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TIME TO RENEW?

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Welcome to Our Newest Member! Jon Keifer

Welcome Back! Scott Phillips

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"Cool Cars & Old Trains" Winners



BEST CLASSIC: *Bill Musarra, 1966 Ford GT-40

BEST MODERN: *Karen O'Neal, 2016 Dodge Challenger

TOP 15:

Rick Horne, 1923 Ford T-Bucket Bill & Terry Davis, 1964 Chevrolet Corvette Ron Smith, 1934 Ford Extended cab pick-up Andy Sarratt, 1962 Chevrolet Bel Air Mickey Archer, 1930 Chevrolet Master Charles Morton, 1957 Ford Thunderbird *Tom Chick, 1965 AC Shelby Cobra *Theresa Leach, 2014 Chevrolet Camaro SS Laura Teet, 1966 Ford GT 40 *Larry Navarre, 1946 Ford pick-up Tyler Moon, 1967 Pontiac Firebird 400 *Stefan Bartelski, 1951 Oldsmobile 88 Bruce Odell 1953 Packard Clipper Michael S. Kelly, 1954 Cadillac Series 62 Ted Schuhardt, 1970 Dodge Superbee

Sponsor's Favorite (Streetside Classics): *David & Jennifer Wade, 1960 Jaguar MK IX

Southeast Railway Museum's Pick (Host): Ted Moon, 1955 Chevrolet Bel Air

Coolest Cruiser (Club Award): Steve Kargatis, 1964 Oldsmobile Custom Sport Coupe * Denotes GCC Club Member Cool 👽 TIMES

2019 Club Shows & Events



Cool Cars at Coolray

In conjunction with the Gwinnett Public Safety Festival Saturday, October 12th 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Coolray Field 2500 Buford Drive Lawrenceville, GA 30043 Entry Donations will benefit HOT RODDERS CHILDREN'S CHARITY FREE Event T-Shirt & Dash Plaque with Minimum \$20 Donation (while supplies last)

Cars & Costume Contest Cars & Costume Contest Saturday, October 26th Noon - 4:00 pm The Pink Pony 1837 Corporate Blvd Brookhaven, GA 30329 • Cash Prizes for Best Costumes (M/F/Cpl) & Decorated Car • Best Classic, Best Modern & Top 15 Popular Choice Awards • Burgers, Hot Dogs & Cold Beverages Available • Event T-Shirts (\$10) Entry Donations will benefit Breast Cancer Cure & Treatment

Cool Cars at Briscoe Park Saturday, November 16th 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Snellville's Briscoe Park 2500 Sawyer Pkwy + Snellville, GA 30078

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



Cool Cruiser's Holiday Party Sunday, December 22nd 1:00 pm The Greater Good BBQ 4431 Hugh Howell Rd • Tucker, GA 30084



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Other Shows & Orubso-Ins of Interest

October & November Car Shows & Monthly Cruise-ins:

Saturday, October 5th, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, "Cars for Campouts" Car Show, Duluth First United Methodist Church. 3208 Duluth Hwy (120), Duluth, GA 30096. *Entry fee: \$25. Proceeds benefit Scout Troop 419*

Saturday, October 5th, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, 10th Annual Classic Car Show & Fall Festival, Mountain Park United Methodist Church, 1405 Rockbridge Rd, Stone Mountain, GA 30087.

Saturday, October 19th, 10:00 am, 14th Annual Car & Truck Show, Oakdale Baptist Church, 100 Oakdale Road, Canton, GA 30114. *Proceeds benefit the Needy family Fund. Info:Dewayne Thomas* 678-463-5874

Saturday, November 2nd, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Ace Hardware Classic Cruise-In. Sugar Hill Church. 5091 Nelson Brogdon Blvd, Sugar Hill, GA 30518. Entry Fee: \$10 Cruise-in, Judged \$25. Proceeds benefit N. Gwinnett Co-op Food Bank.

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 Saturdays, April - November, 4:00 - 8:00 pm, NAPA Auto Parts. 4119 Atlanta Hwy, Loganville, GA 30052. *Presented by the Loganville Cruisers.* \$10 entry, Best & Top 10 awards.

Events from Our Club Sponsors:

Summit Racing Equipment Monday Night Cruise-Ins, 6:00 - 8:00 pm (October 7, 14, 21 & 28). 20 King Mill Rd, McDonough, GA 30253. *All Makes & Models welcome.*

Saturday, October 26th, 4:30 - 7:00 pm, Summit's Halloween Family Cruise. *Entry Fee:* 1 bag of candy.

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

Streetside Classics, Last Saturdays, Caffeine & Classics Cruise-In, 9:00 am - Noon. 213 Thornton Road, Suite 400, Lithia Springs, GA 3012

"Cool" Kudos for Coolray & The Pony!

None of our shows "happen" without a lot of "behind the scenes" efforts, and that goes even more so for shows like **Coolray**. This year had even more challenges than normal, especially when we lost several of our major event sponsors.

We put a call out for help, and we got it! In addition to our returning sponsors (**Sharon Ellis**, **Mike Thies & SoutheastWheelsEvents.com** and **Don Brock**), several other members stepped up to help. **Dennis Behnkin** wanted us to do a Dash Plaque to give out at the show, so he reached in his pocket and paid for them. **Phil Hutchinson** made a very generous contribution, making the show a "GO" for 2019. The biggest surprise was when **Streetside Classics** offered to make up for what we lost in our two biggest sponsors, making it possible to not only do an event T-shirt, but to give them to participants for *FREE*! Our sincere THANKS to all that helped make this show!

Our other October show is the **ALWAYS FUN** "Cars & Costumes" at the **Pink Pony.** This show features CASH prizes for Costume Contest winners, plus event T-shirts, tasty food, cold beverages and lots more. ALL paid for by **Dennis Williams** and the **Pink Pony.**

September Charity Collection

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Our September "Cool Cars & Old Trains" show benefited our host, Southeastern Railway Museum, a non-profit organization.

We collected a total of **\$1305** for them. They also reported having a "Banner Day" at the Museum in both admissions and sales, thanks to our event!

Club Needs!

Seems like we are always putting out the call for help. *Well, we are!* It takes quite a bit of "member-power" to make our shows happen.

On this edition's "**Want List**" we need someone to pull the Club Trailer to Coolray Field on October 12th.

We also need a decent number of Volunteers to work the show. Set-up is at 8:00 am. We need help with Set Up, Show Car Parking, Registration, Door Prize/Event Shirt table, Tear Down & Clean-up.

We will have our usual feast of Donuts, Subway Sandwich Platter and cold water for our crew. Please let Rick know ASAP if you can help.

We also need someone to pull the trailer to the show at the Pink Pony on October 26th.

Set-up time at the Pony is 10:00 am. *Thanks in advance!*

Sponsors Needed for Briscoe Park Show!

We are still in need for a Sponsor for this show. We are looking for one or two businesses that will help us with show expenses. Nothing big, just a couple hundred bucks will go a long way!

We can offer you a large vendor space at the show, plus your business' name on signage and announcements, *PLUS* you can pick your favorite show car for the "Sponsor's Choice" award.

Sound interesting, please contact Rick ASAP at 404-732-6842.

Vendor Spaces

Speaking of Vendor Spaces, we have them available for both Coolray and Briscoe Park. Once again, please give Rick a shout to get more info and to sign up!

URGENT NEED!!!



Our trailer is like the cartoon of the closet that is so full that everything falls out when you open the door!!!

We need to have a "Party" to clean it out, build some shelves and make it "User Friendly" again.

If you have some organizational or carpentry skills and would like to help, please let us know. We would like to get it done *BEFORE* Coolray on October 12th.

Holiday Party Location

Same headline as last month, minus the question mark. :)

No suggestions for a different place, so we will return to **The Greater Good BBQ in Tucker.**

Our party will be on **Sunday**, **December 22nd at 1:00 pm**.

Wednesday Breakfast



We continue to meet at Denny's in Norcross for our weekly breakfast gatherings.

Please come join us, we always have an extra space at the table for you! We meet at 9:30 am.

5534 Jimmy Carter Blvd. Norcross, GA 30092

Send Your "Healing Thoughts" to . . .

Dale Xenos. Dale was recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, and is starting treatment.

Dale said that it was caught early, and is hoping for a positive outcome from the treatments.

Hal King. Hal recently had knee replacement surgery and is working hard to regain his mobility.

"Tilly" Lanier. Tilly went to the ER with kidney issues. He went home after several day, but is still in pain.

We are waiting on updates on his condition.

Our First Show at the Train Museum was a GREAT One!!! *"Cool Cars & Old Trains" was a Huge Success!*

This time, we got it *RIGHT*! Good (*but HOT*) weather, GREAT Host and TASTY FOOD made for an AMAZING inaugural event at the **Southeastern Railway Museum** in Duluth. We had a nice mixture of some of our regular show cars, plus a large number of cars we have not seen before. We also had a good turnout for the local Cadillac-LaSalle and Pontiac Clubs, too.

The staff at the Train Museum were as excited about our show as we were to have an exciting new venue! They were *THRILLED* at the turn-out, and the mix of show cars. We quickly filled up the grassy field, then most of the gravel lot that was designated for show cars.

Our entry donations and 50/50 proceeds benefited the Train Museum, and they were very appreciative of the \$1305 that we raised. Mike Perry's burgers & dogs were a hit (as always) and sold out! He donated the proceeds to his son's High School baseball team.

We have already met with the Museum staff about next year, have set a tentative date of Saturday, September 5th, 2020 for our newest annual event!



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More Photos from Our "Cars & Old Trains" Car Show



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And a Few More Photos from "Cars & Old Trains"

















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Saturday, October 12th 10:00 am - 2:00 pm **2500 Buford Drive** Lawrenceville, GA 30043



This has become our BIGGEST show of the year, with PLENTY of Show Car parking spaces plus a HUGE family friendly Public Safety Festival. You won't be bored at this event! We will have 22 Popular Choice Awards (Best Classic, Best Modern and Top 20) to present plus several other special awards (Gwinnett Police, Fire, Sponsor & Club).

This year, we are lucky to have a new main sponsor, Streetside Classics! They came in and "saved the day" for us, after we lost a couple of our sponsors from past years. Due to Streetside's generous sponsorship, we will be able to GIVE the event t-shirts to participants (while supplies last) with a minimum \$20 donation to benefit the Hot Rodders Children's Charity. We will also have free Dash Plagues, thanks to Dennis Behnkin's sponsorship.

Make your plans to attend! We can also use some show-day volunteers. If interested, please let Rick know ASAP. We also have vendor spaces available. You know the drill, if interested, let Rick know ASAP! See you at Coolray on the 12th!!

"Cars & Costumes" at the Pink Pony **Open Car Show & Costume Contest to Benefit Breast Cancer!**



October is a BIG month for the Cool Cruisers! First up, our biggest show of the year at Coolray Field, then the "FUNNEST" at the Pink Pony! Yes, our annual "Cars & Costumes" show at the Pony takes the award for the most fun at **ANY** car show! In addition to our great Car Show, we have a Halloween Costume Contest with CASH PRIZES! The Pink Pony will present the Best Male, Best Female, Best Couple and Best Decorated Car with a \$250 prize!

We will also present the Best Classic, Best Modern, Top 15 and several special awards for the Car Show portion. We will also have Burgers, Hot Dogs, Chicken and Cold Beverages available. Don't forget to purchase your event t-shirt for only \$10.

Entry donations will benefit Breast Cancer programs in Georgia.

