

GEORGETOWN TEXAS AREA CAR CLUB



WooHoo! we're done! Show's over! Now what.... Time to start thinking about next year!

Actually, we have time to take a breather & just enjoy why we're part of this club, that is, enjoy the comradery, enjoy our vehicles & argue Ford vs Chevy vs...you know the deal.

At the end of this short newsletter is a recap of the show, along with any comments we've received so far, so take a look and be prepared to add your own comments at the next meeting on June 4.

There is also a list of our sponsors, please tell them "Thanks" when you're in their business.

Since we had no formal meeting in May, this will be a short newsletter mainly to list any upcoming events & keep everyone informed.

Scholarships

Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, we were able to contribute \$8000 to the five applicants:

Aaron Mitchel	Eastview HS
Colby Chickurka	Eastview HS
Tim Grandberry	Eastview HS
Brendon Smith	Eastview HS
Austin Novosad	Georgetown HS

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New Members, we have several since last newsletter:

Woody & Belinda Wells, '38 Ford 81A Deluxe Convertible

Mark Breyman, '55 Buick Special

Fred Cataldo, '53 Mercury Monterey

Greg Deal, Olds Cutlass Supreme Convertible (Yeah, another Oldsmobile!)

Larry Maltz, '04 Corvette

Troy Nugent, Looking for car!

Upcoming Events

Club Events:

Saturday May 28, Pistons on the Square, postponed one week from normal 3rd Saturday for this month only due to Georgetown area High School senior parade on the 21st. (Don't anyone tell Greg Caswell...let him show up...I'm sure he wouldn't be the only one!)

Saturday, June 4, 8am, June GTACC monthly meeting, come out & enjoy some comradery, breakfast tacos & tell us what you thought about the show & any ideas for club adventures.

Friday, June 17 10am-2pm, Grand Living at Georgetown, 1330 University Ave, Georgetown. They are holding a vendor fair and car show and have asked GTACC for as many classic vehicles as we can to attend for resident inspection/appreciation. BBQ will be served! They have asked for an estimate on how many vehicles to expect. I'll be going out for a count as we get closer. Let's do what we can do support this local facility.

<https://grandliving.com/communities/senior-living-at-georgetown-georgetown-texas>

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Saturday, June 11, Club Cruise in. I'm working on something but just in case it doesn't work out I'm looking for suggestions.

Sunday, June 19 Stephanie Nichols Father's Day Cruise in at Vineyard @ Florence.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fathers-day-classic-car-cruise-in-at-the-vineyard-at-florence-tickets-324296197657?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Tuesday, June 21, 3-7PM. City of Pflugerville. City of Pflugerville has invited club to participate in their monthly Pfarmers Market at Heritage Park.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/383989396948371/383989413615036/>

Other Shows:

Saturday, June 11. Marble Falls VFW. Don't have a lot of info on this, perhaps some other member can fill in the details?

Sunday, June 12, Reality Texas Car Show and food drive, Reality Texas parking lot 2000 S IH35, Round Rock. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/realty-texas-2022-car-show-tickets-269070776937>

No mystery tool this month since we have not yet awarded prize for last month! Only one (incorrect) guess from last month!

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We even had an airshow!!

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After Action Report (Date of Report) GTACC Car Show (May 7, 2022)

Summary of the Show Attendance:

- **245** registered vehicles.
- **245** pre-registrations.
- **0** day of event registration.
- **198** judged vehicles.
- **3** not judged – show only.
- **2** not judged – late entry.
- **44** no shows.
- **4** withdrew.
- **2** refunds.
- GTACC had **59** members registered, representing **24%**.
- GTACC members received the following awards:
 - **11 Best in Class:** **10**--Modified Chevy 55-57; **11**--Original Chevy (non-55-57) 49-22; **12**--Modified Chevy (non-55-57) 49-22; **13**--Original GM-Other 49-22; **14**--Modified GM-Other 49-22; **19**--Modified Chevelle/SS, Tempest/GTO, Cutlass/442, Skylark/GS 64-81; **25**--Modified Mustang 64-22; **27**--Modified FoMoCo (non-Mustang) 49-22; **30**--Original Trucks, Vans, SUVs Post-1969; **34**--Asian Imports ALL; and **38**--Original Other Makes 49-22 **representing 27% available.**
 - **14 Outstanding in Class:** **01**--Original Cars Pre-49; **02**--Street Rods 1900-1934; **04**--Original Corvette (C1/C2/C3/C4) 53-96; **07**--Modified Corvette 53-04; **12**--Modified Chevy (non-55-57) 49-22; **16**--Original Camaro/Firebird/TransAm Post-1992; **17**--Modified Camaro/Firebird/TransAm/Nova 62-22; **18**--Original Chevelle/SS, Tempest/GTO, Cutlass/442, Skylark/GS 64-81; **22**--Modified MoPar 49-22; **25**--Modified Mustang 64-22; **26**--Original FoMoCo(non-Mustang) 49-21; **28**--Thunderbird 55-05; **32**--Modified Trucks, Vans, SUVs Post-1969; and **41**--Rat-Rods **representing 34% available.**

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Suggested Changes for Next Year:

Sponsorships

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Food Vendor

- Smoky Mo's was great food vendor - plenty of food (breakfast and lunch) and at good prices.
- Kettle corn was a great addition.

Awards

- Trophies could be given in a different form. Suggest reviewing options w/out higher trophy costs.
- This may be an issue but should we keep judging club member's cars? While giving awards, it was apparent that we kept giving awards to members of our own club. Our intent is to drive dollars to our charity and my personal opinion is the optics to see club members getting all the awards may have a bad perception to the participants. Just my thoughts so wanted to start the conversation with us.

Registration

- Registration went well - smoothly and not long wait lines to be checked in.

Parking

- Looked smooth, very few backups.
- Place a parking person at the beginning of the entry line from 2 Texas Drive between 7:30 am until 10:00 am, so spectator vehicles could be routed to the adjacent or across the street parking lots before they get to the Gatekeeper checking in entrant vehicles.
- Vendors with trailers coming in late caused minor back-ups trying to position their trailers.
- We arrived somewhere around 10:00 am Saturday and were sent to a back left area of the Lot after Areas D-E-F and assigned spot #200. This was truly off the beaten path in my opinion. There were only 2 other cars next to us: a 66 Mustang in spot # 199 and a Jeep in spot #198. Fire trucks blocked our view to rest of show until 1 or 2 pm.
- Do not park any vehicles (GFD or GPD) in front of parking spots 194-215.
- Close off the two entrances to parking spots 194-215 until all of the "Last Resort" parking spots are filled in Rows A-F.

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- Observed several trucks and one golf cart parked in the 194-215 parking spots that were not show entrants.

Judging

- I really enjoyed judging and learned a lot from Barney on what to look for and the scoring.
- Our team had some initial confusion finding cars. The master sheet had the registration number and we thought that was the parking spot number. We first thought there were serious errors, but after about 3 tries we came to our senses. We then resorted our judging sheets in parking space sequence and it was smooth sailing after that.
- About 2 or 2:30 pm a Club member (identified by his Shirt) came by and we asked when we would be Judged. He asked if we had a card affixed to windshield stating JUDGING COMPLETE. We indicated we had no such card and no one had come by and asked any questions about the 3 cars at all. He left to go look into the paper work, returning some 20 minutes later stating All Judging was complete including our 3 cars. He gave us no Card or any other written proof in the matter. I feel the 3 entrants of Lot #s 198,199, and 200 were definitely slighted in the process.
- DJ make an announcement at 1:00 pm concerning any vehicles not judged. If not judged, go to the Texas room in the Social Center Ballroom.

Classes

- Possibly fewer classes.
- Too many "brand new" vehicles seem to dominate the awards. One that really got some feedback was the new Ford Mustang EV winning an award. What I heard was that with the wide variance in the years in some classes it seemed to cause the judging to lean to the newer car. For instance, a brand-new car usually had better paint, cleaner interior and engine than an older more driven car so their scores tended to be better. Someone could buy a brand-new car, have it detailed, and then shown and probably would have won in its class. To me that does not convey the essence of what our car show and classic car ownership is about. If all we give awards to is the newer cars those with older cars will not want to bring out knowing they do not have a chance. The real reason for the show is to see those nicely restored or original cars from yesteryear. Not the same thing you can go to any car dealer and see.
- Limit the years of cars judged to say 10 years from current year. For instance, for this year it would have been 2012 and back. Those cars would be classed and judged more against like cars. Those 2013 to present can still show, but be in an overall "new car" class or not judged at

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all and just shown. I think something like this might level the field. As the years move forward those new cars, if kept and taken care of, would then be eligible to be judged in classes.

- We need some method to give older vehicles extra credit over NEW vehicles that are entered. It is totally unfair for 2022 vehicles that are showroom fresh to get high scores over 10 - 20-year-old vehicles that have been preserved or restored. We need some serious discussion on this issue. Should we have a NEW class for NEW cars?
- Have a formal class on judging. Have some of the more seasoned judges walk through a car and give pointers on what they look for. What is the difference between a 5,4,3,2,1 in each category? This would help the overall judging process and add more consistency to the scoring with not as much subjectivity.

Goody Bags

- Goody bags were not prepared. Dash plaques, Chick-file-A, Firo Pizza coupons and other items distributed with shirts.

Advertisement

- The Williamson County Sun was invited to cover the show on the day of the event. This year, the Granger Lakefest also occurred on May 7, 2022. For many years the Granger event occurred on the second Saturday in May. An article and pictures appeared in the May 11, 2022 edition.
- Continue to have an article about the show in the Williamson County Sun newspaper. An article appeared in the April 24, 2022 edition.
- Notices appeared in the Sun City Sun Rays magazine on April 1, April 29 and May 6.
- Continue to distribute show flyers at other shows prior to our show date.
- Should business-sized cards be distributed at other car shows instead of current show flyer format? Cost difference?

DJ

- This year's DJ has been confirmed for next year.

Photography

- This year's photographer has been confirmed for next year.

General Comments

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- Question the value of the dash plaques for \$234.95. Should they be purchased for 2023?
 - I feel dash plaques could be eliminated; don't think many keep those!
 - DJ announce prior to trophy awards, to not accelerate out of parking lot as the speed limit is 35 mph. Police may have been called due to the noise and high speed of entrants leaving parking lot. An unmarked police car cruised through the parking lot when most cars had left and the tear-down was almost complete.
 - Overall, I thought it was a great show, lots of cars and lots of spectators. Too bad mid-summer showed up early.
 - Again, great show and looking forward to next year.
 - Good teamwork by the Club!
 - Maybe a short Thank You to the Georgetown High School Automotive Department for allowing the volunteer students who assisted us in the Judging and other functions regarding the Car Show.
 - I personally thanked the young man who assisted Ken Frazier and I in the judging as well as the two School Staff members who were there as well. The young men did a fine job and it was appreciated.