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TRAACA 42nd Annual Meet

“Wings & Wheels”

Saturday, September 26, 2015



By the time you read this notice, there will be less than four weeks before our 42nd Annual Meet at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach on Saturday, September 26th. This year’s “Wings & Wheels” show also commemorates the TRAACA’s 60th anniversary.

The festivities begin with our traditional Friday Night Social from 6:00-9:00 PM Friday, September 25, at the Oaklette United Methodist Church at 3421 Indian River Rd in Chesapeake, VA 23325. Dinner is being catered again by the club’s perennial favorite, Reginella’s Italian Ristorante. Dinner will be buffet-style

and features spaghetti (with or without meatballs) and your choice of tomato or Alfredo sauce, lasagna with tomato sauce, Italian sausage with onions and peppers, salad, garlic bread, dessert, and various beverages. This year’s theme is “Let’s Go to the Hop,” so come dressed for a 1950s-early 1960s “Sock Hop.”

If you have not signed up yet to help with the set up at the church on Friday morning or clean up that night, please call Dick Chipchak at (716) 472-4811 or (757) 495-0115, or e-mail him at dchipchak@aol.com. As Dick says: “Many Hands Make Light Work.”

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CAUGHT IN THE HEADLIGHTS—Dick Chipchak & his 1972 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme convertible. Read the story on Page 14.



TRAACA CALENDAR

Check local.aaca.org/tidewater for the latest info on upcoming events!

SEPTEMBER 2015

- 1 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Tuesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 25 “Wings & Wheels” Show
Friday Night Social
Oaklette United Methodist
Chesapeake, VA
- 26 TRAACA 42nd Annual Meet
“Wings & Wheels” Show
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
Solomons Island, MD
- 19 TRAACA Dinner Meeting &
Annual Silent Auction
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport

DECEMBER 2015

- 2 TRAACA Board Meeting
6:30 PM (Wednesday)
Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport
- 20 TRAACA Holiday Brunch
Princess Anne Country Club
Virginia Beach, VA

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. 16.

From the Driver's Seat

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I received a phone call a month or so ago from the service manager of the local Mercedes-Benz dealership. He said that the owner, Charles Barker, had bought a Mercedes-Benz 190SL at the Barrett-Jackson auction in Palm Beach and asked if I would like to look at it when it arrived. Always ready to inspect a 190SL, I headed to the dealership the next day. The car had just been delivered and I was with the dealership managers appreciating its beauty. Its white paint was flawless, the chrome was new and sparkled, and the engine compartment metal was freshly plated and complemented the correct hose clamps. The red interior leather was new and the dash correctly covered. Serious money was spent for this cosmetic restoration.

It did not take much of a mechanical inspection to uncover a host of serious issues. At a slow idle, the engine sounded like a cement mixer, the hand brake was limp, and the shifter flopped from side to side. Rocking the steering wheel resulted in a noticeable clunk. Inspection on a lift revealed even more issues from leaking brake cylinders, a missing pedal cover, and a "magna-flow" exhaust. Oil dripped from everywhere.

Another fun project. I volunteered to help the dealership

mechanics correct the mechanical issues so that the car could be driven and used for publicity purposes. As an amateur mechanic, I can get spoiled working in a large, clean, air-conditioned facility with an attached parts desk which will acquire anything required. The car is now close to being finished: a chain tensioner quieted the engine, new wheel cylinders & shoes corrected the brakes, and welding a broken rivet in the shift linkage firmed the shifter. The oil leaks required resealing the transmission and replacing the pinion seal. The clutch linkage bushing, tie rod ends, and carburetor support were replaced. The seats did not look or sit correctly, so they were sent to Paul Cho to be corrected. The new covers had been installed over the old seat leather. Paul removed the old leather, rebuilt the seat cushions, and reinstalled the new covers with the correct tie-downs. The seats are now both comfortable and beautiful.

Learn from this experience—beauty in the automotive market can be skin deep. Thoroughly inspect any vehicle before purchasing it, especially when the auction transaction is nationally televised.

Somehow we never tire of looking at and talking about cars, and this month provides the year's best opportunity. Our annual "Wing & Wheels" show brings out the best of both cars and "car crazy" people to the Military Aviation Museum. For maximum enjoyment, volunteer early, display your car, and then hang around after the awards have been distributed to reflect on a perfect day. Contact Tony Scarpelli to volunteer.

So much to do, so little time. Let's have fun: it's an old car kind of day!

Jim

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From the Running Board

August 5, 2015 TRAACA Board Meeting Minutes

The board meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport on Military Hwy. Directors present were Jim Villers (President), Mark McAlpine (Vice President), Melanie Kordis (Secretary), and Marion McAlpine (Treasurer). Board members present were Matt Doscher, Tyler Gimbert, Skip Patnode, and Tim Russell. Members present were Bill Blair, Dick Chipchak, Vickie Doscher, Frank Lagana, and Bob & Dot Parrish.

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

Treasurer’s Report: Read by Marion.

- Funds have been received from the National Meet Treasurer, deposited into the club’s account, and the National Meet account has been closed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marketing/PR: Flyers for the club’s annual “Wings & Wheels” Show have been printed and are being distributed by members at local car shows & cruise-ins. Info has been provided to *Hemming’s Motor News*, the Virginia Peninsula Car Club Council, and will be provided to the Car Club Council of Hampton Roads and the *Virginian Pilot*.

Youth Chapter: Nothing significant to report (NSTR).

Communications:

- *The Mudflap* newsletter: Mark thanked everyone for their submissions. He is looking for articles on member’s current cars and memories of their first car.
- *The Mud Speck* weekly e-mail: NSTR.

Activities:

- Saturday, 15 August: TRAACA Brew Cruise. Jim Villers organized a driving tour to Back Bay Brewery, Beach Bully BBQ, and Young Veterans Brewery in Virginia Beach. Details provided in August *Mudflap*.
- Friday, 25 September: Friday Night Social (before our “Wings & Wheels” show on Saturday, 26 Sep.) Theme to be determined.
- Saturday, 31 October: TRAACA Chili Cook-Off at the Milligan’s. (It’s also Dewey Milligan’s 85th birthday.)
- Friday-Sunday, 6-8 November: TRAACA Fall Tour. Details still being ironed out.
- Sunday, 20 December: TRAACA Holiday Brunch at the Princess Anne Country Club in Virginia Beach, VA.

Restaurants/Dinner Meetings:

- August 20: Monthly dinner meeting at Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport. Guest speakers: Neil & Marty Sugermeyer, who will speak about the Gilmore Car Museum.
- Dot Parrish suggested the club hold a dinner meeting in October. The Board supported the idea and Jim Villers said he would contact the Holiday Inn to see if it could accommodate us on Thursday, 15 October.

Society:

- Current membership status (as of 31 July): 170 (singles/

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couples). We welcomed new members Gordon & Melinda Spence (with a 1931 Ford Model A) and Bob & Ginger Watson (with a 1931 Ford Model A & 1965 Ford Mustang).

- Sunshine Report: Read by Vickie.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A motion from the Swap Meet committee was discussed to relocate the 2016 Swap Meet to the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach. Vote was called & passed. Alternate locations will be considered for future years.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Bill Blair requested a judging school before the club’s September Meet. Mark will discuss the possibility and timing with Jim Elliott, the Meet’s Chief Judge.
- All non-TRAACA-sponsored events should be advertised in the weekly *Mud Speck*.

The next TRAACA Board Meeting is Tuesday, 1 September, 6:30 PM at the Holiday Inn—Norfolk Airport.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Melanie Kordis, Secretary

TRAACA Dinner Meeting

Friday, 25 September 2015

Instead of a dinner meeting this month we are holding our Friday Night Social at the Oaklette United Methodist Church in Chesapeake the evening before our annual meet. The cost is \$20/person. (See the article about the “Wings & Wheels” Show on Pages 1 & 7 for more information.)

Please remember that if you sign up for a club dinner, you are committed to paying for it whether or not you attend. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Khediye Autos Shriners Car Show

Saturday, August 15, 2015

Story by Marion McAlpine. Photos by Mark McAlpine.



The Khediye Shriners in Chesapeake, Virginia, held their 24th Annual “Fun-N-Shine” Car Show on Saturday, August 15, 2015. This car show is one of the largest in the area and is always well-attended. This year’s show was no different. There were over 340 vehicles registered on what turned out to be a beautiful and sunny summer day.

This yearly car show is one of the most important fundraisers for the Khediye Shriners. Along with the car show, the Shriners held a Flea Market and their 17th Annual Craft Show. The Shriners also had a display of the small “Shriner Cars,” which they drove around the parking lot for everyone’s enjoyment.

The TRAACA was well-represented and a number of members took home trophies for their vehicles. Briant Capps, Keith Colonna, David & Faye Curl, Mark & Marion McAlpine won 1st Place trophies in their classes and Tom Bottini, Mike & Darlene Brown, Albert McVicker, Bob Perkins, and Bob Stein received 2nd Place trophies in their classes.

At least 47 TRAACA members were present, many of whom brought their classic vehicles, some participated as vendors, some came for the camaraderie of friends, and at least one (Skip Patnode) was a Shriner worker bee. TRAACA members present included Riley Best, Tom Bottoni, Mike & Darlene Brown, Briant Capps & his grandson Derek, Dan Ciccone, Keith Colonna, David & Faye Curl, Larry & Jane Cutright, Scott Davies, Charlie Dawson, Jimmy Flanders, Marie Gancel, Joe Geib, Tyler Gimbert, Adam Graham, Bob & Jo Ann Green, John Heimerl, Bud Keen, Sam Kern, Bob Kinker, Frank Laganana, Jeff Locke, Mark & Marion McAlpine, Mickey & Toni McChesney, Albert McVicker, Tom Norris, Ron Pack, Bob & Dot Parrish, Skip Patnode, Bob Perkins, Bruce Sedel, Bob Stein, Boyd Swartz, Ken & Barbara Talley, Bill Treadwell, Bob & Jane Ward, Tom Wedeking, and Jim Woodall.

All-in-all, it was a great day and car show. Best of all, the Shriners raised a lot of money for a very good cause: supporting Shriners Hospitals and the highest quality medical care for gravely ill children around the country.



A reminder of what the Khediye’s Annual Car Show is all about: supporting Shriners Hospitals for Children around the country



(L-R) Ken & Barbara Talley, Marion McAlpine, John Heimerl, Ron Pack, and Bob Stein refueling & enjoying the air conditioning



Skip Patnode & Marion McAlpine



A young MG enthusiast (and future TRAACA member). In the background another MG admirer—chicks dig classic roadsters!



Bob Parrish & John Heimerl check out Tom Norris' license plates



Iven & Jane Godwin's 1956 Oldsmobile 98 convertible



Bob & Jane Ward's 1955 Chevrolet Bel Air



Riley Best's 1953 Pontiac station wagon



Briant Capps' 1956 Ford Crown Victoria & his grandson Derek



Dennis Sobota's 1978 MGB



Charlie Dawson and his 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air convertible



John Heimerl's 1970 AMC AMX

TRAACA Brew Cruise

Saturday, August 22, 2015

Story by Bob Stein. Photos by Mark McAlpine and Bob Stein.

British sports cars outnumbered all other comers for the TRAACA's first "Brew Cruise," and every participant was in a two-seater! Despite perfect weather, attendance was a bit light. Jim & Betty Villers had their 1971 MGB roadster; Terry & Sue Bond were in Eleanor (Sue's 1948 MG TC); Dana & Debbie Meadows were in their 1957 Ford Thunderbird; and Bob Stein had Wildflower (his 1949 MG TC). Mark & Marion McAlpine started out in modern iron, but parked their truck early on and split up to ride in vintage sports cars.

The group met across from Chesapeake General at 10 AM and rolled out through back roads through Virginia Beach to Back Bay Brewery on Norfolk Ave in Virginia Beach. One of at least twelve microbreweries in the Tidewater region, Back Bay opened in 2012 and offers a number of unique beers. Melanie Kordis joined us there with her 1930 Ford Model A roadster, along with Bill Wilcox in his modern, but 2-seat, Porsche 911 Carrera. Most of the group shared "flights" of beer, small samples of all the different types available.



TRAACA members outside Back Bay Brewery in Virginia Beach

From there the group rode over to the Beach Bully BBQ Restaurant for a great lunch—after all, this is the TRAACA and we have to get food in there at least once. After getting well-stuffed, we drove out more back roads around Virginia Beach and eventually ended up at the Young Veterans Brewery Company on Horse Pasture Road. More sampling ensued; however, participants were careful about their total consumption, averaging less than one beer each even with all the tasting. We headed our own ways after visiting Young Veteran's.

Many thanks to Jim Villers for setting up a great tour! Those of you who didn't come don't know what you missed. All the participants enjoyed themselves and agreed we should do it again sometime and visit other local breweries or wineries. Someone suggested that we rename the cruise "The Two-Seater Tour," hold it in the late summer or fall, and have it join our spring "Square Car Tour" as an annual club activity. [Editor's Note: Let the Activities Committee know what you think about adding an annual cruise to some local wineries or breweries.]



TRAACA members enjoying lunch at Beach Bully BBQ



TRAACA members sampling beer at Back Bay Brewery



TRAACA vehicles outside Young Veterans Brewing Company

“Wings & Wheels Show”

(continued from Page 1)

Our Meet begins bright and early on Saturday at the museum (1341 Princess Anne Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23457) at 8:00 AM and runs to 3:00 PM. Vehicles must be on the show field no later than 11:00 AM (when judging starts). Antique vehicles at least 25 years old are eligible for AACA judging, but must be preregistered. Modified cars and hot rods (“Mods & Rods”) will be participant judged. Please remember: *all displayed vehicles must have fully-charged fire extinguishers or they will not be judged.*

Preregistration is \$20 for the first vehicle and must be postmarked by September 15th. Day of show registration is from 8:00-11:00 AM and is \$25. Additional vehicles registered by the same owner are only \$15. Antique vehicles registered late or day-of-show will not be eligible for AACA judging, but will be judged for “Top #” awards. If you haven’t already registered for the meet, you can find the registration form on Page 15 or download it at <http://www.traaca.com>.

Besides the expected turnout of hundreds of beautiful classic vehicles and “mods & rods,” there will be special displays of 1935 vehicles to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the AACA and 1955 vehicles to recognize the 60th anniversary of the TRAACA. There will also be vendors, a car corral (for selling vehicles), and several local charity displays. Spectator admission is free; however, parking at the museum is \$15, but includes admission to the museum for everyone in the vehicle. (Museum admission normally is \$12 per adult, \$10 for seniors & active duty military, \$6 for children 6-18 years old.) As traditional with our “Wings & Wheels” Show,

rides in classic airplanes (such as a 1940 NA SNJ-2 Navy trainer, a 1941 Stearman biplane, and a PT-19 Fairchild trainer) will be available for a fee.

TRAACA members know that it takes a lot of effort to put on this event. If you haven’t already signed up to assist with some aspect of the meet, please do so. The more volunteers we have the less work it is for everyone (and everyone involved will be able to see the vehicles, explore the museum, and enjoy the meet). Volunteers are needed on Friday to help lay out the show field and on Saturday to help with parking cars on the show field, running the Car Corral & Vendor areas, registration, awards, etc. And, of course, we need judges for the AACA show field. (AACA judging experience is preferred, but not required—this is a good opportunity to become introduced to AACA judging.) To volunteer to help with the Meet, please contact Meet Chairman Tony Scarpelli (scarpp02@aol.com, 810-1600). To volunteer to judge, please contact the Meet Chief Judge, Jim Elliott (jimscars@cox.net, 898-9868), or his assistant, Mark McAlpine (mmmcalpine05@msn.com, 967-0074).

So register, clean, polish and detail your vehicles in preparation for this year’s “Wings & Wheels” Show on Saturday, 26 September. What’s more fun than spending a Saturday with your friends and fellow car enthusiasts viewing classic cars, trucks, motorcycles and airplanes? Even if you can’t bring your vehicle, come out and enjoy the day. And TRAACA President, Jim Villers, promises the weather will be beautiful and rain-free. See you there!

TRAACA 42st Annual Meet—“Wings & Wheels”
Saturday, September 26, 2015, 8:00 AM—3:00 PM
 Military Aviation Museum
 1341 Princess Anne Rd
 Virginia Beach, VA 23457

TRAACA Boy Scout Merit Badge Training Session

Story and photo by Mark McAlpine

On Saturday, August 29, 2015, the TRAACA held what’s becoming a quarterly event—a training session for Boy Scouts of America looking to obtain their Merit Badge in Automotive Maintenance. The session was held at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach, which is a great supporter of both the TRAACA and the Boy Scouts. TRAACA President Jim Villers and members Mark & Marion McAlpine and Bill Treadwell met with 14 Scouts and 7 Troop Leaders & fathers of Troop #1 from Suffolk, VA, to provide overviews of the primary systems of an automobile (engine & drive train, tires & wheels, brakes, cooling, and electrical), proper maintenance of these systems, and safety. Jim’s 1967 Mercedes-Benz 230 SL, Bill’s 1969 Camaro, and the McAlpine’s modern GMC SUV were used for the demonstrations. The Museum staff provided the Scouts sessions on aircraft engines, including a working cut-away Pratt & Whitney engine.



Boy Scouts of Troop #1 listening intently to Jim Villers



Still Collecting Stuff — Just Follow Me— Where to Find Stuff

By Terry Bond

Ok, sit back, pour a cool drink, and let me tell you some secrets on finding stuff. Yes, after all this time telling you what to collect, now I'll tell you where to find it (sort of).

With Hershey just around the corner, I'm working up the annual treasure hunting plan. It's one time a year when I look forward to actually over-dosing on antiques!

Pennsylvania is home to some of the nation's finest antique hunting. One area a short drive from Hershey offers malls, showcases, outside vendors selling from the trunks of their cars, as well as high end shops. For Hershey and Carlisle weekend, being fully aware that part of the state is full of automotive nuts, the antique dealers always drag out everything they can find auto-related. So, for us, that means the selection of merchandise is as good as it gets. Note though—you'll need to be earlier, faster, and work harder to be there first as the competition is keen. Glad we're not all looking for the same things, however!

So, let's begin with the routine we usually follow. Neil Sugermeyer and I depart Tidewater on Friday the weekend prior to Hershey. There are some good antique hunting opportunities en route and, depending on which way you travel, there may be malls or shops that you can stop at to your stretch legs (and wallet). Our goal is to reach the Hershey area by late evening. I recommend the Oxford, PA, area and its many antique shops and malls. A quick Internet search will help you establish a list. Beware, however, as some places listed as antique malls are really no more than indoor yard sales. We've often taken a look and bailed quickly for the next location. Our thinking is you can spend a lot of time trying to find small shops, but

when working on a compressed schedule, it's best to concentrate on larger venues. Save those small shops for later when the pace is less frantic. After a few years of doing this, we've developed our favorite haunts along the way.

After a good night's sleep, we're at it early Saturday morning, and on our way to Allentown, PA, a secret that I kept for many years. The Fairgrounds at Allentown is home to a semi-annual "paper show." There are dozens of dealers indoors offering rare books, periodicals, advertising material, country-store, sports memorabilia, postcards and all kinds of "ephemera." It can be an excellent source of early automobilia including literature, advertising material, postcards, artwork, prints, books, pins, buttons, badges, and even automotive-themed sheet music. You could spend an entire day just looking through the postcards. I even found some great early spark plugs there once. If you regularly attend and get to know some of the vendors, they will keep watching for things for you. This has enabled me to complete several sets of early postcards and add to my pin & button collection.

We usually try to finish this market by noon-ish and cross the street to the big farmers market for lunch. In the afternoon, there are still opportunities to hit the many antique malls and smaller shops in the area. Here's a neat trick—at the paper show, there is a table filled with literature advertising antique shops, shows and auctions in the surrounding area. It's called "trip planning" and using this literature really helps. It's our own version of "free-styling"—with a plan.



A quaint shop filled with goodies!



The line waiting for the Allentown Paper Show to open

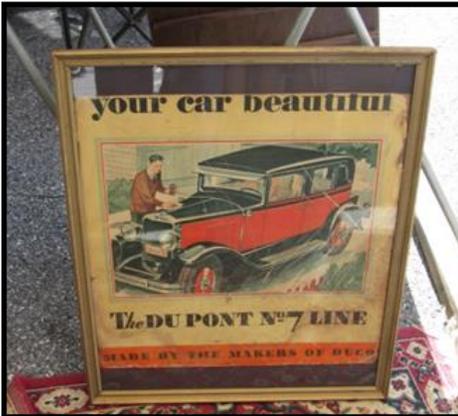


A well-organized dealer booth in Allentown



Welcome to Renninger's Antique Market in Adamstown, PA—it's only open on Sundays, but outside & in you'll see over 400 dealers!

Sunday morning we're up before the chickens and headed for Adamstown, PA. It's less than a 45-minute drive on the PA Turnpike, east of Hershey to the Denver, PA, exit. Follow the road straight ahead to Adamstown and



A nice piece of automotive advertising outdoors at Renninger's



Neil drooling over toys at Renninger's



Showcases overflowing with goodies at the Adamstown Antique Gallery

you'll find a small community with a motel, gas station, grocery store, a couple of restaurants, one stop light, and nothing else but antique shops! Some of you may recall the club took a bus trip there years ago. (Hint: we're ready again!)

Our routine is consistent. There are several outdoor sections and we hit those first. Renninger's Antique Market is a large flea market with hundreds of regular vendors. Everything from fine furnishings to vintage clothing, stuff in the ruff, and everything in between can be found here. This is where an original copy of the Declaration of Independence was found behind an old picture in a booth for a few dollars several years ago. There is a great outdoor

section that demands our attention first. This is where dealers shop, and they start before sun-up.

From there, we go over to the Black Angus Antiques Mall for another outdoor venue, then back to Renninger's for the indoor section. Later it's over to the Adamstown Antique Gallery, filled with over-stuffed showcases.



The outdoor section at Stoudts Black Angus Antiques Mall

Back to the Black Angus for its indoor section, which tends to be a bit more posh & furniture-oriented, but we've found great treasure there on occasion. There are many other multi-dealer malls nearby. One of my favorites is General Heath's antiques. It's a bit pricey, but boy do they have some great things, especially advertising.

These outdoor markets open very early and close early. I highly recommend concentrating on them first, then moving to the indoor venues. What you missed at the outdoor section will probably show up inside later, but at a much higher price as these outdoor sections are a dealer's paradise with fresh items surfacing all the time.

Trying to cram it all in a day can be exhausting. Don't forget lunch at the Black Angus—it's also home to Stoudts Brewery and German Beer Hall. Great food and a refreshing brew make a great antiquing expedition perfect.

We sleep well that night, after a great pizza dinner at one of our favorite stops in Palmyra. (Don't overlook the large antique mall there either).



Goodies galore at Stoudts Black Angus Antique Mall

Monday is another antique-filled day with shops in Strasburg, New Columbia, or many other great spots. The old movie theater in New Columbia is now a great antique mall, and it has produced some great treasures. There are several other large shops in that area that we never miss and never leave empty-handed.

Of course Tuesday is the day the flea market fields at Hershey traditionally open, and we're there at the start to set up and maybe sell a few trinkets, but mostly to find more treasures.

Even the route home can offer opportunities. It's either another early start Sunday morning to catch Renninger's again, or maybe it's heading for home in time to catch the shops in Tappahannock, VA, or stop at one of my favorites—Squashapenny Junction near Doswell, VA—but still a fantastic week treasure hunting.

Some tips: don't forget to bring plenty of cash. Few vendors, especially those outside, accept credit cards, and checks only work some of the time. Bring your flea market bag. Comfortable walking shoes are a must. It can be chilly in PA that time of year, so be prepared for an early morning frost, but dress in layers so you can shed some for the inside areas. Eat well—you'll need plenty of energy. Carry a bottle of water and an energy bar for a snack. (Food is available there, but who wants to waste time eating when there are so many antiques to look at!) If you see something you want, buy it. Chances are it'll be gone

when you go back, you won't be able to remember where you saw it, or the dealer will be out shopping and his booth will be closed. Oh, and don't forget: Renninger's is only open on Sundays! Other shops are open most days of the week.

Move quickly, and keep your eyes open and your mind clear. I often purposely don't concentrate on trying to find one particular thing. You'll see more that way.

Network. Talk to dealers as many have multiple showcases in different locations and maybe even stalls in other venues, staffed by friends and family. Last year I found a great piece by doing just that. A simple cell phone call led me to another antique mall to buy an item that hadn't even been priced yet.

Don't forget to watch what others buy or are offering for sale. It's common that people will come to these markets to sell items to the dealers. Sometimes you can intercept something great. Several years ago I purchased one of my favorite advertising pieces that way. I spotted someone carrying a Schrader Tire Gauge display cabinet through Renninger's. It was a dealer who had just bought it for resale. He didn't need to carry it far. Two years ago I also bought a great brass automobile horn that way.

Ok, so now you've got some ideas on where and maybe how to find some "stuff." I'm still collecting—will I see you there?

Terry Bond



An interesting display of mechanical things at Black Angus



Lancaster County Antique Co-Op, another favorite in Adamstown



A booth full of antique advertising!



Squashapenny Junction near Doswell, VA

From a Lady's Perspective

Story by Melanie Kordis. Photos by Mark McAlpine.

It is true: every car has a personality, and I am fortunate to keep company with "Lady Lilli," my 1930 Ford Model A Roadster. Below are some of the lessons I have gleaned from this Grand Dame.

1. "A Lady does not rush." She purrs at 48-mph.
2. "A Lady will attend a parade, a show, even a tour; however, a Lady does not attend a *Dismal Swamp*."
3. "A Lady requires appropriate hydration. Add gasoline often, water regularly to the radiator, and moisturize (lube & oil change) annually or semiannually."
4. "A Lady visits the *SPA*, not the garage."
5. "A Lady enjoys a little *bling* and a few tasteful accessories."
6. "A Lady travels with a make-up case (see contents below)—not a tool box, plus mad money (a credit card) and towing insurance."

Contents of Lady Lilli's make-up case:

- Matching handled tools (screwdrivers & wrenches), a small adjustable wrench (small is good here), miscellaneous cotter pins (in a sachet bag), extra fuses & light bulbs (in a sachet bag), an extra fan belt (plain, not beaded), hydraulic jacks (no Jills), and a tire wrench.
- Moisturizers and cleansers: water, oil, spray shine, Rain-X, and 3-In-One oil (never leave home without it).
- Applicators: paper towels and microfiber towels or chamois cloths (the softer, the better).



Lady Lilli's make-up case



Lady Lilli caught with her towel on

But most of all, a Lady is gracious and welcomes the opportunity to be in the company of good friends and others who appreciate her uncomplicated underpinnings, her contribution to historical preservation, and her adventurous spirit!

What is next for Lady Lilli? She is looking forward to her visit to Monsieur Eberle's salon spa where she is to be pampered and receive cosmetic care to her radiator grill and engine. Shhh...a lady never reveals her beauty secrets!



Lady Lilli's make-up case—she's prepared for any eventuality!

Correction to the August issue of *The Mudflap*:

Sharp-eyed readers and Franklin Automobile Company fans may have noticed that on Page 9 of the August issue of *The Mudflap* the car in the photo to the right was incorrectly identified. It is a 1930 Franklin.





Hershey Will Be Here Before You Know It

By Herb Oakes, AACA VP Judging

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



Here we are again—looking forward to the super meet in Hershey. As you know, we initiated a couple of changes at the beginning of the year where the Assistant Team Captain has been given more responsibility with regards to turning in the team's paperwork. Also, we initiated a new procedure for turning in the "no show" list.

This was all covered in our last *Judges' Newsletter* in March 2015. We have used this new system for our last seven meets and, without a doubt, it will save considerable time turning in the team's paperwork at Hershey.

There will be a Team Captains CJE class at the end of the regular Judging School, so we can accommodate those

judges that can only judge at Hershey. Remember Team Captains, you must attend a Team Captains School or a Team Captains CJE each year to maintain your Team Captains Certification.

I would like to remind all judges that there is a deadline for judge's registration—September 18th. This deadline will not be extended, so please register in a timely manner. Looking forward to seeing each and every one of you at this year's Hershey Meet.

**Hershey Judge's Registration
Deadline: September 18th!**



All Roads Lead to Hershey

By Ron Rubenstein, Chief Judge—Hershey Meet

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



Wasn't it just last week that the world was "Racing to Hershey" in 2014? Back by popular demand, or because no one else wanted the job, I once again have the honor and privilege of being your 2015 Chief Judge for the Eastern Division National Fall Meet in Hershey, PA. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the Assistant

Chief Judge, Stan Kulikowski, Jr. After promising half of my paycheck, he agreed to take the job!

I have great news to share with all of you! First and foremost, we have fired last year's weather committee. This year's committee promises sunny skies and light winds with a hint of chocolate in the air. Secondly, you will again have the unique opportunity to judge the finest antique cars, trucks, race cars, motorcycles, fire apparatus and military vehicles in the world.

In response to feedback we received last year from you, the judges, there are a number of improvements the judging committee is working on to make this year's experience even more enjoyable and rewarding. The most significant change will be in the handling of incoming judging forms, paperwork and the distribution of incentives during the team captains' check-in process. These procedures will be detailed on an instruction sheet in your judging packet and will be reviewed at the Judging School and Breakfast. Administration facilities remain improved with protection from the weather and will be expanded to in-

clude additional administrative personnel to streamline the process. We are also working on improving the sound quality at the Giant Center during the Judges' Breakfast, so everyone can hear the program and the instructions being provided. This year, we are sticking to a more rigid registration deadline for judges, which is **Friday, September 18, 2015**. Please be prompt as this date will not likely be extended.

Judging School is scheduled for Friday, October 9, 2015, at 2:00 PM at the Giant Center with CJE courses to follow, so you have more time to enjoy the flea market and the race car/high wheeler exhibition. If you are attending Judging School, you should enter the Giant Center using the main doors in the front of the building, turn right and follow the signs. Parking passes are available for those attending the school and CJE programs by contacting Pat Buckley at (717) 534-1910 or pbuckley@aaca.org. Parking will be behind the Giant Center in the grassy area along the access road.

The Judges' Breakfast will take place on Saturday, October 10, 2015, at 7:00 AM in the Giant Center. The entrance for the breakfast remains at the back of the Giant Center. You can obtain a free parking pass by sending me a self-addressed stamped envelope. Golf cart rides will be available for those judges in need of transportation from the breakfast to the show field. The success of Saturday's Antique Auto Show depends on **YOU**, the judges. We hope you will be part of the judging team at Hershey in 2015.

The Complete Toolbox

Tools every mechanic should have in his/her toolbox.

In the tool roll of my 1967 Mercedes-Benz 230 SL, I found a threaded post to help mount the wheel. Thread the post into the lug bolt hole and it will hold the wheel while installing the remaining lug bolts. (Mercedes have lug bolts instead of lug nuts like on most American vehicles.) It makes changing tires sooooo much easier. I liked the idea so much that I made a similar tool for our newer cars by grinding the head of a long lug bolt. Or you can buy them online at eBay or Amazon.com for \$12-15 or at a Mercedes-Benz dealer.

(Suggested by Jim Villers)



Mercedes-Benz wheel alignment guide tool / wheel mounting pin



Jim Villers with Mercedes-Benz of VAB mechanic Steve Randolph & Charles Barker's 190 SL



Jimmy Flanders (center) & his 1953 Buick Special at the Khedive Shriners Car Show



AACA Calendar of Events

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

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

JULY 2016

17-21 Founders Tour
Huntington, PA

AUGUST 2016

11-13 Southeastern Fall Meet
New Bern, NC

SEPTEMBER 2016

11-16 AAA Revival Glidden Tour
North Conway, NH

OCTOBER 2016

5-8 Eastern Fall Meet
Hershey, PA

Caught in the Headlights—TRAACA Members & Their Cars

Dick & Holly Chipchak's 1972 Olds Cutlass Supreme

Story as told to Matt Doscher. Photos by Dick Chipchak and Matt Doscher.



Dick & Holly Chipchak's 1972 Olds Cutlass Supreme convertible

Dick & Holly Chipchak have been into Oldsmobiles for a long time and always dreamed of owning a new Oldsmobile convertible. On January 20, 1972, realizing that their 1968 Oldsmobile was getting tired and less of a joy to drive, they decided to visit their local Oldsmobile dealer, Mobile Olds, in Hamburg, NY. After looking at what Mobile Olds had to offer on the lot, Dick & Holly sat down to order their 1972 Cutlass Supreme convertible.

The standard transmission offered on the 1972 Cutlass Supreme was the automatic. Dick & Holly both wanted a 4-speed, but couldn't afford the pricier 442 model that came with the 4-speed as standard equipment. Once the dealer confirmed they could order a Cutlass Supreme convertible with a 4-speed from the factory, they began choosing the options they wanted, which included: Saddle Bronze exterior paint, Saddle vinyl interior, Saddle Tan convertible top, Oldsmobile's Rocket 350 V-8 engine with 4-barrel carburetor, heavy duty cooling system, Rally heavy duty suspension package, Posi-Traction rear end, power steering, tinted windshield, AM-FM radio, and Super Stock II rally wheels.

Weeks later their convertible arrived and Dick & Holly took delivery of their shiny new convertible, then immediately had Ziebart undercoating applied to its underside to protect their new convertible from the harsh New York winters. As a teacher Holly drove the convertible for many years to and from work, enjoying each and every mile she put on it. Many years later, after realizing just how much they enjoyed their convertible and that there were only 126 Cutlass Supreme convertibles built from the factory with the options they chose, Dick & Holly decided to take it off the road, preserve it, and keep it primarily in their garage, treating it to the occasional sunny Sunday afternoon drive. Often times they found themselves racing home to beat a threatening rain shower. Eventually the convertible would need a new convertible top, a repaint, and most of its chrome trim polished or replaced.

Something the Chipchaks will always remember is participating in an antique car show at Watkins Glen International race track in New York. All the car show participants were invited to drive their cars on this famous road course, and it was quite thrilling going through the s-turns at speeds up to 65 MPH!

Years later Dick & Holly relocated to Virginia Beach and brought their Cutlass convertible with them. Dick & Holly would eventually join the TRAACA, which allowed them the opportunity to enjoy their convertible with fellow car enthusiasts. When Dick took the convertible on one of its first club outings, a fellow club member asked, "How was this car able to survive in this area with New York license plates on it?" Dick promptly changed those New York plates to a nice pair of vintage 1972 Virginia plates! Now their convertible lives the good life by venturing out on short trips or tours through the region, allowing them to enjoy all the fun that TRAACA has to offer. Dick & Holly thoroughly enjoy driving their Cutlass convertible and are proud original owners!



The interior of Dick's 1972 Cutlass—note the 4-speed shifter



The Cutlass has its original Rocket 350 engine—note the patina



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

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Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

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:** _____

Happy 60th Anniversary TRAACA!

(Information provided by TRAACA historian Richard Hall)

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 2005 TRAACA Annual Meet held on October 1, 2005, at the Chesapeake City Park





TRAACA MEMBERS' PAGE

Welcome to our New Members!

Gordon & Melinda Spence
Virginia Beach, VA
- 1931 Ford Model A Roadster

Bob & Ginger Watson
Chesapeake, VA
- 1931 Ford Model A 2-door
- 1965 Ford Mustang

Sunshine Report

Condolences are extended to the family of:

- **W. Tyler Brown** passed away at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital on Tuesday, August 25, after being ill for several months. He was 82 years old.
- **Wes Neal's sister-in-law Susan Neal** passed away on Monday, July 20, after a battle with breast cancer. She was 67.

Our thoughts & prayers go out to the following members:

- **Sandy Hall** underwent surgery on Tuesday, August 11. She was readmitted briefly, but is recovering at home.
- **Barbara Talley** underwent emergency surgery on Friday, 28 August. Fortunately, she is doing well.

Please provide updates on the health of TRAACA members to Vickie Doscher at 672-3755 or vlv78@hotmail.com.

AACA Passings

Condolences are extended to the families of:

- **Jim Raines**, past President of the AACA in 2002, passed away unexpectedly in North Carolina on Friday, August 21. Cards may be sent to his wife (and former AACA First Lady) Sharon at P.O. Box 2366, Davidson, NC 28036-5366. Memorial donations may be made to the AACA Library or AACA Museum.
- **Jan Peterson**, former President and newsletter editor of the Lynchburg Region passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, August 26. Cards may be sent to his wife Sara at 5199 James River Rd, Gladstone, VA 24553.

Recent Award Winners

Bloomington Gold Corvette Show—Indianapolis, IN

Jim Elliott 1978 Chevrolet Corvette
Gold, Survivor, and Benchmark
Certifications

Misselwood Concours d'Elegance—Boston, MA

Bob Pellerin 1937 Volvo PV51 4-dr
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Members celebrating anniversaries in September

Stephen & Cathy Aki
John T. & Mary Ann Blair
Thomas & Dawn Bottoni
Harold & Evy Eacker
Wyann & Connie Kaiser
Mickey & Toni McChesney
Earl & Judy McLaughlin
Dick & Joyce McIninch
Jason & Lisa Sturniolo
Larry & Stella Wickham

Members celebrating birthdays in September

Ellen Adams	Patrizia Ludovici
Dawn Bottoni	Joyce McIninch
Donna Elliott	Wes Neal
Marie Gancel	Bobby Perkins
Adam Graham	Jon Sieck
Bob Hanbury	Andrew Sitar
Mollie Hunger	Barbara Talley
Alan Ives	Janet Trudeau
Ivan Joslin	Bill Wilcox
Kathy Kellam	Bob Woolfitt
Jeff Locke	

Thank you

Thank you to everyone for the phone calls, cards, and prayers when my brother was ill and recently when he passed away. Although it was hard to see him go, he is at peace now and not suffering. Thank you all.

Toni McChesney



40th Annual Edgar Rohr Memorial



**Saturday, September 19, 2015
8:00 AM—3:00 PM**

**Manassas Museum
9101 Prince William St, Manassas, VA 20110**

All 1990 and older vehicles welcome!

Pre-Registration: \$15 [Must be received by September 14th]

Day of Show Registration (8:00—11:00 AM): \$20

Dash plaques for first 150 registered vehicles

For more info & registration forms: www.bullrunaaca.org

Or contact: Registration—Nicki Hudson at (540) 522-6533

Show Chairman—Scott Patton at (703) 474-6909

Meet Day Info (day of show only)—Jon Battle at (703) 986-8785



31st Annual Classics on the Green Wine Festival & Car Show

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*This year they're also inviting "Cars You Never Knew Existed"—
rare and unusual cars from any country of origin.*

**WHEN: Sunday, September 20, 2015
11:00 AM—4:00 PM (rain or shine)**

**WHERE: New Kent Winery
8400 Old Church Road, New Kent, VA**

Registration Fee: \$35 (includes driver & 1 guest). Deadline: Sep 1st
(Wine tasting tickets additional \$10 each. Boxed lunch, dinner, and driving tour extra.)

General admission: \$10.

Car show & wine tasting: \$25 in advance, \$35 day of show.

For information & registration form: www.classicsonthegreen.com

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 or (757) 547-5034.



Other Regional/ Local Events

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 Profit
at Isle of Wight County Fair
Isle of Wight, VA

24-27 Charlotte Auto Fair
Charlotte, NC

30- Fall Carlisle Swap Meet
4 Oct Carlisle, PA

OCTOBER 2015

3 13th Annual "Shine & Show
Before the Snow" Car Show
Chesapeake, VA

3 Franklin Fall Festival Car
Show
Franklin, VA

17 Air & Auto Classic Show
Military Aviation Museum
Virginia Beach, VA

17 Driver Days Car Show
Driver, VA

17 Medi Home Health &
Hospice 2nd Annual
Veterans Benefit Car Show
Chesapeake, VA

23-25 Goodguys SE Nationals
Charlotte, NC

24 13th Annual Virginia Fall
Classic Show
Newport News, VA



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Our region is a very active club with a number of activities to enjoy throughout the year. This year prime "car season" is bookended by two major events. The first was the AACA Eastern Division Spring Meet, which we hosted in early May. The second major event is upon us: our annual regional meet held the last weekend of September; this year it's Saturday, September 26th. In recent years we've called our annual meet the "*Wings & Wheels*" show because we hold it at the Military Aviation Museum in Virginia Beach, a great venue because of the ample room for the show field and parking, a great facility, very supportive owner and staff, and the natural complement of antique vehicle and antique planes.

After 42 years of holding this meet, we're very experienced at it. However, it doesn't just happen. It takes a lot of work to plan, to set up, to execute, and then to clean up. Please help however you can. The day before the meet, we hold our traditional Friday Night Social at the Oaklette United Methodist Church in Chesapeake. We need people to help set up for the social at the church on Friday morning (25 September) and then to help clean up later that evening when it's over. We also need members to help lay out the show field at the Military Aviation Museum.

On Saturday we need a lot of help—we need people to help direct traffic and greet the incoming participants; we need people to assist with registration; we need people to help guide the show vehicles onto the show field; we need people to help park the vendors and car corral; we need judges for the AACA-style judging of the antique vehicles; we need people to help with admin & awards; and we need people to help clean up at the end of the day. You get the point—we need help. Please volunteer to help however you can by contacting Meet Chairman Tony Scarpelli at scarpp02@aol.com or (757) 810-1600, or the Assistant Chairman Sam Kern at 1925car@gmail.com or (757) 633-574. To sign up to judge contact Meet Chief Judge Jim Elliott at jimscars@cox.net or 898-9868, or his Assistant, Mark McAlpine, at mmmcalpine05@msn.com or (757) 967-0074.

Most importantly we need you to come have fun. Bring your classic vehicle so not only your fellow members can enjoy seeing it, but so can the 1,500 - 2,000 spectators who come to our meet every year. Remember: you must register for AACA judging by 15 Sept. See you there!

And let's not forget that two weeks later there's the third major antique car event of the year for many TRAACA members: the AACA Eastern Fall Meet at Hershey on October 7-10. Hershey—what more do I need to say? Marion and I hope to see you there, too!

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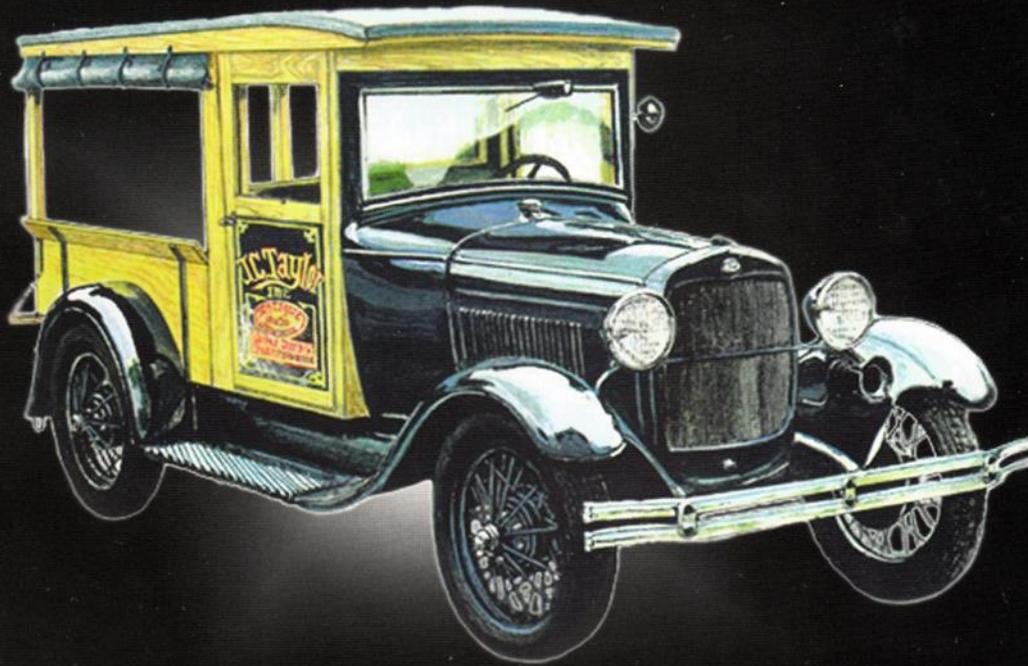
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Bob Pellerin's 1937 Volvo PV51 (left)—Best in Class at Misselwood Concours d'Elegance in Boston. Next to it is a 1958 Jaguar XK150S.