# MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER





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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 <a href="mailto:findley13703@gmail.com">findley13703@gmail.com</a>

#### **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., which will be held at the Merriam Market Place, Merriam, Kansas.

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

#### <u>Dues</u>

Annual club dues (\$35) are to be submitted by April 30<sup>th</sup>. 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. 61<sup>st</sup> Street Shawnee, KS 66216

Reminder – Club dues are to be submitted 4/30 and be sure to keep you email address up-to-date so you don't miss club communications.

Online credit card payment for dues is now available at <a href="http://www.midamericachevelles.com/members/join\_form.html">http://www.midamericachevelles.com/members/join\_form.html</a>





### **2021 Meeting Minutes**

MID-AMERICA CHEVELLE CLUB MERRIAM, KS May 27, 2021 MINUTES

The meeting, located at Merriam Marketplace, Merriam, KS, was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Vice- Chair Ed Smoot, with 24 persons present. Mr. Smoot thanked all for braving the weather. There were no visitors, thus no introductions made.

The minutes of the last meeting, as published in the newsletter, were accepted.

Members were informed Mr. Verstraete was out of town attending his grandson's baseball game, with a notation that the team could move forward the College Series.

Election of officers for the 2021-22 was called to order. No nominations were made, adding all current board members would be re-elected with no opposition.

Attention to the September car show was considered. The final flier version was distributed for review. The intention was to have the final version ready for distribution at the Paola Car Show.

Mr. Hallouer updated the members of the agreement with Nebraska Furniture Market (NFM) in regards to the car show. He noted the insurance is updated to increase the general liability and aggregate insurance coverage. NFM accepted the agreement, balance of formalities forthcoming.

Discussion ensued with NFM about the food vendors/trucks noting all vendors must be licensed in Wyandotte County. Trash collection receptacles will be determined by the Car Show Committee, as will be the tee-shirts. The committee will meet in June to finalize.

Mr. Calder informed members of the recent Kansas White Way Cruise; those present and participating indicated the cruise was great, but the show was lacking. It was noted there were about 200 vehicles with four (4) awards. Those present were told there were nine (9) members who attended the American Legion Car Show at Louisburg and noted the Cider Mill cruise-in was rescheduled to June 5. It was noted that eight (8) vehicles with 13 persons attended the Hannibal Car Show, stating the day was cold, but a fun day. Many stated the Johnson County car cruse, created by Mr. Verstraete, was a good cruise. Upcoming events (long range) were highlighted.

Mr. Smoot informed the attendees that the Mid-Way Drive-In Theatre, Paola, was under new ownership and may be available for hosting a club night meeting with one movie. Members were open to the option.

Mr. Hallouer overviewed the treasurer's report, which was accepted. It was reported there are 77 current memberships.

Budget matters were discussed noting the 2021 budget matches the 2019 budget, with an amendment to leave the holiday party cost the same, \$10.00 per person, and donate last year's holiday party (unspent) budget amount to a charity/charities, with stipulations.

Members were told there are club shirts available for \$15.00 and hats will be delivered at the June meeting.

Brad Lynn was the winner of \$25.00 drawing.





There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

A cruise to Old Shawnee Pizza followed adjournment. Submitted by:

Debra S. Gragg Secretary

#### **Special Annoucement**

#### MEMBERSHIP SIGN UP AND DUES RENEWAL IS NOW AVALIABLE ONLINE!

In the past we have had some requests from current members that they would like to renew their annual dues by Credit / Debit card. After some discussion at the last club meeting it was decided to make online New Membership and Club Dues renewal available (a \$2.00 convenience fee will apply). You can now renew your dues by Credit / Debit card on the club website at www.MidAmericaChevelles.com or get with me at the Club Meetings. When you renew online you can also use the form to make any updates or changes to your Membership info. (if you don't know your membership number that's OK). Of course, you can still join or renew by Cash or Check as in the past, but a third option is now available.

Eugene Treasure

#### **Events attended by MACC**

June 5-----Olathe Police Foundation Show-Olathe South High School













June 12----Paola Heartland Show Paola, KS





















June 17 – BrookDale Senior Living







June 19----MACC picnic---Hosted by John and Phyllis Prouty 1400 Kurzweil Rd, Raymore, MO.















#### **Calendar of Upcoming Events 2021**

Please note that all events are subject to change as we progress through this year. Sure hope it is better than last year.

June 26----Driving cruise -- ??????

July 10----- Corvette and all GM Car Show Ed Bozarth Chevrolet 3731 SW Topeka BLVD

Topeka, KS 9a.m. to 1p.m.

July 24-----Twin Peaks Lunch

August 4-8---Show Me Rally to Dallas, TX Limited spots. Registration is closed.

August 7----Car Show Columbia, MO

August 21---Hot Alma Nights Show Alma, KS

August 27---Wellsville Car Show Wellsville, KS

September 11—Turkey Creek Car Show Merriam, KS

September 12---Wheels and Dreams Show Shawnee, KS

September 18---Old Marais River Run Ottawa, KS

September 25 - MACC annual Car show. Nebraska Furniture Mart parking lot KC, KS

October 8----Tour Whiteman AFB Knobnoster, MO 32 spots for tour FULL Friday event

October 9------Driving Cruise

October 15-16-Fall Color Tour

October 23----Fall Party

December 4--- MACC Christmas Party-Thompsons Barn Lenexa, KS - Saturday event





If and when the membership feels comfortable, we will start up the First Friday Cruisin to members houses.

If you have an idea for one of the driving cruise routes, please let me know.

Any other ideas for events are welcome.

Just let Steve Calder or any of the club officers know at sjc52@aol.com or 816-547-1206 cell or text.

#### **MACC Ladies Column**

**MACC Ladies** 

More info coming soon.

#### President's Column

Hi MACC,

Well, after following my oldest grandson around the country playing college baseball for the last 4 weeks, I got to admit I haven't had so much fun in a long time. I always knew Cole was a special player. I could see it in his eyes when he was young player, the love and passion for the game of baseball. My son Craig had the same look all the way through high school. He just loved the game and he also went on and played college baseball. This last month's journey which caused me to miss the May club meeting started in Warrensburg, Mo were Cole goes to school at UCM. The next weekend we were in Joplin, Mo where they won the league championship. The following weekend we were back in Warrensburg where the Mules hosted the a Regional to determine who out of the Mid West region would go to the College World Series in Cary, NC. To be honest, there was never a doubt who was the best team on the field in any of these games. The Mules were ranked second in the country going into the play offs and after the number one team didn't make it out of their own regional the Mules were a number one seed going into the Division 2 World Series.

After spending a week in North Carolina watching some of the best college baseball I've ever seen, the Mules made it into the championship game. But things started going south about mid week after the Mules won their first two games. Their team captain came down with Covid and was sent home and with the threat of the whole team being sent home if one more player tested positive the club momentum was gone. Then rain started mid week throwing off the whole tournament schedule. The Mules looked like a team that would not be denied of winning it all. But in the championship game, a hot pitcher took the championship away from them and they lost 5-3. The Mules finished the year at 48-8. Now, one would think that was the end of this story for Cole this season. But the next day the Mules got on a plane and came back home to KC that Sunday. Two days later, Cole and one of his team mates were back on a plane to Alaska to play summer ball. Yes Alaska. Since the summers are so short in Alaska they have college players





come up and form teams, kind of like minor league baseball with college players but with only a 2 month schedule. These are players who are trying to improve their baseball skills for the upcoming year in college. But to be honest it's not all baseball while being there either. Here is a picture of Cole the day after he got there fishing in the ocean. I have never been someone who cared about fishing, but all I know is that's one big ugly fish he caught that weighed around 40 pounds. I was told it's a Halibut.



I look back to when I was 19 and the only 2 states I had been to were Kansas and Missouri. I was worried about being sent off to Vietnam to fight in a war. Now Cole has been to the four corners of this great county playing baseball and now he is in Alaska. How things have changed for the better in 50 years.

Now back to club affairs. Want to thank John and Phyllis Prouty for hosting our summer picnic again. I believe it's been 5 years John and Phyllis have been gracious enough to let us use their beautiful home and set by their lake and enjoy a summer afternoon. John and Phyllis will be moving into their new home later this year and I'm sure they will miss there beautiful home but not all the maintenance involved in keeping it up.

This month's meeting will be held at the Merriam Market Place in Merriam, Ks at 7pm. This will be the last month of having meetings there. Hendricks Chevrolet has given us the okay to go back to use their meeting room again starting in July.

For the last two months, we have been in negotiations with Nebraska Furniture Mart about using their parking lot for our upcoming car show. Insurance issues keep coming up and we are having a hard time getting a contract signed with them. Eugene and I, along with Don Burdolski our Hagerty rep, have been working on this. I didn't know something as simple as insurance would not be this difficult but believe me it is. Hopefully, we can get this resolved ASAP!





Steve should be back in town from vacation soon and I will be talking to him about upcoming club events. Hope everyone had a great Father's Day.

Roger

#### **Vice-President's Column**

Been a busy (and HOT) month! We've had a lot of fun, though. I wanted to say thanks to everyone that came out to the Paola Car Show-- it was great seeing all of you. Although we lost a couple of members due to car related issues on the way, we still had a good turn out. Breakfast was great as usual, and we all enjoyed watching Rick try and tackle his "short tack". He made a valiant effort! It was plenty toasty that day on the square, but there was lots to see and of course the camaraderie was the best part. Doug Doherty took home some hardware with his sweet ride-- congrats to Doug!

For those of you that know me fairly well, know that I have an appreciation for most things car related that are old and crusty. I've been pretty busy with work and house stuff over the last few months, and my car hobby has been put on hold a bit. Well, kinda sorta.

I've taken a liking to one of the Chevelle's close cousins-- and before we all break out the pitch forks and torches-- this particular car shares a number of it's bits and pieces with the cars that we all love so well.

It's the Monte Carlo, of course! How could you not like the 1/2 mile long hood, SS dash (covered in fake wood overlay), and oil drum looking fan shroud? There is just so much about these cars that feels familiar to me. The underpinnings, drivetrain, and interior just make me feel at home. Sure, it may not strike fear in the hearts of the street racing crowd, but they sure are nice cruisers. I've actually happened across a couple of these rare specimens, and they both just happen to be first year cars, born in 1970. One is a small block car, column shift, bench seat, and is the more beater-ish of the two. The other I just came across, and it's a big block, console, bucket seat car. Neither would be considered the "SS" flavor, as those are really hard to come by. Neither would be considered "nice", either- so let's not get ahead of ourselves there-- you all know how I roll.















These two couple additions will keep me busy tinkering for a bit while the bigger projects I have working wait for their turn in the assembly bay. I know I get easily side-tracked, but I've got a weakness for old iron- I can't help it!

Hope to see you all at the meeting!

Ed

# Member's Corner

# New Members





#### **Sponsors**







# **Hagerty Insurance**



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#### Mid America Chevelle Club Apparel for Sale

Here for a short time are some addition Club Show shirts, get yours while the supply last. In addition, be ready to order you very own plaque with your name and membership number.

If anyone is interested and have not already purchased a Club Membership Plaque the last time to purchase one will be at the October club meeting. Eugene will be the meeting to accept payment so Roger can turn in the order the following week. We plan to hand them out at the Christmas Party or arrangements can be made with Rogers to pick it up when they are ready.

Here is a list of club appeal that is available for club members. This will be available at this month club meeting. We sell all of our club appeal at cost to club members.

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 <a href="mailto:findley13703@gmail.com">findley13703@gmail.com</a>

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

#### Don Hosek

Looking for the upper tailgate molding for a 1976 El Camino. This molding covers the pinch weld on the top of the tailgate. For sale: '73 - '77 El Camino NOS wheel opening moldings, complete set of four \$950.00; Reconditioned set of four also available \$750.00 Please call Don Hosek at 515-975-7800.

2 IRONMAN 93005 IMOVE GEN2 AS (225/60R16) Tires, were to big for the car. Manufacture dates (09/20) March 2020 & (50/19) December 2019. \$50.00 for both. Contact Eugene at 816-560-4894







