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WEBSITE

If any of you have visited our website, you have seen on the opening page some of our member's vehicles. However, there is more room for additions. Please send me photos and information regarding your vehicle so that we can add it to our website.

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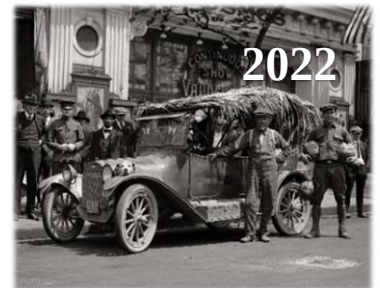
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NEXT MEETING DATE, TIME & LOCATION

Our next meeting will be a Meeting/Picnic on Sunday, April 24th at John S. Taylor Park. Meeting will begin around 12:30-1:00 p.m. See next page for details. Please note that the Shelter number has changed as our usual one was unavailable.

2022 CALENDARS

The 2022 Member Calendars are completed and are available with member renewal or for purchase. Now is the time however to start thinking and planning on your 2023 photo submission, the earlier the submittal the more likely that you pick the month that you would like to have your car in. Please send at least a 500KB photo of your pride and joy to pkroeger@tampabay.rr.com.



Ray Baker	April 4
Jay Bernard	April 25
Ray Robertson	April 26
Jim Heatherington	May 24



APRIL MEETING/PICNIC

Sunday April 24th at John S. Taylor Park, 1100 8th Ave SW, Largo, Shelter 2 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Club will be providing hamburgers, hot dogs and paper items, so please bring a side dish to share and your favorite (and legal) beverages.

This is a rain or shine event, however with good weather, we could make this a mini car show as well so bring your Chevrolet or GMC to show off with!



4th ANNUAL CAR SHOW

Our car show on April 26, 2022 went on without a hitch! The weather was chamber of commerce letter perfect.

We had a total of 70 registrations with 4 no-shows. This is a great number considering we are just coming out of the Covid pandemic.

Thank you to the following sponsors:

Financial Sponsor:

Brian Rockwell with Raymond James

Trophy Classes:

Brian Rockwell - Raymond James – Best of Show

Tom Burtch - Pre-War

Patrick Kroeger – Truck

Al Robinson – Foreign

Guy Trent – Chevrolet



The Best of Show went to Bob Robert for his 1957 Chevrolet 3100, First Place Chevrolet went to Steve Mogil and his 1957 Chevrolet Belair, and best members vehicle went to Ray Baker's 1936 Chevrolet High Cab ½ ton.

A big Thanks to our members and family who helped prior to or on day of show, Bob & Jennie, Hal & Pam, Tom & Nick, Dave & Barbara, John Davis, Gordon Keller, Debbie Kroeger, Al & Pat, Howard & Emily, Bob & Margaret, Dennis Denninger, Ray and Lola, Pappy & Debbie and Mike Rabaut.. Without their help this would not have been a success.

We have a set the next date for our 5th Annual Show to March 18, 2023.







VINTAGE CHEVROLET CLUB OF AMERICA

60th Anniversary Meet

Bowling Green, KY • July 31 thru August 5



March 18, 2022

Re: VCCA 60th Anniversary Meet

Dear Region/Chapter Director:

The VCCA 60th Anniversary Meet is fast approaching. The VCCA National Board of Directors appointed a Committee to the task of planning for our club's meet which will be held in Bowling Green, Kentucky in 2022 from July 31 thru August 5th. The committee has been working over the past few years to develop a meet that will once again be fun and exciting in a place where VCCA members worldwide can come together and celebrate 60 years of the VCCA's mission of facilitating the dedication and preservation of all Chevrolets & GMC's!

As in past years, the 60th Anniversary Meet is a huge undertaking. This year, the committee is planning on hosting another spectacular gathering with many special events including; welcome reception, plaque tour, ladies luncheon, banquet, local tours, and of course VCCA Anniversary Meet Judging.

The committee is seeking support from VCCA regions and non-geographic chapters to help offset some of the costs of conducting this once in a lifetime event! While any level of support will be greatly appreciated, we have developed some examples of various ways for your region or chapter to support the VCCA 60th Anniversary Meet. Each of the events described above serve as a sponsorship opportunity! Please review the attached VCCA 60th Anniversary Meet Region/Chapter Sponsorship Opportunities brochure for ideas on how your region/chapter may offer its support to the 2022 meet.

The 60th Anniversary Meet committee truly would appreciate any level of financial support your region or chapter can offer. If there is a particular event at the meet that your region/chapter is interested in sponsoring, or if you have questions about how your region/chapter can best help, please don't hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at (330) 492-7215 or via e-mail at vccameet@gmail.com.

Of course the best way to support the 60th Anniversary Meet is to attend. One way regions and chapters can show their support is by organizing group tours to the meet. Please look for more info on touring to the 2022 Anniversary Meet in a future edition of the G&D.

Thank you for your efforts to make the VCCA a fun and exciting club for its members and we look forward to seeing you in Bowling Green, Kentucky in 2022!

Sincerely,

David Miner
60th Anniversary Meet Chairman

Attachment



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Sponsorship Opportunities

Each sponsorship level includes the sponsoring region/chapter or individual's name on meet sponsor listings, within the meet brochure, verbal recognition during the welcome reception, on-screen recognition at banquet and welcome reception, recognition on the VCCA website as well as being listed in the G&D 60th Anniversary Meet sponsor list. All sponsors, no matter what sponsorship level selected, will each be recognized as Louis Chevrolet Sponsors. The sponsorship level names below are for administrative reference purposes only.

Region/Chapter Sponsorship Levels

- ❖ Brass Sponsor - \$50 or above ❖ Copper Sponsor - \$250 or above
- ❖ Silver Sponsor - \$500 or above ❖ Chrome Sponsor - \$1,000 or above

Individual Member Sponsorship Levels

- ❖ Harley Earl Sponsor - \$20 or above ❖ Charles Kettering Sponsor - \$50 or above
- ❖ Alfred Sloan Sponsor - \$100 or above ❖ William Durant Sponsor - \$500 or above

Sponsor Information

Region/Chapter or Individual Name: _____
Area No.: _____ VCCA No.: _____
Authorizing Name (If Region or Chapter Sponsorship): _____
Mailing Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Contact Phone No.: _____
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Signature: _____
Date: _____

Sponsorship Payment Information

Make Check Payable to: VCCA 2022 Anniversary Meet

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Minutes of Gulf Coast Region VCCA monthly meeting February 27, 2022**Attendance:**

Al Robinson
David & Barbara Cardinal
Mike Rabaut
Bob Bernstel
Pappy Papenfuhs
Howard & Emily Seymour
Hal Bruce
Pam Simone
Tom Burtch
Pat & Debbie Kroeger
Margaret & Bob Thacker
Gary Gilchrist (guest speaker)

Meeting Location: John Chesnut Park, 2200 East Lake Road, Palm Harbor, FL 33685, Shelter 12. Patrick called meeting to order at 12:30 pm.

Minutes:

Minutes of the 01/23/22 meeting were accepted as distributed.

Treasurers Report and Membership Update:

Deb Kroeger presented the financial report and membership update. There are currently 32 members in good standing for the 2022 CY. The Gulf Coast Region bank balance was \$2,338.61 at January 31, 2022. The on-line registrations for the March 26, 2022 car show are not included in the cash balance.

Honor Flight Program:

Gary Gilchrist spoke to the group about the Honor Flight program of West Central Florida. Honor flights allow US military veterans to travel on chartered flights free of charge to Washington DC to the memorials honoring them.

The Honor Flight program was started in 2005 in Ohio and has now grown to include 139 hubs in 45 states. The West Central Florida hub started in October 2010 and has provided flights for about 3,000 veterans from the Tampa Bay area. The next honor flight is scheduled from the St.Pete-Clearwater International airport on May 10, 2022.

There are many ways to help in this effort such as volunteering to travel as a chaperone accompanying a veteran, greeting the returning flights at the airport, financial contributions, and other supporting activities.

Gulf Coast Region member Hal Bruce has served as a volunteer on an honor flight and if you are interested in further information on this program, you can contact Hal.

Member contact list:

Tom Burtch distributed the current contact list for the Gulf Coast Region VCCA members (copy attached). This list is intended for use by Gulf Coast members to keep in touch with each other. Please do not share contact information outside our membership group.

2022 Car Show:

Patrick Kroeger reported that plans are on track for the 4th annual Gulf Coast Region VCCA open car show on Saturday, March 26th, at the East Lake United Methodist church in Palm Harbor (the site of our previous shows). Please be sure to register your vehicle if you plan to show it - registration forms are on line on our website www.gulfcoastvcca.com and you can submit/pay on line or contact Deb Kroeger if you would like to pay directly.

Some notes:

- Patrick will communicate times/locations for separate show planning meetings over the next few weeks (note the first is now set for Tuesday, March 8 at 6 pm at Quaker Steak and Lube and you should have received this notice from Patrick – all are welcome to attend)
- We have received many donations for goody bags and contents which will be given to show participants, but more are welcome. Please leave flyers at businesses or stores you visit and ask if they would like to provide give away items or donations. Branded items with company names or business logos (pens, note pads, discount coupons, etc.) are welcome and we would appreciate 100 or more of each item so they can go in the hand-out bags.
- Goody bags will be “stuffed” shortly before the show (tentatively on Thursday, March 24) – more details to follow from Debbie Kroeger.
- Some attractive posters have been donated and we plan to hold a silent auction at the show for these.
- A unique and beautiful wooden car model has been made by the Toymakers group and will be awarded as a trophy to the vehicle judged as best of show.
- Howard Seymour has agreed to be the chief judge for the show, and he is also looking for more members to help with judging.
- Members’ vehicles will have a separate parking area and are not part of the show judging, but a trophy will be presented for the people’s choice among vehicles belonging to club members.
- Registrations are limited to 100 vehicles, and we will have some extra space for same day participants if needed
- Benefits will go to the Toymakers of Eastlake who will have an information booth at the show and their workshop will be open to visit.
- If you plan to attend, please volunteer for activities on the day of the show – contact Debbie Kroeger

Other Items:

- A few hats and shirts in club colors with logos are still available for purchase.
- Patrick will have some \$10 raffle tickets which are part of a fund raising activity for the 60th anniversary VCCA show in Bowling Green this year.
- Please remember to take a high-quality picture of your old Chevy or GMC vehicle for our 2023 calendar. You can submit pictures to Patrick Kroeger

Next Meeting:

At the 4th annual Gulf Coast Region VCCA car show: Saturday, March 26th, at the East Lake United Methodist Church 2801 E Lake Rd S, Palm Harbor, FL 34685

The 50/50 draw was won by Pam Simone who generously donated her winnings to the club.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:32 pm.

Minutes prepared by: Tom Burtch, Secretary - VCCA Gulf Coast Region