

Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club, Inc Newsletter

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June 2019 Hoover, Alabama



Birmingham Area Cruise-in Schedule for 2019

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You may mail your dues check to our treasurer, Jim Likis, 4572 Eagle Point Drive, Birmingham, AL 35242. Checks should be made payable to Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club. Thank you!"

Dixie Vintage Events

Saturday, June 1st, 2019
DIXIE VINTAGE CRUISE-IN,
at Hoover Tactical, 1651
Montgomery Hwy, Hoover,
AL. 7:00AM - 11:00AM
Ed Zanaty 205-942-1312

Monday, June 3rd, Dixie Vintage
Business meeting, 6:00PM, at
Golden Corral, Lorna Road,
Hoover, AL Ed Zanaty,
205-942-1312

Wednesday, June 12,
10:00AM-2:00PM, car display at Regency
Retirement 285 West Oxmoor Rd
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Steve Owen 205-567-2737

Non-Dixie Vintage Events

Shine' EM, Show Them, Car
Truck & Motorcycle show, Saturday,
July 27th, 9:AM - 1:PM
Pell City Lakeside Park
2801 Stemley Bridge Road, Pell City
Johnny Capp, 205-531-5480

See Dixie Vintage web-site for regular monthly events.

Dues Increasing

Beginning June 1, 2019 dues for membership in the Club will be \$20.00 per year. The dues year runs from January 1 through December 31. However, if you have not already paid your dues for 2019, you will have the opportunity to pay your dues at the old rate of \$15.00 until June 1, 2019 at which time the dues will begin at the new rate of \$20.00 per year. Also, this year, upon payment of your dues, you will receive a 2019 Dixie Vintage membership decal for your cruise-in vehicle. Each decal is individually numbered for the 2019 club year and is to be affixed to the lower left-hand (outside) of the wind-shield. Arrangements will be made to get you your decals.

"Dixie Vintage Cruise-in at Hoover Tactical "

The Cruise-in will be from 7:00AM until 11:00AM, the first Saturday of each month.

Upon arrival at the cruise-in please park in spaces closest to Hwy 31 between Hoover Tactical and O'Reilly Auto parts. The other side of the parking lot is reserved for Hoover Tactical customers.

The club will provide one Krispy Kreme doughnut and a cup of coffee for members and visitors who bring their old car. Doughnuts will be served from 7:30 until 9:30AM. The serving time is limited because Hoover tactical has a restaurant that opens later and we do not want to compete with them. Please patronize our new partner, Hoover Tactical! We may adjust the doughnut & coffee times for future cruise-ins.

New Process for Ordering Name Tags

Dixie Vintage has streamlined the process for ordering name tags. This new process will expedite the delivery of your nametag to your home. The member needing a name tag will complete an order form and mail it with payment to Crown Trophy. The finished name tag will be mailed to you.

We encourage each of our members to own and wear a Dixie Vintage Car Club name tag. We really do want to get to know you. The cost of the name tag is \$10.00.



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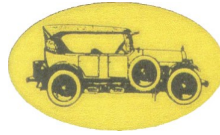
New Car Members

There were no new members listed for May. Frank Rush provided these pictures from the April "Dixie Vintage Cruise -In at Hoover Tactical". Weather was great unlike the first Saturday in May where rain was in the area.



Dixie Vintage Antique

Automobile Club



The Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club Newsletter is published monthly by Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club, Inc., a non-profit Alabama Corporation. The purpose of this Club is to promote interest in restoring and preserving antique, classic, and special interest old cars; and to provide a social club for members and their families of mutual interest to all. Monthly meetings and activities are conducted in a variety of locations. We encourage membership from other automobile clubs and orphan marquees.

The only requirement to become a member of Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club, Inc. is an interest in the history and preservation of automobiles.

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The Cost of Gasoline

by

John E. Krauser

It seems like nothing varies more in cost on a monthly basis than a gallon of gasoline. And there are many theories and opinions as to why this happens. So, let us try to sort some of this out.

On May 6st the average cost of 87 octane was \$2.50 in Alabama; it was \$2.52 in Louisiana; Hawaii came in at \$3.63; and finally, in California the average price was \$4.09 for regular.

Here are some factors that determine the cost of gasoline. I used information dated from the start of 2018 to the present for this article.

Crude oil. The location of crude oil is a major factor in the cost. Some deep well locations can cost up to \$90 per barrel while a Saudi Arabia desert well can be as low as \$20 per barrel. A barrel of oil contains forty-two gallons of crude and refined produces about 19 gallons of gasoline.

Refining Cost. The cost to refine a gallon of gasoline varies from about \$.40 to \$.70 per gallon. Summer blends cost more to refine due to EPA requirements. A lower vaporization rate is mandated to help with pollution reduction. Other additives are added depending on the region where the product is sold.

Marketing and Distribution Costs. These costs include moving the end product from refineries to distribution points known as petroleum racks. From the racks the product is transported to the retailing market such as convenience stores and gas stations plus marinas. Methods of transportation include pipelines, ships, rail and trucking. Retail costs includes overhead at the final point of distribution (the pump). As of January 2018 this cost was about \$.27 a gallon.

Taxes. Federal and state taxes are added to the final cost at the pump. Federal taxes are allocated to the state where these funds are combined with state taxes for highway improvement. Sometimes the question arises as to how much of the collected highway tax is used for road improvement. That could be a full page discussion for another time. As of January 2018 the tax average per gallon was around \$.47 a gallon. Gasoline in 1950 was taxed at 1.5% per gallon. In January 2017, combined taxes of one gallon of gasoline was 19.5% of the total retail price.

In Alabama \$.16 is added per gallon; Hawaii is \$.17; Louisiana has \$.20 added; California adds \$.41 per gallon.

Other factors. Gas prices change as a result of activity in the global crude oil market. Political turmoil can change the price of a barrel in an instant. Demand for oil, and currency changes in various countries, have an impact as well.

Recent technologies have made it profitable to extract oil from locations in the USA that were once not feasible from an economic standpoint. This development has become somewhat of a stabilizing factor in oil prices.

Brent Crude oil is the benchmark for the price of a barrel of oil. The North Sea Product is classified as sweet light crude oil. The oil has low density and is considered sweet as a result of low Sulphur content. It is less costly to refine this type of oil. West Texas Intermediate Crude is also used as a benchmark for prices. This oil is also considered a sweet light crude.

A combination of factors has produced an oversupply of crude in North America. Pipelines cannot handle the supply to transport the product to refineries, so railroad tank cars are used. This is a more expensive and dangerous method to move the oil to the refinery.

Location helps determine costs. Retail outlets located in major cities have higher costs for properties. If the next load of gasoline is expected to be much higher, retailers will raise the price now in order to have cash available for its arrival.

Retail dealers earn about \$.14 per gallon gasoline sold. All overhead is paid with this money. Profit from the sale of gasoline is \$.01 to \$.02 per gallon. A business would not survive without this margin. In today's world the convenience store makes most of its profit from the sale of goods within the store. Many of us worked in the service station business as employees or owners in our youth. Profit in that era came from repairs and selling products the cars needed. While my uncle's Sunoco Station in South Bend did not make much money from me when I purchased \$.05 Milky Way Candy bars, you might say I reinvested some of my earnings in his enterprise.



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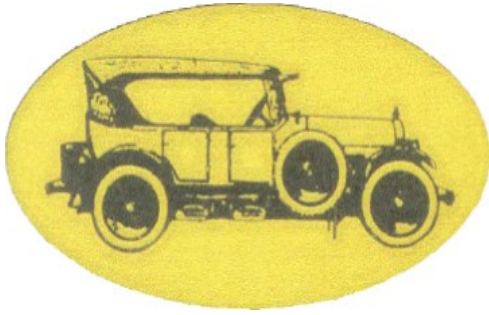
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Pictured right is Alabama Cable Network owner Don Early. The cable channel was on hand to record an hour long show featuring our old cars. Don has a keen interest in all types of cars and currently owns many Corvettes. Dixie Vintage Co-Newsletter Editor and Club Secretary Pat Krauser hosted the event for the cable network.



For Sale: DVAAC member Larry Riggs is selling four wheel covers from 1968-82 GM Corvette/Camaro. The price is \$100.00 for all four. Larry's number is 205-937-1005.



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