

HEADLIGHTS



South Jersey Region AACA

Club Website www.sjraaca.com

April, 2022

50th ANNUAL SWAP MEET & CAR CORRAL

By Ron W. Scott

Well our 50th annual swap meet is now behind us. It appeared to me that we had an extremely successful event. We began on Saturday by preparing the Salem County Fairgrounds with more than 40 helpers.

On Sunday, we began around 5 AM and didn't stop until almost 5 PM. A long day but well worth it. We were told the tailgate area was larger than it has ever been. Some of the buildings had fewer vendors but we believe many of them moved outside to the tailgate area.

We will wait for Gary to give us the report on how we made out but I feel it will give our treasury the boost it badly needed.

I have spoken to other clubs in the past and they said it is like pulling teeth to get their members to help with activities. We as a club, are blessed with the number of people willing to help. It made the overall workload so much easier having so many to help and willing to do whatever to get the job done.

I believe I can speak for both Gary and Chuck when I say we personally thank each and every one of you!

Breakfast at Woodstown Diner

Photos by Bob Thomson



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CLUB MEMBERSHIP

- **SJRAACA dues are \$20 per year (due by Jan 1st).**
- **Must be a member of AACA National.**
- Meetings at the **First Baptist Church, 117 S. Main St., Woodstown, NJ at 7 p.m.** the 1st Monday of every month except **4th of July & September then it is the following Monday.** Call any board member for meeting cancellation notices during weather emergency.
- **CLUB WEBSITE: www.SJRAACA.com**
There is always more to see on our Website.

CLUB JACKETS OR SHIRTS??

Shirt & jackets orders placed any time.

The cost is on the members. See Linda

Mens Golf Shirts: S-XL \$22; 2X & 3X \$24

Ladies Golf Shirts: same as above

Spring Jackets: S-XL \$50 2X \$53 & 3X \$53

Winter Jackets S-XL Call for price



4-3 Linda McFarland

4-5 Ron W. Scott

4-9 Cynthia Sutton

4-10 Tom Peterson

4-12 Alex Chin

4-17 Scott McFarland

4-20 Mike Orsini

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

SUNSHINE - Bonnie Green reports that she sent a get well card to Mike Lafferty.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Ron W. Scott



Hello everyone from the oval office?

I hope all of you who helped us at the swap meet have recovered from the amount of work you put in those two days.

We had a very successful event and there will be another article regarding the swap meet. As always, I was thrilled to see the amount of people show up to help do all that is necessary to make this our yearly event.

Our club has members like no other. I know I speak for both Chuck and Gary when I say thank you so much for making all of our jobs so much easier.

Last month our friendship and food was at the Town and Country Diner in Bordentown New Jersey and we had a great turnout. It was Saint Paddy's day and many people came dressed the part. This month we are going to Café Napoli in Wilmington Delaware and from what we have been told the food is fantastic. I hope we have another great turn out!

On April 7 we will be taking the Boardwalk Hall tour with Chuck Gibson to see and hear the worlds largest pipe organ. For those of you who went the last time, it was really interesting and now almost twice as much of the organ is functioning, so this time should be outstanding.

This month our guest speaker is Frank Rehman, the current fire inspector for Monroe Township and former fire chief of Monroe Township. He will be speaking on fire safety both in the home and in our garage.

Till next time, happy trails!

Ron

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Linda McFarland

Hello All!

Sounds like the Swap Meet was a great success. Thank you to everyone who came out to help.

Our calendar is starting to fill up with things to do now that spring has sprung. Our first Coffee Cruise at South Jersey Classics is April 9th from 9am to Noon. And our Bobbitt Auto Cruise is on April 20th from 5 pm to 8 pm. I hope to see you all there.

Don't forget I need your articles for our newsletter. Please consider writing something for our members to read. See you down the road!



Linda McFarland

FRIENDSHIP & FOOD NIGHT OUT

April 21, 2022

6:30 pm

Café Napoli

4391 Kirkwood Hwy.

**Kirkwood Plaza Shopping
Ctr.**

Wilmington DE

**Kohls & Petco Shopping
Center**



South Jersey Region Events & Activities

APRIL

- 4 7:00 PM CLUB MEETING First Baptist Church,
117 S. Main Street, Woodstown, NJ
- 7 8:30 AM—Atlantic City Convention Hall Organ Tour
Breakfast at the Malaga Diner, 3433 Harding Hwy,
Malaga, NJ
- 9 9:00-12:00—SOUTH JERSEY CLASSICS COFFEE
CRUISE, 52 Harding Hwy, Newfield, NJ
- 20 5:00-8:00 PM—BOBBITT AUTO CRUISE NIGHT
595 Salem Quinton Road, Salem, NJ
- 21 6:30 PM FRIENDSHIP & FOOD-CAFÉ NAPOLI
4391 Kirkwood Hwy, Wilmington DE
- 30 2:30 PM—GRADUATION DRIVE BY FOR
Alexandria Chin—Meeting at 2465 Fries Mill Rd.
Williamstown NJ—Leaving 3:15 for Chin
Residence RAIN DATE MAY 1st

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595 Salem Quinton Road, Salem, NJ

Meeting Highlights of the South Jersey Region Monday, March 7, 2022

Meeting was called to order by President Ron Scott at 7:02 PM and all stood for the Flag salute.

There were several guests in attendance. Mr. Tom Peterson of Runnemede, NJ will be joining our club. Also Tom & Nicole Hahn of Williamstown will also be joining our club. Jerry Peck of New Jersey Region was in attendance to talk about the Glidden Tour that his region is hosting in September.

A motion was made and approved to accept Tom Peterson into membership.

Doretta Scott read the minutes of the last meeting. And Chuck Gibson gave the Treasurer's report. Both were approved as given.

Chuck Gibson also noted that all accounts were now online and Ron Scott also has authority to access these accounts. This saves the club from incurring a monthly fee for paper statements. Larry Irwin and Ed Fuller are also on the Finance Committee.

Bonnie Green reported that get well cards have been sent to Marven Chin and Marcy Lewis.

Ron noted that Linda McFarland received 2 AACA Awards for Master Editor and Master Webmaster.

Maria Symonds also received the AACA Master Editor award for the Buzzards Breath Region AACA.

Ron then spoke about participating in the AACA National Meeting.

A thank you note was received from Kate Sample, thanking us for our support to the Sunshine Foundation.

NEW BUSINESS

Friendship & Food for March 17th will be at the Town &

Country Diner in Bordentown, NJ.

April Friendship & Food will be on April 21st at Café Napoli on Kirkwood Highway, Wilmington Delaware.

Gary Green then spoke to everyone about the upcoming Swap Meet and the need for everyone to help for Set Up day and also day of the Swap Meet. A sign up sheet will be at the table for folks to please sign up to help. On Saturday, March 26th we will meet for breakfast at 8:30 at the Woodstown Diner. The club will pay for breakfast. Please show up early on Sunday, March 27th to help.

Chuck Gibson then spoke regarding the Boardwalk Hall Organ Tour on Thursday, April 7th. We will be meeting at the Malaga Diner at 8:30 am. Chuck will provide directions to Boardwalk Hall. All vehicles will be parked inside at Boardwalk Hall. Please try to bring your antique auto that day.

Larry Irwin then spoke about the automotive items that will be for sale at the Swap Meet both Saturday and Sunday. Please pay in cash or check made out to SJRAACA.

Jerry Peck then spoke to our members about the 76th Revival AAA Glidden Tour that the New Jersey Region will be hosting September 24 to 30, 2022. He noted that any help our members can provide those days will be greatly appreciated.

Ron then reminded members to please leave a tip for the servers at the diner.

Motion to Adjourn was made at 8:17 pm.



GRADUATION DRIVE BY FOR Alexandria Chin

When: Saturday, April 30th

Rain Date: Sunday, May 1st

Time: 2:30 PM

**Meet at: 2465 Fries Mill Road
Williamstown, NJ**

Leaving 3:15 for Chin Home



Swap Meet (Continued)



Thank you to Bob Thomson for taking photos.

MORE TRIVIA

1. General Motors Corporation was found by Charles Stewart Mott, Frederic L. Smith, and William C. Durant on September 16, 1908 in Flint, MI.
2. General Motors Corporation was incorporated in Delaware 10/03/1916.
3. In 1918 Chevrolet became part of GM and the first Chevrolet was the Chevrolet 490.
4. William C. Durant served as the third CEO of General Motors Corporation and was ousted for risking corporate funds in the stock market. He was able to invest in GM stock to obtain 51% and re-entered GM. Durant got ousted a second time for risky investing.
5. During the 1929 stock market crash William C. Durant lost over a billion dollars, had to file for personal bankruptcy and finished his professional career running a bowling alley until his death in 1936.
6. George B. Selden filed for a U.S. patent in 1879 for a fuel powered engine, but due to several amendments it took an additional 16 years for it to be approved. In 1899 he sold right to the patent to William Whiney and they formed a company known as EVC. Royalty fees were \$5.00 per car or \$5,000 per year minimum.
7. In 1903 Selden and EVC sued Henry Ford and four other automobile makers for patent infringements. The case lasted for 8 years and they won the case. In 1911 Ford and company appealed the case, and won that destroyed Selden's income stream. Selden died in 1922.

Thank you to Larry Irwin for this Trivia.



**SOUTH JERSEY REGION AACA
2022 CRUISE NIGHTS**
Bobbitt Auto
595 Salem Quinton Rd. Salem, NJ

3rd WEDNESDAYS 5:00-8:00 PM
April 20th July 20th
May 18th August 17th
June 15th September 21st

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15th 1:00-4:00 PM
TOYS FOR TOTS CRUISE
Bring a NEW unwrapped TOY

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Come on out and enjoy the music by Ed Counsellor
and see old friends.

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WHY IN THE WORLD DO WE TOUR IN THESE OLD CARS

By Fran Shore

Think of a trip to see many friends from many states, plus having your days planned by mileage and start times and sometimes sorted into groups for the space to be visited. Then add the fun of looking at the parking lot and the cars are all older than 25 years from the present date. The tours are set for the specific years of cars so that the vehicles can comfortably travel at similar speeds and to allow for the time needed for the driving to the venues to be visited. These tours are for cars from very old in the early 1900's to the models from 25 years back from the present date. The breakdown for some club's tours may just be all Chevrolets, Fords or Buicks or a specific car or model or sorted by cylinders as well as by years. For local club tours it may be any car 25 years or older. There are plenty of opportunities to find a tour for which you would be eligible with your vehicle. Some organizations or clubs may require your membership before becoming part of these experiences.

The fun is the camaraderie that becomes established. To laugh over the years and to have such wonderful memories of both places and people. We frequently get to visit places that are not ever open to the general public. The other enjoyment is to be in a vehicle from the past- some before our time of life and some that elicit memories of our childhood and younger years.

We have been all over the United States touring with our antique vehicles for many years. We have made friends from so many places and even from other countries as frequently members of these clubs from outside of the United States fly and then ride with our members. The fun is the camaraderie that becomes established. To laugh with others about events, situations and to have such wonderful memories of both places and people has enriched our lives. We frequently get to visit places that are not ever open to the general public. The other enjoyment is to be in a vehicle from the past- some before our time of life and some that elicit memories of our childhood and younger years.

Is there a downside? Yes, Packing must fit the car's ability to store what you want to bring. Most important are tools, some spare parts, cleaning material ----- and the space that is left is for the luggage. Ladies, you learn what you can live without! Also, for most cars in the era of the vehicles, air conditioning is to roll down the windows.

The other thought that must be given to these adventures and *they are adventures*; is checking the vehicle THOROUGHLY before you go. Then have a credit card or cash and/or both with you in case of a breakdown or emergency of any kind. These emergencies do happen. Have we had any? Yes. Did we cope? Yes. Were we prepared? Yes. Do we still anticipate more antique car tours? Yes. Oh yes !!

We have toured in many cars over the years: a 1929 Model A Ford Rumble Seat Coupe, a 1922 Durant (open) Touring car, a 1931- 6-wheel (side mounts and rumble seat) Willys Roaster, a 1936 – 66C Buick, a 1949 Chevrolet Fleetline, a 1962 Corvette and a 1978 Corvette.

What do we feel has been the most important part of this hobby? The friendships of people we would never have known from so many places and the pleasure of seeing our own country so close. For the drivers it is the joy of maintaining a mechanical piece of history and still keeping it viable and in use. For the passengers, it is JUST FUN and getting to navigate – now that is another story to be told sometime. It is beyond the awards for antique cars; it is so personal for the owners to be able to maintain these pieces of automobile history and still enjoy them with what we all say that we have “Wheels On The Road.”



STOP!

While binge watching some old episodes of "American Pickers" one day, Mike and Frank were rummaging around some old buildings of another man's treasures and came across a very old STOP sign. Then a quick little bubble popped up about the history of the sign. I thought, thank you Mike and Frank for a topic for an article!

The first stop sign was installed in Detroit, MI in 1915. The sign was a 2'x2' white square sign with black lettering. For the first several years of existence, stop signs were made of a variety of shapes, sizes, and colors. There was little if any regulations of standardization in the early days of U.S. roadways.

In 1922, Wisconsin state highway engineer John T. Donaghey, Minnesota's maintenance engineer Walter F. Rosenwald and Indiana's Superintendent of Maintenance A.H. Hinkle traveled together throughout their home states, studying road signs in an attempt to develop universal designs.

The group created a plan, adopted by the Mississippi Valley Association of State Highway Departments in 1923, to classify street signs into shapes based on the level of danger. So, signs that provided direction or other regulatory information were kept rectangular. Signs that warned against the most dangerous situation – which at the time were railroad crossings – were circular. Stop signs fell in between and thus were given an octagonal shape.

Since reflective paint hadn't been invented, and there was little if any light on the road at night, they believe motorists could see the shape of the sign and act accordingly even if they couldn't read the writing.



In 1924, the American Association of state highway officials added a color element to traffic sign standardization. Members agreed that all danger and caution signs would be yellow, as this was the most visible color, particularly at night. Red was rejected as it would have been too difficult to see in low light situations.

Stop signs remained yellow until 1954. While the color, on its own may have succeeded in gaining motorist attention, the stop sign, still had difficulty standing out because its color scheme was identical to all other cautionary signs. It was clear it needed its own design. Traffic signals used red to signal motorists to stop for years, so using the color for stop signs as well was a logical choice. In 1954, the federal

government revised the Manual in Uniform Traffic Control Devices, the national standard of traffic control devices, to change the stop sign to the one we know today a red and white octagon.

English speaking and European Union use the word "STOP." Many non-English-speaking countries prefer to use the word in their own language on the sign. Most



countries have adopted the red octagonal shape, like China, Canada, Brazil, Turkey, Mexico, and many others, but there are exceptions, like Japan, which uses a triangular sign.



China's old stop sign was triangular as well, but they too have adopted the octagonal form.

The Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices on stop signs was altered eight times between 1935 and 1971, generally regarding mounting height or reflectorization. The alteration to white and red color 1954 was the most significant change. The modern U.S. stop sign mounted 7 ft above ground, 30" long with 3/4" white line around the edge was passed into law in 1971, although 24" stop signs are also allowed.

Now that you all know the history of the Stop sign, please remember to obey them. More importantly when we are out driving around in our Pontiac's, that other drivers around us, obey them!



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Thanks to Bill Flitcraft for contributing this article
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- Radiators \$100
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- Frames \$500
- Bumpers \$100
- Misc. parts

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FOR SALE - 1948 Jeep parts

New master cylinder \$40

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- Totally Restored
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Pay Attention to the Engine

By Jim Elliott, AACA President



AACA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Listed below are some upcoming National tours and meets you may be interested in attending:

2022

- April 7-9, 2022-Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC—Hornets Nest Region
- April 17-23, 2022-Central Divisional Tour (1997 and earlier) San Antonio to LaPorte, Tx, Gulf Coast Region
- April 21-23, 2022- Special Winter Nationals & Special Grand Nationals, San Juan, PR—Puerto Rico Region
- May 19-21, 2022-Annual Grand Nationals, Virginia Beach VA—Tidewater Region
- May 22-25, 2022—Eastern Divisional Tour (1997 and earlier) Johnstown, PA—Flood City Region
- June 16-18, 2022—Eastern Spring Nationals, Beckley, WV, White Water Region
- August 11-13, 2022-Central Fall Nationals, Bettendorf, Iowa
- September 10-16, 2022-Sentimental Tour (1928-1958) Gettysburg, PA—Buzzards Breath Region
- September 18-23, 2022—Reliability Tour (1915 & earlier) Shepherdsville, Kentucky-Kyana Region
- September 25-30, 2022—Revival AAA Glidden Tour (1942 & earlier) Central New Jersey—New Jersey Region—AACA sponsored
- October 4-7, 2022 (tentative date) Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA—Hershey Region

When preparing your car for judging, don't forget to pay attention to your engine. First, our judging guidelines require that your vehicle be driven onto the show field. Almost more importantly, the engine provides a multitude of areas where the judging team can find deductions.

Here are my top ten areas in the engine bay that require your attention.

1. Cleanliness – We judge cars to the condition that it was delivered to the original purchaser. Most judges believe cars were delivered new without leaks or rusted parts.

2. Fan belts – Find a period correct or proper reproduction belt. If it is marked with an aftermarket brand, remove the brand by using fine steel wool or paint thinner.

3. Radiator hoses – Make sure the labeling on the hose is correct for period and brand.

4. Hose clamps – A one point deduction can be taken for each incorrect clamp. Reproduction tower top and similar older style clamps are readily available from many suppliers.

5. Radiator cap – An aftermarket cap is readily visible and needs to be replaced with a cap identical to the one supplied with the car.

6. Radiator – Make sure it is clean and free from bugs and leaves. A small toothbrush can be used to clean it. A spray can of "radiator black" paint is a good way to make it look new again.

7. Spark plugs – When visible, the plugs should be period correct and match the original manufacturer.

8. Spark plug wires – Wires with millimeter markings or store brands can result in a one point deduction for each wire. Never use neon colors to "dress-up" the engine.

9. Oil Filter – Fram, Wix and K&N filters may be your preference but will quickly result in deductions.

10. Hood insulation – Make sure yours fits well and has the proper clips. If it is showing its age, it is time to replace it.

I hope this helps you to earn the trophy you are seeking.

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