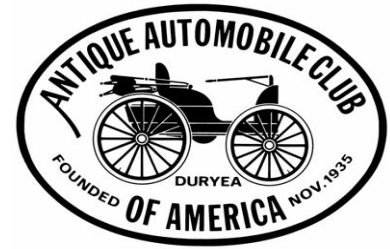


NEWS FROM THE



Swamp Fox Region

CELEBRATING OUR 38th YEAR AS AN ACTIVE CLUB

NEXT MEETING

Golden Corral
2510 David
McLeod Blvd.
Florence, SC
Mar. 11, 2019

6:30 PM for eating/fellowship
7:00 PM for Club Meeting

March 1, 2019



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Abby Osorio 3-2
Patrick Casey 3-20

Robinson's Ramblings'

March is here and we are only 6 weeks away from our very special April show at the Hoffmeyer Complex. We need more sponsors so please hit the businesses you patronize and ask the question. The worst that can happen is they might tell you no. You may be surprised at the response you get and the more sponsorship money we can raise the more we can donate to Cystic Fibrosis!!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

2019 CLUB OFFICERS

President Al Robinson 496-7207
Vice Pres. Tom Spence 773-0189
Secretary/ Susan Pace 230-0212
Treasurer.

We had a great turnout from our club at the "Dash to Calabash", where all the Coastal Carolina clubs get together and go over upcoming shows each club is hosting. The seafood was great as well!!!

We also had a meeting with the Presidents of the Pee Dee area car clubs and went over show schedules for 2019. We will publish a copy of all the area shows in the very near future.

CLUB WEBSITE:

swampfox.aaca.com

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Several of our members attended the Palmetto Cruisers Cruise Inn at the Highway 55 & Beef Jerky parking lot on Sat.Feb.24. Kit Fulmer and your president each got one of the Managers Choice top 10 trophies. Way to go Kit!!!

2019 Car Show Schedule
Swamp Fox Old Car Club
Antique Classic Car Show
Saturday, April 13, 2019

Robinson's Ramblings' con't

Welcome to Freas Hontz, our newest club member. Freas comes to us from Hershey, Pa and is an AACA member. We look forward to having Freas involved with the Swamp Fox AACA car club.

Congratulations are in order to Curt Smith for getting his AACA 1st Junior at the National Meet in Ocala, Florida Feb.24 with that raggedy old "plastic car" of his!! All kidding aside-way to go Curt!!!

Bring a prospective member to our March meeting. Our goal is to increase our membership by 10 in 2019. Let's show Florence and the surrounding area just what we are all about and remember that LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO DRIVE BORING CARS!!

Old iron is still the BEST!!!

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The Swamp Fox delegation at the "Dash to Calabash"



The Editors Turn

In just a few short weeks we will be making final preparations to present our annual Antique Classic Car Show, April 13, 2019.

This year's show will debut something new called The Feature Cars of the 2019 Swamp Fox Old Car Club Antique Classic Car Show. Two very special cars have been selected to represent the two major categories of cars to be entered into the show.

The Antique category will have 8 classes and be represented by the image of a 1940 Ford convertible owned by Al Robinson.

The Contemporary category will be composed of 10 classes and be represented by the image of a 2017 Ford Mustang Shelby GT350 owned by Susan Hutchinson.

The images of these cars will appear on the show flyer, dash plaque and the unique glass trophies. See the attached flyer for details on the specific classes in each category.

On the day of the show, both cars will be displayed together on the show field in a prominent central location. I encourage you to stop by to view the cars and meet the owners.

The stories of both cars as told by their owners are featured in this issue of the newsletter on the pages that follow.

I hope you enjoy.

Curt Smith

The Feature Cars of the 2019 Swamp Fox Old Car Club Antique Classic Car Show

The 1940 Ford Convertible

A Story of a Kid and a Car

It's 1956, 4 young hot rodders from Ft. Dodge, Iowa "just spent" a day at the Des Moines, Iowa Dragstrip and headed toward the small (very small) Speed Shop next to the Drag Strip. On the Cars for Sale chalk board was a 1940 Ford Convertible listed for \$75.00. The car one of the teenage hot rodders lusted for (at that time) beyond any other car that could exist. That kid was your Class President, only problem was he was so broke that day that he couldn't afford more than a Hot Dog. At 16 years of age, there are no obstacles in life that can't be overcome. So a price of \$65.00 was negotiated. \$5.00 was "borrowed" from a buddy to hold it and a promise to get the car in 3 weeks was made. Three weeks came. I was \$15.00 short. I called the guy and begged for a week's extension, it was granted and a week later two young hot rodders drove to Des Moines (from Ft. Dodge – 90 miles) to drive the car back.

This started a challenging adventure, the 40 Ford had a 1935 engine that was 90% shot. Burned oil like a mosquito fogger, had no heater and no top and so the 90 mile trip (in February, Iowa 18 degree F) was the 1st of several challenges with the car. The '40 convertible sat outside my High School buddy and my small shop (we rented a place for \$30.00/month to fix, sell and store cars and "stuff" while we were in High School) for about a year and donated some parts to a 40 Ford Coupe.

In 1957 the 1st round started with a good engine. Some custom work (nosed & decked) and some good seats were added to make it drivable. It got some good use and my fiancé Gail actually rode in that car (62 years ago). Forward to 1958, I joined the US Navy and the car sat stored on an Iowa Farm until 1963 unfortunately outside in a cornfield for a couple of those years. I was then an Engineering student at Iowa State University and hauled the car to Ames Iowa, with no plans on what to do with it. It almost got sold my last quarter of college to pay my last 3 months tuition. The potential buyer backed out (asking price was \$225.00) and the decision to rebuild the car was made.

Rust had taken its' toll as you can see by the pictures with the entire floor pan cut out. Thanks to a rust free '39 Ford 2 door parts car, all the necessary sheet metal needed was obtained. After dismantling, sand blasting, priming and reassembling, the car was ready for the next round.

I towed it to Victoria, Texas, behind my Hot Rod '57 Olds to my new job with DuPont at their Victoria plant. Not much was done in Texas other than to accumulate some needed parts, put on a top and reupholstered the interior. I had too much to do with a new job and the upcoming birth of a daughter in 1968.

Round two (or 3 or 4) was the transfer by DuPont from Victoria, Texas to Parkersburg, West Virginia to their plant there. After buying a house with a "big" garage suitable for a reasonably sized shop, the restoration work started. The car was disassembled again. I did all the needed body work (myself), rebuilt the engine (myself), painted the car (yup – me again) and finally after 3 years got it back together and looking pretty good for a garage restoration.

My daughter (Jamie) was 3 years old and got the 1st ride in the car after it was finished. That would start the long history of my kids and my family going to car shows in the '40 Ford now named the "Godfather". The car still had the "close to original" interior installed in Texas and the white vinyl top (uncovered) and that stayed with the car until 1978 when it made a trip to LeBaron Bonney in Amesbury, Massachusetts to get the correct leather interior and Stayfast canvas top installed (I can do body and mechanical but I'm a lousy upholsterer).

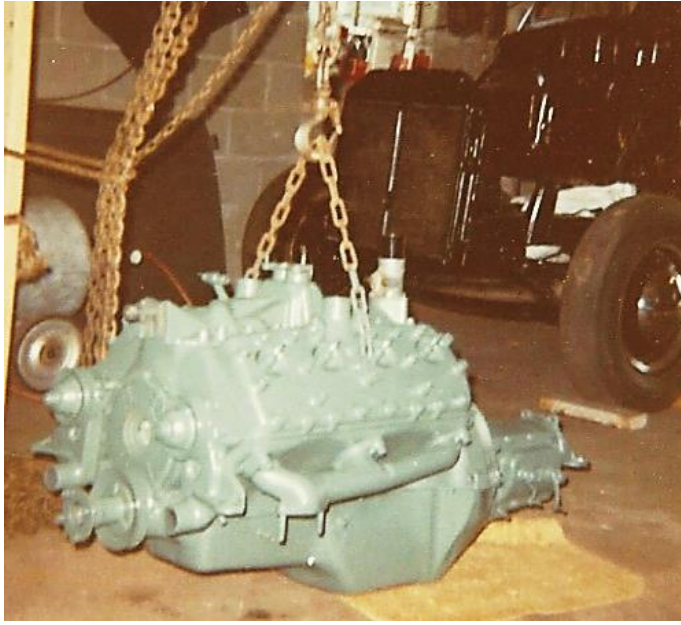
The car is now ready for its' next adventure. Thanks to DuPont, in August of 1981 I was transferred from Parkersburg, VA. to Florence, SC to become the Plant Maintenance Superintendent. Also came the 1940 Ford, family (some now in college) and the start of another round (or adventure). This adventure resulted in the start of the Swamp Fox AACA Old Car Club in September of 1981. As Charter President, with my very best friend (a 1940 Ford Convertible) the story continues to this Day!!

And as Paul Harvey used to say, "Now you know the rest of the Story."

Al Robinson













The Feature Cars of the 2019 Swamp Fox Old Car Club Antique Classic Car Show

The 2017 Ford Mustang Shelby GT350

I acquired my love and respect for muscle cars from my dad when I was really young. I grew up in the sixties when muscle cars were seen as a new must have in every household, and mine was no exception. My parents bought a 69' GTO which I own now when my father passed and gave it to me.

I have also owned a few other fast cars: 73' firebird, a 300 ZX, and four Mustang GT's (2008', 2012' and 2016'). However, my favorite is the Shelby Cobra, 2017'. My husband always told me he would buy me a Shelby "if" they made anymore. Well, he ended up having to eat those words when Ford came out with the 2017 Shelby cobra, or as I call her, Medusa 2.

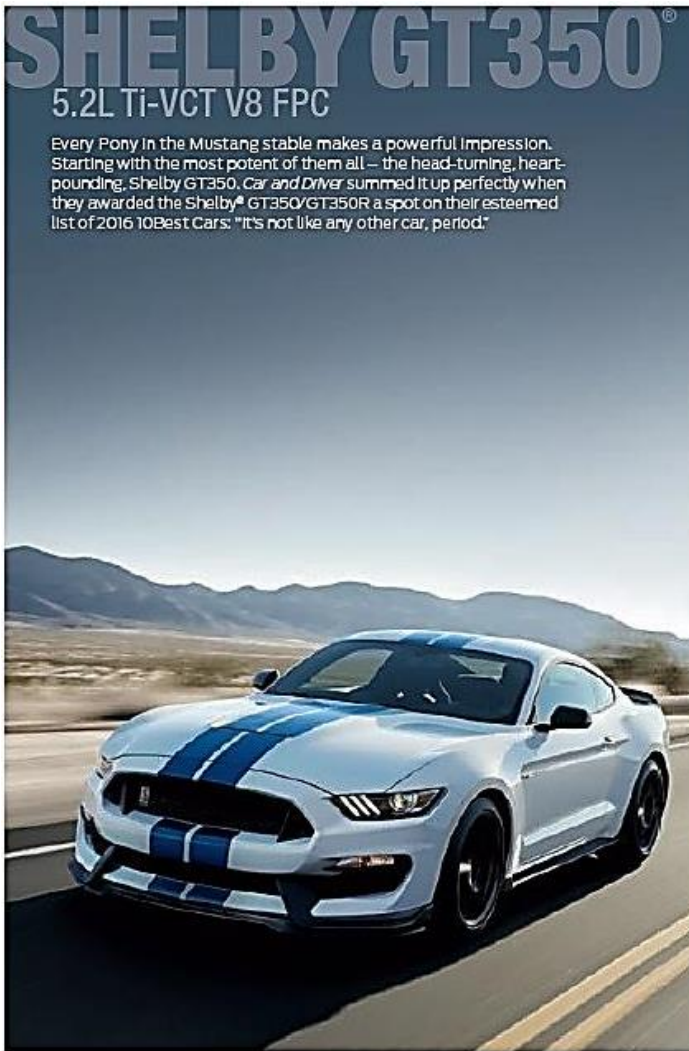
Many wonder why that's her name, but it's actually very easy to explain. My hair is curly like Medusa, I drive a Cobra, the two on the license plate resembles a snake, and my husband claims that all women actually have snakes in their head like Medusa. That is why my Medusa 2 will always have a special place in my heart.

Sincerely,

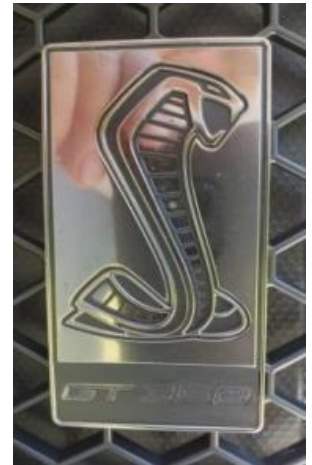
Susan Hutchinson



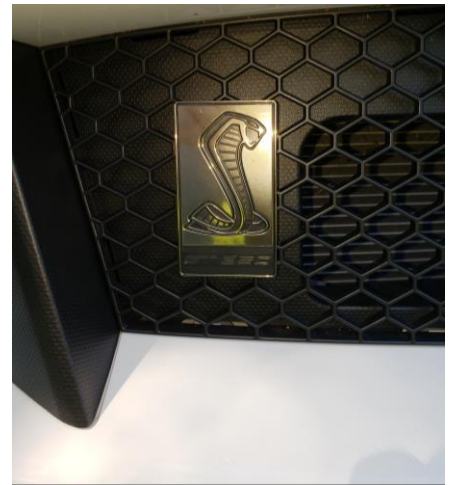
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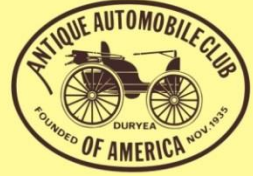
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SWAMP FOX

Old Car Club



Presents

Antique Classic Car Show

APRIL 13, 2019

2441 HOFFMEYER RD
FLORENCE SC



18 CLASSES

**8 ANTIQUE & 10 CONTEMPORARY
TROPHIES TO TOP 2 IN EACH CLASS**

3 BONUS TROPHIES

BEST ANTIQUE BEST CONTEMPORARY BEST OF SHOW

REGISTRATION FEE: \$25 FROM 8 AM TO 12 PM

JUDGING BEGINS AT 12 PM AWARD @ 3PM

For more info visit web: <http://swampfox.aaca.com/>

call Al Robinson @ 843-496-7207, Curt Smith @ 843-687-9661

or Susan @ 843-230-0212



PROCEEDS GO TO THE CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION

Classifications for the 2019 Swamp Fox Old Car Club Antique Car Show

Vehicle Definitions

The Antique Classes are open to production vehicles 25 years old or older, which were built in factories and specifically designed and manufactured for transportation use on public roads. Judging will evaluate a vehicle relative to its original state as the dealer could have prepared the vehicle for delivery to the customer.

The Contemporary Classes are open to vehicles that are not included in the Antique category, and may be modified and / or newer than the Antique Class vehicles.

Antique Classes

1. Production Vehicle	Thru – 1959
2. Production Vehicle	1960 – 1969
3. Production Vehicle	1970 – 1994
4. Sports Vehicle	Thru – 1969
5. Sports Vehicle	1970 – 1994
6. Production Pony Car	1964 – 1994
7. Corvette (C1 & C2)	1953 – 1967
8. Corvette (C3 & C4)	1968 – 1994

Contemporary Classes

9. Street Rods	All
10. Modified Cars	Thru – 1965
11. Modified Cars	1966 – Present
12. Modified Truck	All
13. Production Cars	1995 – Present
14. Production Trucks	1995 – Present
15. Production Pony Cars	1995 – Present
16. Corvette	1995 – Present
17. Rat Rods	All
18. Special Interest	All

* Sports Vehicle examples: Alfa, AMX, Austin Healey, BMW-Z3/Z4, Datsun/Nissan 240Z-300Z, DeLorean, Ferrari, Jaguar XKE, Lotus, Mazda, M/B SL, MG, Morgan, Porsche, Triumph, TVR.

* Production Pony Car examples: Mustang, Camaro, Firebird/Trans Am, Cuda.

Show Winning Recipes

---- Abby Osorio----

Coquito | Puerto Rican Coconut No Egg -Nog

1 (12 oz) can evaporated milk

1 (14 oz) can sweetened condensed milk

2 cups (1 15 oz can) cream of coconut (like Coco Lopez)

1 can Coconut Milk

1/4 tsp cinnamon

1 tsp vanilla

1 1/2 cup white rum  BACARDI.

Instructions

Mix all ingredients in a blender at high speed.

Refrigerate for a minimum of 1 hour.

Shake well before serving.

Serve cold in a small glass.