



# Commanding Leader

## Calendar of Events

### \* Designates CVC Event

\*July 10, 2015  
Friday @ 5:00pm  
Chick-Fil-A Cruise-In at Virginia Commons  
10176 Brook Rd  
Glen Allen, VA 23059

July 11, 2015  
Saturday @ 9am  
Powhatan Cruisers Car Truck Bike SHOW and CRUIZE-IN  
Powhatan Fairgrounds  
4042 Anderson Hwy (Midlothian/Rt60),  
Powhatan, VA 23139  
FREE ADMISSION  
Registration time: 9am-12pm  
INFO: Bill Morris (804) 347-8524

\*August 15, 2015  
Saturday @ 5:00pm  
Orange County Cruisers Cruise-In  
Burger King,  
15 Orange Village Shopping Center  
Orange, VA 22960  
INFO: Stacy (540) 407-1374  
EMAIL:  
occinfo@orangecountycruisers.com

August 21, 2015  
Friday @ 5pm - 7:30pm  
Back to the Fifties @ Dogwood Dell  
Dogwood Dell at Byrd Park  
Display cars, Concert at 8pm,  
as part of our summer events, a 50's  
style "sock hop" in Byrd Park. We  
would like to invite your members to  
display their vehicles. This is a free  
event. Please let us know by July 17th  
if you are interested. We would really  
like to have you as part of our event.  
INFO: James Opher (804) 646 3680.

\*September 12, 2015  
Saturday @ 2:00pm



Cookout and Garage Tour  
HOST: Becky & Lee Harrison  
21481 Rocky Ford Rd  
Jetersville, VA 23083  
Amelia County  
Bring a side dish or dessert  
Drinks and hamburgers provided

For more events in Central Virginia,  
go to the Car Club Council of Central  
Virginia website:  
<http://carclubcouncil.com/>

## CVC/SDC Meet ~ May 23rd, 2015

"Cruise-in on a sunny afternoon", that is what CVC members did for our May meet. We attended the Extra Billy's BBQ "Orphan Car" cruise in.

Our marque was well represented with seven Studebaker's in attendance. We had two trucks; 1960 Champ owned by Joan & Brian Dahl and a 1953 2R owned by Hunter Sparagna. There were 3 Avantis; 1963 R-2 owned by Maze & Linwood Melton, 1964 R-2 owned by Marjorie & Fred Meiners and 1983 Avanti owned by Matt Cuedri. Jim Jett brought his 1963 GT Hawk R-1 and Becky & Lee Harrison came with their 1964 Lark Daytona convertible.

Barbara & Jim Beadle and Betsy & Preston Young were there, but were driving brand X.

We had a great meet and enjoyed the opportunity to highlight our Studebaker vehicles.



(L-R, T-B) 1963 Studebaker GT Hawk R-1, Jim Jett  
1963 Studebaker Avanti R-2, Maze & Linwood Melton  
1964 Studebaker Lark Daytona Convertible, Becky & Lee Harrison  
1964 Studebaker Avanti R-2, Marjorie & Fred Meiners



1960 Studebaker Champ, Joan & Brian Dahl



1953 Studebaker 2R 1/2 Ton, Hunter Sparagna



1983 Avanti, Matt Cuedri

## Next Meet

July 10th, 2015, Friday @ 5:00pm

### Chick-Fil-A Cruise-In at Virginia Commons

10176 Brook Rd

Glen Allen, VA 23059

(804) 627-0497



CVC will continue our summer of "Cruise-In" by attending the Friday cruise-in at the Chick-fil-A at Virginia Commons on Brook Road as our July meet.

This is a well established

event that is always well attended.

Let's try to get there close to 5:00pm so we can park together as a club.



For additional information and to view their menu, go to:  
<http://www.cfarestaurant.com/virginiacenter/menu>

For driving instructions, go to <http://www.mapquest.com>

August 15th, 2015, Saturday @ 5:00pm

### Orange County Cruisers Cruise-in

Burger King

15 Orange Village Shopping Center

Orange, VA 22960

Sponsored by the Orange County Cruisers, the cruise-in occurs every 3rd Saturday from April through October. CVC will attend the August cruise-in where the theme is "End of Summer".



For additional information, go to:  
<http://orangecountycruisers.com/>

For driving instructions, go to <http://www.mapquest.com>

September 12th, 2015, Saturday @ 2:00pm

### International Drive Your Studebaker Day

Cookout and Garage Tour

HOST: Becky & Lee Harrison

21481 Rocky Ford Rd

Jetersville, VA 23083

Amelia County

This year CVC will observe International Drive Your Studebaker Day by gathering for a Cook out and Garage Tour hosted by Becky and Lee Harrison at their Amelia County home.

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share with the group, drinks and hamburgers will be provided by the chapter.

In order to make sure we have enough drinks and hamburgers, please let Jim Jett know if you are planning to attend by September 9th, 2015. You can call at (804) 232-8501 or email [jsjett@centralvirginiachapter.org](mailto:jsjett@centralvirginiachapter.org).

For driving instructions, go to <http://www.mapquest.com>



**51st Annual Studebaker Drivers Club  
International Meet**

**August 16 - 22, 2015**

**St Louis, Missouri**

**HOST: The Missouri/Illinois "Gateway" Chapters**  
**Info: <http://www.sdcmeet.com/>**

#### Commanding Leader

Quarterly publication of the  
Central Virginia Chapter  
Studebaker Drivers Club  
Jim Jett, Editor

#### Officers:

Jim Jett, President  
Preston Young, Vice-President  
Betsy Young, Treasurer



## Studebaker Sightings

Sighted on the "Streets of San Francisco" by Grant Dunham of Midlothian; a 1954 Studebaker Commander Starliner.

Grant was in San Francisco on business when he came upon this beauty.



*1954 Studebaker Commander Starliner*

## Studebaker Tech Tip

### Secondary Hood Latch On Hawk Models

By Pete Yuen

The secondary hood latches on the Hawk models are installed as a safety feature. It is to restrain the hood from flying off the car when driven in the event that the primary catch fails to hold the hood securely. After hearing of Hawk owners that have lost their hood while driving, it was learned that in each case, the secondary latch did not do the job that it was intended to do; to secure and hold the hood down. When driving and the hood suddenly comes up and over the car, it is not a fun thing to experience. The immediate danger is that it has blocked the view of the driver but it could get worse as the hood becomes detached from the car it becomes a hazard to other motorists on the road. When the hood is airborne, nobody has any idea of where it will come down. Once the hood is on the way down, it is a potential killer to other motorists in the vicinity.

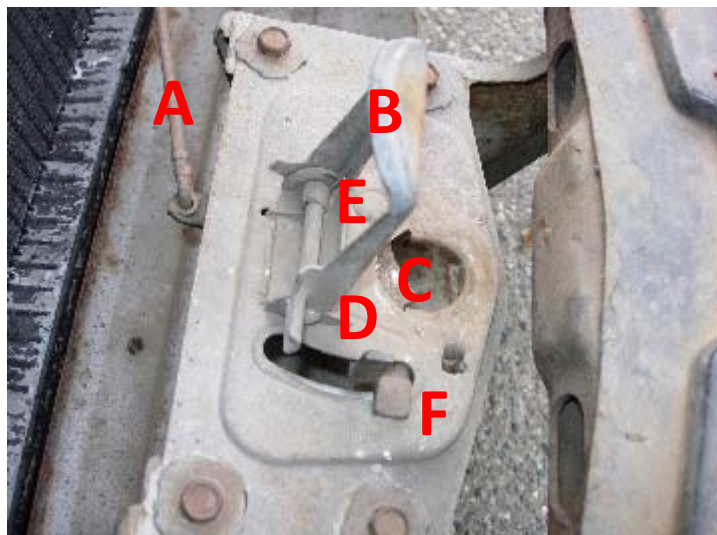
When the secondary latch is installed on the car, it is spot welded. Insufficiently spot welded and therefore not strong enough do the job of securing the latch on to the plate that it is welded to. If you are a proud owner of a Hawk and have not yet lost your hood, have the secondary latch securely welded before disaster strikes.

A bolt may be used to secure the base of the secondary latch to plate F. If this is to be attempted, one must make sure that it will not restrict the movement of the latch release

mechanism as it pivots from rivet marked "E." To ensure that the nut does not come loose, use either LocTite or self locking nut. Suggested bolt size to be 5/16". Locate it so that it does not restrict movement of the latch operation.

**Caution:** If there is inadequate movement of the linkage when the hood locking assembly is mounted back in place, you may have a problem to release the hood once it has been closed.

The hood latch assembly is describe as Plate Assembly, identified as item number 1622-65, part number 1326666 for C-K cars, '59 to '62. For '63, '64 K models, the number is 1351370.



- A - Lever and linkage to release primary and secondary hood latches.
- B - Secondary latch
- C - Primary latch
- D - Base of secondary latch that should be securely welded to plate "F"
- E - Rivet that the primary and secondary latch release pivots

## Studebakers in Law Enforcement

Studebaker, as all the auto manufacturers did, went after fleet business. One of the markets sought was police service.

Here are some images of Studebaker Police cars offered though the years. .



1918 Studebaker Police wagon



1927 Studebaker Commander Sheriff Package



1937 Studebaker Police Car



1940 Studebaker Champion Deluxe Club Sedan Police Car



1950 Studebaker Police Car



1957 Studebaker Parkview Police Car



1958 Studebaker Marshal Police Car



1960 Studebaker Police Car



1961 Studebaker Police Car



1966 Studebaker Police Car





## Classified Ads

Approved Classified Ads are free to all CVC/SDC members and available to non-members for \$5 per ad. Ads will be on the website for 90 days and in 1 newsletter unless renewed.

### For Sale:

#### Studebaker Parts

Just completed cleaning out my dad's shop. Found a few Studebaker parts I would like to sell:

- (3) used 1963 Avanti wheels
- (1) new Avanti steering box
- (1) new 12v original truck heater (don't know the year)
- (1) new Lark windshield washer assembly

Charlie Hamilton

Phone: (804) 794-7608 email: wcharlie@verizon.net



## Membership

You don't have to own a Studebaker to be a member of the club. If you do, or are just interested in Studebaker automobiles, we would love to have you as a member. You can join and pay membership dues online, or, print and mail the membership application. [Membership in the Studebaker Drivers Club is required to join the Central Virginia Chapter.](#)

Link to join CVC/SDC:

<http://centralvirginiachapter.org/JoinCVC.html>

Link to join the Studebaker Drivers Club:

<http://www.studebakerdriversclub.com/join.asp>

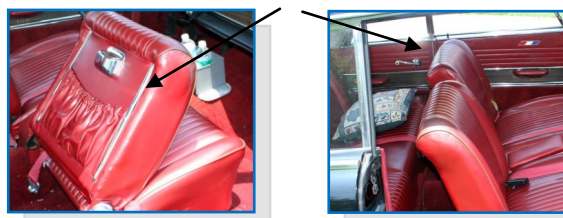
Visit our website at [www.centralvirginiachapter.org](http://www.centralvirginiachapter.org)

### Wanted:

#### Parts for GT Hawk

Trim for the back of the Bucket seats, chrome trim that goes over the wind lace at back panels.

Contact Jim Jett at 804-232-8501 or email [jsjett@va.freei.net](mailto:jsjett@va.freei.net)



## Photos and articles for Newsletter and Website

Do you have any photos of events you attended?

Is there an upcoming event you would like to promote?

Do you have any interesting information you would like to share?

If so, send them to the editor at

[jsjett@centralvirginiachapter.org](mailto:jsjett@centralvirginiachapter.org)

## CVC/SDC apparel available

Polo Shirts, T-Shirts, hats and other items displaying the club logo are available to club members.

The Polo Shirts are available in White, Navy or Black in Men's and Women's style. T-shirts are available in white or black in Men's and Women's style.



Items can be ordered and paid for on the club website, go to: <http://centralvirginiachapter.org/MemberStore.html>



## Central Virginia Chapter Studebaker Driver Club, Inc.



### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE/PARTNER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: ( ) - EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership number in Studebaker Driver's Club, Inc. \_\_\_\_\_. (Found on your membership card).  
This is a requirement for local membership.

Annual dues are \$15.00 per person/couple (Both husband and wife are voting members)  
Checks should be made payable to **"Central Virginia Chapter SDC"**

*Please list the model, year and series name of any Studebaker vehicles you own. (Ownership of a Studebaker is not a requirement for membership)*

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail with dues to :  
Betsy Young  
Treasurer CVC/SDC  
4336 Payne RD  
Columbia, VA 23038-2330