

# NEWS FROM THE



Swamp Fox Region

CELEBRATING OUR 38th YEAR AS AN ACTIVE CLUB

## NEXT MEETING

Golden Corral  
2510 David  
McLeod Blvd.  
Florence, SC  
Apr. 8, 2019  
6:30 PM for eating/fellowship  
7:00 PM for Club Meeting

April 1, 2019



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Rob Warfuel	4-6
Jennifer Edwards	4-20
Darrell Porter	4-21
Kit Fulmer	4-22
Candy Rast	4-29
Steve Abbott	4-30

## 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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## Robinson's Ramblings'

Here we are, it's April and our great car club is just about ready for the busiest month of 2019. Three of our club members will be showing cars at the AACA South Eastern Spring Nationals in Charlotte on April 6. Bill Edwards, Curt Smith and your President will be shooting for AACA Sr. awards with their cars. Our club will be well represented at the Spring Nationals this year and I encourage everyone to consider going to Charlotte for the day. You will see some super nice cars!!

The following weekend will be the show of all shows for our club. April 13 is the 2nd Annual Antique and Classic Car Show at Hoffmeyer Place and we need every member to be there. It will be a busy day and much help is needed. PLEASE BE AT THE MONDAY APRIL 8 MEETING! We will cover all assignments and preparation for the show and head over to the show field so everyone can see how Chairman Curt has the show set up. This truly will be the best Car Show in the Pee Dee in 2019!!!

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

## Robinson's Ramblings' con't

Several members made it to the Run to the Sun in Myrtle Beach the weekend of Mar 23. What a bunch of cars!! We heard that around 3,700 cars were there and I can attest to that. Tom Smith sold his nice 63 Chevy truck, I had my 54 Olds for sale-didn't sell it. Tom Spence was there as well as Luther Johnson and somewhere Tom Ennis was to be found!! There were so many people there that you could get lost in the crowd and miss someone pretty easily. Weather was great, however, and those who went had an enjoyable time.

ONCE AGAIN-DON'T MISS OUR APRIL 8 MEETING. 5 days later will be the show and we need you all!!!!!! Just remember -Life is still too short to drive BORING CAR'S. AL





## The Editors Turn

The second annual 2019 Swamp Fox Old Car Club Antique Classic Car Show is just around the corner. Again we are blessed to have the same great venue as last year thanks to the generosity of Rex and Jane Huggins.

Sponsor recruitment and final show preparations are nearing completion.

The plan for this year's show is designed to apply the lessons from last year's event while expanding and improving the scope of this year's show. Here are a few examples.

The car classes have been consolidated from 21 to 18 and balanced to accommodate all entrants.

The show layout has been updated to facilitate classification of cars before they are parked in the Antique or Contemporary areas of the show field. This should improve both classification and judging times. Also the public parking has been moved closer to the show field to aid in ease of access.

The addition of "Feature Cars" to symbolize the theme of Antique and Contemporary classes has been added to our flyers, dash plaques and trophies. Thanks to Nick and Abby Osorio for their great work.

On show day, the actual cars featured on the show materials will be on display in the center of the show field for all to see.

Here is the show schedule for Saturday, April 13, 2019.

Final setup,	7 AM
Show opens,	8 AM
Registration,	8 AM-12 PM
Kids Antique Car Rides,	9:30 AM-11 AM
Judging begins,	12 PM
Awards presentation,	3 PM

### Reminder:

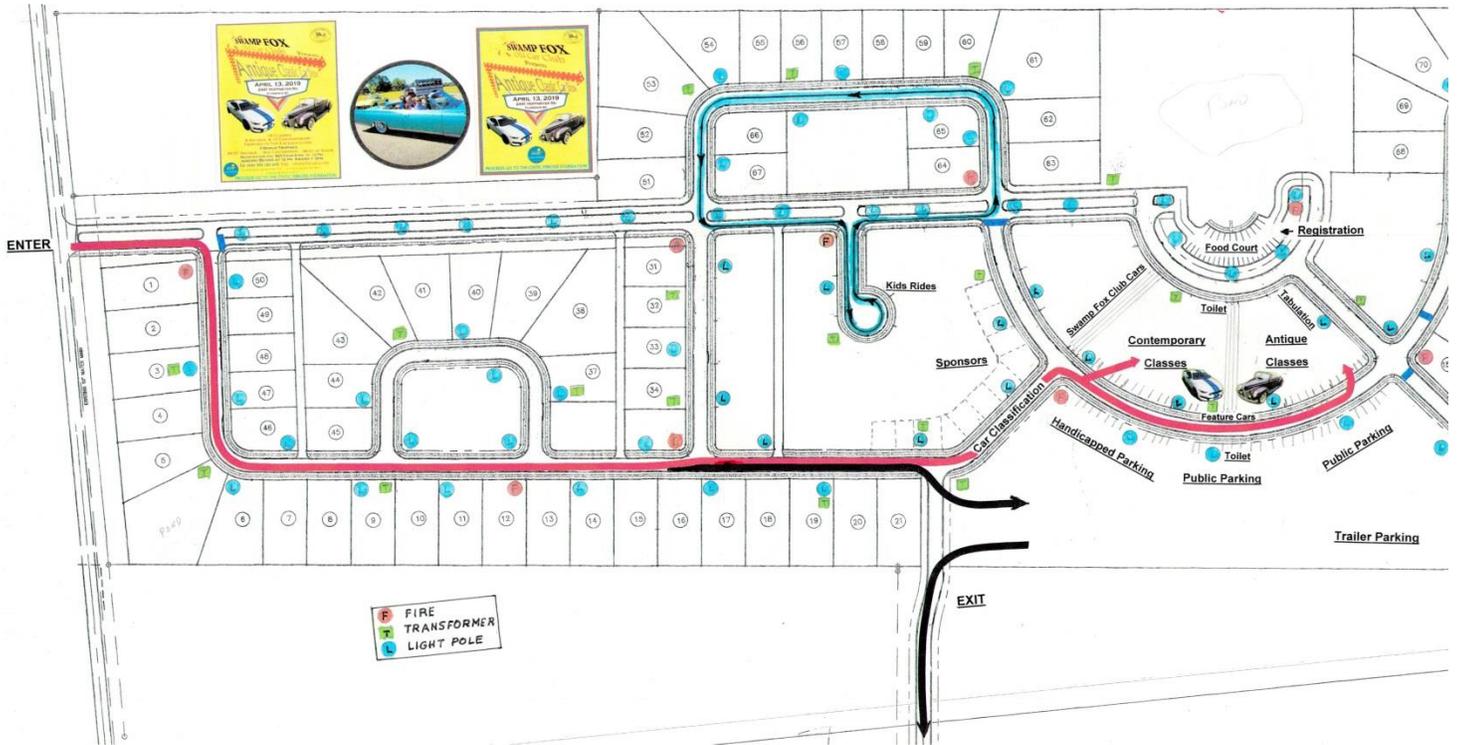
Please attend the Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> club meeting at Golden Corral and then join us at the show site for a quick review of the facility.

Thanks to everyone for all of your help in preparing and presenting the show.

Smile for the camera and don't forget to have FUN!!

Curt Smith  
Editor/Show Chairman

# 2019 Swamp Fox Old Car Club Antique Car Show



The 2019 Show Layout

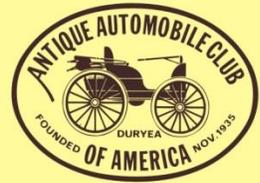


The 2019 Awards and Dash Plaque



**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/>

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## 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.

## Swamp Fox Rides

### GOING ON 40 YEARS!!!

The search began in 1975. A soon to be first time father had his heart set on owning a Stingray just like every other late 20 something year old. Money was tight so looking for something that fit the budget was key. That search took a little over 4 years and with one toddler already and another baby on the way he finally found the car of his dreams. Everyone said he was nuts because in September of 1979, he purchased a 1966 Sunfire Yellow convertible for \$6,300. He would be the 3<sup>rd</sup> owner of the car. The car was purchased from a young family in Greensburg, IN. It was a non-matching numbers car as the original owner of the car blew the engine and had it replaced before selling it. The car was everything he was looking for and it even came with the hard top, extra manifold, all ignition shielding, hubcaps and other misc. parts. The car did have a left rear seal that was leaking so with the help of a good friend (who also owned a service station) the car was trailered back to Muncie, IN where they got it back up to a solid running car and it would stay until June of 2017.

That guy was my father and I was lucky enough to grow up with that car. My dad and I have so many memories with the 66'. I can remember going for rides as a kid and not being able to see over the glove box as we zipped down county roads (I'm sure going way faster than my mother would like to know). I was so excited to turn 16 so I could legally drive it. From the simple joys of everyday driving with my dad as a kid, to it being there the day I married my soulmate. Having the opportunity to share a love for Corvettes with my Dad, is something I cherish and hope my son will do the same.

In the Summer of 2017, being retired and deciding to move full time to their house in Phoenix, AZ my parents decided to sell my childhood home in Indiana, where that Corvette sat in our garage for nearly 40 years. I was blessed enough to get that call from Dad saying that Reliable transport would be dropping off the car within the next two weeks for me to enjoy and share in and create those same memories with my own son. I have been fortunate enough to meet lots of great car people over the last 18 months and been able to participate in some great car shows and events. We get the car out a least once a week to build memories with my son, just like my dad did with me. I can't wait to pass it on to him and his family some day and keep it in our family for another 40 years!

Rob, Stacie and Finnegan Warfuel







## Automotive History

The 1912 Cadillac was the first car to be produced with an electric starter-the device which many considered one of the most important advancements in personal transportation. Almost from the introduction of the internal combustion engine, inventors had searched for a practical method to replace hand crank starting. Starters powered by gears and springs, compressed air, electricity and even explosive gases were tried. But none worked well, and some were as large as the engine they were supposed to start. Although inventors and tinkers failed time after time, the hundreds of broken arms and occasional deaths caused by the kickback of the hand crank were reason enough to keep looking for a better method

At Cadillac, full effort in developing a practical and safe starter got underway in 1910 following a tragic accident. Bryon J. Carter, a close friend of Cadillac President Henry M. Leland, was killed while trying to start a lady's stalled Cadillac on a bridge in Detroit. She forgot to set the spark retard device on the steering wheel, and when the engine started, the crank flew off and struck Carter. "The Cadillac car will kill no more men if we can help it," said the grief-stricken Leland, as he ordered a top priority project to find a substitute.

Cadillac engineers called in Charles F. Kettering of Dayton, Ohio to help with the project. Kettering was an electrical engineer who had developed a small and efficient electric motor to replace the hand cranks on cash registers. Kettering and Cadillac engineers developed an electric starter/generator combination that was small yet powerful enough to start the car and then capable of recharging its battery.

When this small starter/generator was announced, skepticism poured in from other companies in General Motors and around the world. Experts from the world's leading electrical companies said it couldn't work-no small motor could. But, thanks to Kettering's inventiveness, it did and very well. The Royal Automobile Club of Great Britain was so pleased with the reliability of the starter that the club awarded its highest tribute- the prestigious Dewar Trophy to Cadillac for its accomplishment. This was Cadillac's second Dewar trophy and to win two of these awards was at that time an unprecedented achievement. During the fall of 1911, the first 1912 self-starting Cadillacs rolled out of the Detroit plant and into the anxious hands of waiting customer. For the first time anyone could drive a car without annoying crank starting. Sales increased more than 30 percent over the previous year.

Under the terms of a licensing agreement with other car manufacturers, Cadillac made the electric started available to all companies in the General Motors organization and to other car builders on both sides of the Atlantic. In 1913 the Lanchester Company of Great Britain adopted the system, and 98 percent of the American cars in production featured electric starting by 1916. Cadillac's development of "the car that has no crank" was another example of the company's continual search for excellence.

David Lahr  
Charlotte NC Hornets' Nest - AACA

## **Future Car Shows of Interest**

### **April 4-6, 2019**

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

### **April 13, 2019**

Antique Classic Car Show - Swamp Fox Old Car Club  
Florence, SC – Swamp Fox Region

### **May 30-June 1, 2019**

AACA Annual Grand National  
Auburn, IN

### **June 26-29, 2019**

AACA Eastern Spring Nationals  
Parsippany, NJ – New Jersey Region

### **October 9-12, 2019**

AACA Eastern Fall Nationals  
Hershey, PA – Hershey Region

### **October 12, 2019**

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

### **November 2, 2019**

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

### **April 2-5, 2020**

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