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Publications Update

Dave Anspach
Vice President - Publications



Website Development

Mary Bartemeyer
Vice President - Websites

The Publications group had a very good year. We started out adding 5 new evaluators to our program bringing the total to 17. This ensured that every publication would be evaluated by 3 different evaluators and added some trainees for the future. Each year we lose an evaluator or 2, so for 2020 we will have a full crew of experienced evaluators.

One of the first things done for the year was the rewrite of the Newsletter Editors Manual. There had been some complaints that the rules for awards were not clear. With the help of the publications committee (special kudos to Mark McAlpine who handled the formatting), the manual was rewritten and placed online for the use of all editors.

There were 75 publications entered in the Newsletter Achievements Award Program for the year and 2 others entered during the year. 6 editors requested pre-evaluations of their publications and 6 requested mid-year evaluations. These new features were added to allow an editor a chance to see how their publication is doing in time to make changes and still win an award for the year.

The year ended up with 32 Master Editor Awards, 25 Awards of Excellence, 13 Awards of Distinction and 2 Merit Awards. This was a marked improvement of award levels over last year.

The Publications Committee believes that a newsletter is the glue that holds a region or chapter together. It is the vehicle that informs ALL the members what is going on in their area. Whenever you have the chance, please thank your newsletter editor for the fine work she or he does.

As the VP of Websites for the second year, I cannot help but to emphasize the importance of electronic communication to help our region, chapters, and National grow. To catch and keep the younger generations, we need to find and keep them through electronic communications. Where do people spend most of their time these days? On their computers, iPads, and the all-encompassing smart phone. If they can't read it on their devices, I'm not sure if they think it exists.

Some of you are kept up-to-date via a website. Those of you who do not should consider it a priority to set up a website or Facebook page. We are not in the era of paper notifications anymore and as an organization we have to forge ahead in this endeavor. Think of the people you can reach, how much time and money can be saved when a website is kept up-to-date with your events, how your membership can grow and prosper in the times ahead. Don't have a webmaster? Nab a student from your local high school or college. You feed them the information and they put it in context that attracts viewers. National provides a free internet set up so that there is no financial burden to your organization. There is no excuse not to go electronic and if we do not, we will not survive. Times have changed. We must change to survive.

This year, 75 competitors submitted their websites for evaluation and National Awards. All judging is done by experienced webmasters. 14 of these 75 websites are considered the best of the best, Master Webmasters. If you are not a webmaster, support the person that is. Send them articles and announcements that will help them keep your information fresh and new. You will reap the benefits in membership and information sharing.



Editor's Note

Matt Hinson
Rummage Box Editor

Welcome to my 16th issue as Editor of the *Rummage Box*.

I am getting a bit closer to the end of my 1938 Buick Century Project. As I type this, the car is in the paint shop and should be back home soon for interior, glass, rubber, and chrome installation. While I can start to see the end of the project, I still have quite a bit of work ahead of me on the project. If you want to see more about this project, please check it out on the AACA Discussion Forum at: <https://forums.aaca.org/topic/297623-1938-buick-century-model-61-four-door-touring-sedan-trunk-back/>.

I recently returned from the Annual Convention in Philadelphia. I again had a great time. I was very happy to receive the Divisional Tour Award for the 2019 Southeastern Divisional Tour which I chaired in Wilmington, NC. Members of my Chapter also received Master Editor and Master Webmaster Awards at the convention. Another local Chapter member and good friend was seated on the AACA National Board of Directors. It was a very rewarding and entertaining Convention for our local club. We had a great 2019 and look forward to another successful year in 2020! If you have never attended the Annual Convention, I highly recommend you put it on your schedule for next year.

At the Annual Convention, it seems that once again, one of the constant topics being discussed was membership. While I am not an elected Director, I have my own personal opinion on how to grow the membership of our club. As I have expressed in a previous Editor's Column, drive your antique cars locally whenever you can. I like to drive my 1937 Buick to lunch and/or dinner on a fairly regular basis. I am often approached by people who express interest in the car. This gives me a chance to talk about the car as well as the club. I often offer to give folks a ride in the car. I also let children sit in the car and have their parents take photos of them in the car. In my opinion, the key to long term survival of the club is exposure. The more people who we are able to expose to the fun of the hobby, the more people who are likely to join us. Most of the children and young people may not be in a position to join in the hobby immediately, but that exposure at this time is planting a seed that will likely grow in the future, contributing to the long term growth of the club. The adults are more likely to contribute to the short term growth of the club. Both efforts are needed. We need to be exposing people to our cars at every opportunity for both short term as well as long term membership growth.



Let's Give Them a Reason to Stay

Wayne Tuck
2019 Vice President
Membership

AACA signs up literally thousands of new members every year. I have spent much of my time over the past few years as VP-Membership encouraging our members at both the region and national level to do more recruiting. You have done exactly that. In fact, you have done even more than I should have expected. For that, please accept my sincere thanks and please continue to do the same. (Maybe even more?)

Now with thousands of new members signed up every year wouldn't you think our membership totals should be growing? Sadly, that is not the case. More members fail to renew their memberships every year than new members signed up. Yes, we lose some from age, deaths, disabilities and the like. This is normal attrition. There isn't much we can do about that. Why do so many members sign up, stay a year or two and then decide not to renew their membership? We didn't give them a reason to stay!

New members join for various reasons. Some join for the social aspects such as friendship, fellowship and human contact. Others like to drive their cars with a group. Some even seek technical information and a network of service providers. Some want to lead and be a part of the club leadership corps. Whatever the reason, AACA has the ability to provide it.

Retaining our current members is just as important as recruiting new ones. Does someone call a member that hasn't shown up for a couple of meetings? Do we communicate well with our new members? Do we show them we are interested in their wants and needs? Does our club provide the activities that are needed to keep everyone's interest? These are all questions we should be asking ourselves.

The answer is easy. Yes, AACA can provide all of the activities and services any member could want. Moving forward, membership retention should be put near the top of our club's priority list. Let's make sure we give every single one of our members good reasons to stay.



So, What's My Car Worth?

By Jim Elliott
2020 AACA President

I am certain we have all been asked this question and also certain we have asked someone else this same question.

For those of us who collect cars, the value of the car is always important. We don't want to overpay and certainly do not want to part with a car for a bargain price.

So, what are our choices for determining value? There are many appraisers that will give you their estimate of value for a few hundred dollars. Most of these "guesses" come from a value guide or auction results.

The value guides are often published by insurance companies. But be careful, that high insurance estimate also works to generate a higher insurance premium.

Auction results are unpredictable. Not only are bids determined by the number of bidders but also the majority of the seller listing agreements allow for "phantom" bidding by the auction company. This is done to guarantee that the reserve price is met.

But the real answer to the question is "your car is worth what someone else will pay for it." Unfortunately, with fewer people entering the old car hobby, you should be concerned about the future value of your car.

A neighbor of mine has a late 30's Packard Sedan for sale. All six of the prospective buyers who have looked at this car were over the age of seventy.

It is time for each member and each region to begin a diligent effort to attract new members. We need to sell the "fun" that is available with our hobby.

More activities, such as shows, tours, and picnics, will always generate more members. Our cars need to be seen by the public.

We need to seek venues to display our cars, such as county fairs or antique malls. We have a great hobby in which a small minority of car owners participate. The best way to solidify the value of your collection is to increase our membership.

I hope the day doesn't come when no one wants an antique car.



Youth Development Update

By Paula Ruby
Vice President - Youth Development

The 2019 year was my first year in Youth Development and it has been a little challenging at times. Most of the year has been spent trying to get an idea of where the regions stand in developing a plan to get their membership involved in reaching out to student and junior members. The individual regions serve as the home base and the first step in getting the youth involved in the hobby and maintaining their interest. The feedback that I have received as a result of my outreach to the separate regions is positive on a local level. Some of the activities that have been confirmed are having programs for the youth at their local events and some are also reaching out to Scout troops in the area to peek interest and involvement. Where we fall short in Youth Development is that the regions are not taking the next step and offering their local student and junior participants a membership in the National Club.

The use of the Hagerty Youth Judging program is an excellent tool in working with the youth at local shows. Getting the children involved at the local shows with their parent's encouragement will give them a hands-on adventure that will hopefully develop them into wanting to come to more events. Letting the kids get in the cars and possibly go for a ride would be something that they will never forget.

Again, this year, participation in the student scholarship program has been well received. At the Annual Convention held in Philadelphia in February 2020, six students were awarded with \$1,500 scholarships. Receiving these scholarships are an important benefit of being a student member in our organization.

I would like to see all regions develop a goal for next year and involve the youth in their activities they host throughout the year. If we all work to recruit and engage at least one new student or junior member in our regions, this will likely increase parent involvement and engagement as well.

In closing, let's collaborate about what we can do to help the youth and get them more involved. By doing so, we are ensuring the future of our organization.



2019 In Review

Mel Carson
2019 AACA President

My term as President, along with the year 2019, has flown by in a dramatic fashion. Shirley and I began with attending the Annual Convention in Philadelphia in February. Then the calendar became very busy. I have been able to attend all seven Nationals this year – Ocala, Charlotte, Auburn, Parsippany, Hershey, Mobile and Fallbrook. In addition, I attended the Southeastern Divisional Tour in Wilmington, NC, and served as Tour Director for the Glidden Tour held in Rock Hill, SC.

As AACA President, one of the very best aspects of the AACA Nationals is my being able to meet and greet antique car owners and present them with a dash plaque as they enter the show field. Also, I have had the privilege of presenting, at the seven Nationals, more than fifty Antique Automobile Club of America Century Club badges to vehicles 100 years old or older.

The most important and crucial AACA project is the new National Headquarters and Library & Research Center renovation now underway, adjacent to the Hershey Nationals show field. This facility, when occupied in mid-2020, will provide long-needed adequate operational space for the AACA staff, including meeting areas, a loading dock, material storage and parking. The new Library & Research Center will have the latest technology available for a modern library to support research efforts. With all that is underway on the project, your financial help is still very much needed to fund and back the Capital Campaign. Your contribution will be much appreciated and every dollar donated will help bring the project to a successful occupancy!

Those of us at the Board level do our best to chart a successful course for the Club on your behalf; however, AACA would not, and cannot, remain the largest and finest organization of its kind in the world without the interest and participation of all of you, our members.

The Antique Automobile Club of America remains well established with a good financial position and good membership numbers. However, it is important for all of us to seek out those who will provide additional membership so important to our future success and preservation and use of antique vehicles. We continue to exceed the success of many other organizations with the stewardship and service of an exceptional Chief Executive Officer and outstanding Headquarters Staff. This team puts together everything for AACA—executing our events, editing and publishing our award-winning *Antique Automobile* magazine, our website, and constantly improving our Library & Research Center.

2019 was the third year for the Zenith Award. I was privileged to have a part in the Judging Team for the Zenith during the Grand Nationals in Auburn. The Zenith Award went to a 1931 Buick owned by David Landow—a spectacular restoration of a beautiful vehicle. Past President Tom Cox was the driving force with the Zenith Award and it has even now become a significant aspect of national prominence for AACA.

Now again, Shirley and I have attended the 2020 AACA Annual Convention in Philadelphia and we stand ready to move ahead and continue supporting the AACA organization.

With the completion of a great year in 2019, I passed the gavel to 2020 AACA President Jim Elliott. Jim and Donna Elliott will certainly have a very busy year ahead in 2020. They have my support and I know you will give them your support as we move forward to making the coming year a great one!

2020 AACA National Activities

February 6-8, 2020 – Annual Convention – Philadelphia, PA

February 27-29, 2020 – Winter Nationals – Miami, FL

April 2-4, 2020 – Southeastern Spring Nationals – Charlotte, NC

April 23-25, 2020 – Western Spring Nationals – Show Low, AZ

April 26-May 1, 2020 – Founders Tour – Show Low, AZ

May 7-9, 2020 – Central Spring Nationals – Auburn, IN

May 13-16, 2020 – Eastern Divisional Tour – Eastern Shore of MD

June 7-12, 2020 – Sentimental Tour – Davis, WV

June 24-27, 2020 – Eastern Spring Nationals – Beckley, WV

July 19-24, 2020 – Reliability Tour – Lock Haven/Wellsboro, PA

July 23-25, 2020 – Grand Nationals – Allentown, PA

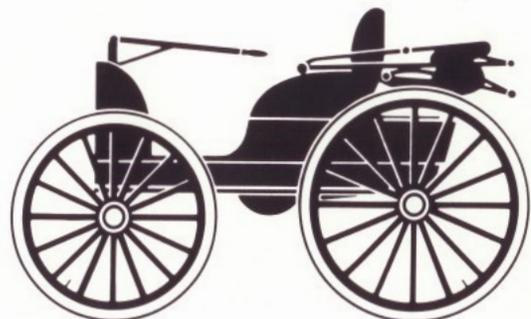
August 20-22, 2020 – Southeastern Fall Nationals – Corydon, IN

September 13-18, 2020 – Revival AAA Glidden Tour® (VMCCA) – Saratoga Springs, NY

October 7-10, 2020 – Eastern Fall Nationals – Hershey, PA

October 19-23, 2020 – Central Divisional Tour – Broken Arrow, OK

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Driver Participation Class

Ken Farley
Chairman, Driver Participation Class

Just what is the Driver Participation Class (DPC)? It is unlike any other class in the AAACA Judging system. The vehicles may be restored or not. They may be a work in progress or just your touring vehicle. It can be your retired show vehicle as well. Your vehicle can have safety and convenience upgrades performed to them. They are not point judged but visually evaluated.

Like I stated in my last AA magazine article, "Participation, Retired, Recognition, Alternative, Support and Rewarding, these are a few words that explain what DPC offers AAACA members." This statement still applies.

Does your vehicle (car, truck, motorcycle, motorbike or motor scooter) qualify for DPC evaluation? As stated in the *AAACA Official Judging Guidelines* in Section 4, pages 4-5 and 4-6: The vehicle must be 25 years or older, must be roadworthy and should be able to pass a state safety inspection. The exterior, interior, chassis and engine components must APPEAR period correct per the original manufacturer. But as stated above, your vehicle may have safety and/or convenience upgrades performed.

What are these upgrades? Seat belts, seat coverings, turn signals, added stop lights, sealed beam/halogen headlights, radial tires, alloy wheels of the same era and/or same vehicle manufacturer, radio upgrades, electrical upgrades, brake upgrades (bolt on), steering upgrades (bolt on), air conditioning, overdrive system (manual or automatic) and altered exhaust. We have found that these upgrades are what most members perform on their Driver for safety and convenience to be able to drive and/or tour on today's roads and highways.

In 2000, the AAACA National Board wanted to increase attendance at National Meets (Nationals). The percentage of AAACA members that own and drive DPC type vehicles is far greater than the owner percentage of restored show cars and/or all original vehicles. The National Board also wanted these AAACA members to be able to drive around with their Driver vehicle displaying the AAACA DPC grille badge for all to see and admire.

As stated earlier, DPC vehicles are visually evaluated and not point judged. This is performed generally by a two-member DPC evaluation team. The DPC evaluation form that you receive at the show field has a shaded area on the front that asks you some questions about your vehicle that must be answered. In the bottom right corner we ask for your signature. On the back of the evaluation form it lists accepted upgrades that we allow. Also, please note on the form it is stated that your trunk lid does not have to be open. We feel that as a Driver you could have your luggage, etc., in there if you stayed overnight for the show and we don't want you to have to place these items out on the ground.

At the Awards Banquet, if your DPC vehicle is certified for the first time you will receive a DPC board, a DPC chip, a DPC grille badge and a congratulations card. **The grille badge should be visually mounted on the vehicle. No vehicle will be recertified if it does not display the DPC badge.** When you show your vehicle again in DPC to have it recertified, you will receive another DPC chip to mount onto your DPC board and another congratulations card.

There are two National Awards given to two DPC recertified vehicles each year at the Annual Convention in Philadelphia. One is for a prewar model and one for a postwar model.

See the *AAACA Official Judging Guidelines* for further details or attend one of the Continuing Judges Education (CJE) programs presented at all Nationals, except the Grand National, and also given at the Philadelphia Convention. These are conducted by myself and/or the Assistant Chairman of DPC, John Flechler.

Again, in 2000 the National Board's goal was to increase attendance at Nationals by allowing members to display their DPC Vehicles and be rewarded for doing so. When you do so, you are supporting the host Region and the AAACA as a whole. I feel you will find the camaraderie at a National to be to your liking. I personally feel that DPC should be the largest class at all Nationals.

I hope I have conveyed what DPC is all about and what it has to offer AAACA members. Any questions or comments are always welcome; please contact me by email at kkf163@ntelos.net.



2019 Judging Summary

Chuck Crane
Vice President - Judging

It has often been said that you join AACA for the cars and stay for the people. In judging, I find that is true having been on judging teams for many years with friends all around the USA. Our regions and judging teams produced seven outstanding Nationals in 2019. We judged/evaluated some 2,717 vehicles with 2,479 receiving awards. I am most pleased to see the many DPC and HPOF vehicles now appearing at our meets.

Kingdom of the Sun Region in Ocala, FL, partnered with four other groups to produce the Winter Nationals in February. We had a great show at the local Community College. A highlight for many of us was a return to an ice cream social hosted at Jim and Rick Schmidt's wonderful car collection. As advertised, sunshine prevailed. April brought the SE Spring Nationals hosted by the Hornet's Nest Region in Charlotte, NC. With their Region Executive Director Mel Carson being National President, of course he had great weather and a fine show unlike 2018, which was a rainout. The Grand Nationals in Auburn, IN, in May were fun as always and the entertainment was over the top. The New Jersey Region gave us the Eastern Spring Nationals in June in Parsippany, NJ. With a wide variety of vehicles from Brass Era to Muscle Cars, there was something for everyone. A real highlight of this show was the display of vehicles from the Herb Singe family collection on the show field and in the evening at their warehouse. October again brought the world's best collector vehicle show at Hershey. The weatherman smiled on us this year and the Hershey Region outdid themselves in producing an outstanding event. If you do nothing else in 2020, attend Hershey! Later in October, the Deep South Region again hosted the SE Division Nationals in Mobile, AL. Despite heavy rain and a tornado in the area, the region did another fine job. The judging year closed with an early November Western Nationals hosted by the region in Fallbrook, CA. This region has produced a large local show for some 54 years and their expertise showed. They also hosted a wide variety of special events for our members attending. At all of these events, the vehicles were interesting but the people were the real prize! A very good year overall. I responded to 279 requests for specific deduction items (no points are ever revealed) for improvements needed to show vehicles.

Behind the scenes, your Class Judging Committee (CJC) members work to keep the best judging system in our hobby running smoothly. At the national shows, the Judging Administration Team, under the leadership of Dollie Flechler, works under extreme time pressures to tabulate all forms and produce the winners list in time for the evening awards ceremonies and does it all without errors

which is a huge effort. Judging Schools were presented again to some 900 students by Dain King and Stan Kulikowski. For 2020, a revision was piloted at the Annual Convention consisting of the traditional basic school for those with 15 credits or less and a shorter update/changes school for seasoned judges. Team Captain's School was offered at many of the shows and a highlighted Team Captain's Continuing Judge's Education (CJE) session was given to all team captains serving at each of the events. The Class Judging Committee also controls the CJE schools, where 31 instructors delivered about 1,200 sessions. Updates to the CJE's included C1 to C4 Corvettes and Gen 1 and 2 Mustangs. We are still looking for more muscle car instruction classes.

As an overview, the vehicles being shown are getting much better with most classes experiencing the leaders in the high 390s. In 2020, as we do periodically, the CJC will review the 10 point rule to ensure we are rewarding our members fairly. Thanks to all who showed in 2019 and to all our faithful judges who served on teams. We welcome prospective judges who wish to join the hobby within the hobby. I can tell you being a judge since 1977, I have some great memories and count friends all across the U.S.A. Thanks for a great year.

Judging Credits Awarded

5 credits	32	125 credits	4	375 credits	1
10 credits	35	150 credits	4	400 credits	1
25 credits	28	175 credits	5	450 credits	1
50 credits	12	200 credits	1		
75 credits	12	250 credits	6		
100 credits	8	300 credits	2		



All Hands on Deck

Don Barlup
Vice President
National Headquarters & Library

We are all aware that in a few short months AACA will be moving its headquarters and library into our new building. The renovating phase is in high gear and we hope to start the move in August.

There is much that needs to be done prior to the physical move. This is where we can be of assistance. If you are able to spend a morning, afternoon, or a day or two volunteering, especially in the library, it would be a great help to our staff.

Can't lift? No problem. Much needs to be sorted and boxed. There is a job for everybody!

Please let Chris Ritter at the library know of your availability. You can contact him at (717) 534-2082 or email critter@aaca.org.

PS – Donuts and coffee on me!



2019 National Awards

By Bob Parrish
VP - National Awards

During the 2019 season, there were over 3,000 vehicles evaluated at 7 Nationals by the National Awards Committee. There were also National Award Committee members participating at 4 National Tours in 2019.

The National Awards Committee consists of 22 active members and 3 alternates, and are some of the most experienced Senior Master Judges in AACA. They meet in Hershey at the end of the season on the 1st Saturday in December to review all of the vehicles nominated during the year. The team votes to determine the National Award winners. This year there were over 262 vehicles nominated for one or more of the prestigious National Awards. We invite everyone to visit the AACA website, click on meets and scroll down to National Awards to become more familiar with the various awards and sponsors in our world-class judging system. These awards have quite a heritage for however long they were initiated and sponsored, with some dating back to 1945. The actual awards are on permanent display at our National Headquarters in Hershey, PA.

The National Award competition is extremely intense making the decisions very difficult. On February 8th, there were 68 winning owners and their vehicles that were recognized for their accomplishments at the National Awards Banquet in Philadelphia. National Service Awards were presented to organizations and individuals for their contributions to the success of our hobby and AACA as a whole. There were Master Editor Awards and Webmaster Awards presented to members for their contributions to their respective Regions and Chapters.

I want to thank all that played a part, especially committee members that made all of this happen in this successful program. Finally, I wish to thank Dick Taylor, who will be retiring this year, for 41 years of dedicated service to the committee. Also, Earl Beauchamp will be retiring from the committee and joining the Judges Honor Society. We wish these retiring experienced judges well.



Headquarters & Library Update

By Don Barlup
Vice President
National Headquarters & Library

2019 has been an exciting and challenging year. Our new facility has been purchased and we are now in the process of remodeling it for the future needs of AACA, our Library, and the hobby. We should be occupying the building next fall, so that you can visit it while attending the Hershey Fall Nationals in October.

Your Club is still in need of your financial support, so that we do not have to pay interest and principle on a mortgage. Please keep those donations coming.

Your staffs, both National and Library, continue to rise way above expectations. They are here to serve you, our AACA members. Don't forget to thank them.

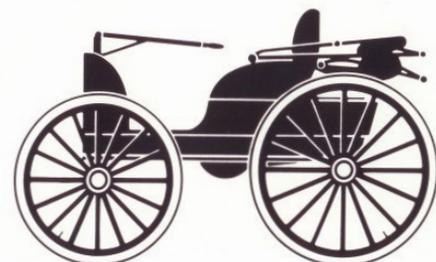
The Bookmobile has made the rounds this past year and is well received wherever it is present.

The Library holdings continue to grow as major collections are donated by those who know that AACA's Library is the world-renowned literature resource for the collector car hobby. Contact Library Director Chris Ritter to donate your collection. Being a 501(c)3 organization, your donations of money, literature, autos, etc., are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

The National Club and Library both maintain up-to-date websites and the Library is active on EBAY offering duplicate literature, etc., for sale. A social media presence is also actively engaged. As a member you have 1 ½ hours of research time available to you each year at no charge. Contact Chris Ritter for details.

Now, for the BIG news. AACA and the Simeone Foundation have entered into an agreement with the Philadelphia Free Library to purchase the collection of many rare and one of a kind documents. This premier collection will be coming to our Library once we have the space in our new building to accommodate it. The Simeone Foundation will be primarily purchasing the large racing collection, while AACA will be purchasing the rare automotive literature collection. This is a monumental acquisition for both entities.

In closing, support the building fund, the Library Endowment, and the bright future of our hobby.





Do You Enjoy Touring?

By Mark McAlpine
VP - National Activities

Do you enjoy touring in your antique automobile? If so, I understand why.

My wife Marion and I have participated in our region's annual Square Car Tour, our region's annual weekend tours, and the Old Dominion Meet Association Region's annual weekend Fall Tour, but had never participated in an AACA national tour until we participated as "hoppers" (mooching rides in other people's cars) in last year's Vintage Tour in Kingston, Ontario, Canada. Friends told us we needed to try a national tour but warned us that once we did, we would become addicted to touring. After enjoying the 2019 Vintage Tour (hosted by Joe & Lynne Konarowski, who received an AACA National Award—the Augustus Post Memorial Plaque—for doing so), I know what they meant and I agree.

Don't get me wrong—I still love our club's Nationals (formerly called "Meets")—but tours are different. Tours provide more time for fun. Every day you drive new roads, see and enjoy new sights and activities, and have considerably more time to talk with friends old and new during the tour, at its stops, and at the end of the day. On a tour, you have 3-5 days (plus the arrival day before the tour) of relaxation and fun instead of only the 1-2 jam-packed days of a Nationals. Is one better than the other? No—each is fun, and many AACA members participate in both—but they're definitely different experiences.

There is one big difference in AACA Nationals and National Tours: we have considerably more difficulty in attracting member regions/chapters to host a national tour than we do to host a national show. For example, we have 9 Nationals locked in for our 2021 national activities calendar (a full calendar, but there's always room for one more show if your region/chapter would like to host one), but we only have a host region/chapter for 1 of our 5 tours in 2021. (Thank you to the King of the Road Chapter in Florida, which is hosting the 2021 AACA Southeastern Divisional Tour!) We are still looking for regions/chapters to step forward to host the 2021 Revival AAA Glidden Tour®, AACA Founders Tour, AACA Vintage Tour, and AACA Western Divisional Tour (and to host these and other tours in 2022-2025).

If you enjoy touring, please share that enjoyment with your fellow AACA members by having your region/chapter step forward to host a national tour. E-mail me at [mmmcalpine13@outlook.com](mailto:mmcalpine13@outlook.com) if you have questions, need more information, or just want to talk about old cars. Thank you very much! I look forward to hearing from you and to seeing you at an AACA national show or tour this year.



Support Your Fellow Regions & Chapters - Attend an AACA Nationals or Tour!

By Mark McAlpine
VP - National Activities

Every member of the AACA loves old cars, and every year our members look forward to participating in one or more of the club's national activities. Members travel—sometimes great distances—to participate in an AACA Nationals (formerly "Meets") or a National or Divisional Tour. We could not hold these activities if member regions and chapters—and sometime individuals—didn't step forward to host them for the rest of us to enjoy.

The dedicated efforts of a number of regions, chapters, and individuals resulted in a robust (and fun) schedule of AACA national activities in 2019. The AACA Board of Directors—along with everyone who attended these activities—thanks all the chairpersons and regions/chapters who hosted a national activity in 2019.

Our 2020 National Activities Calendar consists of seven Nationals (Miami, FL; Concord, NC; Show Low, AZ; Auburn, IN; Beckley, WV; Corydon, IN; and Hershey, PA), the Grand Nationals (Allentown, PA), and six Tours (the Founders Tour, the Eastern Divisional Tour, the Sentimental Tour, the Reliability Tour, the Revival AAA Glidden Tour®, and the Central Divisional Tour). This year's calendar kicked off, as usual, with our Annual Convention in Philadelphia, PA (6-8 February), and ends with the Central Divisional Tour in Broken Arrow, OK (19-23 October). [See the National Activities Calendar on the AACA website or in the AACA *Antique Automobile* magazine for the complete list of dates and locations.] I and the entire Board thank the chairpersons and regions (and, in the case of the Reliability Tour, the individuals) organizing and hosting these activities.

Please support these regions/chapters by attending their shows and tours. They've gone to a lot of work to provide fun activities for the rest of us to enjoy. While we can't have car shows and tours without regions and chapters willing to host them, we also can't have them without you and your antique vehicle.

