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Greetings Members, I think we all enjoyed the Fall Tour this past month. Many thanks to Todd Smith and Jack Drago for planning and leading the tour. Their choices of routes and weather were great! We hope you all are thinking about what items you can bring to “Show & Tell” planned for our November meeting. It’s a chance to show off the items you have stashed that you wondered why in the world did I buy this? We’ll continue to practice social distancing while wearing our masks so we can have an enjoyable meeting.

Stu Allen

Editorial—Random Thoughts on Electric Vehicles

GM announced plans to produce the all new electric Hummer super truck. It reportedly has a range of 350 miles and can be recharged for an additional 100 mile range in about 10 minutes. It is rated at 1000 horsepower and 11,500 ft-lbs. of torque which allows acceleration 0-60 mph in about 3 seconds. It has off-road features including “crab walk” (four-wheel steering), lift capability to gain 6” ground clearance, and underbody cameras that assist in maneuvering around off-road obstacles. Prices will range from \$80,000 to \$115,000 and production is promised for Fall of 2021. One might question if many consumers will be taking their \$100,000+ vehicle off the highway and into rough terrain? I understand that reservations for the first version of the Hummer are sold out.

Meanwhile, Elon Musk’s Tesla Cybertruck is planned for production but specifications seem to be constantly changing if you follow it in the press. It reportedly has a stainless steel body, armored glass, and a range of 250 miles. It’s supposed to accelerate 0-60 mph in under 6.5 seconds and prices will start at \$49,000. I’m sure we will hear many more details as vehicle development continues.

California appears to be leading the charge (pardon the pun) to electric “zero emission” vehicles. Their governor has issued an executive order that all new vehicles sold in the state will be zero emission by 2035. Used vehicles apparently would not be affected by the rule. I did a little research on California’s sources of electricity. Depending on the source of data, solar and other renewable energy sources provide 19-32% of the power consumed in the state. California leads all states in consumption of jet fuel and accounted for one fifth of the nation’s usage in 2018. I was surprised to learn that California was the seventh largest producer of crude oil of all 50 states and ranked third in oil refining capacity in 2019. California continues to have issues with electric power capacity during high-demand months and the problems with power distribution lines are currently in the news. It is certainly unclear how these issues can be resolved in time to meet the demand for electric vehicles by 2035.

On the local front, commercial solar installations continue to be controversial. It seems that the public is all for solar power until the installation would be in their “back yard”.

Stu Allen

November Meeting—Sunday, Nov. 15 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting at Bella Luna Wood Fired Pizza, 80 West Water Street, Harrisonburg. Election of Officers and “Show & Tell”.



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RAMBLINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

“Show me a good loser and I’ll show you an idiot”.

-Baseball Manager Leo Durocher

This month’s column was a slam dunk, formed in my head within 15 minutes of finishing our club tour on October 17th. It’s too bad that it took 2 weeks for the thought to get to my fingertips and the computer without the monthly threat from the editor. When will I learn?

THANK YOU to Chester and Nancy Bradfield for the surprise and wonderful tour of their personal and private collection of Studebaker and other related automotive artifacts prior to our kickoff on the car tour. WOW is all I can say!

We kicked off our tour with 18 people promptly at noon from the Bradfield’s, went directly to Francesco’s Italian Restaurant in Bridgewater for a fabulous menu, ordered lunch and then on to the tour through Dayton and then farm country. Rolling backwoods roads, 60 degree temps and lots of sunshine provided for a leisurely trip. A one hour guided tour of the Breneman-Turner Mill was conducted around 2:30m PM for what now consisted of 22 people, after picking up some club members that heard of the tour. Some 41 miles later, we reached the Mount Crawford Creamery for an ice cream social to end the day’s festivities. Rebecca Perrin told me that the “chicken” we were to observe on the side of the road at mile 23.8 wasn’t as big as I said it was on the directions. I inquired as to whether she had an oven or a grille that could hold a bird that big, she said no. Case closed. My question to Nelson Driver was, if he was 4 cars behind me when we started off in Verona, and not one vehicle passed me from Verona to Chester and Nancy’s, then how did he get there before all of us?

In closing part 1, many THANKS to Todd Smith for initiating and planning this tour, running it again the day prior to make sure there were no surprises, setting up the Mill tour and for a future surprise tour of Rockingham County. The members had a great time and requested we do another tour. In closing part 2, the final question on the tour route was for someone to be able to pronounce the 45 syllable name of this lake in Massachusetts. Care to try?

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When I ask for directions, please don’t use words like “east”.

Jack Drago



W-S Members gather at the Verona Post Office for the Fall Tour.



On the road through the scenic countryside with Fall colors. (Somebody has to be last!)

W-S Fall Tour—Oct. 17, 2020



First stop was at Bradfields
How did Nelson get here first?



Just a few of the Studebakers in Chester & Nancy
Bradfields' collection



Lunch was at Francesco's Italian Restaurant in
Bridgewater.



The Breneman-Turner Mill. Built in the early 1800's
and in operation until 1988.



Our group listens to the knowledgeable tour guides
about the history and operation of the mill.



Some of the massive machinery powered by water
and the large mill wheel.



The Evolution of the Corvette

By Bob Parrish
Vice President - National Awards

Featured in the Summer 2020 Rummage Box

There have been eight generations of Corvettes in its 68 years of continuous production.

The C1 or “solid axle” Corvettes were built from 1953 to 1962. Only 300 were built the first year, 1953. The fabled Chevy V8 engine appeared in the 1955 model at 265 cu. in. which was enlarged to 283 cu. in. in 1957. The Corvette 4 speed and Fuel Injection were introduced in '57 for the very first time.

The second generation, C2 (1963-1967), saw the birth of the Stingray, increases in power to the 327 engines to a top rating of 375 fuel-injected horsepower. The styling of the “mid-years” was, and remains one of the most admired automotive designs ever. Big Block, 396 and 427 cu. in. engines were first offered in 1965. They spelled the end of fuel injection in Corvettes until 1985. Full 4-wheel disc brakes came to the Corvette in 1965.

Launched in 1968 and produced through 1982, the C3 generation had a makeover styled after the concept Mako Shark design and offered T-tops for the first time. The 454 cu. in. engine debuted during this time, as did the Federal Government’s emission control mandates which killed horsepower. In 1970-1972 there were approximately 60 ZR1-optioned cars built.

There were no 1983 Corvettes produced for sale due to delays in the manufacturing quality of the new C4. Once launched, C4 production ran from 1984-1996 and gained in sales to those buyers that wanted an affordable Corvette for everyday use. In 1990 Chevrolet released the second “King of the Hill” ZR-1 and its LT5 engine designed by Lotus and built by Mercruiser. 1994 was the last year of this version of the ZR-1.

The C5 (1997-2004) was the most advanced Corvette ever for the time with the introduction of the high-performance ZO6, and continued improvement in the suspension and braking systems.

The C6 generation (2005-2013) introduced the LS2 engine, producing a base 400 horsepower and 400 pounds of torque. The ZR1 returned in 2009.

Looking at the C7 (2014-2019) finds the return of the Stingray badging and the production of the ZR1, super Corvette in 2019. It came with a super charged 6.2 liter V8 engine producing an astounding 755 horsepower and superior performance.

The newest generation, C8 – 2020 is also a revolutionary design: having a mid-engine and total body styling change, with exceptional horsepower and performance gains.

To commemorate the Corvette evolution, the Tidewater Region, AACA in conjunction with its next Annual Meet, plans to have a Corvette representing each year of production. You can learn more by visiting TRAACA.com.

C1
1953



C2
1963

C8
2020



Calendar of AACA Events & *Community Car Events*

NOV.

- 6-7 Saturday, 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM, 67th Old Dominion Meet Association Car Show, Natural Bridge Hotel, 15 Appledore Lane, Natural Bridge. Hosted by the Roanoke Valley Region. CANCELLED**
- 6-7 Special Fall Nationals Meet—Wyndham Hotel Complex—Gettysburg PA Replaces cancelled Hershey Meet. Details are available on the AACA Website.**
- 8 Sunday, 4:00 – 7:00 PM – Rides and Rods Cruise-In at Dap's Ice Cream, 3278 Stuarts Draft Highway, Stuarts Draft.**
- 11 Wednesday, 7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting at Stu Allen's 265 Stayman Ln. Staunton**
- 15 Sunday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting at Bella Luna Wood Fired Pizza, 80 West Water Street, Harrisonburg. Election of Officers and "Show & Tell".**

Scenes from Past "Show & Tell" Presentations

**DEC.**

- 5 Saturday, 2:00 PM – Monthly Meeting, Christmas Party & Gift Exchange at Traditions Family Restaurant, 625 Mt. Clinton Pike, Suite E, Harrisonburg.**

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**Minutes of the October 17
W-S Meeting**


The Waynesboro-Staunton Region held our Fall Tour on Saturday, October 17. Most of the group gathered at the Verona Post Office at 11 AM and headed out on the tour route. Our first stop was at the great Studebaker collection owned by Chester and Nancy Bradfield. Our hosts allowed us to wander through the extensive collection and gave us stories of some of the vehicles. More members joined us at the Bradfields and we headed to the next stop which was lunch at Francesco's Italian Restaurant in Bridgewater. The food was great and we had some good fellowship while practicing social distancing. More members joined us in Bridgewater and now had 22 members on the tour. After lunch we travelled through some beautiful farm country heading north to the Breneman-Turner Mill where we were treated to a special tour. This mill was built in about 1800 and survived the Civil War when many mills in the valley were destroyed. The mill was in operation until 1988. It eventually was turned over to the Brethren & Mennonite Heritage Center for some restoration and preservation. Our tour guides were very knowledgeable about the history and mill operation and we had a nice tour. Next we travelled through Keezletown and headed south to our final stop at the Mt. Crawford Creamery for ice cream. President Drago held an informal meeting in the parking lot and announced that our November meeting will be at Bella Luna Wood Fired Pizza, 80 West Water Street, Harrisonburg.

Respectfully submitted,

Stu Allen for Robbie Gray

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George Vest is looking for two wrenches for his 1940 Ford Standard 2-Dr. (purchased from Owen Harner) If you have one for sale please call George at 540-490-1376.



Piedmont Region Meetings are the
4th Monday each month at 7PM.
They meet at the Cavalier Diner,
1403 Emmet St. N.

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

This list of cars for sale from Dick McNinch

1915 Buick C25 Touring Car,
1936 Rolls Royce Phantom III Drophead Coupe,
1936 Ford Deluxe Touring Sedan,
1956 Ford Fairlane Town Sedan,
1966 Ford Mustang Convertible,
1986 Mercedes Benz 300E.

1930 Ford Model A Deluxe Roadster

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