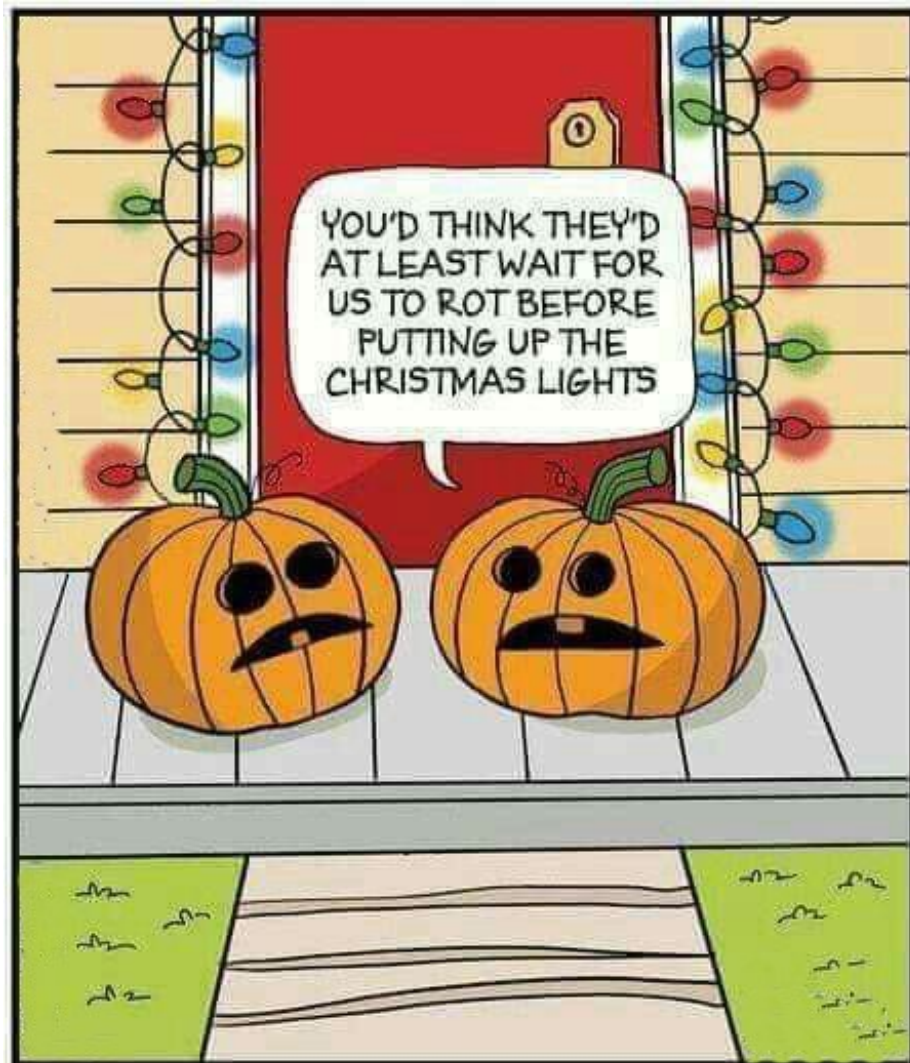


CRUZ NEWS

OCTOBER 2025

The Official Newsletter of the
Southern Cruzers





Cruzer Merchandise

License Plate Plaques - \$30.00

Ron Willson 952-892-6081

Club Window Stickers

Jim Neher 952-435-3180

2025 Officers

Duane Barclay	President	952-894-3165
Steve Brehm	V. President	952-457-1333
Rose Barclay	Secretary	952-894-3165
Chell & Karen Craigie	Treasurer	952-447-4919
Jim Neher	Membership	952-435-3180

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SHOW OFF YOUR CAR HOW?

If you contribute an article that is used, a small picture of your car may be published with it. If your car is not on the website, then I don't have a picture of it. (Pics will be used if room allows.)

Mail articles and photos to:

Duane Barclay
c/o Southern Cruzers
13018 Girard Ave. So.
Burnsville, MN 55337

MEETING INFO

***2025 MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE ***

January 2	July 10
February 13	August 14
March (No meeting)	September 11
April 10	October 9
May 1	November 13
June 12	December (No meeting)



**COVER IMAGE TAKEN FROM
THE INTERNET**

Southern Cruzers platinum "Summer Spectacular" sponsor



*** CHECK OUT THE CRUZERS' WEBSITES ***

There is an Application Form on the MAIN website. If someone wants to join, they can just print it, fill it out, & mail it in with their check.

Main site: www.SouthernCruzers.com

Event Site: www.TheSummerSpectacular.com

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

LADIES' LUNCH OUT: Thurs., Oct. 2, 11:30 a.m. at the Apple Valley Legion Post, 14521 Grenada Drive. If you have questions, contact Karen Keenan @ 952-758-9754.

CLUB MEETING: Thursday, October 9, 7:00 p.m., at the Apple Valley Legion Post 1776, 14521 Grenada Drive.

Editor's note: A number of members start arriving after 5 p.m. to enjoy something off the Legion Club menu, and have a chance to do some visiting before the meeting starts.

UPCOMING CLUB MINI-SHOWS

I'm sad to report that the mini-show season has come to an end.

All in all, except for a couple of rain outs, it was a good summer!

Next spring, Ron Willson will be working on setting up the new season for 2026. Stay tuned!

Editor's note: It is my goal that one way or another, Lil Darlin will be running a lot better next year. We missed way too much of the fun, this year!

OTHER SHOWS AND EVENTS

ON THE ROAD AGAIN CAR SHOW: Sat., Oct. 4, 8 - 3 p.m., 12th Ave & Southview Blvd., So. St. Paul, MN

EDITOR'S NOTE: Just a reminder: This listing is in no way a complete one. I just list the events closer to home that may be of interest to our readers, or are favorites with our members. For a more comprehensive list, go to Events with Cars.com, or find the latest issue of the MSRA Linechaser.

CRUISE NIGHTS

HISTORIC HASTINGS: Sun., October 12; (Last one for the season) 11 - 4 p.m., Jodi @ 651-246-3233

EAGAN APPLEBEE'S: Every Monday till the snow flies. 5 - 8 p.m., 1335 Town Centre Drive, Eagan, MN

HOLY EMMANUEL CRUISE-IN: Every Tuesday, 4 - 8 p.m., 201 E. 104th St., Bloomington, MN, 651-343-4181

STREET ROD, MUSCLE CAR ROLL IN: Every other Thur. (starting May 22), Rack's Sports Bar, 2400 Cliff Rd. East, Burnsville, MN

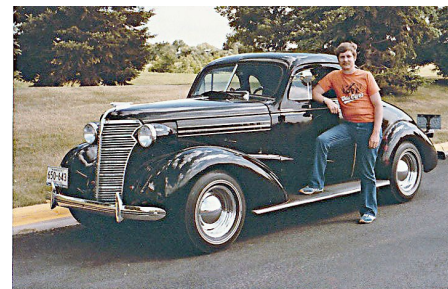
THE LITTLE MARKET THAT COULD ROLL-IN: Weekly Thur., 3:53 - 7:19 p.m., Hwy.13 So., Prior Lake, MN

Another Editor's note: I'm not sure if the last three events on this list have come to an end, or not.

**I SWEAR IF MY MEMORY WAS ANY WORSE,
I COULD PLAN MY OWN SURPRIZE PARTY.**



DUANE'S WORLD



Last month when I wrote this article it was State Fair time, and I was remarking on how nice it was. It's now a month later, and I can, once again, make the same pleasant statements. This next week which is the last week in September is suppose to be nice every day with temps in the 80s! Time to get out and get a bunch of outdoor chores done.

A month ago we were spending some time at our friend's lake home near Minocqua, Wisconsin, and it was cloudy, chilly and rainy every day we were there. The pontoon stayed on the boat lift, and I couldn't have any fun on their jet ski. I did get out to wet a line every day, but the fish were uncooperative as well! From there we went to my hometown, Marquette, Michigan, for a few days, and it was pretty much the same there. All that's left at home is a few friends to visit. All my family is gone. It's also been a month since our daughter & family moved out to California, and we miss them a lot! The new technology allows us to see them in person on our cell phones, and that helps a bit. Speaking of technology, we often comment on how our parents who have been gone for many years, except for my mom who passed just over 2 years ago, would be speechless at what we can do with computers and cell phones!

As for the rough running Lil Darlin' saga. After trying other suggestions from my car guy friends, including a different loaner carburetor, not much has changed, and I'm ready to start waving the white flag of surrender. I've been told to swallow my pride and finally let some professional take over to see what can be done. The loaner carb came from Charlie Hyatt, who has a shop in Prior Lake, and he is first on my list to call. I've spent the whole season trying to figure this thing out, and enough is enough!

I hope you haven't put your ride away, just yet. It looks like the nice fall weather will keep on for awhile, and you might as well make the best of it with some more cruising. See you out there, somewhere. DB

ANNUAL MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2025

Our club meeting in October is the Annual meeting. According to our bylaws, the purpose of said meeting shall be for the nomination of officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. Nominations for officers will be taken at the meeting. In the event there is only one nominee for a position, the vote for that position will take place at the annual meeting, and the results reported in the November Cruz News.

Written ballots are required for nominated officers where there is more than one candidate. The voting for that position will take place at the November general membership meeting.

A reminder that a term of office is two years.

LOOKING FOR PHOTOS FOR OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY DISPLAY

We decided that it would be fun to have a digital photo display running continuously on the TV screens at our Christmas party at the Legion Club on December 5.

Tim & Sheryl Gardner have volunteered to collect and put the photos on a running display.

If you have any photos that you took during the past season at car shows, our Club mini-shows, etc, please text or e-mail them to Tim & Sheryl. If you are texting, please limit them to two images. If you have more than two, e-mail them.

Their number for texting is: 763-257-7076

Their e-mail address is: gardnert832@gmail.com

I think this is a cool idea!



MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES – Thursday, September 11, 2025 - Submitted by Rose Barclay

President: Duane Barclay called the membership meeting of the Southern Cruzers to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Loren Bahls and seconded by Ron Anderson to accept the minutes of the August 14, 2025, meeting as printed in the September Cruz News. The motion passed.

Vice President's Report: Steve Brehm reported that he sent out 2 hard copies of the last Cruz News.

Treasurer's Report: Chell Craigie read the Treasurer's report. Pat Gansmoe made a motion to approve the report, and it was seconded by Ed Sanders. The motion passed. A call for bills was made. There were no new bills. Given to Chell was new income for a Club plaque.

Membership Chairperson: Jim Neher reported Club membership is 80 (136 total). He reported that the Club has a new member: Steve Panchyshyn of Farmington, MN. Steve has a 1969 Oldsmobile and 2023 VW Golf R. Jim had up to date Club rosters.

Activities: Ron Willson reported on the recent Club mini shows. He is willing to schedule them for 2026. A show of hands indicated that 12 Club mini shows a season was good.

Events: Rose Barclay reported that the next Ladies Get Together is Thursday, October 2 at 11:30 a.m. at the Apple Valley American Legion.

Announcements: Duane Barclay reminded members that Club plaques are available from Ron Willson for \$30. He announced that next month is the General Membership meeting, Rose Barclay spoke about this year's Christmas party and that dates have been set for next year's meetings. It was reported that Bruce Lyke is having surgery on Friday, September 12.

Old Business: Mark Peterson reported that visits to our two web sites are down.

New Business: None reported

TSS Business: Ray Valdovinos reviewed this year's success. There were 25 Southern Cruiser cars on display. Ray and Dave Ritchie have agreed to chair this event again for 2026.

The next meeting will be at the Apple Valley American Legion Post 1776, on Thursday, October 9, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Craig Duntley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Ron Anderson, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

***** SAVE THE DATE *****

WHEN: Friday, December 5, 2025

WHERE: Apple Valley Legion Club

WHO: Southern Cruiser Members

WHY: Annual Christmas Party and Buffet Dinner

Start saving your good condition white elephant gifts.

Time, cost, and other details will be provided at a later date.



SOUTHERN CRUZERS CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL, OR CONVALESCING AT HOME



Bruce Lyke is recovering from surgery.

There may be members we don't know of who have been hospitalized or ill. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Judy Kemper is the club "Sunshine Lady." Please let her know of any member in the hospital, or suffering the loss of an immediate family member. Judy's phone number is: 952-322-5819.



BIRTHDAYS



October 13, Deb Peterson
 October 14, Gilbert Acevedo
 October 15, Tom Flink
 October 17, Terry Stade
 October 20, Kelley Roszak
 October 24, Jack Keenan
 October 26, Marvin Jansma
 October 30, Ed Sanders
 October 31, Tammy Edwinson



ANNIVERSARIES



Roger Gilb & Jan Guerber, October 10, 2015, 10years
 Bruce & Cheryl Lyke, October 25, 1975, 50 years

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL ON
YOUR SPECIAL DAY!**

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

No new members for this month

There are 80 (136) paid members so far this year.

Just a reminder that Jim Neher has up to date membership rosters and Car Club window stickers.

LADIES' LUNCH OUT IS BACK AT THE LEGION CLUB



On Thursday, September 4, after a few month's hiatus from the Legion Club, the ladies decided to go back there for their monthly gathering. The next Ladies' Lunch Out will be, Thursday, October 2, 11:30 a.m., at the Legion Club in Apple Valley. If you are interested in joining this fun group and have any questions about this event, contact: Karen Keenan @ 952-758-9754. They would love to have you!

It was reported to us that the Legion Club has hired a new chef, and I think he has come in with some new recipes! We ate there recently and they had a Spinach Artichoke chicken dinner that I've never tried before and found it was delicious, even with the artichokes of which I've never been much of a fan!

This is a collection of photos from the show. Thank you to Bill Mitchell and Ray Valdovino for keeping your cameras busy throughout the event! If you are looking to see more photos, check out the Southern Cruzor website maintained by Mark Peterson, there is a bunch to look at!





CHECK OUT APPLE AUTO'S WEBSITE TO FIND THE LATEST SPECIALS, OR ACCESS THEIR SITE FROM THE SOUTHERN CRUZER WEBSITE. REMEMBER, IF YOU BUY A CAR, TIRES, PARTS, OR HAVE SERVICING DONE, DON'T FORGET TO TELL THEM YOU ARE A SOUTHERN CRUZER.



Cruzer Calendar, October, 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 LADIES' LUNCH OUT (See pg. 3 for info.)	3	4
5	6 EAGAN APPLEBEES 5 - 8 P.M. (Pretty sure this one will be fine for weath- er)	7 MSRA BOARD MEETING 7 p.m. Hampton Inn 1-694 & Lexington Shoreview, MN	8	9 CLUB MEETING 7 p.m. Apple Valley Legion Post 1776	10	11
12 HISTORIC HASTINGS 11 - 4 p.m.	13 EAGAN APPLEBEES 5 - 8 P.M. (Maybel)	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 EAGAN APPLEBEES 5 - 8 P.M. (They're pressing their luck!)	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 EAGAN APPLEBEES 5 - 8 P.M. (What are the Chances?)	28	29	30 MAKE SURE YOUR HALLOWEEN COSTUME STILL FITS	31 "TRICK OR TREAT"	

CLUB EVENTS

CONTACT PEOPLE

Karen Keenan (Ladies' Night Out) 952-758-9754
Judy Kemper (Sunshine Lady) 952-322-5819
Ron Willson (Savage Culver's information) 952-892-6081

OTHER EVENTS

CRUISE NIGHTS