

CLASSIC RAMBLIN'S

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Monthly Member Meetings: Normally 4th Thursdays; next meeting is Thursday, October 26.

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T-shirts now available on our website!



Things to Know ...

- Visit newsouthcruisers.org. The link to the tshirt page is at the top of the page.
- If ordering a screen-printed shirt, we need 12 ordered before printing can take place
- If ordering embroidered Polo shirts, we only need one ordered as they are done as the order comes in
- You may provide your own shirt, if you'd prefer a different style
- You may contact Frog Printz directly with questions.
 - o 628 Glover Ave #B; Enterprise
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Next Meeting is Thurs., Oct. 26

Board meets at 4:30 p.m.

Dinner at 5:30 p.m.

Members meet at 6:30 p.m.

Nate's Oyster Bar; Slocomb

From Our President...Bill Stockton

Last month I checked an item off of my bucket list. I traveled to Ark City Kansas to attend the Last Run Car Show and Cruise in. You may think that's a long way (950 miles) to go to a car show but it has a special significance for me. The last time I went to that show was 1999 and that is where I decided it was time for me to own a classic car. In 1999 there were just short of one thousand cars registered from Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, and Kansas. It was guite the event then but has since dwindled in size to just 400 cars. One member of the Ark City Tumbleweeds told me they were now competing with a car show in Wichita about an hour away. Still a fair amount of cars for a rural community.

It was a little strange to be at a car show without my 55 but it gave me a chance to mingle and really check out the cars.

There were some beautiful rides there fully restored and polished up. There were also a fair amount of survivor cars that were not freshly restored in a variety of makes and models.

I was pleased to find many of the cars were hand me downs from dads and grandpas and they were very proud to tell you the car had been in the same family for years. I talked with one young man who had a gorgeous black 1958 Chevy Belair, 348 with 3 deuces and a 4 speed. He had been given the car by his grandfather who had bought the car new. Grandpa was still helping and advising his grandson on keeping the car in top shape.

I think the thing that surprised me the most was the number of cars that had a child safety seat in the back seat. That tells me that although the number of us old fogies who love cars is dwindling down there is another generation who will carry it on for us.

Stay safe, Bill











Zuise-In

Here it is October already! Fall is in the air and after a brutally hot summer, the cooler temps are so welcome. Cooler mornings and evenings have been delightful. It's a good time for cruise-ins, for sure!

If you have an idea for a cruise-in, please let us know! Since we are no longer meeting monthly, we need YOUR help! Cliff Godwin has agreed to help us organize some cruise-in events, but your help is needed. There are really very few limits ... like we could do a Saturday morning or evening, a Sunday afternoon, or even a weekday. With Elizabeth enough notice we can pull anything off!

Please contact Cliff at a member meeting or by email ... cgodwin1980@gmail.com to share your idea!

Member Spotlight Jimmy & Kathy Stallings



In 1967 I lived on a military base in Corpus Christi Texas. It was the year I received my drivers learning permit. Having reached this milestone, I automatically thought the next step was the need for a set of wheels to go along with the upcoming valid license. Corpus Christi was a training base for Naval Aviators just like you saw in the movie "Top Gun."

The young midshipman as they were called were from all over the United States and most likely of different cultural diversity but there was no doubt, they had one thing in common "cars". I delivered newspapers on base traveling on my Huffy with a basket full of morning news. Every day I passed through the midshipman's living quarters and the array of cars is still etched in my mind. This is where my ongoing love of the classics began.

I began saving for my first car. I remember once the midshipman finished training, they would ship out which during the day usually meant a trip to Southeast Asia. Their cars needed to be sold usually fast and sometimes cheap. I did end up buying my first car from a sailor, but it was in Panama City, Florida because we moved before the opportunity came in Corpus.

It was a 1961 F85 Oldsmobile. In 1969 I began working as a projector operator at the Starlight Drive in in Chipley, Florida. I spent my Friday and Saturday nights working to pay for my 2nd car which was a 1970 Ford Maverick.

It was during this time that I met Kathy through one of my friends. Kathy started going with me to work spending her Friday and Saturday nights watching movies from the projector booth. We have now been married for 50 years this January.

If you can remember how excited you were to get your first car then you know how I feel every morning waking up to her after all these years.

I was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1952 where I lived until 1962. Moved to Saint Augustine, Florida for a period of time and then to Key West Florida followed by Little Creek, Virginia and on to Corpus Christi where this story began. In 1968 I ended up in Chipley Florida and have been here ever since only leaving for my three years serving in the Army as an Air Traffic Controller. I was very fortunate that two of those years was spent at Fort Rucker, Alabama while living in Enterprise. The final year was spent in Germany. At the time Kathy and I had a 1973 Plymouth Satellite and a classic 1962 Mercury Comet.

I sold the Comet for the cost of an airline ticket to get Kathy to Germany to spend some time with me. I know what some of you are thinking (!!) but we were still in the honeymoon stages and love can make you do crazy things. Over the years we have been through a few cars and like everyone else and wish we had never separated from them. A 1960 International pickup, 1968 International Scout, 1977 Grand Prix, and a 1983 Z-28 Camaro to name a few. My love for classics goes beyond cars, in 1963 while living in Key West, my mother and I began searching and digging for bottles. This carried on throughout my travels spending countless hours digging in old dumps. The collection rose to thousands of bottles which has now narrowed down to several hundred.

After the service I used the GI Bill to get a degree in business and criminal justice and in 2014 I retired after 30 years as a Probation Parole Officer and Instructor for the State of Florida. A few years later we bought our 1963 Nova SS. Shortly afterwards we joined the New South Cruisers.

In 2021, we purchased a 50th Anniversary Corvette to make the club "eat and ride" trips more comfortable during hot weather. We are so glad to be a part of such a wonderful bunch of people. And there is nothing like having your own set of car gurus at your fingertips!



Car show at Lake Seminole Fall Fest in Sneads, Florida. Tim Tuttle won Best of Show with his 1932 Ford Roadster. The trophy was presented to him by the First Ladies of Sneads.









Photos submitted by Aly Tuttle and Jimmy Stallings



Oars & Octane Car Show

Auburn University Gogue Performing Arts Center Auburn AL 09.09.23 Ken won People's Choice Top Antique







Submitted by Linda Barfield

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Where to next, Barfields??

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Sun	10.01.23 to 10.08.23	Biloxi, MS	27th Annual Cruisin The Coast	Biloxi, MS	Biloxi, MS		
Fri. - Sat.	10.06.23 to 10.07.23	Orange Beach, AL	Fall Bama Coast Cruisin & Orange Beach Freedom Fest	The Wharf	23101 Canal Road, Orange Beach, AL	8:00 AM	5:00
Sat.	10.07.23	Ozark, AL	Claybank Jamboree	Downtown Ozark		9:00 AM	3:00
Sat.	10.07.23	Opelika, AL	Southeast Auto/Motorcycle Fall Swap Meet & Cruise In	USA Town Center	1220 Fox Run Pkwy, I-85 Exit 62, Opelika, AL	8:00 AM	12:0 PN
Sat.	10.07.23	Elba, AL	Third Annual Webb Car Show	Webb Recreation Park	6215 Old Webb Road, Webb, AL	9:00 AM	2:00
Sat.	10.14.23	Albany, GA	50th Annual Artesian City Car Club Open Auto & Truck Show	Albany Mall	2601 Dawson Road, Albany, GA	8:30 AM	3:00
Sat.	10.14.23	LaGrange, GA	41st Annual Georgia-Alabama Antique Auto Meet	Forestry 21	1739 New Franklin Road-Hwy 27 LaGrange, GA	9:00 AM	2:00
Sat.	10.14.23	Campbellton, FL	Cruising into Campbellton Car & Cycle Show	Campbellton, FL		10:00 AM	5:00
Sat.	10.14.23	Headland AL	52nd Annual Harvest Festival and Car & Tractor Show		30 South Main Street, Headland, AL	8:30 AM	12:0 PN
Sat.	10.14.23	Navarre, FL	22nd Annual Navarre Beach Autorama Car, Truck & Bike Show	Navarre High School	8600 High School Blvd.,Navarre, FL	9:00 AM	4:00
Sun	10.15.23	Tallahassee, FL	1st Annual Fast & Furriest Car & Truck Show	Texas Roadhouse	3131 Capital Circle, NE, Tallahassee, FL	11:00 AM	2:00
Sat.	10.21.23	Ft. Walton Beach, FL	Fall Wheels & Wings Car Show	Air Force Armament Museum	100 Museum Drive, Ft Walton Beach, FL	9:00 AM	2:00
Sat.	10.21.23	Graceville, FL	40th Annual Harvest Festival Car Show	Vanity Fair Outlet Mall	Highway 77 S Graceville, FL	8:00 AM	2:00

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Sat	10.28.23	Dothan,AL	Spooktacular Benefit Car Show	Dothan High School	3209 Reeves St; Dhn	Register: Trophies:	1:00 pm
Sat	10.28.23	Brewton, AL	19th Annual Brewton Lions Club "Ribs & Rides" Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show	Camp 31	222 Saint Joseph Avenue, Brewton, AL	8:00 AM	2:30 PM
Sat	10.28.23	Elba, AL	Wheels on the Square Car, Truck & Bike Show	Elba Masonic Lodge #170	Elba, AL	8:00 AM	2:00 PM
Sat	10.28.23	Tallahassee, FL	18th Annual All Car Club Show & Shine	Tallahassee Automobile Museum	6800 Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, FL	9:00 AM	2:00 PM
Sat	10.28.23	Ft. Walton Beach, FL	Cruisin' the Beaches Car Show	Ft Walton Beach, FL	1958 Lewis Turner Blvd	10:00 AM	5:00 PM
Sat	11.04.23	Ozark, AL	4th Annual Hot Rods and Hope Car Show	Antiques Treasures & More	367 US Highway 231, Ozark, AL	9:00 AM	3:00 PM
Sat	11.04.23	Brewton, AL	52nd Annual Hugh J White Fall Festival Car Show	Pollard McCall Junior High School	3975 Old Hwy 31, Brewton, AL	9:00 AM	2:00 PM
Fri - Sun	11.17 - 11.19.23	Moultrie, GA	33rd Annual Fall Moultrie Automotive Swap Meet & Car Corral	Spencefield - Moultrie, GA	290 G Harper Blvd Moultrie, GA 31788	see website	see website

You're Invited to get on the Web!

All New South Cruisers' members are entitled to a page on our website. You might ask yourself why and the reason is two-fold:

- People who visit our website and want to learn about what New South Cruisers is all about may know one of our members. Seeing your name and car(s) may make them feel more comfortable coming to a meeting or becoming a member, and may even reach out to you.
- 2. You can share your page with your friends and family, especially if they are local. Again, seeing you belong to a car club may encourage them to join the club or visit a car show.

Why not update your page? Visit our website, newsouthcruisers.org and click MEMBERS. If your name is not 'blue' you do not have a page yet. Email your name(s), cars, pictures, and any other information you would like to share with us! Not sure what do say, click on someone whose name is in blue and check them out!

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