

Triangle Chapter Newsletter



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July 2022

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1. Events Calendar

Triangle 2022 Events Calendar: **NOTE LOCATION OF THIS MEETING**

This editor believes the location was a fine choice, not too far a drive, and very good and reasonably priced food.

Event: **General Meeting of the Triangle Chapter of AACA**

Meeting Date: **September 15, 2022**

Meeting Location: **The Village Grill in Lafayette Village** – 8470 Honeycutt Road (1.5 miles south of I-540 on Falls of Neuse Rd and Honeycutt Rd. Faces the intersection and has a grassy area in front)

Zoom link: The board has discontinued the Zoom link on regular meetings going forward.

Please plan on attending in person. See plug for the location above.

Event Schedule:

5:45pm to 6:45pm: Dinner and social time

6:45pm to 7:15pm: Business meeting – Likely discussion will be Hosting the Regional car show

7:15pm to 8:00pm: Presentation – TBD

8:15pm: General Meeting wrap-up and adjournment

SUMMER READING – PLEASE review the Triangle Chapter Board Meeting Notes and provide comments.

SUMMER EVENT – ICE CREAM SOCIAL SEE FLYER ATTACHED AND LISTING BELOW

NC Region 2022 Calendar Events Planned – See below

AACA National Events Calendar – **UPDATED LINK!**

The AACA National Shows are scheduled for 2022. The 2022 events are listed on the AACA Website at:

<https://aaca.org/events/category/aaca-national-calendar/>

2. President's Message

By Randy Robertson for Mike Hess

I have heard no news regarding Mike's recovery since Dan and saw him at the San Lee Car Show.

Assuming things are continuing improve and Mike is concentrating fully on his recovery.

3. Editor's Observations and Notes – Randy's Rants

By Randy N Robertson

1. Remember the location of our meeting changed for the next few meetings. Enjoy the summer and see you in September for our next regular meeting. See above and see you there!
2. Look over the upcoming events for the Triangle Chapter, the NC Region, and AACA National.
3. I noticed a snail in my garage over the last 30 days, turns out it was me slowly making some progress on the 53'. A few photos later in the newsletter.
4. To help increase membership, how about **Bring A Friend** night in the Fall?
5. Thanks for the responses, suggestions, pictures and articles. Could use some more Parting Shots, Articles & Car of the Month suggestions.
6. Please contact me with anything you want published. rnewr2017@gmail.com

4. Acknowledgements, Announcements & Thank You

As reported by Riley Reiner

Triangle Chapter has an invitation to do the Take Apart T at the Region Fall Meet in Spencer. Jack Harris, the Furnitureland Chapter President and a National Director, extended the invitation to us for our consideration. The meet is September 17th, which is also the fall Horseless Carriage Tour in Clinton.

We need a minimum of eight-line workers. I will volunteer to tow the car and can carry three additional people.

Triangle will be compensated for our efforts. If you were planning on attending the fall meet and showing your car, we could use you.

If you register a car, you receive free admission to the NC Transportation Museum which is outstanding.

If you are interested, please contact Riley Reiner to express your interest.

I would like to give Jack Harris **an answer by early August**. I know the date is out there but I would be a good opportunity for our chapter to have a new venue.

Thanks

As reported by Dan Fuccella

Note from Dan to our very own **Zoe Carmichael**

You will never guess what I found when I opened the July/August 2022 issue of the Haggerty drivers club magazine!!

There you are on page 11 and featured in the article starting on page 106.

Fantastic! Not that I should be surprised. You are a special person!

Happy to see that some others are recognizing your talent and determination. Congratulations!

Zoe is attending **McPherson College** pursuing a degree in Auto Restoration. I am sure this is not all we will hear about Zoe.

Do want you can to obtain a copy of the article, unfortunately copyright laws prohibit us from reprinting without permission which I am working on.

As reported by Randy N Robertson

All future submittals to the Newsletter must be include a written statement that the images or article is owned by “_____” and their express permission is given to use in the AACA Triangle Chapter newsletters, Website, Facebook, Instagram and all other social media. This permission is perpetual but may be revoked with written notice. Thanks for your cooperation.

5. Worthy Car Events – Send me your submittals

September is turning into a busy month with choices to be made

August 14, 2022 – Triangle Chapter Ice Cream Social - Location is Tom Pruitt home at 3520 Carpenter Pond Rd, Durham NC. Time 2:30PM. Rain date is August 21, 2022. Thanks Tom for hosting and Jean Soehnlein for coordinating.

September 17th, 2022 – Fall Horseless Carriage Tour – Members only event for cars built before 1927. The tour is based out of Clinton

September 17th, 2022 – NC Regional Fall Meet- in Spencer, NC – We have been asked to perform a Take-A-Part T demonstration. Please consider volunteering for this event. Riley Reiner is spearheading the effort and is agreed to tow the car and carry three people. A minimum of eight are needed.

September 17th, 2022 - Kars for Kids

See section below for additional upcoming regional shows!



6. Triangle Chapter Meeting Notes 06-16-2022

As reported by Dean Tryon

Action Items -- These items need your response if you are interested. More details in the newsletter.

1. NEW – Aug 14 - **Ice cream social** at Tom Pruett's home in Durham (near Leesville Rd, Brier Creek and I-540). Jean Soehnlein will help coordinate.
2. NEW – Our fall meetings will be held at the Village Grill on Sept 15, Oct 21 and Nov 17.
3. A summer Board meeting will be set up by Dan Fuccella.
4. Possible October display at Oak View County Park as part of their Heritage Days. Riley will check on the date.
5. Dec 4 – Annual Christmas party. Jean Soehnlein organizing.

Meeting Agenda Items:

1. The meeting was attended by 24 people in person at the Village Grill in N Raleigh plus 2 on ZOOM.
2. Dan reported that Mike Hess is up and around but still getting his strength back after open heart surgery.
3. Greg Lane attended as a guest and possible new member.
4. Ken Powell reported the membership is at 83 families and the treasury is at \$**redacted**.
5. The consensus was that the Village Grill was a great meeting place for location, food quality, service and the private room facilities. We will hold our fall meeting at this location (dates are above). If any of the attendees have feedback on this site, please let Dan or Dean know.
6. At the NC Region meeting, we were asked to host the 2023 NC Region meet. One possible location is downtown Cary in conjunction with their Wheels on Academy. Since our show is for AACA members only, non-members could be next door at the Cary event. The Board will consider it further but it appears to be an interesting concept.
7. Tom Pruett will host a summer ice cream social on 8/14 (rain date 8/21). Details will come out later.
8. Denny Oestreich discussed the Pruitt Health show on 6/11 with 5 cars attending.
9. Dean discussed the Verena retirement home show also on 6/11. There were 23 cars signed up – mostly non AACA members. Dean has accumulated a list of about 40 car owners in the Wake Forest/N. Raleigh area who have participated in several Wake Forest shows. Most are not AACA members but we can utilize this list for other shows as needed.
10. The program was a presentation by **Majestic Solutions** (Raleigh, Charlotte and High Point locations). It was a very interesting and detailed discussion on techniques and products to wash and dry our classic vehicle to achieve the highest possible gloss. It included air drying via a high flow blower, use of clay bars and tires cleaning.

Majestic Solutions has been a long-time sponsor of our spring shows and have products for our raffles. Joe Parsons presented a plaque as a token of our appreciation. They are located at 3907 New Bern Ave. in Raleigh.

7. Membership Efforts!

As reported by Dan Fuccella (continued publishing of this **important** message)

Thanks for your willingness to display our new windshield placard (attached) at last week's Triangle Chapter Car Show. Our intent is to display these at other car events that we attend - particularly non-AACA events. I did not keep track of which of your placards I retrieved from you all at the end of last Saturday's show.

- If you still have one in your possession and feel that you will have an opportunity to display it at other events this year, please let me know and hang on to it.
- If you still have one in your possession but think that you will probably not have an opportunity to display it at other events this year, kindly let me know, and we can make arrangements for me to get it back from you to distribute to someone that could display it.
- Either way, please let me know.

Membership is a Bargain at \$70.00 per year!

See the Membership Application/Dues form at the end of this Newsletter

The Triangle Chapter Board approved a Lifetime Membership availability of \$200.00 for the Triangle Chapter. Details forthcoming.

Recruitment effort suggestions are welcome!

Ken Powell is revising our Membership Application

8. Majestic Solutions

Picture by Helen DiPietro



Please support our long-time sponsor.

Locations in Raleigh, Charlotte and High Point

3907 New Bern Ave.

919-212-1150

www.majesticsolutions.com

9. The 53' July 2022

Photos by Randy Robertson



Rear Axle, Springs Prepping to Install



Unwrapping the Engine



Changing the hoist point



Preparing for Water Pump Install



Water Pumps Installed



Hoist Pt Changed & Motor Mounts Install

10. 2022 Triangle Chapter Officers

Officers

President – Mike Hess (916-201-3973)
Vice President - Dan Fuccella (919-349-5911)
Treasurer – Ken Powell (919-638-0756)
Region News Correspondent – Denny Oestreich (919-846-8163)
Ex-Officio – Jim Gill (919-363-2616)

Board of Directors

2022-2023

George Ashley	919-268-5483	gashley1@nc.rr.com
Chet Butcher	919-285-9520	butcher43.cb@gmail.com
Andrea Irby	919-815-1355	andrearby55@gmail.com

2020-2022

John DiPietro	919-931-5306	fieldreams@aol.com
Tom Pruet	919-422-4761	tpruet@lanarc.com
Brian Wingler	919-962-9303	bcwingler@bellsouth.net

Committee Chairs

Awards - Jim Gill - (919-363-2616)
Newsletter Editor – Randy N Robertson (919-422-9487)
Webmaster - Denny Oestreich (919-846-8163)
Youth Coordinator - Dan Fuccella (919-349-5911)
Car Show Committee Chair – Open

11. Website and Facebook Pages

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

Facebook Pages

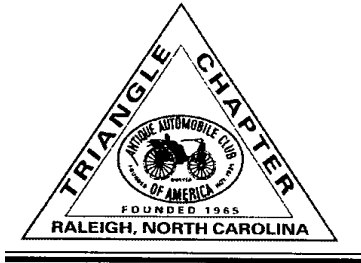
Andrea Irby is updating our Triangle Facebook page. Please have a look, “Like” the page and give her suggestions or information for the pages.

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

Instagram Accounts

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

12. Membership Application Dues Form



2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES RENEWAL

Antique Automobile Club of America
North Carolina Region
Triangle Chapter AACA

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Spouse's Name: _____ Home Phone No. _____

Email Address: _____ Cell Phone No. _____

Cars Owned (Year/Model) _____

NATIONAL AACA: Annual Dues \$45 Required for membership in Region and Chapter organizations.

My national number is _____.

___ I have paid my 2022 dues directly to AACA National in Hershey.

NORTH CAROLINA REGION AACA: Annual dues \$15

___ I have paid my 2022 dues directly to the NC Region

TRIANGLE CHAPTER: AACA: Annual dues \$10.

Make Checks payable to: TRIANGLE CHAPTER AACA

Note: Above dues can be combined on a single check and I will forward to National and Region

Mail To: Ken Powell

4513 Wood Valley Dr

Raleigh, N.C. 27613

Phone: 919-638-0756

Email: kgp8888@gmail.com

13. NC Region 2022 Calendar Below

NC Region AACA 2022 Event Calendar

Date	Type Meet	Host	City		Notes
August 6	Region Meet	Zooland	Asheboro, NC	IPO	<i>tentative</i>
August 11 - 13	Central Fall Nationals	Mississippi Valley	East Moline, IL	NAT	
August 13	Chapter Meet	General Greene	Greensboro, NC	U&T	
September 8 -	Fall Charlotte Autofair	Hornets' Nest Region	Charlotte, NC	IPO	
September 10 -	Sentimental Tour	Buzzards Breath	Gettysburg, PA	NAT	<i>(For 1928 - 1958)</i>
September 17	<i>NC Region Fall Meet</i>	Furnitureland	Spencer, NC	Region	<i>also Fall of 2023, '25, & '27</i>
September 18 -	Reliability Tour	Kyana Region	Shepherdsville, KY	NAT	<i>(For 1915 & older)</i>
September 24	Chapter Meet	New River	Jacksonville, NC	U&T	
September 25 -	Glidden Tour	New Jersey Region	Princeton, NJ	NAT	<i>(For 1942 & older)</i>
TBD	<i>NC Region Annual Cruise-</i>			Region	
October 1	Chapter Meet	Southeastern	Mt. Olive, NC	U&T	
October 4 - 7	Eastern Fall Nationals	Hershey Region	Hershey, PA	NAT	

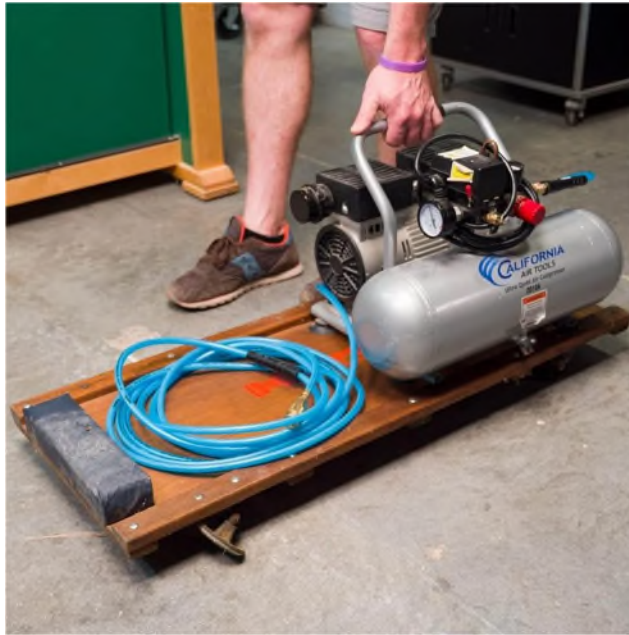
14. Tip of the Month



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

Here is another opportunity to get your name is print.

Send me those tips!



I have two creepers and always lugging my compressor around, I believe I will try this soon.

15. Triangle Chapter Summer Board Meeting Minutes

As Reported by Dan Fuccella

Triangle Chapter AACA 2022 Summer Board Meeting
Meeting Date: 2:00pm June 26, 2022
Location: Fuccella Home, Cary, NC

Attendees:

George Ashley: Board Member 2022-2023
Tom Pruitt: Board Member 2020-2022
Brian Wingler: Board Member 2020-2022
Dan Fuccella: Vice President
Ken Powell: Treasurer
Denny Oestreich: Webmaster/Historian
Joe Parsons: Marketing

Discussion Items

- 1) Possibly hosting the 2023 NC Region AACA Spring meet.
 - a) The NC Region is currently inviting its member Chapters to bid on hosting the 2023 NC Region AACA Spring meet. Bids are to be presented to the NC Region Board no later than the NC Region 2022 Fall Meet. Selection of the winning bid will be made at or shortly after the NC Region Board meeting held on September 17, 2022. No bids have been tendered to date.
 - b) The Triangle Chapter has a long-standing history of hosting NC Region Meets, thereby much experience.
 - c) Participation in a NC Region Meet is restricted to AACA Members, with 25 year or older vehicles that qualify for AACA categories (i.e.: Authentic, Historic Preservation, and Driver Participation). There are no classes for owner-modified vehicles other than qualified historic competition vehicles.
 - d) Judging is coordinated by the NC Region. All NC Region Members are asked to participate in the judging/evaluation process which follows AACA National guidelines.

The Triangle Chapter AACA approved further exploration into the possibility of bidding on the 2023 NC Region Spring Meet.

- 2) Potential locations for the 2023 Triangle Chapter Spring Meet (possibly for the 2023NC Region Spring Meet)

Choices:

 - a) **Hendrick Center, Wake Tech North Campus:**
 - i) Pluses: Nice sheltered Registration location and opportunity to tour the new facility. Nice bathrooms.
 - ii) Minuses: Difficult to find. Very little spectator traffic. Anticipated fee of ~\$600 next time.
 - b) **Briar Creek Shopping Center & North Hills Shopping Center:**
 - i) Pluses: Lots of space. Possibility of some spectator traffic.
 - ii) Minuses: Shopping Center administrators are getting increasingly difficult to work with (many rules, security requirements). Area businesses object to use of their patron's parking spaces.
 - c) **Oak View County [Heritage] Park on Pool Road:**
 - i) Pluses: Nice grass parking area. Country setting.
 - ii) Limited spectator traffic
 - d) **Academy Street, Cary, NC.:**

- i) The opportunity has been presented for the Triangle Chapter to hold its Spring Meet in conjunction with the *Wheels on Academy* Car Show held every spring on south Academy Street in Cary, NC. This spring, the one-day event drew over 150 vehicles, and more significantly, well in excess of 500 spectators. Next year's *Wheels on Academy* is scheduled for May 20, 2023.
- ii) In discussions with the Town of Cary Events Coordinator, it was determined that a 50-space parking lot adjacent to Academy Street plus approximately 20 spaces on Academy Street could be made available for use by the Triangle Chapter during the *Wheels on Academy* event. Based on recent NC Region Meets, 70 spaces should be sufficient for such an event.
- iii) It was proposed at Triangle Chapter Board Meeting that with proper promotion and signage, the NC Region Meet should draw a considerable percentage of the *Wheels on Academy* spectators.
- iv) The Academy Street location offers convenient access to area restaurants and other Cary downtown shops and attractions; perhaps helping to draw AACA participants to the Meet.
- v) One potential obstacle is the requirement that all *Wheels on Academy* vehicles be in place by 9:00am. We will work on this with the Town of Cary, as all of our vehicles will be located in a fairly concentrated area near the south entry to Academy Street. There is a first-class hotel on Academy Street in the midst of the event location for AACA participants who might prefer to arrive the evening before the event.
- vi) The following points were discussed with Ashby Armistead, NC Region President on a telephone conversation with Dan Fuccella regarding the concept of holding the 2023 NC Region Spring Meet on May 20, 2023, in conjunction with Cary's *Wheels on Academy* event.
 - (1) Ashby did not think the May 20, 2023, date would present a problem. The only pertinent AACA event currently scheduled for that date is the Eastern Spring Nationals in Gettysburg, PA which would probably not draw a significant number of local AACA participants. Another potential date conflict could be with the Morehead City, NC Chapter which has not yet scheduled a local meet for that date.
 - (2) Trailer parking: Ashby indicated the need for parking of a few participant trailers. The Town has indicated they have suitable locations to accommodate trailers in town. We will be exploring possible locations, including the Cary Arts Center parking lot, located 200 yards from the show field.
 - (3) Ashby indicated a need for a meeting room to hold the NC Region Spring 2023 Board Meeting to be held the morning of the Meet. We have identified three potential appropriate meeting room locations within 200 yards of the show field.

The Triangle Chapter AACA approved further exploration into the possibility of holding its Spring 2023 Car Show (possibly the NC Region 2023 Spring Meet) in conjunction with the Town of Cary's May 20, 2023, *Wheels on Academy* car show.

- 3) Zoom access to Triangle Chapter Members Meetings: On the basis of a diminishing level of Member engagement via Zoom (only 2 families attended the June meeting via Zoom, while 23 Members attended that meeting in person), **it was decided to discontinue offering Zooming as an option. Emphasis will be placed on offering programs and other activities of greater interest as a means of engaging Members.**
- 4) Possible Triangle Chapter Cruise-In/Display at Oakview Heritage Park fall of 2022:
 - a) **The Chapter is interested in pursuing this opportunity to bring the members together.**
 - b) **Oakview Heritage Park will be contacted to assess the possibility of holding a Triangle Chapter event in conjunction with the Park's Fall Heritage Festival.**

- 5) Offer of Life Membership in Triangle Chapter: **It was approved to offer the option of obtaining a lifetime membership in the Triangle Chapter AACA for the price of \$200.00.** Please note that this does not affect the dues requirements for the NC Region or AACA National.
- 6) Membership Involvement: The group discussed the apparent diminishing participation of our **Members in Triangle Chapter events** – planning, execution, and attendance.
- a) The primary focus was on the types of the events: Are we focusing on the types of events that interest our members?
 - i) Membership Meetings: Location, format, program topics.
 - ii) Cruise-ins/Tours: Destinations, routes, format, suitability.
 - iii) Car shows: Location, format, dates
 - b) **Committees**: The idea was presented that we might build Member engagement if we formed sub-committees to concentrate on, oversee, and recruit helpers for the various types of events, for example:
 - i) Social Committee
 - ii) Car Show Committee
 - iii) Cruise-in/Tour Committee
 - iv) Take-Apart-T Committee
 - v) Membership Committee
 - vi) Program Committee
 - c) Obviously, this would require participation of a lot of Members – but that is the point – providing Members the opportunity to participate in the Chapter and engage with other Members. This concept will have to be fleshed out and presented to the Membership at large.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30pm with the acknowledgement that there is much work to be done both on planning upcoming events and engaging our Membership. Membership input is strongly requested.

16. The Parting Shot

Keep those OUTDOOR pictures coming!



Saturday Mornings Days Gone By.....

Quiz – Who can identify these five vehicles with Bonus question of what is the obscured car in the back ground?

Submit your answer by August 10 win fame and fortune! rnewr2017@gmail.com

Till next month

Randy N Robertson



AACA Triangle Chapter's

Ice Cream Social!!

Hosted by Tom & Debbie Pruett

Location: 3520 Carpenter Pond Road, Durham

Phone: 919-422-4761

Date: Sunday, August 14th

Time: 2:30 pm

- "NC State Ice Cream" will be provided by the club.
- Drinks (water, soft drinks, tea) will also be provided.
- Cookies, fruit, nuts, syrups are welcomed!!
- Bring a chair to sit on!! Just in case all seats are taken!!

The Pruett's home has a unique layout including a large, screened-in patio with fireplace, grill, tables, chairs, plus ceiling fans!! Good place to eat ice cream!! They may also set up a Corn Hole game to challenge us with!!

Please notify Jean Soehnlein (moosemail@bellsouth.net) if you are planning to attend by **August 7th**. We want to make sure we have enough Ice Cream!!!



SAVE THE DATE!

**2nd Annual Kars for Kids
Charity Car Show**

Presented by the Wake Forest Optimist Club

Saturday, September 17, 2022

at The Market of Wake Forest

Bigger, better, more awards, more fun!