

# EXHAUST NOTES

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A contingent of Miami Valley Chapter members made the trek to Kansas City for the NCRS National convention this summer. Shown are; Nick Kammer, Dave Pritchard, Tim Tschanz with his newly awarded National Top Flight '63 coupe, Bob Puls who was awarded a National Top Flight award for his '66 convertible, and Jeff Bernhardt. Congratulations to Tim and Bob!



**Later we retreated to a local watering hole to solve all -make that most - of the problems of the world.**



# Treasurer's report

- Terry Brim

Beginning Balance as of 1 January 2014  
(\$3242.72)

## YTD INCOME:

- Judging Meet \$1260.00  
- Dues \$820.00  
- 50/50 Raffle \$117.00  
Total YTD Income \$2197.00

## YTD EXPENSES:

- Membership Appreciation Dinner \$50.00  
- Refreshments \$472.88  
- Judging Meet \$507.77  
- Picnic \$600.00  
- Donations 902.00  
Total YTD Expenses \$2532.65

YTD Balance as of 30 September 2014 \$2907.07

# Judging report

- Nick Kammer

Next years Miami Valley Chapter Judging Meet date has been tentatively set for Saturday May 30th, 2015 pending approval by Voss Chevrolet. The board decided to offer a \$10 discount in the normal registration fee for registrants that volunteer to be a Flight Judge for next years meet.

The Kansas City National Judging Meet was well attended by Miami Valley Chapter members including Bob and Sarah Puls, Jeff Bernhardt, Tim Tschantz, Dave Pritchard and myself. If you've never been to a National event make a point to go in the future. Bob Puls had his '66 judged and received a Top Flight. Tim Tschantz had his '63 judged as well and also earned a Top Flight award. Congratulations! A National Top Flight award is not an easy award to earn. The most knowledgeable and experienced judges in the country are in attendance. Dave Pritchard was able to fill in for a judge that couldn't make it and gained some valuable experience.

# Corvette Fever

- Mike Mills

When you hear the term "Corvette Fever" you might be thinking of the national magazine that merged years ago with Vette. You might even be a subscriber, yet this is not what I'm referring to. Corvette Fever is an ailment of mind/body/soul that focuses your time/energy on all things Corvette. This can only be cured with a fine example parked in your garage and title in hand. As a member of NCRS, you have likely been cured multiple times during your life.

I caught Corvette Fever in elementary school. My best friend Bryan and I had constant debates between the Corvette & the Porsche. I found myself at a disadvantage when these debates occurred at his house, as his dad had a number of Porsches in the garage and one as a daily driver. Bryan could never change my dreams and I could never talk him into owning a Corvette someday. Years went by and I was now a driver with my first car (an Olds Cutlass) and Bryan had a 67 Porsche 912. I still maintained my dream of one day owning a Corvette. Eventually his dad lost interest in Porsches and soon was happy without a single Porsche parked in his garage. The years continued to roll by and Bryan and I ran into one another and grabbed a beer to catch up. He had sold the Porsche and had a number of European sports cars, and I had a 66 & 89 in my garage. We discussed the Miami Valley NCRS chapter starting in Dayton. Bryan was still immune to Corvette Fever.

A few more years rolled by and Bryan gave me a call and Corvette was the agenda item! His dad was looking for a SWC and was looking for someone who could assist in the quest. I learned his dad had attended seminars at Bloomington in order to educate himself in how to identify a complete and correct car. His dad was immersed in Corvette education and the Corvette Fever that lay dormant for 20 years came back with a vengeance, the only cure was a SWC in his garage. Bryan's dad is our club member, Tim Tschanz.

Tim had narrowed his search to a SWC in a handful of colors and options - and the base motor would not do. Tim looked at and talked about many cars until he found the short list was down to a select few. He made a final offer on his favorite car and walked away. However, the SWC was the same car Tim saw early in his search and was familiar with. Now the collector car recession was in full swing and the current asking price was still less than a few years earlier. Tim decided to conclude his search by purchasing a car he was familiar with and the seller was happy to get his asking price. Tim wasted no time in taking the steps to receive his top flight. Not only did Tim receive top flight at our Chapter meet, he trailered the car to Kansas City and received a top flight this past summer. Tim's car can be seen at most chapter meetings and tooling around the Springboro area.

I talked to Tim about the switch from Porsches to Corvette and why the change. Tim shared he had always loved the Corvette. Many years ago, Tim was in the market for a sports car and shared with a friend his pursuit of a Corvette. Tim's influential friend convinced him that upon graduating medical school, he needed a European car and the Porsche was the car for him. Tim purchased his first Porsche while in dental school for \$500, which would be perfect for his autocross plans. Tim took to his car passion and had many Porsches. Little did Tim know that Porsches couldn't cure Corvette Fever. After 40+ years, Tim's Corvette Fever was cured with a Top Flight Red/ Red 340HP SWC sitting in his garage, and with a lot of great new fellow Vette lover friends. Now if only Tim & I can get his son Bryan to trade in his 911 for a Corvette. After 35 years of trying I can't give up on my friend Bryan. At least now Tim is on my side!!!

# Our Next Meeting:

## **Miami Valley Chapter November Meeting**

**WHEN:** 11 November 2014 Starting at 6:00 pm

**PLACE:** Lo-Man Rods (<http://lo-manrods.com/>) 8970 State Route 201 Tipp City, Ohio 45371

**(Directions from I-70):** It is just north of I-70 about 2 miles on SR 201

**We will conduct our chapter business/election of Officers and then receive a tour of Lo-Man Rods**

**Current Candidates for Officer Positions are:**

**Chairman: Nick Kammer**

**Vice Chairman: Mike Mills**

**Secretary: No Candidate**

**Treasurer: Terry Brim**

**Membership: Dave Pritchard**

**Judging Chairman: Mike Ammer**

**Events: John Engle**

**Newsletter: Jeff Bernhardt**

**Parliamentarian: Mike Wellman**

These positions are not carved in stone. Anyone with interest in running for a board position may do so; all you need to do is show up for our November meeting and state your interest.

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