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General Meetings

The July General Meeting was cancelled so there are no minutes.

All August Meetings and Outings have been cancelled due to the current COVID-19 epidemic.

We will keep you updated as things progress.

Hello once again to all of our TCVCC members.

Remember when we started this year our mantra was "It's not the destination, it's the Journey". Well, we've certainly had some journeys but not the destinations we had hoped for. For a lot of us hanging

out close to our homes, the journeys have been to Publix, we love to eat, ABC for wine to go with what we're cooking, and maybe Home Depot if you guys are needing something. "Hot Dam", those are great destinations, aren't they!!! Better days are a coming, we hope.

In the meantime, be grateful for what we do have and stay SAFE! I want to take time to thank 1st Vice President Andre Rayman and our Editor, Sally Franklin, for organizing those weekend day tours for members that feel comfortable going out with a group and socializing. I'm glad for those keeping in touch with other TCVCC members. As President, I feel a little remorse that I'm not able to do more for the club during these times but I'm sure you all understand.

My "CARS UNDER THE CANOPY" this month is a nice article by our long-time members Janet and David MacMillan. David has a collection of various antique autos and was willing to share with us this month. You will be reading about others he has, as he offered to send us other articles we could use in the newsletter.

Sally is always willing to take articles for the newsletter. E-Mail them to her any time. I have not heard from Sunshine Ann Ridle that any member is under the weather. I hope that is a good sign that we are all minding our P's and Q's and staying safe from the "Virus".

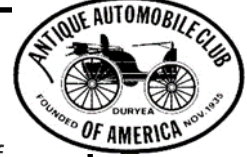
Jay and I send many thoughts to you all to stay safe.
Bye for now. Jo Ann, President

Jo Ann



AACA Event Cancellations & Updates

Making Lemonade Out of Lemons...The Grand Nationals Saga



The one thing we will all remember about the year 2020 is that it was full of daily changes, upheaval, uncertainty, and glitches. We have already had one with our date change on the Grand Nationals and now we have another change. **The Grand Nationals is on the same date**, but now is **NOT** in Allentown, PA, but in **Gettysburg, PA**.

As much as the folks at The NB Center for American Automotive Heritage wanted to host the Grand Nationals, issues in Allentown became insurmountable. They had spent considerable time in planning and securing everything necessary to put on a first-class show only to learn that they could not host us. It was with great sadness that they let us know of their decision to cancel the event on their property, but requested to be put back on the schedule in another year.

Fortunately, the club and the Co-Chairs of the event (Tom Cox and Steve Moskowitz) were able to salvage the show and perhaps make things even better for all the participants. AACA now has a signed contract with the Wyndham Hotel in Gettysburg, PA, to host the show. We had been there in 2018 for a Spring Meet and everyone loved the location. The grounds will allow us to have trailer parking onsite and arrange a show field that will allow for social distancing and meet the mandates of the state. Everything, including two large hotels, will be right there in one spot!

We will not have to be as restrictive as we would have been in Allentown, but we will ask everyone to please follow our COVID-19 policy for the protection of others. Masks, non-invasive temperature taking, etc. will be required. Your cooperation in keeping your fellow members safe will be greatly appreciated. We will be providing extra hand-washing stations and sanitizing "trees." The club is spending considerable resources to keep everyone safe, but each of us bears a personal responsibility to each other.

This change comes with all sorts of challenges as we now have to secure tents, restroom facilities, food service, etc., so we are attaching a list of activities for you to do while in Gettysburg and we will NOT have any formal activities other than judging school. Our apologies for the slimming down of the show, but it is taking all our energy to make sure the Grand Nationals happens with only 30 days to go! **It WILL happen, along with the Zenith Awards!**

The two hotels on the Gettysburg property are the Wyndham Gettysburg and Courtyard Gettysburg. Both these premium properties are located on the same complex. Due to lower staffing, we strongly urge you to consider booking your reservations online.

ATTENTION JUDGES: We desperately need YOU! We currently do not have enough judges for this show!! Judges can [register online here](#) with your membership number and pin. The online judges' registration does not allow a no charge, so we are charging judges a minimal fee of \$1 for Grand Nationals. Judges can also register by filling out the registration form in [The Judge newsletter](#).

(If you had previously registered for Allentown, please DO NOT register again. Your Allentown registration has now been shifted to Gettysburg.)

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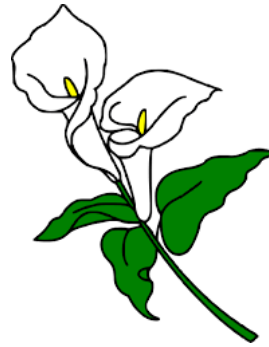
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SUNSHINE REPORT

No cards were sent out in July.

Please pass on information to Ann Ridle:
email: ahr3206@verizon.net phone 540-255-6181. Let me know so we can shine some Sunshine for our club members



Events and Happenings

As the Covid 19 pandemic continues to disrupt lives and worse, there is no official August General meeting.

However, the Covid Rebel Cruisers will be setting out again on August 8th for a cruise up to Captain Hiram's in Sabastian for lunch.

All are welcome as long as you are driving a car that is 25 years or older. It is, after all, an old car cruise.

We will meet at the old Prawnbrokers in Sewall's Point at 10 AM and depart at 10:30. We stick to the back roads as much as possible and stay off the inter-states.

Lunch in Sabastian and then, somewhere along the way home, Ice Cream!

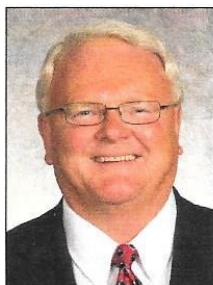
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Legislative News By Jay Smith

Well, there's not a lot going on legislative wise in the automobile area. So I thought you might be interested in learning about the different classes of license plates in the state of Florida.

Definitions:

Custom vehicle. A motor vehicle that is 25 years old or older and of a model year after 1948 or was manufactured to resemble a vehicle that is 25 years old or older and of a model year after 1948 and has been altered from the manufacturer's original design or has a body constructed from nonoriginal materials.

Street rod. A motor vehicle that is of a model year of 1948 or older or was manufactured after 1948 to resemble a vehicle of a model year of 1948 or older; and has been altered from the manufacturer's original design or has a body constructed from nonoriginal materials.

Rebuilt vehicle. A motor vehicle or mobile home built from salvage or junk.

Assembled from parts. A motor vehicle or mobile home assembled from parts or combined from parts of motor vehicles or mobile homes, new or used. "Assembled from parts" does not mean a motor vehicle defined as a "rebuilt vehicle" in subparagraph 3., which has been declared a total loss pursuant to s. 319.30.

Kit car. A motor vehicle assembled with a kit supplied by a manufacturer to rebuild a wrecked or outdated motor vehicle with a new body kit.

Glider kit. A vehicle assembled with a kit supplied by a manufacturer to rebuild a wrecked or outdated truck or truck tractor.

Replica. A complete new motor vehicle manufactured to look like an old vehicle.

Ancient motor vehicle. The owner of a motor vehicle for private use manufactured in model year 1945 or earlier and operated on the streets and highways of this state.

Horseless Carriage. An automobile, truck or motorcycle weighing 5,000 pounds or less, for private use, manufactured in 1945 or earlier.

Antique motor vehicle. A motor vehicle for private use manufactured in a model year after 1945 and of the age of 30 years or more after the model year and operated on the streets and highways of this state may.

Collectible motor vehicle. Motor vehicles licensed under this section which have been issued a "Collectible" license plate prior to October 1, 1999, may retain that license plate until the next regularly scheduled replacement.

Former military vehicle. A vehicle, including a trailer, regardless of the vehicle's size, weight, or year of manufacture, that was manufactured for use in any country's military forces and is maintained to represent its military design and markings accurately.

What's Happening?

Events

Hot August Nights will not be happening this year. We look forward to our next tour with the Brown's. In the meantime, there is not a lot going on right now, but a few events are planned. Since things are changing on a daily basis, we're going to send out email updates with up-coming events.

Strictly Classified

Got something to sell or announce?
Put it in a Vintage Times Classified ad
Classified ads 50 words max.
Members: No charge
Non Members \$20 per issue
Submit copy in an email message or a *Word* attachment to sfranklin_2000@yahoo.com.

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>

Save this link on your computer and you can pull up pictures from years gone by, anytime you want.

NEW PROJECTS

Do you have a new (antique) car you have recently purchased? Or would you like to share with the club the progress on a restoration project?

Please email pictures and a short story to sfranklin_2000@yahoo.com to have it included in a future issue of the Vintage Times.



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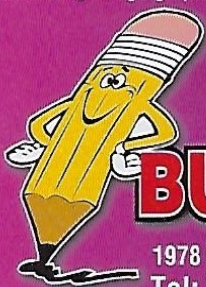
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Upcoming Events

Aug 22 – Vero Beach Elks present the Vietnam Veterans of IRC Summertime Car Show. 10- 3pm. Awards, Food, Rock and Roll, and a great time. Social Distancing and CDC Guidelines will be in place! For Registration Info call Craig Waskow at 772-299-6225. Pre-registration \$20 and \$25 for day of show. See attached Flyer and Registration form.

Sep 19-20 - Palm Beach Automotive/Car Swap and Car Show. South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd, West Palm Beach, Fl 33411. Enter Gate 8. Car Corral featuring cars for sale. Go to www.southflcarswapmeets.com and signup. Early birds signup - Save with coupon code "save50" and Save. 952-205-7813

Sep 19 - The No Name Car Club presents A Charity Car Show supporting Southern Things for Little Wings. At the ST Lucie County Fairgrounds. Gates open at 9 am. \$20 Registration. Fourfoot Best in Show Trophy and Top 10 awards. Show is from 10 am to 3 pm. Food trucks and Music. See attached flyer.

Nov 7 – 5th Annual Car, Bike & Truck Show at First Presbyterian Church of Vero Beach, 520 Royal Palm Blvd. 10am to 3pm. Pre-register for \$15 or \$20 day of show. Awards for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place. Dash Plaques for first 50 entries. Food and beverages available. See attached Flyer and registration form.

Jan 29 & 30 – River Ranch 32nd Annual Rod Run. Register January 29 or 30th. Accommodations and Food and entertainment available. See attached Flyer. \$100 cash drawing for pre-registered entrants only. Registration \$15 and \$20 day of show. There will be a swap meet. See Flyer and Registration form.

The Summer Crush Winery car show season is set to begin in October. Details will be published as soon as they are available.

Cruises:

Viera Car Cruise In Start: July 25, 2020 3:00 pm Venue: Uno Pizzeria & Grill Address: 8260 N. Wickham Road, Melbourne, Florida Registration Fee: \$5 Every month on the fourth Saturday.

Hot August Morning Car Show Start: SUNDAY: August 2, 2020 10:00 am – End: 2:00 pm Space Coast Harley Davidson Registration Fee: \$10

The monthly Cars & Coffee at the Elliott Museum will be on Saturday, August 8th, 8 am to 1030 am. In an effort to reduce/prevent the risk of spreading disease, we will distribute donuts using tongs, ask that you bring your own coffee container and please wear a mask when not practicing social distancing.

Cars Under the Canopy

By David MacMillan

1923 Yellow Taxicab

In 1903 John D. Hertz (1870-1961), who was selling cars at the time, began to employ used cars as taxicabs. The University of Chicago had studied and described the color yellow as the most noticeable and, hence, the cars were painted yellow to bring attention to the business. With the Yellow Cab Company in business in 1915, Hertz went on to establish the Yellow Cab Manufacturing Company in 1920, which produced taxicab vehicles. The company was sold to General Motors in 1925.



Our taxi is a model A-2. It has 30 HP, Can seat 5 passengers (two fold up jump seats). It cost \$1975 when new. We believe it came out of a movie studio and was part of the Bill Harrah collection. I purchased it from my friend Ray Graber who was a friend of Harrah's.

The taxi came to Stuart and was, once or twice, used to transport wedding people. The vehicle was sold and went to the Imperial Palace casino and was on display there for a number of years. John Moir purchased it from Las Vegas. He had the "Alphabet Collection" and this was his "Y" car. I tried unsuccessfully to buy it from him. His collection went through the Hershey RM Auction and we were able to buy it back. Reviewing the paper work apparently the taxi was back in Stuart, at one point during the time out of our ownership, since John Moir's son, James, lives in Port Salerno.



I believe this is the only intact Yellow Taxicab, manufactured by the Yellow Cab Manufacturing Company, that still exists.



John D Hertz is perhaps best known for the car rental company which he started in 1924. The "Hertz Drive-Ur-Self" company was later sold to General Motors along with most of his other companies. Hertz later regained ownership of the rental car company and the rest is history.

MEMBER'S STORIES, BY WARREN ALPIN

1962 Triumph TR 4 Warren and Sandra Alpin

We raised our family and then it was time to have fun. As a late bloomer and lifelong road racing fan, my dream was to follow as many race circuits as my heroes raced in the hey-day of Road Racing. Bridge Hampton, my home track as a LI boy, Lime Rock, my favorite and my go to track, Watkins Glen, another track we went too several times in my youth, Mid-Ohio, Road America, Laguna Seca, Mosport, Sebring, Daytona were places we dreamed of going. Where we watched the likes of Mark Donahue & Dan Gurney, my favorite drivers and the reason my car wears number 66, George Fulmer, Bob Tullius, Peter Revson, Sam Posey, Parnelli Jones, Paul Newman, Jim Hall and many others.

I had finished Skip Barber Racing School at Moroso in November and I think the Palm Beach event was February. I went to racing school with two of my three daughters. It was a lot of fun doing the school with them. The school was three days, the first day is class room, 2nd day class room and track time.

The first session of track time was on the Go Cart Track in Formula Dodge cars. Those cars had a stock four cylinder engine with 150 HP, but they only weigh about 1,000 pounds. They are quick and nimble and also very tight for a 6' foot 225 pounder. They had to remove the rear cowling in order to fit me in the car. It was so hot and so exhausting that I thought I was going to quit after the second day. Racing that tiny Cart Track in a car beats the daylights out of you. I think the instructors did that to separate who really wants to race from who thinks they want to race.



The third day is almost all track time on the main track (much more fun) showing how to gage the apex, how to pass, braking and shifting and a lot more. My middle daughter did not keep up with the racing although quite a car enthusiast and my youngest daughter took to it and we've raced together at PBIR a few times and at Road Atlanta.

MEMBER'S STORIES, BY WARREN ALPIN

1962 Triumph TR 4, continued...

All three of my daughters have accompanied us throughout the country at numerous vintage racing events over the past 15 years. We have a vintage 1977 GMC Motor Home that we have set up at Miami, PBIR, Sebring and Daytona for vintage events though the years.

I bought this TR4 in 2005 from Hayes Harris at Wirewheel.Com. I saw the car at what was then Moroso Speedway, now PBIR during a Vintage Racing event. I think that event used to be called the Palm Beach Grand Prix. I always liked British Sports Cars (my first new car was a 1971 Triumph Spitfire) and wanted to get into Vintage Racing. When I saw that car it was exactly what I was looking for.

As best we can tell we have traced the car back to 1972 as always being a race car and being built by a renowned Triumph Race Car builder, Rick Klein. I love British Sports Cars, they leak (everything), they have electrical issues (often called, "Lucas, the Price of Darkness"), they rust and they're FANTASTIC!

The TR4 is was produced by the Triumph Motor Company from 1961 to 1965. As the successor to the TR3A, the car was based on the chassis and drivetrain of the previous TR sports cars, but with a modern body designed by Michelotti.

Despite it's modern styling, a total of only 40,253 cars were built during its 5-year production run. The company was acquired by Leyland Motors in 1960, ultimately becoming part of the giant conglomerate British Leyland in 1968, where the Triumph brand was absorbed into BL's Specialist Division alongside former Leyland stablemates Rover and Jaguar. Triumph-badged vehicles were produced by BL until 1984 when the Triumph marque was retired.



The TR4 had a number of racing successes in America. In 1961 the TR4 won first in class and thirtieth overall at Sebring. In 1962, the TR4 won the E production national championship, following which the SCCA reclassified the car to D production. The TR4 continues to be raced in vintage sports car events and even won an SCCA class championship as late as 1991.

Our TR-4 is currently on display at the Elliot as part of a British Café Racer Display.



MEMBER STORIES

JULY 10, 2020

COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY

On a wet and dreary Friday afternoon, several club members and a few other folks got together to celebrate and share the 11th annual Collector Car Appreciation Day. We gathered at Flagler Park in Downtown Stuart and headed to Rio and Jensen Beach across the old Roosevelt Bridge. We seemed to have timed it just right and didn't have to wait long for the drawbridge and managed to miss all of the rain.



We cruised through Rio and Jensen before stopping at the Dolphin Bar for a photo opportunity. Thanks to Glenn Enriquez for coming out and taking some impromptu pictures.

After that we headed out through Sewall's Point and Port Sewall, then to Indian Road and Hurricane's Grill for some much needed refreshment. We were joined by a few more cars at the grill and we had a great time.



You can see all the pictures by clicking this link:

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