



Dixie Valve Chatter

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MINI-CRUISE TIME! JULY 19TH!

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On the Cover: Let's go on a mini-cruise!

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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Director's Message:

Hello Dixie Chapter Folks

I sure hope you are staying well and making the most of the current conditions. Other than short "cruises" around the block or a "trip" to the parts store, most of us are probably getting "antsy" to go somewhere and do something different like meeting some of our Buick buds and "kick some tires". Boy, I sure miss seeing some other old Buicks (other than our own) and gazing into the eyes of some of my fellow club members (even if they have masks on) so let's do it! The details of our July "mini cruise" are covered in a separate section of this DVC. It'll just be a short simple event, but at least it'll be a "Buick outing" and we'll have fun just the same. You don't really even have to leave the confines of your car, if you don't want to. If all goes well, we will try to have another "mini cruise" in August in another area. Then we will have our summer picnic in September. And of course we will continue to have our monthly meetings via "Zoom" to stay connected. One of the nice things about Zoom meetings is you do not have to wear a mask AND the location of the meeting is as near as your computer. Meanwhile, I invite your questions, comments, or suggestions about anything that pertains to the club, our activities or your restoration needs. Just call or email me. While I sure may not have all the answers I'll sure try to "point you in the right direction". In the meantime, stay well my Buick buds and may God Bless you.

Kindest Regards

Bruce (ole 3013)



Sonomatic Sounds, an Editorial

Tom Lynde

Hi Folks,

I am writing this just a few days before The Fourth of July. Any other year, Tammy and I would be heading off on vacation right about now for another New England run, or perhaps that long anticipated Route 66 trip out to The Grand Canyon. Instead, things are pointing to a bit of a stay-cation and perhaps some time in Savannah.

All is good, though. I will be here to participate in the chapter mini-tour. It looks like Bruce and Shar have a good time cued up for us. Dust off the Buick and join in!

SEGTOA has firmed up plans for the 39th Annual BOPC. The new t shirt/poster design and updated registration forms are included in this news letter. Get those forms in, if you have not already registered. If you have registered for the previous date and cannot make it in October, be sure to get with Southeastern GTO for your refund.

See you soon on the mini-tour and on the next Zoom chapter meeting.

Stay well and Happy Buicking!

Tom



Quotable Quotations

PATRIOTISM IS TRYING ALWAYS
TO GIVE MORE TO THE NATION
THAN WE RECEIVE. IT IS
SELFLESS SERVICE.

EZRA TAFT BENSON

Grit in the Gearbox



DIXIE CHAPTER MINI-CRUISE. JULY 19TH

The July Mini Cruise Bruce Kile



Please join us as we engage in a (sort of) "Coming out event" on Sunday, July 19th. It's a short, about 2 hours total, 24 mile cruise beginning in N.E. Cobb County and traveling up into Cherokee County.

There will be an optional roadside quiz, "Rest and relaxation stop" in a scenic little park and a lunch stop at a Sonic (curb service or eat outside). Like most touring events, having a C.B radio will definitely add to the enjoyment.

We will meet in the SunTrust Bank parking lot at: 1840 Sandy Plains Rd. (Exit 117A off I-75)



Departure will be at 2:00PM.

An RSVP is not mandatory but it would help us have an idea of who's joining us.

**Call or email Bruce and Shar Kile.
770-977-7924 sbkile58@aol.com**



Cars of the Month



This month we are featuring this beautiful 1931 66-S 2 door sport coupe owned by Dave and Kerri Dutton

Drive your Buick to chapter events and your car may be featured as a car of the month!

Original Keepsake Buick Holiday Ornaments
24K Gold Finish Brass.
3-Dimensional, Laser cut,
Individually boxed.
Only \$9 each, 2 or more \$8 each!
(U.S. Funds)

Send your name & address with
check or money order
made payable to:
BUICK DRIVING ENTHUSIASTS
2492 Lorrie Drive
Marietta GA 30066-5720

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are available. Write for details.

CHAPTERS:
Write for discount case pricing.

Pre-Production Image - Not to Scale
A Buick Driving Enthusiasts
Division Project



You can buy these beautiful ornaments from the club store during a monthly chapter meeting.

BOPC UPDATE

Southeast GTO Association, hosts for this year's BOPC has rescheduled the event for October 16th and 17th at Piedmont Church in Marietta. New registration forms are included in this newsletter. If you have already registered and prepaid, your registration will be honored. If you registered, prepaid and cannot attend, SEGTOA will refund your fees.



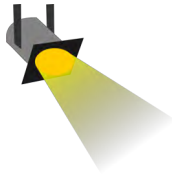
July Chapter Meeting: The July Chapter meeting will be held via Zoom on July 12th at 1:30 pm. Instructions on how to join in will be sent out soon. Please participate and help make plans for chapter activities.

From the Sunshine Committee

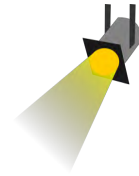
If you know of a member who is ill, injured, recovering, or just in need of a special thought and bit of hope sent their way, please let Jean Richstein know about them as soon as possible. She is making certain that cards and well wishes are sent from the Dixie Chapter BCA. To enable Jean to share the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

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MEMBER NEWS

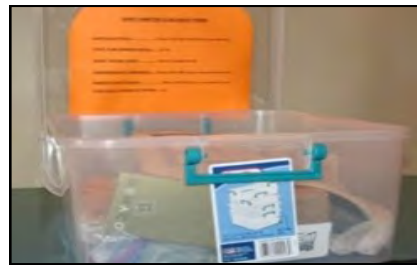


NOTE: If you know of members winning awards or touring to interesting places, or have an idea for an article of interest to our members, please let **Tom Lynde** know at least two weeks before the end of the month to ensure inclusion in the next ***Dixie Valve Chatter***.

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 Bob Stone for pricing or questions (770) 480-4179.

Email: bobstone826@gmail.com.



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 Hub-caps & 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.

SIMPSON FARM CAR SHOW

Text and photos by Bill McGowen

I attended car show in Talmo, Ga. at Simpson's farm on Saturday June 13th. The show drew about 700 cars along with Mr. Simpson's 500 pieces of yard art. Nothing is for sale, but just walking around is quite an experience. He has about 500 cars from the 20s to the 60s along with about 100 old tractors and farm equipment. The show was free and lunch was also free for everyone. Show was attended by several thousand spectators and a good time was had by all.



BUICK TRIVIA



In 1904, a famous test drive was taken by engineer Walter L. Marr (driving in photo) and David Buick's son Tom (passenger) from July 9-12 from Flint to Detroit and back.

Do you know some interesting Buick trivia? Share it with *The Valve Chatter* !

DIXIE CHAPTER WEBSITE

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PEACH BLOSSOM



**Car Show & Swap Meet
October 16-17, 2020**

**Hosted By
"Southeastern GTO Association"**



The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

July 12, 1:30 PM

Chapter Meeting Via Zoom

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

July 19, 2020

Chapter Cruise! See the article in this issue for details!

September 13, 2020

Chapter Picnic at Heritage Park, McDonough, GA

Details to come!

2020 JULY						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

Free Calendar Templates Dreamcalendars.com

Friday, October 16 & Saturday October 17, 2020.

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

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

Join the conversations!
Participate in the forums
on the Buick Club of America website.
www.buickclub.org

Need AC Delco parts? If you are in the need of genuine AC Delco 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.

Mile Markers

Celebrating Life's Events



ANNIVERSARIES

- 7/3 Alan & Patricia Lisenby
- 7/12/86 Tom & Tammy Lynde



BIRTHDAYS

- 7/2/40 Ernest Garrett
- 7/2/43 Paul VanNortwick
- 7/7/53 Yvonne McGowen
- 7/7 Cathy Newhouser
- 7/8 Sarah Thomas
- 7/17 Andrea Walsh
- 7/22 Connie Bergeron
- 7/22 Danny Finkelstein
- 7/24 Lisa Richards
- 7/29/47 Bob Haggard

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



39th ANNUAL PEACH BLOSSOM B.O.P.C.

Buick * Oldsmobile * Pontiac * Cadillac

Car Show, Swap Meet, & Car Corral Saturday October 17, 2020, 9AM – 3PM

Friday, October 16, 7:00 PM - Cash Dinner & Bar

Cherokee Cattle Company

2710 Canton Rd. Marietta, GA 30066 (770) 427-0490

Saturday, October 17 – Car Show, Swap Meet, & Car Corral

Piedmont Church, 570 Piedmont Rd, Marietta, GA 30066

8:00 – 11:00 AM - Registration

Popular Vote Judging ends at 12:00 Noon

Awards at 2:00 PM

Hosted by the Southeastern GTO Association

DIRECTIONS TO THE SHOW: Take I-75 to Exit 269 (Barrett Parkway). Turn east, Barrett Parkway becomes Piedmont Road. The Church and Car Show are about two miles on the right. Barrett Parkway also crosses I-575 at Exit 1 and avoids a lot of traffic. Exit I-575 at Exit 1, and head east, 1.8 miles on the right.

HOTELS: The Hilton Garden Inn, 895 Cobb Place Boulevard, Kennesaw, 678-322-1140; Holiday Inn Express Kennesaw, 2485 George Busbee Pkwy NW, 770-427-5210, and Country Inn and Suites Kennesaw, 2625 George Busbee Pkwy NW, 770-426-0045 are all local hotels. Contact them directly for reservations.

JUDGING: Cars will be judged by popular vote. Each car registered will receive one ballot, which will entitle you to vote in two other classes for First, Second, and Third place. Club Presidents will choose **Best Buick, Oldsmobile, Pontiac, Cadillac, Best Survivor, and Best of Show**. Classes will be determined by the cars registered as of October 1, 2020, so please register early. This not only helps us, but also helps your car to be properly classified. **A fire extinguisher is mandatory at every vehicle.** Limited trailer parking is available.

For additional show information and to download a registration form, please go to www.seqtoa.org or contact: Jim Andrews at jb6733andrews@etcmail.com. The Southeastern GTO Association is a Not for Profit organization registered in the state of Georgia, #17649109.



BUICK • OLDSMOBILE • PONTIAC • CADILLAC

39th Annual "Peach Blossom" BOPC Show October 17 2020 @ Piedmont Baptist Church

Free Goodie Bags and Dash Plaques for the first 100 registrations!

Presented by the Southeastern GTO Association

Participant Registration (all fields required):

Name _____
 Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email _____

Car Registration (Car 1):

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____ Class _____
 Convertible? (Y/N) _____ Modified? (Y/N) _____ Club Affiliation _____

Car Registration (Car 2):

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____ Class _____
 Convertible? (Y/N) _____ Modified? (Y/N) _____ Club Affiliation _____

Note: Classes may be re-assigned by SEGTOA and combined or eliminated as required.

Fees:

Registrations postmarked **by October 1, 2020** are \$25 for first car and _____ @ \$25 = \$ _____
 \$20 for each additional car. _____ @ \$20 = \$ _____
 Vendor spaces reserved **by October 1, 2020** are \$25 for 1st space _____ @ \$25 = \$ _____
 and \$20 for each additional space _____ @ \$20 = \$ _____
 Car Corral spaces reserved **by October 1, 2020** are \$25 for 1st space _____ @ \$25 = \$ _____
 and \$20 for each additional space _____ @ \$20 = \$ _____

All fees are \$5 additional if postmarked after October 1, 2020, and on day of show

2020 BOPC Commemorative Tee Shirts are \$20. S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ XXXL: _____
 Total Tee Shirts _____ @ \$20 = \$ _____

Friday Night Meet and Greet • Dinner and Drinks at Your Expense • _____ # Attending

7:00 PM at the Cherokee Cattle Company, 2710 Canton Rd., Marietta, GA 30066 (770) 427-0490

Total enclosed for the 2020 Peach Blossom BOPC Show: \$ _____

Make checks payable to Southeastern GTO Association and mail to:
 Jim Andrews, SEGTOA, 224 Philadelphia Dr., Jasper, GA 30143

By the execution of this form, participants release the Southeastern GTO Association, Piedmont Church, and their agents from any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, losses, claims, or judgements from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by any entrant or participant to his/her person, family, or property. **A FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS MANDATORY AT EVERY VEHICLE.**

Signed _____ Date _____

2020 BOPC Classes	
A	PRE 1943 (PRE WW II) ALL
B	1946 – 1952 ALL
C	1953 – 1958 ALL
D	1959 – 1967 FULL SIZE ALL Including ELDORADO THRU 1966
E	1968 – 1970 FULL SIZE ALL
F	1963 & UP RIVIERA, TORONADO and 1967 & UP ELDORADO
G	1971 – 1980 FULL SIZE ALL OPEN
H	1971 – 1980 FULL SIZE ALL CLOSED
I	1980 & UP 2-SEATER (Reatta, Allantè, Fiero) ALL
J	1967 – 1974 FIREBIRD & TRANS AM (Except Modified)
K	1975 & UP FIREBIRD & TRANS AM (Except Modified)
L	1961 – 1967 A-BODY PERFORMANCE ALL
M-1	1952 & earlier ALL MODIFIED
M-2	1953 – 1980 ALL MODIFIED
M-3	1981 – 2019 ALL MODIFIED
N	1961 – 1967 A-BODY NON-PERFORMANCE ALL
O	1968 – 1972 A-BODY PERFORMANCE OPEN
P	1968 – 1972 A-BODY PERFORMANCE CLOSED
R	1968 – 1972 A-BODY NON-PERFORMANCE OPEN
S	1968 – 1972 A-BODY NON-PERFORMANCE CLOSED
T	1973 – 1980 A – H & X BODIES ALL
U	Pre-1986 SURVIVOR (Totally Unrestored)
V	1980 – 1989 NON-SPORT & NON-PERFORMANCE ALL
W	1980 – 1989 SPORT & PERFORMANCE ALL
X	1990 – 2020 NON-SPORT & NON-PERFORMANCE ALL
Y	1990 – 2020 SPORT & PERFORMANCE ALL
Z	ALL YEARS PROFESSIONAL CARS (Race, sedan delivery, hearse, ambulance, flower car, etc.)