



**Nov 2025**



**Mel Mann and his 1972 Corvette Stingray at 2025 Cars on 5<sup>th</sup>...an AACA Senior and NCRS Top Flight winner**



## From the President

Lots of people back in town now. There are lots of things beginning to happen with the club, and soon the holidays will be here. The Events page is full as you'll see.

There are some special items that require your attention. They are discussed in inside but here is a snapshot.

Membership. Jay Corrigan reminds us it's time to renew your membership, both local and national. Forms are inside. We want to wrap this up by Jan 31.

Welcome back meeting/event. It's noon, Saturday Nov. 8 at Perkins. Bring your cars. Peter has promised surprises so you don't want to miss this. See Peter's note inside and let him know you are coming.



March 21 AACA Car Show. Scott Slye is now having regular meetings of his Show Committee Wednesdays at 10 am in Peter's garage. There are Lots of items to consider and we need volunteers. One assignment...if you are going to the Rookery Bay Car Show on Nov. 15, let him know. [caddyallante89@gmail.com/](mailto:caddyallante89@gmail.com)

Cars on 5<sup>th</sup>. You have probably seen the recent messages about AACA participation in the 2026 Cars on Fifth. We now have our six spots filled. If you'd like to add your car, let me know as there is a chance we could get more spots.

Mercato Dec, 20. Another way to get exposure for our cars, club, and show is at Mercato. Our club is featured in December. There's a note inside from Peter on this.

See the Events page for a listing of other upcoming events.

Take care- Ron

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***Reminder.... Luncheon meeting /Welcome Back Event November 8, 12pm-2pm***

***Perkins Restaurant***

***3585 Gateway Ln, Naples (Pine Ridge Rd., just west of I-75).  
Naples, Fl***

***Contact Peter [priuspete@gmail.com](mailto:priuspete@gmail.com) or 239-592-9814, if planning to attend***

# Events

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

**Nov. 8...** Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon meeting 12pm-2pm Perkins Restaurant, 3585 Gateway Ln, Naples (Pine Ridge Rd., just west of I-75). **Special "Welcome Back" meeting.** *Bring your cars.* Contact Peter [priuspete@gmail.com](mailto:priuspete@gmail.com) or 239-592-9814, if planning to attend.

**Nov. 15...** 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Rookery Bay Classic Car Show. 9am-2pm. At Florida SouthWestern State College, 7505 Grand Lely Drive, Naples. Over 100 cars, \$30 advance registration, \$40 day of show. \$10 adult admission, age 4-12 \$5. See <https://rookerybay.org/events/classic-car-show/>

**Nov. 16...** British cars at Mercato Cars and Coffee 239. 9-11am, 9132 Strada Place, Naples. British Car Club cars will be featured on the main circle.

**Dec. 13...** Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon meeting 12pm-2pm Perkins Restaurant, 3585 Gateway Ln, Naples (Pine Ridge Rd., just west of I-75).

**Dec. 20...** Mercato Cars and Coffee 239. 9-11am, 9132 Strada Place, Naples. AACA cars will be featured on the main circle. Contact Peter for questions 239-592-9814

**Jan. TBD...** AACA Holiday Party. Details forthcoming

**Jan. 17...** San Marco Knights of Columbus Car Show. 9am-2pm. 851 San Marco Rd., Marco Island. \$25 registration, \$10 spectator. Questions call Tom at 603-502-8396.

**Jan. 31...** 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Car & Truck show hosted by West Coast muscle Car Club, 9am-3pm located at North Collier Regional Park (15000 Livingston Rd, Naples). For more information or to register, visit [www.westcoastmuscleclub.com](http://www.westcoastmuscleclub.com).

**Feb. 7...** Cars on Fifth. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Naples. 10am-4pm. At least 6 AACA cars present. Benefits Habitat for Humanity. See <https://www.carsonfifth.com/> for more

**Feb. 14...** Naples-Marco AACA Luncheon meeting 12pm-2pm Perkins Restaurant, 3585 Gateway Ln, Naples (Pine Ridge Rd., just west of I-75).

**Feb. 21...** Marco Kiwanis Carshow. 10am-3pm Veterans Park, Marco Island, \$25 per car, \$10 admission. See <https://marcokiwanis.com/marco-island-kiwanis-car-show/> for more.

**Feb 20-23...** 1000 Miglia Experience Florida. Will start in Naples and travel throughout Florida as part of a time/distance rally. Features 100 cars from Miglia era, Classics, supercars, etc.. See <https://1000migliaexperienceflorida.us/> for more info.

**March 21...** Naples-Marco AACA Car show. North Naples Church, 6000 Goodlette-Frank Rd. Lots more info to follow

## 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/](http://www.vanderbiltcarsandcoffee.com/)

**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.

**Sept. 14 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday every month...** Hooters Naples. 11am-1pm, 3625 Gateway (near Perkins), Includes photographer and Hooter's Girls. 20% of food and beverage sales to charity.

## Welcome Back Event Nov. 8....More info

Well, most specifically our AACA members. The rest of them are just making traffic problems... We are declaring our meeting on 8 November as the official "Welcome Back" event and pop-up **car show**.

So, get that old car out for some exercise and enjoy the day . Maybe a surprise or two as well. Plan to arrive 11+ and park at the shady back of the lot for some tire-kicking, meander into the dining room by noon.

Please let me know if you have any questions, and advise number of seats for lunch. See you on Saturday the 8th.

Peter. [priuspete@gmail.com](mailto:priuspete@gmail.com)

## Mercato Cars and Coffee Dec. 20....More Info

As we have done for several years, AACA has been invited as the "featured club" at [carsandcoffee239.com](https://carsandcoffee239.com) for the month of December.

This means that we may organize selected cars to populate the circle and promote membership to several thousand guests at this monthly event.

There is no cost involved, although donations to the featured charity (different each month) are encouraged.

If you want to be included, please let me know since the circle only accommodates up to ten cars. The event wraps up at 11 AM, and featured cars are asked to arrive by 8:00 .

All members are welcome to attend, but to be included in the featured display we need to build the list as soon as possible.

Peter. [priuspete@gmail.com](mailto:priuspete@gmail.com)



**AACA at Mercato 2024**

## October 2025 Regular meeting Minutes

**DATE** October, 11 2025

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**TIME** 10:30 am

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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY** Ron Schlechtweg

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### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Ron Schlechtweg, Peter Blackford, Patrick Parker, Bill Britton, Jay Corrigan, Scott Slye  
Additional Attendee list available upon request.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the prior meeting were approved.

### **BOARD**

Adele Duba was nominated as the new secretary. A motion to elect Adele was made Ron Schlechtweg and seconded by Peter Blackford. All present voted in favor, and Adele was confirmed as the new secretary.

### **REPORTS**

President Ron Schlechtweg presented his report.

New business.

- Membership plans for 2026
- Patrick Parker updated the bank account balance is currently and the organization is solvent. Membership dues are due by December 31, 2025. A reminder will be sent out. Please note the current number of members is 72. An estimated budget was presented for 2026 which is currently under review.
- Distribution of four AACA membership certificates to be finalized at the next meeting any suggestions will gladly be taken under consideration.
- A discussion was had concerning the need to update the current bylaws. This will be an ongoing conversation.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Date, time and venue for the welcome back party, holiday party, along with additional social events such as tours are under consideration and announcement will be forth coming.

### **NEXT MEETING**

November 8<sup>th</sup> 2025 at the Perkins on Pine Ridge Road.

### **Adjournment**

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

**SUBMITTED BY ADELE DUBA, OCTOBER 2025**

## History

Continuing the Naples-Marco AACA mini-tour from 2007.

The Saturday morning of the trip, the group headed for the Gamble Plantation State Historic Site in Ellenton, Florida. The tour of the plantation included the ten room mansion, built in the 1800s for Major Robert Gamble to oversee his 3,500 acre sugar plantation. The group then went to Bradenton for lunch and toured the South Florida Museum (dinosaur exhibits), Bishop Planetarium (movies about the stars), and the Parker Manatee Aquarium (a 58 year old manatee named "Snooty"). There was also a large exhibit about the many baseball teams who call Florida home for Spring Training. That afternoon and evening was spent back at St. Armand's Square, for shopping and supper.

Sunday morning was rainy, windy and not at all weather for a car show. The members had a late breakfast and some headed home. By late morning the weather began to clear and the rest of the members headed for the Kaiser-Devereaux Collector Car Show. The weather became warm and even sunny at times so those attending the show had a nice time looking at the cars and visiting with the people.



**Our cars at the Gamble Plantation**



**Gamble Plantation Home**

*If you think/She likes your bristles/Walk barefooted/Through some thistles..... Burma Shave*

Kathy Hollis, Historian

## AACA Membership

It's time to renew your Naples-Marco Region Membership and also your AACA National membership. The national membership forms, both new and renewal, can be found at the AACA National Website (<https://aaca.org/#>). The Naples-Marco membership form is included here. The cost for the 2026 Naples-Marco membership remains \$20.

Note that we are required to submit our official club roster to AACA national by January 31 of 2026 so submitting early will make our task easier. Your completed form (including national membership number) is required. Also, your listing of your AACA cars in Florida is requested.

Please contact Jay Corrigan with any questions. (609-287-9268).



We Welcome You!

2026 Application For Membership Naples-Marco Region Of **AACA**

ALL RENEWALS DUE BEFORE  
DECEMBER 31st.



**Membership Number in the  
Antique Automobile Club of  
America is REQUIRED for  
New Members and all  
Renewals\***



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse or Partner \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

If Snowbird, SW FL Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Ph (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FL Ph (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Ph (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ What months in FL? \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Important as most club notices are emailed

AACA cars in FL that are in driving condition \_\_\_\_\_

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**AACA Member Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Naples-Marco Region dues are \$20.

Please Make Check Payable To: **Naples-Marco Region AACA**

Mail to: **Jay Corrigan, AACA Membership Chairman  
1781 Siena Lakes Circle, Unit 2312  
Naples, FL 34109**

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## Running Board



### **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.

### **Internet**

<https://www.naplesmarcoaaca.org>

### **Directory**

#### **Officers (2024):**

President: Ron Schlechtweg	239-571-5146
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