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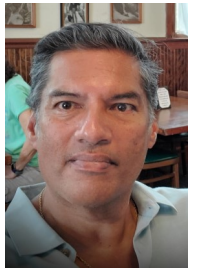
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Upcoming Meetings

The September General Meeting will be on **Sunday, September 25th**. Please see the announcement on page 5 for details.

Howdy Fellow TCVCer's!

September is upon us, and as I write this, I remember many Labor day holidays of past which were usually spent battered down waiting for one hurricane or another. Thankfully this Labor



day appears to be less menacing. I thought I would hedge my bets by having a fully automatic home generator – Generac with all the bells and whistles which would surely mean that I would never need it. Well after several months, going way back to June, everything has been installed and wired- except there is no generator. The usual story about supply chain problems being the standard excuse.

Remember that leaky power steering hose on my '64 GTO. It's all fixed now for the tame sum of \$22 for a new pressure hose delivered to my house. Very inexpensive, though the cost of power steering fluid certainly made up for that. With that out of the way, the next action item was the exhaust leak at the mating surface of the header to the heads.

At the suggestion of Larry Atkins, I purchased a set of Remflex exhaust manifold gaskets. They sat at the house taunting me for a month. I knew there was no glory in changing this gasket as headers are truly tools of the devil. I was fortunate that all bolts loosened without too much aggravation, though some allowed very little turn per try.

Again Larry bailed me out by grinding down a 7/16" inch open wrench which sped the job up significantly, and the new gasket is installed, and working as it should. I checked the opposite side and found that all bolts were tight. With the air conditioning compressor on that side, it would be more of an effort to change that one. I saved the second gasket for a later time (hopefully never).

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Prez Says continued

Look carefully in the newsletter as you will see that Sandy Searle has planned a fall tour in early November. I think that is the perfect time of year for a tour, though I remember one of the days I thought I was going to die was in November 2020 at the Big O flea market. It was a miserably hot and humid day. These tours are always fun... even more so if your car doesn't act the fool.

Our show in October is almost just a month away and we have nearly 40 pre-registrations, and an equal amount for the Friday night Jimmy Buffet fiesta. It's definitely going to be a great 2 days of events. If you have not signed up for both of them, I implore you to do so, and certainly invite your friends.

I've been put in charge of judging, and have gotten volunteers, but I could sure use some more. It's easy, and will take less than an hour out of your day. Please contact me- arayman@aol.com

We recently had our August general meeting at Paul Grasso's garage. I know I sound like a broken record when I say that I am surprised that I didn't know this place existed. We saw some concourse level restorations in progress, and the workmanship was impressive. To see pictures of the General Meeting, click [Here](#)



As we approach the end of the year, I will be putting together a nomination committee who will reach out to members to serve on the board. Serve is really not the right word. It's more like members who would like to go out to eat as a group once a month, and plan an event. If you have ever considered it, I invite you to attend one of our monthly board meetings so you can see that it is really a fun time. We have been fortunate over the last few years to see many new faces on the board.

Till next month,
Andre'

Secretary's Report

Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club General Membership Meeting , August 28th, 2022

We visited Grasso's Garage which is a one-stop facility for sales, repair & restoration, and body & paint for classics, and special interest and collector cars. We were introduced to some of the very special vintage cars he and his staff are currently working on. After the garage visit, we all headed over to Mr. Jalapeno's for lunch.

The meeting was called to order at 11:21 am.

Secretary: Rosemary Rayman reported that the minutes from last month are in the newsletter. Please contact her with any questions.

Treasurer: Sandee Searle stated she is processing deposits for the Cool Car Show and that the club's finances are in good shape. The books are open to any member who would like to review them.

Editor: Sally Franklin thanked those who have already submitted articles and requested the members to keep them coming.

Membership: Marie Flaherty reported that club membership is at 96.

Club Store: Barbara Joyce reported that she has shirts and windshield visors for sale today. She also reported that a new page called The Club Store has been added to the website.

Events: Denny Dahle presented his report on upcoming events. Details will be in the newsletter and on the website.

Tours: Sandee Searle reported that she and Mike will be hosting a Club Tour on Nov 4-6. The tour will be in the Lakeland area. Contact Sandee if you would like to attend.

Cool Show: Sally Franklin reported the Cool Show planning is on schedule. A final committee meeting will be schedule at the Gardens prior to the event. Denny Dahle reported that he has obtained several sponsorships and has a few that are pending completion.

Legislation: Jay Smith reported there was nothing related to Florida.

Sunshine: Get-well cards for Roma Eichhorn and Pat Musto were requested.

New Business: President Andre Rayman stated he will have everyone introduce themselves at each meeting. He also stated a nominating committee has been formed and is working on the 2023 nominees

for the Board. If you are interested in running for a Board position, please contact Mike Searle.

Next month's general meeting will be hosted by John and Ann DeLisa. Details will be in the newsletter.

The club members thanked Marney McKee for hosting today's meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Rosemary Rayman



AACA Events

September 10—September 16

Sentimental Tour – Gettysburg, PA

Sponsor: Buzzards Breath Region Location: Gettysburg, PA AACA National Tour for automobiles 1928-1958.

September 17

46th Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet

Host: Bull Run Region Location: Manassas Museum, 9101 Prince William St., Manassas, VA 20110
Antique car show and flea market in the heart of historic Manassas, within 2 blocks of farmer's market, International Food Festival, unique Old Town shops. Model-T Ford assembly demonstrations. 50 awards. Door prizes, silent auction. Free spectator admission and garage parking

September 18

Anthracite Region AACA 36th “See you in September” Car Show

Located at the Tri-County Little League Baseball Field, McAdoo, PA (Exit 138 off I-81)

September 25-30

Revival AAA Glidden Tour - Princeton, NJ

Central New Jersey, New Jersey Region AACA Sponsored 1942 & earlier.

October 4 - October 7

Eastern Fall Nationals – Hershey, PA

Hershey Park 100 Hersheypark Dr, Hershey, PA
Hershey Brochure

October 8 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

TCVVC Cars of Our Lives Show 2022 – Port St. Lucie, FL

Sponsor: Treasure Coast Region AACA Contact: Barbara Joyce - 772-418-0273; Sally Franklin - 314-324-5192; treasurecoast.aaca.com This is our 41st Annual Show & features many new classes for judged vehicles. We have 3 food trucks lined up, including ice cream, along with face painting and balloon animals for the kids. A DJ will provide music for [...]

For more information, visit the AACA website at [Upcoming Events > AACA National Calendar > – Antique Automobile Club of America](#)



Sunshine & Happenings

SUNSHINE REPORT

Get well cards were sent to Roma Eichhorn & Pat Musto.. A sympathy card was sent to Karen Mosler on the passing of Mike Simond's.

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.

September 25th General Club Meeting

We will meet at Mulligan's Beach House, 131 SW Flagler Ave., Stuart at 11:30 AM.

We will have our meeting and eat lunch. Then we will walk next door to the Stuart Heritage Museum and tour the museum.



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COOL SHOW UPDATES

We currently have 41 cars registered for the show. If you have not registered your car or know someone who is planning to go to the show, please get them registered before the last minute rush.

Registration forms, Sponsor forms, and Flyers are available on our website and will be handed out at our meetings and events around the area. If you would like a bunch to hand out, contact Denny, Sally or Andre.

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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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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Upcoming Events

EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER/2022 ONLY

Friday September 16th, "KORK" restaurant in Hobe Sound is planning an anniversary party on Friday September 16th, 2022 and would like to have a display of classic/antique cars at their restaurant located at 11970 SE Dixie Hwy in Hobe Sound starting at 5 pm. Event organizers advise that they have plenty of parking and will be offering dining discounts for all cruisers who bring an antique/special interest car. Here is the restaurants website.....Kork<<https://korkhobesound.com/>>. The contact person at the restaurant is Dina Fabry and her e mail is dina@korkhobesound.com should you have any questions

EVENTS THAT REPEAT MONTHLY

- **Sunday, August 28h, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Holy Grounds Cafe Car Show.** First United Methodist Church of Port St. Lucie. 260 NW Prima Vista Blvd., Port St Lucie, FL 34983. Bring your cars at 3 PM. The theme is football season kickoff.

- **Friday, September 2nd, 5:30 to 8:30 PM. Brass Monkey Cruise-in.** 7781 Lake Worth Road, Lake Worth, FL 33467. Free admission. Hosted by Donnie, Betty and Carlos. Music by DJs Donnie & Carlos. Food discount inside the restaurant for cruisers every day (!) Info: 561-968-9559 or Carlos 772-528-4247 (1st Friday of the month)

-**Saturday September 3rd, 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM, McKees 37 Cars and Coffee.** 7744 Jack James Drive, Stuart, FL 34997. Free admission. Tech tips and, product demonstrations by Nick Rutter. Music, tent sales, discounts and factory tours. Coffee, donuts and pastries. (repeats every 1st Saturday)

- **Saturday September 10h, 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Cars and Coffee at Elliott Museum.** 825 NE Ocean Blvd. Stuart, FL 34996. Free event. \$3 buys unlimited coffee and danish. McKees37 is the event sponsor. (repeats on 2nd Saturdays)

- **Sunday, September 18th, 8:00 AM to Noon. Palm Beach Outlets Cars and Coffee.** Use I-95, exit 71 and head east to the mall entrance. Address for your GPS/Phone is: 1751 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd., West Palm Beach, FL 33401. \$10 to display a vehicle. Gates open at 7 AM. Spectators are free. Expect over a thousand cars... Restrooms open all morning in food court. Mall shopping opens at 11:00 am.

- **Sunday September 11th and Sunday September 25th, 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM.** Valencia Cay Car Club Cars & Coffee. 662 SE Becker Road, Port St. Lucie, FL 34984. Informal car enthusiast gathering located in the parking lot between Dunkin Donuts and Bonefish Mac Grill. Welcoming cruisers, not just the club. Point of contact is Jamie Stern, 516-849-8696. (Held on the 2nd & 4th Sundays)

- **Saturday September 24th, 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM**

South East Classics Harbourside Show, 129 Soundings Ave, Jupiter, FL 33477. \$10 entry fee. Roll in at 1:00 PM. Trophies, including Participants & Spectators Choice. Open to all years, makes and models. Nice restaurants. Contact is Pete Needre - or call 772.216.9488. Pete2350@comcast.net

- **Sunday September 25th, 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM.** Cars & Coffee at Hobe Sound Social and Coffee. 11844 SE Dixie Hwy., Suite A, Hobe Sound, FL 33455.

<https://www.hobesoundsocial.com/>

Upcoming Events

EVENTS THAT REPEAT WEEKLY

- Tuesday nights at the Elliott Museum 4 pm to 7 pm Car Show by Lew's Crew. 825 NE Ocean Blvd., Stuart, FL 34996. \$3 to display a car (portion of proceeds donated to the museum). Spectators are free.
- Friday Nights, 4:30 PM until ?. Sonic Drive-In Car Enthusiast Drop-in. 3177 NW Federal Hwy. Jensen Beach, FL 34957. Nothing formal. Just a good time. Meets weather permitting of course. Free sundae with your purchase. Contact is Mike Gelter, 772-485-0162 (every Friday)
- Saturday Nights, 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM. Informal Car Enthusiast meet-up in the park underneath the EAST Jensen Beach Causeway. Address is: NE Causeway Blvd., Jensen Beach, FL 34957. From the mainland, drive OVER the bridge/causeway. On the downside, make the first hard right turn and drive through the parking lot. Lots of shade and cool breezes coming across the water. Bring a chair and relax... Restrooms in West section of park. Weather permitting of course. Contact is Bob Crow at 772-359-4822.

A COUPLE OF "SAVE THE DATES" FOR THIS FALL

- October 1st, Hobe Sound Fall Fest sponsored by CTM Customs 1425 Bridge Rd Hobe Sound 772-203-2098
 - October 8th, Cool Cars Of Our Lives hosted by the Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club at the Port St Lucie Botanical Gardens
 - October 19 Car Show at the Kane Center on Salerno Rd In Stuart (details to follow)
 - November 20th Fall Fest & Car Show at the Rockin H Ranch in Palm City (details to follow)
- Reminder: Check out the Treasure Coast Automobile Enthusiast Facebook page which now has over 300 members.

CARS FOR SALE!

Club member David MacMillan is selling a few of his cars. Here is a list of cars available. If you are interested or want more information, please contact David at:

772-285-6755 or SMOKIND38@YAHOO.COM

- 1929 Model A 2 Door Phaeton—\$45,000**
- 1931 Model A Deluxe Roadster—\$20,000**
- 1929 Model A Sedan Delivery—\$28,000**
- 1930 Rugby Pickup—\$25,000**
- 1961 Nash Metropolitan Convertible—\$22,500**

Member Stories

The Dodge Brothers Club Annual Meet

Sunday April 23, 2022 – Thursday April 28, 2022 - Charleston, SC.
by Barb & Ed Joyce

We have been members of this club since the early 80's and this was our first meet that we had the opportunity to attend with our 1928 Graham Brothers Canopy Express Truck. The Dodge Brothers Club was founded in 1983 and its purpose is the research and preservation of Dodge Brothers Motor Vehicles and Graham Brothers Commercial Vehicles from 1914 through 1938, and the history of the people and company behind these vehicles.

We loaded up the Graham Brothers and headed to Charleston, SC early on Sunday morning for the 9-hour drive to Charleston. Once we arrived without any problems we were greeted with open arms and smiles. We saw people we haven't seen for over 18 years and made many new club friends. Once we got checked in at the hotel and got the Graham Brothers off the trailer, we all gathered for an Ice Cream Social & Welcome.

Day 1: The next morning, we had our first drivers meeting then headed off to our first tour. Please note that we all drove our OLD cars / trucks to ALL the tours. They had what you call a "Trouble Truck" that followed the group if there were any breakdowns.

Our first tour was to the Hunley Civil War Submarine at the Warren Lasch Conservation Center. In 1864, the Hunley became the world's first successful combat submarine. She mysteriously vanished and was lost for over a century after destroying the USS Housatonic ship in the harbor of Charleston. The Hunley was finally found in 1995 and raised from the sea in 2000.



The Hunley is now in a 75,000-gallon tank filled with sodium hydroxide solution designed to leach out the salts threatening the submarine. The solution is mainly to loosen up the rock-like- layer of sand, sediment, and rust. All of the 8-man crew members remains where respectfully removed and were given a proper confederate burial.

After the tour we all got back in our old vehicles and drove to the Magnolia Cemetery. This is an old Revolutionary and Civil War Cemetery. We drove our old vehicles around the old cemetery plots and got a walking tour. We even saw the last resting place of the Hunley Crew.

Member Stories

The Dodge Brothers Club Annual Meet, continued

Then we had lunch at Golden Corral and headed to our last tour of the day. The North Charleston Fire Museum. When you enter the museum, it resembles a classic fire house with vaulted 20-foot ceilings. Home of the largest collection of fully restored American LaFrance Fire Apparatus in the country. It has a collection of over twenty fully restored fire vehicles. Some of these trucks have details such as hand-laid 24 gold leaf scroll work. Truly amazing!



Day 2: The next morning, we left in the Graham Brothers to the Angel Oak Tree that is located on St. John's Island. The oak derives its name from the estate of Justus Angel and his wife, Martha Waight Tucker Angel. Local folklore tells stories of ghosts of former enslaved people appearing as angels around the tree. This one tree covers over an acre of land. Angel Oak is thought to be one of the oldest tree (400+ years) east of Mississippi River.



Then we headed to the Charleston Tea Garden for a tour and lunch on Wadmalaw Island. There we got a private bus tour of the Tea Gardens and a Factory Tour. They are the only tea garden in North America where you can see hundreds of thousands of tea bushes stretching out acre after acre for almost as far as the eye can see.

After lunch we headed to Holy City Brewing where we had a chance to relax and enjoy conversation with some old friends. We each had a coupon for a free brew or soft drink.

Why the name Holy City Brewing? Charleston is believed to be called the "Holy City" because of its history of religious tolerance + abundant places of worship. Today, the city skyline is defined by over 400 church steeples and many different religions are practiced around town.



Member Stories

The Dodge Brothers Club Annual Meet, continued

Day 3: After our drivers meeting, we were off to Boone Hall Plantation and Gardens. When you first drive in, it is overwhelming with the world-famous Avenue of Oaks forming a beautiful corridor. These oaks were planted in 1743 by Captain Thomas Boone. It took over 200 years for the trees to meet overhead to form the present-day scenic corridor.



Once we parked our vehicles, we got a private tour of the plantation mansion and the beautiful blooming gardens. Interesting facts: The movie "North & South" with Patrick Swayze was filmed there. Also "The Notebook" to name a few. We saw 8 remaining brick buildings where the slaves lived. An average of 12 people. 2 families lived in one building. Then we had a live performance of the "Gullah Culture", and about their "Sweetgrass Baskets".

Our next stop was to Sullivan's Island to Fort Moultrie and Fort Sumter National Monument for a picnic lunch and a tour of the fort. Fort Moultrie in one of the United States most historic coastal defense site, Fort Moultrie protected the city of Charleston and its strategically important harbor for more than a century and a half.

On our way back to our hotel, we accidentally made a wrong turn and ended up on the Charleston Express way. Semi-trucks passing us going 75 miles was quite nerve wracking, but fortunately in about 1/2 mile down the road the traffic slowed down to 30 miles an hour which was the perfect speed for us. 5 miles later we got off our exit with no problem. And yes, once we got back to the hotel, Barb had a gin and tonic!

Day 4: No one drove their old vehicles. Instead, we had a tour bus pick us up at the hotel and got a tour of downtown Charleston, some historical buildings and Citadel College. Then we had time to do some shopping in some cute and unique shops. Once we got back to our hotel, we drove our Graham Brothers across the street to the Tanger Outlet Mall with all the other old Dodges and had our own car show with pizza. That evening we sat down for a great banquet meal. We received a gift from the club since it was our first time we attended a Dodge Brothers Tour Meet and also won first place for our Graham Brothers at the show.

We also had the honor to meet and talk to John Van Lennep, the grandson of John Dodge. One of the two Dodge Brothers who co-founded the Dodge Motor Company. He loved hearing our story about our Graham Brothers and found out that he lives in Delray Beach, Florida.

This tour was great! Very organized and professionally done. It was so cool to drive with all the older cars and our Graham Brothers drove like it just came out of the showroom. Started up every time and drove without any problems. A total of 195 miles.

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CULINARY

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 Cooking with wine – to drink!

Pay deposit of \$25pp in advance by Oct. 1st to Sandee or Mike Searle



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RSVP – Call/text ASAP to Sandee Searle 772.285.7216 or Mike Searle 772.486.3331