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11th ANNUAL DSR ANTIQUE AUTO SHOW

Registrations were not what you could call recordbreaking for DSR's 11th Annual car show but despite the lesser number of entries, the show was a success.

Summer-time temperatures a lots of sunshine gave participants the opportunity to get parked, pick up their registration packets, shine up their cars then look over the competition.

And if competition was what you were looking for, it was there. Even though the number of cars judged this year was only 108, which was down compared to last year's 138, they were superb cars. Just to give you an idea of how good they were, it took Chief Judge John Reid and an assistant 30 minutes to break the tie for Post-War Best of Show between 3 automobiles!

Something new to our show this year was the Prestige Award which was given to cars scoring 95 or more out of a possible 100 points. This first year we presented 10 Prestige Awards. A list of the winners along with other information appears on another page.

We will have a report on the financial aspect of the show at the May 26th meeting. You are encouraged to attend this meeting and offer suggestions or criticism that can make our show even better next year.

It is not too early to begin planning for the 1995 car show. Be thinking about a Chairman for next year and seriously consider YOURSELF!

"DEAR DEEP SOUTH REGION MEMBERS",

There is no question.. you are the best

All of you working together made our car show a great success and without YOU there would be no show. We have heard it said that you must have the entries for this type event to work but we feel there has to be the willingness to work together as a club first before there can be anything for someone to enter.

There are many of you who worked hard and long to make our show happen. We would like to thank each of you but for fear of leaving someone out as well as lack of space, we won't even try to mention all of you by name. But you know who you are and so do we!

The cooperation we received from the beginning when plans were first discussed right up to the end on Saturday evening when everyone was so tired but still took the time to help with the clean-up was more than could be hoped

We appreciate everything that all of you did and our sincere thanks for a job well done.

Buddy Paquet

Jerry Finley

"THANK YOU....THANK YOU....THANK YOU"

I would like to personally thank Charlotte Vinson, Sharon Moore, Anna White, Frances Whigham and Lloyd for helping me with registration for the car show. I even had Nancy Henderson standing by to help out. Thank goodness for donuts & poundcake!

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-- THE MIRACLE STRIP REGION GOLD CUP ANTIQUE CAR RACE --

The ninth annual Gold Cup Race sponsored by the Panama City Miracle Strip Region of AACA was held this year on Saturday, April 23. The "race" is a timed speed event consisting of two legs, the first from Panama City to Port Saint Joe and the second leg from Port St. Joe to Apalachicola. The Port St. Joe stop is for a lunch break for the contestants. There are check points all along the designated routes on the back roads (all paved), that make the 60 miles from Panama City to Apalachicola total approximately 75 miles. You must be alert, but there are no misleading or "double meaning" and complicated instructions that you find in many road rally races. This is an ideal, well put-together road race for antique car lovers!

There were 4 DSR cars with 8 members attending this Gold Cup Race. We met at the battleship Friday morning and drove or trailered to a motel across the street from Rube and Sue Waddell. Many of the contestants spent the night at the motel and were graciously invited to the Waddell's beautiful home for snacks and written instructions about the race. We were also given name tags which assigned us randomly to one of four teams that played games Saturday evening at Apalachicola after the race. There was no "pressure" on anyone to participate in the games, but those that did participate had a lot of funi

Saturday morning all the race cars assembled at a designated parking lot in Panama City and were given a magnetic number for your car and oral instructions with any question answered. We left at 5 minute intervals and followed the written instructions to Port St. Joe at a speed you were permitted to choose. There were 5 classes in the race determined by the age of the cars.

At Port St. Joe we all stopped at a park and displayed our cars and had a much desired break for lunch and fellowship. After about an hour we again lined up and left at 5 minute intervals to complete the second leg of the race from Fort St. Joe to Apalachicola. We all arrived at the very popular and Fascinating Gibson Inn, a hotel built in 1907. And anybody that likes old cars would love the Gibson Inn! There we played the games (like

pitching washer into a fish net), had a very

nice style show, although our DSR members were only spectators at the style show, and had a bunch of fun! After this came the very excellent awards banquet. Then a bit more fellowship before retiring to our rooms for a very restful night.

Sunday morning we bid each other goodbye and the DSR group headed for Mobile. We had Ed and Joan Lunsford in their 1937 Ford, Melvin and Betty Neese in their 1928 Model A, Buddy and Patt Paquet in their 1955 Ford, and Ernie and Eugenia Youens in their 1965 Mustang. The DSR had 4 couples attend last year's Gold Cup Race and none of us won a trophy (except for games played), but this year the DSR group brought 5 trophys home! The Lunsfords hit the jackpot with 3 of the 5. They won best car in the 1933 to 1942 class, 2nd place in speed on leg 1 and 1st place on leg 2. Paquets won 2nd on leg 2 and Youens won 1st in leg 1 in our respective classes. The Neeses and Paquets won \$2.00 bills presented at the banquet. This is a super way to have a great time with your old car. Next April consider joining us for the most enjoyable jaunt to Panama City! It is a bit tiring but you will enjoy it! As one lady driving her Metropolitan told me just before the race that winning is more a matter of luck than effort -- and she's certainly right! The winners won with as little as one second off their designated speed, so you see, it is luck involved! Flan on making the Gold Gup Race in 19951

---by Ernie Youens ---



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Don Dillehay, our chaplain, had eye surgery on May 5th and is at home doing well. Betty Jordan injured her right shoulder and arm in April but is now "back on the road" with Floyd on a motorhome trip.

Gladys Edwards is home and using a walker but having a slow, slow recovery.

GOOD NEWS

Betty & Melvin Neese are on vacation for approximately one month in a new van. Ed Lunsford and his son, Mike, are headed for Bowling Green, KY for a Jaguar show May 20-22.

Buddy & I plan to leave for the Southeastern AACA Meet in Shelbyville, TN on the 19th. This is our first and we are looking forward to a national show.

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DUE TO THE CAR SHOW BEING HELD THIS MONTH PLUS THE POINT CADET SHOW THE LAST WEEKEND OF MAY, THERE IS NO OUTING PLANNED NOR IS THERE AN OUTING PLANNED IN HOWEVER, THERE ARE TENATIVE PLANS FOR US TO GO TO THE BATTLESHIP ON JULY, PERHAPS ON THE 16TH. THIS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE MAY AND JUNE MEETINGS.

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Cars, cars with automobiles starts early on. What make and model was the first family car you remember? And your own first car? You'll probably find them among these 85 American model names of the past 60-some years reading up, down, forward, backward or diagonally. Leftover letters go back a lot further—to the first mass-produced horseless carriage and its creator (see page 79). —Jack C. Cooper

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