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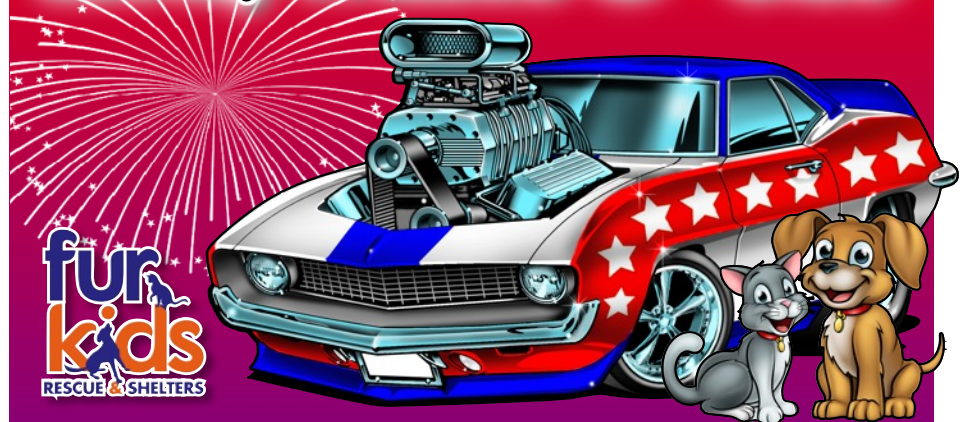
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### **TIME TO RENEW?**

Please send \$30 (\$40 for USPS mail Newsletter) to:  
Georgia Cool Cruisers  
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## Let the Shows Begin!

### Red, White & 'Cue



Saturday, July 4th ◆ 11:00 am - 3:00 pm  
'Cue Barbecue in Peachtree Corners



## Benefit CAR SHOW

Saturday, July 25th  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Handy Ace Hardware  
3969 Lawrenceville Hwy  
Tucker, GA 30084

See page 7 for more info!



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***If you have not  
Renewed your  
Membership, this  
may be your  
LAST ISSUE!***

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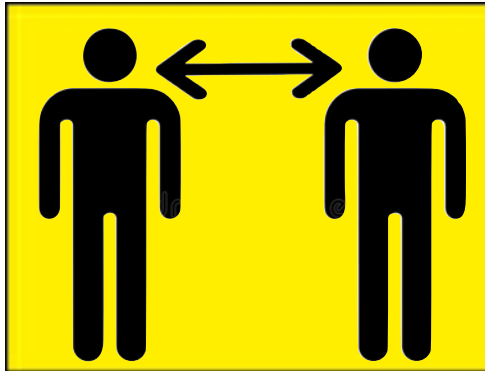
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## **FINALLY! Car Shows are BACK!**



It seems like ages since our last car show! Our last one was in March, so it will be FOUR months without a "Cool" show.

Some other groups have successfully done shows, cruise-ins and even "driving shows," so we should be good to go for ours. There will be some noticeable changes due to COVID-19.

Like everything else, there will be a "new normal" for a while, and probably a loooong while. We ask everyone to help us make them work and work efficiently.

*Here are some of changes you can expect:*

- "Social Distancing" at Registration: We will have an additional table set up in front of the main table to pick up your registration material. Also, we will not be using clipboards (they are not easy to keep sanitized).
- Once you use a pen or Sharpie, it will go in a bin to be sanitized.
- All participants will be required to sign a Waiver of Liability. If you are sick, STAY HOME!
- We will have hand sanitizer available, along with disposable face masks (\$2.00 ea) if needed.
- We may have to limit the number of show cars allowed in the show area, so we can maintain a safe "social distance."
- Other procedures may be put in place as we see the need.
- If you want to stay a "Social Distance" from others, we are definitely good with that. We will have some signs available at Registration that will state your desires.
- Let's ALL stay SAFE & HEALTHY!
- Also, with the political atmosphere these days, please leave your politics at home and stick to talking "CARS!"



# 2020 Club Shows & Events

**PLEASE NOTE:** In these uncertain times, our schedule can continue to change, so please check our Facebook page or website for the latest updates!



## RED, WHITE & 'CUE

### "Cool" Car Show

Saturday, July 4th  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm

'Cue BBQ of Peachtree Corners  
5260 Peachtree Industrial Blvd.  
Peachtree Corners, GA 30071  
*Proceeds will benefit  
Furkids Animal Rescue & Shelters*



## USO Benefit Car Show

Saturday, July 25th  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Handy Ace Hardware  
3969 Lawrenceville Hwy.  
Tucker, GA 30084

## "Horsepower at the PONY"

Saturday, August 15th  
Noon - 4:00 pm  
The Pink Pony  
1937 Corporate Drive  
Brookhaven, GA 30329

## Cool Cars & Trains

Saturday, September 5th  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Southeastern Railway Museum  
3593 Buford Hwy  
Duluth, GA 30096

## "Cool Cars & Costumes"

Saturday, October 24th  
Noon - 4:00 pm  
The Pink Pony  
1937 Corporate Drive  
Brookhaven, GA 30329

## Cool Cars at Briscoe Park

Saturday, November 14th  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Snellville's Briscoe Park  
2500 Sawyer Pkwy  
Snellville, GA 30078



## Toys for Tots Cruise-in

Saturday, December 5th  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm  
**LOCATION TO BE  
ANNOUNCED**

**MEMBERS' RIDES****Don Brock's AAR 'Cuda from Yesteryear**

It was 1973 and my AAR 'Cuda was in the shop at the Page Dittman Chrysler Plymouth Dealer in Baytown, Texas with the heads off. I had somehow melted a hole in the top of one of the pistons (Street Race? Me?) Fortunately, it was covered under warranty, the Famous Chrysler 5year / 50,000 mile . (Service Manager complained, "Damn Factory Race Car should'a never had a 5 year warranty!")

So, anyway, I had been driving my spare, a '68 green 4 door Dodge Dart that Mom gave me when Dad bought her a new AMC Hornet (what a mistake, that car should have had a 'Factory Tow-bar' installed) My brother and I used and abused that Dart over the years. The Dart was wore out, with the stick hanging up between 2nd and 3rd, but the slant six still kept up a full head of steam, it just leaked worse than an old Harley. It leaked so bad we didn't bother checking the oil. We just watched for the oil light to come on during hard cornering and then knew it needed 3 or 4 quarts. So, we'd pull over and pop the trunk. There we kept a 5 gallon can of 30 weight and a 1 pound coffee can that we'd fill 2 or 3 times and pour into the crankcase and there you go. (No oil changes needed)

So, anyway, I was going home, driving up N. Shepherd in Houston and as I turned right onto W 28th a guy in a passing car hollered, "YOOUU'RE OOOONNN FIRE!!!!" WTF??? I pulled over and threw open the hood and sure enuff the slant six was in flames, but down underneath the slant on the low side. I ripped my shirt off and tried to smother the fire but couldn't reach it. PANIC !!

Fortunately, the goddess Ma Mopar was looking out for me that day...

It had just rained (always rained in Houston on summer afternoons) and the ditch was full of water (ditches were always full in Houston) and IT WAS TRASH DAY !!! So I grabbed somebody's empty trash can, scooped up a ditch full of water and SWOOSH.

The fire was out, but in less than a minute, all the wires under that hood were crispy critters. So, I put my shirt back on, no worse for the wear, wet and a little blackened and walked up to the corner Auto Parts Store. In this part of town, the Auto Part Store was on every corner (thank you Ma Mopar)

I bought a roll of black tape, roll of red wire and set of plug wires and spent the next 2 hours replacing every single wire, one by one, tracing each wire from beginning to end, over and over, until all the wires were red. Except for the plug wires, of course.

Now it doesn't always work, but I'm superstitious, kinda, that I always put up my tools when I'm finished before dropping that jack or starting the engine.

So anyway, I put my tools back in my traveling box (never leave home without it) Turned the key and the Dart fired right up, so I turned around and drove up to the Icehouse on the corner (in this part of town an Icehouse was always on the other corner) and chugged down a couple of Cold Lone Stars (on a hot day, nothing like it, promise)

I promised myself that I would forever take better care of my Ma (MOPAR)

# CLUB NEWS & UPDATES

## The “Cool Gear” Store



Our Newest  
Club  
T-Shirt

Front Left  
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NEW!  
Cool Face Masks

With live shows starting back, we will have our T-shirts, Caps and Face Masks for sale at our events.

Our latest **T-shirts** have gotten two thumbs up from everyone that has seen them. We have sizes Small - XL @ **\$15.00 each**, 2X & 3X for **\$18.00 each**.

Our Embroidered baseball caps are available in a variety of colors and styles for only \$20 each.

We thought that you would like to look “Cool” while being safe, so we had some embroidered **face masks** made. (sizes: Men’s and Women’s). They are currently available for **\$12.00 each**.

Also ask about our “Cool Dry” polo shirts (\$30 & up) and our water resistant wind-breakers! (Cash, Credit Card & PayPal)

## The Latest of Our Shows

Our Show Schedule has become somewhat of a “Soap Opera” this year. We feel lucky that we got in 3 events before the pandemic shut down everything for several months.

We had to cancel four of our shows, and change venues on another two.

We JUST heard from Dennis Williams and the **Pink Pony**. We have rescheduled the postponed June show to **Saturday, August 15th!** They also decided to continue the very fun and popular Halloween show! It will be on **Saturday, October 24th**. Both shows will be from Noon to 4:00 pm.

Snellville Parks & Recreation has offered to host us in September at Briscoe Park (in addition to our November show there). We are keeping this option open.

The status of our show at Coolray with the Gwinnett Public Safety Festival is still unknown. With the COVID issues, the uncertain baseball schedule for the Gwinnett Stripers and the current feelings about Police, we are guessing it will not take place, but no official word yet. We are taking it off our schedule until we hear otherwise.

Our show at the Southeast Railway Museum is a “GO,” and they are excited to have us back this year.

Our other “unknown” is our Toys for Tots event. With the closure of The Greater Good BBQ, we are looking for a new hosting venue. If you have any suggestions, please let us know!

## THIS AND THAT . . .

**GOOD NEWS!** The **Tucker Main Street Cruise-ins** will start on Saturday, July 11th at 5:00 pm, and the **Stone Mountain Village Cruise-ins** will start on July 18th at 4:00 pm. Stone Mountain will move to the Pavilion lawn at the Baptist Church on the other side of the railroad from last year, with **MORE ROOM!**

**TRAILER DUTY:** We need someone to pull the Club trailer for our July 25th show at Handy Ace Hardware in Tucker. Please let Rick know ASAP if you can help.



## A “Cool” Father’s Day Mini Car Show

No, you didn’t miss an “official” Club event, but when Sharon’s Church, **Mountain West Church**, said they were doing a car show as part of their Father’s Day celebration, Rick offered to jump in and help. They only had space for 20 or so show cars, so we had to do it by invitation only. We teamed up with another Church member, Chip Cofer (Cofer Brothers Lumber/Tucker Cruisers) to do this last minute event, setting it all up in less than one week.

As it turned out, the car show was the center of attention (along with the Donut truck) at the event, until the weather stole the show. After threatening rain for most of the afternoon, it finally started about an hour before the end. We handed out the awards, packed up and headed for our dry garages to wipe down our babies.

Thanks to all the Club members that participated, and congrats to those that took home an award. They were: **Andy Sarratt** (The MAN Pick), **Spencer Ecklund** (the Pastor’s Pick) and **Mike Walling** (Coolest Cruiser). We collected over \$250 in donations to support the Church’s “Summer Lunch Program,” which will help pay for nearly 100 lunches for kids in need.

We may team up with Mountain West Church in the future for a full scale show.



# OUR "DYNAMIC DUO" for JULY!

After no Club shows since our early March one at Decatur Estate Antiques, we didn't think anyone would mind having TWO in July!

With months of nothing but bad stuff going on, we will celebrate the "Red, White & Blue" at both shows, **so GET READY TO RUMBLE!!!**



**Red, White & 'Cue Car Show**  
**Saturday, July 4th**  
**11:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
**'Cue Barbecue**  
**5260 Peachtree Industrial Blvd.**  
**Peachtree Corners, GA 30071**

We are THRILLED to be heading back to 'Cue BBQ for our second show this year. They are GREAT hosts and have some some of the tastiest BBQ and sides we have found. They also LOVE to host us, so it is a WIN-WIN situation! We are all working hard on the "Social Distancing" mandates, so HINT, HINT, expect some changes from the old normal.

They do have a good size parking area, and a large patio area for us, so there should be plenty of room for a good size crowd.

In addition to our normal awards, this being Independence Day, we have added the "Most Patriotic" award, so decorate up your cars in RED, WHITE & BLUE!

We will also be giving FREE American Flags that clip on your car window (as supplies last). We are working hard to make this a POSITIVE experience, so put on your Cool Smiley face!

All entry donations and 50/50 raffle proceeds will go to **Furkids Animal Rescue & Shelters!**

**USO Benefit Car Show**  
**Saturday, July 25th**  
**11:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
**Handy Ace Hardware**  
**3969 Lawrenceville Hwy, Tucker**



After the Greater Good BBQ closed, we had to scramble and find a new venue for our USO Benefit Show. Thankfully, Handy Ace Hardware was happy to help and they have a nice, large parking lot! Mike Perry has agreed to cook his famous burgers and hot dogs for us, so we are all set! We also just added a Shaved Ice vendor to keep us "Cool!"

We will have our usual Top 15, Best Classic, Best Modern and Coolest Cruiser awards, PLUS the USO and Handy Ace picks.

If you want to "Social Distance" from others, we are going to have signs available, at no charge, that will make your wishes perfectly clear!

Please make your plans to attend and help support our troops as they pass through Georgia!



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