AACA TRIANGLE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

November 2026



Attention to detail is keen. Photo by Bob Gaur

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EVENTS CALENDAR

Triangle 2026 Events Calendar:

Event: General Meeting of the Triangle Chapter of the AACA

Meeting Date: **November 29th, 2026 - Elections**

Meeting Location: The Local

1235 Hurricane Alley Way, Raleigh, NC 27607

Future Meeting Dates: Holiday Party December 6th, Future 2027 dates to be announced

Most General Meetings of the Triangle Chapter are held on the 4th Sunday of the month at The Local. However, meeting dates may, on rare occasions, be moved to an alternate Sunday due to scheduling conflicts at The Local.

Please check your current Triangle Chapter Newsletter, Website or Facebook for last minute changes.

Event Schedule:

Arrive 2:00 to 2:30

Lunch/Dinner 2:30-3:45

Meeting and Presentation 3:45 to 5:00

Presentation: – NB Center, the Grand Nationals and Zenith Award by Brian Wingler

Welcoming Guests and New Members.

If it is nice Please drive your classic cars!

How are you doing on my challenge to attend all meetings in 2026?

See you November 29th– We need you to vote!

NC Region 2026 Calendar Events Planned –

See details below

AACA National Events Calendar – UPDATED LINK FOR 2027!

The AACA National calendar is starting to develop for 2027. The 2027 events (so far) are listed on the

AACA Website at: https://aaca.org/events/category/aaca-national-calendar/

President's Message

By Glenn Ott

Happy Thanksgiving!

After Thanksgiving, our November meeting is Sunday Nov 29th at The Local.

We will have elections for chapter officers and board members and a program by Brian Wingler.

You also have the opportunity to renew your annual membership.

Remember – renew by Dec 31st and be automatically entered into a drawing to get the cost of your Chapter membership reimbursed.

Next, our Holiday Party is Dec 6th at the Stag Club from 6 to 9 pm. Dinner, trivia, edible gift exchange, and Toys for Tots new unwrapped toy collection.

Tickets are $30 each and can be delivered to Ken Powell no later than Nov 30th.

(Checks should be made out to Triangle Chapter AACA.)

And then next year starts with our NC Region Annual Meeting on Jan 16th and 17th.

EDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS AND RANTS
RANDY'S RANTS

By Randy N Robertson

- Much needed rain! I have determined the best way for me to predict rain is to be issued building permits. Thankfully we placed concrete in all we had open on Friday
- Be thankful, helpful and generous as the Holiday season approaches
- Thanks to all for their continuing support!
- Don't forget to send in your dues to Ken Powell!
- Challenge of the month – **Pay your dues right away!**
- **Elections on November 29th!**

Please contact me with anything you want anything published. Rnewr2017@gmail.com

Triangle Chapter Event Schedule

November

29 Triangle Chapter monthly meeting - elections

December

6 Triangle Chapter Holiday Party – See Flyer attached

January 2027

16-17 NC Region Annual Meeting - Raleigh, NC
23 Triangle Chapter Board Meeting
24 Triangle Chapter monthly meeting

06-12-2027 Tom Pruett's Charity Cruise for 2027 - Plan ahead



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

A note from Jim Gill

Fellow Club Members,

It has been an exciting month of elections earlier this month at both the state and national levels. Regardless of the outcome, the important part is having the elections of officials. It is now time that we drop down to another level of elections. And that is our local club level. Unlike the elections completed we do not have months of jockeying for position amongst the competitors. We have just two weeks to come forward and say yes, I want to run for that position to help the club endure. I asked longtime members when we had a female President and the answer was never. So this is an excellent opportunity for a female to take the lead. We have experience in our current club membership that will certainly come forward and help those that are looking for guidance. I can think of at least nine former Presidents still active in the club today.
This year our club is looking for the following positions to fill the year 2027:

President
Vice-president
Board member to complete 2026-2027
Two Board members for 2027-2028

We had an excellent year of leadership with Glenn as President and Tom as Vice-president. Neither is seeking reelection. Glenn will transfer over to the President Ex-officio position so will remain as a Board Member. Ken has elected to stay on as Treasurer. Brian has elected to stay on as News Correspondent. In addition Bob, Jim, Ray will remain as Board members.

So please, come forward and contact me at 919-593-5860 by November 22 and let me know that you would like to try to expand your skills and accept one of the club positions.

Jim Gill
President ex-officio



Greetings!

It is your favorite treasurer sending out a request for dues. **They are the same as last year $85** for the combined National $45/ Region $20/ Chapter $20. As always, you can write a combined check for $85. Of course, if you pay National online, deduct that from your payment.

Please make payment to **Triangle Chapter AACA** and mail to me at

Ken Powell
4513 Wood Valley Dr
Raleigh, NC 27613

Please open your directory and let me know of any changes to your information. It helps if you use the form that I have attached below but if all is ok, you need not send the form back. Based on the amount of your check, I can figure out which dues you are paying. I am trying to make this as simple as possible for you.

The deadline is December 31st. As an incentive, we will have a drawing of those who have paid by December 31st, and the winner will receive reimbursement of their Chapter dues ($20).

Thanks for your continued support of AACA and I hope to see you at many of our events in 2027.

Ken will be present on Sunday November 29th to collect your dues.

Our Holiday party is December 6th – See attached flyer

Dinner will be catered by Piper's Tavern again, salmon, chicken cordon bleu, green beans, rolls and dessert.

We will also have an exciting trivia contest, the $20 edible gift exchange, and Toys For Tots collection.

Please RSVP to Ken Powell by November 29th, to finalize numbers for this event.

Ken will accept checks combining party and membership renewal payments.

Old Salem Chapter Show





By Brian Wingler

The Old Salem Chapter held their annual car show at Main Street United Methodist Church in Kernersville, NC on November 14, 2026.

There were about 55 cars displayed; Brian Wingler (2000 BMW Z3) of the Triangle Chapter participated.

Voting was by people’s choice. The weather was nice except for a cold breeze that gave everyone a taste of what was soon to come.

Ederville Tractor Show 2026 by Brian Wingler

For something different than the usual old car gatherings, I attended the 100+ Years of Progress (Ederville) tractor show near Carthage, NC on November 07, 2026.

If anyone else from the Triangle Chapter attended, sorry I missed you; my son went with me.

There were antique tractors and other old machines; everything from lawn tractors to bulldozers, many hit-and-miss engines all in operation.

Huge steam powered tractors. Buildings and buildings full of tractors and huge machines and other non- mechanized displays.









Triangle Chapter Meeting Minutes

AACA Triangle Meeting Notes – October 25, 2026

Action Items

1. Nov 6 – Ederville 100 Years of Progress Tractor Show
2. Nov 29 – Triangle Chapter Meeting
3. Dec 6 – Triangle Chapter Holiday Party at the Stag Club. More details are coming.

Meeting Agenda Items:

1. We had 19 Triangle members in attendance.

2. President Glenn Ott conveyed thanks to all the Triangle Chapter volunteers who worked at our car show on October 24, 2026.
We had a successful car show at Mojo's in Garner Towne Center. Here are some highlights.

There were 101 vehicles entering the show including 40 Modified and 30 Stock vehicles.
Great parking plan with 1.5 spaces per car. Good comments.
14 Sponsor's prizes were raffled.
Good car club turnouts, 31 members from Piedmont, 26 Triangle members' vehicles.
Donuts and coffee for participants.
The Model T demonstration went well; the T even started on compression.

Triangle members who were voted Award Winners were: Best Stock Vehicle - Russell Duncan, People's Choice - Dan Fuccella.
The new owner of MoJos, Ali, made a generous donation to our chapter.

The attendees at the meeting gave a round of applause to Glenn and Caryl Ott for their efforts leading the organizing and operation of the show.

3. Sponsors who donated cash and prizes for the show will receive "Thank you" letters.
4. Courtney Johnston is organizing a club visit to the Ederville 100 years of Progress event on November 7, 2026. Contact Courtney Johnston at 919-661-4946.
5. Dues for 2027 are due December 31, 2026. See the link at:
https://triangleaaca.org/images/PDF/2027duesrenewal.pdf
6. Our next meeting on November 29, 2026 will include election of officers for 2027. If you have an interest in being a Board member, Contact Jim Gill at (919-593-5860).
7. The Triangle Holiday Party will be held at the Stag Club on December 8. More information will be provided.
8. Several members have received notices that their vehicles are being considered for National recognition. These members will be providing pictures and descriptions of their vehicles to the AACA selection committee.
9. Members are reminded that 2027 membership dues and information need to be submitted before December 31, 2026. The membership form can be found at: https://triangleaaca.org/images/PDF/2027duesrenewal.pdf
10. The program for the evening was Mike Petersen's presentation on the Vocabulary of AACA Judging. We all learned something.
11. Denny Oestreich has free one day tickets for the GAA auction in Greensboro November 5-7, 2026. Contact Denny at 919-846-8163 or Email at 919-846-8163.

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Tom Pruett 919-422-4761 tomjpruett@gmail.com

2026 Triangle Chapter Officers

Officers

President – **Glenn Ott**	(609-658-8322)
Vice President - **Tom Pruett**	(919-422-4761)
Secretary/Treasurer – **Ken Powell**	(919-638-0756)
Region News Correspondent – **Brian Wingler**	(919-418-4229)
Ex-Officio – **Jim Gill**	(916-363-2616)



Board of Directors

2025-2026

Ted Brooks	919-605-5825
Les Tryon	919-215-7588
Bob Gahr	440-867-4722

2026-2027

Jim Aldrich	919-676-3131
Ray Bader	919-418-0977
Keith Townsend	919-481-9072

Triangle Chapter Administrators

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Chapter Car Show Committee Chair: **Position Open Please volunteer**
Newsletter Editor: **Randy N Robertson** 919-422-9487
Youth Coordinator: **Dan Fuccella** 919-349-5911
Triangle Chapter Webmaster: **Denny Oestreich** 919-846-8163
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Social: **Position Open Please volunteer**
Triangle Chapter Members Guide Editor : **Caryl Ott** 919-528-1528
Holiday Party Trivia Contest Creator: **Glenn Ott** 609-658-8322
Notice Email Distribution: **Dean Tryon** 919-562-4660
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NC Region BOD: **Denny Oestreich** 919-846-8163
Chapter Events Coordinator: **Courtney Johnston** 919-931-4337

WEBSITE, FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM

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: https://triangleaaca.org/

Be sure to check out Denny's history of events. Job well done!

NC Region Website: http://www.ncregionaaca.com/region/

Facebook Pages

Be sure to check out our Facebook page

Triangle Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/TriangleChapterAACA

Instagram Accounts

https://www.instagram.com/triangleaaca/

NC Region Instagram Account https://www.instagram.com/nc.regionaaca/



NC REGIONAL 2027 CALENDAR

Coming Soon!



TIP or Question of THE MONTH



We can all use a little help around the garage or shop!

Send me those tips or questions

On this rainy dreary day, we all have our choices as to what is best to do.

I, with an ever expanding to do list, find myself with the choice of paperwork, newsletter, clean up the garage and shop, continue work on the model train set up for the grandkids. (aka as “the boys”) and many more.

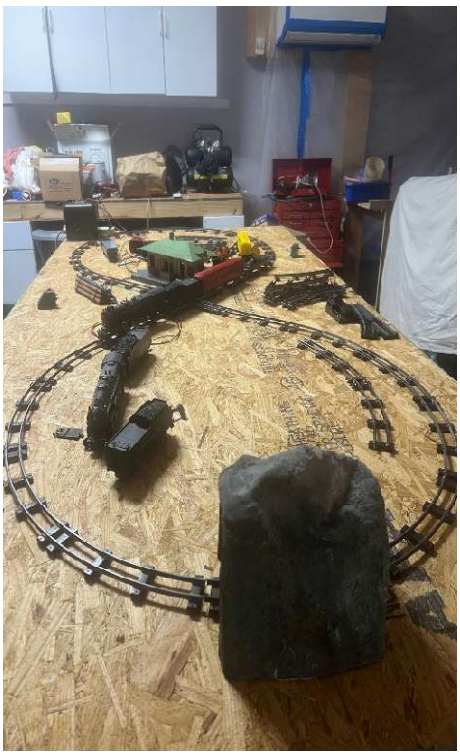
So, as we all wrestle with how to best fill the day, my suggestion is to start with necessary and skip straight to the fun!

Now that works!

My choices are newsletter followed by
work on the model train set for “the boys”

After all a shop or garage too organized means I didn’t get to the **fun stuff!**





Pro Tip:

Skip the boring stuff till next week, or year or ……

THE PARTING SHOT



John Watson's 1969 Jaguar E Type7

ZOOM ZOOM

Till next month Randy N Robertson