



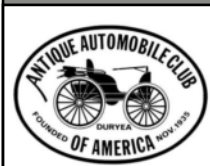
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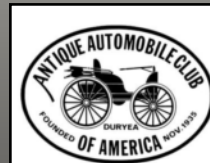
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Presidents Message July 2025

I want to bring everyone up to date on some items discussed at the June Board meeting. The Board has approved that chicken will be provided for the 4th of July Picnic in Ely. The decision was also made to provide meat for the Lawn Party.

Other items discussed involved the moving of the one thousand scholarship money from the Kirkwood Automotive Program to the Kirkwood Auto Collision Program. This decision was made to spread the wealth and we felt being a part of the Auto Collision Program would allow our club members tours into this program and perhaps enlightened us on new painting techniques, new materials and why it cost so much to paint my 72 Chevelle (just joking).

I'm in the process of setting up a meeting with Jennifer at Hawkeye Downs to find out what changes we will be facing with our new contract; one item we are discussing is the return of the Car Corral which would be located next to the Tech barn in the area right before you turn to enter the race track.

We will also need to be aware of any physical changes Hawkeye Downs may have planed that we are not aware of.

With so many activities going on in July and August I'm looking at the calendar to set up our first 2026 Swap Meet Meeting at the Hiawatha Library in the near future. With that said, please review the list of great events for July and August in the Motor Reader.

Finally, I will be at the July meeting and July Board Meeting. **But** I will miss the **August** Meeting because Kathi and I will be in Okoboji and Spirit Lake following Neil's tour map and seeing Kathi's family and friends.

V.P. Loren Huffaker will be conducting the August Meeting.

Parting thought: I would like to see some tech topics at our meetings. Little things like, did you know or have you ever tried this or tips on trailering a car or a motorcycle. Another idea would be to sit down with someone you've seen at meetings but you really don't know them. You might be surprised as to what you find out!

Stay COOL and enjoy your summer!

Jack

JON'S CORNER

1. Where were Weed Chains manufactured?
2. In what year was the Liberty Brush produced?
3. Who designed the 400 A Model A Ford?

Answers on page 5

June 9th 2025 CEDAR RAPIDS REGION AACA MEETING

The June meeting was held at the Hiawatha Community Center

Meeting called to order by President Jack Harville. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

VISITORS: Merritt one of our Kirkwood Scholarship recipients. He has a beautifully restored antique pickup.

BIRTHDAYS: Steve Brown and Frank Reynolds

ANNIVERSARIES: Dan & Judy Ortz, Steve & Anne Brown, Harry & Jane Hawley, and Michelle & Alfredo Ricardo.

ILLNESSES: Frank Reynolds was in the hospital 2 days and they will not let him drive. He said they haven't found out what caused him to be sick and in the hospital.

DEATHS: Wanda Hucker a past CRRAACA member

NEW MEMBERS: Kyle Askam and Merritt Smith.

SECRETARIES REPORT: Motion to approve the May 12th minutes as printed in the Moto Meter was moved by Sue Melvin and 2nd by Joan Auterman.

TREASURERS REPORT: Report read by Sylvia Copler. Motion to approve was made by Dan Ortz and 2nd by Aaron Franck.

TOURS AND ACTIVITIES: Sharon read a Thank you from Daryl & Pat Sanford for the wonderful Twin Rivers trip that Neil planned and set up. John Williams and others that were on the tour told of the many things they saw and encouraged everyone to take the trip next year. We saw Dan Protectors collection and he sounds like he might join our club. He has come to our meeting before when he was in the area.

SWAP MEET: Sylvia reported that we had 184 vendors, & 1130 patrons. Jack thanked everyone for their helping to make the day a success. We have some things we need to work on but most of the day went quite well. Jack especially thanked Aaron and Kyle for their tireless advertising, getting the flyers designed printed and paid for by advertisers. Also for passing out so many of the 2500 flyers at Swap Meets and shows they attended. We had a short timeline for letting vendors and people know that we were back at Hawkeye Downs and in the Spring. Jack also thanked Sharon for the Quilt. It was brought to a vote by the members if they wanted to have another Swap meet on May 16th 2026 and it was approved. Jack asked the members if anyone would take over the leadership of the meet and no one volunteered. Jack said he would head the group again next year. Aaron said he would like the flyers ready by September so they could start taking them to fall Swap Meets.

OTHER: Aaron reported that Boneshaker (one of our Swap Meet vendors) is having a shutdown event at Hawkeye Downs on September 28th - Vintage Drags are from Noon to 5 PM and the Car Show is from 10 AM to 5 PM. Admittance is \$5.00.

REMINDER: THE NEXT MEETING IS JULY 7th (THE 1st MONDAY) INSTEAD OF THE 2nd MONDAY.

BUY SELL & TRADE: Was conducted by Clyde Melvin

Motion to adjourn made by Sherry Melvin and 2nd by Rich Mishler

Treats were provided by Darrell & Pat Sanford

Please have your articles to Sylvia by the 10th for the Moto Meter

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schminke Secretary

Motor Car Man Adventures #5

Hi Again To All Ole Car Nuts! It's finally time to finish the '11 T tale. As I told you the reason I needed to go to London was to straighten out the VAT tax so the T could stay in the UK if I sold it to a local! I was staying with a friend in London who was able to find out where I needed to go. I called them & was told that I would need to bring the car to their site so they could decide what to do. It was only a few miles away so I jumped in the T and headed over. I still had no lights on the rear so driving was a major adventure, but the wonderful locals helped me out & I got to the official site OK. That's when the fun started because the VAT tax is determined by an appraisal of the car as it appears to them. I had a bill of sale for what I paid but that was before I did a complete mechanical restoration and it looked so nice that they said it was worth much more than the BOS reflected. That meant that the tax that I would have to pay to make the gov happy was much higher than I liked! I asked what recourse I had & was told that I could go to the main office in downtown London & speak with one of the main agents.

Bright & early the next day I was on the way to their office. I was given a young new officer who listened to my story about bringing the T to the UK for a family vacation & how I would like to sell it to pay for our holiday. I told him that I had checked with the VAT folks the last time I was in the country and understood that the value would be accepted from a Bill of Sale if it was not over 2 years old. He was really just a kid himself and was glad I was willing to leave such a nice early car in the UK. In the end he agreed to accept the BOS price & gave me the paperwork to take back to the folks at the station to finalize the process! The next day I drove back & met with one of the officials. Let me tell you he was not

A Happy Camper! He said that they had no right to change his appraisal especially since they hadn't seen the T but he'd show them who was in charge! He got real friendly and said is that old clunker leaking oil on their nice parking lot? I apologized & said it was a typical T and always marked its spot. He then asked how I started it with only a crank & I said that was the only way I could get it going! Next he asked about weather protection because they have so much rain. After some more questions like that he said my old car was lacking in so many areas that it could not even be worth what the BOS said & that I must have overpaid when I bought it!! He gave me the new paperwork & said to take it back to the main office where I could pay the greatly reduced VAT tax to show them He was in charge not them! I was so Happy I could have shouted my Glee to the roof tops!!!! What a great Old Car Adventure!

Thanks For Listening!! John L Williams

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

2025 CEDAR RAPIDS REGIONAL CALENDAR

Upcoming Events July 2025

July 4th Picnic at Ely Schulte Park-social at 3:00 & eat at 4:00 pm. Bring 1 dish per person, table service, & drinks. The club will provide the chicken.

July 7th AACA Club Meeting at 7pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha. **Note meeting this month is the first Monday not the second!**

July 12th Mt. Vernon Heritage Days Car Show from 10am-3pm on 1st St SE. No reg. fee

July 17th Youngville Lunch at 11:30 am. Either meet at Fareway at 4220 16th Avenue SW/CR at 11:00 am to caravan to Youngville or meet at Youngville at 11:30 am.

July 19th Car Show at Bass Farms at 840 Bass Lane/Mt. Vernon from 10 am - 2 pm

July 21st Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

July 23rd Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at Whiskey River-2882 Palo Marsh Road/Palo

Upcoming Events August 2025

Aug. 10th Lawn Party at Neil Rohlena's. Meet at 3pm - eat at 5pm. Bring 1 dish per person, table service, drinks, & lawn chairs. Club will provide the meat.

Aug. 11th AACA Club Meeting at 7pm at Hiawatha Community Center-101 Emmons St in Hiawatha.

Aug. 16th -17th Annual Cabbage Head Car Show at Lisbon Sauerkraut Days on East Main St from 11-4. No judging-no trophies.

Aug. 18th Board Meeting at 6 pm at Perkins on Collins Rd/CR

Aug. 20th Friendship Luncheon at 11:30 at The Ox Yoke in Amana

Aug. 30th Hot Rods in the Park at Ellis Park from 8am-3pm. Registration 8-11:30 . \$15 entry fee

JOKE OF THE MONTH

A woman calls an import parts warehouse & asks for a 28 ounce water pump. "A what?" says a confused parts guy. "My husband left a note that said he needed a 28 ounce pump." "A 28 ounce water pump? What kind of car does it fit?" "A Datsun" she says. As the parts guy writes down Datsun 28 oz water pump a light in his head goes on. "Oh yes ma'am we've got a 28 ounce pump." "Finally" she says, "You're the first place I've called that knew what I was talking about."

The parts man wrote down that she ordered a Datsun 280Z water pump.

LIFE'S TOO SHORT TO DRIVE BORING CARS



Jon's Corner Answers

1. The Weed Chain Tire Grip Company was located in New York City.
2. The Liberty Brush was produced in 1912.
3. Edsel Ford designed the 400 A Model A Ford in 1931.

TREAT SCHEDULE

July - Barb Waterhouse
Aug. - Joan Auterman
Sept. - Dan & Judy Ortz
Oct. - Steve/Anne Brown & Al/Marlene Meeker
Nov. - Clyde, Sue, & Sherry Melvin

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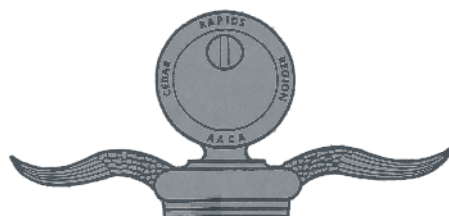
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Okoboji Classic Cars mural



Truck Museum in Sanborn



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