

AACA Meeting Notes – June 28, 2026

By Dean Tryon

Action Items

1. July 11 – Display at Dix Park, Raleigh, 10-2
2. July 26 – Our next meeting at The Local.
3. Aug 2 – Chapter picnic – see below
4. Aug 8 – General Green Chapter show in Greensboro.
5. Aug 16 – Tom Pruett’s Ice Cream Social, 3520 Carpenter Pond Rd
6. Sept 12 – NC Region show at Spencer.
7. Oct. 24 – Our annual car show, same location as last year (Mojo’s in Garner)

Meeting Agenda Items:

1. We had over 32 members in attendance. It was good to see members Ron and Eileen Fournier with us. Guests included Greg and Gina Palazzo (Sanford, NC) who became members at the meeting. They have a Mustang and 2 Buicks (1912 and 1922).
2. Tom Pruett’s charity car show on 6/13 was highly successful with over 175 cars and \$5000 in donations to Transitions Life Care (plus another \$5000 contribution). This annual event will be June 12, 2027.
3. Glen reported on his visit to the Polk House in Raleigh to let the 18 young girls in the program experience an antique car up close. All were delighted. Riley Reiner has done this in previous years.
4. A new venue will be tried in July – Dix Park. Display only, no charge. There is parking for 50 cars and we have invited other clubs to join us. Let Glenn know if you can attend. Potentially this site could be a future show location for us.
5. Courtney Johnston has set up a chapter picnic on **8/2**. The location is Crowder Park (Cary-Apex area – Ten-Ten & Holly Springs Rds), 10-2, bring your own food/beverages. We have a pavilion.
6. Our Oct 24 show at Mojo’s needs volunteers to both chair and support various activities. See Glenn. We need more sponsors (in Garner area especially) if you know of businesses interested. No judging as in previous years, but will have a Peoples Choice award and door prizes.
7. Durham Bulls game on 7/18 has 2 tickets left. Pay Ken Powell if you are interested.
8. The memorial service for member Herb Tull will be 7/12 in Cary.
9. Tom Pruett is looking for program ideas. All of us must have something of interest in your past to share.

10. Denny Oestrich has free tickets for the auction in Greensboro 7/23-25. He also needs your stories for our website please.

11. Bob Gahr did an interesting presentation “Ohio Turnpike Safety Driven” about the construction of the Ohio Turnpike. It was built by 10,000 workers over a 3 year period and opened in 1955. Bob was heavily involved in the safety aspects of the operation and reconstruction of it over many years.

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