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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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## NEXT MEETING DATE, TIME & LOCATION

Our next meeting is our Annual Picnic Meeting and will be on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at John Chesnut Park, 2200 East Lake Road, Palm Harbor, Shelter 11. See the following Flyer for detailed information.

## 2023 CALENDARS

The 2024 Calendars are out to the printer and hopefully will be available by our meeting on November 18th. Now is the time however to start thinking and planning on your 2025 photo submission. Please send at least a 500KB photo of your pride and joy to [pkroeger@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pkroeger@tampabay.rr.com).



<i>Bob Thacker</i>	<i>September 7</i>
<i>Gordon Keller</i>	<i>October 17</i>
<i>Al Robinson</i>	<i>November 11</i>
<i>Dennis Denninger</i>	<i>November 17</i>
<i>Tom Burtch</i>	<i>November 24</i>



## NOVEMBER MEETING/PICNIC

Just a reminder of our November picnic/meeting on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at John Chesnut Park, 2200 East Lake Road, Palm Harbor, Shelter 11. Shelter is reserved from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. if you want to come early or stay later to enjoy the park.

The Club will be providing pizzas and paper items, so please bring a dessert to share and your favorite (and legal) beverages. Please let us know if you plan to attend by November 15<sup>th</sup> so that we can have enough pizzas for everyone.

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!



## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The term of office for our Vice President position is expiring at the end of December. The Vice President position is currently held by Al Robinson.

Anyone interested in running for this position, please contact Secretary/Treasurer Debbie Kroeger and inform her that you are interested in a position by October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. The election will be held at our November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting at John Chesnut Park.



If there is an unopposed person for a position, they can be reaffirmed by a majority vote of members at the November meeting. Multiple persons for a single position will be selected by secret ballot by members present, after each person has a 5 to 10-minute period to state their qualifications and objectives.

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## NEW GULF COAST REGION SHIRTS

An email was sent out on 10/2/23 with the descriptions/sizes/cost for our new t-shirts/polo shirts. An order was placed, for those that replied, and these new shirts should be received prior to our Area 9 Meet.

Any of you who still wish to order new shirts, please send your order to Pat/Debbie. The order will be placed and they will be received some time after the Area 9 Meet.

Below is a list of available shirts. Refer to the previously sent email for a more detailed description.

<b>Jerzees – 437W</b>	SM-XL	Price/Sales Tax \$20.33
Ladies Polo Shirt – Light Blue		
<b>Hanes – S04V</b>	SM-XL	Price/Sales Tax \$12.84
Ladies V-Neck T-Shirt – Light Blue		
<b>Gildan – G640</b>	SM-XL	Price/Sales Tax \$12.84
Adult T-Shirt – Light Blue		
<b>Gildan – G880</b>	SM-XL	Price/Sales Tax \$19.26
Adult Polo Shirt – Light Blue		



The picture above was taken by Bob Colmer, who I went to high school with and we remain friends today. Bob has been doing photography since high school and recently moved to South Carolina with his wife Susan.

## **19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SOUTHEAST AREA 9 MEET UPDATE**

The Area 9 meet is only a couple of weeks away. The deadline for reservations for the meet and hotel closed on September 25<sup>th</sup>.

The turnout is lower than what we had anticipated but it is what it is. We will have a good turnout from our Gulf Coast region.

**Total Registered:** 26 (with one cancellation); 49 individuals  
**Total Cars:** 25  
**Early Bird:** 35  
**Auto Museum:** 24  
**Collection on Palmetto:** 28  
**Banquet:** 38



We are looking forward to hosting this event and meeting new VCCA members who are attending.

Thank you to all who have helped put this national event together!

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## **DIRECTORS MESSAGE**

I know that it has been a while since our last newsletter, prepping for hosting the Area 9 meet in October has been time consuming and once it is over, we can get back into our normal routine again. By that I mean we will gear up for our 6<sup>th</sup> annual car show in February! I promise in March that things will slow down.

The November newsletter should be brimming with photos and articles about the Area 9 meet and I will try to take as many photos as possible but anyone else that gets some great photo's please send to me for inclusion as well.

I would also like for us to think about things to do as a group, maybe a meetup at an ice cream stand, going to a Nursing Home and letting the residents see old and new Chevrolets and GMC's, having a regular meeting in the other parts of the state where some of our members live and aren't able to attend. Any and all ideas will all be considered.

## **UPCOMING CAR SHOWS**

### **Diesel Garage Bar & Grill Cruise Night**

Every Wednesday Night, 34200 US 19 N, 6:30-9:30 p.m.

### **Quaker Steak & Lube**

Every Thursday Night, 10400 49<sup>th</sup> St N, 4-8 p.m.

### **Smokin 19 Cruise In**

Every Friday Night, Smokin 19, 3080-3090 34<sup>th</sup> St N, 4-9 p.m.

### **Friday Night Cruise Inn**

Every Friday Night, Coral Landing Center, 33163 US 19 N, 5-8 p.m.

### **Dunedin Cars and Coffee**

1st Saturday of every month, 360 Douglas Ave, 7:30-10:30 am

### **Dade City Cruise In**

1st Saturday of every month (except Jun-Jul-Aug), Downtown Dade City, 12-5 pm

### **Cars & Coffee at Jax Wax**

2nd Sunday of every month, 26254 US 19, 9-11 am

### **Cars & Brunch**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month, Whiskey Wings, 2480 E Bay Dr, 10 am – 12 pm

### **Our Classic Cruise In**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month, Our Place Restaurant, 1101 S. Missouri Ave, 4-8 pm

### **Get Your Kicks on SR 56 Cruise Inn**

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month, Bubba's 33, 26340 Silver Maple Pkwy, Wesley Chapel, 5-8 pm

### **Rocks & Brews Cars & Coffee**

Last Sunday of every month, 26000 SR 56, Lutz, 10 am-1 pm

**10/14/23** 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Air-Cooled Beach Bash, Pass-a-Grille Beach, 10<sup>th</sup> Ave, St. Pete, 10 am-2 pm

**10/14/23** Port Richey Rod Run, Coast Buick GMC, 10133 US 19, Port Richey, 10 am-2 pm

**10/15/23** The Shops at Wiregrass Car & Truck Show, 28211 Paseo Dr, Wesley Chapel, 10 am-4 pm

**10/26/23-** Zephyrhills Classic Car Auction & Auto Event, Dealers Auction Xchange – DAX,

**10/28/23** 2738 Gall Blvd, Zephyrhills, 8 am-5 pm

**10/28/23** Fall "Classic" Car Show, First Baptist, 6800 Trouble Creek, New Port Richey, 10 am-2 pm

**10/28/23** Cars and Candy Car Show, East Lake High School, 1300 Silver Eagle Dr, Tarpon, 10 am-1 pm

**10/29/23** Mickey Quinn's Halloween Car & Truck Show, Mickey Quinn's Irish Pub & Grill,

13071 Park Blvd, Seminole, 9 am-2 pm

**10/29/23** 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Halloween Classic Car Show, Blue Heron Senion Living Center

5071 Eagleston Blvd, Wesley Chapel, 2-5 pm

**11/04/23** West Coast Marine Veteran's Benefit Show, Quaker Steak, 10400 49<sup>th</sup> St, 9 am-2 pm

**11/04/23** Clearwater Knights of Columbus 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Car Show, St. Catherine of Siena Church,

1955 S Belcher Rd, Clearwater, 10 am-2:30 pm

**11/04/23** Oldsmar Rod Run, RE Olds Park, 107 Shore Dr W., Oldsmar, 10 am-2 pm

**11/11/23** Cars & Coffee at Innisbrook Resort, partnering with Make-A-Wish Foundation and Feeding  
Tampabay, 9 am-1 pm