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DIXIE RUN #28

MEMBERS: Saturday, 6/10/06--Stuff goody bags @ Joe & Trish Byrd's shop 3:00 PM

Wednesday, 6/14/06--MSRA club meeting @ Golden Corral dine @ 6, meeting 7:00PM

Thursday, 6/15/06--Raise tents at the Sleep Inn parking lot, Miss. hwy 25 @ 475, 6:00 PM.

Please bring any goody bag stuffers you may have and door prizes to the goody bag packing event so we can get all these items in the club trailer to be ready to go. This is a new venue and the success and future of our Dixie Rod Runs depends on your input and participation to see that our guests have a delightful, fun-filled two days and nights!

PARTICIPANTS: The MSRA's 28th annual Dixie Rod Run is almost here!! This year's show, in a really nice, new location could be our best; with sponsorship by Ryan Automotive Supply that is enabling us to post some terrific Grand Prizes, mainly a new 350 Chevy crate engine!

We'll be easy to find, with access to many restaurants, a shuttle van for trips to the recently built Dogwood Festival malls and for those with outdoor interests, shuttle to the new Bass Pro Shop in Pearl, MS. These, plus several other venues of entertainment in the area will certainly contribute to an enjoyable visit.

Plus!! a great car show featuring some of the finest rods and classics around, a BBQ supper Friday evening for registered participants and their families, and a magic show after that.

Saturday we'll continue registration 'til noon, handing out door prizes, and building the 50/50 pot for the Bo Laird Scholarship Fund, plus wipe out boards. We'll start the awards program around 5:00 PM, take a dinner break, then return for the finale (hold on to your seats!), MSRA's own band- Memory Lane 50's & 60's Rock & Roll!

We look forward to seeing all of you there, have a safe trip.

NISSAN PLANT CELEBRATION

Well, we gathered in Canton, on the square, and celebrated having the Nissan Plant. It rained on the way there so the turnout was lower than expected, but the temp was cooler.

NSRA MID-AMERICA STREET ROD NATIONALS IN SPRINGFIELD, MO

This was a fun event with 2,257 street rods registered, a new record for this event. This was the first time for me to go to this one, but I liked the layout of the fairgrounds and we were able to find a shady spot under the trees and I brought my own shade too. Donnie Cool and his son, Schuyler, from Vicksburg came up there; I followed them in my '40 Chevy; then we met up with Earl & Sandi Brewer from Vicksburg in Branson in their '37 Chevy Pickup. Saw the group of MSRA members on vacation in Branson while they were at the car show. I bought a few parts for my car from the vendors on hand there and talked to the folks at the Haywire booth about the problems with my wiring harness and they told me something to do to fix it. I took several pictures and put them on my website (<http://www.astreetrod.com/springfield.htm>).

EDITOR'S NOTE:

I want to thank my friends for your support and friendship during this time of me leaving the Vicksburg Cruisers. That club got away from what I want in a car club and I had to make a decision to get out. It's a long story, but I did not agree with the way they want to do their car show next year and so since I could not support that effort, I got out.

'40 CHEVY UPDATE

My street rod has almost 20,000 miles on it now and after I got back from Springfield, I decided to investigate the problem with noise coming from my headers on the passenger side. I have not been getting as good of gas mileage out of the car either. So I took that header off and found a crack that's between the pipes near the collector. Very hard place to get to with a welder. I also found that the spark plug wires on that side had gotten a little bit too much heat from the leak in the header. So I ordered a new set of headers and bought some new plug wires. Going to concentrate on getting the car ready for Louisville in August. Have a mental list of what I want done before then: finish the A/C; swap out the fenders; put the running boards on; install my new gas door in the new fender; may work on the back seat (have rear seatbelts in it now, just need to make the seat more comfortable); insulate the car to help out with the noise level and heat level (the A/C will like that); & work on the trunk area. This is nothing but a wish list, we'll see how much is done come August 1, 2006 when we hit the road for Louisville.

HAVE STREET ROD, HAVE WEBSITE, TALK CARS

I have been amazed about the number of folks I have met online that are building '40 Chevrolets and have seen my site. I get e-mails from all over and it's neat to talk about what parts I used and such with them. Right now I am doing this with 3 people, two of them are just starting their projects and one has been on the road for a while.

3 GUYS IN 3 '32 FORD ROADSTERS

I am always on the Rodding Roundtable forum talking about cars with the folks on there. The site can be accessed by clicking this link: <http://www.rodningroundtable.com/forums/index.php> The other day I read about 3 guys making a trip across the USA in 3 '32 Ford Roadsters. They went from Florida to California on their way to the LA Roadsters Show. The neat part about it was they were coming right through this part of the state. But my plans did not allow for me to meet them anywhere so I had to settle on a phone call while they were in Magee, MS. They had a good trip and only ran into a little bit of rain was about 10 minutes worth in the middle of the Mojave Desert. So I guess it does rain in the desert, but only if you are in a roadster! Now this is what street rodding is all about.

Drive 'em!

Here are some upcoming events:

2006 Events Schedule	
JUNE 16-17	Dixie Run # 28 pre-'67 Flowood, MS Steve 601-992-0585 sravesies@aol.com or Eric 601-955-9952 39chevy@bellsouth.net
JUNE 23-25	NSRA Pueblo, CO
JUNE 24	Bayfest in Baysprings, MS
JUNE 23-25	Good Guys 1st Nashville Nats – Titan Stadium
JULY 3	Veteran's Memorial car show at memorial on US 90 E, Ocean Springs, MS
JULY 7-9	World of Show & Go Trade Mart Jackson, MS fairgrounds 601/832-3020
JULY 14-16	NSRA Milwaukee, WI
JULY 28-30	Catfish Run - MS Delta Street Rods – Sardis Lake/Batesville, MS 662/429-7265 Jerry or 662-578-9396 Red
AUG 5-8	NSRA Street Rod Nationals Louisville, KY
AUG 7	3RD annual Shriners show & shine at Joppa shrine- Woolmarket I 10 exit 866/864-3489
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 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