.com/royals/tickets/special/cruise-to-the-k

August 24---Twin Peaks Lunch, 14805 W 119th St. Olathe, KS 11:30

August 30---Wellsville Car Show, Wellsville, KS 4-10 p.m. Friday event
Meet up time and place TBD

September 6-----First Friday Cruise In--- Russ and Vickie Peters
September 8-----Shawnee Car Show - Sunday Event
September 14---Merriam Car Show



September 14----KCI Cruise/Menards Chevy Show 12200 N Ambassador Dr. KC, MO 3p.m. -8p.m.

September 21---Ottawa Car Show

September 27-28---MACC Chevelle Show

October 4----First Friday Cruise In

October 10-12----National El Camino Owners Association 60th Anniversary Show - Arlington, TX---

Sorry El Caminos/Sprints only

October 18-20----Fall Color Tour-Osage Beach, MO

October 26-----MACC Fall Party

November 22-24----Muscle Car and Corvette Nationals---Rosemont, IL (Chicago)

December 6-----MACC Christmas Party---Friday Event---Thompson Barn, Lenexa, KS

Other car shows and events can be added during the year. Let Steve Calder or Roger Verstraete know.

President's Column

HI MACC,

It's been a really busy month so far for club activities. It started by going to the Mid-West Chevelle Regional in Springfield, Mo. We had 13 members that were registered and we won the club participation award again. Everyone in attendance won an award too.



Pictures of some of the club members cars



Leo Storoz original 1970 LS5



Jackie Paris 1969 freshly painted SS396





Steve's award winning 1972 GMC Sprint



Jeff Long 1969 SS396 convertible

Our first Friday cruise-in was hosted by Ed and Inga Smoot at their business work site in Paola, A-Z Mobil RV. Everyone had a great time and as usual there was plenty of great food to eat too. Want to thank ED and Inga for hosting. Everyone appreciates your hospitality.

On July 13, several of us went to the Evil Knievel Museum in Topeka, Ks. I was always a big fan of Evil Knievel growing up and can remember most of his jumps that were on Wide World of Sports on Saturday afternoons. Going through this museum was like going back in time and revisiting the past. Everyone wants to know why the museum is in Topeka, Kansas? I won't give you the answer to this question you will have to go and find out for yourself. It is really one of the best museums I have ever visited and well worth the \$11.00 admission charge. A picture of Evil's famous jump at Caesars palace is below.



They have the whole video of his jump and crash landing. How anyone could have lived through this crash landing is just amazing.



After Evil started getting so popular Mack truck built this truck and trailer for Evil to stay in and carry his ramps for his jumps. This Mack truck and trailer were completely restored to better than new condition. The Cadillac was cut down to be the first El Camino Cady in the country. Evil had a lot of toys during his life time, like a Yacht with a helicopter pad on it. He had a gold plated Harley that he kept in his personal safe at his home.



Here is the rocket that Evil jumped the Snake River Canyon in. Evil must have been one of the luckiest guys in the world to come out of this jump alive. At the time of this jump you had to go to a movie theater if you wanted see him attempt this jump. On his attempt to jump the canyon, his parachute on his rocket came out half way into the jump causing it to crash into the canyon walls saving his life. The first two test rockets never made it across the canyon and Evil believed he would not make the jump either. But the show must go on and he attempted the jump only to crash again. Over Evil Knievel's career, he made 168 jumps and had 19 crashes. He had over 350 broken bones and six concussions.

Last weekend four club members went to the Synchrony Veterans Network Car Show in Merriam, Kansas. All proceeds went to Wreaths Across America and even though it was a hot day they raised over a thousand dollars. The best part was after the hot car show Ed bought lunch and beers at Johnny's Tavern in Shawnee.



While at this car show, I ran into two of my high school classmates. John the one in the middle is a Vietnam Vet. This car show was all about our Veterans.



It wouldn't be summer without at least one break down. The bad thing, Brian had to go all the way to Minnesota to do it. Good thing, it was only a lost dust cover on the bell housing and an easy fix.

Roger

Vice-President's Column

VP's Corner.....with Ed Smoot

Well, the dog days of summer sure are upon us. The great thing about this time of year, is that there is as much car stuff going on as a guy (or gal) could ever want to do. We've been pretty busy as a club, and it's been great seeing everyone! If you haven't made it out to some of our club events, you really should. Car not required if it's too hot or being worked on (I know the feeling), and we do all kinds of fun stuff.

This month, it was my turn to host the "First Friday" get together. My wife and I really enjoyed having everyone out to our business in Paola, KS. We had a great meal (someone even brought smoked salmon!), great conversation, and the weather really cooperated for our get together. My guys at the shop enjoyed cleaning out the building and staging everything for the party- they are already asking about the next one! Thanks again to everyone that came- we appreciate you!



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Other updates this month:

My "Daily Driver" '68 has been temporarily sidelined due to some mechanical issues. I've always had an odd clunk coming from the rear after driving any distance that would show up when I would leave from a stop light. Several trips on and off the lift never yielded any answers-- everything seemed within 50 year old spec. One day while driving to work, the clunk got louder when I would turn, and once I arrived safely at the shop, the huge puddle of 90 weight under the pinion told me what I needed to know. The rear end issue, coupled with a coolant leak that sent the temp needle past the 250 mark on the highway, and I decided to park it until I needed repairs could be made. Hopefully that will be sooner than later, but we'll see.

I got my radiator fan back from "el Presidente" and installed back on my '72 Wagon. The ice-cold A/C that I installed a couple year ago has sure made cruising that thing nice lately. A few of us went to the Synchrony Veterans Network Charity Car and Bike Show last weekend, and the 'ol Wagon pulled a "Top Ten" award. (Yes, there were more than 10 cars). It was a nice short show for a good cause, and we had a great time.

Recently, I've been spending most of my late night hour getting ready for the Show Me Rally next week. Last minute tweaks on the car (nitrous) and repairs (an unexpected cracked rim) along with the normal prep stuff has really kept us hopping at the shop. We blast off for Denver August 1, so wish us luck! Updates, pics , etc. are available on the FB page "Show Me Rally" for those interested.

I'll be out of town for the meeting this month, but hope to see you all soon!

Ed

New Members

Larry Whitton
301 NW 72nd
Gladstone, MO 64118
Cell 816-830-2723
E-Mail blautorepair@gmail.com
Member # 460 good to 4/30/2021
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Flexfit hats. Sizes (S-Med), (Large - XL) Colors, black, tan, white, red, navy. \$12.00



Hanes Beefy-t shirt. Sizes Large, XL, 2XL. Color Navy, Red, White \$12.00



All weather hooded wind breaker. Sizes come in Large, XL, 2XL Navy



Mid America Chevelle Club Members Parts for Sale



If you have any car parts you would like to sell email your list of parts to findley13703@gmail.com

Brian Findley – 913-558-1453

Engine wiring harness for 1966, HEI with factory AC - \$100 – still in the original packaging.

Stainless fuel line for 396/350

Compact sub – RetroSound https://www.crutchfield.com/p_068SUB8100/RetroSound-SUB-8100.html - \$100

Tom Meier from Lawrence, KS at 785-979-9920 have the following items for sale.

1967 El Camino (It is a driver, not a show car) – 327, turbo 350, 3:73 10 Bolt Posi, Power disc front.

1- 283, 3pd on the column

2- Parts El Camino

I've got both my El Camino's for sale and wanted to see if you would share the links please.

I love them both but I need a better daily driver for going back and forth to school.

Don Hosek needs the door side molding for my 1976 El Camino Classic. It is a narrow molding approximately 3/4" wide with a black rubber insert. It is just below the exterior door handle and runs the full length of the door. The attached photos show the molding with and without the insert. The 1/4" wide insert is attached with an adhesive to the molding. I need the insert more than I need the molding but will consider both.

Don Hosek

ph 515-975-7800

Case - 12 quarts of comp cams 10W-30 break in oil. Sell it for \$30. Contact Mike Johnson at 913-991-5541.

1965-1967 BB Holley intake – Ron Brightwell - \$80.00



1970 1/18th scale Chevelles and El Caminos for sale, \$20.00 each. Contact John W. Gragg 816-804-4771



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