

18th ANNUAL

# CLASS DEFINITIONS FOR THE RIVER CITY CRUISERS, HERMANN, MO Car Show In The Park Sunday, September 10th, 2017

**Stock** means (for our show) can have up to 3 subtle body/paint mods, can have bolt-on accessories, whether stock or not, but must be running stock drive train, engine and interior. We tried to break up the Stock classes to reflect significant changes in automotive history but find it impractical to cover every change based on our past history of participants. If you have a group of say, brass-era cars wishing to attend, let us know ahead of time and we will try to make a class for you.

**Street Rod** means (for our show) any pre-1949 car/truck or reproduction, with non-stock engines or modified stock engines, and/or drive train and suspension. We know the NSRA has opened it's shows up to cars over 30 years old, but this class is for pre-1949 cars. Emphasis is on paint, luxury interiors with amenities, modern engines and running gear, and can contain body modifications.

**Custom** (Kustom) in reference to Class 15 means (for our show) , any post-1948 factory built vehicle with an emphasis on altered body lines and interiors, paint colors or combinations, and techniques or body parts not offered from the manufacturer. A Rat Rod is not a "Custom" for our show. A "Custom Car" cannot be a kit car, as a kit car is not a factory-built vehicle that has been modified from the original configuration. Reproduction post 1948 kit cars can be entered in the Special Interest Class. "Customs" can contain drive train/chassis modifications. An original factory-built vehicle that utilizes pre-fabricated fiberglass body units to replace worn or damaged original parts will not be considered a kit car, but if you have, for example, a Winfield 51 Merc on a Monte Carlo chassis, it will be a Special Interest Car. A fiberglass Merc on a 51 Merc chassis could be a "Custom" for our show. A Thunderbird with a 50 Ford front clip will be classed as the year Thunderbird it started life as and not a 50 Ford. Custom Truck (Class 10 & 11) means a truck that fits the year of the class with altered body lines & interiors not offered from the manufacturer. Pre-war custom cars such as re-styled models in the fashion of Ayala, Barris, Bertolucci, Valley Customs, and Westergaard, to name a few, are indeed Customs but don't fit our Class 15 definition. If you bring one of these "Customs" or clones to our show that you think doesn't fit in the Street Rod class, we will find a place befitting your car for display and will waive the post-1948 restriction for Class 17. As has been our policy, if 5 or more of these pre-1948 "Customs" are entered ahead of time, we will try to create a special class for them.

**Street Machine** means (for our show) any post-48 vehicle with non stock engines or modified stock engines and or suspension and or body and interior mods. A vehicle modified for additional performance and/or appearance and driven on the street.

**Pro-Street** means (for our show) any vehicle that emulates a narrowed-axle drag car that performed on the street and strip (tubs, roll cage, extensive frame mods, wheelie bars, etc.). Due to low participation this class has been suspended. See "Note" on flyer about 5 or more.

**Street Cruiser** (means for our show) full-size 50s & 60s cars that do not fit the mold as a Street Machine or Muscle Car and can be a sedan, convertible, wagon, two or four-doors. If your "two-tons-of-fun" doesn't seem to fit as a Street Machine, Muscle Car, Custom or Street Rod, it probably belongs in this class.

**Muscle Cars** must closely emulate or clone the factory/dealer high performance cars of the period with only modest changes or bolt on accessories. Interior, drive train and paint scheme must appear stock to that genre of vehicle. The generally accepted Muscle Car definition (for our show) is 1964 through 1974 intermediate sized, performance oriented model US car, powered by a large V8 engine, originally sold at an affordable price. These models include the AMC Machine, Buick Gran Sport, Chevelle SS, Charger RT, Torino GT, Cyclone CJ, 442, Road Runner, & GTO. In addition, the full sized Chevrolet Impala (SS only), Ford Galaxie (with 390 + cid engines only), Dodge Coronet (R/Ts only), etc., and Chevrolet Camaro (SS and Z28 models only), Ford Mustang (GTs and Boss only), Plymouth 'Cudas (no Barracudas), etc. will be considered as Muscle Cars.

**Pony Car** are generally defined as the first generation Cars of the 60's and early 70's with stylish and sporty styling that includes long hoods, short decks, and open mouths. They were assembled from "off-the-shelf" mass production components. They had an affordable base price (under \$2,500 — in 1965 dollar value). There was a wide range of options to individualize each car, and they were generally marketed to the youthful market segment. Cars include the Mustang, Barracuda (Cuda), Camaro, Firebird, Cougar, Javelin, AMX & Challenger.

**Special Interest** - A vehicle uniquely distinguishable from the usual, or designed for a particular purpose (i.e. fire truck, WWII era Jeep, bus, race cars etc.) which would pique the interest of the public at large because of its uniqueness or specialty function.

**Day Two Car-**, meaning what a new-to-you car would have looked like after making modifications & adjustments that changed the appearance and let the world know you weren't driving your dad's car.

**Motorcycles:** Motorcycles will be placed in the Special Interest Class unless 5 or more are entered ahead of time. Then we will try to create a Motorcycle Class. See "Note" on Car Show In The Park flyer.

**Rat Rod** means (for our show) vehicles built to loosely imitate or caricaturize traditional pre-war era hot rods and meant to be driven, but usually lacking the items associated with a finished car, and sometimes include non-car related pieces.

**Traditional Rod** (for our show) means hot rods that were built in a particular point in time, with techniques and materials relevant to that point in time, or vehicles built to emulate a particular point in time. Traditional Rods are generally accepted as 1964 and older vehicles on the H.A.M.B. (<http://www.jalopyjournal.com>) but, for our show, we are limiting Traditional Rods to 1948 & older. Traditional can mean different things to different people and the definition is personal, passionate, debated, and sometimes hard to define. A lack of billet accessories is generally associated with Traditional vehicles. Traditional vehicles are not Rat Rods. You sort of know one when you see one.

**Kit car** - any vehicle that is created primarily from kit or pre-fabricated parts, and is a reproduction, replica, or unique body style only available in kit form. An original factory-built production vehicle that utilizes pre-fabricated fiberglass body units to replace worn or damaged original parts will not be considered a kit car but a car from Factory Five Racing, Fiberglass, & Meyers Manx would be to name a few.

*All vehicles are subject to re-classification. The main idea here is to provide a venue to enjoy our vehicles in a family oriented setting and not to split hairs over what should be a class definition or not. We are car loving amateurs enjoying our vehicles and trying to raise a little money for good causes, while having fun at the same time. We know you have choices when it is time to pick a car event and thank you for picking ours. We do our best to make you want to come back year after year and value your suggestions as to how to improve our show and your experience.*

**Please, no saving spaces when you park. It drives our parking crew nuts now that we have grown & are close to filling up the park. Please gather outside the park area and enter as a group if you want to park together**

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