



Mossy Creek Cruzers

Car Club



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As winter rolls around, it is time to reflect on our car club as well as things in your personal life.

Such a wonderful club is our Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club! We are all so proud of it and the good charity work that we have done. We have fun, good times and it seems like we are family.

As the New Year has started, we have three new Officers and kept one previous one. President Ann Randolph did a great job leading the first meeting of the year in January. She is from Jefferson City. Bill O'Connell is the new Vice-President and he lives in Dandridge and was previously the Treasurer. The new Treasurer is Joan Spoon, of Morristown, and she has a banking background so will prove to be a good addition. She is also the Chaplain of our club. And Pat Dukes has remained as Secretary, Newsletter Editor and Membership Director for the fifth year in a row. Let's all welcome them and give them all the support they need!

Lots of activities are being planned for this year with fun-runs, picnics, parades, cruise-ins and of course car shows and all the while planning which charities we will give to.

We can look forward to another great year, with another great car show and charities for us to help.

Remember, this is our club and we should all be so proud of it!! Our members are the best!!

Wishing you a **New Year** that's...
sparkling with **fun**...
bursting with **joy**...
& crackling with **laughter**!

**Happy
New Year!**

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Treasurer Joan Spoon presenting the Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club check to Teresa Cloninger of the local Special Olympics which covers Jefferson, Sevier and Grainger Counties.



From left to right: Ann Randolph-President, Pat Dukes-Secretary & Newsletter Editor, Bill O'Connell-Vice President and Joan Spoon-Treasurer.

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Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club 2015 Thanksgiving / Christmas Dinner



On the night of Saturday, December 5th, 2015, the Cruzers met for a very nice dinner to celebrate our friendship and our club. It was a combination of Thanksgiving and Christmas. A lot of laughter was heard and friends moved from table to table to talk among themselves. A setting like this is the best way to get to know each other. If I have missed anyone's picture, it was not intentional.



On this night, it made me so very proud of our club and all of our members. We are a spectacular group of people with lots to offer to the club by being members. Just look at all of the different places that we have moved from, plus all the locals that have always lived in the great state of Tennessee, yet we came together via our love of these old vehicles and have formed great friendships that will hopefully last lifetimes.



As the New Year is starting, I wish each and every one of us peace and calm within our club and our lives, good health and lastly but definitely not least, happiness!!



I hope we can strive to work together to keep this great club going forward and helping our neighborhood in ways that they need us.

God Bless the Cruzers and all that we stand for.
Peace and happiness to all!!

Pat



The Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club monthly meeting is held the first Tuesday of each month at Shoneys in Dandridge at 7:00 pm. Come at 6:00 pm to eat before the meeting!

Happy Birthday
JANUARY
MCC MEMBERS

CONDOLENCES

Thoughts and prayers go out to Cruiser Tony Cate and his family, with the passing of his Mother, Virginia Cate. Please keep Tony's family in your prayers.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

David King • Tom Koziol
Tony Bible (Greeneville Ridgerunners)

Gary Meadows, who started the original Good Guys Car Club, passed away in December 2015.



January 2016 Minutes

Eighteen members attended the MCC meeting at Shoneys in Dandridge on January 5th. Three guests were also attending. The guests were Teresa and Lonnie Cloninger of the local Special Olympics and Joe Fienzi who is promoting a car show in April at the Catholic Church.

Several people rejoined the club before the beginning of the meeting. We appreciate members rejoining this great club!

The meeting was started by a prayer and then the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Teresa and Lonnie Cloninger were there so that they could tell us about what all Special Olympics had done throughout the year. Teresa started working with them in 1979 and became area director in 1991. She brought pictures for members to see of some of their activities and said they purchased eight bocci courts and T-Shirts with part of the money we donated to them for 2014. They cover Jefferson, Sevier and Grainger Counties. Treasurer Joan Spoon presented a check from the Mossy Creek Cruzers to them which was for the 2015 year.

Joe Fienzi came to invite us to their second annual Knights of Columbus Chili Cook-Off at the Holy Trinity Church on Highway 92 in Jefferson City. It is Saturday, April 2, 2016, from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm. The chili has an \$8 donation per person. Music will be provided by Pickin and Grinnin and Elevation 1255.

Former President Larry Boggess started the meeting and introduced new President Ann Randolph and turned the meeting over to her.

Secretary Pat Dukes read the minutes from the December meeting and they were accepted by all as read after a first from Bill O'Connell and a second from Larry Boggess.

Treasurer Joan Spoon read the Treasury report. A first to accept was by Larry Boggess and a second from Glenn Allred and it was accepted by all.

President Ann Randolph started the meeting off by reading the revised By-Laws to the members. The By-Laws are much more simple than they were and easier to follow. After she read them she asked if there were questions. It was asked if one person wrote these and she explained that some of the Board of Directors, the Officers from 2015 and the new Officers for 2016 had a meeting and decided what would be best for the club and then they were typed up for Ann to read at the meeting. A motion to accept was made by Bill O'Connell with a second from Larry Boggess. They were accepted by a show of hands.

Larry Boggess nominated Bill O'Connell for the new Vice-President with a second from Sharon McCaulley.

Nominations for the Board of Directors for 2016 were: Don Bentley, Glenn Allred, Larry Boggess, Rejane Winter and Ray Randolph. The present President will also attend these meetings. A motion to accept these directors was made by Sharon McCaulley with a second from Bill O'Connell.

A nomination was made to install Glenn Allred as the Car Show Director for 2016, a first was made by Jim Katzbeck with a second

from Don Bentley and he was accepted by a show of hands. Glenn accepted this directorship.

Pat Dukes was nominated to remain Newsletter Editor and Membership Director by a show of hands. She accepted.

Larry Boggess was nominated for Sergeant of Arms with a first from Sharon McCaulley and a second from Glenn Allred. He accepted.

Joan Spoon was nominated as Chaplain and she accepted. She will be in charge of the prayer at the beginning of the meeting and ordering flowers when there is a death or sickness.

Larry Boggess was also nominated for Fun Run Director and said he would let us know at the February meeting.

We spoke about charities and Pat suggested that we set up a scholarship for one of the Junior Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club students at Jefferson County High School. Their teacher and Cruiser member, Scott Noe, was at this meeting. This scholarship, if accepted and passed by members, would be for a Junior club member that was going on to a technical school and taking Auto Mechanics. Scott Noe had talked to the Principle about it and they said there would not be any "hoops to jump through" and that we could set the guidelines. Our club could get the grades and attendance for the students that were being considered and the amount could be whatever we decided on. Our club could determine which student (or students) would receive the scholarship. This will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

Scott Noe stated that the Junior Mossy Creek Cruzers will have a car show at Jefferson County High School in the Spring but they haven't set the date yet. He will let us know when it is set. As many of us that can need to attend to show our support to these young people and try to keep them interested in these vehicles. If you are interested in helping out at the show, just let call Scott at 423-317-7272. Last year they had no music and no activities so we need to teach them what they need to do to enhance their car shows.

It was discussed that we would not just have one charity but would have three or four like we have always done but we need one that is the main charity. It could be the scholarship, if it is voted on, or it could be something else. All of you are welcome to offer suggestions and all of them will be brought up at the meeting. So think about what you would like Our club to do.

Bill O'Connell stated that another trailer work day would be Thursday, January 21st at 9:00 am at the place in Morristown where the trailer is stored. We need volunteers to help with this. Turn from 11-E on Morris Boulevard to the right beside Long John Silvers. Go just a little way and you'll see a large Eye Center on the left and you turn at the road right before it to the left. Turn right into the huge fenced area behind the Eye Center and go all the way across the parking lot to the building straight ahead. Nathan Peak is the owner of the business.

A motion was made to adjourn by Larry Boggess with a second from Sharon McCaulley.

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 16-17	Winter Angel Expo - Smokey Mountain Expo Center, Morristown, TN (I-81 Exit 8) (For more info 423-312-0551)
March 4-5	Smokey Mountain Indoor Swap Meet - Great Smoky Mountains Expo Center, 1615 Pavilion Dr, White Pine, TN
March 17-19	Myrtle Beach Run to the Sun - Myrtle Beach, SC
March 18, 19	Corvette Expo, Inside the Sevierville Convention Center, Wildemess at the Smokies
April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	Mossy Creek Cruzers Cruise-in at Big Lots in Jefferson City, TN
April 2	Knights of Columbus Chili Cook Off and Car Show. Holy Trinity Church, Highway 11-E, Jefferson City, TN
April 7-10	Spring Charlotte Auto Fair - Charlotte Motor Speedway, Concord, NC
April 15-17	Goodguys 2nd North Carolina Nationals - North Carolina State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC
April 30	Cruise Against Cancer - Newport, TN in front of Lowe's.
May 13-14	Ramp Festival - Open Car Show - Cocke County Fairgrounds Newport - 423-608-4519.

Thank you!

The Mossy Creek Cruzers received a thank you note from the Tennessee Smoky Mountain Region Special Olympics. It said: On behalf of all of our athletes, coaches, unified partners and volunteers, THANK YOU.

Your donation will enable us to get more equipment, especially bocce, and provide housing and meals for our state competition athletes. (We are now having to pay for our hotel rooms). Once again, many thanks! Sincerely, Teresa Cloninger