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 ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

# *The Running Board*

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**Florida Region at Darrell's Garage 06-04-22**

**July 2022**

Coming Events:

July 11	Florida Region board Meeting, Email to follow up on meeting location	6:00PM
July 11	Florida Region General Meeting, Email to follow up on meeting location	7:00PM



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Deadline is the 20th of the month

### **Board and General Meeting –**

After the June 13th board meeting was complete, the general meeting was called to order by President Charles Jones. Don Allen gave the treasury report which was accepted by the club members. A motion to consider options for relocating club monthly meetings was approved. Two options were discussed by the club members:

Option 1 - negotiate lease agreement with existing location.

Option 2 -The monthly meetings would be held in the club house at a condominium

complex named “ La Costa Brava “ address is 710 E Michigan St, Orlando, FL 32806.

Possible new location for club meetings will be announced in the coming weeks. Another motion was passed to have a club event at “ Cars and Coffee “ located at Gateway Classic Cars of Orlando in Lake Mary June 25th.

At the end of the discussion, the Fifty-Fifty drawing was held.

## **How to Attract New Members for AACA Club**

By Matt Hinson



### **Editor's Note**

**Matt Hinson**  
**Rummage Box Editor**

AACA Rummage Box Editor from the Spring Issue

Welcome to my 25th issue as Editor of the Rummage Box. In addition to being the Rummage Box Editor, I am the Treasurer of my local Chapter. Our Chapter recently held our 50th Anniversary Spring Meet . I have been a member for half of the 5 decades that the chapter has existed. During the last 25 years, I have seen lots of members come and go.

Unfortunately, I have attended quite a few funerals of fellow chapter members over those years. When I joined the Chapter, I was one of the youngest members. Now, even 25 years later, there are still lots of members who are older than me, but there are many who are younger than me.

We seem to keep adding new members. At our annual car show, we seem to always pick up a few new members. I distribute a lot of new member application packets at other local old car events throughout the year.

Our local Chapter membership packet includes a “thank you for your interest” letter, a local chapter application form, a region membership form, a National AACA membership form, a region tri-fold information page, an AACA national brochure, and a local chapter information sheet. If your region or chapter does not have similar membership packets prepared, I recommend that you put some together. Having an organized packet to hand out to potential new members makes recruiting much more organized and easy to do.

We seem to find the most potential new members at the local monthly Cars and Coffee event. Sometimes, those applications come back quickly, sometimes, it takes talking with people over a few months before they end up joining. I had one day recently that I was pleasantly surprised to have two new member applications returned to me in the mail. Later that day, I had a third new member application delivered to me by another chapter member. I don't recall ever having previously received 3

new membership applications in a single day. The point that I am making is that potential new members are out there. All you have to do is be willing to talk with them at other car events and ask them if they would be interested in joining the Antique Automobile Club of America and your local Chapter and/or Region. It is an easy conversation to have. Once you express an interest in someone else's collector car and let them tell you about their car, they are typically very receptive to the idea of joining an antique car club.

In addition to talking with adults, at Cars and Coffee and other local shows, I almost always find at least one young person who clearly is excited about old cars. If a youngster shows interest in my car, I like to offer them the opportunity to sit in it and have their Mom or Dad take a photo of them. I am fairly confident that some of those young people will one day become AACA members!

## **Darrel Cole's Garage Tour June 4th**



Larry and Darrell Cole Graciously invited club members to view their beautiful car collection at Larry's warehouse and Darrell's garage on June 4, then on June 12 to See Larry's cars in Mount Dora. What a great collection of beautiful cars. and



1940 Parkard Darrin 180



1947 Cadillac and 1963 Corvette Stingray



Don, Bud, Charlie, Don



Tom and Betsy



Darrell presents to the club members



1963 Chevrolet Impala



1966 Cadillac



1959 Pontiac Bonneville



1959 Cadillac

## July Birthdays

Lorraine Coolidge	July 5
Dan Brennan	July 6
Tom Holt	July 8
Charlie Steffy	July 8
Betty Bostak	July 9
Joanne Swain	July 23
Don Reinhardt	July 30

True Cost of a Classic Car Restoration	
<b>Balance Sheet</b>	
Hours on the toilet searching the Internet	\$0.00
Purchase of a ton of rust on four wheels	\$5,000.00
Flowers for wife to break the news	\$50.00
Dinner at restaurant after argument with wife	\$120.00
Restoration cost - engine and transmission rebuild	\$8,000.00
Restoration cost - chassis rebuild	\$5,000.00
Parts and endless trips to Swap Meets	\$1,600.00
New Lounge suite to balance ledger and keep wife happy	\$3,500.00
Restoration cost - bodywork and paint	\$7,000.00
Flowers for wife to save buying new kitchen suite	\$50.00
Dinner at restaurant after argument with wife	\$120.00
Family trip to Tropical Island to offset 1000 hours spent in the workshop	\$4,000.00
Restoration cost - new upholstery and soft top	\$6,300.00
New outfit for wife to save another argument	\$450.00
Dinner at restaurant after argument with wife	\$120.00
Inspection, Registration and other on-road costs	\$1,200.00
Dinner at restaurant to celebrate completion	\$120.00
Hairdressing cost after wife's first ride in a open top tourer	\$60.00
BBQ to have neighbours over to see the finished project	\$90.00
Paint touch up after neighbour's son drew on the car	\$150.00
Settled out of court cost for clobbering neighbour's son	\$600.00
New outfit for wife to go out rallying	\$450.00
New shoes to go with the new outfit for wife to go out rallying	\$150.00
New hand bag to go with new shoes and outfit for wife to go out rallying	\$100.00
Dinner at restaurant after asking wife to economise	\$120.00
New clutch after teaching wife to drive a classic car	\$400.00
Dinner at restaurant after shouting at wife while teaching wife to drive a classic car	\$120.00
Repairs to front guard after wife's second lesson	\$600.00
Candlelight dinner at home (can no longer afford restaurant) after shouting at wife to watch where she is going	\$20.00
Advert on line for Classic Car For Sale	\$20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$45,390.00</b>
Proceeds from sale of Classic Car	\$29,500
<b>Balance added to mortgage</b>	<b>\$15,890</b>
Thanks Alan Roper.....	

