

Airport for a fun display of old cars and airplanes. Dewey Porter and Bill Soman, Jim and Rita Arpaia, John Battistini, Bob and Jinny Quackenbush, with Westly Sinatsch, Suzanne with Dave Burrows, Ron Leone, Doug and Marian Hunsworth shivered in the morning, noon and afternoon cold to witness a nice field of old cars and enjoy the planes taxiing and taking off and flying in formation over the field. A free-for-donation lunch of pulled pork was offered and ice cream from a fire truck was available. We were so close to the planes that the propeller wind was throwing sand in our sandwiches!



We went up into the cockpit of this military plane. (see angel wings in sky.)



Interesting and beautiful cars kept on arriving



while those in period dress added to the show



but the planes were so beautiful!



And we tried to stay warm in the brief times when the wind died down.





We were sitting right in front of this car. Every so often they would fire it up with the thunderous motor to thrill the fans!



Ice cream for the hardiest among us.





Flying in formation overhead.



Quackenbush Caddy; Arpaia Lincoln



Some said this was the prettiest car there.









Bob Q., Westly S., and Rita Arpaia



It was hard to get them all facing front at once.



## Getting To Know John and Kathleen Battistini—

Last Saturday, when the club members gathered for the frost-bite trip, John Battistini drove his lifetime favorite car, the beautiful grey '70 Corvette Stingray here pictured.

A little bio information: John and Kathleen have been living off of US 1 South full time only since 2015. They came down from Long Island (Westbury) after being snowbirds since 2009. John worked for the Long Island Railroad for 34 1/2 years, serving as Manager, Transportation Superintendent, Yardmaster, Clerk, and also but not limited to Tour Guide. He used to take 100 people to the top of the Empire State Building although he was afraid of heights. (Famous movies: "An Affair to Remember" and "Sleepless in Seattle").

Kathleen was a pre-school teacher at a parochial school. They have two sons, John and Jason, and two grandchildren.

His first car was purchased when his mother gave him \$1000 for his 1961 Comet and he used it to buy a '64 Malibu Super Sport in 1964. The Corvette was purchased in December, 1998, so he has owned it for nearly 20 years. By the way, his mother had insisted that he NOT buy a Corvette, but his dad knew the dream was deepseated and fueled the fire that burned from 1964 till 1998. It's a beautiful car. We're glad you're in our club!

## AIRPLANE & CAR SHOW PALATKA AIRPORT IANUARY 28, 2017

We arrived about 8:30 AM and were greeted by the coldest day so far for the new year. There were already more than 50 cars there when we arrived and more continued to arrive and eventually covered the assigned grassy parking. Vintage airplanes, some from WW II arrived and taxied in and we were allowed to view them close up. Rides in open cockpit biplanes were available for \$150 and there was no waiting if you wanted to go. The airplane sponsors gave us a free lunch in a big hangar asking only a donation. The show was free and it was display only, no awards, same format as last year. I heard no complaints from anyone there (well, I whined guite a bit about the cold ) and I am sure attendance will continue to grow if they have it next year.

I did not get a signup sheet passed around so this is what I recall. If I missed you let Jinny or Bob Q. know for blue tickets. Attending and driving a collector were: Jim & Rita Arpaia, Dave Burrows, Doug & Marian Hunsworth, Peter Leonard, Ron Leone, Dewey Porter, Bob & Jinny Quackenbush & Wesley Sinatsch, Jim Salanitri, Bill Soman, Peter Starr,

Dewey Porter's more complete rendition of the event from Saturday, January 28, 2017

## Eating Out at Hopzinger's

The regular eat-out for ACAC was held at Hopzinger's on the island Thursday, January 26. The place was full of happy people and we had tables off to the side to accommodate the Arpaias, the Quackenbushes, Dave Burrows and Suzanne,

and a whole table of Leone friends and relatives including Debbie's grandson.



Ron liked the Black Cherry Hard Cider.





The handsome one on the right using his cell is Debbie's grandson.



## Board Meeting at Arpaia's

Ancient City Auto Club Board Meeting President Jim Arpaia's house January 19, 2017

Board members present: Jim Arpaia; Dick Sherrod; Donna Sherrod; Bob Quackenbush; Jinny Quackenbush; Dewey Porter; Karen Erwin and David Cameron

Meeting called to order by President Arpaia at 7:28PM.

#### TREASURERS REPORT

Donna disseminated copies of the final treasurers report for 2016. Included was a ledger of all revenue and expenses. A summary report from the November car show at the FSDB was also disseminated. Any club member who desires specific information in the report may contact Donna.

A plaque was presented to Karen Erwin in recognition of her outstanding leadership and dedication to the club for her work chairing the annual car show at the FSDB.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Dewey suggested that the club again have

speakers at our monthly meeting with topics that would be of interest to members. Jim said we will discuss this at a future general meeting. Dewey reported that he will look into rescheduling the cruise the was canceled due to bad weather.

The Board approved spending up to \$300 for food, rent and door prizes for a future club picnic at Butler Park East. Date TBA

Dewey will talk to Chris Koch about hosting a future tour of his car museum near Marineland.

The Board approved spending up to \$400 to pay for food for a July 4th party. Dick and Donna agreed to host it at their place again.

#### **NEWSLETTER**

Jinny stated that she needs club members to submit articles for the newsletter.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Dave Burrows is calling members who did not renew their membership. The Board asked that he give a report on this at the next meeting.

Jim will ask members to introduce any guests they have and will also recognize new members at each club meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

It was discussed having monthly meeting at different locations around the Augustine area instead of having every meeting at the Caddyshack. It was decided to keep the meeting at the Caddyshack through at least March while Board members investigate could restaurants that host meetings. Some members mentioned that in the past the meeting were held at other locations throughout the St Augustine area. It was noted that Caddyshack does not charge a rental fee to hold meetings Additionally they have the there. separate meeting room and members may order from the menu and pay separately for their meal. It was noted that it is desirable that any other restaurant the club might use for future monthly meeting offer the same benefits to the club to have a meeting there.

David shared an email from Gary Steinburger concerning judging at the car show. In the email Gary suggested that judging should only be done for cars 25 years or older. Cars newer than that would be able to

register and show but not be judged. He further suggested that we should more adequately prepare our judges for the job they are expected to perform. A revised checklist of things to look for when judging a car should be made. David contacted the former President of the Flagler Corvette Club about how they handle judging after talking at length to Jim Weiss about these matters before the board meeting. David shared the instruction sheet that the corvette club gives their judges. Their guideline includes items to check when judging has three categories, interior and exterior, engine compartment. Each category contains bulleted items of specific items judges should examine. A sample Judging Form used by the corvette club was disseminated. Board members shared their views on limiting judging in our show to only cars that are at least 25 years old. Some Board members were concerned that If we put a limit on how old a car must be to be judged the number of cars entered would more than likely be reduced. This would have a direct impact on the amount of money our car show produces annually. A discussion was held about problems associated with judging cars that are relatively new. An alternative was offered that maybe we should limit judging to cars that are at least 10 years old. This would allow those with relatively new cars to enter as display only. Jim stated that all of these issues are complex and that the Board should discuss these matters at length at a future meeting soon so that any suggested recommendations may be decided on long before the car show occurs.

The date for 2017 car show will be November 18th the FSDB. Karen's contact with FSDB said that date is good. Karen will get with the FSDB to sign the contract to utilize their facility on that date.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45PM.

Respectfully submitted, David Cameron, Secretary

NEXT MEETING AT
CADDY SHACK FEB. 2
6 PM EAT, 7 PM MEET!
SEE YOU THERE!

Car Club Minutes January 5, 2017

Murray Brother's Caddy Shack Restaurant

No guests

The meeting was called to order by outgoing President Dick Sherrod at 7PM. The following items were were discussed:



President Sherrod showed members the plaque to be presented to Karen Erwin at the January board meeting in recognition of the outstanding job she did organizing the November car show at FSDB. He urged anyone who wants to be involved in this years show to contact a board member.

ACTION ITEM. As Karen has stated that she will not be able to do this job this year the board is looking for a member to step up and organize this years show.

The FSDB was presented a check for \$4000 by President Sherrod as thanks for against allowing the club to use their school for our annal car show.

Since the car show produced a nice profit the board decided to present the Rodeheaver Boy's Ranch in Palatka with a \$1000 check just prior to Christmas. President Sherrod announced that money was used to provide Christmas presents to the boys.

President Sherrod recognized all of the club officer's and committee members and thanked them for their efforts during the past year.

The 2017 officers were introduced. President Jim Arpaia, Vice President Dewey Porter, Treasurer Donna Sherrod and Secretary David Cameron

As his final act outgoing President Dick Sherrod passed the gavel to incoming President Jim Arpaia.

President Arpaia thanked Dick Sherrod for a job well done during his last three years as President. He also thanked the 2016 board members for their efforts with e club last year.

Name badges. All members were given name badges on a lanyard in the past. It was noted that a number of members either have misplaced theirs or forget to bring and wear them at the meetings. This means many new members have no idea who other club members are when they talk to them at meetings. It was decided that instead of taking the name badges home after each meeting it would be better to turn them In at the end of each meeting. The secretary will collect them and bring them to the next meeting to wear. New badges will be made for those who lost theirs. The secretary collected the badges from all that had them at the meeting.



Members were reminded that board meetings are open and any member may attend a board meeting if he/shes desires come listen to the discussion or has an item he/she wants to bring before the board. SECRETARY'S NOTE. Members are encouraged to contact the President prior to a board meeting if he/she has an item to bring to the board for discussion. The next meeting will be held Jan 19th at President Arpaia's home, 3144 Kings Rd, St Aug, 32086 at 7PM.



Donna Sherrod presented the Treasurer's report. A motion was made by Joe Greeves and seconded by Dave Burrows to accept the report. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jim Weiss and seconded by Joe Greeves to accept the minutes of the Dec, 2017 meeting. The motion carried.

Membership report. Dave Burrows reported that as of Dec 31, 2016 there were 74 members. 15 members did not or have not yet renewed their membership for the current year.

Newsletter. Jinny Quackenbush was thanked for producing another outstanding newsletter.

Three members drove a classic car to the meting. Jim

Weiss, Doug Nietzel, and Ray Emery.



Schlolarship report. Bill Soman stopped by the high schools where the club offers scholarships to graduates before The holidays. Information on the scholarships has been posted at the schools.

ACTION ITEM. Fred Spencer suggested that the club offer some type of mentoring program for middle or high school students who are interested in classic cars.

ACTION ITEM. Bill Soman suggested that the club use students from the FSDB school to help judge at the annual car show. This was done in the past but was not done at last years show.

NEW Business. Jim Weiss mentioned that the club members have been updated to a silver program at Advance Parts. Some members mentioned that they have been to Advance Auto Parts stores and have not received a discount. Jim stated that he thought the problem was that the lists the store has might not be alphabetical thus causing a problem. He said he would stop by the store on Anastasia Island and talk to Larry the store manThe club members were reminded that NAPA also offers discounts to members. EDITORS NOTE: Jim Weiss met with the manager of the Advance Auto Parts on Anastasia Island. The manager mentioned that if a member goes to a store and a sales associate says there is no discount for ACAC ask to speak to a manager. Tell them to press F7 on their keyboard to bring up a list of commercial accounts. They should then scroll through the list to find the Ancient City Auto Club to get access to the discount.

Bob Quackenbush offered a bit of trivia stating that a 1933 Pontiac sold in 1950 for \$10.

Dewey Porter discussed some future club activities. All members should consult their monthly newsletter for a complete activities. Some future activities include: Jan 21 cruise in at Longhorn; Jan 28 car show and fly in at Palatka airport those wanting to

convoy should meet at the speedway at 207/I95 at8:30AM; Feb 18 car show on Main St in Hastings from 10-3; Feb 23-25 National AACA show in Ocala, registration and check must be received ny AACA by Feb 1st in order to have a car judged (Feb 25) at the show.

Ron Leone reminded members the club started in 1996 to have frost-bite picnics and he is planning a get together perhaps in April. He is thinking of having it at the Crescent Park near 206 & A1A. He's is trying to arrange having the Dinner Night Out at Prohibition, the new place on St George St downtown. Salt Life will serve as a back up location.

Chris Koch has invited the club to tour his private museum of classic cars located off A1A near Marineland. Dates TBA

A motion to adjourn was made by Dick Sherrod and seconded by Dave Burrows. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52PM

Thanks to Joe Greeves for the photographs!

John's Old Guys Breakfast Jan 13, 2017



A good turn out for the start of a new year, 23 Old Guys and 15 collector cars enjoyed conversations, and honored our topic ground rules with no mention of the current political turmoil, the Super bowl, religion, talented grandchildren and other non car related subjects. Our new president Jim Arpaia kicked off his year by welcoming everyone and assuring us he will continue the good things retiring pres. Dick Sherrod had managed.



Rob Daly recently retired so he was able to attend on a Friday. Clay Green is in Florida for the winter and brought his 64 Mustang. Bob Quackenbush currently needing a walker as he heals from hip surgery came with Bill Meyer. Others attending were Bob

Beach 67 Ford Fairlane GT, Fred Bauer 67 Chevrolet pickup, Dewey Porter 68 Buick Skylark, Joe Greeves, Bob Hubbard 81 Corvette, Doug Nietzel 14 Corvette, Terry Brown 57 Chev Belair 4 dr sedan, Bob Barton 02 Mustang GT, John Ledl, Stan Zwiercan, Jim Arpaia 56 Lincoln 2 dr HT, Danny Stephens 69 Camaro, Mark Young 96 Nissan pickup, Dick Sherrod 63 T Bird, Brian Wirz, Jim Salanitri 60 Corvette coupe, Carl Brilliant, Tony Sopranzi 72 Firebird Formula 350, Charlie Williams 64 Cobra.





Thanks to Joe Greeves fr the photos! Next Old Guys Breakfast is Feb 10 at Steak & Shake. Join us and enjoy the 3 C's; Cars, Calories, and Conversation.

Thanks to Dewey Porter for the write up.

## Cruise-In Saturday Night Behind Longhorn's With St. Augustine Cruisers—January 21



This was a perfect Cruise-In night. Temperature perfect, no wind, lots of pretty

cars and interesting people.







Meet new member Rob Gangi AKA Dr. Olds.

Rob and wife Karen have only lived in St. Augustine since 2015, coming from Chicago via Huntersville, NC. Right now for gas consumption reasons he drives a 2012 Honda Insight (45 mpg) but he has such intimate knowledge of various Oldsmobiles that his nickname is "Dr. Olds." He's worked on a 1985 Olds Dr. Olds Trophy Car, 260, 442's, '79 Hurst Olds, Cutlass, etc. Their one son, Nicholas, is a pilot. He has a wonderful story of dramatic healing from a rip stick accident in 2009. Welcome to Ancient City Auto Club, Dr. Olds!

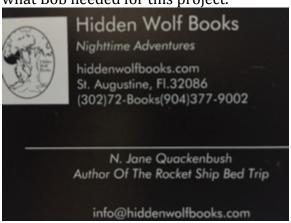
I found him wandering around the iron at the Cruiser's Cruise In Saturday, January 21—Jinny



Look who else was there!



This is Bob Q's self-prescribed therapy for recovery from fractured hip. The towing service put the car down inside the garage for me. Bob has been working with his walker on fixing the exhaust manifold on this '59 Edsel. When we first purchased the car, Bob drove it home from the Publix parking lot with so much smoke you could not see the car. The motor is special only for Lincolns, Edsels and Mercurys, so replacement parts are not easy to purchase. Rick's Muffler was able to secure what Bob needed for this project.



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#### **ACTIVITIES**

The second Saturday of every month there is a Cars and Coffee Cruise in at the Avenues Mall which attracts a lot of cars. Get there early about 8 AM

Feb 2 ACAC monthly meeting at Caddyshack 6 PM for dinner 7 pm Meeting

Feb 3-5 Moultrie, GA. Giant flea market and car corral www.moultrieswapmeet.com

Feb 10 2017 John's Old Guys breakfast Steak & Shake 9 AM Drive a collector vehicle.

Feb 10-12 Sumter County Fairgrounds, Winter Swapmeet Extravaganza www.sumterswapmeet.com

## NOTE THIS IS AN EVENT NOT TO MISS. MANY MEMBERS HAVE NOT VISITED THIS NEARBY COLLECTION

Feb 11 ACAC is invited to visit Chris & Kathleen Koch's Collection & Museum on A1A just a few miles south of Marineland. If you have never been there be prepared to view his outstanding car collection and his large collection of original and restored neon dealer signs and other memorabilia including an authentic old time barber shop. We are asked to arrive at 10 AM. We will depart Sidney Hobbs's storage building parking lot at 5830 US 1 SO. at 9:15 AM and proceed to SR 206 then west on it crossing the Intracostal to A1A where we will turn south on A1A to the Museum. Members living on the island can join the caravan from the shopping/gas station area on A1A just south of 206. After the Museum visit we will have lunch at the nearby Captains Table Bar-B-Que Restaurant located in Bing's Park on the Intracostal. Several days before the visit we will need a head count of those going with the group for lunch. Contact Dewey 797-7732 <a href="mailto:ddpnamp@aol.com">ddpnamp@aol.com</a>

Feb 16 ACAC Monthly Board Meeting Bob & Jinny Quackenbush Res 7 PM, 100 West Genung Rd. St. Augustine

Feb 16 – 19 2017 Zephyrhills Festival Park Winter Swap meet, car corral and Car Show Zhill.swaps@gmail.com

Feb 17-19 International Auto Show, Osborne Convention Center Downtown Jacksonville, FL.

Feb 18 Car Show on Main Street Downtown Hastings, FL 9 AM, awards at 2 PM, limited to 50 entries, Trophies Best of Show car and truck. Pre reg by Feb 1 \$20; day of show \$25 Sponsored by Christ United Methodist Church and Town of Hastings. Make checks payable to Christ United Methodist Church and mail to CUMC. P.O. Box 17 Hastings, FL., 32145. Info <a href="mailto:owenassocs@aol.com">owenassocs@aol.com</a> or 904 692 1771

Feb 18 St. Augustine Cruisers monthly cruise night 5-7 PM DJ, 50/50, door prizes, Hobby Lobby parking lot behind Longhorn

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Feb 23-25, 2017 AACA Winter Meet North Central Florida Region Ocala, FL 352-538-1338 www.aaca.org

Mar 4, Azalea Region AACA 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Open Car Show, Info Paula Kash 904 571 4956 or rpmoneybag@yahoo.com Riverfront Park Palatka, FL. 8 AM- 4:00PM Pre reg \$20, day of show \$25. Dash plaques to first 100 vehicles, Top 20 trophies, door prizes, 50/50, raffle, \$100 prize to club with most entries, minimum of 8, (last year Ancient City won with 12)

.March 10-11th 2017 Fri-Sat - 5th Annual Rodeheaver Boys Ranch Show Pre-reg \$20, Day of show \$25 More info: email Richard Wilson at rwilsonjax@aol.com

March 10-12 Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance , Amelia Island, FL. <a href="https://www.ameliaconcours.org">www.ameliaconcours.org</a>

Mar 18, 2017 AACA Indian River Region, Vero Beach, FL  $40^{\rm th}$  Annual Car Show local.aaca.org/indianriver

March 24-26 Spring Turkey Run Daytona, FL Daytona Speedway

April 6-9 2017 AACA Southeastern Spring Meet Hornets Nest Region, Charlotte N.C. 704-847-4215

April 8 2017 Fruit Cove Baptist Church Annual Car Show. On line registration will be available after January 15, 2017. Info <a href="mailto:CarShow@fruitcove.com">CarShow@fruitcove.com</a> 904-287-0996

May 6 2017 St. Augustine Cruisers Annual Car Show at the FSD&B School, Top20, participant voting, no classes, park where you want.

May 13 Rev it up Car Show Clay County Cruisers, Moosehaven 1701 Park Ave, Orange Park, FL \$25 reg. fee gates open at 9 AM. Register at <a href="https://www.carcouncil.org">www.carcouncil.org</a> under upcoming events

May 20 2017 FCCC Brewery Tour Fundraiser for Ronald McDonald House, Registration \$25 8AM-10AM, Show is 10 AM- 2 PM pre register by May 13 \$25 www.carcouncil.org under upcoming events

June 2-3 Moultrie GA. Summer Swap Meet & Car Corral www.summerswapmeet.com

June 24, 2017 The Great Race will kick off in Jacksonville, FL. Approx. 120 cars dating back to 1916 up to 1972. Those of you that witnessed the finish of the race in downtown Jacksonville in 2015 know what an exciting event it its. More details of time and location will be posted as the date gets closer.

Oct 4-7 2017 AACA Eastern Fall Meet Hershey Region, Hershey, PA.

Nov 18, 2017 ACAC 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Show at the FSD&B School SAVE THIS DATE, all members needed to assist in making it a success. Details will be forthcoming as the date gets nearer.

#### FEBRUARY GREETINGS TO ALL CLUB MEMBERS!

I thankfully survived my first month as your new president! Thanks to a very helpful and experienced Board.

Our first Board meeting was very helpful (and long!) in bringing up many new ideas which need to be explored by the membership. Should we find a new place to meet? Should we have a monthly cruise night and where? Should we change the judging of the cars at the FSDB show as to age etc.?

I wish to express a special thanks to Karin Erwin, who offered to help with contacts and information needed to help the next person who will take over the leadership of the FSDB show. We still need that person!

February will be a very busy Car Show month ending with the AACA event in Ocala. I hope we all can participate and enjoy our activities!

Thanks, Jim Arpaia