

# Triangle Chapter Newsletter



Car of the Month



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## 1. Corona Virus Impacts on AACA and Triangle Events

Our car show activities continue to be impacted by the Covid-19 watch. Here is a summary of the Car show events impacted and those which are still planned.

### AACA Upcoming Event Cancellations

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| July 19-24      | Reliability Tour AACA National, Lock Haven/Wellsboro, PA <b>CANCELED</b>       |
| August 1        | Region Meet Zooland Asheboro, NC IPO <b>CANCELED</b>                           |
| August 8        | Chapter Meet, General Greene Greensboro, NC <b>CANCELED</b>                    |
| August 22       | Region Meet Alamance Burlington, NC <b>CANCELED</b>                            |
| September 12    | Chapter Meet Southeastern Mt. Olive, NC <b>CANCELED</b>                        |
| September 13-18 | Glidden Tour VMCCA Saratoga Springs, NY (1942 & earlier) <b>CANCELED</b>       |
| October 7-10    | Hershey Flea Market and Car Corral. <b>CANCELED.</b> Car Show still on Oct 10. |

### Other Local Car Show Cancellations

- Piedmont Classic Chevy Club Car Show at Lake Wheeler Park has been canceled for 2020. The show was postponed, but the City of Raleigh will not allow the show at the park until the Covid-19 Pandemic is over. So, now it has been canceled.

### ACA Events Still Planned

August 12-15	Eastern Divisional Tour Eastern Shore Region Maryland (up to 1995) <i>New Date</i>
August 21-22	Grand Nationals ACA National Allentown, PA
September 19	NC Region Fall Meet Furnitureland Chapter, Spencer, NC
September 26	Chapter Meet New River Jacksonville, NC
October 3	NC Region Annual Cruise-in and Tour. Meet at: McCandless Antique Auto Museum Burlington
October 10	Eastern Fall Nationals Car show only, Hershey Region Hershey, PA
October 19-23	Central Divisional Tour Tulsa Region Tulsa, OK
October 22-24	Charlotte Autofair Hornets Nest Region Charlotte, NC

### Other Car Events of Interest still planned.

There are many local Car Shows and Cruise-Ins are scheduled and still occurring, while observing "Social Distancing." Kaye Brady, a local insurance representative for the major collector car insurance companies, publishes a monthly listing of these shows. Her listing is posted on Piedmont Classic Chevy Car Club web site at:

[http://piedmontccc.org/?page\\_id=4202](http://piedmontccc.org/?page_id=4202).

Kaye also attends many car shows. She has pictures and links to some shows on her Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Insurance-Agent/Southern-Classic-Auto-Insurance-468403569880644/>

## 2. Next Triangle Chapter Events

The Triangle Chapter does not meet in July and August during vacation season. Be sure to watch for further announcements and Emails about returning to our regular activities. The quarantine extensions may require further cancellations.

### EVENT #1 (Tentative)

**What:** Next Triangle Chapter monthly meeting. (Delayed until Fall.)

**When:** Thursday evening, September 17, 2020

**Where:** To be determined. With permanent closing of Golden Corral on Glenwood Ave, we will find a new location.

**New Times:** When we do meet again, we will have new meeting times adjusted to make our meetings end earlier and allow 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.

### **Events 2 and 3 Triangle Chapter 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.

- Historic Oakwood Farm Fest - October 3
- Raleigh 5-Points 100 Anniversary Event October 24

## **3. President's Corner**

### **By Mike Hess**

My wife, Kimberly, and I have had enough "stay at home". We are going out to restaurants and recently spent a long weekend at Hilton Head, SC and Savannah, GA with friends from Virginia. We do practice "social distancing," when we can, and wear a mask. In addition, as soon as I complete this piece for the newsletter, I will be packing for the Chrysler Nationals in Carlisle, PA. I was watching what took place with the Carlisle Spring Collector Car Flea Market which had been rescheduled for June 17-20. They opened and on the first day were sued by the state of PA for violating the mandate that no more than 250 people can gather outside. The Carlisle attorneys got with the state and explained that at this flea market, there will probably never be 250 people gather at one place. They will be moving around all the time at their large facility. The state backed off and the event went on.

Locally, the Triangle Chapter put on a car display at PruittHealth in Durham which was a complete success. Another car display is planned at Atria Oakridge Senior Living in Raleigh. I want to thank Dan Fuccella and help from Denny Oestreich for coordinating these events.

As an AACA judge, I was E-mailed details for the Allentown and Hershey show judging. Judging school will probably be outside. No judges breakfast. Judging teams will be limited to 4 people instead of the traditional 5. Masks must/should be worn. And the number of car entries has been reduced to help with social distancing. No dinner/BBQ. Awards will be given out on the show field. No hand shaking or hugging allowed (probably the new normal). Unlike Carlisle, these AACA shows are at the mercy of a third party so things can still change.

Final note...I mentioned I was building a flintlock pistol to fill my time in a previous column. I was having a hard time seeing what I was doing and knew I would mess it up if I continued. Turns out I needed cataract surgery. Left eye done. Right eye to be done when I get back from Carlisle.

Enjoy the summer the best you can and stay well.

## **4. Editor's Observations**

### **By Denny Oestreich**

We had a car display for a story this month. Hurray! At least one car event to attend. See the story and consider joining us at Atria Senior Living Center on August 5, 2020 for another display at their retirement center.

As with many others, I am concerned about getting out in public at stores and other shopping venues. I even wear my mask when I am at the gas station filling the tank. Some people are wearing masks and others are not. It is hard to avoid grocery runs for essentials or a few trips to Lowes for hardware to fix problems around the house and cars. So, I try to avoid going out. I use Online shopping when I can. I even bought a can of spray paint from Amazon Online. I may be in danger of becoming a recluse. Social distancing is tedious. Television is not much fun anymore, the news is too depressing. So, I am continuing to fix radios, find small car projects, clean gardens, and watch the lawn turn summer brown. Some day we will be able to talk about what we did in 2020 and we will not have to think very hard, to say "nothing" or to be politically correct "we social distanced."

We have had more cancellations of AACA events. The next NC Region event, NC Region Fall meet in Spencer is still scheduled for September 19, 2020. See the attached NC Region schedule attached at the end of the Newsletter. The ever changing schedule is also listed on the NC Region Web Page at: <http://ncregionaaca.com/region/>

I have driven two of my antique cars this month. It was fun, but I always find new problems to add to the list. Three problems came up on my trip to PruittHealth in Durham. The starter turned over slowly. I charged the battery before I left to be sure it would make the trip OK. When I returned home, I took what I thought was a nearly new battery out and checked the manufacturing date sticker. It said 6/14. Do years fly by faster when you are retired? I bought a new battery. The second problem was the directional signal was not working very well. Henry Burgwyn was following me, and I am sure I confused him several times by turning the directional signal on and off to get it to work. The fix was to pull the steering wheel off and change to better fitting parts. The third problem was the add-on Vintage Air conditioner fan came on at high speed all by itself. I had to disconnect the air conditioner wires for the drive home. This will be a more challenging problem. The lesson is: "Don't add air to your antique car".

My white 1957 Chevy 4 door restoration is ready to drive. Merry has been learning to drive using a clutch and manual transmission, a bucket list thing. Her record for starting without stalling is two out of six times. I think a passing grade should be three out of six and getting all the way to fourth gear. What do you think?

Many thanks to Mike Petersen for two articles that made this issue possible. I could sure use your article and pictures for next month.

Please stay safe and wear your air cleaner (mask). Wear it over your nose and mouth, not just on your chin and neck.

## 5. Triangle Chapter Meeting Notes

Wow! We have not been able to have a meeting since February, so there still are no minutes for March, April, May, or June.

## 6. New Member Section

We have no new members this month. To our regular members, if you have an interest like our new members you may want to welcome them to the Chapter with a phone call or an Email. They may benefit from your advice.

## 7. Atria Senior Living Center Cruise-In – Cars Needed.

**By Dan Fuccella**

We have been invited to a second car display event for 2020 at Atria Oakridge Senior living Center in North Raleigh, NC!

Due to Covid-19 constraints there is extraordinarily little entertainment that these retirement centers can offer to residents. Atria Engage Life Coordinator Cathy Evon cannot schedule inside entertainment events. One type event that has worked for other retirement centers is to have car clubs drive into the retirement center parking lot, park in alternate slots, and allow the residents to look at the cars through their windows or from the

sidewalk out front at a distance.

“Look! Someone in an old car, like we used to have, came to visit us”.

The plan is to drive over slowly, to arrive at 10 AM, stay for about 2 hours, and leave around noon. There would be no need to get out of your car unless you wish to. We would stay at a safe distance from everyone and wear masks. According to Cathy, there have been no reported cases of COVID-19 at Atria Oakridge retirement community. We do not want to expose anyone.

**Details:**

Location: Atria Oakridge Senior Living, 10810 Sandy Oak Lane, Raleigh, NC 27614  
(Location is between Wake Med North and Bojangles off Falls Neuse Rd on Durant Road in N/E Raleigh)

Proposed date: Wednesday, August 5, 2020

Time of day: 10:00am to noon

Number of cars: Atria Oakridge can readily accommodate 6 to 8 cars; more with advanced notice

There are several restaurants near Atria for those who might like to have lunch together (six feet apart of course) before heading home.

Dan Fuccella, Denny, and three others plan to go, but we can use a few more cars. Please let us know if you can come.

If you would like to caravan from North Raleigh or Cary let us know and we will make plans to meet and drive over.

Regards,

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## 8. PruittHealth Center Cruise-In Report

### By Denny Oestreich

On June 18, 2020 the Triangle Chapter had a Cruise-In at the Pruitt Health Care Facility in Durham. Pruitt has 120 apartment/rooms at this facility with a nearly full status. Activity Director, Karen Walker, indicated that the health center is unable to have indoor health care activities due to the Covid -19 restrictions. However, many health care centers have had parades and Cruise-ins of classic and antique vehicles.

Pruitt had arranged the parking lot with a space for us to park our cars and the residents were escorted out and look at the cars. First to arrive from Cary were Dan Fuccella with His 1950 Jeep and Dave Norris driving a 1941 Packard 120. When Henry Burgwyn (57 Chevy Convertible) and I (57 Hardtop) arrived, we found Dave and Dan busily working on the Packard, to get it started. The initial diagnosis was the electric fuel pump was not working. The fuel pump quit on the road in front of Pruitt, but Dave was able to coast/push/urge the Packard into the Pruitt Driveway. With a long test wire, which Dan had in his tool kit, the fuel pump was powered from the battery and the Packard restarted. We then all moved into the prearranged parking area. The Packard fix was deferred until after the cruise-in.





**Cruise-In Participants, "Social Distancing"  
L-R Henry, Denny, Dave, Andrea, Jim and Dan**

Within minutes Andrea Irby, ('66 Mustang), and Jim Gill, ('25 Model T), arrived and the six of us were parked and ready for the residents to come out to see the cars. The facility has had no cases of the Virus. The residents, wearing masks, were escorted out by PruittHeath staff to the parking lot. They were excited to see us and to look at the cars. The facility administrator was there to admonish everyone to "wear their masks".

Our display and discussions with the residents lasted an hour and a half. There were many inquiries about what year the cars were and stories of how their uncle or father or brother had one "just like this".



**PruittHealth Staff Assisted Each of the Residents**



**Dan and Dave continue to work on the Packard**

The residents seemed to really enjoy getting out to see the cars. They asked a lot of questions and told stories about their cars. One gentleman was excited about Dan's Jeep. He had one just like it except it was a 1951 and was blue and gray. At 11:30 it was time for the residents to go back inside for lunch. The residents were all truly appreciative.

After the display, the Triangle group all went down the street to a Mediterranean restaurant for a great lunch. After lunch, we returned to the Heath Center to fix Dave's Packard. A simple fix was to replace the power wire to the fuel pump. Once we found the correct power source it fired up again. Everyone returned home safely.

Lesson learned: Make sure Dan Fuccella is along on any tour because he carries tools and parts to fix most problems. I guess it comes from his many experiences.

## 9. Home for Christmas

**By Mike Petersen**

Norman Rockwell fans are familiar with the oil painting "Stockbridge Main Street at Christmas (Home for Christmas)". This is an unusual painting by Rockwell since it depicts a panoramic view of the buildings along

Main Street in Stockbridge, MA rather than a focus on people. The painting depicts the essence of Christmas in small towns across the country.

I believe this painting was a “fold out” in the 1967 issue of “McCall’s” magazine (old timers will remember the paper dolls and clothes that could be cut out of each issue). I visited Stockbridge, MA several years ago and toured the Rockwell Museum and his studio. The painting is displayed in the museum. The painting is large – 26.5” wide and 95.5” long. The automobiles in the painting dates the time period. I also drove down Main Street and the buildings do exist as seen in the painting.

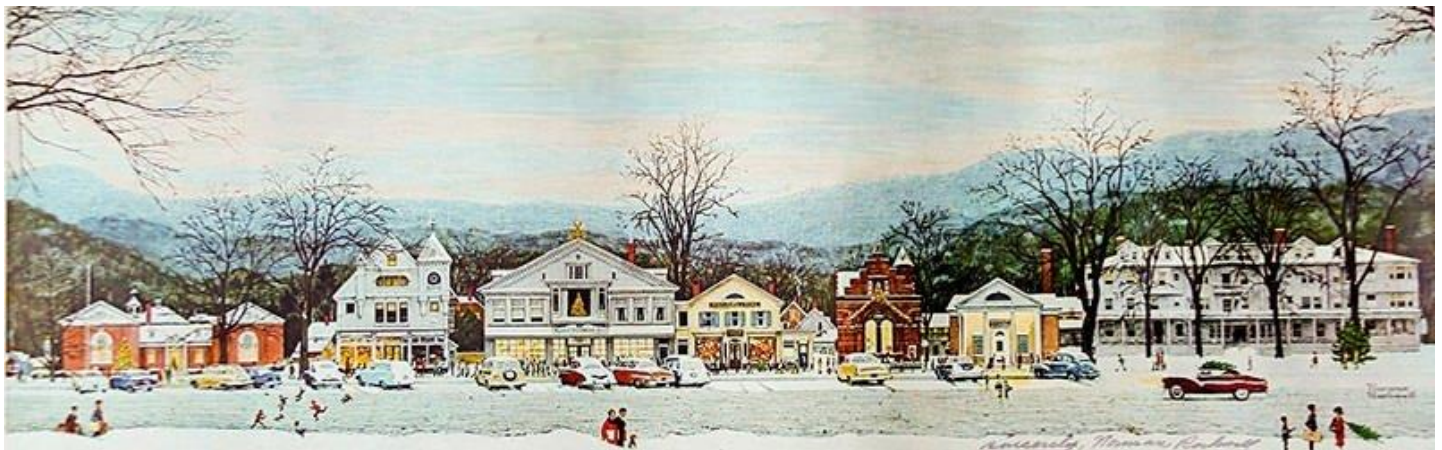
When I returned home, I thought it would be a nice touch for a Christmas display to obtain a few models of the buildings in the painting. After a brief search on Ebay I found all 7 buildings from the “Hawthorne Porchlight Collections”. The ones I purchased were used but in excellent condition. Each building has an interior low watt bulb for illumination so they can appear as presented in the painting.

As I unwrapped the buildings, I realized that they were about the same scale (1:64) as the 1955 Dodge models produced by M2 Machines. This company produces detailed models – opening hood with engine, opening doors with interior details, and various color combinations. M2 Machines has produced models of all of the significant vehicles such as the 1955 Dodge Custom Royal Lancer 2 door hardtop. The buildings are more sculpture than exact replicas, so the scale is difficult to determine. The scale is smaller than 1:64 but is close enough for government work.

Now I had the buildings and vehicles. A background matching that of the painting would be a nice touch. I purchased a print of the painting from the Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, measured the buildings in the print and the Hawthorne sculptures, and calculated the ratio to use in order to produce a painting of the same scale as the buildings.

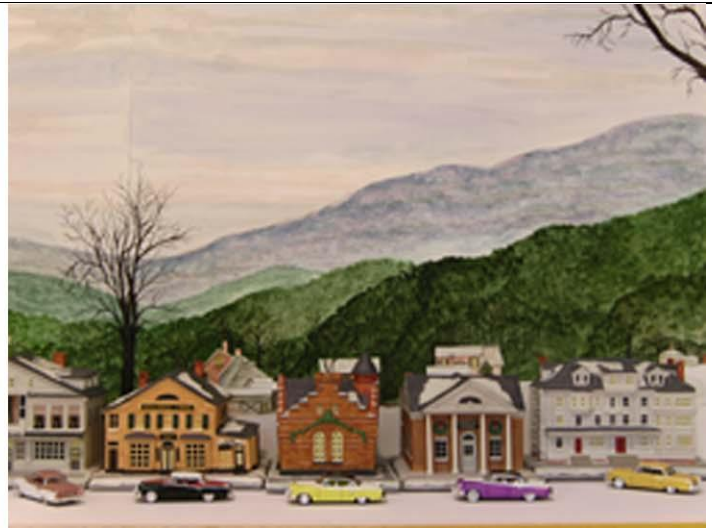
Not being an artist myself, I contacted an artist for the background painting. The artist used the print and the ratio to create a larger watercolor painting that matched the scale of the Hawthorne buildings but without the 7 buildings on Main Street. The artist filled in the areas behind the now missing buildings using artistic license. The result was a beautiful watercolor painting 22” x 50”.

I now had the backdrop, the buildings, and the vehicles. I spliced two foam board tri-fold displays together and mounted the water color painting onto the board so that one flap would provide the base for the buildings and the vehicles. When not in use the two flaps fold over the painting for storage.



This is what the Rockwell painting looks like:





This is Mikes Diorama with his Dodge Models.

## 10. American Doll Summer Camp

### By Riley Reiner

In January, 2020, I was contacted Ann Croft, a friend of Helen and John DiPietro. She explained that she was running a weeklong summer camp at the Polk House on N. Blount St. for young girls with their American Girl Dolls. They would be studying the period of American History from 1915 to 1925. Little did we know that our Covid 19 would put everyone in the same mindset as the Spanish Flu of 1918-1919. Ann asked if I would consider displaying one or both of our T's to give the girls a real-life experience in time travel. I agreed and the dates were set for June. We all know what happened next. The Department of Agriculture which owns the house allowed the camp if the number of participants was reduced in half and the activity was moved to July.

Ms. Croft made arrangements with Peace College for me to park my truck and trailer on their campus and drive the short distance to the house. Tuesday morning July 7th., I had the 1915 Model T in the parking lot beside the Polk House. When the class came out, the girls were pleased to see "the oldest car they had ever seen". I gave a brief explanation of the car and gave a demonstration of hand cranking, lighting the kerosene taillight, etc. In order to get some hands-on participation, we put the side curtains on to show them how the car was used in bad weather. They all had fun watching or getting involved. They asked many excellent questions. After about forty-five minutes, I gave each girl a ride in the backseat (social distancing) two laps around the two parking lots. The girls seemed to have a ball. Ms. Croft took individual pictures of each girl in the car for their mothers.

Thursday, July 9th., I repeated the demonstration with the 1925 Model T. The girls had many more questions and commented that "the windows went up but didn't have a button to push! All went well until I tried to start the car. The engine would turn-over but no coil buzz. As anyone who has been around a T knows; no buzz-no go! Ms. Croft took their pictures in the car with their dolls while I tried to figure out the problem. After about a half hour of testing electrical connections, I gave up. Our daughter, Jennie, son-in-law, Jason, and grandchildren, Carys and Colin came to my rescue. We all pushed the car to the trailer ramp and Colin used the Come Along to get it into the trailer.

Yes, it was very hot but we got the job done and home by early afternoon.

It was a unique experience for those young girls, and I hope they learned something about early motoring as it was happening during the flu of 1918-1919. I enjoyed helping Ms. Ann and Ms. Kay with the summer camp.





## 11. Try to Remember

### By Mike Petersen

Most old car hobbyists have a few spare parts on hand for repairs, future projects, and “nice to have”. It is crucial that as a hobbyist you remember where the parts are located. Not remembering that you have a part or not being able to locate it is not much different than not having the part. What is needed is a tool for recording and accessing part information quickly and accurately. A relational database tool will produce an easy to use parts database for your part information.

The cheapest tool for a parts database is your memory. The advantages of using your memory are:

1. The amount of information that can be stored is finitely large.
2. A special device is not needed to record or retrieve information.
3. The information is with you wherever you go.
4. The speed of part information retrieval is fast and essentially the same for all parts.

Using your memory for a parts database has these disadvantages:

1. You cannot print out a list, or partial list, of your part inventory.
2. Transfer of the information to another person takes time as you need to recite the information.
3. You might forget some of the information which defeats the purpose of your parts database. Once forgotten a part is as good as gone.

Some people write everything down on paper. This solves the problem of forgetting but has these disadvantages:

1. Time required to find an item in the written record could be extensive.
2. Updating the written record could result in crossing out an item that is no longer in the written record or that requires a new entry for an update.
3. Sorting the items is not possible.

The sorting and “crossing out” problem can be solved by using index cards. Your part inventory would look like the old-time card catalogue in a library. For updates all you need to do is throw away a card and write a new card.

You can also use a computer with a word processor. This solution provides:

1. A “search” capability with the “find” function in “edit”.
2. A means of printing out the part inventory.
3. A means of quickly providing a copy for other people.
4. An efficient means of creating a backup copy.

A computer file can also be printed so that a printed list of the parts is kept with the parts themselves. This is

helpful when you are rummaging through your parts and do not have access to your computer. It also serves as a backup in case the computer file is destroyed.

Some folks use a computer spread sheet because columns can be easily added and reorganized. However, spread sheets have limitations regarding sorts and searches. The spread sheet is not the proper tool for a parts database or any other true database. Always try to use the proper tools for each job. As my Industrial Arts (aka "shop") teacher Mr. Tash would say, "Never use a screwdriver as a chisel or pry tool."

I use the relational database Lotus Approach. While this tool is no longer supported you may be able to find a copy. It was introduced in 1991 as Approach and won many awards. In 1994 it became Lotus Approach as part of Lotus Smart Suite from IBM. It runs fine for me on Windows 10 and appears to run fine for other folks on Windows 10. There are many relational database products available (just google "relational database"). Lotus Approach installs as a window on your computer desktop or can be launched as an application from "Start" (Windows 10) or similar function with other operating systems. Tools such as this will provide an interactive interface to your parts database. Avoid industrial strength relational databases that can only be accessed from computer programs unless you want to go down that road.

We need some terminology before examination of the nature of a relational database. The basic piece of information in a database is called a record. Think of a line item in a telephone book as a record. Records are comprised of pieces called fields. In the telephone book each entry (record) usually has fields for name, address, and phone number. Some databases physically store records one after the other such as a telephone book. What is desired is a database that relates field contents to each other to form a record without regard to any particular storage technology. The actual storage technology of the data is hidden from the user and of no real importance to the user. What is important is that the desired records can be retrieved in a usable form such as the lines in a telephone book. This involves the tool sorting and selecting a desired subset of the records.

Since the physical storage technology of the data in your computer is not a factor in the generated reports, you can create reports with a subset of the fields – you do not need "the whole 9 yards" in each line of the report. The order of the columns in the report can also be varied providing unique report formats. Sophisticated relational database tools can facilitate merging two or more databases or finding only the common records between two or more databases. Ease of use is the main reason for using a relational database. My fastest time for sitting at my computer, finding a part record, and having that part in my hand is 10 minutes. Perhaps that speed and efficiency is of interest to you.

In my parts database I define a record as having these fields:

1. Case (storage container)
2. Quantity (number of parts)
3. Description (part description)
4. Year (year of the part)
5. Model (make of the vehicle)

I sort records from the parts database by Case and within Case by Model. I could also sort the records based upon other fields. The output (called a report) on the screen (which can be printed) is a table, one record per line, with columns corresponding to the fields. I can define various reports for various sorts and fields. All fields do not have to be in every report. You may want to have other fields such as:

1. Purchase price
2. Date purchase
3. Condition
4. Purchase source

Additional fields can be added later to your parts database definition.

The great benefit is that you can "find" a subset of the records using what is called Standard Query Language (SQL) or a tool specific variation of SQL. With Lotus Approach you have a simple "find" function with which you specify a search pattern. For example, you can "find":

1. All parts with a Description containing the letters "light" and the Year "55"

2. All parts in Case "fl02 (this is my code for "footlocker 2")

These are the most common searches that I use. The following are examples.

**Example:** Find "\*bearing\*" in the Description field.

Case	Quantity	Description	Year	Model
CS01	1	outer wheel bearing race	55	dodge
CS01	1	outer wheel bearing, nos	55	dodge
CS07	1	steering wheel bearing cone and spring	55	dodge
FL01	1	steering shaft bearing	55	dodge
tt05	1	rear axle bearing parts	66	dodge

I specified "\*bearing\*" in the "Description" field of the "find" for any text that contains the letters "bearing". The "\*" tells Lotus Approach to match 0 or more characters in every description. The find "\*bearing\*" is saying, "Find every record with descriptions that contain the letters "bearing". The parts database matches all other fields.

This report tells me:

1. I have 5 parts that have a description with the letters "bearing".
2. Two of the parts are in Case "CS01" – case 1 that I have labeled for ease of location among my storage cases. These parts are for a 1955 Dodge.
3. One of the parts is in Case "CS07" – case 7 that I have labeled for ease of location among my storage cases. This part is for a 1955 Dodge.
4. One of the parts is in Case "FL01" – footlocker 1 that I have labeled for ease of location among my storage cases. This part is for a 1955 Dodge.
5. One of the parts is in Case "tt05" – tote 5 that I have labeled for ease of location among my storage cases. This part is for a 1966 Dodge.

A few notes are in order regarding my storage cases and parts database:

1. I have 3 types of storage cases. Each type is the same size. "CS" is a small plastic case (I purchased these about 40 years ago at a surplus sale for \$1 each). "tt" is for a 12 gallon "Tough Box" available from "Northern Tool + Equipment" that I highly recommend (ask for item number 61326 – 12 GALLON TOUGH BOX" – these can be ordered for instore delivery). "FL" is for footlocker that is like the kind we took to camp back in the old days (I recommend the modern plastic ones with wheels like a wheeled suitcase.).
2. If the storage case is full I use capital letters for the field "Case". The only case containing "\*bearing\*" that is not full is "tt05". This is useful when determining where there is room to store a new part acquisition.
3. I keep only the parts for a particular year and model in each storage case. When I sell a car it is easy to gather up all of the storage cases for that car in order to transfer the parts to a new owner.
4. Each storage case is externally labeled and has a printout of the contents inside. Each part is wrapped for protection during a move and labeled so I can quickly find what I need (some parts like a brake drum do not require wrapping or labeling).
5. "Description" for each part does NOT contain the character "\*" as that is used for the "Find" function (there are other special characters to avoid for the same reason).

**Example:** Find "\*bearing\*" in the Description field and "66" in the Year field.

Case	Quantity	Description	Year	Model
tt05	1	rear axle bearing parts	66	dodge

I specified "\*bearing\*" in the "Description" field for any text that contained the letters "bearing". The "\*" tells Lotus Approach to match 0 or more characters in every description. I also specified "66" in the "Year" field for any text that exactly matches "66". This find is saying, "Find every record with descriptions that contain the letters "bearing" and the year that starts with "66". The parts database matches all other fields.

This report tells me that I have 1 part with the description containing "bearing" for the "66" Dodge.

It is important to be consistent in the data entries for each field to avoid a complex "find" or, more importantly, to avoid missing something. If you think you may have a misspelling, then shorten the "find" to something like

“\*be\*”. You will get a bigger report but may discover you misspelled “bearing” as “beering”. This has happened to me on more than one occasion and was easily corrected.

It is a good idea to describe all taillights as “taillight” and not some as “taillight” and some as “stoplight”. The same is true for “directional signal” and “turn signal”. However, you can “find” a shorter description such as “\*light\*” to catch these inconsistencies. As a last resort you can also print out the entire parts database. With Lotus Approach an unsorted report shows the records in the order of entry. The most recent additions are at the bottom of an unsorted report.

**Example:** Find “lancer” in the Description field.

Case	Quantity	Description	Year	Model
CS01	1	LANCER - good	55	dodge
CS03	3	LANCER	55	dodge
CS04	1	lancer script, nos	55	dodge
CS05	2	LANCER - nos	55	dodge
CS06	2	LANCER	55	dodge
CS07	1	lancer script, nos	55	dodge
FL01	1	lancer script	55	dodge

I specified “lancer” in the “Description” field for any description beginning with “lancer”. This type of find is not case sensitive. However, I had no good reason for using upper case and lower case so this inconsistency could cause some confusion.

A good practice (for me) is to always start a find with a general pattern such as “\*lancer\*” so I do not miss anything containing “lancer”. You can always do another search with a more restrictive pattern.

**Example:** Find “\*barrel\*” in the Description field.

Case	Quantity	Description	Year	Model
attic	1	2 barrel carburetor air cleaner oil bath	55	dodge
attic	1	2 barrel intake manifold	55	dodge
attic	2	4 barrel carburetor air cleaner oil bath	55	dodge
TT01	1	2 barrel carburetor vacuum line, used	55	dodge
TT01	1	4 barrel carburetor vacuum line, used	55	dodge
TT03	1	stromberg 2 barrel carburetor	55	dodge
TT03	1	stromberg 2 barrel carburetor fuel line	55	dodge

I specified “\*barrel\*” in the “Description” field for any text that contains the letters “barrel”. We can see a possible inconsistency problem. I do not have “carburetor” as part of the intake manifold part description. A find for “carburetor” would miss this intake manifold.

I try to put as many consistent words in the “Description” field as possible in order to get as many record retrievals as possible. I can always specify a more restrictive “find”. I also use other locations such as “attic” for Case.

**Example:** Find “\*ba?el\*” in the Description field.

There is no report as this pattern is not found. “?” means to match one and only one character between “ba” and “el”. I will get a match for “barel” (if it exists in any record) but not for “barrel”.

The “?” and the “\*” are characters to avoid in the data fields since these are used for searches. There are other special find characters for Lotus Approach that can be used for a more complex “find”. When you decide to use a relational database for your parts database be sure to avoid using any of the special characters that the tool uses for finding records.

I have found that limiting myself to 3 sizes of storage cases (small, medium, large) simplifies organizing my parts storage. Using the same physical case type for each size simplifies stacking and storing the cases. It is also good to have waterproof cases.



The "Tough Box" cases stack with each base intersecting the top of the case below it. The empty cases stack one inside each other with the lids on top of the stack of empties. The handles "lock" the lid to the case. The lid and the base have large holes for security devices such as cable ties or locks.



These cases work great for all but the largest car parts.

## 12. For Sale

### **1921 Ford Model T, Center-door Sedan, and 1911 Buick Model 33 Touring**

Both cars are in excellent condition. The Model T is an AACA Senior car, and the Buick an AACA Grand National 1st winner. **Contact Fred a919-233-4889** for more information and photos."

See online information and pictures at:

1921 Model T Center Door: <http://www.patgaglione.com/1921Centerdoor/content/landing.html>

1911 Buick Model 33: <http://www.patgaglione.com/1911%20Buick/content/landing.html>

### **1946 Chrysler Windsor/Royal, Highlander Model.**

Clear title. VIN C38-22814@70530877. Flathead 6 original engine rebuilt (engine numbers match title), new radiator and generator. Bumpers were re-chromed. Fluid drive transmission, column stick shift. Engine was rebuilt, but never even turned over. Engine will turn by hand. All new wiring harnesses in place, but never connected. Highlander Plaid interior, reupholstered at the time all body work was completed, repainted. Suicide doors, driver's side spotlight. The car was over 75% restored and then was stored under a barn in Rutherfordton, NC for almost 20 years. Unbelievable shape considering it has "rested" for almost 20 years!! Very little rust apparent as far as I can tell (some in trunk and on the gas tank), body work was part of

restoration; luckily it was stored under cover. Clear coat is peeling. Brake and fuel systems need evaluation. I have lots of parts that weren't re-installed: carburetor, air intake assembly, drive shaft, interior window frames with built-in vent windows, window cranks/handles, spotlight, service manual, etc. I don't think it will take a whole lot to get this car running and roadworthy.



Fairly priced (asking \$8900) considering the work that has been put into it already, and it's in good shape.  
Contact [Jeff Hopp](mailto:jhopp55@att.net) (919) 665-9318 or Email [jhopp55@att.net](mailto:jhopp55@att.net)

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## 14. Publication Information

### **Triangle Newsletter Article Submissions:**

Thank you for thinking about 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 related event you attended or your first car. We especially enjoy pictures of your cars or interesting car projects 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 recent 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/>

# 15. NC Region 2020 Event Schedule 20

As of 6/25/20

## NC Region AACA 2020 Event Calendar

By Ashby A.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type Meet</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Region</u>	<u>Notes</u>
January 17 - 18	<b>NC Region Winter Bus. Mig</b>	NC Region	Raleigh, NC		
February 6 - 8	<b>AACA National Convention</b>	AACA National	Philadelphia, PA	NAT	
February 27 - 29	<b>AACA Winter Nationals</b>	South Florida Region	Miami, FL	NAT	
March 7	Chapter Meet	Cape Fear	Wilmington, NC	U&T	
April 23 - 25	<b>Western Spring Nationals</b>	Phoenix Region	Show Low, AZ	NAT	<b>CANCELED</b>
April 25	Chapter Meet	Old Salem	Winston-Salem, NC	U&T	<b>CANCELED</b>
April 26 - May 1	<b>Founders Tour</b>	Phoenix Region	Show Low, AZ	NAT	<b>CANCELED (1932 - 1995)</b>
May 2	Chapter Meet	Triangle	Raleigh, NC	U&T	<b>CANCELED</b>
May 7 - 9	<b>Central Spring Nationals</b>	AACA National	Auburn, IN	NAT	<b>CANCELED</b>
May 9	<b>NC Region Spring Meet</b>	First Capital	New Bern, NC	Region	<b>CANCELED</b>
May 16	Chapter Meet	Morehead	Morehead City	U&T	<b>CANCELED</b>
May 30	Chapter Meet	Three Rivers	Eden, NC	U&T	<b>CANCELED</b>
June 6	Chapter Meet	San-Lee	Sanford, NC	U&T	<b>CANCELED</b>
June 7 - 12	<b>Sentimental Tour</b>	Mountain State Classics Region	Davis, WV	NAT	<b>CANCELED (1928 - 1958)</b>
June 12 - 14	<b>Southeastern Spring Nationals</b>	Hornets Nest Region	Charlotte, NC	NAT	<b>CANCELED</b>
June 13	Region Meet	Mountaineer Region	Fletcher, NC	IPO	<b>CANCELED</b>
June 20	Chapter Meet	Coastal Plains	Washington, NC	U&T	<b>CANCELED</b>
June 24 - 27	<b>Eastern Spring Nationals</b>	White Water Region	Beckley, WV	NAT	<b>CANCELED (may reschedule)</b>
July 19 - 24	<b>Reliability Tour</b>	AACA National	Lock Haven/Wellsboro, PA	NAT	<b>CANCELED (1915 and earlier)</b>
August 1	Region Meet	Zooland	Ashboro, NC	IPO	<b>CANCELED</b>
August 8	Chapter Meet	General Greene	Greensboro, NC	U&T	<b>CANCELED</b>
August 12 - 15	<b>Eastern Divisional Tour</b>	Eastern Shore Region	Maryland	NAT	<b>CANCELED (up to 1995)</b>
August 20 - 22	<b>Southeastern Fall Nationals</b>	Kyana Region	Corydon, IN	NAT	<b>CANCELED</b>
August 21 - 22	<b>Grand Nationals</b>	AACA National	Allentown, PA	NAT	<b>New Date</b>
August 22	Region Meet	Alamance	Burlington, NC	IPO	<b>CANCELED</b>
September 12	Chapter Meet	Southeastern	Mt. Olive, NC	U&T	<b>CANCELED</b>
September 13 - 18	<b>Glidden Tour</b>	VMCCA	Saratoga Springs, NY	NAT	<b>CANCELED (1942 &amp; earlier)</b>
September 19	<b>NC Region Fall Meet</b>	Furnitureland	Spencer, NC	Region	
September 26	Chapter Meet	New River	Jacksonville, NC	U&T	
October 3	<b>NC Region Annual Cruise-in</b>	Old Salem	Burlington/Cofax/Kernersville, NC	Region	
October 7 - 10	<b>Eastern Fall Nationals</b>	Hershey Region	Hershey, PA	NAT	<b>Flea market &amp; car corral CANCELED</b> <i>Saturday car show still possible</i>
October 19 - 23	<b>Central Divisional Tour</b>	Tulsa Region	Tulsa, OK	NAT	
October 22 - 24	Fall Charlotte Autofair	Hornets Nest Region	Charlotte, NC	IPO	<b>New Date</b>