

Driver's Seat



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About SGCCC

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Fort White, Florida Show

Logan H. Birdsong

Spring was in the air Saturday, February 25th, and several **SGCCC** members decided it was time to hit the road to Fort White, Florida for their car show. Excitement grew as Bill Higgins, Jonathan Irvin & Dan Glen and Logan Birdsong pulled into the car show area. There were many cars already there, including our own Richard Lasseter, who had come down the day before. By noon, over 90+ cars had arrived for the show. The parking lot was filled with a bevy of beautiful cars, trucks and motorcycles. **SGCCC**



Members receiving awards were:

- Bill Higgins, 1980 El Camino: Top 20 & David's Choice
- Jonathan Irvin, 1971 Chevelle: Best Muscle Car & David's Choice
- Richard Lasseter, 1970 Buick GS, Top 20, Best Paint & David's Choice

This was a benefit show for the local Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. David is a young, local, boy who is the "Poster Child" for the organization. The "David's Choice" awards were given to the vehicles he selected. In addition to monies raised by the vehicle registration, there was a "silent auction" and a cake auction.

This show made a great event to get out of the house and onto the road.





Minutes

March 7, 2017

Meeting: club President Geoff Hardy opened the March meeting at Austin's Cattle Company at 6:35 pm. The Opening Prayer was led by Paul Worth, with the Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present. There were 27 members in attendance.

- New member Jimmy Street, food service director and Corvette owner, was welcomed by all.

Minutes: the February minutes were read by club Secretary Bob Raffaele and were accepted as read by those present.

Treasurer's Report: club Treasurer Donna Roberson presented the February report and it was accepted as read.

Old Business:

- 26 club members attended the February Drive & Dine at Ray's Millpond restaurant. Jim Kelty was the lucky winner of the \$25 participation gift card.
- The initial estimate for the calendar featuring members' cars is a \$4 - \$5 each depending on quantity.
- The club decal estimate has not been returned at this time.
- The May 6th Super Cruise flyer is complete and on the club website. The club is planning on having 10- 12 vendors at the event featuring a mix of food, crafts and automotive parts

New Business:

- In an effort to make the event staff readily identifiable, those SGCCC members will wear fluorescent yellow arm-bands. Irene D'Amato volunteered as seamstress.
- Geoff announced the club's newest sponsors. Mozzarella Momma's Pizza in Lakeland offers 15% discount, Gloss-Workz Detailing offers 10 - 20% off services/mdse, Smith Tire offers an additional 5% discount. To qualify for these discounts you must present your SGCCC club membership card.

Future Events:

- 3/11 - 2nd Sat cruise, DQ, Inner Perimeter, 4 - 6 pm
- 3/11 - Valdosta Car Scene cruise, Steak n Shake 7 - 10 pm
- 3/12 - Azalea Festival Car Show, 10 - 3 pm
- 3/16 - 3rd Thurs cruise, DQ, Inner Perimeter, 5 - 7:30 pm
- 3/18 - Dasher Day celebration, Dasher Historical Society
- 3/18 - Ray City Old Fashion Plow Day
- 3/18 - Runabout in the Royal District, Kingsland, GA
- 3/25 - Drive & Dine, Margaritas, Moultrie, 5 pm - departing Burger King lot, Exit 22 @ 4 pm
- 4/7-8 - April Fool's Rod Run, Waycross, GA

50/50 won by Dennis Smith

Meeting: adjourned at 7:45 pm

Submitted by Bob Raffaele, club Secretary

President's Report



Geoff Hardy

It has been a busy start to 2017 and the rest of the year will be no exception. As we enter April, we look ahead to our Annual Super Cruise In on May 6th. We are working diligently to make this event a success and we need your help. We need members to assist with registration, hospitality, parking, and clean-up throughout the day. If you haven't yet found a committee to work with, please make sure you do so. The more participation we have from our membership, the better this event will be. We also have a few more vendor spots available. Please reach out to anyone you know that may be interested in being a vendor at our event. We are limited to 10-12 and there is no cost to be a vendor.

Our scheduled monthly events are growing rapidly. Attendance at the weekly cruise-in's and the monthly drive and dines has been outstanding with an increasing amount of members joining us. If you haven't yet attended one of these events in 2017, I strongly encourage you to do so. I'm also excited to announce our newest addition to the monthly events, the 1st Saturday Breakfast Cruise at the new Bojangles on Perimeter Rd. Yes, the name needs a little work but you get the idea. We will need to decide how to work this out for May as to not interfere with our Super Cruise, but beyond that we should have another excellent opportunity in the months ahead.

Several members have expressed interest in inviting a speaker to the monthly meetings. If you have any contacts that you feel would benefit the club that may be willing to come out and speak to us, please feel free to let me know.

Lastly, I would like to welcome all of our new members to the club. I hope you enjoy yourself and participate in our events. Please feel free to chime in and offer suggestions, ideas, and feedback. Along with participation, feedback and suggestions are the keys to our continued growth and success.

Thank you for your support as we continue down the road!

Club Name Tags and Embroidery

- Name tags are available at **Harmon's** on West Hill Avenue.
- Club logo embroidery is available at **Arrow Screen-printing** on Gordon near Baytree

Burn 'em Down

--- Richard Lasseter

I was asked to report the results of the March 18 "Car Show" and especially the "Burn-Out Contest" at Fussell Tire Company's Grand Opening on St. Augustine Road. With Irene being in Texas and Logan off somewhere in the hinterlands of the Okefenokee collecting car show trophies with his Indy 500 inspired Reatta, the SGCCC was without representation in this year's the Burn-out Contest. However, the Contest must go on, and indeed it did.

There were about 50 cars present for the non-judged Car Show including a few "monster trucks" and a bevy of Jeeps. The burn-out contest, sponsored by White Brothers Automotive, was the only judged part of this event with cash awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. It was indeed a popular attraction for the many beer and pretzel sophisticates in attendance with lots of hoopin' and hollerin' as the tire smoke billowed up and away into the clear blue skies.

By noon, 14 vehicles were registered to burn 'em down, ranging from modded diesel trucks to hot-rodded short wheel base Chevy trucks along with a sampling of various muscle and performance cars. Trucks have an advantage in such a contest due to their lesser weight over the rear tires. This explains their popularity at such events.

After all the smoke had cleared, 3rd Place went to Fussell Tire employee Byron Wilder who owns a nice 1972 C10 Chevy truck with a hot, cammed up tune port Corvette engine. Byron received his "hard luck award" for not only smoking his tires, but for also smoking his engine! Not one to lift when he was having such a swell time, Byron and his truck had to be pushed out of the burn-out area after his rubber party. A debate then ensued about which made the most smoke his tires or the tortured Corvette engine!

2nd Place went to Lee Barrett of Lake Park with his gold 1970 Buick GS Stage I. The crowd went wild as Lee's entire GS was shrouded in tire smoke for what seemed to be an eternity.

"Where's the car?!" 1st Place went to Lee's 73 yr. young Bucky Barrett in his dove-grey 1969 Chevy farm truck, restified by Bass Body Shop and powered by a stock Buick GS 455 Stage I engine that Lee had in storage for almost 20 years. The Barrett grand younguns' enjoyed their Grand-diddy's wasteful deed to a perfectly good set of Michelins, showing that even us old dogs can still sometime "bury the bone".

However, everyone present agreed that the most awesome display of raw power was done by Jim Rogers in his Titian Red 1970 GS Stage I. Rather than

using a set of worn out and narrow tires, Jim used up a brand new set of sticky 11" wide BFG "Drag Radials" (as in big \$\$\$). But alas, due to a sudden whirling "dust devil" that began removing many folks' hats into the burnout pit, Jim only remained in the burnout box for less than 20 seconds. It was a vain effort as the swirling gust dissipated the tire smoke as quickly as Jim was churning it out. Too bad, because the aftermath of Jim's short, ill-timed burnout left no doubt that his GS Buick had what it took to win the contest handily, barring the quirk of Mother Nature. Each one of his tires had produced a dish pan full of smouldering rubber with one pile flaming up just as Jim drove off. The fire crew promptly doused it with a water hose. As Jim was idling back over to the show area, much to everyone's amazement, what was left of his smouldering pair of BFG Drag Radials produced a black and sticky "path" of rubber, still wisping smoke for the entire 75 yards! Everyone around the area who witnessed it was amazed, and I'd personally never seen anything like it before!

So to cap it all off, everyone who attended seemed to think that the food, fun, festivities and fellowship were a most enjoyable way to spend a lovely Spring day.

In Memory

- One of our club members, **Harry Farmer**, 68, passed away on Monday, February 27, 2017. He was suffering from cancer and is finally at peace. Harry loved people, motorcycles, cars, RV camping, family and most of all his wife Gwenette who he met when they were teenagers. Please keep Gwenette and their family in your hearts and prayers.
- **Dr. Rosalie N. Allison**, 87, of Valdosta passed away on Friday, February 24, 2017 at Langdale Place. She and her husband, Don, were members of our club for several years some time ago. The People's Choice award at our Fall Classic Car and Truck Show in 2009 was given in memory of her husband, Don Allison.



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April 2017

1—Tallahassee Cruise-in Hardees on N Monroe 5-8pm

4 - SGCCC Monthly Business Meeting Austin's Cattle Company 2101 West Hill Avenue Valdosta, GA eat at 6:00, meet at 6:45

8 - Cars, Caffeine and Donuts hosted by the Corvette Club, Georgia Power building, Norman Drive, 9-11am

8 - Valdosta Cruise-In at Dairy Queen, Inner Perimeter Rd, Valdosta 5-7:30pm

8 - Tallahassee What-A-Burger Cruise Ford & Chevy Clubs 1101 Thomasville Road, 5:30-8:30pm info: Reuben Plachy 850-894-5815

8 - Thomasville Pecan Region Car Club Cruise Dairy Queen, 14375 Hwy 19S, 6:30pm until info: Steve Gordon 229-226-2266

15 - Tallahassee What-A-Burger Cruise 2511 Apalachee Parkway

15 - Albany Artesian City Car Club Cruise-In Mellow Mushroom, 2825 Nottingham Way 5pm until info: Wendell Hill 229-435-2560

20 - Valdosta Cruise-In at Dairy Queen, Inner Perimeter Rd, Valdosta 5-7:30pm

22 - Drive-n-Dine

Call the contact person before leaving for an out of town cruise to be sure it has not been moved or cancelled.

See the SGCCC web site (www.sgccc.org) for more info and flyers on these events.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6 Steve Everett	7	8
9	10 Richard Lasseter	11 Harry & Gwenette Farmer George Johnson	12	13	14	15
16 Chester Speed	17	18 Paul Worth	19	20	21	22 Lynn & Jane Nelson Cheryl Kelty
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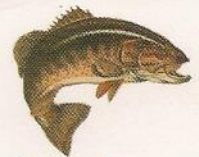
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Monthly Club Meeting:

Tuesday, **April 4, 2017**

Eat @ 6:00 Meet @ 6:45

Austin's Cattle Company

Cruise: April 8, 2017

Dairy Queen parking lot

5:00pm until 7:30pm

Thurs Cruise: April 20, 2017

Dairy Queen parking lot

5:00—7:30pm

Drive & Dine April 22, 2017



Design and Media Production at Wiregrass Georgia Technical College

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Jonathan Irvin—Best Muscle Car & David's Choice—Fort White Car Show

Editor's Comments

April 2017—March Madness is finally over, Baseball Season is off to a great start. The spring weather is delightful—conducive for many outdoor activities. Some of these are sure to be cruise-ins, car shows, and other automobile-oriented events.

Our president, Geoff Hardy, has been keeping us informed of club activities and other opportunities in our area. There are plenty of opportunities to get out and fellowship with fellow club members and other car enthusiasts.

The Super Cruise-In will be here before we know it.

Thanks to Logan Birdsong and Dan Glen for the report and the photos from the Fort White, FL, Car Show.

Thanks to Richard Lassiter for the Report of the "Burn-Out Contest" at Fussell Tire Company's Grand Opening on St. Augustine Road.

There is some interest in having a "Needs and Wants" column in the *Driver's Seat*. We can do this if you will email your requests to me: email://editor@SGCCC.org.

If any of our members would put together a short report of themselves and their cars of interest, we can run a column profiling our members (one every month or so).

Any other articles of interest will be acceptable as well. As you travel this summer, put together a report, and we will be glad to use it. Just write up your report and send it with pictures to me at email://editor@SGCCC.org, I will be

glad to publish these for all the club members to see in in *Driver's Seat*.

Happy Cruising!

- David Boyd, editor

