



CarClub



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From the President's VUE

Ah August ... a time when we start looking forward to slightly cooler weather. When we can sit, watch the garden that we labored to plant in the spring and think of all the wonderful crops we will be harvesting in the fall. And on the topic of harvesting, the Summer Harvest Festival was our July event. It was amazing seeing the true meaning of horsepower. A man with a team of two draft horses can plow a field, harvest wheat and even thresh the wheat from the stalk. There were also some amazing examples of old internal combustion power plants on display. Please see the article inside for pictures.

Please remember our monthly meetings on the second Thursday of every month. This month we are at Saturn West and in September we will be at Saturn SouthEast. Second, there is our ongoing service project at Villa Angela on the third Thursday of the month when we play bingo with the residents. For some of the residents, this is the highlight of their month as they cannot wait for us to be there. Some residents would like for us to be there every night!

For those who cannot make the Thursday meeting we have a quarterly meeting on Saturday at Saturn SouthEast on August 14 at 2:00 p.m. This is a special time because we will be doing Adopt-A-Highway that morning. So if you only need two points to earn your Active membership, this is your day! You will be able to get your two points and have lunch on the retailer, too.

Your officers have been planning some fun events for the rest of the year! You should also plan on coming with us to Rolling Ridge Ranch on August 21. Please see July's newsletter for an article and pictures from last year. This is an amazing place and very interesting for children of all ages. We are making another overnight trip, in September, to Indianapolis. On Saturday we plan a trip to Fairmount. We will tour The James Dean Memorial Gallery that was established in 1988 in the actor's hometown and final

resting place. The seven-room exhibit is the private collection of James Dean archivist David Loehr who began collecting in 1974, and has since amassed the world's largest collection of Dean memorabilia. The collection is housed in a beautifully restored 1890 Victorian home, located on the tree-lined North Main Street in downtown Fairmount. We are planning other actives for Saturday evening and on Sunday. If you have been to Indy and always thought, "I really wish we had taken the time to see ...," this is your chance! Let your events chairmen know what you wished you had visited and we may add it in on Sunday.

Keep in mind our charity partner, PC Santa. At the next meeting we will be collecting money to help them purchase the licenses that are needed to legally operate the computers. They are also looking for educational games, not copies of them, but the actual disks and instruction manuals from the manufacturer. If anyone has old but usable computers or related equipment collecting dust, let me or another officer know. We will get everything to PC Santa. A member brought an old computer to the picnic and I have other people telling me that they have units gathering dust and would like to make some room by getting rid of them. Please bring them to a meeting or call the hotline to arrange for someone to pick them up. One of Scott Marshall's helper elves lives a mile from my home and I can get the computers to her. I know I have some computer hardware that I can donate. The computers will be refurbished and given to people who otherwise could not afford them. It helps in many ways by keeping the hazardous materials in the computers out of landfills, and recycling the machines for others to use! And anything you donate could be deductible from your income taxes (I know, I don't want to think about it either but ...)

Please check the events calendar to see we have planned! And remember that if you have an event suggestion, please let our Events Chairmen know, by e-mail, tell them at a meeting, or you can call the hot line at 614-470-3517.

I would like to welcome the new members who have joined us! I hope to see you and everyone else at Saturn West or at an upcoming event.

Remember ... you are not in the CarClub, you ARE the CarClub!

Lowell

CARCLUB EVENTS

Still in the Rearview Mirror

8 July 2004 – Picnic at Highbanks Metro park. Our July meeting was combined with a picnic. See separate article for details.

10 July 2004 – Summer Harvest Festival. See separate article for details.

BINGO was held on July 15th at Villa Angela. Twenty-eight residents were in attendance with eight CarClub members conducting the Bingo. Plan to attend the **next BINGO on August 19th at 7:00 p.m.** Villa Angela is located at 5700 Karl Road.

Just Ahead Around the Curve

The next **CarClub Adopt-A-Highway** cleanup will be on **Saturday, August 14th** starting at 9:30 a.m. Our rain date is Sunday, August 15th, starting at 1:00 p.m.

The next **Saturday meeting** will be held **on August 14th at Saturn/Southeast at 2:00 p.m.** You can earn two active member points and get a free lunch by attending both the Adopt-A-Highway cleanup and the Saturday meeting at Saturn/Southeast.

Rolling Ridge Ranch – 21 August 2004. The CarClub will again be taking off for Holmes County, one of the Amish areas of Ohio. The destination is the Rolling Ridge Ranch, which is located just North of the towns of Berlin and Walnut Creek, which is East of Millersburg, Ohio.

We will meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Kroger parking lot at 5991 Sunbury Road, located North of Route 161 (East of I-270 on the East Side of Columbus). We will be taking Route 62 to Millersburg and then on to the ranch. You can also meet us at the Ranch at 11:00 a.m. Bring the kids, or just yourselves, your camera, and join us for a

good time with the animals. See the article in the June 2004 *Monthly Planet* for more details and pictures.

The overnight trip to Indianapolis Indiana is set for 24-26 September 2004. We plan to leave for Indy on Friday, September 24th at 2:00 p.m. at the Meijer parking lot on Hilliard-Rome Road, just north of I-70 on the West Side of Columbus. We will be staying at the Baymont Inn on Post Road at I-70 on the East Side of Indianapolis. Some rooms have been set aside for the CarClub for Friday and Saturday nights. Please call John Williams (614-846-3351) to reserve a room. The rate is \$69.99 per night.

Some of the attractions we are considering are the Eiteljorg Museum of American Indian and Western Art, the Indianapolis Zoo, Conner Prairie (a re-creation of a frontier village), James Dean Museum, and the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Auto Museum. Additional information and brochures will be available on Friday night for the group to decide what to see and when to go. It should be a very good trip with the opportunity to see many very interesting attractions in the Indianapolis area. Plan to join us.

Planned Events with No Date

Possible CarClub events that have been getting increasing support include the following:

- Fall Foliage train ride (October)
- Tour of Honda plant (probably in November)
- Bean dinner at Bob Evans Farms in Rio Grande

We are working out the details and will let you know more about them as plans are finalized.

Suggestions for other activities are always welcome. Please talk with any CarClub Officer, John Williams or Jim Harrass, or leave a message on the CarClub hotline (614-470-3517).

CarClub at the Summer Harvest Festival

The CarClub attended the Delaware County Antique Farm Machinery Association Summer Harvest Festival on Saturday July 10th.

The show was held at the Ottawa Bota Farm, on Taway Road, near Radnor Ohio, which is located just west of State Route 257 (the Columbus Zoo is located on SR 257).

The show featured antique farm equipment on display, including tractors, engines, tillage equipment, planters, harvesters, mills, and hay equipment. Draft horses displayed their “horsepower.” There were also blacksmith demonstrations and, as the pictures below show, demonstrations of using horses for plowing, harvesting wheat, and for horse-drawn hayrides.



Jay Fletcher of Sunbury demonstrates his 12 horsepower Bessemer engine, which was built in 1899.



CarClub member Anne Hatter (on the left side of the picture) was on hand to help manage the horses.

July Meeting Highlights

8 July 2004 – Picnic at Highbanks Metro park. Our July meeting was combined with a picnic at the Northern Reservable Shelter at the Highbanks Metro Park. A great turnout of both members and family members made it a fun and very “filling” event. ***A GREAT BIG CarClub THANK YOU to Saturn of Columbus for providing the steaks for the picnic.*** They were so tender that you could cut them with a plastic knife!

One of the highlights of the evening was the debut of the new CarClub flag and flagpole, which were obtained by Al Clapsaddle from the Flag Lady. The wheel of a Saturn, in this case Al’s Ion Quadcoupe, anchors the new flagpole. As you can see by the pictures, the new CarClub flag will attract a lot of attention whenever it is flown. Plans are to display it at Saturn Day at the Zoo and whenever the CarClub goes to the Saturn Plant in Spring Hill.



CarClub Champion Al Clapsaddle recently visited the Flag Lady to pick up the new CarClub flag.

Also during the meeting, Peggy Williams presented the CarClub with the Community Service Award, which was presented to her by the Villa Angela Care Center in April. This award was given in recognition of the ongoing support of CarClub members who provide Bingo for the residents of Villa Angela every month. The Award is shown at the top of the next column. Many thanks to all of the CarClub members who have helped conduct the Bingo games for Villa Angela over the last four years.



The new flagpole, properly equipped with Old Glory and the new CarClub flag.

Our commitment to community service at Villa Angela includes identifying and collecting suitable items for the winners to select from. Some items are donated, but others must be purchased. To raise money for these purchases of Bingo prizes, the CarClub held a raffle for an oil painting, which was painted by a resident of Villa Angela, Gordon Groby. The raffle was started at the May meeting and continued until the July combined Meeting and Picnic, when the winning ticket was pulled. The winner was Al Clapsaddle! Congratulations, Al.

Central Ohio Saturn CarClub Activities Calendar

Date	Meeting / Event	Location	Time
12-Aug-2004	Monthly Meeting	Saturn / West	7:00 p.m.
14-Aug-2004	Adopt-A-Highway	Rte 16 (E. Broad Street) Near Frank's Garden Center	9:30 a.m.
14-Aug-2004	Saturday Meeting	Saturn / Southeast	2:00 p.m.
19-Aug-2004	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
21-Aug-2004	Rolling Ridge Ranch	Kroger, 5991 Sunbury Rd or at Rolling Ridge Ranch	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
9-Sep-2004	Monthly Meeting	Saturn / Southeast	7:00 p.m.
12-Sep-2004	Saturn Day at the Zoo	Columbus Zoo	10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
16-Sep-2004	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
24-26 Sep-2004	Trek to Indianapolis IN	Meijer Parking Lot Hilliard-Rome Rd @ I-70	2:00 p.m.
10-Oct-2004	Train	TBD	TBD
14-Oct-2004	Monthly Meeting	Saturn / North	7:00 p.m.
16-Oct-2004	Adopt-A-Highway Last Cleanup of the Year	Rte 16 (E. Broad Street) Near Frank's Garden Center	9:30 a.m.
21-Oct-2004	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.
Nov-2004	Honda Plant Tour??		
11-Nov-2004	Monthly Meeting	Saturn / West	7:00 p.m.
13-Nov-2004	Saturday Meeting	Saturn / West	10:00 a.m.
18-Nov-2004	Bingo	Villa Angela	7:00 p.m.

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**Call our hotline at
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An officer will call you back, usually within 24 hours. If you don't hear from anyone within that time, please call back and leave a second message. Occasionally a message is hard to understand or gets deleted unintentionally.

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