



**Mossy Creek Cruzers
Car Club** 

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January Newsletter Ramblin' On



**Pat Dukes
President**

The Mossy Creek Cruzers installed their new Officers at the January 2019 meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge.

The President is Pat Dukes, long time Secretary of the club and a Charter member and one of the founders that originated the club in 2012.

The Vice-President is Carol Ehm who recently moved to Dandridge from New Jersey. Carol has been involved in car clubs for a long time and is the perfect person for this post. She is married to Charlie.

Kathy Reading is Secretary and is a long time member of the Cruzers and has always been very active in the events of the club at the car shows and the cruise ins. She is a natural for the position of Secretary. Kathy is married to Mike.

Joan Spoon is Treasurer and has retained that position for a long time. With her background in finance, she is perfect for this position. She is married to J.W.

We will work closely together to keep this club as a family oriented and friendly club. *Come join . us!!*



**Carol Ehm
Vice-President**



**Joan Spoon
Treasurer**



**Kathy Reading
Secretary**



The Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club meeting is held the first Tuesday of each month at Shoney's in Dandridge at 7 pm. Come at 6 pm to eat!

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Letter from the President

Hello Cruzers,

As 2019 begins, I have been elected as President of our club. I will try my best to continue the great work that our previous Presidents have done. We have such a great club and fantastic members and I will need all of you to help me achieve the goal of making it even bigger and better. Any suggestions that you may have, don't hesitate to bring them to the attention of the Officers or the Board of Directors.

The Car Show Committee is biggest part of planning our shows and we have a great reputation now for presenting good shows. Any member can volunteer to be on the Car Show Committee. We meet a couple of times a month, during the day, for an hour or two to plan how our shows will be presented. New ideas will be appreciated to keep our show at the top of the shows that participants want to attend. We plan on giving out a lot of trophies this year so we need that advertised and the fact that we will have a professional judge picking the top 25, then the Fab-Five out of those 25 and then Best of Show out of the Fab-Five. Plus trophies for Rat-Rods, In-Progress, Imports and whatever other ones that the committee decides. *So come on and join the committee and make your ideas known.*

Our 2019 Ad Booklet is ready for ads to be sold. If you would like to volunteer to sell the ads for our booklet, just let me know. The deadline in getting the ads sold is the middle of March. That way the booklets will be ready for the cruise-ins. We have a list of previous people that have advertised so that should make the sells easier. *Just let me know if you can help!* If all members sold just one or two ads, just think how great our book would be!! As it is, only four or five go out and sell all of them. Just ask people where-ever you shop! Ask your barber or hair dresser, ask your mechanic, the store where you shop, the dry cleaners, the wrecker guy, your Doctor and Dentist, and best of all the Restaurants!! They are all people that need to advertise their businesses and this is tax deductible to them!

So Help Me to Help Our Club This Year!!

Pat Dukes

President, Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club

Prayers for the Sick

Sharon McCaulley and David King - Cruzers

Elmer Blanken - Hamblen Co. Car Club

(if you know of anyone else that is sick, please let Chaplain Joan Spoon know)



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Letter from the Vice-President, Carol Ehm

Since I haven't met all of you, I'd like to introduce myself. My name is Carol Ehm and I was "elected" Vice President for 2019. Not sure if "elected" is the correct term, since nobody else was interested in the position so I said I would take it!

My husband, Charlie, and I moved to Dandridge, from New Jersey, in August 2018. Growing up, I lived in several places, including Richmond, Kentucky. However, the last 45 years, I lived in New Jersey. At the end of June, I took advantage of an early retirement program offered by my employer. I had spent a little over 15 years at Covanta, an energy from waste company, as a Senior Director of Global Benefits. For multiple reasons, but especially the cost of living and the friendly people, we knew we wanted to move to Tennessee.

We have two grown children. Our daughter and son-in-law are both police officers in New Jersey. They have given us two grandsons – a 14 year old and an 8 year old – who are both very involved in ice hockey. Our son, daughter-in-law and 8 year old granddaughter (who also plays ice hockey) moved to Florida from Virginia in June. After serving in the Marines for 9 years, our son now works for a government contractor. Ironically, we are basically the same distance from both of our kids.

Charlie and I each have two classic cars. He has a '56 Chevy Nomad and a '70 Chevy Malibu. I have a '67 Chevy Camaro RS/SS and a '56 Ford Thunderbird.

I look forward to meeting those that I haven't met yet.

Carol

Fun Run

On Saturday, January 19th, Cruzers are meeting in Alpha on Highway 11-E, out next to the highway in front of Charlotte's Restaurant. The address is 6057 West Andrew Johnson Highway, Talbott. We will meet at 11:45 and leaving at noon to go to the Winter Angel Car Show at the White Pine Expo. If you volunteer to help, we will give out flyers for our July 6th Car Show as well as Our Fill the Truck with Toys show on August 24th. When we leave the show, or maybe before we go, we can meet and eat at a location to be decided when we meet at the start. This will be our first Fun-Run so come if you can, classic car or daily driver.

Happy Birthday

JANUARY MCC MEMBERS

VW RAIL BUGGY/ DUNE BUGGY FOR SALE



Great shape, runs good.
Dual port engine,
street legal.
Custom tow bar.
Top Detaches. \$3,800.
Call Larry Boggess
at 828-280-2119.

Tales From the Past

Over the years of writing the newsletter, I have asked members to write something for publication for all the members to read. Whether it is funny, sad or how you came to love these wonderful vehicles, it would be interesting for the others to read and get to know each other and have a good laugh or maybe a good cry!! So once again I will print one of my tales with the '55 Chevy that I drove for years. You can turn your stories in to Pat for publication.

I once had a blue 1955 Chevy, two door post, very nice car. It had a 327 engine and a four speed transmission. At that time it was my daily driver.

There came a time when I was ready to get it upholstered and had a new straight seat to put in it. I had a gap cut out of the seat where the shifter could come back farther so I could pull the seat up closer to the steering wheel. Then I could reach the gas, clutch and brake and still be able to change the gears. I had the seats done in black rolled and pleated leather and I had them brought home and friends were putting the seats back into the car for me.

I lived in Knoxville and was used to driving in all the traffic. Then came the day that I drove it to downtown Knoxville. I was on Neyland Drive and turned up the hill, THE STEEP HILL, to get up to Henley Street, the main street in town. Now this wasn't just a hill, it was an extremely steep mountain of a hill! About half way up, the traffic in front of me stopped so that stopped me, with a car very close behind me. So when it was my turn to go, I popped the clutch so as not to roll back into that other car *but then it happened!!* My brand new seat that my friends had installed for me, came loose from the floorboard and slid back! That in turn made me go back and jerked my feet off of the gas, clutch and brake. I slid down and got both feet on the brake so as not to go back into the car behind me and my arms were wrapped around the steering wheel trying to just hold on!! *But now I'm in a prone position* and can no longer see the street in front of me! The car behind me finally realized I was in trouble, *as was he if I ran into him*, so he backed up and then went around me! When no one was behind me I slowly let off the brake and let the car roll against the curb where it would rest until I could get the seat pulled back up and then I could get the motor started and the transmission in low gear. I finally got the seat positioned where it was supposed to be...sat there a moment contemplating how much worse it could have been...and waited till there was no traffic coming (just in case) and went on up the hill and on my merry way (until I would get into a different predicament with this car at another time).

Upcoming Area Events

2019

Jan 11, 12 & 13	Cabin Fever Car Show - Expo Center in Knoxville, TN	
Jan 19 - 20	Winter Angel Expo 2019- Hamblen CCC- Great Smoky Mt Expo Center - White Pine, TN	
Feb 5	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
March 5	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
Mar 15 - 16	Spring Corvette Expo, LeConte Center, Pigeon Forge, TN	
Mar 20-23	Ponies in the Smokies, Sevierville Convention Center	
Apr 2	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
Apr 10 - 13	Bronco Super Celebration, Talley Ho Inn, Pigeon Forge	
Apr 11 - 13	Spring Rod Run, Pigeon Forge	
Apr 27	Cruise Against Cancer - Newport City Park	
May 3-5	45th NSRA St Rod Nationals South- Chilhowee Park & Expo Center - Knoxville, TN	
May 7	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
May 16 - 18	Grand National F100 Ford Reunion, Pigeon Forge	
May 24	KARC Fort Henry Mall Super Cruise - Kingsport, TN	
May 25	KARC Wilderness Trail Rod Run - Downtown Kingsport	
June 4	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
July 2	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
July 6	9th Annual Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Show 9 am - 3 pm Jefferson Middle School - Jefferson City Call 865-363-5891 for info	
Aug 6	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
Aug 23 - 24	Great Smoky Mountain Jeep Invasion, LeConte Event Center	
Aug 24	8th Annual Mossy Creek Cruzers "Fill the Truck with Toys" 10 - 3 pm at Bush's Visitor Center Ball Park	
Sep 3	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
Sep 6 - 7	Shades of the Past, Pigeon Forge	
Oct 1	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
Nov 5	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm
Dec 3	MCC Club Meeting at Shoney's in Dandridge	7:00 pm

By Pat Duker



CHRISTMAS **Parade**

SCHEDULE

December 1 - White Pine

Line up at 3:00 pm at the Ruritan Building

Parade starts at 4:00 pm

Contact City Hall 865-674-2556 for info

December 8 - Jefferson City

Line up on West Main Street at 4:30

Parade starts at 5:30

Christmas Festivities to follow

December 15 - New Market

Line up at 10:00 am at Lost Creek Golf Club

Parade starts at 11:00 am

It will end at New Market City Hall

Christmas Festivities to follow

call 865-397-9642 for info

December 22 - Dandridge Parade

Sponsored by the

Dandridge Volunteer Fire Department

Line up at Maury School at 12 noon

Parade starts at 1:00 pm

Andy Riley 865-397-3192

for info

Letter from the President

Hello Cruzers,

Thanks to each of the Mossy Creek Cruzers that has worked so hard throughout the year. I would like to see all of our members that can, get involved in the club including attending our monthly meetings. Only members at our meetings get to vote on how the club operates. So attend the meetings and voice your opinions.

I'm looking forward to seeing all that we can accomplish together in the year ahead.

Larry Boggess

President, Mossy Creek Cruzers

This is the show that our next fun-run will be going to on December 1. More info about where we will meet to go together and what time will be sent email and those without email called.

TOYS FOR TOTS 2018

*Presented by
the East TN Breakfast Club,
Precision Rod & Custom*

And the Great Smoky Mountain Auto Fest

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2018

**Quaker Steak & Lube from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Sevierville**

Located at the corners of the Parkway & Collier Drive

**ALL MAKES & MODELS OF HOT RODS, MUSCLE CARS,
PICKUPS, RAT RODS are welcome!!**

ALL GIFTS MUST BE UNWRAPPED FOR AGES 1-10

SORRY, NO STUFFED ANIMALS!

DOOR PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED DURING THE EVENT!

**Contact Bob Millard at 586-703-2381 or bobm1933@yahoo.com.
for more information**

**For those of you that cannot attend, you can drop off
your toys at "Big Boy's Toys"
Next to Smoky Mountain Knife Store
or "Precision Rod & Custom".**