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Hello Buick Lovers,

We'll shortly after receiving last month's "DVC" we received the unpleasant announcement that the BCA National Meets had been cancelled again due to concerns about "you know what". However, unlike last year, we will still have more opportunities than in 2020 to get our "pride & joy's" out on the road and meet with other gear heads. To start the "season" off, we are hoping we can all meet at the AMF Woodstock lanes in Woodstock on April 25th. Of course, Woodstock Lanes is the location of the Roddy Pearce Memorial "Bowl-A-Rama" but bowling will (as always) be an option. We plan to have a Buick "mini" show with the bowling be an option. Following bowling we will have lunch, and our first in person gathering since our picnic last September. Even though most of us will likely have had our vaccinations by then or have immunity due to having antibodies, we will continue to honor the social distancing/mask wearing state mandates in place at that time. (directions/details in this issue)

The next outdoor event will be the 40th annual Peach Blossom B.O.P.C. show on May 15th. (registration in this issue). Our March Zoom meeting special guest, Brian DePouli, provided details of a special Buick "show within a show" at the AACA Central Spring Nationals in Auburn, IN. July 1-3. (details in this issue).

So there we have (3) Buick events that take us into July. We truly hope you will plan to participate in any (or all) of these events. Also, if you plan to attend any local shows/cruises please give a report (or announcement) of the event to Tom Lynde. BTW, please don't forget to mention the BCA & Dixie Chapter to other Buick owners you might meet.

Kindest Regards & "Go (tour in a) Buick

Bruce "ole 3013"

Sonomatic Sounds, an Editorial

Tom Lynde

Hi Everybody,

Greetings from Savannah! As I am writing this, I am enjoying a gorgeous afternoon on a bench on Lafayette Square thinking about getting the Electra down here for some glamour shots in the historic district. That may have to wait for a while because things are loosening up a bit with more activities coming on-line. Bruce gave a good run-down of these events in his message and details are throughout this edition. As of this writing, the Governor is planning to lift all Covid restrictions. Precautions (masks, distancing, etc) still need to be taken on an individual basis, but it will give us a little more leeway to move around and gather.

The old car hobby took it on the chin last year. Some annual events are back up and running with no problems, and other car show promoters are reporting a large lack of sponsorships and participants. I do not know if it is their locale, intended audience, or what, but it looks like it will take a while to get back to normal. Please do what is right for you. By the way, online registration for the BOPC is quick and easy.

And remember, the April meeting will be at the Woodstock Lanes after the bowling wraps up rather than via zoom. Even if your are not as bowler at heart, we need your input during the meeting. Of course, bowling is fun, too. So, take appropriate precautions, stay safe and see you then. Feels real good to write that!

Happy Buicking,

Tom



Grit in the Gearbox



Quotable Quotations





Let's welcome new members!

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WHAT: Roddy Pearce Memorial Bowl-A-Rama!**WHEN:** Sunday April 25, 2021 (Conditions permitting!)**WHERE:** AMF Woodstock Lanes

108 Woodpark Blvd.

Woodstock, GA 30188

770-926-2200

START BOWLING: Promptly at 12:30, so get there early!**LUNCH TIME:** After Bowling, at about 2:30 p.m. with a business meeting to follow.

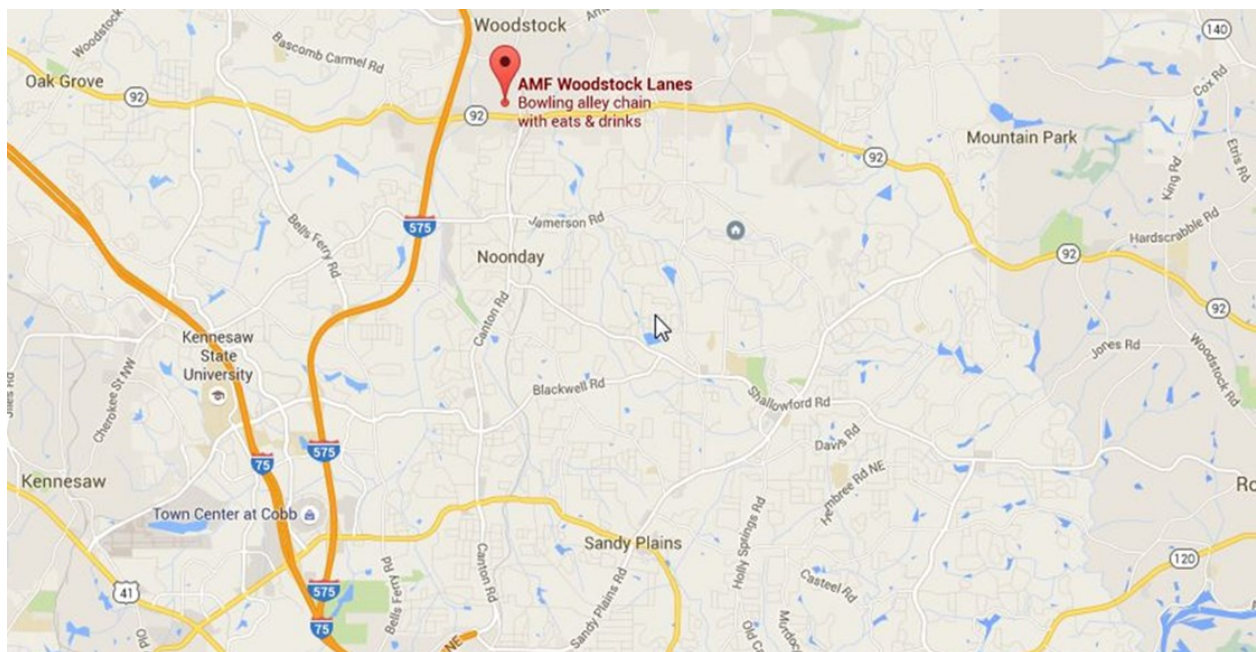
This is one of our most fun events. Remember.....bowling skill is not required, in fact with the “handicap system” we have, higher average bowlers have more of a challenge than those who don't bowl too often. **There will be awards & prizes.**

Weather permitting, be sure to drive those Buicks, There will be ample parking in “car show” fashion.

RSVP: Please RSVP by ASAP by phone or email to Bruce or Shar 770-977-7924, sbkile58@aol.com

Let's make this our best Bowl-A-Rama ever!

DIRECTIONS: I-75 North to 1-575 / Phillip M Landrum Memorial Hwy North toward Canton. Exit 7 right, GA 92 toward Woodstock. Turn right onto GA 92. Go approximately 3/4 mile and turn left at the Dairy Queen onto Woodpark Place. Follow the circle around to AMF Woodstock Lanes.



AACA AUBURN, INDIANA JULY 1-3

BUICK EVENT

From AACA Speedster April, 2021

AACA is continuing the tradition of inviting other car clubs to join us at our national events and this year promises to be our biggest and best. The traditional show at Auburn Auction Park courtesy of RM Auctions will be held July 1-3 in Auburn, Indiana. Located on hundreds of acres with a LOT of asphalt and several large buildings, this property will allow us to do everything we need to do to host a safe event in a year still filled with some uncertainty due to the virus.

Auburn is the home of great car museums and wonderful countryside. The facility we use is directly off an exit on an interstate highway, so it is easy access on and off. There are plenty of hotel rooms in the vicinity as well.

Friday night we will have a cruise-in to downtown Auburn. Both the A-C-D Museum and the NATMUS Museum will stay open late for our car clubs. We expect to have a great flea market and car corral from Friday to Saturday as well and the cost for spaces is more than reasonable. Saturday's show will allow all of the car clubs to park separately, but anyone who is an AACA member will still be eligible to get their car judged even if it is parked with the marque club. Our world-class banquet by award-winning BBQ chef Tim Johnson and family will be held again, and anyone who has been at Auburn in the past can tell you it is amazing! Tim will also be serving breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

The Hudson-Essex-Terraplane fans have been invited and they will, as we have said, display their cars in a separate area. We have also been asked to invite Buick owners and provide a separate venue for the Buick fans to have a judged event. The awards are spectacular and unlike any you have ever experienced most likely! The Buick Heritage Alliance will be supporting the show by providing these very special awards. The traditional trophy awarded at national Buick meets by The NB Center for American Automotive Heritage in Allentown will also be awarded. Buick owners do not hesitate to register as we have room for more than 1,000 cars properly spaced and room to feed everyone. (In 2019, we fed 700 people in 25 minutes!) Again, you have a chance to be judged at both the Buick display and AACA on the same day! A late addition to our event is a group of AMC owners who will also display in a separate area and can register by calling 717-534-1910 and ask for Pat Buckley.

As a bonus to all non-AACA members, we have a special \$20 half-year membership you can purchase as of June 1 which will allow you to be judged by AACA. We have more than 100 classes and special classes for unrestored cars, "driver" cars, motorcycles, trucks, etc. If you would like to review our Judging Guidelines, they can be found by [clicking here](#).

Our goal for this event is to continue our mission of helping everyone in the hobby, not just our members. This is why our library is a free library and our website hosts other car club forums for free. This is also not the first time we have hosted other cars clubs as we have done this for many years. So, please consider joining us. Information will be available online at www.aaca.org/buickshow for the Buick folks and www.aaca.org for AACA members or by calling 717-534-1910.

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

In Memorium

It is with sadness that we announce that Cathy Newhouser, the Dixie Chapter's only honorary member passed away earlier this winter. Please keep the entire **Newhouser** family in your thoughts and prayers as they go through this most difficult of times. .

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

April 25, 2021

Roddy Pearce Memorial Bowl a rama and chapter meeting at Woodstock Lanes. Details in this issue!!

October 18-23

BDE Fall Tour. Huntsville, AL
Details and Registration coming soon!

BCA, Chapter, and BDE Events

APRIL 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	

April 3, 2021.

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

May 15, 2021

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

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

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



Non-Chapter Events

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 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 without 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 Welcomes
• Registration 9-11am • Trophies 1pm

ATLANTA MOTOR SPEEDWAY
1500 TARA PLACE, HAMPTON GA

Information: Mickey White, Swap Meet Chairman, call/text 956-371-4957 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

Georgia Cool Cruisers
Cars for a Cause

LifeLine ANIMAL PROJECT
A Donation to Benefit

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

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



10am - 3pm • 210 Etowah Springs Rd • Cartersville, Ga.

To all of our car friends: Mark your calendar, ask Alexa to set a reminder or just create a post-it note for the Spring Edition of Ride by the River - Saturday, April 10. A special thanks to everyone who attended our inaugural event and for spreading the word about the venue and fun times had by all. With the interest generated last year we expect more than double the 210 cars we had last Fall. We are expecting as many as 600 cars to attend this Spring. BBQ, Pizza and vendor spaces will be available. NO REGISTRATION FEE. NO AWARDS PRESENTED. NO SWAP MEET SPACES. We look forwards to continuing our theme of a simple, good old time gathering of friends that love all types of classic cars.



BUICK TRIVIA

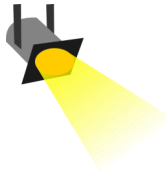


This 1960 Invicta was used in one of the most notorious crimes of the 1960s, fabled in book and film. Do you know the crime that took place in 1962? The French license plates are a big hint. Answer on page 12.

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

- 4/5 Bill & Nancy Hansen
- 4/7 Gene & Andrea Walsh
- 4/24 James & Sarah Thomas
- 4/26/58 Bruce & Shar Kile



BIRTHDAYS

- 4/6 Jerry Richstein
- 4/14 Pat Levelle
- 4/15 Heidi Jeziorski
- 4/27 Jack Horvath

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Come join us on Facebook!



BUICK TRIVIA ANSWER

Although portrayed by a brown Lincoln Continental Mark III in the movie, this Invica was used in the actual French Connection drug bust in 1962.



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Deals on Wheels



Car for Sale: My Dad bought this car for my 18th birthday. He bought it on the telephone from Jim Burke Buick in Birmingham. It was originally purchased by a doctor for his wife, but he brought it back to the dealership. He said it was too fast for her! I drove it for a few years, and moved off to college. My Dad has kept it garaged to this day. He keeps the battery charged, and drives it every so often.

The car has just over 94K miles, is all original, and has never been in any accidents. He did replace the carpet and a seat cover, all with factory replacement parts. The T-tops do not leak or rattle, and we have the oem bags that they are stored in while out. I am asking \$30,000 for this car. Title is clean. My contact number is (704) 219-7142, or my email is bamadawg120@aol.com.



Car for sale. **Price Reduced** 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. Second elderly owner asking \$10,000. Call Tom Jameson (843) 571-2264



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.





Deals on Wheels



Car For Sale 1960 LeSabre Sedan, original family owned, 83,000 miles, runs great and everything works (including the AM radio). Tour it & show it. A lot of car for only \$10,500. Bruce Kile knows the car & has a few more pictures or call the owner, Andrea Mason (678) 314-9908



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**.



Remember when flying and driving weren't just matters of conveyance but rather events to be savored? Photo provided by Dave Berquist.



40th ANNUAL PEACH BLOSSOM B.O.P.C.

Buick • Oldsmobile • Pontiac • Cadillac

**Car Show, Swap Meet, & Car Corral
Saturday Only – May 15, 2021**

Saturday, May 15, 2021 – Car Show, Swap Meet, & Car Corral

Piedmont Church, 570 Piedmont Rd, Marietta, GA 30066

8:00 am to 11:00 am — Registration

Popular Vote Judging ends at 12:00 Noon

Food Concessions Available throughout the day!

Awards Ceremony at 2:00 pm

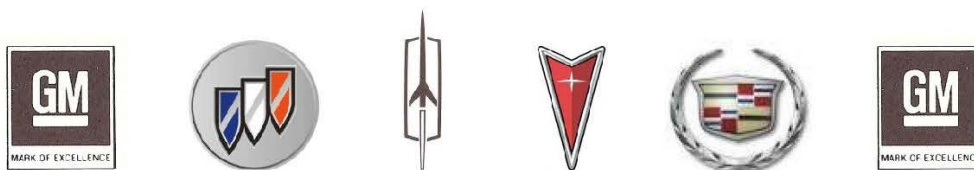
Hosted by the Dixie Olds Club

DIRECTIONS TO THE SHOW: Take I-75 to Exit 269 (Barrett Parkway – Town Center Mall). Turn east, Barrett Parkway becomes Piedmont Road. The Church and Car Show are about two miles on the right. (Note: I-575 also crosses Barrett 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 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.

Additional show information, registration form, and class listings are coming soon.



40TH ANNUAL PEACH BLOSSOM BOPC SHOW

May 15, 2021 • Piedmont Baptist Church

Dash Plaques for the first 100 registrations • Hosted by the Dixie Olds Club

FEES:

Registrations postmarked by April 30, 2021 are \$25 for first car and \$20 for each additional car

Vendor spaces reserved by April 30, 2021 are \$25 for 1st space and \$20 for each additional space

Car Corral spaces reserved by April 30, 2021 are \$25 for 1st space and \$20 for each additional space

All fees increase by \$5 additional on day of show and if postmarked/received AFTER April 30, 2021

2021 BOPC Commemorative T-Shirts are \$20 and will be available FOR PREORDERS ONLY in sizes S, M, L, XL, XXL, and XXXL.

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS PREFERRED, FAST, AND SAFE!

Please go to: <https://DixieOldsClub.formstack.com/forms/bopc2021>

to register for this year's event!

Or print your completed online registration form, enclose your check made payable to Dixie Olds Club and mail to Ed Williams, Dixie Olds Club, 315 Stone Mill Trail, Sandy Springs, GA 30328.

CLASS LIST

A	Pre 1943 (Pre WW II) All (Non-modified)	M-3	1986–Current All Modified
B	1946–1954 All	N-1	1961–1964 A-Body Performance All
C	1955–1958 All	N-2	1965–1967 A-Body Performance All
D-1	1959–1963 Full Size All & Eldorado Thru 1966	O	1968–1979 A-Body Non-Performance OPEN
D-2	1964–1969 Full Size All	P	1968–1979 A-Body Non-Performance CLOSED
E	1964+ Riviera & Toronado & 1967+ Eldorado	Q	1968-1969 A-Body Performance OPEN
F	1970–1979 Full Size All	R	1968–1969 A-Body Performance CLOSED
G	1978–1989 Non-Sport & Non-Performance All	S	1970–1979 A-Body Performance OPEN
H	1978–1989 Sport & Performance All	T-1	1970–1974 A-Body Performance CLOSED
I	1980–2015 2 Seat Sport All	T-2	1975–1979 A-Body Performance CLOSED
J	1967–1974 Firebird & Trans Am	U	1990–2015 Non-Sport & Non-Performance All
K	1975–2015 Firebird & Trans Am	V	1990–2015 Sport & Performance All
L	1961–1967 A-Body Non-Performance All	W	All Years Professional Cars
M-1	1965 & Earlier All Modified	X	Survivor (Pre-1986 Only)
M-2	1966–1985 All Modified	Y	Work in Process (Pre-1986)

OPEN = CONVERTIBLE CLOSED = NON-CONVERTIBLE

Awards for Classes A-W are by Popular Vote, and awards will be given for 1st and 2nd place. Classes X & Y, Best Buick, Best Oldsmobile, Best Pontiac, Best Cadillac, and Best of Show are selected by BOP&C Club Presidents and are for 1 award each.

Note: Classes may be reassigned, combined, or eliminated day of show. If you cannot determine which class your car is in, it will be assigned at registration on day of show.