

Triangle Chapter Newsletter



Car of the Month

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1. Corona Virus Impacts on AACA and Triangle Events

By Denny Oestreich

Our daily activities are being impacted by the Covid-19 watch. Travel, churches, schools and many other public gatherings are being cancelled out of the certainty that this virus can spread rapidly in gatherings of people. We have all been notified of cancellations that affect our lives. Yet many of us have not been affected by personal encounters with the virus. Below are some AACA impacts and notifications which I have heard. More events are being added daily as the guidelines for distancing are extended. We will notify you of changes. Please be safe and careful.

Triangle Chapter Event Cancellations.

- A. March 19 Triangle Chapter Meeting was cancelled.

- B. March 28 Dream Machine tour was cancelled.
- C. April 16, Triangle Chapter meeting is cancelled
- D. April 18, Four Oaks Take a-Par-T Demonstration is cancelled
- E. April 25 Wake Forest Garden Club Car Show April 25 is cancelled
- F. May 2 Triangle Chapter Car show at Brier Creek is cancelled

NC Region Impacts:

- A. Old Salem Chapter Benefit Car, Truck, and Motorcycle Show April 26 CANCELLED!
- B. Triangle Chapter Show May 2, 2020 has been CANCELLED.
- C. NC Region Show at New Bern, NC May 9, 2020 has been CANCELLED.
- D. San-Lee Chapter Show at Sanford, NC June 6, 2020 has been CANCELLED.

AACA National Events Changes and Cancellations

- A. 2020 Autofair Swap Meet and AACA Southeastern Nationals car show scheduled for April 2-5 has been postponed until June 12-14, 2020.
The new deadline for the Southeastern Spring Nationals registration in Charlotte is May 15th. Reminder again that the new show date is June 13th.
- B. The Western Spring Nationals in Show Low, AZ (Phoenix Region) scheduled April 23-25 are Postponed. A new date has not been announced.
- C. 2020 Founder Tour in Show Low, AZ (Phoenix Region) scheduled April 26-May-1 is postponed. A new date has not been announced.
- D. The Central Spring Nationals in Auburn, IN scheduled May 7-8 has been Cancelled.
- E. Eastern Divisional Tour, Maryland, Rescheduled from May 13-16 to August 12-15.

2. Next Triangle Chapter Events

Here are the upcoming Triangle Chapter activities which are still planned. Be sure to watch for further announcements for each of these activities as the quarantine extensions may require cancellations.

EVENT #1

What: Triangle Chapter May monthly meeting.

When: Thursday evening, May 21, 2020.

Where: Golden Corral at 6129 Glenwood Avenue, Raleigh, NC

New Times: We have new times adjusted to make our meetings end earlier and allow for more discussion.

Dinner starts at 5:45 pm;

Meeting at 6:45 pm:

Presentation Setup & Social Time 7:15;

Program 7:30 pm;

Dismiss no later than 8:30 pm

Program Topic: Building Full Scale Replicas Of Horseless Carriages

The topic of the presentation at the next General Meeting will be Building Full Scale Replicas Of Horseless Carriages. Our presenter, Wilson Fausel, will explain how "When the horseless carriage you love is not available or is out of your price range, you can build it!" Wilson, who recently joined the Triangle Chapter, previously owned a 1951 Pontiac, 1965 GTO, 3 MGAs, and a 1976 AMC Pacer. He currently owns two replica cars, a 1904 Oldsmobile Light Delivery (Pie Wagon) and a 1903 Ajax Electric Runabout. On his wish list is the desire to build a replica of an 1886 Benz Patent Motorwagen. Please make plans to join us for this different slant on the antique automobile hobby.

Triangle Take A-Par-T Events Still Planned

Please notify Riley Reiner (919-816-6903) or sign up if you are available to be part of the Team.

- Cary Wheels on Academy May 16
- Wake Forest Car Show June 20
- Historic Oakwood Farm Fest October 3

3. Upcoming AACA, NC Region and Other Events

Other AACA Chapter & NC Region Events and Local Shows:

1. 2020 AACA Region and Events

The NC Region board has planned and scheduled the 2020 Events of AACA National, NC Region, and NC Region Chapters. Due to quarantine status, see updates at the NC Region Web site at: <http://ncregionaaca.com/region/images/pdf/2020events2.pdf>.

2. Autofair and Southeastern Spring Nationals at Charlotte. Rescheduled to June 12-14

This is a AACA Nationally Judged show at the Lowes Motor Speedway in Concord, NC (Charlotte). The registration for this event extended to May 15, 2020.

Details at: http://www.aaca.org/images/meet_brochures/2020/2020_SE_Spring_Charlotte.pdf

4. President's Corner

By Mike Hess

"May you live in interesting times". For some reason this expression came into my head when I began writing the President's Corner message. Look it up in Wikipedia. You might be surprised what it says. I was. As you know, after the Cape Fear Chapter car show, most every AACA event in April and May has been cancelled or rescheduled. June is starting to look the same. The Covid-19 virus pandemic has really paralyzed the USA as well as other countries in the world. My wife Kimberley and I really missed March Madness (now called March Sadness). The stay at home directive is starting to wear. We are close to running out of pay-per-view and Netflix movies we want to watch. Kimberley has been staying busy sewing face masks until her stash of elastic runs out. I have been spending my time building a muzzleloading black powder flintlock pistol. An old hobby of mine. I did enter a couple of my collector cars in a car show this April.... a virtual car show. It's hosted by the Gilmore Car Museum. I do not know if I won an award. I guess the virtual judging is not completed but I will look forward to the virtual award ceremony. While our car show has been cancelled, I want to thank everyone for the hard work that was done. The work was not wasted and it will give us a good running start for the show next year. I understand Brier Creek will welcome us back. It is almost impossible to plan any future activities in these uncertain times. But as soon as this virus blows over, we will plan some sort of get together. Stay safe. Stay well.



5. Triangle Chapter Meeting Notes

We have not been able to have a meeting since February, so there are no minutes.

6. Wake Forest Car Show June 20, 2020

Wake Forest is still planning to hold their car show on June 20, 2020. Please notify Riley Reiner if you can be part of the Take A-Par-T Team. Call Riley at: 919-816-1158 or Email at rreiner@earthlink.com
Be aware these plans are tentative on the Corvid-19 quarantine being over.

7. AACA Winter Nationals February 29, 2020

There was one AACA National car show so far this year. The show was held in Miami, FL on February 29, 2020. The results show there were 153 vehicles in the show. There were 8 vehicle in the HPOF class and 18 in DPC. Class 25A, Sports Vehicles, all thru 1960, had 9 vehicles. One Owner, Leo Schigiel entered six foreign sports cars; Alpha Romeos, Porsches and Mercedes. I did see two names I recognized on the judging results; Steve Eason of the San-Lee Chapter and Eric Marsh from the NC Region.

Antique Automobile Club of America 2020 Winter Nationals Miami, Florida February 29, 2020

Repeat Driver Participation

1939 Oldsmobile 70.....Diane Rosenberg, Newmarket, NH
1940 Cadillac 6229Robert A. DeFreitas, Seffner, FL
1954 Jaguar XK120Jaime I. Del Valle, Coral Gables, FL
1957 Chevrolet CorvetteSteve Eason, Sanford, NC

Repeat Historic Preservation

1937 Alvis Speed 25John A. Layzell, N Miami, FL
1967 Volkswagen BeetleJim R. Jard, Houston, TX
1993 Ford RangerEric C. Marsh, China Grove, NC

Mike Petersen of the Triangle Chapter attended representing AACA as a National Awards Judge. Mike looked at several vehicles for AACA National Awards. He was called on to help classify a special 1976 Cadillac Mirage pickup. The Mirage was a special vehicle which Wiki describes as follows:
"From 1975 to 1976 small numbers of Coupe de Villes were converted into car-based pick-ups, similar to a Chevrolet El Camino, but much more upscale. Coachbuilding company Traditional Coach Works manufactured 204 of these, called the **Cadillac Mirage**, to Cadillac's standards, such that one could be ordered through a participating



Cadillac dealer. The floor bed could carry flat plywood 4 x 8 sheets with the tailgate closed, while the two-seat front cabin offered driver and passenger a plush ride. A storage area behind the seats was used for golf-clubs or small

articles of value, out of view. A metal cover with a lock on it was available for the rear bed, just as a trunk would also have.”

8. 2020 Amelia Island Concours D'Elegance Pictures

Pictures By Ron Sieber

Ron Sieber attended the Amelia Island Concours D'Elegance on March 5-8, 2020. This may have been one of the last concours events before for the Covid 19 virus self quarantine was imposed. The Amelia has an honoree each year and they gather a group of cars that are associated with the honoree. This year's honoree was Roger Penske. For this concours more than 30 Penske vehicles were displayed in four different classes. Cars of Penske was comprised of vehicles that Roger raced himself. In 1966, Penske founded Roger Penske Racing, which later became Team Penske. The three classes representing this era included Team Penske, Team Penske Sunoco and Penske Indy Winners.

Ron took the pictures below of some interesting older vehicles while researching for his book on Classic Speedsters and Their Drivers. Here are a few of his pictures.



1907 Fiat Targa Florio Racer



1926 Hanomag



1913 Lozier Indy Racer



1922 Mercer Racer Runabout



1909 Locomobile Cube Cup



1914 Stutz Bearcat

9. Brian and Trish White at 2020 Amelia Island Concours

Brian and Tish White entered their 1915 Pierce-Arrow 38C Limousine in the 25th Annual Amelia Island Concours De Elegance.



Amelia Award - Horseless Carriage
1915 Pierce-Arrow 38C Limousine
Brian and Trish White - Apex, NC



1915 Pierce-Arrow Limousine on
the Show Field at Amelia Island

Other notable vehicles at the Amelia Island Concourse included:

- The Porsche Trophy awarded to a 1952 Porsche Type 540 America Roadster the From the Ingram Collection – Durham, NC. It was awarded for the most historically significant production Porsche.
- The Ritz-Carlton, Best in Show, Concours de Sport was awarded to a 1973 Porsche 917/30 Can-Am Spyder shown by Rob Kauffman - Charlotte, NC
- The Ritz-Carlton, Best in Show, Concours d'Elegance was awarded to a 1929 Duesenberg J-218 Town Limousine shown by the Lehrman Collection - Palm Beach, FL

10. It's a Dream Machine

When we were planning to visit Mark Jacobson's Dream Machine collection in Durham I received this note from Don and Karen Winstead.



Karen Winstead with her '59 Cadillac

from Don and Karen Winstead.

"We sold our '59 Cadillac Series 62 Coupe to Mark last year and he gave us a personal guided tour of his private collection. It was absolutely amazing!! Do not miss this opportunity". Don & Karen Winstead Wake Forest, NC

Now the Triangle Chapter has a "must see" when we can reschedule our visit.

11. Thank You Note

We have received this Thank You Note from Sandra Reiner we want share.

March 24, 2020
Dear Triangle Chapter AACA Friends,
Thank you so much for the donation from the Triangle Chapter to Longview Baptist Church in memory of my father. I really appreciated the many acts of kindness and support from our antique car friends during this difficult time.
Over the years we have made many wonderful friends through

the antique car hobby. Our kids grew up with antique car activities. Now our grandkids enjoy participating in antique car outings when it can be arranged.

Thanks again for being such a special group of people.

Sincerely,
Sandra Reiner
and Family

12. Charlotte Car Corral Space for Sale

Premium vehicle parking space number C2774 located on the track at the start/finish line at Lowes Motor Speedway. Vehicle access to the space is through the back track entrance, then drive around the track, 3rd and 4th turns, and park on the track. The space comes with two tickets for passengers. Price is \$150. Contact Jim Aldrich at 919-676-1230.

13. Tapes for Free

Dean Tryon has offered many 70s and 80s popular music cassette tapes for free. Dean and Les used these tapes when they lived in Europe. They played the tapes on their car cassette tape player on trips to work and pleasure trips around Europe. All good music, none classical. His three Buicks are too young to use them and his modern cars have all outgrown them. Call Dean at 919-441-1271.

14. What Are You Doing in Quarantine

By Denny Oestreich

Preparing for this newsletter I did not have enough material so I called a few members to ask what car projects they were working on during the quarantine period. Here are some of the answers I got. I would like to get some pictures and short description of your car projects for the next issue.

Mike Hess has been working on his 1969 GTX carburetor and fuel gauge. After taking the carb apart and checking the needle valve, the engine now runs much better.

Jim Aldrich has been helping Tim Dean restore a 1922 Dodge Brothers roadster. Jim reports they are making good progress. See the two pictures below.



Floyd Barnes has added refrigeration talents to his resume as he is making progress adding air conditioning to his 1955 Nomad,

Chet Butcher reports progress on his 1941 Ford Cab Over Engine truck. He has gotten the engine running and is now installing the gas tank, fuel lines and generator wiring.

Jim Gill reports he has painted the hood and doors on his 1926 Model T snowmobile. They look good.

Dean Tryon has replaced a faulty fuel gauge sensor in his 1959 Buick Gas Tank. No more guessing.

Denny Oestreich. I have nearly finished the 1957 Chevy 4 Door restoration. After 50 miles of test driving I have had to fix a number of issues that are not quite right. I repaired two alternators, refit the driver door, touched up some paint/glue mistakes, adjusted the shifter linkage, added a tachometer, and refitted a new air cleaner. Pictures next month.

15. Editor's Notes

By Denny Oestreich

Article Submissions:

Thank you for contributing interesting notes, articles, and pictures for our newsletter. We need more of your stories for next month. Tell us about what you are doing while in quarantine, an antique car you acquired, a restoration you are doing, a car show you attended, or your first car. We especially enjoy pictures of your car projects or an interesting car project you have in progress. Please send or give your pictures and articles to Denny Oestreich at 919-846-8163, Email OestreichD@AOL.com.

Web Sites

You can see ongoing updates or resent cancellations and reschedules of Triangle and NC Region Activities on our Website or Facebook sites. Both have many more pictures and updates of Triangle activities.

- Triangle Website: <http://www.ncregionaaca.com/triangle/>
- NC Region Website: <http://www.ncregionaaca.com/region/>

Facebook Page

Barbara Werner is now updating our Triangle Facebook page and Helen DiPietro is making updates to the NC Region Facebook page. Please have a look, "Like" the page and give them suggestions or information for the pages.

- Triangle Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NCRegionAACA/>
- NC Region Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NCRegionAACA/>

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June 20, 2020 RAIN or SHINE

Registration: 8 -11am

\$20 Entry Fee (Judged or Displayed)

Cars will enter via E. Holding Avenue and S. White Street

Presented by Wake Forest Downtown, Inc.

• 8th Annual Open Show includes:

Custom, Muscle, Sports, Pony, Classic, Antique, Rods & Custom Trucks
Everything from mild to wild; old to brand new

• Awards: Decades, Top 40, Grand Sponsor's Choice

• Local Beneficiary: **Wake Forest Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary**

Primary purpose is to support WFFD by providing on-scene assistance at large scale emergencies with food, water, etc. They also help area families in need and coordinate Shop with a Firefighter at Christmas.

• Restaurants and specialty shopping in our historic downtown district

• 50/50 cash raffle drawing

Tickets will be sold in advance and on the day of the event
You do not need to be present to win

• Door Prize ticket for registered show cars

• This family-friendly event is free to the general public

Hours are from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Registration closes at 11 a.m.

• Presentation of show awards will begin at approximately 1:30 p.m.

• Trailer parking available

• TENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED

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