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Chairman's Message

August is behind us and Fall is knocking on our door. The weather is perfect for driving your Corvette. Speaking of driving your Corvette, boy do we ever have a great line up of events for the rest of the year.

Events for September include the Chosen Few car show at our sponsor dealer Coughlin Chevrolet on the 15th and on the 16th there will be a cruise in at McDonalds in Bucyrus Ohio. Both are well attended events with great cars. The showcase event for September on the 22nd (in my humble opinion) will be the trip to Doug Bergen Racing in Marietta Ohio. Doug was actively involved with the Chevrolet racing program in the 60s and 70s. (It has just occurred to me by the time you receive this newsletter all of the September events will be over – boy were they great!) On October 20th we have a trip to Ed Foss and Larry Gerig's impressive garage / museums. If you have never been there this is a must see place. If you have been there what better do you have to do on an October afternoon? Please don't forget to support the Queen City Chapter and attend their Chapter meet October 6th. Also in October is the Restoration Station All Corvette Road Tour on the 21st. To finish up 2012 we will have a joint event judging school with the Michigan chapter at Pro Team in Napolean Ohio scheduled for November 10th. It is worth the trip just to see all the great cars at Pro team not to mention earning judging points. The details for the Christmas party are still in the works but look for it to happen in January 2013.

The annual picnic, at its new site, was a well attended event as usual. The club provided a great meal of Pulled Pork, Brisket and Smoked Turkey (thanks to Randy Early) and Sue provided cake for desert. We also had a good showing of Corvettes

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at the event with 8 in attendance. Thanks to all who showed their support by attending and driving a Corvette!

At the chapter meeting conducted during the picnic I reached out to the group to see if anyone wanted to take on a position of leadership on the board. We have had the same core group on the board for what seems like forever. We are desperately in need of some folks with fresh ideas for the position of Chairman and Newsletter Editor. If you are up for the challenge I will work with you to insure your success. We are also in need of newsletter articles, especially technical articles so we can maintain our chapter top flight status. If you need further details or want to submit something please get in touch with Herb Harlton.

If you have any ideas on what type of events you would like to see please send them to Mike Treece. Mike has done an outstanding job of putting together a great line up of events this year which will be difficult to top next year.



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On a personal note, I have recovered to the point where I can use a clutch and have taken a trip to visit my daughter in Avon Lake (5 hours round trip) and to Dublin in the Corvette's Italian stable mate. In Dublin I entered the car in the show and received a second place award (people's choice) even with racers tape holding on one of my headlight covers. People still appreciate a car that is driven and driven hard.

In closing I hope to see you all soon at one of our events. Fellowship is the real objectives of the club so please try attending some of the events left this year.

Hope to see you soon!

P Yasher

Heart of Ohio Chapter

Chairman

Chapter Meeting Minutes

The Chapter Picnic membership meeting was called to order by Chairman Perry Yasher on Saturday, August 18, 2012 at 4:45 p.m. at the Dublin Park Shelter in Dublin, Ohio . Present at the meeting were Perry Yasher, Lou Zuniga, Randy Early, Herb Harlton, Mike Treece, Richard Crary, Joe Eyl, Butch Price, Steve Steffensen, Jerry Moeslein, Kirk McHugh and Terry Buchanan.

Events Chair, Mike Treece reported on the remainder of 2012 events. September 22 is the Doug Bergen trip to Marietta, Ohio. October 20 is the trip to Ft. Wayne to see the Foss & Gerig Corvette collections. November 10 is a combined judging school with the Michigan Chapter at Pro Team Corvettes in Napolean, Ohio. There is no December meeting planned at this time. Mike outlined some possible events for 2013 that he is working on. Since the Chapter Judging Meet was

very well attended and was the first of the Ohio Chapters to have a meet in the calendar year, it was decided by the membership present to select Sunday, April 28, 2013 as the date of our annual Chapter Judging Meet for 2013. If you have any ideas of a good location for a 2013 Chapter meeting, please contact Mike Treece at mltreece@yahoo.com Mike also suggested to check the Events page on the website to get the most up to date information on the events of the Chapter at http://www.ncrs.org/hoo/events.html

Randy Early, Treasurer, reported the Chapter has \$3,700.00 cash on hand. He had sent a check of \$250.00 to the Wounded Warriors Project but it had been returned due to a tear in the check. He will reissue another check and mail it out next week. He is also checking with the National organization about paying dues and judging fees through a new PayPal account. The National board is asking all Chapters to be PayPal ready by 2013. Randy suggested that the Chapter checking be moved from Guernsey Bank to Huntington Bank. The membership approved the recommendation and the move will be completed by September 30, 2012.

Secretary, Terry Buchanan, reported on the status of the 2012 Top Flight Chapter program. With the Chapter Picnic now completed, we have finished all the required activities. We still need tech articles for the newsletter by the end of September, a donation to a 501 (c) 3 charity and final report on year end totals. Terry reported that we are well on our way to be a Top Flight Chapter for 2012.

Perry asked the membership present if they would like to run for a Chapter officer. No one at the picnic spoke up. If anyone would like to be an officer, please contact Perry Yasher at pcyasher@columbus.rr.com

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Respectfully submitted,

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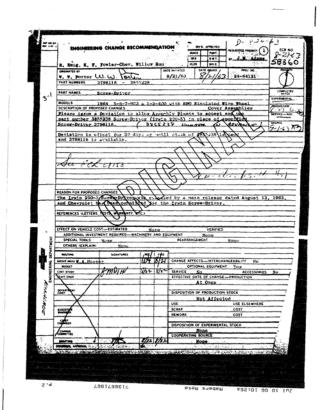
Terry Buchanan Secretary, Heart of Ohio Chapter NCRS

<u>1967 Bolt-On Screwdriver – Part</u> Number 3855238

Many NCRS Meets have 1967 Corvettes entered with the N89 Cast Aluminum Bolt-On Wheels option. The Corvette Black Book states that there were a total of 720 sets of 5 each "bolt-on wheels" delivered in the 1967 model year. Each of these Corvettes was delivered with a screwdriver that was supplied to remove the wheel center caps.

There is much that is known about this special screwdriver; there are also some unknowns. The purpose of this article is to present known facts and list the questions yet to be answered.

The earliest known GM document referencing a Screw-Driver is ECR (Engineering Change Recommendation) #58153. Unfortunately we do not have a copy of this ECR; it is referenced in ECR #58360 dated August 21, 1963. (Exhibit 1)



ECR #58360 refers to part numbers 3798116 and 3855238. Part number 3855238 was sourced for the 1964 RPO Simulated Wire Wheel Cover Assemblies that were available for Chevelle's, Chevy II's and Corvair's. This ECR states: "Please issues a deviation to allow Assembly Plants to accept and use part number 3855238 Screw-Driver (Irwin 200-5) in place of specified Screw-Driver 3798116."

ECR #58360 further states that: "Deviation is effective for 30 days or until stock of 3855238 is used and 3798116 is available."

The reason for the proposed change, as detailed in ECR 58360, is: "The Irwin 200-5 Screw-Driver was released by a M610 release dated August 13,



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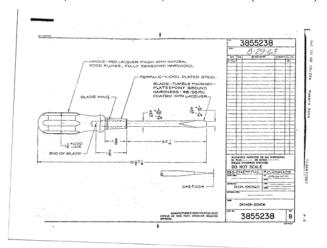
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1963, and Chevrolet has been committed for the Irwin Screw-Driver."

From this ECR, we can determine that there was or was to be a Screw-Driver part number 3798116. It is not known who the supplier was, what the specifications were, or if Chevrolet ever sourced 3798116.

The engineering drawing of Part Number 3855238, dated 8-29-63, is available. (Exhibit 2)



The drawing specifics many of the Screw-Driver's characteristics as follows: Natural wood handle finished in red lacquer; natural wood flutes; nickel plated steel ferrule; lacquer coated tumbled finished blade and all measurements, some having + or – deviations.

It is also interesting to note that the Engineering Drawing states that the:
"Manufacturer's identification <u>must appear</u> on this part; omission requires approval."

Some enthusiasts believe that the Bolt-On Screwdriver did not have imprinting. From the foregoing statement, it is unlikely that Part Number 3855238 did not have an imprint.

However, there is doubt about what was imprinted and the size and style of font(s). From observation, it is believed that the imprint

appeared either as: all upper case letters with the imprint on two lines & periods after each USA letter, or all upper case letters with the imprint on one line and no periods in USA. Examples of the foregoing used Arial 10pt font or similar. Spacing between letters was as shown in Photo 1









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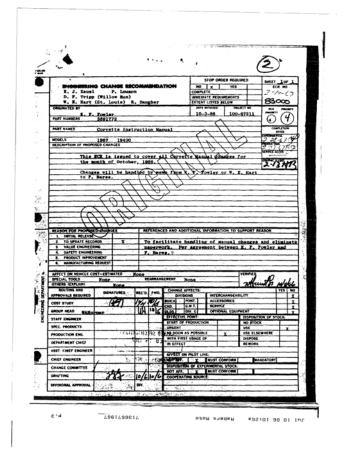
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Bolt-On Screwdrivers, Four Styles, Top to bottom. 1.Imprint block style 1 line 2. Imprint block style 2 lines 3. Irwin – Slanted & 2 Size Fonts 4. No imprint and darker paint

Four Screwdriver variations are pictured in Photo 1. Only the two variations mentioned above are believed to duplicate original Screw-Drivers.

ECR 83000-dated 10-3-66 (Exhibit 3) addresses all October 1966 manual changes for the 1967 Corvette Instruction Manual. This ECR states that all changes would be handled by memo from either K. F. Fowler or W. E. Hart to F. Bares.



A copy of the memo from W. E. Hart to F. Bares dated October 11, 1966 (Exhibit 4) explains in Section N89 that the Corvette Instruction Manual should show the 3855238 Screwdriver, for the N89 option, be located under the jack spring in the jack compartment. The Screwdriver should be labeled and pictured on Part Number 3904975 "Jacking Instructions" and that the label was to be glued to the jack compartment board underside (Photo 2).

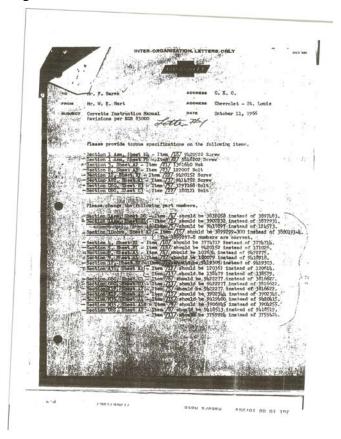


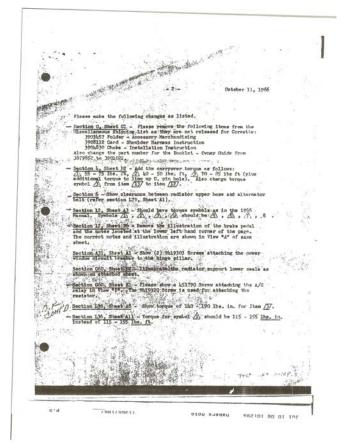
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This "Memo" confirms that Screw-Driver 3855238 was indeed the Screw-Driver supplied by Chevrolet with 1967 Corvettes equipped with the N89 Aluminum Wheels option.

The following are questions still to be answered:

Was Screw-Driver, Part Number 3798116, ever purchased by Chevrolet for use with optional wheels? Information, to date, would suggest not.

What was the exact imprint (layout, font, size etc.) for Irwin Screw-Driver 200-5? Was more than one version of the Irwin imprint applied?

Even though red lacquer was specified as the color, what was the shade?

Was the Irwin Bolt-On Screw-Driver available over-the-counter at Chevrolet dealers?

It is know, from copies of correspondence, that in the 1980's a well-known Corvette enthusiast sent several (quantity unknown) Irwin handles to the Irwin Industrial Tool Company in Wilmington, OH. These handles were outfitted with ferrules, blades and were imprinted. It is also known that Long Island Corvette Supply, Inc. once sold OEM Screwdrivers from IRWIN. LIC bought a quantity of 200 (+/-) direct from IRWIN, reworked & painted them and sent them to Irwin who applied the imprint.

If there are <u>original owners</u> of <u>documented</u> 1967 Corvettes with the N89 wheel option who are in possession of their original IRWIN screwdriver, some of the above questions might be answered. Please call or email.

Also, if others have documents that will clarify any of the above, please communicate.



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Heart of Ohio Chapter Apparel

By Terry Buchanan

There are times after joining an organization such as the NCRS, that members like to identify their membership by purchasing clothing and accessories that have the Chapter name and logo. Our Chapter now has that opportunity through Lands' End Business Outfitters. Heart of Ohio Chapter clothing and accessories can be ordered either on-line or by phone. To order on line go to the Apparel page of our Chapter website.

www.ncrs.org/hoo/apparel.htm



Click on **Chapter Store** and you will be taken to the Lands' End Home page. You will need to click on **Men or Women, Case, Bags or Totes, or Gifts & Accessories**. From there you

will see all the different choices, colors and sizes for that clothing item or accessory.



After you have made your selections, you will be directed to logo application. You will need to select the Heart of Ohio logo which is \$8.50 per item. As you continue on to the last sections you will have 4 steps in the check-out process: 1. Shipping Information, 2. Shopping Bag Review, 3. Billing Information and 4. Order Confirmation.

Depending on the time of year your order should be shipped in two weeks or less.

To order by phone there is a toll free number to call that is dedicated to logo purchases. The number is **800-338-2000**. Refer to the Heart of Ohio customer number 4052776 and the operator will take your order or assist you with you purchase.

We hope to see more Heart of Ohio Chapter clothing and accessories around the area in the near future.

From the Membership Chairman

We had no new members join the Heart of Ohio during the third quarter of this year bringing our total member count to 50, the highest it has been during the five years I have had this position. Glad to have you all on board and hope to see more of you at our upcoming events.



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Membership renewal and dues for 2013 (still \$20) will be coming up in January and I will be emailing everyone a reminder and an application form in December. If you still have the same cars as in 2012 you need not fill out that section but please update your personal information including your membership expiration date.

Please be aware, that a current NCRS National Membership is a required to be a chapter member. National now has the ability to cross check this with our membership and reminds me accordingly. I get a list each month concerning whose membership is coming up for renewal. Thus, if you do not renew your membership with National I will be forced to drop your Heart of Ohio membership even if you have paid us your dues for this year.

Herb Harlton

From the Newsletter Editor

Awhile ago I started a new feature article called **Member's Projects**. Given the size and diversity of our club there are always member projects, both big and small, going-on. This is what the NCRS is all about!

If you have a project that you are working on I would be glad to tell the other members about it. All you have to do is email me some photos and a brief write up. I will take it from there.

We need four member articles a year to maintain our Chapter Top flight status. We all have something interesting to write about. Please think about helping out. If you have any questions about the type of article we need just drop me an email,

Herb Harlton

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From the Judging Co-Chairman

Meet Musings

Richard Lomax, Judging Co-Chair

Since this is the last newsletter of the year, the end of another judging season must be right around the corner. But don't worry, we are gearing up for an even greater 2013. Let me summarize what judging events Heart of Ohio members have been involved in, beginning with this summer (past), right around now (present), and what is coming up this fall and next year (future).

Some of us were in San Diego at the Nationals this summer. I don't recall any of our cars being there (it was kind of a haul), but we had fun in the sun judging, attending seminars (such as installing a convertible top), as well as time with great cars and friends. The facility was awesome, as we literally did not need to leave the grounds of the resort for anything except the tours. Our chapter received the 2011 Top Flight Chapter Award to add to our banner. And we are on track for a 2012 award as well. Way to go everyone, with a special shout-out to Terry Buchanan and Mike Treece. After Nationals there was the Lake Erie chapter meet (August 5), the Altoona Regional (September 6-8), and, as we go to press, a judging school at Doug Bergen Racing (September 22). We had nearly 10 chapter members at Altoona, with Terry Buchanan and Roger Zrimsek representing our chapter with Sportsman displays and I finally achieved my Master Judge hat.

Coming up soon we have the Queen City Chapter Meet (October 6), the Texas Regional (October 11-13), the highly anticipated visit to Ed Foss' and Larry Gehrig's museums (October 20; with a surprise thrown in), and a trip to Pro Team (November 10). All of those are opportunities to



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learn even more about Corvettes and to achieve a few more judging points.

For next year, here are the dates for the Regionals and Nationals: Kissimmee Florida Regional (January 24-26), Bowling Green Kentucky Regional (April 11-13; there are sure to be special tours of the plant and museum, plus this is the closest Regional for us in 2013), Marlborough Massachusetts Regional (May 16-18), Lake Tahoe Regional (June 6-8), Hampton Virginia Nationals (July 21-26), Kenner Louisiana Regional (September 19-21), and Frisco Texas Regional (October 17-19). Oh, and don't forget about the Judging Retreat in Dallas (February 21-24). These are two-day sessions, worth 20 judging points! They don't have this often, so check it out. A few of us have already registered, so don't wait too long.

Back here in Ohio, we have already scheduled our Chapter Judging Meet for April 28, 2013 at Coughlin Chevrolet in Pataskala. So get those restorations done over the winter and join us for a great day of judging, food and friendship. See you on the judging field and keep the glassy side up.

Richard Lomax, Judging Co-Chair

For Sale by Members



1970 Corvette Convertible

The car is highly optioned in Cortez silver lacquer paint code 986, with black leather deluxe custom interior trim with cut pile carpet wood grain accents, leather seating and custom door panels 403 code. It has the rare convertible shoulder belt option A85, two tops C07, both are in amazing unrestored condition, the soft top is black and the hard top is silver. The car is meant for cruising with a M40 automatic transmission, C60 air conditioning blowing ice cold, N40 power steering and J 50 power brakes, tinted glass, and has the ZQ3 base engine, 350 cubic inch 300 horsepower highly desired engine for its drivability, torque, and manners. The car has the U69 AM/FM radio as well as the UA6 alarm system. The car came with PU9 raised white letter tires on original dated rally wheels and original trim rings and top hats, and the tilt telescopic steering wheel N37. The car has a 3:08 rear end and cruises all day long at 65mph comfortably

Price - \$34,900, Contact: Dino Lanno 614 374 6070



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1966 Silver Coupe 427ci/390hp

Silver pearl with black standard interior. 4 speed, AM/FM radio, TI ignition. It has been restored and is numbers matching. Earned Top Flight at the 2011 Ontario Regional. \$77,500 rock bottom.

Contact Tim Bourke at 614-270-7921 or at tbourke@columbus.rr.com.







1969 Corvette Coupe

350/300 engine (# matching), turbo hydra matic (automatic), power steering, AM/FM, 88K mileage, aftermarket AC, side pipes (aftermarket), metallic burgundy exterior, black leather interior, full body-on restoration completed about 5 years ago (\$34K in receipts), about \$5K spent since.

HOH Chapter NCRS second flight; ready for trophies or cruising; looking to get around what I paid for it. Stored in Dublin, OH & can be seen most days/evenings.

Price: \$32,000 - OBO

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Calendar Of Corvette Events

Dates in Bold are Heart of Ohio Chapter Events Note –Some of 2012 Events are still in the early planning stages but mark your calendars anyway. We will keep you posted on any changes via the **Events Page** on our **Website**

Dates underlined are other NCRS chapter events

Dates in plain type are other Corvette related events

October 2012

Oct 6 Queen City Chapter Meet, Columbia Chevrolet, Cincinnati, Ohio

Oct 20 HoO Tour of Ed Foss and Larry Gerig's Garages/Museums, Roanoke HoO

Oct 21 Restoration Station, All Corvette Road Tour, Springboro, Ohio

November 2012

Nov 10 HoO and NCRS Dual Judging School with the Michigan NCRS Chapter, Pro

Team, Napoleon, Ohio

December 2012

January 2013

Jan ?? HoO Holiday Pary (Details to be announced)

Jan 23-26 Florida Old Town Winter Regional, Kissimmee (Orlando), FL

February 2013



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March 2013

April 2013

April 11-14 Southeast Regional, National Corvette Museum, Bowling Green, KY

April 28 HoO Annual Chapter Judging Meet, Coughlin Chevrolet, Pataskala, Ohio

May 2013

June 2013

July 2013

July 21-26 NCRS National Convention, Hampton, VA



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