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DIXIE RUN #28

We had 115 registered and the rain held off until we gave out the awards. The band did not get to play that Saturday night because of the weather. Had some sharp looking cars at this event. A special thanks goes out to everyone that had a part in it to make it a success including

Charlie Murray and Ryan Automotive Supply for supplying some very nice prizes. Here is a link to the pictures: <http://www.ms-sra.org/msra/dxerun28.htm>

CHUCK WILLIAMSON

It is with much regret that I inform you that Mr. Chuck Williamson, our dear friend and club member, passed away July 1, 2006 at the Baptist hospital in Jackson. He had been gravely ill for over 3 weeks with some unknown caused infection.

Please keep Mrs. Dot Williamson and all their family in your thoughts and prayers.

'40 CHEVY UPDATE

I bought some of those new LED taillights for my car up at Springfield, MO from the Wheels of Time booth. They are super bright. I had been looking for years for replacement trim rings for the stock lights which turned out to be a hard item to find. So I saw these advertised in magazines and bought them. A friend of mine who lives in Lexington, KY who I just met the other day when he found my website and e-mailed me about some parts I used on my car. He has a '40 Chevy Coupe. When I told him about these lights, he said that a member of his club was whose car those were modeled after. With help from Ronnie Neihaus & Donnie Cool from Vicksburg, I now have new headers on my car; new running boards, new rear fenders; new front fender; new fuel door. Then just before I left for Louisville, I drove the car over to Pearl and Eric charged up the a/c.

WORLD OF SHOW & GO

My HHR was invited to this car show, so I entered it. This was inside the Trademart in Jackson so we put them in on Friday and took them out on Sunday. This was a fun event with a good number of cars. Bob Jackman had his T-bird in this show also. Here is a link to the pictures:

<http://www.astreetrodder.com/wosg06.htm>

GOOD GUYS 1ST NASHVILLE NATS

My Mom and I rode up the Trace to this car show in the HHR and went in as spectators. Looked like there were around 2,000 cars or more.

Here is a link to the pictures: <http://www.astreetrodder.com/ggnash06.htm>

NSRA NATS

Well, another year is in the books with another great time in Louisville, KY at the Nats. There was 11,666 registered this year. We had about 7 rookies with us this time. Let me run down the list of some of the people that you might know that was there: Eric Knight, Gary Adams, Wayne Thomas, Vic Boggs & a co-worker, Louis Ousler, Paul Acey, George Phillips, Charlie & Susan Murray, Gary & Sue Keen (Wheels of Time), saw Chicken Willie & Charlene, Ronnie & Angie Hinton, and Rickey McMullen from Vicksburg came up later on during the week. It felt weird going that morning from Vicksburg without anyone else from my town like we have in the past. I met the group at the Flying "J" in Pearl and we headed towards Birmingham on I-20. Every time we stopped, someone would see the cars and say that their cousin or brother has a lot full of them old cars just an exit away. We almost took a side trip to see after this happened the third time. But we stayed our course. After a slight sight-seeing tour of Birmingham, AL we got onto I-65 heading North. Got to our motels and checked into the rooms and then headed to the fairgrounds to stake out a place. This was on Tuesday.

Wednesday morning registration opened and we headed there. While standing inside Papa Johns Stadium waiting on the rest of the group to get through with registration, a lady with the convention ctr. came up and asked if we were going to be in the parade. Parade! What parade?

The one that will be leaving the parking lot outside and heading to downtown Louisville where Arbys will have lunch for a small fee.

Everybody loves a parade so we decided to do it. So we got Eric's car, Paul's car, and my car together and found where they were at. Had about 50 street rods in the parade with about that many or more unmarked police cars that were late model Camaros in different colors with lights on the back dash and others. The parade started and the TV cameras were rolling. They had this thing choreographed as the police cars had every traffic light blocked so we could go through. Got downtown and there were more TV cameras and every newspaper photographer in town there also. We got on the news and on the newspaper's website. Arbys had lunch for \$1.03 (one of the oldies radio stations was there and their station was 103). We found the best shady place in town because the temps were kind of warm there for the first few days until a front came through overnight. After eating lunch and a few more interviews by the newspaper as we looked at the street rods there, we went

back to the other side of town to the fairgrounds. The show didn't start until Thursday so on Wednesday they were still setting things up. I got a phone call from Eric on my cell phone and he asked me if I had been inside the vender building yet and I had not. He said that the place is BIG, LARGE, HUGE! This was the first year for them to have the new space open and it was VERY BIG! 425,700 square feet for car parts venders in one place. Wayne, Louis, & I ate at one of the traditional places that night, Rio's Steakhouse by our hotel. I filled up the '40 near the hotel for \$2.84 gal unleaded regular. (That was higher than the Flying "J" in Pearl, MS) Keep reading.

Thursday, we came into the fairgrounds and took in the car show. So much stuff to see, one does not know what to do first. I talked friends a lot on the first day. The swap meet was full of cars and parts too. Our regulars were not with us this year and Thursday night means we go to Joe's Crab Shack in Louisville. Hey Eric, do you know how to get there from here? I had made up some maps for us and had studied them and found a route for us. Guess what? It paid off because I took the group right to it. The food was great again this time. Afterwards, we went back to the same store near our hotel and looked at the price of gas. It was \$3.18 now 24 hours later.

Friday came and enjoyed the car show again. At one point that day, I asked Vic what he thought about the event and he told me that he was on street rod overload!

On Saturday, I checked out of the hotel and grabbed the last three suites for next year that they had. I bought the last few items and took some pictures of the cars. We headed out after the giveaway car was given away and stopped at Columbia, TN and ate at Stan's Restaurant and spent the night at the motel across the road. Ask Paul Acey how he likes his water. We started home on Sunday morning. It's a long 11 hour drive up there and it has a lot to see and do during the week, but you should go at least one year. Here are the pictures I took:

<http://www.astreetrodder.com/nats06.htm>

WHO KNOWS? BOB KNOWS!

I was surfing the internet the other night and came across a car museum out in Colorado and looked at their site. I thought to myself that more folks I know would be interested in this, so I sent out an e-mail to them. Bob Jackman wrote back and said that he had been to that museum and that he even had many of those cars in his miniature car collection as they had been replicated in miniature! www.cusslermuseum.com
The Clive Cussler Museum.

Here are some upcoming events:

2006 Events Schedule	
AUG 17-20	Two States Rodders VI Anniversary Rod Run, Hammond, LA. Randy @ 601/684-2609
AUG 25-27	NSRA Richmond, VA
SEPT 9	Mississippi NSRA Appreciation Day at Roy's Rides Laurel, MS
SEPT 15-16	Rock & Roll Revival open show at Downtown in Meridian, MS by Queen City Rods & Classics 601/646-5770
SEPT 15-17	NSRA North Kalamazoo, MI
SEPT 22-23	Delta River Cruisers – Tunica, MS
SEPT 30	9th Annual Raleigh Heritage Festival Car Show Raleigh, MS 601/782-9651 Max smithcocruisers@aol.com
OCT 13-15	NSRA South Nats, Tampa, FL fairgrounds
OCT 21	New Albany open show
OCT 27-29	Halloween Fun Run Street Rods Ltd Tupelo, MS Mike@ 662/489-1498 or David 662-842-8244
OCT 27-29	3rd Annual Scarecrow Cruise & Car Show - Mississippi Classic Cruisers – Madison, MS Keith 601-497-1303 or Mike 601-906-1196
NOV 4	Okatoma Cruisers – Seminary, MS
NOV 3-5	Klassy Kruzers Fun Run Crossett, AR info: 870-364-5596 Leon and/or 870-364-6662 Ronnie
NOV 10-12	Emerald Coast Cruz – Panama Cruisers
NOV 10-12	Lakes Area Cruisers – Jasper, TX
NOV 12	Veteran's Cruise – Jackson, MS – open (Steve 601-992-0585)
NOV 24-26	Street Rod Reunion Pensacola, FL Jerry @ 850/476-8440
DEC 2	Santa Cruise Singing River Street Rods
DEC 8-10	Toy Cruise-in Coast Cruisers, Biloxi, MS

