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Sunshine Region AACA Newsletter

Veterans Day Parade
~AACA Sunshine Region~



Veterans Day Parade (Sarasota, FL): Nov 11, 2019

Sunshine Region AACA members were on hand for the annual Veterans Day Parade held in downtown Sarasota. Several hundred people participated including students from the Sarasota Military Academy and other local schools representing their JROTC programs. Marching bands & drum corps added to the excitement. Most spectators were on their feet cheering & clapping as the various groups passed.

There were dozens of vehicles decorated in Stars & Stripes. Seven of our members brought out their classics to provide rides for Vets who had limited mobility. It was a great day to say "Thank You" to all who have served and to show our pride in the USA.

~~~Jimmy Mayne

On the Cover (LtoR): Roy Smith, Linda Langenegger, Frank Bowles, Scott Langenegger, Ed Smith, John Anderson.



"Kermit" in Service



Veteran Santa



1929 Franklin



1925 Dodge



1948 Willys CJ2A



1932 Chevy



"19th Amendment"



Lady Veterans



Joan Bowles



Connie & Jimmy Mayne

## Henry Joy Packard Tour: Nov 5-8, 2019

*(Continued on Pg 5)*

It was an uneventful trip to Tallahassee on November 4, 2019 for the two ladies. Upon arrival they checked into their two room suite for the 12th Henry Joy Packard Tour. However, this was the first Joy Tour for Jacki Kaiser, a member of the Florida Packard Club, and her guest, Linda Langenegger. The Tour was named in honor of Henry Bourne Joy (1864-1926), President of the Packard Motor Car Company who was also successful in getting the Lincoln Highway project completed, and was responsible for the development of the Liberty Motor airplane engine.

Day one of the tour found Jacki riding in the back seat of 1933 blue Packard sedan while Linda was navigator in a 1924 red and black Packard roadster. The group of 68 participants, riding in 25 Packards, visited St. Mark's lighthouse and enjoyed a sightseeing boat ride at Wakulla Springs.

On Tuesday the ladies rode in a 1934 green Packard club sedan. The day included an excellent tour of the Pebble Hill Plantation in Thomasville, Georgia, where all the furnishings were original and left behind by the family for posterity to enjoy! The day also included a visit to the Thomasville History Museum.

Wednesday found the ladies riding in an open car. Yes, the top was down! The weather was perfect for it, and the view of Tallahassee's famous canopy roads and blue skies was beautiful and relaxing from the back seat of a yellow and tan Packard sedan. What a gorgeous ride! There was a stop at Bradley's country Store with wonderful homemade sausage samples, a



Linda Langenegger with Russ Boyle & his 1924 Packard Roadster



O'Steen Collection

visit to the pristine O'Steen car collection and a tour of Mission San Luis in the heart of Tallahassee.

Thursday and Friday the ladies again rode in the back seat of that 1924 green sedan. Thursday the tour



Jacki Kaiser & 1932 Auburn Boat Tail Speedster



Pebble Hill Plantation Home

*(Continued from Pg 4)* returned to south Georgia and the Hadden Car Museum & memorabilia collection in Cairo. That evening the group, back in Florida, enjoyed a catered dinner at the Monticello Opera House. Then they all viewed the final dress rehearsal of "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" with an outstanding group of actors! It was a "standing ovation" performance! Friday included a visit to Tall Timbers Research Station where controlled burning is taught as a way to protect wildlife, especially the quail population. Everyone then returned to the hotel to prepare for the closing catered banquet in the Tucker Ballroom of the Tallahassee Auto Museum. The museum contains exceedingly more than just automobiles. Collections galore abounded, and it was most enjoyable! The evening ended with awards for the Packard driven the furthest,

the Packard trailed the furthest, and the trophy for the best "Hard Luck" story. What a fun ending to a glorious week of touring!

~~~Linda Langeneger



Studebakers at Cairo
Antique Auto Museum



More Packards



Monarchs



1928 Packard

Calendar of Events

****Sun, Dec 1, 5:30PM: Suncoast British Car Club & AACA Sunshine Region Holiday Dinner Dance**
Venetian Golf & River Club, 502 Veneto Blvd, Nokomis, FL 34275 (*Gents - Coat & Tie*) \$35/person

Sat, Dec 7, 7PM: 24th Annual Sarasota Holiday Parade
Along Main St from Washington Blvd to Gulfstream Ave

Sat, Dec 14, 6PM: Sarasota Boat Parade of Lights
From City Island past Centennial Park & Bayfront Park

****Wed, Dec 18, 5:30PM: Membership Meeting & \$5 Gift Exchange**, Firehouse #2, 2070 Waldemere St, Sarasota, 34239 (no meal, just the usual snacks)

Thr-Sun, Jan 2-12, 2020: Mecum Auction
Gates Open 7:30AM, Osceola Heritage Park
1875 Silver Spur Lane, Kissimmee, FL 34744

Fri-Sat, Feb 21-22, 2020: Carlisle Winter FL Autofest
8AM-5-PM Lakeland Linder Airport
4175 Medulla Rd, Lakeland, FL 33811

Sun, Mar 29, 2020: AACA Venice Region Show
7AM-3PM, Centennial Park, Downtown Venice FL

****Sun, Apr 19, 2020, 10AM-3PM: 51st Annual Devereaux - Kaiser**, Sarasota County Fairgrounds

****Every Monday, 11:30AM: Lunch at Papa Nick's**
4940 Fruitville Rd, Sarasota, FL 34232 (in Shopping Plaza) Questions? Call Gene Cohen (941) 587-4311

**AACA Sunshine Region Events

AACA National Meets & Tours

Feb 6-8 • Annual Convention • Philadelphia, PA
Feb 27-29 • Winter Nationals • Miami, FL

Florida Packard Fall Meet (Sarasota, FL): Nov 17, 2019 *(Continued on Pg 7)*

Members of the Florida Packard Club & others gathered in here for the Fall Packard Meet held annually the third weekend of November. The event, started in 1992 by the late Tom Kaiser, brings Packard aficionados from all over the state. The venue, known as "Wits End" is the home of Jacki Kaiser". In addition to the Kaiser home & out buildings, the location offers an expansive grassy area dotted with live Oak trees, which is the perfect setting for displaying the classics. As always, several "Brand X" classics show up for the festivities as well. Of course, Packards only are displayed in their own special parking area.

~~~Jimmy Mayne (Photos: Malaney, Mayne, & Swanton)



Jacki Kaiser



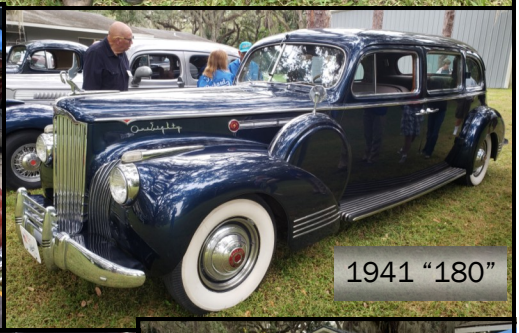
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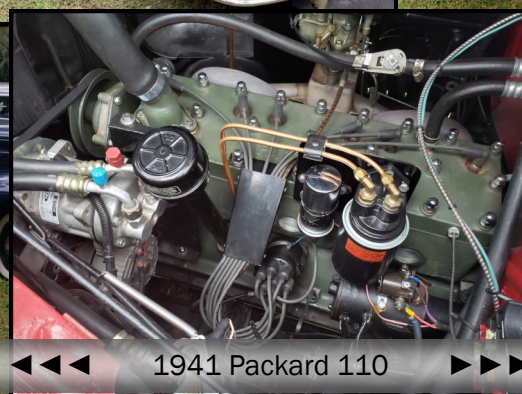
The Cohens



◀ 1949 "8" ▶



1941 "180"



◀◀◀ 1941 Packard 110 ▶▶▶



*(Continued from Pg 6)*



1954 Sedan



1954 Convertible



1939 "110"



1937 "115C"



1922 "224"  
Sport

Brand "X"s Welcomed  
(parked outside the Packard show area)



### Sunset-Carlisle Auction (Sarasota, FL): Nov 8-9, 2019



Jack Knuese \*\* Bill Swanton \*\* Gene Cohen



1978 Chrysler New Yorker

Several Sunshine Region members were spotted at this two day event during which over 400 cars crossed the blocks. Included were three cars from our membership: Bob ZuHone's 1978 Chrysler and Jack Wentz' 1946 Ford & 1952 Hudson.

Bob's car sold, Jack's did not. Although I did not keep an actual tally, it seemed that the vast majority of vehicles, particularly those at the high end, did not meet their "Reserve". The following week when I visited a local dealership, I spotted three of the "No Sale" cars on the lot. It was no surprise that they were placed there on consignment.

I received a message from Bill Swanton stating that he found four of the "Sold" vehicles on a dealer's website in Lakeland, FL, marked up considerably higher from their auction purchase price. Apparently, a number of dealers were active participants, both as Buyers & Sellers. This just goes to show that there were some real bargains to be had. The six vehicles shown below did not sell. Let's hope that the Carlisle group comes back to Sarasota next year.



1946 Ford Convertible

1952 Hudson Hornet 2-Dr

~~~Jimmy Mayne



1961 VW 23 Window



1954 Corvette



1963 Corvair Spyder



1957 Corvette



1941 Buick



1929 Ford "A" Phaeton

December President's Message

Greetings Tourists,

It is difficult to believe the holiday season is almost upon us. Where did 2019 go? I want to know who was supposed to be watching it.

The 2019 Veterans Day parade downtown was terrific. The Sunshine Region brought seven vehicles to provide rides for veterans who could not walk the entire route. Representing Santa, standing & waving all the way, was a WWII veteran 102 years old who rode with Anthony Piazza in his Thunderbird convertible .

This year the festivities featured women in the military. One of my passengers was an 84 year old retired Air Force Colonel, Mary Bale. What a blast it was to have her in the car. The parade was over an hour long with a great turnout of people lining the route.

Sad news, we recently discovered the passing of our friend Roy Hess. He passed in the late summer. Our condolences to Wendy Cartier.

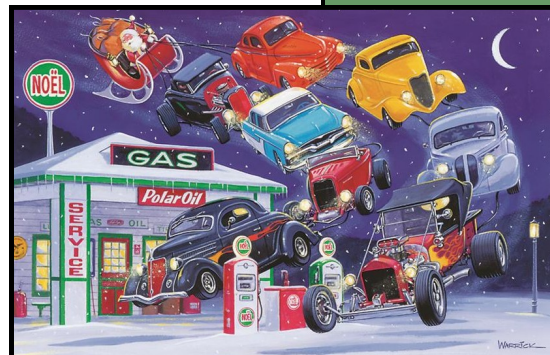
I am looking forward to our Holiday Dinner Dance, and I hope that everyone has an enjoyable evening.

Best wishes for the holiday season to all.

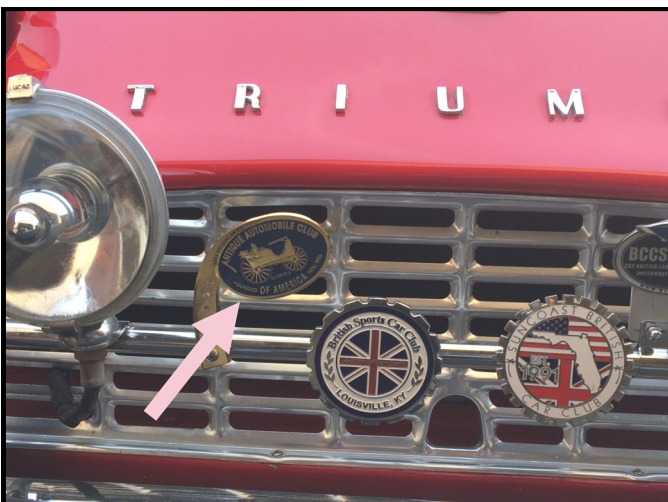
See you on the road, ~~~Bob



Mark Spears stands helplessly beside his 1964 Buick Wildcat (out of gas!!) flagging down Bob ZuHone who just happened to be passing by. Seems that Mark was having a bit of **"Hard Luck"** caught on camera.



Barbara Brown tripping around in Bob ZuHone's 1949 Plymouth just like the one she drove in High School.



Bruce Skaggs submitted this photo of his 1962 Triumph TR3 sporting its new AACA Mileage Award badge.



1915 Saxon Restoration in Maine



Jeryl Schriever is driving the 1915 Saxon, replica of the car driven by Alice Burke & Nell Richardson in a circumnavigation of the USA in 1916, making the argument for universal suffrage. The car will be on display at the Seal Cove Automobile Museum on Mount Desert Island, Maine, for the next two years. The four cylinder Saxon was recreated this summer by Jeryl Schriever & I at our home in Castine, Maine, from parts found in a Connecticut basement several years ago.

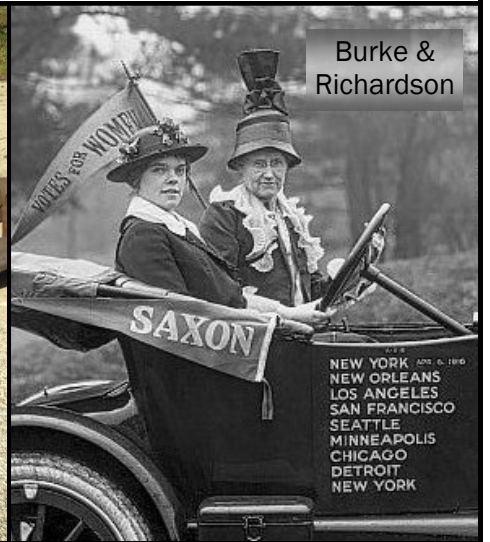
~~~Alex Huppé



Original Find



Project Beginning



Burke & Richardson

### Editor Comments

If you haven't already done so, it's time to get into the spirit of the season. Decorate the home, turn on the pool heater, fill up the bird feeders, and give a warm welcome to our Snowbird members as they dwindle in from the frozen North!

This is also a time to give special consideration to folks less fortunate than the rest of us. Holidays are often more difficult for people who are all alone. Please be especially generous to your favorite charities. Not only will you be doing good for others, you will find that it will make you feel better about yourself.

On a personal note, I want to say "Thank You" to everyone for your thoughts & prayers related to my recent cochlear implant surgery. It has been five weeks since the operation. The device was activated 11-Nov, and I am very excited about the progress made to date.

However, it will take a few more weeks for my brain to adapt. So fair warning, I am not yet "Normal", but then again, I suppose I never have been.

Regarding our Newsletter, it is really great to see more members submitting photos & articles. As always, I welcome suggestions for ways to improve .

I currently need help in two areas:

1. My stock of old photos is getting very low. More are required if you wish to continue "Mystery Photo".
2. I need a "Chief Assistant" to help assure sufficient flow of monthly content. I'm asking for a volunteer.

Let me end by wishing all of you & yours a safe, happy, & healthy Holiday Season.

~~~Jimmy Mayne  
maynejc@gmail.com



December Mystery Photo

Can you identify the Club Member & Vehicle in this photo taken in in the Fall of 1971? Answer will be published in next month's Stutter 'n Sputter.



November Photo

Bill Swanton (age 14 or 15) working on his uncle's 1966 Dodge Charger.

One of the greatest discoveries a man makes, one of his great surprises, is to find he can do what he was afraid he couldn't do.
 ~~~Henry Ford

## Welcome New Members

Sharon & Michael Tobias

He is a Fire Department retiree and noticed our connection during an internet search. They have a 1952 Chevy 3100 PU Resto-Mod.

## Birthdays



|                   |        |
|-------------------|--------|
| Kimberly QUINTENZ | 04-Dec |
| Brian PHARES      | 06-Dec |
| Gael ANDERSON     | 10-Dec |
| Debbie WILSON     | 10-Dec |
| Al EVANGELISTA    | 14-Dec |
| Richard BROWN     | 16-Dec |
| Bruce SKAGGS      | 19-Dec |
| Scott LANGENEGER  | 19-Dec |
| Bob ZUHONE        | 22-Dec |
| Jan SANTORO       | 30-Dec |
| Frank BOWLES      | 30-Dec |
| Michelle EDWARDS  | 12-Jan |
| Bill SWANTON      | 17-Jan |
| Phil DICARLO      | 22-Jan |
| Marge HALL        | 31-Jan |

## 2020 Sunshine Region Annual Membership Dues

**\$25 Due by January 1, 2020**

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 Birthday (DD/MM)  
 Anniversary (DD/MM/YYYY)

## Anniversaries



|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Linda & Steven HALL  | 02-Dec-1978 |
| Belle & Bill SWANTON | 24-Dec-1977 |
| Debbie & Jim WILSON  | 28-Dec-1985 |
| Sharon & Donald LYON | 12-Jan-1957 |
| Robin & Brian PHARES | 19-Jan-2016 |

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