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BITS AND PIECES

MSRA elected officers for the coming year. They are as follows:

President, Jimmy Creel

Directors: Marshall Ainsworth

Vice President, Jack Brown

Vic Boggs

Secretary, Julie Pepper

John Pepper

Treasurer, Eric Knight

Mike Summerlin

All these folks are active street rodders and have indicated they enthusiastically stand ready to serve the club during the coming year. We all have a big job ahead of us to make the 35th Dixie Rod Run next March a bigger success than last year's event.

Forty MSRA members attended the recent club meeting and several future activities were discussed. Details are being worked on and will be announced in the newsletter and on the website.

Mark your calendars for Friday, December 7. We have been invited again to ride in the annual Christmas parade at the State Hospital in Whitfield. Lineup is a 9 a.m. with the parade at 10. Some of those who rode in it last year said they enjoyed the experience, while others said the parade was too long and slow, some cars ran hot and the folks chasing candy created a definite hazard. So let me know where you stand on this so we can let the staff know if we'll participate or not.

The Crooked Creak guys will host a swap meet at the park in Pelahatchie on Saturday, October 6. All automotive parts, tools, and furniture will be for sale there. Food and possibly live music will also be featured at this annual event.

Street rodding lost another icon this past week with the death of Bruce Broussard in Baton Rouge after a battle with cancer. Bruce was a long time member of the Ramblin' Oldies club in Denham Springs and in past years often attended Dixie Run. I know those guys in that club are hurting right now and will miss Bruce greatly.

The annual Swinging Bridge Festival in Byram, usually held in the spring, will not be held this year, so the accompanying car show is cancelled.

WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON

The Mike & Barbara Summerlin stopped by the house for a visit this week to show off the new additions to their yellow T. You'll want to check out the new top and interior kit just installed on Mike's hot rod. It now has a hard top covered with tan fabric and a new interior. This fiberglass glass top does not have the tall rake that some t's have, but adds much to the looks of the rod. The whole interior is tan fabric and really makes the

car look more plush and comfortable. One thing I'd not seen before on t bucket tops is, this top came with an actual headliner.

Eric has another project car in his shop. It is a '37 Chevy sedan he got from a north Mississippi builder. A well-started project rod if you need one. Or he may finish it himself or a sale.

I heard Butch sold his cabover Chevy truck. Also I saw a photo of the new set of wheels Nathan got for his '48 Chevy rat rod.

Welcome to our newest members, the Danny Slay family. They drive a 38 Chevy and have a couple of 40's Dodge pickups in the works. Hey Danny, do you need a good set of rear fenders for those Dodges? Got a new set of fiberglass ones still in the box I don't need. I will make you a steal of a deal on them.

It was also good to see the entire Estes family at the last club meeting. They have a couple of fine '34's.

There was a little car show in Richland to benefit the school's dance team. (George & Marie's granddaughter is a member.) I didn't know about it, but was told that George & Marie, Jimmy Creel, Joe Byrd, Charles Edwards, and Mike Chambless drove their street rods to the show, which drew around 30 cars and motorcycles..

2012 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS	
SEP 8	Leake Co. 4H open car show, Carthage, MS Coliseum. info: 601 267-8036
SEP 15	8 th annual Hot Rod Weekend show & drags Gulfport Dragway 228-596-0664
SEP 15	Rollin Thru the Park car show, Pearl, MS City park on 80 C.A.R.A Benefit
SEP 15	Poker Run (cars & bikes) to benefit Juvenile Diabetes, Neshoba Co Coliseum, Philadelphia, MS info 601 656-4110
SEP 15	Crazy Days Festival car show Main Street Magee, MS info: 601 906-6701
SEP 21-23	Sam's Town car show Tunica, MS by Memphis Street Rods
SEP 21-23	Taboo Tiki the old new Diamondhead Rod Run @ Diamondhead Resort by Rat Pack info:228 596-0664
SEP 22	Cruisin' the Boulevard car show 4p.m-8 p.m. Clinton, MS 601 924-5472
SEP 22	First annual Cruise for a Cure car, truck & bike show , American Cancer Society Benefit at Star, MS. 9 til 2 info www.cruzin4cure@yahoo.com
SEP 29	Wang Dang Doodle car show Forest, MS info: 601 405-7685
SEP 29	Rockin' Railroad Festival car show Hazlehurst, MS info: 601 894-3988
SEP 29	Cruisin' the Twin Cities car & bike show by NE La street rods West Monroe, La info: 318 789-1192
SEP 29	September Show-off car show Laurel, MS info: 601 4250042
SEP 29	Rebel Rod Run Car show to benefit Special Olympics. Campus of Ole Miss in Oxford, MS. Info: 662 934 0751
SEP 28-29	12 th Old Drag Racer's Reunion Panama City, FL dragway 251-246-5588
OCT 1- 5	Vintage Rod tour-Nashville to Natchez 423-571-6430
OCT 6	Swap meet. Muscadine park, Pelahatchie, MS
OCT 6	Euro Fest at Renaissance Center, Madison info:euro-fest.net
OCT 6	Batesville on the Square info: 662-429-7265
OCT 7-14	Cruisin the Coast MS Gulf Coast info: cruisinthecoast.com
OCT 10-13	Swap Meet, car shows, & drag racing at Gulfport Dragway info 228-596-0664
OCT 20	Annual Rock & Roll Revival car show and Nostalgia Drags at Battlefield Raceway Collinsville, MS (north of Meridian) info www.battlefieldraceway.net

OCT 19-20	Scarecrow cruise & car show Madison, MS by MCC info: 601 259-5248
NOV 2-4	Klassy Kruzers Fun Run Crossett AR info:870-305-5701
NOV 5-10	Emerald Coast Cruise In Panama City Beach FL info: 662-587-9572
DEC 7	Christmas parade at State Hospital in Whitfield
2013 SCHEDULE	
JAN 5-6	25 th Annual Race Car Extravaganza, Fairgrounds Trade Mart. Jackson, MS
MAR 22-24	35 th annual Dixie Rod Run Trustmark Park, Pearl, MS pre-'49 street rods only
MAY 18	Crooked Creek Car show, Muscadine Park, Pelahatchie,MS

COMING UP NEXT

Look at the schedule. September is **packed** with car shows. A new car show is at the Carthage Coliseum on Sept. 8 to benefit Leake County 4H clubs.

Another new event scheduled for Sept. 15 in the Pearl City Park on highway 80 sounds nice. For pre- entry, call Express Audio at 601 939-7730. On this same weekend, the annual car show at Magee Crazy Days will be held downtown in Magee, MS.

The next weekend, Sept 22, allows for an **entire day** of area hot rod run, all close to home. At 9 a.m., the First Annual Cruise for a Cure car show (to benefit the American Cancer Society) will take place at the Star Baptist Church parking lot in Star, MS. There will be raffles, craft booths, kids' activities, food, a 50/50 drawing and door prizes. This show concludes at 2 p.m., just in time to get a bite to eat before driving over to Clinton where another local event takes place. The Cruisin' the Boulevard show is being given a whole new format this year. It begins at 4 p.m. with a car show and winds up at 8 with an outdoor drive-in movie. That sounds like a full day of car fun that might make a good club road trip. We'll talk about that Thursday at the club meeting. There are some other things out of town also that weekend, check the event schedule.

The final weekend of Sept. 29 has a couple of area shows, one at Forest and one at Hazlehurst. The Raleigh car show has moved to Forest on that weekend. Then there is the new one put on by our friends with the Northeast Louisiana Street rods in West Monroe, La. This is the one I'm going to try to make, simply because this group of dedicated rodders supported our Dixie Run so well during the past couple of years. (They won the club participation trophy two years in a row at our rod run.) It will be held at the Pentecostal facility parking lot on the frontage road, just off I 20 at Thomas Road exit in West Monroe. If you want to go over the night before, there's a Super 8 motel right at that exit. This will be that club's first effort at a car show in a long time so go help them out if you can.

Another new one, the Rebel Rod Run car show, will be held on the campus of Ole Miss in Oxford September 29. Show benefits Special Olympics.

PROJECT STREET ROD FOR SALE: '47 Chevrolet Fleetline 2 door sedan (the fastback), 68 Nova clip, 350 engine and transmission. It has black paint and interior, both need work. 16" wheels with wide whites. Needs finishing to make it a nice cruiser. \$8500 David Morgan 601 813-5419

NEXT MSRA CLUB MEETING:

Next meeting will be on Thursday, September 13 at the Holiday Inn in Pearl. Eat at 6, with meeting to follow. With all the events coming up in September and October, we need to make some of them club participation events, so come give your input to that. Also, most of the club shirts were picked up and paid for. If you still have not picked up what you ordered on the last try, plan to do so at next meeting. Or if you want to order something for Christmas, or didn't get all you wanted, we will set up another order to try to get everyone satisfied. And speaking of Christmas, we need to have a Christmas party this year since we did not have one last year.

If you think small things don't make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito in the room.

Till next time, drive carefully

Jack