

September
2007

Tallahassee Chassee



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the Past
and Present



Next Meeting
September 11th, 2006
Tallahassee Auto Museum
Dinner 6:00 pm
General Meeting 6:45 pm

The Tallahassee Region Antique Automobile Club of America

PREPARING FOR NOVEMBER PRACTICE RUNS FOR THE NATIONAL TOUR

Preparing for a national tour is not just meetings and planning sessions and numerous phone calls. A dry run of the planned route is needed to work out any problems that may occur when a bunch of old cars go touring. Club members did just that as they gathered to help the daily tour guides fine tune the route and to brainstorm any problems encountered.

July 21—Western Route
Bobby & Nell Hollingsworth led club drivers to the Jim Woodruff Dam on Lake Seminole with only one minor glitch enroute, which brings to mind that you should follow the directions given instead of the cars in front of you!

A stop was made in Marianna at the planned lunch location where we met a tour participant that plans to be with us in November.

A trip out to the Florida Caverns State Park completed the tour.

August 18—Southern Route

Tour guides John & Glenda Schanbacher conducted a run south of Tallahassee to simulate the first planned tour to be conducted on a Monday. The trip takes our tourists through the town of Crawfordville where a mid morning coffee break is planned at the local park with refreshments provided by the Volunteer Fire Department.

A short drive from there brings them to the world-famous Wakulla Springs State Park where lunch will be served at the lodge. Boat rides and walking tours of the Springs will be available.

The final stop up the road from there is at the Tallahassee Museum of History and Natural Science.

A tour will also be conducted for the northern leg through Georgia on Sept. 22. Members are encourage to come along and help fine tune the routes. Details will be provided at the next club meeting.

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- 28 — J C O'Steen

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



Jim's Steak House and Buffet, Marianna.



The Lodge dining room at Wakulla Springs.



**TALLAHASSEE REGION, AACA
MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
August 14, 2007**

Tallahassee Automobile museum

There were approximately 45 members and five guests.

Opening Prayer - Jack Herzog

Opening Remarks - Gary Edwards filled in for Norm Madsen who was unable to attend.

Welcome Guests & New Members - Gary greeted our guests, Jeff & Ann Clements, Robert Critchlow, Michael Printy and Gary Wright. No new members. Michael Printy was introduced as the person who wrote an article that appeared in the August "Chassee" entitled "Car trouble with Jay Leno". He elaborated on that article later in the meeting.

50/50 Drawing—Drawing was held and the winner - Jerry Wise

Committee Reports

Treasurer - Andy Mohney

Andy gave this month's report that now consists of two reports, regular funds and the National Tour fund. Details are available from Andy.

Sunshine - Shirley Moore & Sharon Palmer

Richard Duncan is now at home and doing well. Peggy O'Rourke has foot surgery and is also doing well, she even attended this meeting! Shirley reported her sister has had some serious health problems and needs our prayers.

We need to keep all of our members who have considerations in our prayers and make contact with them.

Short Tours - Jack Hanbury

Jack reported that the tours to check out the planned SE Divisional Tour Routes has begun with a tour to Marianna Caverns State Park hosted by Bobby & Nell Hollingsworth. It was on Saturday, July 21, 2007. The next one will be held on August 18th. It will be hosted by John & Glenda Schanbacher and will go to Crawfordville (for coffee) and then to Wakulla Springs for lunch and then to the Tallahassee Nature Museum. We will meet at the Ramada Inn North near the main entrance and leave around 10:00 AM.

Long Tours - No report this meeting.

2007 National Tour - Bill Thompson reported on the number of participants that have sent in their applications. He also gave out committee assignment forms for our members to volunteer for specific jobs. He said we will cap the tour at 100 cars.

Announcements & Reports - Gary Edwards

1. The meeting in October has been changed from the normal second Tuesday to the third Tuesday because

many of our members will be going to Hershey for the Eastern Division National Show & Swap Meet. It will be from October 10 - 13, 2007. Our meeting will then be **October 16, 2007**. The meeting place will be at the new Museum location if it's ready. Note that this meeting will be the last one before the National Tour in November. This makes it the most important one!

2. John Schanbacher reported that Antique Automobile Museum move has been postponed due to construction delays. Devoe hopes to accomplish it by the end of this month. As soon as a date to begin the move is established, a notice will be sent out.
3. Gary reminded us of the regularly scheduled Breakfast at the Cracker Barrel. It is held on the Friday following the Tuesday club meeting each month. Everyone is invited to attend and fellowship.
4. Neal Davis reported on the Soap Box Derby National Race held in Akron, Ohio. Nine kids from Tallahassee attended and made a good showing. Neal told us there are 17 races planned by next June. He needs volunteer help.

Old Business/New Business

None this meeting.

Coming Events

1. Cruise-In on Saturday, September 01, 2007 at the Sonic on North Monroe by Hardee's.
2. The 52nd Annual Florida Forest Festival is scheduled for October 26-27, 2007 in Perry, Florida. They have a much expanded list of events this year.
3. FSU Homecoming Parade will be held on Friday, October 26, 2007.
4. See our website calendar for more events. Click on "Club Calendar" www.aaca.org/traaca Also, visit the National website for National AACA activities www.aaca.org.

Program - Ice Cream Social

What more can you say about ice cream? Good!!!!

Next Meeting & Location

The meeting will be held on September 11, 2007 at the Antique Auto Museum.

Respectively submitted - John Schanbacher, Secretary

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'T' Time

Sharon and I towed our Model T roadster up to Hagerstown, Maryland for the Eastern International Model T Tour June 16 thru June 24. Day trips up into Pennsylvania and down into West Virginia. This is the Western hill country of Maryland. We took our daughter with us so I would have a navigator for the tours. One day a trip by steam train, another to the Volvo truck plant, and other interesting tours. There were 70 Model T's in the program. There was only one other Model T from Florida.

Tom Lyle



Photos courtesy of Tom's daughter— Kathleen Lyle

"This was the first time I got to go with him. I had such a blast and hope that I can go on another one."

Kathy





Norm Madsen, TRAACA President

September Greetings, to all TRAACA Members and Friends!

RECAPS. We had a wonderful driving experience on Saturday, August 18th, when club members drove their antique vehicles to Wakulla Springs and the Tallahassee Museum. We all followed the excellent written directions prepared by John and Glenda Schanbacher as a "dry run" of the second leg of the AACA National Tour our club will be hosting in November. The weather was most cooperative and the food at the Wakulla Springs Lodge was great.

Our August meeting was held at the Car Museum on the 14th. Past President Gary Edwards presided, as I had a family obligation and could not attend. Members and guests enjoyed one of our old fashioned Ice Cream Socials, spending the better part of the meeting enjoying each others' company and some cool "health food." Sorry I missed out on it!

September 1st we had our monthly "First Saturday Cruise In" at Sonic and Hardee's on US 27, north of Lake Jackson. Despite the threat of rain, about a dozen TRAACA members' cars and a couple dozen non-member cars attended. Gary Edwards was awarded the monthly "Cruiser of the Month" plaque, for bringing his lovely 1966 Pontiac GTO Convertible. Congratulations, Gary!

NATIONAL TOUR NEWS. As of August 31st, Bob Love reported that he has mailed over 144 packets, and that we have 78 paid registrants so far --- 77 cars and 159 people, and 18 T-shirts paid for. It looks like we will easily make our cap of 100 cars for this November event, according to Tour Chairman, Bill Thompson.

MARK YOUR PLANNER. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 11th, at the Antique Car Museum. Hope to see you there!

On Saturday, September 22nd, we will be exercising the old cars by touring the Cairo, GA area. Wayne and Rosa Ann Hadden will lead us on a "practice-run" of the Northern Leg of November's AACA tour. Details will be announced at the September 11th TRAACA meeting, and on the club website.

On Saturday, September 29th, TRAACA will be a part of the Third Annual Multi-Club Motorama, at Lee Vause Park. Seventeen local clubs will be participating

in this show and picnic, and it should be bigger than ever. All American Ford has jumped aboard as the big sponsor, and there will be music, food vendors and door prizes. The public will be invited, and TRAACA's car display will include a table with club info, and new-member applications. Bring antique car magazines to give away to interested passers-by. Also, bring non-perishable food items for the Second Harvest Food Bank and/or stuffed animals for FHP to give to young car accident victims. This event should be fun, and will be a great opportunity to interest others in the club and the antique car hobby.

As always, our monthly Cruise In will take place on the first Saturday of the month at the Sonic and Hardee's restaurants on North US 27.

OCTOBER MEETING CHANGE! At the last meeting, a date change for the October meeting was announced. The date has been changed yet again, due to a schedule conflict. Here's the final word..October's meeting will be held on THURSDAY, OCT. 18TH at the Antique Car Museum (dinner at 6PM, meeting at 6:45). We NEED to have an October meeting, since it will be our last meeting before November's National Tour and we want to fine-tune the plans one last time together. Because so many members plan to attend the big Hershey Show during our usual meeting date (myself included), we've decided to change the date.

Have a great September! I'll see you down the road.

Norm

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Notes from the Editor's Desk

I don't have much to add to Norm's notes, except to say that it really looks like we are going to have a full house for the November tour. I have talked to quite a few of the people that are coming and every one of them has expressed enthusiasm toward the tour. The fact that I have sent out 144 packets to requestors means we may have to turn some away. I hope not.

I'm looking for more ideas for the newsletter and web site. Let me know what you like or dislike (?) about either so that I can make it more exciting for you, the club membership. As you can tell from the past several months, everyone has a story to tell.

Bob

TRAACA Editor and Webmaster



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Dan Rainey

Please review the following tour assignments to see where you have volunteered to work or might like to help out.

Sunday Tour

Chairs Craig & Belle McCollum

Hotel greeter Gene Densmore

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Museum guide Kedra Baumgardner

Museum guide John Wells

Ticket taker Wease Kaylor

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Chairs John & Glenda Schanbacher

Assistants Richard & Lois Duley

Assistants Dan & Julie Rainey

Assistants Bill & Peggy O'Rourke

Assistants Bob & Carol Love

Tuesday Tour

Chairs Bobby & Nell Hollingsworth

Traffic director Bob Love

Traffic director Jack Hanbury

Lunch ticket taker (will help in other areas) E'laine Shuler

Entrance counter Peggy O'Rourke

Cave ticket taker Peggy O'Rourke

Cave ticket taker Tom & Paula Link

Cave ticket taker Lynne Taylor

Wednesday Tour

Chairs Wayne & Rosa Ann Hadden

Pebble Hill tickets

Lunch ticket taker Glenda Schanbacher

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General

Banquet Nancy Thompson

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Snack Wagon Tommy Sykes

Snack Wagon Gary Edwards

Door Prizes Gary Edwards

As you can see, we have plenty of positions available for all who want to help. Please remember, this is a CLUB EVENT. We need your help. Contact each chair-person or other volunteer to see where you can fit it.



From your Reporters in the field: Ramblings and Rovings of Junkyard Dog & Fluffy

Junkyard Dog and Fluffy general have lunch together along with a few other car nuts every Friday at "The Station". Welcome to everyone! But couple of weeks ago Bill Brundydge, needed a part for their 48 Dodge coupe. (R vent window frame) I told Bill hold off until I return from my vacation next week and I'll check a junkyard that has a few old Dodges.

The first yard had one 48 Chrysler with part but not much better than his. Just east of Richmond VA, I toured another yard finding 9 old Dodges with 5 missing the vent frame completely and 4 in worse shape than any others I had seen. Sorry I couldn't help Bill but I did find a 1952 (?) Packard convertible (parts car) for Norm. Must say any day in a junkyard is not all bad.

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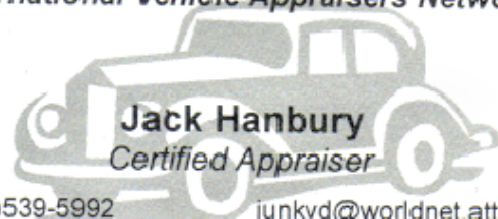
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Library update

By Kim Miller
AACA Librarian

Have you checked out the AACA Library's online catalog lately? If you haven't, you are missing a great resource. Material is being added to the database daily. Sales literature, owner's manuals, photographs and ad material covering A – Metz and P – Toyota are now in the system. In addition, a catalog of the library's over 4000 books is online. This task is not as simple as it may sound. Library assistants Kathy Armstrong and Lynn Gawel examine each piece of literature to be entered to make sure that it is dated correctly and make any needed repairs. Each item is described by what it is (catalog, folder, manual, etc.), the number of pages, illustrations, whether it is in color or black and white, size, and any other identifying feature or code number. Their dedication to this task is giving the entire automotive history community an excellent resource. And, lest we forget, we are able to undertake this cataloging project because of the generous matching grant we have received from the Collectors Foundation. We must raise \$20,000 a year for five years and that is matched by the Foundation. We are in year three of this project and, so far, have been able to meet our obligation. Thanks to you, we are able to continue to grow our library! The staff at the library greatly appreciates the support of the regions and chapters and hopes it will continue.

One other thing you may want to check out is the "image of the week" on the library's website. Each week, a new image will be placed on the site. The image will feature something that is found in our library – sales literature, a book cover, a postcard. Check it out – we'll try to feature items from the early 1900s up through today. At times, we'll also put on a picture from AACA's history.

Is your region or chapter looking for a fun weekend run? Don't forget that a trip to Hershey can include a tour of the Library (complete with punch and cookies) and a visit to the AACA Museum. Just give Librarian Kim Miller a call and she'll work with you to set up a visit to the Library. Our goal is to bring automotive history and people together!

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What does the class judging committee do?

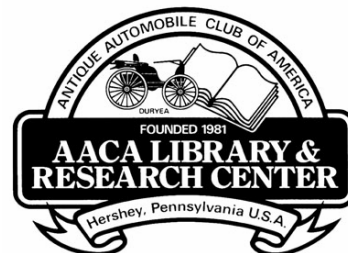
BY Randy D. Rutherford, Sr.
Vice President, Class Judging

The Class Judging Committee is made up of the VP Class Judging, Asst. VP Class Judging, Chairman Judges Training, VP Technical Matters, members at large appointed by the President and several other Chairmen. With a collective knowledge of many different vehicles, this group of unpaid volunteers does a great job of keeping the AACA Judging System the best it can be.

Some of their duties include: periodic review of vehicle classification, review applications for inclusion in the list of specified Classic, Prestige, Limited Production, and Prototype vehicles, determine when items for deduction should be added or deleted on the judging forms (most recent example, electric fuel pumps on pre-WWII vehicles). All of these items must pass a vote of the CJC and then be presented to the National Board of Directors for their approval or rejection.

The Committee also makes recommendations for the improvement of all judging forms, reviews all applications for national meet chief judges prior to their final approval, and has input on the updating of the Judging Manual.

Some of you may not realize that the CJC Committee also has a Judges Proficiency Team that will review the conduct and proficiency of any member of the AACA judging system.





10 day vacation with Jack & Kathy Hanbury

Starting out about 6:00am on Thursday 16th of August we plan to have breakfast about 2 hours up the road or about 100 miles behind us. We plan most trips like this staying on back roads and eating at non-chain restaurants (basic country towns). I continue looking for old cars in back yards and behind barns, etc. and Kathy checking homes, flower gardens and store signs. I took a couple of pictures of (yard art???) that we had never seen before (toilet bowls, lids, bath & beyond). We check with one of the local homeowners in the area and found out what an upset person can do with out getting in trouble with the law.

We continued travel up through GA, SC, NC, and into Danville, VA turning east to VA Beach area. We arrived at my brothers home Friday evening 856 miles later and stayed with Kathy's sisters same area. These are the last of the original family living. After reviewing old photo's and catching up on past history and telling stories my brother and I made plans to visit a local Shrine and AACA club car show on Saturday. My brother set up to sell toys and I got involved in judging and visiting some old friends and number of AACA members and our own VP Terry Bond with his Model T and MG. (he helped me with our national show). Monday the 20th we had a visited a cruz-in at a local diner and talk to some other people going to the Richmond Nationals and this got my brother on a high point knowing he was part of the show and with other friends. Middle of the week I visited a junkyard out side of Richmond to check on some parts for Bill and to just visit in the yard. (Story in Junkyard Dog & Fluffy) Continued visiting and eating and driving (like Cairo show) every day and made arrangements to enter the NSRA Richmond Nationals at the race track Friday 24th. I entered my brother's 50 Mercury rod and custom that has not been over 25 miles from home and this show is 125 miles from his home. (Brother likes old cars and has 2 of them but not comfortable driving very far). We made the trip with my brother's white knuckle driving going up; and arm out the window laid back driving coming home. (50-merc trouble free).

Saturday 25th Kathy and I headed home. Trip totaled 1,538 miles average 20.6 miles/gal and lot of fun and food. Now we need a week to rest up and retake the yard.

Jack & Kathy



Yard Art!(?)



My brother selling his toys.



Brother's Merc—ain't she a beaut?



1955 Alabama License Plate

County Number 1 - Jefferson County

In the 40's and before, Alabama was commonly known as the "Cotton State" but so were some others. The Alabama Chamber of Commerce came up with the idea of calling Alabama the "Heart of Dixie" as it is geographically, industrially and in the hearts of many southerners, the actual "Heart of Dixie". The Alabama Legislature passed the necessary bill and starting in 1955 the slogan has been on every plate since. Because it was mandated by law, all plates are required to carry the slogan but today you almost need a magnifying glass to see it! The 1955 plate is a favorite among collectors as it is the only year with the county number inside a large heart. 1955 also was the year Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat on a Montgomery bus and sparked the Civil Rights movement. In 1956 Alabama joined the rest of the country and adopted the standard 6 x 12 inch format which precluded the large heart design. The '55 plate is 5 1/2 by 13 1/2 inches, steel and weighs 5.3 ounces. Alabama required a front and rear plate that year. The correct colors are white on green.



This '55 plate is graded "Excellent" by ALPCA standards and is valued by the ninth edition of "License Plate Values" at \$75. It is from the collection of Gene Densmore and was purchased on eBay for \$90.

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Yesteryears Remember When?



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Compiled by Bill Thompson

30 Years Ago:

The Saturday, September 17, 1977 evening Chili Supper was hosted by Bob & Ann Burke and Ray & Gladys Bauer. Fifty-five were in attendance to help make it a great success. The meeting opened with the introduction of visitors, and Jane Forster introduced her daughter, Susan, and her son-in-law, Joe Thiel, and announced that Joe and Susan plan to become club members. Thanks were extended to George & Ruth Moody, Bill & Nancy Thompson, and Foy & Janice Thompson for the Wakulla Springs picnic, which was a great occasion for all attending. Jack & Laurieanne Graham have just returned from the Glidden Tour which started at Callaway Gardens, Ga., and which progressed into Alabama. On Wednesday of the tour, Albany, Ga. hosted the group. In all, they drove about 566 miles. They recommend the Glidden Tour, at least one time, to anybody interested in cars. Perry Show: Carolyn Pope & Shirley Moore have mailed out 113 fliers and others were distributed at the meeting. Registration headquarters will be at the Southern Inn. Lewis Thomas is vacating his garage for us to store our cars. If you're there a day or two early, he'll let you keep the car in his garage. He also has asked us to provide cars for dignitaries to ride in. In all, 30 need rides. If you can furnish a ride, contact Roger Collar.

Sincerely,

Gladys Bauer, Secretary

20 Years Ago:

On September 15, 1987 45 club members and one visitor gathered at Moby Dicks on Thomasville Road for good food and fellowship. Our visitor was Mike Dechman, who drove that pristine black Model T Ford to the restaurant. Mike is one of the charter members of the young Palatka club. He recently moved to Tallahassee when he was given the chance to go overseas to do medical work. It was very good to have Bob & Agnes Ellis with us. It evidently had been a long time since they'd made it to a meeting, judging from the reception they received from our members. Dan Rainey opened our meeting with prayer and the last newsletter was accepted as written. Our club has expanded car wise. John Heber recently purchased a 1937 Chrysler and Randolph Brock is the proud owner of a 1938 Buick Coupe. The club looks forward to seeing these new machines. September 25 - 27 was Spotlight Tallahassee. There was quite a display of cars there, from antiques from the 20's to modern hot rods. There was something for everybody! The same evening as Spotlight Tallahassee started there was a benefit dinner for the library at the Governor's Mansion. There were 4 cars set up to go to this function but only one made it. Claude Allen's 1930 Model A Town Sedan was parked in front of the mansion and people just flocked to it. There were so many pictures taken of the car and various people that Kodak stock went up 3 points on the stock market! Needless to say, the car and driver were quite a hit.

See you at Perry!

Diane McCarthy

10 Years Ago:

The Tallahassee Region AACA September 16th club meeting took place at Marie Livingston's Steakhouse. Two guests were present, Ed Wynn and Gwen Erwin. Gwen was a guest speaker invited to talk with the club on details of the Goodwood Plantation Founders Day activities. The Glidden Tour was mentioned. This tour will begin on October 26th through October 31st in Thomasville, Georgia and surrounding area. There are 330 cars registered for this tour (WOW!). We may see some early arrivals checking out the Perry Forest Festival, so keep your eyes peeled... The club's annual auction has been scheduled for November 23rd at the Heber's farm in Whigham, Ga; its time to start testing out those fantastic chili recipes!

Jenny Hart, Editor

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Calendar of Upcoming Events

Next Meeting

Sept. 11, 2007 6:00 p.m. for Dinner Menu: tossed salad, meat loaf, baked pot., veg., and rolls.
6:45 Regular Meeting

Program: A night at the movies. A special showing of the hit movie "Cars".

Local / Area

- Sep. 8** 15th Annual Emerald Coast Car Show, Fort Walton Beach High School.
- Sep. 29** 3rd Annual Tallahassee All Car Club Motorama at J. Lee Vause Park. No judging, just a bunch of car people representing all the local clubs getting together and getting to know each other. Food vendors, live music and an animal adoption booth. Bring a Teddy Bear or stuffed animal to support the FHP and canned goods for Second Harvest.
- Oct. 7** 2nd Annual Car Show at Killearn Country Club.
- Oct. 20** Riverside Café Stone Crab Festival Car Show sponsored by the Tallahassee Street Rodders.
- Oct. 25-27** Forest Festival, Perry, FL. Cruise-In at Motorvations on Thu. (25th) with Forest Festival fireworks. Gaslight Parade on Fri. (26th). King Tree Parade on Sat. and the car show in the Forest Capital Museum State Park.

Monthly TRAACA Cruise-In

Sonic & Hardees Drive-Ins on US 27N just north of Capital Circle
1st Sat

Monthly Cruise-Ins at the **Thomasville Road What-A-Burger** Drive-In
1st Sat—Mustang Club 2nd Sat—Ford & Chevy Clubs 3rd Sat—Corvette Club
Last Sat—Street Rod Club