



TIRE TRACKS

July 2019

THE ELECTRONIC VERSION



Greetings, Waynesboro—Staunton Members, Lots of pictures this month from our W-S meeting, the AACA Grand Nationals and the ODMA meet in Newport News. Thanks to Robbie Gray for his Model A story. Have you written your car story yet? I would love to publish it here next month.

Stu Allen



This 1957 Studebaker Golden Hawk crossed the auction block in Auburn and sold for \$39,000.



How about a vintage travel trailer?



This 1926 REO Speed Wagon sported a nice restoration.

More cars from the Auburn Grand National



One of the oldest cars judged at the AGNM was this Repeat Senior Grand National Holley 1-cyl. Roadster.



93 year old Pinky Randall (Mr. Chevrolet) towed his 1932 Chevy Confederate Roadster to Auburn from Houghton Lake, Michigan.



Doug Seybold brought his latest restoration, a 1940 Buick Estate Wagon that won its First Grand National Award.

**July Meeting –Saturday July 6, 10:00 AM – Annual Car Display & Monthly Meeting
Brightview Baldwin Park, 21 Woodlee Road, Staunton. A short tour lead by Susan Gray-
will follow our display and lunch.**



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MUSINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

It just never seems to amaze me how much weight I can gain after a club picnic in which the members bring their individual culinary concoctions. If we all chipped in and opened a restaurant, we'd be a national success. Well maybe locally then.

And so it was that after the meeting a herd (cars are a herd?) of us gathered to take a mystery tour into the hither land set up by Sue Gray. Wonderful country roads were enjoyed until 4 cars (Model T's) beat the light on Route 11 in Weyers Cave. After several MINUTES of wait, I had 375 horses under the hood waiting to be let loose and catch those 30 MPH "T"s. I dropped the hammer, power shifted thru all 6 gears and within 12 seconds, 114 MPH and 1/4 mile later, left Nelson Driver and the rest of the club members that were right behind me a mere speck in the rear view mirror. Figured I'd catch those slow poke "T"s in seconds. Two miles later they were not in sight. How fast can a "T" really go I asked myself. Cranking the speed to hypersonic (and approaching 3 times the posted speed limit) I ate up the miles until I got to the White Wave dairy in Bridgewater. Pulled over to the side of the road and figured I was going so fast that I passed them, I waited for them to catch up with me. Five minutes later, NO ONE showed up. Turned around and leisurely poked along Route 11 until I came to that first 1/4 mile that I blew through and found the turn that I missed. Dip wad!

I found a nice little "T" on the auction block that should suit me just fine for future rides.

Jack Drago



Brightview/Baldwin Park

Don't forget our annual car display at Brightview/Baldwin Park on July 6. The Residents always appreciate our visit. We get to sit in the shade and swap stories, and enjoy a free meal furnished by our hosts. Sue Gray hosts a tour after our display.

Scenes from 2018



Last year we were pleased to be joined by resident Romaine Morrison who at 101 was the same age as Stu Allen's 1917 Buick.



W-S JUNE 19 Meeting

We were blessed with great weather—sunshine and temps. in the 70's for our June picnic at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church. As usual, the pot-luck picnic provided lots of good food and time for fellowship. Following our lunch and short business meeting, Susan Gray led us on a tour through the countryside north to New Hope and ending at Smiley's Ice Cream parlor at Mt. Crawford Creamery. Since it was Fathers' Day, the dads were treated to a free cone and it was delicious!



Jim Gregory arrived in his '65 Chevy El Camino.



The Potters share some pictures with the Dragos.



Nelson Driver brought his '77 Chrysler New Yorker



Sargingers' and Linkes' Model T's, Grays' Model A and the Cadillac Allante belonging to the Perrins'.



The gang fills their plates with some of the goodies (and health food) .



George Weller discusses the attributes of his '54 Chevy Bel Air with Jack Drago. Is there a Chevy in the future for Jack?



Your editor brought out the '69 Buick Riviera that has enough room for two coolers and all of the paper products for the picnic.



The cars are staged for the after picnic tour.



It's tough to capture tour pictures from the driver's seat but this gives you an idea of the beautiful countryside that the Grays treated us to.

The Annual Grand National Meet—May 30-June 1, 2019 in Auburn Indiana

The Grand National Meet was held at the Auburn Auction Park in conjunction with an auction conducted by RM Auctions. In addition to the auction, tours were provided to the local museums, and a large flea market was held at the complex. RM reported that sales were over \$6.8 million including huge collections of automobilia as well as hundreds of cars. AACA members were offered free access to the auction as well as free bidder passes if one wished to participate in the auction. This auction lacked the hype we see on some of the televised affairs but it was still entertaining to watch the process. My observation was that there were some nice cars that sold at prices well below the money spent for restoration. Friday night brought entertainment from an excellent band.

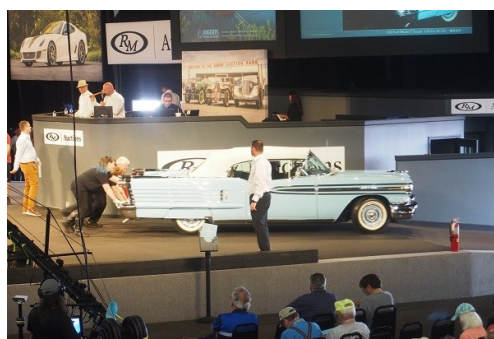
On Saturday, in spite of a gloomy weather forecast, over 380 cars were registered to be on the show field where the judging took place. There were a few no-shows but they missed a nice day. An Indiana BBQ followed with over 700 people in the room. All went through the buffet lines in under 30 minutes! The awards presentation followed and the rain held off until after the ceremonies.



Bidders and audience watch the auction stage as the cars roll through.



A sample of the neon and automobilia that crossed the block.



Cars entered under their own power but were pushed of the stage by the crew.



A 1913 Buick awaits its turn on the stage. It sold for \$35,000.



These guys were in the flea market. Not sure if they were AACA members.



Auctioneers sell a nice Olds. Toronado.



Ken Farley received his 23rd Repeat Senior Grand National Award for his 1963 Chevrolet Impala Convertible.



Editor Stu Allen was awarded a Senior Grand National for his 1934 Chevrolet Master Coach



Old Dominion Meet June 7-8 in Newport News VA

Hosted by The Historic Peninsula Region at The Holiday Inn City Center

The 66th ODMA was held in Newport News so W-S Region members had quite a trek to participate in the meet. Rain was in the forecast for the entire weekend but it cleared up on Saturday at 6 AM and we enjoyed good temperatures and an overcast sky for the entire show day. Jim Gregory and your editor drove in the rain all the way down on Friday and all the way home on Sunday but we lucked out for the meet on Saturday. There were 100 cars registered and due to threatening weather, 14 cars didn't show up. At the closing banquet it was announced that Crater Region will host the Fall Tour (details TBD) and the 2020 ODMA will be in Roanoke.

Ken & Shirley Farley drove down in their 1965 Chevy. Corvair Corsa.



Nelson Driver brought his 1977 Chrysler New Yorker.



Bobby McLain & Heather Layman drove their 1952 DeSoto



Our members had a chance to greet old friends and enjoy the weather.

Your Editor trailed the 1917 Buick Roadster.



Susan Gray drove in luxury in her 1994 Chrysler LHS.



"Best of Show" was awarded to Ben & Suzanne Schooler who were evaluated in the HPOF Original Class. Their car is an immaculate 1957 Ford 500.



Robbie & Susan Gray—Model A

In 2002, Sue and I bought our first Model A, a 1929 black tudor. This was not our first antique car, since I have owned a T Model Ford since I was 15. We acquired the Model A from a man in Tenth Legion who had started to restore the car but decided he wanted to go a different route. So, he sold the car to us. This car supposedly came from West Virginia. We did a little work to the car in 2002 but we drove it. In 2004 thru 2006, we rebuilt the car from the front bumper to the rear luggage rack. By doing this work our goal was to build a solid touring car. From 2002 to 2019, we have driven this car approximately 45,000 miles. We have been on 17 national tours and numerous local tours with this car.



This picture was taken in Oxford, Maine in 2016 participating in car games at the Oxford County Fair.



In 2018, was the second time we had the car in Idaho, this time along the Snake River and Twin Falls. Then we went south into Utah and the National Parks. This picture was taken at the Craters of the Moon National Park in September of 2018.

While on a tour in Michigan in 2010, I talked with a man about a running gear and body for a 1929 Huckster. The following year, Ronnie Shanholtzer and I went to Michigan and brought back a running gear and two huckster bodies. The winter's project was to build the 1929 Huckster which is pictured below. This picture was taken in Louisville, KY in July on 2015 at AACA 80th Anniversary Show.



As you can see, Sue and I have driven our Model A's from Maine to Georgia, from south Texas to South Dakota and last year again to Idaho. We have enjoyed seeing the USA in our Model A.

Robbie Gray



Editor's Note—Robbie got some help at the 2010 Sentimental Tour in Kerrville. Texas after trailering through s Texas snowstorm.

Calendar of AACA Events and *Community Car Events*

JULY

- 6** **Saturday, 10:00 AM – Annual Car Display & Monthly Meeting, Brightview Baldwin Park, 21 Woodlee Road, Staunton. A short tour follows the display.**
- 13** *Saturday, 6:00 – 9:00 PM – Cruise-In at the Waynesboro Moose Lodge, 481 Hopeman Parkway, Waynesboro*
- 14** *Sunday, 4:00 – 7:00 PM, Cruise-In at DAP's Ice Cream, Burgers & Fries, 3278 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft.*
- 20** *Saturday, 9:00 AM – ?, Bridgewater Volunteer Fire Company Antique Car Show, 300 Green Street, Bridgewater. Parade at 6:00 PM*
- 26** **Friday, 6:00 PM, Vehicle Display & Ice Cream Social at the Stuarts Draft Retirement Community, 94 Mountain Vista Drive, Stuarts Draft**

AUG.

- 2** **Friday, 5:00-9:00 PM – Annual Vehicle Display at the Augusta County Fair, Augusta Expo, 277 Expo Road, Fishersville.**
- 4-9** **AACA Vintage Tour (1931 or earlier) in Kingston, Ontario, Canada.**
- 10** *Saturday, 6:00 – 9:00 PM – Cruise-In at the Waynesboro Moose Lodge, 481 Hopeman Parkway, Waynesboro*
- 11** *Sunday, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM, National Street Rod Association Appreciation & Safety Day Car Show at DAP's Ice Cream, Burgers & Fries, 3278 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft. No registration or fee required.*
- 14** **Wednesday, 7:00 PM – Executive Board Meeting at the Gray's, 1430 Red Top Orchard Road, Waynesboro**
- 18** **Sunday, 1:30 PM – Monthly Meeting & Annual Picnic with the Tri-County Region, Grand Caverns, 5 Grand Caverns Road, Grottoes.**

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- 15** **Sunday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting, Steak Fry & Club Auction, Coyner Springs Park, 2091 Lyndhurst Road, Waynesboro.**
- 21** *Saturday, 3:00 – 6:00 PM – Shenandoah Acres Family Campground 2019 Fall Cruise-In, 348 Lake Road, Stuarts Draft. This is a free event.*
- 22-27** **74th Revival AAA Glidden Tour (1942 and earlier) in Rock Hill, South Carolina. Hosted by the Hornet's Nest Region.**

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June 16, 2019 Waynesboro- Staunton Region Meeting

The Waynesboro-Staunton Region of the AACA met on Sunday June 16th, 2019 at 2 pm at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church picnic grounds. President Jack Drago welcomed all 40 present and had Nelson Driver give the blessing. After the picnic lunch, Vice President Walter Wilson stated the next meeting would be at Brightview Baldwin Park, 21 Woodlee Road, Staunton at 10am on July 6.

Todd Smith gave the treasurer's report which was accepted.

The secretary's minutes were printed in the Tire Tracks.

Nelson gave a report on the ODMA meet. Next years meet will be in Roanoke with the fall tour being done by Craters Region.

Sue Gray gave the sunshine report that Doris Stone was recovering from back surgery. She also said that Ken Farley wanted a list of the members who were bringing cars to the Augusta County Fair at Expo.

President Jack Drago discussed the possibilities of a tour for the club.

After the meeting the club preceded on a tour of approximately one hour ending in Bridgewater at Smiley's Ice Cream.

Respectfully submitted

Robbie Gray, Secretary

Tri-County Region Meetings

Dates vary - Check their website:
<http://tri-county-aaca.org/>

**Piedmont Region Meetings are the
4th Monday each month at 7PM.
Check their website:**
<http://clubs.hemmings.com/piedmontregionaaca/?club=piedmontregionaaca> for location

2019 Zenith Award

The Zenith Award was established by AACA in 2016 to recognize the best restoration of all the cars that were shown in National Meets during the the previous year. Out of more than 3300 cars shown during 2018, 16 cars were nominated for judging at the Grand National meet and were on display at the Auburn meet.



The winner selected at this year's AGN meet was this 1931 8-94 Sport Roadster owned by David Landow



JULY BIRTHDAYS

Stu Allen

Edwin Brooks

Kenneth Farley

Bobby Gordon

Barry Linke

Glen Royer

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Joe Yancey

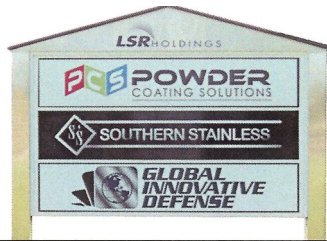
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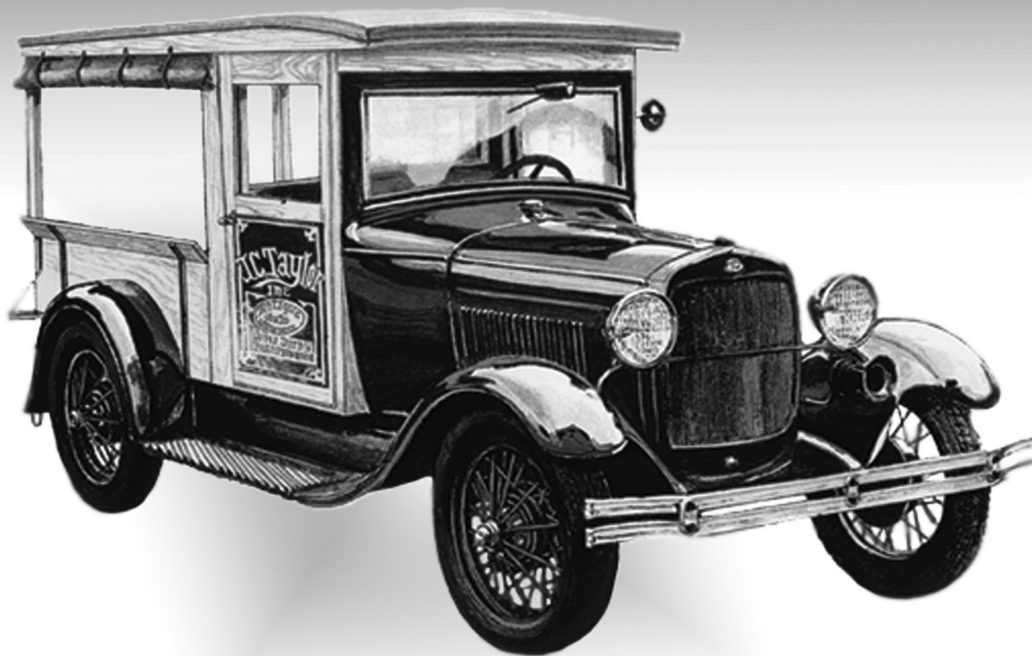
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