



Don's Thunder Hawk

I bought my 1987 Buick Grand National in September of 1991, almost twelve years ago. I had been looking for one for about a year. The prices in this area were high, so I started looking further away. I found it for sale in northern Wisconsin. Got some money and money orders together and headed north. The then-owner and I talked and talked, and I bought it. I even brought home some leftover money! The car had 22k miles on it and had been stored every winter, never saw snow or salt. The guy was building a house and needed money, so was eager to sell. After buying it, my intention was for it to be a fast show car, not just for show, nor just for racing. That's been my objective ever since.

I've had several classic cars on my journey to the GN. They were not considered classic when I owned them; only after I got rid of them did they become worth anything. A 1940 Ford, 1957 Chevy convertible, Corvair Monza Spyder, and a 1964 Dodge 426 Street Ram. The Dodge is the car that really hooked me on power and speed. I bought it after I got bored with the Corvair. The Corvair was the one that got me interested in turbo cars. A guy named Dick Griffith was racing one and won his class at the NHRA nationals that year. I don't remember what class it was - something like H Stock or whatever. I think he was running in the low 15 or high 14-second

range. So I started reading the hot rod magazines to see what he did to the car, then doing the same thing to mine.

I was only into street racing at that point. After a number of bolt-on items and various changes, I could beat the guys in the 250-horse 327s, the V-8 Pontiac Tempests, and a number of other bigger engine cars. I still have a so-called ram induction kit for that car hanging in my garage. Just can't bring myself to throw it away.

The summer after buying the GN, I started going to the drag strip. That's when I ran into Pete Barton and his father; they were putting a Grand National through its paces. On April 3, 1992 I placed my first order for a part with ANS - a 145-mph speedometer faceplate and reducer. I sure have spent a lot of money since! I also bought a pit bull chip from ATR. Then as others have found out, you need more fuel pressure so you invest in a bigger volume pump. Now two pumps and a gas tank later, an ATR super pump, which is still going strong.

During the winter of 2000 - 2001, after owning the car for almost nine years, I got this terrible itch for speed.

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Member's Change of Address

Chicagoland members who move are requested to notify our membership chairman before the next newsletter mailing. We would not want you to miss a single edition of your newsletter. Please notify us of e-mail address changes as soon as you change providers.

Upcoming Events

June 7	Junque Yard Tour – see flier included in newsletter
June 14 & 15	BOP Drags at Union Grove Dragway Drag racing is being held both days, and a car show is being held on Sunday.
June 15	Father's Day Show at Belvedere, IL
June 15	Father's Day Shop at Lyons, IL
June 18	BOP Night at Elmhurst
June 21	BCA Car Show at Woody Buick
July 4	Woodridge Police and CCGSCA's annual 4th of July Car Show
July 10	Buick Cruise Nite at Riverside, IL
July 11	Rally BOP Nite at Richmond, IL
July 12	ICGSCA's Show at Kendrick's
July 13	Summer Solstice Race at US 41
July 21	Rally BOP Nite at Lockport, IL
July 24	Rally BOP Nite at Crystal Lake, IL
July 26	Chicago Ridge Car Show – see Bob Hill
July 26	Buick's 100 year anniversary @ Flint
Aug 9	BCA Cars Show at Loren Buick
Aug 13	Mundelein's Park on Park cruise night
Aug 20	Rally's BOP Nite at Lemont, IL
Aug 23	BOPC Show at Ettleson in Hodgkins, IL
Aug 29	Rally's BOP Nite at Wheaton, IL
Sept 7	Buick 100 show at IVCC in Oglesby, IL
Sept 13& 14	Midwest Challenge
Sept 21	Plymouth Place Car Show
Oct 4	BCA Car Show at Marquardt Buick

I contacted a number of speed shops, some interested, some not. The ones that were interested knew about as much as I did about what to do, so I was not impressed. I then remembered ANS. A call to Pete, a short conversation, and a day or two later I had a fax. The fax covered everything down to oil & spark plugs. This was the first stage.

A PTE-51 Precision Turbo & front mount intercooler, Terry Houston SS 3 inch down pipe, with 50 lb. Injectors, one of Jimmy's high performance transmissions, 3200 stall converter, transmission cooler, larger radiator, ported and polished heads and intake, 65 mm throttle body, 206 cam, roller timing chain, and cam button, a couple of chips, traction bars & an air bag. This got me into the elevens. I wanted more! Pete was called again.



It so happened that, after the call, my son-in-law and I went to a tech session at Precision Turbo in Hebron, Indiana. They announced the new GT series turbochargers. Pete and I decided to go with a GT 67 turbo, a 210 hydraulic roller cam and Champion GN1 aluminum heads.

During all the engine work, my son-in-law did a mural of a hawk over a Turbo 6 logo under my hood. He also did some graphics on the sides. I wasn't sure how the other GN people would take this; I was happy it seemed to be accepted.



I also took the car to Jimmy's Trans again for a trans-brake, and we installed a line lock.

The next stage of my need for speed has to do with fuel management, so a fast system will be installed. I hope this will help get me out of the hole and down the first 60 feet better. The end result we are looking for are runs in the upper to middle 10-second area. This with all-metal body parts, air conditioning and all other going-fast-with-class, options still working fine.

In closing I would like to tell everyone how much I have enjoyed the fellowship, and appreciate the help of all the members and officers of the Chicagoland Chapter. To find out how much fun you can have and how much you can learn, you must attend the winter technical sessions, and go to as many club events as possible.

Thanks much!!!

Don Hens

It May Be Time To Renew!

Please look at your label on the back of the newsletter. If it has a date of 6/1/03 or earlier showing, you need to renew your membership. This will be your last newsletter!

Cruise News
-Chris Gatch
Hello everyone!

Summer is almost upon us, even though with the weather that we are having makes you wonder?

It looks as if we are going to have another full schedule of cruise nights and car shows to attend as a Buick club. We are having some of the old favorite cruise places back on the schedule as well as a few new ones that I

added to the list this year. As I am writing this I can't believe that the Nationals were almost a week ago and that the time went by so fast. It just seems that this year is whizzing by, so get those cars out to some of the events this year and enjoy them. I hope that everyone will enjoy the schedule that we put together. Please remember that even if you can't get to any of our events its always nice to bring the cars out to a local show near you to show off your pride and joy and help spread the word about the club.

Our first Mickey's cruise of the year was kind of a bust due to the cold weather but I would like to thank the few individuals that braved it out with their cars for the night. At least you got some good warm food! Our first show of the year was held in conjunction with the Chicagoland Chapter of the BCA at Bauer Buick in South Holland. This was really our first nice day of Spring and we had about 20 club members in attendance. Thanks again to the BCA who supplied us with the many hot dogs and soda to fill our bellies. Our next event was the GS Nationals. This is always the premier event for all the Buick GSCA clubs around the country. The weather was rather cooperative this year as we didn't die in the sweltering heat or take a swim in the circle track area like last year. Friday was the car show and it was quite pleasant compared to last year's rain fest. The show attendance seemed to be down but we still did have quite a few cars there. I personally would like to send out a big thanks to Fred Buttala for being the head judge and for all the people that helped out with the car show, as well as all of those in attendance with their cars. I would also like to mention a few show winners. In the Highly Modified GN class Don Hens took a 2nd place win. In Slightly Modified GN I took home a 3rd place plaque. Stan Hunt took a 1st in the GNX class and Tom Mogler won a 2nd place in 1972 GS Convertible. Belva Meyer took 1st in 68-69 GS Hardtop, and Paul Castlebuono took 2nd in the T-Type Heavily Modified. We had two club members in Concourse – Bob Kee took gold in GS Concourse, and Bill Hunt took gold in the GN/T-Type Concourse. I would like to say congratulations to all of the winners. If I missed somebody, please let me know.

With the summer upon us I would like to mention some of our up coming cruise nights and shows. June 18th is the Annual BOP in downtown Elmhurst. This is always a great event when it doesn't rain. We usually fill up the designated parking lot for the feature cars fast. So get there early since this year they changed the location of the featured car lot and it's much smaller. On the 21st of June we are being invited to join the BCA at their show that they hold at Woody Buick in Bensonville. This is another great all free show. They even raffle a TV off to someone that has a car registered there. Carol Nunes was the lucky winner last year and maybe this year it can be me or even you! Don Hens has invited any club

members that live up north to attend Nostalgia Days in Zion. He said that this has been a rather large and well-attended event in the past. The show is Saturday from 9am-4pm and is located in downtown Zion at Shiloh Blvd @ Sheridan Road. Check the website or call me for more info. June 24th is our first annual Buick Cruise night at Gerties Ice Cream in Hodgkins and hopefully we can get a good turnout for this one. Finally on the 28th of June is the LTHS car show. This was a fun show a few years ago and we were invited back this year as a club. Going into July there are a couple events that we would really like a lot of the members to attend. Not only are these really good events but all are lots of fun! July 4th is the 10th Annual Gorilla Days show. Can Frank top last year's show? Hopefully he can ask for no rain this time. This event is usually the biggest turnout of Buick's of all kind in the Illinois area. July 7th we will be having a cruise night in downtown Riverside. Last year was the first year for this cruise and was really well attended for an inaugural event. The end of July is a busy time for a lot of the club members and that also means that there are plenty of shows to attend also. July 23rd – 26th is the Buick 100 year centennial that is being held in Flint Michigan. This will be the biggest bash that Buick has ever thrown and there are already over 1500 cars that have registered for the show! This will not be one to miss. July 25th will be downtown Franklin Park car show. This was a well-attended show last year – hope that they let us do burnouts on the way out like last year! The next day on the 26th will be the Chicago Ridge Fest show. Club member Bob Hill is helping put this inaugural car show on so come on out and support it if you can. Like always please check the web site or call me for more information.

With the summer just starting up I hope to see more people getting out to some of our events and showing that club pride as well as showing off their beautiful cars. I hope that I have scheduled enough cruise nights and shows for most everyone to attend. Like I have said before if you have an event that you would like us to list or attend please let me know so that we can get it in Fast Times or on the web site. Once again I hope to see you at some of the cruises or shows this summer and remember to keep Going Fast With Class!

Samatha Rix Memorial Race

Out of the cool weather this spring for those who braved the trip to Byron, IL came a wonderful day to be outside preparing our performance Buicks for a season of drag-racing. Our eighth Samatha Rix Memorial Race was held on Sunday, April 27, 2003. The picture at the right says Tom Rix is definitely ready for the season.





Tom and Carol pictured at the left are Chicagoland Chapter GSCA Charter members and were instrumental in setting up our first drag-racing events at Union Grove. Please thank Bob Nunes for capturing the action shot and the Rixs at the race named after their daughter Samatha. The next time you see Tom and Carol please thank them for their contributions to the Chicagoland Chapter.

Event Chairman Jason Stasiak expertly kept us out of trouble with track owner Ron Leak and his friendly crew. Race Chairman Paul DuBois surprised the participants with dash plaques and awarded trophies to the winners. Winners for bracket one were: Steve Pitts, 1st; Dennis Butt, 2nd; and Bill Notz 3rd; for bracket two: Paul DuBois, 1st; Steve Else, 2nd; with Paul Brelie & Perry Carlini tying for 3rd; for bracket three: Steve Blankenship 1st; Neil Hanson, 2nd; & Wayne Bachar, 3rd. Tom and Carol had donated a Peach State white Turbo

Regal which was given to Steve Blankenship for the best reaction time. Steve's comment was, "I may have to buy the real thing now". Many of our members had some best runs ever, with some of us having trouble with new combinations. Let another great racing season begin!

Shari's Membership Corner

Hi! Well, we've been back from the Nats for a week now, and we sure had a good time! Our little group went down on Sunday, Mother's Day, and this year was fairly uneventful. We thought it would be a little rough, due to heavy winds, and they were still cleaning up storm damage south of Terre Haute when we drove through. We usually meet up with some of the Indiana chapter north of Evansville, and much to our surprise, we beat them this year! Usually they have to wait a good 30 minutes or so on us! Once we were on the road again, after lunch, Brad and Jamie McCumber had a blowout on their trailer, but it was changed in 15 minutes! Since this had happened to them last year, this made them decide to trade-in for a new trailer in BG. Now they can hold parties and such in the new trailer.

Since we had a "free day" on Monday, the guys drove up to Philpot, KY to pay a visit to the AMP guys. I'm sure Loyd will have something to say about their shop – they came away from there very impressed with the facilities. It also surprised Mike Phillips to come in to work and find Loyd sitting there.

The weather for the Nats was pretty good, with a little rain action on Saturday. It stopped the racing for a while, but cleared up so that the racing could get finished at a reasonable hour. Threat of rain forced the powers that be to run the fast stuff on Friday night. The car show went off without a hitch – Chris will probably post more about the winners. We had several Chicagoland members volunteer to help judge, along with several Indiana folks this year. Fred Butalla and his wife Laura were in charge of running the judging. He had changed the judging sheets, for the better we've heard. They did a great job! Usually, Indiana does the tallying and awards the trophies. This year some of

their members helped judge, too. There are also some people from Louisiana, Florida and Minnesota that help judge – probably more other states than I know! The Carolinas chapter helps guide cars into their proper classes, along with laying out the area for the show. All three chapters did an excellent job this year, and received a GSCA pin for their efforts. We appreciate everyone's help!

The GSCA wanted to try a Chapter Race this year, but kind of sprung it at the last minute. Roberta Vasilow of the Michigan chapter tried to put something together, but it's a little tough to do when you're racing yourself, and have to go all over the place to find other chapter officers. I have to give her a lot of credit for stepping up to the plate for her efforts. Our own Original Paul (Paul Brelie, a/k/a O.P.) tried to help here where he could, and he gets some kudos, too. We ended up with one car representing each chapter; Chicagoland's was Dennis Butts and his GN-powered Mustang. Maybe we can get a better handle on this for next year.

I wish I knew whom of our members all raced in which bracket, and how they placed, but I've not seen anything posted yet. (GSCA board is down at this time.) If you think if it, drop us a line or send us an email at loydb@chicagolandbuick.org and let us know, o.k.?

We had a busy spring, as usual, with our March meeting at ANS in Melrose Park. Pete Barton is a really super guy for letting us have not only a meeting/tech session there, but also a chili cook-off! He took some time to clean the place up for us, and we really appreciate it. Mike Phillips and Dave Wink came up from AMP in KY and Paul Ferry with his brother Chris came in from HRPartsstuff in Ohio. They really contributed to the tech session. We appreciate them coming in and doing this for our club members. We had

12 cooks this year – Mr. Loyd's first attempt at cooking chili, Marilyn, O.P., Mary, Bob Nunes, Bryan Campbell, Barb, Liz, Brad Berger, Rick Scheri, Mike Herman, and me. The winners were Paul Brelie for first place (for his HOT chili), Marilyn Bachar for second place, and Bryan Campbell for third. Chris Gatch also gets honorable mention for his Chrome Cookies. (You had to be there.) Along with his prize, O.P. won the first ever chili-tasting traveling chef's hat. This was tastefully decorated for the event, and will be added to before it goes to the next winner next year. Another incentive...

We also had the B-O-P swap meet the end of March, in Wheaton. I want to thank the BCA for letting us set up a table to market the club. We saw a lot of club members there, and the BCA appreciates your support. We even had some members from Indiana show up – Randy and Jackie Adams, and Mike Devenport from Terre Haute! Hopefully it was worth the trip!

April brought a Dyno Day at ATR in Joliet. We had 18 cars dynoed at Al Thompson's place of business, plus about 60 folks came to watch. Talk about a busy day! It reminded me of indoor racing – everyone had a smile on his or her face! We want to thank Scott Jakubowski for arranging this, and Al for letting us come and play.

Next was the Samantha Rix Spring Dust-Off at Byron Dragway. We started something new this year. Along with the usual points series, Paul Dubois had dash plaques for the racers. He also ordered trophies for first place in each bracket. Jason Stasiak was race chairman for this race, with Paul Dubois' (a/k/a Fast

Paul) help. Tom and Carol Rix provided a White GN model for the best reaction time, which went to Steve Blankenship. It was great of them to provide this extra perk for our racers – we really appreciate it, just as we appreciate Jason and Paul's hard work.

Membership News – we have a few members to welcome back. These folks are Jeremy Centanni, Schererville, IN; Jim Jaeger, Chester, VA; William Hunt, Sparland, IL; and James Siple, Hammond, IN. Thanks for re-joining!

I'd also like to welcome the following new members: Craig Sager, Mukwanago, WI; Fred Vaughn, Morris, IL; Jason Deckard, Bloomingdale, IL; Erv Rose, Bolingbrook, IL; Dave Bischman, Lombard, IL; Douglas Lewis, Bartonville, IL; Frank Psychogios, Palos Hills, IL; Lorinda Bollinger, Peoria, IL; Jason McGuire, South Bend, IN; David Wink, Owensboro, KY and Brian Kuchenny, Streamwood, IL. I hope that you all have as good a time as most of us do with this club!

Please check your label to see if your membership is up in June. There should be an application elsewhere in this newsletter. Please take the time to fill this out with your renewal. Information does change – phone numbers, cars, email addresses. Please help me keep the database up-to-date.

We've got a lot of things coming up for the summer. I got a peek at Chris' cruise and show schedule, and with that and racing, I think we have a wide variety of things for you to chose from. And above all, go Fast With Class!

NEWS FLASH

Pete Barton owner of **ANS Performance and Engineering** is installing a chassis dyno. Hear it will be ready very soon. Give Pete a call (708-450-1095) for your tuning needs. Our Dyno Day sessions have shown that a couple of pulls with all the instrumentation is very informative telling you more than several sessions at the track.

A couple of weeks before the Midwest Challenge we are planning on having a Dyno Day session at his shop in Melrose Park. This will be at about the time our next newsletter will be coming out so please mark your calendar.

Director's Garage

Hopefully the consensus of our members is to participate in great motorsport activities for 2003. Our spring season kick off is our Chili Cook off at Pete Barton's ANS. Pete goes all out for us with his spring-cleaning to provide a great place for members to enjoy the food and technical session offered by Mike Phillips and Paul Ferry. These three individuals are members of good standing that support our chapters in a number of ways.

After a very stubborn winter the salt free portion of the year is here. The first really great day was our Dyno Day at ATR Motorsports in Joliet, IL. Not only were there a great collection of cars, but also watching a

performance Buick strut its stuff while standing within 10 ft. of the howling engine is really fun. Just got the word that Pete Barton is in the process of adding the foundation for his in floor chassis dyno so watch for our fall event a couple of weeks before the Midwest Buick Challenge. The dyno offers an excellent way to tune these cars in without risk of a ticket.

Two weeks later was the Samantha Rix Memorial Race. The weather cooperated providing great motor sport weather. It was comfortable for watching from Byron Hill, yet great engine air to produce the awesome numbers our Buick's can produce. This year many of us were still shaking out new combinations, so were struggling a little in the interest of not blowing head gaskets early in the season.

Our first official Buick cruise night at Mickey's in Bridgeview was so cold we did not hang around long enough to see all the members that came out. Chris Gatch reports the turn out was decent, but scattered throughout the evening, so most folks who came did not see many other members. There will be plenty of other opportunities for our members to participate.

The Bauer Buick Car Show in South Holland, IL also know as the spring dust off, brought out many of our regulars again. If you have not been to one of the BCA car shows sponsored by local area Buick Dealers, you are really missing out. These dealers provide the resources to enable the BCA to offer free shows. In addition coffee and donuts are offered for breakfast, and hamburgers and/or hotdogs, chips and soda is provided for lunch. The BCA provides music through an avid GS owner Midnight Mike, and only expects you to have fun and may purchase a raffle ticket or two. Many of our members have cleaned up with the raffle prizes.

come home to rest up. This year things started off a little slower than usual, with many participants and vendors arriving later in the week. The regular vendors reported brisk sales even as the attendance down slightly from earlier years. Friday and Saturday proved to be downright busy with sales of Chicagoland goodies overall down a little, due to slow sales earlier in the week.

As many are finding, putting on a National or Regional event takes considerable planning and resources. We discovered long ago that you cannot please every member, as expectations of travel distance, entry costs, how their cars are judged, racing classes are determined, or rewards for their efforts vary. Car clubs exist for the enjoyment of the members, but decisions have to be made or nothing gets accomplished. Shari and I may not agree with every decision made by the GSCA, but we go the Nationals to have fun and we always fulfill that primary objective.

Ah the GS Nationals. The event we plan for all year that goes by in a flash. We had so much fun we have to

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Picnic & Junque Yard Tour - Ace Auto Salvage

Saturday June 7, 2003 – Yard opens at 8:00 AM

We're doing a "2-peat" this year, for the picnic. We're heading out to Tonica, IL for a tour of the junkyards on Saturday, June 7th. This part starts at 8:00 am. Then at noon we'll convene at Jason and Stephanie Stasiak's in Tonica for a pitch-in picnic lunch. And knowing this group, there may be more junking in the afternoon. The club will provide burgers and Italian sausage, and soda will also be provided. PLEASE BRING CHAIRS!! I can't stress this enough. There are no extras! A covered dish would be appreciated, too

Jason and Stephanie have invited us to their home not only for the picnic between 12:00 noon and 1:00 PM., but for the wives to hide out.

Mitch Urban
Ace Auto Salvage
Hwy 251
Tonica, IL
815-442-8224

Jason and Stephanie
Stasiak
311 Wauponis
Tonica, IL
815-442-3263

Directions to Ace's Tonica Office

- ✓ Take I-55 south to I-80 west - exit #250B
- ✓ Take interstate 80 to Interstate 39 (exit 79A)
- ✓ South on Interstate 39 to Tonica exit (48)
- ✓ Turn East (left) and continue into town
- ✓ Turn South (left) on Rte 251

Ace Auto is few hundred feet south on the left hand side of Rte 251

Direction to Jason and Stephanie's from Ace's Tonica Office:

- ✓ Follow Rt 251 south two blocks.
- ✓ Look for gas station and lumberyard on left.
- ✓ Turn east (left) on Wauponis
- ✓ Continue on Wauponis for three blocks
- ✓ Look for purple street rod in a front yard
- ✓ You are at 311 Wauponis

. Please try to let us know that you're coming - it would be nice to know how many burgers to get! As Rich George said it, junking is the best of a car show with slightly beat up cars and a swap meet.

Saturday & Sunday, June 14th & 15th - B-O-P Days at Great Lakes Dragaway, Union Grove, WI

This year they're having a two-day event to celebrate Arnie "The Farmer" Beswick's 50th Year Racing Anniversary. Drag racing is being held both days, and a car show is being held on Sunday.

Tuesday, June 24th – Buick Cruise Night at Lindy's Gertie's Chili and Ice Cream – Hodgkins, IL

This is a new event for us. Gertie's has an old fashioned chili and ice cream parlor, a miniature gold course, and an arcade. Plus a huge parking lot! This is from 6-9 p.m. Gertie's is located at 6150 East Avenue, Hodgkins, IL.

Friday, July 4th – The 10th Annual Gorilla Days Car Show – Woodridge, IL

This is the big one for our chapter. This car show is held to promote seat belt safety as part of Woodridge's Gorilla Days. The show is open to all makes and models, is free to all and is held on a huge paved parking lot at Wilton Industries. Look for the Gorilla, we're easy to find.

Show car owners will receive a goodie bag (while they last) and will be eligible for "people's choice" trophies and door prizes. There are also Buick specific trophies.

Door opens at 11:00 am, show is from noon until 4:00 p.m. Please don't show up early unless you're willing to work. Wilton Industries is located at 2240 75th Street, Woodridge, IL.

Sunday, July 13th – Summer Solstice Race, U.S. 41 Raceway, Morocco, IN

This is the second in our series of points race. Track opens at 8:00 am. We usually have a driver's meeting at noon, with eliminations starting at 12:30 or 1:00 pm. Please join us even if it's to test and tune your car.

Rally Cruise nights – please check the cruise schedule elsewhere in this publication.

A little hint of fall – Pete Barton is putting in a dyno, as we speak. We will probably have a dyno session at his place of business in September, before the Midwest Buick Challenge. Stay tuned. The MBC is scheduled for the weekend of September 13-15. Don't forget that this is a points race, too. The last points race is back at Byron, Sunday, October 5th. We're also thinking of going to the B-O-P race in Cordova, IL on Saturday, October 11.

We've been kicking around some ideas already for the tech sessions for fall and winter. Please let us know if you have any ideas/suggestions.

2003 CRUISE & SHOW SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 7th - 6:00 pm

Buick Cruise Night - The Frosted Mug,
116th & Pulaski, Alsip, IL

For More Info; www.thefrostedmug.com or
www.buickclub.org/chicagoland/activities.htm

Sunday, June 15th - 9:00 am

Belvedere Fathers Day Car Show - Boone County
Fairground, Belvedere, IL - Entrance Fee

Sunday, June 15th - 9:00 am

Lyons Fathers Day Car Show - Ogden at Joliet
Road, Lyons, IL - Entrance Fee

Sunday, June 15th - 9:00 am

BOP Days Car Show - Great Lakes Dragaway - Union
Grove, WI - Entrance Fee
www.greatlakesdragaway.com

Wednesday, June 18th - 6:00 pm

Cool Cars Under The Stars BOP Cruise Night -
Featured Car Lot @ Charter One Bank Lot
Downtown Elmhurst
www.elmhurstcitycentre.com/coolcors/default.asp

Saturday, June 21st - 9:00 am

Woody Buick Car Show - Woody Buick, 125 W. Grand
Avenue, Bensenville, IL - Free Show
www.buickclub.org/chicagoland/activities.htm

Saturday, June 21st - 9:00 am

Nostalgia Days Car Show - Downtown Zion, IL -
Entrance Fee

www.ourzion.com/nostalgia/index.html

Tuesday, June 24th - 6:00 pm

Buick Cruise Night @ Gerties Ice Cream -
6150 East Avenue, Hodgkins, IL

Saturday, June 28th - 12 Noon - 2:00 Registration

Lyons Township High School Car Show -
LTHS South Campus Parking Lot
4900 Willow Springs Rd., Western Springs, IL
Entrance Fee

Friday, July 4th - 10:00 am

Gorilla Days Car Show - Woodridge, IL
Hosted by Woodridge Police Dept. & CCGSCA
Wilton Industries - 2440 75th Street (I-355 & 75th
St.)
Free Show / www.july4thcarshow.com

Thursday, July 10th - 6:00 pm

Buick Cruise Night - Burlington Avenue - Downtown
Riverside, Riverside, IL

Friday, July 11th - 6:00 pm

Rally Cruise Night Buick/Olds - Downtown Richmond,
Richmond, IL
www.rallyinsurance.com/colender_of_events.htm

Saturday, July 12th - 9:00 am

Scoop The Loop Car Show - Downtown Waukegan -
Waukegan, IL - Entrance Fee
For More Info: www.scooptheloop.com/Home.htm

Monday, July 21st - 6:00 pm

Rally Cruise Night Buick - Downtown Lockport,
Lockport, IL For More Info:
www.rallyinsurance.com/calendar_of_events.htm

Thursday, July 24th - 6:00 pm
Rally Cruise Night Buick/Olds -
Downtown Crystal Lake, IL
www.rallyinsurance.com/calendar_of_events.htm

Saturday, July 26th - 9:00 am
Chicago Ridge Car Show - Chicago Ridge, IL
(In Conjunction With Ridge Fest)
Free Entrance For CCGSCA Members
www.chicagoridge.org/Community/SocialEvents.htm

Saturday, August 9th - 9:00 am
Loren Buick Car Show - Loren Buick -
1620 Waukegan Road Glenview, IL - Free Show
www.buickclub.org/chicagoland/activities.htm

Wednesday, August 13th - 6:30 pm
Park on Park Buick Cruise Night - Park Street in
Downtown Mundelein, IL (GSCA club invited for
this night even though the flier says Pre-1977
cars only)

Friday, August 15th - 6:00 pm
Buick Cruise Night - Mickeys Gyros -
7101 S. Harlem Ave. Bridgeview, IL

Wednesday, August 20th - 6:00 pm
Rally Cruise Night Buick/Olds - Lemont Legends -
Downtown Lemont, IL
www.rallyinsurance.com/calendar_of_events.htm

Saturday, August 23rd - 9:00 am
Ettleson BOPC Show - Ettleson Buick - LaGrange
Road & Joliet Road, Hodgkins, IL
Entrance Fee

Friday, August 29th - 6:00 pm
Rally Cruise Night Buick/Olds/Pontiac - Downtown
Wheaton, IL
www.rallyinsurance.com/calendar_of_events.htm

Thursday, September 4th - 6:00 pm

Fratos Drive-In, 628 South Roselle Road,
Schaumburg, IL

Saturday, September 7th - 9:00 am
Dream A Little Dream Car Show - IVCC Campus -
Oglesby, IL - Entrance Fee
www.bloodsweatandgears.com

Saturday, September 13th - 10:00 am
Buick Midwest Challenge Car Show - US 41 Racetrack
Morocco, IN - Entrance Fee
www.indianabuickgsco.com

Sunday, September 21st - 10:30 am
Plymouth Place Car Show - Buick/Pontiac/Chrysler
315 North LaGrange Road, LaGrange Park, IL Free
Show
www.buickclub.org/chicagoland/activities.htm

Saturday, September 27th - 6:00 pm
Buick Cruise Night - Mickeys Gyros - 7101 S. Harlem
Avenue, Bridgeview, IL

Saturday, October 4th - 9:00 am
Marquardt Buick Car Show - Marquardt Buick -
Barrington Road & Dundee Road, Barrington, IL -
Free Show
www.buickclub.org/chicagoland/activities.htm

This is still a preliminary event list. As
soon as more info is available it will be
added to the list.

Some web sites may not be updated for this
years events as of yet but all this
information is correct as of 6/1/03

Board members will not always be present at
all events!

Changes and cancellations may occur due to
weather and other unforeseen events so please
use better judgment or call ahead to ensure
that the event is still going on!

Classifieds:

FOR SALE: 1970 BUICK GRAN SPORT STAGE 1 and 1970 BUICK GSX STAGE 1 in 1/18th scale diecast. Only 1000 pieces will be produced of each color – Triple Black and Apollo White – by the Racing Champions/ERTL Co. Details of the cars include: Buick Trishield on center caps, correct chrome mirrors, painted rocker, wheel well, window molding, painted locks on door, trunk, hood scoop, marker lights, decklid, detailed sport steering wheel, correct dashboard, chrome trim around door panels.

The price of the cars are \$69.00 a piece, shipping is \$8.00. Additional cars add \$2.00 for shipping.

G.S. Collectibles
4545 N. Orange Avenue
Norridge, IL 60706
1-773-205-9570 or ratpower@ameritech.net

More Xmas Party Recipes

Meatballs – submitted by Anna Gatch

- 50 meatballs – already cooked
- 1 – 12 oz. jar of chili sauce
- 1 Cup grape jelly
- 1 Tablespoon brown sugar

On stovetop or in microwave, melt chili sauce and grape jelly. Add brown sugar and stir. Add meatballs and warm through, if necessary. You can serve them right out of the dish or serve with toothpicks.

Sharon's Chipped Beef Dip – submitted by Sharon Gatch

- 1 – 8 oz. package cream cheese, softened
- 1 – 2.5 oz package Buddig Beef, chopped fine
- 1 small white onion, finely diced
- 1 Tablespoon sugar (or to your taste)

1 Tablespoon (or so) milk

Blend softened cream cheese and Buddig Beef together. Add diced onion and sugar. Add milk and mix to soften. Add more, if necessary, until it's spreadable.

Serve with Sociable crackers by Nabisco.

Pizza Dip – submitted by Shari Bonecutter

- 1 small tub of chive and onion cream cheese
- 1 jar of pizza sauce, any flavor
- Pizza toppings – cooked sausage bits, pepperoni, canned mushrooms, veggies
- Shredded mozzarella cheese
- Taco chips or crackers

Spread cream cheese on bottom of a baking dish – preferably an 8x8 dish. Spread pizza sauce over this. Layer on toppings. Top with cheese. Bake in 350 oven for 20 minutes, or microwave until hot and bubbly. Serve with chips or crackers.

Chicagoland Chapter BCA CAR SHOWS

Summer Kick Off
 Saturday – June 21, 2003
Woody Buick Inc
 125 W Grand Ave
 Bensenville, IL
 Phone (630) 595-0250

Show hours from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM.



Saturday, August 9, 2003
Loren Buick
 1620 Waukegan Road
 Glenview, IL

Show hours from 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM.

Chicagoland BCA with the listed dealerships are hosting free car shows, with all models and years welcome. Don Adams the Director of the local BCA has extended an invitation to CCGSCA members to bring out our Performance Buicks.

The Dealership provides trophies, door prizes, breakfast then lunch without charge. These will be judged events with a class for Turbo Regals and GS/Skylarks. Directions to these events are available at <http://www.chicagolandbuick.org/directions/directions.html>