



# The Sparkplug



Deep South Region AACA Newsletter

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## 50th Anniversary Car Show in the Books

The morning started early. All the planning and preparing was done. Now it is time to gear up and see what happens.

Cars began to trickle in at 7 am. We were not officially open till 9 am but we wanted to be there early just in case. Connie and her crew were inside preparation the paperwork for registration. David and Lou's team were getting ready for parking. I was ready to take as many photos as I could.

Charlie and Rick had their crew going on the food. The vendors were arriving and setting up to sell their wares.

Cars kept coming in and the yard was filling up. Ed was selling 50/50 tickets as fast as he could. People were polishing their cars in anticipation of judging.

The field including the cleared area by Jim Henderson was completely filled by 11 am with 112 registered cars.

Mobile Mayor Sandy Stimpson arrived at 11am, leisurely visiting with people and enjoying the vintage car display. After selecting his favorite

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Photo by Guy Jennings

Azalea Trail Maids adding special color to the 50th DSR Anniversary Car Show were (left to right) Mellissa Collier in blue, Ellie Pierce in yellow, Anna MacDonald in lavender, and Kamryn Harvey in green.

car, he addressed the audience of antique car enthusiasts.

The Mayor chose his favorite car and then spoke to the crowd.

To ensure time- and judging-efficiency, we divided into two teams of four judges to conquer the big job of judging 112 cars. Inspection included the categories of paint, body work, trim and engines..

Dedicated car show runners collected the judging sheets as they were ready and took them to Mallory Henderson for tallying points. Meticulous judging of 112 cars took several hours. Because there were some ties for First and Second Place, Mallory dispatched judges to review the competing cars for a final decision.

The crowd of antique car aficionados indicated approval of the winners announced by Zeno Chaudron.

As the long day of fun came to a close and all cleanup work completed, we all retreated to our homes, happy for a very successful car show!  
- Charlotte



Novel way to get around the show

## And the Winner Are....

Mayors Choice .....	Joe Dunn
Ladies Choice Peoples' Choice.....	John Bright
Young Peoples' Choice.....	Ronnie Dollar
Best Hot Rod .....	Calvin & Debbie Ratcliff
Best Wheels.....	Charlie Warner
Best Engine.....	Pat Copeland
Best Paint.....	Pat McCabe
Best Drive Thru.....	Mark Kent
First Responders .....	Newman's

Class	First	Second
thru 1970	David Roberts.....	Philip Mosely
Corvettes 1971-1992	Ron Richardson .....	Homer Percy
Mustang thru 1970	Donnie Carlisle .....	James & Jan Jeter
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Camaro/Firebird thru 1970	Bob Gechijian .....	Andy Simmons
Chevelles	Buddy Fechter.....	Charlie Warner
Muscle Cars 1960-1970	Bently Callier.....	Coy Turner
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Street Rods thru 1933	Antoney Landry	
Street Rods 1934-1948	Pat Copeland.....	Phillip Calhoun
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Pre-War Prod. thru 1930	Dick Cashdollar .....	Walt & Martha Fuller
Pre-War Prod. 1931-1942	David & Teresa Brona.....	James Perkins
Post War Prod. 1946-1959	Devon Jones.....	Johnny Buggs
Prod. Cars 1960-1969	Joseph Perry.....	Herb Thoms
Prod. Cars 1970-1992	Ronald Witter .....	Buddy Jones
Prod. Trucks	Mark Jones.....	Buster Price
Modified Trucks	Bob & Susan Hangmarves..	John Kent
Imports British	Bob Lembcke.....	Robert Zabzdyr
Imports Japan	Robert Rogers .....	Samuel Wilson
Production 1993- Present	Ron Woverton.....	Michelle Judick
Special Prod. 1985- Present	Jean Looney .....	Kim Kudulis
Driver Participation	Eric Smith.....	Kurt Kwitzky



John Pendergrass standing near his car







*Foy and Judy Bobo relaxing after registration was done.*



*Greg Koch sitting with the fire truck*



*Participants enjoying the shade under the tent*



*Ladies having fun posing with the old cars*



*People enjoyed looking at 112 vintage cars*



*The DSR sign at the bottom of the lot*







Participants enjoying the shade on a warm day



A glimpse of several of the cars awaiting inspection on the grounds



This is how a four-year old entertains himself at a day-long car event



Mayor Stimpson and Zeno Chaudron talk with entrants in the 50th Anniversary DSR Car Show



The Dunns enjoy the day





## Bob Lembcke Attends Show

Took the 100/6 to Mobile for AACA show, 50th year for that club. Sam drove his 260 over with me to make sure I got there and back! Had over 105 cars (think 40 last year)...oldest was 1911. Only 2 British cars, I took a first in class and Sam took a 2nd in Japanese cars. .

Healey had started acting out 2 weeks ago and would run, then stumble, then run again. It began while hot, sitting in traffic enough to make you believe you wouldn't be able to get off road, yet it never completely failed or stopped. The car had gotten sorry fuel economy since I've had it. I found needles and jets correct, everything looked good, re-set jet height and sych. then it ran and idled nice, but then would start stumbling. Pumped gas into can just fine but then found filter all loaded with junk, so I changed it out. I checked and cleaned plugs, timing, point gap and all was ok.

I piddled about with ground and points and redid then fired off, seemed ok so drove it for gas a few days later. Started doing same. I took her on highway after fuel, seemed fine on trip home. Tried again yesterday before going, and stumble was back. Called the Ode, he didn't have much to add, except said he had issues with new condenser on a TD years back. After doing everything, found the old one and bingo it all worked. So, looked and only had a bunch of used ones, likely 40 years since last run. I took several, then headed off for Sam's this am after F1 Quali. As I got there, bunch of stumbling. I said I wanted to swap condenser. before going on, yet when I went to take lead off points, it wasn't tight...hmmmm ....tightened then headed off with old condenser. I got on I-10, and it started doing same, came and went on miss. Pulled into the Alabama Welcome Center and found the low tension lead was close to distributor body. It was not right. So I put in an old condenser, of unknown age and experience, then found the nut on points would tighten up. Low tension lead stayed loose. So I swapped position on it and one from condenser on post and got it to tighten to low tension. Lead had giant hole in terminal and didn't look right. Also moved that wire further from body. Anyway, all worked fine and kept working on trip over and home. Not sure which was fix the bad connection on terminals, condenser, or grounding of lead on housing at times as stuff moved.

Anyway, got to figure trip was a success. Sam took photos of repairs. I guess he needed them for future and possible training. There are few folks working on autos on road today, glad to have junk parts and friends with tools.

There were several Chevy's in the show. There was a rare vendor truck (one of 254 built in 52 or 53).

Hope you like the pictures.. Show is always Sat. before Mother's day...so plan for next year! - Bob Lembcke



Photos by Bob Lembcke



# What have you been up to?

## Mopar Show at the Battleship April 27, 2017

Darrin, our grandson Barrett and I attended the Mopar Show at the USS Alabama Battleship Park on April 17 to assist Frank Piper in distributing fliers for the DSR 50th Anniversary Car Show for May 2017.

As many of our readers know, our little four-year old car enthusiast, Barrett, loves to look at "hot rods" and "Scott's cars" – every antique car is "Scott's car" (referencing Scott Henderson).

As Barrett circulated throughout the vista of beautiful cars, borrowing Papa Darrin's flashlight so that he could "inspect" each car, he asked car owners to open the hoods so that he could see the engine. He exclaimed "WOW!" after each look-see. When he spotted a car sporting a Ribbon, he glanced at the adjacent car and authoritatively advised the owner of that car, "Your car is not going to win; THIS car is going to win!" Of course, we all enjoyed a chuckle from the imagination of this tiny car lover. - Charlotte



Painting on the back of a trailer



Frank passing out fliers



Ed Grimes helping park cars



Darrin and Barrett looking at cars at the Battleship

## Guest speaker

Lt. Paul Meynard of the MPD 2nd Precinct was the guest speaker for the DSR meeting at the Clubhouse on April 27. He addressed the important subject of theft protection for our treasured cars and other vehicles. One of the simple solutions he suggested is to lock the steering mechanism with a club; and, of course, locking all doors and trunk.

Lt. Meynard's knowledge in helping us to combat the common car thief will ensure we can avoid being a target for car theft – at home or on the road.

- Charlotte

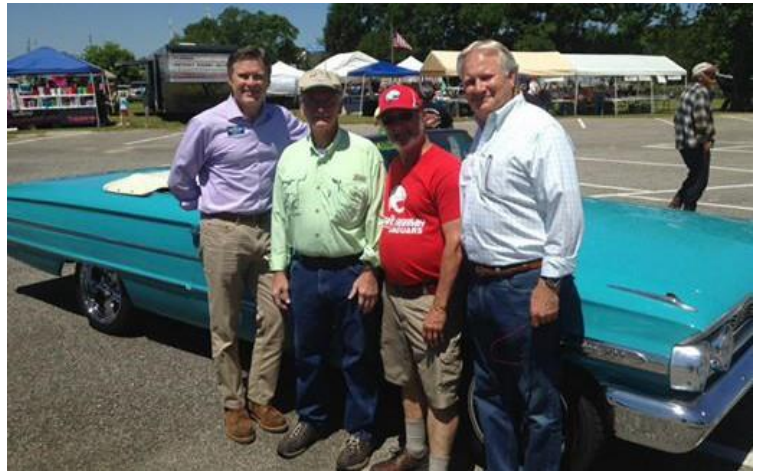




## Blessing of the Fleet in Bayou la Batre

Invited by Melissa Raley to the Bayou La Batre Car Show on May 6, participating DSR members were: Zeno Chaudron with his 1969 Camaro Z28; Jim Graham and his 1929 Model A Pickup Truck; Buddy Jones with his 1970 Cutlass W-31; and David Ladnier with his 1964 Ford Galaxie 500 Convertible.

Marcia Stork invited convertibles to drive in the Blessing of the Fleet Parade on Sunday May 7th. DSR was represented by David Ladnier's 1964 Ford Galaxie 500; Paul Dagenais' 1964 Comet Caliente; Walt Fuller's 1929 Model A Ford with rumble seat; and Robert Salter's 1994 Cavalier RS, which served as memorable Parade transportation for the Fleet queen and her court. - David Ladnier



Attending the Saint Mary's Lawn Party were (left to right): Bill Hightower, Senator for the 35th Alabama District, Terry Downing, Mayor of Bayou La Batre, David Ladnier (1964 Galaxie 500 in the background), and Jerry Carl, Mobile County Commissioner

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(left o right) Commission Jerry Carl, Mayor Terry Downing, Senator Bill Hightower, and Jim Graham pose for a photo op with Jim's 1929 Ford Model A



DSR member Zeno Chaudron poses with Commissioner Carl; Mayor Downing and Senator Hightower



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Staging for the land parade



Paul Dagenais' 1964 Comet Caliente



1964 Ford Galaxie 500 David Ladhier's



Robert Salter's 1994 Cavalier RS



The young lady that was the queen selected my roadster to lead the parade. Ladies always love riding in the little red car. Glad I could attend it was a beautiful day and event. - Walt



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# Our Lady of Lourdes Lawn Party

DSR Members traditionally display their treasured cars at the Annual Our Lady of Lourdes Lawn Party where we are beneficiaries of great food for our participation.

An annual fundraiser for Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, raffle tickets for really great items are sold, as well as booths for plants, books and flea market items.

Enjoying this special fellowship were DSR members Zeno and Rheba Chaudron, David Ladnier, Frank Piper, Jim Graham and Darrin and I. We had a memorable time and was treated to some really great food! - Charlotte



*The group eats lunch together*



*The 64 1/2 Ford Mustang made it's appearance to the display*



*Jim Graham shows off his beautiful Model A pick-up*



*The Mobile Bay Bears Mascot drives the 1964 Galaxie 500*



*The Mobile Bay Bears Mascot had fun with David's Galaxie 500*



*The Mobile Bay Bears Mascot with the 64 1/2 Mustang*



*The Mobile Bay Bears Mascot had fun with Zeno's Camaro*






# PoBoys Cruise-In Returns to KFC

On May 6, the popular Po'boys Cruise-in, which meets the first Saturday of every month, moved back to the KFC parking lot where an average 100 cars participated. Competing for one winning trophy included DSR member cars brought by Frank Piper, David Ladnier and Scott Henderson.

The event begins with 'gathering music' at 5:00pm, followed by trophy presentation at 8:00pm.-Charlotte






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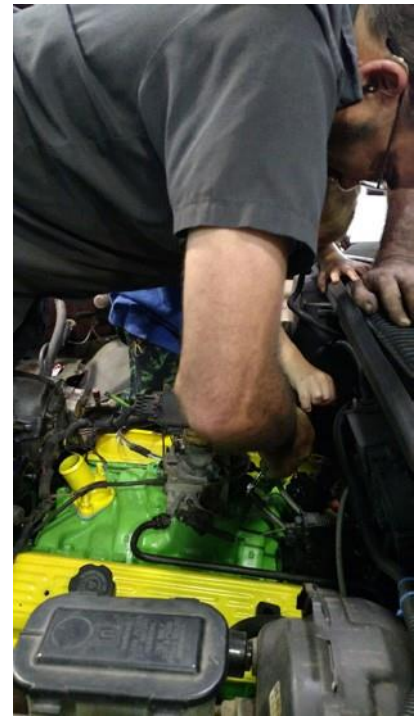




Barrett helping Pa Pa put the motor in the truck

## The Mellow Yellow Truck

With the 'help' of our grandson Barrett, Darrin installed a motor into a friend's 1989 Chevy Pick-Up. This particular motor – painted in neon yellow and neon green – will not be missed at future car shows! (Darrin nicknamed it "The Mellow Yellow Motor"). - Charlotte



Darrin working on the motor with Barrett's help

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# Studio10 at 9 showcases the 50th Anniversary Car Show



Walt Fuller's Model A, Paul and Tracy's Comet and Zeno's Camaro line up in the parking lot of Channel 10 News.



Bobby Peterson's Triumph, Jim Henderson's Mercury and Jim Graham's Model A line up in the parking lot of Channel 10 News



Zeno speaks for the club on TV about our car show.



Zeno Chaudron, president of the Deep South Region (DSR) of AACA was interviewed by a Fox 10 News reporter on Wednesday May 10.

Ensuring a broad viewing for the Fox camera crew and viewers, we lined up a classic collection, representative of our DSR member cars, for this particular broadcast to promote the DSR's 50th Anniversary Car Show. Cars on display for the telecast included: Walt Fuller's Red Model A, Tracy Metcalf's Comet Caliente, Zeno Chaudron's Camaro, David Ladnier's Galaxie 500, Bobby Patterson's Triumph, Jim Henderson's Mercury Montclair, and Jim Graham's Blue Model A pickup truck.

DSR enjoyed the opportunity to announce in the broadcast that Mayor Sandy Stimpson will be in attendance at May 13 event to select his favorite car, and present The Mayor's Trophy. A total of 72 trophies will be presented at this milestone car show for DSR. And, with 31 eligible classes, just about any antique or vintage automobile will fit in!



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What can I say or add to our "Clubs 50th Anniversary Car Show". WOW! With Car shows you never know what to expect, including weather and other events happening around the area. I would have to say this was a slam dunk for the whole club. I do believe the effort put forth by the entire Car Show committee made this possible. Charlotte Dahlenburg, chairperson and the whole team put tireless time to pull this off. Congratulations to all of you. "Volunteers" a big Thank You! We could not do it without your Help. I appreciated the Mayor of Mobile, Sandy Stimpson and the Azalea Trail Maids coming to help us celebrate this grand occasion. As a club I know we depend heavily on our SPONSORS, without them we couldn't of had the success we enjoyed. From your President I "Thank" all the members from the first year. 1967 to 2017 for making this club what it is today, What a accomplishment for the AACA/Deep South Region Antique Car Club.

Best,

*Zeno*



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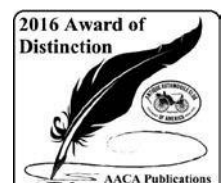
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# REWIND

## WHAT DEEP SOUTH REGION WAS DOING 25 YEARS AGO from the May 1992 Sparkplug

The DSR Show For 1992 the Deep South Region can boast our biggest show yet! We had 135 cars registered plus engines and flea markets, which totaled about 150 entries! It was a lot of work, but it seemed that all of our members pitched in to help and just everything went well. This 1992 Show was Congeniality at its best! Our DSR ladies had made several tables full of food for the show participants' noon meal and it was really good eating! We were needing rain, but Show Day was

sunny and pleasant all day long. In walking through the crowds, I personally heard several visitors say it was the best show they'd ever attend -- not talking to me but to other visitors. This is just super!! Other DSR members said that they heard the same comments! This is what it takes for successful shows in the future. Almost every person I heard made comments about the nice clubhouse and the pretty location. The for the banquet, catered by O. D.'s Barbeque. Plenty to

eat with tables and chairs under the huge tent near the patio. You had your choice of bbq beef, pork or chicken with all the goodies including desserts and drinks. Then came the trophy awards and door prizes. Everyone seemed to be pleased with our judges decisions. As a finale, the TV, the compact disc player, and the digital display printer were given to the three lucky ticket holders. The with everyone laughing and enjoying the fellowship, we all headed home or to our motels.

## Minutes from the April Meeting

The April 26, 2017 Meeting of the Deep South Region was called to order by President, Zeno Chaudron, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Zeno issued thanks to all who helped during work day at the Club House. Jim Henderson reported progress on the large maintenance items for the grounds. 24 yards of limb and other debris were hauled away. There are two dead trees that will be removed. The hill side behind the club house will be cleared. Mobile Lumber is providing major equipment and labor.

Activities Chairman, David Ladnier, asked for attendees at the Lawn Party for Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Sunday, April 30, 2017. Charlie Lyles expressed appreciation for help and cars at the Fish Fry at his church.

Officer Paul Meynard of the Mobile Police Department presented several tips to help protect your automobile from theft and vandalism.

Much of the meeting was devoted to plans for the 2017 50th Anniversary Car Show to be held Saturday, May 13, 2017 on the club house grounds. Chairperson, Charlotte Dahlenburg reminded us that each member is a greeter. Registration starts at 9:00 am, Jim Henderson will provide tables and trash cans. Ford Motor Company is to present a display of Ford Diesel Engines at the


show. Food prices should be provided to Connie Graham.

A Car Show run through meeting will be held at 5:30 pm. on Monday, May 1 at the Club House.

Participating members were asked to be sure to attend.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jim Graham. Frank Piper seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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# Henderson Tree Trimming in a Big Way

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Jimmy Smith clearing the underbrush from the area near the railroad tracks



Robert Johnson up in the man lift trimming the giant water oak tree that was half dead





## Letter from the Editor

As Chairman of the 50th Anniversary Car Show, I want to thank everyone for all that you did to make this years' show a success. We had a large turn out that required everybody to work harder and be more accommodating to our guests.

Everywhere I looked there was someone in a red shirt helping or talking to the participants. All members did their job to the best of their ability and it showed with so many people having a good time.

As usual the food was excellent and our cooks had to make a few trips to the store to get more food. The drinks were flying out the door as well.

Ed was selling 50/50 tickets like crazy and everybody was looking for Ed so they could buy their tickets.

The vendors this year demonstrated their products. This was a nice addition to our show. I look forward to seeing this area grow in future shows.

I don't know how we will park any more cars in for our show but I know we will figure it out. The car show was one of our big events for the year.

I am looking forward to the 50th Anniversary Party and the Fish Fry Cruise-In later this year.

Charlotte

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Mike : 228-424-1294 Ocean Springs, MS

# LOOKING

**I'm looking for a studebaker!** Contact Ernie Rogers at 251-345-1254.

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## Refreshments

- May 25 - Charlotte and Darrin Dahlenburg
- June 29 - Martha Fuller and Judy Bobo
- July 27 - Soup and Sandwich Dinner
- August 31 - Janice and Leslie Sellers
- September 28 - Italian Dinner
- October 26 - Scott Henderson
- November 16 - Thanksgiving Dinner
- December 14 - TBA

## Up Coming Events

Our next meeting is Thursday, May 25 at 7 pm at the club house. See you there!  
 July 22 DRS 50th Anniversary Celebration and Dinner

## Birthdays & Anniversary

Foy Bobo                      May 29

## Thoughts Go Out

Also Keep good thoughts for Buddy & Patt Paquet, Anne Givens, Carl Bailey, Bob White, Lycle Crowdus, D, R. Jordan and the Henderson family.



**Guess what this is? What does this go to? Email your answer to [dsr36608@gmail.com](mailto:dsr36608@gmail.com).**

*Answer for last month: 1964 Thunderbird Landau*



## OBSERVATIONS FROM A CHIEF JUDGE

By Chuck Crane  
 Executive Vice President

Reflecting on the AACA Central Division Fall Meet held in Galveston, Texas in October 2016, a few thoughts are appropriate for our members who may be first timers entering a national meet.

We had 124 vehicles ranging from a 1904 Curved Dash Oldsmobile to 1991 vehicles. At many meets, your Chief Judge and others review all the cars before judging starts to see if they are in the proper classes and to determine if they should change category, e.g. Do they fit best in HPOF (Historic Preservation of Original Features), or Class Judging, or in DPC (Driver Participation Class) for those cars we love to tour in which have received some comfort modifications. At Galveston, we reclassified 30 vehicles.

Most of those owners were rather confused about what each category represented and said we're not judges so we didn't know what to put down. Very simply, go into Class Judging if you can look at your car and honestly say "If I was buying this car from a dealership as a new vehicle, I would accept it". You're looking at it as a judge would, but you don't have to worry about authenticity since it just came from the factory. After all, our AACA definition of the 400 point vehicle is that it must be restored to the level when it was delivered from the factory to the dealer and that includes proper tires. Would you take delivery of a vehicle with a run in the back quarter panel? If you look at it like a great used car with a few flaws, it probably belongs in Driver Participation Class (DPC). which is a certification class but not point judged. If it looks like Grandpa's 1952 Chevy with 12,000 original miles which never sat outside in the rain, it is probably appropriate for HPOF. Please take the time to take a good hard look at your vehicle before you register so you and your pride and joy may receive the right award at the close of the meet. You'll be glad you did. We had a great 1991 Imperial registered in DPC at Galveston which I felt could compete in class judging, which the owner agreed to. He was overjoyed with his First Junior award at it's first ever showing.







# The Sparkplug



## Why join the Deep South Region (DSR) of AACA

Belonging to AACA includes: *voting privileges, exhibiting your cars in national meets, enjoying tours hosted by Region Chapters all across the United States, and competition for national annual awards and prizes, and the bi-monthly Antique Automobile Magazine.* As a DSR member, other perks include the opportunity to learn more about your antique or classic car(s) from other members; hear interesting guest speakers at special programs; find parts and dealers; socialize with other owners; complimentary subscription to our DSR newsletter *The Sparkplug*, and the opportunity to feature your vehicle(s) on our Club's website.

## Howto join DSR:

- 1) Come as a guest to one of our meetings - open invitation - no further invitation necessary. We meet on the fourth Thursday every month at 7:00 pm. Generally, our meetings are held at the DSR Clubhouse at 951 Forest Hill Drive, Mobile, Alabama. Check our website for location changes.
- 2) You may join DSR by first joining the National AACA organization. You can access membership online: [aaca.org](http://aaca.org) and click Join/Renew Today. The annual dues are only \$35 per year. You have not checked out the AACA website, now would be a good time to learn about the national organization.
- 3) After you have joined AACA, complete the following information and bring it to one of our meetings, or you may mail it with a \$20.00 check for DSR annual dues to our Club Treasurer: Paul Dagenais, 58 South Julia Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604.

## Deep South Region AACA - Mobile, Al

National AACA Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

Note: You must be a member of AACA to join Deep South Region. Our annual dues are \$20.00 for couples or singles for a complete calendar year.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Note that General and junior Memberships in the AACA are open to all individuals who have a genuine interest in the antique automobile hobby. Ownership of an automobile is not a prerequisite of membership.

Annual Membership - \$35 (includes spouse if applicable) Members receive bi-monthly issue of ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE magazine. Members are eligible to join an AACA region and/or chapter. Members can exhibit vehicles & compete for national prizes and annual awards. Members receive unlimited free admission to the AACA Museum. Members receive limited free research by the AACA Library & Research Center staff.

Life Membership - \$600.00 (includes spouse if applicable). Life members enjoy the same privileges as the annual membership.

Student Membership - \$12 Open to STUDENTS ages 13-25. Verification of student enrollment is requested. Enjoys same privileges as the annual membership.

Junior Membership - \$10 Any child up to 12 years old may join, whether or not parents are members of AACA. Junior members will receive one Membership Card, one Membership Badge, and a Newsletter four times a year, February, May, August, and November. Special activities are encouraged for Juniors at National (and local) Meets. An educational program is planned to acquaint Juniors of AACA history, its structure and mission, and a general overview of vehicles and their workings, plus a basic understanding of the judging system, all at a level they should find interesting and entertaining.







# National Car Shows

## May 2017

26-27 - AACA Eastern Spring Meet • hosted by Huntington Region

## June 2017

4-9 - Founders Tour (1932-later) • hosted by Gettysburg Region

15-17- Annual Grand National Meet • hosted by Kansas City Region

## August 2017

17-19 - Central Fall Meet • hosted by Mississippi Region

## September 2017

17-22 - AACA Glidden Tour (AACA hosted) • hosted by Nebraska Region

## October 2017

4-7 - Eastern Fall Meet • hosted by Hershey Region

## February 2018

8-10 - AACA Annual Meeting • Philadelphia

## March 2018

2-3 - AACA Special Winter Meet/ Special Annual Grand National • San Juan, Puerto Rico

## April 2018

5-7 - Southeastern Spring Meet • hosted by Hornest Nest Region • Charlotte NC

20-12 - AACA Western Spring Meet • hosted by Tucson Region • Tucson Arizona



# Cruise Ins

Time	Location	Address	For More Info Contact
Every Thursday	Sonic in Bay Minette	Bay Minette, AL (Feb-Nov)	
1st Saturday	Edgewater Mall	Hwy. 90, Biloxi MS	Jimbo 228-596-0664
1st Saturday	KFC Tilman's Corner	Tillman's Square, Hwy. 90	Jo Jo Johnson 251-367-6643
2nd Friday	Hooters	Daphne, AL (Feb-Nov)	
2nd Friday	Downtown Cruise	Ocean Springs, MS	
2nd Saturday	Dillard's	Eastern Shore Mall, Malbis (Jan - Nov)	Eastern Shore Cruisers
3rd Thursday	Sonic	Foley, Hwy. 59 (Mar-Nov)	
3rd Saturday	Beef O' Bradys	Spanish Fort, Hwy. 90	
3rd Saturday	Bay City Grill	5675 Hwy. 43 Satsuma 4-8 pm	
4th Saturday	Ingalls Engineering Complex	Passacaglia, MS	Magnolia Classic Cruisers
4th Saturday	10126 Grand Bay Wilmer Rd	10 am - 1 pm	Grand Bay Country Cruiser
4th Saturday	Stoney's BBQ 5-8 pm	Hwy. 43, Saraland	Northside Cruisers
Last Saturday	Sonic - Hwy 59 South	Robertsdale, AL (Mar-Oct)	251-747-2022







## Local Car Shows

MAY 26-27

TALLADEGA, AL. 9th Annual Vettes for Vets at Talladega Speedway, Info: [www.vettes4vets.org](http://www.vettes4vets.org)

MAY 27

BRILLIANT, AL. Coal Fest Trade Day & Car Show Downtown, 9am.-5pm. Info: Ann Davis 205-465-2281

JUNE 2-3

MOULTRIE, GA. Summer Automotive Swap Meet & Car Corral at Spence Field, Info: 229-686-1771 or [www.summerswapmeet.com](http://www.summerswapmeet.com)

JUNE 3

ALABASTER, AL. 15th Annual Alabaster City Fest Cruise In Car Show at the Municipal Park on Warrior Drive, 9am.-2pm. Info: 205-381-0197 or [www.alabastercityfest.com](http://www.alabastercityfest.com)

June 3

Choctaw Cruisers Car & Truck Show, Ackerman, MS

June 6

Gulf Coast Mopar Mania, Fort Walton Beach, FL.

June 6

Cruise Car Show, Dauphin Island, AL

June 10

Blueberry Festival Car Show 7 am - 2:30 pm Poplarville, MS

June 23-25

Scrapin the Coast [www.scrapinthe coast.com](http://www.scrapinthe coast.com) day of show \$60 out/\$100 in Mississippi Gulf Coast coliseum, 2350 Beach Blvd, Biloxi

July 4

Grand Bay Watermelon Festival Car Show. The Festival gate opens at 8 a.m. and closes at 4 p.m.

July 18 - 19

Baytown Throwdown, Mobile, AL

July 21, 2017 - July 21, 2017

Hootie Do for Heart Disease Location: Mobile, Alabama. Car and truck show raising funds to help fight heart disease along the Gulf Coast. Springhill Medical Center 3719 Dauphin Street Mobile Alabama

Aug 3-6

NSRA Street Rod Nationals Louisville, KY [www.nsra-usa.com/Events/](http://www.nsra-usa.com/Events/)

Sep 8-9

Shades of the Past Pigeon Forge, TN [www.shadesofthepast.com/](http://www.shadesofthepast.com/)

Sep 9

Knights of Columbus Car & Truck Show \$25 8 am - 1 pm.

Annunciation church, 5370 Kiln-Delisle Rd., Kiln, MS

Sep 9

Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Parish Open Car Show 2275 Snow Rd N, Semmes AL 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

Sep 30

Souped Up Saturday 3 pm - 8 pm free. Bible Baptist Church, 12200 Dedeaux Rd, Gulfport MS

Oct 1-8

Cruisin' the Coast Gulfport, MS [www.cruisinthe coast.com](http://www.cruisinthe coast.com)

October 21, 2017

The 8th Annual "Shirley Looney Memorial" Car Show Dauphin Way Baptist Church. Registration opens at 8:00 am. Entry fee is \$20 if received by October 12, and \$25 day of show. For more info call Dauphin Way Baptist Church at 251-342-3456, and ask for Robin.





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