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Vickie's Views

Here we go again with another very HOT month! The car show on June 4th at the Career Center was a good show but I wish more people would have come out for this great cause. Relay for Life puts on this show every year. We stayed out there all day from 9am -2pm, they did shut it down a little early because of the heat. But they did a great job, and we appreciate all they do for our Community. After the car show at the Career Center, Manny and I went home for a couple of hours, cooled off and then went right back out in it for our regular cruise-in of the month. Wow, what a turn out we had. We estimated around 90 cars came to the cruise-in. We had a blast, there were people everywhere having a great time. I watched people walk across the street from the Odell Weeks Recreation Center, out of Home Depot and walk over to see all the great rides we all brought. I truly love seeing all our friends having such a good time. Thanks to Michelle and Freddie Campbell, along with their two small helpers, Noah Preachers and Sarah Mitchum for selling the 50/50 tickets. They did a great job. They sold \$235.00 worth of tickets. Phillip Brown won the 50/50 and donated his winnings back to the club for our charity. Thanks Phillip, we really appreciate it!

Monday, June 6th was our club meeting. We had a couple of new members come to the meeting, Bill Kraeling and James Greene, glad you two made it to the meeting. Planned out the rest of the month, and talked about some upcoming events we would like to do.

Saturday, June 11th was the cruise-in to Sears to help support our Heroes at Home. This is another event where I wish that we had a better turn-out. Thanks to the members that did come out and brave the heat with us. We had a really good time. Sears had a dunking booth, which was a lot of fun. I had a ball dunking all those men!! Aiken Horsepower raised right around \$200.00 for their event. Way to go club members!

Thursday, June 16th was the Beach Blast on Newberry Street. Our cruise-in started around 5:30. The actual event was scheduled from 6pm – 10pm. The first 30 Aiken Horsepower members that came in received a Beach Blast dash plaque. We also gave out trophies to the top three best Beachy vehicles. Congrats to Pete and Kay Bodie for winning the first place trophy for the best "BEACHED OUT" ride, they did an awesome job. Loved "Sally" in the itty bitty teeny weeny yellow poka dot bikini. Manny came in second with bones wearing his hula skirt, and his redneck Jacuzzi in the back of the truck, my granddaughter Sarah and her friend Noah stayed cool in the pool, and Aaron and Sally Reinhart won third place with their Rod, and their mini surfboards just fit right in. We let the members of Aiken Horsepower vote on the top Beached Out Rides. We had around 35 cars come and had lots of people ask me about the club. Gave out a few applications and told them all to go to our website. Aiken Downtown Development did an awesome job on the "Beach Blast" and I am glad they included us in this fun event. We had a great time. The paper

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took a picture of my granddaughter Sarah shooting me right in the face with her water gun. Free beach towels were given out by URS, they went very fast. Thanks again for all our members that came out to this fun event, and hope to see you all there next year!!

Friday, June 24th is our cruise-in to Langley Pond to watch the movie American Graffiti. Our club members will have the front row so we can display our cars, and have the best seats for the movie. We are going to meet at Reid's on Hwy. 1 around 7:15, so we can leave there around 7:30, so we can cruise to Langley Pond as a club. Brad from Parks, Recreation and Tourism said they will be selling drinks, hot dogs and ice cream. This event is free unless you buy drinks or whatever else they might be selling. So come out for a night of fun with our club members, and don't forget to bring your chairs if you don't want to stay in your car. Hope to see you all there!!

Saturday, June 25th is the Fireworks over Aiken put on by Brent Daugherty. He said we are all invited, and he has a special way to get into the area so we don't have to drive down that dirt road. He said that there would be no fall out from the fireworks near any cars. This is a big event for Aiken and I just wanted to let you all know about it. This is not an Aiken Horsepower event, but we were invited along with other clubs.

July 2nd is our next cruise-in in front of Home Depot. This cruise-in is from 6pm-8pm. Since July 4th is on the Monday that we usually have our meeting we are going to have a small meeting at the cruise-in right before we draw the 50/50. That way everyone can just enjoy their July 4th with their families. Hope everyone has a safe and happy 4th!

Vickie



MANNY'S MANIA

What a big difference in one month. The club came through again! I complained about not getting help, and then bam, help was coming out of the wood work. Thanks to all that pitched in. But as Vickie said, we were overloaded with cars at our first Saturday cruise-in. I hope this is a trend that keeps up, and I will rope off more area for the cars.



First Place "Beached Out" Ride, Kay and Pete Bodie. Along with "Sally" and her yellow polka dot bikini.

As promised we have a lot on our burners this month and the months to come. We were planning on a picnic at Gem Lakes, but with this heat wave I don't think this will work out. But I am always planning. Jim Fuller has offered to let us use his place for another gathering like the one we had a few years back. This will be a pot luck with Aiken Horsepower supplying the drinks and the meats. As I said this is in the planning stage so we will have to come up with a date, and let Vickie know what dish everyone is going to bring. Jim has upgraded his MANCAVE with more air conditioning and a custom light show on his cars. Sonic's has asked our club to do a night time cruise-in at their Northside (Richland Avenue) restaurant, which I think will be a lot easier to get in and out of than the Southside Sonics. Again we will have to come up with a date. We will meet at Rose's parking lot and cruise-in together as a club. In October we are planning to have another sock hop. Steve Biggs said that he would get a hold of Otis Brown for the entertainment. So get out your poodle skirts, roll up your white t-shirts, it is going to be party time! There will be tickets sold for this event to help cover the cost of the entertainment and the rent of the place we have it.



2nd place, Manny and Vickie Reynolds, with Bones and the Redneck Jacuzzi.

Last but not least if you want to have your company in the newsletter and are a member let us know, and we also do want ads for members only. But please let us know when your item sells, so we can remove it off the list.



Sally and Aaron Rhinehart won third place with their Rod and boogie boards.

Again I want to thank the members that came forward at the Sears show, it was a long haul that day, but Alan like us are learning as we go. I want to let the club members know that Vickie and I want

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our club members input, good or bad, because we are learning too. The Sears show for Heroes at Home is special to my heart for I can count back at least six generations that have served in the Armed Forces. It is because of them we can cruise to wherever we want. To all club members, please check out our website www.aikenhorsepower.com. Tavares has been doing a lot of upgrades, and I have given him past pictures of club events that he will be putting on as well. So our money was well spent in getting his PC fixed. For he still does this at no charge to the club. A big THANKS to Tavares for doing such an awesome job. Varooooom, until next month.

Manny



If you drove 100 miles an hour for four years you would still not cover every stretch of road in the USA.

Next Cruise-In & Events ...

June 24th

Cruise-in to Langley Pond to watch American Graffiti on the County's new big screen.

July 2nd

Aiken Horsepower cruise-in at Home Depot from 6:00-8:00 pm.

NO MEETING ON MONDAY, JULY 4TH

MEMBER'S RIDE OR PROJECT OF THE MONTH

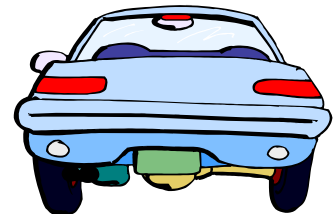
This is Crocket, Jim Fullers 1961 Chevy Corvair curb side delivery pick up truck. It is 16" off the ground designed to let the ramp down to the sidewalk. It has a rear engine, and Jim has had it for ten years. He has a lot of cars in his stable, and he has just bought two more cars. They both are El Caminos. Jim names his cars after the person he bought them from.



FOR SALE:

2011 Spring Fling T-shirts \$15.00 & new decals 5" decals \$5.00 and 4" decals for \$4.00.

AIKEN HORSEPOWER IS ALWAYS GLAD AND HOPE YOU WILL RETURN SOON!! TO SEE YA COMING



Want Ads

That's right club members, in case you forgot – we are pleased to list your automotive associated ads in the newsletter. Whether it be a "for sale: or "for want" just let me know in some sort of written form, and I will put it in the very next newsletter. It will only run once (kinda like some cars I have owned) so if you want it to run again you have to let me know each time. Another reminder – I don't know what you have, what it's called, or what it is used for, so be sure that you include all the pertinent details, as to name, size, color, etc. and who and where to contact.

FOR SALE: 1934 Coupe, white with a 250 automatic transmission. **\$25,500.** Call Geoffrey Bulfinch at (803) 642-2263

FOR SALE: 1957 T-Bird, owner Herbert Padgett, all original except carburetor. Baby blue in color, 312 4-barrel thunderbird motor with automatic transmission. **\$35,000.** Call Cleveland Rains at (803) 292-1513

FOR SALE: 1964 Chevelle, canary yellow, black interior, 283 with 4 speed, restored. Call Mike Hillman for price, (803) 643-9871

FOR SALE: 1969 Road Runner, 383 4 speed, tang in color. **\$16,500.** Call Geoffrey Bulfinch at (803) 642-2263

FOR SALE: 1971 Camaro Z28, 350 4 speed, orange with white stripe. **\$25,500.** Call Geoffrey Bulfinch at (803) 642-2263



FOR SALE: 1971 Chevy New Yorker, 4-Door, 440 Magnum, Fully loaded 58,000 original miles. **\$6,500 firm.** Call Tony Grubbs at (803) 671-1195

FOR SALE: 1991 v8 350 engine and a 2001 auto trans. from a 1984 Chevy Suburban. Vehicle been sitting in yard for 4 years, but engine was running before it was parked. having financial difficulties and need to sell immediately. Must pull engine if purchased. Asking **\$300** for it all. Call Tavares Hanks, (803) 979-2457



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