

Spring, Here We Come!



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TIME TO RENEW?

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



SONIC
Cruise-in

SUNDAY, MARCH 17th ♦ 1:00 pm
3225 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Rd
Suwanee, GA 30024

Everyone is Welcome

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**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!**
Don Jenkins
Tracy Walkup

*Please refer a friend to
become a Cool Cruiser!*

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Sweetheart Cruise-in Winners!



BEST CLASSIC:

Andy Sarratt, 1962 Chevrolet Bel Air

BEST MODERN:

Don Hayes, 2015 Ford Mustang GT

TOP 15:

Ron Smith, 1934 Ford Extended Cab Truck
*Spencer Ecklund, 1967 Ford Fairlane 500
Shane & Wendy Kleinhans, 1969 Dodge Charger
Derrick Harp, 1972 Ford Maverick
*John Bailey, 1964 Chevrolet Impala SS
Tony & Tammy Stout, 1970 Pontiac GTO
Bruce Johnson, 1966 Chevrolet C-10 pick up
Chris Malik, 1996 Ford Cobra
David Wentz, 1970 Chevrolet El Camino
*Richie Hodge, 1951 Hudson Super 6
Ted Fischer, 1936 Ford Roadster
Tony Crook, 1965 Pontiac GTO
Lamar Johnson, 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air
*Dr. Z (Alan Ziglin), 1947 Pontiac Streamliner
Suzanne & Frankie Newsom, 2017 Ford Mustang

LADIES' CHOICE:

Kent "Spyder" Khuen, 1950 Willys Jeep (Navy)

HOST's FAVORITE:

*Dan Quartarone, 1968 Lancia Fulvia Rallye

COOLEST CRUISER:

Rick Horne, 1923 Ford T-Bucket



"Best Classic"
Andy Sarratt's
1962
Chevy Bel Air

* Denotes GCC Member

2019 Club Shows & Events

Here is what we have planned so far for 2019. We will be finalizing dates as soon as we can. NOTE: All info is subject to change!

Cruise-in at Sonic Drive In

Sunday, March 17th ♦ 1:00 pm

Sonic Drive In of Suwanee

3225 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Rd
Suwanee, GA 30024

Cool Rides & Rescues

Saturday, April 13th

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Decatur Estate Antique Mall

2272 Lawrenceville Highway
Decatur, GA 30033

Hot Rods at Hayes of Baldwin

Saturday, May 25th

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Hayes Family Dealerships

3660 Georgia Hwy 365
Baldwin, GA 30511

Horsepower at the Pony

Summer (Date TBA)

The Pink Pony

1837 Corporate Blvd
Brookhaven, GA 30329

USO Benefit Car Show

Saturday, July 27th

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Greater Good BBQ

4431 Hugh Howell Road
Tucker, GA 30084



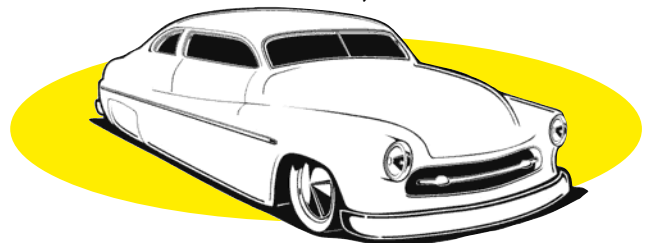
Rods for Rescues

Sunday, October 13th

Noon - 4:00 pm

Gwinnett Technical School

5150 Sugarloaf Parkway
Lawrenceville, GA 30043



Cool Cars at Coolray

*In conjunction with the
Gwinnett Public Safety Festival*

Date TBA (Sept/Oct)

Coolray Field

2500 Buford Drive
Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Cars & Costumes

Car Show & Costume Contest

Saturday, October 26th

Noon - 4:00 pm

The Pink Pony

1837 Corporate Blvd
Brookhaven, GA 30329



Toys for Tots Cruise-in

Saturday, December 7th

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

The Greater Good BBQ

4431 Hugh Howell Rd ♦ Tucker, GA 30084

Other Shows & Cruise-ins of Interest

Events from Our Club Sponsors:

Last Saturdays, Cars & Coffee, 9:00 am - Noon, Gateway Classic Cars, 1870 McFarland Parkway, Alpharetta, GA 30005

Last Saturdays, Caffeine & Classics Cruise-In, 9:00 am - Noon, Streetside Classics 213 Thornton Road, Suite 400, Lithia Springs, GA 30122

Monthly Cruise-ins & March/April Car Shows:

Second Saturdays, April - October, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Main Street Tucker Cruise-in. Presented by the Tucker Cruisers. *Info: www.TuckerCruiseIn.com or 770-527-1521.*

Second Sundays, April - October, 3:00 pm - dusk. Cruise-in at Historic Downtown Adairsville, Presented by Lake Allatoona Regional AACA Car Club.

Saturday, March 16th, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Memories in Monroe Car Show, Around the Historic Courthouse in Downtown Monroe. *Info: 770-267-7546.*

Saturday, April 20, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm, Boy Scouts of America Open Car Show. Gwinnett County Fairgrounds. 2405 Sugarloaf Pkwy, Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Saturday, April 27th, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Clarkston Classic Car Show, Hallford Stadium, 3789 Memorial-College Ave, Clarkston, GA 30021. Open to ALL cars, Part of the Clarkston Culture Fest. *Info: jnguyen@positivegrowth.org*

Saturday, April 27th, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. Car Show to benefit Shriner's Children Hospital, Kennesaw Mountain Shrine Club, 1380 White Circle NW, Marietta, GA 30060. *Info: John Foster @ 770-864-2164*

Will Our Lexi Gay be the Next Richard Petty?

Our own Lexi Gay is working to make her mark in racing for her 2019 race season. We have been following along with Lexi's racing career since she began at the age of 12 in a small car called a Bandolero. She knew then that behind the steering wheel is where she belonged. She came out strong leading the pack and within a couple of seasons made the move to full size Late Model Stock cars in the NASCAR® Whelen All-American Series.

Lexi is a first generation racer and one of few females in the industry. After 3 years in the NASCAR Late Model Stock series, Lexi is making her next big step up into the NASCAR ARCA Series. She has signed with Empire Racing/Richard Petty Driver Development and will be driving the iconic #43 for select races. Returning sponsor for Lexi for the 4th year will be Gordo's Cheese Dip. With this next big step Lexi and Gordo's are looking for other businesses that would like to take the opportunity to join this powerhouse team and benefit from the uniqueness Lexi brings to marketing any brand! Let's help get the word out for this opportunity, if you know anyone interested they can contact Amy Gay at amy@lexigayracing.com

So many of you have asked where she races. Her schedule will be posted soon and these races will be televised on Fox Sports so now we can all watch!



CLUB NEWS & UPDATES

February Charity Collection



It's time to start off 2019's Charity fundraising, and we started off with a **BANG!**

Our annual **Sweetheart Cruise-In** always supports Breast Cancer Research, and this year we collected a grand total of **\$1,250!**

Our thanks to all that made donations!

'CUE Barbeque Show



At the suggestion of **Larry Navarre**, we met with the management of **CUE BBQ** in Peachtree Corners (Norcross) about a show in their parking lot.

They are quite excited about the possibility and we are looking to book an August date.

They have a decent amount of parking and very tasty food! Look out for details in the April edition of "Cool Times."

Like Us on Facebook!

Please take a minute and like us on Facebook! We post the latest updates on all our events there, including rain delays and other important info.



Trailer Update:

We put the call out for members to help haul the club trailer to our shows, and you responded!

Larry Navarre, Steve Freeman and David Wade have already signed up to help us! We can always use one or two more to ensure we have everything covered, so if you can help, please let us know.

The trailer also moved to its new home in Peachtree Corners before our Sweetheart Cruise-in. **Tracy Walkup**, a friend of Larry Navarre, and new club member, is donating space at his secure ware-house.

Many thanks to all!!!

Wednesday Breakfast



Make your plans to join us at our every Wednesday breakfast group! We always have a great time, and solve many world problems!

We meet at 9:30 at:

Denny's

**5534 Jimmy Carter Blvd
Norcross, GA 30092**

In Our Prayers . . .

Pat Durbin is back at WellStar Kennestone Hospital due to Pneumonia. This is his second stay for this illness. We pray for a full and speedy recovery!

Pat is our "Ace" sound guy, and a former roadie.

Sponsor News!



We are pleased to announce that Gateway Classic Cars has signed up for another year as a **DIAMOND Level Sponsor!**

This will be their third year sponsoring us!

Also, Claude "Tilly" Lanier repeated as a Member Sponsor/Supporter!

We really appreciate all the support we get from our corporate sponsors and members that help us financially.

Snellville Days

Snellville has asked us to put together a display of cars for their May 4 & 5 Festival. They would like between 30 and 50 "Cool" cars each day, Saturday 10am - 6pm and Sunday, Noon to 5 pm. You can do either or both days.

This is NOT a car show, but a display for 10,000+ show goers. There will be a variety of activities, in addition to our cars, so it promises to be fun.

We will take reservations for this event, so we know who and how many are participating.

More info coming soon!

USO Benefit Date Set



We have a date for our annual USO Benefit! It will be on **Saturday, July 27th, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm** at **The Greater Good BBQ** in Tucker.

Less Than Ideal Weather Doesn't Hurt. . . Too Much!
110+ Show Cars at Our Sweetheart Cruise-in!

We had to move this year's show from it's original home at the Old Hickory House, due to re-development of the shopping center/office park. Changing venues can hurt attendance, but waking up to a chilly, cloudy and damp day can be a death sentence for a car show, but not this time! We filled the parking lot with over 110 show cars! No telling what kind of crowd we would have had if the weather had been the same as two days before the show, with blue skies and record setting 80 degree high! In early February, we never know what we will get, so we were happy for the *almost* dry day!

Everyone was happy to get their "Cool" rides out for the first time this year. We had an AMAZING array of show cars, from antiques to modern, muscle cars to imports, trucks, cars, even a motorcycle! We also had a Checker Cab, a fire truck and a restored NYPD patrol car, complete with lights and siren. Donna Wilson brought carnations for the ladies, and Sharon brought chocolates.

One negative was the lack of staff at our host, Colossus. We apologize for this, but we did tell them to staff up for a crowd. We will be looking for a better venue for next year's show.



More Photos from Our *Sweetheart Cruise-in*



Even More Photos from Our *Sweetheart Cruise-in*



OUR MARCH "COOL" CRUISE-IN

Cruise-in at Sonic Drive In of Suwanee



Sunday, March 17th ♦ 1:00 pm till ?

3225 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Rd, Suwanee, GA 30024

We had such a blast when we did Sonic's Tucker location last year, that we knew then we would be repeating this year! Sonic of North Georgia has a variety of locations to choose from, so we decided to try the Suwanee store this time.

We will do a Sunday afternoon Cruise-in, hopefully to get maximum sunshine hours. Each show car's owner will receive a free burger or ice cream cone from Sonic. This is a "just for fun" event, so no awards or door prizes.

Everyone is welcome to join us (club members and non-members), but space is limited, so best to get there early. Our thanks to Sonic Drive Ins and their PR guy Billy Wright for hosting us and doing all the work!



Join Sharon & Rick on the "More Than Pink" Walk!

On **Saturday, May 4, 2019**, the Komen Greater Atlanta "More Than Pink Walk" will take place at Lenox Mall. The event is now a "walk only" event (no running element) and the distance is only 2.25 miles. Opening Ceremony starts at 8:00 am.

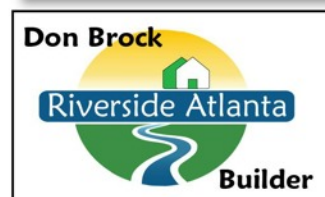
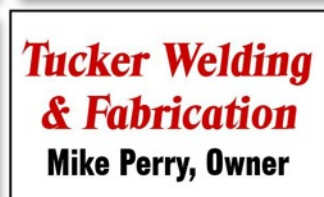
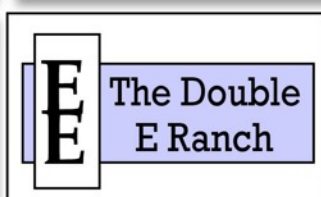
All funds raised support local education, screening, and diagnostic programs and global research efforts to find the cures.

Online registration is available through May 3rd. Registration fee for adults and survivors/living with metastatic breast cancer is \$25; under 18 years of age is \$10 and virtual participants are \$40. Day of walk registration is \$35 for adults, \$15 for youth. The registration fee provides each walker with an event t-shirt and surprise gift to be used during Opening Ceremony.

Fundraising is not required but is encouraged since registration fees simply cover the cost of the event.

You can contact Sharon @ **404-732-6843** or **Sharon@SharonEllis.org** for more info.

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Some of the Charities We Support



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