

The Hay Bale from;

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Banquet

On Saturday January 9th, one of the nastiest days I can remember, in South Florida, we held our annual banquet. We had a very good turnout and plenty of real good food!!!

We also held our annual elections, and now have a new slate of Officers. Congratulations one and all.

President

Mike Miller

Vice President

John Gilbert

Secretary

Evelyn Kennedy

Treasurer

Jim Magliocca

Flag Man

Mike Miller

Pit Steward

Sean Kennedy

Chief Technician

Joey Gilbert

Publicity Chair

Amber Gilbert

Publications Director

Bob Kirkwood

Membership Chair

Gloria Kirkwood

Thanks to all of our Businesses

(They make this possible!)

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Advanced Auto

Alva Diner

Alva Village Market

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Cutting Edge Concrete Cutting

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Southern Gulf Equipment

Tractor Supply

Youngblood Sanitation

From the Prez

Thanks for electing me to be your new Grasscar President. I hope I can help improve the club in the future.

I am going to attempt some new things to make our club prosper and grow. The first race of the 2010 season was a big success. Even though we didn't charge for registration we still did well.

I believe that moving the spectator entrance and registration to the front helped.

I am already working with other lawn-mower racers to have them come and race with us.

Make sure that all of you get get "Free Admission" cards to pass out to your friends. By doing so, at the end of the year the person with the highest number of cards being redeemed will get a free membership in 2011 number.

I also want all members to have a copy of the roster so we can all communicate with each other.

We have a very busy February schedule, so make sure that your mowers are in tip-top shape.

Again thanks for your confidence in me and feel free to contact me at anytime.....

Mike

Race Date Changed!!!

New Race Date is

February 21st

@ 1:30 PM

Tech Opens at 11:00 AM

Be Early!!!

February

February has turned into a very busy month for the Club. Everybody needs to help out!!! Call Amber (239) 707-2002

Big Boy Tech & Toy Show, 13th & 14th.

Germain Arena

We will be there Saturday from 9 - 5 and

Sunday from 9 - 1

20 points for 1st day show up, 10 for 2nd one. (These points will be added to your points for the year)

Edison Jr Parade, 14th

Start time 2:00 PM Must be there by 1:00 PM. Darla will be there with the float around 8:30 AM (on Bay St between Dean and Hendry) Drop mowers off until noon. After that Park and drive mowers in. (Waiting for a designated parking spot. (Check with Amber)

Edison Lights Parade, 20th

Float will be there by 10:00 AM

Call Amber to get info and to help out or to attend either or both Parades. (239) 707-2002

Southwest Florida-Lee County Fair

February 26th to March 7th

Mike will have a booth inside with Ole Timers Antiques & Grasscar and yes, he needs help!!

Swamp Cabbage Races, 27th & 28th

The 27th will be the parade in the morning. Meet at the NASGRASS track in the morning, and be prepared to leave the track at 8:45 AM on your mower for the parade. Racing will start at 2:30 PM on Saturday.

Sunday racing will begin at 1:00 PM and *will be a points race for us!!!*

March will be busy, too... Stay tuned

Next Race

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Standings January 17th

Pure Stock				
#	Name	Pts Last Race	Prev. Tot	Total
P21	Melissa Kennedy	50	0	50
P 9	Bob Kirkwood	DQ	0	0

Sportster Class				
#	Name	Pts Last Race	Prev. Tot	Total
S79	Charlie Mayne	50	050	50
S64	Dan Kennedy	40	0	40
S69	James Walls	30	0	30
S 9	Bob Kirkwood	20	00	20
S 5	Brook Kennedy	20	0	20

Modified Class				
#	Name	Pts Last Race	Prev. Tot	Total
M47	John Kirkwood	50	0	50
M25	Jeff Harrell	40	0	40

Ladies				
#	Name	Pts Last Race	Prev. Tot	Total
S23	Amber Gilbert	50	0	50
S62	Cathy Mahon	40	0	40
S 5	Brook Kennedy	30	0	30

Seniors				
#	Name	Pts Last Race	Prev. Tot	Total
S79	Charlie Mayne	100	270	370
S 9	Bob Kirkwood	0	200	200

Unlimited Class				
#	Name	Pts Last Race	Prev. Tot	Total
U 9	Bob Kirkwood	50	0	50
M33	Sean Kennedy	40	0	40

X - Class				
#	Name	Pts Last Race	Prev. Tot	Total
O45	Jerry Gilbert	50	0	50
U98	Brian Mount	40	0	40
O 1	Joey Gilbert	DNS	0	0

Membership!!

With the beginning of the new season we have had a drop in membership as has happened in the past. If you have friends or acquaintances who might be interested in racing or drags, get them out to see what we're doing and how they can participate!!

Free Admission cards have been made available. They will be collected at the gate each race. At the end of the year the person with the greatest number used will get a free membership for the 2011 Season.

WE NEED SPONSORS!

Several of our Business Memberships are expiring and must be replaced. See Gloria Kirkwood for Applications

Drags

We'd really like to get a start with the drags at this next race. If there's any possibility of your participating, even if you don't push hard to win, at least participate. This way we can show the spectators what it is that we're doing.

There are several people out there who want to see what we're doing before they commit to this facet of our racing. Don't ask me why, I'm just the messenger!!!

Remember we need 4 racers to participate if we're going to run.

Rules Changes

In order to facilitate having racers from other clubs come race with us and for our racers to race with them, several rules have been changed. This is an unusual circumstance brought about by the declining economy and a desire for cross-venue competition! They will also make some changes to accommodate us!

1. **All governed classes** (Pure Stock, Sportster and Modified **MUST** have and use the **FACTORY** governor.

2. **Sportster RPMs** have been reduced to a maximum of **3650 RPM**.

3. **Modified**
A. RPMs have been reduced to **4500 RPM**

B. Gear ratio requirement has been eliminated (**No Gear ratio**)

These changes take effect immediately

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