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Classic Car Club*



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The summer car show season is winding down. The awards are on the shelf, and it's almost time to clean out the garage, the classic's winter home. But don't put anything away yet. There's still quite a bit to come for the Cruisers, and you can read about it all in this issue of the newsletter.

September Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Seaway Cruisers Classic Car Club will be Monday, September 23, 1991 at 7:00 pm. As always, we'll be meeting at Burger King in Ogdensburg, New York.

At the meeting we'll be discussing plans for the First Annual St. Lawrence County Road Rally. In addition, any late season car shows will be discussed. Most importantly, we'll be doing some planning for next year's season. Have any ideas? Come to the meeting!

Cruise Announced!

September 21, 1991

Everyone asked for it, and now you've got it. Saturday, September 21, 1991, members of the Seaway Cruisers will be cruising to Taste Freeze in Malone, NY to enjoy an afternoon of roller-skating waitresses, 50's & 60's music and all the other goodies that go with it. Interested members should meet at 1:00 p.m. at the Burger King in Ogdensburg, New York.

First Annual St. Lawrence County Road Rally

From Ogdensburg's Price Chopper to the Bridge and Port Authority, it's a short drive up Route 37 - unless, of course, you and your family are driving the route on October 20, 1991 and are competing in the first annual St. Lawrence County Family Road Rally.

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The free event, co-sponsored by the Seaway Cruisers Classic Car Club, Park Newspapers and WSLB/WPAC, offers families an afternoon of enjoyable driving and entertainment for children and adults. Additionally 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies along with a hard luck plaque will be given to winning participants. Dozens of door prizes will also be given away throughout the day.

Beginning at Price Chopper in Ogdensburg, road rally participants are given a set of directions which lead them to the first of three checkpoints.

"At each checkpoint," says Ron Green, the event's coordinator, "the driver's time will be marked and compared to a 55 mph time. Then, he or she will be given a set of directions which lead to the next checkpoint." However, the directions from point A to point B aren't always simple.

"For example," says Green, "one of the instructions may

tell drivers to 'turn left at the yellow ribbon.' Another may state 'turn right at the third red barn on Route 37A.'" Should drivers miss a turn, signs will tell them to turn back.

"With the combination of a family drive and a picnic, we think it will be a fun afternoon for everyone involved."

The first annual St. Lawrence County Family Road Rally begins at 12:00 noon on October 20, 1991. Registration for the event starts at 10:30; pre-registration is welcome. There is no charge to enter the event. Families should bring their own picnic lunch. However there will be a local vendor there to satisfy your hunger needs.

Throughout the event, mechanics from the Seaway Cruisers Classic Car Club will be on the rally route should any participant experience automotive problems. For further information on the event, or to pre-register, contact Ron Green at (315) 393-3110.

Membership Free?

Get as many people as you can to enter the First Annual St. Lawrence County Family Road Rally. Whoever registers the most people up wins a free 1992 membership to the Seaway Cruisers along with a Cruisers' tee-shirt. Of course, you also get all the fame and fortune that goes along with it (all right, so the fame and fortune is a lie, but we need all the help we can get... so please help us).

More Road Rally Stuff!

We're in need of a few good people to help the Cruisers make their first road rally a success.

- Checkpoints - 8 people needed to sit in the sun, provide contestants maps and mark times.
- Mechanics - 2 people needed to patrol the "route" for dead cars in need of assistance.
- General Helpers - As many people as possible. Please contact Ron Green at 393-3110.
- Parking - 2 people to be in charge of parking (Tom & Cheryl?)

50's & 60's Dance West Potsdam Fire Hall September 14, 1991

What a night! A lot of Cruisers attended West Potsdam's annual nostalgia night full with the music that makes our cars feel their best. True to the evening, classic cars packed the parking lot, and Sally Hazelton, Dolly Wright, Betty Gonio, Robin Ramm, Cheryl Sawyer and Sue Williams (Ron Green's jitterbug partner and girlfriend) all wore their poodle skirts. It was a great evening, and everyone who attended no doubt enjoyed it - a lot.

Travelling to New Hampshire?

Georgia and John Neville sent us a flyer for the Grand Manor Antique and Classic Car Museum located in Glen, NH. The museum's collection ranges from a 1927 Cadillac to a 1956 Mercedes Benz 300SL Gull Wing. Most cars are available for sale, so the show varies from time to time. At the museum, you'll find places for barbecues and receptions. They even rent their cars. The Grand Manor is located off Route 16 in New Hampshire. For further information, call them at (603) 356-9366.

Glenfield Car Show September 15, 1991

On a rainy Sunday morning, following the West Potsdam Dance, four members of the Seaway Cruisers made the trip to Glenfield, NY car show. Despite the rain continuing until 1:00, approximately 40 cars turned out for the show. The members of the Cruisers did very well, as each of them took home a trophy from the show. Those members were Tom & Cheryl Sawyer, 3rd place, John & Georgia Neville, 2nd place, Wayne Laidlaw, 1st place, and Ken & Rita Hilborne, 3rd place. Congratulations to all members, and to Ken and Rita for their first trophy with their new old car!

New Members

Richard C. Harper of Ogdensburg, New York has joined the Cruisers. Richard owns a 1933 Ford Pickup.

Maurice O'Connell of Cranberry Lake also joined the Cruisers. Maurice owns a 1956 Ford and a 1947 Harley Davidson motorcycle.

Canton ATC Display September 28, 1991

Bring your classic out for one last afternoon of fun. Canton ATC's Octoberfest on September 28, 1991 promises an entertaining afternoon for everyone. The event is free to the public. Throughout the years, members of the Cruisers have enjoyed their afternoon in Canton (many noted the free beer).

Cruisers who plan to attend the even should meet at 11:00 am at Burger King in Ogdensburg the morning of the event. For further information, please contact Robin Ramm at 393-2468.

Winter Rat 1991 in 1992

Winter Rat 1991 is tentatively scheduled for January 25, 1992. The location is still up in the air. The evening, for the most part, will be a chance for the Cruisers to get together and talk about the days of sun and classics. However, awards will be given in many different classes. If you have any suggestions or pictures/video of summer events please contact Ron Green at 393-3110 or Chris Lovely at 393-6665.

Wait!!

Before you do a winter restoration, please get a picture of your car. The club's historians, Jim and Diane Fitzgerald, are keeping an incredible record of the club. Their address on the last page.

Hands Across the Border Car Show September 22, 1991

The Seaway Cruisers Classic Car Club have been invited by the Upper Canada Region ACCCC. The club promises a fun filled day of activities together with a mixture of cars and enthusiasts.

The meeting place for 1991 is the Thousand Island Skydeck Tower of the Hill Island at the Canadian/U.S. International Bridge. The 1991 tour will be on the Canadian side of the border and arrival at the Skydeck tower is planned for 10:00 am. The tour will return to the tower by 5:00 pm. While at Hill Island, all participants should check in at the registration table. At 11:00 pm, the tour will leave Hill Island; a tour outline will be given to all

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participants prior to leaving Hill Island. There is no fee to enter the event.

Optional tours of the Skydeck towers and other sights are offered for a fee (to the institution, not the car club). For more information, contact T.M. Wells, (613) 389-4518.

Business Supporting Cruisers

Roethel Auto Parts and Customer Graphics: 10% off Regular, Special Order Items, Paint and their Custom Graphics Department.

Monro Muffler, Watertown: 10% off all services courtesy of Mike Conway. Bring your membership card with you, and mention Mike's name.

CB Shop, Watertown: Special Discount on all electronic equipment for cars.

Burger King, Ogdensburg: 10% discount on all items when Cruisers meet.

The End of The Season by Robin Ramm

This last weekend was the final judged car show for the Seaway Cruisers. You know what that means - pretty soon everyone will be preparing their favorite cars for a long winters nap to wait for the next nice day of spring weather.

This year has seen a lot of changes in the car club, mainly in the amount of members that we have. We have gone from 59 members in 1990 to over 135 in 1991. It is amazing the amount of classic cars in the area just waiting to be taken out of the garage and restored for use in St. Lawrence County for pleasure or show, and hopefully 1992 will be as great for membership.

This year, we have had a great staff on the Board of Directors, and I would like to thank a few of them at this time.

One of the main additions to our group this year was our Secretary, Brenda Gamo, who made the mistake of saying she had

access to software at our first meeting. This was her first mistake! She is the main reason that we have gotten all the publicity and free articles necessary to make this car club 135 members strong. She has had the most ambition of all of us, keeping me going most of the time to think of new things to do for the club, and new ideas for the newsletter. This newsletter is really Brenda's newsletter, as she is the one with the computer and the knowledge to set the newsletter up to look professional. You have to admit that the newsletter has never looked as good as it did this year, and we all thank you Brenda!!! You have made this a joy to read, not a chore. (You better not touch this one Brenda!)

The new vice presidents for 1991 are Tom and Cheryl Sawyer, and they are more supportive of the club than anyone can ever know. It was Tom and Cheryl that came over to my house before the Watertown

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Show to help me get both of the cars ready for the show, and even provided a driver! They have been at almost every event possible, including a few unscheduled ones! Tom has been over to my house and Brenda's house many times to talk over the upcoming events, and to help plan the meetings. Thanks to both of you for everything!

David Reynolds, our beloved treasurer has gracefully guarded our money in Massena bank for a few years now, and in honor of that, we even put his mug on the newsletter! We wondered what the local Postal people thought of his photo, but we thought that he looked pretty damn good! He was the organizer of the Waddington Display, and he did a good job, just like last year. Dave is a constant source of enthusiasm, and always has a smile for everyone.

The one member who has unwittingly volunteered his services for the entertainment committee is

Ron Green. We mentioned that we were going to have a road rally, and two days later Ron shows up with door prizes and guaranteed contributions for trophies. This was all on his own, with only a *mention* of an event. I think that Ron is going to be great next year as the head of the Entertainment and Event committee for 1992, and his nomination is going to one of the first ones out of my lips.

These people are very close friends, along with being my "crew" for the Cruisers. I feel that in 1992 we have a strong base for another good year.

In 1992 the Cruisers will be taking on a very large task - the 1992 Seaway Festival Car Show. This is going to involve many people working long hours to organize this. We will have the past wisdom of Rick and Bonnie Griffith to help us out, along with Casey and Laurel Lee Barr. We will need support from the Cruisers, and probably will begin working on this in January 1992. So get your ideas ready!!!

On a final note, we are losing one of our most prized members. Al Wyman, affectionately known throughout the car club as Papa Smurf, is moving away from us. It feels like I am losing a part of the original group. He is the most unique person, and believe me, he will be missed! Papa and his Jeepsters will be gone, but only in presence. He will be with our group forever, as he is going to be the only lifetime member the Cruisers will have. He has invited us to come and visit him in Gonzales, Louisiana, anytime, and if you are ever traveling, please try to swing in and say hello from Ogdensburg. If anyone is interested in writing to Papa and Mrs. Smurf, their address is as follows: Eldon & Monserrat Wyman, (don't forget Monelle!), 41225 Cannon Road, Gonzales, LA 70737. We will all miss you Papa when you leave us - just don't forget us! (You can send all the egg rolls to me you want!!!)

For the Winter...

Beginning next month, the newsletter will appear on your door step every other month. Since there's not a lot happening in the winter, there's not much to cover. However, the newsletter will resume its monthly printing in the spring.

If you'll be restoring your car this winter, or if you pick up another classic, please drop any club officer a line. We'll cover your story in the winter newsletters.

Super Trivia!!! TV Auto Trivia

1. On the old Perry Mason show with Raymond Burr, what two cars did Paul Drake usually drive?
2. What kind of sports car originally was used in the opening scenes of Get Smart?
3. After a new sponsor took over the Get Smart show, what new sports car did Maxwell Smart drive?

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4. What two cars star in Simon and Simon?
5. What brand of car did Samantha always drive in Bewitched?
6. What was the name of the cop show in which the heroes drove a Rolls Royce?
7. The Saint drove what make and model sports machine in the English-made detective show?
8. There was a very short-lived TV series called B.A.D. Cats. What make and model car did the heroes use?
9. What year and make of car did the Monkees drive in their show? (It was named the Monkey Mobile)
10. What brand of car was always driven in the show Route 66?
11. In the movie "Bullitt", what two cars raced?
12. What car did Eddie Murphy drive in Beverly Hills Cop (first movie)?
13. What two cars did Eddie Murphy drive in Beverly Hills Cop II?
14. What was the year and make of the truck used in the Beverly Hillbillies Show?
15. What make and year was Christine?
16. In the movie American Graffiti, what was the year, make and model of the car Ron Howard drove?
17. In the movie American Graffiti, what was the year and make of the car that Suzanne Sommers drove?
18. In the beginning of Dirty Dancing, what is the year and make of the doctor's car driven to the resort?
19. In the movie Thunder Road, what two cars were driven by Robert Mitchem?
20. In the movie Two Lane Blacktop, what two cars drag raced across the USA?

Garage Sale

FOR SALE: 1970 GTO. 400 motor and tranny from 73 Grand Prix. Runs strong. Body is rough, but I have some replacement panels. Needs rear brake work and lights don't work. \$500.00. 393-5880.

FOR SALE: 1969 GTO. 400 Ram Air III 366 HP. Muncie 4 speed. 2.78 open rear gears. Body recently redone and painted. Most all suspension, steering, brakes and electrical new or redone. New tires and full weatherstrip package. Power steering and power disc brakes just added this year. Runs and drives great. \$7500.00. 393-5880.

FOR SALE: 1932 Ford Coach Model B. 2 extra engines, 4 cyl flat; also an extra tranny. Oliver Adamson, Brockville. (613) 342-1567.

WANTED: Now needed at least two months ago. Rear dual antennas or a source to buy them from. 393-3110.

FOR SALE: Al Wyman has a lot of goodies. Give him a call to see if he's got something you're looking for. 393-7218.

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