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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

*the 8th Annual*  
**Cool Rides**  
**& RESCUES**

*Decatur Estate* **VINTAGE MARKET**

**Sunday, April 10TH**  
**11:00 AM - 3:00 PM**  
**2272 Lawrenceville Highway**  
**Decatur, GA 30033**

Benefit for **furkids**  
 ANIMAL RESCUE & SHELTERS

**See Page 11 for more info**

[www.GeorgiaCoolCruisers.org](http://www.GeorgiaCoolCruisers.org)

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**Welcome New Member!**

**Warren  
Hoffman**



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## Hot Rods at Hayes Winners



**BEST CLASSIC:**

Gary Black, 1969 Chevrolet Camaro

**BEST MODERN:**

Barry "Free Bird" Bird, 2019 Dodge Challenger Scat Pack

**TOP 20:**

Clayton Burrell, 1965 Pontiac GTO

Robert Boggs, 1973 Volkswagen Transporter

Jeff Whaley, 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle convertible

Tony Hicks, 1966 Ford F-100

Keith Corkern, 2008 Ford Mustang GT

Johnny Hulsey, 1932 Ford Pick-up

\*Andy Sarratt, 1962 Chevrolet Bel Air

Keith Stephenson, 2016 Chevrolet Corvette Z06

Walter Davidson, 1965 Ford Falcon

Reggie Elrod, 1975 Ford Bronco

Stanley Smith, 1984 Chevrolet Silverado

Steve Loudermilk, 1970 Oldsmobile 442

Johnny Smith, 1978 Chevrolet Corvette

Justin Jenkins, 1995 Chevrolet Camaro Z-28

David Sewell, 1989 Chevrolet S-10

Jean Hare, 1966 Chevrolet C-10 stepside

\*Jack Gilleland, 1937 Chevrolet 1/2 ton pick-up Rat Rod

Wayne Tevis, 1970 Chevrolet Camaro

David Webb, 1939 Ford Deluxe

\*Bailey Ziglin, 1959 Pontiac Bonneville

**Coollest Cruiser (Club Award):**

Lynn LeBlanc, 1971 Volkswagen

\* Denotes GCC Club Member

# 2022 Club Shows & Events



Rain Date  
4/24/22

## Cool Rides & Rescues

Sunday, April 10th, 11 am – 3 pm  
Decatur Estate Antiques Mall  
2272 Lawrenceville Highway  
Decatur, GA 30033  
Supporting Furkids Animal Rescue

## Jack Horvath Memorial

### USO Benefit Car Show

Saturday, May 28th, 11 am – 3 pm  
Handy Ace Hardware  
3969 Lawrenceville Highway  
Tucker, GA 30084

## Horsepower at the Pony

The Pink Pony  
Saturday, June 11th, Noon - 4 pm  
1837 Corporate Blvd  
Brookhaven, GA 30329  
Supporting Furkids Animal Rescue



## Red, White & Blue '22

Open Car Show  
4th of July Weekend  
New Venue & Details  
Coming Soon!



For the latest updates . . .

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You can also find our events listed on  
[SoutheastWheelsEvents.com](http://SoutheastWheelsEvents.com) &  
Ragtops & Runningboards

## Carter Hill Church Car Show

Saturday, August 13th, 11 am – 3 pm  
361 Punkin Junction Road  
Bethlehem, GA 30620

## Cool Cruiser Day at Gateway Caffeine & Chrome

Saturday, August 27th, 9 am - Noon  
Gateway Classic Cars  
1870 McFarland Road, Suite 300  
Alpharetta, GA 30005

## Cool Cars & Trains

Saturday, September 3rd, 11 am - 3 pm  
Southeastern Railway Museum  
3595 Buford Hwy, Duluth, GA 30096

## Santa Cop Cruise-in

Saturday, September 24th, 11 am - 3 pm  
Handy Ace Hardware  
3969 Lawrenceville Highway  
Tucker, GA 30084

## Cool Cars & Costumes

Saturday, October 22nd, Noon - 4 pm  
The Pink Pony  
1837 Corporate Blvd  
Brookhaven, GA 30329

## Cool Cars at Briscoe Park

Saturday, November 12th, 11 am - 3 pm  
2500 Sawyer Pkwy  
(off Lenora Church Rd)  
Snellville, GA 30078

## Toys for Tots Cruise-in

Saturday, December 3rd, 11 am - 3 pm  
Handy Ace Hardware  
3969 Lawrenceville Hwy  
Tucker, GA 30

## Cool Cruisers' Club Gear



Left Chest  
Design on  
T-shirt

3-Season  
With Hood

### Club T-Shirts:

- Full back design with left chest Club logo
- S-XL: **\$18**, 2X & 3X: **\$20**

Available at all Club Shows

### 3-Season Jacket

w/ fold away hood:

- Water resistant jacket.
- Available in several solid colors.
- **\$90** (add **\$5** for 2X and up).
- The jacket features left chest logo and full back embroidery

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- Available in multiple colors
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### Embroidered polo:

- Available in a variety of colors, in men's & ladies cut.
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or 404-732-6842

## Mike Thies' Braselton Birthday Bash & Furkids Benefit Car Show Winners



### **BEST IN SHOW:**

Mark Longworth, 1964 Divco Milk Truck

### **TOP 15:**

Johnny Smith, 1978 Chevrolet Corvette

\*Roy Rhymer, 1971 Chevrolet Blazer

Lynn LeBlanc, 1971 Volkswagen van

Bret Zaro, 1969 Chevrolet Camaro

\*Alan & Rochelle Ziglin, 1967 Pontiac Grand Prix

Mark Lavisky, 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air

\*Andy Sarratt, 1962 Chevrolet Bel Air

John Moon, 1967 Pontiac Firebird

John & Wendy Bailey, 1964 Chevrolet Impala

\*Jack Gilleland, 1972 Chevrolet Corvette

Mike Rankin, 1966 Ford Fairlane

Rebecca McBath, 1967 Pontiac GTO

Kevin Evans, 1964 Ford Fairlane

David Sewell, 1989 Chevrolet S-10

Ted Moon, 1955 Chevrolet Bel Air

### **Top-End Motor's (Host) Favorite:**

Chrissie Mason, 1955 Chevrolet "Handyman"

### **Mike Thies's (Birthday Boy) Pick:**

Rick Boyd, 1963-1/2 Ford Galaxie 500

### **Furkids' Favorite (Show's Charity):**

Rod Cole, 1968 Plymouth Roadrunner

### **Cooltest Cruiser (Club Award):**

Wayne Tevis, 1970 Chevrolet Camaro RS

\* Denotes GCC Club Member

# CLUB NEWS & UPDATES

## March Charity Donations Report

We had two March fundraisers, our Braselton show benefited **Furkids Animal Rescue** and our show in Baldwin benefited the **Hot Rodders Children's Charity**.

Although the Braselton show was "officially" a free show, we collected an even **\$2,000** for Furkids, thanks to all of our very generous participants & spectators. Special Thanks to Karen O'Neal and the Furkids volunteers. They sold over \$250 in 50/50 raffle tickets!

For our "Hot Rods at Hayes" show, we collected **\$2,630 for HRCC**. This included entry donations, 50/50 raffle and the raffle for the Year One gift certificate. Thanks to Pat Staton of Year One for helping with raffle ticket sales, and our registration crew that sold all the 50/50 tickets, in addition to all their other tasks!

## GCC Day at Gateway Classic Cars

We have been invited to be the featured Club at Gateway's "Caffeine & Chrome" Cruise-in at their showroom in Alpharetta on **Saturday, August 27th** from 9am - Noon.

This is a no-work, just for fun Cruise-in (no awards). They will be serving complimentary coffee & donuts, so make your plans to come out and support the Club. They do require we have at least 10 members present, so closer to the date, we will be asking for commitments.

## In Our Prayers . . .

We got some bad news about **Fred Hartley**, Fred passed away on Sunday morning, March 27th after several weeks in the hospital. We will all miss "Falcon Fred!"

Latest update on **Tilly Lanier**: we have some good news to report! Tilly is now home and sounds much better. He will continue his Chemo treatments as an outpatient. We are hoping he can make a cameo appearance at one of our shows soon!

**Carl Smith** is scheduled to undergo some major heart surgery. He will be hospitalized for a few days, then an extended recovery time at home.



## Cool Cruisers Cruise-in at Sonic?

Billy Wright, our contact person with **Sonic Drive-ins** was at the show in Braselton, taking photos and handing out coupons. He was asking when we would like to do another Cruise-in with them. We are thinking of an early to mid-May date, but no firm plans yet.

We are also looking at their different locations to see what appeals the most.

*Stay tuned for updates!*

## Tucker Main Street Cruise-ins

The popular Tucker Main Street Cruise-ins will kick off on **Saturday, April 9, 11 am - 2 pm**. The Cruise-ins are every second Saturday from April through October.

## Denny Williams Motor Sports to Sponsor Show at Decatur Antiques!

Our thanks to **Dennis Williams** and **Denny Williams Motor Sports!** They just signed on as our April 10th show sponsor at Decatur Estates Vintage Market.

This show has always been a favorite with Dennis, although he has admitted spending a few bucks inside the Market!

## Stone Mountain Village Cruise-ins

As on now, there are no firm plans in place for the 2022 Cruise-ins in downtown Stone Mountain. Several locations have been suggested, but nothing has been finalized.

We do know that the April event has been cancelled. We will provide more info as we find out more.

## Share Your "Cool Times"!

If you have friends that are not "Cool," you are welcome to share your *Cool Times* Newsletter with them. Maybe we can help them to become "Cool!"

*To the non-members reading our newsletters, please consider joining us!*

## *A Chilly Start to a GREAT Show & Animal Rescue Fundraiser*

### **Mike Thies' Braselton 75th Birthday Bash Car Show**

This was a show that we truly didn't know what to expect . . . a first time event in a new venue with limited parking, on a Sunday, the day after a HUGE show in Monroe plus it was only planned a month prior to the show date. Throw in near record low temps the night before . . . *Well you get the picture.*

Apparently all the Car Show Gods got together on this one and helped make everything work for us. The show in Monroe was delayed a week due to the weather, making show goers hungry for an event. The skies were blue and it warmed up nicely and everyone found a place to park! After filling up the parking lot of Top-End Motors, we parked them in the Cul-de-sac, then up both sides of the road, and in the right of way. We ended up with over 85 show cars, and a very happy group!

Quite a few Car Clubs came out to support Mike and wish him a Happy Birthday, with **Classic Auto Rides (CARS)** taking home the Club Participation Award. Actually the Georgia Cool Cruisers had the most Club members at the show, but since we were the host Club, we didn't take the award.

Mike requested this be a free show, but collect contributions for **Furkids Animal Rescue**. We were truly amazed by the generosity of our crowd! Between donations and the 50/50 raffle, we were able to present Furkids with \$2,000! They brought out four dogs, and it looks like all will get their forever homes thanks to the show!

To add even more to this fun day, Mike treated everyone to birthday cake, topping off a great day! We heard a lot of compliments on the event and how well the show was organized.

Our thanks to Top-End Motors and all the volunteers that came out early to help. *Please see page 4 for a complete list of the show winners.*



# Mike Thies' 75th Birthday Bash in Braselton



See MORE show photos on our Facebook page!

## *We Were "Blown Away" by The Number of Show Cars . . . AND the Winds!* **HOT RODS at HAYES in Baldwin Returns in a BIG WAY**

Not to be too tongue in cheek, we were "blown away" by the turnout at our 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Hot Rods at Hayes. After a two-year hiatus due to COVID19, we had a triumphant return to the Hayes dealerships of Baldwin on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>. Over 150 cars packed the parking lot and helped us raise over \$2,600 for Year One's Hot Rodders Children's Charity.

The Hayes were happy to welcome us back and provided an event t-shirt for registered participants, as well as providing the tables and inviting WCON radio to DJ our event. They also let us borrow the dealership breakroom for our volunteers to rest and eat lunch. We were short on show volunteers but the ones we had worked their hearts out, dealing with some challenging participants and fighting the cold wind all day to make the event a huge success. Pat Staton of Year One worked hard selling raffle tickets for a \$250 Year One certificate and helped us pack up at the end of the Show.

We awarded Best Classic, Best Modern, Top 20 and Coolest Cruiser. Mike Thies made a heartfelt award presentation to Rick Ellis, in appreciation for all that Rick does for the Collector Car Hobby in Georgia, while Rick presented appreciation awards to Hayes and WCON.





***HOT RODS at HAYES in Baldwin, GA***



***HOT RODS at HAYES in Baldwin, GA***



# 8th Annual Decatur Estate Vintage Market Show

*Decatur Estate*  
VINTAGE  
MARKET



**Sunday, April 10th**  
**11:00 am - 3:00 pm**  
**2272 Lawrenceville Highway**  
**Decatur, GA 30033**

It's time to return to one of our favorite, but one of our smaller, venues. There are very few car shows inside the perimeter these days, but we really enjoy our annual stop at Decatur Estate Vintage Market. Owner, **Maggie Monastesse**, is a GREAT host of our events, and works hard to make things easy for us. She even collects donations for **Furkids Animal Rescue**, our show's charity, from the various vendors in the market.

Once again, we will benefit from some extra parking spaces from their next-door neighbor, O'Reilly Auto Parts. Mike Perry will be there turning out his famous Burgers & Dogs to keep us all fed. We will have our signature Popular Choice awards (Best Classic, Best Modern & Top 15) along with our special awards, door prizes, 50/50 raffle and our always popular Oldies playlist.

As stated above, our show's charity will be Furkids Animal Rescue & No-Kill Shelters. We are hoping they will bring out some of their adoptable dogs and cats so you can find your new best friend! We love our animal rescue fundraisers, they are so fun & rewarding.

Also, this being a smaller venue, we are encouraging you to come out early for the best spaces. If you would like to help out at the show, please make sure to contact Larry Navarre, our Ace Volunteer Coordinator. You can find his contact info on page 2. Thanks in advance for all our dedicated "A-Team" members!

## ***This & That from the "Prez"***



**Why three Furkids Fundraisers this year?** Well, good question, and I have a good answer. The first one was Mike Thies' show and he requested it to benefit Furkids. The second, Decatur Estates, became a Furkids event last year when another rescue group cancelled at the last minute and FK jumped in for us. Maggie asked us to repeat with them. The third is at the Pony, and they are long-time supporters of FK. *I hope this clears things up a tad!*

**Our July 4th weekend plans:** Since 'Cue was eliminated as a host for the show, we have explored several other options. One is a "street show" that Dennis Williams is working to help set up, but as of press time, nothing is set in stone. We will let you know as soon as I have the details. We do have a back-up plan in place, so we *WILL* have a show on the 4th of July weekend!

**Car Shows we're helping with:** I am helping two of our members with their car shows. The first is **Tom Ariail** and his **VFW** event on **April 30th**, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm. The show will be in Dunwoody, behind the Post Office at 1551 Dunwoody Village Parkway.

The other one is the **Johns Creek Rotary Club** show on **Saturday, June 4th**, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm at Newtown Park in Johns Creek (3150 Old Alabama Rd). Club Member **Joe Sisto** is heading up this project. Both shows are open to all years, makes & models, with entry fees supporting local charities and non-profit organizations. *Please make your plans to attend!*

# Our Sponsors & Supporters

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# Some of the Charities We Support

			 <p>Raising funds for Georgia Breast Cancer Programs</p>
	<p><b>Southeastern Railway Museum</b></p>	 <p>Choose Life for Georgia's Pets!</p>	