

# *THE BOWTIE BULLETIN*

The Official Newsletter  
Of The **PIEDMONT CLASSIC CHEVY CLUB**

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## *Message from Our PCCC President*

Fall has arrived, I hope this newsletter finds everyone doing well. Summer is over but the cruising continues. Some special ones coming up such as Carol Keith's event on October 3<sup>rd</sup> at her church, our Pig Pickin' on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully the weather will be good so we can bring out our cars to both events. The Ken Allen Memorial cruise in Apex on October 31<sup>st</sup>, benefitting the American Cancer Society. This one is put on by James Bullock and should be a great one.

The summer had its ups and downs as far as cruises and shows, like the saying goes "ya win some ya lose some and some get rained out."

The club did take 2 club participation awards for a total of \$300.00. The big one being Clayton Harvest Fest with 24 Cars. A great time as always at Johnny's event.

We (well I do) can look forward to another season of parades in November for the veterans and the big one I like to call "The Piedmont CCC Christmas Parade. I have taped everyone for the past 5 years and the one thing I noticed is how the announcers always give our club the best introduction. Two times Max was interviewed on the street with Roxie in the back seat. And I just love a parade. Hope to see you all soon, until next time have a safe month.

Dave Smith

*Next PCCC Business Meeting October 26, 2015*

**CLUB INFO ♦ NEWS**

**PCCC Apparel!**

**Royal Blue Polyester Golf Shirts**  
(including standard embroidery) [\$25]

**Royal Blue Cotton Golf Shirts**  
(including standard embroidery) [\$20]  
Add [\$2] for 2XL and [\$3] for 3XL

**Club Jacket Black or Royal Blue/Navy**  
(including standard embroidery) [\$44]  
Add [\$3] for 2XL and [\$4] for 3XL  
\$5 extra for embroidered name on shirt or jacket  
\$10 for embroidered club logo on back

**Magnetic Engraved Name Badges [\$10.70]**

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For a complete listing of carshows and cruise in's contact club member David Matthews for a complete listing of carshows and cruise in's.

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Oldies Radio WPTK—AM 850—Oldies Music  
from the 1960's to the 1980's



***SCHEDULED 2015 SOCIAL EVENTS***

**Sunday October 4, 2015 - OKTOBERFEST BBQ**  
Fairview Community Center on NC 1010  
300PM



**Saturday December 5, 2015 – CHRISTMAS BANQUET**  
Fairview Community Center on NC 1010  
6:00 PM.

Any Questions or Suggestions?  
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**FEATURE ARTICLE—Do you know what is on your Side Walls?**

**P = Passenger Car Tire**

The first letter indicates the tire's class. P designates this tire as a passenger car tire. An LT before the tire size would mean the tire is a light truck tire. A European metric tire would have no letter before the tire size.

**245 = Section Width Tread  
(mm)**

The section width is the width of the tire from one sidewall to the other measured in millimeters. In this example the tire is 245 millimeters wide.

**45 = Aspect Ratio  
(Ratio of Sidewall height to width)**

The aspect ratio refers to the height of the sidewall. It is a percentage of the section width. In this example, the sidewall height is 45% of the 245 section width which equals 127.5.

**Z = Speed Rating  
S = 112mph  
T = 118mph**

The speed rating designates the maximum speed at which a properly installed and inflated tire can be driven on. In this example, the speed rating is Z which means it has the highest speed rating. Z rated tires will also have a W or Y speed rating indication after the load index which denotes the actual mph the tire is rated for.

**R = Radial Construction**

The R designates this tire as a radial tire. Radial tires have layers of fabric whose cords run at right angles to the circumference of the tire and whose tread is strengthened by additional layers around the circumference making it the most common type of automotive tire.

**19 = Wheel Diameter (inches)**

Wheel Diameter specifies the size, in inches, of the wheel that a tire fits. In this example, the tire will fit a 19 inch wheel.

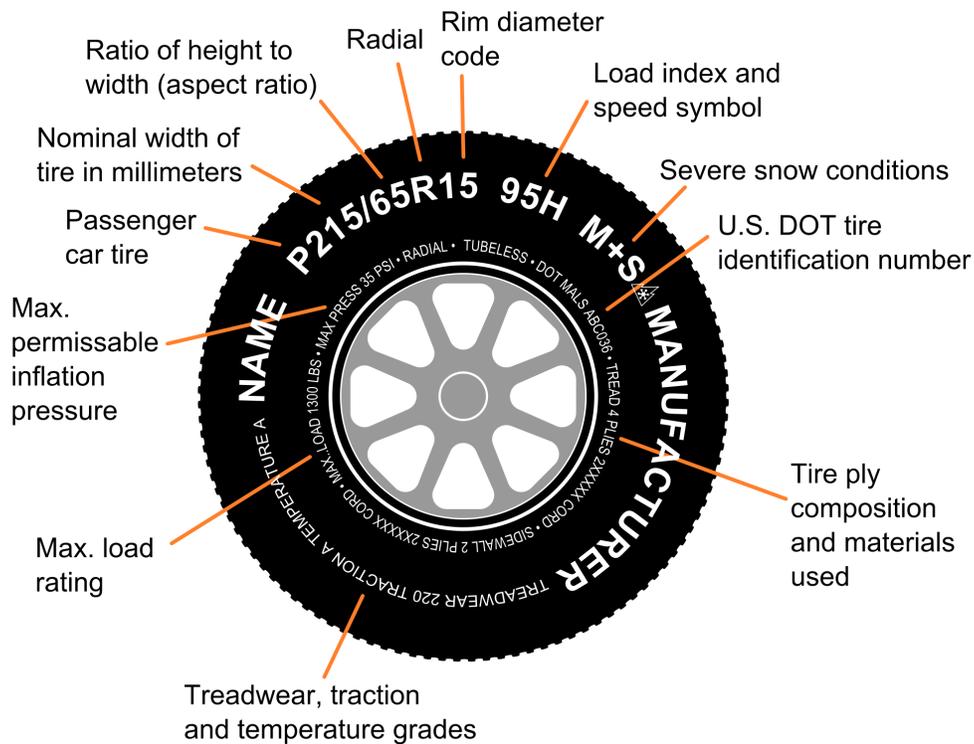
**98 = Load Index**

Load Index indicates the maximum load carrying capacity of the tire. It is very important to only install tires with a load index that meets or exceeds your vehicle manufacturer's specification.

**W = Speed Rating**

The speed rating designates the maximum speed at which a properly installed and inflated tire can be driven on. In this example, the speed rating is W which means it can be driven at speeds up to 168 mph.

**FEATURE ARTICLE—Do you know what is on your Side Walls? [Continued]**



**SOME INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT TIRES**

Early cars used “artillery wheels” that had the tire bolted to the wheel. Have fun changing that flat.

For the first 25 years of the car, all tires were white. Zinc oxide was added to the rubber for strength, but had a side effect of making bright white tires.

By the second decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, researchers were looking for more ways to increase durability. Carbon black, a waste product of the petroleum industry, added longevity to the tire, but changed the color to black.

Originally, the whitewall tire was invented when a carbon black tread was melded with a zinc white sidewall. The result was the world’s first whitewall tire, made by Vogue Tyres of Chicago, in 1914.

Whitewalls were originally on both sidewalls. The cars had open fenders, and pedestrians could see both sides of the tires as a car drove by.

Raised white letter tires are made in the same fashion as whitewalls. An extra step covers the sidewall with black, then grinds the rubber off the letters to let the white show through.

In 1961, Goodyear experimented with an illuminated tire. Lit from the inside by glass incandescent bulbs, the softly glowing white tires never left the show circuit.

Run-flat tires can temporarily drive without air, as the thicker sidewall supports the vehicle’s weight for up to 100 miles. Despite the performance disadvantages.

Over 250 million tires are discarded each year. Recent recycling programs melt the rubber for asphalt, or shred them for garden mulch. Some companies even make new tires out of old tires.

Most new cars do not come with spare tires. Manufacturers are desperate to shed weight, and sell new cars with a patch kit and can of compressed air.

NHRA Top Fuel teams get only four to six runs out of their tires. That means fresh tires become worn out tires after only 2 miles of use.

Lego is the largest manufacturer of tires. The toy company produces 306 million of the little tires every year.

**PCCC PARTS & SWAP**

Contact club member for more details

Long Style Cast Iron Water Pump (for small block) [\$25]; Carter Fuel Pump [\$15]; Cast Water Neck [\$15]; Chrome Water Neck [\$10]; 1970-72 Chevelle Original Dash Pad [\$75]; 1970 Chevelle tail light lenses [\$40 for both]; "350" emblems (R&L) for 70 Chevelle [\$40]; Trunk Emblem for 70 Chevelle [\$30]; Grill Emblem for 70 Chevelle [\$15]; Rocker Panel Trim for 1970-72 Chevelle [\$100 for pair]; Craftsman Compressor (needs some maint) [\$20]; Crawler [\$10]; Stool w/ tool trays [\$10]; K&N 13x2 Washable Air Filter [\$10]; 14x3 Air Filter [\$5]; 68-72 Chevelle Fuel Tank Door/License Plate Mount [\$10]; Set of Chrome Lug Nuts/Washers for Cragar (7/16x20) [\$20]; Set of [4] Lug Nut Locks with key [\$10]; Original 1970 Chevelle Grill and Stainless Trim [\$75] **Jeff Hopp @ 919-467-9594**

Small Block Quadrajet manifold [\$40]; ; Edelbrock 750 Performer Carb - may need rebuild [\$85] **Ray Bader @ 919-387-0479**

Fully restored "Henderson" city tag dated 1966 [\$60] **Ted Korab @ 973-420-2804**

1983 El Camino [\$2500]; 1988 Corvette Convertible [\$11000] **Dick Sossomon @ 919-889-4950**

Chrome rear bumper, fits 2001-2006 Tahoe, Suburban, GMC Yukon, Yukon XL, and CK 1500 pickup. One small dent, no rust. [\$50 OBO]. **Larry Marks @ 919-782-1993**

*COPO is an acronym for "CENTRAL OFFICE PRODUCTION ORDER."*

Yenko ordered L-78 equipped SS Camaros and swapped in the [Chevrolet Corvette's](#) L-72 427 in<sup>3</sup> (7.0 L) [V8](#). The cars came with a 4.10 rear end and heavy-duty suspension. The exact number of cars produced is 104. Yenko also installed a fiberglass replacement hood similar to the "Stinger" hood featured on 1967 big-block Corvettes.

Don Yenko's Camaros were equipped with a 427ci L-72 in them with either an M21 or M22 transmission. The horsepower was rated at 450 hp (336 kW). Yenko Camaros were not allowed to race for Chevrolet on the drag strip because they were not made by Chevrolet. Chevy's answer to this was the COPO Camaro, or Central Office Production Order, in 1969. The COPO Camaros were equipped with the same 427ci engine and were allowed to race for Chevy.

Encouraged by the success of the 1967 model, Yenko continued to produce his Camaros. All cars came equipped with the M-21 close-ratio four speed [manual transmission](#). A large, twin-scooped hood replaced the "Stinger" version, and Yenko badges graced the sides and tail light plate. The COPO model came with upgraded suspension, 140 mph (230 km/h) speedometer and other items but not the 427 ci engine. Yenko then swapped the factory 396 ci engine for the 427 ci engine up until in 1969 when the 427's were installed by Chevrolet

**Answer from the Sept 2015 Summer Edition**



What was the name of the first known dealership to sell Chevrolets?

**Answer will appear in the November 2015 Edition**

**Sept 2015 Winners: Les Shelton, David Smith, Barry Kitchener & Ray Bader**

Send your answers to **Jeff Hopp** at

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**FROM SEPT 2015 SUMMER EDITION**

*Les Shelton and his Hotrod Scooter*



*Out & About  
with PCCC*



*Photos By  
Jeff Hopp*

