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1937 Hudson Terraplane at the Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance

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General Meeting:

Regularly scheduled meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month from Jan. thru May at the Lakes Clubhouse, 495 Belville Berkshire Blvd., Naples. Meeting time is 7:00 pm

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Cover Photo

A 1937 Hudson Terraplane ¾ ton pickup. On display at the Dec. 4 Gasparilla Concours d' Elegance at Tampa, Fl.

President's Page by Barbara Donald

Hello and Happy New Year!

Hope you all enjoyed the holidays and are looking forward to car events as we start a new season.

At our December meeting we had our club Christmas Party which was well attended. Food supplied by Naples Pizza was enjoyed by all as were the treats provided by several of our members.

As of our last meeting our meeting place remained in flux. As of this writing it has been decided that we will continue meeting at the Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse located at 495 Belville Blvd. (it comes up opposite Henley Drive). A bit tricky to find but a nice safe venue for our



meetings. Put it in your GPS and watch for the small entrance sign at the long driveway leading in to the clubhouse. Meetings will be held the second Monday of the month at the Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse January through May of 2022.

Our January 10th meeting will include Bingo so bring a dauber if you have one. Should be a fun evening.

Discussion continues in regards to our having a modified version of our Depot Show this season. We need to make a decision ASAP! Time flies when you're having fun.

Speaking of having fun how about one of you planning an outing or club event for this season? Not hard to do and I'll gladly help anyone who will step up with an idea and a willingness to plan. In the past we have driven out for ice cream, gone to a restaurant for lunch, had a ladies luncheon, taken our cars to an elementary school, visited an historic site and gone to a state or local park for a picnic, to name a few. Let's get some events on the calendar for club members to enjoy and get those cars on the road.

Hope to see you at our January meeting.

Barbara Donald, Second Vice President

<u>To Do....</u>

Bring checks for your 2022 dues of \$20.00 made out to Naples/Marco AACA to our Jan. 10 meeting (they were due Dec. 2021)..... or mail dues using attached form (page 11) to Patrick Parker (address on form)

Editor's Note

Happy New Year. Hopefully 2022 will be safe and healthy for us all. Please be mindful of the continuing COVID risk and take all the precautions.

We had good attendance at the December Christmas Party/meeting. See the pictures included with Edythe's minutes inside. Thanks to Barbara Donald for her work on this. Also, as you can see, Barbara also authored the Presidents page this month. May sure you see the meeting location discussion in her note.

In this issue, there are some photos from the Tampa Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance, held in December, after an earlier COVID related postponement. Also, there is a follow-up to the August 2020 article about the driverless Indy 500, held this past October. (it didn't come off quite as planned). If you hadn't heard about the auction to be held as part of the Cars on Fifth event, make sure you look at the bottom of the Events page.

Send future articles, comments, pictures, ads, etc. to ron.schlechtweg@gmail.com... Cut-off date is the last Thursday of each month.

Take care, Happy New Year.

Ron

Corrections....In the December issue, the name of the author of the article about selling a car on the Bring a Trailer web site was incorrectly identified. Apologies to Greg Miller, the true author.

Also, the correct date for the Cars on 5th event is Saturday Feb 5.

From Facebook, Twitter, etc.

If you ever get locked out of your house, talk to the lock calmly...Because communication is key.

People who say "I hate to bother you" need to learn to hate it a little bit more.

I wish I was as smart as I think I am.

You can go anywhere you want if you look serious and carry a clipboard.

I can't believe its Omicron season already! I still have my Delta decorations up.



Events

Every Saturday... 8:00 am Breakfast at Perkins (Pine Ridge Rd., just west of I-75).

- **Jan. 10...** Naples-Marco AACA meeting, 7:00 pm, Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse located at 495 Belville Blvd., Meeting will include Bingo.
- **Jan. 22...** Bonita Springs Estero Elks Charity Car Show, 9am-3pm, 3231 Coconut Rd., Bonita Springs, \$20/car preregister, \$25 at the door. Registration and info at 239-319-9849 or BPOE2753@comcast.net
- **Feb. 4...** First Annual Naples Motorcar Auction. At Ultimate Garages in Naples, 3101 Terrace Ave., Naples. See below for details and https://www.saratogaautoauction.org
- **Feb. 5...** 17th annual Cars On Fifth, 10am-4pm, on 5th Ave. S. in Naples, largest 1 day event in Naples with more than 650 cars. \$30 general admission. Benefits St. Mathews House
- **Feb. 14...** Naples-Marco AACA meeting, 7:00 pm, Berkshire Lakes Clubhouse located at 495 Belville Blvd.
- **Feb. 20...** Marco Island Kiwanis Car Show, at new location, Marco Island YMCA, 101 Sand Hill St. \$20 entry fee with lunch, spectator fee \$5. Contact John DeRosa idrfinest@aol.com
- **Feb 24-26...** AACA Winter Nationals in Melbourne Fl. Hosted by the Cape Canaveral Region. https://www.aaca.org/images/meet_brochures/2022/2022_Winter_Nationals.pdf
- **March 3-7...** Amelia Island Concours d'Elegance, Amelia Island, FL., If interested in being part of Naples/Marco AACA group contact Peter Blackford priuspete@gmail.com. See also https://www.ameliaconcours.com
- **March 6...** 10th Annual B.I.G. (British, Italian, German) European Car Show at Rotary Park in Cape Coral, Fl. More details to follow.

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.





Drive in and consign your car Sunday, Jan 9, 2022 St. Matthew's House Boutique Thrift Store 2601 Airport-Pulling Rd. S, Naples, Fl

Or see also.... https://www.saratogaautoauction.org

Christmas Party/December 2021 Meeting

The meeting was our Christmas party. No official business.

Everyone enjoyed an excellent Italian buffet dinner and the distribution of door prizes afterwards. Thanks for the donation of delicious cookies for dessert to all who contributed and all who helped make it a lovely evening.

\$120 was donated to the club thanks to Barbara and Roger Donald.

Happy New Year!

Respectfully submitted,

Edythe Newbourne, Secretary















History

The December, 1997, issue of the Running Board tells of the many activities the club was attending. The General Meetings were held at the Main Library on Central Ave. in Naples. They had car displays at the library later that month, also one at the Golden Gate Community Center, and a winter tour to Tarpon Springs. In February of 1998 the AACA Nationals Winter Meet was to be held in St. Petersburg.

In early December several of the club members traveled to Everglades City to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Everglades National Park. There were 18 cars parked by the Rod and Gun Club. Vice President Gore and Governor Chiles and several other government officials were present for the re-dedication ceremony.

Another event was a trip to Silver Springs to participate in the Kingdom of the Sun Antique Auto Show. The only problem there was that it rained almost all day. They did display their cars and despite the rain had a good time. They also toured the displays there, rode in the glass-bottom boats, and did the jungle cruise. All members were glad to get back to Naples to dry out!!!

Proper distance/ to him was bunk/ They pulled him out/ of some quy's trunk- Burma Shave

Kathy Hollis, Historian

Legislative

UPDATE: NEW JERSEY ADVANCES BILL TO ALLOW SALE OF NEWLY-CREATED CLASSIC LICENSE PLATES

- S3181 would bring a retro look to modern license plates by allowing consumers to choose a blue license plate with sand yellow letters that resembles the plates that were issued in the state from 1979 to 1991.
- S3181 would give consumers new options on what sort of license plates to use on their vehicles and provide classic car collectors a risk-free way to acquire plates that match the vintage of their vehicles.
- S3181 would bring New Jersey in line with other states seeking to promote the growth of the collector car hobby and the marketplace it supports.
- S3181 recognizes the growing interest of vehicle owners in vintage-style options and offers a
 desirable alternative to traditional license plates that allows vehicles to be personalized
 further.

Overview: SAN-supported legislation (S3181) has been introduced in New Jersey to allow the MVC to issue a newly-created classic license plate to be available for display on all vehicles, resembling the license plates issued between 1979-1991. The plates would cost an additional \$50 initially and a subsequent annual \$10 fee. The bills require a minimum of 500 interested applicants before the classic plates will be produced. The bill passed the Senate Transportation Committee and awaits consideration in the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Grant Simon, Legislative

Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance

The Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance was held Dec. 4 near at the TPC golf course near Tampa. It had been ~ 19 months since the last event (driven by COVID). There were several outstanding cars there, with the Best of Show award going to a 1930 L29 Cord. There did seem to be lots of empty spaces and the crowd was not at all large. Here are a few photos of cars at the event.





2021 Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance, near Tampa





"The Queen's Car". 1967 Rolls-Royce Phantom V used by Queen Elizabeth, Princess Grace, Romanian President, and others.



Ford made 15,007,073 Model T's. This one, built in 1909, was number 337



Prototype run into you. (from France)

<u>Indianapolis Motor Speedway.... Driverless Car Race</u> <u>update</u>

You may recall that June 2020, the Running Board had an article about a driverless car race to be held at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in October of 2021. More than 3 dozen universities from around the world were to compete in the "Indy Autonomous Challenge". The university teams were to develop the computer vision and artificial intelligence systems which would allow cars to race at high speeds. The race was to last only 20 laps (50 miles) with the requirement that it be completed in under 25 minutes which translated to an average speed of 120 mph. The teams were to be given Dallara IL-15 cars which would be retrofitted with hardware and controls to enable automation.



Well, it didn't quite happen that way....

There ended up being 9 teams from 21 universities participating. Apparently, there was not enough development time to achieve the head-to-head racing goal. As a result, the rules were changed to a time trial and obstacle avoidance contest. Each team was given two laps to warm up, and then timed for two laps during the qualifying round. Three teams crashed their cars, and two didn't make it out of the pits. Several were also reported to have crashed during a practice session. The top three teams went on to the finals, with four warm up laps and two timed laps.



The three finalist teams all exceeded 124 mph during the qualifying round. Straightaway speeds sometimes exceeded 150 mph. In the finals, a German team from Technische Universitat Muncheon (TUM) was victorious, with a winning two lap average speed of 135.944 mph. They received the \$1M Grand Prize.

It is currently unclear when (or if) there will be another "Indy Autonomous Challenge". There is an Autonomous Challenge event planned for January 7, 2022 at the Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

To learn more about this event, see the following...

https://mobilerobotguide.com/2021/10/25/tum-autonomous-motorsport-wins-the-indy-autonomous-challenge/

https://www.autoweek.com/racing/more-racing/a38069263/what-missed-indy-autonomous-challenge-main-event/

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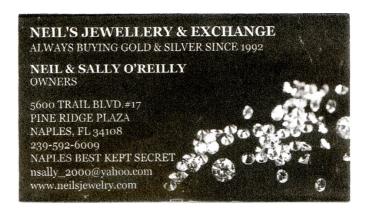
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