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Check out the schedule. There have been some new events added for this fall, giving a full slate for September and October. Even the 2011 calendar is beginning to fill up as new events are being confirmed every day. Looks like a very busy year ahead.

A note from Bobby Spann tells us the Ramblin Oldies of Denham Springs will hold their annual pre- '49 street rod run at the Holiday Inn South in Baton Rouge, La on February 4-6. For details and a flyer call Lee 225-673-8562

A one day car show in Clinton is also a new event on the calendar. "Cruisin the Boulevard" will be held on Saturday, September 11, from 10 til 1. It will be centered in the Clinton Plaza shopping center, located between Clinton Blvd and Hwy 80 and for a couple of blocks around it. Area merchants will be having special sales and the city will be providing free popcorn and drinks. More things are in the planning stages and the promoters are begging for cars. Come on and spend part of your Saturday with us there.

Bill Bissell sends word that ***Chillaxin in Jackson***, a new car, truck ,and bike show by B&B productions and Scrapin' the coast will be held in the Fairgrounds Trade Mart on September 25. Plenty of mega watt sound systems in competition, low rider trucks, imports and all that stuff. Go on down and check it out but take your ear plugs. Bill is also making plans fro his Race Car Extravaganza and World of Show & Go in January. He as promised us as much room as we need for our MSRA club display. I think we had 13 cars last year, so let's try to set a new record at the 2011 show.

I was told that the annual "Magee Crazy Days" festival car show will be held in downtown Magee on September 18. This will be something close by for those who don't make the trip up to Tunica that same weekend. It is in a parking lot across the street from First Baptist Church. Turn left off 49 at the BP station and go to the railroad tracks. Cross the tracks and turn left, the lot is a couple of short blocks away.

Attention all you T bucket owners. Some folks on the Gulf Coast are starting a T-bucket club. Their first meeting will be at the Golden Corral on 49 in Gulfport September 4 at 9 a.m. They will meet again on October 2 at the same place. If you're interested in getting your t bucket rod involved with this new group, you can contact them at 228 669-8122

We've been missing Fred Lytle and his yellow 37 Chevy recently. Fred had some leg surgery and will be in a cast for a couple more weeks, then in a boot for a time after that. Give him a call from MSRA and keep him pepped up while he recuperates. And I'll have to mention this: Eric has lost 85 lbs. Congratulations E, soon I won't be able to call him Big 'un any more.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 12. That's the date for the club's annual Christmas party at Raymond Lake Lodge. We'll have lunch around 12:30 or 1, Robert Day will again perform his entertaining magic show, we'll have a time for any special

awards you want to give someone, and then a “yankee gift swap”. So make your plans to attend. As usual, the club will provide the meat and rolls, and you should bring side dishes, desserts and drinks of your choice.

Also, looking ahead to 2011, the annual statewide car club planning meeting will be Saturday January 15, at the **same place** as last year. Coolwater Catering, 1011 Lake Harbour Drive in Ridgeland. It will start at 10, and go through lunch into the afternoon.

And yet one more thing I just got wind of just before I finalized this letter. Down in Terry, Ms on Saturday, October 2, the local Business Assn. is having Oktoberfest, a special event for their “First Saturday “ monthly flea markets there. It will be held in the Village Square Park across from the City hall building on Cunningham Avenue. In addition to the flea market, there will be a **car show**, food, crafts, political speakers, and kids activities from 8 til 2.

Just my efforts to keep us all informed of stuff to do with your car.

WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON

John & Julie, Paul Acey and I went to Ade Fleming’s show in Jackson. It did not have quite as big a turnout as usual, but it was a fun show with plenty of good food. It was fun watching Ade getting dunked into the water in the dunking booth. I went in the roadster and it won a top 15 trophy. John’s t bucket won a trophy for the oldest (1923) car. When Linda was reading out the trophy winners, she didn’t know what a T bucket was, or couldn’t read the handwriting on the list. Anyway, she read the car type as a T Buick. Before we left we made sure she knew what a T bucket looked like. So John’s car was henceforth labeled the T-Buick.

The resumption of the Byram cruise night was a rousing success as between 75-80 cars showed up at Gator Bay Café on Saturday night. A live band entertained in the parking lot and a big crowd of spectators was on hand. It will continue the first Saturday night of each month with trophies being awarded on the September 4 edition.

Several MSRA rods went to Louisville Kentucky to the NSRA Nationals. Eric, Wayne, were there and I think some others from MSRA went also.

Al and Terra went to the Frog Follies in Evansville, Indiana. Al said it was the best pre-’49 show he’d ever been to.

Don Traweek sold his ’39 Ford to someone in Texas. He mentioned building a rat rod to replace it.

John and Julie got wind of a “freebie” 41 Chevrolet pickup that some little old lady wanted to get rid of. At least that’s what the little lady told them. They went bustin’ off to see it with visions of a closed street rod in their future. It turned out to be a rusty ’56 GMC.

Eric traded his ’34 Ford for a ’37 Ford convertible. He thrashed all day on it to get it ready to go out last Saturday night. No top. It rained. He got wet. This prompted the ever present critics to name the yellow Ford “the Bass Boat. He wouldn’t open the hood and some claimed it was because there was a 90 horse Evinrude motor under the hood.” Or “the Bathtub” was another name given the car. The latter came when Eric said he didn’t worry about the rain, saying that there were holes in the bottom for the water to drain out. Someone claimed it had a lever to activate to let the water run out much like flushing a toilet. They’re just jealous, Big ‘un, because of your OTHER ride just out of the paint shop. This 37 Ford convertible is an absolutely stunning car, with bright red paint and silver graphics. He called me to let me listen to the engine the night they cranked it. BE sure to go by his shop and see it. He’ll be riding in it soon.

Seven MSRA rods got together last Saturday night amid rain and threats of more rain to cruise to Mugshots. That place has some fine food. Afterwards we all went down the road to the AAPE club’s cruise-in at the Corner Bakery. When we arrived the lot was almost empty as they had called it off earlier in the day due to the rain threat. But rain doesn’t stop the

MSRA! Oh well, we just sat around awhile and had our own cruise-in. Butch Inabnet, John Bolden, John Pepper, Herman Young, Gene Purser, Ronnie Neihaus and me drove our rods, representing MSRA.

By the way, I'm replacing the wood floor in my little trailer. I need some sort of light weight metal sheeting to make some runners out of. Anybody got any material they'd like to get rid of?

2010 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS	
SEP 3-5	Parade of Rods, MG SRA pre-'49 street rods Houma, LA 985 532-2777
	***** Event postponed due to oil spill activities *****
SEP 4	Labor Day weekend Cruise-in Saturday night at Gator Bay Café in Byram. Trophies, live music, food and cars cars cars. 6 p.m. til 10
SEP 11	Cruisin' the Boulevard car show, Clinton Plaza shopping center, Clinton MS
SEP 11	Rock & Roll Revival, Queen City Rods at Battlefield Motorsports Park drag strip, Meridian, MS info: www.battlefieldraceway.net
SEP 18	September Show Off car show Laurel, MS info: 601 425-0092
SEP 18	"Crazy Days" car show, Magee, MS
SEP 25	14th annual Heritage Festival car Show Raleigh, MS 601-405-7685
SEP 25	2 ND Rockin' Railroad festival car show @ Hazlehurst, MS hazlechamber.com
SEP 25	Clark Co. wildlife festival car show Archusa Creek Water Park Quitman, MS
SEP 25	Cotton Gin car show Noxapater, MS
OCT 2	Oktoberfest car show, City Park, Terry, MS info: 601 878-5521 ext 4
OCT 2	Hickory Day car show Hickory, MS info:601 728-1228
OCT 3-10	14 th Cruisin' the Coast MS Gulf Coast 888-808-1188
OCT 6-17	AVCM antique car show, Miss. State Fair
OCT 16	St. Joseph's Fall Classic car show Poplarville, MS info: 601 795-4004
OCT 16	Block party car show downtown Ellisville, MS info: 601-498-3650
OCT 22-23	Scarecrow Cruise & car show Madison, MS info 601-259-5248
NOV 5-7	Fun Run Crossett, AR street rods & pre '66 models. Info: 870 364-3842
NOV 8-13	Emerald Coast Cruz-in Panama City FL beach 662 587-9572
DEC 4	Byram Christmas parade details TBA
DEC 12	MSRA Christmas Party Raymond Lake Lodge
2011 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS	
JAN 8-9	Race Car Extravaganza - World of Show & Go Jackson Fairgrounds
JAN 15	Statewide Planning Meeting same location as last year 1011 Lake Harbour
JAN 15-16	Race Car Extravaganza – World of Show & Go Mobile, AL coliseum
JAN 21-23	Winter rod run, Diamondhead, MS info: 228 2240133
FEB 4-6	33 rd Ramblin Oldies rod run pre' '49 Baton Rouge, LA info: 225-673-8562
MAR 4-5	Goin' to Town car show, downtown Brookhaven, MS info: 601 833-8620
MAR 19	8 th Annual Troop 98 show & Shine Byram, MS 601 937-1928

MAR 25-27	Dixie Run 33 at Sleep Inn at Flowood, MS pre'-49 street rods only info:601-937-1928 Friday night BBQ, ladies tea, magic show, play money auction for prizes, \$500 grand prize, \$100 pre-registration prize, trophies, dash plaques, games. Downloadable entry flyer @ ms-sra.org info: 601-9371928
APR 3-8	Redneck Power Tour 2011. for details call Fuzzee @ 601 575-8218
APR 10	Gnat Nationals Bay St. Louis info: 228 216-1259
APR 16	Camelia City Run Slidell park Slidell, La info: 985 863-9256
APR 16	Rumblin' in Ridgeland car show by MCCC details TBA
MAY 1	3 rd Annual Swinging Bridge Festival car show Byram, Ms info: 601 373-3933 Open car show, carnival rides, live bands, entertainment, food, family fun
MAY 20-22	Dixie Rodders fun run, Meridian, MS info: 601 938-3060
MAY 28	Shake Rattle & Roll Car show by MCCC in Madison details TBA
JUN	2 nd ASRA street rod reunion Date & location TBA
JULY 29-31	Cattfish Run, Sardis Lake, MS info: 662 429-7265

NEXT CLUB MEETING:

Next MSRA club meeting, Thursday, September 9, at Mugshots on Lakeland Drive. This is the restaurant next door to our rod run location. We'll be set up in the loft upstairs. Eat at 6, meeting to follow. Come in your street rod. We're attempting to get a better working relationship with this place to help us in their support of our upcoming rod run next door, so make a special effort to come to the club meeting that night.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Are you kidding me? Look at that September schedule. There's something **every single weekend**. You can choose to travel or stay close to home as on most weekends there is even a choice of things to do with your car. For what it's worth, I'm planning to be at some car event every weekend. On Saturday, Sept 4 I'll be at the cruise-in in Byram, on 11th I'll be at the Clinton show, on 18th I'll either be at Tunica or Magee and on 25th I'll be at Hazlehurst. So come join me or go where you wish, but go somewhere this September in your street rod! Our Dixie Run flyers are now ready. If you go to a show anywhere, be sure to take some with you and pass them out.

Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass....
It's about dancing in the rain !

Till next time, drive carefully

Jack