

Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club, Inc Newsletter

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January 2020 Hoover, Alabama



Dixie Vintage Cruise-In@ Hoover Tac meets the 1st Saturday each month year round 7A-11A.

Visit <http://WWW.DVAAC.COM> for more information about Dixie Vintage Antique Automobile Club.

You may mail your dues (\$20) 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

Dixie Vintage Cruise-In at Hoover Tactical
January 4, 2020
1651 Montgomery Highway, Hoover, AL 35226
7:00 am - 11:00 am
Ed Zanaty 205 942-1312

Dixie Vintage Business Meeting
Monday evening, 6:00 pm January 6, 2020
Nino's Italian Restaurant
2698 Pelham Parkway
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Save the Date:
Dixie Vintage Annual Car Show
Celebrate Hoover Day
April 25, 2020
Veteran's Park, Hoover, Alabama
Details to follow:

Non-Dixie Vintage Events

See Dixie Vintage web-site for regular monthly events.

Reminder

1st Annual Helena Athletic Association
"Diamond Club" Car Show
Location is Helena High School
Saturday, January 18th, 2020

The 2020 Dixie Vintage Member Decal is now available upon payment (\$20) of your 2020 Club Dues. Each decal is individually numbered for the 2020 club year and is to be affixed to the outside of the lower left hand corner of the driver's side windshield .



"Dixie Vintage Cruise-in at Hoover Tactical "

The Cruise-in will be held on the first Saturday of each month starting at 7:00AM. We will vacate the lot by 11:00A. 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. 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.



Newsletter Editor

Do you have a classic car story?
Are you working on a restoration project?

Please let us know.
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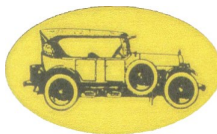
New Car Members

There were no new members listed for January 2020. Last year some 35 new household names were added to the membership. Some of these households included both spouses' names making the actual member count more than 35.

The drawing for the raffle will be held at 10:00 am on the day of our monthly cruise-in. You must be present to win. In order to be eligible to participate in the raffle, you must be a member in good standing with the club with current dues having been paid.

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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Parts is Parts

By

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In the world of classic car repair or restoration, parts play an important role in the project's final look or operation. These parts are installed to replace those damaged beyond repair, missing all together, or to upgrade to a better product. As many of us know, purchasing and installing replacements parts is anything but simple. In many cases the installation doesn't go as well as planned.

There are several terms used to describe what part is being purchased. NOS, OE, Genuine Parts, OEM and Aftermarket are some of the terms that describe what we will see on the package.

NOS "New Old Stock" refers to OE and OEM parts that have never been used. They are usually found in the original packaging on the inventory shelf. It should be noted that NOS doesn't necessary mean install without issues. I've read where NOS parts were rejected when first used on the assembly line and wound up back in its packaging and placed back on a shelf. Rubber and gasket material that is 50+ years old may be NOS, but time will have taken its toll on the product.

An OE part is an "original equipment" part. It is one that is installed on the car when built. OE parts are used on the assembly line to build car. Many consider these parts original only once when the car was first built. As soon as a car departs the assembly line, any part added is not considered to be OE according to some of the research I conducted for this article.

Yet the term "Genuine Parts" is sometimes substituted for OE. This means that a genuine part is an auto component that was installed in your vehicle when it was manufactured. Genuine parts are more expensive than any other types of auto parts because they usually carry the company logo. The part's logo may be important in a judging competition. Purchasing "Genuine Parts" from the dealer usually will cost more, as well. One train of thought is that genuine parts are not necessarily better than OEM or aftermarket parts.

OEM or "original equipment manufacturer" is a company that produces parts that may be marketed by another manufacturer. An example in the automotive world is AC Delco who manufactures parts for GM. Another common example of this is in the electronics' industry where one manufacturer builds chips used by several different product makers such as computers, tablets or cell phones.

Auto parts listed as OEM are built just like the original parts. The name on the package is usually the only difference. Otherwise the parts are just the same as used in the vehicle's initial build on the assembly line. The general train of thought is that OEM and Genuine parts have the same quality. OEM parts tend to be less expensive since the purchase is made from the manufacturer.

While OEM parts have the same design as the original parts, aftermarket parts may vary a little. Sometimes OEM parts function better than aftermarket parts, sometimes not.

Aftermarket parts are considered okay replacements most of the time. An aftermarket radiator hose may have a different length, molded in a slightly different direction, and have a lower pressure rating. A much lower price point may be the sign of a lower quality aftermarket part. OEM parts tend to be more expensive but are built to closer specifications and may have a warranty.

In our world of old cars, going to a dealership to get parts is not likely to happen. But there are suppliers who have parts in the original boxes that were available when our rides were new.

When Studebaker closed its South Bend, IN facilities in 1963, there were large inventories of parts. Companies came in and purchased entire floors of these parts. Many of these parts can still be purchased from various vendors. Most are still in the original boxes. If the purchase involves buying a camshaft gear, a bearing, an oil filter canister, or even a trim piece, you might have good luck with the outcome. But who would buy a 60-year-old rubber hose or shock absorber? That's where we must rely on manufacturers to reproduce items to replace those that did not stand the test of time or no longer exist.

There are several reproduction parts being manufactured for our classic rides. The more popular cars of the 50's-60's-70's tend to have more replacement parts available. It's as simple as "Supply and Demand". The world wide web has made searching for parts much easier regardless of what we drive. And for those who modify their rides, companies are around that make just about anything you might want to install. Examples might be upgraded brake systems and air conditioning systems. The choices are many.

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New Date

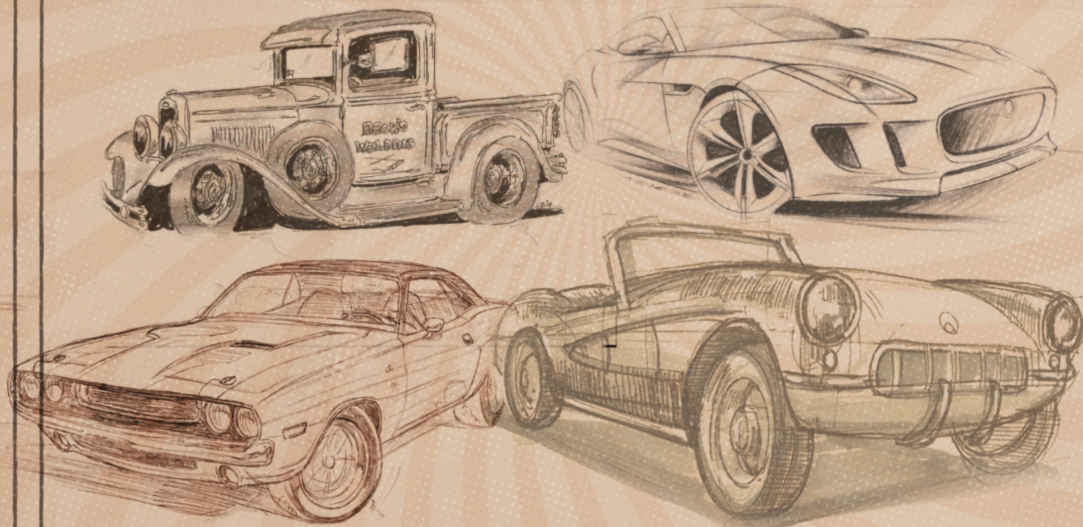
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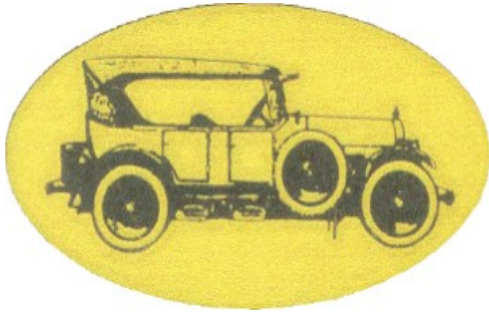
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Some of the classic car and aftermarket parts suppliers track returned defective parts in order to reduce or eliminate problems with quality as they surface. Replacement parts can have issues.

Some reproduction water pumps for the Studebaker 289 V8 engine did not extend far enough into the water manifold. Thus, not enough water was being moved so the engine overheated. The rotor made for some of the 289 V8 ignition distributors was too short. The spark had to jump farther than designed to reach the cap. Lower spark energy was present at the spark plug.

Never toss any old parts out until the new ones are installed and working. And in some cases, it may be better to hold onto the part "just in case". Or if possible, get the old parts rebuilt. It may be more expensive to go this route, but the result may be worth it. Prices vary among different parts suppliers and the parts themselves, thus giving us choices as we determine what will be the best purchase. Just beware of a price point that is way below similar parts from other vendors.

Regardless of what type of classic car we choose to drive there are replacement part options for most of them. Or in the case of very limited production cars, something can be purchased and modified from a part that is close or made to fill the demand. In most cases the parts we purchase will work out for our application. We need to remember that of the parts we order, many need a "little tender loving care" to fit. During this time of year many of us are maintaining our current rides. Some are building rides for the 2020 car season. Let's continue to keep this hobby of restoring our classic rides enjoyable even on those days when the part "just won't fit".



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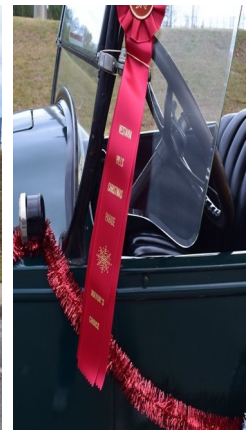
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For Sale: DVAAC member Larry Riggs is selling four wheel covers from 1968-82 GM Corvette/Camaro. The price is \$100.00 for all four. Larry's number is 205-937-1005.

Last month Liberty Park had a Christmas Parade and Dixie Vintage members were invited to attend. Pictured are two of the cars that were in the parade. DV member Ronnie Jones fine ride Bertha is pictured to the right along with a red ribbon for "Mayors' Choice". New members Richard and Ginger Galbraith's 1947 Chrysler Royal is pictured below.



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