

Old Business

June 1st – General Meeting – Minutes

The general meeting of the Big Easy Mopar Association (BEMA) was called to order at 7:00 PM on June 1, 2010 in Metairie by Paul Reynolds III.

1. Swear in new officers;
 - a. President: Paul Reynolds
 - b. Vice President: Ron Keller
 - c. Treasurer/Secretary: Stephanie Frisella
2. Review budget, income, & expenses from the May 8th 2010 Mopar show in Laketown;
3. Review income & expenses for monthly car show on Jefferson Hwy;
4. Review year end awards and attendance from the year-end crawfish boil;
5. Discussed that we need some ideas on how to either cut expenses (not much fun) or make more money;
6. Children's Hospital donation: (Scott offered to match any donations collected during the meeting up to \$500, we collected an additional \$170.00) Our donation was on WDSU Saturday, June 5th between 3:00 and 3:05 PM for **\$1,900.00** presented by **Dennis Dunkin & Ron Keller**;
7. Give away the raffle prize of \$100.00 from the first 50 cars registered for the May 8th show – *And the winner is ..Cory Spiebler*;
8. Sell 50/50 tickets and club T-shirts & renewals

Income	Money In	Expenses	Money Out
50/50	\$182.00		
T-Shirt Sales	\$50.00		
Renewals (2)	\$60.00		
	\$ 292.00		

Way to go!



Open floor for Dave Gauthier to discuss events from the Donaldsonville drag race – Dave & Brenda took Dave's car to the drag races in Donaldsonville during the middle of May he made it to the finals and was offered to split the pot of \$1,000.00 or to race for it all. Brenda wanted to split it, so Dave felt good about the night so he went for it. It turned out Dave knew what he was feeling because he went home with the \$1,000.00 and his first Christmas Tree Trophy. He dedicated his trophy to his dad.

Paul's goals for 2010-2011 season:

1. Continue with Rocky & Carlos' night;
2. Raise membership to 100;
3. Next years all Mopar show, want at least 140 cars registered;
4. Possible donation coming from Mossy in celebration of their renewing their contract.

Members who came to the meeting:

Scott Cedor	Cliff Dunn	Paul Reynolds
Bill & Lisa Williams	Tommy Rodriguez	Al Berthelot
Warren Breaux	Frank & Toy Graffahnini	Merlyn & Chrissy Huguet
Dave & Brenda Gauthier	Danny Perkins	John Landier
Tommy & Roxanne Ashwell	Jim & Barbara Boyle	Connie & Al Adams
Jack Collins	Tony Spiehler	Dennis Dunkin
Mike Robinette	Ron Keller	Crell Sikorsky
Michael & Tonya Sanders	Chris & Angelique Russo	Brian & Denise Long
Darrin & Stephanie Frisella	Joe Seaone	Jimmie Watts

June 5th - @ the Pit Stop

Our June cruise was June 5th and it was once again under lots of clouds, gusty winds with the threat of rain. It ended up raining everywhere but on us, even as close as Clearview Pkwy. There was about half the number of cars we are used to, around 40, but all who came out had a great time. We had our usual great door prizes, music, & drinks.

Income	Money In	Expenses	Money Out
50/50	\$182.00		
Renewals & new membership	\$120.00		
	\$ 302.00		

There were 3 more renewals and 1 new member signed up, Welcome to the club Robert & Shelly Clapp. Paul was unable to be there so on Dennis' first night in officer retirement he was asked to fill in for Paul on the mic, (Ha Ha Dennis, who's laughing now?) Just kidding, thanks goes out to Dennis for stepping up. The people's choice went out to a '73 Mach 1 Mustang owned by Jerry, congrats!

Seems every month we see new cars that we have not seen before. Just wish they would come every month. We had a Westbank club come by with their new generation Mopars. We also need our MOPAR members to come out every month. Of course, the weather has not cooperated with us the past several months so maybe that has contributed to lack of members attending. Here's who did come out:

Scott Cedar	Julie Bertucci	Kruzin Connie & Al Adams
Robert Goodwyne	Jack Collins	Brian & Denise Long
Tony & Pam Spiehler	Dave & Brenda Gauthier	Tommy & Roxanne Ashwell
George Muller	John Landier	Darrin & Steph Frisella
Von Muller	Michael & Tania Sander	Chris Russo

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Other News

- Letters were sent out to anyone who still has not renewed just in case it slipped their minds.
- Don't forget to put on your thinking hats and either email or bring in your ideas of increasing our income to the next meeting.

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Up Coming BEMA Events

July 3rd – Car Show @ the Pit Stop 6-till

August 3rd – general membership meeting at Piccadilly 7-9

August 7th – Car Show @ the Pit Stop 6-till

Things You Should Know

The times Picayune will NOT carry any info concerning car show's or cruise nights any longer. Things like printing cost and PROFIT. We will also have to pass out flyers at as many cruises that we can to promote our cruise nights.

Please visit & post your pics on our facebook page. Also you can invite as many people as you many to join our facebook "group". Our upcoming events are listed here, do whatever you can to get the word out and invite people to our shows.

If there is anything you want included in the newsletter such as car show results or who attended what event or any pictures you want added to web site, email them to me (skfnola@cox.net). We will have a sign in sheet at any sponsored club event so don't forget to sign.

Other Up Coming Events

September 11, 2010 (Saturday) – Summer Fun in Tylertown, Cruise from 504 to 601. The 2nd Annual FREE Cruise is coming. It is at the same location as last year, 65 Whittmore Rd, Tylertown MS 39667 (mapquest for directions). To convoy meet @ the Kenner Welcome Ctr @ 8:30 am. Provided for FREE will be hot, dogs, chili, hamburgers, soft drinks, water & juice, BYOL! Also gifts for the furthest traveled: \$75.00 money furthest 4 wheeled vehicle & \$25.00 for furthest 2 wheeled ride. Bring bathing suits & towels. Tubes will be provided for tubing on the Bouge Chitto River. For more info contact Pam @ 504-281-4130 or John @ 504-382-0486.

November 6th (Saturday) – Louisiana Custom Cruisers 4th Annual Car Show registration is from 8 am - 12 noon, 12715 Hwy 90, St Charles Plaza, Boutte, La. \$20 early registration is until 11/3/2010. Pre-show cruise night is Friday, November 5th, music by Wayne Foret. For details call Louie Morales Jr. 985-785-8494.

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November 27th (Saturday) – The Knights of Sparta “Cardi Gras” Car & Bike Show, 6:30-10:30 PM,
St. Clement of Rome Church, W. Esplanade Ave @ Cleary Ave in Metairie. Call Dave for info @
504.455.3309.

Recurring Events

1st FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Elks Lodge #30 Cruise @ 2215 Cleary Ave in Metairie. From 6 pm -10 pm., \$2 at the door. Contact
Pat 382-6707. From May - November.

River Ridge Hot Rods Open Cruise @ the Camp on Hickory Ave. in River Ridge,
6 pm -10 pm. Contact Dave or Nancy 737-9333.

1st SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

BEMA Open Cruise @ the Pit Stop, 4117 Jefferson Hwy, 6 pm -10 pm. Food, drinks, 50/50, & door
prizes. Contact Paul 415-5731 or Ron 452-3695. www.bigeasymopar.org

Coastal Cruisers Cruise @ Midtown Square Mall parking lot on Gause Blvd in Slidell, from 6 pm – 9
pm. Pre-1975 vehicles. Contact Terri 985-863-9256

50’60s Oldies Car Club Cruise Night @ Wendy’s on Terry Parkway in Marrero, 6 pm -10 pm. Contact
Al 367-1707

2ND FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

Slidell Antique Association Olde Towne, A live block party located at First & Erlanger
Streets, 6 pm - 9 pm.

2ND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Louisiana Custom Cruisers Cruise Night @ Sonic Drive-In on Hwy 90 in Boutte, 6 pm -10 pm. For
details contact Louie 985-785-8494. Will host Open Car Show Nov 5th &
6th. www.lacustomcruisers.com

Open Car Show @ 3001 Ormond Blvd (At Airline Hwy) in Destrehan, 5 pm - 9 pm. For more details,
contact Billy 468-6032 or Billy R. 985-758-2767.

Golden Oldies Motor Club at Hobby Lobby in Hammond. Contact Jerry 985-774-6341.

3RD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

Crescent City Cruisers Cruise @ Williams Blvd and the Lake, 6:30 pm - 10 pm. For details contact,
Walter 481-3156. April-October

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3RD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Northshore Mustang Club Open Cruise at Hwy 21, Pelican Landing Shopping Center, Mandeville from 5 pm - 9 pm., 50/50, music. For details contact Jerry 985-774-6341 or 382-9176.

Old Gretna Cruise Night at 300 block of Huey P. Long Ave. by the Farmers Market in Gretna, 6 pm - 9:30 pm. Open to pre-1980 vehicles only. For details call JT 250-4505.

Weekends Cruisers Classic Cruise at 1218 St. Charles St in Houma from, 5 pm - 9 pm.
For details contact Robert 985-879-2985.

Old Jefferson Cruise Night sponsored by Custom Built Garages & Harahan Collectables, at 4117 Jefferson Hwy (The Pit Stop) 6pm till. Details: Jimmie 456-6312.

St. Bernard Antique Auto Club Cruise Night @ 8751 Judge Perez Dr., Chalmette, 6 pm - 9 pm. For details contact Johnny 279-5311.

Gulf South Firebird & Camaro Club @ the Saints Diner, 2554 Williams Blvd, Kenner from 6 pm - 10 pm, Adult & kids games, 50/50, & door prizes.

3RD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

Pink Ladies Car Club Cruise @ Chevy's, 1201 Manhattan Blvd, in Harvey, 6 pm - 9 pm. For details contact Tess 340-5929 or Camille 340-9082.

4TH FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

Olde Town of Covington block party, N. Columbia St. Need to arrive before 6 pm, street closes from 6 pm - 9:30 pm.

4TH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Custom Cruisers Cruise in the Clearview Shopping Center parking lot from 5 pm - 9:30 pm. For details contact Walter or Pam Larter 282-2862.

West Bank Cruisers Oldies Cruise Night @ 2781 Belle Chasse Hwy in Gretna, 6 pm - 10 pm. For details contact Bobby 393-7825.

4TH SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

Wax Alley Sunday @ Crazy Johnnie's Steak House, 3520 18th St, Metairie, from 2 pm - 6 pm. No entry fee, no judging, door prizes, 50/50, & a DJ out on the front on deck. Hot dogs for participants, bar opens 2 pm, Restaurant opens 4 pm.