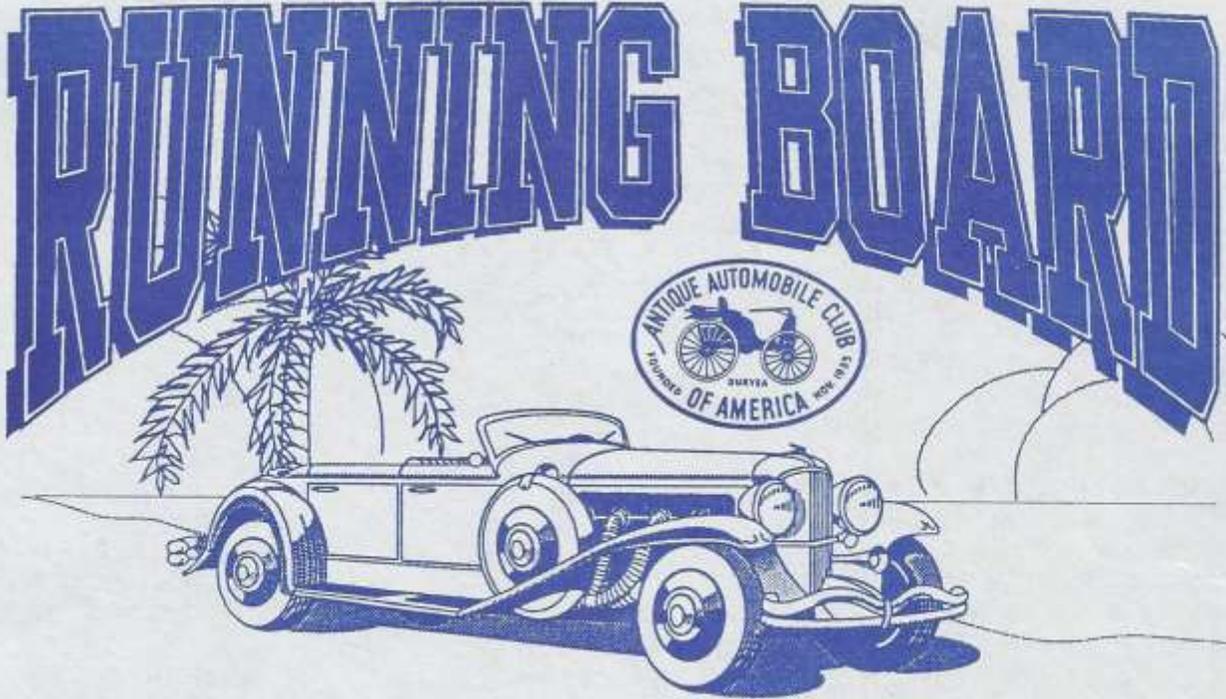


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Note from the E-guru:

A Facebook page has been established for the club. Please have a look, and everyone is encouraged to post items there:

<https://www.facebook.com/naplesmarcoaaca>

Mike Keeler

*Send some photos and a few words
about YOUR old car adventures, to
share with fellow members!*

President's Page

For those members who did not attend our last meeting, you missed a fabulous program presented by Jeff Mahl, "London to Brighton." In addition to having a good turnout of our membership, we also had a number of visitors from the Edison-Ford Model A Restoration Club. The meeting having fallen on President's Day, appropriately, recognition was given to all of our Past Presidents who, through their time and efforts, have enabled the Club to prosper. In fact, all past officers, directors, committee chairs and members who volunteer their services deserve our recognition and our thanks for their many contributions in supporting the activities of our Club.

Our next meeting on **March 16** will be the last before our great **Depot Show** on **March 28**. Since the Depot Show is the major source for funding the Club's contributions to local non-profit organizations primarily benefitting children in need, the Show Committee has been diligently meeting and working to ensure the Show's success. Volunteers are still needed, however, and hopefully our membership will once again demonstrate commitment to the Club by volunteering to participate in the Show set-up on Friday and also on the day of the Show, Saturday.

The show at the Beach House was once again a success. Thanks go to Yvonne for making the necessary arrangements. In addition to providing lunch, the Beach House also made possible a healthy contribution to a non-profit. Those of us who exhibited our cars were able to engage with the many interested visitors and residents- what better way to spend a beautiful Saturday than talking about our cars!

Get out the rags and polish for your show cars!

Rudy

Editor's Page

Moonshine-runners-history-and-their-cars: looking-back-at-Junior-Johnson and Willie Call

(This is an abbreviated reprint of a 2005 *Hot Rod* magazine article.)

Junior Johnson was a successful moonshiner, Nascar driver and Nascar car owner.

Johnson himself spent 11 months and 3 days in a federal penitentiary in 1956 to 1957 near his peak as a Stock Car racer after his arrest at his daddy's still.

No trophy in Junior Johnson's palatial country home, and no victory in his 50 triumphs in NASCAR racing means more to him than his pride in the statement, "They never caught me a-haulin'."

Johnson will tell you with a straight-on, dead-level look that Stock Car racing was a comedown compared to running moonshine, and not only because of the legal threat. "I had some purty fast race cars, but I never run anything as fast as the fastest cars I had on the highway," Johnson says. "The cars we ran on the road, you could modify 'em to the tip. Plus, they were supercharged and turbocharged. We could just do anything we wanted to 'em. There was never a time we could do anything we wanted to the race cars, even the Modifieds. NASCAR wouldn't let 'em run turbochargers or superchargers or anything like that. A supercharger or turbocharger just packs so much power in that motor, it's unbelievable. And we had no limitations on cubic inches. We could bore and stroke 'em all we wanted. We'd run 500 cubic inches a lot of the time."

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/autos/enthusiasts/moonshine-runners-history-and-their-cars-looking-back-at-junior-johnson/ar-BBYIet6>

The large garage behind Willie Clay Call's (lifelong friend of Junior Johnson) house in rural Wilkes County, North Carolina, the self-described moonshine capital of America, contains six 1940 Fords with flathead V-8s, a 1966 Dodge Coronet 440 with a 426 Hemi, and a 1961 Chrysler New Yorker.

These are not replicas. "I used all these cars for a-haulin'," Call says. Call has 14 more 1940 Fords in another garage.

The big-finned, baby blue Chrysler New Yorker is hardly the stuff of HOT ROD. It was the type of car a doctor or a lawyer drove, and it was his most effective, best-driving moonshine car. This is the car he'll talk about first and most often. "That Chrysler

would go on," Call says. "I've been run many a time in it. But there warn't no race to it. It'd run 180 mile an hour loaded or unloaded, uphill or downhill—it didn't matter. It's probably hauled more liquor than any car that's ever hit the highway."

The dashboard is production, except for one minor modification. Junior attached a pair of toggle switches just left of the steering column that, when flipped, cut off the brake lights, or the taillights, or both.

"You never did see that car on the road unless it was loaded," Call says. "I didn't keep it around the house or nothin'. I kept it hid."

This will be my last Newsletter as Editor, although I hope to make contributions in the future. Ron Schlechtweg has kindly agreed to take over, and starting in April he will assume the reins. Ron has been very helpful in the last few months as the Florida Car Events "reporter." Good luck, Ron....

Patrick

March History,

The history of the Naples on the Gulf Chapter of the Royal Palm Region of AACA preceded the formation of our club by about 10 years. In 1974 they were having regular meetings and events. The group reported getting name badges, ordering club shirts and planning fund raising events. The minutes tell of some members wanting to have regular flea markets on Saturdays, but that was never mentioned again.

The club had an elected representative who attended a regional AACA meeting and reported back to the members. They did outings and events with the AACA club in Fort Myers. They were also going to take a car tour to Marco Island in the summer. They had up coming events that members could attend at Disney World, Mt. Dora, and Sarasota.

Drinking Drivers / Nothing Worse / They put the Quart / Before the Hearse

Burma-Shave

Kathy Hollis, Historian

Membership

Membership - The Final Word

Our 2020 membership reports and roster have been completed and submitted to AACCA HQ in order to "keep us legal". Speaking of our 2020 Roster, I have it formatted and plan to take everything to the printer tomorrow (March 6) so that it should be ready for distribution at our March 16th meeting.

This will be the fourth Naples-Marco Region Roster that I've compiled and sadly my last. It has been my pleasure to have been your Membership Chairman but as I hand the reins to Joyce French, and I suspect David, I feel confident that we will have continued stability in OUR REGION. Thank you, Joyce, and David, for volunteering.

And don't forget to register your car for the **Depot Show**, as of today we're three quarters filled!

Regards,

Henry B. "Hank" Feinberg oldcars1959@gmail.com

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Additional Renewal Information

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in: http://www.aaca.org/images/2016_AACA_membership_app.pdf

Naples Marco Region: http://www.naplesmarcoaaca.org/membership_form.pdf

(Note: late-renewal \$15 surcharge)

Legislative Report

WASHINGTON STATE BILL TO RESTRICT ELIGIBILITY FOR HOBBY VEHICLE REGISTRATION UNFAVORABLY AMENDED; ADVANCES

S.B. 6156 unfairly raises the age of vehicles eligible to be registered as collector vehicles from at least 30 years old to at least 40 years old beginning July 1, 2026.

S.B. 6156 unreasonably increases the initial registration fee for collector cars from \$35 to \$100.

S.B. 6156 substantially raises the age of vehicles eligible for horseless carriage license plates to vehicles manufactured prior to 1916, removing the current rolling age require of 40 years or older for these plates.

S.B. 6156 arbitrarily limits the display of DMV-approved year of manufacture (YOM) plates on collector vehicles to 1988 and earlier model years, removing the current rolling age requirement of 30 years old or older for these plates.

S.B. 6156 makes it more difficult to register legitimate collector vehicles and horseless carriages, which are already limited to club activities, exhibitions, auto shows, and occasional pleasure driving.

The Washington state legislature this week considered a proposal that would make a "motor head" choke on his energy drink: refusing to register any new car that runs on gasoline, within a decade from now. The bill failed to advance, but the idea behind it has more momentum than it might seem. (Given to Grant by Peter)

Grant

Sunshine

(See Board Minutes)

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Florida Car Events

[Headlines in BOLD are Naples-Marco AACA Events]

March 16... Naples/Marco AACA Monthly Meeting 7pm, First United Methodist Church. 388 First Avenue South, Naples.

March 21... Vero Beach Antique Automobile Show, 10am-4pm, Sponsored by Indian River AACA, 3280 Riverside Park Drive, Vero Beach Fl. Over 325 cars expected.

March 21... SWFL Spring Nationals Car Show, Hundreds of cars, swap meet, food, music. Lee County Fairgrounds, 11831 Bayshore Rd., N. Fort Myers, Fl

March 27-29.... 31st Annual Spring Daytona Turkey Run, Daytona International Speedway, Daytona Beach Fl., www.turkeyrun.com

March 28... Naples-Marco 34th Annual AACA Depot Car Show, 9am-3pm, Naples Depot Museum, 5th Ave. South(41) and 10th St. South, Naples, Awards at 2:30. Contact Gary at GDONER4822@COMCAST.COM or 239-860-2726 for additional info.

March 29... Venice Region AACA Car Show, 8am-3pm. ~250 cars, Pre-registration required. Centennial Park, 200 W. Venice Ave, Venice Fl. www.venice.aaca.com

April 4...AACA Naples-Marco Region "Farewell Picnic" at Beach House Retirement, Airport Road South (NW corner of Estey), Naples – 11AM – 1 PM (old cars welcome) Lunch will be provided. (just bring yourselves!)

April 4... Cars as Art. Marco Island Center for the Arts, 1010 Winterberry Dr., Marco Island. Registration now open. Contact Island Automotive 239-394-1887.

April 17-19... Gasparilla Concours d'Elegance, Curtis Hixon Park, 600 N. Ashley, Tampa. Requesting 1920's cars in particular. More info at www.GasparillaConcours.com or contact Tom Toner. 727-232-0963 or Howie Mednick 808-347-0912

April 20... Naples/Marco AACA Monthly Meeting 7pm, First United Methodist Church. 388 First Avenue South, Naples.

Weekly Events...

Every Saturday, year 'round: Breakfast at Perkins, Pine Ridge Rd., just west of I- 75, Naples 7:52am (would 8 AM sound better?)

Please remember, the information listed here is for Car Shows and Meets, and other significant activities of interest to our members, and is taken from the following sources: www.carshowfinder.org , www.hemmings.com/calendar , www.flacarshows.com and input from AACCA members. ...And, Cool Cruisers, the weekly Saturday *Naples Daily News* "SWFL Wheels" section, which also lists many cruise-ins and shows of modified vehicles, motor cycles, etc. Another is *Mike Kelly's Cruise News*. Enjoy!

Respectfully submitted, *Ron Schlechtweg* , ron.schlechtweg@gmail.com

Please let me know of any additional significant events you may hear about.

February Board Minutes

AACA Monthly Meeting Feb. 17, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:00PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Welcomed guests: a number of members of the Ford Model A Restoration Club and Alan along with Stephania and Bob Osborne

There was no treasurer's report

Hank F. reported 114 members paid to date. The 2020 Directory will be out soon.

Rudy thanked all past presidents for their service.

Sunshine report - Hank S. feeling under the weather, Loretta DeShane is in the hospital, Pat McNally has had shoulder surgery (new parts installed)

Depot show - Judy needs more gate workers Need cars to register for show. There are 35 judges signed up but need more - looking for a total of 50. Gary has flyers for all to take and distribute

There are a couple of shirts left and new merchandise is expected soon.

Everglades City trip was a success and we donated \$3000 for school programs. A trip to Everglade Gardens was suggested and need for someone to volunteer to plan trip. A volunteer is needed to set up a Ladies Only event.

Larger name tags ordered and \$20 was approved to reimburse for new die form for pin.

50/50 paid \$55 plus 6 other door prizes Peter announced a last call for Amelia Island trip.

Excellent program by Jeff Mahl on London to Brighton Race

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM

Submitted *Edythe Newbourn, Secretary*

Journeys

Everglades Wonder Gardens, Bonita Springs

Founded in 1936, when there was only one road from Tampa to Miami, visitors could take a break from the long drive and marvel at the wildlife wonders of Southwest Florida. Now a non-profit, it is still one of the very few original Florida attractions that has survived the development sweeping the state in recent decades.

Located in downtown Bonita Springs, the Gardens are experiencing record-breaking attendance. It's a reptile lover's paradise as the collection of snakes and gators is impressive; it also includes a variety of rescued reptiles and birds, including its famed flock of bright pink flamingos.

Admission for adults is \$12, and seniors (65 and up) is \$10; children \$7 and kids under 3 is free. Open 7 days a week, 9am to 5pm. Contact Gardens personnel at 239 922 2591 for Group Rates for 10 or more.

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For Sale: 1957 Thunderbird AACA and numerous other awards. Frame off concourse restoration and in Dec. 2017 complete exterior restoration and detailing. Manuals. Documentation Price \$72,500. (239) 261-4175 HeliR22@aol.com

For Sale 1956 Chevy Belair 2-door, red/white. Less than 18K miles. Blue flame 6cyl engine, manual transmission, fully restored, A/C, radials \$59,950. Bill Hauser 703-517-3565

For Sale..Attention Classic Car Fans: Fur Coat, \$450. Medium Size? Will Swap (Sally's Whizzer). Larry McCartt, blakatgal@aol.com OK..Back to the Fur Coat: It's 100 yrs. Old and was once worn by Jack Benny!! Great item to put in your 1930s-40s car at the next Car Show!!

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MEETING LOCATION: –

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MEETING IS THE THIRD MONDAY OF THE MONTH



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