

Ramblin' On (things you need to know)

The MCCC Cruise In scheduled for Friday, July 11th has been move to the American Book Company parking lot, from big lots, due to preparation for our July 12th Car Show.

If you are a member, and have not already volunteered for a role at our upcoming July Car Show, please contact Bob Latham or Doug Rodgers.

Our Secretary position is currently unfilled. If you are interested, please contact Pat or any club officer.

Our club picnic will be held in White Pine on Saturday, August 23 at 5:00 pm. More information will be forthcoming.

Car Story – A Story of the 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air

Submitted by Pat Dukes

The polished chrome shimmered under the garage lights, reflecting the triumphant grin of its owner, a man named Arthur. His 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air was finally complete. It was a labor of love, every bolt and panel meticulously restored to perfection. The most unique feature, a nod to the car's original design, was the hidden fuel filler cap, discreetly concealed behind the left taillight. It was a clever touch, one that often surprised onlookers and was a source of pride for Arthur.

That night, the gleaming Bel Air was stolen. Arthur was heartbroken, but he reported the theft to the police, clinging to a sliver of hope.

Days turned into a week with no news. Then, Arthur received an unexpected call. His car had been found abandoned at a gas station just outside of town.



Confused, Arthur rushed to the scene. The officers explained that the thieves had driven the car, stopped to fill up, and then seemed unable to figure out how to access the fuel tank. They had prepaid for gas, but abandoned the car without filling it.

The officer gestured towards the left taillight, which was slightly ajar. Arthur chuckled, relief washing over him. The car's hidden gas cap had been its unlikely protector. He knew, and now so did the authorities, the secret of the '56 Chevy's fuel filler. The thieves, thwarted by the car's clever design, had inadvertently led the police to the stolen vehicle. Arthur's treasured Bel Air was back where it belonged, thanks to its ingenious, and in this case, crime-stopping hidden fuel filler.

Letter from the President

The time for the July show of 2025 is almost here! It is our 15th year, and we only get better each year! The time is flying, and it will be here real soon.

Signs are being done and will be put up in the next few days. We put them all over the county and in Newport, Rutledge, and Morristown and down towards Knoxville. So our advertising is good.

We have our large trailer at our cruise-in and it will be visible at our show.

And the triangle trailer has had the date changed so it will be ready to sit around. Doug will park it in front of Advance Auto in Newport for a few days and then bring it to the ones in Jefferson City and Dandridge. Also in front of the Waffle House in Dandridge. That should get us a lot of advertisement.

We will also have a large ad in the Standard Banner a couple of times so look for it! It may be one of our flyers.

We need volunteers to help with the show. You can sign up by calling Bob Latham (301-602-7498) or Doug Rodgers (904-802-8027). Remember, we need you to help at this show and we can keep the great reputation that we have!

We are getting new shirts that will be ready before the show so be sure to come to the meeting to get one. Not sure of the price yet for members but will let you know as soon as I know.

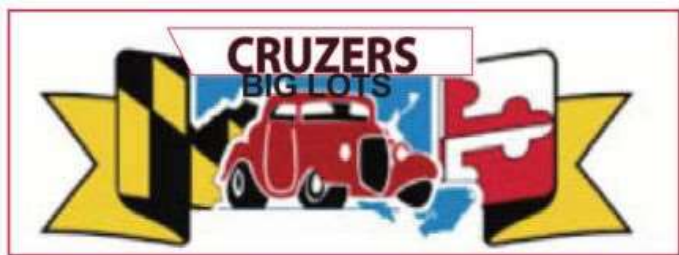
Jim Potts is bringing a few students to help out at the show. I talked to him about the kids being over the games as well as helping with assisting parking and he agreed.

Please volunteer to help out the day of the show, we need all members of the club to help out. There are a lot of small jobs if you don't want to work all day. Tell us your limitations and we will assign accordingly. Be proud of the charity things that we do by helping out.

I am so excited about the show, and I hope you will be too!

Thanks to all of you,
Pat Dukes
865-363-5891
President of the Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club





JULY BIRTHDAYS



PUT THESE
DATES ON
YOUR
CALENDAR!



Upcoming Events

- July 11 **MCC Cruze In, American Book Company, Jefferson City 5:30 pm**
- July 12 **15th Annual MCC Car Show – American Book Company, Jefferson City, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm**
- July 19 **POWER TOUR:** F-100/Mustang/Bronco show in Maggie Valley
Meet at Hardee's in Newport at 7:00 am
- August 8 **MCC Cruze In, Big Lots Parking Lot, Jefferson City, 5:30 pm**
- August 9 **POWER TOUR:** Cruise In @ the Farm
Meet at Ingles East at 9:00 am
- August 16 **POWER TOUR:** Shadow of the Mountain Car Show at
Newport City Park. Meet at Hardee's at exit 8 on Interstate 81
at 7:00 am.
- August 23 **MCC Club Picnic in White Pine, 5:00 pm.** More information to
come.
- September 12 **MCC Cruze In, Big Lots Parking Lot, Jefferson City, 5:30 pm**
- September 20 **Cruise In @ the Farm, Bulls Gap, 10:00 am**
- October 10 **MCC Cruze In, Big Lots Parking Lot, Jefferson City, 5:30 pm**
- October 11 **MCC "Fill the Truck with Toys" Car Show – Bush Beans,
Dandridge TN, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm**
- October 25 **POWER TOUR:** Farmer's Daughter. Meet at Union Heights
School at 12:00 noon. Cash & checks only. No debit/credit
cards.

If you would like your event listed here, please send information to Rick Elder (relder@micromfgsys.com).

Support & Prayers Requested

Anzie Estes

She suffering from Fanconi Anemia, which is characterized by physical abnormalities, bone marrow failure, and increased risk for malignancy. She is a Bone Marrow Transplant recipient at St. Jude's Children's Hospital in Memphis and the granddaughter of Bobby and Betty Estes.

Thank you for considering this. Every bit of generosity counts, and it brings hope to those who are fighting against the odds.



About Mossy Creek Cruzers

The Mossy Creek Cruzers (MCC) car club consists of a group of car enthusiasts dedicated to helping with charities in Jefferson and surrounding counties, while supporting our passion for cars. It is our intent to share in the fellowship by raising funds through the events that we plan. Our events are family oriented.

2025 Officers

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Open Position

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Our Organization

Section 6 of our by-laws states: The members shall nominate and elect the following positions:

Car Show Directors – Bob Latham, Doug Rodgers

This individual organizes a committee to conduct any car shows sponsored by the Club. The position requires commitment to the club through promotion, advertisement, participant involvement, and public relations.

Charity Coordinator – Open Position

This individual organizes a committee to oversee all aspects of the Club's charity efforts. This includes: receiving and screening charity requests, recommending those that seem suitable, and bringing them to the membership for a vote.

Communications Coordinator – Rick Elder, 423-231-1326, relder@micromfgsys.com

This individual shall be responsible for writing, editing, and maintaining a monthly newsletter for the Club and distributing it to members and other clubs.

Public Relations – Rick Swank, 701-300-2056, swanks06@yahoo.com

This individual makes sure we get newspaper coverage in all of the free community calendars.

Membership Coordinator – Open Position

This individual is responsible for promoting membership, collecting dues, and working with the community as a Club representative. They must maintain a membership roll of all active members.

Chaplin – Jackie Swank, 715-644-8891, swanks06@yahoo.com

This individual leads all meetings with a prayer. They check on member's health and family situations and sends flowers/cards or appropriate condolences when required.

The MCC Car Club Newsletter is an official publication of the Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club. It is created and distributed electronically each month. All news articles, photographs, and items of interest are welcome for consideration for publication, but subject to editing. Submission deadlines is the date of the MCC monthly meeting. Members who do not have email may receive the newsletter by snail mail upon request.

Web Site

www.mossycreekcruzers.org

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/MossyCreekCruzers>

Meeting Minutes – July 1



Pat Dukes called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. She welcomed the 14 members in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and Bob Latham lead the opening prayer.

Bob provided the Treasurer's report:

Beginning Balance: \$11,701.51, Activity: -\$1,204.89. Ending Balance: \$10,496.62.

Activity included purchasing the trophies for the upcoming show (\$1,001.95).

Jackie made a motion to accept. Seconded by John. Motion passed.

Minutes from the last meeting were included in the newsletter.

A brief discussion on whether or not to hold the July Cruise on the 11th and change the location, or to use the rain date of July 18th and keep the same site, was held. A motion to move the location to the American Book Company was made by Miranda. It was seconded by John, and it was approved.

The Car Show Committee met on Tuesday, June 24th. Highlights of the meeting included:

- We are basically ready to go.
- We still need silent auction items and gift cards for the "envelope" board.
- Pat obtained some "car cleaning kits" for door prizes.
- Show judges are all set. They will meet at 10:30 and begin judging no later than 11:00 am. No cars will be eligible for judging after 12:00 pm.
- All volunteers are to report to the car show site at 7:00 am on the day of the show.
- The "triangle trailer" is making its way from Newport, to Dandridge, to Jefferson City.
- We had a cancellation on one of the food trucks. Pat is looking for a replacement.
- Donation "buckets" for both Ripley and Anzie will be at our July show to help raise funds.

Tim McCloud spoke about the Benefit Car Show and Motorcycle Ride that was held at Colbach Motor Cycle Sales on Saturday, June 28th. The bike ride was postponed that day. \$2,600 was raised for Ripley.

Pat expressed the desire to hold a club picnic this summer. Bobby offered to have our club join the F-100 Club picnic held in White Pine on August 23rd. Jackie made a motion, Chris seconded it. The motion passed. More information will be forthcoming.

Bobby also reviewed upcoming Power Tour events. See the event calendar in this newsletter, or on our website, for up to date information.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chris. It was seconded by Jackie and approved. The meeting ended at 7:25 pm.

Local Car Club Meetings

- Get involved! Everyone is welcome to attend and learn about these clubs:
- **Mossy Creek Cruzers** – 1st Tuesday, Shoney's, Dandridge, 6:30 pm
- **Lakeway Mustang Club** – 2nd Tuesday, Wendy's East, Morristown, 7:30 pm
- **Hamblen County Car Club** – 3rd Tuesday, Golden Corral, Morristown, 7:00 pm
- **F-100 Club** – 5th Tuesday, Shoney's Dandridge, 6:30 pm



15th Annual Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Show 2025 AMERICAN BOOK COMPANY

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FOR
REGISTRATION
PURPOSES ONLY

Saturday, July 12th, 2025

9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Car Show Registration

**\$15 Pre-Registration
\$20 Day of Show**

**RAIN or SHINE
REGISTRATION FORM:**

Mail this sheet to:

Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club • 562 North Highway 92 • Jefferson City, TN 37760

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / 2025
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Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone: (____) ____ - ____
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Club Affiliation: _____ **Entry Amount:** \$ _____

CAR ☐ TRUCK ☐ JEEP ☐ _____

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