



Dixie Valve Chatter

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On the cover: A 1936 Buick plies its way through Chicago traffic.

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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Hello out there Buick Folks,

With all the uncertainty and questions surrounding the upcoming BCA National Meets this year I have invited Brian Depouli to join us for our Zoom meeting on March 14th. Brian will answer questions regarding either meet as well as questions on BCA protocol/policies, etc. In addition to being show chairman for the Charlotte (Concord) meet this year, Brian is a two-times past BCA president and current Carolina Chapter director. He is also a member of the National Meet Committee. One of the things we will also likely discuss is the Dixie Chapter's role as hospitality room coordinators. For those who have never met Brian, you are sure to be impressed at his young age and his knowledge of the older Buicks. We hope you will show support for our guest and your chapter by attending this meeting.

Kindest Regards & "Go (tour in a) Buick"

Bruce "ole 3013"

Sonomatic Sounds, an Editorial

Tom Lynde

Hi Everybody,

Hoping all is well your way this month. A couple of beautiful spring-like days really whetted my appetite for car show and cruising season. It was good to get the cars out for a little exercise. Tammy and I enjoyed cruising around the neighborhood and running a few errands. Buicks are meant to be driven and they certainly stood too still last year. We have some making up to do!



We may have an opportunity to lace up those bowling shoes this year after all. Be sure to join us for the March 14th Zoom meeting as we will be discussing the possibility of holding the Bowl-A-Rama in April. Your input is needed!

Dixie Olds has released the flyer for the 40th Annual BOPC. The registration forms are forth-coming and we will distribute them via email as soon as they are available, Things are just getting better all the time,

And thanks everyone for the contributions to this month's newsletter! I hope y'all enjoy.

Happy Buicking,

Tom

Grit in the Gearbox



Quotable Quotations

“ March winds
and April
showers
bring forth
May flowers. ”

English Proverb

Welcome to the Buick Club

J.D. Westfall



I harken back to my introduction to Buick Club of America. Back in the 80's, I lived close to my father, John Westfall in Ohio. Dad bought a 67 Riviera and whenever I came to the farm, I had a starter or carburetor to install. The Riviera was yellow then. It developed a bubble on the top of the right rear fender. Well, Dad handed me some sandpaper one Saturday and by the time I got down to metal I had gone through 4 colors of paint and primer. That culminated in taking the whole car down to metal and changing it to Verde Green as some of you know the car.

Well, I moved to Kansas City in 1988 and actually missed wrenching on the Riviera... except for trips back to the farm at Thanksgiving or Christmas... more wrenching.

In 91 or 92, the BCA was in Overland Park Kansas. Dad informed me that he was bringing the Riv and had done improvements to try for a Senior award. His thought was to get a Senior and sell it because he had his eye on a 47 Super in the Carolinas, and that was his college car.

Dad and Mom got to Overland Park the weekend before the show. I lifted the hood and saw red heater hoses, universal Radiator hoses, NAPA battery, Echlin distributor, wires and sparkplugs, and white Gabriel shocks. Guess what I did for 4 days!!! AC/Delco for everything except I painted the white shocks black to look like AC shocks. Even painted the bottom of the car black and rear brake drums grey.

Saturday Judging day it spitted rain on and off. We wiped the car down 4 times and it was raining when the judges showed up. We ended up with 389 points, one less than Senior. I did not know about tower radiator clamps and had worm screw clamps on. Bummer!

Dad did not sell the Riv. Instead, he bought the 47 Super Conv, 31 Phaeton, 71 Boat Tail, two 75 LeSabre Conv and the 47 Special 4 door fastback Restorod (but this car is a whole 'nother story)! Lots of wrenching whenever I got home on holidays.

Moving on to "Buicks are Fine in '99". Dad called a couple weeks ahead of the show and asked if I was doing anything! He needed someone to prep the 47, 67, and 71, as he was show chairman. So, I loaded up the family and went to Ohio.

Once I got the 3 cars prepped, driven 35 miles to the show, inspected, and pictures taken, I thought this show will be enjoyable. Wrong! Next, dad had me driving a golf cart taking people between the show field and the hotel. Next he said he needed me as a Judge! I said "Dad, I am not even a member of the Buick Club!" 15 minutes later I was a member! I went to Judges School and learned "Don't Kill the Car".

Through the years, I have attended BCA shows with my Mom and Dad from Seattle to Batavia, Rochester to Charlotte, and more shows in between.

Thanks Dad! I miss you and Mom!



ZOOM CHAPTER MEETING MARCH 14th AT 1:30 PM

And now for something completely different:

For several months, members of the Dixie Chapter have gathered for a monthly meeting via Zoom. The meetings have been fun, and it has been good to see everyone, but something has been lacking: Our Buicks!

So, in March we are asking Zoom attendees, if possible to participate in the meeting with your Buick(s) in the background, in your garage or driveway or perhaps from inside your car! If you use a desktop computer and cannot move it to another location, perhaps you can arrange a Buick-esque background. This is not a requirement to attend, but just a way to keep things fun and fresh. Be sure to join in. There is a lot of important business to be discussed, too. Face filters are not necessary.



From the Sunshine Committee

The Sunshine Committee sent a sympathy card to Susie Grant following the passing of her husband Ernie, Please continue to keep Susie and the family in your thoughts and prayers.

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

Shop Recommendations

If you have a repair shop, body shop, upholsterer, or detailer that you feel does an exceptional job, please share it with us! Please share the names of repair shops and mechanics in your locale that you would like to pass on to other members. We will publish the information here.

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

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

Original Keepsake Buick Ornaments
 24K Gold Finish Brass
 3-Dimensional, Laser Cut
 Approximately 3" x 2.25" - Individually Boxed

\$6 each - includes shipping
 Indicate ornament (# and car)
 and quantity
 Check or money order payable to
BUICK DRIVING ENTHUSIASTS
 c/o B. Kile,
 2492 Lorrie Drive, Marietta GA 30066
 Info: sbkile@comcast.net

#1 1963 Riviera #7 1990 Reatta Convertible
 #2 1930 Roadster #6 1959 Electra Convertible
 #3 1970 GS Convertible #4 Special Convertible #5 1987 Grand National

The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA and Chapter Events

March 14, 2021

Chapter meeting via Zoom. 1:30 PM. Sign-in information will be emailed to members before the meeting. Please plan to take part!

April 2021 Tentative!!!

Roddy Pierce Memorial Bowl-a-rama at Woodstock Lanes. This will be discussed in the March Zoom meeting.

May 15, 2021

Annual Peach Blossom BOPC
Piedmont Church. Hosted by the Dixie Olds Club.
Registration forms in this newsletter.

MARCH 2021						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	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			

2021 Dual National Meets

2021 Dual Meet Dates:
Concord NC Meet:
June 30th- July 3rd
Strongsville OH Meet:
July 7th – July 10th

March 6, 2021.

Piedmont Church monthly cruise-in. 8:00 am—11:00 am.
640 Piedmont Rd. NE, Marietta.

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

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

Georgia Street Rod Association's 26th Annual Swap Meet & Flea Market
SWAP MEET • CAR SHOW
FLEA MARKET
SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2021

NEW LOCATION NEW LOCATION
ATLANTA MOTOR SPEEDWAY

• SWAP SPACES \$30
Includes Two Adults & All the Space You Need
• Vendor Set Up 7AM
• Enter Tara Place off US 19 & 41
NOTE: No provisions to unhook trailers
• OPEN to PUBLIC 8AM – 2PM

• ADULT ADMISSION \$5 • CAR SHOW Entry \$20
• 12 and Under FREE
• FOOD CONCESSIONS
• RAIN OR SHINE

• Includes Driver & One Passenger
• All Makes & Models Welcome
• Registration 9-11am • Trophies 1pm

ATLANTA MOTOR SPEEDWAY
1500 TARA PLACE, HAMPTON GA

Information: Mickey White, Swap Meet Chairman, call/text 956-371-1937 or email swapmeet@gsra.com
• GSRA - The Georgia Organization for all Vehicle Enthusiasts • www.gsra.com
• Classics • Customs • Imports • Muscle Cars • Hot Rods • Sports Cars • Street Rods • Trucks
"Working to Strengthen and Preserve the Car Hobby"

the 7th Annual Cool Rides & RESCUES - 2021
Open Car Show & Animal Rescue Fundraiser

SUNDAY, APRIL 11TH
Rain Date: Sunday, April 25th

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Open to ALL Years - Makes - Models
• Popular Choice Awards
• Food Concessions • Door Prizes
• 50/50 Raffle • "Cool" Music
• Adoptable Animals at the Show!

ENTRY FEE: A Donation to Benefit **LifeLine ANIMAL PROJECT**

decatur estate & way back antiques
2272 Lawrenceville Hwy • Decatur, GA 30033
www.GeorgiaCoolCruisers.org

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Popular Vote Judging ends at 12:00 Noon
Food Concessions Available throughout the day!
Awards Ceremony at 2:00 pm
Hosted by the Dixie Olds Club

DIRECTIONS TO THE SHOW: Take I-75 to Exit 269 (Harrett Parkway - Town Center Mall). Turn east, Harrett Parkway becomes Piedmont Road. The Church and Car Show are about two miles on the right. (Note: I-575 also crosses Harrett Parkway at Exit One and avoids much of the Town Center traffic. Getting off I-575 at that exit and heading east, puts you a half-mile closer to the show.)

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 and Second 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 April 30, 2021, so please register early. This includes judging on, but also judge your car to be properly classified.
A fire extinguisher is mandatory at every vehicle. Limited trailer parking is available.
Additional show information, registration form, and class findings are coming soon.

BUICK TRIVIA

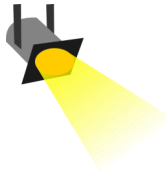


How appropriate that this classic Buick would be parked in front of The Bowl-O-Rama! Can you identify the year and model of this beautiful hardtop? Answer on page 12.

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

DIXIE CHAPTER WEBSITE

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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.

Mile Markers
 Celebrating Life's Events



ANNIVERSARIES

3/21 Charles and Jana Hunter



BIRTHDAYS

- 3/10/62 Tammy Lynde
- 3/11/50 Jean Richstein
- 3/14/34 Bill Eisenhardt
- 3/20/44 Penny VanNortwick
- 3/28 Chris Strong
- 3/28 Tria Palmer
- 3/29 Hugh Hughes

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BUICK TRIVIA ANSWER

The car parked in front of the Bowl– O-Rama is a 1955 Model 63 Buick Century Riviera Sedan



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Deals on Wheels



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. 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**.



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