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## GCC Day on Main Street



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## **Briscoe Park - Spring '25 Winners**



#### **BEST CLASSIC:**

\*Mike Thies, 1937 Packard convertible

#### **BEST MODERN:**

Tim McKalope, 2005 Chevrolet Corvette

#### **TOP 20:**

\*Mitch Sheppard, 1963 Chevrolet Corvette \*Pam Piercy, 1965 Cadillac Eldorado convertible Ken & Lorraine Johanson, 1931 Ford truck Phillip McMahan, 1937 Ford Cabriolet \*Andy Sarratt, 1962 Chevrolet Bel Air Harold Zimmerman, 1957 Ford Thunderbird George Bergeron, 1957 Ford Fairlane 500 Barry Schumacher, 1973 Chevrolet Vega panel wagon \*Jack Gilleland, 1939 Chevrolet ½ ton truck "rat rod" \*Bernie Brasch, 1972 Chevrolet C-10 Super Cheyenne Fred Mannweiler, 1969 Plymouth Roadrunner Danny & Marie Adamson, 1955 Chevrolet Bel Air Charlie Morris, 1967 Chevrolet Chevelle Kenneth House, 1966 Cadillac Deville Robert Pines, 1960 Cadillac Eldorado convertible \*Steve O'Neal, 1969 American Motors AMX Joe Wansley, 1951 Chevrolet pickup Gary Moon, 1922 Moon 6-40 Touring Angel Llamas, Jr, 1970 Chevrolet C-10 Mark Kempski, 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air convertible

#### **Gwinnett Humane Society's Favorite:**

\*Art Coates, 1964 Ford Galaxie 500XL convertible

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

Russ Larcombe, 1962 Porsche 356

#### **Briscoe Park's Pick:**

Shaunte Pitt. 1970 Buick Wildcat

#### **Streetside Classics (Sponsor's Award):**

Jim Hickey, 1961 Ford Starliner

#### Ted's Garage (Sponsor's Award):

Tom Duncan, 1969 Chevrolet Camaro Indy Pace Car

\* Denotes GCC Club Member



## 2025 Club Shows & Events



### **USO Benefit Car Show**

Saturday, May 24th 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Handy Ace Hardware 3969 Lawrenceville Hwy. Tucker, GA 30084

Benefit for the Georgia Chapter of the USO



# Cool Cruiser Day at the Tucker Main Street Cruise-in

Saturday, June 14th 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

ON Main Street, Tucker, GA 30084
This is NOT a Cool Cruiser event but we are
the June "Big Block" sponsor and will have
special parking at the Cruise-in



### **Cruise-in at The Varsity Gwinnett**

Sunday, July 20th 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm The Varsity Gwinnett 6045 Dawson Blvd. Norcross, GA 30093



### **Smoke Rise - Fall Show**

Saturday, September 6th 11:00 am - 3:00 pm Smoke Rise Baptist Church 5901 Hugh Howell Rd.

Stone Mountain, GA 30087 *Rain Date: Saturday, September 20* 



### **Cool Cars at Briscoe Park**

FALL 2025 SHOW
Saturday, November 8th
11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Snellville's Briscoe Park
2500 Sawyer Parkway

2500 Sawyer Parkway (off Lenora Church Road) Snellville, GA 30078

## **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 unless otherwise noted.

Always Check our Facebook page for the latest updates.



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### **April Charity Report**



Our charity for our Spring show at Briscoe Park was the **Gwinnett Humane Society**, our first time fundraising for them. We raised a total

of **\$2,000** between entry donations and a large 50/50 raffle. The 50/50 total was \$356 with the winner taking half and half to the Humane Society. The raffle winner donated their half (\$178) back to the charity!

The Gwinnett Humane Society depends on donations for their operating expenses and they were thrilled with our donation.

We were impressed with their operation and invited them to participate in our just announced Cruise-in at The Varsity Gwinnett in July!



## More Pieces to Our Event Schedule!

This year has been somewhat challenging in getting our schedule of events figured out.

We are pleased to announce we have added a *FREE* Cruise-in at **The Varsity Gwinett** for **Sunday, July 20th** from 4:00 - 7:00 pm.

We have also "nailed down" a date for our Toys for Tots Cruise-in for Saturday, December 6th at Handy Hardware in Tucker.

### A Couple of Pieces Still Missing . . .

We still have two months with no Club activities planned, August and October.

August is usually so *HOT* that we are thinking about something "Cool" to do, such as a Club get-together for lunch in an airconditioned facility. We are open to suggestions for a location.

We normally do our Halloween show at the Pink Pony in October, but not sure this will be an option this year, although we are still hoping to return to the Pony for this fun event.

If it doesn't work out, please let us know what your thoughts are for an October event!

### Other (non-GCC) Shows of Interest

Here are some local, non-Cool Cruiser shows of interest:

Summit Racing, 20 King Mill Rd, McDonough Monday Night Cruise-ins / 6:00 - 8:00 pm Open to ALL Years-Makes-Models MAY DATES & Featured Vehicles:

May 5 - Mopar vehicles

May 12 - Trucks, Diesel, Military vehicles
May 19 - Camaro, Firebird, Trans Am

Saturday, May 3rd, 11am to 3 pm VFW SPRING OPEN CAR SHOW Dunwoody Village Shopping Center

1317 Dunwoody Village Pkwy, Dunwoody Popular Choice Awards, Entry Fee \$25 Rain Date: May 17

Organized by Club member Tom Ariail

#### Saturday, May 10, 10am - 1pm TUCKER MAIN STREET CRUISE-IN

ON Main Street in Downtown Tucker Awards - Food - Entry Fee: \$5

#### Saturday, June 7th, 10am to 2 pm SUMMER KICK-OFF CAR SHOW Streetside Classics

213 Thornton Road, Lithia Springs, GA 30122 benefiting Boys & Girls Club of Metro Atlanta More Info: www.streetsideclassics.com

### **Club Gear for the Summer!**

For the Summer, we offer a light weight windbreaker (\$75 & \$80\*) with our Club logo on the left chest and across the back. This jacket is available in most popular colors.

We also have our very popular Cool dry polo shirts, club logo embroidered on left chest (\$35 & \$40).

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

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(\*indicates additional charge for 2X & 3X), We always have our Club T's available at all club shows for \$18 (\$20 for 2XL & 3XL).

## LOTS and LOTS of Car Shows Going on for April 26th, but . . .

## Our Briscoe Park Show Shines Through a Crowd!

When we looked at the the listing in "Ragtops and Runningboards" for April 26th and saw *THREE* full pages of car shows, we knew it would be a battle to get our usual numbers at Briscoe Park. Throw in a late night rain that left the roads wet and a heavy early morning cloud cover and we were about to hit the PANIC BUTTON! Fortunately the roads dried out and our folks started to roll in to the show. It was kinda slow to fill up, but we ended up with the main show area nice and full with nearly 90 beautiful show cars!

We had two food vendors and a dessert truck to keep us happy all day, along with an assortment of craft vendors and local community organizations set up in the show area and great music playing all day! In other words, it was a really good day! We finished up by handing out 27 awards for the top cars.

Our entry fees and 50/50 proceeds benefited the Gwinnett Human Society, our first, but not last time working with this charity! They came out in full force with an array of dogs, puppies (WAY too cute!) and kittens looking to be adopted or fostered. We were impressed with their presence at the show! They also did a great job, with the help of own Karen O'Neal, in selling a ton of raffle tickets!

As with any great event, they only work well when you have great volunteers! Our thanks to both the Staff and Volunteers with Briscoe Park and always to our Cool Cruisers "A-Team" that make the show process from set-up to tear-down look so easy!

Special thanks to Joe Leach for taking the photos featured in this newsletter and don't forget to check our Facebook page for even more photos by Billy Wright! We hope to see everyone at our Fall show at Briscoe Park on Saturday, November 8th!









# Cool Cars at Briscoe Park

















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Cur 12th Annual



Saturday, May 24TH
11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Handy Ace Hardware
3969 Lawrenceville Highway
Tucker, GA 30084



We will celebrate Memorial Day weekend in the perfect way . . . A CAR SHOW that will raise money for the Georgia Chapter of the USO! One of our favorite venues, Handy Ace Hardware will be our host, so everyone say a prayer for a sunny show day!

We have once again lined up Chef Mike Perry and his crew to prepare his tasty hot dogs, burgers and barbecue! We will also have the Tucker Lions Club on hand selling their famous brooms and collecting your old eye glasses that will be recycled for the needy. We are also working on getting a frozen treats vendor to the show.

We will have our usual famous "Cool Cruiser" format with popular choice awards (Best Modern, Best Classic and Top 20), special awards (Club, Host, USO and Sponsor), 50/50 raffle, great oldies playlist and a bunch of door prizes.

Our thanks to our show sponsor, Gateway Classic Cars. They will be on hand at the show to take care of any of your Collector Car needs!

Registration opens at 10:00 am with awards at 2:30. Please remember our simple show rules: NO saving spaces, NO canopies in the show field and you must register if parked in the show field. Please make your plans to attend, and bring a friend or two!



For our June Club event, we will be taking a bit of a break and let someone else do most of the work! The monthly Cruise-in on Main Street is extremely popular with a *LOT* of our Club members, so over the past few years, the Cool Cruisers have both been a "Big Block" sponsor and the featured Car Club for their June event. We will have special parking for all "Cool" Club members in attendance and we will get to choose a favorite show car for the Big Block Sponsor's Award.

We plan on setting up a canopy along Main Street for our "base" during the show and give out show flyers and information about our Club. There are plenty of restaurants along the show route: Local No. 7 pub, Nicky's Philly Cheese Steaks, Village Burger and Las Colinas Mexican along with the Tucker Cruisers' Grill serving hot dogs and burgers.

There will be 20 awards (Sweet 16, 3 Sponsor Awards and DeKalb PD's pick), also great music and more, all for a \$5 entry fee. Make your plans to join us! *More info in the June newsletter.* 



# Our Sponsors & Supporters















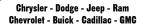




















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