



CELEBRATING OUR 36th YEAR AS AN ACTIVE CLUB

NEXT MEETING

TAKKI'S RESTURANT
609 Pearl St.
Darlington, SC
Aug.14, 2017
6:30 PM for eating/fellowship
7:00 PM for Club Meeting



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Carol Key 8-1 Roy Graham 8-25

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS
Julian and Debbie Stewart

2017 CLUB OFFICERS

Pres. Al Robinson 496-7207 Vice Pres. Sammy Lee 992-6082 Secretary, Rena Mears 250-1152 Treasurer. Susan Pace 230-0212

NEW CLUB WEBSITE:

swampfox.aaca.com EMAIL:swampfoxcarclub@aol.com

Swamp Fox Old Car Club JUDGING SEMINAR Saturday, August 19, 2017, 10:00 AM 2106 West Jody Road, Florence, SC. August 2, 2017



Robinson's Ramblings'

This is our first newsletter under Curt Smith's direction as the Swamp Fox Club editor. This is one of the most important functions for the club as communication to the membership starts here!!! I am more than indebted to Curt for picking up the leadership on this.

I want to recognize the great job that Jesse Hill did for many years as Newsletter editor. Jesse held the newsletter together for lots of years and did not get a lot of input from the officers and membership at times. Let's help Curt out with input each and every month on people, cars, tech stuff, parts and cars for sale and anything you as members would like to put in the newsletter.

You will see some new format, the program has been changed and updated to make it easy to input information by YOU the member!!

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Robinson's Ramblings' con't

Since our last newsletter, lots of good "stuff" has happened with our club. As most of you know, Curt and your President represented the Swamp Fox AACA club very well at the AACA Grand National meet in Independence Missouri on June 17. Curt got his Sr. Grand National with his Corvette race car (very well deserved). My Whizzer motor bikes got a Sr. Grand National and a First Grand National.

The "55" Chevy hardtop got its First Grand National and I wish George Cruickshank had been alive to see this. George did the basic restoration on this car after I hauled it back from North Carolina some 20 years ago(in pieces) -took two trips. I helped him on the restoration and watched that car go from pieces to a complete car. He was so pleased that I took it to the next step for AACA competition. I am sure he was smiling down the evening of June 17 when his restoration expertise resulted in a First Grand National award. George was a true friend and a co-founder of our Club. I will always miss our many "discussions" on cars and the "best" ways to do stuff!!!

For those who attended the Club cookout, it was hot but bearable with the shade and the fans at Robinson's Haven for old cars, motorbikes and assorted "junk"!! The food was great, with every one bringing some outstanding dishes. My thanks to all you Ladies who fixed that "good stuff". We put on a pretty good car show in the yard. Thanks to Nick for the good pictures and to everyone who drove their cars. Nick and Abby have offered to host the next cookout; we will try and pick a "cool" day-stay tuned!!

Presidents Membership Program

We have gotten some superb new members in our car club over the last 9 months. I could go on and on about all of them. We need to really work on membership and keep expanding the club. Starting now, your President will personally buy any member who brings in a new member their meal at a club meeting. If you bring in two, I'll buy you two meals!!! I think everyone knows someone who either has an old car, likes old cars, or just likes being around people who like old cars.

Remember what I said at one of our club meetings several months back. First and foremost, we are a "people" club and old cars is the "glue" that holds us together. New members bring new ideas and new leadership opportunity to the Swamp Fox cub. Our club is now 36 years young and still going strong. We have a proud standing in the Pee-Dee area as a first rate club who puts on great car shows and cares about the community. LET'S KEEP IT GROWING!!!!!

Swamp Fox Rides



How my dream of a 1983 Datsun 300 ZX became a Legacy

When I was in my early 20s, I fell in love with this car. Of course, the car was outrageously expensive. I knew that I would never own this car. Of course, as time goes by, you start to get old, get married, and have kids, this is something that moves into the back burner. Time goes by and I start to forget about my dream car. Until many years later, I was going grocery shopping with my wife, As we drove by, I spotted a white car that resembled my dream car; of course, much older and less wise. I shouted out to my wife, "that looks like the Z!" and my wife said, "We need to go grocery shopping." We started to head back home when my wife said, "Do you really want to look at it?". Of course, you know I had to say, "YES!" So here I am pulling over to see the car and I noticed the "For Sale" sign on it. Now, of course, my eyes are lit up like two seal beams. In my clean clothes, I started checking the car underneath all away around and I didn't notice anything wrong with it. So, I am talking to my wife back and forth and she said, "there's a phone number on the windshield". So, I decided to call and 10 minutes later, the owner shows up. We started talking and he was telling me the history of the car. So, we started haggling the price back and forth even though the original price was a great price, he did not want to budge. So, the owner threw me the keys and said, 'take it for a test drive." Abby and I got into the car and took it for a spin. As we were driving, Abby and I were looking at each other and she knew that this was my dream car. So, when we returned from the test drive, we stepped out of the car and the owner asked, "What do you think?" My wife asked me, "You Like it?" I replied, "yes I do" and she said, "Happy Father's Day!" and that is how I ended up with the car of my dreams. So, no matter how old you are or how long it takes, keep on dreaming and always have faith. Nick Osorio

Pictures from the Swamp Fox Car Club Cookout

















Car Show Schedule

Antique and Classic Car Show, Florence, SC Fall Charlotte Auto Fair, Charlotte, NC Sweet Potato Festival, Darlington, SC Pecan Festival, Florence, SC

September 9, 2017 September 21-24, 2017 October 7, 2017 November 4, 2017