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General Meeting:

Regularly scheduled meetings are planned at the Depot Museum (parking lot) in Naples on the 3rd Saturday of each month at noon. The Depot Museum is located at 1051 5th Ave. S.. Water and snacks provided. See inside for info about the October meeting.

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Cover Photo

Engine from a 1911 Thomas Flyer KC-670. Photo taken at the July 2021 Concours d'Elegance of America held in Plymouth Michigan. Photo by George Nosky.

President's Page

Good day everyone and hope you are well!

I believe last month's meeting proved all who attended really want the Club to pursue a AACA type show at the Depot in 2022. This location was chosen due to its outstanding visibility and the Depot mgrs. want us back!!

By the way September had a last second change of venue due to a community meeting display at the depot

Paul and I currently driving directly to the Hershey Pennsylvania event. Brought a '49 original beige color Mercury to sell. If our motor home would only quit causing trouble this could be a fun trip. Luckily, we left early.

See everyone at the October 16 Welcome Back Luncheon.

Happy Trails

Yvonne and Paul

Ed. Note...See page 6 for info on the Welcome Back Picnic and the Collection on Palmetto Mini-Tour





Presenting \$500 check to Boy Scout Troop 274 at September meeting.

Some 1949 Mercury photos....





Editor's Note

It's October and you may have noticed the rainfall and temperatures beginning to moderate... at least a little bit, here in Southwest Florida. If you are heading back south, drive carefully.

After a last-minute venue change, we held our September meeting as Yvonne mentioned. It was highlighted by show discussions and also a presentation of \$500 to Boy Scout Troop 274 that has helped us in the past. Edythe's meeting Minutes on page 7 provide a nice summary.

On the events page you'll see things are starting to pick up. Note we have 2 club events in October with our Welcome Back Picnic, followed on the same day with a trip Peter is organizing to museums in the Tampa/St. Petersburg area. Details of both events are on page 6. Also see that Malcolm has highlighted a December 4 show in Pt. St. Lucie that members may want to attend as a group (page 10).

Read Grant's Legislative submittal about how you will soon be able to purchase turn-key reproductions of some of our favorite automobiles, that were originally produced 25 or more years ago. Kathy talks more about the history of the Corvair. Peter has a note about ethanol free fuel and experiences with his Prius. Grant supplied pictures from the Concours d' Elegance of America.

If you are going to Hershey...please send us pictures for next month. Send future articles, comments, pictures, ads, etc. to ron.schlechtweg@gmail.com.. Cut-off date is the last Thursday of each month.

Take care, safe travels, thanks

Ron

From Facebook, Twitter, etc.

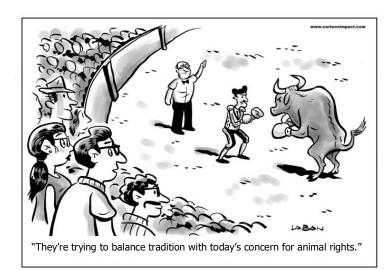
I want to change my name on Facebook to "Nobody", so when I see someone posting something stupid I can like their post and it will say "Nobody likes this"

Your secrets are safe with me because there is a good chance I was not listening.

Funny how they say we need to talk when they really mean you need to listen.

If you think things can't get worse, it's probably only because you lack sufficient imagination.

The fact that I woke up this morning means that the assassins have failed again.



Events

- **Every Saturday**... 8:00 am Breakfast at Perkins (Pine Ridge Rd., just west of I-75). Appropriate "keep your distance" in place.
- **Oct. 16...** Naples-Marco meeting and welcome back picnic. 12:00pm-2pm. Naples Moose Lodge, 3417Enterprise Ave. Hosted by Hank Schwietering. See details next page.
- **Oct. 16-17...** Naples-Marco AACA mini-tour to The Collection on Palmetto in Clearwater and the Tampa Bay Auto Museum. Depart after picnic and overnight at the Doubletree Tampa Airport Westshore. See page 6 for more info. Contact Peter priuspete@gmail.com if attending.
- **Oct. 23...** Rally for Good Car Show and Fundraiser, 10 am-2 pm, exotic and classic cars. Fran Cohen Youth Center, 1472 Airport Road South, Naples. Sponsored by Ultimate Garages/Barletta Boats to benefit Salvation Army. https://one.bidpal.net/rallyforgood/welcome
- **Nov. 6...** 4th Annual Knights of Columbus Car Show on Marco Island. 8:30am-1:30pm, San Marco church, 851 San Marco Rd, Marco Island., \$20 car entry fee, \$5 spectator. Contact J. DeRosa 239-272-0816 or Island Automotive 239-394-1887 with questions.
- **Nov.20...** Rookery Bay 3rd Annual Classic Car Show, 9am-2pm, 300 Tower Rd., Naples, \$25 registration, \$10 spectator, See www.rookerybay.org or call 239-394-1887 for more info.
- **Dec. 3-5...** Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance, New venue at TPC Tampa Bay Golf Course, 5300 W. Lutz Lake Fern Rd., Lutz, Fl. See https://gasparillaconcours.com/ for more info.
- **Dec. 4...** Island Automotive Open House, 8:30am-12pm. 801 East Elkcam Circle, Marco Island. E-mail carshows@hotmail.com if you would like to attend
- **Dec. 4...** Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club Show, 9am- 3pm. Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens, Port St. Lucie, Fl. Contact M. Newbourne if interested in attending as part of AACA group. See also https://TCVCC.com and page 10 for additional info.
- **Dec. 18...** Naples-Marco AACA meeting, 12:00pm -2pm, Naples Train Depot (parking lot),1051 5th Ave. S., Naples. Bring your cars, water and snacks provided.
- **Every Saturday...** Cruise-ins at Stock Plaza by Cool Cruisers. 9am-12pm, 7711 Collier Blvd., Naples, and also at NCH Health Center by Marco Island Corvette and Muscle Car Club 10am-1pm, 40 S. Heathwood Dr., Marco Island.
- **Third Sunday each month...** Cars and Coffee 239. 9-11am at Mercato, 9132 Strada Place, Naples. All makes welcome. See https://carsandcoffee239.com for details.

Some notable events outside Southwest Florida.....

Oct. 6-9... AACA Eastern Fall, Hershey, PA

Oct 22-24... Greenwich Concours d'Elegance, Ct., https://www.greenwichconcours.com AACA National Meetings and Tour info can be found at https://www.aaca.org/meetinfo

Please let Ron Schlechtweg know of any additional events. ron.schlechtweg@gmail.com

October Naples-Marco AACA Events

Welcome Back Picnic Oct. 16

AACA Naples Marco Monthly meeting and Welcome back picnic/combo and member car display

Date: Saturday October 16, 2021

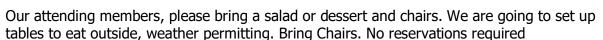
Time 11 AM to 2 PM

Location: Naples Moose Lodge 3417 Enterprise Avenue, Naples.

Off Airport Road Behind Naples Boat Mart

Host: Hank Schwietering

Food: AACA and Moose will provide hot dogs and hamburgers and non-alcoholic drinks



The Collection on Palmetto Mini-Tour Oct 16,17 - Peter Blackford

The Collection on Palmetto is a collection of early automobiles and engines. Situated on 5 acres in Clearwater, the museum includes items such as an 1886 Benz Patent Motorwagen replica, the first commercial airliner (1914 Benoist), and a model railway.

The Tampa Bay Auto Museum features a unique collection of vehicles which highlights the early engineering and creativity in the auto industry. The museum has a new wing featuring vintage posters.

Route/Times as follows

- >Depart Cracker Barrel at EXIT 141 at about 3 PM on Saturday, 16 Oct.
- >Drive directly to our hotel, Doubletree Tampa Airport Westshore, 4500 West Cypress Street Tampa, Florida 33607 813-879-4800 (~ 2+ hours).
- > Dinner at the hotel or a local restaurant selected by the group. (meet in lobby at 6 PM)
- > Sunday morning, proceed to the Collection on Palmetto, to arrive just prior to the 11 AM Grand Opening celebration (just under a 1/2 hour drive). www.collectiononpalmetto.com (free event, food trucks on premises for lunch)
- > At 2 PM, depart for Tampa Bay Auto Museum www.tbauto.org (under 20 minute drive), to enjoy their updated galleries and exhibit of handpainted historic circus posters. Tampa Bay is open until 4:30 (small admission charge)
- > Depart for dinner at Anna Maria Oyster Bar (about 35 minutes south, just off I-75 in Ellenton) for dinner, then proceed home at your leisure.

PLEASE confirm participation via email to priuspete@gmail.com so we can transmit the map package, and include your cell number for day-of communications (we will respond in kind).

Happy Touring, Peter & Sandy



Sept 18 Meeting Minutes

Meeting held at First Methodist Church (last minute switch) because of Museum Day at the Depot. Thank you, Yvonne. Meeting called to order at 12:15 and the Pledge of Alligence recited.

Yvonne suggested a Bingo Meeting. A volunteer needed to host the meeting. The club would provide everything needed. Should be fun. Drew Johnson is the new membership chair. He can be reached at drewjj70@outlook.com or 616-308-1326. Next meeting will be at the Naples Moose Lodge on Airport Road on October 16th at 11:00 AM. Everyone should bring a salad OR dessert and the club will provide the meal. No Treasurer's report.



Dec. 4th - Open House at Keith Pershing's garage on Marco Island.

Nov. 6th - Knights of Columbus car show at Marco Island Catholic Church.

Nov. 20th Rookery Bay car show.

December 4th- TCVCC (Stuart Fl.) show. Mal and Edythe are planning to attend and anyone who is interested can contact Mal for information and possible caravan of cars to the show. Mal can be contacted at malnaplesmarcoaaca2@gmail.com.

\$500 check was given to the Boy Scouts for past services.

Discussion on potential car show in March. No gate but donations and a raffle suggested instead. "No refunds for any reason" to be on the registration. (If asked we will refund registrations from cancelled show 2 years ago). No trophies-no judging. Only for People's Choice Award. Dash plaques considered. Also, antique motorcycles was suggested. Limit entries to cars 1960 and under. Invitations might be given out at other car shows. Depot remains the preferred site and the date will be the 4th Saturday of the month March 26th unless not possible for some reason. Gay Doner will be the Chairman for this year's show. THANK YOU Gary.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30PM.

Respectfully submitted Edythe Newbourne, Secretary

Sunshine

1/10/21 Marybeth Levitz - Sympathy - death of husband Barry 10868 Longshore Way W. Naples, FL. 34119.

7/28/2021 Neil O'Reilly-death. Naples, Fl

"Friendship is one of the greatest luxuries of life." Edward Everett Hale

Patricia McNally/ Sunshine. 978-853-5067 patjeanmcnally@gmail.com

History

More on the story of the Corvair, by Mo Trembly.

The Chevrolet Corvair was sporty and fun to drive. The price was around \$2,000 for the coupe and \$2,100 for the Monza sedan. Motor Trend named the Corvair Monza the car of the year in 1960! The Monza was introduced as the first convertible as the Corvair was now touted as a "sporty" car. It was offered with a turbo super charger which raised the 90 bhp to 150 bhp. It was the first use of a turbo charger in a production car. The turbo at \$360 extra was part of an option which included a heavy duty clutch, four on the floor , and a stronger suspension.

In 1964 the Monza Spyder was now 180 bhp and topped at 114 mph. It now sold for \$2,800. It was a really enjoyable car. Corvairs restyled for 1965, but sales were dropping. Only 6,000 were sold in 1969 and the Corvair's swan song was in April of that year.

Week-old beard/So masked his face/His bull dog chased him/ Off the place Burma-Shave

Kathy Hollis, Historian

Legislative

AUTOMOTIVE COMMUNITY CELEBRATES EXPANDING REPLICA MARKET WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF LANDMARK FEDERAL LAW

Following years of frustration, fully-functional tribute vehicles will soon roam the nation's roads after finally receiving the government's green light for assembly! For the first time ever, brandnew reproductions of sought-after legends will be available as turn-key cars and trucks resembling those made at least 25 years ago. A slew of unique and highly anticipated models await completion—classics included range from 1930s roadsters to 1970s muscle cars, exotic sports cars to rare SUVs among others. Manufacturers can begin production of completed replicas in addition to offering assembly kits now that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has finalized a regulation.

In 2015, the U.S. Congress enacted a milestone bill into Federal law led by the SEMA Action Network (SAN), which streamlined requirements for small automakers. To the dismay of many, implementation was delayed years while awaiting the regulations. After receiving necessary guidelines from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the California Air Resources Board (CARB), SEMA sued NHTSA in October 2019 to require the agency to issue regulations allowing the law to take effect. Purchase of newly-built re-creations will be possible in the coming months once replica car businesses have operations up and running.

"SEMA applauds NHTSA's final rule allowing companies to market classic-themed cars," said SEMA President and CEO Christopher J. Kersting. "Regulatory barriers have previously prevented small automakers from producing heritage cars for eager customers. The roadblocks have been eliminated. Companies will be able to hire workers, start making necessary parts and components, and produce and sell completed cars."

The milestone replica car law and implementing regulations allow a low volume manufacturer to construct up to 325 such replica cars a year, each resembling those produced at least 25 years ago. Until now, the U.S. had just one system for regulating automobiles which was designed for companies that mass-produce millions of vehicles. The new program recognizes the unique challenges faced by companies that produce a small number of custom cars. Enthusiasts still have the option to build a car from a kit along with the opportunity to purchase a completed, turn-key replica.

Grant Simon, Legislative

Yes, Alcoholics Anonymous for Antique Automobiles! by Peter Blackford

It's been a while since the topic was discussed in these pages, so this will serve as a 'heads up' for those who haven't heard it before, and further reinforcement for those who have. Here in Florida, we're fortunate to have ever-widening availability of ethanol-free (E0) fuel - fortunate, because there are still a few states (New Jersey comes to mind) where it's nearly impossible to find. Find EO easily wherever you are with the Pure Gas app on your cell phone!

One thing which also brought the topic to mind is that we recently re-commissioned our 2001 (purchased new in 2000) first-generation Prius, now approaching the magical age of 25. The E0 aspect factors in since the car had been 'parked up' (not driven) since early in 2013 (!). Fortunately, the trusty Prius had been on a steady diet of E0 fuel for at least the previous five years. As a result, with a fresh 12V battery, it started and ran just fine. Yes, after seven-plus years, the fuel was still viable.

Now, you may remember in the olden days (up north, of course) adding alcohol to your tank (using products such as Dri-Gas) to absorb condensation and distribute it to avoid stalling out from water in the carburetor. So, while a small amount of alcohol under those conditions may be helpful, adding 10% to all your fuel may not be the best idea... Why? Well, for the same reason that DriGas helped: absorbing water into fuel long-term will accelerate corrosion of components and worse, degradation of the fuel into a varnish-like consistency.

This is the main reason that private aircraft (by FAA rules), and boats (by common sense) don't use alcohol-containing fuel. For some time, E0 was sold as "recreational vehicle" fuel - and theoretically illegal (though I've never heard of any prosecution) for normal road use. Several years ago, that restriction was removed from the laws of the land and today E0 is available at many stations throughout Florida and most other states, with a few exceptions. In addition to possible fuel system problems, note that alcohol contains less energy (BTU/lb) than gasoline - translating to somewhat poorer fuel economy. No, not enough difference to completely make up for the higher cost, but it helps

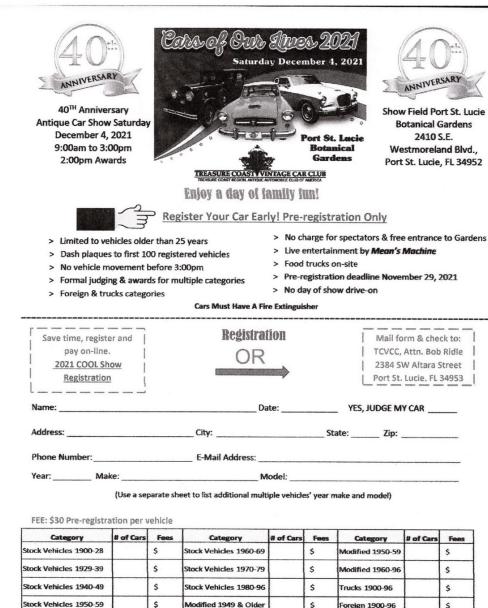
Note that while fuel systems today are designed to 'tolerate' the alcohol and water, that doesn't make it 'good' for any car. This hopefully explains why we've purchased nothing but E0 for ANY of our vehicles, antique or new, for more than a decade.

Remember: Friends don't let friends' cars drink alcohol!

Treasure Island Vintage Car Club Show Malcolm Newbourne

Here is the December 4th Show Notice our x-Sister club (Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club) is promoting. Edythe and I plan to attend and will be happy to buddy up with any interested members (email: MALNAPLESAACA2@GMAIL.COM) and advise as to any scheduling, and sleeping accommodations the night before.

This Show is usually about 100 cars in a pleasant venue (Botanical Gardens in St Lucie, FL), nice people. E and I have been attending the event for the last 15-20 years. It is a leftover from years back when our club would send a contingent north for this TCVCC Show, and they would send exhibits to the Depot Show. One of the nicer AACA events we have enjoyed over the years.



Release of liability: by participating in this event, you assume all liability and by no means/ reason do hold the Treasure Coast Vintage Car Club or anyone associated with the promotion of this event liable or responsible for any damages, losses, injuries that may be incurred. All cars must be running and drivable.

Check enclosed for:

Questions: Charlie Ulrich, Show Chairman

772-342-2210 or lantana292@hotmail.com

The Concours d'Elegance of America George Nosky

Last month there were photos from the event held July 23-25 in Plymouth, Michigan. Here are some more. Some really great cars as you can see.



1904 Ford AC Runabout



1924 Delsge Skiff Torpedo



1928 Packard Phaeton



1932 Marmon Convertible Coupe



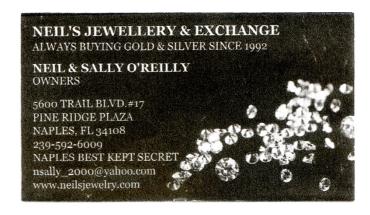
1935 Rolls Phantom II Sport



1947 Delage Cabriolet

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