

# The Mudflap



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## — RESCHEDULED DATE — TRAACA Brew Cruise Saturday, August 22, 2015

Did you hear that? A nationwide explosion is taking place in the craft beer industry. Emphasis has shifted from quantity to quality, and brewers are taking advantage of local flavors to produce unique variations on the drink of kings. In Virginia there are over 60 microbreweries, and around Hampton Roads we enjoy over a dozen local microbreweries.

Our cruise on Saturday, August 22nd, will visit two breweries with a local flair: Back Bay Brewery and Young Veterans Brewery, both in Virginia Beach. Jenna, at Back Bay Brewery, will provide us an introduction to craft brewing and explain the brewing process. She'll also describe their current offerings, including False Cape Amber Ale and Atlantic Avenue IPA.

Our tour begins in the parking lot behind the Arby's restaurant in the Knells Ridge Square shopping center, 805 N. Battlefield

Bldv, across the street from the Chesapeake General Hospital. We will meet at 10:00 AM for a 10:15 AM departure on a meandering drive to the beach and Back Bay Brewery. Lunch will follow at Beach Bully BBQ (601 19th Street, VAB) at about 12:30 PM.

Our afternoon will continue with a leisurely drive through southern Virginia Beach, finally arriving at the Young Veterans Brewery (2505 Horse Pasture Road, VAB) at 3:30 PM. Their signature brews are Simper Fi PA and New Recruit blonde ale. Save room in your car and take home your favorite brews by the bottle, grenade (32oz) or growler (64oz).

Parking may be tight, so share rides with other members if you can to reduce the number of vehicles. RSVP to Jim Villers at [190SLJim@cox.net](mailto:190SLJim@cox.net) or (757) 481-6398 by Wednesday, August 19. Cheers!



*"Seeking My AACA First Junior"—Matt Doscher & his 1965 Ford Mustang try for a First Junior in Louisville. Read the story on Page 13.*



### TRAACA CALENDAR

Check [local.aaca.org/tidewater](http://local.aaca.org/tidewater) for the latest info on upcoming events!

#### AUGUST 2015

- 5 TRAACA Board Meeting  
6:30 PM (Wednesday)  
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 22 RESCHEDULED DATE  
Local Brewery Tour  
Virginia Beach, VA
- 20 TRAACA Dinner Meeting  
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport

#### SEPTEMBER 2015

- 1 TRAACA Board Meeting  
6:30 PM (Tuesday)  
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 25 "Wings & Wheels" Meet  
Friday Night Social
- 26 TRAACA 42nd Annual Meet  
Military Aviation Museum  
Virginia Beach, VA

#### OCTOBER 2015

- 7 TRAACA Board Meeting  
6:30 PM (Wednesday)  
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 31 TRAACA Chili Cook-Off at  
Dewey & Maxine Milligan's  
home in Chesapeake, VA

#### NOVEMBER 2015

- 3 TRAACA Board Meeting  
6:30 PM (Tuesday)  
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 6-8 TRAACA Fall Tour  
*Location to be determined*
- 19 TRAACA Dinner Meeting &  
Annual Silent Auction  
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport

# **HAPPY 60th BIRTHDAY, TRAACA!**

This year the Tidewater Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America celebrates its 60th anniversary while our parent organization, the AACA, celebrates its 80th anniversary. Each issue of *The Mudflap* this year will feature articles and/or photos from our club's history, celebrating and remembering our heritage. See Pg. 12.

## **From the Driver's Seat**

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The saying "the dog days of summer" just seems to apply to my enthusiasm this summer. The temperature and humidity has shortened my top-down drives as I have sought the comfort of modern air conditioning.

While August does not normally bring the feelings of fall, it certainly can bring the return to a more active calendar. Our Activities Committee has planned an August 22nd tour of two local breweries, which is a new event for us. Local craft breweries have opened in many locations throughout the Tidewater Region and provide some of the more interesting tastes of this foamy beverage. Betty and I visited our local Pleasure House Brewery last week and I enjoyed their "Lesner Amber Ale," a mild wheat ale. Betty tried their "HRBT Dark," but it was just too stout for her.

Margie Ives has asked to step down from her position as Chairman of the Call Tree Committee, a position she has held for the last three and a half years. We need someone to take over this critical responsibility.

I am also looking for additional members for the Activities Committee. With the work schedules and vacations this summer, Dick Chipchak has been shorthanded and his committee could benefit from new ideas, enthusiasm and active hands. If you have the time and interest, please contact Dick.

With the summer quickly slipping away, our September "Wing & Wheels" Meet is quickly approaching. Meet Chairman Tony Scarpelli has begun pulling together his team for this year's meet. Tony will be looking for volunteers at the August dinner meeting, so think about how you can help.

So much to do and so little time. Let's have fun: it is an old car type of day.

*Jim*

## ***We Need Your Help!***

**After 3.5 years of serving as the TRAACA's Calling Tree Chief Captain, Margie Ives is ready to retire from the position. We thank Margie for her selfless service to our club. Now we need someone to volunteer to take on the responsibilities of providing the Calling Tree Captains information on our monthly dinner, consolidating the names they collect, and then provide a final head count each month to the Holiday Inn. If you're willing to volunteer, please contact Jim Villers.**

## **2015 TRAACA Officers & Board**

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**Board - Tyler Gimbert**

**Board - Skip Patnode**

**Board —Tim Russell**

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## **Call Captain's Corner**

**Calling Tree Chief Captain: Margie Ives  
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Eb—Gra	Scott Davies	312-8032
Gre—Howa	Rhonda Russell	471-4031
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# From the Running Board

## July 7, 2015 TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes

The board meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport on Military Hwy. Directors present were Mark McAlpine (Vice President) and Marion McAlpine (Treasurer). Board members present were Matt Doscher, Tyler Gimbert, and Tim Russell. Members present were Dick Chipchak, Vicki Doscher, and Frank Lagana.

**Secretary’s Report:** June Board Meeting Minutes were approved and published in the July issue of *The Mudflap*.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Read by Marion.

- The club remains in the black.
- TRAACA received a bill from the AACA for \$110 for liability insurance to cover the Directors. Payment of this bill was approved by the Board.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Marketing/PR:** Nothing significant to report (NSTR).

**Youth Chapter:** NSTR.

**Communications:**

- *The Mudflap* newsletter: In addition *The Mudflap’s* “Caught In The Headlights” articles, Mark wants to begin a new series on members and their first cars. Members are encouraged to submit a short (1-pg) story and photo of their first car for inclusion in *The Mudflap*.
- *The Mud Speck* weekly e-mail: NSTR.

**Activities:**

- No club activities scheduled for July.
- Matt Doscher discussed the plan for the trip to the AACA Louisville Meet on 16-18 July; details can be found in the July *Mudflap*.
- Saturday, 15 August: local brewery tour. Dick is in contact with Smartmouth Brewing Company and O’Connor Brewing Company, both in Norfolk. He will provide info for *The Mudflap* by the 20 July deadline.
- Friday, 25 September: Friday Night Social before our “Wings & Wheels” show on Saturday, 26 Sep. Looking at doing a “sock hop” themed party. Oaklette United Methodist Church in Chesapeake has been reserved.
- Saturday, 31 October: TRAACA Chili Cook-Off at the Milligan’s. (It’s also Dewey Milligan’s 80th birthday.)
- Friday-Sunday, 6-8 November: TRAACA Fall Tour. Details being ironed out.
- Sunday, 20 December: TRAACA Christmas Brunch at the Princess Anne Country Club in Virginia Beach.
- Beginning in August the Activities Committee will revert to meeting at Dick Chipchak’s house in order to provide more/better information at club Board meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday evening, 4 August, to accommodate those who work during the day. Dick will attend & report at all Board meetings.

**Restaurants/Dinner Meetings:**

- There is no July dinner meeting.

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- August 20: Monthly dinner meeting at Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport. Guest speakers: Neil & Marty Sugermeyer, who will speak about the Gilmore Car Museum.
- Club will remind guest speakers and enforce the 30-45 minute limit for presentations during dinner meetings.

**Society:**

- Current membership status (as of June 30): 169 (singles/couples).
- Sunshine Report: Nothing new to report beyond what was published in the July *Mudflap*.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Our National Meet closeout was on the agenda, but no one from the National Meet Committee was in attendance so the topic was tabled for a later meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

The next TRAACA Board Meeting is Wednesday, 5 August, at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Matt Doscher

## TRAACA Dinner Meeting Thursday, 20 August, 2015

This month’s dinner meeting is at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport, 1570 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, VA 23502. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM and dinner is at 7:00 PM. Dinner will be fried chicken, sliced roast beef with gravy, house salad, mashed potatoes, corn, and chef’s choice of dessert.

This month’s guest speakers: Neil & Marty Sugermeyer, who will give a presentation on the Gilmore Car Museum.

*Please remember that if you sign up for a club dinner, you are committed to paying for it whether or not you attend. Unless someone who hadn’t signed up for the dinner comes and offsets your absence, the club must pay for your meal and loses money if you don’t pay. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.*



# National Collector Car Appreciation Day

## Friday, July 10, 2015



Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Chris Hunt and Mark McAlpine.

U.S. Senate Resolution 196 designated Friday, July 10th, as National Collector Car Appreciation Day (NCCAD). Across the country, car collectors and enthusiasts gathered to celebrate and recognize “that the collection and restoration of historic and classic cars is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United States.”

On July 10th, TRAACA member Charlie Daniels celebrated NCCAD with a cruise-in (one of only two known to be held for NCCAD in Virginia—the other being in Roanoke) at his Daniels Performance Group (DPG) shop in Smithfield, VA. Several members of the TRAACA brought their classic vehicles and were among the over 120 vehicles at the cruise-in. The cruise-in was free, but participants donated money to benefit the local *Toys for Tots* campaign. The Specialty Equipment Manufacturers Association (SEMA) Action Network recognized Charlie and DPG for hosting the NCCAD event by sending a framed copy of the U.S. Senate Resolution, which was presented to Charlie by AACA Executive Vice President Bob Parrish and displayed for all the NCCAD Cruise-In participants to see.

The cruise-in likely would have been even larger if the weather had cooperated. As the cruise-in progressed, dark storm clouds moved in and a heavy rainfall followed, keeping at least two local car clubs from joining the fun.

TRAACA members participating in the NCCAD Cruise In included Bill Colburn, Charlie Daniels & Chris Hunt unveiling Chris’ new 1973 Plymouth Scamp, John & Lynn Heimerl with their 1956 DeSoto Adventurer, Mark & Marion McAlpine with their 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS-396, Tom Norris & Missy Hespenshide in the “new” 1936 Chrysler C2 Imperial, Bob & Dot Parrish with their 1978 Chevrolet Corvette, and Bill & Linda Treadwell with their 1969 Chevrolet Camaro convertible.



*The DPG team receiving the Senate Resolution from Bob Parrish*



*Chris Hunt’s new treasure—a 1973 Plymouth Scamp*



*There was a good mix of classic and modern, originals and mods*



*Classic vehicles basking in the sun—before the rain hit*



*Collector car owners gathering for remarks by Charlie Daniels*



*Linda & Bill Treadwell and their 1969 Chevrolet Camaro*



*Dot & Bob Parrish and their 1978 Chevrolet Corvette*



*Missy Hespenshide & Tom Norris and their 1935 Chrysler Imperial*



*Lynn & John Heimerl and their 1956 DeSoto Adventurer*



*Some of the TRAACA members celebrating National Collector Car Appreciation Day at Daniels Performance Group in Smithfield, VA, on Friday, 10 July: (L-R) Tom Norris and Missy Hespenshide; Bill and Linda Treadwell; Chris Hunt and Charlie Daniels; Marion and Mark McAlpine; and AACA Executive Vice President Bob and Dot Parrish.*



# AACA Southeastern Fall Meet

## Louisville, KY

### July 15-18, 2015



**Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine and Matt Doscher.**

The Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) celebrates its 80th Anniversary this year. This year, as it did five years ago to commemorate the AACA's 75th Anniversary, the Kyana Region of the AACA hosted the Southeastern Fall Meet in Louisville, KY. A group of TRAACA members trekked through the mountains to Louisville to participate in the national meet.

You might wonder, "Why would you want to host a national meet in Kentucky in July?" Well, since the show was held inside the large, air-conditioned Kentucky Expo Center, weather was not a factor. In fact, the temperature was very comfortable inside the center, and—as we were promised by the Meet Chairperson—it did not rain on the show field.

The Meet had almost 300 vehicles registered, fewer than in 2010, but a diverse selection of beautiful cars. Meet participants offered many compliments, both during and after the Meet, on the great job the Kyana Region did organizing and hosting the Meet.

While in Kentucky, TRAACA members took advantage of the many available local and nearby attractions. Matt & Vickie Doscher and Mark & Marion McAlpine made the pilgrimage to Bowling Green, KY, on Thursday to visit the Corvette Assembly Plant and the National Corvette Museum. Bill Coburn and Bill Treadwell went on Friday. They all agreed that the museum is great (and yes, the sinkhole is filled in), but the plant tour was the best part. (Thanks for the suggestion, Bob Parrish!)

Some of us visited the Kentucky Derby Museum and historic Churchill Downs, where the Kentucky Derby has been run every year since 1875. The guided walking tour of Churchill Downs showed us the track's stables, grandstand, track, finish line, winner's circle, and infield. Inside the Kentucky Derby Museum is a small, oval-shaped (like a race track) theater, which plays an entertaining 360-degree movie titled "The Greatest Race" about the life of a thoroughbred, from birth to Derby Champion.

We ate dinner at local restaurants and experienced some fine southern hospitality and food. A couple of nights we enjoyed dessert at a local confectionary called The Comfy Cow. The chocolate bourbon ball ice cream was a hit!

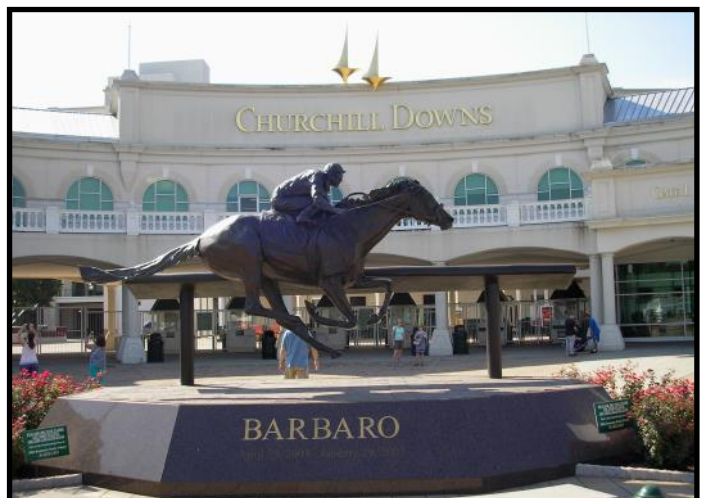
It was a fun and exciting trip to Louisville, KY. We are looking forward to returning to Louisville for the AACA's 85th Anniversary. TRAACA members present included Tom & Tammy Cox, Bill Coburn, Matt & Vickie Doscher, Jim & Donna Elliott, Sam Kern, Mark & Marion McAlpine, Al & Sharon Mercer and their grandson, Bob & Dot Parrish, Bill Treadwell, expatriate members Peter & Claire Catanese, and adopted members Mark & Glenda Linder.



*Antique vehicles displayed in the Kentucky Expo Center atrium*



*TRAACA members dining at Harvest Restaurant in Louisville*



*The entrance to historic Churchill Downs Racetrack*



*Al & Sharon Mercer's 1922 Mercer Roadster*



*1938 MG TA*



*Some outstanding trucks displayed on the show field—sorry—floor*



*1934 Chrysler Airflow coupe*



*Look how indoor lighting makes antique vehicles shine!*



*A car you rarely see today (or then)—a 1986 Chevy Chevette diesel (photo courtesy of Kathy Heath, Kyana Region newsletter editor)*



*(L-R) Dot Parrish, Marion McAlpine, Jim Elliott, and Bob Parrish*



*(Back L-R) Mark McAlpine, Peter & Claire Catanese, Sam Kern; (Front row L-R) Marion McAlpine, Donna & Jim Elliott*



# Going to Gilmore

Story by Neil Sugermeyer. Photos by Neil & Marty Sugermeyer.

If you haven't been to the Gilmore Car Museum in the small town of Hickory Corners, Michigan (about 20 miles from Kalamazoo and Battle Creek), a trip there should be on your bucket list of things to do. Many of us have heard about the Gilmore Automobile Museum complex, but what you may not know is what a fantastic dealership campus it is, representing the best of numerous marque clubs displayed in various buildings, several built to replicate showrooms of their era of operation.

The core of the facility has a long history in Michigan, having begun as a place for the founder, Donald S. Gilmore (who first became an executive in one family business—Gilmore Department Store in Kalamazoo—before moving and becoming an executive at another family business—Upjohn Company, a pharmaceutical company founded by Donald's stepfather) to house his collection. In 1963, he acquired his first antique car, a 1920 Pierce-Arrow (a retirement gift from his wife Genevieve) as well as 90 acres of farmland upon which he eventually erected barns brought in and re-erected to house his growing automobile collection.

Donald and Genevieve established a non-profit foundation and the museum first opened to the public in 1966. Their foundation was a founding member of the National Association of Automobile Museums as well as other similarly focused organizations. Mr. Gilmore passed away in 1979, but not before ensuring his creation would continue to grow and educate the public. Now it is a campus of buildings which house not only the Gilmore collection, but collections and historical information of marque clubs such as the H.H. Franklin Club, Cadillac-LaSalle Club, Pierce-Arrow Club, Model A Ford Club, Lincoln Motor Car Club, Hudson Club, and Classic Car Club of America. Other buildings include a working 1941 diner, a 1930s Shell gas station, a hood ornament & automobile mascot museum, and a pedal car museum.

Marty and I planned our trip specifically to attend what was called the 5th Annual Air Cooled Gathering at the Gilmore on 20 June. We determined it would finally give us a chance to see the facility, and, as Franklin owners, perhaps run into some of the folks we know from the Franklin Club. Of course, "air-cooled" includes many marques other than Franklin, so we saw a lot of Volkswagens, Chevrolet Corvairs, King Midgets, and a few brands that we had never seen before like Trabant, the East German attempt to rival VW during the Cold War. We also saw Bouvard Hostika, who some of you may remember riding in his 1910 Franklin while on a TRAACA club tour to the Charlottesville area a few years ago. He had flown in to the gathering, but had his 1910 Douglas motorcycle and a later model Honda motorcycle trailered in from his home by another Charlottesville area Franklin

owner who brought his 1903 Franklin to the event.

We arrived at the museum about 9:30 AM in the morning, and easily could have spent a few days there rather than the time we had planned, and did meet quite a few of our Franklin friends from all over the country. Seeing the air-cooled car display outdoors on the lawn took a good portion of our time, and we hurried through the museum buildings to try to take in all the rest of the exhibits. Both Marty and I took numerous photographs, using up the batteries in both our cameras, and will show them at the TRAACA's August dinner meeting and give a talk about what we saw.

As a side trip on the way to the Gilmore, we stopped at the Auburn Cord Duesenberg Museum in Auburn, Indiana, to take pictures of the displays there, a talk for another time. All told, we drove about 2,000 miles and spent seven nights in pet-friendly hotels as our dog Johnny was with us. The trip amounted to about 850 miles one way through some of the most delightful scenery you can imagine, and though we stopped in more than a few antique shops on the way, I didn't find much to buy. I think Terry Bond had been to them already!



*This way to the Gilmore Car Museum!*



*(L-R) 1903 Franklin Light Roadster and 1926 Franklin Victoria*





*The H.H. Franklin Club is housed in a replica 1918 showroom*



*1926 Franklin Speedster*



*(L) 1958 Lloyd Alexander TS & (R) Marty behind a 1965 Peel P50*



*Neil perusing the Hudson Barn*



*Neil & Mr. Lincoln conversing outside the Lincoln showroom*



*The Cadillac-LaSalle showroom—opened in full of 2014*



*1931 Pierce-Arrow towing a 1937 Pierce-Arrow Travelodge*



*George & Sally's Blue Moon Diner—a restored 1941 diner*



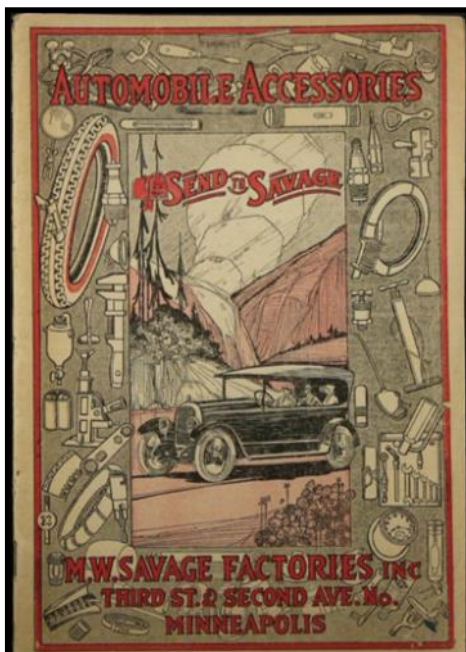
# Still Collecting Stuff — and Making It Easier — with Reference Materiel

By Terry Bond

One of my “golden rules” of collecting is to learn as much as I can about what I’ve got or I’m looking for. I’ll be writing a couple of articles later about where and how to find stuff, and about how to learn as much as possible about your collections. One thing that I’ve collected for a long time proves very useful in helping to learn more about these objects—early auto accessory catalogs.

I don’t remember when or where I found my first old auto parts & accessory catalog, but it was a real joy to leaf through the pages of a wonderful 1910 catalog and just imagine how fantastic it would be to travel back in time and go on a shopping spree. Some of the most notable catalogs were Charles E. Miller, Dykes, Gibson, Bailey, Times Square, and Ballou & Wright. Ah, and you thought J.C. Whitney was the only game in town! Even Sears & Roebuck and Montgomery Ward got in on the act. There were hundreds of automobile supply & accessory catalogs.

The companies all produced lavishly illustrated catalogs and sometimes even published supplemental sales brochures. Some of the catalogs represented businesses with real “store-front” locations in large cities. Others were simply mail-order operations that used drop-shipping directly from larger suppliers. Yes, even back then you could start your own catalog business without even having a warehouse, shipping department, or sales counter!



1916 automobile accessory catalog

Some of my favorite catalogs are Ford specialties. It’s said that there were more aftermarket items made for the Ford Model T than any other car, and I’ve got a collection of those too (a future article perhaps). Most of the well-known catalogs had large sections devoted to Ford Model T parts, but there were other

catalogs that specialized in them. Some of the devices intended to improve on Henry’s product were simply amazing!

Catalogs help me identify where items come from, to date them, and to figure out what vehicles some parts actually fit.

Some of the early 1900’s catalogs sold enough parts to build your own car and name it after yourself!

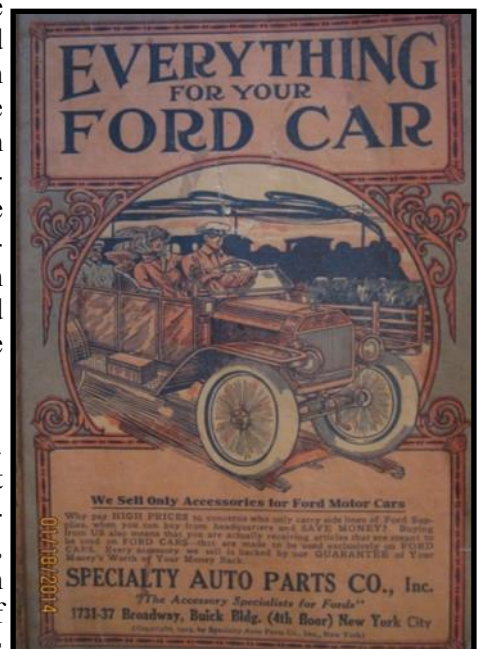
The earliest Dykes catalogs were well known for that—they sold chassis components, engines, and their own bodies. You could purchase any accessories you needed, and had a choice of wire- or wood-spoked wheels. This, of course, explains why there are a few very early automobiles around that nobody knows what they actually are. Quite simply, they were “one-offs” home-built from catalog pieces.

The earliest catalog in my collection is from 1903. I have several from England published before 1910, many with full-color illustrations in them. They all have page after page of brass lamps, spark plugs and all kinds of things, making great reference works & fun “wish-books.”

Most of the catalogs you’ll find are soft cover with 50 to 100 pages. While they have color covers, they are black and white inside and were printed using cheap thin paper. It can be tough to find them in reasonable condition. There are other higher quality catalogs with stiff or hardbound covers. These are well-illustrated with color graphics in them. I have several that depict brass speedometers, lamps, etc., in full golden color. Many of these catalogs were issued to dealers and garage



The early Charles Miller catalogs were among the best illustrated examples



There were dozens of New York-based companies in the early 1900s

owners rather than for individuals to mail order from. As a result they also illustrate product displays and shop equipment—a real treasure for reference!

One year at Hershey I found a vendor with quite an assortment of catalogs and loaded up for \$15 per book. Those days are gone. The earliest catalogs, in flawless condition, with great cover artwork and color illustrations in them can fetch over \$100. Plain catalogs, especially those from later years, can still be found for \$20 or so.

If your tastes are more “modern” than mine, you can find wonderful catalogs of any age. Specialty catalogs abound, whether for the Model T, the Model A, Packard, Chevrolet, Buick, or whatever is your favorite car. Of course, those specialty catalogs are also sought out by literature collectors, restorers, and anyone who needs to document something for the judges. These catalogs will be

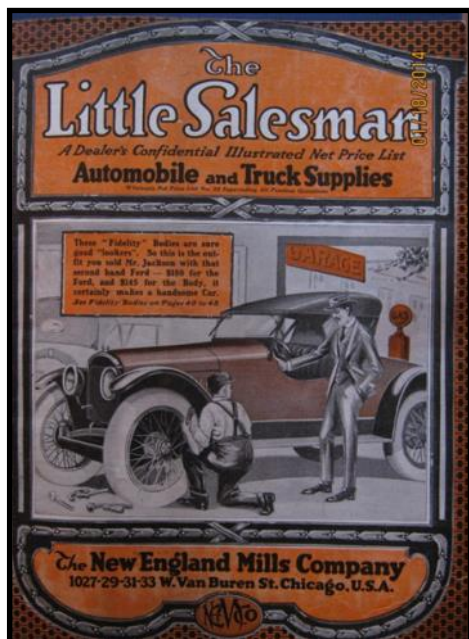
priced a lot higher than their more generic counterparts.

Condition is very important as usual. Many of these catalogs suffered from greasy fingerprints as they were often used in the garage and kept on the workbench. Some had holes drilled in them to put into binders or even hang from strings near the boss’s desk. To find catalogs completely intact with unused order forms in them is very difficult. I am lucky enough to have a few in their original mailing envelopes.

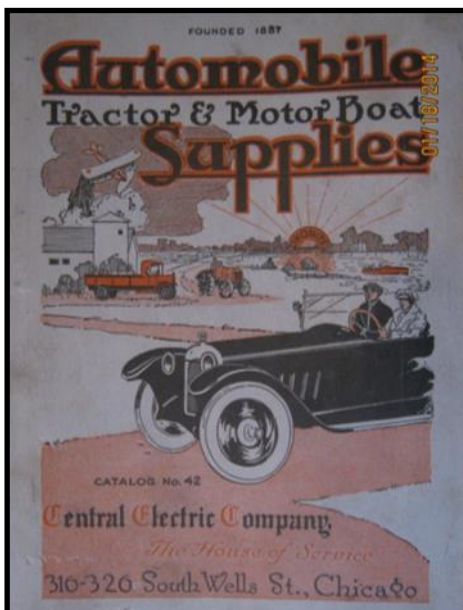
There are other periodicals we’ll talk about in future columns, such as early Automobile Trade Journals, but these are my favorites. No, I don’t keep one in the “outhouse!”

For now, enjoy the pictures, and enjoy collecting.

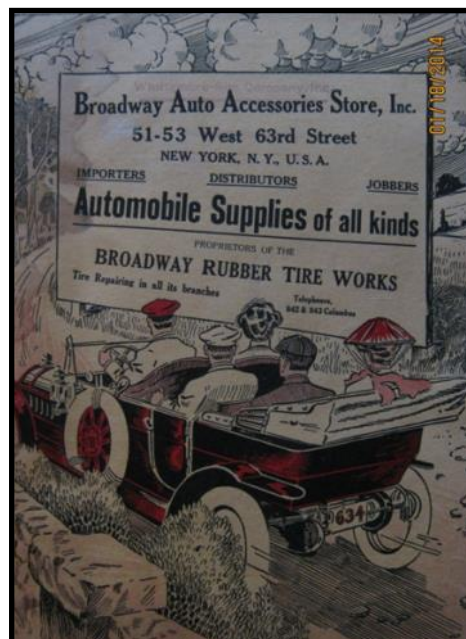
*Terry Bond*



*A nicely illustrated 1920's catalog*



*Chicago was home to many early auto supply companies*



*Another well-illustrated example*



*Even Montgomery Ward got into the act!*



*Early race cars were a popular theme—a 1917 auto accessory & supply catalog*



*A page showing early sparks plugs. Pages like these help me date items I find.*

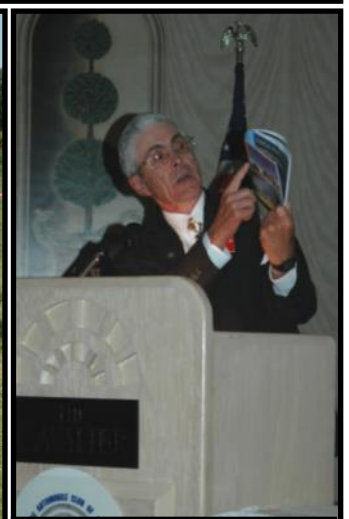
# Happy 60th Anniversary TRAACA!

*(Photos provided by former TRAACA President Bob Stein)*

The Tidewater Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America (TRAACA) was chartered on February 4, 1955, becoming one of just 34 regions in the country at the time. Since then, the club has grown from 10 members to over 165 families & the AACA has grown to 366 regions. Each issue of *The Mudflap* this year will highlight some of our history.



***The AACA Eastern Spring Meet hosted by the TRAACA in May 2006 at the Cavalier Hotel***



***AACA President Robert "Bo" Croley***

***TRAACA President Mickey McChesney***

# Seeking My AACA First Junior Award

## *Matt Doscher and His 1965 Ford Mustang*

Story by Matt Doscher. Photos by Mark McAlpine.



*AACA President Don Barlup presents Matt his First Junior Award*

My wife Vickie and I joined the TRAACA after the Wings & Wheels show in 2013. I enjoy spending time with our fellow club members that I now call friends and admiring their vehicles. Through my TRAACA friends I have become educated about AACA class point judging and what it takes to bring a vehicle up to AACA class judging standards. After seeing such high quality vehicles in the club, all of which have attained their Senior Awards, I had the desire to obtain my Senior Award for my 1965 Ford Mustang. After all, I thought, it deserved it.

I began soliciting advice from key club members and received many helpful suggestions on what to do. I started to make the necessary changes to my Mustang to have it look period correct for 1965. One of the first things I did was replace its five radial tires with correct Goodyear Power Cushion 6.95-14 white wall, bias ply tires. I knew my a/c system was aftermarket and not period correct, so I removed it. I had to obtain the correct reproduction radiator hoses and radiator cap, replace the incorrect worm gear hose clamps for the radiator and fuel line hoses with the correct tower and crimp clamps. I found a correct spare tire jack and ratcheting handle and correct incandescent headlight bulbs through my contacts on the online Concours Mustang Forum. I also knew that my intake manifold was not correct and had to find a correct 2-barrel intake manifold & carburetor. Charlie Dawson came to my rescue with the correct Ford intake manifold. I gave him the a/c system I removed so that he could use it on one of his projects. I was able to find & purchase the correct 2-barrel carburetor. Last, but not least, I had to replace the aftermarket AM/FM radio with the original AM radio, which luckily I held onto when my Mustang was restored!

The National Spring Meet our club hosted was my Mustang's first time competing in class judging at an AACA national meet and I was proud to be awarded a Second Junior for all of my efforts. I sent a letter to Herb Oakes, VP of Class Judging, requesting a copy of my judging sheet so that I would know what areas I needed to improve on. I had the desire to get a First Junior and to make whatever corrections were necessary to make this happen. Upon receiving my copy of the judging sheet I looked it over and chose what items I would address and what items I would leave alone. Jim Villers introduced me to one of his Mercedes club friends who had a tire machine that I could

use to change out my incorrect valve stems for the correct ones. I installed the correct "yellow top" ignition coil as well.

I then began to prepare my car for AACA's 80th Anniversary Meet in Louisville, KY. Due to the location of the meet and not wanting to risk damage from rock chips on the highway, I chose to trailer my Mustang. Neil Sugermeyer very generously allowed me to borrow his enclosed trailer and showed me how to properly hook up the trailer to my truck. I enlisted my neighbor's help in tying down my Mustang in the trailer the night before we departed for Louisville. Early Wednesday, 15 July, we were underway for Louisville with our first stop being in Waverly to meet up with Mark and Marion McAlpine who were caravanning with us. Mark double-checked my tie down straps, ensuring the Mustang was secure prior to departing from Waverly. We left as a group driving 13 hours from Waverly to Louisville with stops along the way for gas, lunch and bathroom breaks for Heidi (the McAlpine's dog)! Once arriving in Louisville, Mark and Marion accompanied us to the Kentucky Expo Center trailer parking area where they assisted with unhooking the trailer and securing it for the evening.

We then enjoyed the next few days sightseeing in Louisville and Bowling Green and catching up with our fellow TRAACA club members who also had made the trek to Louisville. On Friday afternoon I took advantage of the early entry onto the indoor show field. Mark assisted me in unloading the Mustang and both he and Marion helped Vickie and I detail it prior to leaving it there overnight.

Saturday morning I attended the Judges Breakfast and found my judging team table. It was nice having fellow club member Jim Elliott as my Team Captain. I attended a Continuing Judges Education session on interiors, then judged the class I was assigned to with my judging team. All this time I was wondering how my Mustang would do alongside a very nice, red 1966 fastback, which was also seeking its First Junior Award.

The awards presentation commenced at 4:30 PM, and I was very nervous as I waited for the results of Class 34A, which my Mustang was in. They soon announced Class 34A First Junior Awards for the red 1966 fastback and my Mustang. It was great to have my Mustang receive the recognition it deserved and I felt good for all of my hard work. I congratulated my fellow competitor on his accomplishment, and received my award from AACA President Don Barlup. It was nice getting to shake his hand and to receive my award from him. Receiving this award would not have been possible without the help of my wife Vickie and my TRAACA friends.



*Vickie & Matt Doscher displaying the Mustang's First Junior Award*



## AACA Awards 101

By Chuck Crane, VP Publications

Reprinted from the Summer 2015 AACA *Rummage Box*)



Are you mystified by the AACA awards program? It is not that complicated. A great seminar on the subject was recently presented at the Central Spring Meet in Independence, MO.

The awards follow the life cycle of our vehicles. HPOF or Historic Preservation of Original Features is an evaluated class for survivor vehicles relatively unchanged from when they were new, first receiving the HPOF badge. After receiving the HPOF certification the vehicle is evaluated for Original status, which receives the Original Tab. Later in the life cycle, the vehicles become drivers with changes along the way such as radial tires instead of bias, newer radios and the like, but with major things like engines still correct but maybe rebuilt or upgraded. These are DPC or Driver Participation Class vehicles which are evaluated, not point judged, and receive a DPC badge. Both of these classes receive participation awards when shown. As the vehicles then age and get thrashed and trashed, they are in need of full restoration to get back to the level of when they were received by the dealer from the factory. These vehicles then come into the

point judging classes.

All vehicles must arrive on the judging field under their own power and start out with 400 points. Authenticity is the key, with Condition and Workmanship also part of the deductions from 400 points. Vehicles enter at the Junior level and proceed upwards toward the Senior and Grand National levels. Details are found in the Official Judging Guidelines Manual and are presented also in Judging Schools. Preservation awards are given once the Senior level is attained and the vehicles are shown at National Meets.

There are national awards presented at the Annual Meeting in Philadelphia in various categories each year. Every vehicle shown at a National Meet or Tour is looked at by the National Awards Team (the folks in the yellow shirts with lots of judging credits). Nominations are made by the team during the year, owners are notified later in the year and they decide if they want to be considered. The team meets in Hershey in early December and picks the winners for presentation at the Annual Meeting.

That's how simple the whole process is. Join the fun at the next National Meet in your area.



## Judges Corner—Read This

By Read Majors, Chairman, Judges Training

Reprinted from the July 2015 AACA *The Judge* newsletter)



Being a GOOD judge takes work and dedication. Being a GREAT judge takes work, dedication and heart. Our *Official Judging Guidelines* booklet is filled with lots of rules and technical information. Buried within the section **Qualifications of an AACA National Judge** is this simple statement . . .

“Must have the ability to be fair, honest, understanding and reasonable when judging a vehicle.” There is no other mention of these important character traits in our handbook, but I believe they are the key to being a GREAT judge.

We go to judging school, take CJE classes, study and research on our own and hopefully learn a little something each time we work the field. These are important elements to our personal growth, but if we don't have a character-rock upon which all of this is based, then we will never be truly GREAT judges.

I submit that honesty begins with a self-evaluation. Do

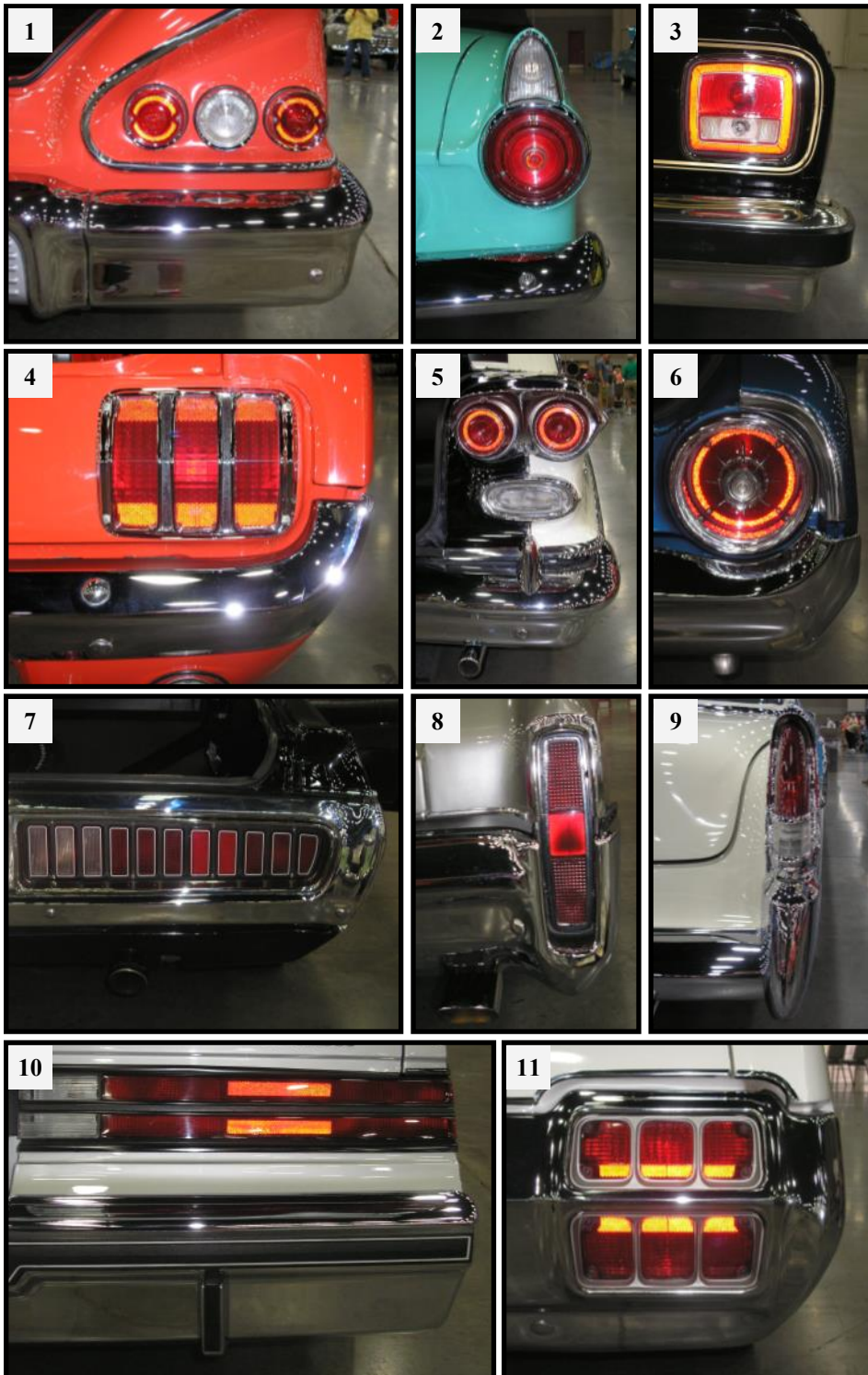
we set aside our personal preferences and keep a balanced standard as we judge? Or are we so sure of our own expertise and experience that we leave no room for doubt? Remember our General Policy sets the standard “as the dealer could have prepared the vehicle for delivery to the customer.” Ask anyone who has worked in an automotive factory or a dealership and they will tell you the true meaning of this phrase. Car companies did not build show cars. They built products to sell and dealers, then and now, will do whatever is possible to make the customer happy. We must understand this and apply it in a reasonable manner.

Now before some of you purists vapor lock, let me add this . . . As judges, we are the gatekeepers to our award system and, in many ways, to the integrity of our old car hobby. None of us want a car to display an award that does not deserve it. However, by applying the characteristics listed above and a good dose of common sense, we can enhance our technical skills and become GREAT judges. I'll see you on the field!

# Name that Car!

Game and photos by Mark McAlpine

Identify the year, make and model of the automobiles below with your only clues being their taillights. (The answers are at the bottom of the page.)



ANSWERS: 1. 1958 Chevrolet Impala; 2. 1955 Ford Thunderbird; 3. 1975 Chevrolet Cosworth Vega; 4. 1966 Ford Mustang; 5. 1958 Pontiac Parisienne; 6. 1964 Ford Galaxie 500; 7. 1973 Dodge Charger; 8. 1970 Chevrolet Monte Carlo; 9. 1956 Chrysler New Yorker; 10. 1987 Buick Regal; 11. 1972 Oldsmobile Cutlass. (This might've been easier if you'd gone to the Louisville Meet!)



## AACA Calendar of Events

[http://www.aaca.org/Calendar/aaca\\_calendar.html](http://www.aaca.org/Calendar/aaca_calendar.html)

### AUGUST 2015

25-27 Western Divisional Tour  
Northern California  
Santa Rosa, CA

30- Revival AAA Glidden Tour  
4 Sep Chickasha, OK

### SEPTEMBER 2015

30 Aug Revival AAA Glidden Tour  
4 Sep Chickasha, OK

14-18 Founders Tour  
Northeast Ohio

### OCTOBER 2015

7-10 Eastern Fall Meet  
Hershey, PA

### NOVEMBER 2015

5-7 Central Fall Meet  
Houma, LA

### FEBRUARY 2016

11-13 AACA Annual Meeting  
Philadelphia, PA

### MARCH 2016

17-19 Winter Meet  
Naples, FL

### APRIL 2016

7-10 Southeastern Spring Meet  
Charlotte, NC

### MAY 2016

5-7 Special Spring Meet  
Auburn, IN

19-21 Eastern Spring Meet  
Vineland, NJ

### JUNE 2016

2-4 Annual Grand National Meet  
Williamsport, PA

10-12 The Elegance at Hershey  
Hershey, PA

12-17 The Sentimental Tour  
Salisbury, NC

### AUGUST 2016

11-13 Southeastern Fall Meet  
New Bern, NC

### September 2016

11-16 AAA Revival Glidden Tour  
North Conway, NH



# Register YOUR vehicle for the Tidewater Region AACA Forty-Second Annual Meet



**Military Aviation Museum - 1341 Princess Anne Rd - Virginia Beach VA 23457**  
**8 am to 3 pm Saturday, September 26, 2015**

**Show Information:**

- Meet Chairman: Tony Scarpelli Phone: (757) 810-1600 email: scarpp02@aol.com
- TRAACA President: Jim Villers Phone: (757) 481-6398 email: 190sljim@cox.net

**PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION FORM - PLEASE PRINT**  
**Tidewater Region AACA 41st Annual Meet – September 26, 2015**  
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**VEHICLES MUST BE ON SHOW FIELD BY 11:00AM**

*Displayed vehicles must have a visible fully charged, operational UL approved fire extinguisher.*

**VEHICLE 1** Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

AACA CLASS (If Known): \_\_\_\_\_ AACA National Award Winner \_\_\_\_\_

**VEHICLE 2** Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

AACA CLASS (If Known): \_\_\_\_\_ AACA National Award Winner \_\_\_\_\_

First vehicle EARLY REGISTRATION (Postmarked BY September 15, 2015)	1 @ \$20.00 _____
First vehicle LATE REGISTRATION/DAY OF SHOW (NOTE: Not eligible for AACA Judging)	1 @ \$25.00 _____
Additional Vehicles (\$15 each)	_____ @ \$15.00 _____
Flea Market (Approximately 10' x '30')	_____ @ \$20.00 _____
Car Corral (Single parking space for selling a car: Vehicles with For Sale signs will not be judged.)	_____ @ \$15.00 _____

**Total (includes admission to the Military Aviation Museum)** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help judge Preserving The Past (AACA Classes): PREFERRED CLASS \_\_\_\_\_ ANY \_\_\_\_\_

All vehicles must have current liability insurance coverage. My vehicle has state required liability insurance.

*Signature:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date:* \_\_\_\_\_







## 2nd Annual Scouts & Cars in the Park

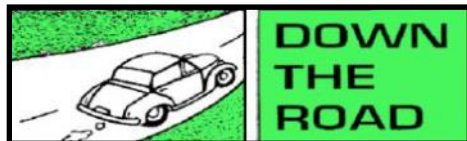
**Saturday, August 8th, 2015**  
**9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**Newport News Park Polo Field**  
**13560 Jefferson Ave, Newport News, VA 23603**

**Open to all makes, models, and years**

**Registration: \$20 [pre-registration closed on 31 July]**  
**Registration: 9:00 AM—12:00 PM. Balloting closes at 1:30 PM.**  
**Goody bags & dash plaques to first 100 registered vehicles**

For more info & registration forms: [scoutsandcarsinthepark.wordpress.com](http://scoutsandcarsinthepark.wordpress.com)  
Or contact: Deborah Matheny at [dmatheny22@cox.net](mailto:dmatheny22@cox.net) or (757) 872-0899  
Clay Drnec at [clay.drnec@cox.net](mailto:clay.drnec@cox.net) or (804) 924-9198

- ### Other Regional/ Local Events
- AUGUST 2015**
- 1 U.S. Coast Guard Birthday Car Show  
Portsmouth, VA
  - 8 2nd Annual Scouts & Cars in the Park Car Show  
Newport News Park  
Newport News, VA
  - 14 Friday Night Cruise-In at Daniels Performance Group, Smithfield, VA
  - 15 Khedive 24th Annual "Fun-n-Shine" Car Show  
Chesapeake, VA
  - 22 Southern Fried Festival  
Langley Speedway  
Hampton, VA
  - 23 "Bugstock"—a '60s VW Happening! Sponsored by Richmond Region AACA & Central VA Vintage VW Club  
Glen Allen, VA
  - 28-30 Corvettes at Carlisle  
Carlisle, PA
- SEPTEMBER 2015**
- 12 7th Annual Thomas Nelson Comm. College Car Show  
Hampton, VA
  - 12 5th Annual AOH Car Show  
Knights of Columbus Hall  
Virginia, Beach
  - 19 40th Annual Edgar Rohr Memorial Antique Car Meet  
Bull Run Region AACA  
Manassas, VA
  - 19 SE Virginia Street Rods 23rd Annual Car Show at Daniels Performance Group, Smithfield, VA
  - 20 Classics on the Green Import Car Show at New Kent Winery  
New Kent, VA
  - 20 "Boots & Roots" Car Show in memory of Cecil Profitt at Isle of Wight County Fair  
Isle of Wight, VA





## Khedive Autos Shriners' 24th Annual Fun-n-Shine Car Show

**Saturday, August 15th, 2015**  
**10:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**The Shrine Center, 645 Woodlake Dr, Chesapeake, VA**

**17th Annual Craft Show inside an air-conditioned building with lots of crafters, vendors, food and restrooms.**  
**Free Admission!!**

**Registration Fee: \$25 (pre-registration must be received by Aug 10th)**  
(Pre-register second family vehicle for \$15—vehicle eligible for judging only)

**Free car show t-shirt to first 100 vehicles registered by August 10th**  
**Dash Plaques to all entries.**  
**Trophy Presentations starts at 3:00 PM**

For information and registration form: [www.khediveshrine.org](http://www.khediveshrine.org)




**REQUEST FOR CARS—Harbor's Edge, Norfolk—Sat, 12 Sep**

*We've received a request from Harbor's Edge Retirement Community in Norfolk. They are having a festival & flea market for their residents on Saturday, 12 September, and would love to have us bring our classic cars. If you arrive around 8:00 AM, they'll provide you free breakfast!*

*The residents of Harbor's Edge would love to see our cars. If you could bring your car for even a few hours, it would mean a lot to them. (And remember: someday it might be us hoping someone would stop by and show us their classic cars!) If you can participate, please contact Dot Parrish to sign up: [bowtiebobp@aol.com](mailto:bowtiebobp@aol.com) or (757) 547-5034.*



## EDITOR'S DESK

**Mark McAlpine**

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As TRAACA President Jim Villers says, "So much to do, so little time." We're halfway through the year and halfway through old car season. We still have a lot of AACA, TRAACA, marque, and local car shows, tours and cruise-ins to enjoy in what remains of the year, but time seems to be whizzing by. For those that enjoy touring, there's the AAA Glidden Revival Tour in Oklahoma at the end of August and the Founder's Tour in Ohio in mid-September. For those that enjoy meets and swap meets, there's the "mother of all car shows and swap meets"—Hershey—in October, and in early November the final AACA meet of the year in Louisiana. (I know it's going to be a great meet, but Hershey has always been the capstone event of the year for the AACA, so it just seems odd to have a national meet after Hershey.)

Locally, many TRAACA members will be taking their vehicles to the Khedive Shriner's Car Show in Chesapeake on Saturday, 15 August. The following week we have a "Brew Cruise" on Saturday, 22 August. Then on Saturday, 24 October, there's the 13th Annual Virginia Fall Classic car show at the Newport News Park. Dennis Gage won't be there this year, but it will still be a great show and it raises a lot of money for the CHKD.

However, the "big kahuna" for the TRAACA and most other classic car lovers in the Tidewater area will be our 42nd Annual Meet—our "Wings & Wheels Show"—on Saturday, 26 September, at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach. For our Annual Meet to be a success—let alone fun—we need you! We need you to register your vehicles (*the deadline is 15 September—the form is on Pg. 16*) and bring them to the Meet for the rest of us and all the spectators to enjoy seeing. We also need you to volunteer to help prepare for, set up, run, and clean up after the Meet. We need help obtaining sponsors, laying out the show field, parking cars on the show field the day of the show, judging, etc. Please, Please, PLEASE volunteer to help when and where you can. To volunteer to help with our Annual Meet, please contact our Meet Chairman, Tony Scarpelli. To volunteer to judge, contact the Meet Chief Judge, Jim Elliott.

Finally, *The Mudflap* needs your articles. In particular, we're looking for articles about your first car and articles about one of your current antique vehicles. The articles don't have to be long—just 1-page—approx. 500-600 words plus photos. For articles about a current vehicle you own, we want a photo of your car/truck/motorcycle/scooter, one of you with the vehicle, one of its interior, one of the engine, and any special feature you'd like to highlight. It would be great if you had a photo of you with your first car, but send us your article even if you don't.

*Mark Mc*

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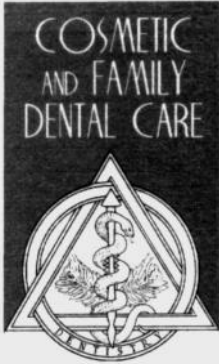
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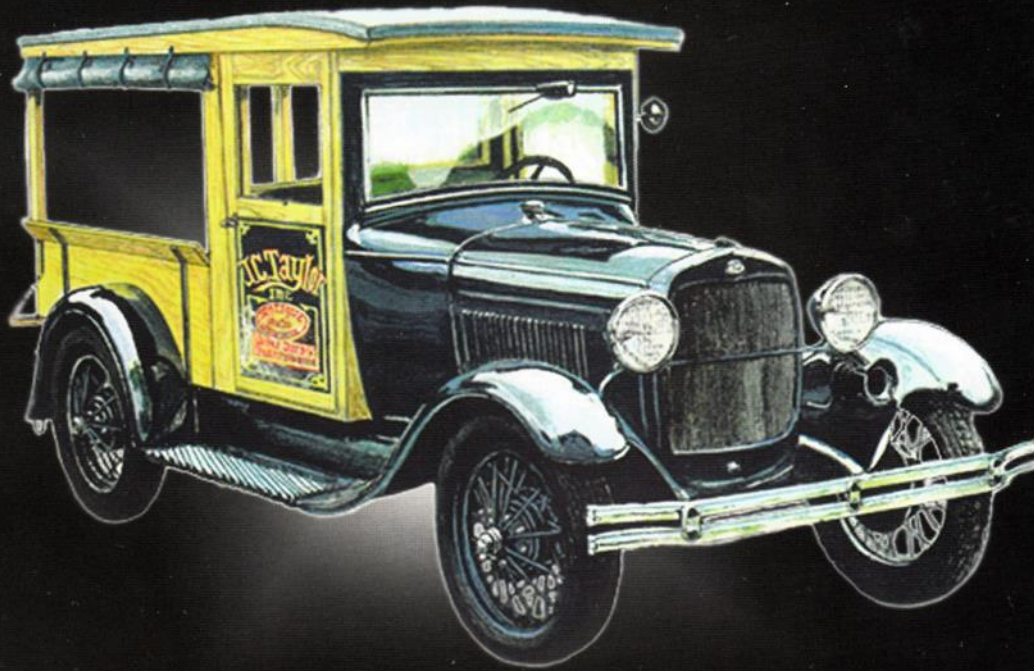
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