

The Flag Bearer

A Publication of the Southeast Chapter of the NCRS
(National Corvette Restorers Society)
Winter 2025

Highlights:

- Chairman's Report - Annual Holiday Party
- Judging Chariman's Report –
- 6 Corvette enthusiasts joined our Southeast Chapter this quarter
- Technical Articles – Read & Reset Diagnostic Codes on a C5 DIC, C4 Power Window Motor Repair

Chairman's Report

As I write this report it is 20 degrees outside and not Corvette weather. I drove the 66 Vette tonight with the hardtop on the car. Everything was fine except it was so cold the choke would not go off. When I turned the car off the motor kept running for what seemed like an hour. I am looking forward to better Corvette weather.

On December 6th, we held the Winter Social at the 57th Fighter Squadron. A group of 30+ made the trip and enjoyed good food and fellowship. Rich Mauser won the mileage award with his 8-hour trip from Orlando (I think he might have been speeding). Special thanks to Marianne Landis for getting the banquet together for the chapter. Keep your calendar open the first Saturday in December and plan to join us next year.

It is time to start thinking about our first event of the new year. It will be held at Corvette Expo March 19,20,21 at the LeCONTE EVENT CENTER in Pigeon Forge TN. This is a 3-day event this year that can earn you up to 6 points. The registration is open and we believe this will be a great event. Rich has worked very hard to get everything approved and we hope to see a record turnout. Watch for additional information on this event. See you at Corvette Expo.



Thanks,
Tom Beuglas

Vice Chairman's Report

Reviewing 2025, it's clear that our passion for Corvettes is as strong as ever. From the fine details of the judging field to the casual camaraderie of our local meet ups, we've kept the engines turning and the fiberglass shining.

Here is a look at what we've accomplished together as we wrap up a fantastic year:

- Our commitment to preserving the history and integrity of the Corvette remains a top priority. This year, Rich Mauser and volunteers successfully completed three judging meets and three judging schools. These sessions are the backbone of our club, allowing members to:
 - Refine their technical knowledge of NCRS and factory standards.
 - Work toward master judging levels through hands-on evaluation.
 - Ensure that our Corvettes are maintained to the highest levels of authenticity.
- The Metro Atlanta group has been particularly active, proving that Corvettes are meant to be driven. We had standout gatherings that brought out member attendance at multiple Roswell first Sunday of the month car shows and at the

October Tucker Cruise In. These local car shows have become a great way for members to stay connected between chapter and regional events.

- We capped off this year with our annual Holiday Party. It was the perfect finale—good food, and even better company. Beyond the awards and technical specs, it's the friendships within this club that make it special. Seeing everyone in their holiday clothes and in the holiday spirit was the best way to transition into the new year.

I will be submitting the chapter's 4th quarter Chapter Top Flight Award tabulations, and we are expected to once again earn the Chapter Top Flight Award for 2025. A huge thank you to our participants during the year; chapter officers, judges, attendees, technical article authors and those who volunteered their cars and talents for the judging schools—your contribution helps keep the hobby's standards high. Part of our chapter's annual contribution is the charity raffle that culminates at the Holiday Party. Thanks to our participating members, the chapter raised \$755 through raffle tickets and NCRS National's match in 2025 and our chapter made \$1,225 of charitable contributions.

Looking forward to 2026, you are encouraged to attend our Corvette EXPO judging event as detailed by Tom and Rich in their reports. As part of the EXPO, Chris Henry has reserved display spots inside the building to promote NCRS and the Southeast chapter. He currently has some extra spaces if you are interested in displaying your car. The cost is \$185 per car for 3 days and they include 2 entry tickets to the event. Thanks, and I look forward to seeing you in 2026. Happy New Year.

Jim Krakau

Judging Chairman's Report

Our first judging event of the new year will be at the Corvette EXPO at the LeConte Center in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. The Corvette EXPO event begins on March 19th and ends on the 21st. The EXPO is again expecting more of everything for 2026, including additional cars, vendors, parts, etc. and patrons.

Our SE NCRS Chapter will have three days of events on March 19th, 20th & 21st. The SE Chapter booth and judging area will be set up and open for registration at 9:00 AM on Thursday the 19th. Our first event will be a judging school on Thursday the 19th at 4:00 PM, with Operations judging and another judging school on Friday, and Flight and Open Class judging on Saturday. Additionally, the NCRS store will be at the event. The Corvette EXPO is one of the largest Corvette events in the country and we are excited to again be part of it.

Registration is open and is available online at the NCRS website, listed under coming events. Currently we have one car registered for Flight Judging (with a possible

second), one Open Class car, one display car and a Sportsman car. We have limited space for Flight and Open Class Judging, so please register early to secure your spot. If you are attending, please register soon. It will help with planning. Remember, judges can earn up to 6 points at these SE NCRS events.

Let me know if you have any questions. Look forward to seeing you at the EXPO.

Rich Mauser
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Secretary / Membership / Event Administrator Report

Membership Report

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and I would like to wish you a happy and healthy New Year!

We had a very well-attended Holiday Social at the 57th Fighter Group Restaurant earlier in December. It was great to see everyone and the food was fantastic! Thank you to everyone in attendance who helped make this night a success!

I am happy to report we have added five new members and one returning member to our chapter since the last edition of the Flagbearer! Please join me in welcoming our new and returning members to the Southeast Chapter!

October 2025:	61852 – Thomas Thompson, Lakewood, CO
November 2025:	73125 – Rick Fogel, Woodstock, GA
	73166 – Dan Johnson, Orange Beach, AL
	24406 – Lee Tallent, Lawrenceville, GA
December 2025:	67144 – James Lorenz, Acworth, GA
	50644 – Jeff Meadows, Rome, GA (returning member)

As of December 29, 2025, we have a total membership of 110 members, which is an increase of five members since June 2025. Unfortunately, we had one member whose Southeast Chapter and National memberships expired during the fourth quarter of the year. Because his membership expired due to no response, he has been removed from the active chapter membership list. Total Southeast Chapter membership has decreased by only one total member since the end of last year (from 111 to 110).

I continue to get reports from the NCRS on new members who have joined NCRS National and who live in our region. There has been a total of eight new NCRS National members in our

region this past quarter whom I have invited to join our Chapter. Hopefully, follow-up with these contacts will continue to result in adding new members to our Chapter.

Dues help to ensure the Chapter's continued success in fulfilling its purpose of preservation, restoration, and enjoyment of early Corvettes and to conduct meetings, tours, and programs of any sort relating to the development and history of Corvettes.

Dues may be paid online at NCRS.org, Join, Join local chapters, scroll to Southeast Chapter, Click the "Join/Renew Chapter Membership" button, or by mail to the address below. Chapter dues are \$30 per year. I am sending out membership expiration notices monthly. However, you may contact me at any time if you are unsure about the status of your dues.

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Treasurer's Report

Southeast Chapter of NCRS, Inc.
Quarterly Financial Summary
Oct 1, 2025 to Dec 21, 2025

Beginning Balance		October 1, 2025	\$	19,677.58
Income	Membership Dues		\$	180.00
	Raffle Ticket sales		\$	260.00
	Donation for Fall Chapter Meet Luncheon		\$	228.09
	NCRS Decal sales		\$	3.00
	Total Income		\$	671.09
Expenses	Judging Expenses		\$	370.09
	Secretary Expenses		\$	141.10
	Fall Chapter Meet Refreshments		\$	140.10
	Donation to Gary Sinise Foundation		\$	1,000.00
	Holiday Social Balance Due		\$	1,734.90
	Total Expenses		\$	3,386.19
Ending Balance		December 21, 2025	\$	16,962.48

Submitted by:
Dave Del Vecchio – Treasurer

Technical Articles

How to read and reset diagnostic codes on the C5 Corvette “Digital Instrument Cluster (DIC)”

A very thorough explanation on reading and clearing diagnostic codes on the DIC is provided on pages 68 and 69 of the 1997 – 2004 Corvette Operations Manual & Performance Verification Test Guide. I have provided a condensed version below:



The C5 Corvette has the ability for users to pull any stored engine codes from the DIC on their dash. Users can also navigate the code(s) stored by the system, see the state of the code, and reset codes if they choose. It's user friendly and incredibly useful, but there are a few tricks to know.

Let's start by how to pull the codes.

1. Turn the ignition to the "On" position without starting the engine
2. Use the "Reset" button to clear any DIC messages such as "door ajar" or any other such warning.
3. Press and hold the "Options" (4) button while simultaneously pressing the "Fuel" (#1) button four times.

This will cause the dashboard to start to cycle through all of the codes stored in the car; the system cycles through quickly, but you can navigate the individual systems after the cycle is complete.

IMPORTANT DETAIL: Codes will display, along with an "H", and possibly a "C". These are important to note, as "H" means history, while "C" means current. Another way to think about it is that "H" means you HAD a problem, and "C" means you HAVE a problem.

After the DIC has displayed all of modules, the system goes into manual mode, which allows navigation of each module. The manual mode can also be entered during the initial full code output by pressing any button except "E/M". Once the DIC displays "manual diagnostics", you can select a module by pressing the "Options" button to go forward a system or the "Trip"

button to go back a system. Once a system is selected, the DIC will output if there are any stored codes. Users can then press the “Gauges” button to move forward through the codes or the “Fuel” button to go back.

If you want to erase or clear codes, you can do so for either an individual code stored in a module, or for all the codes stored in that module. What is cleared depends solely on what you see on the DIC, if a module is displayed - it'll clear all codes in the module, and if an individual code is displayed - it will clear only that code. So, once you've got what you want to clear displayed on your DIC, you will press and hold reset until the car beeps, at which time the code will attempt to have been cleared.

IMPORTANT DETAIL: Clearing a code does not repair anything, and if the code has a C, it will most certainly be coming back.

Lastly, to exit the diagnostic mode at any time, press the E/M button.

Ralph Goode

C4 Power Window Motor Repair

On a recent bright Sunday morning, I drove my '93 Corvette to a local car show and discovered that my passenger window would only move approximately 1/2" and then no further movement – except after turning the key off and then back on, at which time it would go another 1/2". After checking the fuses, electrical connections and switches, the window would go down and up but would not go back up once it went all the way down - hmm.

I won't go through the procedure to dismantle the door to get at the motor as there are some good tutorials on the internet. In anticipation of replacing the motor, a new window motor was ordered. When the wrong motor arrived, I decided to jump in and see if the original motor was repairable. I found that the screws on the bottom plate of the motor were loose and there was corrosion. The corrosion was at one of the springs that pushes the brush against the armature and there was no pressure to push the brush against the armature.



I found a used brush/spring assembly on the internet for \$11. After replacing the corroded spring and reassembly, the motor works great.

The point is that repairing an electric window motor for the C4 is simple once you have the panel off and have removed the regulator assembly. In this case, the self-repair is cheaper than the cost of a complete assembly (\$237) or replacing the motor (\$71) and having to drill out the rivets.

Jim Krakau

Member News

Kirk Turner received the Tom Wallace Award and the Founders Award at the NCRS National convention in Las Vegas for his 2007 Corvette.

Todd Reynolds received the Duntov Award at the NCRS National convention in Las Vegas for his 1963 Corvette.

NCRS 2025 / 2026 Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
	2026	
Jan. 14 - 17	47th Winter Regional	Melbourne, FL
March 19 - 21	Corvette Expo Judging Meet*	Pigeon Forge, TN
April 16 – 18	Show Me Regional	Springfield, MO
Jun. 4 – 6	Pittsburgh Tri-State Regional	Altoona, PA
June TBD	Buy-A-Vette Summer Judging Meet*	Atlanta, GA
July 26 - 30	NCRS National Convention	Charleston, SC
Sep. 17 - 19	Inter Mountain Regional	Spokane, WA
October TBD	Fall Color Tour Judging Meet*	Summerville, GA
Oct. 22 - 24	Texas Regional	Frisco, TX
	2027	
Aug 1 – 5	NCRS National Convention	French Lick, IN

* NCRS – SE Chapter Event

Find a complete list of NCRS Events at: <https://www.ncrs.org/services/coming-events.php>

NCRS Related Videos / Website

NCRS Insider – https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=ncrs+insider

This is How NCRS Judges Corvettes – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N-xbuYdIA8k&t=1131s>

Common Errors in NCRS Judging – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FEqvMLA7kvc>

Corvette Studios (not NCRS related) - <https://www.youtube.com/@corvette.studios>

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Holley Carbs: 1966 427/425 33886101 Core, 1965 327/365 #3849804 Reissue no date, 1966 327/300 – 350 H.P. #3884505 Service Replacement; 1963 WCFB #3826005

1963 original windshield; 1963 -1967 replacement windshield;

3 1966 restored and dated 390HP Holley carbs;

Set of 5 1967 rally wheels.

Original 1971 white letter spare tire and wheel;

3 1965 - 1966 power brake master cylinders – restored.

Sets of hubcaps 1963, 1964, 1966, PO2; 1967 trim rings – restored.

Contact: Tom Beuglas (404) 456-3711 or email beuglast@gmail.com

1981 Corvette – Fresh paint and in great condition. Beige/Dark Bronze two-tone with camel interior, automatic, glass T-Tops, excellent tires. Mostly original – has headers and an after market steering wheel. The car has been in the family of a friend for 10+ years. Jim Krakau 404-983-7333.

WANTED – Parts & Items

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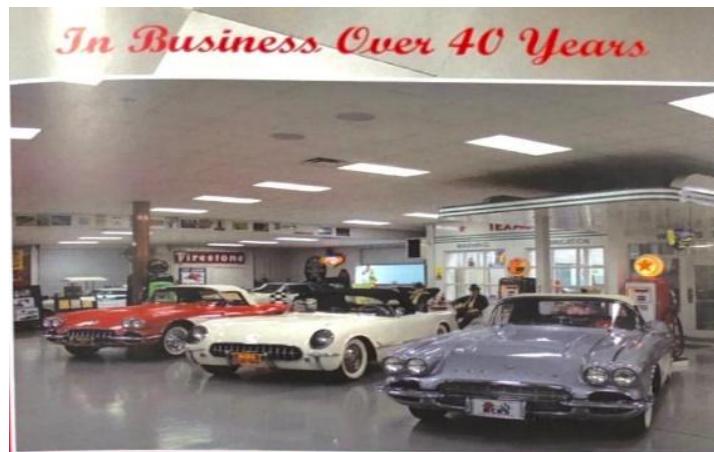
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