

The Mudflap

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February Meeting is at the Milligan's for a Catered Lunch Saturday, February 18 at 12:30 pm



TRAACA CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

9-11 - AACA Annual Convention - (Williamsburg, VA)

18—Monthly Meeting is a catered Lunch at the Milligan's.

MARCH

11 - Tidewater Region AACA Swap Meet (8 AM to 1 PM at the Nansemond-Suffolk Academy, Suffolk VA)

MAY

13— Monthly Meeting is a catered lunch at the Milligan's.

In Tidewater, does the car season ever really end?! The February Region Meeting will be at Dewey and Maxine Milligan's 'barn' in Chesapeake, VA.

Please join us for a catered lunch on Saturday, February 18th. Members are welcome to arrive beginning at 11:30 and we will eat at 12:30. The cost is \$15.00 per person.

The menu includes: Carolina Pork BBQ sandwiches, Chicken BBQ sandwiches, coleslaw, buns and, because it is February, a choice of Brunswick stew and Vegetable Beef soup. Bottle water and dessert will also be provided.

Please RSVP by February 14th. We must have an accurate headcount.

WHEN: EATING at 12:30 PM, Saturday, February 18th

WHERE: Dewey & Maxine Milligan's
2000 Shillelagh Road
Chesapeake, VA 23323

Contact Carol and Wayne Milligan at (757) 404 – 7937 or carowaynmilligan@cox.net to RSVP or with questions



(L-R) 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air convertible & 1954 Kaiser Darrin roadster at the Deer Park Winery and Auto Museum in Escondido, CA. See more of the collection in the article on Pages 6-9.



President's Podium

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February is my birthday month. When I was a child, I waited for February like the second coming of Christmas. That time ended many years ago but I still like the month. It is a time to prepare for the new year and all that it brings. Our activities committee is in that mode. Harry Park and Dick Chipchak are busy putting together an active TRAACA calendar. I know Linda Pellerin and Bill Wilcox have given them some good ideas. Your help would be appreciated.

Nationals convention and awards banquet is this month in Williamsburg . Bob Stein has been busy organizing a display of local cars. If you have never been to a AACA convention, this would be good opportunity to experience one without driving hundreds of miles. Many good seminars and a good time to talk with those in charge on the national level. It is a good time to meet and talk with other regions. Good folks with a common interest of promoting antique vehicles.

See you at the Milligan's on the 18th.



Tim Hund TRACA President

Dinner Meeting Corner

Chief Contact: Skip Patnode

Members will be contacted via e-mail to obtain their RSVPs for the club's monthly dinner meeting. (Members without e-mail will be contacted by phone.) If you will be attending, please respond to Skip Patnode's e-mail by the requested date and let him know how many people will be coming. (There is no need to respond if you are not coming.) Skip will reply to you once he adds you to his attendance list. **It is critical that you respond** so we can let the hotel know how many people will be attending & they can prepare enough food. If you are not receiving Skip's e-mails or want to be taken off the list, please contact him at skippatnode@cox.net or (757) 672-8495. Thank you for your cooperation!



It's Annual Convention Time

By Jim Elliot Vice President - National Awards

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The Bylaws of the AACA require that an annual meeting of the members be scheduled in the first quarter of the calendar year. The next annual meeting has been set for February 10, 2023 in conjunction with the Annual Convention to be held in Williamsburg, Virginia, which will run from February 9 through February 11, 2023. This year's Annual Convention will include a welcome reception on Thursday evening; a vendor display and trade show on Friday and Saturday; a luncheon with "surprise" entertainment hosted by First Lady Denise Tuck on Friday; as well as a pinewood derby competition scheduled for Friday evening. In addition, numerous seminars are planned for Friday and Saturday involving many aspects of car maintenance, repair and history. Judging schools will be conducted on Saturday with classes for beginners and advanced classes along with the Team Captains' School. Saturday evening concludes the convention with a formal awards banquet to recognize the 2022 winners of National Awards for newsletters, websites, club service, judging, touring and car display. Williamsburg is a unique location offering many interesting venues including the Colonial Williamsburg restoration, the Yorktown Battlefield, the Jamestown Colony, Busch Gardens Amusement Park, the NASA Air and Space Museum and tours of colonial plantations. Additional information will be coming soon, so plan now to attend. You won't want to miss it!

2023 TRAACA Officers & Board

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From the Running Board

TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes *(final approved copy can be obtained from Secretary)*

TRAACA Board Meeting Thursday, January 12, 2023

Officer’s Present: Tim Hund, Bill Treadwell, Tammy Park, Douglas Grosz. Board Members present: Dick Chipchak; Jerry Adams, Fred Cole; Skip Patnode. President Emeritus: Wayne Milligan Club members present: Paul Fuqua; Harry Park, Bob and Dot Parrish, Bill Grosz.

Quorum: Board Meeting called to order at 6:15 PM.

President: Thanked everyone for attending the Board Meeting and discussed the changed in date for the Annual Award Banquet.

Vice President: Thanked everyone for attending, mentioned upcoming swap meet.

Secretary’s Report: Report distributed electronically.

Treasurer’s Report: Reports were provided in an advance electronically by Tammy Park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities:

Dick and Harry have created a paper calendar to show all TRAACA meetings and AACA activities that might affect dates for our club activities. Jerry reminded everyone that there is an electronic calendar of events for all activities also.

Dinners:

The February Region Meeting will be at Dewey and Maxine Milligan’s ‘barn’ in Chesapeake, VA.

Discussed cost of dinners and number of members attending monthly dinner meetings

Discussed member survey about dinner meetings.

Membership:

142 memberships, 247 members. Multiple email reminders to renew and a USPS reminder sent to members that had not renewed. Discussed having board members call nonrenewal to encourage renewing.

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Ongoing Business:

Discussion of the Yearly Awards for TRAACA having an Awards Chairperson to track all information about earning awards. This led to a discussion about how to earn points to receive certain years awards. Next board meeting date will be on February 2, 2023 so as not to conflict with the AACA Annual Meeting being held in Williamsburg from February 9 – 11, 2023

Discussed annual donation to AACA and voted to increase this year to \$5000.

Discussed upcoming Swap Meet in March at Nansemond Suffolk Academy and emailing and USPS mailing invitations to recent past participants.

Other Business:

VPCCC Monthly Meeting Report: NSTR (Nothing Significant to report)

CCCHR Monthly Meeting Report: NSTR

Adjourned at 7:20pm. Next board meeting is 6:00pm Thursday, February 2nd at Mom and Pop’s Diner in Norfolk.

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Smithfield Toys for Tots Car Show

Smithfield, VA

Saturday, December 3, 2022

Story and photos by Mark McAlpine



The first Saturday of December is always a special day in Smithfield, Virginia, because it heralds the annual Toys for Tots Car Show. 2022 marked the 22st year that Elizabeth Moose has organized the show. (It should've been the 23nd annual show, but the 2020 show was cancelled because of the COVID pandemic.) It also marked the sixth time the show has been held at the Smithfield Auto and Truck Center (the old Pomoco Ford dealership) on Church Street in Smithfield. Tony Macioci, owner of Smithfield Auto and Truck Center, sold the building and moved his auto repair business to Newport News temporarily (he hopes to return to a new facility in Smithfield at some point), but the manager for the new owners of the building—Caliber Collision (a nationwide company with almost 1,400 locations in 39 states)—said he intends to continue the local tradition by hosting the future Toys for Toys Car Shows in Smithfield.

Even more impressive, 2022 marked the 75th anniversary of the United States Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program. According to its website, “The primary goal of Marine Toys for Tots is, through the gift of a new toy, help bring the joy of Christmas and send a message of hope to America’s less fortunate children.” I think the program is succeeding: over the years, it has donated toys to over 281 million children. Toys for Tots is an official 501(c)3 charity. You can support it by donating toys around the Christmas holidays at the Smithfield Toys for Tots Car Show or at many of the toy collection points around Hampton Roads in late November and early December or by donating money on the Toys for Tots website (www.toysfortots.org). You can also purchase the official Toys for Tots 75th Anniversary Poster on the website for \$25. (\$40 for a poster signed by the artist or a signed & dedicated copy.)

The Smithfield Toys for Tots Car Show truly reflects small-town America. The festivities began with the local Marine Corps Junior ROTC color guard presenting the colors. Santa, accompanied by Mrs. Claus, arrived shortly afterward. The Clauses were welcomed to the event by a cheering crowd lining the street and led into the auto center by a local dance team. (In order to allow the reindeer to rest before their biggest night of the year, Santa and Mrs. Claus usually arrive via a Sentara Nightingale Regional Air Ambulance helicopter. However, this year the helicopter had to serve its primary medical rescue mission, so Santa & Mrs. Claus arrived via pickup truck.)

Rain hindered participation in the show. Only 45 cars, trucks, and motorcycles braved the weather to officially participate in the show. (A few other cars showed up without registering for the show. It’s just my opinion, but I think it is poor form to show up and participate in a charity car show without contributing the requested donation, in this case, \$25. If you don’t want to support the show, park in spectator parking.) However, the rain didn’t hinder support for the toy drive. The former car dealership’s showroom was overflowing with toys, and participants, spectators, and sponsors also donated money or bought raffle tickets to help the organizers buy more toys.

The leadership of Elizabeth Moose, the dedication of her team of volunteers, and the generosity of the show participants & spectators, local residents, and local businesses helped ensure that no child in Smithfield, Carrollton, or the Isle of Wight was overlooked by Santa on Christmas. “. . . Ain’t that America for you and me . . .”

(And I apologize for the raindrops on the camera lens in some of the photos. Did I mention it was raining?)



The reindeer were resting for their big night and the Nightingale helicopter was called out for an emergency, so the Clauses arrived via truck



1964 Ford Galaxie 500



1969 Dodge Coronet



1969 Plymouth Roadrunner



1973 Ford Mustang Mach 1



What it's all about—making sure every child in Hampton Roads gets visited by Santa Claus and receives a present on Christmas Day



Deer Park Winery & Auto Museum Escondido, CA

Story and photos by Mark McAlpine



Located about 30 miles north of San Diego, CA, is the Deer Park Winery & Auto Museum in Escondido, CA. The winery opened in 1972 and the associated car museum opened in 1979, housing the collection of the late Robert Knapp. The winery and museum are now run by his son Chris. The cars are primarily American convertibles/roadsters from the 1920s-1960s, but there are also a few pickup trucks and motorcycles. Throughout the museum are interesting displays of Americana including a room of Barbie dolls, a display of vintage Crosley radios and appliances, and a display of vintage Philco radios.

The car collection is housed in three buildings and includes an impressive collection of automobilia—metal signs, neon signs, artwork, photographs, taillights, etc.—displayed throughout the buildings. Some of the displays are crowded, so it's difficult to fully appreciate some of the cars, but it is an eclectic collection with many popular models and a number of unusual less frequently seen examples. The collection ranges from a 1903 Oldsmobile "Curved Dash" Model R to a 1966 Mercury Comet Cyclone GT Indianapolis 500 pace car and 1966 Parnelli Jones' Indy 500 race car. It includes a number of "orphan car" convertibles—Crosleys, DeSotos, Franklins, Frazers, Hudsons, Kaisers, Nash-Healeys, Packards, Pierce-Arrows, Ramblers, and Studebakers.

Each car in the collection is beautiful in its own way, but standouts to me included the 1908 Buick Model 10 roadster, a 1928 Franklin Boattail Airman Sport Runabout, a 1929 Pierce-Arrow convertible coupe, a 1948 Chrysler Town & Country convertible, a 1949 Kaiser Hotshot (arguably the first American sports car), a 1951 Kaiser Darrin, and a 1952 Muntz Jet convertible (1 of an estimated 198 built between 1949-1954). The 4-door Frazer, Kaiser, and Rambler convertibles were particularly neat—there weren't that many made to begin with and you don't see many today, especially not in good condition like the ones on display at the Deer Park Auto Museum. And I don't recall meeting anyone that doesn't like classic 1930's roadsters like the museum's 1931 Chrysler Deluxe 8 and 1935 Packard Model 120-A.

The collection included one car I had never seen or heard of before: a Crofton "Brawny" Bug. The display placard said the Crofton was the only automobile produced in San Diego, CA, and only 225 were built between 1959-1961. (The production year was not provided for the car on display.) It was a continuation of the Crosley Farm-O-Road, a mini, Jeep-like vehicle made between 1950-1952.

Marion & I didn't try the wine, so we can't offer an opinion about that, but it is definitely worth visiting the Deer Park Winery & Auto Museum to see the collection.



A Crofton "Brawny" Bug—1 of about 225 produced in San Diego from 1959-1961—flanked by vintage motorcycles



1903 Oldsmobile "Curved Dash" Model R



1908 Buick Model 10 roadster



1928 Ford Model A Sports Coupe



1931 Chrysler Deluxe 8 roadster



1935 Packard Model 120-A coupe roadster



1941 Buick Super convertible coupe



(L-R) 1946 Lincoln Continental V12 cabriolet and a 1948 Chrysler Town & Country convertible



1949 Crosley Hotshot—about 2,500 were made between 1949-1952



1928 Franklin "boattail" Airman Sport Runabout



1949 Kaiser Deluxe 4-door convertible



1950 Hudson Pacemaker convertible



(L-R) 1951 Nash-Healey roadster and



(L-R) 1960 Studebaker Lark Regal convertible and



1950 Studebaker Champion convertible



1952 Muntz Jet convertible



1953 Cadillac Eldorado convertible



1955 Mercury Montclair convertible



1953 Pontiac Chieftain Deluxe Eight convertible



Still Collecting – Books By Terry Bond



Can't think of anything better to do on a cold winter's day than curl up by the fireplace, sip a wee dram of good single malt Scotch and relax reading a great book. Naturally – that book would have something to do with old cars!

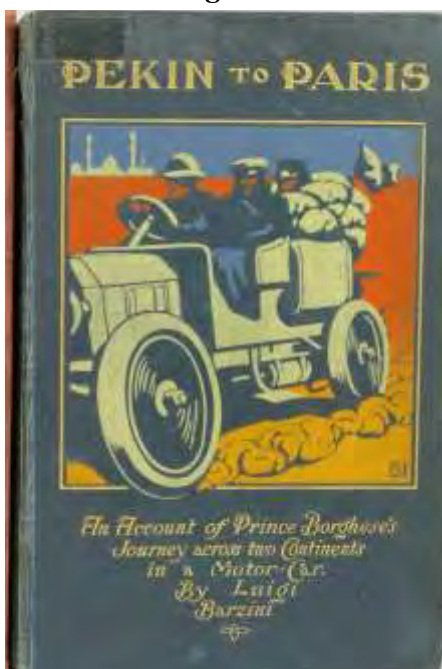
Looking over my bookshelf, mingled in between some of my best early technical books, are numerous novels, history and travel books, all with early automobiles as the main theme.

One of my all-time favorites is based on fact – it is the story of the New York to Paris race of 1908, won of course by the Thomas Flyer.

You could take a short cut and watch the movie “The Great Race”, the wonderful comedy. But, to get the whole story, you need to begin in 1907 with the Pekin to Paris race!



Prince Scipio Borghese, winner of the 1907 Paris to Pekin Race driving his Italia automobile.



“Pekin-Paris” by Barzini. 1957 edition.

Initial accounts were published in limited quantities and were compiled by Louis Barzini, a journalist who accompanied the winner in an Italia automobile.

The following year, the event was run from New York to Paris, and of course drew an American entry, the well-known Thomas Flyer, driven to victory by George Schuster. His Great Grandson, Jeff Mahl continues to lecture on this historic event, having heard stories about it directly from George himself.

There have been many accounts written about this event, even some published recently. My favorite though is “Adventurers Road” by T. R. Nicholson. I have a first edition copy from 1957.



” Adventurer’s Road” by T.R. Nicholson. 1957

These are not the earliest published accounts of the races – these are printed in English and can still be found reasonably priced. That makes reading them even more enjoyable!

For a good read that will give you a chuckle, and perhaps a little flavor of early motoring, I enjoy some early motoring humor.

Little books like Chauffeur Chaff, published in 1905 contain sort stores, poems, and jokes along with great illustrations. These books depict many of the typical situations early motorists found themselves in.



"Chauffeur Chaff or Automobilia" 1905.



"The Automobile Joker", 1907.

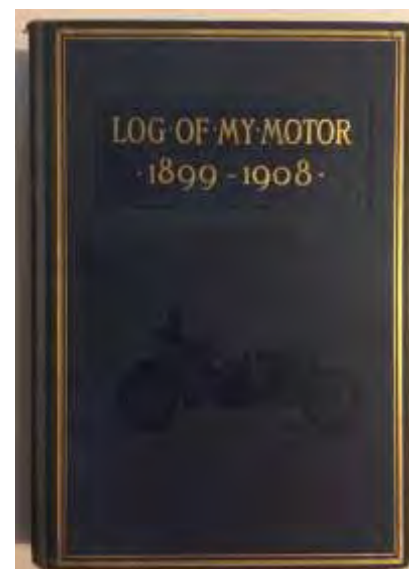
One that is featured in my upcoming seminar at the AACA Annual Convention was written in 1909 by Dorothy Levitt. Dorothy was a noted journalist who became the first lady race car driver. She was well known and highly regarded. The book she authored

was filled with advice for lady motorists.



"The Woman and the Car", by Dorothy Levitt, 1909.

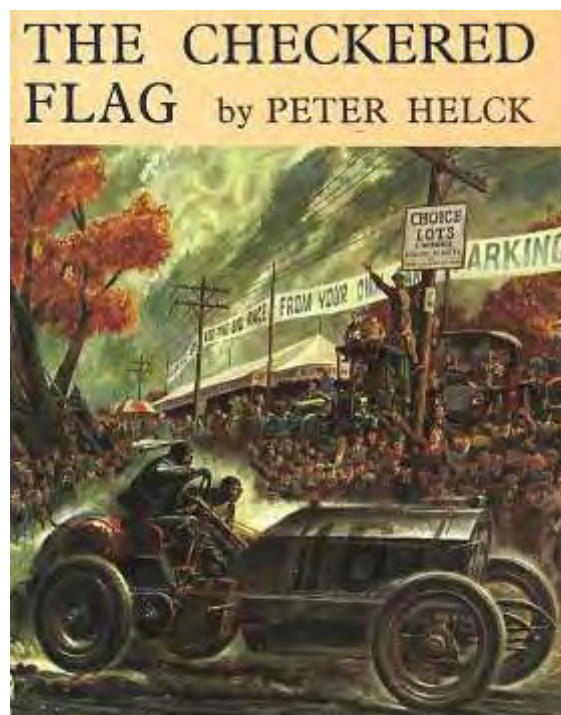
Speaking of long trips, Log of My Motor by W.K. Vanderbilt is a series of stories about his many trips through Europe by automobile. This is the same W.K. Vanderbilt who started the Vanderbilt Cup races in the early 1900s. Original editions are quite rare. Only 200 copies were privately printed for those who accompanied him on those early trips. Later editions are more common. A second version printed in 1912 is bound in red. Both have been reprinted and are readily available for your reading pleasure.



"Log of my Motor", W.K. Vanderbilt, 1908 edition.

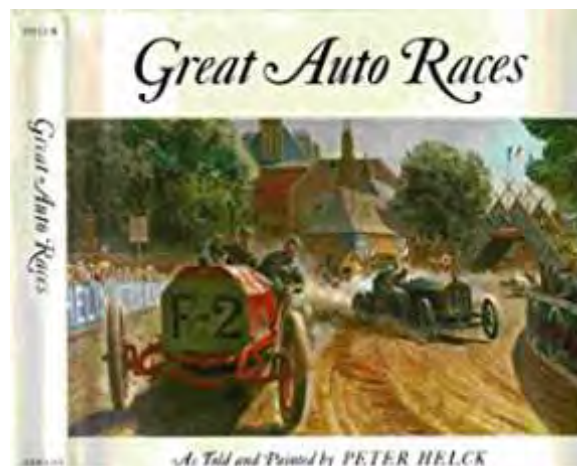
A special leather-bound commemorative edition was printed in 2000 and is readily available for less than \$100. Original first editions turn up occasionally in major automobilia auctions and can command prices in the thousands. A signed copy was available on the internet for \$3000.

If racing is your thing there are entire libraries to choose from. I'm particularly fond of those authored by the late Peter Helck, noted automotive artist. "The Checkered Flag" contains many pictures of some of his best artwork as well as accounts of the races they appeared in. Peter Helck was once the owner of "Old Number 16," the Locomobile that won the 1908 Vanderbilt Cup Race the first American made car to win one of those important events. The book was first published in 1961 and in good condition with dust jacket, they are found priced between \$200-\$300.



"The Checkered Flag" by Peter Helck, 1961 edition.

There is a "companion" book titled "Great Automobile Races". It also contains some fantastic artwork as well as stories about some of the greatest automobile races ever held. This book was printed first in 1975 and is not difficult to find. It's a larger format book. Good copies are generally less than \$100, more with original slip cover.



"Great Auto Races", by Peter Helck, 1975 edition.

Every so often, a little pure history of technology is called for.

In the early 1900s there were a number of great reference works published that help document the history of the automobile, its construction and operation.

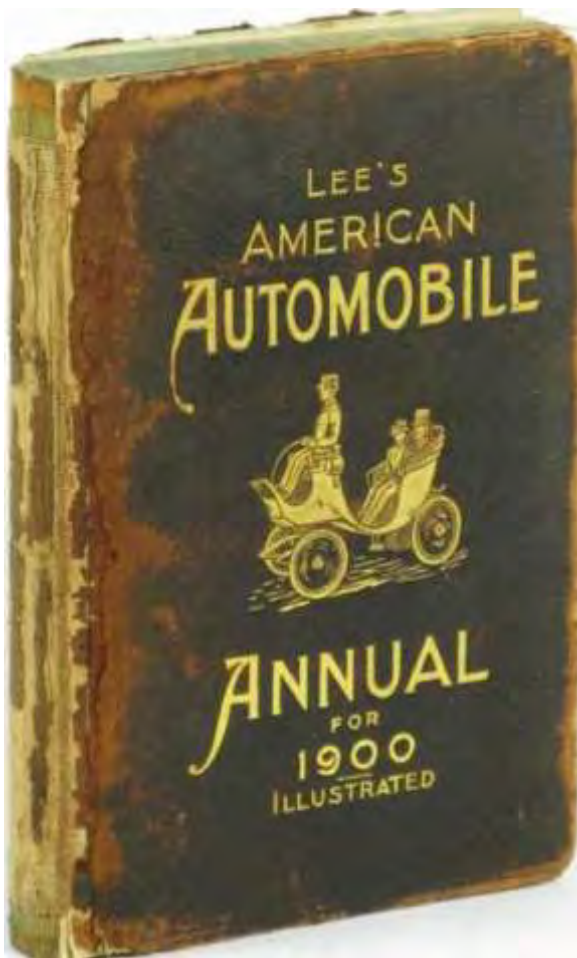
This particular set was published in Great Britain in 1906. The full title is "The Automobile, A Practical Treatise on the Construction of Modern Motorcars, Steam, Petrol, Electric and Petrol-Electric." The author is Paul Hasluck. These volumes are profusely illustrated and contain much history on early automobiles constructed in Europe. A bonus included is a number of fold-out overlaying dissectional models of see-through automobiles. Sadly, these have been removed from many editions, but if complete and in good condition, the set would command prices between \$350-\$500.



Three Volume Set "The Automobile" by Hasluck. 1906.

There are many other similar works including those published in Europe and in the United States. Of course, many significant turn-of-the-century books of this type were published in non-English speaking countries, so unless you can speak French, German, or Italian fluently, you'll be stuck with expensive picture books. Still, many are wonderfully leather-bound with gilt illustrations of automobiles on their covers and spines. They are profusely illustrated throughout and contain information about automobiles you've never heard of before (or since).

Lee's American Automobile Annual is an example. It was published in 1900.

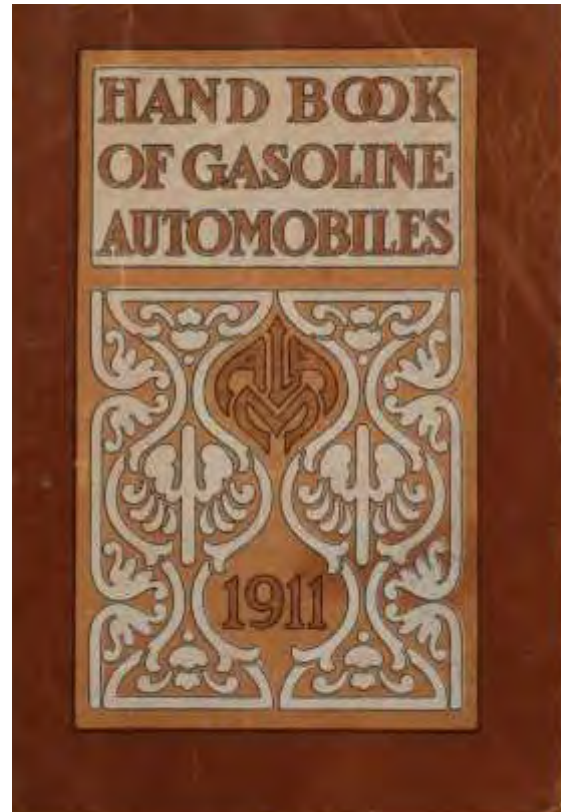


"Lee's American Automobile Annual", 1900.

Although the "Lee's American Automobile" is indicated as an "annual" I've not been able to locate any other editions.

Perhaps they lost in favor of what seems to be a much more easily found "Handbook of Gasoline Automobiles."

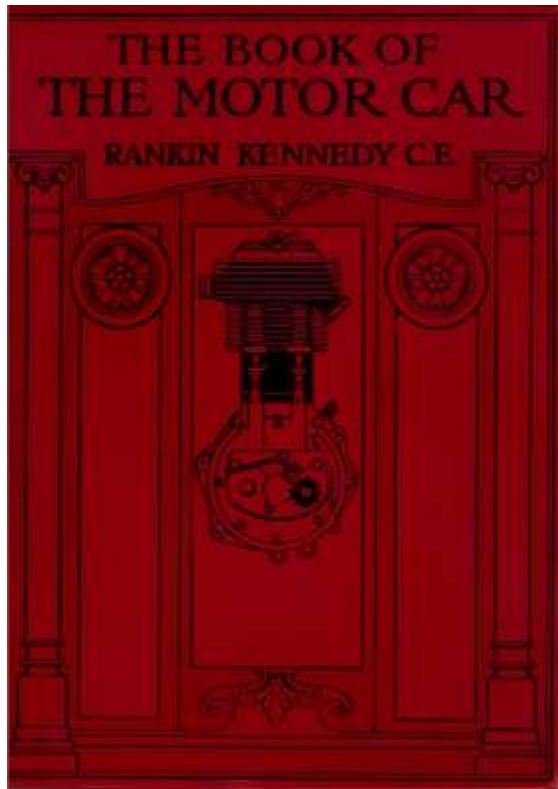
These annual editions began in 1904 and were published by the American Licensed Automobile Manufacturers Association. Remember-this is the group founded by George B. Selden in his efforts to patent the automobile. It took Henry Ford to challenge him in court and win the rights to produce automobiles without having to license them through Selden's organization



1911 Edition of "The Handbook of Gasoline Automobiles."

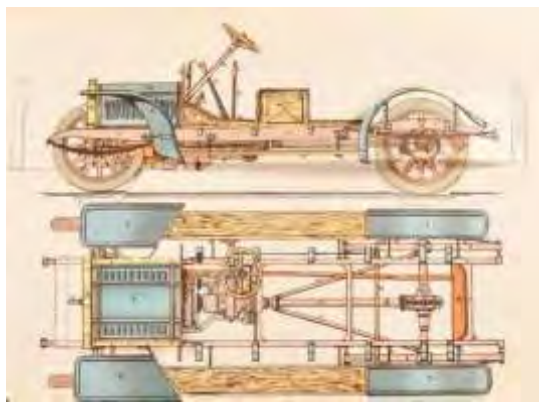
Since Ford defied the ALAM, those automobiles are not listed in these references until 1911 when the Selden Patent was ruled invalid. In 1914, The National Automobile Chamber of Commerce (NACC) was formed and continued to publish the books through 1925, The name survived though until 1929. Today, they are very collectible with the rarest editions being those prior to WWI. The 1904 edition was reprinted by Ken Pudy in 1969 and is easily found for sale on the internet.

Still more interesting history mingled with tech can be found in this great four-volume set of books published in Great Britain – The Book of The Motorcar by Rankin Kennedy. It was published in the teens..



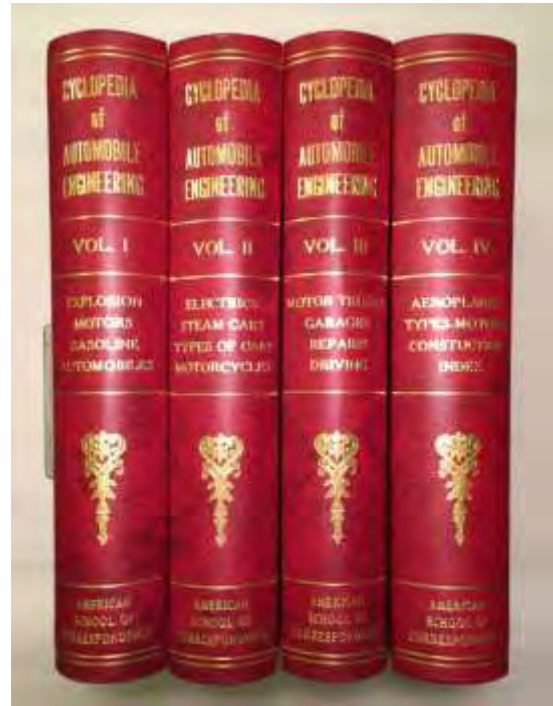
"The Book of The Motor Car" by Rankin Kennedy.

Like its predecessor set, ("The Automobile"), it contained numerous dissectional views of automobile components. The fourth volume in this set was published shortly after the first three volumes were printed. When found for sale, it is often described as a "3-volume set. Sellers are often unaware a 4th volume even exists.



Dissectional view of automobile components from "The Book of the Motor Car" by Rankin Kennedy.

Another profusely illustrated "set" of books is the 1910 4-volume "Encyclopedia of Automobile Engineering" Hard to find in such great condition these are a real pride of my collection.



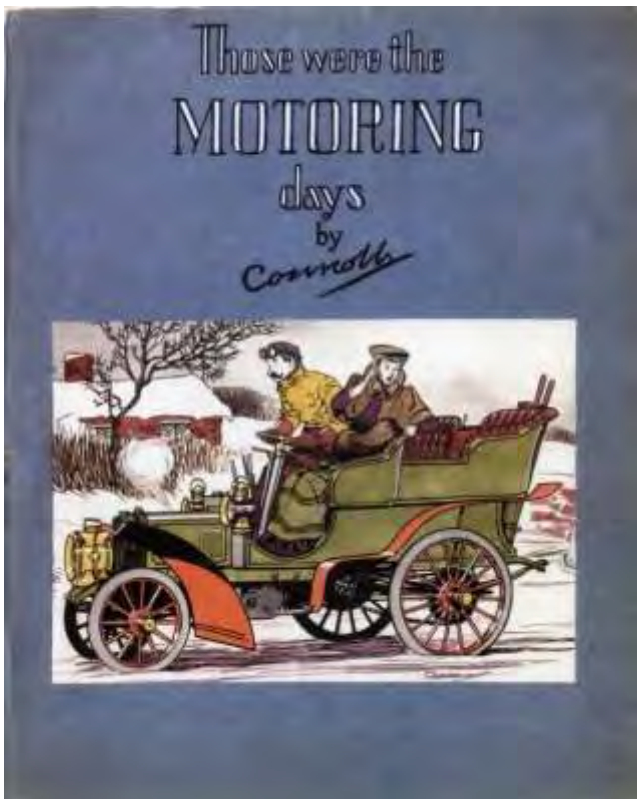
"Encyclopedia of Automobile Engineering" – printed in USA, 1910.

The MG connection to all this –yes, there is an MG connection! Harold Connolly was a noted automobile illustrator who was hired by Cecil Kimber (recognized as creator of the MG). He was commissioned to do a lot of illustration work for MG's catalogs and showroom posters. His most famous work was perhaps "The MG Girl"



"The MG Girl" illustration by Harold Connolly. Cover of April 29th, 1932 Autocar Magazine.

In 1949, Harold Connolly also created a volume of artwork and stories that covered not just his memories of early motorcycling in the pre WWI era, but also his experiences illustrating some of the classic automobiles of the early days. He also developed advertising text and illustrations for other British automobiles but did work for Chrysler, Cadillac, Chevrolet, and Dodge. This 1949 volume is among the most wanted books on my wish list. It was privately published and printed only in very small numbers, perhaps intended as gifts to friends and some of his co-workers. Many of them were also noted motoring artists like F.Gordon Crosby. If you happen to run across a copy in a used bookstore, let me know!



Harold Connolly's book "Those were the Motoring Days."

The search continued - Until then, enjoy collecting!
Who knows what great finds await in the coming year!

Terry

From the TRAACA Awards Manual—How to accrue points from Car Shows.

TYPE SHOW	Best in Show	Senior Award	1st Junior/Place	2nd Junior/Place	3rd Junior/Place	Preservation Award	Special	Orig. HPOF/HPOF	DPC
AACA Driving Tours	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—
AACA Grand National	—	9	8	7	6	6	—	—	—
AACA National Award	—	—	—	—	—	—	10/5*	—	—
AACA National Meet	—	8	7	6	5	6	5	4/3**	2
AACA Region Driving Tours	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	—
AACA Region Show	6	—	5	4	3	4	1***	2	2
AACA Zenith Award	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	—	—
Non-AACA national tours (national marque clubs, Lincoln Highway, etc.)	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
Concours d'Elegance	8	—	7	6	—	—	5†	—	—
National Institutional Display ‡	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	—
National Marque Shows ‡‡	6	—	5	4	3	—	2	—	—
Non-AACA Show	4	—	3	2	1	—	1***	—	—
ODMA Annual Meet	7	6	5	4	3	—	2	2	2

NOTE: All vehicles entered in AACA National or Regional Shows that don't receive awards receive 1 point

* 10 points for receiving an AACA National Award / 5 points for being nominated for an AACA National Award

** 4 points for receiving AACA Original HPOF certification / 3 points for receiving AACA HPOF certification

*** Special awards at AACA Regional Meets/Shows or local shows are Best Paint, Best MOPAR, Oldest Car, etc.

† Concours d'Elegance participant, but did not receive an award

‡ For example, invited to display vehicle at AACA Museum, Peterson Automotive Museum, etc.

‡‡ For example, the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America (VCCA), Classic Car Club of America (CCCA), Oldsmobile Club of America (OCA), etc.



TRAACA Installation and Awards Banquet

January 19, 2023

Founder's Inn Virginia Beach
Photos and article by Bob Stein



This year's Installation and Awards banquet was held in the Hunt Rom of the Founder's Inn in Virginia Beach, and as always, was well attended. President Tim Hund started off with introductions, and had Nick Smith provide the benediction. Following the buffet dinner, Tim turned the podium over to Vice President Bill Treadwell for the presentation of awards. First off was recognition of 50-year member Riley Best and Craig and Cheryl Casper. The Duryea Award for most contributions to AACA overall was presented to Terry Bond. The Century Awards for vehicles more than 100 years old went to Richard Hall and Jim Elliott, and the Century Participation Award went to Jim Elliott. The Bill Holmes - Overland Award for a pre-1927 vehicle most active in AACA events went to Sam Kern for his 1925 Franklin. The 2023 TRAACA President's Award for greatest contribution to the club went to Marion McAlpine. Tim Hund was presented with the Restoration Award for his 11-year effort on a 1931 Morgan, and Marty Sugermeier received the Mudflap Award for her contributions to the newsletter. The Bartlett Bowl for the most points scored in AACA events went to Jim Elliott, and the Merritt Horne Participation Award went to Dewey and Maxine Milligan for their constant support of club activities. The Ivie Lister Award for the highest-scoring British Car went to Tim Hund for , and the Spark Plug Award for contributions to the club was presented to Bob Stein. The LaLique Award for long-term contributions and leadership for the club was given to Jim Villers, and the Beaulieu Cup for the

most points scored with a single vehicle went to Harry Park. That left the Hard Luck trophy, which went to Bob and Linda Pellerin in commemoration of the theft of their 1937 Volvo. Linda gave a brief overview of the theft for those who had not already heard. Bob Parrish then took over for the installation of 2023 TRAACA officers. Somehow always managing to come up with a different theme every year, this year's ceremony followed the invaluable chocolate bar. He gave each board member (Herbert Mumford, Paul Fuqua, Nick Smith, and Fred Cole) a different variation of the basic Hershey bar, then presented incoming treasurer Harry Park, secretary Doug Grosz, vice-president Bill Treadwell, and president Tim Hund with candy bars that had a punny link to their duties. Tim Hund closed the evening after presenting Thank You awards to departing board members Skip Patnode, Tammy Park, Dick Chipchack, and Jerry Adams







2023 TRAACA Annual Swap Meet

Saturday March 11, 2023 (Rain or Shine - No Refunds)

8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Nansemond-Suffolk Academy

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Shaded Outdoor Vendor Area

Indoor Spaces with tables

Free Admission and Parking for Spectators and Shoppers

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Ample Parking Car Clubs are invited to purchase a space to promote your club

INSIDE VENDOR SET-UP is available Friday from 1–5 PM

Day of meet and outside vendor setup starts at 8 AM. (Must check in first)

Food available on site from food vendors

Indoor spaces: 10’ x 10’ - One table and two chairs provided per space. (\$35 preregistered/\$40 after)

Outdoor spaces: 10’ x 30’ Bring your own tables and chairs. (\$25 preregistered/\$30 after)

You must purchase enough spaces for all your stuff including trailers and tow vehicles. Tow vehicles may be parked in spectator parking.

Car Corral vehicles for sale must purchase an outdoor space. Vendor setup and day of meet registration begins 8 AM Saturday. Site must be vacated by 2 PM Saturday.

ADVANCE REGISTRATION HIGHLY RECOMMENDED DUE TO LIMITED INDOOR SPACE AVAILABILITY. ANY UNRESERVED INDOOR SPACES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON DAY OF THE EVENT.

NOTE - PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE MARCH 1st!

Inside Vendor setup is available Friday (March 10th) from 1-5 PM.

The facility must be vacated no later than 2 p.m. Saturday

The TRAACA 2023 Annual Swap Meet promises to be the biggest ever, with extensive advertisement and promotional activities. As one of the only Winter events for car collectors and enthusiasts in the Tidewater area, it attracts a wide variety of customers and vendors. Reserve your space now - space is limited, especially indoors

Recruitment is not a Seasonal Job By Paula Ruby Vice President - Membership



(Reprinted with permission from the AACA 2022 Fall Rummage Box)

As we approach the conclusion of the 2022 year of Meets, Tours and Conventions we need to keep in mind that the job of getting new members never stops. Obtaining new members for AACA is a 365 day effort that falls on everyone's shoulders. With the temperatures being so HOT this summer we will all be looking forward to the cooler Fall weather. There are still opportunities for regions and chapters to have many fun activities. Let's think about doing a driving tour to a pumpkin patch or apple festival. Usually at these festivals there will be other vendors set up so check and see if it would be possible for your region to set up a table. Be prepared to have with you some regular applications as well as Military Sponsorship Program applications. If you have some past issues of Antique Automobile magazine that you can part with, have them available as well. Also look into participating in local Halloween and Christmas parades. We have discovered that the Cars and Coffee events on the weekends have been very well received. It gets people together in the morning for a couple of hours and they still have the rest of their day for family and friends. Keeping our organization's name in the limelight will give us the opportunity to answer questions all about WHO we are and WHAT we have to offer. If you have any ideas that have worked for your regions, please share them with me so that we can help other regions that are struggling to keep their membership growing.

AACA Calendar of Events

http://www.aaca.org/Calendar/aaca_calendar.html

February 9-11, 2023
Annual Convention
Williamsburg, VA

April 13-15, 2023
Southeastern Spring
Nationals
Charlotte, NC

May 1-3, 2023
Southeastern Divisional
Tour
Oak Ridge, TN

May 18-20, 2023
Eastern Spring Nationals
Gettysburg, PA

June 25-28, 2023
Eastern Divisional Tour
Denver, PA

July 16-22, 2023
Founders Tour
Ontario, Canada

July 26-29, 2023
Eastern Summer Nationals
Norwich, NY

August 10-12, 2023
Grand Nationals
Bettendorf, IA

October 3-6, 2023
Eastern Fall Nationals
Hershey, PA

October 22-27, 2023
Revival AAA Glidden Tour





TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE

Members celebrating anniversaries in February 2023

Bob and Ann Gurnee

Dennis and Carla Gurnee

Curtis and Sheryl Cook

Bob and Ginger Watson

John and Marie Gancel

Henry and Myrna Robson

Members celebrating birthdays in February 2023

Tim Hund

Allyn Julien

Alton "Al" Mercer

Thomas Allan

John Gancel

Daniel Matthews

Roger Cross

Darlene Hooks

Linda Pellerin

Karen Overbaugh

Susan Bond

Jill Guess



Other Regional and Local Events

MARCH 2023

18 Muscle Car Madness
Doumar's Barbecue
Norfolk, VA

APRIL 2023

1 5th Annual George E. Smith Memorial Car Show
Landstown Commons
Virginia Beach, VA

13-16 Charlotte Auto Fair
Concord, NC

19-23 Spring Carlisle
Carlisle, PA

21-23 Goodguys 8th Annual North Carolina Nationals
Raleigh, NC

22 1st Annual Country Cruise N' Car, Truck and Bike Show
Surry, VA

29 Virginia Chevy Lovers Spring Dust Off Car Show
Virginia Beach, VA

MAY 2023

12-13 Mid-Atlantic Pre-War Swap Meet
Luray, VA

12-13 Carlisle Import & Performance Nationals
Carlisle, PA

18-21 Cruisin' Ocean City
Ocean City, MD

27 Virginia Beach Strong Memorial Car/Truck Show
Landstown Commons
Virginia Beach, VA

JUNE 2023

23-24 Carlisle GM Nationals
Carlisle, PA

JULY 2023

14-16 Carlisle Chrysler Nationals
Carlisle, PA

August 2023

4-6 Carlisle Truck Nationals
Carlisle, PA

24-26 Corvettes at Carlisle
Carlisle, PA

SEPTEMBER 2023

27- Fall Carlisle, PA
1 Oct Carlisle, PA

Sunshine Report

Please provide Member Care/
Sunshine Report information on
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Welcome to Our New Members!

No new members



EDITOR'S DESK

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February is here and so is Groundhog Day. Punxsutawney Phil said 6 more weeks of winter, which coincides with the meteorological calendar. That means car show see will be starting soon. So it is time to start and dust off and wax your cars. Of course, Bob Stein was able to get 18 members of TRAACA and HVPR to agree to display their cars at the AACA National Meeting in Williamsburg on February 11. Remember the National Meeting begins on February 9 and ends on February 12. Both Terry Bond and Bob Stein are giving seminars for AACA Members to attend. I hope to make a seminar on Saturday about HPOF.

Then the next weekend, we have the event at the Milligan's including BBQ and soup. I am definitely looking forward to the food and fellowship. With only 28 days this month, spring will be "March"ing in soon. We are still

looking for more activities for the club this year, so send your ideas to the Activities Committee of Dick Chapchik and Harry Park, or any board member. If you can, please join in the planning for the activity, especially if it is something you have done before, as it will make it easier to plan.

I have included a chart from the TRAACA Awards manual that shows how you can accrue points for the awards at awards banquet next year. Of course we need you to report the points to Skip Patnode who keeps track of the points activity for the shows. Without letting Skip know about your activities, we don't know about our participation that earns you points.

See you soon.

Doug







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1929 Pierce-Arrow convertible coupe at the Deer Park Winery & Auto Museum in Escondido, CA