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Linda with Jack Blair at the Pellerin's house on the garage tour.
It was Jack's 85th birthday.

President Linda's Message

July has proven to be a busy month. The garage tour was a great success! In today's world of technology, it was quite a treat for all in attendance, including our neighbors, to see all the old cars lined up along the street at the Meadow's and Pellerin's. It was also nice to see our newest members Betty & Jim Villers of Virginia Beach, and Missy and Bob McKenna of Williamsburg. A big thank you to the Meadows for hosting the breakfast stage at their home and garage. We had delicious food catered by Jay's Deli, thanks to Bill Wilcox who did a great job setting this up. I also want to thank Dan Ciccone and Frank Lagana for their help in getting our garage into tip top shape. I would be remiss not to mention Bob Stein who was out exercising the MGTC when he jumped in to help us as well.

Our region is made up of enthusiastic volunteers who work hard on our behalf putting together great activities for all of us to enjoy. In August we are doing a car display at Geico's grand opening; this is a great way to promote the car hobby. You don't want to miss the stick shift driving school at the end of the month. The fun is open to everyone, and look out, next year there will be a ladies driving tour, with the guys as passengers! The 75th Anniversary tour to Louisville is shaping up. You still have until July 30th to submit your entry for the 'Name the Tour' contest!. Dick Pensyl is still looking for volunteers for our annual show. There are lots of fun things to do, so please call Dick and volunteer to help.

It is with great sadness that we reflect on the passing of long-time member Audrey Horne. Audrey was part of our TRAACA family and we will miss her greatly.

"The important thing is not that we can live on hope alone, but that life is not worth living without it."
Harvey Milk

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The (Yellow) Red Car

By Bob Stein

WAY back in the days when I was going to Fairlawn Elementary School in Norfolk, one of my favorite books was 'THE RED CAR' by Don Stanford. It's about a kid who fixes up a wrecked MG TC and races it in a local road race with the help of a former Bugatti mechanic named 'Frenchie'. That book made an impression that stuck with me through close to fifty years and nearly 130 other cars. However, with prices for a decent TC starting about \$30 thousand, I figured the closest I would get to one was the large BAP-GEON poster featuring a head-on shot of a TC hanging on my bedroom wall.

Then Richard Hall bought his 1948 TC. As soon as I saw the car, the old heartstrings got plucked hard. Better yet, I discovered that the 14EEE feet that hit any two pedals of a left-hand drive MG TDs had enough room to drive a right-hand drive TC. Even so, I didn't seriously consider buying one for myself until fellow MG nut and club member Steve Lapaugh sent me a link to an MG web site in England on January 25th.

Their classified page had a 'US Cars for Sale' section, with a listing for a nice driver TC for \$24,000 in Massachusetts. The owner for 20 years told me he was selling it because the car had gotten too hard for him to get in and out of. That made me think. The market had brought driver cars down to a price range I could stretch to meet, and I wasn't getting younger myself. Things suddenly got serious. I bought a ticket to Boston, and made serious plans to buy the car in Massachusetts. However, TC5308, a 'restored' pale yellow car with red leather interior appeared on eBay with no reserve and few bids. The ad provided details of extensive work, and the photos looked really good. The seller's phone had been disconnected, but his feedback was 100 percent and I was able to verify long residence at the given address.

Even with the bad economy, I was sure the car would end up out of my price range. However, I went ahead and prepared a bid based pre-approval for the loan on the Massachusetts car. With four seconds left to go, I tacked on an extra \$66 and hit the enter key. Five seconds later, TC5308 was mine, thanks to that last minute addition. The previous high bidder had set a limit of \$25,100!

Getting the car from Spring Hill, FL to Norfolk turned out to be quite an adventure. The seller told me he'd messed up the carbs just before she was picked up and promised to reimburse costs to get her going. Then the transport driver was injured and cancelled the run. The transport company contracted a private enclosed trailer and she finally arrived a couple of weeks later. I was on pins and needles right up to the point that the door dropped down and I saw her for the first time.

The car was far nicer than I had dared hope, with beautiful paint and leather. The car was built in 1948, but was sold as a 1949. The top and steering wheel were ratty, some of the chrome needed attention, and she wasn't running. But she was so pretty I decided I'd make a stab at an AACA Junior award.

Neil Sugermeyer generously volunteered to take her down on his trailer, so I went ahead and registered the car for Charlotte – less than 6 weeks away.



TC5308 arrival

First thing was to get the engine going. It turned out that the rocker arm shaft was snapped in half, with bolts broken off in the head. The seller proved true to his word and refunded \$750 to cover repairs. I was able to get the broken bolts out myself using reverse drill bits and a lot of care. And on March 8th, with Richard Hall and Jack Pavlidis standing by, she rolled out under her own power for the first time.



The rare original steering wheel got sent off to Colorado for restoration, and Richard helped me install a new Haartz canvas convertible top. It all came together the last weekend, with most everything done except for detailing the engine compartment and chassis. Naturally, I threw my back out Tuesday and lost the two evenings I planned to spend finishing. Worse, it rained most of the 6-hour drive to Charlotte with the TC exposed to it all on an open trailer. However, Friday was sunny and warm, and my back had healed up enough to get to spend all Friday finishing a 'Show Field' restoration.'



Richard Hall helped me with top installation.

Below: Leather interior and dash beautifully restored



When I saw a stunning XK120 roadster and equally nice MG TD also in my class, I pretty much resigned myself to a third. Neil and I headed back Saturday afternoon, but Linda Pellerin promised to call me when the awards were given out. I had been telling folks that if I got the First Junior I'd take the TC to Gettysburg to try for a Senior but if I didn't, the show trail would end with Charlotte. Just after we got through Emporia, the phone rang and Linda said "You're going to Gettysburg!"

The next day, I hopped in the car and took her for her first drive outside the neighborhood and ended up at Richard's. She rolled over 70 miles that first jaunt, but ended the day back up on jack stands. Armed with information on areas where I had lost points generously provided National Vice President of Class Judging Joe Vicini, I spent all my spare time (and cash) for the next two months on the TC. Lots of new chrome, gas tank end panels, more serious engine and chassis detailing, and at the last minute, front parking lights loaned from Richard's TC got her spiffed up as I could manage.

This time I planned to take the TC up myself, using my pickup truck and a flatbed trailer generously loaned by Dewey Milligan. I'd never pulled a trailer before, but did a practice run the weekend prior with an empty trailer and figured I'd be OK. Time got cut short once more, this time with a last-minute trip to Seattle that got me home the day before I was supposed to leave for Gettysburg.

Richard rode over with me to pick up the trailer, which Dewey had ready to go. However, when we got back to the house he looked at the gleaming TC and the open trailer and said "Take that back. I'm going to haul her up." Bright and early the next morning, we loaded up the TC in Richard's enclosed trailer and he, Dan Ciccone, and I rolled up to Gettysburg. The weather turned nasty in Pennsylvania, but the TC stayed dry and clean.

Gettysburg proved to be a terrific show and one with some stiff competition for Wildflower. There were 15 cars in Class 25A (Sports cars to 1960) including five going for Senior awards. One of the five was a very sharp looking 1951 Jaguar Mark V drophead coupe, as well as a 1960 Mercedes roadster and three MGs: my '1948, a 1946 TC, and a 1953 TF. Once again I was prepared to lose out, but this time I'd paid for the hotel and award banquet. And when awards were announced, TC5308 had her AACA National Senior award less than three and a half months since I received the car from Florida. It would never have been possible without the kind assistance and encouragement provided by great club members like Neil, Dewey, and above all, Richard Hall.



TC 5308 on the field at Gettysburg

Bob receives his senior award from AACA President Mike Jones



Senior badge on the car



TC5308 has racked up close to 600 miles since Gettysburg, taking part in TRAACA and local MG club events, as well as regular drives just for fun. She runs and drives great, and takes Interstate speeds and traffic in stride. Her reign as 'trailer queen' was short, but she hasn't abdicated completely. Come this winter, after what should be a fun summer of driving my yellow 'red car,' the TC is going back up on jack stands for another round of beauty treatments. She has an appointment at the Grand Nationals in New Bern NC in 2010!

Tyler Gimbert and me zooming around a corner on the MG Club tour.





I got the last ride in the Mercer before it went into the trailer to go home to St. Charles, MO with Al and Sharon Mercer.

From Under My Hat

By Marty Sugermeyer

This busy summer is not yet at an end. There are a lot more major events coming up before we get some cool fall breezes. August is filling up. The Poker Run was postponed in favor of a grand opening at Geico Insurance Co. Fox Radio will be there and the event should give our upcoming show some good coverage. Did I mention the food? Call Dot Parrish 547-5034 if you want to be included in this event. The Khedive Fun and Shine Show to be held on Aug. 15th is always a hit. See below for details and contacts. Our Dinner Meeting is scheduled for Aug. 20th and Linda's Stick Shift Driving School for Aug. 29th.

In Tidewater, you have to count September as summertime. We call our meet a Fall Meet now since it was moved from August to September, but it will still feel like summer. Speaking of our meet, volunteers are still needed. Call Meet Chairman Dick Pensyl or one of the committee heads who are keeping our plans on track.

For me, this summer has been busy for another reason. This is my eighteenth year of teaching the summer term at Tidewater Community College, Virginia Beach Campus. All things being equal, I should have had a really easy summer. I am teaching two classes of a very basic course with a total of just twenty-five students. (My classes in fall and spring terms have had from 150 to 175 students since Aug. 1991.)

Many students enter Biology 1 thinking that it is all they need to get them ready to take Anatomy and Physiology. Most Bio. 1 students have had little or no lab experience. For many years, the course was taught as just a lecture. Over the past years I developed "mini labs" to give the students some minimal skills with a microscope and other lab equipment.

In January 2008 we moved into a brand new building and Biology 1 is now being taught in a lab room with lots of brand new microscopes. I decided to put together my 'minilabs' into a small lab manual. To get a bit of college credit, I signed up for a topics course with Dr. Kneeland Nesius at ODU. He supervised my work on the lab manual. Sound simple, doesn't it? Well it was until about six months ago when the head of the Biology Department, Dale Horeth, said that it would be good if, instead of a lab manual, it could be the book for the course. Actually it will be a combination textbook, workbook, and lab manual. Dr. Nesius has continued helping me long after my topics course was over. I have another helper. My best friend, diana miller, is a recently

retired English teacher. Also, I'm counting on Neil to be copy editor when the final pages start to go together. Basics In Biology should be in print by next spring.

What does this have to do with antique cars? Well, about eleven years ago, when Neil was president of TRAACA, he had to find someone to take Pat Locke's place as editor of the Mud Flap. I had developed a few computer skills while working on a degree at ODU and getting into my teaching career. He asked me if I would like to become the editor of the Mud Flap. I said, "Well if you can't find anyone else." You know that that was the end of his search. Little did I know that it would lead to over a decade of working on the Mud Flap and that Neil would get into the act too. So, from that tentative "volunteering" to do something different, I have learned so much. My coeditor for ten years, Ivie Lister, taught me a lot. He was fearless on the computer and a superb graphic artist.

What does that have to do with antique cars and you? You never know what might come of volunteering for something. At the very least you'll probably make a new friend or two and have a good time. So, pick up the phone and volunteer

REPORT FROM THE BOARD

June 9, 2009 – TRAACA Board Meeting

The board meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm at Priority Chevrolet. Members present were Linda Pellerin, President; Bob Stein, Vice-President; Craig Casper, Treasurer; Linda Pavlidis, Secretary; Board members Scott Davies, Teresa Horton, Riley Best and Bill Wilcox. Also present was Frank Lagana. Linda Pavlidis read the minutes and they were approved as read. Craig Casper gave the treasurer's report and it was filed for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Bill Wilcox had nothing new to report on the Fall Tour.

Linda Pellerin reported that the President's Advisory Committee has met on the by-laws.

The Ombudsman reported that one person has inquired about the full minutes not being in the Mud Flap. Linda Pavlidis advised that she has not had any requests for the minutes from anyone.

OLD BUSINESS: Following much discussion on TRAACA donations to charity, a motion was made and approved to bring the matter before the Membership for vote. An announcement and short statements Pro and Con will be published in the July Mud Flap with a written vote to be made at the August dinner meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Riley has invited James Scruggs to the July Board meeting to talk about the Wheels & Keels show at Town Point Park in September.

A motion for the club to pay of the round-trip toll (\$24) for the Fall Tour on the Eastern Shore was not completed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.



2009 TRAACA GARAGE TOUR

By Dot Parrish



If you missed this year's Garage Tour, you missed quite a treat. On Saturday July 11th, we had a beautiful day with low humidity (a little warm, but nice) for our tour. There were over 70 members in attendance. We started out at Dana & Debbie Meadow's beautiful home and gorgeous back yard for our first stop of the day. The pool was very inviting, but no one took advantage of it. Maybe it was a little too early in the morning. Jay's Deli had set up under the trees a delicious breakfast including a fruit bowl, miniature muffins and an assortment of bagels with different spreads on them. We had coffee, water and juices. We toured Dana's new garage with a wonderful wood working shop on the second floor. They also saw the Meadow's beautiful cars.

We all hated to leave this nice setting after a couple of hours, but it was on to the Pellerin's home for another great tour. It was only about a 10 minute drive, so it was nice that it was so close. What a great setting at Bob & Linda's for the lunch part of the tour (Like we really needed to eat again, but we did.) The same caterer fixed sandwiches, a tortellini salad, potato salad, and brownies for dessert. The guys got to look at Bob's collection of cars (The ones that are at his house, as he does have a few cars) and we all got a nice tour of their new house addition. What a beautiful place they have. Almost everyone had a porch or deck to eat on, or some chose the shade of the trees.



Sandy and Richard Hall and new members Betty and Jim Villers enjoyed the beautiful top down day.

For some of the folks that stayed later, they even got a boat ride. Maybe some of us left too soon.

We want to thank the Pellerins and Meadows for allowing us to have this year's Garage Tour at their houses, and maybe your home could be next. Stay Tuned. I want to personally thank Bill Wilcox for planning the catering for our tour. What a wonderful spread Jay's Deli did for us, and it was probably the first time the activities committee did not have to tote the drinks and ice. THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!



Toni Scarpelli, Frank Lagana, and George Gurnee are quite impressed with the Meadows state of the art garage.

Everyone was just enjoying looking out at the water, and the next thing we saw was the Bond's grandchildren out in the boat having a great time on the water.



Marie Gancel had a choice spot behind Meadow's garage for her duties of checking in folks and collecting their money. Bill and Karen Wilcox and Dot Parrish offered to push her into the pool. Marie probably would not have minded at all.

Jay of Jay's Deli kept the delicious food available at both locations. Taylor Sumner, Sue and Terry Bond's granddaughter, and Elaine Tarr are ready to enjoy lunch.



Editor's note

We had the wrong name in the Mud Flap last month for the caterer. The correct one is Jay's Deli located at 3780 Virginia Beach Blvd. in the Birchwood Shopping Center, phone 498 DELI -3354.

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TRAACA Dinner Meeting

By Viator Trudeau

We had another fascinating technical talk and Q and A session at our dinner meeting on July 16th. Mike Wagner, the head sandblaster, told us about their range of services and the latest technology in powder coating. Peter Catanese and Charles Nissen will be happy to show you the results on their cars.

Peter Catanese and Mike Wagner

The turn out was great again. Is it the great food or the fun? Probably both.



MERCER VISIT

By Neil Sugermeyer

Last April's Mud Flap cover and story was about Al and Sharon Mercer's 1922 Mercer Series 5 runabout, a rare survivor of the Trenton, New Jersey company that produced powerful, high quality automobiles from 1910 to 1925. Last year at the Cleveland, Tennessee AACA National Meet, they took home a First Junior Award, and followed that with a National Award, the Mercer Cup, awarded at the AACA National Meeting in Philadelphia.

When Marty and I joined the Tidewater Region in 1980, Al was Region President, and Al has continued to be a member even after he was transferred to St Louis, Missouri in the mid 1980s. Sharon joined him there, but their present location is a "fur piece" from Tidewater, the car only a distant and unrestored memory for most of us who last saw it before Al left the area. But on 15 July, Al and Sharon brought the car back to Norfolk for a brief visit after attending the Mercer meet in Roebling, New Jersey.

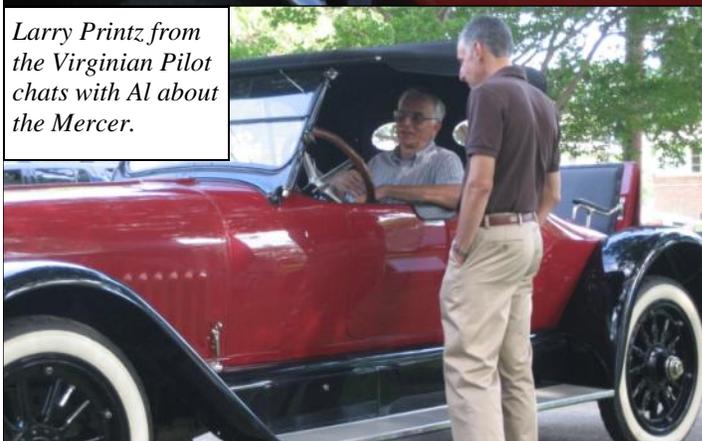
Merritt Horne gives a thumbs up to his ride with Al in the Mercer.



Staying at Al's sister's house in Norfolk, he provided rides in the Mercer for everyone fortunate enough to be able to visit with them that afternoon and enjoy the picnic dinner that followed. What a thrill to ride in that machine with the exhaust cutout open. Until nearly dark, Al chauffeured one rider after another around the neighborhood near his sister's home, and some folks even rode in the rumble seat! After over 25 years of painstaking research and restoration, the 1922 Mercer again gleams and runs as it must have when it left the factory.



Sue Bond was very pleased with her ride in the rumble seat of the Mercer.



Larry Printz from the Virginian Pilot chats with Al about the Mercer.

Al and Sharon, thanks for letting us share the results of your efforts with you. It was great to have you visit with us again.



History of Motorcycles Display

By Terry Bond

There is a fantastic History of the Motorcycle exhibit is at the Portsmouth Gallery, corner of court and high street downtown (old town) Portsmouth. It's open until Oct and features 40 motorcycles from 1910 on up. There is some really interesting machinery there, including of course my 1912 Triumph. Highly recommended viewing for two or four-wheeled enthusiasts.



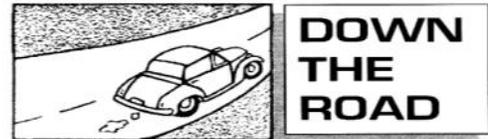
In Loving Memory

Audrey Horne, a long time member of TRAACA, passed away on July 9th. Audrey was Merritt Horne's loving wife for 30 years. She will greatly missed.

Model T Repair in 1928

By John Gancel

This is an actual 1928 Car Repair Mailer sent to a customer in Bottineau, ND less than 100 yrs ago, and on a penny postcard



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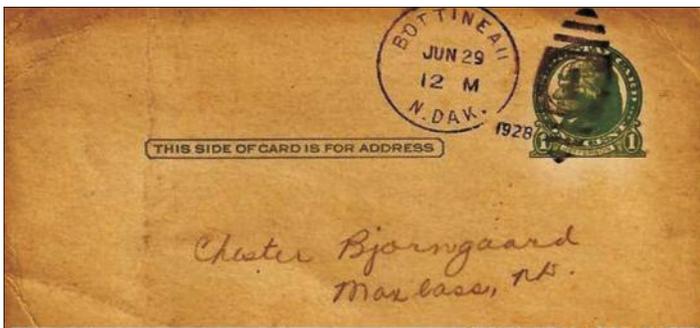
- Aug.8..... Poker Run POSTPONED FOR COOLER WEATHER
- Aug.8..... Car display at Geico Grand Opening
- Aug.15..... 18th Annual Khedive Fun and Shine Car Show
- Aug.20..... TRAACA Dinner Meeting, Aberdeen Barn, Virginia Beach, VA.
- Aug.29..... Liinda's Stick Shift Driving School, 351 Edwin Dr. Virginia Beach, Va. 10 am
- Sept.19..... Wheels and Keels Show, Town Point Park, Norfolk
- Sept.25..... TRAACA Friday Night Social
- Sept. 26..... TRAACA Annual Meet – Virginia Beach Airport
- Oct.15..... TRAACA Dinner Meeting, Aberdeen Barn, Virginia Beach, VA.
- Oct. 17-18..... TRAACA Fall Tour to Ocean City, MD

REGIONAL

- Sept.5..... HVPR Annual Fall Roundup, Newport News Park, Phone 757-369-1205 Email onbjames@yahoo.com

NATIONAL

- Sept. 18..... AACA Annual Grand National AMeet – Topeka
- Sept.19..... AACA Central Fall Meet – Topeka Region, KS
- Oct.7-10..... Hershey
- Oct.26-30.... Fuquay-Varina, NC – AACA Vintage Tour, Brass-Nickel Touring Region AACA



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 New fenders, for instance, cost from \$3.50 to \$5.00 each, with a labor charge of \$1.00 to \$2.50. Tuning up the motor and replacing commutator case, brush and vibrator points costs only \$1.00, with a small charge for material. Brake shoes can be installed and emergency brakes equalized for a labor charge of only \$1.25. A labor charge of \$4.00 to \$5.00 will cover the overhauling of the front axle, rebushing springs and spring perches, and straightening, aligning and adjusting wheels.
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Bottineau, N. Dak.



THROUGH THE WINDSHIELD

Activity Information For August GRAND OPENING FOR GEICO CAR DISPLAY



by Dot Parrish

On Saturday, August 8th, the new office of GEICO INSURANCE would like to have 25 cars on display at 109 Volvo Parkway #5 in Chesapeake, VA. at 11:30 AM. This is in the shopping center next to Golden Corral on Volvo.

The Fox Radio Station 106.7 will be broadcasting from this location from 12 - 2 PM. Linda is hoping to get some publicity for our upcoming Wings & Wheels Car Show on September 26, 2009 at the Virginia Beach Airport in Pungo.

Call Dot Parrish to sign up for the display - 547-5034. Remember they only want 25 cars, so the first ones to sign up will be able to attend. They will be serving hot dogs and soft drinks to the car club members, so come on out and bring those old cars. Let's have a good time.

KHEDIVE FUN & SHINE CAR SHOW

Sat. Aug 15th , 10 to 4

645 Woodlake Dr. Chesapeake, VA



Dash plaques to first 300 entrants - Many awards
Free T-shirt to first 100 entrants.

NEW >>>>Car corral<<<<<

Craft Show indoors with lots of vendors indoors.

Call Charles Nissen – cell 573-5898, home 340-1331

OR Leroy 620-4417 OR Brian 424-5404

AUGUST DINNER MEETING

We will meet at the Aberdeen Barn on North Hampton Blvd. in Virginia Beach on Aug. 20th. The social hour gives you a chance to get to know some of our new members. Check out Linda's page, there are five new families added to our roster this month.

The program for this month features Larry Printz, editor of the Auto Section of the Virginian Pilot. Larry joined the paper a few years ago. His interest in automobiles and his flair for writing make him a great addition to the VP staff.

Larry gets to many of the major automotive events in the USA. Maybe he travels to other countries as part of his job too.

LINDA'S STICK SHIFT DRIVING SCHOOL

By Dot Parrish

OK folks! Linda wants to wind up the summer with her stick shift driving school. This is open to all members, as long as they do not laugh at the participants. Ha! Ha! Hope she has removed all the trees behind her office.



This will be held on Saturday, August 29th at her office across from Mount Trashmore, in Virginia Beach at 10:00 AM. Lunch will be provided by Jay's Deli, the same place that catered our Garage Tour this past weekend. For those of you that missed that, the food was wonderful. Lunch will be served at 12:30 PM. There will be a \$5.00 charge for lunch. Linda's office address is 351 Edwin Drive, Virginia Beach, VA.

Does that mean it's going to take that long for us that don't know how to drive stick shifts to learn how to do it? This could be a long day. Bring your pajamas. There will be prizes, probably for the driver whose car goes home in one piece.

Hope we will have a big turnout for this, as the members from the Model A Club have also been invited to participate. Same thing goes for the Model A men, NO LAUGHING AT US!!
PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS!!

WHEELS AND KEELS



New Antique and Classic Boat and Car Show Announced for new Downtown Norfolk Waterfront Park

The City of Norfolk and Norfolk Festevents are announcing plans the first Town Point Park Antique and Classic Boat and Car Show for Saturday September 19, 2009, in downtown Norfolk, Virginia along the historic Elizabeth River.

This inaugural show will be hosted in the newly renovated Town Point Park featuring waterfront promenade walks gardens, historic monuments, fountains and magnificent views of the Elizabeth River. The Waterside Mall is adjacent to the show. The Nauticus and the Wisconsin Battleship directly adjoin the festival park

With the beautiful setting of the newly designed and renovated Town Point Park, this is sure to be one of the best locations in the region to show antique boats and cars. Boat displays will be accommodated both in water and on land.

All cars will be parked and displayed on paved surfaces along the expansive waterfront promenade and new park concourse. Drivers are asked to bring "diapers" to catch drips. Festevents will arrange to dispose of the soiled material.

Car and Boat trailer parking will be provided close to Harbor Park, with shuttle service. Drop off at the park will be accommodated. Set up will be scheduled for Friday, September 18 or Saturday morning, Saturday 19.

Show hours are scheduled for Saturday, approx. 10- 5pm Specific hours can be changed to meet AACA/ACBS needs. 24 hour police security will be provided

Admission for the public is free. No registration fee is required for participants.

Participants will be invited to an opening night cocktail reception Friday, September 18, downtown Norfolk, for owner and guest; VIP passes for owner and guest to the Hospitality Center on site open during the festival hours (complementary beverages and snacks); and a Saturday night BBQ reception in the park following the close of the show for owner and guest.

Complementary coffee and pastries to be provided by Norfolk Festevents during morning set up hours Saturday.

All participants will receive a special City of Norfolk gift, certificate of participation, and Show Plaque.

The "Mayor's Choice" Awards for best in show will be presented Sat. afternoon.

Festevents will assist with obtaining preferred hotels rates and restaurant discounts for participants.

Make Plans Now for This New and Exciting
Town Point Park Tradition!

To register your boat or car please contact Linda Pellerin
by email lpellerin2@cox.net or phone 757- 481-3380

TRAACA FALL MEET Saturday, September 26, 2009

By Dick Pensyl

If you don't already have a way to participate in the Fall Meet to be held at the Military Aviation Museum (same place as last year), you can give Dick Pensyl a call at 549-0935 or send him an email at jandpen@yahoo.com.

The list of committee chairpersons was in the April Mud Flap. Our 2008 annual meet was the best ever for Tidewater. This year could be even better.

All volunteers will be given a voucher for \$5.00 toward food and drink at the Meet. Don't wait to be asked; volunteer.

FALL TOUR

2009 Fall Tour "Get Lost with Bill & Ken"

by Ken Talley

Reserve October 17 and 18 for this years Fall Tour. We are planning a trip up the Eastern Shore to Ocean City Maryland. We have arranged a number of fun things to see and do along the way. We will use mostly back roads so there is no excuse to not bring out the older cars! We will spend Saturday night in Ocean City at the Comfort Suites phone (410) 213-7171. Call and reserve your room as soon as possible. The rooms are reserved under "Tidewater Antique Auto Club" rate is \$75.99 plus tax. Look for the registration form in the next issue of the Mud Flap.



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TOUR TO LOUISVILLE IN JUNE 2010

By Ken Talley

EVENT DATES:

JUNE 30th to JULY 3rd, 2010

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Phone: (502) 367-2251, Fax: (502) 366-2247

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Reservation Deadline: April 19, 2010 *

* - All reservations received after this cutoff date are accepted based on availability at the prevailing rate.

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Please call Ken Talley and volunteer to serve. We can make this a memorable and fun event and it won't work anyone too hard.

You have until July 30th to enter the NAME THE TOUR TO LOUISVILLE contest. Call Linda Pellerin with your entry.



Additional Announcement

RESPONDING TO YOUR CALL PERSON

We have had some unhappy folks when they discovered that their call person had called when they were away and it was too late to make a reservation for an event. So, please read the following and respond to your call person in a timely manner. We really hate to turn folks away at the door.

By Bill Wilcox and Marie Gancel

If you and/or your spouse will be out of town when your call person normally calls, it would be helpful if you will call your respective call person before you leave town.

Calls are made the week before a function. The deadline for your call person to report to Telephone Committee Chairperson Marie Gancel is the Monday before an event.

That is when the **FINAL** count of those attending is provided to the restaurant or caterer by our Catering Chairperson Bill Wilcox.

If you will not be available that weekend, please call your call person and let them know if you plan to attend. It is your responsibility to contact your call person before leaving town if you plan to attend the upcoming function. **NOTE:** No reservations will be accepted after Monday.

Check the calendar in the Mud Flap, online, or your copy of the calendar upcoming functions.



Winner	Vehicle	Class	Award
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Virginia Chevy Lovers Show for Cystic Fibrosis - Virginia beach, VA. Sunday July 12, 2009

Mickey McChesney	1956 Chevy Convertible	Top 25 Participants Choice	
Charles Nissen	1951 Mercury	Best In Show	

Newport Concours d'Elegance, Newport, RI, May 30 & 31

Marty & Pat Weber	1933 Packard Convertible	Spirit of Newport Award	
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Keeland Concours d'Elegance, Keeland, KY July 16-19

Marty & Pat Weber	1933 Packard Convertible	Best in Class	
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The Humor Section



The Carburetor - (from Peter Catanese)

"The car won't start," said a wife to her husband. "I think there's water in the carburetor."

"How do you know?" said the husband scornfully. "You don't even know what the carburetor is."

"I'm telling you," repeated the wife, "I'm sure there's water in the carburetor."

"We'll see," mocked the husband. "Let me check it out. Where's the car?"

"In the swimming pool." she answered.



FOR SALE

In my continuing efforts to down-size to a reasonable amount of old car stuff at the house, I would like to sell off a flat-bed trailer full of Model A Ford duplicates and extra stuff, most at \$1.00/pound. This is mainly the more common chassis and mechanical stuff, but all is useable for a project car or restoration.

Also have a nice '30/'31 frame, sandblasted and primed. for \$250. Come see if you need any of this stuff more than I do, or go for the "pre-HERSHEY heavenly haul." I would of course trade for similar Model A or Model T "treasures." Andy Ott, 748-6153, andrewott@aol.com

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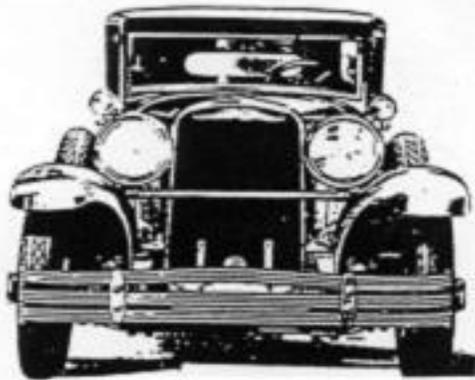
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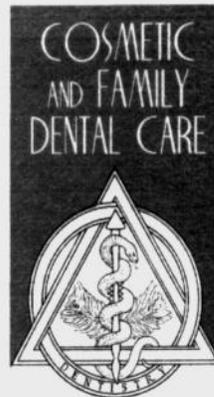
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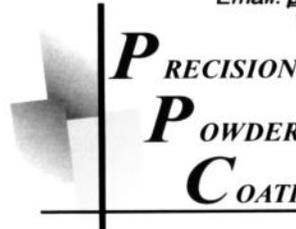
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