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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



## Saturday, November 12th

### 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

## Snellville's BRISCOE PARK

### 2500 Sawyer Parkway (off Lenora Church Rd.)

## Snellville, GA 30078

### *See Page 11 for more info*

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

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***Welcome New Members!***

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## Cool Cars & Costumes Winners



**BEST CLASSIC:**

\*Dan Crosson, 1955 Chevrolet 3100 pick-up

**BEST MODERN:**

Ed Sanford, 2020 Ford Mustang Shelby GT 500

**TOP 15:**

Craig Gustin, 1967 Jaguar E-Type

\*Pam Piercy, 1965 Cadillac El Dorado convertible

Ted Fischer, 1936 Ford Roadster

Troy Reeves, 1952 Jeep M38

Joe Barbani, 1986 Ford Thunderbird

\*Jerry Petrotto, 1985 Mercury Gran Marquis

Mike Dickinson, 1968 Pontiac Firebird

Mike Carkuff, 1957 Pontiac Star Chief

Manab Roy, 1998 Ford Mustang GT

\*Don & Annette Brock, 1962 Imperial Le Baron S. Hampton

Jon Elder, 1969 Dodge Chearger R/T SE

Owen Middour, 1966 Chevrolet Corvette

\*Fernando Alfonso, 1981 DeLorean DMC-12

Leilani Young, 2018 Lexus LC500

\*Ken & Susan Miller, 1969 Mercury Cougar XR-7

**PONY's Pick (Host's Award):**

Jeff Banawitz, 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS 454

**Sponsor's Award (Gateway Classic Cars):**

Alan Cablink, 1970 Chevrolet Nova Yenke

**Charity's Pick ("Breast" of Show):**

Doug Marks, 1968 Dodge Dart

**Coolest Cruiser (Club Award):**

\*Bill Musarra, 1955 Ford Thunderbird

See Page 9 for Costume Contest Winners

\* Denotes GCC Club Member

# 2022 & 2023 Club Shows & Events



## Cool Cars at Briscoe Park

Saturday, November 12th

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Snellville's Briscoe Park

2500 Sawyer Pkwy

(off Lenora Church Rd)

Snellville, GA 30078

Fundraiser for "Shop With A Cop"



## Cool Cruisers Holiday Party

Sunday, December 11th

1:00 pm

Home of Karen & Steve O'Neal

2629 Summerfield Way NW

Lawrenceville, GA 30044

Bring a Dish to share & Ornament to exchange



## Toys for Tots Cruise-in

Saturday, December 3rd

NEW LOCATION for 2022!

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Handy Ace Hardware

3969 Lawrenceville Hwy

Tucker, GA 30084



## "Sweetheart" Cruise-in '23

Saturday, February 11th, 2023

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

LOCATION TBA

See page 5 for more info

## Snellville UMC Open Car Show

Saturday, April 15th, 2023

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Snellville United Methodist Church

2428 Main Street East

Snellville, GA 30078

## "OTHER" Car Show & Events of Interest in November

Saturday, November 5th 11:00 am - 3:00 pm, Veteran's Day Open Car Show, Dunwoody Village Shopping Center, 1551 Dunwoody Village Parkway, Dunwoody, GA 30338. Presented by Post 10288 Veterans of Foreign Wars. Popular Choice Awards, Hot Dogs, Silent Auction. Entry Fee: \$25. Proceeds will benefit the VFW Charities. Info: Tom Ariail: 770-823-7590 or Ariail@bellsouth.net

Saturday, December 5th, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm. S&S Buford Ace Hardware Classic Cruise-in and Car Show. Sugar Hill Church, 5091 Nelson Brogdon Blvd, Sugar Hill, GA 30518. Proceeds benefit the North Gwinnett Food bank. Entry Fee: Optional judging \$25. Info: [www.BufordAceClassicCarShow.com](http://www.BufordAceClassicCarShow.com)

### MONTHLY CRUISE-INS:

Last Saturdays (year round), 9 am - Noon, "Caffeine & Chrome" at Gateway Classic Cars, 1870 McFarland Pkwy, Suite 300, Alpharetta, GA 30005. Entry is FREE!

Gateway Classic Cars of Atlanta's Holiday Cruise-in Schedule:  
October 29th - Trunk or Treat      December 3rd - Holiday Party

## THIS and THAT *from the Prez*

From time-to-time, when space permits, I like to bring everyone "up to speed" on various Club business that doesn't always get publicly covered, so here goes . . .

**VOLUNTEERS:** We have a great core group of volunteers, but we want to include more in this group. We have an AMAZING Volunteer Coordinator in Larry Navarre. Larry has really taken charge of this very important task and made my life quite a bit easier. I have taken myself pretty much out of the loop.

If you would like to help, please make sure Larry knows in a timely basis, so he can make up the schedule. One of our biggest needs is for members to pull our trailer from it's Peachtree Corners storage location to our events.

Our other need is for some "fresh blood" in our A-Team. The tasks are not hard and we will be happy to show you what needs to be done. Our goal is to have enough volunteers so that we can have "relief" workers to give the regulars a break to enjoy the show or grab a bite to eat. Again, please contact Larry and let him know you want to be part of the team. *His contact info is on page 2.*

**VOTING & BALLOT BOX STUFFING:** We know OUR members wouldn't stuff the ballot box, but some believe in the old saying "Vote Early & Vote Often." Please rest assured that our expert staff can spot this, and these "questionable" ballots get properly filed in good old "file 13," also known as the trash can.

We feel popular choice voting is the best choice for an open show, so we will continue to do so.

**OUR NEW DONATION POLICY:** Since we reworded our donation signs to state "Entry Fee: A Suggested Minimum \$20 Donation," our entry donations have taken a turn upwards, with no one complaining. We do not stand over participants to see how much they donate, but we do feel this is a very fair policy. The final decision on the donation amount is still left up to the car owners.

**SUGGESTIONS & EXPLANATIONS:** All aspects of the Club have been carefully thought out and modified when we find a better way of doing things. A prime example is the second canopy with tables to fill out your registration. This was an idea that we came up with for COVID safety and we liked it so much that we kept it.

I am ALWAYS available to answer your questions, comments and suggestions. Please feel free to call or email me.

## "COOL" Club Gear!



### It's FALL and time for a Club Jacket or Windbreaker!

We offer two different jackets: a light weight wind-breaker (\$75 & \$80\*) and a 3-season jacket (\$95 & \$100\*), both available in several colors.

We also have Cool-Dry polo shirts with the Club logo embroidered on the left chest, available in a variety of colors (\$35 & \$40\*). We can also get long sleeve shirts, just ask!

These items are made to order, so please contact Rick for more details at 404-732-6842 or RNE680@mindspring.com. (\*indicates additional charge for 2X and larger.)



### Club T's

\$18 (S-XL)  
& \$20 (2X  
& 3X).

T-shirts are  
Available at  
all Club  
events

# CLUB NEWS & UPDATES



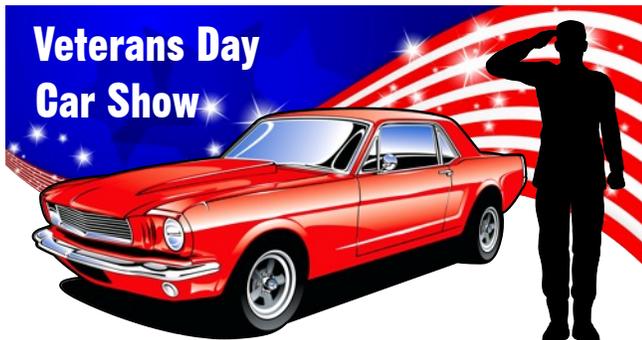
## October Charity Report

Our "Cool Cars & Costumes" at the Pink Pony was a fundraiser to support the fight against breast cancer. Our funds go to a local organization "It's The Journey" and helps with treatments here in Georgia.

We had an AMAZING collection day, especially considering this is not one of our larger shows. **Our total was \$3,500!!!**

We benefited from our new donation policy, plus a \$500 donation from the Pink Pony, Karen & Steve O'Neal donated their costume contest/car decorations winnings, our auction and Pam Piercy donated part of her 50/50 winnings back.

Special thanks to those that provided items for our auction: the Pink Pony, Year One and Ted Marcus' Glass Tiger Car Wash.



Club member **Tom Ariail** and **VFW Post 10288's Veterans Day Car Show** is coming SOON! The show will be **Saturday, November 5th, 11am - 3pm** at the **Dunwoody Village Shopping Center** in Dunwoody. This is a very large parking lot with plenty of room for both show cars and spectators.

We are trying to help Tom get a larger number of show cars this time, so please plan to attend and spread the word to your car buddies!

The show will feature popular choice awards, a silent auction and they will be grilling hot dogs.

Entry fee is \$25, with show proceeds benefiting the VFW charities!

*Please come support Tom and the VFW!*

## Toys for Tots Sponsors Needed!

We are working on our 2022 Toys for Tots campaign, trying to "round-up" sponsors. We are once again offering 3 levels of sponsorship: **GOLD** - \$100 to \$249, **DIAMOND** - \$250 - \$499 and **PLATINUM** - \$500 & up.

All sponsors will get their name or company logo on the back of the event t-shirt (the higher the sponsorship amount, the larger the logo and higher position on the shirt). You will also be recognized at the show and receive a free event shirt.

Sponsorships cover the Club's costs for putting on this event and permit us to give a free shirt to all participants.

If you are interested, or know someone that is, please contact Rick as soon as possible, as we need to get the shirts to the printer several weeks prior to the show.

## GCC's HOLIDAY PARTY

Make sure you put **Sunday, December 11th** (1:00 pm) on your calendar. This is the date of our annual Holiday Party & Ornament Exchange! **Karen & Steve O'Neal** will once again host the event in their Lawrenceville home. This will be a "Covered Dish" affair, with our famous Ornament exchange. Please make your plans to attend.

Karen & Steve know how to host an event, and the house is decorated in every room for the holidays!

Closer to the event date, we will ask everyone to RSVP and let us know what food items you will be bringing.

## Changes on Our Sweetheart Cruise-in

We thought everything was all set with Dave & Buster's, until we learned the GM that asked us in late August to put on a show is no longer with D&B. As of press time, the new GM has not returned our calls.

If you have any suggestions for a LARGE location for our February 11th show, please contact Rick ASAP. We need a large location with food, restrooms, and a place for participants to warm-up on a chilly winter day.

## ***A PERFECT Weather Day Sets the Scene for our 9th Annual "Cars & Costumes"*** **One of Our BEST Shows EVER at the Pony!**

Not often do we get to say "Perfect Weather" and "Pony Show" in the same sentence, but this year we had just that. A slightly cool morning for set-up and upper 60's for show time, along with bright blue skies put smiles on everyone's face!

The Pony is not one of our larger venues, so the 75 registered show cars filled it up perfectly, with every space taken. With at least four other shows going on in the metro area, we were very happy with our attendance. We also had quite a few cars that were decorated for Halloween and a "cool" assortment of costumed participants running around the show, from Elvis to Doc Brown. Unfortunately very few of those in costume opted to register for the stage call or cash prizes. We are looking at ways to improve that for next year.

The Pony staff had their grill going, providing the crowd with burgers, hot dogs, brisket and cold beverages, all at very reasonable prices. Our thanks to Chef Pam and her staff for all their hard work! After our stage call featuring the costume contestants, it was time for our Charity Auction, featuring items donated by the Pony's suppliers, Year One and Glass Tiger Car Wash. Our thanks to Karen O'Neal for her invaluable assistance and our Pony girl Leilani, that played "Vanna." All proceeds from the auction went to our show's charity to help fight breast cancer. Our total for the day was an amazing \$3,500. *See page 5 for a breakdown of donations.*

We would also like to thank our ALWAYS amazing A-Team of Club volunteers for another excellent job! We also welcomed some new faces to our group. This show was one of our best and smoothest running shows *EVER!* Our Thanks to all that attended and special thanks to Dennis Williams and the Pony staff for all their work! *See page 2 for all the show winners.*



***MORE photos on our our Facebook page.***

# Cool Cars & Costumes at the Pony



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# Bonus Pages Featuring the Costumes & Car Decorations



## Costume Contest & Decorated Car WINNERS:

**BEST MALE:**  
Joe Leach

**BEST FEMALE:**  
Lisa Bates

**BEST COUPLE:**  
Steve & Karen O'Neal

**BEST DECORATED CAR:**  
Karen O'Neal



# Cool Cars & Costumes at the Pony





# Our Sponsors & Supporters

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	 <p>Peachtree Corners</p>	<p>Mike Perry <b>Tucker Welding &amp; Fabrication</b></p>	<p><b>Martin Farmers Insurance Agency</b> Buford, GA 678-802-9922</p>

## Some of the Charities We Support

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