

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER, THE LONE STAR CHAPTER, BUICK CLUB OF AMERICA

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*Our Annual Buicks and Bluebonnets Tour  
will be April 4-6.*

This years Buicks and Bluebonnets Tour will be April 4-6 in Bastrop. The host hotel will be the Comfort Suites. The hospitality room will be open Friday night for the usual telling of exaggerated war stories, acquaintance of old (and new) friends and general conviviality enjoyed by mutual car nuts and their wives or significant others. Our traditional "Milk and Cookies" will be available! We have a block of rooms reserved until March 7th. After that date, regular rates will apply. Our room rate will be \$101/night for a double with an extra pull-out bed included. Reservations should be made directly with Comfort Suites at 512-321-3377. ***Be sure to mention the Buick Club to get the \$101 rate.***

To increase our revenue, errr... FUN, we have invited the Riviera Owners of America (ROA) and the Toronado Owners Association (TOA) to join us this year. Everyone is welcome and anyone is welcome to bring any car, but only Buicks (including Rivieras) are eligible for trophies.

Our new President (Rod) has decided that you *will* participate or you *will* be fined (or taxed if you prefer). You've got three options:

## *The Gold Plan*

\$50 per person will get you car registration, catered dinner, a chance for door prizes, guaranteed acceptance to the hospitality room, and the driving tour. If you have a Buick (including Rivas), you are eligible for a trophy.

## *The Silver Plan*

\$25 per person will get you car registration, guaranteed acceptance to the hospitality room, and the driving tour. If you have a Buick (including Rivas), you are eligible for a trophy. You may use the same form in this newsletter, just change the amount per person from \$50 to \$25.

## *The Bronze Plan*

If you want your entertainment to be subsidized by the rest of us, you are welcome to come up Saturday for free. You may come and go as you please, kick some tires, but you ain't gettin' squat. You can come on the driving tour, but we'll put you at the end of the line.

Itinerary:

Friday - Hospitality room and registration (both open 'til we drink too much).  
Saturday- 8:00am (or whenever we wake up) - 2:00pm car show and judging.  
Saturday- 4:00 – 5:00pm driving tour.  
Saturday- 7:00pm Dinner, trophies, and door prizes.  
Sunday - pack up and leave at your leisure.

# Calendar

Every Friday – Car Show at the Lowe's parking lot at Pearland Parkway and 518 from 5-9 pm.

## March

Saturday March 8: Classic Car Stempede, Bellville. See flyer for more info.

***Sunday March 30, 1:00PM: Potluck at Lee Brown's place*** (9238 Westview, Houston). Bring a dish and your old car. Lee says his yard should accommodate 20 cars – preferably antique cars.

## April

***April 4-6: Buicks & Bluebonnets Tour*** - same place as last year.

April 24-27: Pate Swap Meet (INFO ONLY - Not a chapter event)

## May

May 2-4: Concours d'Elegance of Texas - La Torretta Resort and Spa, Montgomery, Texas (INFO ONLY - Not a chapter event)

May 3-4: Keels & Wheels Concours d'Elegance - Lakewood Yacht Club, Seabrook, Texas (INFO ONLY - Not a chapter event)

May 23-25: 61st Annual AACA Texas Tour, San Marcos, Texas (INFO ONLY - Not a chapter event)

***Sunday May 25, 11:00AM-2:00PM: Lone Star Car-B-Q*** at Bear Creek Park, Pavilion #5 coinciding with the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual People's Choice Car Show, hosted by the Texas Gulf Coast Oldsmobile Club. Buick club members can enter cars, too, (for \$20)!

## *Down the Road*

***Saturday September 20: Gathering w/ Dallas Chapter at Cecil Miles' place***

October (?) Alamo Chapter Tour

***November 28-December 1 Autorama***, George R. Brown Convention Center, Houston (proposed co-exhibit with ROA).

## *Riviera Owners Association Spring Picnic*

The ROA Spring Picnic will be Sunday March 30th, 2014 11:00 am -3:00 P.M. at Spring Creek Park. Parking is right in front of pavilion #1. Park amenities include playground, grills, camping, hiking trails, fishing(creek), tennis court, basketball court. Bring the family for a day of fun and sun in the park with the Rivieras. Please bring a side dish and cold drinks.

Regional coordinator will provide hot dogs and burgers. Pets allowed on leash and glass containers and alcohol are prohibited. Park has a nice circle park road so we can take the Rivs for a spin. Please RSVP so we know to expect you. We look forward to seeing you again. I hope to get a reminder letter out soon. Riv running or not please come!!! If you have not attended one of our picnics your just plain missing out on the fun!!! This is open for all model Rivieras and Toronados.

Mark Bristol

ROA #12152 (832) 643-8161 (6-10pm)

## *CONGRATULATIONS!*

Let's hear it for Stuart Bamberger for winning a Gold Senior Award with his 1956 Roadmaster convertible at the BCA Nationals this past summer. His pristine car scored 396 out of 400 points by the judges. So, Stuart, all those \$\$\$\$ spent to restore your car will keep you working the next few years to recover the expense of the redo! Nice work! You should be very proud! Your fellow club members are envious!

## *Bidness Meeting Truncated Minutes*



*Rod pounds the table as he forces through his agenda*

Most of the conversation concerned upcoming events. The general consensus was to try partnering with other local clubs for the mutual benefit of all the clubs involved. We're starting with the Riviera Owners Association (ROA) for the Bluebonnet Tour.

Also, while they were getting their food, we elected the following Officers:

<b>Director:</b>	<b>Rod Seastream</b>	<b>281 454-6715</b>
<b>Assistant Director:</b>	<b>Bill Seward</b>	<b>281 599-0728</b>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>John McGill</b>	<b>281 424-1989</b>
<b>Web Guru:</b>	<b>Willie Pittman</b>	<b>830 303-5796</b>
<b>Newsletter:</b>	<b>Scott Smith</b>	<b>stripgear@juno.com</b>
<b>Telephone Coordinator:</b>	<b>'Telephone Tommy' Cravey</b>	<b>713 688-8293</b>

### *Classified Ad*

1982 red Riviera convertible with 87K miles. Owned since 1987. \$7,500.  
Lake Jackson. Contact [jbrown77531@att.net](mailto:jbrown77531@att.net)

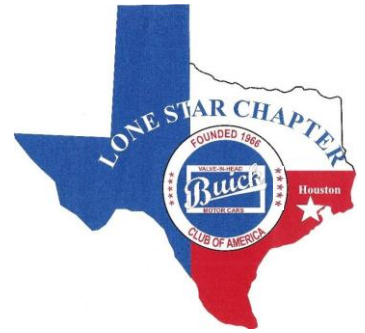
979-265-2651 Home  
979-299-4386 Cell



(Colorado River Bridge)

# Buicks and Bluebonnets Tour

A South Central Regional Meet



Hosted by: Lone Star Chapter  
Location: Comfort Suites, Bastrop, TX, 512-321-3377  
Mention the Buick Club to get the \$101 rate... available until March 7th  
Date: April 4-6, 2014

## We'll provide...

- Cookies and milk Friday and Saturday evenings in the Hospitality room
- People's Choice judging Saturday morning
- Trophies and door prizes at our banquet
- 50/50 jar

(Historical site)



## You come up with...

- \$50.00 per person (if postmarked by March 31, \$55.00 thereafter)
- A desire to kick back for a relaxing weekend
- Swap meet items displayed next to your car are welcome

## Awards banquet...

- Saturday evening, 7:00ish
- Catered

Total seating required for your party.....\_\_\_\_\_



(Can't wait for a milkshake)



(I don't think it can be ready for the show)

## Registration for show...

Name/# of guests \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ x \$50.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

Please register all adults, they help support our program...

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/E-mail/Buick you will bring \_\_\_\_\_

Make your check payable to Lone Star Chapter BCA

Mail to John McGill, 5112 Arrowhead Drive, Baytown, TX, 77521

For more info call John, 281-424-1989, after 7:00 pm or Rod, 281-454-6715, after 6:00 pm

A large group of us went to the Bastrop Brewhouse last year. We won't be going back...

## Bastrop Brewhouse to close Sunday

By Monica Ayala-Talavera

Updated: Thursday, January 23, 2014, 11:05 am

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Bastrop Brewhouse website

BASTROP, Texas (KXAN) – The Bastrop Brewhouse will close on Jan. 19, according to a letter released by the owner, Michael Candelario.

The letter explains that they are closing down their brewpub operations to become a full time brewery. A few months ago, when Bastrop Brewhouse expanded into a brewery they were approached by investors interested in building a new craft brewery. Candelario explains that as the project progressed, it became evident to him he should be in the brewery business and not the brewpub business to stay on his investors schedule.

*So Sad...*



**THE LONE STAR CHAPTER**

of the

**Buick Club of America**

**MEMBER INFORMATION FORM**

(only name and any changes for renewals)

Name/Spouse : \_\_\_\_\_ BCA no: \_\_\_\_\_

Address : \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ 10 Digit Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Tell us about your cars:**

year	model no	model name	body style	condition (1-6)
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

**Tell us about your good or bad luck with Vendors (scale: 10 = great; 0 = not so)**

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**Tell us what you want to do (shows, tours...maybe a specific event not on our calendar).**

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**You must be a member of the BCA to join our local Chapter. BCA info is available on request. Local dues are only \$15.00 per calender year. Make check payable and mail to:**

**LONE STAR CHAPTER, BCA**

**5112 Arrowhead Drive**

**Baytown, TX 77521**

*Thank, from your fellow members !*



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COUNTY  
CRUISERS



**Bellville**  
TEXAS

**11th Ever**

# CLASSIC CAR STAMPEDE

**Saturday, March 8, 2014**

**9am-1pm**

- Free Registration!
- Open for Cars, Trucks & Motorcycles
- Door Prizes
- Top Ten & Motorcycle awards
- Event T-Shirts For Sale
- Registration starts at 8:30am
- Awards Presented at 1:00pm

North Bell & the new  
Jim Bishop Pavilion

For more info contact  
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