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Flathead V8 in Garland Pobletts '41 Mercury

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#### Open Positions...

<u>Running Board</u> Editor --Publish the official club monthly newsletter

<u>Secretary</u> – Handle official correspondence and minutes

Contact Ron Schlechtweg 239-571-5146 if interested.

#### **General Meeting:**

General club meetings are planned for October thru May. The timing and location for these meetings is yet to be determined. See inside for date and time for the July and August luncheon meetings. Others are TBD.

#### Contributors to this issue:

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#### Cover photo

A modified flathead V8 from Garland Pobletts '41 Mercury Coupe. Picture taken at Stock Plaza on June 28.



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## From the President

Lots of rain and 90 F+ here. Hope its cooled down a bit from recent weeks if you are up North. Enjoy the July 4 holiday wherever you are!

In June, we had a Saturday Luncheon meeting at the Wild Berry Café here in Naples. There were lots of positive comments about the food, menu, pricing and service. Consequently, it was decided that for the foreseeable future (at least thru the summer), we will continue to have our meetings there. Next luncheon is July 12 so stop by if you are in Naples. We have not renewed last year's agreement with St. Paul's Church to use their meeting room.

As is the norm for this time of year in Naples/Marco Island, the car club activities are greatly reduced. The cruise-ins noted on the activities page are still in place, but attendance is naturally down (maybe 20 cars at Stock Plaza on 6/28). Inside are just a few pictures.



We did not conduct any club business at our June luncheon so there are no minutes to report other than the decision on luncheons and meeting location. We still do not have a volunteer for our urgently needed Secretary position, so let me know if you are interested.

I have also not heard any feedback from using the revised e-mail distribution, but if you hear anything about someone missing their Running Board and other club communications, let me know. Also, you can expect to see most club communications coming from me rather than Keith Pershing (Island Automotive/Alyssa).

If you haven't checked out our new website (<a href="https://naplesmarcoaaca.org/">https://naplesmarcoaaca.org/</a>) please do so. Kurt Fenzan has done a great job on this. Feel free to provide us with any material or ideas for this. Also....as you'll see, this newsletter is very short, so if you have items to include, please send them to me

Take care- Ron

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Reminder.... Luncheon July 12, 12pm-2pm

Wild Berry Cafe 1100 Commercial Blvd., Unit 103 Naples, Fl

Lunch will be from the regular menu and we'll have separate checks. Contact Peter <u>priuspete@gmail.com</u> or 239-592-9814, if planning to attend so seating can be reserved.

### **Events**

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

**July 12...** Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon meeting 12pm-2pm at the Wild Berry Café, 100 Commercial Blvd., Unit 103, Naples. Regular menu and separate checks. Contact Peter <a href="mailto:priuspete@gmail.com">priuspete@gmail.com</a> if planning to attend.

**July 24-26...** AACA Grand Nationals, Dayton Ohio. The National Museum of the Air Force. See AACA.org for details.

**August 9...** Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon meeting 12pm-2pm at the Wild Berry Café, 100 Commercial Blvd., Unit 103, Naples. Regular menu and separate checks. Contact Peter <a href="mailto:priuspete@gmail.com">priuspete@gmail.com</a> if planning to attend..

#### Ongoing Events

**Every Saturday...** Cruise-ins at Stock Plaza by Cool Cruisers. 9am-12pm, 7711 Collier Blvd., Naples, and also at Marco Island Lutheran Church, 10am-12pm, 525 N. Collier Blvd. Hosted by Marco Island Corvette and Muscle Car Club.

**Second Sunday each month...** Angelic Bakery Cars & Coffee at Vanderbilt Shoppes, 8-10am. 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Rd www.vanderbiltcarsandcoffee.com/

**Third Sunday each month...** Cars and Coffee 239. 9-11am at Mercato, 9132 Strada Place, Naples. All makes welcome. See <a href="https://carsandcoffee239.com/">https://carsandcoffee239.com/</a> for details.

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## **History**

The October, 2000 issue of the Running Board contains an article from the President, Bob Vik. His title is REVing it up. That is a neat play on his initials. The club had started meeting for Saturday morning breakfast at Shoneys and Bob thanked Eldo Babb for making the arrangements. They hoped it would become a regular function of the club.

Edson Williams was planning a car tour in January and they were limiting it to 25 cars. Members were encouraged to sign up soon as there was a lot of interest. The trip was going to Lakeland and head out from there.

Finally, Bob Vik was asking members to consider taking a position as an officer in the club. He felt there might be members who wanted an office, but were not asked. Anyone can contact the President and get their name in the election. He also encouraged members to contact the board members if they have an activity, or program that could be shared at a meeting.

His final thought was: New ideas will keep our club growing.

The Chick he wed/Let out a Whoop/Felt his chin and/Flew the Coop....Burma Shave

Kathy Hollis, Historian

## From Stock Plaza, June 28



Cool Cruisers member Vince Raceina and his early 60's Studebaker Lark



Garland Pobletts '41 Mercury Coupe. See the engine photo on the cover.



Former member Cliff Harrington's '32 Ford



The owner had this VW van shipped to US from Brazil. Note the top headlight is not original to this van.