

BITS & PIECES

In the recent tornado that went through the Brandon area east of Jackson, Keith Roberts trailer home was completely destroyed and they lost most of their belongings. Fortunately, when the killer storm hit, Keith and his wife were both at work and the baby was with grandparents Jim and Maxine.....When it rains it pours. During the heavy rains that preceded the storm, the Round one and Half Round managed to wreck both their vans within a couple of hours of each other. Neither of them were hurt.....The Round Ones, the Creels and the Scurlocks went to Pensacola over the Thanksgiving weekend to the Turkey Run there. They report a good time was had by all.....Gene Maddox is about to retire from UPS to help JoAnn run the day care center full time. He was recently recognized in the local papers for having a safe driving record with UPS for a number of years.....Down in Biloxi there was a birthday party recently for Ol' man Les Rude. Seems the poor 'ol thing is turning 40, looks 60 and acts 20. No wonder he always looks confused. You will be able to see the ancient Rudeasaurus at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, where he will be on display for the next three weeks with the rest of the fossils. We didn't get to go to his surprise party at Montana's but I bet it was a dandy. Everyone was asked to wear black. And these comments will probably earn me an extra soaking from Rude's ever-present water pistol at the next rod run.....The Southern Wheels run at Diamondhead Days Inn next month will have a shuttle bus going to the casinos if you're interested. There's also a heated indoor pool-hey it still gets cold on the coast in January. A special room rate of \$37 is being set aside for rodders. Better make your reservations before all the rooms are gone. Sandy, send us some more entry blanks.....The Ole Brook Cruisers Autorama will be held in Brookhaven March 6. Exact location is being worked out, but will most likely be held at one of the auto dealerships in Brookhaven.

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FOR SALE

31 Ford coupe, 80% finished, TCI frame copy, 3"chopped top, all body work complete, new fenders and hardware, Walker radiator, TCI Mustang II front end, coilover rear, \$6000 as is or \$8500 with killer engine, call Jerry Bailey in Laurel, (601)428-8372.

39 Chevrolet 4 door sedan, 350/350, air, drive anywhere, lacks only headliner, Daryl Allen, (601)373-5387.

'40 Chevrolet coupe, chopped top, complete and running trophy winner, Stan Harrell, (601) 939-8859

29 Ford roadster pickup, all steel, new Carson top and paint. Ready to ride, \$18,000 or trade for cash and project car. Dennis Duncan (601) 878-5018.

41 Chevrolet Master coupe, stock, complete, for good project car. John Little (601) 373-2600.

GARAGE SCENE

In case you haven't seen it yet, Half Round now has a new street rod. He purchased Jesse Danford's fine, red, big block powered '48 Chevy pickup. Now won't he look double spiffy haulin' his go karts behind that ride..... Dennis has his roadster pickup listed for sale in Street Scene. He's gotten some interesting calls so far. Trade for a Porsche?.....Stan Harrell has his '40 Chevy coupe for sale also. This chopped top beauty has won trophies every show its been to, and it really runs well too. Call Stan if you want to look into a nice ready-to-ride hot rod.....After buying a bunch of "bolt on" goodies out of the magazine for our coupe, we still had to modify all of them to make them work. Makes me wonder who engineered some of this stuff at the vendor.....We hear that Donald Files has finished the front end on Charlie Murray's coupe, and now is narrowing the rear end.....Gene Maddox convertible lacks just a few more hours work and it will be back home ready for Gene to begin working on the top.....Now that Paul has Peggy's 40 Ford convertible on its new frame and on wheels, maybe we'll see it riding around early next year. He says he'll have it running by the time you read this. Can you imagine Peggy Acey and JoAnn Maddox both riding around in convertibles this summer?. Charlotte already wanted to know if we could cut the top off the coupe. Good grief.....The Round one says he's fixing to pull 'ol red the Chrysler apart for a new paint job before next year's season starts.....



EVENT SCHEDULE

- Dec. 5 Clinton Christmas Parade, 10 a.m. Dec. 5 Brookhaven Christmas Parade 7 p.m.
- Dec. 13 Club Christmas Party, Raymond Clubhouse
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- 1993 -
- Jan. 23 Southern Wheels Rod Run, Days Inn, Diamondhead, Ms.
- Feb. 13 Dixie National Parade. 10 a.m. downtown Jackson
- Feb. 13 VCCC Pemberton Mall Show, Vicksburg
- March 6 Ole Brook Cruisers Autorama, Brookhaven
- June 18-20 DIXIE RUN 15, Holiday Inn, JACKSON
- June 25-27 4-Buds Rod Run, Oxford

(These dates listed are the only ones I have confirmed at this time. All clubs, send me your event dates and we'll begin to run them in this newsletter in 1993)

NOVEMBER CLUB MEETING

After a short layoff from our regular monthly club meetings, we resumed the schedule with a real nice meeting in November. Seems like everyone was in a holiday mood and having a good time. After the meeting, we all went over to Acey's shop and helped him put the convertible body on its new frame. It was a lot easier to do after Paul remembered to unbolt the body from the old frame. Yes, Rita took pictures. Attending the meeting were guests and potential members Steve and Sherry Osborne, Jerry and Gaye Smith and

Sharon Fox (Joe was home working on her car). Welcome! Glad you folks could be with us. The main order of business at this meeting was to nominate our fearless leaders for next year. Nominated for 1993 club officers were:

President: Gene Maddox
 Jackie Sifford
Vice President: Jimmy Creel
 Tommy Duncan
 John Little
Secretary: Jack Brown
 Annette Sifford
Treasurer: Peggy Acey
 Rita Little
Board members: (vote for two) Paul Acey
 Lawrence Chambless
 Jack Creel
 Tommy Duncan
 Bo Laird
 Wayne Thomas

The election will be held at the December club meeting. Personally, I don't see how we can lose with any of these folks. So pick out the person you think will do the best job for the club and get ready for another good year.

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CLUB CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

1. Paul Acey tells us we've been invited to participate with the cars in Christmas activities at the Whitfield Hospital on Friday afternoon December 4. This parade starts at 1 p.m. but you should be at building 27 to line up at 12:30. They only need a couple or three cars to carry staff members of one of the departments at the hospital who will be dressed in "The Fifties" theme. Let Paul know if you can go.
 2. We will be riding in the Clinton Christmas Parade Saturday morning December 5. We promised to have about 10 cars, so come ride with us. The parade will form up as usual at 9 A.M. and will pull out at 10. If you want to, meet at the Metro McDonalds for coffee at about 8 o'clock. Then, at about 9, we'll head out to Clinton to the place where the parade starts. After the parade, we'll all go to Shoney's in Clinton for lunch.
 3. T-Tommy and Cynthia (Linda) Smith have invited us to Brookhaven to ride in the Christmas Parade there at 7 p.m. Saturday night December 5. Lineup is on Brookway Blvd (exit 40) at 6. Since the Smiths are coming to Clinton to ride with us, they can give out details to those interested in going.
 4. The next weekend, on Sunday, December 13, we'll have our annual Christmas party at the Raymond clubhouse. We'll eat at about 1 o'clock. I think they're planning to send out a special invitation with all the details, so I won't go into it other than to say the club is providing ham and turkey, and you can bring a side dish, dessert and whatever you want to drink. I'm warning you now I'm planning to overdose on Miss Earl's chocolate pies. So stay out of my way. If you have any presentations or awards you'd like to give anyone for something they did during the past year, feel free to do it. Peggy Acey's scheduled bungee jumping exhibition had to be canceled cause she threw her back out cheering for the New Orleans Saints last week when they beat up on the Redskins.
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A PERSONAL NOTE, PLEASE

This month's newsletter marks the anniversary of our sixth year of turning out your newsletter. I'm proud of the fact that it is one of only a few in the state that comes out EVERY month. After six years, I still enjoy doing it cause you people keep on doing stuff to write about and laugh about. Besides it's gotten kind of neat to walk up to a group of people at a rod run and hear "Look out! Here comes Brown. Don't say or do anything dumb or it will be spread across seven states in his confounded newsletter." It's just that us journalists are sworn to report the facts.

All jokes aside y'all, editing this newsletter lets me do my little part to support area street rodding; something I really love and enjoy. Thanks for letting me do it.

TIS THE SEASON

The next newsletter will be out some time after the new year so we can take a little break during the holidays. Please don't get so busy in you year end Christmas fun that you forget the true meaning of this season.

So from all the club officers of the Mississippi Street Rod Association to all our members and their families; and to all you other friends and clubs who read this newsletter, comes a heartfelt wish that you all have a wonderful Christmas time and that your New Year will be productive and happy.

Til next time, drive carefully...

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jack". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and a trailing flourish.