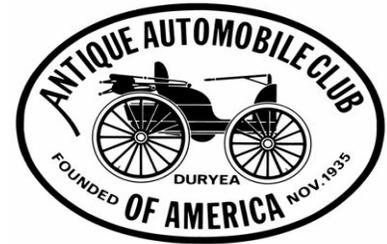




# NEWS FROM THE

## SWAMP FOX Old Car Club



Swamp Fox Region

CELEBRATING OUR 39th YEAR AS AN ACTIVE CLUB

### NEXT MEETING

CAIN'S Bar-B-Que  
1502 Pamplico Hwy.  
Florence, SC  
Thursday  
SEPT 10, 2020  
6PM Dinner/Meeting



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Curt Smith 9-7  
Debbie Stewart 9-21  
George Freeman 9-25  
Cheryl Floyd 9-27  
Stacy Spence 9-28

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

#### 2020 CLUB OFFICERS

President Al Robinson 496-7207  
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Secretary/ Susan Pace 230-0212  
Treasurer.

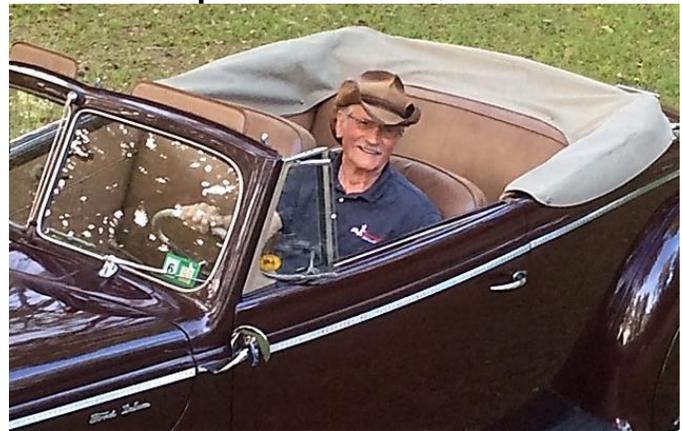
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**2020 Car Show Schedule**  
**Sweet Potato Festival, Darlington,**  
**SC 10/10/20 (CANCELLED)**  
**Pecan Festival, Florence, SC 11/7/20**  
**(CANCELLED)**

## September 1, 2020



### Robinson's Ramblings'

Here we are, September, 2020 and we have all survived despite not being able to do all the "car stuff" we all love to do. I know a lot of car projects have made headway-shop time quarantining does wonders!! Our 1st meeting at Cain's BBQ went well and we will continue to meet there on the 2nd Thursday thru November. As a reminder, the Christmas Party will be on the 2ND MONDAY OF DECEMBER at Tubbs.

The Board of Directors has picked October 10, 2020 to do the Kids judged Car Show at St. Anthony's Church. Tom Spence is heading that up and Curt informs me that the trophies are ready to go (courtesy of the well-known Curt's specialty trophy repurposing emporium)!!

We will be doing a Swamp Fox Club Car display at the Leatherman Sr. Center on Friday September 25th. We need to get at least 10 Club cars out for this. It is something nice we can do for our senior citizens and is a good community relations project.

Please get September 25th and October 10th on your calendars!!

# Robinson's Ramblings' con't

We will continue to participate in Cars and Coffee on the 2nd Saturday of the month and this should boost attendance at our St. Anthony show as we can invite the attendees to just swing over there and make a two-fir out of their Saturday outing.

Look over the Activity list Curt has put together for the balance of the year. We still have some good "stuff" we can do. Stay safe; keep remembering that LIFE IS STILL TOO SHORT TO DRIVE BORING CARS!!!!

AL ROBINSON



## The Editors Turn

This month's newsletter feature is courtesy of Mr. Jim Vidt and is titled "How did Cars and Coffee get started at Highland Park United Methodist Church in Florence, South Carolina?"

Jim is one of the founders and our go to person when we have any questions. Congratulations Jim and thanks to you and your team for all of your work to make the event such a great success!

OFFICIAL CONVERSION CHART	
HOW TO INTERPRET	
* * *	
ANTIQUÉ CAR ADS	
IF IT SAYS:	IT REALLY MEANS:
Rare model.....	Nobody liked them when new either
Older restoration.....	Can't tell it's been restored
Needs engine work.....	It's been frozen for 30 years
Uses no oil.....	Just throws it out
No rust.....	Body and fenders missing
Rough.....	It's too bad to lie about
One owner.....	Never been able to sell
No time to complete.....	Can't find parts anywhere
Needs interior.....	Seats are gone
Rebuilt engine.....	Has new spark plugs
May run.....	But it never has
Low mileage.....	Third time around
Many new parts.....	Keeps breaking down
29 coats hand-rubbed paint....	Needed that much to cover rust
Clean.....	It sat out in the rain yesterday
Best offer.....	About what I expect to get
Always driven slowly.....	Won't go any faster
Prize winner.....	Hard luck trophy 3 times in a row
Stored 25 years.....	Under a tree
Real show stopper.....	Orange with purple fenders
Easy restoration.....	Parts will come off in your hand
Ready to show.....	Just washed it
Top good.....	Only leaks when it rains
Good investment.....	Can't depreciate any more

## Cars and Coffee – Florence

### How did Cars and Coffee get started at Highland Park United Methodist Church in Florence, South Carolina?

On June 20<sup>th</sup> 1987 my wife Vicki and I attended a wedding of one of our close friends from our church, back in Pittsburgh. The wedding was held in Santa Barbara, California. The reception was held that afternoon and the following morning the bride's parents had a reception for the out of town guests. At this event we found a couple sitting by themselves and inquired if we could sit with them. They were very gracious and were pleased to have two America's sit at their table. We told them we were from Pittsburgh and they informed us they were from Australia. What a small world, as we always wanted to visit Australia.

Noel & Moria Taylor and Vicki & I became life-long friends. They visited us and we visited them. We actually moved to Florence in September of 2016. Moria and Noel have a son, Paul and his family live in Savannah, Georgia which is just south of Florence. Paul's daughter was graduating from college in 2017 and Moria came over to attend the event. (The flight for Noel was getting too long.) Prior to the graduation Moria called us and asked if we could get together? Yes of course was our reply and it so happened the day of our visit was also the day we were driving south to Florida. Needless to say it worked out fine. During our visit Moria inquired about the two VW Beetle convertibles we restored. We stated our daughter Wendi and son in law Steve have the red one and we have the yellow one. Both were in Florence by that time.

The church we had joined is the Highland Park United Methodist on Second Loop Road, with a very large parking lot along Second Loop Road. I had mentioned to Pastor Mike, that the lot would be ideal for a car show.

**Moria's son Paul suggested a "Cars and Coffee Event", I had never heard of it before.** Paul recommended I look it up on the web. Much to my surprise they are all over the country and none was listed for Florence, SC.

I, e-mailed Pastor Mike about having a once a month car show for two hours the second Saturday of the month. Pastor Mike agreed and stated the church would provide the coffee, sodas and ice water. Word got around and a total of four couples volunteer each month.

We have been blessed by the wonderful acceptance to this event. At our first event in August 2017 we had 11 cars and at our latest event we had 95 cars and I would estimate close to 150 in attendance enjoying the show and the free beverages. A good time was had by one and all.

Jim & Vicki Vidt, Teddy & Robin Horne who are members of the church, help set up and prepare the beverages, Nick & Monica Fazio, help set up and do our Facebook page and Nancy & Jerry Lynch photograph the events

I contacted the local newspaper as well SavvyMag who publish the VIP and THESAVVYMAG and they have published our times and dates. I haven't seen the latest copies of those publications to confirm if they are noting our event.

Jim Vidt



2nd Saturday of each month  
9AM to 11AM  
Highland Park UM Church  
1300 Second Loop Road  
Free Coffee, Soda and Water provided



## Cars and Coffee – Florence

**Jim, Vicki, Moria and Noel -12/20/07**



**Jim, Moria and Vicki – 12/27/17**



# Cars and Coffee – Florence

Photos by Curt Smith



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## Automotive History

In 1916 a Hudson Super Six shattered the stock car speed record for the measured mile at Daytona Beach, Florida. Then the Super Six practically rewrote the record book with a series of pacesetting performances at races and time trials throughout the country. Its overwhelming success on the race track brought the car such publicity that it doubled Hudson's sales over the previous year. The Super Six was the product of Hudson Motor Car Company, established by Roy Chapin and Howard Coffin in 1909. The company's success was based on the experience and judgement of these men, who founded Hudson to exploit the market for an inexpensive small car. To get started, they secured the financial backing of department store owner J.L. Hudson, who gave the company its name. After their first year in business, when more than 1,000 cars were sold, sales began climbing steadily.

In 1912 Hudson introduced its first six-cylinder engine and experimented with V-8s and V-12s. Eventually the company began work on a new six-cylinder engine to be known as the Super Six. The brainchild of Hudson technician Stephen I. Fekete, it was designed with care and precision that the horsepower of the old engine was nearly doubled, with no increase in size. An entirely new chassis was designed for the new engine, and eight different body styles were offered. With racing driver Ralph Mulford behind the wheel, the Super Six began its assault on the record book. Less than a month after breaking the speed record for the measured mile, Mulford smashed the 24-hour endurance record. His average speed of 75.8 mph was nearly 10 mph faster than the former record. It was 15 years before the Super Six's 24-hour performance record was bettered.

Next Mulford drove a Super Six to a new record on the grueling Pikes Peak climb. He reached the peak in 18 minutes, 25 seconds, a time that stood unchallenged for eight years. At speedways around the country, the Super Six roared to victory. But the record that impressed the car-buying public was the new transcontinental mark of five days and three hours set by a Super Six with a seven-passenger touring body. Driving from San Francisco to New York, Mulford eclipsed the old record by 15 hours. And when he arrived in New York, the Super Six was in such good condition that he turned around and made the return trip, once again breaking the old record.

After this great performance, Hudson bought components from independent manufacturers to meet a growing public demand for the Super Six. For financial reasons and to assure quality control, Chapin took the unusual step of gearing up so the company could produce most of its own parts. In this way, it was possible for production personnel to make sure that essential components were manufactured to Hudson's standards. Chapin also filled a growing market for closed cars, and in 1916 Hudson sold more sedans than either Ford or Chevrolet. Chapin's astute management and the Super Six's exceptional performance established Hudson as one of America's top automobile producers.

David Lahr  
Charlotte NC Hornets' Nest AACA

## **Future Car Shows of Interest**

**September 12, 2020 (Sat.)**

**Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am**

1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

**September 19, 2020 (Sat.)**

**Cars & Coffee Reichenbach Ford, 9am to 11am – ESC Mustang Club**

600 N. Coit St. Florence, SC

**September 19, 2020 (Sat.)**

**Cruise In at Sundae House, 11am to 2pm – Palmetto Cruisers**

1551 West Palmetto St. Florence, SC

**September 25, 2020 (Fri.)**

**Leatherman Senior Center Old Car Display, 9am to 11am – Swamp Fox Old Car Club**

600 Senior Way, Florence, SC

**October 10, 2019 (Sat.)**

**AACA Eastern Fall Nationals (Car Show Only)**

Hershey, PA – Hershey Region

**October 10, 2020 (Sat.)**

**Sweet Potato Festival (Cancelled) – Swamp Fox Old Car Club**

Darlington, SC – Swamp Fox Region

**October 10, 2020 (Sat.)**

**Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am**

1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

**October 10, 2020 (Sat.)**

**St. Anthony Cars For A Cause Car Show, 11am to 2pm**

2536 Hoffmeyer Rd. Florence, SC

**October 31, 2020 (Sat.)**

**Fright Fest 2020 at Public Square, 2pm to 7:30pm**

Darlington, SC

**November 7, 2020 (Sat.)**

**Pecan Festival (Cancelled) – Swamp Fox Old Car Club**

Florence, SC - Swamp Fox Region

**November 14, 2020 (Sat.)**

**Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am**

1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

**December 12, 2020 (Sat.)**

**Cars & Coffee Highland Park UMC, 9am to 11am**

1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC



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### Cars and Coffee

3rd weekend of every  
month

9:00AM-11:00AM

Mike Reichenbach Ford

600 N. Coit Street

Florence, SC 29501



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REICHENBACH  
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September 19, 2020



Event at Volkswagen Dealership

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**Trophies for Top 7!!**