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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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Hello Dixie BCA Members,

We are finally moving in to our new home. The garage is 50' x 40', so I will finally bring my cars together in one garage. Yeah! What an experience building a home. Allison is about to be committed. Once I get the car lift in, we will have to have BYOO parties with my Kansas City BBQ included.

The Holiday Party was a Blast! At last count, we had 23 members there at Ippolito's. Great food and fellowship had by all. And the gift exchange was also a highlight. Even the collusion between a couple ladies. No names! 😊

My Wildcat has not had a winter slumber this winter. We are in a movie. Google Project Artemis. I am driving alongside Channing Tatum and Scarlet Johansen. Filming during December, January and February. Coming to a theatre near you soon! If you ever get the chance to be in a movie with your Buick, do it. It is an eye-opening experience. You will never again wonder why a movie costs a hundred million dollars or more

Mark your calendars for the 42nd Annual Peach Blossom BOPC Show in Marietta Georgia on Saturday, May 6th. Bring your beautiful Buicks to show those Olds, Pontiac and Cadillac boys what the gemstone of General Motors really is. Registration info included. Tom Lynde is the manager of door prizes. He will be asking everyone to get a door prize from one of your auto parts stores, tire dealers, insurance agents, car washes, banks, or any other retailer that you come in contact with. Bill McGowen will manage the show day parking of cars. We will need volunteers for each row of cars and greeting cars as they arrive out front. Please contact Bill to help. Registration included in this newsletter.

The Buick Bowl-a-rama is right around the corner on Sunday, Feb 12th. Bruce and Shar are putting their "Magic Handicapping" system together as we speak. Get your RSVP in ASAP. Even if you cannot bowl, come and cheer on your fellow Dixie members. One year I bowled with the opposite hand and did not even get the most gutter ball award!

Happy motoring,

J D

Membership Renewal Time has PAST:

2023 Dixie Chapter dues were due by 12/31/22.

If you are one of the 5 that have not yet paid your 2023 Chapter dues, please send \$20 to Jerry Richstein A.S.A.P.



Sonomatic Sounds

Tom Lynde, Editor



Hey Everyone!

The new year got off to a strong start with the After the Holidays party and momentum continues to build for an exciting year. Don't forget about the annual Bowl-a-rama coming up in just a couple of weeks. As it would happen, the Bowl-a-rama falls on the same day as a little football game, but Bruce Kile assures us that we will wrap up the bowling, lunch and meeting in plenty of time to take in the opening kick-off. Drive that Buick and come on out.

Also in this issue, you will find the registration forms for the Peach Blossom BOPC. The Dixie Chapter is hosting this year and this is an "all hands on deck" event and we encourage all Dixie Chapter members to be involved. Please contact J.D. Westfall or Jerry Richstein to volunteer. As for me, I will be heading up the drive to collect door prizes for the BOPC. Please take a few minutes when you are in your favorite auto parts store, restaurant, or any place that a car enthusiast may find him or herself, and ask for a donation for the door prize table. A healthy door prize table will go a long way towards a successful car show. Please call or email me if you have any questions.

As for me and the family Buicks, it is time to start the Spring detailing duties to get ready for show season. I have already been busy filling out registration forms and am looking forward to a great Spring and Summer. I hope your plans are starting to come together, too. See you at the Bowl-a-rama

Happy Buicking,

Tom



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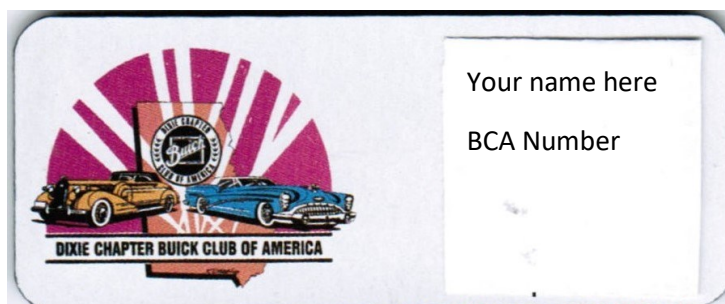
In Memorium

It is with sadness that we acknowledge the passing of longtime Dixie Chapter member Cliff Dillingham. Please remember Don McClair and Cliff's family in your thoughts and prayers.

Clifford Dillingham, age 88, of Buford, GA, formerly of Weaverville, NC died Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at his residence. Cliff was born August 17, 1934, in Buncombe County to the late Herman Clinton Dillingham and Stella Carter Dillingham. He lived in Weaverville for many years and resided in Buford, Georgia since 1966. Cliff was a 1952 graduate of Flat Creek High School and Georgia State University. He was a Navy Veteran, working in avionics, assigned to a jet attack squadron. He retired from AT&T after 30 years as Systems Manager in the Engineering Department and retired a second time from International Safety Instruments as Department Manager over the Information Systems Department. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by two of his sisters, Clara Dillingham and Barbara Dillingham Maddux. Cliff is survived by his sister, Sue Dillingham Shuford of Barnardsville, several nieces and nephew and his special friend, Don McClair. His graveside service will be held 2:30 p.m. Monday, January 16, 2023, in West Memorial Park, Weaverville with Reverend Steve Ackerman officiating. For those who desire, condolences may be offered to the family under Mr. Dillingham's obituary at www.WestFamilyFuneralServices.com.

DIXIE CHAPTER NAME TAGS

Get your free Dixie Chapter name tag! It is what the best dressed DC/BCA members are wearing this year. Available with either magnetic or pin back, these stylish tags boast the attractive Dixie Chapter logo and your name and BCA number. To get yours you need to contact Shar Kile at 770-977-7924 or sbkile58@aol.com. There is no charge for your first name tag, if you receive it at a chapter meeting or event and only a nominal charge for a replacement name tag. Order yours today!



Dixie Chapter BCA After the Holidays Party!

Photos by Glenn and Debbie Novack and J.D. Westfall



Many thanks to J.D. Westfall for putting together this year's party!

A great time was had by all!

Support your chapter by attending meetings and events!



DOOR PRIZES NEEDED !!!

The Peach Blossom BOPC show will be here before we know it. One hallmark of a successful car show is the number and quality of door prizes for registrants. Please be on the look out for potential door prizes at establishments that you patronize. These items can include car care supplies, small tool kits, tee-shirts, caps, or gift cards. Donors will be recognized at the door prize table.

Please help make this year's BOPC a roaring success and seek out some door prize donations. For more information call or email Tom Lynde. 770-827-5357 or lynde2375@charter.net.

Thank you!!



UPCOMING CHAPTER MEETINGS

February 12, 2023 Bowl-a-rama

March 2023 Zoom Meeting

April 2023 Meeting at the home of members Glenn and Debbie Novak. Tour their car collection and 1950's style rec room.

Dates and Locations subject to change.

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

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

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

#2 1930 Roadster

#3 1970 GS Convertible

#4 Special Convertible

#5 1987 Grand National

#6 1959 Electra Convertible

#7 1990 Reatta Convertible

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

www.buickclub.org

The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA, Chapter, and BDE Events

February 12, 2023.

Roddy Pierce Memorial Bowl-a-rama. Woodstock Lanes, Woodstock, GA.

April 16—20, 2023

BDE National Spring Tour
 “Return to Mayberry”
 Historic Mt Airey, NC
 See Jerry Richstein

FEBRUARY 2023						
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				

May 5-6, 2023

Peach Blossom BOPC at Piedmont Church.

570 Piedmont Road, Marietta
 Hosted by Dixie Chapter BCA.
 Save the date!

July 12-15, 2023

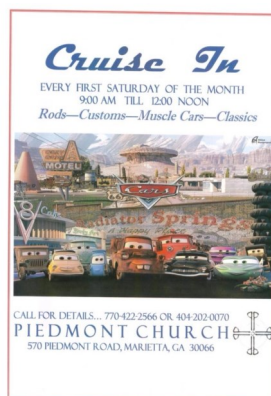
BCA National Meet in Spokane, Washington. Refer to the Buick Bugle for registration information

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

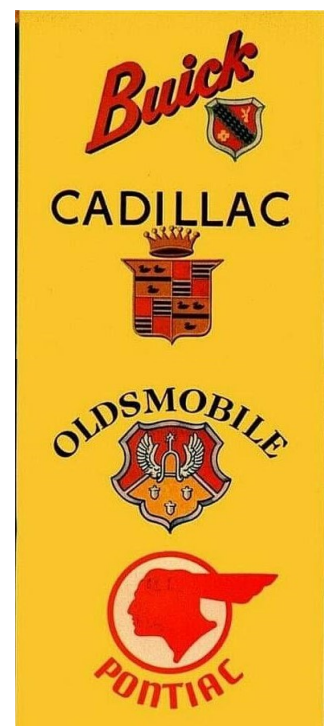
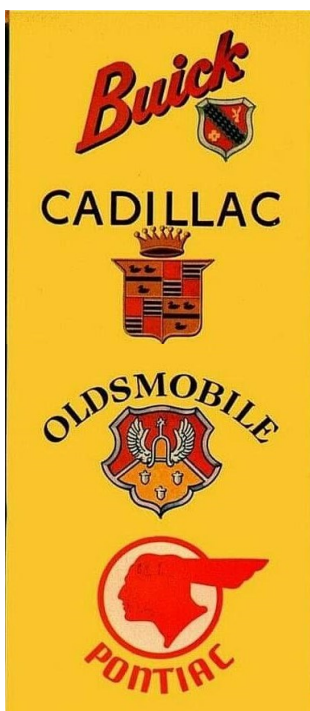
October 2023

Southeast Regional Tour. Middle Georgia/ Milledgeville. Details to

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



DIXIE CHAPTER WEBSITE
www.dixie.buickclub.org



BUICK TRIVIA



Can you identify the Buick in this Photo? Bonus points for Id-ing the aircraft and the actor, too.

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

THE RODDY PIERCE MEMORIAL "BOWL-A- RAMA" Feb. 12th

Our annual winter activity is the Bowl-A-Rama. It is held at the AMF Lanes in Woodstock, followed by "awards" lunch and our monthly meeting.

BOWLING IS OPTIONAL, although with the (official) Buick club handicap system it favors the infrequent bowler rather than "regular bowlers".

Weather permitting, we encourage driving your "pride & joy". We always have reserved parking, "car show style" and (sometimes) awards for something car related.

Bowling & lunch is \$15, lunch only is \$7.50.

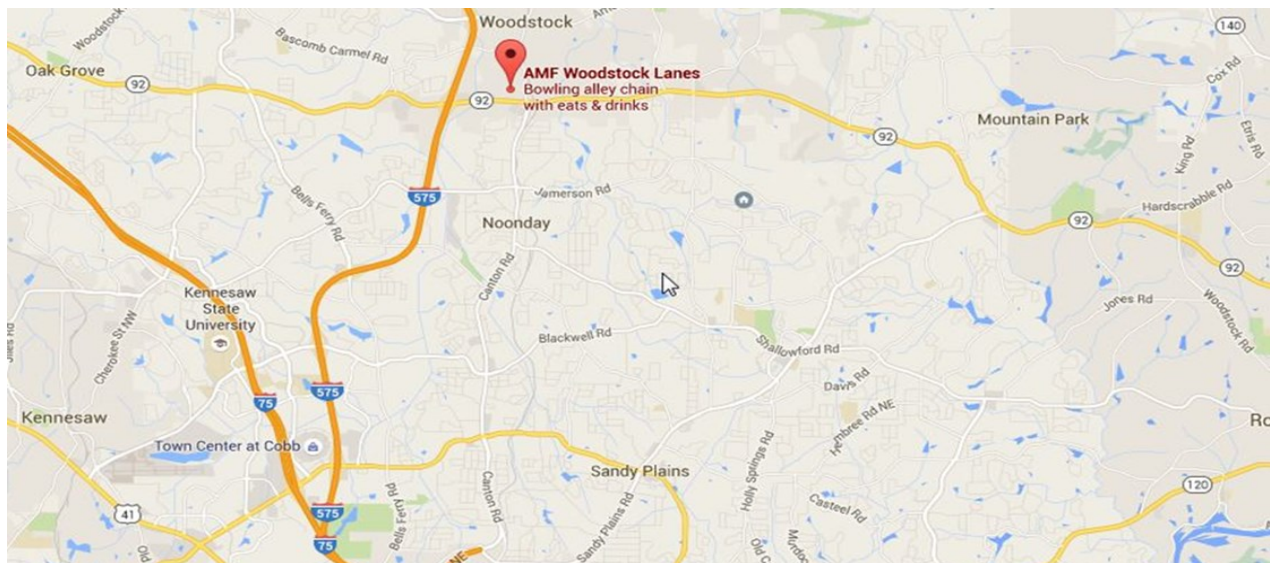
Bowlers need to be at the lanes and ready to bowl by 12:30.

We need an RSVP by Feb 9th for everyone coming for bowling or just lunch. We should be finished up by Superbowl time!

Please call Bruce or Shar (770) 977-7924 email sbkile58@aol.com

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.

For those coming from the East take GA 92 West. Cross Canton Hwy. Go approximately 1,000 feet and then turn right between McDonalds & Velox Insurance onto Woodpark Blvd. Follow the circle until you see AMF Woodstock Lanes.



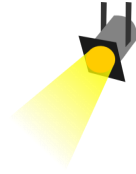
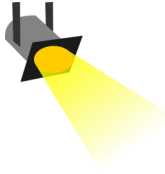
Car of the Month



Drive your Buick to Chapter events and it may be Car of the Month

The Parts Authority is more than your source for genuine ACDelco parts such as batteries (including 6 volt) ignition parts etc., at discount pricing. Call on them for great prices on your auto parts needs. The Dixie Chapter BCA has established a "cash account" with The Parts Authority <http://www.partsauthority.com/>. 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, Roswell, and Columbus. A "cash account" does include Visa/MasterCard. If you have any questions call Bruce Kile (770) 977-7924.

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***.

Remember! Any member who desires a copy of the minutes of a Dixie Chapter Business Meeting may receive a copy after the minutes have been approved by the membership by contacting the club secretary

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

There are no anniversaries to report this month

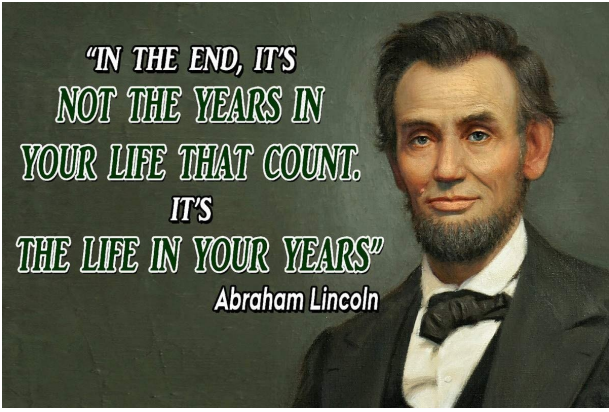
BIRTHDAYS

- 2/2/65 Steve Zigler
- 2/10 Charles Hunter
- 2/15 Bruce Kille
- 2/24 Gail Anderson
- 2/26 David Brani
- 2/28 Bob McNichols

Grit in the Gearbox



Quotable Quotations



BUICK TRIVIA ANSWER



The car in the picture is a 1940 Buick Limited Convertible Phaeton Model 81C posing with a DC-2 airliner. Joining in the photo is actor Dennis Morgan.

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

DEALS ON WHEELS

1997 - 2004 Buick Century 15" wheel covers in like new condition. \$25.00 for set of 4 plus shipping.
Contact Lee Hurdelbrink, 545 Timber Valley Rd.
Sandy Springs, GA 30342. 404-702-3350,
atlantablh@aol.com.



Parts Cars for sale: Several '54, '55 and '56 parts cars in the pasture and woods though. Whole cars at salvage prices or pull your own parts. Email 1954buick@gmail.com or text 706 201 8555.



Car for sale: 1947 Buick Super Convertible Model 56C. Needs complete restoration. Many duplicate parts. Originally red. 248ci 110 HP eight cylinder engine. Located in the South Atlanta area. Asking \$7,800 or best offer. Call Jerry Richstein 404-679 6071 for more information

1962 Buick LeSabre for sale: V8 auto trans 401 wildcat. P.S., P.B. Mostly original/no modifications. Tight & sound. Only 39k miles! Original paint: Marlin Blue. Never been in an accident/always garage kept. No restoration needed. Runs well. 3rd owner. Has been used as a special event car and as a daily driver. \$14,500
Phone 678-549-1447



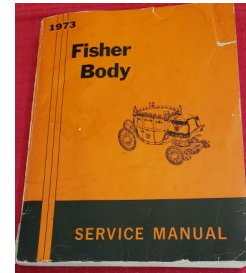
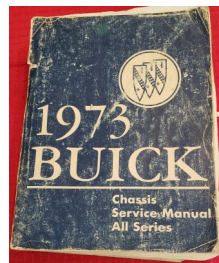
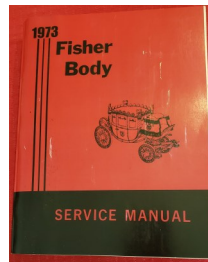
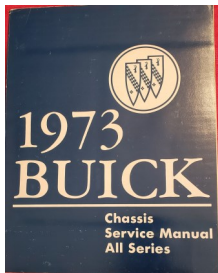
I don't know if this item was available on 1964 and 1965 Buick and Olds A-body cars like it was for GTOs but I took this off my '65 before I sold it. It worked really well but when I installed power steering I did not need it. The stabilizer unit is from AMES Performance and had very little use. The brackets are the real deal and are very hard to find. VERY. The U bolts are new and this unit is good looking and it ready to bolt on with absolutely no work to be done. I was hoping you might include this in your next club newsletter. \$175. I live in Holley Springs.
Paul Sorrells (404) 702-3398. Thanks



DEALS ON WHEELS

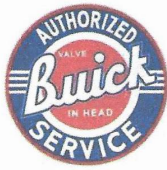
Service and Chassis Manuals for sale; Two 1973 Buick Chassis Service Manuals All Series. One is in excellent condition. The other is more worn. In addition there are two 1973 Fisher Body service Manuals, one is in excellent condition. The other is more worn. The two books in good condition are \$35.00 Each. The other books in not so good condition are 7.50 each.

Contact Pat Horvath 404-904-2376 jnphorvath@gmail.com.



Buick Parts for sale: 68-69 AM radio: \$30, 68-69 Electra or Riviera AM Radio:\$40. 68-68 and 70-72 wheel opening moldings, \$40 each, 68-69 Skylark side trim, \$25 each. 68 Skylark trunk trim, \$25 each. Call Jeff 404-538-7623

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**.



42nd Annual "Peach Blossom" BOPC Show May 6, 2023 At Piedmont Church
570 Piedmont Road, Marietta, GA, 30066 678-354-2800

Free Dash Plaque for the first 150 registrations!

Participant Registration:

Name(s): _____
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Car Registration: PLEASE, NO FOR SALE SIGNS ON VEHICLES IN SHOW AREA
"For Sale" vehicles are to be parked in car corral.

1st Car: Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____
Body Style: _____ MODIFIED? Yes/No: _____ Class: _____

NOTE: Please see list of Classes on back of this form.

2nd Car: Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____
Body Style: _____ MODIFIED? Yes/No: _____ Class: _____

NOTE: Please attach 2nd sheet if registering more than 2 cars.

Club Affiliations (If any): _____

If No Club Affiliation, would you like more information on becoming a Member of one of the Clubs at this show? Please check (✓) all that apply. Buick () Oldsmobile () Pontiac () Cadillac ()

Fees:

Registrations postmarked by April 1st are \$25 first car and _____ @ \$25 = _____
\$20 each additional car _____ @ \$20 = _____
Vendor spaces reserved by April 1st are \$25 first space and _____ @ \$25 = _____
\$15 each additional space _____ @ \$15 = _____
Car Corral spaces reserved by April 1st are \$25 for first space _____ @ \$25 = _____
\$15 each additional space _____ @ \$15 = _____

All fees are \$5 additional if postmarked after April 1, 2023, and on day of show.

2023 BOPC Commemorative Tee Shirts are \$20 each.

S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ XXXL: _____

Total number of shirts: _____ @ \$20 = _____

Friday May 5th 6:00 Meet & Greet (At Piedmont Church PREREGISTERED ONLY)

Includes BBQ sandwich, chips, and soft drink (\$4 per person) _____ @ \$4 = _____

Total sent for the 2023 BOPC: \$ _____

Please make checks payable Dixie Chapter BCA and mail to:

Jerry Richstein, 4798 Grants Way NE, Marietta, GA 30066

By the execution of this form, participants release the Dixie Chapter, Buick Club of America, and its members, Piedmont Church, its members and anyone connected with the presentation of the "Peach Blossom BOPC" from any and all known and unknown damages, injuries, losses, claims or judgments from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant or participant to his/her person, family or property.

Signed _____ Date _____ A FIRE EXTINGUISHER IS MANDATORY IN EVERY VEHICLE.

2023 B. O. P. C. Classes

A	PRE 1943 (PRE WW II) ALL and 1943 – 1945 HELLCAT TANK 😊
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 – 1979 FULL SIZE ALL OPEN
H	1971 – 1979 FULL SIZE ALL CLOSED
I	1980 – Current 2 SEATER (Reatta, Fiero, Solstice, Alantè, XLR) ALL
J	1967 – 1974 FIREBIRD & TRANS AM (Except Modified)
K	1975 – Current FIREBIRD & TRANS AM (Except Modified)
L	1961 – 1967 A-BODY PERFORMANCE ALL
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 – 1979 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 – Current NON-SPORT & NON-PERFORMANCE ALL
Y	1990 – Current SPORT & PERFORMANCE ALL
Z	ALL YEARS PROFESSIONAL CARS (Race, sedan delivery, hearse, ambulance, flower car, etc.) ALL
M-1	1952 & earlier ALL MODIFIED
M-2	1953 – 1980 ALL MODIFIED
M-3	1981 – Current ALL MODIFIED