

NAPLES • MARCO ISLAND A.A.C.A.



**June 2026**



**A "Rubber Bumper" MGB owned by a British Car Club Member at Everglades City in April**

## From the President

Summer weather is upon us here in Naples/Marco island. Many of you are at your summer homes up north. If that is the case, you are missing the typical 90 F' temperatures and daily rain which we have this time of year. On the plus side, traffic is noticeably lighter, and restaurant lines are shorter, often non-existent.

As expected, there are fewer car show and club activities, but some still remain. There are two local Father's day events (Cars and Coffee) at Miramar and Mercato. The Saturday Stock Plaza event continues, albeit with fewer cars. See the Events page.

Our Naples-Marco AACA luncheon meetings continue thru the summer....only at different locations. Peter's note below discusses this in detail.

Last month, we mentioned that Ken Kaczka can help you if you are buying a GM product with a Friends and Family Discount. His note is repeated this month on page 4.

Have a great summer.

Ron



May 9 Luncheon at Perkins

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## *Summer Naples/Marco AACA Meeting Plans*

*For our Summer meetings, plans thus far include a June gathering at Wild Berry Cafe ( 1100 Commercial Blvd., Naples) at noon on June 13, our usual meeting date, and an August meeting is being organized by Jay Corrigan (details to be announced). This means July is still open if you wish to host (very difficult - it means making a reservation at your favorite lunch spot...). Please drop a note to Patrick at [arnpapa2@aol.com](mailto:arnpapa2@aol.com) if you plan to attend this month, so he can assure adequate seating. In May, we had to expand the table a couple of times!*

*We also hope to reinstate the Wednesday "Ice Cream Runs" this Summer. Please let me know if this is something you'd like to participate in. We will gather at a common location (the same each week) at 7 PM, and receive directions to a favorite spot for ice cream. The objective is to have a spot selected by a different member each week. Drive old if you have a suitable car, or drive modern - that's up to you. Participation is key, and this will go forward if there is sufficient interest. Let me know if you want to join - email: [priuspete@gmail.com](mailto:priuspete@gmail.com)*

Peter Blackford

*Remember.. June luncheon at the Wild Berry Café...June 13*

## Events

*If you want to see some unusual (for the US) cars, catch the June (Fathers' Day) feature at Mercato (June 21), where the featured cars will be Japanese models, never imported to this side of the pond when new. I plan to bring the Toyota Classic (inspired by the 1936 Chrysler Airflow).... 9-11 AM, free to show and attend - usually about 500 cars (Peter Blackford)*

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

**June 13...** Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon meeting, 12 noon at the Wild Berry Café, 1100 Commercial Blvd. Naples. Contact Patrick Parker, [arnpapa2@aol.com](mailto:arnpapa2@aol.com) 239-293-1376, if you plan to attend.

**June 21...** Cars and Coffee 239 at Mercato in 9132 Strada Place in Naples, Father's Day Edition 9-11am, Featuring Japanese/JDM cars. Complimentary beverages for dad. See <https://carsandcoffee239.com> for more

**June 21...** Cool Cruisers of SWFL Father's Day Show. 11am-2pm, Miramar Outlets, 10801 Corkscrew Rd, Estero, Florida

**July 11...** Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon Meeting. Location TBD

**August 8...** Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon Meeting. Location TBD

### Ongoing Events

**Every Saturday...** Cruise-in at Stock Plaza by Cool Cruisers. 9am-12pm, 7711 Collier Blvd.,

**Second Sunday each month...** Angelic Bakery Cars & Coffee at Vanderbilt Shoppes, 8-10am.

**Third Sunday each month...** Cars and Coffee 239. 9-11am at Mercato

**Second Sunday every month...** Hooters Naples. 11am-1pm, 3625 Gateway (near Perkins),

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## Naples-Marco AACA Meeting Minutes 5/09/26

Date May 9, 2026

Meeting called to order by & chaired by Peter Blackford

### Attendees

Patrick Parker, Bill Britton, Jay Corrigan, Scott Slye,, Adele Duba, Peter Blackford, Murrell Hollis, Sandy Blackford, Hank Schwietering, Kurt Fenzan, Sue Sammons

### Reports

It was proposed that the June, July & August meetings be a "Cook's Night out" on the 2<sup>nd</sup>

Saturday of each month. Please let the Board know your thoughts on the above. The members at the meeting thought this may be an alternative for the summer months.

The Wednesday evening ice cream runs were discussed for the summer months also. Any Comments, please let the Board know.

### Announcements

The Club officers are asking for any ideas that the members may have for future activities such as cars & coffee, Monthly drive in, venues such as Senior Living Communities, Schools, etc.

### Next Meeting

More to follow, watch your email for more information.

### Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by Peter Blackford and seconded by Jay Corrigan.

Minutes submitted by Adele Duba

## History

The May, 2000, issue of the Running Board contains an article by president, Bob Vik with a recap of the successes and problems of the March Depot Show. The total revenue was \$300 less than 1999, but expenses were \$600 more. Those expenses included 70 of the 140 cars entered received an award. Advertising and printed materials were more expensive. Another problem was that some of the Judges did not show up. They recruited some non-members to run the gates, so members could serve as judges. He felt that next year they would need to raise the car registration price to cover the cost of awards. The 2001 AACA Winter National Show was to be held on the club's March show date. Their show committee had determined that the show would be held on March 3, 2001.

*Within this vale\of toil and sin\Your head grows bald\But not your chin\Use Burma-Shave*

Kathy Hollis, Historian

## Buyng a new Car?



If any member of our AACA Naples -Marco group is in the market for a GM vehicle (Chevy, Cadillac, Buick or GMC), I am able to get a GM discount certificate for them. It was formerly called a supplier discount, now called friends and family discount. It is good for 6 months from date of issue for recipient only. The discount varies by vehicle and is in addition to any rebates being offered by GM. You can reach me at 716-200-2035 for information. I am allowed one certificate per month. GM dealers in this area are familiar with the discount.

Ken Kaczka

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**General Meeting:**

General club meetings are planned for October thru May. Normally, these will be luncheon meetings(12-2pm), on the second Saturday of each month (Perkins I-75 and Pine Ridge Rd.) Check monthly for latest on summer months.

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