

HEADLIGHTS



South Jersey Region AACA

Club Website www.sjraaca.com

July 2024

THE GREAT SMOKEY MOUNTAINS

By Larry Irwin

The definition of a car club is an organization of people that have a common interest. It is not unusual for people within a group to have a mutual interest with others sharing that interest to expand common activities, such as camping, traveling, biking, or many other shared interests.

On a beautiful Monday morning in April Ron and Doretta Scott, Larry and Marge Irwin began a nine day camping excursion toward the Great Smokey Mountains in North Carolina.

Our first encounter on Monday was in Salem, VA where we set up camp. The camp management was very friendly but not very helpful. The staff was finishing their work day, (5PM), and would not be back until Wednesday morning around 10AM. There is a secret code to get into the bathrooms and showers. We quickly found the secret code written on the outside walls in several locations. After a couple of nights resting and sightseeing through much of Roanoke's history we started on our venture again.

After arriving in Bryson City, NC we set up camp in The Great Smokey Mountains campground. A beautiful location next to a beautiful river that gave soothing sounds that made you relax almost from the beginning of your stay.

On our arrival Wednesday, we meet Zack, a young man whose family owns the campground, who instructed us to park where ever we wanted since the park did not open until the end of April. Needless to say, we parked parallel to the stream. Zack did promise to make Larry a banana spit before we leave. (never got the banana spit).

After a short rest and a little camp site seeing it was time to prepare dinner. Doretta cooked a delicious chicken pot pie that all enjoyed along with a nice chilled glass of red wine. The thing most appealing to Ron was the way we were allowed to park our campers. Not more than 12 to 15 feet parallel to the swift flowing water of the Tuckasegee River.

Thursday was to be our big day. After rising early and having a light breakfast we all headed to downtown Bryson City.



Campground by the River

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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**
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| 7-6 Darlene Carbonneau | 7-20 RuthAnn Hoffner |
| 7-6 Shelley McFarland | 7-21 Bill Smith |
| 7-11 Louis Fisher | 7-25 Sabrina Green |
| 7-11 Ron L. Scott | 7-31 Jim Christos |

BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

SUNSHINE - Bonnie Green reported that she sent a get well cards Janet Erdner.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Ron W. Scott



Greetings from the oval office?

We have had a busy month and hopefully a lot of fun doing many different car activities.

We had our Alloway fire company Car Show along with the Quinton school, Car Show and our Salem County Auto Repair cruise. (I had all intentions to be there, but instead, I was sitting on the North/South Freeway broke down.) AGH!

How could I not mention our friendship and food night out in Bordentown with the New Jersey region. There were 12 of us from the south Jersey region who attended the tour in Fredericksburg, Virginia with the Buzzys and it was fantastic. If you have never gone on a tour, you are missing a great experience with both your car and your fellow AACA members.

Hope to see many of you at our July 8 meeting.

Till next time, happy trails!

Ron

FROM YOUR EDITOR



Hello from behind my computer!
Wow June was a busy month. We had a great cruise at the Salem County Auto Repair. And of course, the Alloway Fire Company Show and the Quinton School Show. All were well attended. We also had a good turnout for our Friendship & Food night out in Bordentown. We definitely have a busy July planned. Please see our Events & Activities on page 3. Our Club Picnic is August 4th at the beautiful Paulsboro Sportsmen's Club. Don't forget to sign up at our July meeting.

Hope to see at the July 8th Meeting.

Linda



FRIENDSHIP & FOOD NIGHT OUT

JULY 18, 2024
6:30 PM
CAROLLOS Family Restaurant
2036 Delsea Dr., Franklinville, NJ

South Jersey Region Events & Activities

JULY

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Pilesgrove, NJ \$10 entrance donation to benefit
SUNSHINE FOUNDATION

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS OF SOUTH JERSEY REGION

June 3, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Ron Scott. All members stood for the flag salute. Ron then asked if there were any new members in the audience. There were no visitors or new members in attendance.

Linda read the Secretary's report and Chuck gave the Treasurer's report. Both were approved as read. Chuck noted that we still have not received the State Police bill from the Swap Meet.

Sunshine Report: Bonnie was not in attendance

Old Business: Alexandria Chin will receive the SJRAACA Scholarship this year. This will be given to her at the July Meeting.

Our Charity the Sunshine Foundation was featured in "The Week" magazine and has received the 4 STAR AWARD for being a charity that does everything they say they have done for the children and families.

Movie Cars—Ron, Doretta and Gene Hamilton spoke about their week in Cape May working on the Bob Dylan movie, "The Complete Unknown". It was an exciting and eventful week for everyone.

Challenge Coins. Gene Hamilton is still waiting on samples.

New Business: Ron held up a copy of the VCCA Magazine and showed the photo of the officers of the National Chevy Club. Our own Chuck Gibson is the National Treasurer for the club.

Friendship & Food June 20th will be at the Town & Country Diner in Bordentown, NJ. We join the New Jersey Region for this Dinner.

Ron noted that Frank Maurer just acquired a 92 Corvette.

Ron then noted the upcoming shows and cruises:

June 8th, Alloway Fire Co. Car & Bike Show, June 15, Quinton School Car Show, June 19, Salem County Auto Repair Cruise.

Sunday, August 4th is our Annual Club Picnic. Linda is collecting money and there is a sign up sheet at the table. It is \$20 per person this year.

Also August 24 is the Four Seasons Campground Show. There will be a \$10 donation at the gate that will be donated to the Sunshine Foundation.

October 5th is the Elmer Harvest Day Show,

October 26 is the Gateway Show and we are the featured club. As long as we have 10 cars show up the club will receive \$200. This is a Trunk or Treat Show.

October 26 in the afternoon is the Broadway Scoops Trunk or Treat Show.

The Grounds for Sculpture Tour will now be on Sunday, November 3rd. Steve Krieger will be looking into this tour.

Ron reminded everyone about the Diner refreshments and also to please leave a tip for the servers.

There was a motion to adjourn at 7:35 pm.



Frank Maurer's new addition.



ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC SUNDAY, AUGUST 4th

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The Great Smokey Mountains (Continued)

We were there to ride the Great Smokey Mountain Train through the beautiful blooming Smokey Mountains. Our five hour trip included a full lunch served on real plates, and the food was well prepared and hot. The hosts were extremely nice and it was a real pleasure riding the "Carolina Shine" rail car. Ron was in second heaven when we went through the County Museum of Bryson City while dreaming of owning the hundreds of model trains.



Lunch on the Train



Great Smokey Mountain Train

The next day was spent doing a little touring of the area and spending a good part in Uncle Bill's Flea Market. It was like going through a super mall. Building after building all attached.

Saturday was a little disappointing. The decision was made to venture to the city of Cherokee and the Indian Reservation. Found out the Indians must really be from China. Everything we looked at in the Cherokee stores was made in China sold by another group from another country.



Cherokee Indian Reservation

Time to head for home, but had to stop in Mount Airy, NC, the home of Andy Griffin. Beautiful small tourist town with very friendly people. Decided to take the formal tour. A ride in one of Mayberry's police cars was very enjoyable learning about Andy and the town. Went through the museum and had our pictures taken with the life size Andy and Opie statue, and saw Andy's home.



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THANK YOU!

The Ford Quadricycle

Henry and his wife pictured below



The **Ford Quadricycle** was the first vehicle developed by **Henry Ford**. Ford's first car was a simple frame with a gas-powered engine mounted onto four bicycle wheels.^[3]

The earliest cars were hand built, one by one, and were very expensive. The machines were seen as toys for the rich.^[3] In the 1890s, the "horseless carriage" was a relatively new idea, with no one having a fixed, universal idea of what a car should look like or how it should work. Most of the first car builders were inventors, rather than businessmen, working with their imaginations and the parts they had on hand.^[3] Thus, the invention of the Quadricycle marks an important innovation as a proto-automobile that would lay the foundation for the future, with more practical designs to follow.

Wikipedia.org

**Steve Rossi's
Old Car
Quiz
~For the Trivial Astute~**

Trivia Question

When it comes to compact cars, the Big 3 are best remembered for their Ford Falcon, Chevrolet Corvair and Valiant (which soon became a Plymouth) entries. But during, and just after, World War II, all three experimented with small cars because they were uncertain what market conditions would be like after routine production resumed. What concepts did the American industry explore in preparation for peace?

Trivia Answer

In anticipation of a new, post-War marketplace, Chevrolet developed a 2,000-lb. compact Cadet. Under the engineering leadership of Earle S. MacPherson, it featured independent front and rear suspension with what would go on to become his patented strut configuration, front and rear. Along with suspended pedals and a reduced dimension, it's double flywheel arrangement (one at the front of the crankshaft and one at the rear, for a lower floor) with the transmission was mounted beneath the front seat. The project was shelved in 1947.

Eugene "Bob" Gregorie designed a "Light Ford," which was to include a six-cylinder engine on a 98-inch wheelbase (the standard Ford was 108). Proposed names included "Scout" and "Pacer." Front-wheel drive and a transverse-mounted engine were even considered. Unfortunately, when the company's chief champion died...Edsel Ford...so did the "Light" car. It would go on to become the Ford Vedette for France, though in a more conventional configuration, and was produced from 1948 to 1954.

And Chrysler also created something called the A-106. It was intended to weigh-in at about 1,850-lbs. and featured a front-mounted, horizontally- opposed four-cylinder engine with rear wheel drive. A more conventional project A-121 was considered in 1947, which was also dubbed Cadet, and resembled what would go on to become the larger 1949 Plymouth.

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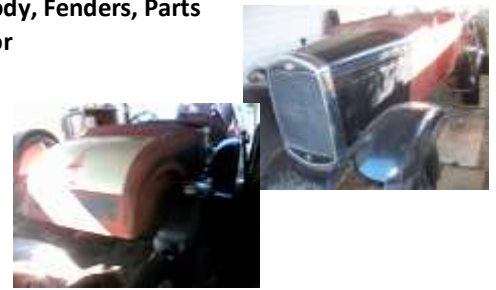


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Automotive Genealogy

By Myron Smith VP –
Region & Chapters Development &
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My wife and a paternal second cousin are interested in genealogy. The cousin has built family trees for our Smith family, my mother's Butler family and Barb's family-the latter 2 being no relation to her at all but she loves doing it. I enjoy looking at other research but don't have time to do it myself. This has no bearing on cars but got me thinking another thought "I wonder what happened to an old car I looked at one time"

While sitting at a stop light recently, I remembered a really nice black 1956 Chevrolet Bel Air 4 door that would have made a great HPOF car. It used to be parked at that intersection. I wondered what had ever happened to the car. It probably would have been mine except the dealer was so nasty I refused to deal with him. That got me to thinking also about a very nice 1955 Chevrolet we looked at one time that also disappeared probably never to be seen again. It can be interesting tracing our cars 'roots' and with state motor vehicle agencies being more and more restrictive in the information they let out it has become more and more difficult to research a car's history.

Some things are just meant to be however, I have a 1959 Impala 4 door hardtop which from the owner's manual I knew had come from the town where my son Nathan and I had both attended high school. At the local town fall festival I took the car and left a sign on it asking that if anyone knew the original owner, to please contact me, as I would like to know the car's history. No one responded. The next year we took the completely stock 1959 Chevrolet to a Good Guys event. Before I even got parked, a couple of guys walked up and started asking questions about the car, including "Was the a/c in it when you got it? Is it a 348 engine and was it in it when you got it?" After the questions were answered he said, "my Dad had one just like it." I responded "I know the original owner's name" and told him what it was. He then responded "That's my Dad's car. I was really upset when I found out he had sold it. I've tried to trace it and the county sheriff friend told me he couldn't tell me where it was even if he ran the records." I found out there had been very little time between when his dad sold it and when I bought it from another party. Another of my cars a 1942 Ford I bought in 1976 from it's original owner. I offered it on loan to that county's museum for the winter which they readily accepted to put it outside their WWII POW display in the museum. As we were delivering the car to the museum, one of the local museum workers asked. "Did this car come from a little old lady who lived by the tennis court?" "I said "yes." He responded "I never thought I'd see this car again." I have owned the car for 41 years, and he remembered the car. It made my day.

A friend and his Dad restored a Model T Ford, which the dad then took to California when he retired. My friend got to

wondering about the car and was hoping to get it back. He was able to trace the car and when he found it, it was in a used car lot in California. He bought it and brought it back to Nebraska where he now enjoys it. A lot of memories are tied up in it.

Another friend wanted a car like he and his wife had had when they got married. A 1964 Ford Galaxie 500 2 door hardtop. He bought a similar car to restore, then was rummaging around a salvage yard about 50 miles from his home and on top of a stack of cars headed for the crusher was a 1964 Galaxie 500. It was HIS car! His bought it and his restoration project suddenly changed. Some look for early cars and have tried to trace them down from old car magazines, including ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE. Some searches do not have happy endings.

Another friend has searched and searched for the 1967 Caprice coupe that he bought new—To no avail whatever happened to it will probably be as big a mystery as the two that got away from our family: a 1941 Pontiac, and a 1958 Apache Pickup. All that I have are photos. So, on cold winters nights or too Hot summer days, see if you can research where your car has been or where one of your previous ones is now- it's interesting.

Winter 2024 Rummage Box



AACA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

2024 & 2025

- **July 10-13, 2024 AACA Western Divisional Tour (Up to 1999), Big Horn Mt., Wyoming**
- **September 12-14, 2024, AACA Western Fall Nationals, Loveland, Colorado**
- **September 22-27, 2024, Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre-1943) Maryland**
- **October 8-11, 2024 AACA Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA**
- **October 23-26, 2024 Southeastern Fall Nationals, Huntsville, Alabama**

2025

- **February 6-9, 2025 AACA Annual Convention, Charlotte, NC**
- **April 3-5, 2025 Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte, NC**
- **May 1-3, 2025 AACA Western Spring Nationals, Tuscon, Arizona**
- **June 1-7, 2025 Vintage Tour, Pennsylvania, Buzzards Breath Region**
- **September 18-20, 2025, Southeastern Fall Nationals, Corydon, Indiana, Kyana Region**

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