

# CROSSED FLAGS

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Louisiana Chapter  
National Corvette Restorers Society



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## Event Calendar

- Show Me Regional April 16-18, 2026  
Springfield, MO
- PA Tri-State Regional June 4-6, 2026  
Altoona, PA
- 2026 NCRS National Convention  
July 26-30, 2026 Charleston, SC
- Corvette Carlisle August 26-29, 2026  
Carlisle, PA
- Intermountain Regional  
September 17-19, 2026 Spokane, WA
- Texas Regional October 22-24, 2026  
Frisco, TX

### Editor's Note:

Please email articles, event photos, personal interest stories, and other items of interest to me anytime:

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## Our Chairman's Message

Dear Members,

2026 is off to a great start for NCRS. Maxie and I attended the Florida Regional, see newsletter for article, and we have now completed a Judging Meet in Metairie, LA on March 7. We plan on attending the Show Me Regional in April, NCRS National Convention in July, Corvette Carlisle in August, and Texas Regional in October. Another busy year for us and if you are wanting to check out any of these events you can go to the NCRS Calendar of Events inside the front cover of the latest Driveline. Looks like 20 Chapter events just through the next few months. The Open Class has reinvigorated owners to bring those cars out for the judging process for Open Class.

Everyone in our chapter should be receiving the Constant Contact emails from Tony Stein to keep you informed of activities. If you are not receiving them, please contact Tony at [anthonystein@att.net](mailto:anthonystein@att.net) and ask to be put on the email list. They are very informative.

We had a successful Judging Meet this month and are looking at options for another Judging Meet in a few months. We have several people on a wait list that we would like to accommodate this year. Will be working on different scenarios to accomplish this.

By now you have probably been following along with the NCRS Board Meeting held March 19<sup>th</sup> to pick the President of the organization. The vote was held and Mike Ingham, current President has been re-elected for another term. If you want details, you can log into [ncrs.org](http://ncrs.org) And go to Forum and Tech Board and you will see the comments posted before and after the election. Congratulations Mike. The Tech Board is a great source of information for members. I hope you look at it on a regular basis.

Thanks everyone for paying 2026 dues and keeping our chapter supported. Let me know if I can reach out to any prospective members to join our chapter.

Have a great summer!

Cindy Rodriguez  
Chairman, Louisiana Chapter



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## 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Florida Regional, Melbourne, FL – January 2026

By Cindy Rodriguez

Another year, another Florida Regional to look forward to. January is always a great time to visit Florida and the site of the Winter Regional in Melbourne is just the beginning of a new year of events. We love going to this event, just never know how much clothes to pack. The weather is always in flux, and we brought coats, shorts, umbrellas, rain gear and t-shirts. We used them all.

We are vendors, so we spend our time outside under our tent trying to stay dry and warm. The weather this year was having none of that. We had rain the first couple of days and crazy winds that made us take the tent down before it was blown into the parking lot. It was colder in Florida that it was at home in Lafayette. We still had a good time and managed to make some great sales for the four days we were there.

Judging was outside as well, and the owners tried to keep the cars covered but between the wind and the rain they had their hands full. Eventually the winds calmed down, and the sun came out and cars were judged and even able to run the PV routes.

Car count was great this year. They had 39 Flight Judged cars and 12 PV cars. They had 13 Sportsman Display and this year they added a Special Interest Display of women owners of Corvettes and had 6 registered Corvettes displayed. Open Class had 4 custom and 10 stock cars to be judged. Bowtie Sign off, Bowtie Display, Duntov Display and American Heritage Display rounded out the judging. This was a great cross section of what NCRS offers for owners at regional events.

Congratulations to the Florida Chapter for holding another outstanding event at the American Muscle Car Museum. If you have never been there, put it on the bucket list. It is a must see. Don't short yourself the time either, it takes a few hours to see everything they have in the museum. Hotel accommodations are great, many great places to eat and drink and lots of things to do while in Melbourne. Thank you, Richard and Lynn for taking on this challenge.



# 47th Annual Florida Regional, Melbourne, FL – January 2026 (Continued)

By Cindy Rodriguez



## LA Chapter Judging Meet, Metairie, LA – March 7, 2026

By Cindy Rodriguez

Well, after worrying about an impending weather event for the last couple of weeks, it looks like we might be able to hold this event without much rain. Many thanks to everyone who came out to support the chapter and enjoy the day with two beautiful 67's.

Once again Wayne Leone stepped up and offered us his shop to be able to hold this one-day chapter meet. We had a good turnout from members, and I hope everyone enjoyed their day. Our two owners, Wayne Leone with a 67 Marina Blue Convertible and Bill Pickard with his 67 Red Convertible were set for flight judging. Bill drove his car 190 miles from Mississippi to Metairie for this event.

Before we started judging we had a trailered 61 "Barn Find" that was brought to us by owner, Jim Haltom and was accompanied by Ken Walley to help in the delivery of the vehicle and help with the Technical Seminar on the vehicle. It was a very informative and interesting talk on the recovery and future renovation of the vehicle. We have an article and pictures that Jim submitted, discussing how he came to own this car.

After a judging school on CDCIF flight judging procedures to refresh everyone on the proper way to address the owners and their vehicle, we gathered our teams and got to work. Special thanks to Delkin Motor Sports for the ditty bags they provided.

We had 20 in attendance, 14 flight judges and 4 observer judges and 2 tabulators. We had a lunch break with Pizza provided by Wayne and managed to complete judging by 3pm.

We had Wayne Leone with a Top Flight Ribbon and Bill Pickard with a 2<sup>nd</sup> Flight Ribbon. We had a Sportsman 2017 with Randy & Susan Hebert. Several other Corvettes were in attendance. Thank you to all who attended and once the meet was over and everyone was back on the road, the skies opened. Everyone made it home, some wetter than others, but all in all, it was a good day!

# LA Chapter Judging Meet, Metairie, LA – March 7, 2026 (Continued)

By Cindy Rodriguez



# LA Chapter Judging Meet, Metairie, LA – March 7, 2026 (Continued)

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## 1962 Corvette in North Mississippi

By James Haltom

I've had a busy November. Earlier this month I discovered a 1961 Corvette in north Mississippi. The car, VIN #10867S103970, was manufactured in December 1960 and delivered to a Chevrolet dealer, Mitchell Motors, in West Point, Mississippi. The car was purchased by the original owner, Charles Eudy, in early 1961 and was actively driven until 1973 when it was put into storage. Mr. Eudy died this summer, and the family needed the car removed from a large building on family land that was being sold. Thanks to the encouragement and invaluable assistance of fellow NCRS member, Ken Walley, I was able to acquire the car. It took Ken and me about 3 hours just to clear out all the material around the car, then another hour to put the car in Ken's trailer for transport.

The numbers matching car is sateen silver with a red interior and is "in the rough" but largely original. The motor is the base 283 cu in 230 hp with a 4-speed and positive traction rear end. The only other accessories are an AM radio and heater. The car has a trailer hitch and routinely towed a fishing boat to Grenada Lake in north Mississippi. As you can see in the pictures, the Corvette was also used for deer hunting.



## 1962 Corvette in North Mississippi (Continued)

By James Haltom

Thankfully, the car had a crankcase full of oil and plenty of antifreeze in the radiator. The motor turns over easily, but all the hoses and the single belt need to be replaced. My plan is to leave the car largely as found but get the engine, brakes, transmission, etc. in running order and put the car back on the road. It will be a fun project. Like my 1963 coupe that had been in a Kentucky barn for 25- years, this car found me.

Ken Walley remains my hero!

Jim Haltom  
NCRS #72811





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Note: National NCRS Membership is required. If you do not know your number, enter "yes" but submit the number as soon as available to complete application.

CORVETTES YOU OWN			
Year	Body Style & Special Options	Color	Engine & Transmission

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## NCRS Chapter Award Program

The NCRS Chapter Award Program was developed to promote involvement and participation by members in their chapter events while encouraging the sharing of knowledge in the restoration and preservation of the Corvette. The program measures the performance of each chapter against standard award criteria similar to the principal used in NCRS judging. Each chapter is eligible to receive an award every year after submitting the required quarterly reports and fulfilling the required criteria. The Award Program is based on the calendar year January 1 to December 31. Recognition Certificates are issued in February, and the award is presented to the chapter at the National Convention.

TOP FLIGHT	SECOND FLIGHT	THIRD FLIGHT
Complete all eight <b>required activities</b> and six or more <b>variable activities</b>	Complete seven <b>required activities</b> and five <b>variable activities</b>	Complete six <b>required activities</b> and four <b>variable activities</b>

### Required Activities for the year

- **1R** Host a Chapter Judging Meet
- **2R** Conduct a Chapter Technical Seminar
- **3R** Conduct a Chapter Judging School
- **4R** Conduct a Chapter Membership Meeting
- **5R** Conduct a Chapter Charitable Event (does not have to be Corvette related)
- **6R** Conduct a Chapter Road Tour
- **7R** Have a Chapter Social Event
- **8R** Maintain a Chapter Website linked to [www.ncrs.org](http://www.ncrs.org)

### Variable Activities for the year

- **1V** Judging Meet must include cars registered for Flight Judging from at least 5% of the Chapter Membership
- **2V** Six technical articles must be published in the Chapter newsletter
- **3V** A total of 15% or more of the Chapter members and/or family members must judge or tabulate at the Judging Meet(s). Each person can only be counted once during the year.
- **4V** A total of 15% of Chapter members must drive their Corvette(s) to a Chapter meeting or Chapter event during the year. The Chapter Road Tour is not included. Each person can only be counted once during the year.
- **5V** Chapter Road Tour must include at least 5% of the members cars.
- **6V** At least 20% of the Chapter members must attend one or more Chapter meetings or events.
- **7V** Setup NCRS display at a Non-NCRS event.
- **8V** A charitable donation of \$100 or more is donated to a 501-3C qualified charity.



# Classifieds



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