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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

Sonomatic Sounds

Tom Lynde, Editor



Greetings,

Memorial Day has passed and we are officially into the unofficial days of Summer and I am still basking in the glow of a great BOPC last month. I hope you take time to look at the pictures and remember the day. If you did not make it this year, please plan to attend next year's event.

Also make plans to attend this Saturday's (that is right, Saturday!) chapter meeting. Details of the event are in this newsletter and it is shaping up to be a real good time.

I have been puttering around the garage doing little chores on the cars , including having the Electra's original radio rebuilt by a retired Delco tech and reinstalling it. While not officially a Sonomatic, it once again has that great "Concert Sound" piping through the factory Bose speakers. Tchaikovsky has not sounded so good in a very long time.

In other matters, I learned today that there will be an official " Collector Car Appreciation Day" observance in Georgia on July 14th. The idea is for as many collector cars as possible to gather at Maxie Price Motors in Loganville and the caravan parade style with police escort to the Atlanta Motor Speed way in Hampton for a large celebration. I am still light on details, but will pass them on when I know more.

Speaking of AMS, the Hot Rod Power Tour day 1 will be happening there on June 12th. I am planning on being there. The crowd will be crazy huge, but I hope to find other DCBCA folks there.

Happy Buicking!

Tom



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Peach Blossom BOPC

Great weather and a nice turnout marked the annual Peach Blossom BOPC hosted by the Dixie Chapter, BCA. There were plenty of gleaming show cars filling the parking lot of the Piedmont Church in Marietta and a great time was had by all. A number of Dixie chapter participants garnered awards for their beautiful Buicks. Many thanks to show organizers J.D. Westfall and Jerry Richstein and all others who had a hand for their hard work in putting together this successful show. Make plans to attend next year's show hosted by Southeastern GTO Association.



Peach Blossom BOPC



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More photos from Glenn and Debbie Novak



Peach Blossom BOPC

Dixie Chapter Winners!!

NAME		Car information					
Last	First	Year	Make	Model	Body Style	CLASS	WINNER
Bass	Roy	1966	Buick	Riviera	2 Door	F	Class F 1st
Cartus	Bill	1952	Buick	Roadmaster	4 Door	B	Class B 1st
Finkelstein	Danny	1968	Buick	GS 400	Convertible	O	Best Buick
Horvath	Pat	2017	Buick	Encore	4 Door	X	Class X 3rd
Hunter	Charles	1960	Buick	Electra 225	Convertible	D	Class D 1st
Kile	Bruce & Shar	1970	Buick	Skylark Custom	2 Dr HT	S	Class S 1st
Lynde	Tom	1989	Buick	Electra Park Ave	Sedan	V	Class V 3rd
McGowen	Bill	1972	Buick	Skylark	Convertible	M-2	Class M-2 3rd
Novak	Glenn	1998	Buick	Park Ave	Sedan	X	Class X 1st
Richstein	Jerry	1934	Buick	91	Club Sedan	M-1	Best Modified
Sincere	John	1975	Buick	LeSabre	Convertible	G	Class G 1st
Walsh	Gene	1968	Buick	Skylark Custom	Convertible	R	Class R 1st
Westfall	JD	1967	Buick	Wildcat	Convertible	D	Class D 3rd
Wilson	Jerry	1972	Buick	Gran Sport	2 Dr Coupe	P	Class P 3rd
Ziglin	Alan	1972	Buick	Riviera	Boat Tail	F	Class F 2nd

June Meeting

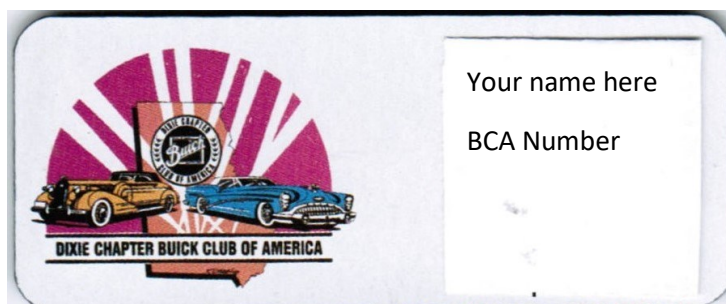
Saturday June 10th

The Dixie Chapter will have its June meeting on Saturday, June 10th at Streetside Classics in Lithonia. We will meet at 11:30 am at Wallace BBQ 3035 Veterans Memorial Highway in Austell for lunch then caravan to Streetside Classics, 213 Thornton Road in Lithia Springs, to tour the consignment shop and have our monthly business meeting at 1:00 pm. See you there! As always, if you cannot or do not wish to attend the lunch, just meet us at Streetside around 1 pm.

If you have any questions please call Glenn Novak 706-333-8912.

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!



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

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.

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
#8 1965 Wildcat Convertible

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

www.buickclub.org

June 10, 2023

Chapter Meeting at Streetside Classics, Lithonia. Meet 11:30 Am at Wallace BBQ in Austell for lunch and then convoy to Streetside for meeting at 1:00 pm.

June 26, 2023

6— 8 PM

BOPC night at Summit Racing in McDonough. I-75 at HWY 155, exit 216

The Timing Chain

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCA, Chapter, and BDE Events

June 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	29	30	

Have fun with us!
Attend chapter
meetings and
activities!

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

**July 12-15, 2023**

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

October 2023

Southeast Regional Tour. Middle Georgia/ Milledgeville. Details in this newsletter. Save the Date!

Cruise In
 EVERY FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
 9:00 AM TILL 12:00 NOON
Rods—Customs—Muscle Cars—Classics

CALL FOR DETAILS... 770-422-2566 OR 404-202-0070
PIEDMONT CHURCH
 570 PIEDMONT ROAD, MARIETTA, GA 30066

MONDAY NIGHT CRUISE-INS
All Vehicles Welcome
6 pm to 8 pm
 No Monday Night Cruise-Ins on May 29 or September 4

April 10	First Cruise—Summit Racing Employee Vehicles
April 17	High School and College Student Night
April 24	Chevrolet Night
May 1	Ford, Lincoln, and Mercury
May 8	Chrysler, Dodge, Plymouth, and AMC
May 15	Trucks, Diesel, and Military
May 22	Camaro, Firebird, and Trans Am
June 5	Rat Rods and Old School Hot Rods
June 12	1920s thru 1940s Hot Rods and Street Rods
June 19	1970s and 1980s Cars and Motorcycles
June 26	Buick, Oldsmobile, Pontiac, and Cadillac
July 3	Bronco Night
July 10	Mustang, Falcon, Cougar, and T-Bird
July 17	1950s Cars and Motorcycles
July 24	Two Seat Sports Cars, Bikes, and Trikes
July 31	Under Construction Project Cars and Engine Swap Vehicles
August 7	Corvette Night
August 14	Pro Street, Gasser, and Race Cars
August 21	Convertible, Targa, and T-Top
August 28	Import Night
September 11	Late Model Muscle Cars and Motorcycles
September 18	1960s Cars and Motorcycles
September 25	Restomod, Pro Touring, and LS/Coyote Engine Swap
October 2	Jeep Night
October 9	Lady Owners Night
October 16	Turbo, Supercharger, and Nitrous
October 23	Dodge Charger and Challenger
October 30	Last Cruise

SUMMIT
 RACING EQUIPMENT

DIXIE CHAPTER WEBSITE

www.dixie.buickclub.org

BUICK TRIVIA

What was the first Buick station wagon to offer a two way tailgate? One that dropped down like a conventional tailgate or opened like a car door.



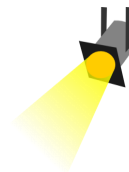
The club "store" is now open for business at all business meetings. Some of the items available are cloth BCA jacket patches, static cling BCA window decals, keepsake ornaments (featuring various *Buick* models), and *Buick* playing cards, too! Contact Bruce Kile 770-977-7924 sbkile58@aol.com.

Club Sales

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



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.

BUICK TRIVIA ANSWER

The first Buick station wagon to offer a two way tailgate was the 1969 Sportwagon. The Dual action tailgate was standard on the nine passenger three seat models and an extra cost option on the six passenger models.



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Mile Markers

Celebrating Life's Events



ANNIVERSARIES

6/1 Roy & Janet Bass
 6/1/18 Jerry & Lynn Wilson
 6/10 Lisa Richards & Mike Bashaw
 6/14/70 Alan & Rochelle Ziglin
 6/18 Dave & Kerri Dunton
 6/19 Walt & Julie Ehrenfeuchter
 6/28 David & Janet Brani

BIRTHDAYS

6/2 Ken Barrett
 6/3 Roy Bass
 6/3 Julie C. Ehrenfeuchter
 6/10/74 Stacey Lula
 6/13 Dave Berquist
 6/13 Marie Berquist
 6/16 Howard Baker
 6/17 Ken Green
 6/19/38 Hersel Goff
 6/21 Kerri Dunton
 6/21 Nancy Hansen
 6/24 Mac Mackensen
 6/29n Coleman Rigby

Grit in the Gearbox



Quotable Quotations

My father didn't tell me
 how to live; he lived, and
 let me watch him do it.

Clarence Budington Kelland

DEALS ON WHEELS

1957 Buick Parts for sale: Used parts: bumpers, rear seat springs, front fenders (need repair), trunk lid, a few other parts. Call Raymond Collins for details 706.-865-4185.

Free! 10 years of Buick Bugles, (12/95-2/2005) Contact Stephen Sauer, 770/431-9724 Cell, 770/434-7930 landline

Request for assistance from Dixie Chapter member Paul VanNortwick.

My 90 Riviera is in the body shop to be repaired from hitting a deer. Had to wait its turn, but body shop is ready to start in on it. The attachment shows what I need. Have already come up with grille. Need the other three items. Hoopers Used Auto Parts in Dallas, NC has the whole bumper for a reasonable price which will give me the rest of what I need. They won't ship, or accept a customer pick up by common carrier. Has to be picked up in person by someone. At the present time, I can't go there in person due to my wife's health. My question to you is do you know of someone who might have these items and who will ship by UPS or whomever? Sure would appreciate any help you can give me. Please email **paul_v@venturebyproducts.com**

Photos of needed parts



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**.

DEALS ON WHEELS

Buick Parts for sale: 68-69 Skylark AM radio: \$30, 1973-75 Century or Regal AM/FM stereo, \$50. 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

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.



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. Paul Sorrells (404) 702-3398.



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.

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Southeast Regional BCA Tour

Hosted by Dixie Chapter, BCA

"Milledgeville, 1st Capitol of Georgia"

"October 25 – 29, 2023"

HOST HOTEL: \$109 Single or Double Occupancy includes breakfast. Call hotel directly and ask for Buick Club block rate. Maximum 35 Registrations/35 cars for the tour. Hotel details furnished upon receipt of registration forms.

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest _____ BCA# _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Tel. (Home): _____ (Cell): _____ Email: _____

Buick Planning to drive on Tour: Year: _____ Model: _____ Body Style: _____ Color: _____

Note: THIS INFO IS FOR ARRANGEMENT OF THE TOUR GROUPS. IF YOU CHANGE CARS, PLEASE NOTIFY US PRIOR TO ARRIVAL. Driving a Buick is highly recommended.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF REGISTRATION IS Sept 25, 2023

REGISTRATION FEE: \$25 (BCA Member & Spouse/Guest) 1 Dash plaque/tour packet/Hospitality \$ _____

Additional Guests (Children/Grandchildren/Friends/etc. riding in member's car. # _____ x \$5 = \$ _____

Wednesday, Oct 25th: Arrival and Hospitality. Dinner on your own. 4 restaurants in walking distance.

We will have a short meeting Wednesday at 7:30 pm in hospitality suite to discuss tour details.

Thursday, Oct 26th: 70 Miles. Tour Warner Robins Museum of Aviation in morning. # _____ x \$5 = \$ _____

Lunch at Cracker Barrel, 2700 Watson Blvd, Warner Robins. Order from menu.

After lunch, Tour Historic WW II Train Depot (previously a dairy farm) that processed 300,000 servicemen. No fee. Donations accepted.

Friday, Oct 27th: 80 mile drive through Oconee National Forrest with halfway break at Wendy's in Greensboro. Then we will head for the "grand opening" of the (soon to be) famous "**Buick Gardens**" near Athens Ga... a retro 1930's Buick Garage on the farm of Lamar & Rita Brown (a/k/a "Mr. Earl") & featuring a personal collection of Buick's of "all sizes", vintage advertising, musical entertainment, & a tasty country buffet for lunch. # _____ x \$25 = \$ _____

Saturday, Oct 28th: 5 miles to downtown. We have two morning tours splitting our group into two. Trolley car tour of historic Downtown Milledgeville with one stop # _____ x \$8 = \$ _____

Tour of Georgia's 1st Governor's Mansion # _____ x \$7 = \$ _____

Lunch on your own. We will be downtown with their many shops and restaurants. You will note that there is a college downtown theme with 2 colleges located there.

Saturday Evening Banquet Dinner: 6 pm at Taylor's Cove Restaurant, 3065 N Columbia St, Milledgeville GA 31061. Located 5 miles due north of Holiday Inn. If you cross the bridge across the reservoir, you've gone too far. Servers will ask your choice of 4 proteins (steak, shrimp, chicken breast or salmon). Included are green beans, salad, mashed potatoes, and cheesecake. Yes, there will be a cash bar! #____ x \$45 = \$____

Total Cost per couple doing all events and food is \$205.00

Total Cost per individual member doing all events and food is \$115.00

Total enclosed: \$_____

OUR PARTICIPANT CERTIFICATIONS

I certify that the Buick I will drive on this tour is covered by at least the minimum bodily injury & property liability insurance required by the state or province in which the vehicle is registered. All participating vehicles are to be properly insured & licensed.

I agree not to hold the Buick Club of America, any of its officers, chairpersons, or members responsible for any bodily injury, property damage, lost or stolen property.

I further understand that if my Buick should become disabled during the tour, the tour hosts and/or other members will help secure a ride to remaining activities for myself &/or my passengers.

It is strongly recommended to have a working CB radio & BCA requires a fully charged, operable fire extinguisher in my tour Buick.

Signed: _____ Dated _____

(Please Copy both sides of this Form for Your Records)

Make Check Payable to: "Dixie Chapter Buick Club of America" & mail to:

J D Westfall
724 Sowers Road
Blue Ridge GA 30513

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NOTE: The amount of any refund for this event may depend on cancellation date by the venue or supplier & whether or not a deadline has passed to said supplier/venue.

Questions? Call J D Westfall 913-638-7849