



Vintage Times



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Upcoming Meetings

The January General Meeting will be on **Sunday, January 28th**. Please see the announcement on page 4 for details.

“Thank you for being a friend, traveled down a road and back again...” – Andrew Gold

As I begin my 25th (more on how I arrived at that number later) “Message from the President”, I want to start out by thanking all the 2023 Board Members & Committee



Heads for the stellar job they did all year long on behalf of the members of the Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club/AACA. We definitely had some good times! But I also want to single out some folks for an extra measure of personal gratitude from me.

Sally Franklin - A huge thanks to Sally for taking the President's job in 2023. As 1st VP in 2022, it was expected that I would step up to the President's role in 2023. But some health concerns, since resolved, kept me from doing that and Sally stepped into the breach. This was on top of her roles as *Vintage Times* Editor and Co-Chair of the 2023 Cool Show.

Andre Rayman – Thanks to Andre, a past President (twice) for...well...for being Andre! He's always spinning off ideas, asking questions, sharing concepts, recruiting new members, and finding restaurants and ice cream parlors I didn't even know existed. He also takes and catalogs more pictures of club activities than anyone else...a Webmaster's delight. And he's always available for a quick consult.

Barb Joyce – Like Andre, Barb is also a past President and always available to answer questions about the club's past and discuss ideas. Like Sally and Andre, she's an excellent sounding board, and the November meeting tells you volumes about her creativity. I never hesitate to pick up the phone and call her.

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President's Message, continued...

Now, what did I mean about this article being my 25th "Message from the President"? Well, it's my 25th time writing a column as a Region President. I spent 2 years as President of the Waynesboro-Staunton Region/AACA in Virginia, from 2012 to 2014, knocking out 24 monthly messages in that time...so my 1st message as TCVCC/AACA's President is my 25th over-all!

Looking back, 2023 was an excellent year for club activities. Most of our activities can be summed up with 8 C's, a P and a B...Cars, Cows, Classic Art Deco, Cracker Tour, College, Cruising, Cool Show, Cook-out, Poker Run & B-B-Q! If you want to review all we enjoyed in 2023, I direct you to our club's website and the Club Activities page, <https://treasurecoast.aaca.com/activities/>, where you can link to all the pictures of the TCVCC/AACA activities from last year. Were you along? I hope you were.

What can I tell you about 2024? Well, a "Cracker Tour" to somewhere in Florida is in the works for April! And I can tell you a MAMMOTH engine is involved in our January activity. Information on our January 28th meeting can be found elsewhere in this month's newsletter, as well as on the club's website, at <https://treasurecoast.aaca.com/activities/>. Also, the new board is already hard at work planning and scheduling all the monthly activities for the remainder of the year. When the board has finalized our calendar for 2024, it will be posted on the Club Activities page as well.

Finally, if you haven't renewed your TCVCC and your AACA memberships for 2024, please do so now! There are always a few (unintentional) stragglers who miss the EOY deadline, and we don't want to miss anyone being listed in the upcoming 2024 Roster. You also will not be able to participate in any club activities, receive this monthly newsletter, etc. Both renewals must be performed. The TCVCC 2024 renewal form and directions for mailing can be found on our website at <https://treasurecoast.aaca.com/membership-info/>. If you have misplaced your AACA form, you may renew on-line by clicking this link <https://members.aaca.org/membership/Membership.php>. Thanks!

I hope to see everyone at our January 28th meeting...and let's keep 'em on the road!

Bob Riddle

Secretary's Report

Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club General Membership Meeting, December 10, 2023

The December General Meeting , hosted by Marney McKee, was held at the Port Salerno Civic Center. A full TACO BAR was served to sixty members attending along with assorted sides.

The meeting was called to order by President Sally Franklin at 1:12 PM.

Brian Perry attended as a guest.



Secretary, Jo Ann, will have her report in the newsletter. She also informed the members we had received a Holiday Card from the Indian River State College Foundation signed by several members. We, in the past, had contributed to their automotive program. We also received a letter from the college asking for continued support of their programs to help students achieve their college goals. No action was taken on this.

Membership, Ann Ridle, informed the members we now have 106 members. This is a 10% increase over last year. She says there are several members who have not renewed their annual membership and, if you want to be in next years roster you need to take care of this NOW!

Barb Joyce informed the group our bank account is in good shape. President Sally will have the newsletter soon.

Bob Ridle urged everyone to visit our Website especially the "Members On The Move" page. The Website will keep you up-to-date on all things TCVCC. (car shows, AACA events, and what members are up to and where they are going and where they have been).

Denny Dahle informed members of many car shows going on in the area and will have a full list in the newsletter.

Tanya Colletta has shirts and other stuff in Club Stores for anyone interested.

Legislative: Jay Smith reported there is activity regarding EV's and Internal combustion powered new vehicles, but nothing new regarding collector cars.

Sunshine: Marie Flaherty sent get well cards to Charlie Ulrich who had Hip surgery and Terry Richtmyer who had work done on his shoulder.

Bob Sees will be taking a crew to clean out and organize our storage compartment in the near future

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Secretary's Report

Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club General Membership Meeting, continued...

Dave and Amy Brown are going to be putting together a Cracker Tour for April, 2024. More on this as we go along.

There was no Old Business nor any New Business before the general membership. Bob Ridle then took the floor and gave a great tribute to out-going President Sally Franklin. As you may know she has a really cute Metropolitan (she calls it "Turtle") and Bob presented her with a plaque for her garage and a throw blanket emblazoned with coral metropolitans. We all gave her a round of applause to end the meeting.

Bob Ridle reminded the members that his first meeting as your new President will be the board meeting January 2nd and the general meeting will be January 28th. It's a busy time of year and he didn't want you to forget. Details will be forthcoming.

Also you don't want to forget to take in the King Tut exhibit coming to the Elliot Museum in the near future.

A motion was made to adjourn, seconded and we did.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jo Ann Smith
Secretary

As this is my last report for the year, I would like to wish all of my friends in TCVCC a HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON and a GREAT NEW YEAR and I look forward to serving as your secretary again in 2024.



General Meeting Notice

January 28th – Sunday Meeting – Hosted by Bob & Ann Ridle. Our first General Meeting of the new year finds us headed north to Vero Beach and the American Icon Brewery. We'll gather at 10 AM at the Jensen Beach Post Office, departing promptly at 10:30 AM.



The American Icon Brewery's home is the city's former power generating station, now on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places. The club first visited AIB 5 years ago, and everyone talked about going back one day...well, now we are!



The centerpiece of the restaurant is a MAM-MOTH 750-kilowatt Busch-Sulzer air injected diesel generator.

In addition to their local brews, the American Icon Brewery also features a delicious food menu as well. [CLICK HERE](#) for a peek. We'll have our meeting and lunch upstairs overlooking both the giant engine and the brewing room. AIB is also setting aside part of their parking lot for our classic cars to use.

We will need your RSVP by Friday, January 26th so we can give them a head-count. You can RSVP to bridle1010@yahoo.com, or text/call 540-255-6500. Remember, January 26th is the deadline!

Upcoming National Events

AACA National & Regional Events

February 8-10, 2024, 2024 AACA Annual Convention, Chantilly, Virginia. Hotel: Westfields Marriott Washington Dulles, 14750 Conference Center Drive, Chantilly, VA. Per night \$169 includes breakfast for two people.

March 17-23, 2024 2024 AACA Founders Tour (vehicles 1932-1999) Host: Louisiana Region AACA. Location: Acadiana Area, Louisiana, Chariman: Ronald Sonnier, rsonnier@cox.net.

March 21-24, 2024, 2024 Special Winter Nationals. Host: Puerto Rico Region AACA Location: Coliseo Mario Quiote Morales, Guayanbo, Puerto Rico. Chairman: Mario Guzman.

April 4-6, 2024 Southeastern Spring Nationals. Charlotte, NC

April 5, 2024 Grand Nationals. Charlotte, NC



For more listings and information, click [HERE](#) to visit the AACA website.

Sunshine & Happenings

SUNSHINE REPORT

Cards were sent to Charlie Ulrich and Terry Richtmyer. Please pass on information to Marie Flaherty: email: mariec21@earthlinknet, phone 772-631-9065. Let me know so we can shine some Sunshine for our club members.

HEADLINE .. 2024 TCVCC ROSTER DELIVERED TO YOU AT THE FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING? ...WELL, MAYBE

In order to make that happen, two things need to occur.

1. **Your TCVCC & AACA 2024 dues MUST be paid.** If you haven't paid up yet, you are not too late, if you act now! (KEEP IN MIND AACA records CAN take +/-3 WEEKS to update their info that is sent to me for our membership qualification & verification.) Yes, we verify that. If not paid yet, please pay pronto online at aaca.com ...don't delay. AACA form also attached to AACA's monthly magazine. **NEW MEMBERS** joining in November & December, 2023, that \$25 to join paid your 2024 TCVCC dues. Double check that you have sent AACA your Complimentary PINK New Member Information sheet for their free 2024 dues.

2. **Get your picture updated or taken.** If you haven't done so, please get with Ann at the January General Meeting. If you are happy with your current picture, no need to do anything. If you can't make the January meeting and want a new or different picture, and have a picture that you would like to use, please send it to Ann Ridle at ahr3206@verizon.net

Thank you for your cooperation.
Ann Ridle

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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.

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

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NEW CARS OR 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.

Upcoming Events

LOCAL EVENTS, (Courtesy of Jim Serra and No Name Car Club)

EVENTS FOR JANUARY ONLY

Mecum Kissimmee Auction starts on Jan 2nd and runs through Jan 14th Details on the Mecum website.

Saturday January 6th, The Hot Wheelz show that was rained out a few weeks ago will take place at 9221 Southeast Event Center Pl in Port St Lucie Noon to 7 pm. open to cars/trucks/bikes. No further info available.

Saturday Jan 13th, 17th Annual Pine School Car Show 10 am to 3 pm 12350 se Federal Hwy Hobe sound. Entry fee is \$45 (event funds their scholarship program). 772-675-7005 jboy-er@thepineschool.org

Sunday Jan 14th, Wildwood Antique Mall Car Show 720 S US-1, Vero Beach set up at 8 am, show starts at 9 am. stingrayjohnny@hotmail for more info.

Saturday Jan 20th, B&A Flea Market show 10 am to 1 pm FREE event but you MUST REGISTER to secure a spot. FREE hot dog lunch for car owners/raffles/prizes. 772-485-4915

Friday & Saturday Jan 26 & 27th is the 35th Annual River Ranch car show. (954) 309-1514 for more info

Sunday Jan 28th, City Diner Cars & Coffee 8 am to 11 am. 20% dining discount, best of show trophy, 3 runner up gift cards. Sponsored by the No Name Car Club....Carlos 772-528-4247
NOTE: Conflicts with the regularly scheduled 4th Sunday Cars & Coffee on Becker Rd

SHOWS THAT REPEAT MONTHLY

Friday Jan 5th, 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 Jan 6th, McKees 37 monthly Cars & Coffee 8 am 7744 Jack James Dr Stuart. FREE event and \$3 buys coffee/donuts. Tech session by Nick Rutter as well as product discounts. (Repeats 1st Saturday of the month)

Sunday January 7th, Googan Coffee Shop Cruise In 8 am to 1030 am 1917 NE Federal Hwy Stuart (just north of LA Fitness). Free event put on by a local family owned business - FREE Coffee (Repeats on the first Sunday of the month).

Sunday Jan 7th, 8 am, The Palm Beach outlets Cars & Coffee (1751 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd. West Palm Beach, FL 33401.) www.carsandcoffeepbdotcom

Upcoming Events, continued...

Local Events continued

Sunday Jan 7th, Recovery Sports Grill Cruise In. Repeats on the first Sunday of the month 4 to 8 pm, 10350 sw Don R Led Duke Dr Port St Lucie. 772-345-8490

Saturday, Jan 13th, Elliott Museum Cars & Coffee 8 am 825 NE Ocean Blvd Stuart. Free event - \$3 buys coffee/donuts/ice water - now featuring Jupiter Donuts. Sponsored by McKees 37. (Repeats on the 2nd Saturday of the month).

Sunday Jan 14th & Jan 28th, Valencia Cay Cars & Coffee 662 se Becker Rd, 8 am. Free event - Dunkin Donuts and Publix are nearby (2nd and 4th Sunday of the month).

Monday Jan 15th, 5 PM – 8PM Truck Stop Car & Truck Show I-95 & State RD 60 T/A Truck-stop (repeats on the 3rd Monday of the month) Carlos 772-528-4247

Saturday Jan 27th, South East Classics Harborside Show 4th Saturday of the month car show 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM , 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. Contact is Pete Needre Pete2350@comcast.net or call 772.216.9488.

SHOWS THAT REPEAT WEEKLY

Tuesday Jan 2nd, Tuesday Night Show at Lowes, 4 pm - 7 pm, 3620 SE Federal Hwy, Stuart, FL 34997. Please have exact change (\$3) to expedite entry to the show. Free for spectators - repeats weekly

Weds Jan 3rd, Pick One ----- Weekly cruise in at Dairy Queen 9019 US Hwy 1 Port St Lucie at 4:30 pm FREE event and a dining discount for cruisers. Ira Fluss 772-485-7145.
or.... Weekly Car Show at the Elliott Museum 825 NE Ocean Blvd at 4 pm \$5 to show a car (fee waived Museum members), spectators FREE - 10% dining discount for cruisers

Friday Jan 5th, Weekly cruise in at Sonic 3177 NW Federal Hwy Jensen Beach at 430 pm - Free Sundae with your purchase. Mike Gelter 772-485-0162

Saturday Jan 6th, Weekly Cars & Coffee every Saturday - NOTE NEW TIME from 10 am to 2 pm at Saint Lucie Lanes 6759 US-1, Port St Lucie, FL 34952 \$5 includes coffee/donuts and a trophy). www.carsandcoffeesl.com.

Note: There are several openings for the 2nd annual Kane Center car show on Sunday Feb. 11th, 900 se Salerno Rd Stuart 11 am to 2 pm. This is a free event but you must secure a spot by registering as space is limited (E Mail: jimserra117@yahoo.com or text 772-285-3320).

Member Stories

December General Meeting

On December 10, 2023, the Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club descended upon the Port Salerno Civic Center for a Mexican Fiesta, orchestrated by Marney McKee. And what a fiesta it was! We had a huge turnout and a lot of food to go around. Friends we hadn't seen in a long time and friends we saw just a few days ago. It was an awesome end to an awesome year! Here are a few pictures from the party. If you want to see more, visit Andre's Flickr page by clicking [HERE](#) and enjoy.

