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Briscoe Park

Saturday, November 8TH
11:00 am - 3:00 PM
Snellville's BRISCOE PARK
2500 Sawyer Pkwy ♦ Snellville, GA 30078

Coming in December . . .

Saturday, December 6TH ♦ 11 AM - 3 PM
Toys FOR Tots
Cruise-in '25
Handy Hardware
Tucker, GA

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**Happy
Thanksgiving**

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Cars & Costumes at the PONY Winners



BEST CLASSIC:

Ted Fischer, 1932 Ford Roadster

BEST MODERN:

Sid Cheatman, 2023 Chevrolet Corvette Z51

TOP 15:

*Paul Benham, 1954 Ford Popular 103E

Fred Andrew, 1965 Shelby Cobra

*Steve & Karen O'Neal, 1969 American Motors AMX

Raymond Rogers, 1972 Chevrolet Cheyenne 4x4

*Troy Reeves, 1931 Auburn 8-98A

*Mike & Susan Thies, 1938 Chevrolet 2 door

*Joel Quartarone, 1964 Ford Fairlane 500

*Andy Sarratt, 1974 Chevrolet Camaro

J. J. Davis, 1969 Pontiac GTO Judge

*Matthew Fowler, 1964 Mercury Marauder

Ronnie Mayer, 1967 Chevrolet Camaro

David Randall, 1970 Dodge Challenger R/T

*Tom Ariel & Normandy, 1965 Ford Mustang

Dean Daly, 1969 Chevrolet Camaro

Ed Sandford, 2020 Ford Mustang Shelby GT500

Host's Favorite (Pony's Pick):

*Art Coates, 1964 Ford Galaxie 500 convertible

Cooldest Cruiser (Club Award):

Kevin Veley, 1972 Lincoln Town Car

Charity's Choice ("Breast" of Show):

*Denny Williams, 1984 Rolls Royce Cornish

Costume Contest Winners:

Best Male Costume: **Paul Benham**

Best Female Costume: **Stephanie Williams**

Best Couple Costumes: **Steve & Karen O'Neal**

Best Decorated Car: **Troy Reeves**

* Denotes GCC Club Member

'25 & '26 Club Shows & Events



Cool Cars at Briscoe Park

FALL 2025 SHOW

Saturday, November 8th

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Snellville's Briscoe Park

2500 Sawyer Parkway

(off Lenora Church Road)

Snellville, GA 30078

Fundraiser for Snellville PD's

"Shop With A Cop" program



Toys for Tots Cruise-in

Saturday, December 6th

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Handy Ace Hardware

3969 Lawrenceville Hwy.

Tucker, GA 30084



Our Rain Date Policy:

*Rain Dates are 1 week
after the original show date.
Always check our Facebook page or
Website for the latest updates!*

Sweetheart Cruise-in '26

Saturday, February 14th

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Smoke Rise Baptist Church

5901 Hugh Howell Road

Stone Mountain/Tucker, GA 30087

Hot Rods at Hayes of Baldwin

Saturday, March 21st

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Hayes Family Dealerships

3660 State Hwy 365

Baldwin, GA 30511

Cool Cars at Briscoe Park

- Spring 2026 Show -

Saturday, April 25th

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Snellville's Briscoe Park

2500 Sawyer Parkway

(off Lenora Church Road)

Snellville, GA 30078

USO Benefit Car Show

Saturday, May 23rd

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Handy Ace Hardware

3969 Lawrenceville Hwy.

Tucker, GA 30084

Other Show Dates for 2026

*Here are some other events
we are looking at for next year:*

- Club lunch get-together for January
- Cool Cruiser day at the Tucker Cruise-in
- September date at Smoke Rise Baptist
 - Halloween show at the Pony
 - Fall Show at Briscoe Park
- Toys for Tots at Handy Ace Hardware

CLUB NEWS & UPDATES



Charity Report for October

Our charity for "Cool Cars & Costumes at the Pony" was breast cancer in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Between entry donations, 50/50 raffle sales, our auction and some very generous folks that donated their Costume contest and 50/50 winnings back, we raised an **AMAZING \$3,300!** This money will go to the Georgia Alliance for Breast Cancer. *Thanks to all that donated!*

REPORT: Toys for Tots Sponsors

We are pleased to announce that we have had a **TREMENDOUS** response to our call for sponsors for our Toys for Tots Cruise-in!

With the money raised we will be able to cover not only the cost of putting on the show, but we will be able to produce an event T-shirt that we will give to all registered contestants and have extra to donate to Toys for Tots!

COOL CRUISERS CLUB GEAR

Be Ready for Winter with Jackets, Windbreakers & Polos

We are offering two jackets, perfect for the cooler months, a light weight windbreaker (\$75 & \$80*) and a fleece lined medium weight jacket (\$110 & \$115). Both feature our Club logo on the left chest and across the back. These jackets are available in most popular colors.

We also offer polo shirts (short or long sleeve), with our club logo embroidered on left chest (\$35 & \$40).

These shirts look GREAT! If you want something a little nicer than a T-shirt to show your "Club Pride," this is it!

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 & 3X)

As always we have our Club T-shirts available at all our shows. Small - XL are only \$18.00 each, 2X and 3X are \$20.00 each

We will be restocking our Club caps soon!

We accept Cash, Checks and Credit Cards.

Sharon Ellis "Walks the Walk!"

On October 4th & 5th, I participated in the Georgia 2-Day Walk for Breast Cancer, organized by the Georgia Alliance for Breast Cancer (formerly "It's the Journey"). This annual event began in 2002 to raise money for breast cancer programs, with all the money raised staying in Georgia to support women and men with breast cancer. I walk in memory of my Mom, who died from metastatic breast cancer in 1990.

Participants can register to walk Saturday only (20 miles), Sunday only (10 miles) or walk both days for a total of 30 miles. Each walker pledges to raise at least \$1,200 for the fight against breast cancer.

This year's Walk was my 7th in a row to participate and I was #7 for individual fundraising with \$6,868 raised. I was also incredibly honored to be inducted into the Class of 2025 Hall of Fame for the GA Alliance for Breast Cancer. The Hall of Fame honors those 2-Day Walkers and Crew members who, for years, have gone far above and beyond in their dedication of their time, resources, and energies to the Georgia 2-Day Walk for Breast Cancer.

Georgia Cool Cruisers events and members have been a huge support for my fundraising efforts and I am so grateful for all of you that have helped raise money for this cause. I'll be walking again in the 2026 2-Day Walk; if you'd like more information about the event, becoming a Walker or Crew, or have any questions about the breast cancer programs that the Walk supports, please call me or talk to me at any Cool Cruiser event.

Goodbye to Gateway Classic Cars Atlanta Showroom



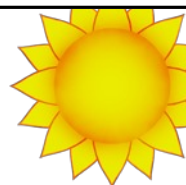
We were sad to learn that Gateway Classic Cars had closed their Atlanta showroom. They have been longtime sponsors and supporters of the Cool Cruisers and will be missed.

They still have over 20 locations nationwide and hope to return to the Atlanta market in the future.



A Perfect Fall Day for Our Charity Car Show & Costume Contest!

We Were “Tickled Pink” at the Pony!



Mother Nature showed out with a perfect Fall day for our 12th Annual Cars & Costumes at the Pink Pony in Brookhaven. This event raises money to support Breast Cancer programs in Georgia and is always scheduled during Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

We were missing some of our “A-team” for this show so we sent out the call for help and multiple people stepped up to the plate to help make the show a success. This show has a lot of elements to it: car show, costume contest, t-shirt sales and outcry auction so it takes a lot of hands to make it happen.

We registered over 60 cars and over 20 costume contest participants while enjoying great food from Chef Pam and her crew, outdoor beverage sales and good music from “DJ Rick.” We enjoyed welcoming new friends, regulars and old friends that we hadn’t seen in a while.

For awards, we had Best Classic, Best Modern, Top 15 and several specialty awards (Coolest Cruiser, Pony Pick and the “Breast in Show” Charity Pick) along with the Costume Contest winners for Best Decorated Car, Best Male, Best Female and Best Couple. See *page 2* for a list of all the winners.

Thanks to the generosity of car show participants and spectators, along with amazing items donated for the charity auction by Pony vendors, we raised \$3,300 to support breast cancer programs in Georgia. This included direct donations, 50/50 raffle, charity auction proceeds and the costume contest winners who donated their winnings to the charity (thank you SO much to Troy Reeves and Steve & Karen O’Neal for giving their cash prizes to the charity).

We’ll be returning to the Pink Pony for this show next year so start planning on your costume and car decorating ideas! See more photos on our Facebook page by Billy Wright





Cool Cars & Costumes at the Pony





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Cool Cars at Briscoe Park - Fall Show



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*Fundraiser for
 Snellville PD's
 Shop With A Cop
 Program*



It's November and that means it's time for our Fall show at Snellville's Briscoe Park! This is always a favorite venue for us and the Fall show features one of our favorite charities, "Shop With A Cop." The staff at the Snellville Parks & Recreation has been hard at work lining up food and craft vendors and promoting the show. They have arranged THREE food vendors, including Chic-fil-A, Frozen Treats dessert truck and a vendor that offers hot dogs, corn dogs and funnel cakes, so pretty much something for every taste!

If you drive east on Hwy 78 or north on 124, check out our ad for the show on the giant electronic billboards! This "bonus" is provided compliments of the City of Snellville, and much appreciated! We have also lined up a visit from Santa himself and he will arrive in his Hot Rod truck in time to select his favorite for the "Santa's Pick" award!

We will have our usual Best Classic, Best Modern and Top 20 popular choice awards along with an assortment of special awards. The \$20 entry fee will go to the Snellville Police Department's "Shop With A Cop" program and they will be on hand to help with the 50/50 sales.

Our thanks to our show sponsors, Streetside Classics and Ted's Garage. Please make your plans to attend and bring a few friends! Registration opens at 10:00 am.

Toys FOR Tots Cruise-in



Saturday, December 6TH
11:00 am - 3:00 pm
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Tucker, GA 30084



GOOD NEWS! Our popular and FREE event T-shirt will return this year after a one year absence. We are EXCITED about our 18th Annual Toys for Tots Cruise-in! This event has always been a great one for our local USMC's toy collection. Unfortunately the past couple of years have been a tad wet, causing a smaller number of participants and less toys. Let's all say a prayer for a SUNNY and MILD show day and a HUGE toy collection!

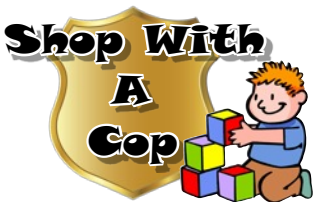
Mike Perry has signed on to cook his world famous burgers and hot dogs again this year and Handy Ace Hardware will come up with some "cool" items for prizes!

We are working hard to make this another great event, and you can help by making your plans to attend and filling your "Sleigh" with toys or cash to donate to help the kids!!

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Some of the Charities We Support

			 Raising funds for Georgia Breast Cancer Programs
			

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