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General Meetings

The February General Meeting was cancelled so there are no minutes.
All March Meetings have been cancelled due to the current COVID-19 restrictions.
We are planning to resume Meetings in April and will send out the information as soon as we get it.

Greetings TCVCC members.:

Do you feel that Spring is in the air these days?
At my house the leaves are coming down like snow and the neighborhood is going to have a bumper crop of mangos ,so Old Man Winter is on the way out.
I am finally going to have a board meeting in April.

Some issues have come up and we are going to have Charlie give us some insight as to the COOL car show.

If you , as a member, have anything you want me to put on the agenda please call me at my number in the roster. We haven't gathered in a year and maybe you have had time to think of things you would like done differently etc. Our board meetings are the first Tuesdays of the month.(April 6th.)

The Rebel Cruisers have been having a good turnout for their day tours and it has kept a lot of members (and maybe prospective members) in touch. Sally and Andre always find great adventures and I thank them for their interest in keeping this going. As more of us get our Covid shots maybe TCVCC can resume our regular monthly outings once again. That is one of the things I'll be working on possibly for May.

Mike and Carol Mucci were in town and are doing great. They love their mountains but miss the Stuart group. They reported the Elzins are doing fine in their new home in Pickins, South Carolina. We'll miss them as members of TCVCC.

And on a final note, if you have paid your AACA dues and find they have not been reported rest assured the board is working to resolve this problem.

Till next time, Stay Safe.

Jo Ann, President



From AACA

With all the best intentions possible and the health of our members in mind, the Annual Convention Committee and the AACA National Board worked with the officials of the Sheraton Hotel to go forward with a postponed convention from February to April. At the time, it was believed that the state of the pandemic and specifically the regulations by the City of Philadelphia would allow us to put on a safe and enjoyable Annual Convention for our members. We even had a special surprise guest who was going to headline the weekend, and the club's library staff was looking forward to the second year of hosting the fan favorite AACA Pinewood Derby.

Over the last several weeks, it has become increasingly clear that getting any permission to have our event inside a building in Philadelphia was going to be a gamble of gigantic proportions - a gamble the club was unprepared to make. So, before our members and award winners make any further travel plans, **we have reluctantly decided to cancel the April date as well.** Please be sure to cancel any reservations and transportation arrangements you may have already made.

We have not given up the desire to host a national convention this year, even if we have to reduce the scope of what we traditionally do. As such, the club is working hard on alternative plans for a later date and possibly a different state to be able to host a significant and meaningful event for our members. We are trying to find a host that will allow us to have this event in a location that is easily accessible to the majority of our members, especially those that we would be honoring during the convention.

We wish we could have notified you earlier, but we had held out hope until now that we could indeed conduct our convention as scheduled. We will communicate our new plans as soon as they can be finalized. Thank you for your patience on this matter.

As you are well aware, 2020 and now 2021 have not been without their difficulties for everyone including AACA. Thankfully, we have many great outdoor events already scheduled for 2021, so this should be an excellent year for AACA and the hobby.

Please continue to stay healthy and safe!
Stay tuned for an update on a potential reschedule!

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SUNSHINE REPORT

A Get Well card was sent to Jeff Means.
Please pass on information to Ann Ridle:
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Nothing new in the auto legislation news but, I thought this was interesting. Have you heard about the new design for mail delivery trucks? The U.S. Postal Service has awarded a contract to Oshkosh Defense, a division of Oshkosh Corporation, to build 50,000 to 165,000 of these new vehicles known as Next Generation Delivery Vehicle (NGDV).

This design has been in the works since 2016. It includes a redesigned front end with extended windshield and lower hood to help carriers spot cyclists, pedestrians and other obstructions better. Many have compared the design to a "ducks head".

U.S.P.S. Has awarded this 10 year contract to Oshkosh to receive \$482 million initially to retool its facilities ,as many of these will be electric vehicles. The ones that run on gasoline can be retrofitted in the future to run with the new electric systems.



This should be interesting.
Jay

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Happenings & Classified

There will be no "No-Club Meeting" Cruise in March. With all the shows and cruise-ins happening this month, we will try to incorporate some of them into our routine.

A group of club members and others are traveling to Melbourne for the "Celebration of Cars" show put on by the Cape Canaveral Region AACA on March 27th.

Membership Renewal Forms were sent out a couple of months ago and we still have a few members who have not returned their forms. If you have forgotten to send in your renewal form please take a minute to fill it out and send it in. Remember, there are no TCVCC membership fees due this year if you are renewing. If you have misplaced your renewal form; please feel free to contact Cathie Means, our Membership Director, to help you obtain a new form. Also, please don't hesitate to give her a call or drop her an e-mail if you have any questions. (772-221-1617 or cashassociates@bellsouth.net)



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What's Happening?

Recurring Events

Lew's Crew Tuesday Night car show, Elliott Museum, every Tuesday night, weather permitting, 5-8 pm.

Saturday Nights "Car Gang" Gathering underneath the EAST Jensen Beach Causeway Park. NE Causeway Blvd., Jensen Beach, FL 34957. Contact is Bob Crow at 772-359-4822

Like Old Club Pictures?

Here is the link that has pictures going back to 2003 (so far), and will be expanding in the future.

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/135383894@N05/albums/with/72157661067140746>

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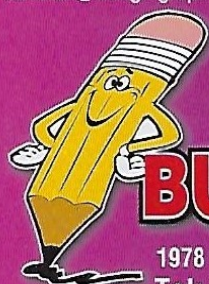
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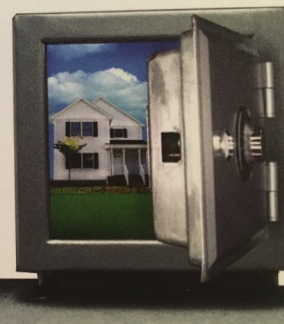
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Upcoming Events

Mar 6 - 4 pm to 8 pm Gates open at 3 PM. Downtown Abacoa Car Cruise-in. 1200 Town Center Drive, Jupiter, FL 33458. Entry fee \$10 (exact change please). Spectators free. Year restricted - 1999 and older. Hosted by Southeast Rods & Customs Car Club (Donnie & Betty). Special VIP cards for participants. Great restaurants. Lots of spectators. Note that once you enter the event you may not be able to leave until 8 pm because show cars block the streets. Contact is Donnie: 561-644-5058. (Repeats every 1st Saturday)

Mar 13 - 12 pm to 4 pm. Arrive at 11 am. Treasure Coast Wildlife Center Open House and Car Show. We would like to invite you to join the Treasure Coast Wildlife Center for our annual Open House, Saturday March 13th. This is an Old Florida themed event and having your vintage cars would be the cherry on top! We will provide lunch and a complementary drink from the bar, as well. The event is from 12pm -4pm, but to ensure your cars' safety, we are asking you arrive by 11am to get settled in designated parking areas. Please RSVP to MikaylaF@tcwild.org if you will be able to join us, so that we know how many parking spaces to reserve for your showcase!



Mar 20 - "Spring Spectacular" in the Tradition Town Square, 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm. Including a car show open to all makes, models and years of cool & classic cars & trucks. Door prizes, 50/50 Charity Raffle, Trivia, Rock'n Oldies, Awards & Fireworks at 9pm. Music by Carlos & Friends and hosted by the No Name Car Club

Mar 21 – Cruise-In at Angelo's Italian Restaurant 155 Toney Penna Dr Jupiter. Gate opens Noon. \$10. entry plus 15% discount on food. Trophies will be awarded for Participant's Choice & Spectator's Choice. Hosted by South East Classics.



More Upcoming Events



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Mar 26 - Martin County Fairgrounds in Stuart - Martin County Drive in Movie Night. We would like to invite Classic Car owners to our Drive In Movie Night that will feature the movie Grease and a Classic Car Show at 5:30pm with the Movie Start time at 7:30pm. Any Classic Car owner that Pre-Registers at EVENTS@MARTIN.FL.US will be able to be part of the event at no cost. Entry is Free only to pre-registered Classic Cars. Special Event flyer and details enclosed. Set Up of Classic Cars begins at 5:00pm, the public enters beginning at 5:30pm.

Mar 27 – 10am to 3pm - The Cape Canaveral Region Antique Auto Club Celebration of Cars Antique to Modern Auto Show. Location is the American Muscle Car Museum, 3500 Sarno Road, Melbourne, FL 32934. This year's special class is rag-tops and roadsters. Show cars enter 8:30 to Noon. Rain or shine. PRE-REGISTER by (\$20) MARCH 5th.

Mar 28—CARS & COFFEE PALM BEACH AND SOME "GROWING PAINS" As many of you know, Cars & Coffee Palm Beach was moved to Palm Beach International Speedway last month. The response was so overwhelming, that many enthusiasts were turned away once the venue reached capacity. Organizers are working on possible solutions for future events. The next one will take place on Sunday March 28th and the theme is "SUPERCARS VERSUS THE WORLD". Here is what last month's event looked like: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Y9w3bHx5w0>



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Celebration of Cars

Antique to Modern Auto Show



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10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
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Saturday, Apr 3 – Liberty Magnet PTA, Spring Fling Craft Show Fair. At the Indian River Fair Grounds from 9am to 1pm. Send in your registration soon because there is room for only 20 cars. Check-in time is 7:30 to 8:15am. Awards at 12:30. Registration fee is \$15 non-refundable. Please note that proof of insurance and registration documents are required. Fire Extinguishers mandatory.

Saturday, Apr 10 - Wheels & Keels of Vero Beach 10th Annual Antique & Exotic Car & Boat Show 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Moorings Yacht & Country Club 100 Harbour Drive, Vero Beach, Florida. Concours-Style Show with Classic Cars and Boats. Proceeds Benefit Local Charities. Cars and trailered boats displayed on 1st hole of Pete Dye Signature Golf Course. Yachts moored at dock overlooking beautiful Indian River Lagoon. Judged show with awards for class winners. Details and registration information at www.wkvero.com. Contact Club Members: Gavin Ruotolo at 772-559-9758 or Sam Gagliano at 978- 273-9175

Club Happenings

The February No-Meeting Cruise to the Morikami Museum and Gardens

The turnout for the No-meeting Cruise to Morikami Museum and Gardens was smaller than we usually get, but we still had a great time. The group gathered at the Cracker Barrel on the morning of the 28th and enjoyed some time socializing before heading out on the road. Fortunately, we met a couple of guys that were coming back from the “Cars & Coffee” in Palm Beach who told us about traffic jams along our proposed route. After a quick re-routing, we were off to Lucille’s Bad to the Bone BBQ restaurant for lunch.



After lunch, it was off to Morikami, which wasn't too far away. We were down to only five cars by then and were running behind schedule. We didn't get to see everything but had a quick tour and took some pictures. Definitely a place to go back to.



Club Happenings

No-Meeting Cruise continued...



It was a perfect day for walking through the trees and around the pond . If you have never been to Morikami, you should definitely make a stop there. They have a nice area with Bonsai trees, a Zen garden, lots of rocks, and interesting statuary placed all around the gardens.

After all that walking, it was time for ICE CREAM! Off we went in search of the ice cream shop that Andre had picked out for the days' cruise. By then, we were down to three cars and were tired, so we hopped on the interstate for a quick cruise home.

Another great cruise in the books and another box on the checklist ticked.



Members Stories

Fun at the Pine School Car Show

By Rocky Grady

It's not everyday you see a brand new car with an antique license plate. Meet Eagle...my 2021 Chevy Corvette Stingray. Eagle was ordered 10/16/2019 from Wallace Chevrolet. Eagle should have been a 2020 Stingray but due to strikes, shutdowns, union problems, Covid issues and parts availability, he was delayed. Ed Vossen, my salesman, was very good about keeping us informed. Henry, my husband, convinced me NOT getting the 1st year production of this radically changed mid-engine Super Car was not a big deal. In fact, we all know the 1st year of any new concept car has small kinks that get worked out in year two. Yes, a 2021 for the same agreed upon price would work. No changes made to the original colors and options. Eagle was in production! Before I continue with the license plate, a word about Super Cars. Some of you reading this might say Eagle doesn't qualify as a Super Car because of his price. Before the C8 was built, I would have agreed. A Super Car has always been a six or seven figure car. But, now I'm not so sure. Eagle has crossed the border. Money aside, this car has it all and I can tell you he attracted attention at the January 16th car show in Hobe Sound. I nailed the color combination of Shadow Grey Metallic and Red Leather, stitching and calipers.

So, 01/06/2021 the car arrives in Stuart, FL. No warning ahead of time. After almost 15 months, bang...the Eagle has landed. I picked up Henry from our warehouse about 1/2 mile away from the dealer. The drive over I kept thinking, "if the paint has an orange peel finish, the deal is off". Fit and finish always have to be right. Just ask Henry. Sometimes he can hardly stand the little things I see that (according to him) no one else would ever see. To my surprise and delight, my new boy is almost perfect. The ONLY people that can see more flaws on cars are John and Don. They met us there to help with the look/see and for emotional support since I was like a dog wagging myself apart with joy and anticipation. Don found a small scratch. Wow...that brought me back down to earth. The car disappeared into the back of the service department and Henry & I were ready for the PAPERWORK.

Why is it, whenever you say "I'm paying cash", the finance guy is your next stop? Really, just send me to the cashier...I wanna pay! Oh, what the heck, I can have a little fun with this guy. You know what these guys hate? A lady reading the 300 pages of legal nonsense before signing on the bottom line or initialing here and there. And finding a mistake or two. No biggie, the money was right and I didn't argue about the dealer fee this time. Next..."Mrs. Grady, do you have proof of insurance and an existing plate you'll be transferring?" "Yes I do" to both requests. The insurance acceptance was on my phone in the form of a paragraph of words, NOT an insurance card. This was unacceptable. A copy of an insurance card was needed and by now the agency was closed. And the plate? "Here's the registration to my 1972 Triumph Stag...we have a buyer lined up".

Members Stories

Fun at the Pine School Car Show, continued...

By Rocky Grady

Mr finance guy said that would work and he'd get the transfer done for me. I didn't have the plate in my hand but what the heck? He's the numbers guy, he'd see that the Stag was 49 years old.

Well, I guess stranger things have happened but this is my funniest by far. Tallahassee accepted the tag and the finance guy had my new registration printed out and neatly folded in an envelope with my new insurance card that I had faxed directly to him. It's in the glove box ready for me to present to the first cop that stops me for being illegal. You can't make this stuff up...an antique C8 Stingray...the car from the future.

Rocky's new car and some others from the show.



Members Stories

Sebring SVRA Speed Tour

By Charlie Ulrich & Denny Dahle

On Saturday, February 20, the SVRA Speed Tour race and car show was held at Sebring Raceway. Five TCVCC members, Ulrich, Dahle, Nicholson, Howell and Richtmyer drove over for this HUGE event. The car show was all day Saturday and the official show car count was 473! More Corvettes than you have ever seen in one spot. We had no idea that our cars were being judged, but at the end of the day, Denny won Best in Class for trucks, and Charlie won Best in Class for stock cars from 1960 to 69. Really surprised us all!

The vintage racing was a real thrill. About 300 race cars competed in various classes, which included everything from 50's era British cars (MG's, etc.), various age groups of Porsche's, on up to super race cars of the 1990's. Something for everybody! You wouldn't know these drivers are all amateurs, driving their own cars, because they drove as hard and fast as any professional. They even destroyed a couple of those beautiful collectibles! And we think we have a lot of money tied up in our cars! Give serious thought to joining us for next year's event. You won't be disappointed.



Yes! That's
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Truck, Art.

