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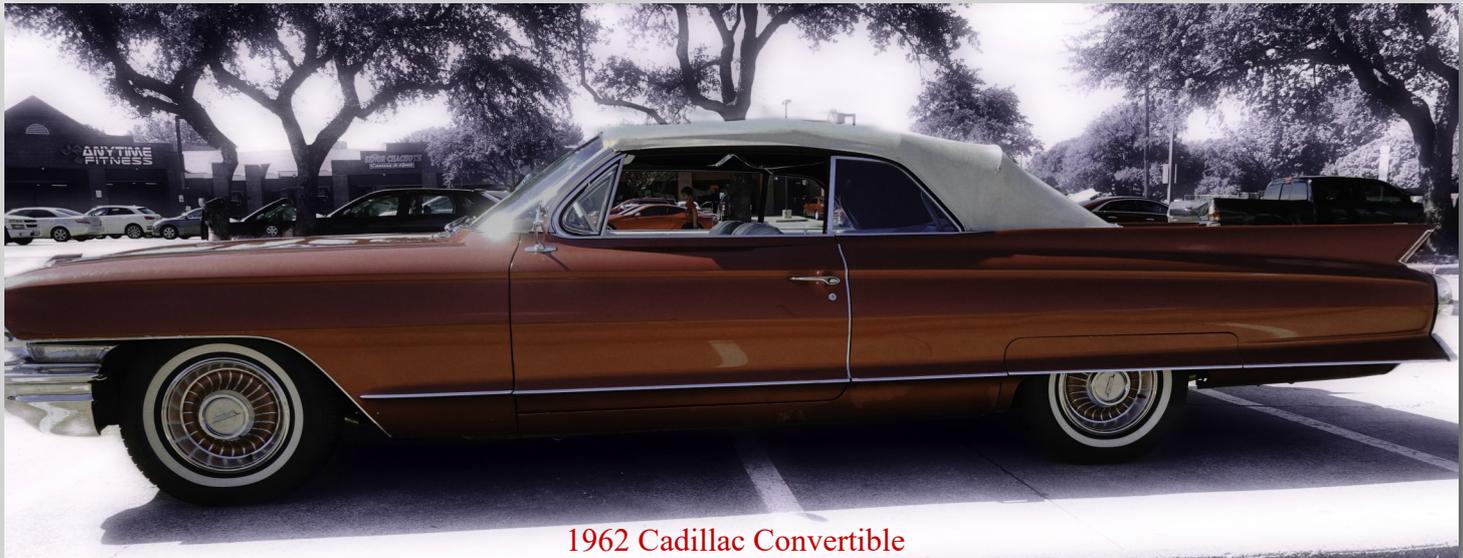


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1962 Cadillac



Text by Owner Neil Polan Photos by Lifer



1962 Cadillac Convertible

Engine: 390 cu in, 8.75 comp ratio, 325 hp, 404 ft-lb torque

Wheelbase: 129.5", length 222", weight 4,625 lbs

Performance: 0-60 mph @10.1 secs, ¼ mile @ 84 mph in 17.6 second top speed 122—124 mph

Production: 16,800, first year of the dual master cylinder braking system

Pompeian Red/White

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1962 Cadillac



I had a 1962 Cadillac convertible 20 years ago, sold it, and never got over missing it. So, I put a search inquiry on eBay, and over a period of two years, this one finally showed up as being an original owner vehicle, with only 60,000 miles on it. I purchased it sight unseen, because the pictures and documentation were so good. The car was in storage for about 30 years, and yet the chrome inside and out is in near perfect shape. It has the original top, interior, paint, engine and transmission. When I purchased the car, I went through making it safe and reliable which took some time because the fuel system had various unusual intermittent problems. The engine had a lot of lifter noises, and the car would stall out and leave you stranded. A little Rosoline in the oil got rid of 98% of the noises, and after merging two carburetors together to get one good one, I was able to have an excellent running engine that now runs as smooth as a sewing machine. I'm in the process of upholstering the seats replacing the carpet and painting the outside over the next year. It's never going to be a frame off restoration, it's going to be a good looking street driver. I'm in process of driving to North Carolina to where I can remove a complete air conditioning system from a donor car because that's what Cadillac should have, air-conditioning. Driving this car reminds me of the best days of America, and I have fond memories of cruising with my childhood friend's parents around town, thinking, wow so this is what the Cadillac life is like. I can picture driving with Howard Hughes back in the day. Dream on. Lol. *Neil Polan*

1962 Cadillac



This car was purchased new for its luxury, quietness, smooth ride, engineering, quality, beauty, and status.

Not for miles to the gallon or recharge.



Wide, beautiful doors invite you to a luxury space. The interior is in excellent shape for its age.

The rear lighting of the '62 is called Cadillac's Three-Phase Rear Lighting System. The fin lens shows off the turn signal and brake light. The lower unit in the bumper has a clear lens that is both a backup light, and magically turns red for tail light and braking. Plus a small reflector in the center. So much in such a small space, Very unique in its time and its concept copied by others later. Oh, and another design achievement—a hidden gas filler door.



The cast iron 90 degree 6.4 liter engine is an 8 cylinder, overhead valve naturally aspirated engine with 2 valves per cylinder and a 4.0" bore and a 3.87" stroke, with a 10.5-1 compression, mounting a Carter 4bbl carburetor or Rochester 4-bbl downdraft Quadrajet. Transmission is a 4-speed Hydra-Matic (Jet-away). Neil is adding factory air.

NTXCLC First Saturday Breakfast

Our 1st Saturday get-togethers are a relaxed fun social event with a group of classic cars in the parking lot . The gents share thoughts on old cars, collector cars, and just cars, and the spouses enjoy things that are just not automobile related. Part of the car club experience is friendship, with those who have similar interests, and these friendships can grow and last for years. So, if the timing of the 1st Saturday meets your availability, come on in and break bread with us for a while. Bring your collector car, weather permitting. You will have a good time and food is good. Your spouses are invited. Next meeting October 1st at 9:00 a.m.



Matt Varble, Neil Polan, Steve Overby, Charles Gambulos II, Dan Harrison, Doug Ashby, Debbie Overby Harriett Levy, Linda Mikyska Marcia Pendleton, Kathleen Ashby, Karen Fishell, Connie Beloff, Nichole Gambulos II, Charles Gambulos, Jeffery Pendleton, Mark Waterman, Alex Beloff III, Ron Fishell, Sandy Ische, Bill Ische, and Bill Levy

We had a great crowd, tough to photograph. Next month we will do a ladies table and a gents table.

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1992 Allante



Photo by Jim Hanson at Lake Murry

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2024 January, Irving, Texas National Board Meeting.

2024 CLC Grand National Gettysburg, PA.

2025 Grand National Atlantic City, NJ.

MUCH LOVED CADILLAC ELDORADO

Story and Photos by Alex Beloff III except where noted as GM archives, GM photographic and Cadillac Motor Car Division

Eldorado

I still have a strong emotional attachment to Mr. Karl Hoke's brand new platinum silver, white top 1954 Cadillac Eldorado convertible. Selected and well paid, I hand washed and blue coral every inch every high school summer Saturday. Each chromed wire wheel spoke was detailed (last year for wire wheel.) Beauty treating the red and white leather interior, the smell was intoxicating. (First year for chrome steering column.) Mr. Hoke and the Eldorado domiciled in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, from Thanksgiving to Easter escaping the harsh Ohio winters salt roads.



Well, 68 years later I still have an immense appreciation for exclusive Eldorado styling. Let us experience and relive my CLC Grand National photos. The 1954 functional show quality bumper exhausts, tight panel fits and hidden fuel door tail lights! Connie was driving home our 1957 convertible just purchased from Richard at Gas Monkey and had to call for help while at gas station to find the tank! The 1957 Fleetwood's impressive no fender skirt ribbed bright trim lower quarter panel was influenced by the

1954 Eldorado. (Last year for functional dual exhaust bumpers.) 1957 Cadillac standard wheel covers became a global custom car favorite. Second year 4-DR hard tops.



The white 1956 Cadillac Eldorado Coupe became the first year Seville while the convertible Eldorado became the Bairritz! Note the rear styling was a hint of all 1958 Cadillac design production. Fresh air conditioner scoops rear deck were mounted for trunk evaporator operation (last year). 1957 Cadillac evaporator were in dash engineering.

Tile Party

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This blue 1957 Biarritz was 2010 “Best of Show”. Only 1955 through 1958 Eldorado's featured limited production exclusive rear futuristic styling (at great expense). Observe the blue '57 and silver '58 Biarritz had historically smooth rounded lines of impressionistic art! Timeless appeal to the cognoscenti and priced for the privileged! The 1957 had tire smoking, haul hiney, twin four barrel carburetion. The 1958 had tri-power. The 1955 through 1958 gorgeous Cadillac chrome sa-ber spoke wheels are globally coveted and admired. The extremely rare 1957 Eldorado Brougham had only 307 made at a jaw dropping \$13,074!



The only convertible in 1976 to come out of Detroit was the Eldorado! Not even Corvette had a convertible. Cadillac could not build enough to satisfy demand. 14,000 were produced with 200 bi-centennial editions. The 1976 convertible and coupe were displayed at San Jose, California, Grand National meet 1999. My 1983 daily driver Coupe Deville won best in class 1st place #333.



Featured is my original photo of the 1954 Eldorado with rare rear extension Continental kit. Grand National Indianapolis 1976. The red Cadillac is a 1954 Coupe DeVille with spare. The event was held at the very prestigious Indianapolis 500 speedway center concourse.



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The iconic 1959 Cadillac featured here at the 2010 Grand National is an Eldorado Biarritz which featured carefully applied chrome side body moldings, devoid of Deville mid-body trim, gave the Eldorado a distinctive look. new custom deep fluted chrome wheel appeared. Engine was the 390 cu. in. V-8 with tri power rated 345 hp. It was flawless example in black with parade boot.



This 1960 Eldorado Seville Coupe won best in class for having been driven from Texas to Kansas City. Note the subdued fins, attractive Eldorado rocker panel moldings and Cadillac chrome deep fluted wheels. This was factory air tri-power example. Stunning example!



The 1984 Eldorado Biarritz convertible is owned by revered Brentwood (Nashville, TN.) Cadillac Land Rover dealer Currie Andrews. I was his top producer in 1996. The Biarritz retailed for \$31,286.00 and 3,300 units were produced. Caution: some severe body flexing when on a lift! Cotillion white with button tufted red Biarritz leather trim. Today Currie's son, Nelson Andrews, is very successfully in charge.

Seldom if ever seen by the public is this specular Cadillac Autorama 1954 Lemans show car from Advanced Engineering. It is carefully displayed at the Peterson Auto Museum in Los Angeles, California. Mr. Peterson was owner editor of *Motor Trend* and *Car and Driver*. Notice the Cadillac chrome saber spoke wheels later available on all Cadillacs and standard on all Eldorados 1955-1958. 1958 Pontiac Bonneville dash was selected by GM stylists directly from this 1954 Cadillac Lemans show car.



I represented the Ohio wing of the Civil Air Patrol in 1959 in England. wish to respectfully say RIP Queen Elizabeth II. May God bless the trails you ride. *Alex*



Newsletter Articles

Would you like to see your Cadillac on the pages of the NTXCLC newsletter? This small, but deluxe publication gets circulation, not only in our region, but is sent to many of the CLC clubs across the nation and world. By appearing here your story can become part of Cadillac history. **I need your story and your pictures**, or just your favorite photo of your car. It could be a story about the vehicle as it is now, or it can be a restoration article, or a funny, interesting, or even a sad story. But it's about your car, and this means it is about you, too. If you feel you can't write well enough, send me the basics and I will help you write the story. I have many pages to present monthly, and I have room for you in them. So, don't feel embarrassed—email me, or call me, or see me at the NTXCLC outings and let's make history.

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Don't forget to vote for the members of the club's Officers. See the August newsletter for complete details.

If you lost your August copy, go to <https://forums.cadillaclasalleclub.org/index.php?topic=169099.0>

There is a PDF copy attach.

Sunshine Report

We have had several members that have had or have Covid.
So we send out prayers and wish them a Speedy Recovery.
and soon hope to schedule an event but Covid is still very much in the news so we must be very cautious !!!!!!!!!!!!!

October Birthdays: If your birthday is in October let us know.

Steve Janicek 10/12
Judy Hanson 10/17
Debbie Overby 10/18
Helen Remes 10/25



Membership Report

Welcome New Members:

There are 13 car clubs that manage the Pate Swap Meet each year. If every member of the North Texas Region Cadillac & LaSalle club recruited just one new member each, we could be the biggest club in the swap meet. Remember, the member count, besides meaning a more fun and interesting club, gets the club a bigger share of the Pate income.

If a member obtains 5 or more new members to the NTXCLC they will receive a free Club Shirt at the annual Christmas dinner.

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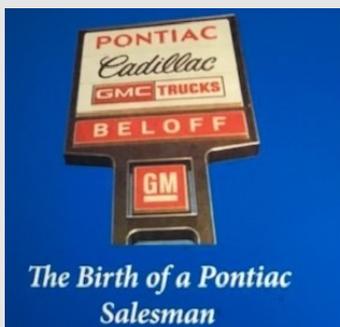
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