



The Judge



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My Favorite Season is Show Season

By Jim Elliott, VP Judging, aacajim@cox.net



There are four main seasons during the year, plus holiday seasons and silly seasons, but at last we have reached my favorite season of all... **show season!** So, it is time for all of the AACA judges to get a tune-up for the season.

Here are some suggestions that may be helpful:

1. Attend an AACA Judging School as early in the year as possible. This will allow you to obtain a copy of the 2024 Official Judging Guidelines and review the recent guideline changes and additions.

2. Register for judging as soon as you know which Nationals you will be able to attend. Signing up early helps the Chief Judge to set up the best judging teams he/she can. Additionally, the earlier you sign up, the better your chances are that you will receive the judging class you desire.

3. Plan on taking as many CJE courses as you can squeeze in. Every judge should be prepared to judge any class on the show field. The more knowledge you have, the better judge you will be.

Finally, remember that each of you serves as an ambassador for the Club. For many of the car owners, the judging team is their only contact with any AACA "official." It is our job as judges to maintain a welcoming, pleasant and professional experience.

Thank you for participating in judging and I hope to see you soon and often on the show field!



What is Documentation?

By Dain King, Judging School Instructor, dainkingv8@gmail.com



Page 1-1 of the *AACA Official Judging Guidelines* states, "The objective of AACA judging is to evaluate an antique vehicle, which has been restored to the same state as the dealer could have prepared the vehicle for delivery to the customer. This includes any feature, option or accessory shown in the **original factory catalog, parts book, sales literature, or company directives for the model year of the vehicle.**"

Documentation would also include **advertisements** in magazines, many of which were prepared before the actual product introduction. In some cases, errors were made, such as colors that were never produced, including the wrong color for the primary engine. If that is the case, the documentation would have to be accepted. However, if an advertisement for spark plugs is offered up as documentation for stainless steel trim on a production vehicle, when in fact the trim was only on a prototype, it would not satisfy as documentation because the ad was printed to sell the spark plugs, not the automobile. Confusing?

In a 1954 issue of *The Saturday Evening Post*, the Champion Spark Plug Company ran an ad for their new "Turbo Action" spark plugs. The ad featured a prototype 1955 Ford Thunderbird, which had just been introduced. It is easy to tell it is a prototype because it has a copy of the "Fairlane Slash" on the front fender that was so popular on the full-size Fords of 1955 (and 1956). Since the ad was for Champion Spark Plugs, it cannot be considered official Ford documentation.

On the other hand, if perchance a 1955 Ford Thunderbird showed up on the judging field, sporting a "Fairlane Slash" on both front fenders, along with the stainless trim along the centerline, and the owner provided documentation consisting of an ad from *The Saturday Evening Post* showing the same car as advertised by Ford Motor Company, that would be considered sales literature produced by Ford Motor Company. But the subject Thunderbird would have to be in Class 35, not Class 31. Time for a different pile of documentation, but that is for another column at another time.

Eastern Spring Nationals – Saratoga Springs, NY June 20-22, 2024 DEADLINE: June 7, 2024

Name (Last, First, M.I.): _____ AACA Membership # _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone #: _____

I wish to judge class: _____ Second Choice: _____ Third Choice: _____ Fourth Choice: _____

Is this your first time judging (YES) _____ (NO) _____ / I plan to take a CJE course (YES) _____ (NO) _____

Neither I nor anyone in my family will have a vehicle registered in _____ Honor Society Accepted (YES) _____ (NO) _____
any of the above classes, but I plan to register a vehicle in class _____

My total AACA judging credits are _____ / Do you wish to take part in judges administration? (YES) _____ (NO) _____

YOU MUST ATTEND THE JUDGES BREAKFAST at the Gideon Putnam – Saturday, June 22, 8:00 a.m.

I (will) _____ (will not) _____ attend Judging School at the Gideon Putnam – Friday, June 21, 2:00 p.m.

I (have) _____ (have not) _____ previously served as a Team Captain. Do you wish to serve as a Team Captain? (YES) _____ (NO) _____

Host Hotel: Gideon Putnam, 24 Gideon Putnam Rd, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866, 518-584-3000, Code: 9N18US

Please enclose the \$10.00 Registration Fee with this application. Make checks payable to: Saratoga Region AACA

Mail to: Norm Hutton, 767 McCoy Road, Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417, 201-264-8969, normhuttonracing@gmail.com

Special Eastern Fall Nationals – Hampton, VA August 22-24, 2024 DEADLINE: July 15, 2024

Name (Last, First, M.I.): _____ AACA Membership # _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone #: _____

I wish to judge class: _____ Second Choice: _____ Third Choice: _____ Fourth Choice: _____

Is this your first time judging (YES) _____ (NO) _____ / I plan to take a CJE course (YES) _____ (NO) _____

Neither I nor anyone in my family will have a vehicle registered in _____ Honor Society Accepted (YES) _____ (NO) _____
any of the above classes, but I plan to register a vehicle in class _____

My total AACA judging credits are _____ / Do you wish to take part in judges administration? (YES) _____ (NO) _____

YOU MUST ATTEND THE JUDGES BREAKFAST at the Embassy Suites Hampton – Saturday, August 24, 9:00 a.m.

I (will) _____ (will not) _____ attend Judging School at the Hampton Roads Convention Center – Friday, August 23, 9:00 a.m.

I (have) _____ (have not) _____ previously served as a Team Captain. Do you wish to serve as a Team Captain? (YES) _____ (NO) _____

Judging School Host: Hampton Roads Convention Center, 1610 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, VA 23666

Host Hotel & Judges Breakfast: Embassy Suites Hampton, 1700 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, VA 23666, 7757-827-8200, Code: 91U

Please enclose the \$10.00 Registration Fee with this application. Make checks payable to: HVPR

Mail to: Hulon McCraw, 101 Dausuel Trail, Hendersonville, NC 28791, 828-606-2918, hcmccraw@gmail.com

2024 AACA Nationals ► Which ones will YOU be judging?

June 20-22
Eastern Spring
Nationals
Saratoga Springs, NY

September 13-15
Western Fall Nationals
Loveland, CO

October 24-26
Southeastern Fall
Nationals
Huntsville, AL

August 22-24
Special Eastern Fall
Nationals
Hampton, VA

October 8-11
Eastern Fall Nationals
Hershey, PA



Judges can register online by visiting <https://members.aaca.org>

2023 Judging Award Recognition

By Bonnie Kulikowski, Chairman of Judges Records, bonnieshepp1925@gmail.com

On behalf of the AACA President, the Directors and the Judging Committee, I would like to congratulate the judges listed below for achieving the indicated judging award. The commitment shown by each of these judges is sincerely appreciated and is the cornerstone of our judging program.

5 Credits

Rodger	Airey	John M	Diaz	Mike	Holl	Rosemary	Rayman
Larry	Atkins	Brian	Ellis	Greg	Horner	Paul	Sandy
April	Berkin	Steven	Esposito	George	Jefferson	Clinton	Sly
Peter	Berkin	Julie	Farrall	Mark	Jefferson	Doug	Sternberg
David	Brent	Sally	Franklin	Kenneth	King	Neil	Stoddard
Dawn	Briggs	Brenda	Gerken	Jay	Maxwell	Brian	Stone
Peter	Daniels	John	Gerken	Bruce	Maxwell	Hollie	Stone
Scott	Davies	Jose Ramos	Gonzalez	Paul	Muir	Francisco	Torano
Karen	Dean	Russell	Heim	David	Parker	Juan V	Villanueva Ruiz
Christopher	DeGrave	John	Helton	Andres	Rayman		

10 Credits

David	Brent	Dwayne	Heckert	Jennifer	Jensen	Don	Swofford
Robert	Channell	Russell	Heim	Joseph	Jordan	Timothy	Valley
Brad	Danish	Greg	Horner	William	Knadler		
Karen	Dean	Russell	Hunt	Frank	Petru		
Michael	Engard	Jeff	Jensen	Neil	Stoddard		

25 Credits

Jerome	Dean	Bonnie	Kulikowski	Jeff	Oaks	Robert	Ricci
Manny	Garcia	Jeffrey	Lytle	Neil	Osmun	Brian	Salak
Raymond	Greynolds	Carol	McCutcheon	JP	Price	Catherine	Schairer
Jack	Harris	Robin	Myers	Margaret	Probst	Bernard	Sheret
Samuel	Kern	Cynthia	Myers	David	Raecher	Tom	Shore

50 Credits

Steven	Carpenter	Lewis	Kale	Gerald	Linen	William	Sangrey
John	Cote	Edward	Katz	Riley	Reiner	Joseph	Slinsky
Gail	DeMauriac	Mark	Kubancik	Charles	Russo	Denise	Tuck
Donna	Elliott						



2023 Judging Award Recognition... *continued*

75 Credits

Mary	Bartemeyer	Donald	Harrow
Jerry	Bodden	Matthew	Hinson
Dan	Ciccione	Dwight	Jackson
Peter	Cullen	John	Kling
Pierre	DeMauriac	Michele	Kling
William	Eads	Diane	Rosenberg
William	Hallman	Sandra	Walsh

100 Credits

David	Berquist
Ruth	Hill
Earl	Mowrey
Dorothy	Parrish
June	Peterson-Crane
Richard	Suhr

125 Credits

David	Bowman
Phil	Giltner
Norm	Hutton
Stan	Kulikowski Jr
Alfred	Ossorio
Richard	Spina
Mike	Tulloch

150 Credits

John	Flechler
Alfred	Reeves
Fred	Trusty

175 Credits

Kelly	Adams
John	Harvey
John	LaBar
John	Steed

200 Credits

Vicki	Bolton
Tom	Cox

225 Credits

James	Elliott
Ron	Rubinstein
Brenda	Zimmerman

250 Credits

Bob	Parrish
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275 Credits

Terry	Bond
Alan	Terek

300 Credits

Thomas	Howard
Michael	Jones
Rick	Lay
John	McCarthy

325 Credits

Stanley	Stratton
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350 Credits

Arthur	Bolton
Mike	Petersen

400 Credits

Hulon	McCraw
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Perfect Attendance For All 2023 Nationals

Dave	Anspach	Jean	King
Vicki	Bolton	Dain	King
Art	Bolton	Bonnie	Kulikowski
Dave	Bowman	Stan	Kulikowski
Jerome	Dean	John	McCarthy
Steve	Eason	Fred	Trusty
Jim	Elliott	Denise	Tuck
Donna	Elliott	Wayne	Tuck
Tom	Gibson		

Certified Team Captain

Peter	Cullen
Steve	Eason
Tom	Gibson
Ann	Goldman
James	Joseph
Stephen	MacNish
Leif	Mangulson
Francisco	Quiros-Lopez
Alexander	Soultanis
William	Treadwell
Carl	Villone



EASTERN SPRING NATIONALS

HISTORY
OSPITALITY
ORSEPOWER



JUNE 20-22
2024
SARATOGA SPRINGS
NEW YORK



Registration Deadline: May 25, 2024

Highlights:

Lake George
Ice Cream Social
National Race Museum
Saratoga Winery
Member Roundtable
National Judging Schools
Saratoga Auto Museum
Pizza & Wings
Live Entertainment
CJE
Owners Briefing
Car Show
Awards Banquet

Hosted By the Saratoga Region AACAA

Host Hotel:
Gideon Putnam
24 Gideon Putnam Rd.
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
(518) 226-4700 Code: 9N18US

Chairman: Tom Walsh
thomaswalsh393@gmail.com
(585) 474-2406

Registration: Marsha Mackey
billmarsha8@gmail.com
(518) 424-6866

Approved Changes for 2024 Official Judging Guidelines

Section 3, V. D. 4.

e. Team Captain will deliver the completed and checked Judging Forms, Team Captain Reporting Forms and no-show list to the Administration office, in Vehicle by Class List order.

f. Assistant Team Captain will turn in the individual worksheets, Judges Participation Cards, and the Team Captain Evaluation sheet to the Chairman Judges Records.

Class 24

All drivers must be equipped with a helmet, fire suit, gloves, and shoes.

Class 30E – Class Modified (previously 1984-1998)
Chevrolet Corvette, 1984-1996

Class 30F – New Class
Chevrolet Corvette, 1997-1999

Class 35A – Vehicle Added
1915 Buick Twin Six

Class 35B – Vehicle Added
1938-1944 Volkswagen KdF-Wagen type 60 & 82e

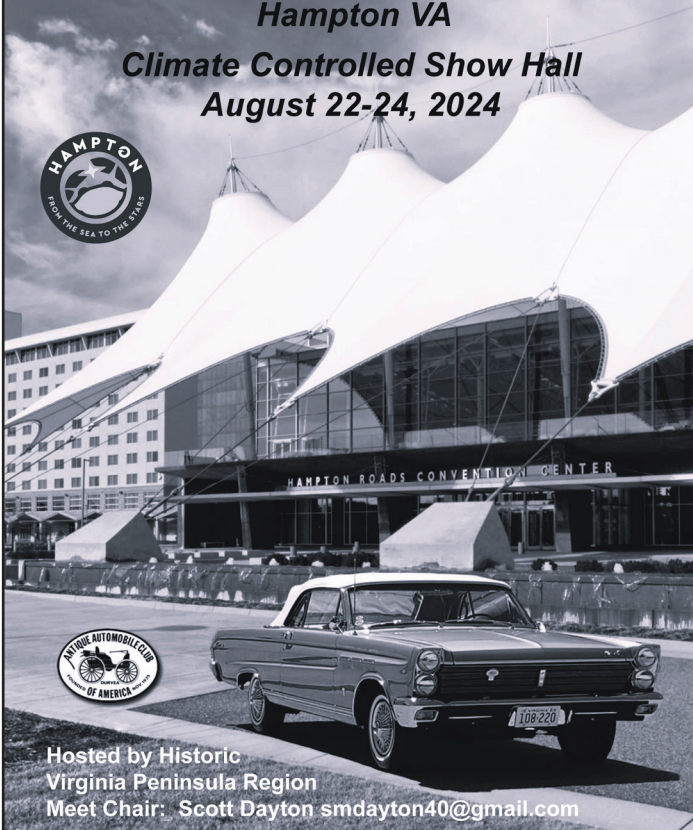
Class 36G – Vehicle Clarification
Monte Carlo SS 4v, w/454cid 1970-1971

Class 36Q – Vehicle Added
1963-1964 Daytona

Special Eastern Fall Nationals

*Hampton Roads Convention Center
Hampton VA*

*Climate Controlled Show Hall
August 22-24, 2024*



Hosted by Historic
Virginia Peninsula Region
Meet Chair: Scott Dayton smdayton40@gmail.com



AACAA Judges protect the heritage of the past & preserve the standards for the future.



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Nationals	Eastern Spring Nationals Saratoga Springs, NY June 20-22	Special Eastern Fall Nationals Hampton, VA August 22-24
Judging School	Gideon Putnam 24 Gideon Putnam Rd Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 Friday, June 21 2:00 p.m.	Hampton Roads Convention Center 1610 Coliseum Drive Hampton, VA 23666 Friday, August 23 9:00 a.m.
Judges Breakfast	Gideon Putnam 24 Gideon Putnam Rd Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 Saturday, June 22 8:00 a.m.	Embassy Suites Hampton 1700 Coliseum Drive Hampton, VA 23666 Saturday, August 24 9:00 a.m.
Chief Judge	Norm Hutton 767 McCoy Rd Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417 201-264-8969 normhuttonracing@gmail.com	Hulon McCraw 101 Dausuel Trail Hendersonville, NC 28791 828-606-2918 hcmccraw@gmail.com

Thank you so much for being an AACA Judge! We couldn't do this without all of you!

REMINDER:

Your 2024 AACA membership dues must be paid prior to registering to judge at any 2024 show.

Please call 717-534-1910 or visit AACA.org to renew today.