



NEWS FROM THE SWAMP FOX Old Car Club



Swamp Fox Region

CELEBRATING OUR 38th YEAR AS AN ACTIVE CLUB

NEXT MEETING

Tubb's Shrimp & Fish
1500 2nd Loop
Rd. Florence, SC
Dec. 9, 2019
6:00 PM Social
6:30 PM Club Meeting
7:00 PM Dinner
7:30PM Xmas Party/Gift
Exchange



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Celeste Spence	12-16
Jane Huggins	12-17
Nick Osorio	12-30
Julian Stewart	12-31

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

2019 CLUB OFFICERS

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

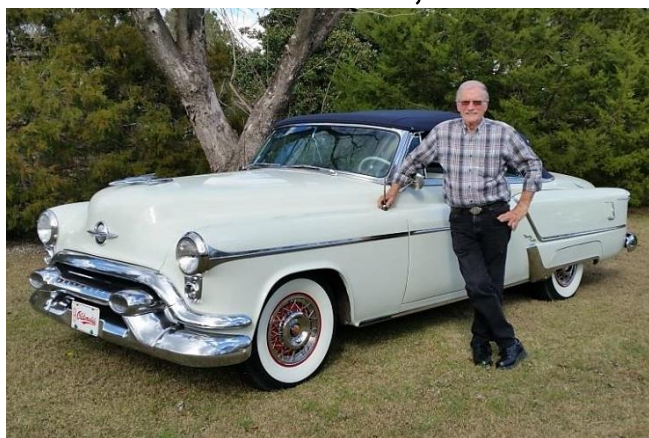
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2020 Car Show Schedule
Swamp Fox Old Car Club
Antique Classic Car Show
Saturday, April 18, 2020

December 1, 2019



Robinson's Ramblings'

As we come to the end of our 38th year as an AACA Car Club, I would like to reflect on the great accomplishments of all the members who worked so hard to make this past year so very successful. We had 3 very successful car shows, improved our classification and judging procedures, started attending more local car shows as a club and made an impact on our community with our donations and activities.

We added several new members who got involved in club functions and really helped the club with our car shows. We continue to have the best Newsletter any car club could ever have and have submitted our editor, Curt Smith, into AACA National Newsletter Competition. We are in good shape financially and our finances are well organized thanks to our Sec/Treas. Susan Pace. We had great chair people for our shows, Curt Smith for the April show, Cheryl and Doug Floyd for the Sweet Potato show and Tom Spence for the Pecan Festival show.

All I can say is WOW!! to a great year, for a super bunch of people to be associated with and for an outstanding Board of Officers and Directors to provide the leadership for our car club.

Robinson's Ramblings' con't

As we go into 2020, let's keep up and expand on what we did this year. Membership growth will be one of our top priorities. Year 2021 will be our 40th year as a car club so we will be putting plans in place for some special recognition over this next year!!

Thanks once again to every member of our great club. You ALL made 2019 a GREAT SUCCESS and remember LIFE IS TOO SHORT TO DRIVE BORING CARS!! (Thanks-Tom)

Al Robinson



Merry Christmas - HAPPY NEW YEAR



Santa

The Pecan Festival Car Show

(Photos by Curt Smith)



The Pecan Festival Car Show

(Photos by Curt Smith)



The Pecan Festival Car Show

(Photos by Curt Smith)



The Pecan Festival Car Show

(Photos by Curt Smith)



The Pecan Festival Car Show – Winners

(Photos by Curt Smith)



The Pecan Festival Car Show – Winners

(Photos by Curt Smith)



The Pecan Festival Car Show – Winners

(Photos by Curt Smith)



Best Non Production Award



Best Production Award



Mayors Choice Award

The Pecan Festival Car Show - Swamp Fox Rides

(Photos by Curt Smith)





The Editors Turn



The Revival AAA Glidden Tour

The Revival AAA Glidden Tour® is the oldest and largest annual antique automobile tour in existence. Organized by antique car clubs, its purpose was to recreate the purposes and traditions of the early AAA events. The annual tour has become a week of pleasurable daily car trips to points of scenic or cultural interest.

The AAA (American Automotive Association) sponsored the original automobile tours in various locations in the United States from 1904 to 1913 to demonstrate the reliability of the automobile as basic transportation and encourage the development of safe roads, dependable driving information and other motoring services.

Today, AAA is involved with the re-creation of the original tours, working with the Vintage Motor Car Club of America (VMCCA) and the Antique Auto Club of America (AACA). Now known as the Revival AAA Glidden Tour, this annual experience is one of the most prestigious touring events in American auto history.

The pictures below of the 74th Revival Glidden Tour were taken during a stop in Rock Hill, SC.

Curt Smith, Editor

(Photos by Julie Canipe)



The Revival AAA Glidden Tour

(Photos by Julie Canipe)



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Automotive History

Unlike Siegfried Marcus, Karl Benz was fully convinced that the gasoline engine would replace the horse as the basic unit of transportation and spent much of his life bringing his belief to reality. Overcoming poverty and ridicule, Benz built his first car in 1885. It became the prototype for the first line of commercially successful cars in history. The son of a locomotive engineer, Karl Benz was born in Karlsruhe, Germany, on November 25, 1844. He seems to have inherited an interest in mechanics and one of his first jobs was in a machinery factory. Benz became fascinated with gasoline engines and in 1883 started a company to produce small two-stroke stationary engines, using an electric ignition system he had designed, consisting of a storage battery, coil and spark plug, his ignition system was very much like the ones used today.

Rather than motorizing an existing vehicle as Marcus had done, he believed that the chassis and engine must be designed to complement each other and work as a unit. Using this principle, Benz built a lightweight car for the three-quarter horsepower, single-cylinder, four-stroke engine he designed. Admitting that he did not yet know how to design a steering linkage for his two front wheels, he employed a single front wheel to guide the car. Benz also put large drive wheels on the car to give the small engine a better power ratio.

The engine and running gear for the Dreirad [Tri-cycle] though awkward by modern standards, were ingenious for that time. The car incorporated some features which are still used extensively in automobile construction today the water-cooled engine, electric ignition and a differential gear. Because Benz engines operated at a relatively slow speed, 250 rpm, they were designed to run at a single, constant speed. To help maintain constant engine speed, Benz mounted a huge metal flywheel behind the engine. The flywheel also doubled as the starter, and a hard turn by hand brought the engine to life. A combination belt and chain drive was used.

Benz was constantly working on and improving his prototype. Experiments during the day weakened the car's battery, so at night Benz coaxed his wife to pump the treadle of her sewing machine which powered a generator and recharged the battery.

In 1887 Benz made his first sale. The next year he exhibited a two horsepower version of his car at the Munich Exhibition and, in 1889, at the Paris World Fair. By the turn of the century, several hundred Benz cars were being sold annually. Despite the popularity of the Dreirad, Benz soon faced strong competition, particularly from Gottlieb Daimler's Mercedes, which eventually forced Benz to change his design. For years Benz had adamantly rejected any criticism of his basic concept. Even after he introduced a more popular four-wheeled model, the opinionated inventor never felt that his original had been improved on. For nearly thirty years, Benz and Daimler automobiles competed, but in 1926 the rivalry ended when the companies merged.

David Lahr
Charlotte NC Hornets' Nest AACA

Future Car Shows of Interest

December 14, 2019

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

January 11, 2020

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

February 8, 2020

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

March 14, 2020

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

April 2-5, 2020

AACA Southeastern Spring Nationals and Auto Fair
Charlotte, NC - Hornets' Nest Region

April 11, 2020

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

April 18, 2020

Antique Classic Car Show - Swamp Fox Old Car Club
2441 Hoffmeyer Rd. Florence, SC - Swamp Fox Region

May 9, 2020

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

June 13, 2020

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

July 11, 2020

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

July 23-25, 2020

AACA Annual Grand National
Allentown, PA

August 8, 2020

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

September 12, 2020

Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am
1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

October 7-10, 2020

AACA Eastern Fall Nationals
Hershey, PA – Hershey Region

October 10, 2020

Sweet Potato Festival - Swamp Fox Old Car Club
Darlington, SC – Swamp Fox Region

November 7, 2020

Pecan Festival- Swamp Fox Old Car Club
Florence, SC - Swamp Fox Region

FOR SALE

1967 PLYMOUTH SPORT FURY FASTBACK



Owner: Ronnie Wallace

Due to health issues, this beautiful car needs to be sold to help with ongoing healthcare cost.

Ronnie bought this car in 1967 (have the original window sticker that goes with the car) & dated his future wife in it. Later traded it then found it again years later, repurchased it & had it fully restored (have pictures).

While Ronnie loved this car he especially loved going to car shows & talking with the other car owners & people that looked at his car. Many trophies were awarded to Ronnie's car & they all go with the car. Almost always won best MOPAR at every show he attended - this is one fine car.

Here are some recent things done to the car:

- Oil/filter change w/Mobile-1

- Topped off all fluids (no leaks found)

- Inspected all suspension links, bushings, ball joints, belts & hoses

- Serviced brakes & adjusted

- Washed & waxed

- Detailed interior

Please consider this car if for nothing else but to win lots of trophies but to also help out my friend. All offers will be considered but a minimum offer of **\$22,000** will be given serious consideration.

For more information contact me:

Steve Cobb

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