



Ramblin' On (things you need to know)

The summer of 2025 has passed! Make sure you plan for fall events before parking your car for the winter.

- Two more regularly scheduled Cruise Ins (2nd Friday at Big Lots).
- Our annual "Fill the Truck with Toys" show to be held at Bush Beans Visitor Center in Dandridge on October 11th is always a good time. Make sure you include that show!
- A Trunk and Treat (Thursday, October 30th at Big Lots).

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Letter from the President

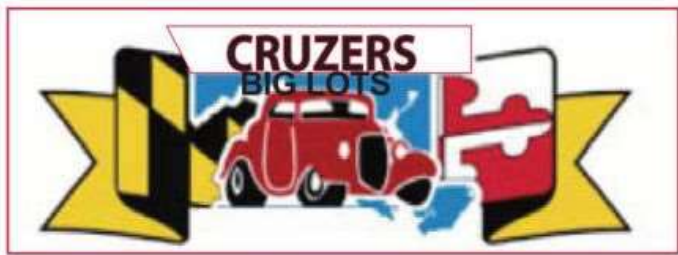
What a great day that the Cruzers had by joining on the Lakeway Mustang Club and the F-100 Ford Truck Club Annual picnic. Everyone had such a good time. We mingled around and got to know a lot of people. There was a lot of good food and camaraderie. Over 50 people attended. We look forward to a lot of events with their clubs, such as a trip to the Farmer's Daughter in Chucky, Tennessee on October 25th.

We only have two cruise-ins left. The dates on those is Friday, September 12th, and October 10th. Then we will have our annual Halloween Trunk & Treat on October 30th, which is a Thursday evening. This is always fun seeing the children in their Halloween outfits. This will be our 5th year doing this. All car clubs are invited to join us in this event. We usually have 200 to 300 children come with their little costumes and looking so cute. You are also invited to dress for Halloween!

It really seems like the car season has gone by very fast. We just got into it and then 'Pooph' Old Man Winter is raising it's cold, bad weather head! Just be sure to secure your vehicle and keep it out of the cold weather if you can, or at least cover it up with a car cover. That way we'll be ready for spring!

Our "Fill the Truck with Toys" Car Show is almost here!! October 11th, on a Saturday, will be here before we know it. At our last meeting, a motion was made for everyone to bring a Silent Auction item or a gift card of \$25 or more for our envelope board. It sure would help the several ones of us that usually go out and get all of the donations, but we need help this year. Please bring something to the meeting in October or bring anything to our cruise-in on September 12th. Thank you in advance for helping your club give back to our communities.

Pat Dukes
President, Mossy Creek Cruzers Car Club



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



PUT THESE
DATES ON
YOUR
CALENDAR!



Upcoming Events

- 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
September 20 Morristown Airport Annual Fly-in & Drive In, Morristown, TN
10:00 am to 3:00 pm.
September 27 Crusin' for Christ Car Show and Fall Festival, 10316 Rutledge
Pike, Corryton, TN, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.
October 4 1st Annual Long and Low Customs Auto parts, Antiques &
Collectables Swap Meet, 3317 Mine Rd, Mascot, 8:00 am to
2:00 pm
October 4 Muscle Car Ministries Fall Cruise In, Rusty Wallace Ford,
Dandridge, TN. 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
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.
October 30 **MCC Cruze In – Trunk & Treat, Big Lots Parking Lot, Jefferson
City, 5:30 pm**
November 1 Cruzin to the Crossroads, Crossroads Cowboy Church,
Greenville, TN. 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.
November 8 4th Annual KOC Council 12838 Car Show, 10:00 am,
475 TN-92, Jefferson City, TN

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



2025 Club Picnic Attendees

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

President

Pat Dukes

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Doug Rodgers

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Secretary

Open Position

2025 Board of Directors

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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 – September 2



Pat Dukes called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm. She welcomed the 14 members in attendance. Bob Latham lead the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the opening prayer.

Bob provided the Treasurer's report:

Beginning Balance: \$13,741.18, Activity: -\$344.00. Ending Balance: \$13,397.18.

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

Final show expenses were paid, and the checks were disbursed to the children.

Plans for the October show are progressing well, and we are on track for another great show. The last planning meeting will be held on September 30th (the last Tuesday of the month) at 5:00 pm at Perkins in Dandridge. Trophies need to be ordered, and silent auction items collected. A discussion on how trophies are awarded (i.e., no judging, random drawing) was held. Dash plaques are provided by Bush Beans. Vendors for the show was also discussed.

Car show ideas for next year's July show were also discussed by the group. The most significant was a time change and moving both the start and end dates up to 8:00 am and 2:00 pm, respectively. This means that the latest arrivals to be judged will be 11:00 am. These changes are to offset some of the afternoon heat. A motion was made by Bobby and seconded by Linda. The motion passed. At this time, our club does not use online payment options. Please do not fall victim to these scams and pay by snail mail or in person only. A motion was made to have Elvis perform this year, seconded by Jesse. The motion passed.

The annual club picnic, held jointly with the Lakeway Mustang Club and the F-100 Owners Club on Saturday, August 23rd was a success with over 50 people attending.

Other Events:

- Bobby reviewed the remaining upcoming Power Tour event to the Farmer's Daughter and other events he has received flyers for.
- A special "Trunk & Treat" Cruise In will be held on Thursday, October 30 at Big Lots in Jefferson City from 5:00 to 8:00 pm.
- See the event calendar in this newsletter, or on our website, for up to date information.

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A motion to adjourn was made by Linda. It was seconded by Sherri and approved. The meeting ended at 7:20 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



Morristown Airport

Annual Fly-in & Drive-in

Saturday, September 20th, 2025

10:00am - 3:00pm

Chapter 1494

Enjoy a day at the AIRPORT!



• DC-3 Rides and Tours!

• Helicopter Rides

• See a Variety of Aircraft

• Hands-on Aviation Activities

• Show Cars, Firetrucks

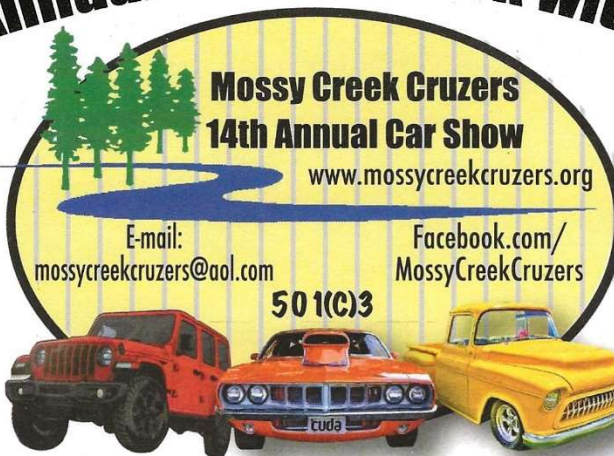
• Food Vendors



Free Parking
Free Admission



Mossy Creek Cruzers 14th Annual Fill the Truck with Toys



**OPEN
CAR/TRUCK
JEEP
MOTORCYCLE
SHOW**

- FOOD • MUSIC •
 - 50-50 •
 - SILENT AUCTION •
 - DOOR PRIZES •
 - TROPHIES •
 - ENVELOPE BOARD •
 - CASH PRIZES •
- Registration is a new,
Unwrapped Toy



**Dash
plaques
for First
150
Entrants**

FOR
REGISTRATION
PURPOSES ONLY

Bob Latham • 301-602-7498
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Visitor Center

RAIN OR SHINE

LOCATION: 3901 US HWY 411 (Ballpark) • Dandridge, TN 37725

Saturday, October 11, 2025 • 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Bring with you OR Mail registration to:

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

Name: _____ **Date:** ____ / ____ / 2025

PLEASE PRINT

Address: _____ **City, State, Zip** _____

E-Mail: _____ **Phone:** () _____

Club Affiliation: _____ AREA CODE

Vehicle Year & Make _____ **Car** ☐ **Truck** ☐ **Jeep** ☐

SIGNATURE _____

Liability: Entrants, Participants and Spectators, by execution of this form, Release and Discharge the State of Tennessee, Jefferson County, and the City of Dandridge, Mossy Creek Cruzers, Bush's Visitor Center, the Sponsors, Promoters, or Assistants, their Officers, Directors, Employees, Agents, Servants, Members and Representatives, Property, and anyone else connected with the presentation of Bush's Visitor Center and Mossy Creek Cruzers Club Car Show from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, losses, judgements, and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by an entrant or participant to his/her person or property.