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Galaxy Diner Cruise-In

Rescheduled to:
Saturday, August 6th ♦ 4:00 to 7:00 PM



THE FACTORY CHURCH

Saturday, August 13th
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM



9872 Main Street ♦ Woodstock, GA 30188

HOT AUGUST EVENTS

HORSEPOWER AT THE PONY



Saturday
August 20th
Noon - 4:00 PM

1837 Corporate Blvd ♦ Brookhaven, GA 30329

August Events Info - *see page 9*

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**Welcome
New Members!**

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Galaxy Diner Cruise-In ~~Winners~~ **WASH-OUT!**



This was the space where we normally have a photo and list of all the show winners . . .

This was the view that many of us had at the July 16th Galaxy Diner Cruise-In! Our Toys for Tots fundraiser turned into "**Toys for Typhoons**," with heavy rain, thunder, lightning and wind gusts that ruined the show, plus quite a bit of our show materials.

We thought we would be able to get the show in, with maybe just a quick pop-up shower . . . **we were WRONG!**

The show is rescheduled for:

Saturday, August 6th, 4:00 - 7:00 PM



Photos by Dan Quartarone

2016 Club Shows & Events

Galaxy Diner Cruise-In

Saturday, August 6th

Makeup date from July's rain-out

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Roy's Galaxy Diner

3320 Henderson Mill Rd

Chamblee, GA 30341

Cash Fundraiser for Toys for Tots

The Factory Church Car Show

Saturday, August 13th

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

9872 Main Street

Woodstock, GA 30188

Fundraiser for The Factory Church's Youth Ministries

Horsepower at the Pony

Saturday, August 20th

Noon - 4:00 PM

The Pink Pony

1837 Corporate Blvd.

Brookhaven, GA 30329

Fundraiser for AARF

Atlanta Animal Rescue Friends

Galaxy Diner Cruise-In

Saturday, September 3rd

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Roy's Galaxy Diner

3320 Henderson Mill Rd

Chamblee, GA 30341

Fundraiser for USO GEORGIA



"Cars & Que" Car Show

Saturday, September 17th

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Old Hickory House

2202 Northlake Parkway

Tucker, GA 300084

Fundraiser for NETWorks Community Food Bank



Cool Cars at Coolray Field

Part of the Gwinnett Public Safety Festival

Saturday, October 8th

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Coolray Field

(Gwinnett Braves Stadium)

2500 Buford Drive

Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Fundraiser for Hot Rodders Children's Charity

Cars and Costumes

Open Car Show & Costume Contest

Saturday, October 29th

Noon - 4:00 PM

The Pink Pony

1837 Corporate Blvd, Atlanta, GA 30329



Toys for Tots Cruise-In

Saturday, November 19th

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Roy's Galaxy Diner

3320 Henderson Mill Road

Chamblee, GA 30341

Other Cruise-Ins, Shows & Events

YEAR ONE

2016 Braselton Bash Schedule

1001 Cherry Dr, Braselton, GA

Saturday, August 20 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Saturday, September 17 Noon – 7:00 PM

Chip Foose Car Show

Saturday, November 19 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Christmas in Braselton Car Show



20 King Mill Rd, McDonough, GA 30253

Monday Night Cruise-Ins

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

All Makes Welcome!

August 1st 2 seat sports cars featured

August 8th Under construction cars featured

August 15th Corvettes featured

August 22nd Pro Street Cars featured

Sunday Morning Octane

August 14th 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Car Shows at Summit Racing

Saturday, August 6th

4:00 to 8:30 PM

8th Annual Hot Summer Night Cruise-In

Presented by North Georgia Mopar Club

Open to all cars

Benefits the NGMC's Hero Fund

CRUISE-INS

Tucker Main Street Cruise-In

Second Saturdays - April to September

5:00 till 8:30 PM

Main Street, Downtown Tucker, GA

Po Boys Car Club's Cruise-In

Third Saturdays - March to October

3:00 till 8:00 PM

Riverstone Shopping Center

1451 Riverstone Parkway, Canton, GA

Info: www.PoBoysCarClub.com

CAR SHOWS

"Taste at the 'View" Car Show

Sunday, August 14th

4:00 - 8:00 PM

Creekview High School

1550 Owens School Rd, Canton, GA 30155

Show organized by Leigh Fragnoli & Terry Mell

14th Annual Southern Classic

Saturday, August 27th

2:00 - 9:00 PM

Sunday, August 28th

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Gwinnett Fairgrounds

Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Info: NorthGeorgiaMoparClub.com

SWAP MEET

Northeast Georgia Swap Meet

Saturday, August 6th

7:00 AM -1:30 PM

Atlanta Dragway, Commerce, GA

\$5 Spectator Entry, \$20 Vendors Spaces

Info: Brad at 706-424-5035

NEGeorgiaSwapMeet.com

*Send us your favorite
Car Events!*

Car Event Finders:

Online at:

SoutheastWheelsEvents.com

Club Member Mike Thies' GREAT Website!

Printed publication (Subscription):

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CLUB NEWS & UPDATES

August Birthdays



Happy Birthday To . . .

N.D. Lauth 3rd
Jon Smith 5th
Clay Edwards 9th
Matt Podowitz 11th
Kris Durbin 11th
Donna Wilson 15th
Steve Rice 16th
Scott Wright 17th
Ken Bexley 18th
Kevin Watkins 23rd
Nancy Steinmann 24th
T.J. Good 27th
Dan Wade 29th
Michael Cassidy 29th
Ron Holland 31st

Please make sure we have your birthday and your family members!

GCC Goes GLOBAL!

The **GEORGIA** Cool Cruisers keep expanding our membership territory . . . first we had a member join from Alabama, then a couple from South Carolina.

Well now, we have **REALLY** expanded! **Russell Larcombe** from **Blackpool, UK**, has become our newest member.

Some of you got to meet him at the Greater Good BBQ Cruise-in. Russell is good friends with Mike Thies and runs the UK version of South East Wheels Events (.com).

Welcome Russell! Maybe he will host a club get-together on his side of the "Pond."

Charity Collections for July

We collected close to **\$300** for **Toys for Toys** before the rain ended the show early.

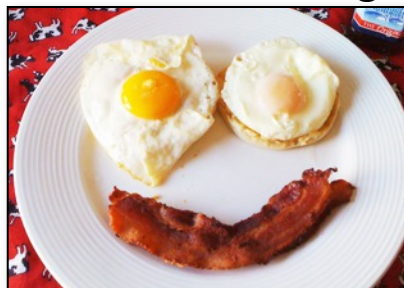
We will continue the collection for Toys for Tots on **August 6**, the new date for the **Galaxy Diner** show.

New Club Shows

We added the "Cars & Que" show at the **Old Hickory House** for **Saturday, September 17th**, 11 AM - 3 PM.

We will be supporting **NETWorks** Community Food Bank with entry fee donations.

Our Weekly Breakfast Meeting



We have so much fun and fellowship at our weekly breakfast. We wish **YOU** would join us!

We meet every Wednesday at 9:30 AM at the **Cracker Barrel**, 6175 McDonough Dr, Norcross, GA 30093 (off Jimmy Carter at I-85).

Thanks, Dennis!

Thanks to **Dennis Williams & Denny Williams Motorsports** for the continued sponsorship contributions!

We are always looking for additional Sponsors for the club and our shows.

Coolray Sponsors

So far we have 5 sponsorship commitments for the Coolray show. They are:

- **Hayes Automotive**
- **Kru's Outdoor Remedies**
- **Certified Auto Repair**
- **Dr. Z's Fleet**
- **Sharon Ellis / Mary Kay**

We still need **MORE!** Our sponsors are the only way we can cover the show costs and provide the event t-shirt.

Welcome AARF!

We welcome our newest charity, **Atlanta Animal Rescue Friends!** They will be the charity for Horsepower at the Pony on August 20th.

Dennis B's Project



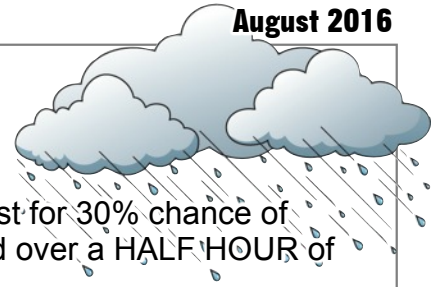
Dennis Behnken has made an **AMAZING** recovery from his recent transplant surgery!

Part of his "Recovery Therapy" is to complete the restoration on his Mercury Comet convertible. His goal is to have it completed in time to show at the **2017 Atlanta International Auto Show** at the Georgia World Congress Center (March 22 - 26).

The photo above was taken when it was on it's way to the shop for a new transmission.

Great way to get your therapy, Dennis!

Toys for Tots Fundraiser Rescheduled for August 6th **Galaxy Diner Cruise-In a RAIN OUT!**



Our 2016 return was *NOT* what we wanted. A "Questionable" forecast for 30% chance of scattered storms turned to 200% just after the start of the show! We had over a HALF HOUR of heavy, blowing rain that soaked everyone and everything!

Because all our show stuff was wet, we decided to call the show and reschedule it for the first Saturday in August (8/6/16). This will give us a chance to let everyone know of the new date. Our charity will be the same, Toys for Tots (cash donations).

We appreciate our dedicated staff of club volunteers that got *SOAKED* while covering the PA speakers and retrieving show material from the rain. We had 20+ cars show up before we called it. We raised \$300 for Toys for Tots, which will be added to the August show collections.

Please make your plans for the August date, and say a prayer for a nice, sunny (and how about mild) day! *Here are a few photos of the cars BEFORE the rain . . .*

The SUNNY highlight was at the end, when some members sang Happy Birthday to Prez Rick and enjoyed a slice (or two) of a VERY TASTY cake! Rick says THANKS!



"Just for Fun" Cruise-In at Greater Good BBQ **Our Fun, No Work Cruise-In a Success!**



We tried our alternate "Just for Fun" Cruise-In format at the **Greater Good BBQ** in Tucker on Sunday, July 24th, and got a lot of "Thumbs ups!" After a slow start, the show cars started rolling in, until we had forty or more "Cool" cars filling the rear part of the lot.

Everyone enjoyed the great tunes, tasty barbeque and fellowship the day had to offer! Our thanks to the Greater Good BBQ for not only dedicating over half their parking lot for the show, but the patio and their AIR CONDITIONED Banquet Room.

Service was fast and friendly, with our dedicated server, Liz, taking excellent care of us. Liz actually *ASKED* to work the Cruise-In since she is a "Car Girl" with a Camaro, Vette and Jeep Renegade.

We also had quite a few spectators and signed up TWO new members! At the end of the show, we had a short club meeting, which also gave everyone a chance to get cooled off.

We will be doing more of this show format, and hopefully more events at the GGBBQ!





Our First Non-Event Specific T-Shirt in Two Years!

BE "COOL" IN OUR NEW T-SHIRT!



Our new, non-event specific club shirt. Full back and left chest design printed on an athletic gray, 100% cotton Gildan t-shirt.

Quantities are limited, so get yours soon! Available at club functions.

**Small - XL only \$15.00
2XL & 3XL only \$18.00**

Show your Team Spirit!

**Limited
Quantities!**

**Embroidered
Club Caps
\$20.00 each**



Insight into our Show Philosophy from Rick

Why We Do Things the Way We Do . . .



As a "Cool" club member, I am sure you have noticed we don't do things the same way many of the other clubs and Car Show Promoters do them.

FIRST: We have a "Donation Bowl" for the entry fees, WITHOUT a dollar amount. EVERY dollar that goes in goes to our charity. We depend on our great sponsors and membership dues (so make sure you send in your renewals) for our operating expenses.

SECOND: All our shows feature Popular Choice Awards. All our shows are open to all makes, models and years, I have never found judging criteria that can fairly judge a 1927 Model A against a 2016 Challenger, or a Rat Rod. All are cool cars, with their own fans, so we make EVERYONE the Judges! They have to choose their THREE favorites, so it requires walking around the show field to look at and vote for more than just their car. This makes our shows more social and fun events . . . after all, isn't having fun WHY we spend our weekend afternoons braving the heat, cold or rain?

How many shows have you been to where the participants park, register, get their folding chair out of their trunk and sit behind their car until the end of the show . . . **BORING!**

THIRD: We try to keep our shows SHORT & SWEET! Our shows usually last 3 to 4 hours, so as not to take your entire day (or ours), so you can get home in time to do your "Honey-Do" list!

We try to keep a very positive tone to our shows, with a lot of door prizes and freebies. Also we don't give anyone more than one award per show. We like to "Spread the Joy" around as much as possible! *We have had many comments & compliments on how friendly our shows are!*



AUGUST "COOL" CLUB EVENTS

The 4th Annual Factory Church Car Show

Saturday, August 13th

10 AM - 2:00 PM

**9872 Main Street
Woodstock, GA 30188**

Time to head NW again for our annual show for **The Factory Church**! This year, we will be at the Church's new, permanent home. If you have been to one of these shows before, then you know how much fun we always have! In addition to all the great show cars, we have an assortment of Door Prizes, Raffle Items, Burgers hot off the grill and Cake Walks . . . *Fun for the WHOLE family!*

We will have our usual Popular Choice (Best Modern, Best Classic, Top 10) plus several special awards and great Oldies and Classic Rock play list.

This show is sponsored by **Quality Aerosols** and **Leigh Fragnoli**. Leigh will have his QA display at the show giving out some of his *FANTASTIC* car care products!

Donations will benefit the Church's Youth Ministries. Don't miss this one!



Galaxy Diner Cruise-In *Make-up Date*

Saturday, August 6th ♦ 4:00 - 7:00 PM ♦ 3320 Henderson Mill Rd, Chamblee, GA 30341

The 3rd Annual "Horsepower at the Pony"

Saturday, August 20th

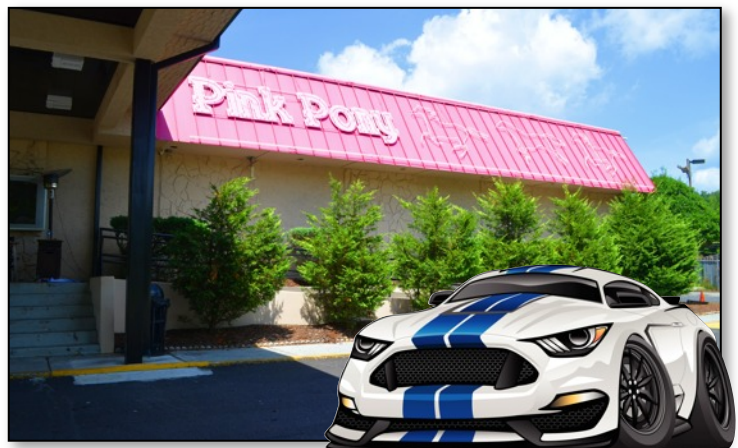
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**The Pink Pony
1837 Corporate Boulevard
Brookhaven, GA 30329**

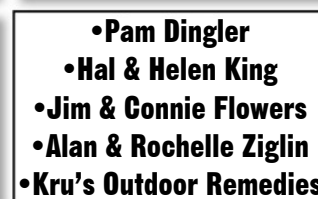
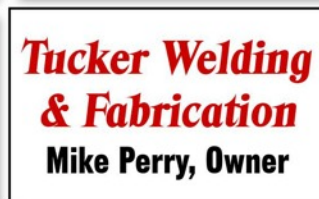
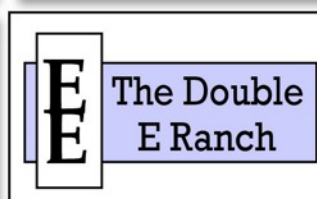
Time again for one of our *most fun* events of the year! This show is part of the Pink Pony's **SummerFest**, featuring a Volleyball Tournament and our Car Show. We will also have some GREAT Burgers, Hot Dogs and Chicken cooked fresh all day, and trust us, they have some of the best food you will find at a car show, and at *VERY* reasonable prices!

The show will feature Best Modern, Best Classic and Top 20 Popular Choice Awards, plus several specialty awards (Ladies', Club & Host's). We will also have a 50/50 raffle and a bunch of Door Prizes and a "Cool" event T-shirt (Free to show Volunteers, for sale to everyone else).

Our charity for this event will be a new one for us, Atlanta Animal Rescue Friends! They are very excited to team up with us! *Make sure you put this event on your "MUST DO" list!*

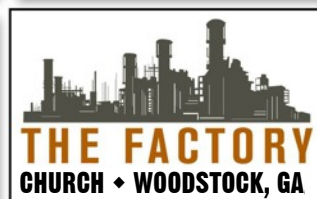


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