



The Sparkplug



Deep South Region of AACA Newsletter

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Deep South Region Host First Car Show

The first Deep South Region Annual Auto Show, co-sponsored by the Tillman's Corner Area Chamber of Commerce and the Deep South Region of AACA was a success. The event was held on May 11 & 12, 1984 with the car show on May 12.

Lloyd Crowds appointed Katherine Harper as Show Chairman.

The show was held on Friday and Saturday at W. C. Griggs Elementary School in Tillman's Corner. The event features many activities, including a fashion show of days long ago and a talent show. The Kids also got into the act with a model car show.

Friday night and Saturday night a banquet was held. Planning the event started early and many members of the club were not onboard. Members were nervous that the cars would not show up and not sure there would be a place big enough for the show.

Ray and Katherine Harper stepped up to the plate and asked the club to back them on the event. Ray promised he would get 100 cars to show up.

Pre-registration for the show was \$5 and day of show the



Top Photo: Pre War Era Cars
Above: Brass Era Cars

cost was \$10. Don't you wish this was true today? The first show boasted 101 cars! The first location for the Deep South Region Antique Car show was W. C. Griggs on Three Notch Road with the Saturday banquet held inside the school.

Many of the DSR members like Bill Dobbs, Lloyd Crowdus, David Hepler, Evelyn Few, Youens, Nettles, Hop, Lowe and others were great help! Profits from the very first DSR show was \$1,198.77.

- Ray Harper Historian



There were plenty of vendors on site to sell their wares



Registration maned by DSR members



The show field



The Model T's



Happy show attendees



The youth entries



The show field



Most of you know my Sister and I take care of our parents. With saying that we get a lot of time reading, doing puzzles, which my Mom dearly loves and watching the birds and squirrels in the bird feeder in front of their home.

Yesterday afternoon was a little different when a man knocks on the door. Of course my Mom said there's a Man at the door before I could get up. To my surprise it was our next door neighbor. He said "I hate to bother you but I need some help." He went on to say he has possession of his fathers 1963 Rambler Station Wagon. He was needing some information on having it restored back pretty much original.

We talked a good while about the car and his intentions for it. He did know about our car club but after I told him he could find a lot of info through the AACA library and archives he was very encouraged.

Of course I invited him to our monthly meetings. I told him we have members with a lot of knowledge that could help with contact info with his project. Our club has a lot to offer for the vehicle enthusiast and their projects. That is what makes this club special to me.

See you on Thursday for our monthly meeting.

Zeno



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Deepsouth.aaca.com
 Also, members should visit our Facebook page.

"Mountain Fun in 2021!"
2021 AACA Founders Tour

**Canaan Valley Resort
 Davis, West Virginia
 May 20-25, 2021**

1936-1996 vehicles welcome

**Tour Chairman:
 Franklin Gage
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 703-869-8434**

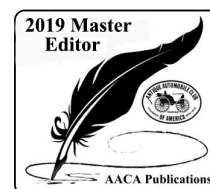
Registration Deadline: March 20
 (contact Tour Chairman for availability if past deadline)



- Tour Highlights Include:**
- Blackwater Falls & Seneca Rocks
 - Dominion Power's Mt. Storm Power Station
 - Windmills on Backbone Mountain
 - Grant County Mulch Plant

Hosted by the Mountain State Classics Region AACA
 venues & schedule subject to change

2018
 The
 Ann S. Eady
 Memorial
 Award



What have you been up to?

Rain, rain, rain, and more rain!

- Charlie Wyckoff



Wedding
escort
Hatcher
Farm. In
between the
rains

- David Ladnier



OWA Mustang Car Show

Took the Lola FF. to the OWA Mustang Car Show in March. Typical shots I took at the show, wanted to show the place. Had about 180 cars, not easy to get in/out.

Weather looked bad, constant wind but turned Ok. Got 2nd in class, whatever that was. No vendors or manufacturer displays. Had puncture in trailer once home. - Bob Lembcke





The Military Sponsorship Program is available to all of the Military Veterans that have proudly served to protect our homeland and freedoms. With this program, AACA is extending a limited number of complimentary 2020 memberships for first-time AACA applicants. More information on this program and an application can be found on the AACA website under member information and drop down to Military.

These complimentary 2020 memberships are for first-time AACA applicants and are limited by the funds available for this program. These complimentary applications for membership are intended for individuals who have a genuine interest in the antique car hobby.

AACA Eastern Divisional-Tour
June 2-5, 2021
Cambridge, Maryland

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS: Opening Strawberry Extravaganza & Reception
 • Seafood Processing Plant & Shipyard • Harriet Tubman Visitor Center & Blackwater Wildlife Refuge • Old Salty's Eastern Shore Buffet • Dorchester Historical Society • St. Michaels Classic Motor Museum • Lunch by Union United Methodist Church, St. Michaels, MD • Oxford Bellevue Ferry • Scottish Highlands Creamery • Adkins Arboretum Tour
 • Luncheon at Suicide Bridge Restaurant

HOST HOTEL: Holiday Inn Express, 410-221-9900
 2715 Ocean Gateway (Rt. 50)
 Cambridge, MD 21613
 Rate: \$119/night plus tax

TOUR CHAIRMAN: Charles Emery
 charlescemeryms@gmail.com
 443-877-7750
(contact to be put on wait list)

Open to All AACA Eligible Vehicles
Hosted by Eastern Shore Region AACA & Bay Country Region AACA



The 2021 Cruisin' the Coast (CTC) preparation is in full swing. The Pre-registration is available online or at our club meetings thru August 15th!

If you are due a Comp registration, please submit it A.S.A.P to our Auto Advisory Committee (AAC) Representatives! (Charlotte, David or Paul) The first AAC Meeting will be held in March.

Have you seen the 2021 25th Cruisin' the Coast Raffle Car!

You Can Drive Away in the CTC Raffle Vehicle!
 Drawing Sunday, October 10, 2021
 2017 Street Rodder Road Tour Feature Cary Built by Woody's Hot Rodz
 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air Convertible

- Spec Tri-Five Chassis
- Chevrolet ZZ6 Crate Motor
- PPG Paint: Nickel Metallic, Yella, Orange Pearl & Oh So Sexy Red
- A.M. Hot Rod Acrylic Glass
- Flaming River Rack-and-Pinion Steering
- AFCO Coilovers
- Wilwood Disc Brakes
- Falken Tires/American Legend Racer Wheels Hughes Performance 4L80E Transmission
- Pete Hagan's Show Car Interior Vintage Air
- Dakota Digital Gages
- Danchuk Reproductions Parts

Ticket prices: One for \$10, Three for \$25
 You do not have to be present to win!





Letter from the Editor

It has been an awesome spring except the enormous amount of rain. Many of us have been able to participate in events, thanks to the vaccine.

Darrin, Paul and I have been planning and preparing for the Great Race. We are 10 weeks away from the biggest event in Rally Racing in the United States.

This year's Great Race starts in San Antonio, Texas and ends in Greenville, South Carolina. It is a 10-day race starting on June 19 and ending on June 27.

Big Red is just about ready to take the 2700 mile trip with Darrin as driver and Sam Barnett as navigator. Paul and I will be the support crew. Yes the ones that get to check into the hotels and carry the luggage. But we also get to the next stop with plenty of time to tour any museum or other points of interest.

Please follow us on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/GRTeamAlabama>. We are actively posting updates about Team Alabama in Big Red the 1961 Cadillac Series 62 with car number 25.

Next month will be a frizzy of practice runs to be "ready".

See you on the road,

Charlotte

Refreshments

April 22 7pm
 May 27 7pm

Up Coming Club Events

Monthly Meeting April 22- 7pm

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays
 Belinda Rooney May 20
 Arthur Bolton May 22
 Foy Bobo May 29
Anniversaries
 Stan & Lisa Wiese May 24, 1980
 Ray & Katherine Harper May 28

Note: Your birthday or anniversary not listed? Please let me know the date(s) by email deepsouth.aaca@gmail.com. Spouses as well. Years are not necessary since we are all 29 at heart. Thanks, Charlotte

Thoughts Go Out

Also keep good thoughts and prayers for Buddy & Patt Paquet, Foy & Judy Bobo, Lycyle Crowdus, Violet Haynes, Rheba Chaudron and Joyce Ladnier

Sunshine Committee

Hi, all! I realized that many of you don't know how to contact me in the event that someone is in need of some "sunshine". You can contact me on my cell (251) 689-2998 (please leave a message if I don't answer or send a text), or email me: jgl830@aol.com. Many thanks!

Joyce Ladnier, Sunshine Committee Chairperson

Notes from the Webmaster

Our website is our first outreach to the community. It tells other car enthusiasts who we are. In order to keep it current and up-to-date, please take the time to help. If you have flyers for upcoming car shows, photos of club activities, or photos of your car(s), please send them to me for posting on the club web page. Please send them in jpg format. - Charlotte



Guess what this is? What does this go to? Email your answer to deepsouth.aaca@gmail.com.

Answer for last month: ZR-1



Minutes from March

President Zeno Chaudron called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Old Business:

By-law changes were put on hold till the committee clarifies the changes.

No President report was given

No Vice President report was given (Walt out of town)

Secretary Report: Daniel made a motion to accept the minutes from the February meeting; Charlie Lyles 2nd; Passed

Charlotte Dahlenburg read the Treasurer report. Debbie Bright made a motion to accept as read; Darrin Dahlenburg 2nd; Passed.

Editor no report was given

Activities:

April 10 Government Street Christian School Car Show fundraiser

April 24 Zoo Cruise, 9 am let John and Debbie know you are attending

Saturday March 27 Mobay Cruise for a Cruise event

New Business:

Web Master: You are entitled to have a page on the website. Web Master will help you. Contact Charlotte.

Editor Report: entered the NAAP program for 2021.

CTC: Will be looking for volunteers.

Other business: Debbie Bright wanted to know how much land will be lost to the road widening.

Meeting adjourned and _____ won the 50/50

Respectfully submitted Daniel McNamara

Those in Attendance

Charlie Lyles
John Bright
Debbie Bright
David Ladnier
Joyce Ladnier
Missy Logan
Aidan Logan
David Couling
Patricia Couling
Rod Matthews
Darrin Dahlenburg

Charlotte Dahlenburg
Barrett Sargent
Zeno Chaudron
Rheba Chaudron
Sophie Westbook
Daniel McNamara
Dean McNamara
Larry Nelson
Herb Thoms
Nancy Thoms

THERE ARE MEETS, THEN THERE ARE NATIONALS.

THERE ARE TOWNS, THEN THERE IS SARATOGA!

DON'T MISS THIS ONE!

EASTERN SPRING NATIONALS

"HORSES TO HORSEPOWER"

17-19
JUNE
2021

AACA
SARATOGA

SARATOGA SPRINGS
NEW YORK



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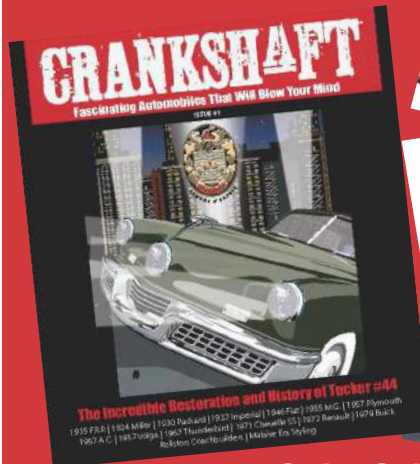
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Who Invented the Automobile?

1769 – Nicolas-Joseph Cugnot builds the first self-propelled road vehicle in France.

Humans have been thinking about different ways to travel for thousands of years. As time has gone on, we have devised increasingly more effective and efficient methods of travel. The automobile made a dramatic change in the way people live and travel. There is not a simple answer to the question of who invented the automobile and when. It has been a work in progress, developing over the past several hundred years. To better understand the history of the automobile, it is going to be helpful to look at a time line and see how all the pieces fit together. The following months will describe the invention of the automobile and its development with a focus on American automobiles in the twentieth century.

During the next few months I/we will present how the automobile was invented. The sources for this information are listed at the end of the article. - Charlotte

By definition an automobile or car is a wheeled vehicle that carries its own motor and transports passengers. The automobile as we know it was not invented in a single day by a single inventor. The history of the automobile reflects an evolution that took place worldwide.

It is estimated that over 100,000 patents created the modern automobile. You can point to the many firsts that occurred along the way to producing the modern car; and with that goal in mind, highlighted below are articles, biographies, timelines, and photo galleries related to the history of the automobile and its many inventors.

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French Army Captain Cugnot was one of the first to successfully employ a device for converting the reciprocating motion of a steam piston into a rotary motion



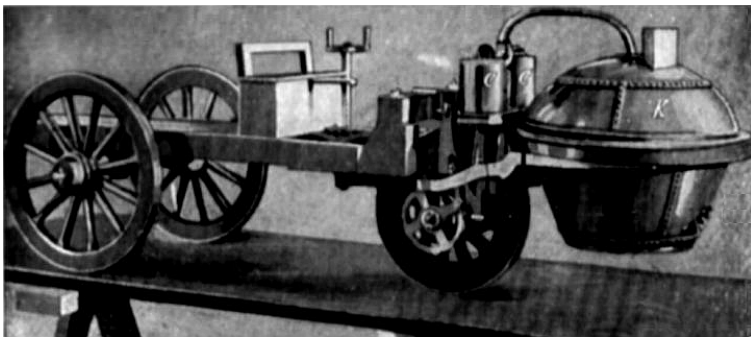
The original 1769 model

by means of a ratchet arrangement. A small version of his three-wheeled fardier à vapeur (“steam dray”) was made and used in 1769 (a fardier was a massively built two-wheeled horse-drawn cart for transporting very heavy equipment, such as cannon barrels).

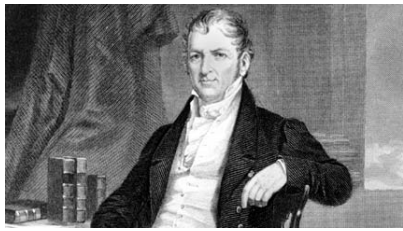
The vehicle had to stop every ten to fifteen minutes to build up steam power. The steam engine and boiler were separate from the rest of the vehicle and placed in the front (see engraving above). The following year (1770), Cugnot built a steam-powered tricycle that carried four passengers.

In 1770, a full-size version of the fardier à vapeur was built, specified to be able to carry four tons and cover two lieues 4.8 miles in one hour, a performance it never achieved in practice. The vehicle weighed about 2.5 tons tare, and had two wheels at the rear and one in the front where the horses would normally have been. The front wheel supported a steam boiler and driving mechanism. The power unit was articulated to the “trailer”, and was steered from there by means of a double handle arrangement. One source states that it seated four passengers and moved at a speed of 2.25 miles per hour (.

The vehicle was reported to have been very unstable owing to poor weight distribution, a serious disadvantage for a vehicle intended to be able to traverse rough terrain and climb steep hills. In addition, boiler performance was also particularly poor, even by the standards of the day. The vehicle’s fire needed to be relit, and its steam raised again, every quarter of an hour or so, which considerably reduced its overall speed and distance.



Cugnot's 1770 fardier à vapeur, as preserved at the Musée des Arts et Métiers, Paris



Cugnot photo

After running a small number of trials, variously described as being between Paris and Vincennes and at Meudon, the project was abandoned. This ended the French

Army's first experiment with mechanical vehicles. Even so, in 1772, King Louis XV granted Cugnot a pension of 600 livres a year for his innovative work, and the experiment was judged interesting enough for the fardier to be kept at the arsenal. In 1800 it was transferred to the Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers, where it can still be seen today.

241 years later, in 2010, a copy of the "fardier de Cugnot" was built by pupils at the Arts et Métiers ParisTech, a French Grande école, and the city of Void-Vacon. This replica worked perfectly, proving that the concept was viable and verifying the truth and results of the 1769 tests.

This replica was exhibited at the 2010 Paris Motor Show. It is now exhibited in Cugnot's native village of Void-Vacon, Meuse.

Steam engines powered cars by burning fuel that heated water in a boiler, creating steam that expanded and pushed pistons that turned the crankshaft, which then turned the wheels. During the early history of self-propelled vehicles - both road and railroad vehicles were being developed with steam engines. (Cugnot also designed two steam locomotives with engines that never worked well.) Steam engines added so much weight to a vehicle that they proved a poor design for road vehicles; however, steam engines were very successfully used in locomotives. Historians, who accept that early steam-powered road vehicles were automobiles, feel that Nicolas Cugnot was the inventor of the first automobile.

Cugnot used a steam engine to power his vehicle, which

was built under his instructions at the Paris Arsenal. The steam engine and boiler were separate from the rest of the vehicle and placed in the front. The following year, Cugnot built a steam-powered tricycle that carried four passengers.

During the early history of self-propelled vehicles, both road and railroad vehicles were being developed with steam engines. For instance, Cugnot also designed two steam locomotives with engines that never worked well. These early systems powered cars by burning fuel that heated water in a boiler, creating steam that expanded and pushed pistons that turned the crankshaft, which then turned the wheels.

However, the problem was that steam engines added so much weight to a vehicle that they proved a poor design for road vehicles. Still, steam engines were successfully used in locomotives. And historians, who accept that early steam-powered road vehicles were technically automobiles often consider Nicolas Cugnot to be the inventor of the first automobile



The first known automobile accident

There are reports of a minor incident in 1771, when the second prototype vehicle is said to have accidentally knocked down a brick or stone wall, either that of a Paris garden or part of the Paris Arsenal walls, in perhaps the first known automobile accident. The incident is unrecorded in contemporary accounts, first appearing in 1804, thirty-three years after the alleged accident. Nevertheless, the story persists that Cugnot was arrested and convicted of dangerous driving, another first for him if true. This however was not the end to the steam engine.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nicolas-Joseph_Cugnot
<https://www.sdautomuseum.org/automotive-history>
<https://www.thoughtco.com/history-of-steam-powered-cars-4066248>





If You Don't Like Change, Try Extinction

By Mark McAlpine
Vice President - National Activities

In the three years I have been fortunate to serve on the AACA Board of Directors, I have spoken with or traded e-mails and letters with many AACA members and officers of AACA regions & chapters. Many of those conversations focused on the challenges faced by our regions & chapters (and almost all clubs in general)—declining membership and difficulty in attracting new members, especially younger members. When I've spoken with region/chapter presidents about their club possibly hosting a future AACA Nationals or National Tour, the answers I received were frequently the same: "Our region/chapter is too small;" "Our members are too old;" and "It's too much work and we don't have enough people willing to help." (Unfortunately, I've also heard some region/chapter presidents say "I've been president for years because I can't get anyone else to step up to the responsibility, and I'm tired of doing it"—but that's a topic for another article.)

The common factor in all of these challenges is the unwillingness of many regions, chapters, and members to change and do the things necessary to attract new members. They don't want to change what they're doing and are unwilling to add new activities. The problem with this is that if they don't change, their region or chapter will slowly atrophy and eventually disband as its members pass away or leave because they're not having fun. What's the old saying? "The definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting a different result." One of my former commanders (in the Air Force) put it more bluntly: "If you don't like change, try extinction."

So, what can our regions & chapters do to prevent extinction?

1) The first thing you can do is reach out to AACA national directors that can help you. We're all here to support our regions/chapters and members however we can, but the first ones you should reach out to are the Vice President of Membership (currently Fred Trusty) and the Vice Presidents of Regions Development & Support (currently Chester Robertson for the Central Division, Paula Ruby for the Eastern Division, Jeff Oaks for the Southeastern Division, and Myron Smith for the Western Division).

2) The second thing is you need to have fun activities to energize your current members and help attract new

ones. If the only monthly activity you have is a dinner meeting at the local Golden Corral or Denny's—especially if you don't have an interesting guest speaker—you're in trouble (and unlikely to attract younger members). Everyone has different interests, different things they like to do, so try to add a variety of activities throughout the year so every member (and spouse/significant other) can find something they'd enjoy doing. Keep holding those dinner meetings—they're a great way for members to connect and for you to provide them important information—but also plan some short cruises/tours, hold cruise-ins, hold an annual show or swap meet, plan group visits to museums, parks, or other historic or interesting sites, organize an overnight weekend driving tour, etc.

3) You need to bring in new members. Membership is a contact sport. People who might be interested in joining your region/chapter and the AACA are not going to track you down—a few might, but not many. If you want new members, you need to seek them out and take every opportunity to approach possible new members: when someone comes up to look at your antique vehicle at a local car show or when you're filling it up at the gas station, talk to them, ask if they've heard of the AACA, and invite them to one of your upcoming region/chapter activities. Set up a membership tent (and staff it with your most outgoing members who will grab people as they go by and talk to them) at your car show, cruise-in, or swap meet. Set up a membership table at local cruise-ins and car shows, and, if you have a local new car show, see if the organizers will let you display some AACA cars and have a membership table. Don't forget to use the four free 1-year memberships sent in the fall to every region/chapter president (and if you need more, you can request them from AACA Headquarters) and the free 1-year membership offered to every military veteran under the Military Sponsorship Program (available on the AACA website under the membership tab or from AACA HQ).

4) Host an AACA National Activity. As strange as it may sound, one of the best ways to jump start your region/chapter—energize your current members and attract new ones—is by hosting an AACA national activity.

A number of AACA regions/chapters, with the common concerns of being too small and/or too old, have hosted an AACA Nationals or National Tour and seen their members get more involved in the region/chapter, be excited and proud about their club hosting the show or tour, and seen membership grow as they attracted new members to help with the show and others join after the show because they enjoyed it and found out about the AACA and the region/chapter. (It's hard to believe, but many people—even people who own and love antique vehicles—have never heard of the AACA.)

If your region/chapter is aging and slowly dying through the attrition of members, take a look at what you're doing and implement some changes to reverse the trend. Yes, change is hard and sometimes uncomfortable initially. However, if you don't like change, try extinction.

Rummage Box articles courtesy of AACA Rummage Box

2021 AACA Annual Convention Williamsburg, VA – June 3-5

Finally, we have nailed down a location to have this year's convention and it is a very special place in this country's history. We are going to Williamsburg, VA. This rescheduled and abbreviated convention will run from June 3-5, 2021.

Our host hotel will be the Doubletree by Hilton Williamsburg. To make a reservation, either call 1-800-222-8733 or go online. Be sure to mention our special code "AAC." The hotel is a short distance from a lot of interesting sites including Colonial Williamsburg and Busch Gardens.

As of this writing, we are feverishly putting the final touches on the event schedule, but it will include a Thursday night reception at our First Couple's car collection which will include food and drink. Friday will include the First Lady's Breakfast and a few possible seminars. Friday night we had planned for a celebrity guest who is now unable to make it, but we are working on a replacement so stay tuned. Saturday will include judging schools, the annual membership meeting, and our black-tie optional gala to honor the 2020 National Award winners.

While our program will be condensed this year and void of some of the traditional dinners and activities, it will be a unique venue for those attending. It will be a great opportunity to visit Williamsburg, see the sights



and maybe take in a traditional colonial meal! The hotel is honoring the room rate for those wishing to expand their stay and make a mini vacation out of it. We hope you will join us!

If you have already requested Annual Convention registration information be sent to you this year, you will automatically be mailed the registration form just as soon as it is finalized. If you would like to be added to the list to receive the registration form, please either send an email request which includes your AACA member number to Sue at seitnier@aaca.org, or call 717-534-1910.

Story courtesy of AACA newsletter the Speedster

REWIND

Work Day at Clubhouse Rescheduled

Put on your work clothes and come on out to the clubhouse on May 4 to help tidy up the building and the grounds in preparation for our annual car show. Members will be doing "spring cleaning" on windows and floors and trimming the trees and plants as well as getting the flower beds looking nice. You can start with coffee at 9:00 am, get all the work done then finish with lunch and some fellowship. There will be more discussion on the 'eating part of the day' at the April 25 meeting. Please bring your hose, rakes, weedaters, etc.

DSR License Plates for Sale

If you would like your very own DSR license plate to go on your antique/

classic car, you can. The plates are white with the DSR logo in red. The cost is \$5.00 per plate and can be ordered by sending a check payable to DSR to me at the address on the newsletter. If you don't have a car to put one on, hang it up in your garage or any place you like. Show your support of the club and let folks know you are proud to be a member.

Old South Antique Auto Club Show is a Winner for DSR

When the show was over on March 23, the DSR members walked away with trophies galore! We received the Club Participation Award and every member who entered a car took home a trophy too. This show is always well done but this year they out-did themselves with

WHAT DEEP SOUTH REGION WAS DOING 25 YEARS AGO from the April 1996 Sparkplug

85 cars registered for their 34th annual show. In recent years most clubs have presented their judges with some type of memento and Nancy Dunlop came up with a beautiful certificate as a Jude's Award. It is complete with a gold seal and ribbon and presented in a folder suitable for framing.

DSR entrants were Bailey, Burdeshaw, Collins, Jarvis, Lunsford, Lyles, Paquet, Reid and Vergos; visitors were Carter, Coker, Dillehay, Edwards, Finley, Fontana, McDonnell, Sloan and Whigham. Vendors were Busch and Harper. Congratulations to the Lunsfords on their Pre-War Best of Show trophy for the second year.





Local Car Shows

April

22-24 Bama Coast Cruisin', The Wharf, Orange Beach, AL 9am-5pm

23-24 MoparFest at the Battleship 25th Car Show and Swap Meet. 2701 Battleship Pkwy, Mobile. Rain or Shine 8 - 3 \$25 registration info 504-416-5731

26 3rd Annual VFW Auxiliary Post 3253 Open Car & Truck Show, Bay St Louis, MS, 208 Third Street 8-2pm Contact Bobby 228-493-2033.

30 – May 2 Battle in Bama Hot Rod, Truck & Bike Show, Battleship Memorial Park, Mobile, AL

May

1 9th Annual Gulf Coast Auto show at Edgewater Mall Open Car/Truck/Motorcycle Show and Cruise -in; Entry \$20 Awards 3 pm Contact Jimbo 228-596-0664

1 Dyno Day Car Show 12365 Co Rd 65, Foley AL 9am-5pm

8 Memories on Main Street Car, Bike & Truck Show. Lucedale 5-9pm Pre reg. \$20 Day of show \$25

8 MAMC Spring Cruise, Felix's Fish Camp, Mobile to Tacky Jacks, Ft Morgan. 1-5pm

14 2nd Friday Breakfast Cruise-In, Edwards Discount Drugs, 103 W Frontage Rd. Lucedale, MS

15 Bay City Auto Show 9-1pm \$20 Entry, door Prizes, Raffles, 611 McMeans Ave. Bay Minette, AL

22 Miracles Happen, St. Jude Benefit Open Car Show 8am-3pm Henderson Ford 105 Hwy 90 Waveland, MS

June

11 2nd Friday Breakfast Cruise-In, Edwards Discount Drugs, 103 W Frontage Rd. Lucedale, MS

19 5th Annual Corn Festival and Car Show. 20733 Mifflin Rd, Foley, AL 8am – 2 pm. Info at 251-2884-1223. Show Info- call Mike at 251 284-1223

19 Alabama Blueberry Festival and Car Show, Jennings

Park, Brewton, AL 8am-3pm

27 19th Annual Scrapin' the Coast Biloxi, MS Contact: Greg 228-324-7671

29 Silverhill Car Show Memorial Weekend 8am 15965 Silverhill Ave, Silverhill, AL \$25 Reg. Contact: 251-945-5506

July

9 2nd Friday Breakfast Cruise-In Edwards Discount Drugs, 103 W Frontage Rd. Lucedale, MS

29-31 Georgia Mountain Moonshine Cruisin <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/georgia-mountain-moonshine-cruiz-in-2021-tickets>

August

7 Tail Lights for Bryce Memorial Cruise-In, Walk-On's 3673 Airport Blvd, Mobile, AL 5-8pm

13 2nd Friday Breakfast Cruise-In Edwards Discount Drugs, 103 W Frontage Rd. Lucedale, MS

September

TBA, Fall 2021 - Camp Grace Yellow Day Fundraiser Car Show, 11081 Wanda Dr., Mobile, AL., 10am-2pm.

4 OWA Labor Day Car Show, Downtown OWA, Foley, AL 8am-4pm

10 2nd Friday Breakfast Cruise-In Edwards Discount Drugs, 103 W Frontage Rd. Lucedale, MS

18 Cruisin' for Kids & Family Fundraiser Car Show Car/Truck/Motorcycle at Loblolly Farm Benefit for Ronald McDonald House & USA Children's and Women's Hospital In Mobile Alabama. 9am-3pm 9930 Stone Road, Semmes AL 36575. \$20.00 Ea. \$10.00 For second or more

October

3-10 25th Annual Cruisin' the Coast on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

8 2nd Friday Breakfast Cruise-In Edwards Discount Drugs, 103 W Frontage Rd. Lucedale, MS



Market Place

Ads in The Market Place section are free to members and will run for three months unless otherwise noted. Ads can consist of anything related to: **For Sale – Want to Buy – Looking For** Your ad(s) can run for an additional three months by contacting Charlotte Dahlenburg. **Please submit new listings for The Market Place by the 12th of the month to:** deepsouth.aaca@gmail.com



1941 Graham Hollywood
Model 109 Supercharged
Recent tires, paint and wire harness. Excellent Condition. Andy Switzer 228-547-9030 \$28,500.00



1977 3/4 Ton Crew Cab all systems work. Call Ernest at 251-661-7692 or Email: bhcewc@att.net



1987 Chevrolet K5 Blazer
Excellent original condition, \$29,500. Contact Debbie or Craig at 601-540-8275



1971 Ford Torino Brougham. One owner 78,000 miles. 302. 2 barrel. 2 dr hardtop. Make Reasonable offer. Contact Sal at 251-456-9428



1929 Tudor
Contact Becky or Scott Baisden - Email: beckyb081@att.net 850-384-5717 or 850-384-5717



1963 Ford Galaxie 500
Convertible 390 CID. Contact Jim and Michele Gray at 251-406-1841

Not Actual Car



1964 Impala Super Sport
it's a project. It has a 300 horse 327 Muncie 4-speed two-door hardtop asking \$6,000 call Robert Salter at 251-472-6232

Not Actual Car

Model A Shay: 1 of 15 with auto transmission, 4,376 mile limited edition \$20,000.00

Original 1965 Mustang: 289 Engine 89k miles, Everything about is original no restoration. \$20000.00

03 Mercury Marador, 81k miles, black. \$15,000

Contact Buddy at 454-8947

KEEP CALM AND RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

It is not to LATE to renew See Paul at the meeting!

Dues are \$45.00 for the National and \$20.00 for our local: Total of \$65.00 per year.

Make the check out to DSR and mail it to: Paul Dagenais, Treasurer. 58 S. Julia Street, Mobile, AL 36604

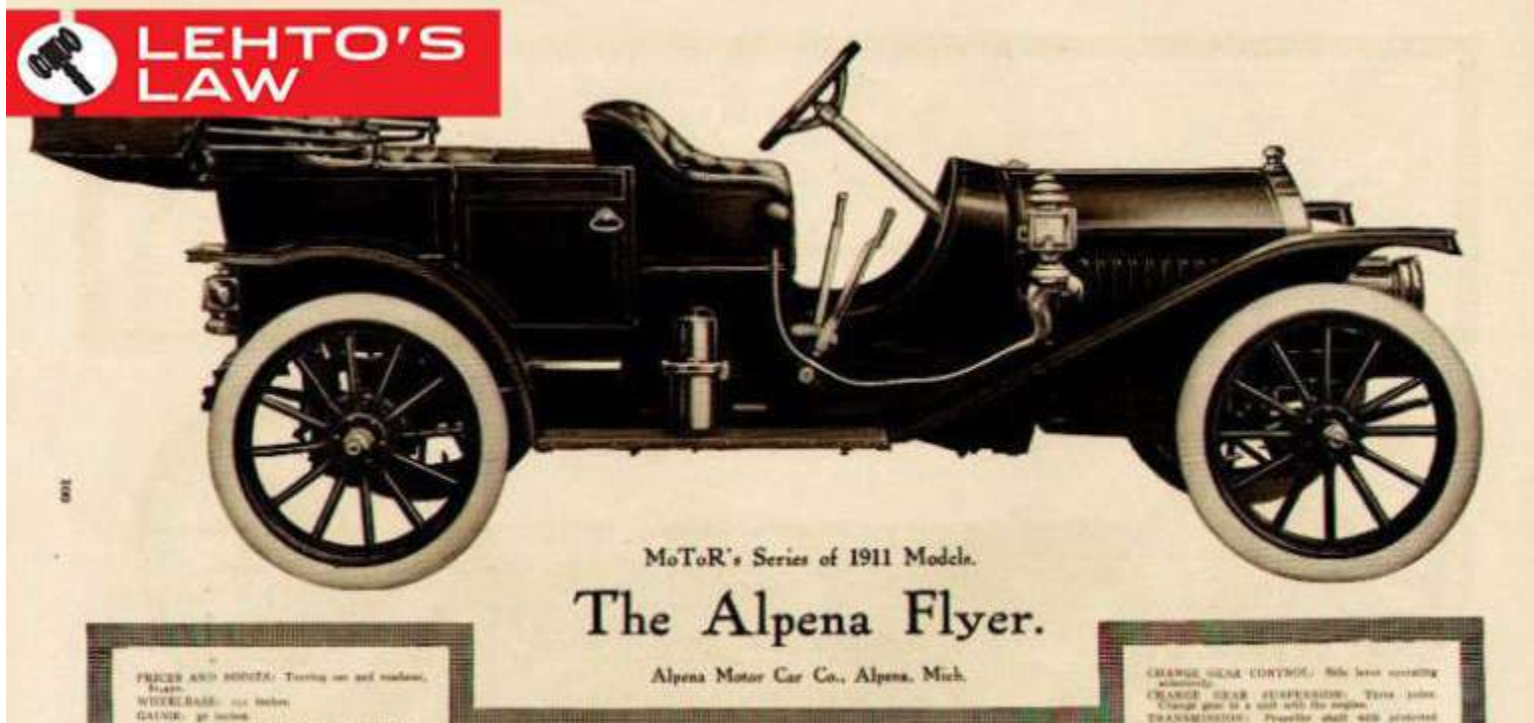
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This One Car Is All That's Left of an Early 20th Century Michigan Automaker - Meet the final Alpena Flyer.

www.roadandtrack.com By Steve Lehto

The small northern Michigan town of Alpena is known as a vacation destination today, but in 1911 it was home to a small car company. The Alpena Motor Car Company was one of many firms in the early 20th Century that jumped into the automobile business and—like most of them—it has long since been forgotten. However, of the several hundred cars built by Alpena Motor Car, just one spectacular example survives, and it is on display in Alpena at the Besser Museum.

The Alpena Motor Car Company was founded in 1910 with plans to begin production the next year. As with many automobile startups, founders issued optimistic numbers for expected production. They told the press they would build two models and hoped to be producing 3,000 cars a year in the near future. Advertisements for the car touted its “wonderful, silent, powerful and efficient motor,” where everything was enclosed “including valves.” In fact, the engine was “troubleless.”

The factory employed 70 workers and new Alpena Flyers began shipping to customers in 1911. Prices ranged from \$1,450 to \$1,600. Later models would include small variations and different engine choices. While there is a lot of information on the cars available in newspaper articles and advertisements, there is a shortage of the actual cars themselves these days.

Ron Winter set out to find a Flyer a few years ago and located a basket case. It was little more than a frame and an assortment of loose parts. But since a better example couldn't be found, Winter bought it and brought it to Restorations Unlimited II to have it restored. They saved the parts they could and fabricated some parts that were missing. It took them nine years but the finished product is what you see here: A Brass Era car that looks like it rolled out of the factory yesterday, even though it is over 100 years old.

This example is a 1911 Standard Touring Alpena Flyer. It is “Dark Royal Blue,” the only color the Flyers came in that year. It is powered by a 33-horsepower 4-cylinder Northway engine and is right-hand drive, which was common at the time.

Alpena Motor Car ran into legal and financial problems shortly after this car was first built. In 1912, the company was sued for patent infringement over its suspension design. We don't know the actual outcome of the case but a cash shortage followed and the company was insolvent by 1914. Production figures are sketchy but the company probably did not make more than 1,000 cars during its brief existence. A few hundred is probably a more reasonable estimate. And until someone finds another example, the only one you can see today is this one, home again in Alpena.



National Car Shows

May

6-8 - Central Spring Nationals - AACA National - Auburn, IN
20-25 - Founders Tour (1932-1996) - Mountain State Classics Region - Davis, WV

June

2-5 - Eastern Divisional Tour - Eastern Shore Region & Bay Country Region - Eastern Shore of Maryland
17-19 - Eastern Spring Nationals - Saratoga Region - Saratoga Springs, NY

July

22-24 - Annual Grand Nationals - Minnesota Region - New Ulm, MN

August

13-14 - Western Fall Nationals - Poudre Valley Region - Loveland, CO

September

9-11 - Southeastern Fall Nationals - South Carolina Region - Greenville, SC
12-17 - Glidden Tour (1942 and earlier) - VMCCA - Saratoga Springs, NY

October

6-9 - Eastern Fall Nationals - Hershey Region - Hershey, PA
11-16 - Southeastern Divisional Fall Tour - Savannah Region - Mt. Airey, NC
18-22 - Central Divisional Tour (25 years & older) - Tulsa Region - Broken Arrow, OK

November

4-6 - Special Western Nationals - Phoenix Region - Phoenix, AZ
7-11 - Western Divisional Tour - Phoenix Region - Metropolitan Phoenix and Central Arizona



Cruise Ins

Every Thursday

Sonic Bay Minette AL (Feb-Nov)

1st Saturday

WhatABurger Airport and Snow Rd Jo Jo Johnson 367-6666
 Edgewater Mall Hwy. 90, Biloxi MS Jimbo 228-596-0664

2nd Friday

Hooters Daphne, AL (Feb-Nov)

Downtown Cruise Ocean Springs, MS

Moe's BBQ Mifflin Rd Foley 6pm-?

2nd Saturday

I-Hop & Five Guys Hwy 90 & Rangeline Rd Jo Jo Johnson 367-6666

3rd Thursday

Sonic Foley Foley, Hwy. 59 (Mar-Nov)

3rd Saturday

WhatABurger Airport and Snow Rd Jo Jo Johnson 367-6666

Beef O' Bradys, Spanish Fort, Hwy. 90

Bootleggers Pizzeria 913 Pass Rd, Biloxi, 228-324-6444

Orange Grove Cruiser's, Acadian Pizza on Hwy 49, Gulfport, MS

4th Saturday

I-Hop & Five Guys Hwy 90 & Rangeline Rd Jo Jo Johnson 367-6666

Hot Wheels & Wings Cruise-In, Hooters, Hwy. 98 Daphne, 3-6 pm

Ingalls Engineering Complex Pascagoula, MS

Magnolia Classic Cruisers Grand Bay Country Cruisers 10126

Grand Bay Wilmer Rd 10 am-1 pm

Stoney's BBQ, 5-8 pm Hwy. 43, Saraland, Northside Cruisers

Last Saturday

Sonic, Hwy 59 South Robertsdale, AL 5-8 pm





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Application for New Membership

Deep South Region AACA

Mobile, Al

Ownership of a vehicle is not required for membership

National AACA Membership Number _____
(You must be a member of AACA to join Deep South Region)

New Member Information (Please Print)

Name: _____

Spouse: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Total Enclosed: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date _____ Husband Birthday _____ Wife Birthday _____

Anniversary _____

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

Annual Membership (Includes Spouse/Partner) _____ \$20.00
DSR 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.

Student Membership (Ages 13-25 for students only) _____ \$12.00
Enjoys same privileges as annual membership. Must provide student ID

After you have joined AACA, complete the following information and bring it to one of our meetings, or you may mail it with a check for DSR annual dues to our Club Treasurer: Paul Dagenais, 58 South Julia Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604.

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Address						
City		State/Province	Zip/Postal Code		Country	
Signature		Email Address		Telephone #		

Sponsor Name & AACA Membership Number or Address (Sponsorship by a current AACA member is OPTIONAL)

Please contact me about joining a local region

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP (Includes Spouse/Partner)----- **\$45.00**

Enjoys voting privileges, receives the bi-monthly issues of *ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE* magazine, is eligible to join an AACA region and/or chapter and is eligible to exhibit vehicles and compete for national prizes and annual awards. Membership entitles you and your spouse/partner to two hours of free research in the AACA Library & Research Center.

FOREIGN (NON-USA) MEMBERSHIP ----- **\$50.00**

Enjoys the same privileges as annual membership.

FIRST TIME 1/2 YEAR MEMBERSHIP ----- **\$25.00**

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STUDENT MEMBERSHIP (Ages 13-25 – for students ONLY)----- **\$12.00**

Enjoys the same privileges as annual membership. Applicants must include copy of student identification or proof of enrollment.

U.S. LIFE MEMBERSHIP ----- **\$700.00**

FOREIGN (NON-U.S.) LIFE MEMBERSHIP----- **\$900.00**

Life memberships enjoy the same privileges as annual membership. The surviving spouse/partner of a Life Member shall remain a Life Member at no additional cost. A three (3) year payment plan is available. Call us for details.

AACA MERCHANDISE

Item	Qty	Unit Price	Total
Certificate of Membership 8¼" x 11"		\$6.00	
Enamel Car Badge 4¼" x 3" Gold/Blue		\$23.00	
Bumper Sticker 4¼" x 3" — Blue with AACA Logo in Gold		\$2.00	
Package of 8 Emblem Window Decals		\$3.00	
AACA Aluminum License Plate Frame		\$16.00	
Merchandise Total			
Membership Total			
Total Amount Due			

Dues Billed Annually

Dues are billed annually only. There is no pro-rating of dues and back issues of *ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE* may not always be available.

For more merchandise selections, visit our website at: store.aaca.org (Merchandise prices include U.S. shipping & handling - call for foreign pricing.)

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ACTIVITY REQUEST FORM

Directions: Please provide the information requested below. All requests for activities must be provided to the Activities Officer in time for review by the Club Members at the monthly DSR meeting. The meeting is usually the third Thursday of the month.

Date:

Organizations/Clubs:

Representative/Signature:

Contact Information:

Name of Activity:

Date of Activity:

Location of Activity:

Description of Activity:

Funding Request, Yes or No

Justification for Funding if requested:

Direct inquiries and/or return the completed form to the DSR Activities Officer.

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