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MARK YOUR CALENDAR! OUR JULY 22nd SHOW Cool Cares IN Stone Mountain Village



Major Schedule Changes! See pages 3 and 5 for more Info.

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TIME TO RENEW? Please send \$30 (USPS mail Newsletter - \$40) to: Georgia Cool Cruisers P.O. Box 942291 Atlanta, GA 31141

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USO Benefit Car Show Winners



*Dan Crosson, 1955 Chevrolet truck

BEST MODERN: Nick Stambo, 2022 Chevrolet Camaro

TOP 20:

Nick Glenney, 1960 Volkswagen 15 window Deluxe Marshall Ivey, 1966 Chevrolet Impala SS *Allan "Dr. Z" Ziglin, 1951 Studebaker Commander *Andy Sarratt, 1965 Chevrolet C-10 Steven Ellis, 1973 Chevrolet Impala Darryl Haynes, 1984 Chevrolet Monte Carlo *Pam Piercy, 1965 Cadillac Eldorado convertible Troy Reeves, 1952 Willys Jeep M38 Phyllis Anglin, 1968 Chevrolet Camaro *Don & Annette Brock, 1964 Mercedes 230SL William T. Reid, 1965 Jaguar XKE Susan Konieczny, 2023 Power Wheels (toy) Fred Mannweiler, 1969 Plymouth Roadrunner Bill Manus, 1955 Chevrolet Bel Air Jack Reid, 2005 Ford GT Jim Head, 1969 Ford Galaxie XL Doug Switzer, 1969 Chevrolet C-10 *Ken & Susan Miller, 1969 Mercury Cougar XR7 *Art Coates, 1965 Ford Galaxie 500XL convertible Emmerie Martinez, 1931 Ford T

Coolest Cruiser (Club's Award): Susan Durrett, 2005 Chrysler Crossfire convertible

Host's Favorite (Handy Hardware): *Karen O'Neal, 2023 Ford Bronco

Sponsor's Award (Don Brock): "DJ Dave" Porter, 1973 Lincoln Continental

USO's Favorite: Bryan Tatum, 1968 Chevrolet Chevelle SS

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Cool Cruisers on Main Street in Tucker!

Saturday, June 10th 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Tucker Main Street Cruise-in ON Main Street (Between the Railroad & Lavista Rd.) Tucker, GA 30084



Cool Cars in Stone Mountain Village

Saturday, July 22nd 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Stone Mountain Railroad Depot 922 Main Street Stone Mountain, GA 30083 Fundraiser for Atlanta Animal Rescue Foundation (AARF)



Carter Hill Church Cruise-in

Saturday, August 19th 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Carter Hill Christian Church 361 Punkin Junction Road Bethlehem, GA 30620



"Santa Cop" Cruise-in Saturday, September 16th 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Handy Ace Hardware 3969 Lawrenceville Hwy. Tucker, GA 30084 Fundraiser for DeKalb Fraternal Order of Police "Santa Cop" program for underprivileged kids

Cool Cars & Costumes

Open Car Show & Halloween Costume Contest Saturday, October 21st New Location TBA Fundraiser to Help END Breast Cancer

Cool Cars at Briscoe Park

Saturday, November 11th 11:00 am - 3:00 pm City of Snellville's Briscoe Park 2500 Lenora Church Road (off Lenora Church Road) Snellville, GA 30078 Fundraiser for Snellville Police "Shop With a Cop" program

TOYS FOR TOTS

Toys for Tots Cruise-in Saturday, December 2nd 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Handy Ace Hardware 3969 Lawrenceville Hwy. Tucker, GA 30084 Always check our Facebook page for the latest info on our shows!

Other Local Events of Interest

Saturday, June 3rd, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, GSRA & Summit Racing Equipment's Honor Flight Car Show, 20 King Mill Rd, McDonough, GA 30253. Open to all years, makes & models. Many awards, Entry fee: \$20. *Info: Call or Text Barry* @ 770-355-2773 or email at treasurer@gsra.com

Saturday, June 3rd, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Spring Car Show at Streetside Classics, 213 Thornton Rd, Lithia Springs, GA 30122. Open to all years, makes & models, awards, door prizes, music, food trucks. Entry is free, donations welcome and will go to local charities. *Info: Jimmy Ethridge 678-279-1609 or www.StreetsideClassics.com*

Saturday, June 10th, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Rally for the Ribbons - "CARS vs CANCER" at Coolray Field, 2500 Buford Dr, Lawrenceville, GA 30043. Awards, vendors, DJ, food trucks, 50/50 raffle and much more! *Info: Bobbie Menneg @ 404-274-2024 or www.beyondtheribboninc.org*

Saturday, June 17th, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm, Duluth Rotary Club Car Show. Historic Downtown Duluth, 3097 Main Street, Duluth, GA 30096. Rain or shine. Day of show entry: \$25

Summit Racing Monday Night Cruise-ins, 6:00 - 8:00 pm. 20 King Mill Rd, McDonough, GA 30253. All Vehicles Welcome!

JUNE CRUISE-IN DATES & Featured Vehicles: June 5th - Rat Rods & Old School Hot Rods June 12th - 1920's - 1940's Hot Rods & Street Rods June 19th - 1970's and 1980's Cars & Motorcycles June 26th - Buick, Oldsmobile, Pontiac & Cadillac

MONTHLY CRUISE-INS:

1st Sundays: Akademia Brewing Co, 150 Crane Drive, Athens, GA 30606. 12:30 - 4:30 pm. *Info:* 770-338-8911

2nd Saturdays: Main Street Tucker. 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. *Info: TuckerCruisein.com*

Last Saturdays: Gateway Classic Cars. 9:00 am -Noon, 1870 McFarland Pkwy, Alpharetta, GA 30005. *Info:* 678-607-9286

Send us info on your favorite non-Club shows or Cruise-ins. Please send your submissions by the 15th of the month preceding the event.

"COOL" Club Gear!



GREAT LOOKING & COMFORTABLE!

We have the PERFECT polo & jacket for Summer!

We offer Cool-Dry polo shirts with the Club logo embroidered on the left chest and available in a variety of colors (\$35 & \$40*).

We also offer a light weight wind-breaker (\$75 & \$80*) with our Club logo on the left chest and across the back. This jacket is available in most popular colors.

These items are made to order, so please contact Rick for more details at 404-732-6842 or RNE680@mindspring.com.





MAY '23 CHARITY REPORT: The Georgia Chapter of the USO

Our Memorial Day weekend show benefited the Georgia Chapter of the USO again this year. Even with a bunch of other large car shows in the area, we got quite a nice crowd of over 120 show cars. With our "suggested" donation of \$20, we collected \$2475 from entry fees.

Karen O'Neal and Pat Horvath did an excellent job on the 50/50 sales, with a jackpot of \$410 split between the winner and the USO, making the day's total of **\$2680.00**.

Special thanks go out to our "official" ticket tearer, Steve O'Neal. Steve had the task of tearing all the strips of 50/50 tickets, one by one!

In Our Thoughts and Prayers ... Please keep **"Moose" Ellington** in your thoughts and prayers in the loss of his life partner Jan Hull. Jan recently lost her long battle with cancer.

Tucker Day Parade



The City of Tucker decided to bring back the parade as the opening of the annual Tucker Day. This year's parade was billed as "human powered" but they asked Chip Cofer to help provide 8 "cool" cars to mix in between all the groups. Chip asked us to help out with 5 of the cars.

Those participating were: Pam Dingler, Jim Marianetti, Bill & Ann Marsh, Jack Gilleland and Rick Ellis.

The parade organizers were very appreciative of our group and said they would like to have us back next year.

SHOW CANCELLATIONS:

As most of you have heard, we recently had three of our shows cancelled by the host venues. We hate that it happened and was something beyond our control, but we will be just fine.

Here are the changes:

The **June 10th** show at the **Pink Pony** has been cancelled. Due to the timing, we didn't have enough time to plan a whole new show, but we were able to swap the month that we are the "Big Block" sponsor for the Tucker Main Street Cruisein to the June 10th event. See page 11 for more info on this.

The **Brookhaven/Dresden Drive show** on **July 1st** was cancelled. We replaced it with the July 22nd show in Stone Mountain Village. That show promises to be a really good one. *More info can also be found on page 11.*

Our "Cool Cars and Costumes" at the Pink Pony in October was the third casualty. We have a couple of possible venues we are currently working on and will have an announcement on it very soon.

The final loss is the Club's sponsorship from Denny Williams Motor Sports. We will definitely miss Dennis, and we have let him know he is always welcome to come hang out with us. He has been a big part of our organization for a long time. All things happen for a reason, and we will continue to do what we do best.



Our Halloween Show

Like we said in the above article, we ARE planning a replacement show for the Pony show. We have two venues that both want us! Which ever one we choose WILL have a Costume Contest as part of the Car Show and probably with a Kid's category and maybe include "Trunk or Treat."

Unless we can get a sponsor or two, we probably won't have an event t-shirt or the cash prizes for the costumes, but we will have an abundance of fun lined up for you!

If you would like to make suggestions, or be a show sponsor, please let us know as soon as possible.

NICE (but BREEZY) Weather, A HUGE Crowd and GREAT Volunteers! We Were BLOWN AWAY by the USO Benefit at Handy Hardware!

We were "blown away" at the Annual USO-Georgia Car Show at Handy Ace Hardware! While we had a beautiful sunny day for the show, the wind gusts wreaked havoc on our show set up. Securing our show canopies involved buying more canopy weights (great time to be set up at a hardware store!) and securing one of the canopies to our trailer. We also had to weight down everything else!

We were also blown away by:

- Our amazing volunteers, who are adept at the motto "improvise, adapt, overcome," coming up with solutions to solve all the challenges we experienced
- The beautiful array of show cars that showed up to support USO-Georgia
- The generosity of our participants and spectators

Mike Perry's Hot Rod Grill served up hamburgers, hot dogs and barbecue to feed the crowd, who then enjoyed dessert with the King of Pops. Handy Ace provided a generator to power the tunes. Karen & Steve O'Neal teamed up with Pat Horvath to sell 50/50 tickets and promote the USO. Club member Don Brock was our generous show sponsor.

We raised \$2680.00, including entry donations and 50/50 sales. We gave out awards for Top 20, Best Classic, Best Modern, Host favorite, USO pick, Sponsor's choice and Coolest Cruiser. See page 2 for a list of all the show winners.

On a negative topic, our PA Amp & Mixing board went out early in the show. Fortunately Rick had one of the older ones in his garage, only a few minutes away. We were able to get the back-up one set up with only a short period of silence. Our speakers kept getting blown over, but luckily no damage. Next thing will be to purchase a new amp. *Ugh . . .*



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USO Benefit '23 at Handy Hardware

















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Saturday, June 10th 10:00 am - 2:00 pm DOWNTOWN TUCKER on Main Street Tucker, GA 30084

When the "Horsepower at the Pony" show got cancelled, we had to act fast to put together an event for June. We were scheduled to be the Tucker Cruise-in "Big Block" sponsor for August, but they were nice enough to swap us to June. In fact their Cruise-in falls on the same day as the cancelled Pink Pony show, so it was meant to be!

Quite a few of our members are regulars at this monthly event, but if you haven't been you have a treat in store. They close several blocks of Main Street and turn it into a massive car show! It is always a well organized and fun event with a healthy dose of "Americana" thrown in!

We would "normally" be the featured Car Club for the month we sponsor, but due to the late swap, the June Cruise-in was already spoken for, so we will find an area on show morning and just kinda do a friendly "take-over." Make sure to bring your folding chairs and coolers.

The entry fee is only \$5.00. They present "Sweet 16" awards, along with a Big Block and two Small Block sponsor awards.

We are thinking of meeting around **8:30 am** at **Old Hickory House** on Northlake Parkway for breakfast and then cruise on down to the show (only a couple of miles). Please let Rick know if you are interested in doing this. There are multiple places to eat along Main Street during the show, plus the Tucker Cruisers always grill up some tasty hot dogs.

Questions or to RSVP: call or text Rick at 404-732-6842 or email at RNE680@mindspring.com

JULY PREVIEW: Cool Cars in Stone Mountain Village!

DATE: Saturday, June 22nd TIME: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm LOCATION: Train Depot/Welcome Center 922 Main St, Stone Mountain, GA 30083

When our July show was cancelled, it took only a split second to decide we wanted to make this our Club event for the month. Rick had already agreed to help with this, so Stone Mountain was



happy to have us become the co-host. We have already met and figured out the parking situation, so we can handle over 100 show cars and a food vendor.

We will have burgers, hot dogs, cold drinks and frozen treats. Our entry donations will benefit AARF (Atlanta Animal Rescue Friends). Gateway Classic Cars will be our show sponsor! *This promises to be a fun show, so make your plans to attend!*

