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# March, 2018

## Only one Blue Ticket at the **February Meeting of ACAC**



This beauty was the only car worthy of blue ticket—recently retrieved from Tennessee, I believe, by President Dick Sherrod. It nevertheless brought style to an otherwise unremarkable parking lot full of cars February 1.

The meeting was called to order by President Dick Sherrod and the minutes have been lost somewhere, but a brief recap from memory would be that about 20-25 of ACAC members gathered to gain information regarding the upcoming events (see Activities in this newsletter) and to hear about what's going on in the lives of the various members.

Dick had us go around the room and describe our cars and recent car activity.



When the meeting was adjourned the First Lady and Treasurer, Donna, posed in front of this unusual vehicle in the parking lot. She did a great job in the meeting explaining the finances of the club. She and Dewey Porter are parsing out the expenses of the Car Show for illumination at the Board Meeting.

## March 1 at Zaharia's Restaurant—3945 A1A S

St. Aug. Beach, 32080-904-471-4799 Meet at 6, Eat at 7 **See You There!** 

Regular Monthly Meeting!

Olde Guys with Olde Cars February 9, 2018



Doug Nietzel arrived with his "new" shiny and beautiful Cadillac.



Bob Barton poses with his ride.



Close-up of Bob's window message.



Next Break fast— M A R C



Interesting and beautiful cars attended.







You can see that many wonderful people and cars come to this monthly breakfast. See "Blue Ticket News" for Dewey's report. AND more cars from this event.





## Young McDonald Has a Car



Article Submitted from Hot Rod Magazine by Dennis McDonald

### EIEI WOW!

#### The Ingredients For Slo Touring Greatness

The big three: paint, stance, and wheels. They're the three decisions that can make or break any car, and for some, they're the only ingredients required. That's the plan behind the small trend we call Slo Touring. Just pick any unique or typically underused fullsize car, give it the big three the right way, and you're instantly cruising in cool style, sans speed. If you're not planning on quarter-mile or road course use, spend your money where it counts-on the stuff guys see when you cruise by.

For some people, the more they stand out, the better. Anthony Pittari is just such a guy. He also owns a showworthy '68 Chevelle but wanted something less overdone. Each day on his way to work, Anthony drove past a side street where a neglected '77 Buick Century was parked, and one day it dawned on him that here was the perfect ignored body style. He saw shades of muscle car and maybe a little grown-up Grand National, but most important, he saw a car that no one has properly hotrodded.

Once he secured the 26,000-mile Century, Anthony took the approach that less is more. He got rid of all excess trim and gaudiness and distilled the lines to their most basic form. In doing that, all of a sudden we noticed how well-shaped and fastback-like the rear roof line is on these cars.

What's perhaps most fascinating about this car is how very stock it still is. There's no radical suspension, body, or interior work here. A slick paint job, well-chosen wheels, and a mild Buick big-block are really the only major deviations from stock. By making the right simple stylistic choices, Anthony polished a turd into something that redirects attention from standard hot rods and muscle cars at every event he attends and for far less money than some guys have in their interiors. Call it Slo Touring or just back-to-basics customizing, but there's a good lesson to be learned here.



A visit to the home of Janet and Dennis McDonald reveals some stunningly spectacular vehicles—more in April.

## Hastings Main Street Car Show—February 10, 2018



The town of Hastings, FL, has just recently ceased to be as a separate entity and has been absorbed into St. Augustine, but residents there still display a sense of pride and individual identity which is felt though the buildings are only skeletons of a past history rich with personal relationships. The Ford sign that hangs at Quackenbush's home was once beckoning people to purchase Fords in Hastings at the Stanton dealership now empty of cars but full of memories.





Blue skies matched this Ford retractable and the building behind.



Arpaia's beautiful Oldsmobile.



Doug Nietzel's smashing Cadillac—white building in the distance was Stanton Ford dealership.



I Candy indeed.



Roger Ewing's car looked good enough to eat!



**High-Class Entries!** 



Sleek Jeep.



Sublime.



There was a lot of serious conversation over the cars. We have had a rather hot February as you can see. The oxtails served by local church members were very





A personal favorite.



I walked around the block and found this stunning old church building, still worshiping!



Jim and Rita Arpaia with the "Judges Choice" award. More photos in Dewey's Blue Ticket News to follow!

Jinny Quackenbush, Ed.

Sharing Old Cars with Seniors



Employees at Brookdale enjoy posing with Arpaia's Oldsmobile.



Ron Leone, Jim and Rita Arpaia, Bob and Jinny Quackenbush, Bob Barton, John Batistini, Doug and Marion Hunsworth showed their cars and bikes and enjoyed a hamburger/hot dog evening meal with the residents. The date was February 15.

The afternoon was pleasant and relaxing for members to visit under the portico.





Always beautiful.



Shining silver—Battistini Corvette.



Hunsworth's Handsome Chariot.



Q's Chrysler—first time out in a while.



Ron Leone's bicyle display. Perfect for a picnic.



**Bob Barton.** 

## **ACAC Board Meeting**

February 15, 2018 At the Sherrod Home

Present: Dick Sherrod, President, Dewey Porter, Vice President and Founding Member, Donna Sherrod, Treasurer, Jinny Quackenbush, Secy. Pro-Tem. and Newsletter Editor, Bob Quackenbush, Founding Member, and Jim Arpaia, Past President.

President Dick Sherrod called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. saying that not much official business would be discussed so we should get to the dessert early.

Dewey Porter reported progress on the car roster. Ten of the 52 members have responded with lists of cars since his February 7 email to the membership.

A dual report of Dewey Porter and Donna Sherrod revealed that the income from the Car Show barely covered the expenses incurred. The plus side was less than \$200, so that meant that the brochure for which Doug Nietzel provided the legwork and effort (Dewey also provided a lot of time for coordinating between Doug's work and the printer's work.) was the means by which we were able to present the FSDB with a check for \$4000. Board members were charged with finding ways that expenses might be lessened. We talked about asking the Rodeheaver boys to manufacture trophies similar to those awarded at the Rodeheaver show. (The cost of trophies and dash plaques was \$2662.) And we reminded ourselves that there are expenses involved now that in simpler times were not an issue like portapotties and paying for employees of the FSDB to be on hand for the show. Treasurer's report was approved as printed and presented.

Up and coming events were discussed including Sidney's show at Pedro Menendez High School on February 24. Please see your activities from the Olde News for a complete list.—Rodeheaver is March 9-10—Amelia Concours the same weekend.

Board Meeting March 15 at Quackenbush home.

April 7—Barberville- Crankin A's

March 23, 24, 25—Turkey Rod Run also Mt. Dora Boat Show

Joe Greeves reported a total of 52 active memberships as of this date.

We talked about using Zaharia's Restaurant for the March meeting and also about traveling with Salanitris to be with them when they are awarded their trophy in Pennsylvania this spring.

Dewey and Doug will finalize the flyer for our November show to provide flyers for passing out at other car shows. We agreed to keep the price for registration the same--\$20 pre-reg. and \$25 day-of-show. The classes will remain as they were stipulated for the 2017 show. We are working on modifying the check-in to avoid the line, overheating of cars and owners. We need two or three people to do the windshield placard to speed up the registration process. 8:20 Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Virginia Quackenbush, Secretary Pro Tem Delicious dessert dutifully doled delightfully by Donna.



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# Saturday Night Cruise-In behind Longhorn's 2-17

A favorit thing for ACAC members to enjoy is the monthly Cruise-in provided by The Saint Augustine Cruisers on the third Saturday.



Perfect weather and pretty cars.

Good recipe for a fine time.





Bob Quackenbush was invited to attend the recent Daytona 500 with daughter Debbie by her friend, Chip Ganassi, former racing driver and current team owner and member of the Motorsports Hall of Fame. Unable to comfortably attend due to walking difficulties, daughter Nancy and sons Westly and Christian took his place.



**Nice Inheritance!** 



Newest member, Bob Parker, is relishing getting into the old car hobby.



Bob Parker at Pedro Menendez car show February 24, 2018.

#### **Blue Ticket Business!!**

Members who drive their old cars to events are given a blue ticket for each time by the Blue Ticket Chairperson, Peggy Hutchison. She culls the information from the newsletter, so if you were at an event but don't see your name when you read the newsletter, please contact Peggy so you get credit. A drawing at the Christmas party each year gives the winner \$100. Read your newsletter carefully each month to be sure you don't miss out.

## St. Augustine Monthly Cruise Night at Hobby Lobby Center Feb 17 2018

Perfect weather brought out a huge attendance. I arrived at 4:30 PM and got one of the last parking places in the first two rows. Ancient City Auto Club contributed 15 entries which was the largest club attendance other than the Cruisers themselves.

If I missed anyone chalk it up to old age. Attending were: Bill Soman 1954 Corvette, Sidney Hobbs 1957 Chev Belair convert, Bob Hubbard 1963 Chev SS Impala HT, Ted Michael 1930 Ford model A 4 dr sedan, Max Miller 1957 Chev Station wagon, Clay Green 1964 Ford Mustang convert, Dick Sherrod 1968 Chev Camaro convert, Peter Starr 2002 Morgan Plus 8 roadster, Jim Arpaia 1956 Lincoln Premier 2 dr HT, Jim Salanitri

1960 Corvette convert, Dewey Porter 1990 Ford Mustang GT convert, Doug Nietzel 1962 Cadillac convert, Danny Stephens 1966 Ford Fairlane 500 2 dr, Jim Weiss 1954 Bentley 4 dr sedan, Paul McCarthy 1957 Chev station wagon. There were many wives in attendance as well but I did not include them in the list of attendee's it saves typing.

### Town of Hastings Car Show Feb 10 2018

Perfect weather. The show cars were parked backed in to the curb on main street. I estimate there were about 60 cars there. Several food vendors offered many choices for lunch. A very friendly show. I will go again. The guy on the PA was a little annoying as he never shut up but I have a senior citizen attitude I realize. I counted 8 ACAC members with cars entered, if I missed someone my apologies.

Skip Ferguson had two cars there with a grandson driving one of them. They were a 1973 Dodge Challenger and a 1955 Chev Nomad. Others were: Dick Sherrod 1968 Chev Camaro Convert, Doug Hunsworth 1939 Ford tudor, Dewey Porter 1968 Buick Skylark, John Battistini 1970 Corvette, Doug Nietzel 1962 Cadillac convert, Jim Arpaia 1950 Olds 98 convert which won "Judge's Choice " award and Roger Ewing 1961 Chev Impala belair hardtop which received "Best of Show". Note: this is a modified car which Roger built himself including the beautiful paint job.

## John's Old Guys Breakfast Feb 9, 2018

Great spring weather brought out enough Old Guys to tie our attendance record of 33. We also had 23 collector cars driven to breakfast for some parking lot viewing. A trifecta of an event, Good food, good conversations and great cars. We have also picked up several new Ancient City club members from this event.

Attending were Clay Green 1964 Mustang, Al Gardner 1932 Ford pickup, Steve

Bower, Ken Smith 1955 Chev 2 dr HT, Rich Fotion 1955 Ford Victoria, John HormOvitis 1994 Customized Thunderbird, Bob Harris 1988 Corvette, Ted Michael 1930 Ford A, Jim Arpaia 1950 Olds 98 convert, Bob Hubbard 1963 Chev Impala SS, Stan Zwiercan, Bob Quackenbush, healing up but will be driving soon, Fred Bauer, Jim Weiss 1965 Ford Falcon convert. Dick Sherrod 1968 Chev Camaro convert, Joe Greeves, John Ballestini, Paul McCarthy, Brian Wirz 1999 Dodge pickup, Ron Leone, Dennis McDonald 1961 Pontiac, Jim Salanitri 1961 Corvette, Mac Hamilton 2003 Mercedes SL500, Bob Barton, Dudley New 1964 Mercedes Benz 280SL, Terry Brown, Gary Robert 1932 Ford street rod, Albert Maurer, Mike O'Neil 1974 VW bug, Danny Stephens. We had 3 newly acquired convertibles attending for the first time. Dewey Porter 1990 Mustang GT convert, Ken Bryan 1966 Buick Skylark GS convert and Doug Nietzel 1962 Cadillac convert.

Several of our regulars were missing and I hope they show up for the next Old Guys March 9, 2018 to help us set a new record.



Dave Burrows gets a blue ticket for bringing his Mercury Station Wagon to the Hilton on February 22, 2018.





Jan Miller, Paul McCarthy, Ann Greeves, Max Miller, Chris McCarthy, Marge Bower.



Dave Burrows, Peggy Hutchison, Dennis McDonald, Janet McDonald, Garret Hutchison, and Suzanne.



Tony Evangelista, Ron Leone, Debbie Kresge, Luisa Evangelista,



Bob Quackenbush, Jinny Quackenbush, Pat Meyer, Bill Meyer, Rita Arpaia, Jim Arpaia



Far Left—Dick and Donna Sherrod—Near Left—Fred and Marge Bauer— Great Food, Fun and Fellowship. Thanks Ron & Joe Greeves for the photos!

## First Annual Pedro Menendez H.S. Car Show Feb 24, 2018



The weather committee got a 100 point day with moderate temps and sunshine so that even the most timid car owner could safely venture out. About 140 cars, trucks and motorcycles were staged around the track. Sidney and Brenda Hobbs, the organizers were pleased as it was a successful fund raiser for the sports program and also the IB program. Menendez students were the judges and several plaques were passed out about 2:30PM. I did not record which of our members won awards but there were several. Ancient City Auto Club members (18) were out in force and supplied 23-26 entries (not sure of the count as Sidney had at least 6 of his there. The St. Augustine Cruisers also supported the show with many members entries.





Attending were Jim & Tuni Weiss 1965 Ford Falcon convert, Sidney & Brenda Hobbs with several cars, Mark Young 1967 Ford Ranchero, Jim Salanitri 1960 Corvette convert, John Battistini 1970 Corvette convert, Jim & Rita Arpaia 1950 Olds 98 convert, Dick Sherrod 1968 Chev Camaro convert, Doug & Marion Hunsworth 1939 Ford tudor, Ken & Lauren Bryan (2 cars) 2015 Corvette Z06 convert, 1966 Buick skylark convert, Garret Hutchison 1955 Chev Belair 2 dr HT, Bob & Jinny Quackenbush & grandson Westly Sinatsch 1957 Cadillac Biarritz convert, Bill Soman 1954 Corvette roadster, Ron Leone 1948? All original Whizzer motorbike, Paul & Chris McCarthy 1957 Chev station wagon, Dewey Porter 1968 Buick Skylark coupe, Danny Stephens Harley motorcycle, don't know the year, Ken Smith 1955 Chev 2 dr HT, Andy & Helen Viola 1936 Dodge sedan street rod





Gotta love a red car! Or blue, turquoise.....



Instead of sand there's asphalt; instead of waves there's cars, and waves from friendly folks relaxin' in the sun.



Green is good, too.



so, too maroon.



Charcoal?



Precious!



Bright Yellow!



or beige.







Any many, many more. A really, really, good show!

#### **ACTIVITIES**

Feb 28 Palm Coast Woody's BBQ Cruise-in every Wednesday 4 PM cars start arriving. 99 Flagler Plaza Drive, Palm Coast, FL. 32137

March 1 ACAC Monthly Meeting will be held on the first Thursday as usual however we will try out a new location. The meeting will be at Zaharia's Restaurant 3945 A1A So at St. Augustine Beach. We will have a private room. Large parking lot. ACAC did have several meetings there years ago and it was just fine. Dinner at 6 PM, meeting at 7 PM

March 3 AACA Azalea Region annual car show Palatka Riverfront Park registration 8AM-11 AM Dash plaques to 1<sup>st</sup> 100 entrants, awards at 3:30PM. Info www.azaleafest.com or rpmoneybag@yahoo.com or phone Tom Muff 904-779-0092

March 4 Coquina Cruisers Veterans Appreciation Cruise 9:30 AM-12 Noon at Emory L. Bennett Veterans Nursing Home, 1920 Mason Ave. Daytona Beach, Fl. 32117 . This is a limited space event, Please email coquinacruisers@gmail.com if you plan to attend.

March 9 Johns Old Guys Breakfast 9 AM Steak & Shake US 1 So. next to Home Depot. You do not have to be a member to attend so bring a friend who has an interest in things with a motor.

Mar 9-10 6th Annual Rodeheaver Boys Ranch Car Show

March 9-11 Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance Info www.AMELIACONCOURS.ORG

March 15 ACAC Monthly Board Meeting 7 PM location Quackenbush res 100 West Genung March 17 St. Augustine Cruisers Monthly Cruise Night at Hobby Lobby Shopping Center behind Longhorn restaurant 5-7 PM DJ, door prizes 50/50

March 18 St. Ambrose Church 137<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Festival 12PM-4PM Reserved parking for collector cars/trucks.

March 23-25 Spring Daytona Turkey Run Registration will be on line this year. No paper registrations will be mailed out. You can still register at the gate but it will be \$40. Pre registration is \$30 To register on line go to

http://turkeyrun.com/events/carshow.html

March 24 Naples Marco Region AACA Car Show 10AM-3PM Info Gary Doner 239-860-2726 or gdoner4822@comcast.net

March 29 ACAC Monthly Dine out 6 PM Location TBA

Mar 31 2018 16<sup>th</sup> Regional Mustang and Ford Show hosted by the Jacksonville Mustang Club at The Jacksonville Landing 8 AM – 4 PM Flyer & registration http://www.jmcmustang.org/jmc-show

April 2 Clay County Fair Car Show Car Show 11:00-3:00, Set-up: 9:00 a.m. Entry Fee: Donations to help Orange Park Pediatric Ward 28 Plaques to be awarded Pictures available with the Easter Bunny Contact: Greg DuCharme at 904-233-5979 Or e-mail: gregducharme1948@gmail.com

April 5 ACAC Monthly meeting, 6 PM dinner, 7 PM meeting location TBD. April 5-7 AACA SE Spring Meet Charlotte, N.C. www.charlotte-autofair.com

April 7 Crankin A's Annual Car Show at Barberville Pioneer Village. Food available, no entry fee, awards about 3 PM. On grass under huge shade trees. Lots to see and do. Many Model A's of course. No pets as it is a state park.

April 13 Johns Old Guys Breakfast 9 AM Steak & Shake US 1 So. next to Home Depot. You do not have to be a member to attend so bring a friend who has an interest in things with a motor.

April 13-14 Moultrie, GA. Summer Swap Meet & Car Corral. Info www.summerswapmeet.com or phone 229-686-1771.

April 14 Car Show 2018 CAR SHOW - 17th Annual Fruit Cove Baptist Church, 501 State Road 13, St Johns, FL 32259. Register your car today at

#### www.fruitcove.com/carshow

Cars and Trucks will be shown with prizes awarded in various categories. Free food, door prizes, children's activities, and other items round out this fun event, \$25.00 Registration Fee includes entry, t-shirt, and eligibility for judging and door prizes. There will be a limit of 300 cars - online registration only. There will not be any day of show entries. We are expecting a great show that always fills the lot to max capacity. Your help and understanding are greatly appreciated and will help make things go smoothly. The following parking policy will be strictly enforced. Gates to all parking will not open until 7 am No overnight parking No reserved spots Absolutely no holding spots Clubs and friends need to arrive together No tents or chairs blocking spots No refunds For more information, call Mark Simmons at 904-237-1770.

April 19 ACAC Monthly Board Meeting 7 PM location TBD.

April 21 St. Augustine Cruisers Monthly Cruise Night at Hobby Lobby Shopping Center behind Longhorn restaurant 5-7 PM DJ, door prizes 50/50 April 28 ACAC Frostbite Picnic at Butler Park West. Save the date, details later

May 5 Saint Augustine Cruisers 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show (details later)

Oct 10-13 AACA Eastern Fall Meet Hershey, PA

Oct 20 Amelia Cruisers 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual 8 Flags Car Show, Fernandina Beach 8 AM-2PM, info www.ameliacruisers.org

Nov 17 ACAC  $34^{TH}$  Annual Auto Show at the FSD&B School 207 N. San Marco. Details to follow.

Doug Nietzel sent these two photos—the first is showing his new Cadillac under the lights, The second is showing his lawn ornaments. Bonnie is to the left.



Like a diamond at a jewelry store!



Peaceful tranquility!