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President's Corner

May is around the corner and things are starting to open up. We still can't have a normal meeting in May but hopefully June we'll get that portion of our lives back to normal. We're not sure about a May Cruise-In yet. We'll have to see what the City of Villa Rica decides.

I want to thank all the members who participated in our online meeting. Since the membership voted unanimously to donate \$500 to the "In His Hands" ministry for their sack lunch program this summer, Don has sent a check.

Nick has come up with a new and what I believe is a good idea for our Sponsors. Since we have not been able to promote them at our cruise ins, why not offer them a three month extension on their one calendar year of sponsorship. This would make for a nice premium for our sponsors and may be the incentive they need to sponsor the GCC.

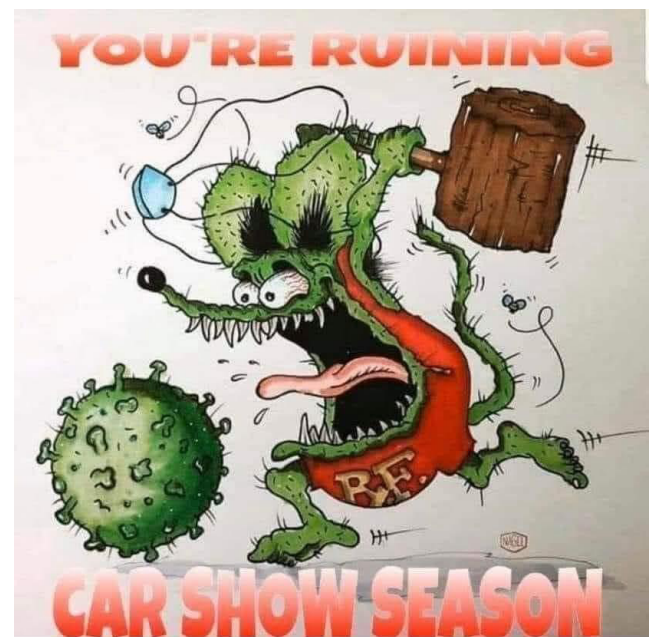
This temporary change will take a membership vote. So we'll have a second online meeting beginning May 6th. We'll close the meeting on May 8th and have the vote. During this meeting the membership is encouraged to offer comments on this idea. I hope to have as much response as we had during our first meeting. As in the previous meeting, members are welcome to vote during the discussion period.

Until we get together again, have some fun and get those cars ready to roll.

Happy Motoring,
Rick Horne

Vice President's Voice

I hope all the club members are safe and staying home, and that all your family and friends are well.



During this time, I have been spending a lot of time in my shop getting much needed work done. But some days I just move tools from one side of the shop to the other. Then the next day I

move them back to where they were the day before.

Hope all of us can get through this in the next couple of months and get back to enjoying everyone's company and cars. I will see everyone at that time.

Bill Roberts

A Minute with the Secretary

The minutes of our April 7th meeting are attached to this newsletter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Raylene Carroll

Treasurer's Testimony

The Treasurer's report for April is attached to this newsletter. Please let me know if you have any questions. Stay safe out there.

Don Reed

Sponsorship Snippets

April showers bring May flowers. I hope this finds you All COVID-19 Free!

I feel I'm only giving you a running list of unpaid Sponsors! When we are able to return into the world safely, there's a lot to be done.

February and March uncollected Sponsors:

Young's Barbeque, Danny Davis
Los Cowboys Mexican, Danny Davis
Lazy Donkey, Danny Davis
Thornton Chevrolet, Nick Ware
Hearn Monument, Danny Davis
Haneys Corner Drug, Donald Threadgill
Jacky's Landscape, Danny Davis
Hyde Hauling, Danny Davis
Chat & Choo, Danny Davis
My Financial Services, Paulette Swafford

April uncollected Sponsors:

Lake Carroll Lawn and Equipment, Gene Duke
Hart Chrome and Restoration, Rick Horne
Villa Rica Board of Tourism, Billy Glover
Smith Brothers Supply, Nick Ware
Morgan Oil, Gene Duke
Lewis Thomas Body Shop, Gene Duke

Cecil Harris Insurance, Gene Duke
Agan Services, Nick Ware
Wing City Cafe, "In Kind", Danny Davis
Mayfield Body Shop, Danny Davis
DKS Roofing, Danny Davis
McCord Heating & Air, Danny Davis

Due in May:

Carroll Food Mart, Danny Davis
Southwire Company, Nick Ware

Everyone stay safe, hope to see you soon.

Cherrie Glover 😊🍒

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:

Gene Duke	5/12
Don Reed	5/5
Carolyn Reed	5/8

Happy Anniversary to:

Gary & Sandra Mills	5/31
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Area Car Events:

Due to the mandated cancellations of these events, this section will be suspended until further notice.

Our Next Meeting

Our next meeting is postponed until further notice. Go somewhere and get some carry out.



How to Future Proof the Collector Car Hobby

(by [Larry Edsall](#), [Classiccars.com](#))

Old cars can be wonderful things to collect but, let's face it, they leak and smell and sometimes leave you stranded beside the road, and it's difficult to steer or even stop without power assist, and you need to at least install seat belts to feel minimally safe out on the road.

Increasingly, to make such vehicles as much fun to drive as they are to appreciate parked in the garage, collectors are installing modern, more efficient and more powerful engines, plus power-assisted disc brakes and steering gear, radial tires, oh, and don't forget air conditioning, and while you're at it, a Bluetooth audio system hidden beneath the original radio faceplate.

The process has been dubbed "resto-mod," a vehicle restoration but with modern automotive technology. While the car looks the same on the outside, under the sheetmetal or fiberglass it is basically a modern if modified vehicle, and a pleasure to drive.

Resto-mods have helped popularize the collector car hobby. And now it's time for the next phase of the phenomenon, the "electra-mod."

The what? The "electra-mod," a process by which classic cars get electric power, and it's a process that some automakers call future proofing.



1970 DB6 MkII Volante, is the first vehicle to be powered by Aston Martin's new 'cassette' electric system | Aston Martin photos

"We have been looking for some time to find a way of protecting our customers' long-term enjoyment of their (vintage) cars," Aston Martin's Paul Spires said in December when that company unveiled its new **"cassette" electric powertrain** in a 1970 DB6 MkII Volante.

What the company did was devise a way to remove the original petroleum-fueled engine and replace it with electric motors and batteries.

“Given the historical significance of these collectors cars, it’s vital any EV conversion is sympathetic to the integrity of the original car,” the company said. “The cassette system offers the perfect solution, offering owners the reassurance of knowing their car is future-proofed and socially responsible, yet still an authentic Aston Martin with the ability to reinstate its original powertrain if desired.”

“We are very aware of the environmental and social pressures that threaten to restrict the use of classic cars in the years to come,” added Andy Palmer, Aston Martin Lagonda president.

Indeed, around the world city and national governments are pushing for the electrification of the automobile, and even establishing dates when petroleum-fueled vehicles will be banned from certain areas.



One way to keep classic cars on the roads instead of restricted to museum displays or perhaps to be driven on certain days and streets where they are allowed to be paraded is to electra-mod them. Consider:

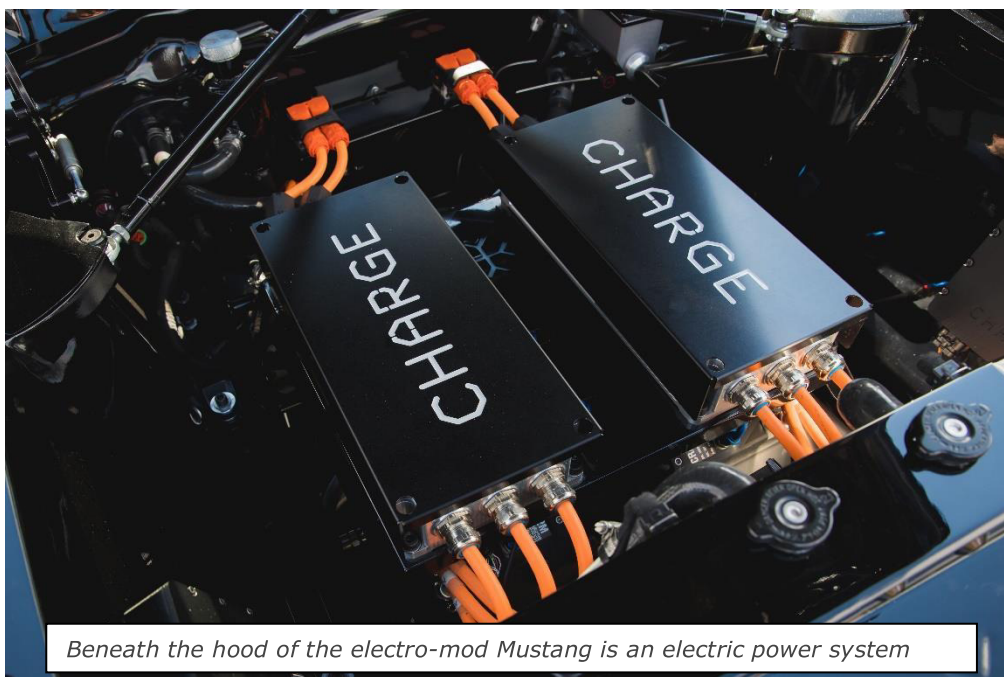
- When Britain’s Prince Harry and his bride, Meghan Markle, departed for their wedding reception last year, they drove a 1968 E-type Jaguar roadster that Jaguar Land Rover Classic had [converted to electric power](#).

- Later last year, at the SEMA showcase of the automotive aftermarket industry, one of the cars that attracted the most attention was Jonathan Ward’s 1949 Mercury coupe, a favorite of hot rodders and in this case one of the Derelict projects of his ICON resto-mod business. Under the car’s hood was what appeared to be a V8 engine. But what it was really was a Tesla electric powertrain wearing a V8-like disguise. Ward reported that the car could hit 120 mph and had more than a 150-mile driving range.

- At the recent Goodwood Festival of Speed, spectators cast their votes and awarded the Showstopper of the Festival trophy to [an electric-powered Ford Mustang](#) that beat out the Ferrari 488 Pista and the Apollo Intesa Emozione for that honor.

The Mustang was built up by a British company, Charge Automotive, that specializes electric conversions. “We redefine great classic cars with advanced electric technology while preserving their iconic design,” it says on the company website. “We believe in an emissions-free future while giving ultimate performance to epic auto legends.”





At the moment, such electra-mod efforts are very expensive, but these are early days in this aspect of such vehicle restoration, and as the market grows, as more companies specializing in such conversions launch, and new battery technologies are developed, costs figure to become more reasonable, perhaps someday even comparable to the current resto-mod process.

And consider what Jay

Leno, perhaps the country's best-known car collector, told CNBC this week about driving his Tesla:

"There's no maintenance. They're faster than the gas car. So there's almost no reason to have a gas car unless you're doing long-haul duty."

"Steam ran everything from 1800 to about 1911," he added. "Then internal combustion took over from 1911 to right about now. And I predict that a child born today probably has as much chance of driving in a gas car as people today have of driving a car with a stick shift."

Editorial note: While I am all for finding ways to promote and grow our car hobby, until they develop an electric motor that shakes the ground at idle, and reeks of half burned gasoline, I'm not interested. Nick

GOLDEN CITY CRUISERS

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

APRIL 2020[illegible]

Golden City Cruisers
Meeting Minutes – April 7th, 2020

President – Rick Horne
Vice President – Bill Roberts
Treasurer – Don Reed
Secretary – Raylene Carroll
Sponsorship – Cherrie Glover
Immediate Past President – Danny Davis

No Physical meeting was held due to the Shelter In Place Order.

Barbara Daniell contacted Nick Ware about the donation to “in His Hands Ministry”. As you recall she was to present a program to us about their Sack Lunch program this summer. Since we have not had a meeting she was checking to see if we were going to help them. This program provides sack lunches to children during the summer months when the schools are closed.

We had tentatively discussed a \$250 donation to this program.

On April 14th, Rick Horne sent out an E-Mail to all Board Members and Immediate Past President Danny Davis for a vote on the proposal to donate \$250.00 to the “In His Hands Ministry”.

The board unanimously voted to proceed with a vote for this donation.

On April 15th Rick Horne sent out an E-Mail to all Golden City Cruisers for discussion and questions regarding this donation to “In His Hands Ministry”. Discussion will close on Friday, April 17th at 6PM.

Voting has opened on April 17th came to a close on April 19th. Final vote was 24 in favor and 0 opposing votes to donate \$250 to “In His Hands Ministry”.

The Golden City Cruisers have once again proven its value to the community. A special thanks to one of our GCC family members that has pledged an anonymous \$250 donation to match to the Golden City Cruisers donation.

We have received sponsorship renewals from the following:

\$250 - Quality Coatings Supply
\$100 - Danny Davis Trucking

Our Club Platinum Sponsors

Through the generous donations of our sponsors, the Golden City Cruisers Car Club is able to continue our support of area charities. Please use these Platinum Sponsors when you have a need!



Our Club Gold Sponsors

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<u>Advance Auto Parts, Villa Rica</u>	<u>American Pie, Carrollton</u>
<u>Autozone, Carrollton</u>	<u>Autozone, Villa Rica</u>
<u>Carroll Food Mart, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Carrollton Car Stereo, Carrollton</u>
<u>Cecil Harris Insurance Agency, Carrollton</u>	<u>Chat and Choo, Villa Rica</u>
<u>J. Collins Funeral Home, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Danny Davis Trucking, Villa Rica</u>
<u>DKS Roofing Specialists, Douglasville</u>	<u>Don Rich Ford, Villa Rica</u>
<u>Eagle Transmission, Ropville</u>	<u>Great Classics 98.9, Carrollton</u>
<u>Haney's Drug Corner, Carrollton</u>	<u>Hearn Monument, Carrollton</u>
<u>Hollingsworth Concrete, Carrollton</u>	<u>Hyde Hauling, Dallas</u>
<u>Jacky's Landscaping Materials, C'ton</u>	<u>Kopps Creative Carton Co., Villa Rica</u>
<u>Lafitte Mop Company, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Lake Carroll Lawn Equipment, Carrollton</u>
<u>The Lazy Donkey, Carrollton</u>	<u>Lewis Thomas Body Shop, C'ton</u>
<u>Liberty Chevrolet, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Los Cowboys, Villa Rica</u>
<u>McCord's HVAC & Refrig., Villa Rica</u>	<u>Morgan Oil Co. Carrollton</u>
<u>My Financial Services, Villa Rica</u>	<u>O'Reilly Auto Parts – Villa Rica</u>
<u>The Olive Tree, Villa Rica</u>	<u>Pro Tech Car Wash, Villa Rica</u>
<u>Shot Spot, Carrollton</u>	<u>Smith Brothers Supply, Carrollton</u>
<u>Thompson Grading & Clearing, Carrollton</u>	<u>Wal-Mart Super Store, Villa Rica</u>
<u>West Georgia Diesel & Auto Repair, C'ton</u>	<u>West Georgia Truck Accessories, Carrollton</u>
<u>West Georgia Shopper, Carrollton</u>	<u>Wing Citi Café, Carrollton</u>