



DIXIE VALVE CHATTER

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A word from our Director

I want to apologize to all of our Dixie Members that I have not been able to make the last two meetings. I am not going to make excuses but I do want to thank everyone for the get well cards that were sent to Cliff Dillingham. If you were unable to make our last get together you really missed an enjoyable afternoon. Those who went obviously liked what they saw at McIntosh Performance because it lasted over three hours and it is not every day that you get to see an engine run on a dyno. By now everyone is getting their pride and joy (Buick that is) ready for the upcoming B.O.P.C. show that will be held at Piedmont Church in Marietta GA. This has always been a great show and meeting up with old friends regardless of club affiliation that you have not seen for the past year. More details are later in this newsletter. This will also be considered our outing for the month of May. Also during May we will have a business meeting of all of the club officers and anyone who would like to attend will be more than welcome. The date, time and location will be determined later and an email will be sent out to let you know when and where. Future outings are being discussed and hopefully will include a Winery tour, and a trip to Streetside Classics in Lithia Springs that always has two hundred or more classic cars and trucks in stock under one roof.

I hope everyone can make it to the B.O.P.C

Don

Sonomatic Sounds:

I think I am starting to settle into my new job here. I thank all for your comments about last month's issue and your submissions for this edition. By the time this newsletter hits your inbox, we will be days away from the 2017 Peach Blossom BOP&C at the Piedmont Church in Marietta. I have been cleaning and polishing for several days to get the old Electra ready to show. I hope to see all of you and your beautiful Buicks there. I am looking forward to taking lots of pictures for next month's Valve Chatter.

Happy Buicking,
Tom

The Timing Chain

May 6, 2017: BOP&C. all the details can be found online [HERE](#).

June 3-4, 2017: Overnighter. June 3rd and 4th.

July 3, 2017: BOP&C Night at Summit in McDonough.

July 5-8, 2017: The 2017 BCA National will be held in Brookfield, WI.

See Bruce and Shari Kile for information on the after-tour

October 18-22, 2017: The 2017 BCA Southeastern Regional will be hosted by the Bama Chapter and will be based in Anniston, AL. Details to follow as they become available.

It Happened in April

About a dozen Dixie Chapter members gathered at Marlow's in Cumming for a delicious lunch and a great time of fellowship. There was no formal meeting, but reminders of upcoming events such as the BOPC on May 5th and 6th, and the overnighter were informally discussed. Following the meal, we caravanned to McIntosh Performance to tour the shop and view the progress on J.D. Westfall's 1967 Wildcat, which is undergoing an engine rebuild.



Donald and David McIntosh graciously welcomed us to their shop and led us on a tour of their facility. David explained the process they go through in rebuilding an engine and demonstrated the specialized equipment that they use to complete the task. They also displayed parts that were removed from J.D.'s engine, including a broken piston. The highlight of the tour was a demonstration of their fifty-thousand dollar engine dyno room.

Refreshments were served following the tour. Cruising weather is here! Get that beautiful Buick out of the garage and enjoy driving it to chapter events, Remember, this is your club. Come on out and support its activities and meetings with your attendance.



Car of the Month

Every month we will include at least a picture or two of member's cars, usually as seen at recent meetings, tours or events.

Try to be an active member, be sure to drive your "pride and joy", and then look for your picture in the next issue of the ***Dixie Valve Chatter!***



Member "News": No "News" this month. ☹

NOTE: If you know of members winning awards or touring to interesting places, or have an idea for an article of interest to our members, please let **Tom Lynde** know at least two weeks before the end of the month to enable inclusion in the next ***Dixie Valve Chatter.***

From the "Sunshine Committee":

Please continue to keep Cliff Dillingham in your thoughts and prayers as he is continuing to fight an infection with I.V. antibiotics.

If you know of a member who is ill, injured, recovering, or just in need of a special thought and bit of hope sent their way, please let **Jean Richstein** know about them as soon as possible. She is making certain that cards and well wishes are sent from the Dixie Chapter BCA. To enable Jean to share the Club's thoughts and concerns in a timely manner, please be sure to keep her well informed. grayfoxconsulting@gmail.com



CLUB SALES:

The club "store" is now open for business at all business meetings. Some of the items available are cloth BCA jacket patches, static cling BCA window decals, keepsake ornaments (featuring various **Buick** models), and **Buick** playing cards.

Call **Bruce Kile** for pricing or questions (770) 977-7924



Need AC Delco parts? If you are in the need of genuine ACDelco parts such as batteries (including 6 volt) ignition parts etc., at discount pricing. We have established a "cash account" with Johnson Industries in Atlanta aka "J. I. Parts Express" <https://www.teamji.com/home/prodServ.htm>. Simply phone the call center at (770) 448-3896 and tell them that you are with the Buick Club account #47225, and place your order. You will also need to tell them which of the 8 distribution warehouses you would like to pick it up & pay at. Distribution centers are in Woodstock, Marietta, Norcross, Emery, Snellville, Turner Field, Roswell, & Columbus. **A "cash account" does include Visa/MasterCard.** If you have any questions call **Bruce Kile** (770) 977-7924.



Deals on Wheels:

Buick Parts for sale.

Three 1932 Buick 18" wood wheels for 50 series. \$50.00 each

1938 Buick front seat, no bottom cushion, \$25.00

Several 1957 Special parts.

Call 706-865-4185.

Raymond Collins

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Do you have a Buick or "car stuff" for sale?

All Dixie Chapter members can advertise "For Sale" cars, parts, and car related "stuff" for up to 6 months, or longer if space permits.

In addition, non-members can advertise their cars and parts for up to 3 months, space permitting, if they have items that may be of interest to our members. This is as a courtesy to the sellers, and as a service for our members.

Please send your ads to **Tom** at least one week before the end of the month to ensure that your ad is included in the next

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Do you need replacement wheels or hubcaps?

Bianca at Hubcaps.com & OriginalWheels.com offers Car Club Members a discount on the Factory Hubcaps & Wheels that they show on their websites. They currently have over one million hubcaps & Rims in inventory so they may have what you need. You would need to call them at 800-826-5880 for the discount as they do not have the ability to discount online orders. Just tell them that you are from the **Dixie Chapter of the Buick Club,**

Have a safe and happy Memorial Day Weekend!

Take time to remember those who have served our country and fought and died for our freedoms.



Quotable Quotes

I ALWAYS PREFER TO BELIEVE THE BEST OF EVERYBODY, IT SAVES SO MUCH TROUBLE.



Rudyard Kipling
English Writer

QUOTEHD.COM

1865 - 1936

June Overnighter

Only a couple of openings remain for the June 3-4. Overnighter. Our plans are to meet at a location TBD, tour north to Blairsville/Hiawassee. Along the way there will be food stops (of course), antique browsing & a visit to Brass Town Bald Mtn. We will also be touring/visiting a very interesting recreated old Texaco garage including a nice collection of cars. There will be additional things planned but you'll just have to "wait & see". Sorry, but we must limit this to the first 15 Buicks, and only two openings remain. You can get your name on the list by calling (or emailing) Shar & Bruce asap, (770) 977-7924, sbkile58@aol.com The absolute deadline is May 3rd.

Grit In The Gearbox



The Riviera collection.

If you're an admirer of the fine art of car building and design, here are three exceptional works by Buick that you'll want to consider.

The luxurious Riviera. The performance-tuned Riviera T TYPE. And the new and very limited edition Riviera Convertible.

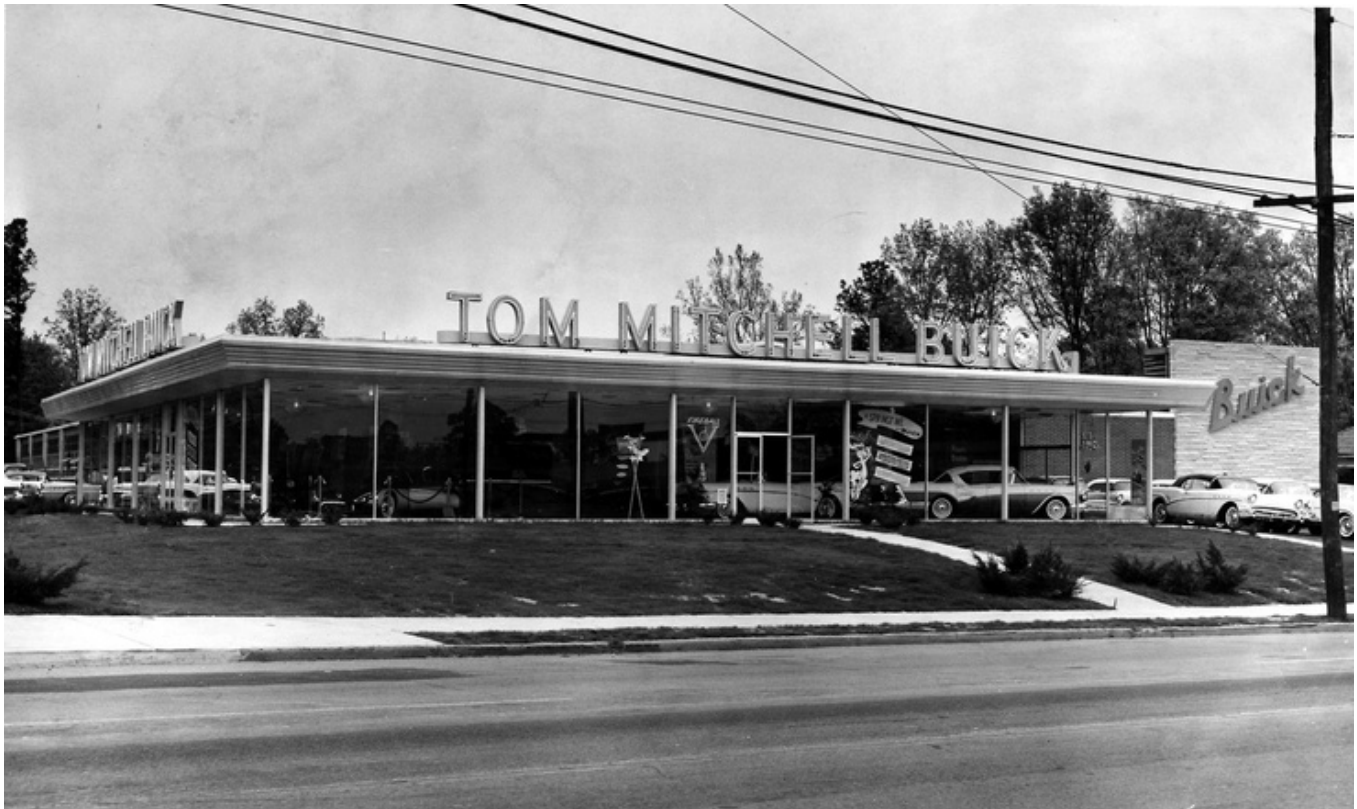
Can't quite see buying Riviera purely out of appreciation for the art? Then consider the incredible list of equipment you'll be acquiring. Even in standard form, Riviera ranks as one of the world's most completely outfitted cars.

The Rivieras. If you can't decide which one would be best to start your collection with, buy all three. After all, why break up the set?

Official Car of the 2000 Olympic Games

BUICK
Wouldn't you really rather have a Buick?

Car Quiz : A recent issue of The Bugle displayed this photograph of the Mitchell Buick showroom in Atlanta . If you look on the right hand side of the showroom there is a shiny new 1957 Buick. If you look very carefully on the left hand side, there is a very special Buick. Can you identify this car? Answer on page 8.



Happy Birthday to:



5/1	Keith Bruno
5/3	Sharon Newby
5/4	Kip Meeboer
5/23	Roy Newby
5/23	Skip Petsch
5/24	Mark Reeves
5/31	Mike Steger



Happy Anniversary

Happy Anniversary to:

5/6	Ricky & Tammy Benson
5/25	Roy & Sharon Newby

As important events in the lives of our members, birthdays and anniversaries are recognized in the *Dixie Valve Chatter*, but **with no mention of ages or years without the permission of the member**. If you will be reaching a milestone birthday or significant anniversary this year, please let **Tom Lynde** know so we can all share in your special celebration. lynde2375@charter.net



B.O.P.C.

Hosted by the Dixie Olds Club

Friday, May 5, 2017

Cruise In & Welcome Dinner

7:00 pm at Twin Peaks Restaurant

2475 George Busbee Pkwy NW

Kennesaw, GA 30144

*Cash bar and dinner
available at your cost.*

Saturday, May 6, 2017

Car Show • Swap Meet • Car Corral

Piedmont Church

570 Piedmont Road

Marietta, GA 30066

8:00 am to noon—Registration

Popular Vote Judging ends at 1:00 pm with

Award Ceremony at 2:30 pm

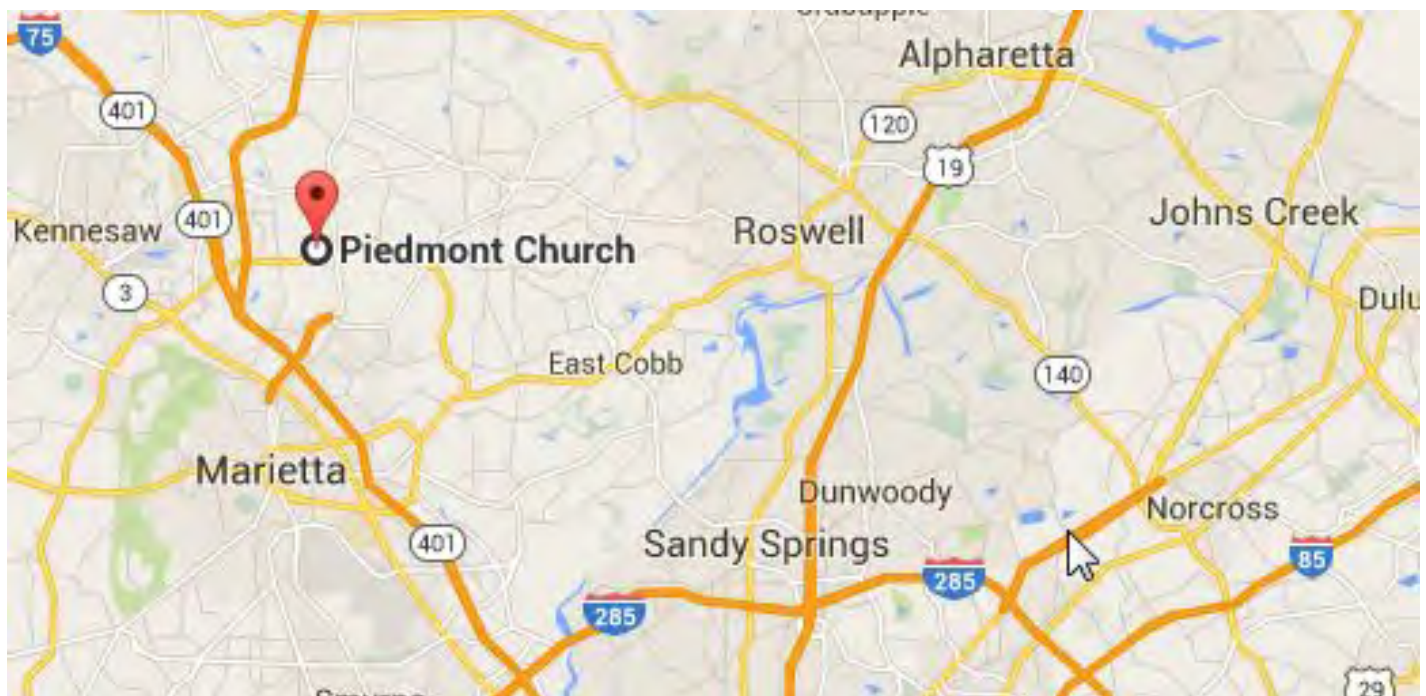
For more information and to register, go to:

PeachBlossomBOPC.com

If you have not yet signed up, be sure to register now!

Register on line: <http://www.dixieoldclub.com/bopc-2017-registration-form.html>

Don't forget your fire extinguisher! It is required for judging.



Car Quiz Answer.

The mystery car in the showroom was the 1956 Centurion Motorama car. One of the advanced features of this bubble-top beauty is a back up camera and in-dash display. Unlike many other Motorama cars, it was not destroyed after its show days were over and is still enjoyed by audiences today.



The Dixie Chapter is one of over 60 Chapters of the Buick Club of America, "a non-profit membership corporation dedicated to the preservation and restoration of those vehicles built by the Buick Motor Division of General Motors Corporation".

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