

CRUZ NEWS

April 2022

The Official Newsletter of the
Southern Cruzers



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HAPPY EASTER TO YOU

WE CARROT
ABOUT YOU
A LOT!

GREETINGS!



Cruzer Merchandise

License Plate Plaques - \$20.00
Ron Willson 952-892-6081

Club Window Stickers
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CRUZ NEWS INFO

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SHOW OFF YOUR CAR HOW?

If you contribute an article that is used, a small picture of your car may be published with it. If your car is not on the website, then I don't have a picture of it. (Pics will be used if room allows.)

Mail articles and photos to:

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Burnsville, MN 55337

MEETING & CRUISE INFO

***MONTHLY MEETING ***

Thursday, Apr. 14, 2022, 7 p.m.
Apple Valley Legion Post 1776
14521 Grenada Drive, Apple Valley, MN



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Southern Cruzers platinum "Summer Spectacular" sponsor



*** CHECK OUT THE CRUZERS' WEBSITES ***

There is an Application Form on the MAIN website. If someone wants to join, they can just print it, fill it out, & mail it in with their check.

Please note: These websites, currently, are being revised.

Main site: www.SouthernCruzers.com

Event Site: www.TheSummerSpectacular.com

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

LADIES' NIGHT OUT: Thursday, April 7, 5 p.m., Apple Valley Legion Post 1776, 14521 Grenada Drive. If you have questions, contact Karen Keenan @ 952-758-9754. **Editor's note:** The ladies have this site booked for the whole year. Mark your calendars for the first Thursday of the month, unless noted otherwise.

CLUB MEETING: Thursday, April 14, 7 p.m., at the Apple Valley Legion Post 1776, 14521 Grenada Drive

OTHER SHOWS AND EVENTS (CHECK AHEAD FOR CANCELLATIONS.)

GSTA CAR SHOW: Apr. 2 - 3, 9 - 6 p.m., Warner Coliseum, MN State Fairgrounds, St. Paul, MN, 651-334-6313

SPRING EXTRAVAGANZA CAR SHOW: Sun., May 1, 8 - 3 p.m., MN St. Frgrnds., St. Paul, MN, 651-770-8096

TOMAHAWK CHAPTER CAR SHOW: Sat., Apr. 30, 9 - 2 p.m., Rte. 65 Sales, 14954 Aberdeen St. NE, Ham Lake, MN; Tony Miller @ 651-786-1214 or Todd Lewis @ 651-895-9325

SPRING CAR SHOW/SWAP MEET: Sun., May 1, 8 - 3 p.m., MN State Fairgrounds, St. Paul, 651-770-8096

MSRA SAFETY INSPECTION: Sat., May 14, 9 - 12p.m., TGK Auto (old Master Tranny) Hwy 3, Rosemount, MN

TWIN CITIES AUTO SHOW: Sat., May 14, 10 - 9 p.m., MN State Fairgrounds, St. Paul, MN

RUSS PETERSON MEMORIAL CAR SHOW: Sun., May 15, 10 - 2 p.m., Little Log House, Hastings, MN

AMERICAN LEGION CAR SHOW: Sun., May 22, 10 - 3 p.m., Tahpah Park, Shakopee, MN, 612-802-3723

MORRISTOWN DAM DAYS CAR SHOW: Sat., June 4, 8 - 2 p.m., Baseball field, Morristown, MN 507-339-0157

MOPARS IN THE PARK: June 3 - 5, Washington Co. Fairgrounds, Stillwater, MN, 612-210-1752

ALL GM SHOW & SWAP: Sun., June 5, 8 - 2 p.m., Machinery Hill, MN State Fairgrounds, St. Paul, MN

ALL FORD SHOW & SWAP: Sun., June 5, 9 - 1 p.m., Apple Ford, 7200 150th. St. W, Apple Valley, MN

EDDIE COCHRAN CAR SHOW: June 9 - 11, Albert Lea, MN., 507-373-8003

MSRA BACK TO THE 50'S: June 17 - 19, MN State Fairgrounds

KAPOSIA DAYS CAR SHOW: Sat., June 25, 9 - 3 p.m., 6th Ave N & Marie Ave. South St. Paul, MN

EDITOR'S NOTE: Just a reminder: This listing is in no way a complete one. I just list the events closer to home that may be of interest to our readers, or are favorites with our members. For a more comprehensive list, go to Events with Cars.com, or find the latest issue of the MSRA Linechaser.

CRUISE NIGHTS (CHECK AHEAD FOR CANCELLATIONS.)

HENDERSON ROLL IN: Every Tues. May 31 - Sept. 27, 5 - 8 p.m., Henderson, MN

SAVAGE CULVERS CRUISE NIGHT: 3rd. Tues. of month (Starting date TBA) Savage, MN (612-716-1415) Terry

MONTGOMERY ROLL IN: 3rd. Tues. of month, (May - Sept) 4 - 7 p.m. Montgomery, MN

MUSCLE CAR ROLL-IN: Every other Thurs. (Starting May 19) 5 - 8 p.m., Racks Sports Bar, 2400 Cliff Rd. E., Burnsville, MN

SMOKE SIGNALS ROLL-IN: Every Thurs., 4 - 7 p.m., June 2 - Sept. 29, 16907 Hwy 13 So., Prior Lake, MN

HISTORIC HASTINGS: Sundays, 11 - 4 p.m., 5/15, 6/19, 7/17, 8/21, 9/18

TWIN CITIES CAR SHOW

The Twin Cities Car Show being held May 14- 22, at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds, is looking for car clubs to display cars on Sat., May 14. They are looking for a minimum of 6 cars from each club. Ron Willson has signed up the club for providing 6 cars on that date. Giving you directions on this page to enter your car would be a little complicated. If you are interested in showing your car on the date listed, please call Ron Willson @ 952-892-6081 for information. I also have a copy of the letter sent to us from the car show that I could send to you via email. Individual sign-up sheets for the show are also available. This show also will be discussed at the April club meeting.



DUANE'S WORLD



Things are looking up. Last month I think I wrote that it was snowing and still looked like winter. Now, when I look out the window, I see a lot of bare ground, and it is quite a bit north above the freezing mark. Not being born yesterday and not just off the turnip truck, I have learned not to get too excited about this turn of events as the weather can go down the tubes in a heartbeat! I also remember from last month telling you about the rear spring project taking place with Lil Darlin'. I did get the new rear springs installed, but as luck would have it, I discovered that the old spring perches did not match up with the new springs. I had to figure out the width difference using math skills that I don't use much anymore, and then, with the help of Ron Willson getting the thing loaded onto my truck. I took the rear end over to our local car guru, Don Groff, to have new spring perches welded in. Graciously, Ron came back to help me get it back off the truck, and after a new coat of paint, I will attempt to mate the rear end with the new springs, hoping my math was on the money. Aah, the fun of working on old cars! **Duane's Note:** I don't remember the rear end being that heavy when I installed it, 35 years ago!

This is the time of year that I start bugging you about a subject that is quite important in my mind, and that subject is getting your ride inspected before you take it out on the road, this season. I was talking with my friend, Bill Kantos, who is the head of the MSRA inspection team, and he informed me that the annual inspection in Rosemount is scheduled for Saturday, May, 14, at TGK Auto on Hwy. 3. TGK is the new name for Master Transmission, and it is at the same location. Besides getting your ride inspected, they also have coffee & doughnuts for your dining pleasure. See page 3 for details, and be warned that I will be talking more about this in the next month, or so!

After taking the month of March off, our club meetings will resume on Thursday, April 14. I'm confident that we can come up with enough business to make the meeting lively. If you look at the article below this one, you will see an update on the club website from Mark Peterson, who has been hard at work fine tuning the site, and I am happy with the results, and I think you will be too! I hope to get more photos of our member's cars to add to the site as we have quite a few new members, and some members have changed rides over the years. There is a new photo of Lil Darlin' replacing the one taken years ago when our daughter was just twelve or thirteen.

Fast forward a couple of weeks since I started this article. The snow is all gone, and the rear end is back in the car, and I am now in the process of hooking up the brake lines and installing the brakes. I haven't put the car on the ground, yet, to see how it sits, but the wheels seem to be centered in the wheel wells. I haven't checked the pinion and engine angle to see if they are in agreement. Still some places where problems can arise, but I'm getting there! See you out there, somewhere. DB

A WEBSITE UPDATE FROM MARK PETERSON

"Much has transpired since my last update at our February club meeting. The update of our two websites was completed on February 27. However, one large issue remained. Our web pages used a fixed width that was wider than what many device screens were capable of displaying. This scenario forced users to enlarge what was being displayed, to scroll their screen right to view the entire web page width, or both. Vertical scrolling of web page content is the accepted practice on websites, horizontal scrolling is not.

"On March 21, the rewriting of both of our websites to be "responsive" was completed. Responsive is the term applied to websites that automatically adapt their content to fit the width of the display screen, no matter how narrow or wide. Those visiting our websites will now have a more pleasant experience whether they are using a smartphone, tablet, laptop, or desktop device.

"As always, if you have any questions regarding our websites, do not hesitate to contact me."

MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES – (NO MEETING IN MARCH)

GARAGE SCENE

RON (EAGAN) ANDERSON'S '49 CHEVY & DUANE BARCLAY'S '38 CHEVY

With the weather improving, this will be my last "Garage Scene" for the winter season. Ron (Eagan) Anderson sent in some new photos on the progress of his 1949 Chevy, and it is looking pretty good! Also, I am inserting some photos taken recently of the rear spring project on Lil Darlin'.



Chassis ready to mate with the body. Nice chassis & motor work!



I like my new car lift, you can never have too many jack stands. After looking at this photo of me on the floor, I have decided that I'm getting too old to crawl under cars!

Photos submitted by Ron Anderson, and the editor



SOUTHERN CRUZERS CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL, OR CONVALESCING AT HOME



John Nelson is back home recuperating. Our condolences go out to former members, Norm & Marian Veness on the recent loss of their son, Craig.

There may be members we don't know of who have been hospitalized or ill. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Judy Kemper is the club "Sunshine Lady." Please let her know of any member in the hospital, or suffering the loss of an immediate family member. Judy's phone number is: 952-322-5819.



BIRTHDAYS



April 1, Renae Borowski
 April 8, Denny Borowski
 April 12, Jeanine Lindmeyer
 April 13, Nick Loiacono
 April 14, Chris Aden
 April 19, John Nelson
 April 28, Mary Perry
 April 29, Mike Quinn
 April 30, Marcia Carroll



ANNIVERSARIES



Jim & Lee McMillan, April 3, 1976, 46 years
 Jim & Tami Neher, April 3, 1982, 40 years
 Ron & Laurie Anderson, April 20, 1974, 48 years
 Dave & Tammy Edwinston, April 25, 1987, 35 years
 Chuck & Susan Sieleni, April 30, 1977, 45 years

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL ON
YOUR SPECIAL DAY!**

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Jason & Kimberley Walker, Elko, MN, with a 1963 Ford Galaxie (Mayberry Sheriff replica)

Chico & Lisa Ford, Prior Lake, MN, with a 1968 Chevy Camaro & a 1969 GMC C15

To date, our membership stands at 83. (142 total)

LADIES' NIGHT OUT IN MARCH

On Thursday, March 3, the Southern Cruiser ladies met again at the American Legion post in Apple Valley. In 2022, the ladies will continue to meet the first Thursday of every month at the same venue. If you are new to our club and wish to join them, you are welcome to attend! Photo submitted by Rose Barclay





CHECK OUT APPLE AUTO'S WEBSITE TO FIND THE LATEST SPECIALS, OR ACCESS THEIR SITE FROM THE SOUTHERN CRUZER WEBSITE. REMEMBER, IF YOU BUY A CAR, TIRES, PARTS, OR HAVE SERVICING DONE, DON'T FORGET TO TELL THEM YOU ARE A SOUTHERN CRUZER.



Cruzer Calendar April 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 APRIL FOOL'S DAY	2 GSTA SHOW Apologize for all the pranks you pulled yesterday
3 GSTA SHOW	4	5	6	7 LADIES' NIGHT OUT 5 P.M. Apple Valley Legion Post 1776	8	9
10 PALM SUNDAY	11	12 MSRA BOARD MEETING 7 p.m. Hampton Inn I-694 & Lexington Shoreview, MN	13	14 CLUB MEETING 7 p.m. Apple Valley Legion Post 1776	15 Pay the IRS	16
17 EASTER SUNDAY	18 Hunt for the hidden eggs you couldn't find on Easter	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

CLUB EVENTS

CONTACT PEOPLE

Karen Keenan (Ladies' Night Out) 952-758-9754
 Judy Kemper (Sunshine Lady) 952-322-5819
 Terry Stade (Culver's information) 612-716-1415

OTHER EVENTS

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