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The Running Board

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William & Cloteen Morris' 1943 Ford GPW



Coming Events:

- November 5** First Sunday Breakfast, Denny's Restaurant, 351 East Main Street, Apopka, FL 8:00 AM
- November 13** Florida Region Board Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, 746 Formosa Ave., Winter Park, FL 6:00 PM
- November 13** Florida Region General Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, 746 Formosa Ave., Winter Park, FL 7:00 PM



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President's Letter

Hi everyone,

As many of you already know, our Vice President Nelson Lawhorn and his wife Jan have moved out of the area. They have made many contributions to the Florida Region in their time with us and they will be missed. Both of them did many different things for the Region and their departure leaves a void. Jan would work with Kendra Gilkes in setting up the coffee and deserts for our meetings. We could use a volunteer to help Kendra in these tasks for our future meetings, starting in November. Any volunteers??

Nelson, in addition to being a past President, led many of our activities. He arranged the nursing home visit in June and was about to work on the College Park Tour of Homes show. Last year we featured 8 cars for that event. I guess I will have to follow up on that one and see if I can coordinate that. I will advise you all at our next meeting and via an Activity Notice.

What comes up for me is that we need to have more members step up and help keep the region active and as a going club. If our enthusiasm is lacking it would most certainly lead us into a downward spiral where the club, which dates back to 1950, would cease to be a going concern.

I too, get busy and find myself giving the club less than I feel I need to. Sometimes it feels like it's not important. But, as your President, I have to step up and try to do things that get us moving forward. As I write this letter I realize that this is something I can't do alone and I need all our members to help out and become involved in doing something for the club. I know we value it and longtime members especially care about the relationships we have within the club and

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Deadline is the 20th of the month*

enjoy spending time together at shows and special events.

So, come out to our meetings. We have many members who I have not seen in a while. I miss you! Fix a car and come to an event. Volunteer and help at a meeting. Suggest different activities that the club can sponsor. The club needs you to participate. Please consider what you can do to keep us going.

We will have a Holiday Party at the Golden Corral on Forest City Road in Altamonte Springs, FL. Howard Gilkes has reserved a private room for this event. The Board will discuss a membership benefit at our next meeting for those who attend this event. More information to come.

I hope to see you at our next meeting. If not, Happy Thanksgiving.

Regards,
Steve

Minutes of the Florida Region AACA Board Meeting – October 9, 2017

The Board of the Florida Region AACA met at the Kress Memorial Church in Winter Park on October 9th, 2017. The meeting was called to order by President Steve Tunney at 6:08 PM. Officers and Board Members present were Jack Scott, Wayne Bostak, Howard Gilkes, Don Allen, Matt Cannizzaro, Fred Kaufmann, Darrel Cole, and Jerry Eakins.

Don Allen gave the Treasurer's Report for

August and September 2017.

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

President Tunney told us the new website is finished except for minor changes. The new web address is:

www.floridaregion.aaca.com

The upcoming club car show scheduled for Saturday, March 3rd, 2018 at the Ace Café was discussed. President Tunney said he has a vendor for T-shirts for \$6.00 and he and Fred Kaufmann will work on a flyer. Matt Cannizzaro will contact proposed sponsors. A discussion followed about if there is sufficient member interest to go forward with the show and whether the Ace Café is a viable venue. Fred Kaufmann volunteered to look at Kitt Land Nelson Park in Apopka, FL as a venue.

Nelson Lawhorn is leaving to move to Tennessee. He is currently Vice-President. It was decided to not fill the position until elections are held in November 2017. Howard Gilkes will head the elections committee and will provide a slate of candidates.

Matt Cannizzaro discussed "*The Running Board*". He thinks more members should submit articles to Mark Regnier, "*The Running Board*" editor so that the newsletter more closely represents the club rather than national news.

Don Allen initiated a discussion regarding the club Membership Directory. It was decided to continue with the plan of only printing a new directory every three years. An addendum will be printed and distributed annually showing changes. It was also suggested a three-ring binder would be more appropriate for filing updates between printings.

The Board discussed venues for the annual Christmas Party. The party will be during the second week of December. The Board agreed that the party be held at a restaurant to be chosen. Howard Gilkes will make inquiries at The Golden Corral in Altamonte Springs, FL

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

*Jerry Eakins, Secretary
Florida Region AACA*

Minutes of the Florida Region AACA General Meeting – October 9, 2017

The General Meeting of the Florida Region AACA met at the Kress Memorial Church in Winter Park on October 9th, 2017. The meeting was called to order by President Steve Tunney at 7:23 PM. Twenty members were present.

Nelson Lawhorn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Don Allen gave the August and September 2017 Treasurer's Report.

The minutes of the August 2017 Meeting Minutes as printed in "The Running Board" were approved.

The upcoming club car show scheduled for Saturday, March 3rd, 2018 at the Ace Café was discussed. President Tunney said he has a vendor for T-shirts for \$6.00 and he, Darrel Cole and Fred Kaufmann will work on a flyer. Matt Cannizzaro will contact proposed sponsors. Darrel Cole suggested that cash awards would be preferable to trophies. Fred Kaufmann volunteered to look at Kit Land Nelson Park in Apopka as an alternative venue.

Nelson and Jan Lawhorn are moving to Tennessee. They were applauded by the members for all the work done to support the club.

Howard Gilkes reminded the members of the upcoming election. President Tunney asked for volunteers to fill vacant offices. None were had. Howard will publish a slate for the November election.

President Tunney told us about the 6th anniversary for the Old Town Friday Nite Muscle Car Show and Cruise on November 10, 2017.

Darrel Cole told us about the latest car in the Cole collection, a heavily optioned **1967 Chevrolet Corvette coupe** purchased from the late Bob Stallings collection.

Darrel Cole, Jack Scott, and Matt Cannizzaro and Steve Tunney described vehicles they had for sale.

President Tunney discussed the annual Christmas Party. The party will be during the second week of December. Howard Gilkes will make inquiries at The Golden Corral in Altamonte Springs, FL.

Larry Cole told us a sign-up table was available for the November 4th Mt. Dora Classic Car Festival after the meeting.

Matt Cannizzaro presented the evening's program. He told us about attending a car show in Stowe, Vermont in August 2017 to celebrate his birthday. This was the 60th anniversary of the show.

Upcoming car shows are the Lake Mirror Classic on October 21, the BOPC show in Auburndale on October 28th and the Mt. Dora Classic on November 4th.

Don Allen told the club about the update for the Membership Directory. It was decided to continue with the plan of only printing a new directory every three years. An addendum will be printed and distributed annually showing changes.

Darrel Cole told members about the annual Auto Show at the Convention Center Thanksgiving week. Darrel needs 15 cars from the membership and additional help manning our table and watching the cars. A sign-up sheet will be provided after the meeting. This is our only fund raiser in 2017 and we need to support Darrel and the club.

Wayne Bostak won the 50/50 and Fred Kaufmann won a dollar.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

*Jerry Eakins, Secretary
Florida Region AACA*

November Birthdays

Carol Firestone November 24

Terry Firestone November 21

Glenn Harris November 9

Marilyn McMullen November 4

Annette Morrison November 18

Club Dues Reminder

The 2018 club dues need to be paid by January 1, 2018 and we are collecting them now. Local dues are \$25 and you need to make your check out to Florida Region, AACA. Mail the check to Don Allen, 153 Poe Dr., Winter Haven, FL 33884. Also, if any information in the 2016 club directory is wrong, please let me know. This would include marriage status, address, phone number, e-mail address, or your list of vehicles.

Also remember at the same time that your national dues also need to be paid by January 1, 2018. The amount is \$40, the check should be made out to AACA and be mailed to AACA National Headquarters at 501 West Governor Road, Hershey, PA 17033. Please do not combine the two on one check. Also, please don't make me follow you for these checks.

Don Allen, Club Treasurer

COVER VEHICLE FEATURE ARTICLE

1943 Ford GPW

Owners: William & Cloteen Morris
Florida Region members

1) Bill bought his restored quarter ton **1943 Ford GPW** 4X4 in 2007. The original military hood markings were lost during an earlier restoration, so there is no record of where this GPW was deployed. Bill added aftermarket accessory taillights for more visible stop lights.

2) The GPW interior features canvas covered upholstery for weather durability. The engine starter button is on the center tunnel near the firewall. The large steering wheel and light vehicle weight make power steering unnecessary.

3) Power is supplied by a 134 cubic inch (2.2 liter) "Go Devil" flathead four-cylinder (60 hp & 105 ft./lbs. torque @ 2,000 rpms) with a 3-speed manual transmission and 2-speed transfer case. Some features of this GPW are: recessed headlights, 9 slot front grille, headlights that "flip over" for underhood lighting, shovel and axe body indents and blackout light system. The only modern upgrade is an Optima red top 6 volt battery. The 4 cylinder engine starts right up when cold and when warmed up is one of the smoothest idling and running "4 bangers" I have driven.

4) The very legible mechanical instrument gauges all work. The GPW has traveled 1,264 miles since the restoration. Note, the driver sits atop the (non-armored plated) 15 gallon gasoline tank.

5) Bill has driven the GPW in local parades with no problems. With an 80 inch wheelbase, 2,315 pound curb weight and 4.88 gear ratio, this little GPW moves along nicely on the highway and handles offroad duties easily. A comfortable cruising speed is 50 mph.



Upcoming Car Shows

November 2018 is a busy month to drive, display and enjoy your classic car at some local car events. Time to start cleaning!

November 4 (Saturday)

Mount Dora Classic Car Festival

First Baptist Church of Mount Dora

1000 First Avenue, Mount Dora, FL 32756

HOURS: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Space for over 150 vehicles

www.mountdoraclassiccarfestival.com

November 10 (Friday)

Adventure Travel, Roaring 20's Car Show

Sterling Court Retirement Community

1001 Alabaster Way, Deltona, FL 32725

HOURS: Starts at 2:00 PM

Contact: Steve Tunney, 732-895-1227

November 12 (Sunday)

Turkey Trot Bike and Car Show

Apopka Calvary Church of the Nazarene

750 Roger Williams Road, Apopka, FL

HOURS: Starts at 9 AM

No Entry Fee, \$400 in Cash Prizes for Best of Show & Peoples Choice, Free Turkey

Dinner at Noon

Contact: 407-889-2148

November 22 (Wednesday)

Central Florida International Auto Show

Orange County Convention Center

9400 Universal Blvd, Orlando, FL

Florida Region member cars on display !

Volunteers needed to man the AACA table.

HOURS: Load In on Nov 22 (Wed), Drive

Out on November 26, (Sunday)

Auction Result

Bonhams Auction, The Padua Auction

Padua, Italy, October 28, 2017

1963 FIAT-Abarth Monomille GT Coupé

Lot 53, Sold for €103,500 (US\$ 120,111) inc. premium

* One of four known survivors

“ An innovative concern with a sporting pedigree second to none, Abarth branched out from producing induction and exhaust systems into selling performance kits for production cars, later building a succession of aerodynamically-stylish sports prototypes and limited-series production cars.

Although his competition cars had been immensely successful, what Carlo Abarth lacked was a practical road-going GT car suitable for daily use. The model that filled this gap in the range was the **Monomille** (single cam, 1,000cc), introduced in 1961. This new pocket-sized Gran Turismo would be offered in two versions: the **Monomille Scorpione** (1961-1962) bodied by Beccaris, and the ‘**duck tail**’ **Monomille GT** (1963-1965) with bodies by Sibona & Basano. Based on the **FIAT 600D** platform and featured hand-made aluminium coachwork, these eye-catching little coupés were capable of a top speed of 170-180km/h (105-112mph) depending on gearing, despite having only 60bhp on tap. Three types of **Monomille GT** were offered: two street versions with bumpers - one with exposed headlights, the other with headlights under Plexiglas cowls; and a lightened competition version with cowed headlights and no bumpers.

Hand built and necessarily expensive, the **Monomille** cost some 30% more than the contemporary **Porsche 356** and sold in limited numbers.”

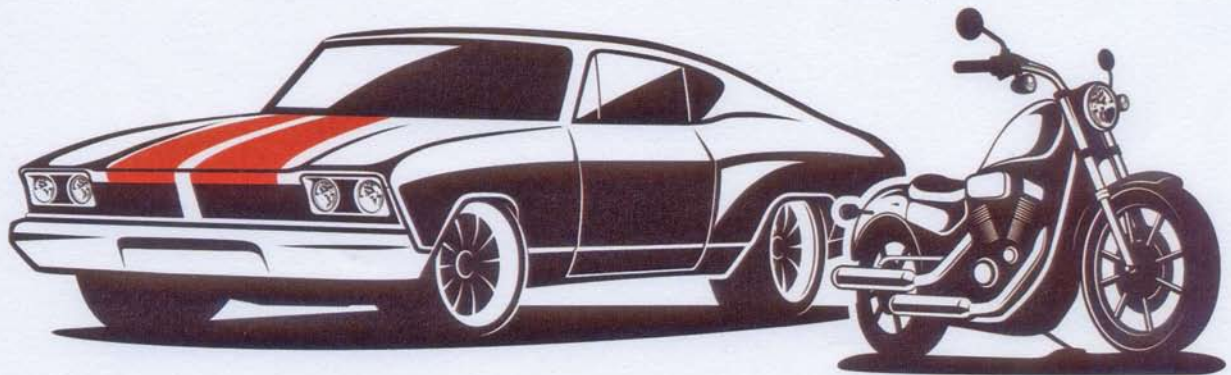


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— 2ND ANNUAL —
BIKE & CAR SHOW



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