

Cape Fear Cruisers
Monthly Club Meeting
Oak Island Elks Lodge
Tuesday, June 16, 2026

The meeting began at 6 p.m. In the absence of President Jackie Winters and Vice President Rob Kropp, Director Peggy Lilly welcomed everyone. There were 39 members and guests signed in. All rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Membership and Car Update:

- **New Members:**
 - Peggy identified new members Michael & Deehan Fegan who have a 1965 Buick Convertible and a 1971 Daily Driver.
- **Car News:**
 - Ray & June Beasley bought a 1993 Ford Mustang GT Convertible that is Red and White.
 - Curt Mason is selling his 2003 SSR. This was Curt's 98th car owned. He wants to get to 100 cars purchased and wants his 99th car to be a 1968 Firebird.
 - John Solek answered the request to drive a couple for their wedding in May. He drove them in his 1948 Packard. Everyone was very happy and the father of the bride gave John a nice donation for the Club.
- **Membership Roster:** Peggy was encouraging everyone present to stop by and check the membership roster to ensure the information shown is correct.

Name Tags: Peggy reminded everyone that name tags for members are up on the table.

Financials:

- **Treasurer's Report:**
 - **Account Balances:** Peggy reported the balances of both the General and Charity Funds as of today. She stated that next month she will be reporting on the comparison of 2026 to 2025.
 - **Membership:** As of tonight, 109 households, 196 members. There are 32 new members in 2026.
- **Donation from the Wedding:** Peggy stated the Board will make a decision as to where the funds from the donation should go at their next meeting.
- **Thank You from St. James Fire Department:** Peggy read a thank you card from the St. James Fire Department for our Club's donation in memory of Joe Castagnola.
- **Sarah Whitmer Scholarship Program:** The Club made a donation to Sarah Whitmer's Scholarship program. The Club sponsored one student. This year our donation included an additional sum in memory of Dave Fleenor. The Club will provide the payment to the school of choice for the South Brunswick High School student that we are sponsoring.

July 4th Festival: Peggy stated that the Club will not be participating in the parade this year as it is too hot for the old cars and there is no longer any place for us to park. We did make a donation to the Festival; we are a Sparkler Sponsor. She encouraged members to go and support the Festival and mentioned the Fireman's Competition the Saturday before the 4th, which is a lot of fun.

Facebook: Peggy encouraged everyone to check out our Facebook sites. Susan Muldoon, our administrator, updates the pages with cruise-ins, meetings, events, etc.

- **Cape Fear Cruisers** – has 1,500 followers.
- **Cape Fear Cruisers Group** – has 1,000 followers.

Pay the Rent Jar: Peggy reminded everyone about the “Pay the Rent” jar located on the front table. Donations are voluntary. This money will be used to offset the monthly rent the Elks charge for the use of the room. Peggy thanked those who donate.

Outstanding Volunteer for the April 25th Car Show: At our Annual Picnic, Jackie Winters presented Vicki Heape with a plaque for being the Outstanding Volunteer for the April 25th Car Show. Vicki went above and beyond helping at the hand-washing station. The sink didn't work and Vicki made sure there was water to wash your hands and poured it over people's hands as well.

2026 Club Activities & Car Shows:

- **Club Calendar:** Peggy encouraged the members to check out the Club's calendar that is on the Club's web site (www.capefearcruisers.com) and thanked Bob Wyski for his Monday emails with calendar events for the week. The postings on the calendar include the car show flyers and registration forms and can be easily accessed.
- **Wendy's Cruise-Ins, Friday, 5-7 p.m. (weather permitting):**
- **Bolivia Fire Department Car Show, May 30th:**
 - There were 51 cars there and 16 were our members.
 - Our Club won the Participation Award.
 - The firefighters were grateful for the cars that attended because they are trying to find ways to raise money. Peggy thanked the members who attended.
- **Club's Annual Picnic, Saturday, June 6th, Dorsett Pole Barn, Airport Road:**
 - There were 61 folks in attendance. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the games!
 - Peggy thanked the Planning Committee: Jackie Winters, Scott & Rose Greathouse, Gary & Patty Quilliam, Susan Muldoon, Vicki Heape and Dave & Gail Lippincott.
 - Special thanks went to Dave Lippincott for picking the special tunes for the event. (Dave was not at the meeting.)
 - Peggy thanked the cooks: Scott Greathouse, Gary Quilliam and Lenny Winters.

- Members were encouraged to dress in a patriotic theme or something related to Route 66. Tim Bridges won for best costume—he was dressed as Uncle Sam.
- The Club gave Ellen Dorsett a donation for using the facility. In addition, members donated to the cause and Ellen was given this money as well. Peggy thanked everyone for their donations.
- **CLLEO (Car Loving Ladies Eating Out):**
 - On June 11th, the ladies went to lunch at Nour in Southport. This is a Vietnamese, French and Thai restaurant. Everyone said it was very good and recommended it.
 - The July CLLEO lunch will be in Shallotte. Look for Nisey’s and Patty’s emails.
- **Wheels By The Sea – Tractor Supply Cruise-In:** Every third Wednesday, 6-8 p.m.
- **Tri-Beach Cruisers – Hwy 55 Cruise-Ins, Shallotte:** June 21st, 4:30-7 p.m. Want to do this once a month.
- **Leland Under the Lights:** Someone asked about this show and Peggy said that she has heard nothing about it. Parking at the Brunswick Forest Lowes’ parking lot could be an issue, which may necessitate a change of venue.
- **Loris, SC Car Show:** There were only eight cars at this show. Lenny Winters said it was just too hot.
- **Strawberry Festival in Burgaw, NC – June 20th:** Peggy reminded folks of this show.

Social Committee: Peggy had a couple of suggested ideas for the members to participate in:

- **OKI Loggerheads Game – Tuesdays and Sundays:** This is a summer team of college players. A show of hands indicated numerous members were interested in doing this.
- **Bowling at Planet Fun in Shallotte (probably on a Sunday):** A group rate could be had along with pizza and a drink. Many hands went up for this event.
- **Par 3 at OKI:** Dave Gallo suggested this.
- **Mini Golf in OKI:** Tim Bridges suggested this.
- Peggy said to watch for emails on activities.

Merchandise – Print Life Apparel Online Store:

- Peggy and Jackie met with Store Rep. Joe Yeager on May 28th and discussed adding additional merchandise like jackets, fleece wear, more hats and more shirts.
- Peggy will be presenting the Club with samples of different styles of jackets.
- A patriotic hat is available for \$25 and a “Dad” hat is available for \$20 (not embroidered).
- Peggy is having “CapeFearCruisers.com” put on four sides of a pop-up tent at a very reasonable price.
- Peggy may have a pop-up tent labelled with “50/50 Raffle Sales” as well.
- Revenue from the sale of merchandise is going into the Club’s General Fund to help pay for the Club’s operating expenses. So far, this has resulted in a significant amount of money deposited in the Club’s account.
- The brand name “Comfort Colors” is being added to the shirt merchandise.

- Peggy said to let her or Jackie know if there is anything members want to see in merchandise with the Club's logo on it.

Trivia Question: Bill Stenger provided tonight's trivia questions and prize:

- Question #1: In what country was the pneumatic tire created?
 - Answer: Scotland (Dunlap Tire)
 - Winner: No one knew
- Question #2: What auto company originally started as a textile company?
 - Answer: Toyota
 - Winner: Ray Beasley

Food Drive: A basket is available for nonperishable food items that will be delivered to the local food pantry by Rob & Laura Kropp. This basket will be present at every meeting. Because the Kropps were not at the meeting, Jim Hunt offered to deliver the basket to their home.

Announcements: Dave Gallo told of his adventures of his four-week trip from Boston, Massachusetts to Newport, Oregon in his 2005 C6 Corvette.

June Celebrations:

- **Birthdays:**
 - Dave Gallo – 6/18
 - Landa Bridges – 6/17
 - Steve Pardue – 75 years old
 - Lannie Faver – celebrated with ice cream
- **Anniversaries:**
 - Bill Scott & Nisey Sebak – 45 years

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 21st, 6 p.m. at the Oak Island Elks Lodge.

A motion was made by Tim Bridges to adjourn the meeting. Mel Burns seconded this motion. The meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.

Minutes recorded and reported by Ginny Largent, Secretary