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"Cool" Cruise-in

THE VARSITY
GWINNETT



SUNDAY
October 1st
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM



Cool Cars & Costumes
IN THE VILLAGE



CITY OF STONE MOUNTAIN
Saturday, October 21st
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

OUR NOVEMBER SHOW . . .



BRISCOE PARK in Snellville
Saturday, November 11th
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

www.GeorgiaCoolCruisers.org



**TIME TO RENEW?**

Please send \$30
(USPS mail Newsletter - \$40)
to:

Georgia Cool Cruisers
P.O. Box 942291
Atlanta, GA 31141

*Please make sure your
Membership is up to date!*

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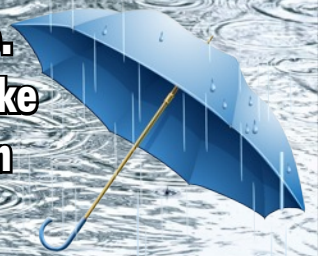
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P. O. Box 942291

Atlanta, GA 31141

"Santa Cop" Cruise-in Winners

Sorry, but no group photo.
It was WAY too wet to make
everyone stand in the rain
any longer!

**BEST CLASSIC:**

*Pam Piercy, 1965 Cadillac Eldorado convertible

BEST MODERN:

Suzanne Wimbush, 2017 Ford Mustang

TOP 20:

*Andy Sarratt, 1965 Chevrolet Corvette coupe

*Jack Gilleland, 1939 Chevrolet ½ ton truck

Ken & Lorraine Johanson, 1931 Ford truck long bed

Tom Duncan, 1967 Chevrolet Camaro Indy Pace Car

*Jason McDaniel, 1970 Chevrolet Corvette

Larry Dodson, 1996 Chevrolet Camaro SS

Jim Head, 1969 Ford XL

Bob Padovano, 1951 Ford 2 door

Raymond Rodgers, 1972 Chevrolet Cheyenne 4x4

*Don & Annette Brock, 1991 Dodge D-250 Diesel

*Tony Stout, 1970 Pontiac GTO "Judge"

Steven Ogden, 1966 Ford Mustang convertible

Scott Donaghy, 1971 Chevrolet Monte Carlo

Robert Padovano, 1976 Chevrolet C-10 Rat-rod

Mark Yelton, 1968 Ford Mustang

*Joe Fotschky, 1969 Oldsmobile Hurst Olds

Gus Gustafson, 1969 Plymouth Valiant

"Woody" 238 Motorsports, 1967 Jeep Wagoneer

Donald Smalley, 1977 Cadillac Fleetwood

*Paul Benham, 2003 Mercury Marauder

Host's Favorite (Handy Ace Hardware):

Susan Konieczny, 2021 Powerwheel Corvette

Most Likely To Meet A Cop (FOP's Pick):

Curtis Mack, 1969 Chevrolet Camaro

Gateway Classic's Pick (Sponsor's Award):

*Rebecca Walling, 1967 Pontiac GTO

Coollest Cruiser (Club's Award):

*Joe Leach, 1977 Chevrolet Camaro Z28

* Denotes GCC Club Member

2023 Club Shows & Events



Varsity Gwinnett Cruise-in

Sunday, October 1st

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

The Varsity Gwinnett

6045 Dawson Blvd

Norcross, GA 30096

A FUN & FREE Cruise-in

On a SUNDAY AFTERNOON!

We will be accepting donations for
PAW PROJECT of GEORGIA

Cool Cars & Costumes

IN STONE MOUNTAIN VILLAGE



Open Car Show &

Halloween Costume Contest

Saturday, October 21st

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Stone Mountain Train Depot

922 Main Street

Stone Mountain, GA 30083

- Open Car Show

Optional Show Activities:

- Car Decorating Contest

- Costume Contest

- Trunk or Treat for the Kids

*Please bring WRAPPED Candy & Treats
for the Kids.*

Fundraiser to Help END Breast Cancer



For the latest updates . . .

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!



Cool Cars at Briscoe Park

Saturday, November 11th

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

City of Snellville's Briscoe Park

2500 Sawyer Parkway

(off Lenora Church Road)

Snellville, GA 30078

*Fundraiser for Snellville Police
"Shop With a Cop" program*



Toys for Tots Cruise-in

Saturday, December 2nd

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Handy Ace Hardware

3969 Lawrenceville Hwy.

Tucker, GA 30084

Our Annual Toys for Tots fundraiser event!

Be a SPONSOR! Sign up NOW!

Details on Page 5



Cool Cruisers' Christmas Party

Sunday, December 10th

1:00 pm

Karen & Steve O'Neal's Home

2629 Summerfield Way NW

Lawrenceville, GA 30044

*Covered Dish Lunch - Ornament Exchange
Sponsor & A-Team Recognition*



Other Local Events of Interest

Saturday, October 7th, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. Car for Campouts, Duluth First United Methodist Church, 3208 Duluth Hwy, Hwy 120, Duluth, GA 30096. Open to all years, makes & models, over 60 awards. Proceeds benefit Scout Troop 419. Entry Fee: \$20 (pre-registration). *Info:* CarShow@BSAtroop419.org or Mike @ 770-815-4206

Saturday, October 7th, 7:30 am - 2:30 pm, Oakwood Secret Santa Car Show, University of North Georgia, 3820 Mundy Mill Road, Oakwood, GA 30566. Drawings for \$2,000, Top 20 & 25 Specialty Awards. First 250 receive a dash plaque, 50/50 Raffle, Fresh hot food off the grill. *Info:* secretsantacarshow@gmail.com or 770-519-8300

Saturday, October 28th, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, Rods, Ribs and Ribbons, Ironshield Brewing, 457 N. Chestnut Street, Lawrenceville, GA 30043. DJ, live entertainment, vendors, trophies, 50/50, silent auction, trunk or treat, costume contest (for pets too!). Proceeds will raise funds for those diagnosed with cancer in the community. *Info:* www.beyondtheribboninc.org or 404-274-2024

WEEKLY CRUISE-INS:

Summit Racing Monday Night Cruise-ins, 6:00 - 8:00 pm. 20 King Mill Rd, McDonough, GA 30253. **All Vehicles Welcome!**

OCTOBER CRUISE-IN DATES & Featured Vehicles:

October 2nd - Jeep Night

October 9th - Lady Owners Night

October 16th - Turbo Supercharger & Nitrous

October 23rd - Dodge Chargers & Challengers

October 30th - Last Cruise

MONTHLY CRUISE-INS:

1st Sundays: Caffeine & Octane Car Show (Year round), Town Center Mall, 9:00 am - Noon, 400 Ernest W. Barrett Parkway, NW, Kennesaw, GA 30144.

2nd Saturdays: Main Street Tucker. 11:00 am - 2:00 pm. *Info:* TuckerCruisein.com

Last Saturdays: Gateway Classic Cars. 9:00 am - Noon, 1870 McFarland Pkwy, Alpharetta, GA 30005. *Info:* 678-607-9286

Send us info on your favorite non-Club shows, no later than the 15th of the month preceding the event.

"COOL" Club Gear!



GREAT LOOKING & COMFORTABLE!

We have the PERFECT polo & jacket for Summer!

We offer Cool-Dry polo shirts with the Club logo embroidered on the left chest and available in a variety of colors (\$35 & \$40*).

We also offer a light weight wind-breaker (\$75 & \$80*) with our Club logo on the left chest and across the back. This jacket is available in most popular colors.

These items are made to order, so please contact Rick for more details at 404-732-6842 or RNE680@mindspring.com.



Club T's

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

T-shirts are Available at all Club events

CLUB NEWS & UPDATES

SEPTEMBER '23 CHARITY REPORT:

Our September charity was DeKalb Fraternal Order of Police's "Santa Cop" program.

Between entry donations, 50/50 raffle ticket sales proceeds and other donations, we collected a total of \$1,170. The FOP also sold \$2,000 in sponsorships. Skip's Hot Dogs donated \$300 and several of the Law Enforcement agencies made donations. The FOP's Silent Auction added several hundred dollars. The **GRAND TOTAL** was nearly **\$3,500!**

Although the rain kept the attendance way down, we are very happy with the bottom line. We do wonder how well we would have done if we had the weather we were promised earlier in the week!

These funds will help provide a Christmas shopping trip for a group of local underprivileged school kids. Each child will be escorted by a uniformed Police Officer.

Our thanks to all that contributed!

Cool Christmas Party Date Set

We have set the date for the Club's Christmas Party. We will gather at Karen & Steve O'Neal's home in Lawrenceville on **Sunday, December 10th at 1:00 pm.**

We will have more info in the upcoming "Cool Times." *Make your plans to attend!*

Toys for Tots Sponsors Needed!



We are now accepting sponsors for our 2023 Toys for Tots show T-shirt. We've already received a few commitments, but we need MORE! We have sponsorship levels to fit ANY BUDGET, starting at ONLY \$100!

All sponsors will get their name or company logo on the back of the shirt.

Sponsor levels are: **Gold** (\$100 - \$249), **Diamond** (\$250 - \$499) and **Platinum** (\$500 & up). Please contact Rick if you are interested in helping out.

Going Away Dinner for Larry & Tammy Navarre

As everyone knows by now, Larry & Tammy Navarre are moving away, a LOOONG way away to Ohio. We can't let them go without a "Proper" send-off, so we've planned a dinner in their honor on **Sunday, October 14th at 4:00 pm at the B&W Burgers, Buns & Brews, 113 South Peachtree St, Norcross, GA 30071**

If you plan to attend, please R.S.V.P. to Rick (contact info on page 2). This is a BYOB affair - Buy Your Own Burger. LOL

Info on the "Cars & Costumes"

Costume Contest & Trunk or Treat

First off, this is primarily a car show, with the same format as all our shows. For Halloween, we add a costume contest, car decorating contest and this year, "Trunk or Treat" for the kids.

All the Halloween activities are totally optional, but we encourage everyone to take advantage of them. The costume contest is broken into 4 categories: Male, Female, Couples and Kids. You can also enter the car decorating contest.

We will have a "Stage Call" around 1:00 pm for all contestants to come up and "Strut Your Stuff" and campaign for votes. The top vote getter in each category will win a plaque. Show cars are eligible for BOTH the usual car show awards and the Best Decorated Car award.

Our Staff will be there to assist you in getting registered for the different contests.

This year we are adding "Trunk or Treat" for the kids. If you would like to participate in this, please bring a supply of individually wrapped candy.

Car show entry fee is a \$20 donation that will help fight breast Cancer here in Georgia. There is not a fee to enter the Costume Contest.

2024 Show Schedule - *Your Thoughts*

Don't forget to let us know what shows you'd like us to do next year, or which ones you were not a fan of!

The Forecast Looked Okay for Show Day, But it Rained & RAINED! **A Very Wet “Santa Cop” Show Failed to Dampen Our Spirits!**

We REALLY thought we were going to have a PERFECT almost Fall show day, based on the advanced forecast. Unfortunately by mid-week, it started going south a bit, by Friday, it was not looking very pretty, not bad enough to call it, but not great. At 6:00 am on Saturday morning, the chances of the wet stuff during show hours was around 10%! GREAT, we'll take that anyway. Unfortunately after getting started, so did the rain. The rain got heavier and showed NO signs of stopping, so we called the show early and gave out the awards to the brave few that stuck around.

The show had all the makings of being a great one. We had multiple local law enforcement departments on display, Skips Hot Dogs selling burgers and dogs, a silent auction, our popular oldies, a bunch of awards to give out and even Santa was going to stop by!

We would like to thank our host, Handy Ace Hardware, our show sponsor, Gateway Classic Cars, all our AMAZING volunteers, all the Law Enforcement departments that came out and especially the participants that braved the weather and stuck it out to the end.

Even with the bad weather, we made a decent amount for the “Santa Cop” program. Please see page 5 for more info and see page 2 for a list of all the show winners.





"SANTA COP" Cruise-in '23





"SANTA COP" Cruise-in '23



Our October Events: The Varsity *AND* Cars & Costumes



The VARSITY Gwinnett
Sunday, October 1st
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm
6045 Dawson Blvd
Norcross, GA 30093

What a great way to end an early Fall weekend than hanging out with friends and Cool Cars while munching on some tasty Varsity goodies! NO entry fee, but optional donations for a local animal rescue group. Unlike most free Cruise-Ins, we will present 4 awards: *Coollest Cruiser*, *Sponsor's Award (Gateway Classic Cars)*, *The Varsity's Favorite* and *the Charity's Pick*. There is no registration, but we will have free Car ID Cards available so everyone will know the basics about your car. We may even have a few door prizes to give away! In the event of

rain, the Cruise-in will be canceled, possibly rescheduled to a later date. *Make your plans to attend!*

We loved our old venue (Pink Pony), but we are excited about our new location! We will be in the parking lot of the old Train Depot on Main Street in the City of Stone Mountain (Stone Mountain Village) with additional show car parking in the Library parking lot. Being a more family friendly venue, we've added a Kid's category to the costume contest and "Trunk or Treat" (see page 5 for more info). Mike Perry is lined up to grill burgers & hot dogs, plus several vendors will be setting up at the show. Stage call for costume contestants is 1:00 pm with awards at 2:30. We will feature our Best Classic, Best Modern & Top 20 popular choice awards along with an assortment of special awards. Our thanks to the City of Stone Mountain for hosting our show and Gateway Classic Cars for Sponsoring the event.

Entry fee for the car show is a \$20 donation to help fight Breast Cancer here in Georgia. There is no charge to enter the Costume Contest, but donations are always appreciated. As always, 100% of the entry donations and 50/50 proceeds will go to the show's charity.

Make your plans to attend! *Rain date is the following Saturday, October 28th.*



COOL CARS & COSTUMES
Saturday, October 21st
11:00 am - 3:00 pm
City of Stone Mountain
922 Main Street
Stone Mountain, GA 30083

NOVEMBER PREVIEW: Briscoe Park in Snellville

DATE: Saturday, November 11th
TIME: 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
2500 Sawyer Parkway
Snellville, GA 30076

We always have a big crowd of both show cars and spectators at our Briscoe Park show, due to all the work the Park staff put in! They have already lined up a variety of food trucks! This year's show falls on Veterans Day, so to honor all our Vets, we asked the Snellville VFW to have a special ceremony to open the show.

Our entry fees and other show proceeds will benefit the Snellville PD's "Shop With A Cop" program. SPD always has a great presence with a large group of officers and a variety of Police vehicles. There is a large show car area, with several additional areas available if needed.

Make your plans to attend and tell all your car buds to join us, too!

Our Sponsors & Supporters

<p>Diamond Sponsor</p> 	<p>Double Diamond Sponsor</p> 	<p>Double Diamond Sponsor</p>  <p>Don Brock, Builder</p>	<p>Diamond Sponsor</p> 
<p></p>	<p>Reliable. Honest. Professional</p>  <p>TOM CHICK • 770-883-1192</p>	<p></p> <p>LeAnn Chick GRI, CNMS, SRS Realtor, Relocation Specialist 770-823-9619 - LeAnnChick.com</p>	<p></p> <p>770-237-3879</p>
<p>I-VAN International Vehicle Appraisal Network 770-883-0160</p>	<p>The HUTCHINSON FAMILY</p>		<p>Lawrenceville - Oakwood - Baldwin</p>  <p>Chrysler - Dodge - Jeep - Ram Chevrolet - Buick - Cadillac - GMC</p>
	 <p>SouthEastWheelsEvents.com</p>		<p>Dr. Z's Fleet THAT CAN'T BE BEAT</p>
	<p>Sharon K. Ellis OPTOMETRIST</p>	<p>Mike Perry Tucker Welding & Fabrication</p>	 <p>DecaturEstateAntiques.com</p>
	 <p>Classic & Muscle</p>	<p>BE A SPONSOR! Your Name or Company Logo HERE!</p>	

Some of the Charities We Support

			 <p>Raising funds for Georgia Breast Cancer Programs</p>
<p>Atlanta Animal Rescue Friends</p> 			