



Dixie Valve Chatter

Official newsletter of the Dixie Chapter of the Buick Club of America

**VIRTUAL
CAR SHOW!**

**Chapter Meeting
Via Zoom in June!**

**CAR SHOW
THIS SATURDAY 10-**



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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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For Photos and Upcoming Events: Check us out on Facebook, "Dixie Chapter of the Buick Club of America", and on the Web at www.dixie.buickclub.org



Director's Message:

Hello Dixie Chapter Folks

I know we had a good response to our first ever "virtual car show". Tom told me, but since I'm preparing this message a few days prior to publication that means that I'll be seeing the show at the same time everyone else does. I can't wait! A BIG thank you to the 23+ members who participated by sending in a picture of their "pride & joy". Some of you sent pics of more than one of their Buicks. So out of the hundred or so Buicks in our chapter we have about 50% of our cars represented. That's very good. Thank you to Tom Lynde, our "show chairman", for the expert lay-out & display of the "show field".

Aside from our continued Zoom meetings in June & July, plans are still in the works for a "mini tour" the latter part of July. We'll simply meet in a parking lot (with restroom facilities near-by) and caravan on a pre-determined route for about an hour. We'll probably offer a roadside quiz along the way and then conclude at a curb service type restaurant like Sonic or the Varsity.

Maybe we'll repeat the activity, in a different location of course, for August, especially since the "Back to the Bricks" in Flint had been cancelled. Meanwhile, J.D. and Tom are working on a "picnic in the park" for our September event. As J.D. described "a good ole fashion picnic" where everyone brings their own food and we can still do that "social distance thing" while enjoying the friendship and looking at the Buicks. Tom says the location they have picked also offers some very interesting venues on sight.

Looking on into the fall, we have the BDE fall tour in late Sept, the Peach Blossom BOPC Oct. 16/17 and the S.E Regional Meet, a touring event, in Ft. Myers, Fla Nov.5th. In the meantime, lets continue to pray for protection from and an end soon to "the virus". Stay well my friends & God Bless.

Bruce "ole 3013"

DIXIE CHAPTER WEBSITE

Please welcome Glenn and Debbie Novak as the new Dixie Chapter webmasters, They are taking up the mantle following the retirement of Cliff Dillingham, who faithfully held that position for over ten years. Be sure to check the website often at www.dixie.buickclub.org to stay abreast of news and activities. If you have items for the website, you may contact Glenn and Debbie at (770) 832-6353, or email fifteezfan@hotmail.com

Sonomatic Sounds, an Editorial

Tom Lynde

Hi Folks,

I really hope you enjoy this issue as much as I have enjoyed putting it together. I have hosted several car shows in the past, and the day of is always a nervous time for me. How many cars will turn out? Have I all the bases covered? Is there enough parking? Will people enjoy themselves? Then one by one, the cars start pulling in, the music cranks up, the hot dogs start grilling and the magic happens. Well, that is what this project has been like for me.... Minus the hot dogs... For the past several weeks, my inbox has contained photos of some of the most beautiful Buicks I have ever seen. I have also had the privilege of meeting a number of members whom I had up until this time not had the pleasure of meeting, Thanks everyone for your response to this little project and making the virtual car show a success.

On another note, our chapter's first ever and long-time Webmaster Cliff Dillingham has decided to retire from that position and hand the keeping of the chapter's website over to another. We thank Cliff for his years of dedicated service to the Dixie Chapter in creating and maintaining a stellar site that has been our face on the world wide web for ten years or more. It is in this spirit of thanks that I dedicate this special car show issue to Cliff's honor as a token of thanks to him. And in turn, we welcome Glenn and Debbie Novak as our new spiders and web masters!

Stay well and Happy Buicking!

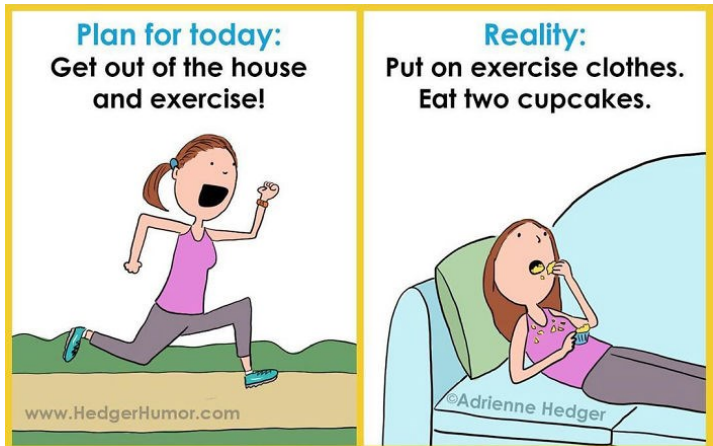
Tom



Quotable Quotations



Grit in the Gearbox



The Dixie Chapter's First Ever Virtual Car Show

Can't get to a car show? We are bringing the car show to you! In the following pages, you will see Dixie Chapter members' cars on display for you to enjoy.

Thank you to all who participated.

Pre-War Buicks up to 1942



1931 Buick 8-86 . Owned by Nancy & Bill Hansen



1936 Model 46C . Owned by Roy & Sharon Newby



1936 Special Sedan. Owned by Bruce & Shar Kile



1936 Special. Owned by Glenn & Debbie Novak



1941 Special 41 C Owned by Frank & Jan Blizzard

Post-war. 1946—1949



1948 Super. Owner: Ernest Garrett



1949 Super. Owner Alan Lisenby

Street Rod. Modified Buicks up to 1948_B



1934 Club Sedan. Owner Jerry & Jean Richstein



1947 Special Fastback Resto-rod.
Owned by J.D. Westfall

Work in Progress



1955 Special . Owner Steve Zigler



1950 Super 56 S . Owner Alan Lisenby



1952 Roadmaster 76 C. Owned by Alan Lisenby



1952 Roadmaster . Owned by Nancy & Bill Hansen



1955 Special 46 C. Owned by Ron & Connie Bergeron



1955 Roadmaster Sedan. Owned by Glenn and Debbie Novak



1957 Special. Owned by Lisa & Mike Bashaw

1960s



1959 Invicta. Owned by Walter Ehrenfeuchter



1960 Electra. Owned by Charles Hunter



1963 Skylark. Owned by Ernie & Susie Grant



1965 Skylark. Owned by Ernest Garrett



1965 Skylark. Owned by Lee Hurdelbrink



1967 Wildcat Convertible. Owned by J.D. Westfall



1968 Skylark Custom Convertible.
Owned by Gene Walsh



1969 skylark Custom Convertible.
Owned by Glenn & Debbie Novak

1970s

B



1970 Skylark. Owned by Bruce & Shar Kile



1970 Buick Skylark GSX Tribute.
Owned by Bob Haggard



1970 GS 455, Owned by Patrick & Cindy Levelle



1971 GS 350. Owned by Ron & Connie Bergeron



1975 LeSabre. Owned by Frank & Jan Blizzard



1975 LeSabre. Owned by Bruce & Shar Kile



1972 Skylark, 1975 LeSabre. Owned by Bill McGowan



1976 Century Coupe. Owned by Bob Haggard

Opel



Opel GT. Owned by Bob Haggard



1991 Reatta. Owned by Frank & Jan Blizzard

Reatta



1990 Reatta. Owned by Jerry & Jean Richstein



1991 Reatta Select 60. Owned by Frank & Jan Blizzard

Rivieras



1967 Riviera. Owned by J.D. Westfall



1971 Riviera. Owned by J.D. Westfall



1973 Riviera. Owned by Jack & Pat Horvath



1985 Riviera. Owned by Jerry & Jean Richstein



1998 Riviera. Owned by Bob Stone



1990 Riviera. Owned by Roy Newby

1980s, 1990s, and 2000s



1986 Regal and 2017 Regal Turbo.
Owned by James & Sarah Thomas



1989 Buick Electra Park Avenue.
Owned by Tom & Tammy Lynde



1994 Buick Park Avenue. Owned by Tom & Tammy Lynde



2011 Lacrosse. Owned by Frank & Jan Blizzard



2012 Regal GS. Owned by Pat & Cindy Levelle



2017 Cascada. Owned by Frank & Jan Blizzard



2017 Encore. Owned by Jack and Pat Horvath

This virtual car show has been dedicated to the honor of long time member Cliff Dillingham. Cliff recently retired as the chapter's webmaster, after faithfully maintaining it for over ten years. Thanks Cliff, from all of us!

BOPC UPDATE

Southeast GTO Association, hosts for this year's BOPC has been in discussion with Piedmont Church, the host site, and dates for this year's event have been **tentatively set for October 16th and 17th**, pending county regulations and health conditions at that time. We will keep you up to date on any changes in this fluid situation. If you have already registered and prepaid, SEGTOA will refund your fees.

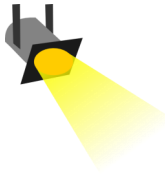


June Chapter Meeting: The June Chapter meeting will be held via Zoom on June 14th at 1:30 pm. Instructions on how to join in will be sent out soon. Please participate and help make plans for chapter activities.

From the Sunshine Committee

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



MEMBER NEWS



New Members

Let us welcome our newest Dixie Chapter members, Lisa Richards and Mike Bashaw of Gay, GA. They own a beautiful 1957 Special 41 four door. It is featured in the virtual car show. Here is their contact info for your directory:

Lisa Richards & Mike Bashaw
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Gay, GA 30218
(706)977-0281 Res
(706)977-8987 Bus
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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 ensure inclusion in the next ***Dixie Valve Chatter***.

Are you changing your e-mail address?

If you have a **NEW** e-mail address,
please notify Jerry Richstein at jerry.richstein@gmail.com,
so you can continue to receive the *Dixie Valve Chatter* via e-mail

Do you need replacement hub caps or Wheels?

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.

The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

June 14, 1:30 PM

Chapter Meeting Via Zoom

The June meeting will be held via Zoom. All members are welcome to participate. Instructions on how to join will be sent to all members.

Friday, October 16 & Saturday October 17, 2020. Tentative

Peach Blossom B.O.P.C
 Piedmont Church, Marietta
 Hosts: Southeastern GTO Association

2020 JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	8	9	10	11	12	13
	15	16	17	18	19	20
	22	23	24	25	26	27
	29	30				

June 30—July 3, 2021

Tentative

Buick Club of America Annual Meet. Charlotte, NC. Hosted by the Tar Heel Chapter

July 2021 Tentative

Buick Club of America Annual Meet. Strongsville, Ohio. Hosted by Northeast Ohio Chapter. www.buickclub.org

**Have fun with us!
 Attend chapter meetings and activities!**

Please send notices of upcoming events to DVC editor Tom Lynde at lynde2375@charter.net

Update on Buicks on the Bricks

This message was sent to members of the Buick Drivers Enthusiasts:

Due to the concerns surrounding the Covid-19 pandemic, BUICKS ON THE BRICKS, scheduled for August 15, 2020, has been cancelled.

Also, the 2020 Promo Tour for Back to the Bricks has been rescheduled to October 9 – 13, 2020. The Tune-Up Parties, the "Bricks Flicks" Drive-In Movie, the Rolling Cruise, and any activities leading up to and including, the Main Event on August 15th will all be contingent upon the recommendations of the CDC, federal, state, and local city leaders.

Mile Markers

Celebrating Life's Events



ANNIVERSARIES

- 6/1 Roy & Janet Bass
- 6/14 J. D. & Roxanne Westfall
- 6/15 Jack & Pat Horvath
- 6/18 Dave & Kerri Dunton
- 6/19 Walt & Julie Ehrenfeuchter
- 6/23 Pat & Cindy Levelle

BIRTHDAYS

- 6/2 Ken Barrett
- 6/3 Roy Bass
- 6/3 Julie C. Ehrenfeuchter
- 6/17 Ken Green
- 6/21 Kerri Dunton
- 6/21 Nancy Hansen
- 6/29 Coleman Rigby

Come join us on Facebook!



Dixie Chapter Buick Club of America



Deals on Wheels



Car for Sale: 1990 Buick Reatta convertible with just over 61k original miles. Never driven in bad weather since we have had it. I'm asking \$7,500 but would consider all offers.

lenK@techttopind.com , 770-377-4514 or on the weekends at LJKOZENY@YAHOO.COM.



CAR FOR SALE: 1985 Riviera convertible. 2 owner car. All options including A/C. Archival Elite winner. Last year for the convertible. Asking \$9,500. Call Jerry at 404-769-6071 for more info.



Wheels Wanted : 15" x 7" wheels to fit A-Body American Mags / Cragar Mags / Keystone Mags . Tell me what you have Paul Sorrells (404) 702-3398 p.sorrells@comcast.net

CAR FOR SALE: 1967 Buick Riviera. Verde Green. BCA Senior Survivor Award. 430 V8, rebuilt 200 miles ago. \$15,000. J.D. Westfall 913-638-7849.



Car for sale. 1985 LeSabre Limited with only 14K miles original miles. For all intents and purposes this is a new car. Can be a show car, tour car or even a "daily driver". Located in Charleston, S.C. it's entire life. Second elderly owner asking \$12,000. Call Tom Jameson (843) 571-2264



Want to Buy Looking for poor condition parts for a 1936 Buick Roadmaster. Stainless trim, trunk ornament, tail lights. Also need unserviceable 16" rims and old period correct tires. Rims to be 5 on 5.5" with min 3 3/4 " hub hole. Let me know what you might have. Thanks, Lamar 1954buick@gmail.com 706.201.8555

Do you have a Buick or "Car Stuff" for sale? All Dixie Chapter members can advertise for sale cars and car related stuff for up to six months, longer if requested. In addition, non members can advertise cars and parts for up to three months, space permitting. This is a courtesy to the sellers and a service to our members. Please send your ads to Tom at least one week before the end of the month to ensure your ad is included in the next **Dixie Valve Chatter**.

Southeast Regional Tour

November 5-8, 2020

As a member of the Buick Club of America you are eligible to attend their Regional Tours. This one is hosted by the Gulf Coast Chapter of the BCA

The 2020 BCA SE Regional Tour, sponsored by the Gulf Coast Chapter BCA, will take place from Thursday, November 5th through Sunday, November 9th, 2020, in Fort Myers, Florida.

After checking into the Best Western Waterfront, in North Fort Myers, on Thursday, the rest of the day will be ours to explore Fort Myers and eat at one of the many restaurants in the area and/or mingle with other guests in the Hospitality Room. A list of the restaurants and points of interest in the area will be provided at check-in. For your convenience, a free shuttle from the hotel to town is available.

Friday morning, we will caravan to Naples for an 11:00 tour of the famous Revs (Collier) Car Museum . That evening, at 5:45, we will enjoy a fun Murder Mystery Dinner Train ride.

On Saturday morning, we will have a guided tour of the Edison and Ford Houses and Museum. The afternoon can be spent exploring Fort Myers and/or inspecting our cars which will be parked in a designated area on the hotel grounds. A 6:30 banquet is planned at the Host Hotel.

After breakfast on Sunday, we will say our goodbyes for another year. For the adventurous, there are many great cities in Florida with interesting places to visit as you travel to and from the Regional.

For more information, call Ben Berman, at 941-355-2469 or email him at bib1946@aol.com. Looking forward to seeing you.



2020 BCA SE REGIONAL TOUR
November 5-7, 2020
Fort Myers, Florida

Host
Gulf Coast Chapter BCA

Name _____
Guest Name(s) _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Email _____
Owner Cell Phone _____
Guest Cell Phone _____
Car Year _____ Model _____

*** A FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS REQUIRED***

Registration Fee – (12 & under free) _____ X \$ 25.00 _____
All fees are per person

Thursday, Nov 5

Thurs – Arrival – Meet and Greet _____ X no added fee
Dinner on your own: (list provided).

Friday, Nov 6 Naples

Caravan to Naples
Revs (Collier)Museum/Collection (11AM tour) _____ X \$25.\$ _____
Lunch on your own: (list provided).
Murder Mystery Dinner Train: _____ X \$95.\$ _____

Saturday, Nov 7 Fort Myers

Edison House and Museum (Guided tour) _____ X \$25.\$ _____
Lunch at the 'Ford Garage' on your own
6:30 pm Banquet @ Host Hotel _____ X \$50.\$ _____

Total for a couple all activities \$440.00 **TOTAL \$** _____

Registration requested by October 17, 2020. For meet information email Ben Berman: bib1946@aol.com

Please make checks payable to: **BCA Florida Gulf Coast Chapter, Inc.**

Mail form w/check to: BEN BERMAN, 4223 MACKAY FALLS TER., SARASOTA, FL 34243

REFUND POLICY In case of changes in plans, refunds of entry fees and meal payments will be made in full upon application to the tour director no later than October 1, 2020. In case of later cancellation, all entry fees will be forfeited.

Hotel: Best Western Water Front
13021 N. Cleveland Ave., N. Fort Myers, FL 33903
Phone: 239-997-5511 ask for the Buick Club Rate for SE Regional
Rates: \$89.99 + tax/night Includes breakfast and wifi
Cut off date for hotel reservations is September 30, 2020