

The Official Newsletter of the

Southern Cruzers



SO SAD, THIS IS OUR THIRD VALENTINE'S DAY DEALING WITH COVID-19





THOUGHT WE'D BE DONE WITH IT, BY NOW!



Cruzer Merchandise

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

> Club Window Stickers Jim Neher 952-435-3180

MEETING & CRUISE INFO

***MONTHLY MEETING ***

Thursday, Feb. 10, 2022, 7 p.m.
Apple Valley Legion Post 1776
14521 Grenada Drive, Apple Valley, MN







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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:
Duane Barclay
c/o Southern Cruzers
13018 Girard Ave. So.
Burnsville, MN 55337

Southern Cruzers platinum "Summer Spectacular" sponsors





*** 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, Feb. 3, 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: Thurs., Feb. 10, 7 p.m., Apple Valley American Legion Post 1776, 14521 Grenada Drive. Editor's note: Come a little earlier for a good burger basket.

OTHER SHOWS AND EVENTS (CHECK AHEAD FOR CANCELLATIONS.)

O'REILLY AUTO PARTS CAR SHOW: Sat. & Sun., Feb. 26 & 27, Sat. 11 a.m-10 p.m., Sun. 8 a.m-7 p.m., Monticello Berndes Center, 766 North Maple St., Monticello, IA. Galen Mueller, 319-465-5119.

MOTORHEAD MADNESS: Sat., Mar. 19, 10 - 5 p.m., DECC, 350 Harbor Dr., Duluth, MN 218-722-5573

TOPPERS CAR SHOW: Mar. 26 - 27, 9 - 5 p.m., Veterans Arena, 1201 7th Ave. E., West Fargo, ND, Kevin @ 701-367-7762

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

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

KOLACKY DAYS CAR SHOW: Sat., July 23, 9 - 3 p.m., First Street, Montgomery, MN, Jim @ 507-364-5659

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.)

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

Stay tuned. This section will be filling up in the months to come!

LADIES NIGHT OUT IN JANUARY!

On Thursday, January 6, the Southern Cruzer ladies gathered at the Legion Club in Apple Valley for their monthly night out. In 2022, the ladies will continue to meet the first Thursday of every month at the same venue. If you



Unfortunately, I didn't receive any photos from the

January outing, so this one will have to do!

Photo taken from the editor's humor file.





DUANE'S WORLD



So far so good in 2022. Let me start off by announcing that on Wednesday, December 29, Rose and I became first time grandparents! Little Ida Linea came into the world, and we immediately fell in love with her! The new parents are going through the adjustment period that comes with the new born, but we see that they are handling it quite well. Of course, Grandma Rose has started working on her brag book which she will bring out to show you at the drop of a hat, and Grandpa Duane is already planning how he will turn Ida into a car nut and a Great Lakes Boat nerd! Oops, I almost forgot that my book for her will be filled with my best jokes which she can pass on to her friends and teachers when the time comes. They will be greatly impressed!

As of this writing, I have my first club meeting, as president, under my belt. All in all, I think it went quite well, with just the occasional nudge from our secretary, my wife, to get the meeting back on task. Discussions are underway for the Summer Spectacular and the club website. See page seven for my president's address which explains the aforementioned subjects in greater detail. At the next meeting, I foresee us having a lot to talk about on those two subjects, as things are developing on both fronts!

Lil Darlin' is up in the air, on the new portable lifts that I bought last fall, and ready for me to start on some projects I have planned for this winter. Along with the lifts, I have enough jack stands under there to safely hold up a Peterbilt truck, Tractor, if you want to get technical, as you can never be too safe! There's not enough progress to make a "Garage Scene" article, as yet, but we'll see. Let me know if you have anything going on in your shop that would be of interest to our readers, and we can make arrangements to report on that, with photos. It works pretty well if you send me photos and text, or I can show up with my trusty Kodak Box Brownie 120 film camera to take photos.

I know you join me in hoping we can get this Covid stuff under control, and resume some sort of a normal life. I got my registration blank for Back to the Fifties in the mail, today, and hope they can pull that event off like they did last year. It will be the 38th trip for Lil Darlin' and me! Let's hope. See you out there, somewhere. DB

BEATS ME!

If you have been reading the Cruz News for any length of time, you know that I like to get certain things off my chest, usually during the winter. For instance:

One of my favorite old TV shows is "McHale's Navy." I always wondered how they kept their caps on their heads while the old PT-73 was at high speed. When I was on an aircraft carrier, and they got that bad boy up to speed, forget about keeping your cap on unless it was tied down! At the time, I was only 140 pounds, soaking wet, and it was a challenge not to be blown off the ship, along with my cap! How did they do that in the TV show? Beats me!



WORDS OF WISDOM FROM THE EDITOR



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES –Thursday, January 13, 2022, Taken by Rose Barclay

<u>President</u>: Duane Barclay called the membership meeting of the Southern Cruzers to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed. Although Jerry Forness wasn't present, Duane expressed thanks to Jerry for his many years of leadership of the Southern Cruzers.

<u>Secretary's report</u>: An apology was made to Aprille Schunk for the misspelling of her name in the January Cruz News. A motion was made by Sheryl Gardner and seconded by Loren Bahls to accept the minutes of the November 2021 meeting as printed in the December Cruz News. The motion passed.

<u>Vice President's Report</u>: Steve Brehm reported from Arizona that he sent out 6 hard copies of the last Cruz News.

<u>Treasurer's report</u>: Dick Lidbom read the treasurer's report. Ron Willson made a motion to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Fran Stade, and the motion passed. A call for bills was made, and there were none. New income of \$360.00 for membership was given to the treasury.

Membership Chairperson: Jim Neher reported that club membership is 82 (143 total).

<u>Activities Chairperson</u>: Ron Willson asked if people wanted a winter event. It was decided that nothing would be planned at this time because of COVID.

<u>Events</u>: Ladies' Night Out is scheduled for Thursday, February 3, at 5:00 p.m., or earlier, at the Apple Valley Legion Club. Fran Stade reported that the club Christmas party had 58 people in attendance.

Announcements: Duane Barclay reported that we have received thank you letters for our donations from Sleep in Heavenly Peace and from DCTC. He also reminded members that club car plaques are available for \$20.00 from Ron Willson.

Old Business: Rose Barclay reviewed what she had said at the November meeting about the Southern Cruzer website. She turned over the floor to Mark Peterson, who has a background in IT. Mark explained what he has found out about our current website, which is paid for through January 27, 2023. He is in the process of trying to gain access to the website in order to update it. Ed Sanders made a motion to thank Mark and have him continue to pursue accessing the website. Tim Gardner seconded the motion, and it passed.

<u>New Business:</u> Tim Gardner asked how many cars from our club would be in the GSTA Car Show. Discussion followed

<u>TSS Business</u>: Ed Sanders asked if a decision has been made about where to have the 2022 TSS. Ideas for possible sites were discussed. Steve Sullivan, who worked for the Dakota County Parks, shared additional information. Loren Bahls and Jan Pederson said they have a source for club tee shirts. Duane Barclay will contact Craig Duntley and Steve Brehm, who have agreed to co-chair the event, and share the ideas discussed at the meeting.

MSRA Report: No report

The next meeting will be at the Apple Valley American Legion Post 1776, on Thursday, February 10, 2022, at 7 p.m. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ron Willson; seconded by Chell Craigie; and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.



SOUTHERN CRUZERS CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL, OR CONVALESCING AT HOME



Good news, nothing reported to me, at this time, keep up the good work!

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: <u>952-322-5819.</u>



BIRTHDAYS





February 2, Joy Evans

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February 3, Laurie Anderson

February 5, Craig Duntley

February 10, Carl Weiberg

February 13, Anita Brown

February 16, Ron Willson

February 19, Ron Anderson



ANNIVERSARIES



Jack & Karen Keenan, February 3, 1967 - 55 years

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL ON YOUR SPECIAL DAY!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

No new members reported at this time

To date, our membership stands at 82. (143 total)

A reminder that if you are a new member of the club, the cost to join is \$25.00. If you become a member after October 1st, your membership will be good through December 31st of the following year.

Renewing membership is \$20.00 a year, if received by January 31st. \$25.00 per year after January 31st.





PRESIDENT'S STATE OF THE CLUB ADDRESS

I just wanted to bring you up to speed on what's going on with our club. The look of things has changed the last year, or so, because of Covid-19, and the club has had to adjust.

The first item on our list is the Summer Spectacular, shortened to TSS. Since our show is such a big thing for us, we are in the process of planning to have it again, this summer. Because of the loss of some of our big sponsors, we have decided that we can't afford to hold the TSS at the Dakota County Fairgrounds any longer. After reviewing several sites, we have decided to look into using Buck Hill as our venue, this year. Craig Duntley and I will be talking with the folks at Buck Hill to see if this can be arranged. Of course, the look of the show will change if we go to Buck Hill, but we are confident we can make it work. Buck Hill is convenient for the car show entrants, and they will have access to food and restrooms. As what happens with any changes, we will have to make adjustments to the show to adapt to the new format. Stay tuned. We will do our best to keep you updated on the situation as we go along.

Item number two concerns the club website and our effort to get it working again. I am happy to report that we are right on the threshold of having it up and running again. With the loss of Tim Hanna, our club website guy, the website was frozen. Enter member, Mark Peterson, who said he would take a look at the situation. Mark has had experience with developing and handling websites, and he jumped right into the fray. After several weeks of getting all the information he could from us, and talking directly with the people at GoDaddy, Mark was able to make great progress in getting the site up and running again! We have discovered that the website is a valuable asset for our club, and many people depend on it for information about our club and the Summer Spectacular. At the next meeting I will ask Mark to talk about the website, and what we can expect from it, in the future. If you have questions, Mark will be glad to answer them. Thanks, Mark, for your hard work!

And our last item concerns club activities. At our last meeting it was decided that because Covid-19 is still an issue in our world, we would not be having any club functions for awhile, other than our meetings and Ladies' Night Out. It will be nice to put the <u>Cruz</u> back in Southern Cruzers, and I hope we can do that in the near future! All in all, I think our club is in pretty good shape!

'57 CHEVIES, WHAT'S THERE NOT TO LIKE?









Anyone know the number for Dale Chevrolet? \$1997.00 is a pretty good price!

Photos taken from the Southern Cruzer Facebook page





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 February 2022



CRUZ NEWS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	GROUNDHOG DAY	LADIES' NIGHT OUT 5 P.M. Apple Valley Legion Post 1776	4	5
6	7	MSRA BOARD MEETING 7 p.m. Hampton Inn I-694 & Lexington Shoreview, MN	9	CLUB MEETING 7 p.m. Apple Valley Legion Post 1776	11	ABE LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY
13 Guys, don't forget to buy her that Valentine. Otherwise, February 14 will be a long, cold day in the doghouse!	14 VALENTINE'S DAY	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY	23 Diesel engine patented 1893	24	25	26
27	28					

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

CRUISE NIGHTS