



# WELCOME BACK CRAIG BROWN!

Craig Brown returned to club activities this month. He reported that he is feeling stronger, and more able to do more. He and Laurie went to the Cars and Coffee in September and attended the Shady Tour on the 16th.

It's good to see you both back again. I know the club wishes you the speediest of recoveries, and looks forward to future involvements!

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TALLHASSEE ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

# Tallahassee Chassee

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# Shady Tour to Wakulla Springs September 16th



The club held a tour down some nice shady roads to Wakulla Springs Lodge. Norm Madsen did a great job planning the route of all back roads.

The brave band of Explorers met at the Vinelands Publix at 9:30 am. Upon arrival in Wakulla Springs, the group had lunch, and spent some quality time chatting.

Seventeen members in eleven vehicles participated. The weather was great!



## Upcoming Events for October

As we go into October the following events are known to be held:

South wood Cars and Coffee . Saturday October 7th 8 a.m. till 11 a.m.

Gerber Collision Cars and Coffee. Sat, October 7th 9 am. The location is on Appalachee Pkwy across from Hardees.

October 28th Lions Club show in the CARQUEST parking

lot. Winn-Dixie shopping center. 9am-1pm

October 28th. Honor Flight Car Show. The Moose Lodge on NW Capital Circle. 9:00—1:00

Nov. 11th. Valdosta Club car Show. 3101 N. Ashley Street Valdosta, Ga. We need 3 more members that would like to help with Car judging. Contact Don R

Breakfast at the Cracker Barrel on Friday morning after our monthly meeting. 8:30 am.

TRAACA club meeting will be on the 10th at 6 p.m.

November 4th. TRAACA Cars and Coffee. Gerber Collision center, Appalachee Pkwy. 9:00—11:00

# Vice-President's Page



Joe May won the 50/50 2.0 at our monthly meeting. His haul was \$52.00. Congrats Joe!

Sam Lester won an all purpose tool.



Bill Halsell won a can of Mechanic's Aid donated by Carquest of Tallahassee.

**Our program was about estate planning and was given by Robert Williams.**

**He gave our members a lot to think about regarding our estates.**

**Thank you Robert for a great presentation.**



# Upcoming Show Flyers

## 40TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW

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#03 CARS STOCK 1976 - 2000	#11 TRUCKS STOCK 1976 - 2000	#19 HOT RODS
#04 CARS STOCK 2000 - 2023	#12 TRUCKS STOCK 2001 - 2023	#20 MOTORCYCLES
#05 CARS MODIFIED 1900 - 1950	#13 TRUCKS MODIFIED 1900 - 1950	
#06 CARS MODIFIED 1951 - 1975	#14 TRUCKS MODIFIED 1951 - 1975	
#07 CARS MODIFIED 1976 - 2000	#15 TRUCKS MODIFIED 1976 - 2000	
#08 CARS MODIFIED 2000 - 2023	#16 TRUCKS MODIFIED 2001 - 2023	

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Classic Car Club*  
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# Hershey 2023

AACA EASTERN NATIONAL  
FALL MEET



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HERSHEY, PA 2023

**October 3-6 ■ Tuesday-Friday**  
Largest Antique Car Show & Flea Market in the World

Registration information can be obtained by submitting the activity request card that came with this magazine to AACA Headquarters.



**VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA**  
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### ANTIQUE AUTO-MOTORCYCLE SWAP-MEET

2023 Schedule of Events

FEBRUARY 4TH  
APRIL 1ST  
JUNE 3RD  
AUGUST 5TH  
OCTOBER 7TH  
DECEMBER 2ND

Gates Open 8:00am Until 4:00 pm

2335 Bloxham Cutoff Road, Crawfordville, FL  
SHERLOCK SPRINGS

No pets or alcoholic beverages on ground please

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# TRAACA Cars And Coffee for September

TRAACA held it's monthly Cars and Coffee at Gerber on September 2nd. We were all happy to see Craig and Laurie show up. He will be returning to events as his health improves. Numerous cars showed up and were enjoyed. Several new members were signed up there. GREAT JOB!



## How I Became A Packard (and Model A) Man By Norm Madsen

I started getting books about antique cars when I was 8 years old or so. I have a fair-sized car book collection, and several of the books I have had since my youth. (The largest number of books in my library about any single subject are about Packards and Early Fords.)

At about age 9, I began building antique car models. There was a brand called Hubley at the time. They made many antique car models, and all were diecast pot metal composition. There were many plastic parts, too. Hubley made about eight Model A Ford body styles, and I built them all. I also remember building Hubley models of a larger Packard and a very large Duesenberg. So, I knew what Packards were.

When I was fifteen, I found a 1950 Packard in a field near my school. The interior was beautiful, and there was very little rust on the outside, although it needed paint badly. I inquired at a nearby house, and was told that I could buy the Packard for \$65. This was in 1969. I went home excited, and my father agreed to lend me the money, if I would get a job. I bought the car and found a dishwashing job at a Howard Johnson's near my home.

Like most of his friends, my dad tinkered with cars when he was in his teens. For a few years, he even ran a gas and service station when I was young. So, he knew what to do to get the Packard started and get it home. He drove it home alone, and was stopped by a policeman, since it had no license plate. He told me that the policeman radioed to the station, "I don't know what it is, but I'm going to stop it."

So, he also knew what to do to make my Packard dependable and safe. We spent spare time over the next year restoring the car in the back yard. I got my full operator's license the day I turned 16, and drove the Packard to high school. I had the oldest car at school, and the only Packard.

When I began Junior College, I had no job and no money. The Packard sat and began to deteriorate. So, I gave it away. I always wanted another Packard. But first, I wanted a Model A Ford.

In 2000, I joined the Tallahassee Region AACA and began my search. Within months, I bought a 1931 Ford Coupe that was promising, but did not run. Because of the experience working on the 1950 Packard in the back yard with my dad, I was not afraid to tackle such a project. It took a couple of months to get it roadworthy. Then I began driving it now and then, and working on it often. When my first wife, Dawn, died in 2005, I completely restored it. I have given it to my son, Eric, and he and his wife now enjoy it. I help him work on it when it needs work.

In 2001, I began looking for a Packard. I wanted one that matched my birth year. I found a nice but needy 1954 Cavalier Sedan, and began making it safe and roadworthy.

I kept it for 16 years and made it a fine, dependable, long distance driving car. I ultimately sold it, to get into older Packards. It now belongs to a member of my Florida Packard Club, so I still proudly see it. I have attached a picture.

I had been in the Florida Packard Club for about 12 years, when Tom Kaiser, the man who had started the club, died. Everyone thought the club would die with him, but I had other thoughts. I have been running the club for 10 years now. During that time, I have produced about 40 issues of the club newsletter, created a club website ([www.flpackardclub.org](http://www.flpackardclub.org)), and gotten the club touring. It has been a lot of work, but a labor of love.

So, that's how I became a Packard and a Model A man.



1954 Packard Cavalier Sedan

## Scholarship meeting at Lively Tech in August

A meeting was held at Lively tech on August 8th 2023. The purpose was to advise the staff that a third scholarship would be added. They were pleased and thanked the club.

Present were John Lester, Jack Hanbury, Instructor Greg Hoover, Instructor Kenny Adams, and Bob Skrob.



# Renewal time for TRAACA and AACA

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It's that time of year again! Time to renew your memberships. John Schanbacher is collecting TRAACA 2024 dues, and the renewal for AACA can be done by mail or online at [AACA.org](http://AACA.org).

Let's not drive poor John crazy this year and don't wait until the last minute!

## News from Nation Office AACA

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The National office of the AACA announced that vehicles from the year 1998 have been added to the acceptable show cars list.

These years will reach 25 years old in January and will start to be seen in AACA sponsored shows.

Watch out folks, the Yugos are arriving!



## Member needs a vehicle

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**“I need to replace my daily driver. I’m looking for, in order of desire, a four door full sized truck. No GM or Chrysler. Looking for a Tundra, Titan, F150, or SUV based on those trucks. Must be capable of hauling 4X8 plywood.**

**As a fallback, a full sized station wagon from 1988-1996 including GM and Chrysler products. Looking for low mileage and good condition, Will consider others. Trying to avoid High tech,**

**Call Bern (850)- 445-0357”**



# Tallahassee Region Antique Automobile Club of America

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## TRAACA

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**TRAACA.ORG**

**“Don’t Store them, Drive them”**

*The Tallahassee Region AACA (TRAACA) is the Regional club chartered to the AACA National Organization. The AACA was established in 1935 and is dedicated to the history of the automobile, and the preservation and/or restoration of vehicles 25 years old or older. This includes cars, trucks, commercial vehicles, and motorcycles in original or restored condition.*

*TRAACA was established in 1970. Activities include, regular meetings, judged and non judged shows, displays, local tours, Rallies and Participation in national events put on by AACA.*

*If you wish to become a member of our regional club, Then you are also required to join the AACA national club. Belonging to these clubs gives you many benefits. There is access to the National AACA show held at Hersey Pa each year, access to other members that are a wealth on information on most car projects. You may just enjoy the fellowship of other car owners. You can download an application at TRAACA.org.*

*Ownership of an antique automobile is not a requirement for membership.*

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## Club Officers: 2023

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## Trivia Question Section

**How and When did armored tracked vehicles start being called “Tanks”**



**During WW1, the British developed the vehicle. In order to fool the Germans, They called them Tanks. This was to make them think it was for transporting water at the front. The name stuck. DWR**