



Mossy Creek Cruzers

Jefferson County, TN
Car Club



April 2012
EDITOR: Pat Dukes

Mossy Creek Cruzers and Bush's Visitor Center April 6th

What a great turnout we had at Bush's Visitor Center on April 6th. For this to have been the Mossy Creek Cruzers first cruise-in event, it was more than successful!! Good 50s and 60s CD's were playing, door prizes were given out and great food was available at the Cafe. There were approximately 70 vehicles attending as well as quite a few "lookers". Flyers about the show in August and the MCC cruise-in schedule were given to each vehicle.

The weather was perfect! All week there has been rain and terrible storms and then the morning of the cruise-in the beautiful sunshine came out and the day was perfect. It was a little cool late in the evening but by that time everyone was ready to leave anyway.

Thanks to Bush's for donating T-shirts, mugs and especially the great grillin' beans for the door prizes. Numbers were given out and then randomly picked with the car owners getting to win these great prizes. They were given out towards the end of the cruise-in.

Next month there will be live music so try to plan on being there and supporting your club. The band is very good and I'm sure everyone will enjoy them.

If the weather is good on May 4th, we should have another good turnout. Try to attend if you can!! Everyone's welcome!



Visitor Center

Just a few of the
Beautiful Vehicles
that attended
Mossy Creek Cruzers
first cruise-in



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Meeting held at Shoney's in Dandridge - April 3, 2012 - 7:00 pm.

Attended by 20 members and 3 guests.

The meeting was started by a prayer by Gene Honeycutt.

The floor then turned over to President Larry Boggess.

Larry asked for the minutes from the last meeting. Secretary Pat Dukes read the minutes from the March 6th meeting. Accepted as read by all.

The treasury report read by Treasurer Gene Honeycutt. Accepted as read by all.

MEETING MINUTES

OLD BUSINESS:

Glenn Allred has been doing good on the sale of the advertisements on the back of the club shirts. He has sold the six spots and has collected on three and expects to get the money for the other three in the next few days. The shirts will be a sand color. A small club logo on the front and a larger one on the back with the six advertisements in black. If we have more advertisers we will have a second shirt. Each member will receive a shirt when they are done.

NEW BUSINESS

Kay Lawson brought before the members a suggestion about an Easter Parade on Saturday, April 7th in New Market. They would like to have a lot of antique and classic cars to be in the parade. Line up is 11:00am in front of the Lost Creek Golf Course. An Easter egg hunt is after the parade so bring the kids.

The Hard Times Street Rod Club in Newport has invited the Mossy Creek Cruzers to attend their Cruise Against Cancer event on April 28th. The plan is we meet at Hardees in Dandridge at 11:00 am and go up together as a club. Motion was passed by all.

Gene Honeycutt brought up that we need to have an ID # from the IRS to incorporate the club. That protects us from being sued should the need arise. It is \$22 per year. Motion passed to incorporate.

Kenny Jarnigan, who is over the Historic Mossy Creek District (downtown Jefferson City) cruise-in on the third Friday night of each month, asked if it would be okay to just play CD's on some of the evenings instead of having a live band. We all agreed that would be fine. Kenny is a new member of our club, joining tonight.

Glenn suggested we plan a fun-run to the Bewley Museum in Greeneville some Sunday soon. It will be discussed at the next meeting.

Pat Dukes and Larry Boggess were asked to be Event Directors to plan a few of our outings. They could mark out some routes to take for our fun-runs and then bring it before the members to see what we would like to do. Motion passed.

Glenn made a motion that we get two liability insurance estimates for the club. Pat will get one from Elite Insurance in Knoxville and someone else will get another one. Motion passed for this. We need to go ahead with this as soon as possible to have us covered at our cruise-ins. *(See update within the newsletter).*

Area Events coming up: May 12th - Strawberry Plains Festival & Car Show

May 19th - Dandridge Cruisin' n' Groovin'

June 2 - Mopar at the Smoky Mountain Expo.

June 2 - Blue Springs Baptist Church in Rutledge.

meeting adjourned.

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LETTER From The PRESIDENT Larry Boggess

**THE
MOSSY
CREEK
CRUZERS
NOW HAS
51
MEMBERS!!**

Thanks to everyone that came out to the First Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club and Bush's Visitor Center Cruise-in. We had a great turn-out from our club, the Mossy Creek Cruzers, as well as cars from several surrounding counties.

Several clubs were represented as well as cars not affiliated with a club. I know a lot of hard work went into the first Cruise-in at Bush's Visitor and it showed. We are off to a very good start as a club. Thank you Mossy Creek Cruzers for such a successful first cruise of the season, you all deserve a pat on the back! *Let's keep it up!*

I understand there was a good turn-out Saturday night at Hardee's in Dandridge with several Mossy Creek Cruzers in attendance. Sorry I couldn't be there, I had last minute family obligations and had to leave early Friday night and missed Saturday.

Larry

As an afterthought:

Be nice to your children as one day they will choose your nursing home.

UPDATE TO THE APRIL MINUTES SUGGESTION:

It was discussed that we get estimates on liability insurance from two different insurance companies. Gene Honeycutt got an estimate for \$405 to \$450 per year through an insurance company in Morristown.

Pat Dukes got an estimate from Elite Insurance Group in Knoxville for \$350 per year.

Since we need to have the insurance in place by the time the cruise-ins start, we went ahead and took out the insurance on Thursday, effective April 5th, and sent a check for the \$350 to The Elite Insurance Group.

It is for \$1,000,000 worth of liability coverage.

All though it is not required for a club to have insurance, it is better to be safe then sorry.

Larry Boggess, Glenn Allred, Gene Honeycutt and Pat Dukes have a copy if anyone would like to see it.

What are Hot Rods?

The twenty years between 1945 and 1965 came to be known as the "Hot Rod Era" because the restoration of old cars became almost like the national sport of the United States. Everyone wanted a hot rod and that era spawned multiple different styles and types of hot rod cars.

"Hot Rod" is the name given to any vintage car, but it especially refers to a Ford that has been improved to enhance performance by reducing the weight of the vehicle. For this reason, most hot rods have minimalistic chassis with no roof, hood, windscreens or fenders. At times, the original engines of the car are also remove and replaced with lighter more efficient ones to raise the highest speed capacity of the vehicle. The modeling of a hot rod was considered a work of art and thus individuals loved to exhibit their re-done cars to the public. This generally happened at informal meets and short-distance, alleyway races until the year 1951. In this year, the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) came in to existence to promote hot rod drag racing as a legitimate competitive sport. Apart from a racing event, what the NHRA really created was opportunity for hot rod car shows.

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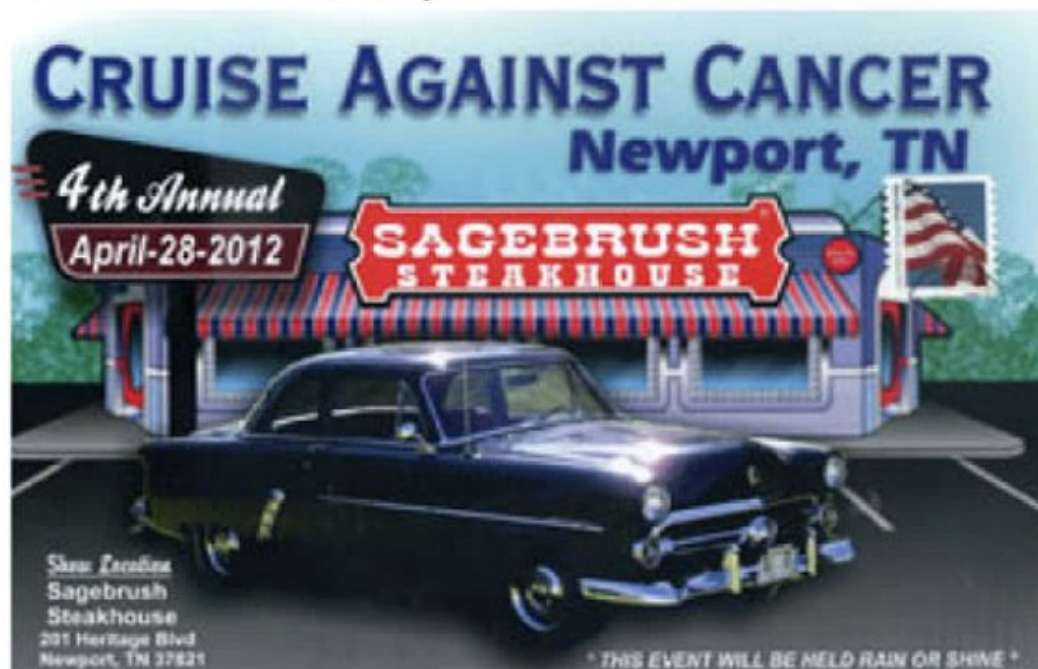
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APRIL 28th, 2012 CRUISE-IN



The Hard Times Street Rod Car Club is sponsoring this event on April 28th. It is an 18 hour event running from 6am in the morning until midnight. Vehicles can come and go any time throughout the day. They are inviting everyone to come and enjoy this cruise-in with music, food, and a silent auction. Discounted lunch and dinner plates will be served on the premises. They offer roadside assistance available courtesy of Newport Tire & Towing. There is NO CHARGE to attend, but DONATIONS are greatly appreciated! All proceeds benefit "Celebrate Life Cancer Support Group". For more info, please contact: Nathan Manning - Hard Times Street Rod Club at 865-548-6152 or Michele Sexton - Celebrate Life Cancer Support Group at 865-654-0468.

Their email is cruiseagainstcancer@yahoo.com. Find them on Facebook at: <http://facebook.com/pages/Cruise-Against-Cancer/163826948861>.

**The Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club is planning to attend this event.
We will meet at Hardee's, next to I-40 in Dandridge at 11:00 am.**

We will leave together and travel east on Highway 25-70 with our destination being the Sagebrush Steakhouse in Newport. There will be plenty of good food. Please plan on donating if you can. This is a great event and I hope the members of the Mossy Creek Cruzers will attend so we can show our support this very worthy cause.

Call Pat Dukes, MCC Secretary, with any questions: 865-363-5891.



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EVENT CALENDAR

MOSSY CREEK CRUZERS CRUISE-IN SCHEDULE

First Friday of the Month

Bush's Visitor Center

Second Friday of the Month

Big Lots in Jefferson City

Third Friday of the Month

Historic Mossy Creek District
Down town Jefferson City

Fourth & Fifth Friday of the Month

Big Lots in Jefferson City

GRAND RUN - Pigeon Forge

SPRING

April 12-12-14-15

FALL

September 13-14-15-16

CRUISE-IN AT Chick-fil-A on CHAPMAN HIGHWAY

Every Saturday starting May 5th
from 5pm to 8pm.

Each Saturday shine up your favorite ride
and join car enthusiasts from all over.
At the intersection of Chapman Highway
and John Sevier Highway at Chick-fil-A and
First Tennessee Bank parking lots.

HAMBLLEN COUNTY CAR CLUB

Starts May 5th
at College Square Mall
in Morristown.

May and October - 5pm to 8pm.
June through September - 6pm to 9pm.

DOWNTOWN DANDRIDGE

Saturday, May 19th
No Charge.

We may go to this as the Mossy Creek Cruzers

HARDEE'S GANG in DANDRIDGE

Every Saturday night, all year long
5:30 till whenever!

*This is the New Sign that is
displayed at the Big Lots Shop-
ping Center in Jefferson City.
A frame has been constructed
and then the sign completed
so that we could get it up
before cruise-in season.*



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**Cruise-In
SCHEDULE**

5:30 to 9:00

First Friday of Month • Bush's Visitor Center

Second Friday of Month • Big Lots

Third Friday of Month • Downtown Jefferson City

Fourth & Fifth Friday of Month • Big Lots



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Our thoughts
and
prayers
are with
our troops.

We thank them

and their
families
for their
sacrifices.

The Mossy
Creek Cruzers
would like to thank
each & every one
of its members
for your dedication to
our car club family.
It is truly just fun being
involved with each of
you in all of our clubs
endeavors.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY all April Birthdays

FOR SALE

Mickey Thompson Tires - Sportsman
2 Tires - 33 X 19.50 - 15 LT
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for Mexican Food when
you can Stay in Town
and Enjoy the
**Finest in
Mexican Dishes!**

PRAYERS

Friends and Mossy Creek Cruzers Club Members; Prayers are needed for Dwayne Porterfield and Gwen Porterfield. Dwayne has had a Stroke. He is in CCU at Park West Medical Center in Knoxville. The stroke, though not too bad has his blood pressure elevated to a dangerous level. He also has a blood clot at the base of his brain. The blood clot is a problem but not as big a problem as his blood pressure. They cannot effectively treat his blood clot until they get his blood pressure down. He can only have visitors at certain times and only for a short time during each time. They say this may take several days. Please pray for him and his family as they cope with this crisis in his life. Dwayne & Gwen are avid car cruisers and have attended our cruise-ins in the Historic downtown area of Jefferson City.

4-07-12

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Where is that Story?



We are waiting on stories from the ones of you that would like to share a happy, funny or sad story concerning your street rod or classic vehicle! It can be stories of how you found the love of the classic vehicles or things that have happened to you along the way, things you remember from years ago or things that happened last week. Speak of the car that you wanted that got away or how your Dad loved these vehicles and instilled that love in you.

You can mail it in,
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or just give it to Pat Dukes.

In the case of several being entered,
they will be used but maybe not in that month.

Since no entries were received this month, well, guess you all will just have to read another of my stories!!

I once had a 1955 Chevy, two door post, very nice car. It had a 327 engine and a four speed. At that time it was my daily driver. This was a different car from my March entry but was set up basically the same. 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 so I could pull the seat up closer to the steering wheel so I could reach the gas, clutch and brake and still be able to change the gears. The seats were done in black rolled and pleated leather. I had the seats upholstered but friends were putting the seats back into the car.

I lived in Knoxville and was used to driving in all the traffic but then came the day that I drove it to downtown Knoxville. I was on Neyland Drive and then turned up the hill, *THE STEEP HILL*, to get up to Gay Street, the main street in town. Now this wasn't just a hill, it was an *extremely* steep 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 any 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 brakes. 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, thus I could get it in gear and turn the motor off until I could get the seat pulled back up. I finally got the seat back up 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 the car at another time).

By Pat Dukes