

President's Message

Hey Folks, well here it is that time again and I'm late with my words of wisdom. I would like to thank Otto Watson and his daughter for hosting our March meeting. We need members to host the meetings, as always. If you don't want to brown bag it, please take your turn as Host. Join me in welcoming Bill Webster back into the Club. We also enjoyed having a new family, Bethany & Colin Cannell who are interested in joining our Club. They purchased a home in Mebane that came w/a 29 Model A and he could use some help to get it running again. Remember we need new members.



Please folks, we need to keep selling sponsors. Without sponsors we cannot have Car Shows or pay our monthly bills. Pushing the Website Advertisement has brought in some extra money. Some of you folks have worked very hard getting sponsors. If the rest of you would get just one sponsor each that would push us over the top (Hey, you can be a sponsor yourself!). Remember this year we are rewarding 3 people for selling sponsors.

The 2018 Car Show Flyer is available Online and at the Club House. And on the last page of this newsletter. We ask that our members please go ahead & Register your car Online (Or fill out a Flyer) ASAP as it is a big help in Registration & with Judging (& will save you \$10). It makes our job faster & much easier the day of the Show (doesn't cost you anything if you don't show). Please help us out. We need to get the flyers out early this year. Advertising is a major factor in a successful Car Show. We need help with the work necessary to have a successful Car Show and just a few people can't continue to carry this Show.

We were asked by Ralph Proscia to support the Pontiac/Oakland Tour. We had 3 suggestions: A Meet and Greet Friday, April 20, at the Best Western 584 Grill 5-7 pm. Meet the NC Region in Pittsboro and tour of Pittsboro Saturday, April 21 10-2 am. Have a meet & great at The Depot in Burlington Sunday, April 22 at noon. I have had no response from anyone to date, so if there is no interest in organizing something I need to let him know.

Henry's tentative tour w/lunch @ the Alamance Battleground & a drive to Julian on the 5th of May should be a success since I remember hearing the words Ice Cream stop!

Please remember our members in your prayers, Elizabeth Coble father just passed & her mother is very sick, Byron Thomas had a stroke & is at Duke and Linda Burns father passed away.

It's time to start your old rides, blow the cobwebs out and shine them up so when this weather moves out they are ready for the road. Keep the old ones rolling on down the road! Get them out and enjoy them while you can and before you or they rust and all the paint falls off!

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February:	Larry & Elizabeth Coble and Otto Watson
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Next Month's

Weak Spark Deadline

May Issue	4/28/18
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Next Club Meeting

April 14, 2018 at 6:30pm
ACA Clubhouse, Burlington, NC

Tal Johnson

Minutes of the March Meeting

Our regular monthly meeting was held on March 10, 2018, at 6:30 pm at the clubhouse. There were 28 members, 3 guests and one new member in attendance. Tal called the meeting to order and thanked our hosts, Otto Watson and his daughter, one of our guests. He announced that the co-hosts, Elizabeth and Larry Coble were unable to attend because of the death of Elizabeth's father on March 8, 2018. Visitation will be held on Sunday from 5 pm to 7 pm at the Loflin Funeral Home in Liberty, NC. The funeral service will be held there on Monday, March 12, 2018 at 2 pm.

Tal introduced our guests, Colin and Bethany Cannell, who recently purchased a Model A Ford. He also recognized Bill Webster, a former member, who joined our club again tonight. The secretary's minutes from the February meeting were approved as printed. Treasurer Jeannie Johnson announced that we have 39 paid sponsors with 3 of those also purchasing a web ad for an additional \$100. She reported that a list of sponsors who have paid, sponsor forms, and show registration forms were available on the back table. The treasurer's report was approved.

Tal reported that John Cox had received approval from the Burlington City Council for street closings for our spring car show. Henry Gaither, Jr., has received approval from Dillard's at Alamance Crossing to have the Hospice Car Show in their parking lot again this year on September 29, 2018.

Tal urged members to get sponsors for our show. These funds keep our club afloat. He also mentioned the drawing after the show to reward 3 lucky members who got sponsors -- \$100 first prize, \$65 second prize and \$25 third prize. Sponsor forms and registration forms are available at the clubhouse and can be emailed to anyone needing them.

Tal reported that he had been in contact with Ralph Proscia, the organizer of the Pontiac/Oakland Tour. Our club members have three options during this event:

1. Join the participants at a "Meet and Greet" on Friday evening, April 20, at the Best Western in Burlington from 5 – 7 pm. Dinner at 584 Grill with the group is an option as well on a pay as you go basis.
2. Join with the NC Region members in going to Pittsboro to join this tour for lunch and touring Pittsboro on Saturday, April 21.
3. Join the tour as they meet at The Depot in Burlington at noon on Sunday, April 22.

It was suggested that one of our members take charge of organizing our members for this event but no one volunteered.

Tal requested that members sign up to be hosts for the upcoming meetings. A list was passed around.

Tal announced the following upcoming events:

April 21 – 23, 2018 The Pontiac/Oakland Tour

April 27 – 28, 2018 The Dogwood Festival/Car Show in Mebane

Cruise-ins:

3rd Friday of the month – Timeless Cruisers at Andy's at 1318 Mebane Oaks Rd., Mebane

3rd Saturday of the month – General Greene Chapter "Cars & Coffee" 8 am – 10 am on

UNCG campus, 550 Tate Street, Greensboro, NC (behind Weatherspoon Art Museum)

4th Saturday of the month – Northern Tool Cruise-in (which may move to Holly Hill Mall)

Tal has not received any more information concerning a request for old cars at an event at The Homeplace of Alamance. He requested that members PLEASE send car stories, pictures or articles to Bruce for the newsletter.

Tal reported that there continues to be a problem caused by our old website being referenced by the National website. Ed Tulauskas said he could fix the problem.

John Cox reported on his and Judy's trip to Philadelphia to the National Meeting. He thanked the club for sending them and reported on the cost, the workshops and upcoming tours and the new library to be built at the new national headquarters. It will be state-of-the-art. The AACA is finishing severing the relationship to the Museum.

It was reported that there is someone in Mebane who is starting a Model A Club.

Rick Holmes reported that the website now has the on-line registration form for our spring car show.

Joy Hollo announced that she has cookbooks for sale for \$20 for the benefit of Hospice both at the meeting and at their store, Hollo's Bargains 4 U.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Jeannie Johnson
Acting Secretary

March 2018 Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report: We now have 50 sponsors for our spring car show and 7 of those have also paid to be on our website. I would really like to see us top prior years' numbers. We had 13 more sponsors last year, 23 more sponsors in 2016 and 34 more sponsors in 2015! Thanks to those members who have been working so hard to find local businesses to sponsor our show. If you need a list of those

businesses that have already paid, please give me a call and I will be glad to provide the list.

Our sympathy goes out to Elizabeth Coble and Linda Burns on the loss of their fathers. Our club has sent donations to Hospice organizations in their memory.

Jeannie Johnson

Busted Knuckles, Curse Words, and Those Dang Puddles Under the Car...

Today I look outside and see more white stuff... yes snow... again... school is cancelled again... For the second day in a row so those are two more days we have to make up when it is warm... again! Anyway, I wanted to make sure everyone knew about our upcoming trifecta of ice cream perfection extravaganza—the First Annual Honorary Dave Rich Gotta Have Ice Cream Tour (FAHDRGHICT or Dave Rich Ice Cream Tour for short or Dave's Tour for really short!). Yes, this will be a do not miss event with not just one or two visits to local ice cream shops but in fact THREE!

Our first stop will be Saturday May 5 at the Alamance Battlefield. We will meet there around 11:00 AM and see their movie and then receive a tour of the battlefield. Following the tour we will have a picnic lunch at the Visitor's Center. This is also a "bring your own" lunch so depending upon the size of your car you can bring as much as you want!

Following lunch we will head to Homeland Creamery in Julian—a must see and eat on the Dave's Tour. After ice cream everyone can head to the house. Future tours will include the Soda Shop in Pittsboro and the new just opened Maple View Farm Creamery in Gibsonville. You all know it is our duty to the public to insure this new creamery it is up to Dave Rich standards—high standards indeed, so put that one on your list!

I was reading an article the other day on wrenching—basically working on your car and the "pleasure" it gave doing that. Hmm... While some days I wonder about that pleasure deal, I do get it, but often non-car people don't and they never will. Often our old cars are objects of satisfaction and disdain. We can all remember those times of pure frustration when the bolts are supposed to come out without using a 200 horsepower hydraulic power wrench after the book says they are supposed to be torqued to only 10 foot pounds. And then the infamous spark plug—always the last one you try to take out and the most difficult to get to. You hear that "Crack" and you know what has happened or you are cursing out loud to no one in particular about how you want to do this or that to the previous owner for cross-threading that %@!?!*% plug. Of course, all these not so good things happen when you are behind the power curve because the project looked real easy on YouTube, or the last time Herb did it and you watched, so you procrastinated to the last day before you are supposed to drive to that AACA meet in Charlotte or wherever and the parts store just closed. UGH! More than once I would've gladly thrown my cars out in the trash if I could've picked them up. I guess

I'm lucky I don't have the strength of Superman because that would've been a lot of money gone and my wife would've been really been upset at losing the money! My wife sometimes sees my not so nice side and asks why I don't just buy a new Mustang GT with a warranty, but what fun would that be?! Who wants heated/cooled seats, power everything and about 460 horsepower?

As car people when we are successful we somehow forget (sometimes, depends upon the scars or doctor visits) how bad the issues really were. It kind of reminds me of my wife when we had our first child. Even though it was or appeared to me to be very "uncomfortable" after a few months she was ready to have another one. She forgot about those challenges birthing a nine pound baby that I distinctly remember very well. The bad things that happened as we fixed our old cars become another "war story" to talk about when we are hanging out with the car

crowd. "Sure it was tough but just look at what I did", we say, beaming the whole time and hiding the finger we smashed using that big hammer. I personally get huge satisfaction whenever I work on the car and it finally works out the way it is supposed to. I did not say exactly what it took to get it to work out just that it worked out!



Even something simple like an oil change is absolutely great after it is done and I love it when I fire up the engine and the pressure pushes right up and there are no leaks—yes I did that—all me (plus usually oil on all me too)! Only true car people understand it, only true car people get it. My best friend had 1965 Corvette that he had from 1977 until I sold it for him in 2017 but he never really liked working on it. He tolerated working on it because he liked to drive the car, but he never really enjoyed the satisfaction of successfully completing a project. He never really understood when I came over and suggested we work on the car but that was OK. He was and remains a true friend.

So next time your patience is at an end after that new water pump just leaked the brand new antifreeze all over your formerly spotless garage floor, remind yourself of the satisfaction you are going to have after you fix that classic machine and get it back on the road. Make sure you make yourself a video of that momentous event so when the next chance to "interact" with your fine classical automobile arrives, you can look at the video to remind yourself of the greatness and wonderfulness of what you now loving call that piece of what I cannot possibly put in our family oriented newsletter. See you on the road.

Henry Gaither

47th Annual Alamance Region Antique Auto Show

In Downtown Burlington at the Historic Railroad Depot
200 South Main Street
Burlington, NC 27215



Registration:
7:30 to 10am
Awards at 3pm
Rain or shine

Saturday May 19, 2018

Name _____ Email _____

Club or Region _____ AACA # _____ Will You Help Judge? _____

Address _____ Phone # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Entry	Year	Make	Model	Class
1	_____	_____	_____	_____
2	_____	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____	_____

I agree to abide by all rules of the show and understand that I am responsible for my vehicle(s) and the actions of persons accompanying me to this activity. I agree to release from liability all tenants and/or businesses located on/and/or within the property known as The City of Burlington, Alamance Region Antique Automobile Club of America (AACA) and any employee, members and/or volunteers and any other person or persons connected with the aforementioned organizations from any loss, damage, and/or injuries incurred as a result of participation in this activity.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Pre-registration per Vehicle: \$15.00 x _____ = _____

Day of Show Registration: \$25.00 x _____ = _____

Flea Market Spaces: \$10.00 x _____ = _____

Car Corral Spaces(cars for sale): \$10.00 x _____ = _____

Total: _____

We encourage pre-registration. Participants can mail check with resigtration form or pre-register on the club website: www.AlamanceAACA.org
Pre-registration deadline is Friday, May 11, 2018.

Make Checks payable to: Alamance Region, Inc., AACA
Mail to: Jeanne Johnson, P. O. Box 565, Mebane, NC 27302
Day of Show Phone: Rick Holmes, 919-592-6861 (cell)

***All vehicles must be 25 years old (1993 or older) to be judged.**
Antique Vehicles will be judged per AACA criteria using AACA classifications.
Antique Vehicles will receive a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place trophy in each class if they meet the AACA point requirements.
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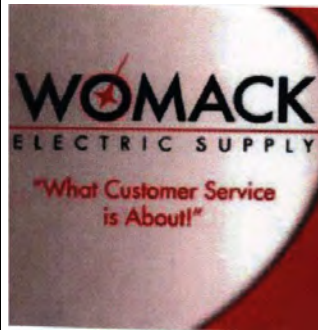
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