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Event: : June 20-John Emory Parade of Cars & Ice Cream Social, Madison Home Place, 1-3 pm
& June 20: George Raworth Car Show, Byram

FROM THE DRIVER'S SEAT

Well, it looks like it's my turn to jump in the drivers seat. I appreciate all of the help I've been receiving from everyone while I get accumulated to this new position. May proved to be somewhat chaotic due to scheduling conflicts for our caravan to Ratliff Ferry Trading Post. We kept pushing it out until we ran out of weekends for the month of May. Maybe we can reschedule in the near future.

The people that oversee the Trade Mart are requesting that we find an original 55, 56 and 57 Chevrolet for this years car show. We have some candidates but would like to get a few more if anyone knows of someone interested. If we can get a picture of them together early enough they are going to try to get it in the fair brochure.

Hopefully the weather will cooperate for the George Raworth Car Show at the Swinging Bridge Festival in Byram. Then it's on to the Old Home Place afterwards for our John Emory Car Show. These are both worthy events. Hope to see you all there.

Mike Walley
President

Upcoming Events:



- June 20, 2026** - John Emory Parade of Cars & Ice Cream Social, Madison Home Place, 1-3 pm (see page 7)
July 18, 2026 - D'Lo Annual BBQ, 11 am - 1:30 pm
August 22, 2026 - State Fair Planning Committee @ 9 am
George Raworth Garage in Byram
September 19, 2026 - Possible Cruise In to Ratliff Ferry
October 2026 - Mississippi State Fair (tba)
November 14, 2026 - Ag Museum Harvest Fest, 9-2 pm
November 2026 - Revell Ace Cruise In & Car Show,
9am-1pm (tba)
November 2026 - Wings & Wheels ?
December 5, 2026 - Annual Christmas Party

***These dates are subject to change-more events to come**
If you have any ideas for car club events please let Mike
Walley know.*

Health Updates

*Carol Bailey; Charlie Crane; Dan
Dearman; Mike Flannes; Ed Gray;
Gabe Green; Bernard Harrigill ;
Doug Jones; Jeff Kelly; Paul
Leggett ; Pete Loftin; Joe Steen;
and Paul Westwood*

*Elizabeth Green (Gabe's wife);
Patty Schmidt (Barry's wife);*

Other Car Club Events:

First Saturdays (April-September) Coffee & Cars, Primos Cafe, 2323 Lakeland Drive, Flowood, 7-10 am

June 20: George Raworth Car Show, Byram (see page 7)

WELCOME TO YOUR Monthly Newsletter

The Antique Vehicle Club of Mississippi is a non-profit corporation that is dedicated to the enjoyment and restoration of original antique automobiles. Our philosophy includes assisting others by supporting special projects that have an effect on day to day life.

All AVCM's fundraisers collected through the year goes to the Blair Batson Children's Hospital.

This is your newsletter too, so feel free to contribute to it by emailing or texting your article/information to Kay Jordan, Newsletter Editor, at:
kayjordan55@bellsouth.net or text to 601-317-6497



If you have any trophies that were presented to you at the State Fair and would like to dispose of them, please get them to Claude Raworth in Byram. Any money that Tally's Trophies gives us for returned trophies is donated to the Children's Hospital.

Kay's Trivia



Q: How many Dodge Chargers were used in the original "Dukes of Hazard" TV show that ran from January 26, 1979 to February 8, 1985?

2026 Rankin County D.A.R.E Event
June 5, 2026



Back to the 60's. L: Pete Loftin and his newly acquired black 60 Chevrolet Impala. R: Bo Jordan and his newly acquired cascade green 60 Chevrolet Impala (named Gem Green)



June 21, 2026

AVCM History

Since we are coming up on the 250th anniversary of our country, I thought it only fitting that you be given a little history of how this car club began:

The Sunday newspaper of “The Clarion-Ledger”, dated October 4, 1970:

“A new antique transportation club will hold its first meeting next Sunday afternoon, October 11, at 2:30 pm at Mississippi Valley Gas Company Service Center on Bailey Avenue in Jackson, MS.

The purpose of the new group, which has the backing of several clubs in Mississippi, is to organize an active club, interest of which will be to participate in antique auto-truck and other transportation shows, promote interest in its mutual hobby of antique transportation vehicles and cooperate with other antique auto clubs in promoting this fast-growing hobby... The Mississippi Model A Ford Restorers Club has voted support of the new group as has the Mississippi Antique Car Club, the over 25 Club and Mid-America Old Time Automobile Association. Prospective members do not have to own an antique vehicle, only to have an interest sufficient to activate them to become a part of the new group.

Many visitors to the recent antique transportation show at Jackson Mall made inquiries during the show, and since that time many have been calling those who participated in the show regarding the

formation of a club that would accept membership of owners of all types of antique vehicles.”

AVCM was officially recognized and a charter of incorporation was signed on February 1, 1971 by Assistant Attorney General, Maurice R. Black for Attorney General, A.F. Summer, and by Mr. Heber Ladner, Secretary of State. Founding members of AVCM signing the charter were Malcolm Akers and Tommy Marler of Jackson along with Robert Howard of Crystal Springs, Robert Rogers of Morton, and David L. Sherer of Clinton.

The Mississippi State Fair in October will celebrate the club’s 56th year in existence and our 45th year participating in the annual fair.

Special thanks to Anne Mollere for providing this information!



Ronnie & Anne Mollere wedding
(Ronnie in the red jacket and Anne in green and white)



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Kay's Trivia



A: A total of 309 Chargers were used throughout the total run of the popular series.

SAVE THE DATES:



ANTIQUE VEHICLE CLUB OF MISSISSIPPI

JOHN EMORY PARADE OF CARS AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL

June 20, 2026

Parade Starts @ 1:15 pm
7521 Old Canton Road,
Madison MS



ICE CREAM AND LEMONADE WILL BE PROVIDED. YOU ARE INVITED TO BRING A FINGER SIZE DESSERT.

Please have your cars at the Ridgecrest Baptist Church Parking Lot on Old Canton Rd in Madison at 1:00 pm for the parade to The Home Place @ 1:15 pm



SAT, JULY 18, 2026

Delicious BBQ | General Membership Meeting

STARTS AT 11:00 AM

Meats and Drinks furnished. Please bring sides and desserts.

204 South Pine Street
D'Lo, Mississippi
Contact: Mike Walley @ 601-940-0635



The George Raworth Memorial Car Show, will be Saturday, June 20, 2026, from 9 am to 11:00 am. **Please have your cars at this event by 8:30 am to get them registered and lined up.** The first 30 people that register will get a bucket filled with goodies.

This will be held on the same day as the John Emory Car Parade and Ice Cream Social @ 1:15 pm. You should have time to attend both :-)

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