

President's Message

It's February 2015, and it seems as if January has flown by. A few days ago I had the privilege of signing a free national membership for Richard and Pat Smith making their membership official. Let me be the first welcome Richard and Pat to Alamance Region. Along that line, John and Janice Greiner visited in January as our guest and want to attend the February Valentine club meeting Feb. 14 @ 6:30PM at the K&W Cafeteria. Since Cathy and I will be attending the annual AACA meeting in Philadelphia the weekend of the 14, introduce yourself and welcome them to our club. I encourage everyone to invite a potential member or couple to a meeting in the future.

As I look forward to traveling to the annual AACA meeting in Philadelphia, I think about the weather. They have had snow and ice recently and I hope it gets better by the time we leave. We could probably use a prayer for safe travel. I anticipate a lot of learning from the meetings, seminars, and displays, as well as the club donations to the library and museum. We also plan to see some historical sites in the city.

The NC Region annual meeting at the Ramada on January 16 & 17 was a success. Thanks to all the Alamance Region members in attendance. We learned about Auto Detailing as part of the auto program at Wake Tech Community College, the NC Transportation Museum, and current auto painting. After breaking for lunch, we saw awards presented to individuals for distinguished service during the 60 years of the NC Region. Later, members shared stories and adventures that covered the history of the NC Region.

As a quick reminder, we still need hosts and hostess for May, June, July, and December. At the February club meeting, you can place an order for shirts and/or hats. We have been quoted \$15 (\$17 for XXL & up) for embroidered tan polo shirt (no pocket). The hats are \$8. As soon as we get the order together, we will place the order as a club.

Billy Patterson

January Meeting Minutes for January 10, 2015

The January 2015 meeting of the Alamance Region AACA was held at our clubhouse on Saturday, January 10 at 6:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by our president, Billy Patterson, who thanked the hosts, Floyd & Elsie Smith, Tal & Jeannie Johnson. We had 41 people attending including 36 members, 3 children and 2 guests. John & Janice Greiner were guests of Billy Patterson and Cathy Dover.

President Billy Patterson asked for the treasurer's report. Treasurer Jeannie Johnson gave the treasurer's report and mentioned that our club made \$425 more in 2014 than in 2013. We had 25% more income and spent 20% more than 2013, but we are solvent. Her report was accepted as given. Jeannie mentioned that there are some members that still need to pay dues for 2015. She also mentioned we received a donation from Melody Bravada. Jeannie passed around the master member list with addresses and phone numbers for anyone to update. Judy Cox asked for everyone to check birthday and anniversary dates or add this info to the member list.

Next Club Meeting
 February 14, 2015 at 6:30pm
 K&W Cafeteria
 Burlington, NC

President Billy Patterson asked for approval of the minutes published in the December 2014 newsletter. They were approved as written in the December newsletter. The only mention in reference to the newsletter was that

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February: K&W Cafeteria

The Weak Spark

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 April Issue: 3/25/15
 May Issue: 4/29/15
 June Issue: 5/27/15
 July Issue: 6/24/15
 Aug. Issue: 7/29/15

January Meeting Minutes for January 10, 2015 (con't.)



Photos of the NC Region Annual Meeting in Burlington. Courtesy of Cathy Dover.

board member list needed to be updated to add Butch McKensie. Other items mentioned by Billy were:

1. Our February meeting will be held in a private room at the K&W Cafeteria (Burlington, NC) on Feb. 14th at 6:30PM for Valentine's Day. The board had recommended the K&W Cafeteria for the February meeting like last year. John Cox made a motion and Herb Klutz seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.
2. Billy mentioned that Henry Gaither, Jr. would be filling in for him at the February meeting since he will be attending the Annual AACA meeting. Billy and I will be attending the Annual AACA meeting in Philadelphia, PA on February 12th to 14th. We will take the club banner plus a check for the museum and library.
3. The NC Region meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn in Burlington Friday, Jan. 16th and Saturday, Jan. 17th. Bill Cox was asked to provide some info. Bill mentioned that Friday would consist of a judging



program and certification. He mentioned that he thought the time was noon to 3PM on Friday and started at 9AM on Saturday. The cost would be \$10. He mentioned a few of the topics/seminars:

Wake Tech Auto Detailing Program

Dr. Kevin Cherry with N.C. Cultural Resources/speaking on NC Transportation Museum

Tires

History of NC Region/60th Anniversary

4. Billy asked Chip King to provide info on Car Show.

Chip King mentioned he was providing sponsor list copies for this meeting since we were meeting at the K&W cafeteria for the February

meeting. He asked that we get the sponsor list back to Jeannie by April 17, 2015 so Bruce will have time to work on the artwork. Bruce has created car show flyers so we will have some to give out now. We will take some to the NC Region meeting. Chip mentioned that there is a new format for having events in Burlington. There is a special events guide and new implemented rules for events downtown. He mentioned that we would have no problem complying to the new event guide. Tal Johnson mentioned that the Mustang Club would not be having their car show the same day as our car show. Henry Gaither will ask the Mustang Club members how many of them will plan to attend our car show.

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Jeannie Johnson mentioned that we need to purchase some new hats for the club to have on hand. She mentioned ordering some sandstone polo shirts and mentioned the pricing in case anyone wanted to order one. She also mentioned she had the book from the embroider in case anyone wanted to order something different.

S to XL polo shirt is \$15 (w/o pocket)

2XL polo shirt is \$17 (w/o pocket)

Hats are \$8 each

Larry Coble mentioned that a guy in Mechanicsburg, PA that purchased his car mentioned that he knew of a

1966 Austin Healey Sprite around his area that was restored by a club in the Burlington, NC area. Larry mentioned to the guy that it was our club that restored that car!

Henry Gaither, Jr. had the program for the night. He had a Power Point presentation on "My Car". His car was a dark ivy green 1966 Fastback Mustang 2+2 with black vinyl seats. He provided facts about the types of Mustangs available in 1966 and how many were made. He mentioned that his was built in the Ford plant in Metuchen, NJ on either April 19th or 20th, 1966. It was shipped to Bob Dunn Ford in Greensboro, NC and

sold to the first owner, Ray Gibson on 12/19/66. Henry Sr. bought the car for Henry Jr. in 1972. The car was then sold to a dealer in 1978/1979. Henry went to visit a guy in Henderson to visit his car because he always wanted it back! It was sold back to Henry Jr. in Nov. 2004. Henry Jr. tracked the car down by the VIN# and found the car. He bought it back in Nov. 2004 and has it today.

Henry Jr. mentioned that if anyone wanted to create a car story for a program--he would help them put the Power Point presentation together.

Cathy Dover

More From The NC Region Annual Meeting

As most of you know, the N.C. Region has an annual meeting in January every year and for the last several years it has been held at the Ramada Inn in Burlington. It's a good central location for people across the state. The Alamance Region has been kind enough to contribute money towards the lunch to show support for our sister Region. We all know how expensive events like this can be and this meeting has been a great resource for our members who want to attend the judging school and the seminars offered on Saturday. The great thing is that most of us don't have to drive so far to enjoy this event. It is open to anyone that wants to attend for just \$10.00.

Alamance Region had a dozen or so attendees and I think everyone enjoyed the speakers, the lunch and the history session in the afternoon.

During the morning we heard from Dr. Kevin Cherry, Director of the NC Department of Cultural Resources who oversees the Transportation Museum in Spencer, N.C. among many other museums, parks and the N.C. Symphony. He reported a good year for the Transportation Museum after the struggles they experienced from losing so much State money in the recent budget cuts. We also listened to Aubrey Fleming, an auto detailer who graduated from the Wake Tech auto tech program. The N.C. Region provided a scholarship to Wake Tech this past year and it was good to hear from someone in the program. There was also a representative from Colors Edge, a paint supplier with a store in Greensboro who supplies PPG paints. Both of these technical seminars were helpful and quite interesting.

I was elected as the Vice President for the N.C. Region for 2015 at the meeting and am honored to serve in that capacity. Many Alamance members are also N.C. Region members and I don't think there's any particular reason for it... I like being connected to both. I can tell you one thing though- I don't think there's another club in the country that eats as well as we do at a club meeting! We should all be proud of the meetings we have and the fun we have as a club. I think it's good that we stay connected to our sister Regions in the state and share ideas and events and resources... after all, we're all a part of the AACA!

Bill Cox

January Treasurer's Report

We are off to a good start with our first sponsor for our spring car show thanks to Beckie Pickett! Please start talking to local businesses to see if they will be sponsors. These businesses make our car show possible! We also have 2 registrations for our show. I will be sending our membership roster to National after our February meeting so please send in your dues or bring them to our Valentine's Day meeting.

Jeannie Johnson



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