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February General Meeting

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Our February General Meeting will be a road trip to Vero Beach to visit the McKee Botanical Gardens, 350 US Highway 1, Vero Beach, 32962. Opened in 1932 on an 80-acre tropical hammock by Arthur G. McKee and Waldo E. Sexton, it was originally named McKee Jungle Garden. The Garden remains true to its jungle heritage, featuring 10,000 native and tropical plants. Admission will be \$10 per person.

We will spend about an hour there then travel north to a local restaurant (TBD) and enjoy lunch. We will meet at Jensen Beach Post Office, 2301 NE Savannah Rd, at 11:00 AM and leave promptly at 11:15. The drive is about 45 minutes.

Again, the tour is \$10 pp—lunch is on you. RSVP to Marie & Mike Flaherty by Tuesday, February 18th, at mariec21@earthlink.net or 772-631-9065.



Historic



From President Jo Ann

How About those Manatees! Those of you who toured down to the FPL Manatee Lagoon in North Palm Beach recently had the pleasure of seeing these Gentle Giants up close. It was a cool morning, but our members are always ready for new adventures.

I heard from a fairly new member that since they moved to our area and joined our club, they have really enjoyed going and seeing things and places they would not go on their own or didn't know were there. That said, this is what makes our club so different than other ones in our region.

We Do Things!! Cold, Hot or Rainy, our members always show up. And from experience, I think I can speak for all the board members who strive to come up with these outings each month, we appreciate each and every one of you.

It was noted at the last general meeting that the club won first prize in the Ft. Pierce Christmas Parade for the best decorated cars. They chose the Elzin's car for their photo and Dave Brown awarded them the certificate. Congrats. This is a fun parade and a good way to spend a Sunday afternoon. Dave Brown rounds us up each year and maybe this year we can attract more of our members to join in the fun. Those Ft. Pierce folks know how to turn out, in mass, for parades.

April 16-19th has been scheduled for TCVCC annual Cracker Tour. If you are a new member and have not experienced this tour, please mark your calendars NOW! There is one change to this year's tour. You must drive one of your OLD Cars (25 years or older). When Jay and I were first introduced to the club we didn't have a drivable old car. We hitched a ride with the Kirby's in their 1950 Ford Crestliner and boy, did we have fun. We've been members since.

So, if you don't have an old car you feel is safe to drive, or one that's not quite 25 yrs. old, find a friend and plan this trip together. You won't be disappointed. Call Dave Brown for any information you might need.

This month I kick off my Cars Under the Canopy program. Rick Richtmyer will be our first speaker and will tell us the Why, What, and When about his 1933 Buick Phaeton 60C. This car won at our COOL Show and I hope you will enjoy his short talk. For the Rest of the Story, stay tuned. You might be asked to be next.

Charlie Ulrich is going to be thinking about this year's COOL car show soon. They would like any suggestions you might have regarding this event. He and Sherry welcome any comments forwarded to them.

Well, that's all of my comments for this time. Thanks for being along on the journey.

Jo Ann



President, Jo Ann Smith

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What's Happening?

February 2020

- 9 Palm Beach Outlets Cars & Coffee 8am-12pm
 14 Morningside Church, PSL 5-8PM
 15 Summer Crush Winery Valentines Wknd 12-4 PM
 21&22 McKee's 37 Grand Opening, Stuart
 21 Sunlight Community Church PSL 6-8 PM
 22 Harbourside Place Show, Jupiter 4-8PM
 23 B&A Flea Market, 10-1
 Every Tuesday Night—Lowe's of Stuart Show 5-7:30

February 2020

27-29 AACA Winter National, Miami, FL

April 2020

2-5 AACA Southeastern Spring National, Charlotte NC

See page 6 for more details on the above and more events.

Legislative News

Well, as you probably know by now, Florida's cell phone issue has risen again. This time as a law with "teeth" in it under Wireless Communications While Driving. As of January 1st, 2020, under this law it is a primary offense and you can now be stopped and cited for using a wireless communication device while driving and/or failing to use a "hands-free" device in a school zone, school crossing or active work zone.

I'm sure none of our members do this, but, be forewarned. Personally I think this should be citable any time you are driving, be it a school zone or where-ever.

Respectfully, Jay Smith

CAR SHOWS & CRUISE-INS

Any one wishing to be notified of upcoming weekly, monthly & special car shows & cruise-ins please send your email address to koda06@bellsouth.net & you will be put on the email list. Thanks Denny Dahle, Special Events Coordinator for the TCVCC.

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?

Check out this months submission from Sally & Larry later on in this newsletter.

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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Rosemary's January Meeting Notes

January 26, 2020

The meeting was hosted by Jo Ann and Jay Smith and included a tour of the Manatee Lagoon FPL Eco Discovery Center in West Palm Beach, followed by the membership meeting and lunch at Shipwreck's Restaurant in Tequesta.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm by President Jo Ann Smith.

Guests Heather and Tony from Detroit were warmly welcomed.

Secretary's Report: Secretary Rosemary Rayman stated that the report will be in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Bob Ridle reported the club finances are in good shape. An audit of the books was performed by Secretary Rosemary Rayman and Chairwoman Sandee Searle with no issues.

Membership Report: 2nd VP Cathie Means was not in attendance, but membership stands at 104.

Vintage Times Report: Committee Chair Sally Franklin was not in attendance. Please submit articles for the newsletter ASAP.

Special Events Report: Committee Chair Denny Dahle was not in attendance. His report will be in the newsletter.

Club Store Report: Committee Chair Marie Flaherty was not in attendance. Marie has been asked to bring items for sale to the membership meetings.

Legislative Report: Committee Chair Jay Smith reported that he is researching the new law regarding texting and driving. His report will be in the newsletter.

Sunshine Report: Committee Chair Ann Ridle requested sunshine requests be submitted to her as soon as you become aware of them and not wait for the next membership meeting. It was reported that Richard Hoffman had hip replacement surgery, Roger Bollman is still in the VA Hospital, Bill Clark is in the hospital and Carol Christ passed away.

Tours: Committee Chair Dave Brown reported that the Cracker Tour will take place April 16-19. Since this is a vintage car club tour, only cars 25 years or older may participate. Those without access to a vintage car can still enjoy the tour by riding with other members. However, there will be space for two support cars chosen on a first come basis. Contact Dave Brown if you would like to join the tour.

Cool Car Show: Committee Chair Charlie Ulrich reported the 2019 show was very successful and well received by the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens. From the money raised, a \$2000 donation was made to the Botanical Gardens and \$1000 donation was made to AACA Building Fund.

New Business: President Jo Ann Smith reported that she will start a new program and personally invite a member to share stories and history about their car at each meeting.

1st VP Sally Franklin is working on the website.

Upcoming Meetings: The next meeting will be hosted by Marie and Mike Flaherty. Details will be in the newsletter.

Thank you to Jo Ann and Jay Smith for a wonderful general membership meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Rosemary Rayman, Secretary

“SAME AS IT NEVER WAS”

CRACKER TOUR 2020

April 16-19, 2020

This year's Cracker Tour will be a return to the **ORIGINAL** intent of the Cracker Tour. We are an antique car club, and we are returning to the concept of an **Antique Car Tour**. Like the AACA tours, (Founders Tour 1932-1995, Eastern Divisional Tour up to 1995, Sentimental Tour 1928-1958, Reliability Tour 1915 and earlier and the Revival AAA Glidden Tour 1942 and earlier), **only vehicles 25 years old or older can participate**. That means, you the Cracker Tour will consist of any vehicle up to and including 1995.

So, tune up and shine up your antique car and plan for 4 days of fun. We will travel at a leisurely pace, of up to 45 or 50 mph, and use as many back roads as possible. On this year's tour are some unexplored places of interest, and a redux of some that we have visited before.

To sign up, email to brown7373@bellsouth.net or call 772-464-2966. And please indicate which antique car of at least 25 years old you will be driving.

We also want to have 2 “support” vehicles, to help with breakdowns. Support vehicles duties would include carrying tools to help make roadside repairs. If repair is not possible, it would include waiting with for the tow truck and transporting the occupants to a repair facility or rental car facility or back to the hotel, etc. If you have interest as a support vehicle, please email to brown7373@bellsouth.net. We will select the 2 support vehicles from those who are interested and reply.



Letter From Steve Moskowitz, Executive Director, AACA

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January 20, 2020

Mr. David Brown, Treasurer Treasure Coast
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Brown:

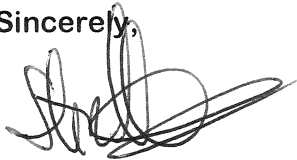
We are in receipt of your region donation of \$1,000.00 to the Antique Automobile Club of America's building fund.

It is only thru the generosity of our members that we can continue in our efforts to improve all facets of **AACA**. There are many worthwhile causes for you to support and we recognize you have choices. As such, your gift is even more meaningful to us.

You can be assured that your donation is critically important to our new building project. It will ensure the future of the national organization and allow us to expand our library. We expect to have a state-of-the-art building that you will be very proud to call your own.

Once again, on behalf of our staff and our Board of Directors we thank you.

Sincerely,



Steve Moskowitz
AACA Executive Director

Sunshine and Roses

I don't know about the rest of you but Ann Ridle really is enjoying Florida's January temperatures. She sends Sunshine to the rest of you who like 90 degree temps.

Cards were mailed last month to the following:

Sympathy to: Cliff Christ for the death of his wife Carol.

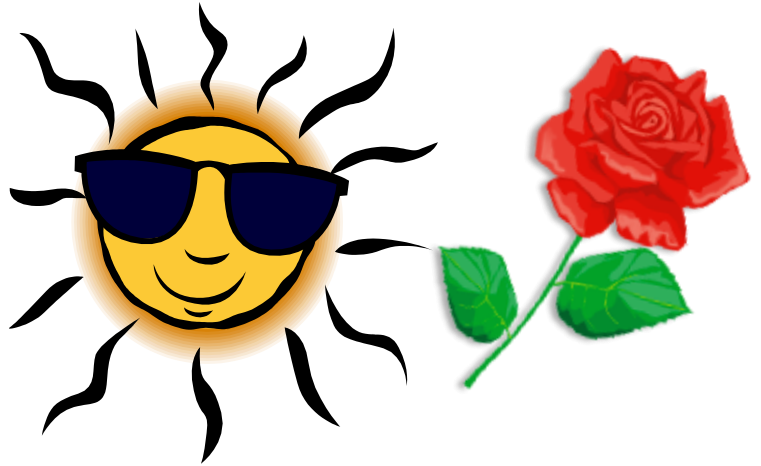
Get Well Wishes to:

New Member Richard Hoffman who broke his hip.
Veteran Roger Bowling who was scheduled for surgery last week.

Bill Clark returned to the hospital.

Kril Jackson had surgery for a torn retina.

Remember Ann Ridle's mailing cards & reporting is dependent on your sharing information.



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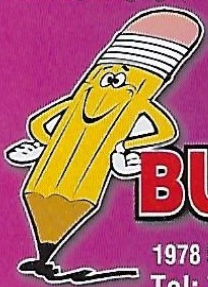
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Special Info and Events

- 2/9** 8AM-12PM, Palm Beach Outlets Cars and Coffee, 1751 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401. \$5 to display a vehicle. 1500+ cars! Restrooms open all morning in food court. Mall shopping opens at 11 am.
- 2/9** 8:30AM-4:30PM. 4th Annual Open Cars, Antiques & Truck Show sponsored by the Camaro Club of West Palm Beach. Location is: Commons Park Sporting Center, 11600 Poinciana Blvd., Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411. Cost is \$30 day of show. More info: 404-392-5923 or email jjmig@yahoo.com.
- 2/13** 5:30PM-8PM, Hwy 55 Diner (Palm City) Cruise-in, 3027 SW Martin Downs Blvd., Palm City, FL 34990. Free event. Hosted by No Name Car Club. Driver appreciation plaque. 50/50. Oldies music by Carlos & Friends. More info: Carlos, 772-528-4247. (2nd & 4th Thursdays)
- 2/14** 5-8 PM, Morningside Church Car Cruise-in, 2180 SE Morningside Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL 34952. Free event. Music. 50/50. Food truck. About 80 cars. Call Pastor Jim at 772-528-2707 for more info. (2nd Fridays)
- 2/15** Summer Crush Vineyard Valentines Weekend "Cars, Trucks & Romance" Car Show. 4200 Johnston Rd., Fort Pierce, FL 34951. Show time Noon to 4 PM. Car registration 10:30 AM to 11:45 AM only. Car registration \$20.00 (partial proceeds benefit local charities). Live entertainment, wines, beer. Food & drink available on site at the Musca Diner & Georgia Boy food trailer. No coolers, outside food or drinks please. Sponsored by McKee's car care products and co-hosted by the No-name Car Club 772-528-4247
- 2/20** 5:30PM-8PM, Knights of Columbus Cruise-in, 451 SW Ravenswood Lane, Port St. Lucie, FL 34983. Free event. Food and drinks available inside club. Award plaques. 50/50. Hosted by Sunny Ackerman, 772-985-5055. (3rd Thursdays)
- 2/21 & 2/22** Friday 3-9PM and Saturday 8 AM to 3 PM. McKee's 37 Grand Opening and Open House. 7481 SW Jack James Drive, Stuart, FL 34997. There will be music, food, seminars, tours of McKee's new headquarters, celebrities, a car show, Q&A with Wayne Carini, Nick Rutter, Bob Mckee and special guest as well as deep discounts on McKee's products, family fun, and much more. Limited to 25 cars per day. Registration is mandatory. Contact Bob Mckee at 772-210-0802, Nick Rutter at 772-210-0801, or email Nick@McKees37.com
- 2/21** 6PM-8PM, Sunlight Community Church Car Cruise-in, 477 SW Cashmere Blvd., Port St. Lucie, FL 34986. Free event. Music by Moose. 50/50, food truck with "White Castles" & more. Door prizes, "Sunlight Choice" award. Supported by the Mens Group of Sunlight Community Church. Contact: Holly Elliott text 215-421-7410 or e-mail Hollynothol@yahoo.com
- 2/22** 4-8 PM. Harborside Place Car Show, 200 US-1, Jupiter, FL 33477 (NW corner of US-1 and Indiantown Road). Roll in at 4 PM, gate closes at 6 PM. Entry fee is \$10. Cars must be 1990 or older. Pre-registration is mandatory because space is limited. Awards. Music. Contact Pete Needre to reserve a spot at 772-216-9488. (4th Saturdays)
- 2/23** 10 AM-2 PM. Savanna Classic Car Show. 3150 Crabapple Drive, Port St. Lucie, FL 34952. Free entry. People's choice awards. Open to all years, makes and models. Food & Refreshments available for purchase. Raffle, prizes, music. Rain date: March 1st. Contact is Neal at 413-427-41989.
- 2/27** 5:30-8 PM, Hwy 55 Diner (Palm City) Cruise-in, 3027 SW Martin Downs Blvd., Palm City, FL 34990. Free event. Hosted by No Name Car Club. Driver appreciation plaque. 50/50. Oldies music by Carlos & Friends. More info: Carlos, 772-528-4247. (2nd & 4th Thursdays)
- 2/29** 10 AM -1 PM. B&A Flea Market Car Show, 2885 US-1 Stuart, FL 34997. Free event. Raffles, goodie bags. Plaques awarded. Complementary Hot Dog Combo Lunch for each car driver, plus a "goodie bag". Event can hold 50 cars, so CALL TO RESERVE your space: 772-288-4915. All cars on pavement. Hosted by Lew's Crew. More info: Lew, 772-260-6509.
- 2/29** Summer Crush Vineyard Mopar all-Chrysler Corporation, AMC, Jeep & Truck Car Show, 4200 Johnston Rd., Fort Pierce, FL 34951. Show time Noon to 4 PM. Car registration 10:30 AM to 11:45 AM only. Car registration \$25.00 (partial proceeds benefit local charities). Judging by Mr. Blu Hall. Over 20 awards plus McKee 4 ft Best in Show trophy. Live entertainment, wines, beer. Food & drink available on site at the Musca Diner & Georgia Boy food trailer. No coolers, outside food or drinks please. Sponsored by McKee's car care products and co-hosted by the No-name Car Club 772-528-4247.
- 2/29** 1:00 PM until done (?) Classic Car Show at Jupiter Light Lodge No. 340. Second Annual Car Show. 600 Loxahatchee Drive, Jupiter, FL. All makes and models welcome. Roll in starts at 12 Noon. Gate fee \$10.00 per show car and spectators free. Trophies: 5 best of shows plus people choice as selected by participants votes. No alcohol or coolers please. Pirate photos available!

January Meeting



MEMBER'S WORKS IN PROGRESS

Sally Franklin and Larry Atkins went to visit Ed and Delores Neel in Maryland over the holidays to check out a Ford Ranchero they had for sale. That car did not work out, but there was another car in the garage that proved to be something they thought might fit into their daughter and son-in-law's plans. Returning to Florida on New Years Day, they shared some photos of the car with the intended victims, er, recipients. It was immediately decided to leave the following week to retrieve the car and bring it back to Florida. The epic journey began on a Wednesday morning and ended with a successful return on that Saturday at 3 AM. After a brief nap and a snack, the work began. Three weeks and multiple parts deliveries later, the bird made her debut at the Cars & Coffee at the Elliott Museum on February 8th. Jennifer and Butch are enjoying their new ride and will become members of TCVCC so they can share in all the fun we have. Here are a few pictures of their new 1959 Ford Thunderbird.



Before



After

Like Old Club Pictures?

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

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