

## March Newsletter

### March Meeting

**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2009

**Time:** 7:30 PM

**Place:** East Coast Chevelle, Deer Park, NY

Members can pay their dues at this meeting. Members who pay their dues and members who have previously paid their 2009 dues can also pick up this year's club gift. Snacks and refreshments will be served. Up for discussion will be the 2009 Event Calendar, Drag Day, and local cruise-in information.



### News



Our first event of the 2009 Season will be on Sunday, April 12, 2009. The 54th Annual Garden City Easter Parade. Its a great way to start off the spring cruising season.

We'll meet up at 10:00AM near the parade staging area, and travel over as a club. From 10AM to 12:30PM its like a giant cruise-in at the parade staging area. The Parade itself kicks off at 1PM and you'll be on the road going home by 1:30.

It's a great opportunity to see some cars that you don't normally see at the local shows and cruises. Depending on weather conditions you may see more than 600 cars in attendance.

Pre-registration is \$10 per car (car must be 1984 or older). The club will accept registrations from the membership and we'll send it all in together.

If not already registered contact Art Capelle at [capelle@optonline.net](mailto:capelle@optonline.net) or 516-849-9321 ASAP.

This month's newsletter photos, courtesy of member Don Capelle, West Fulton, NY.

## Cruise-In's

Its almost that time of year already. Most local cruises will start in early May. So keep your eyes peeled and if you see a good one that the club would be interceded in, send us an e-mail with the details.



## Club Day at the Drags 2009

Date: May 11, 2009

Place: ATCO Raceway, New Jersey

Time: Roughly 10AM- 4PM

Long Island Chevelles member Dan Florit is organizing the Day at the Drags 2009. Members will be able to use the track all day and will get as many passes as the time permits. Members can use this opportunity for 'test & tune' and will have plenty of time to make adjustments between passes.

This will be a very good opportunity for members to tune their cars correctly. Members who have never drag raced before or members who haven't been on a track in many years can really make this a great day. It's a perfect 'low stress' way to get used to the track and learn how it's done.



There will also be plenty of photo and video opportunities. Burn-outs, racing, and group shots!!

Members Bruce and Shane Ekberg will be on hand to race..... and if we know Bruce (just kidding). Yes, Bruce has offered to grill up some lunch... so make sure you put something in the tip-jar.

Bring a camera & a co-pilot if you wish and have a Club Day at the track! Spots are limited, so plan now. The first 15 members to pay in full: \$200.00, will be guaranteed a spot on the track for the day. Members who are not racing are welcome as well. **Check your e-mail inbox for reservation and payment details.**

## **Sunday Evening Cruise-in:**

Long Island Chevelles, Sunday evening cruise-in...Begins Sunday, April 19, 2009.

**EVERY SUNDAY** (weather permitting), at TD Bank in Mineola. Corner of Herricks Road and Jericho Tpke. Come on out and hang with the guys for an hour over a cup of coffee, some nice Chevelles, and most of all GREAT people.



All makes welcome, new and old classics.

NO tuners please, NO burn-outs, clean up all garbage please.

## **LIC-TV**



Hauppauge Cablevision Feed  
Tuesdays @ 6pm  
Woodbury Cablevision Feed Fridays  
@ 10pm

Long Island Chevelles independently produces episodes for broadcast. Filming, editing, and production are done 'in house' by the members of Long Island Chevelles Car Club. Event coverage, 'How-To' Episodes, and Feature Series are unscripted, providing REAL, reality TV.

View LIC-TV on your PC on our website at  
<http://www.longislandchevelles.com/lictv.php>

## **East Coast Chevelle**

Kemco octane booster is now available at East Coast Chevelle. Members who require valve seat lubrication and/or a boost of octane are encouraged to give it a try. Also available is ZDD Plus oil additive. Needed for cars running flat tappet cams with the new blends of conventional motor oil. We do ask that all members who use these products, report back to the club and let us know your individual reviews.



## **Meeting Schedule:**

**April 2009:** Meeting and Technical Seminar at East Coast Chevelle\*

**May 2009:** Meeting and Technical Seminar at East Coast Chevelle\*

**June 2009:** Meeting and Technical Seminar at East Coast Chevelle\*

\*We are still attempting to schedule a technical seminar for this meeting. If you would like to do a technical seminar or know of someone who would, please [e-mail](#) the club.

## **Upcoming Events**

We are currently working on our 2009 Event Calendar for both local and Out-of-Town Shows, Festivals, and Events. Please let us know about any events you would like to see on the calendar. Below you will find the first draft of the 2009 Event Calendar. Like years past, this calendar is a constant work in progress. If there are local or out-of-town shows or event you would like to see on the calendar or have the members attend please send an e-mail to [info@longislandchevelles.com](mailto:info@longislandchevelles.com) with the details.



## 2009 Events

Garden City Easter Parade  
4/12/2009

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[Spring Englishtown Swap Meet and Auto Show](#)  
4/17-4/19/2009

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[Spring Carlisle Collector Car Swap Meet & Corral](#)  
4/22-4/26/2009

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[Rhinebeck 2009](#)  
5/1-5/3/2009

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Club Day at the Drags 2009  
May 11, 2009  
[ATCO Raceway](#), New Jersey

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All American Car – B – Que  
Host: [Long Island GTO Club](#)  
May 17, 2009

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[A.C.E.S.](#)  
Chevell~abration 2009  
[Info Link 1](#)  
[Info Link 2](#)  
Host: [Mid-South Chevelle Club](#)  
Nashville, Tennessee  
6/4-6/6/2009

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[Carlisle All-GM Nationals](#)  
6/26-6/28/2009

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[A.C.E.S. Northeast Regional](#)  
Host: [Maryland Chevelle Club](#)  
Northeast, Maryland  
6/27-6/28/2009

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[Northern Chevelle Gathering](#)  
Host: [Can-Am Chevelle Club](#)  
Niagara Falls, NY  
7/10-7/12/2009

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[A.C.E.S. Northern Regional](#)  
Host: [Northern Ohio Chevelle Club](#)  
Westlake, Ohio  
8/7-8/8/2009

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[Corvettes at Carlisle](#)  
8/28-8/30/2009

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[27<sup>th</sup> Annual Adirondack Nationals](#)  
9/11-9/13/2009  
Lake George, NY

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[Good-Guys 4<sup>th</sup> Great American Nationals](#)  
September 26, 27 & 28, 2008  
Pocono Raceway, Long Pond, PA

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[Fall Carlisle Collector Car Swap Meet & Corral](#)  
9/30-10/4/2009

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[Daytona Turkey Run](#)  
Daytona Beach, Florida  
11/26-11/29/2009

[CLICK HERE](#) to e-mail the club suggesting events for our 2009 calendar.

## President's Message

As I am working on the event calendar, once again I ask that you take notice of some of the larger shows we will be attending this year. They are all family orientated and members considering attending these shows can attend alone, with some of the guys, with a significant other, or with a wife and family. The shows are relaxed, entertaining and are a great way to make a vacation or long weekend out of them. If you are thinking about attending one of these Out-of-Town shows, make reservations early as the local motels and hotels usually will sell out.



### **Oil Change instructions for Women:**

- 1) Pull up to Jiffy Lube when the mileage reaches 3000 miles since the last oil change.
- 2) Drink a cup of coffee.
- 3) 15 minutes later, write a check and leave, driving a properly maintained vehicle.

**Money spent:**

**Oil Change: \$30.00**

**Coffee: \$1.00**

**Total: \$31.00**



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**Oil Change instructions for Men :**

- 1) Wait until Saturday, drive to auto parts store and buy a case of oil, filter, kitty litter, hand cleaner and a scented tree, use your debit card for \$50.00.
- 2) Stop by 7/11 and buy a case of beer, (debit \$20), drive home.
- 3) Open a beer and drink it.
- 4) Jack car up. Spend 30 minutes looking for jack stands.
- 5) Find jack stands under kid's pedal car.
- 6) In frustration, open another beer and drink it.
- 7) Place drain pan under engine.
- 8) Look for 9/16 box end wrench.
- 9) Give up and use crescent wrench.
- 10) Unscrew drain plug.
- 11) Drop drain plug in pan of hot oil: splash hot oil on you in process. Cuss.
- 12) Crawl out from under car to wipe hot oil off of face and arms. Throw kitty litter on spilled oil.
- 13) Have another beer while watching oil drain.
- 14) Spend 30 minutes looking for oil filter wrench.
- 15) Give up; crawl under car and hammer a screwdriver through oil filter and twist off.
- 16) Crawl out from under car with dripping oil filter splashing oil everywhere from holes. Cleverly hide old oil filter among trash in trash can to avoid environmental penalties. Drink a beer.
- 17) Install new oil filter making sure to apply a thin coat of oil to gasket surface.
- 18) Dump first quart of fresh oil into engine.
- 19) Remember drain plug from step 11.
- 20) Hurry to find drain plug in drain pan.

- 21) Drink beer.
- 22) Discover that first quart of fresh oil is now on the floor. Throw kitty litter on oil spill.
- 23) Get drain plug back in with only a minor spill. Drink beer.
- 24) Crawl under car getting kitty litter into eyes. Wipe eyes with oily rag used to clean drain plug. Slip with stupid crescent wrench tightening drain plug and bang knuckles on frame removing any excess skin between knuckles and frame.
- 25) Begin cussing fit.
- 26) Throw stupid crescent wrench.
- 27) Cuss for additional 5 minutes because wrench hit bowling trophy..
- 28) Beer.
- 29) Clean up hands and bandage as required to stop blood flow.
- 30) Beer.
- 31) Dump in five fresh quarts of oil.
- 32) Beer.
- 33) Lower car from jack stands.
- 34) Move car back to apply more kitty litter to fresh oil spilled during any missed steps.
- 35) Beer.
- 36) Test drive car.
- 37) Get pulled over: arrested for driving under the influence.
- 38) Car gets impounded.
- 39) Call loving wife, make bail.
- 40) 12 hours later, get car from impound yard.

Money spent:

Parts: \$50.00

DUI: \$2,500.00

Impound fee: \$75.00

Bail: \$1,500.00

Beer: \$20...00

**Total: \$4,145.00**

But you know the job was done right!



*Here are some interesting links for the month!!*

[What a Difference a President Makes](#)

[Tesla's Model S](#)

[Crane Cams Shuts Down](#)

[Terry Fator](#)

[One Fast Gun](#)

[Member Cesar Torres' Chevelle Featured](#)

[Control Arm Facts, Information, and Rebuilding](#)

[K9 Tribute, Dave Machin Productions](#)

## Sponsor Corner



All members are encouraged to visit Dave at [East Coast Chevelle](#). Specials for Long Island Chevells members are running now. Look for special purchase items from East Coast in your e-mail inbox. From factory replacement to aftermarket add-ons you'll find what you need at East Coast.



Doing a Project? There is no better place to get that interior done than [R&R Seats](#). Mild to Wild or even factory correct, Ron at R&R will stitch you up. Interiors to convertible tops, bikes to Beaumonts, they do it all with special pricing for club members.

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**Wanted:**

Anyone who would like to set up some 'light' and informal technical seminars for future meetings please e-mail the club. All automotive related topics considered. Your location, or ours. Open seminars for June, July, and August now being considered.



**[CLICK HERE](#)** to e-mail the club about technical seminars.

**Keep Spreading The Word...**

**Long Island Chevelles Car Club *"Changing the World, One Gear-head at a Time"***