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1929 Duesenberg Model J Convertible Coupe by Murphy



Coming Events:

- October 4** Florida Region Sunday Breakfast, Bahia Shrine, 2300 Pembroke Drive, Orlando, FL 9:00 AM
- October 12** Florida Region Board Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, 746 Formosa Ave., Winter Park, FL 6:00 PM
- October 12** Florida Region General Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, 746 Formosa Ave., Winter Park, FL 7:00 PM



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President's Letter

Even in hot weather we had our second club outing on August 27, 2015. Seven of us went to Brookdale at Island Lake retirement home on Highway 434 in Longwood, FL. Nelson and Jan Lawhorn, Tom Rose and friend, Henry and Betty Hopkins, Steve Yancey. They treated us like royalty and fed us that way also. A choice of pepper steak to cod fish and pasta etc. and yes this was lunch. They would like to have us return in the future and I would highly recommend coming.

Our next car outing will be October 4, 2015. We are once again invited to bring our cars to the College Park Parade of Homes. I attended their meeting in College Park in September 2015 and committed to our club bringing some cars. I hope we can get at least eight cars this year. They put a lot of effort in doing this and the people that come tell them our cars are a plus for them coming.

I like taking my car out as long as it is not raining. I took my **1948 Chevy** to the Shriners on Pembroke Drive, a great day to cruise. The Shriners had their family picnic and barbecue and the food was great and the dessert out of sight. I look forward to having our club's picnic at Kerry and Gerry Camp's place on Sunday, October 25, 2015.

It was nice seeing Tom and Dena Holt's recently acquired **1980 Oldsmobile Toronado** at our last meeting, a cream puff of a car.

Also, Wayne Bostak brought his **1980 MGB Roadster**.

I think it would be great if more people would bring their rides, makes for a better atmosphere.



It was great seeing a nice group for our pot luck in September. The food was great and I could tell everyone was having good conversations. Thanks to Tom Rose for helping with the vacuuming after the pot luck, did Mary Rose get a picture?

Nelson Lawhorn

Minutes of the Florida Region AACA Board Meeting – September 14, 2015

The Board of the Florida Region AACA met at the Kress Memorial Church in Winter Park on September 14, 2015. The meeting was called to order by President Nelson Lawhorn at 5:45 pm. Other Officers, Board Members and General Members present were Wayne Bostak, Howard Gilkes, Darrel Cole, Dick Gauchat, Tom Holt and Don Allen.

Don Allen presented the Treasurer's Report and it was filed.

The Minutes of the August Board Meeting were approved as published in "*The Running Board*".

Nelson reported that we had four (4) cars at the Brookdale Assisted Living Center on August 27th and the food was great.

There was a general discussion of future events, shows and dates:

College Park Tour of Homes	October 4
Hershey	October 7–10
Lake Mirror Car Show	October 17
Ace Café Car Show (100 W. Livingston St., Orlando)	October 17
KC Camp Picnic	October 25
Winter Park Concours d'Elegance	Nov. 13–15
New Car Showcase	Nov. 26–29
Christmas Party	December 7
Voting Night	December 14
Club Awards Night	January 11

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

*Howard Gilkes,
Florida Region AACA Secretary*

Minutes of the Florida Region AACA General Meeting – September 14, 2015

The General Meeting of the Florida Region

AACA was held at the Kress Memorial Church in Winter Park on September 14, 2015. The meeting was called to order by President Nelson Lawhorn at 6:40 pm. Thirty-Five (35) members and guests were in attendance.

The 'Pot Luck Supper' started at 6:40 pm. 'Pot Luck Supper' Chairman Kendra Gilkes and kitchen, set-up, break-down helpers were appreciated for all their hard work for making this another big success.

The business meeting started at 7:30 pm.

Dick Gauchat lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Don Allen presented the Treasurer's Report and it was filed.

The Minutes of the August General Meeting were approved as published in "*The Running Board*".

Don Allen reported that registration for the Lake Mirror Car Show was exceeding expectations.

Wayne Bostak and Mark Regnier reported on their trip to the Auburn Car Auction, Henry Ford Museum, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, etc.

A very important event is coming up, the election of our Executive Board including Officers and Board Members. Howard asked for volunteers to fill the slate of Officers and Board Members for elections in December. We have openings for President, Vice President, Secretary and a Board Member or two. I know we have many newer members who are very qualified. Please contact Howard if you can serve your Club.

The General Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm

*Howard Gilkes
Florida Region AACA Secretary*



October Birthdays

Earl Beauchamp	October 19
Dick Gauchat	October 12
Kendra Gilkes	October 10
Betty Hopkins	October 7
Annie Juergensen	October 9
Cloteen Morris	October 28



Duesenbergs on Parade

Text and Photos by **Mark Regnier**, Editor

I was fortunate to attend the Auburn Cord Duesenberg (ACD) Festival in Auburn, Indiana during Labor Day week (September 1 – 6, 2015). All major ACD activities were held at the ACD Museum. The museum is a restored 1920's ornate 3 story ACD showroom worthy of a 4 hour visit. Before the parade, all of the million dollar plus Duesys were parked in the ACD museum parking lot like regular modern cars with no one around! You could walk up to any Duesy and look inside, smell the leather interiors with no restraints. The only downside was all the hoods were closed, so you could not inspect/enjoy the gorgeous engine.

My highlight of the week was the parade of Duesenbergs around downtown Auburn. They closed down the local streets and left the ACD museum with a full police escort. The sight, sounds and smells were truly amazing. I counted 20 original Duesenbergs in that one parade!



Save the Date – December 7, 2015

Club Christmas Party

Monday, December 7, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.

**Catered Dinner at the Kress Memorial Church Meeting Room,
746 Formosa Ave., Winter Park, FL**



**Details in
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Club’s Brookdale Car Outing – August 27, 2015



COVER VEHICLE FEATURE ARTICLE

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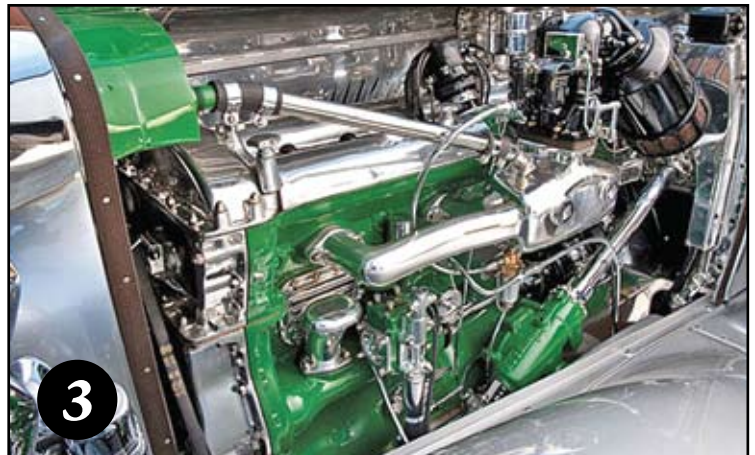
Chassis Number 2168, Engine Number J-147

1 & 2) This “Duesy” sold for \$1,402,500 at the September 5, 2015 Auctions America car auction in Auburn, Indiana. When introduced, the Model J was the most expensive car in America. In 1929, a short wheelbase chassis alone cost an astounding \$8,500, back when you could buy a family car for around \$500. The coach builder, the Murphy Company (based in Pasadena, California), was well known for their work with Packards. Their designs were elegant with their trademark was the “clear vision” pillar which helped eliminate blind spots and improved visibility.

3 & 4) The straight eight-cylinder engine displaces 420 cubic inches (6.9 liters) and produces 265 horsepower. The engine has dual overhead camshafts and four valves per cylinder

5) The green leather interior features wood trim, matching green carpet and an engine-turned dashboard with standard gauges plus a tachometer, chronograph and altimeter. The side windows have delicate piano-type hinges that cover the void created by the rolled down glass. It has a three-speed manual gearbox.

Photos and Text from:
<http://auctionsamerica.com>



Sold on eBay

This 1956 Lincoln Mark II with a V-8 engine, automatic transmission and 44,000 miles, located in Taunton, Massachusetts sold for \$16,200 on September 14, 2015 (14 bids). Seller's description says...

"...This is a very complete MK II that has been sitting for years. It starts right up and runs good. ... The chrome and stainless is all in very good condition and is fine for a driver quality car. Everything in this car works, all the windows, switches etc. It appears that this car has never been apart. The interior is rip free ... This could make a great driver with some attention to the body and a few areas.



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Antique Inventory Sheet for October 2014

1927 Studebaker Victoria Coupe	18,500
1940 Mercury CUSTOM Hotrod	69,995
1951 MGTD	16,900
1952 Chevy 2-Door Sedan Business DLX coupe	27,000
1963 Ford Thunderbird	Call for pricing!
1964 ½ Ford Mustang	Make an Offer!
1969 Lincoln Mark III	4,250
1970 Javelin	6,200
1978 Volkswagon Beetle	10,995
1982 Chevy Corvette Collector's Edition	13,500
1984 Buick Grand National	16,900
1984 Chevy Corvette Coupe	12,900
1987 Ford Mustang GT	4,200
1988 Jaguar XJS Convertible	16,500
1993 Chevy Corvette Coupe	7,900
1994 Lincoln Town Car	3,500
1999 Dodge 3500 Dually	6,000
2004 Suzuki Burgman	3,300
2006 S&S Custom MC	6,000
2008 Saturn Sky 2-Seat Roadster	19,900
2008 Roketa 250 MC	1,149

Project Cars/Trucks

1988 Dodge Daytona	595
1967 Chevy Bel Air	3,500

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1943 Ford GPA "Seep"

History

"The Ford GPA "Seep" is a WWII amphibious jeep built for the US Army between September 1942 and June 1943.

Inspired by the success and efficiency of the WWII Ford GPW Jeep, Ford received a contract to manufacture a jeep that could navigate seas as well as lands. Around 12,778 GPAs were manufactured, and of these, very few survived.

The Ford GPA "Seep" was designed initially to transport soldiers to and from offshore ships; unfortunately, due to a heavier weight than intended, the GPA sat too low in the water, couldn't handle the force of waves, and therefore couldn't handle much cargo. The GPA proved to be too slow and clumsy on land, and not efficient enough of a boat on water. Production was halted in March of 1943."

Features

Has built-in spray shield designed to keep mist and waves from flooding over the deck

Spare tire and anchor mounted on back deck

Vacuum motor windshield wiper on the driver side, and a manual windshield wiper for the passenger side

Includes two PTO levers, one for the propeller and one for the bilge pump

Engine driven anchor capstan

Rudder is connected to the steering linkage

Seat cushions double as life preservers

Manufacturer	Ford
Production	12,778 built
Engine	Go Devil engine, 60 hp & 105 ft./lbs. torque
Transmission	3 speed manual transmission
Transfer Case	GPW 7700
Rear Axle	GPW 3001, 4.88 ratio
Front Axle	GPW 4001, 4.88 ratio
Wheelbase	84 inches.
Length	181.83 inches
Width	64 inches.
Height	66.25 inches
Curb Weight	3,400 lbs.

Photos and Text from:

<http://www.jeepcollection.com/portfolio/1942-ford-gpa/>

