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Central Ohio Chapter of the  
Buick Club of America

# THE HORN

## 2011 Arthritis Show



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# Alan Titchell



Alan Titchell, affectionately known to his family and friends as Titch, lost his battle with an unknown ailment on July 25, 2011. In life Alan was a retired hearing officer for the Industrial Commission for Ohio. Many of the injured workers whose cases came before him reported that he was always fair in his final rulings. He was a dedicated Buick Club member for over 30 years. Fellow club members remember him as Al. When remembering Al one can't help but think of his 1955 blue and white Buick four door. In recent years he purchased a beautiful 1986 Corvette that had less than 100 miles registered on the odometer. Our deepest condolences go out to his family at this time of bereavement. He will be missed.



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## Sept Birthdays

Sabrina Robinson	12
John Marsh	17
Sam Harrison	21
Floyd Baughman	21
Ken Jacquot	22
Renessa Coleman	27

## Sept Anniversaries

Jack and Velma	
Mecham	01
Dan and Renessa	
Coleman	14
Tom and Dana	
Kromer	18
Phil and Joyce	
McKitrick	24

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## 2012 Buick Club of America Great Lakes Regional

Metro Center, Dublin, Ohio  
In conjunction with the 30th Annual  
Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto  
Show and Cruise In  
July 5-7, 2012  
See our web site for more details

## Sunshine Corner

As an effort to ensure that we acknowledge our members' extended absences, injuries, illnesses and death it is imperative that Sabrina Robinson, Sunshine Committee Chairman, and I be notified when our members fall into any of these categories. The Sunshine Committee was created to acknowledge our members when they are under the weather or when an unfortunate death occurs. However, for us to address this, we need to be made aware of these circumstances. Therefore, we are asking everyone to notify Sabrina and me (robinsle2000@yahoo.com or call 614-206-4591) when these issues arise. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

- Marie Fields had a knee replacement
- Bill Griffin will have a hip replacement after Labor Day
- Sabrina Robinson broke her ankle. She is recovering and has her foot in a boot for another few weeks.

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# Goals of the BCA

In October you will find “Goals for the BCA” in the President’s message. Below is an excerpt from that message with the goals.

- Membership renewal rate to 87% annually
- New membership to 100 new members per month on average
- Update the By-Laws and SOP’s to include all items passed since 2008 for publication in 2013 Roster and on the BCA website.
- Ensure future Board of Director elections have enough candidates running for competitive elections.
- Develop BCA merchandise that the club can profit from with minimal risk or effort.
- Maintain a spreadsheet of Chapter, Region and Division director’s contact info which is updated and sent to the BOD, editor and website monthly. President will greet new directors and use email distribution list to expedite communications to the directors.
- Develop a member’s only section to the website with all old Bugle topics and the old Bugle available for download or purchase through the Pittsburgh Portholes Chapter.
- Remove chapters that have gone defunct and have no current contact methods besides mailing addresses.
- Update the Judges Manual for publication by 2015.
- Communicate expeditiously with the membership about key issues facing the BCA via the President’s message or special announcements in the Bugle, via the aforementioned chapter, region and division director email distribution list, via the internet forum and via the general membership meeting at the national meet.

Related to first two goals for Fiscal year 2010–2011 the membership renewal rate was 79% and the new members joined at a rate of 42.5 per month. That means we have to retain about 500 annually or 43 monthly more members than we did last year and attract about 700 annually or 57.5 more new members than last year to hit those goals. Also another way to look at the new member goal, if each Chapter, Region or Division attracts one new member per month to the BCA, that’s over 85 new members per month.

With the new revisions to the Gerstkemper Membership Awards there is more incentive to recruit members and with some other things in the pipeline hopefully we will also make it easier to attract new members to the BCA too.

I know as a director you don’t here thank you enough, so once again thank you for all you do for the BCA.

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# Sept. Meeting Minutes

The September meeting of the Central Ohio Buick Club was held on Sunday the 11th at the home of Tom and Dana Kromer. The meeting opened with Jeff Brashares speaking to the topic of the 2012 regional meet and how the idea was generated by Mike Book as part of his position to make sure that someone was taking on the task next year. Tom Kromer also presented information on who can work or might be willing to work and spoke more about how the whole situation had come to take place with the Arthritis organization. Rob Herr questioned the cost of the event and again who might be working. Next, the treasurers and secretaries reports were read and approved.

At this time Director Robinson proceeded with the reading of September birthdays and anniversaries. Steve Hunkins proposed a welcome note be added to the Horn to acknowledge new members. Zac presented a face book display and illustrated how the membership could share information and make contacts when the opportunity availed itself. The club members had a short discussion and agreed to continue this topic next month. Susan Hunkins agreed to look into what it will take to set it up and would like others to be part of a committee to assist her . Also mentioned was the Christmas party and dinner to be held at LaScala (Rt. 161 location) on December 11th with social hour from 5 to 6, entertainment at 6:00 and dinner at 6:30. Susan Hunkins and Dana Kromer will have more information soon and the club will be picking up part of the expense for the meal. In another attempt to increase club membership, Ken Jacquot suggested the use of flyers which members might carry in their car and distribute as needed.

## Coming Up...

Sunday, October 23  
Air Force Museum Tour

Thursday, November 17  
Meeting at Der  
Dutchman

Sunday, December 11  
Christmas party at Las  
Scala.

New Business: In October the club members will be visiting the Air Force Museum in Dayton. Please contact Larry Robinson for more information. Steve Hunkins suggested that our meetings start at 7:00 as to make it easier for people to attend and asked that any other ideas be presented to him concerning this topic. It was also suggested that we should look into staging a road rally or become involved in parades as in the past. Tom Kromer spoke about his trip to Sweden, showed some magazines and a patch that he received in a trade that originally came from California. Call Steve Hunkins for more information on the Columbus Car Show. Finally, Bill Griffin won the 50/50 raffle.

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# Cruising Along

## *a note from the director*

Our September 11th meeting was held at the Kromers. We had 30 attendees and the food was great. Toward the end of the meeting it rained hard but we were inside for the meeting and those outside pitched in and carried the chairs inside and took down the tent. Our meeting began with a moment of silence in honor of the September 11, 2001 disaster. Jeff Brashares had another commitment and had to leave early therefore, we deviated from the normal agenda and asked him to bring us up to date on the Regional meet that will be held in conjunction with the Arthritis Foundation Car Show and Cruise-In August July 6 - 7, 2012. It was a good meeting which included a discussion regarding the recent decision by the BCA National Office, to hold the 2012 Great Lakes Regional in conjunction with the Arthritis Foundation Car Show and Cruise-In. Tom Kromer explained that none of the Regional Chapters volunteered to hold the Regional Car Show in 2012 therefore, Mike Book (representing the National BCA Office) and Jeff Brashares (representing the Arthritis Foundation) met and chose to hold both events together. Our web site [www.centralohiochapter.com](http://www.centralohiochapter.com) will have registration forms.

The Arthritis Foundation's Classic Auto Show and Cruise-In marquee will feature the Buick Club of America Great Lakes Regional Meet, the 110th anniversary of Cadillac, the 45th anniversary of Chevy Camaro, along with the 45th anniversary of Mercury Cougar.

Susan Hunkins and Nick (Bill and Beth Griffin's grandson) volunteered to develop a Facebook page for the club.

We are asking for your ideas regarding where our club should meet and things to do. Ken Jacquot volunteered to put together a road rally.

Our next activity will be at the Air Force Museum tour on Sunday, October 23, 2012. Be there by 10 AM. We will not have a meeting in October. Be sure to sign up for the bus tour when you arrive and bring your ID. You will not be permitted on the bus tour without your ID.

Our November meeting will be Thursday, November 17 – 6 PM Dinner at Der Dutchman, 445 S. Jefferson Ave., Plain City, OH 43064 (614)873-3414. Please mark your calendar and come to our November meeting with your suggestions for meeting places and things to do. During our September meeting the membership voted for our treasury to pay \$10 toward each member's meal. Bring a friend, hopefully a prospective member, and we'll pay \$10 toward their meal too.

December Christmas Party will be at LaScalla Restaurant – Susan Hunkins and Dana Kromer are coordinating the event and we have entertainment scheduled.

Our January meetings will be at Ming Flower each year in honor of Riv.

Brian Stone is working on scheduling our February meeting at the Center for Automotive Research at OSU.

The 2012 BCA National Meet will be held in Concord, NC – June 27-30, 2012. The show field will be located on the grounds at Charlotte Motor Speedway. Check the website [www.buickclub.org/2012](http://www.buickclub.org/2012) for more information. Our web site [www.centralohiochapter.com](http://www.centralohiochapter.com) will have registration forms too.

Thank You, —Larry Robinson, Director

# 1903–1952

## Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show and Cruise-In Buick Show within a Show

1st Place  
Peter Nathan  
1935 57 Series



Award of Excellence  
Jeff Smith  
1937



Award of Excellence  
James Foster  
1939 Special



# 1953–1962

## Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show and Cruise-In Buick Show within a Show

1st Place  
Daniel Richter  
1960 Electra 225



Award of Excellence  
Alexandra Larger  
1955 56C



Award of Excellence  
Tom Ferencz  
1958 56S



# 1963–1968

Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show and Cruise-In  
Buick Show within a Show

1st Place  
Eric Pfaff  
1968 Gran Sport



Award of Excellence  
John and Emily Samson  
1965 Limited



Award of Excellence  
Darrell and Shirley Otto  
1967 Electra 225



# 1969–1972

Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show and Cruise-In  
Buick Show within a Show

1st Place  
Keith Bleakney  
1972 Electra 225



Award of Excellence  
Thomas Sharak  
1969 Gran Sport



Award of Excellence  
Robert Alberini  
1972 Centurion



# 1973–present

Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show and Cruise-In  
Buick Show within a Show

1st Place  
Richard Schaffner  
1995 Roadmaster



Award of Excellence  
Ron Garrigus  
1987 Grand National



Award of Excellence  
Charles McFarren  
1985 LeSabre



# Riviera—all years

Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show and Cruise-In  
Buick Show within a Show

1st Place  
Croy Harris  
1973



Award of Excellence  
Charles McFarren  
1973



Award of Excellence  
Denny and Becky Blank  
1985



# Best of Show

Arthritis Foundation Classic Auto Show and Cruise-In  
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Thomas Priebe  
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