

May 2022

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Special points of interest:

- Member meeting May 12 @ Golden Corral
- Cruise-in May 14 @ Hardee's—Stevenson Dr
- Mystery Cruise— May 19
- Board Meeting May 26

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Route 66 Cruisers Newsletter

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President's Message

Hiya Gang...

Well we had a good kick off to our 30th Anniversary year at our April 23rd cruise. Turn out was good and everyone had a great time,

It was nice to meet some new members and see a few long time members we haven't seen in awhile. I want to personally thank you all for coming out.

Here are some calendar worthy items for you.....

Our monthly membership meeting is on the 12th. It will be at The Golden Corral. Like always, the meeting starts at 7, but come on out early and share a meal with friends.

Our friends, The Route 97 Crusaders, kick off their year Friday May 13th 5:30-8:30 at the Petersburg Hardee's.

We have our next cruise-in Saturday May the 14th from 5pm - 8pm at The Rock & Roll Hardee's on Stevenson Drive.

Oh yeah! Remember— our club picnic is next month on the 5th of June. The club provides the fried chicken, (we do that so your cardiologist can swing his Porsche payment). Carla has more info on that on page 9.

Your board members are working hard on putting the September 17th car show together and we need your help. Come to the next membership meeting for more details.

If you haven't renewed your membership, please do so soon or this 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.

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.



Happy Birthday
from the
Route 66 Cruisers
Car Club!!

May Birthdays

Rose Branham	May 3
Meredith Branham	May 5
Renetta Logue	May 6
Noreeda Alewelt	May 7
Tim Wise	May 7
Steve Gietl	May 14
Marie Cook	May 15
Matt Clark	May 16
Beverly Catalano	May 16

Gloria Hoehn	May 19
Jodee Homer	May 21
Johnny Sidener	May 24
Ronda Whitehead	May 26
Cheryl Ecklund Jr.	May 26
Arlene Flury	May 27
Jim Blevins	May 29
F. Wayne Albrecht	May 30

Welcome New Members!

Please help welcome the Route 66 Cruisers newest member are:

Bob and Linda Hendrickson

1965 Ford Mustang

2015 Ford Mustang

1992 Ford Mustang

If you see them at the next cruise-in, meeting or mystery cruise, be sure to say hello and welcome them 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. Which letters are assigned to bring side dishes to our picnic? _____
2. How many cars registered for our first cruise-in? _____
3. How many square miles is the Pacific Ocean? _____
4. Who won the free dinner at the April Mystery Cruise? _____
5. Who won the 50/50 at the May 1 cruise-in? _____

Sponsor's Corner

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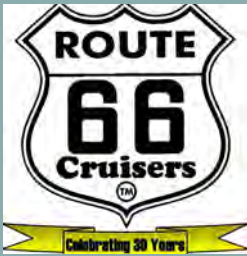


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Sanganouis



Sanganouis is an Illinois based company that specializes in the transportation of business or personal goods and cargo within the state. It is owned by members Troy Smith and Renee Hayward-Smith.



Dash Plaque Magnets

The dash plaque for the April Cruise is was Ralph and Jackie Billings "Casper".



The dash plaque for the May 1 cruise-in was Greg and Sue Cooper's



D's "Easy" Trivia

What we learned....

1. The Pacific Ocean is 64 million square miles.
2. There was only one (1) 1983 Corvette.
3. The 1949 Cadillac Series 62 was the very first Motor Trend's Car of the Year.
4. John Q. Adams had the highest IQ at 169 of all Presidents. Ulysses Grant had the lowest at 120.
5. Studies show that sitting too much increases the risk of depression, anxiety, back and neck pain, colon and endometrial cancer, osteoporosis, obesity, diabetes, heart trouble and blood clots.
6. The Kewpie doll was created in 1909 and by 1913, there were 30 factories running to keep up with demand

Member Meeting

The April 14 member meeting was at Pizza Ranch. 40 members and guests attended. Diana Foor was the big trivia winner with 7 correct, Jon Whitehead, Amy Taylor and Marsha Johnson all came in 2nd with 6 correct and Galen Johnson, BJ Taylor and Frances Gatlin all took 3rd place with 5 correct.

The 50/50 winner for the night was Jan Porter who walked away with a cool \$75.

The next member meeting will be May 12 at Golden Corral.

Recipe Corner

Green Chile Enchiladas

Submitted by Carla Rapps

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| 2 tbsp olive oil | 4 4oz cans diced green chiles |
| 2 c finely chopped yellow onion | 2 Tbsp yellow cornmeal |
| 4 close garlic, minced | 1/2 c. minced white onion |
| 1 lb. ground pork | 8 8" flour or corn tortillas |
| 4 c. reduced-sodium chicken broth | 3 c. Shredded Sharp Cheddar Cheese (12 oz). |
| 1 lb. russet potatoes, peeled and cut int 1/2" dice | |

Stew:

1. heat oil in 5—6 qt Dutch oven over medium. Add chopped yellow onion and garlic; cook 5 minutes are until soft. Add port. Cook 5 minutes, stirring to break pork into small pieces
2. Stir in broth, potatoes, chiles and 1/2 tsp salt and pepper. Cover and bring to boiling.; reduce heat. Simmer uncovered 40 minutes, stirring occasionally.
3. In small bowl, combine cornmeal and 2 tbsp water; stir into pork mixture. Cook 2—3 minutes to thicken. Season to taste with salt and pepper

Enchiladas

1. Preheat oven to 375 F. Soak white onion in cold water 10 minutes to mellow flavor. Spread about 1 cup of stew in a 2—3 qt baking dish (rectangular) to cover bottom. Line the center of each tortilla with 1/3 c. cheese and 1 Tbsp onion. Roll up each tortilla and place seam-side down in prepared dish.
2. Ladle about 2 c stew over the tortillas; sprinkle evenly with remaining cheese. Bake 20 minutes or until cheese is melted an stew is bubbling

Makes 8 enchiladas.



Campfire Potatoes

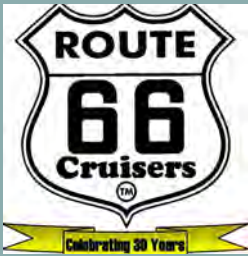
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| Large baking potatoes (1 per person) | Parsley |
| Whole onions, red or yellow | Bacon Bits |

1. Make multiple slices on the potato almost all the way through, but leave enough to hold it together.
2. Slice the onion and put one slice in between each potato slice.
3. Sprinkle with bacon bits. Wrap well with heavy aluminum foil and bury in the coals of the fire.
4. Leave untouched for about 45 minutes. Test for doneness by piercing with a fork—the fork should lift out without lifting the potato. Cooking time depends on potato size and fire strength.
5. Serve with pat of butter.

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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's mystery cruise host and hostess led us to Bernie and Betty's. Good food!!! Twenty members and guests attended. The winner of the free dinner was Lis Moore! Congrats Lis.

Our next mystery cruise will be May 19. 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!



Cruise-in Schedule



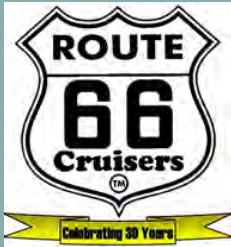
Saturday	April 23 ✓	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive	1 p.m.—4 p.m.
Sunday	May 1 ✓	Fairlane Diner- Sherman	1 p.m.—4 p.m.
Saturday	May 14	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive	5 p.m.—8 p.m.
Saturday	June 11	Rock N Roll Hardees— Stevenson Drive	5 p.m.—8 p.m.
Sunday	June 26	Fairlane Diner - Sherman	1 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— Village Park, Sherman IL	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





Cruise-in Review

April 23 @ Rock N Roll Hardee's



It was a perfect day for a cruise-in! What a turnout! We had 82 cars registered, which may be a record for the club! The 50/50 winner was Pam Scattergood who walked away with \$128! Congrats Pam!

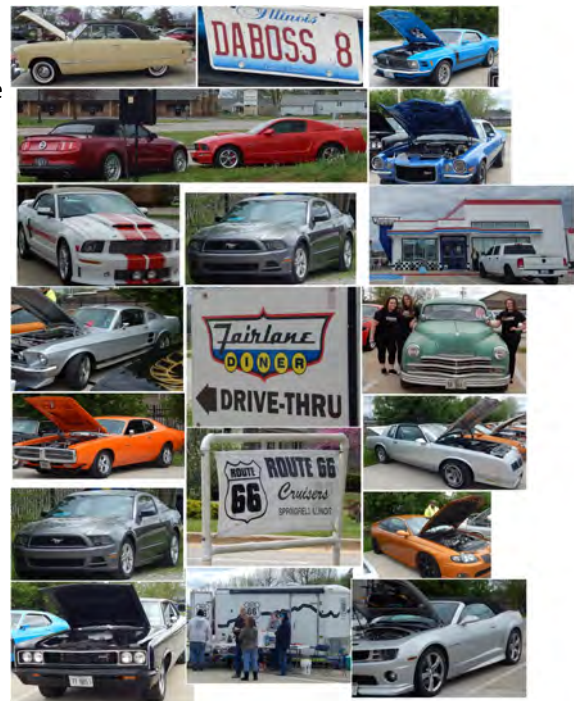
The Sponsor's Choice trophy and gas card from Troy and Rene Smith of Sanganois Delivery went to Earl Morgan for his 1968 Gran Torino.

May 1st @ Fairlane Diner

It was a blustery and cloudy day, but that didn't stop everyone. There were 23 cars registered for our second cruise-in and the first of this season for Fairlane.

The 50/50 winner was Cassie Langley who walked away with \$45.00. Way to go Cassie!! Since there was not a Sponsor's Choice, a second drawing was held with the 50/50 tickets for a Casey's Gift Card. The lucky winner was Rob Harmon. Congrats to both winners.

The next cruise-in will be May 14 at Rock N Roll Hardees. Hope to see all of you there.



Benefit Car Wash

Recon Techs was generous to coordinate a benefit car wash to donate all proceeds to Paige Ballinger. What a great turnout of members and cars. The weather was a bit chilly, but it did not stop members from our own Route 66 Cruisers, joined by members of both 97 Crusaders and Cool Cruisers from coming out and washing cars for such a great cause. Cars were washed, waxed and wiped all day. Happy to announce that over \$2000 was donated and presented to Paige. Thank you all for your help and/or donations. Thank you Derek and Melissa Roberts for coordinating this effort and donating the place and supplies.



2022 Club Picnic

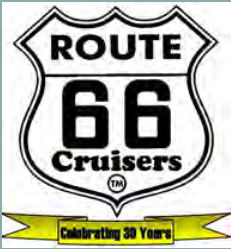
The annual club picnic will be June 5 at New Salem Picnic Sites Shelter #2. We will start to gather at 11 a.m. and plan to eat around 12:30 p.m. The June Member meeting will be held after the meal. As always, D. Walker will provide his "easy" trivia.

The club will provide the fried chicken, bottled water, tableware, tablecloths and shop fans.

Everyone is being asked to provide a dish. The categories are below and divided according to the letter of your last name:

- A-H Salad
- I-P Any Side Dish
- Q-Z Dessert

Please mark your serving pieces and pans/trays with your name so they are returned to the correct owners. As we have found in the past, cell service is not the best. Be sure to bring bug spray as the shelter is very close to the river.

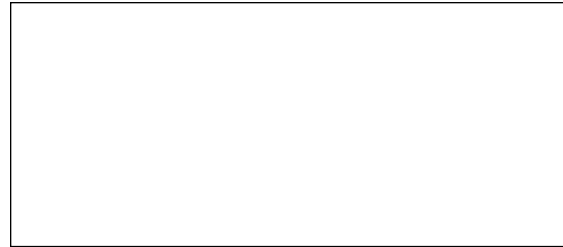


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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 <i>Rt 97 @VFW</i>	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 <i>Member Meeting</i>	13	14 <i>Cruise-in Hardees</i>
15	16	17	18	19 <i>Mystery Cruise</i>	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 <i>Board Meet- ing</i>	27	28
29	30 	31				

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