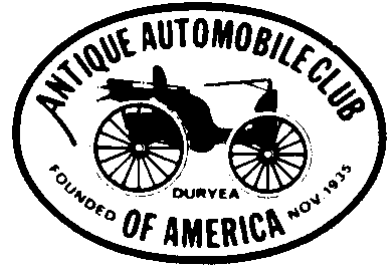




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Ancient City Auto Club

Antique Automobile Club of America

November, 2025

41st Annual ACAC Car Show

Of course, the primary topic of discussion has to be the car show, the biggest and the smoothest running car show in our recent history. The weatherman fully cooperated and 165 participants showed up.



Planning started way back in July and it was worth every minute. Everyone chose a task they were comfortable with, and every job was filled. I heard nothing but positive comments about the venue, registration, door prizes, trophies, the show itself, and of course our club. I think the interaction of the show strengthened the bond between our members and enhanced the ACAC reputation. I'm told that a few new folks are thinking of joining as a result, giving us the opportunity of making even more automotive friends. Everyone deserves a genuine pat on the back for a job well done. See you at the Christmas Party.



The Specialty Six vehicles made an impressive lineup beginning with Justin Felker's Baja 240Z.



Equally impressive, the wonderful collection of member vehicles leading with Ken Bryan's Chevrolet restomod.



A second Specialty Six shot showing Willie Sadler's yellow SAAB convertible.



Bill McCaw's attention-getting Bugatti replica was parked out front.



The MG club turned out in force.



Worthy of an Amelia Island Concours, the crystal trophies of Ron Leone were superb!



Jake ready to present his Choice award.



Patti, Ron, and Tracy with the FSDB appreciation trophy.



Nancy doing an amazing job as the Door Prize Lady



The Leone ACAC Chuck Wagon presided over by Pete King and Tony Evangelista.



Lots of specialty vehicles were on hand, including the legendary Speed Racer.



A line of Corvettes



More corvettes



Eddie Sanders looking for his winning ticket



50/50 winner, Eddie Sanders



Second drawing number was for an O'Reilly's car care kit



And the third number was for this picnic set



One of the happy Top 30 Plaque winners



Willie Marshman's '65 Buick Riviera won the Drivers Choice



Sidney, Jake and Mike Fagnoli



The Jake's Choice award went to the beautiful blue 2024 Corvette owned by Mike Fagnoli.



Jinny and Chip Johnson



The Founders Award went to the flame-painted 1966 Chevy Nova owned by Chip Johnson.



The Best of Show award went to the beautiful 1968 Road Runner owned by Frank O'Brien.



Chris Koch, Justin Felker, with the winner, Frank O'Brien



Bad Ass Club, winner of the club participation award.

Bad Ass Car Club won the club participation award for the third year, with 28 cars at the show. There were 19 different clubs represented.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

November

November was a very busy month. I started writing up the seven page plan for the car show back in July and it was gratifying to see so many elements turn out so well. Our experienced workforce created an assembly line that smoothly welcomed 165 vehicles. I believe both members and guests had a thoroughly enjoyable time. I certainly slept soundly that night!



Regrettably, the venue at the D&B school will not be available to us again until their two-year renovation progress is complete. Much of the infrastructure of the 1980s era buildings is in need of repair. It will be difficult to find anything that compares to the D&B campus.

Our Dine and Dash ride to Palm Coast was great fun with the convoy leaving from the Walgreens parking lot. Ron Leone steered us to an old favorite, Dominick's Deli in Daytona. The food was great and it was a wonderful opportunity to chat with folks that we haven't seen for a while.

On a personal note, during the four day Turkey Run Car Show, I was honored to be inducted into the Minitruckin' Magazine Hall of Fame, recognizing my more than 50 years as an automotive photojournalist and taking the Editorial Award. It was a wonderful opportunity to reacquaint with friends that I hadn't seen in decades. I'll bring my ring to the next meeting!

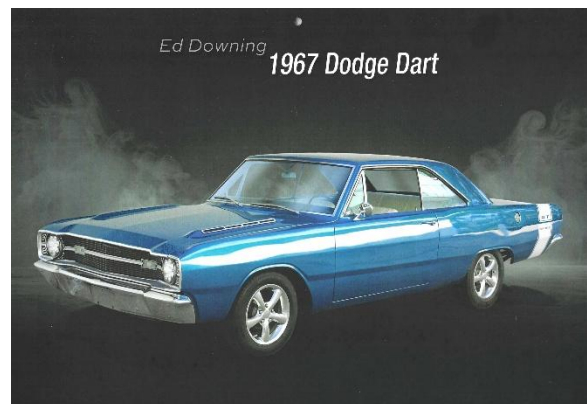
Our next big club event will be the final one of the year, our annual Christmas party. Several folks are already hard at work and we are expecting a good turnout. If you haven't responded yet, now's the time.

That's it for now, Joe

Calendar Car

We realize that everyone does not have a car calendar, so we are highlighting the upcoming car that you will see as you flip the calendar each month.

For December, you will see the '67 Dodge Dart owned by Ed Downing.



Ancient City Auto Club Monthly Meeting

Our November meeting was very well attended and of course, the primary topic was the upcoming show. Virtually everyone had been previously contacted by phone so there were very few questions about assignments. The extensive behind the scenes hard work accomplished by both Ron Leone and Fred Cooper was recognized and they were publicly thanked for their efforts.



Conversations also turned to our dine out since the fourth Thursday this month was Thanksgiving. Our tentative plan is a combined luncheon and road trip to Palm Coast on November 25 with details to be published in the activities list once all the arrangements are complete. In that same vein, we also discussed the Christmas party, to be held at the Clubhouse of the St. Augustine South Subdivision on December 11.

On a sad note, we learned that FSDB will not be able to host our car show next year or the year after, due to a two-year renovation project of the campus. The meeting came to an end with Jim Ragone winning the trivia contest and last month's 50-50 winner, Bill Soman take home the cash again.Hmmm . . .





Bill Soman taking home the cash again.



Jim Ragone winner of the trivia contest

Old Guy's Breakfast

After the busy weekend of our car show, attendance at the Old Guys Breakfast was light, with 8 souls braving the threatening weather

As expected, conversation centered around the car show and how well everything went. The free breakfast was won by our parking supervisor, Paul McCarthy.



If you're up for an event where the conversation always circles back to the automotive world, put the Old Guys Breakfast on your calendar for December, happening on the 12th. And if the weather is good, dust off that specialty vehicle and get behind the wheel. That's what they're for.



Willie Sadler's yellow SAAB convertible.



Gary Brownell's Corvette



This is what a free breakfast looks like.



Bill McCaw's Bugatti replica

Monthly Dine Out

Dine and Dash. The November road trip saw the group meet at the Walgreens parking lot at noon, heading south to Palm Coast. The originally chosen restaurant was closed but Ron Leone quickly found a previous favorite, Dominick's Deli. Their extensive menu made decisions difficult but everyone enjoyed their choices. We got to visit with old friends, catch up on some of the latest details, and spend an enjoyable few hours behind the wheels. If you have an idea for a fun club road trip, please let me know.





Joe Greeves - Lexus



Paul McCarthy – '57 Chevrolet



Bill Marshall's Mustang



Soon to be members, Richard and Pam Kloetzli's Corvette



John and Jinny - Mustang

Cars and Coffee at the Car Museum

The monthly Cars and Coffee is always a treat for several reasons. In addition to a reunion with old friends and seeing a collection of familiar vehicles, we also get the opportunity to enjoy unique rides never before seen. There is always a surprise or two in the ranks to catch your eye.



Adding to the fun, Classic Car Museum owner, Sidney Hobbs always finds a way to step up the variety. This month, he began by profiling an amazing antique, a 1909 Sears on display in front of the museum door. The primitive ride was in sharp contrast to the C8 Corvette just a few feet away.



In addition, Sidney addressed the crowd describing the debut of a beautiful Corvette



restomod, in his shop for a multiyear build. You could tell that owner, Doug Brown was excited to get behind the wheel for the first time.

Choosing a winner each month for the DQ award is so much fun because the people you meet are so special. This month, in order to make the job easier, we limited the contestants to those in the Chrysler family of motor vehicles, just so that the number of cars we considered were not so many. (Note: Bob's first and last car acquisitions were Chryslers and they are still family owned (1926, 1986).)



All the cars displayed would have been loved and cherished by both Bob Q. and Dewey P. However, when I stumbled into the bright yellow sunshine of David Ward's 1967 GTX Plymouth Convertible, I was immediately sold. River Ward, David's young son, is already in the car hobby with his father; and this car, purchased as is, prayed over, and purchased sight unseen, four years ago from Wisconsin, is so beautiful and bright--stunning--interior, exterior, hood up, wheels, In addition, the motor is a 440,

transmission--4-speed. We are all so very thankful for all the participants. Jinny Q.



The December Cars And Coffee will be on December 6th, earlier in the month because of Christmas. The next regularly scheduled Cars and Coffee will be January 24, 2026.



Joe Greeves' Lexus retractable hardtop



John Kaiser's '67 Ford Ranchero



John Bagg's Mustang convertible



Pete King's classic '57 Thunderbird



Kevin Brooks Mustang GT 500



Bill McCaw's Bugatti replica.



Tony Evangelista's Corvette



Ron Leone's BMW convertible



Bill Soman's '61 Corvette



Ken Bryan's Porsche convertible



Chris Koch's Plymouth Fury
convertible

The list of Up Coming Events is distributed separately every Monday.

Our regular monthly events:

First Thursday; ACAC General Membership Meeting, Village Inn, 6 PM dinner, 7 PM meeting.

Second Friday; The Old Guys Breakfast at the Beachside Diner on A1A. It starts at 9 AM and goes until the stories run out. The cars always draw an admiring crowd.

Third Thursday; Monthly dineout. Check the weekly activities list for more information.

Fourth Saturday; Cars and Coffee at the museum. You know the drill! Cool cars, free food, great people!

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