



Heart of Ohio Chapter

Newsletter

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Chairman's Message

Greetings;

Well we are well into the car show season – hope you are enjoying the great weather! By the time you read this, the chapter meet will be over and hopefully a good time was had by all. It is only April and we have had some amazing events this year with more to come. The real benefit of belonging to the HOO chapter is all the events and the people who attend. Give us a try I am sure you will enjoy yourself! And to quote an old friend “what else do you have to do – stay home and wax your PT cruiser?”

The first event of the year was a two part event. We started in the Morning on January 16th at Performance Auto Spa in Dublin Ohio where Mike Treece gave a seminar on Corvette Radios. Mike's seminar was informative and interesting as usual. In the afternoon we met the EcoCAR 3 team at OSU and took part in the official vehicle unveiling at the Center for Automotive Research. The excitement and enthusiasm generated by the students was incredible! We learned allot about the program and were so impressed we are planning to have a car show there next year!

The February Chapter meeting at Coffman's Corvette was great. I had no idea what they did and learned allot about convertible tops and the cool building they occupy. We were treated to donuts from a local bakery and pizza from a local pizza place. A big thanks to our new member Clint Coffman and his crew for a great event.

The March judging school at Elio's on Trailing Arms was well attended and very interesting. Elio makes it look so easy but he has years of experience. There were some great cars in his shop and if you did not attend you really missed out. Thanks Elio for hosting the event and sharing your knowledge on Corvette suspensions. The Cincinnati Swap Meet was great again this year – if you have never attended it is worth the trip next year.

Upcoming this month on May 7th, we have an event at Bud's Chevrolet in St. Marys. The annual Corvette & Chevy Cruise In brings out some really nice cars and great people. This will be our event to promote the club at a non NCRS event as part of our requirements to earn a Top Flight Chapter award. In the past we have also collected for wounded veterans at this event.

On May 21st, we have a Judging School at Richard Crary's Garage in Bucyrus on Corvette Hoods. Richard always has a project in the works and a really cool collection of cars! On June 11th we have an event at the Packard Museum in Dayton. I have been there twice but I am looking forward to my 3rd visit. The museum is located in an old Packard dealership in Dayton and has tons of stuff to see.

Hope to see everyone this year – please come out and support the club. I am very pleased by the number of folks from the northern region who have been attending. The picnic this year will be in a central location (Mansfield Area) so please come down and enjoy the fellowship. The folks in this club are very knowledgeable when it comes to Corvettes and just a great group to hang out with. Also don't forget the club supplies lunch at most events – what could be better than that!

The folks in Indiana are reaching out for help at the upcoming Regional Meet April 21st to 23rd. If you can help out please register and get with Mike Treece.

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Editor: We have a packed edition of The Front End. Thanks for everyone's help! -Wes

Membership Report-Butch Price

Membership: We have 93 registered members in the HoO chapter. In December of last year we had 85 members.

Remember to pay your national membership dues for 2016 when they are due.

Treasurer's Report- Eric Sponseller

Beginning Cash Balance 1/1/16:	\$8,952.28
REVENUE:	
Membership Dues:	\$480.00
Chapter Meet Registration Fees:	\$1,267.00
Checking Account Interest:	\$0.00
Event Fees:	
Charity Car Show Income:	\$0.00
Advertising:	
Merchandise Sales:	
Total Revenue:	\$1,747.00
EXPENSES:	
Newsletter Expense:	
Operations & Planning:	\$525.24
Judging Meet Expense:	\$0.00
Charitable Contribution:	\$0.00
Charity Car Show Expense:	\$0.00
Paypal Fees	\$45.89
Tech Sessions Expense	\$0.00
Total Expenses:	\$571.13
Closing Cash Balance 12/31/16:	\$10,128.15

January – Performance Auto Spa and OSU Eco Car

The HoO Chapter started off the year with 2 great events: 1st a Chapter meeting with Mike Treece giving an informative presentation on the evolution of radios.



The meeting then moved to Ohio State to at the Center for Automotive Research. The students and faculty went all out in their hospitality. The team at OSU has won several national awards in converting stock cars into hybrids. The students got to present the component systems they were working on and we got a nice tour of the facility.

The HoO chapter came away impressed with the next generation of great automotive minds and potential car collectors.

OSU Center for Auto Research



Tour of the Center for Automotive Research. Approximately 25 members attended. Great start to 2016!

February- Coffman Corvettes, Mansfield, OH

The February chapter meeting was held up at Coffman's Corvettes in Mansfield, OH in February. Coffman's specializes in convertible tops.



March- Elio Martin's, Litchfield, OH

The club made a trip up to Elio Martin's shop in Litchfield, OH. Elio is a former national team lead on 1965 Corvettes. Approximately 15 members attended.



New Members!

I met up with 3 new members at the January meeting. Listed below is a brief bio. Stop and introduce yourself at the next meeting! Welcome Gents!



Rick Pfeifer – Galion, OH
2015 C7 3LT. Blade Silver.
Luckiest man alive?? Rick won his C7 at the Corvette Museum drawing in August of 2015!



Jim Seller –Gahanna, OH
1967 Coupe with 350hp. Maroon w/ black interior.
Owned for 40yrs. Air/telescopic steering whl/power windows.



Peter Hagan-Dublin, OH
1957 Corvette. Owned for 38 years. Maroon.

Judging Co-Chair, Mike Treece

We will be having our annual judging meet April 2nd, in a new location at Nelson Automotive 15769 Watkins Road. Marysville, Ohio 43040. Start time is 10am.

We will be having a judging meet up north in Cleveland at Tim Lally Chevrolet. He has a new location also it is now at 24999 Mile Road Warrensville Htg. O 44128. Date will be August 6 starting at 10:00.

Don't forget about the Regional in Auburn Ind. April 21-23. Its not that far away if you want to go to a regional this year it is at Auctions American Park 5536 Ct. Rd. 11A Auburn Indiana

Tech Article-Batteries, Mike Treece

Mike is literally a historian for our club. Below are pictures of the early C1 batteries.

6 volt



1953-55 6VOLT



- Black hard rubber case
- Medallion not painted
- Caps black with yellowish white washer
- Cat 412 stamped top
- Unpainted exposed lead cell connectors

1955



- 12 volt
- 50 Amp/Hr
- 2SM50-W
- Cap have FILL TO SPLIT RING
- Black plastic with yellowish washer

1957 mid 59



- 2SMR53 on side case
- Top changed to CAT. NO. 458

1959-60



- Black hard rubber case
- 2SMR53 on side near top
- Cat. No. 458 on top
- Yellow plastic caps

1961



- Case hard rubber
- Caps yellow with black lettering
- Cat. No. 458 on top
- 459 on side near top
- Tar top
- Date code 3 characters heat stamped in top

Tech Article-Batteries (con't)



Tech Article- Are Your Windows Clean?

Tips I garnered over the years, By Tom Fetchik NCRS# 26770

I don't remember where I picked up these notes, so forgive me if I copied someone

Glass should be the last thing you do to avoid re-contaminating it during the detailing process.

Work out of the sun on dry windows. The sun can cause glass cleaner to evaporate too quickly and leave residues. Do not use ammonia based products, they streak and leave a film

Spend some extra time on your windshield because you look through it more than the rest of the windows. Lightly dampen your microfiber towel with your cleaner of choice. Wipe up and down and then side to side using long strokes. Flip the towel to a dry side to remove any remaining wetness from the windshield. Do the same on the back window.

Be sure to roll down your windows about half way so you can clean the top edges of the glass.

You can't always get it right the first time. It may take a mist of glass cleaner to remove stubborn film and then another cleaning with plain water to remove any streaks created by the film. It all depends on exactly what is on your glass. Don't be afraid to use more than one cleaner on the same window, if that's what it takes.

When you clean the inside of the back window, it may be helpful to use the backside of your hand to hold the towel against the lower edge of the glass. This technique will allow you to reach the bottom of the glass with greater ease.

Water spots are mineral deposits that have etched their way onto the glass and they can be very tough to remove. When a drop of water evaporates, all the minerals contained in that water remain on the glass. Etching is a gradual process, but those little spots will accumulate before you know it. The best way to avoid them is to dry your vehicle each and every time it gets wet. If that sounds too ambitious, at least dry it after washing and after a rain. If it's already too late, here are some tips for removing those cloudy spots.

Glass can take a polish just like paint. Any quality glass polish (I like Griot Products) will remove water spots and cloudiness to restore perfect clarity to your windows. You can apply it by hand or with a polisher, but set your machine on a low speed (1000-1200 RPM on a rotary or 5-6 on a dual action) and use a polishing pad. Do not apply pressure; the pad will do the work for you. When the polish starts to dry, stop polishing and buff the residue away with a microfiber towel.

Part of keeping your glass clean is keeping your wipers in working order. The rubber strip can dry out and crack so that it doesn't hug the glass properly. Therefore, it's inefficient at clearing water off the windshield. If you maintain your wipers, you won't discover they're dried out when you need them most, like in a rain storm.

You will get more life out of each set of wiper blades if you treat them with a rubber protectant made for wipers. Wiper Treatment Wipes are pre-soaked wipes that keep the rubber soft and supple so the wipers hug the glass properly. Treated wipers will not skip or chatter, and they will remove water and surface debris more effectively. Wipes also keep your wiper blades from freezing so they can better clear snow and ice from your windshield. Check your wipers periodically to be sure they are working well and treat them immediately if they appear to be dried out.



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Upcoming Calendar of Events

Mike Treece has some great upcoming events planned for 2016.

April 2, 2016

Heart of Ohio Chapter Spring Judging Meet

Nelson Auto Group

15769 Watkins Rd.

Marysville, Ohio 43040

April 21-23, 2016

Auburn Indiana Regional Meet

Auctions America Park

5536 County Rd. 11A and Interstate 69, Ext 326

(East)

Auburn, Indiana 43064

May 7, 2016

Heart of Ohio Chapter at Bud's Chevrolet

Corvette & Chevy Cruise In

1415 Commerce Drive

St. Marys, OH 45885

May 21, 2016

Heart of Ohio Judging School at Richard Crary's

Garage - 10:00 am

1374 Nevada Wynford Rd.

Bucyrus, Ohio 44820

Topic: Corvette Hoods

June 11, 2016

Heart of Ohio Chapter Meeting at the Packard

Museum

420 S Ludlow St.

Dayton, OH 45402

As always, check the HoO website at:

www.ncrs.org/hoo for upcoming events!



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Street Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Number: _____

Email Address: _____

National NCRS Number: _____ Note: **You must be an active member of NCRS.**

Corvettes Owned:

Year: _____ Body: _____ Color: _____ HP/CI: _____

Year: _____ Body: _____ Color: _____ HP/CI: _____

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