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BITS & PIECES

Another event has been added to the already crowded September schedule. The annual Magee Crazy Days car show will be held September 17 at the First Baptist Church parking lot in Magee. There will be door prizes, goodie bags, and trophies in about ten categories sponsored by Magee chamber of commerce.

Mississippi street rod Hall of Fame member George Poteet from Holly Springs recently ran over 420 mph at the Bonneville salt flats in Utah. He was driving a streamliner maintained by a group of Memphis Street Rod Club guys. Guess that makes George the fastest man in Mississippi right now.

The car show at the Raleigh Heritage Festival September 24 has been renamed in honor of Ray Rayner, long time Bay Springs street rodder, who passed away last month.

I've also been notified that the Cruise thru the Woods event formerly scheduled October 15 in Raymond will not be held this year.

The 34th annual Dixie Rod run is changing locations in 2012. In addition to the new venue, many, many activities, some old, some new are being added to this annual pre-'49 street rod show. MSRA, Trustmark Park, and Holiday Inn of Pearl will be hosting this big street rod event the weekend of March 23-25, 2012. Street rods from all over the south, and even some from as far north as Illinois are expected. MSRA officials and the Pearl Chamber of Commerce staff are busy behind the scenes lining up all the details for this 34th edition of Dixie Run, which promises to be one of the best ever of the longest running street rod event in the state. So, until all the details are complete, we'll keep you guessing as to all the fun things planned for that weekend. STAY TUNED !!

WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON

It was so hot in August, things just seemed to slow down to a hot crawl. The one cool morning I remember was the Saturday of the VA home cruise. About 25 or so classic cars, rods and trucks met at the hospital. Fortunately the cloud cover kept it cool enough for a large number of veterans residing at the home to come outside and look at the cars. And they each came by thanked us for coming. Clayton in his '23 T, Cooney in his '46 Chevy, and me in my roadster represented MSRA. After the visit, most of the cars drove down to the other VA Home in Collins. Thanks to Ollie and Casey for putting this on for our vets.

The next weekend, Ade Fleming's church had their annual car show. I was absent from that one, doing grandpa duties at grandson's first football game. (They won) John & Julie took their '23 T, along with Barbara's 34 Ford. Both won top 15 trophies, but Barbara really showed out, also winning best paint and best of show with the red Ford coupe.

Eric won some cash and a trophy for best interior with his red '37 convertible at the Golden Moon casino car show in Choctaw. I rode up there for a visit, and it was a nice, though not large, show. Wayne said the Indians probably went on the warpath next day after they saw the oil spots left from the cars on the carpet in the arena. Yes, it was indoors on carpeted floors. Cool air too!

2011 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS	
SEP 10	Leake Co. 4H club car show Carthage, MS. Coliseum info: 601-267-8036
SEP 10	Car, truck, & bike show to benefit Robbie Grant at City Park on Hwy. 80 in Pearl, MS info: and to pre-enter 601-939-7730
SEP 17	Vicksburg cruisers car & bike show @ Blackburn Motor Co. Vicksburg, MS 8 til 3 proceeds benefit Haven House info: 601 415-0421 VicksburgCruisers.com
SEP 16-17	North Miss. NSRA Appreciation Day Harrah's in Tunica info:901-486-0409
SEP 17	Benefit car & bike show @ Shucker's on the Rez info: 601-954-8931
SEP 17	Magee Crazy Days car show FBC Magee, MS info: 601/906-6701
SEP 21-24	Fall Petit Jean Mountain swap meet Morrilton, AR info: 501 727-5427
SEP 24	Cotton Gin Festival car show Noxapater, MS info:662 724-4656
SEP 24	Ray Rayner Memorial car show Raleigh, Ms info:601 405 7685
SEP 23-25	Delta River Run Sam's Town, Tunica, MS by Memphis Street Rods
OCT 1	Show off on the Square Batesville, Ms MS Delta Street Rods 662 429-7265
OCT 1	Rockin' Railroad Festival car show Hazlehurst, MS info: 601 894-3988
OCT 2-9	Cruisin' the Coast Miss. Gulf Coast info 1-888-808-1188
OCT 5	Cruise Fest First Baptist Church, Biloxi, MS info: www.fbcbiloxi.org
OCT 6	Cruise-in at the Shed BBQ on hwy 53N Gulfport, MS info: 228 832-1147
OCT 5-8	Swap Meet and Drags at Gulfport Dragway on Canal Rd. info: 228 598-0664
OCT 5-16	AVCM State Fair antique car show Jackson, MS fairgrounds
OCT 15	Rock & Roll Revival & Nostalgia Drags at Battlefield Drag Strip Collinsville, MS info:www.battlefieldraceway.net
OCT 15	2nd Annual Ride Thru the Woods, Little Big Store's 30th Anniversary and Motorama Jamboree in Raymond, MS **** CANCELED ****
OCT 15	Cruzin' Lake Hazle car show Hazlehurst, MS info 601-720 7223
OCT 21-22	8 th Scarecrow Cruise & car show by MCC Madison, Ms info: 601 259-5248
OCT 22	Film Festival / Hot Rod Show / Gumbo cookoff / Elvis spectacular downtown Jackson at Planetarium. More info: www.msfilm.org
NOV 4-6	21 st annual Fun Run Crossett, AR info 870 364-9481 pre-'66
NOV 5	Chillin' & Grillin' car show Taylorsville, MS
NOV 5	Boulevard Cruisers Fall show Picayune, MS 601 798-3166
NOV 7-12	Emerald coast Cruise-in Panama City Beach, FL at Frank Brown Park Info: www.emeraldcoastcruizin.com

DEC 3	Christmas parade at Whitfield State Hospital
DEC 4	Byram Christmas Parade.
DEC 11	Santa's Cruise Toys for Tots Edgewater Mall, Gulfport
	2012 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
JAN 7-8	Racing Vehicle Extravaganza Jackson Fairgrounds Trade Mart
JAN 14	Statewide car club planning meeting Coolwater Café, Ridgeland. MS
JAN 20-21	Winter Rod Run by Southern Who Covington, LA
MAR 3	Goin to Town car show Brookhaven, MS details tba
MAR 17	9 th Annual Scout Troop 98 Show & Shine at Springridge UMC in Byram, MS info 601 937-1928
MAR	Singing River Rod Run details tba
MAR 23-25	34 th Dixie Run Pearl, MS pre-"49 street rods only Trustmark Park/Holiday Inn
MAR 31	Pisgah Elem. School car show

NEXT MSRA CLUB MEETING:

Thursday, September 8, 6 p.m. at Los Parillos Mexican restaurant in Pearl. This is a VERY important club meeting. All the up to date details about the move of Dixie Run to the new location at Pearl will be presented. Lots still left to plan, but we need all MSRA members on board as this event is discussed.

WHAT'S NEXT

Next up, Saturday, September 10, MSRA will get together to ride to the Cars in the Park car & bike show at Pearl Park on highway 80. This is a benefit car show to help with medical expenses for Robby Grant, local painter who has done work on several club cars. Robby recently had extensive heart surgery and hopefully this will help him out with those expenses. We'll meet in the parking lot of Los Parillos restaurant in Pearl and ride over there together in a group. Meet there about 8 a.m. and join the caravan the short distance to the park. We might go somewhere else after this show, depending on what time it is over.

The next two weekends, there are several events each weekend to choose from. Check out the schedule. At the club meeting Thursday, we'll discuss and see if we want to make a group trip out of any of them.

PARTING THOUGHT

A truck driver mis-judged the height of an overpass bridge and firmly stuck his 18 wheeler when he attempted to drive under it. Knowing he was going to catch all kind of flak from his buddies, he was ready when the Texas highway patrol arrived. When the cop got out of his cruiser, the truck driver knew what was coming and was ready.....I mean really ready. The lawman swapped sides with his tobacco, straightened his Smokey Bear hat and drawled. "Well now.. did you get yer truck stuck, son?" The driver didn't even look up, but replied. "Naw sir. I was hauling this bridge and I ran out of gas."

Till next time, drive carefully

Jack