

April 2022

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Special points of interest:

- Member meeting April 14 @ Pizza Ranch
- Mystery Cruise— April 21
- Cruise-in April 23rd @ Hardee's—Stevenson Dr
- Board Meeting April 28

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Route 66 Cruisers Newsletter

2022 Board Officers

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President's Message

Well Hi Gang...

Hope ya'll made it through the cold stuff without to many scratches, dents, flats or dings. In case you didn't know it's our club's 30th anniversary.

Man it's hard to believe its been 30 years! A lot of fantastic people have passed through our club over the years. I was just talking with Pat Smith (who by the way is one of the remaining founding members of the club) about Don and Verna Cutler (club founders) and many, many more names came popping up in the conversation. Man it was great!

The board is working to make our 30th year special so I hope you all will come out and support your club, and have fun doing it.

I'm really looking forward to this season and hanging out with everyone at the cruises and shows.

If you haven't renewed your membership, please do so soon or the next newsletter will be the last you will receive. Membership forms will be at the meetings and at the cruise-ins. You can also find them on the website.

Our membership meeting is Thursday, April 14th at Pizza Ranch meeting starts at 7 p.m. but come on out early to eat and visit.

Our first cruise-in is on Saturday, April 23rd at Rock and Roll Hardee's from 1-4 p.m. So get 'em out and shined up. Lets kick off the year with a record breaker! Then our friends, the Cool Cruisers, have a cruise-in at Motorheads on Sunday April 24th from 1-4 p.m. Our second cruise-in is at the Fairlane Diner in Sherman on Sunday, May 1st from 1-4 p.m.

See ya down the road



Jeff

Club Merchandise

We still have plenty of merchandise for sale:

Rt 66 Cruisers short sleeve blue/red t-shirts. Prices are as follows:

small—xl - \$15 each 2x - \$17 3x - \$18.

All merchandise is available upon request and Ronda Whitehead will have the merchandise at cruises at the registration table, including our first cruise-in on April 23.



Happy Birthday
from the
Route 66 Cruisers
Car Club!!

January Birthdays

Earl Morgan	January 2
Pam Scattergood	January 5
Kerry Weinhoef	January 6
Kim Beckett	January 12
Stan Porter	January 13
Richard Roth	January 14
Jane Chard	January 18
Vincent Kincaid	January 22
Aaron Weatherholt	January 23
Lynne Delmar	January 23
Jan Porter	January 23
Jim Schaefer	January 26
Nicole Osborne	January 31

March Birthdays

Pamela Meyer	March 1
George Ecklund Jr.	March 2
Mike Tarr	March 3
Janet Burghart	March 4
Martha Shearburn	March 4
Juanita Walker	March 6
Rex Warren	March 7
Joe Phillips	March 8
Wanda Volz	March 9
Lesslie Morgan	March 12
Kathy Martin	March 13
Brenda Bryan	March 13
Greg Clyburn	March 16
John LaDew	March 16
Kathy Koopman	March 17
Renee Hayword-Smith	March 18
Patricia Gietl	March 19
Charlie Gouveia	March 20
Deb Drone Tarr	March 24
Dallas Mrasak	March 25
Ron Hoehn	March 26
Nancy Campbell	March 27

February Birthdays

Gary Bryan	February 1
Teresa Horve	February 2
Ditmar Walker	February 3
Kelly Schaefer	February 7
Diane Kreiser	February 8
Tracy Houser	February 9
Andy Samoore	February 11
Linda Sheary	February 11
Galen Johnson	February 13
Connie Johnson	February 14
Phil Novak	February 15
Diane Baggerly	February 15
Margaret Canum	February 16
Robert Miller	February 17
Charlie Foor	February 18
Greg Tanner	February 18
Don Beers	February 19
Melissa Roberts	February 22
Scott Stuewe	February 25
Sherron Russell	February 29

April Birthdays

Pam Finn	April 1
Shane Major	April 2
Stephen Kalka	April 6
Donna Sternbergh	April 7
Greg Cooper	April 12
Kenny Jackson	April 17
Debi Pelligrin	April 19
Larry Franke	April 21
Robert Johnson	April 21
Bradley Zeiger	April 22
Jane Mihalich	April 23

Sponsor's Corner

Corporate level sponsors



Isringhausen Imports



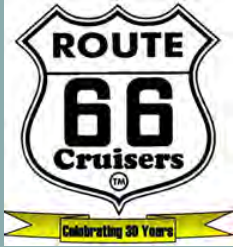
In its 30 year timeframe, Isringhausen has made its name synonymous with quality vehicles in Springfield where it all began. Starting in 1990 when they acquired the BMW and Porsche dealerships, to adding Mercedes Benz in 1992 and Volvo in 2014 (for the second time) they have established themselves as a leading dealership for high quality vehicles and service. Their philosophy that all customers deserve attention, honesty and respect is extended to their employees as well creating an environment for long term employees. They have a commitment to excellence of customers, employees and community.

The Route 66 Cruisers club thank you for your support!

LRS



LRS has positioned itself as a global technology leader with over 900 employees in offices in North America, Europe, Asia and Australia. Started in 1979 as a partnership between Dick Levi, Roger Ray and Bob Shoup as a consulting firm, their services have grown to include printing software, consulting services, pension administration software, computer hardware, education and technical training and web development and hosting. LRS is a good corporate citizen the Springfield community contributing to multiple charities and philanthropy efforts. Dick Levi is now the sole owner but has maintained their mission to be a leading force in technology. LRS has been voted as best employer multiple times.



Cruisers of the year—2021

The cruisers of the year award has been reinstated and the 2021 recipients are Derek and Melissa Roberts. The Roberts and Recon Tech have done so much for both this club and in the community. They are always eager to volunteer and help out. The Route 66 Cruisers board wanted to thank them for all they have done. The certificate was presented at the 2021 Christmas Party.



Congratulations Derek and Melissa. Well deserved. You both are much appreciated.

Welcome New Members!

Please help welcome the Route 66 Cruisers newest member are:

Jon Whitehead

If you see him at the next cruise-in, meeting or mystery cruise, be sure to say hello and welcome him to the club!

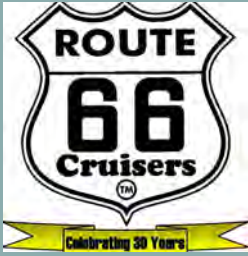
If you know someone who wants to join, have them download the application from our website.

Newsletter Contest

How well did you read your newsletter?

Bring your answers to the next member meeting and all who answer correctly will be entered in a drawing for a door prize!

1. Where can you get squid or cow tongue flavored ice cream? _____
2. Who won the 50/50 at the March member meeting _____
3. What is the date for the April Mystery Cruise? _____
4. When were license plates first used? _____
5. Who catered the 2021 Christmas Party? _____



Things you probably haven't thought about

And probably won't again....

A rooster cannot crow unless its neck is fully extended.

Two Detroit men opened the first car wash, the Automated Laundry, in 1914.

License plates predate cars. They were used on horse-drawn carriages first, in 1884.

The next time you reach for the heat in your ride you can thank Margaret Wilcox. Born in 1838, she was one of the few female engineers of the time. In 1893, she received a patent for an internal car heater system that we still use today.

A pelican can hold about 25 pounds of fish in its pouch.

Fuzzbusters: The U.S. Automobile Association was formed in 1905 for the purpose of providing "scouts" who could warn motorists of hidden police traps.

D's "Easy" Trivia (March Member Meeting)

What we learned....

1. Only 21,542 out of 71,287 (roughly 30%) polled by MSN.com said they could drive a stick shift.
2. While sold in America as "The Thing" by Volkswagon, in Mexico and South America, it was sold as the Safari.
3. Early model Fords were all painted black because the paint dried faster which sped up production
4. The harmonica is the best selling musical instrument in the world
5. In Japan, you can get squid, raw horse flesh and cow tongue flavored ice cream. (UGHH!)
6. By age 50, the average person has walked 75000 miles

Member Meeting

The March 10 member meeting was at Golden Corral. . Attending were 38 members and guests. Record crowd!! Lee Kalka was the big trivia winner with 9 correct, Carter Logue came in 2nd with 8 correct and Jon Whitehead and Ralph Billings both took 3rd place with 7 correct.

The 50/50 winner for the night was D Walker who walked away with a cool \$86

The next member meeting will be April 14 at Pizza Ranch.

Recipe Corner

Cowboy Dip

Submitted by Carla Rapps

12 oz hot Italian sausage links, casings removed	1 (14 oz) can fire-roasted diced tomatoes w/ green chiles	Cayenne pepper, to taste
2 (8oz) packages cream cheese, at room temp	1 (4 oz) can diced green chiles	Topping:
1 c. sour cream	1/2 resh jalapeno peppers, diced	2 T sharp cheddar cheese, grated
4 oz sharp cheddar cheese, grated	1/2 c. green onions, sliced	Cayenne pepper, to taste
2 cups frozen sweet cord, thawed and drained	1 tsp kosher salt	1 tsp gren onion, optional, sliced
	1/2 t. black pepper	

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees F
2. Place the sausage links in a dry pan over medium heat until they start to sizzle
3. Begin to break up the sausage as it cooks; cook until browned and crumbly; drain fat
4. In large bowl, combine cream cheese, sour cream, 4 oz cheddar cheese, corn, sausage, tomatoes, green chiles, jalapeno peppers, 1/2 c green onions, salt, pepper and cayenne pepper, mixing until thoroughly combined
5. Transfer the mixture to a baking dish, smoothing out the top; top with remaining cheese and cayenne
6. Place on baking sheet and bake about 30 mins, until cheese is melted and dip is bubbling.

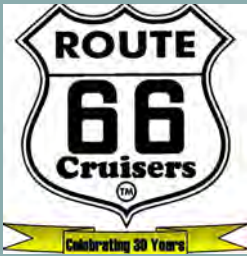


Farmer's Casserole

Submitted by Carla Rapps

3 cups hash browns, diced	1 cup cheddar cheese, shredded	1 (6 oz) can evaporated milk
1/4 c. red bell pepper, chopped	1/4 cup green onions, chopped	5 large eggs
1/4 c. green bell pepper, chopped	1 cup ham, cubed and cooked	1/2 tsp garlic powder
		Salt and pepper to taste

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F
2. Place hash browns, bell peppers into 8" baking dish
3. Sprinkle cheese over hash brown mixture
4. Add green onions and ham
5. In a small bowl, whisk the eggs, milk, garlic powder and salt and pepper together.
6. Pour the egg mixture into the baking dish
7. Bake until a knife inserted into the center comes out clean, about 55—60 mins.



Route 66 Cruisers Classifieds

Business Ads



Contact Carla Rapps with your business card to advertise here. Members can advertise their businesses here for \$5.00 for the entire season

Space available

Member Merchandise for Sale:

FOR SALE:

NEW rear bumper center for a '57 Chevy Sedan. \$350

If interested, contact Jeff Whitehead @ 217-836-4105



Have anything auto-related you need to get rid of? Want to make some money in the process? Send your ad to the newsletter editor and place an ad right here!. The ad can run for free for up to 90 days for members.

Contact Carla Rapps if you have an ad to include.

Mystery Cruise

April will begin the Mystery Cruise season again. Our first mystery cruise is already booked and will be April 21. We will meet at the JC Penney parking lot—south end by Burger King at 6:00. We will leave promptly at 6:15.

Once there, someone will tell you where we are going. If you have not been approached or do not know, or if you need directions please ask. We do not want to leave anyone behind or lose anyone in the cruise to our destination.

As always, one lucky member will receive their meal free!

Come out and join us!!!



Cruise-in Schedule



Saturday	April 23	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive	1 p.m.—4 p.m.
Sunday	May 1	Fairlane Diner- Sherman	1 p.m.—4 p.m.
Saturday	May 14	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive	5 p.m.—8 p.m.
Saturday	June 11	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive	5 p.m.—8 p.m.
Sunday	June 26	Fairlane Diner - Sherman	1 p.m.—4 p.m.
Saturday	July 16	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive	5 p.m.—8 p.m.
Wednesday	July 31	Tasty Café - Sherman	1 p.m.— 4 p.m.
Saturday	August 13	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive	5 p.m.—8 p.m.
Sunday	August 21	Fairlane Diner - Sherman	1 p.m.—4 p.m.
Saturday	September 17	Car Show—	10 a.m.—4 p.m.
Saturday	October 8	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive	1 p.m.—4 p.m.
Sunday	October 30	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive <i>Halloween Cruise</i>	1 p.m.—4 p.m.

Be sure to check the website or the Facebook page close to the date and time of the cruise-in for any changes or cancellations.

Other Cruisin' News You can Use



- ⇒ Cool Cruisers will be having a cruise-in on Sunday, April 24, 1 p.m.—4 p.m at Motorheads.
- ⇒ Rt 97 Crusaders will have their first cruise-in of the 2022 season May 13, 5:30—8:30 at the Petersburg Hardee's



Christmas Party Review

Anchor Boat Club—December 4

The party was great. The food was even better. MJs Chicken and Fish catered and we all filled up on chicken, Italian beef sandwiches, salad, green beans, greens and mac & cheese!!! It was all so so good. And let's not forget the fabulous desserts baked by our own members. If anyone went away hungry after the party—they must not have tried hard to eat!!

The prizes were unbelievable. Everyone was provided 3 free tickets and could purchase more. Everyone placed tickets in buckets for the prize they wanted to win and tickets were drawn. Our winners went home with some great gifts!!

Thank you to all those that helped with the decorations, setting up, cleaning up and prizes. We were a bit crowded, so we will look for a bit bigger venue next year but it was one fun night!





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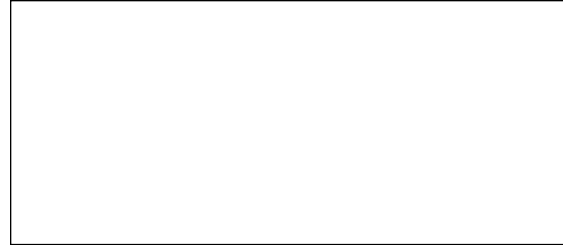
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Rear Bumper

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 <i>Member Meeting</i>	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 <i>Mystery Cruise</i>	22	23 <i>Cruise-in Hardees</i>
24	25	26	27	28 <i>Board Meeting</i>	29	30

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