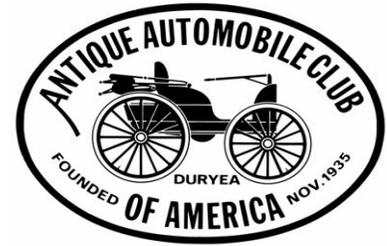


# NEWS FROM THE SWAMP FOX Old Car Club



Swamp Fox Region

CELEBRATING OUR 40th YEAR AS AN ACTIVE CLUB

## NEXT MEETING

CAIN'S Bar-B-Que  
1502 Pamplico Hwy.  
Florence, SC  
Thursday  
May 13, 2021  
6PM Dinner/Meeting



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Grover Fincher 5-19  
Debra Abbott 5-24  
Susan Pace 5-29

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

### 2021 CLUB OFFICERS

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### CLUB WEBSITE:

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**2021 Car Show Schedule**  
**Sweet Potato Festival, Darlington,**  
**SC 10/9/21**  
**Pecan Festival, Florence, SC**  
**11/6/21**

May 1, 2021



Tom Talks

Greetings and welcome to May.

We all seemed to "weather" the rain that wasn't and caused rescheduling of events but given the past year that seems par for the course!

At our meeting we should have reports from those who attended the Charlotte AACA event as well as discussion about our Caravan to Senior living locations.

Don't forget we have a club road trip to McLeod Farms May 15. This is a great event to bring a friend/potential new member. So clean off the pollen from your favorite ride as this is always a fun outing with some tasty treats to be had.

Feel free to bring a friend to any of our meetings so they can "kick the tires" of our club and see if they are a good fit. As always, "life's too short to drive boring cars!" Tom



## COB Comments

We had 3 of our club members involved in the AACA National meet in Charlotte in April which is a real plus for Swamp Fox. I hope that this will give everyone in the club an idea of just how much fun it really is to get involved in AACA "stuff". I have been involved for many years in AACA competition as has Curt Smith, so it's with great pleasure to see our club getting more involved with the great benefits of being AACA members.

As you read the following write-ups by Julian Stewart and Luther Johnson and Jill, you will see their perspective on some great 1st time experiences with AACA competition. I have learned something with every AACA National Meet I have participated in, but the 1st one is always the most educational (and maybe a little scary)!! My AACA hat is off to all 3 of you!!

Al Robinson-Chairman of the Board

### Here comes the judges!



Luther Johnson and Jill Strickland attended the 2021 AACA Southeastern National Spring meet in Charlotte NC on April 9th and 10th. We attended the judging school on Friday the 9<sup>th</sup>. At judging school they inform all judges of the changes in judging guidelines that were made since the last school and any info from past schools that needed to be mentioned. The instructor informs everyone in attendance who will be teaching CJE classes (continuing judging education) before judging starts at show time 11am on Saturday. If there is a topic that you are interested in you can contact that person and attend the CJE.

On Saturday, the day of the show, all judges checked in at the show field to receive their judging assignments. You receive 1 judging credit for attending judging school---1 judging credit for attending a CJE class---1 judging credit for judging at the show. You have to have 5 credits to be on a judging team that judges an AACA judged class. If it's your 1<sup>st</sup> time in attendance or until you have 5 judging credits you will be assigned to the apprentice team. After receiving 5 you can let the chief judge know if you want to judge a particular Class. If he has room in that class he could let you be a participant in that team.

This year the apprentice team judged (for practice and education) in the HPOF class (Historic Preservation of original features) which means un-restored but driven and as original as possible.

In the CJE before Judging started we were informed that headlights need to be of the same manufacturer and of the same era of the car. Other subjects covered were how to look for alignment of trim-spacing gaps of doors, bumpers and hoods etc. and how to identify aftermarket items like plastic framed windshield wiper blades not original to the vehicle. The CJE instructor also informed us that the Captain of the judging team is the only person to talk to or ask questions to the owner, and how to conduct yourself while around the show car while judging.

After judging was over we were able to look at the entire field of show cars. Our favorite was a 1915 Model T Touring car. It was purchased for \$400.00 from Spokane Auto Co. in Spokane Washington on April 16, 1919 for \$100.00 down and 5 monthly paid receipts. It had all of the paperwork including the original bill of sale and the family history of transfers in the family from 1919 to 2017.

Jill Strickland & Luther Johnson

## The Educated Shoebox



My adventures continue with my Shoebox Ford. I recently took a trip to Charlotte for a chance to compete in the AACA Spring National. An opportunity I been waiting for since last year's meet was canceled. I must say it was an educating and exciting day for us.

Rolling into the Embassy Suites, seeing all the classic cars, was a treat and somewhat intimidating. This was my first major car show. I have done several local shows and my car showed great. But this was the big league! The first person to greet me was Jerry XXXXX. He is the editor of the Hornets' Nest "Members Parade", their estimated 35 page bi-monthly magazine. After a few minutes of conversation and a couple of pictures, I was off to park my truck and getting the car off the U-Haul trailer. Driving to the show field was exciting and somewhat intimidating. A project I started in June of 2015 was now coming to its first major show.

The host club, Hornets Nest, had everything organized. I was directed to my parking spot, my group; Production Class, 1949 – 1951. There were 5 cars, including mine, 4 1950's and my 1951. Two of the 1950's were already past my level. Both were first place Senior National. Therefore, we had three cars running for their first Junior National. All were beautifully done.

As the field filled up with some of the nicest cars I have ever seen, I felt very small. I kept looking at my '51 and the competition. As judging time approached, I thought I was about to rub the paint off my car. The judging began with four judges and a Team Captain. We were not allowed to speak to the judges, only the Team Captain when he approached. I knew there would be some findings. A challenge was made on my horn placement. Fortunately, I had my book to prove it was correct. However, I was informed that my headlights did not match, of all things. After the four judges made their assessment (which took about 15 minutes), it was over. They thanked me and moved on to more judging. I knew a few items would be pointed, but my car showed great.

The time came to see if four and half years was good enough to compete in the big league. The awards presentation started. When it came to my category, I held my breathe. Then it happened, top point scorer and 1<sup>st</sup> Place Junior National in the AACA Spring National. Man, what a great feeling!

Now it is on to the Fall National in Greenville SC in September for my Senior National. I must recognize and give a tremendous thanks to Al Robinson for his continued support and encouragement.

Julian Stewart

# The AACA SE Spring Nationals - Embassy Suites April 9-10, 2021, Concord, NC

(Photos by Curt Smith)



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## **Future Car Shows and Activities of Interest**



**May 8, 2021 (Sat)**

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

1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

**May 15, 2021 (Sat.)**

**>Club Outing Cruise to McLeod Farms, 9am to 1pm – Swamp Fox Old Car Club<**

29247 Hwy 1, McBee, SC 29101. Start from K Mart lot in Florence.

**May 29, 2021**

**FCA Classic Auto Show, Registration 8am to Noon**

2221 West Bobo Newsom Hwy, Hartsville, SC

**June 3-5, 2021**

**>AACA 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention (RESCHEDULED and ABBREVIATED)<**

Williamsburg, VA

**June 12, 2021 (Sat)**

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

1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

**June 12, 2021 (Sat)**

**Cheraw Chamber of Commerce 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Car Show, 8am to 3pm**

649 Chesterfield Hwy, Cheraw, SC

**July 10, 2021 (Sat)**

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

1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

**August 14, 2021 (Sat)**

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

1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC

**September 9-11, 2021**

**>AACA Southeastern Fall Nationals<**

Greenville, SC – South Carolina Region

**October 9, 2021 (Sat.)**

**>Sweet Potato Festival – Swamp Fox Old Car Club<**

Darlington, SC – Swamp Fox Region

**November 6, 2021 (Sat.)**

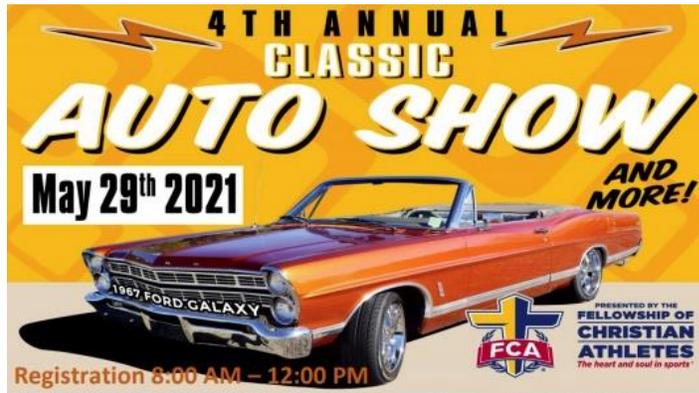
**>Pecan Festival – Swamp Fox Old Car Club<**

Florence, SC - Swamp Fox Region

**November 13, 2021 (Sat.)**

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

1300 Second Loop Rd. Florence, SC



2221 West Bobo Newsom Hwy, Hartsville SC 29550

**\$20.00 Entry Fee Includes:**

- \* Theme 3"x4" Dash Plaque\* Lunch\*
- \* Goodie Bag \* Car Show Booklet \*
- \* Door Prize Ticket\* Trophies \*
- \* Free Hat if Pre-Registered \*

**Other Events and Vendors**

- \* Kona Ice \* Ice Cream \*
- \* Hot Dogs \* Boiled Peanuts \*
- \* Burnout Competition \*
- \* Oldies but Goodies Music \*

To Pre-Register or questions about the show please call or email



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ENTRY MAKE : \_\_\_\_\_ MODEL: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

**\$20.00** PRE-REGISTRATION FEE RECEIVED BEFORE MAY 14<sup>TH</sup> RECIEVES A FREE FCA HAT AT REGISTRATION.

EMAIL: JGRIGGS@FCA.ORG OR MAIL TO 944 FOX HOLLOW DR. HARTVSILLE SC 29550

FOR MORE INFO CALL OR TEXT: BOOTSIE @ 843-307-1106

**Make Checks Payable to FCA**



**CHERAW**  
CHAMBER of COMMERCE



# 1st Annual

**SATURDAY**

**6-12-21**

**8AM-3PM**

{649 Chesterfield Hwy}

# CAR SHOW



**Top 25 CARS**

**Special Awards**

Best Paint Best Of Show

Best Engine Best Interior

Burn Out Award

Chairmans Choice

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