

THE BOWTIE BULLETIN

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

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Keith Archambault's 1970 Chevelle

Message from Our PCCC Vice President

SUMMERTIME

As I write this the unofficial summer is coming to a close. Typically, shows aren't as plentiful this time of year, so what does PCCC do we get social. In July, about 45 -50 members cruised to the Richard Petty Museum in Randleman.

Lots of NASCAR history there to be seen. We then all headed over to Sir Pizza for lunch. Thanks to David Ward Jones for putting this day together. A great time had by all. Then in August 40 members and their families (actually 39) went to see a Durham Bulls Baseball game. Weather was great, lots of food to choose from at the ballpark and the Bulls won 9-0! I'd like to make this an annual event as it was a great family outing. Maybe next year we can meet before or after the game and socialize some more.

One other big event this summer was presenting a \$6,000 check to Diane at Hilltop Home as our annual contribution. Thank you to all our members, because these proceeds came from monies earned at our annual car show and that truly takes the whole club to make it happen.

Yes, we are a car club, but as you can see we are so much more.

Regards, Barry Kitchener PCCC VP

Next PCCC Business Meeting September 28, 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]

Contact **Barry Kitchener** @ 919.833.0882
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If anyone would like a copy of any past or current newsletter, contact Jeff Hopp at jhopp55@att.net.

Hard copies can be sent by regular mail or emailed to you.

A PCCC Bowtie Bulletin Index is also available for issues June 2010 through December 2014



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?
Contact **David Ward Jones** at 919.971.4615 or daviddwjarchitect@nc.rr.com

As there are so many classic car events in our area and within the state, events will no longer be listed in the PCCC Bowtie Bulletin's.

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

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FEATURE ARTICLE

CHEVROLET PLATFORMS

CARS

ALPHA—Compact to midsize, RWD and AWD
 DELTA—Compact, FWD
 EPSILON—Midsize to Fullsize, FWD
 GAMMA—Subcompact, FWD
 GM 4200—Subcompact, FWD
 SIGMA—Midsize, RWD
 ZETA—Midsize to Fullsize, RWD

TRUCKS & SUV's

GMT355—Midsize Pickup, RWD, AWD
 GMT K2XX—Fullsize Pickup, SUV, RWD, AWD
 LAMBDA—Crossover, FWD, AWD
 THETA—Crossover—SUV, FWD, AWD
 U—Minivan, FWD

MBody - Sprint, Metro

XBody—Citation

JBody - Cavalier

N & L Body—Beretta, Corsica and Malibu

P Body—Spectrum

S Body - Prizm, Nova

A Body—Celebrity

W Body—Lumina, Monte Carlo and Impala

H Body—Vegea and Monza

T Body—Chevette

Y & Z Body—Corvaair

X & K Body—Nova

A Body—Chevelle

B, C, & D Body—Impala and Caprice

F Body—Camaro

Y Body - Corvette

M Body—Astro Van

U Body—Lumina, Venture Van

DELTA—Cobalt, Cruze, Volt, HHR

EPSILON—Malibu, Malibu Maxx, Impala

THETA—Equinox, Captiva

LAMBDA—Traverse

ALPHA—Camaro

ZETA—Camaro, Caprice and SS

GMT300/360—S10, SSR, Colorado, Blazer, Trailblazer

GMT800/900—Silverado, Avalanche, Tahoe, Suburban



Tidy Bits and Helpful Hints

BATTERIES: When you're out and about the last thing you want is to get stuck with a dead battery especially in the middle of nowhere. Here is what to look for in car batteries, and how to choose one that is "Fresh". The 3 most important things when buying a battery are getting the right size, Getting sufficient cold cranking amps for cold weather and making sure the battery is less than 6 month's old to start with. How can you tell? Somewhere on the battery, either on a sticker or stamped into the case you will find a serial number. The first 2 characters tell the date it was made. Most will start with a letter such as "A" for January, "B" for February and so on. The second is a number that tells the year, 4 is 2004 6 is 2006 and so on so a prefix of B15 would be February 2015. Learn the code and stay on the road.



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READING BATTERY DATE CODES		
MONTH = A-M	YEAR = 1-10	EXAMPLE:
A - January	2 - 2002	B = February 7= 2007
B - February	3 - 2003	
C - March	4 - 2004	
D - April	5 - 2005	
E - May	6 - 2006	
F - June	7 - 2007	
G - July	8 - 2008	
H - August	9 - 2009	
I - September	0 - 2010	
J - October	1 - 2011	
K - November		
L or M - December		



A FEW GARAGE TIPS: Do you want to park in the same spot in your garage all the time? Well here is a tip to help you do that, First carefully position your car right where you want it. You will need 4 things, a tennis ball 2 eyehooks and a piece of string (length depends on height of ceiling and vehicle). Take the tennis ball and screw an eye hook into one end attach string and suspend it from the other eye hook in the ceiling so that is carefully positioned so the ball touches the windshield dead center and even with the mirror. Every time you pull into the garage line up the mirror with the ball and when the ball touches the windshield you are exactly where you want every time.

Here is another for the garage, a burned out tail light, brake light or headlight is not only dangerous but it's also an invitation for a ticket. For quick and easy "light" testing do the following, take 2 pieces of aluminum foil and clear tape them to the garage door even with the tail lights, take 2 other pieces and tape them to the back wall even with the headlights. When you want to check lights just turn on your headlights and look ahead make sure all headlights work, look in the side rearview mirrors and check tail lights, tap on the brake pedal and check brake lights. Now turn on the key (DO NOT start the car) and check your turn signals front and rear. If you want to keep it even simpler do all of this in your closed garage with the lights off. Unless you are afraid of the dark.



BUMPER STICKERS: Ever try to remove a bumper sticker? Whether you put it on there or the previous owner (s) and you want the "Vote for Nixon" sticker off. You don't have to scrape, rip or peel. Instead try heating the bumper sticker with a hair dryer for plastic bumpers or a heat gun for chrome or painted metal bumpers for a minute or two and the sticker should peel off without a problem. For stubborn ones coat it with a lubricant (WD40) and let it sit for a while. Cold cream and mayonnaise do the same thing.



SMALL PAINT SCRATCHES: A scratch in the paint (this is for me and Chris P) of your car is an eyesore at best and an aggravation for sure. Most surface scratches are a lot easier to remove than you might think. All it takes is a little car POLISH and a little elbow grease, note I said POLISH and not WAX, there is a big difference. Wax is just that, wax is a protective coating and polish is a liquid that contains a mild abrasive (it is NOT a protective coating). Now on the other hand a polish wax is a wax that contains a mild abrasive. It should be noted that all polishing should be done in the shade and waxed afterwards. Also I have found that most polishes or rubbing compounds (for the bigger oops) work better if applied with a damp cloth or pad.



TRUNK CLUNK STOPPER: Have you ever made a left turn and whatever was on the left side of your trunk is now headed for the right side ¼ panel? There is a solution to keep things from sliding in your trunk. If you have a carpeted trunk use Velcro (only the hooked side) and stick it to the bottom of whatever is in the trunk that can slide around. The loop in the carpet will keep it solidly in place. If you only have a mat or nothing but trunk floor go to a carpet store, Home Depot or Lowes and get some of that soft rubber mesh that you line kitchen drawers with or hold area rugs to bare floors to keep them from sliding. Cut it to the size(s) you need and place it in your trunk to keep everything in place. You can also cut smaller pieces to put on your dash or console to keep your cell phone, sunglasses and anything else you need to from sliding off and under foot or seat.

Well that is it for this month, I hope one or all of these help someone out there.

I know they have helped me a few times.

So as always keep the shiny side up and the greasy side down and Cruise On.

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

The Acadian Beaumont was a make of automobile produced by General Motors of Canada from 1962 to 1971. The Acadian was introduced so that Canadian Pontiac-Buick dealers would have a compact model to sell, since the Pontiac Tempest was unavailable in Canada. Plans originally called for the Acadian to be based on the Chevrolet Corvair, which was produced at GM's Oshawa plant; however, the concept was moved to the Chevy II platform to be introduced for 1962.



For 1964 and 1965, the Beaumont name was moved to a retrimmed version of the intermediate Chevrolet Chevelle, at which time the name Canso was applied to the top-line compact model, equivalent of the Nova. Invader became the series name for the base model.

1966-69 Beaumonts continued to use the Chevrolet Chevelle body with minor styling revisions, including different taillights and a Pontiac-style split grille, but dropped the Acadian name as Beaumont became its own separate make. The interior used the instrument panel from the American Pontiac Tempest/LeMans/GTO series.



TRIVIA

What does "COPO" stand for ?

Answer will appear in the October 2015 Edition

Answer from the 2015 Summer Edition

Summer Edition Winners: Larry Marks, Ralph DeMichele, David Smith & Ray Bader



Send your answers to **Jeff Hopp** at jhopp55@att.net

FROM 2015 SUMMER EDITION



Ray Bader's Monte Carlo