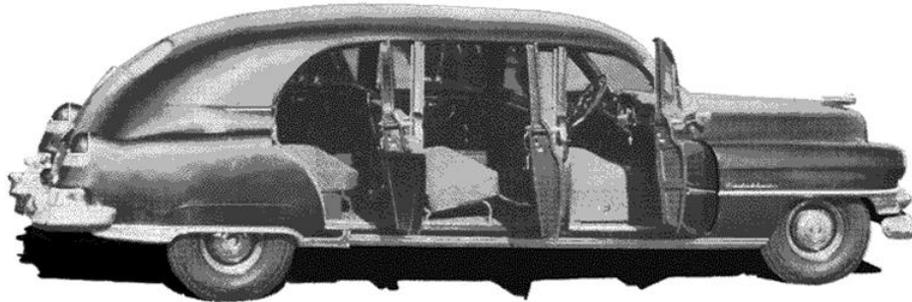


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*King Ibn Saud's custom six-door Cadillac harem car has three rows of seats. Mirrored one-way glass hides the two rear seats which hold six of the Saudi Arabian ruler's wives. Even the chauffeur can't look in. This example was built by Hess & Eisenhardt on a Cadillac commercial chassis. The King ordered 20 of these early 1950s vehicles at a cost of \$12,500 each.*

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## Cadillac for his harem

### COMING EVENTS:

JULY 6	GARAGE TOUR, DAVID MACMILLAN, 3405 ROUND LAKE RD ZELLWOOD	10-12:00PM
JULY 8	FLORIDA REGION BOARD MEETING, KRESS MEMORIAL CHURCH	6:00 PM
JULY 8	FLORIDA REGION GENERAL MEETING, KRESS MEMORIAL CHURCH	7:00 PM
JULY 8	FLORIDA REGION CLUB AUCTION, KRESS MEMORIAL CHURCH	7:20 PM



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## President's Letter

Greetings All,

Just dreaming about going DTR (Down the Road) driving my 1916 Autocar truck hauling a load of coal - wind blowing ----- aaahhhh oh back to the message!

Keep working on the promotional items throughout the month – even if you only pass out one a month - that's 12 throughout the year.

This month we have the rescheduled Garage Tour at the MacMillans as our activity on Saturday July 6 from 10 - 12. Also we have our auction scheduled for the July meeting - so gather your items, bring lots of “mula” and an appetite to bid.

Also keep in mind other guest speakers, stories you may have, interesting item that you may want to relate or automotive services that you can recommend for needs in our hobby for meeting topics.

Best Regards,

Mickey Bryant

## Letter from TRB Editor

I am enjoying my job as editor. It is a great reason to run endless searches through all the neat antique automotive subjects and photos on the web. Plus I get to connect with all of y'all.

Here is where the job will get complicated. I have taken a job in Huntsville AL that will start on June 21. If it is agreeable to the board and y'all, I wish to continue as the TRB editor. But I will need your help to cover the club meetings and events. You can do this by sending the photos you take

at the club meetings and events each month to me at boardeditorfl@gmail.com

Glenn Harris, TRB Editor

## **Minutes of the Florida Region AACA Board & General Meeting**

### **– June 10, 2019**

The Florida Region AACA met at the Kress Memorial Church in Winter Park on June 10, 2019. President Mickey Bryant called the Board Meeting to order at 6:00 pm; General Meeting at 7:00 pm. Officers and Board Members present were Jack Scott, Howard Gilkes, Larry Cole, Bob Coolidge, Bill Morris, Darrel Cole, Larry Mills, Don Allen and Steve Tunney. Glenn Harris attended the meeting, General Meeting had thirty (30) members in attendance.

The General Meeting program was a video of Jay Leno and his 100 year old AutoCar coal truck. Mickey quizzed the members on first car built in USA (Duryea), first mass produced car (Curved Dash Oldsmobile) and oldest name plate (AutoCar). Dick Gauchat led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The Minutes of the May Meeting were approved as printed in "The Running Board". Don Allen presented the Treasurer's Report for May, 2019. Don also reported on his and Carole's trip to the Grand National in Auburn, Indiana and other points of interest.

There was a continued discussion at our Board Meeting of upcoming 2019 Florida Region events:

July 6	David MacMillan Garage Tour, 3405 Round Lake Rd, Zellwood, 10am-12:00 noon
July 8	Florida Region Club Auction
August?	Gateway Classic Cars
September 9	Pot Luck Dinner/ Kendra Gilkes chairman
October 9-12	AACA Eastern Fall National Hershey
October 26	BOPC
November	College Park Tour of Homes
November 28-Dec 1	New Car Show
December 12	Christmas Party 6:30PM Golden Corral/ Howard Gilkes chairman

At the Board Meeting it was decided that Darrel and Mickey would get Florida Region on Instagram (for events). At the Board Meeting, consideration was given for a Florida Region Car Show at the Mt. Dora 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church. 50/50 Winner was Ray Morrison, Silver Dollar winners were Mickey Bryant, Dick Gauchat and Darrel Cole. The Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:41pm; General Meeting at 7:47pm.

Howard Gilkes, Florida Region AACA  
Secretary

### **July Birthdays**

Betty Bostak	July 9
Dan Brennan	July 6

Lorraine Coolidge	July 5
Marge Eckhart	July 14
Tom Holt	July 8
Charlie Steffy	July 8
Joanne Swain	July 23

4x4 Ford Bronco, already a darling for engine swappers looking for more performance, would be a perfect candidate — the low-down torque from electric drive would be ideal in many off-road scenarios.

### **Coming Events in July**

July 6 Garage tour, David MacMillan, 3405 Round lake Rd, Zellwood

July 8 -Club Auction will be immediately after Club’s General Meeting business. Bring your extra or unwanted items for auction. Darrel Cole will be the auctioneer.



**Larry Mill’s Electrovair III rides the wave of the future**

### **Vintage Cars with Electric Motors**

Think of it as a modern version of old-style hot-rodding, using a power source designed for a heavy sedan to propel something. Of course, the idea of ripping out the heart of a classic car sounds like a sin to purest, but like it or not, electric is the future.

Governments around the world are under increasing pressure to reduce deadly diesel emissions in favor of electric power; electric will be forced on people in the future.

In the coming years, expect to see packages for more of the classics, particularly those where the electric drivetrain can solve issues or improve performance above and beyond that of the original combustion motor. A drop-in swap for an air-cooled 911 might have a decent take rate, but the purists love those cars for the character of the engine above all else. However, a classic

### **British Motoring Wisdom**

British sports cars don’t leak oil, they mark their territory!

it is a level indicator, when it stops dripping it is empty

If the valvetrain in a Mark 2 stops making noise, it is time to adjust the valves.

Lucas – Prince of Darkness!

Lucas Three Mode Switch: On, Off & Flicker....

Lucas, Inventor of the intermittent wiper... and the intermittent headlights, radio, fan, etc...

Lucas briefly manufactured a vacuum cleaner. It was their only product that didn’t suck.

A gentleman does not motor about after dark!

## The Origins of Collision Warning Systems

Collision warning systems have been one of the selling points of cars in recent times. Being able to detect an accident before it happens and be able to react is kind of neat and can be potentially life saving. But did you know that Cadillac had a radar-based collision warning system way back in 1959?

The Cyclone was one of Cadillac's incredible prototypes, this one debuting at the pre-race 1959 Daytona 500 festivities. It was designed by Harley Earl and proved to be a car that marked the end of Earl's era, a career that had started for him in 1926.



Its Jetson-like bubble on top is a pretty incredible feature on a car that looks half like a space ship and half like it could hold its own on the roads of the early 60s, a testament to the forward-thinking of designers in the era. The top could flip up to let folks out and then disappear into the



trunk for a subtle look. The top of the bubble was coated in vaporized silver to deflect the sun's rays, so you wouldn't be cooking on your cruise.

All you had to do to open the doors was push a button—at which point they'd jut out and slide over the outside bodywork. The Cyclone had a front-mounted 390 cubic inch V8 engine that produced 325 horsepower, an all-wheel independent transaxle, and a unique engine exhaust that was ported out ahead of the front wheels.

But the thing that made this car most notable were those two black points on the front fenders of the car, which housed the radars that were purported to scan the roads in front of the car. If there was any disturbance that could cause an accident, it would report that electronically to the driver.

The technology then was obviously not as advanced as it is today. Unlike modern cars, the Cyclone's radar system wasn't tied to the brake system, so it didn't do any braking for you—it just let you know that you, the driver, should brake.

# Parting Shots



**The Horse is worth more than the Cadillac**