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Lively Tech Car Show a Big Hit!



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March 5th was the Lively Tech car Show. It was a beautiful day for it. Not too hot, just right.

The show was well attended, If my info is correct, there were almost 150 cars.

- TRAACA set up a table with magazines and applications.
- There was a myriad of types of cars there, from older classics to modern muscle cars.
- 3 It was really nice to sit under the trees with our club members and just talk and be together. It has
- **4-5** been a while. TRAACA had quite a few cars there.
- Thanks go out to Craig for being the club recruiter. I believe that he spoke to everybody that attended about the Watermelon Festival and joining our club.

And to Lori......Darn good Birthday cookie!!!!!















Nell Hollingsworth's Christmas Village

For those of you that have not seen Nell's village it is a sight. She leaves it up and it fills a small room with every conceivable type of building, cars and a railroad. I took a few shots and am including them here.





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We meet at the Wal-Mart on the Parkway at 7:30am, Roll Out at 8:00am. Look for my Truck.

We will be traveling on Highways 27 & 98

Traveling through: Waukeenah, Capps, Pern, Athena, Salem to Cross City,

Turning Left onto NE 170th Street then Right onto NE 241th Street at the Airport.

WWW.HawksEvents.com

David Hawkins @ (850) 294-9491

Email me at: davidthawkins@comcast.net
as soon as possible so I know how many is going
We should arrive early enough if you want to
enter your Vehicle into the Show.

Cars and Coffee for March

It was a very cold morning at the monthly C+C. very few folks showed up, nor stayed very long. There was a cold wind that just kept dropping the temperature through the whole morning.

Hopefully, the April

C+C will be warmer, and we can get more folks out.

It has been suggested that we move our C+C to the first weekend of each month. I sent out an email and the response was overwhelmingly for this but to start it in May.

The April C+C will be the 9th.

Unfortunately, Jack Hanbury and I will be at the AACA Nationals in Charlotte.



Upcoming Local Events

April 1-2 2022:

Moultrie Swap meet

April 9 2022: Cars and Coffee at Gerber Collision

April 16 2022

Northside Community Center Car show. 11am-2pm

April 23 2022:

Madison Down Home days Parade and Car Show. Madison Fl.

April 30 2022:

Lion's Club car Show. Winn Dixie Shopping Center, Monticello.

April 30 2022:

Climax Ga Car Show 10am-4pm. Climax Ga.





National AACA shows

April 7-9 2022:

Charlotte NC Nationals.

Antique Automobile Club of America Southeastern Spring Nationals April 9, 2022 at Charlotte AutoFair Hosted by Hornets Nest Region, AACA Meet Email: accacli@windstream.net AACA Boutheastern Spring Nationals Information Region Office Region

April 21-25 2022:

Puerto Rico Grand Nationals





May 19-21 2022:

Grand nationals Virginia beach, Va



Amelia Island Cars 2022







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Editor's note! Ken, never doubted that you would finish the car......the job did seem daunting at the time I saw it. The result is a beauty!!!!

-Don R.

Ken and Jenny Hart's Buick restoration

Have you seen the ads on TV for the ASPCA showing neglected and abused animals? Tugs at you, doesn't it? Is it hard to believe that an inanimate object that is neglected or abandoned can do the same to some of us? This story is about such an object.

I joined TRAACA in 1981 and shortly thereafter was told of a car I should see that was for sale in town. So, I went to the address on South Monroe and saw a 1954 Buick under a shed that appeared to be in pretty good condition. It had been repainted poorly, but the interior was original and in good shape.

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also had the original invoice from Dodson Buick in Tallahassee. The car was drivable despite the fact that it still has the original tires, with cracks so large that the tubes were all that kept them inflated. I was hooked. After some paperwork and money work, I slowly drove my new prize home while waiting for the blowout that didn't come. It ran well but tires were the top priority. Back then Sears sold everything including classic Allstate whitewalls so on they went. They served until 2021.

I began to use the Buick "as is" and as might be expected from its years of nonuse many issues began to appear centering mostly around leaking seals, brakes, bearings, water pump, radiator, etc., etc. You get the idea After much sorting and repair the Buick

became quite reliable and we took it to some shows and used it for touring. It made trips to Atlanta for a Buick show and to Jekyll Island in 1985 for the AACA 50th anniversary show (have the badge for that on the grill now).

We towed our pop-up camper to that show and attracted a bit of attention with that rig. Once again, the Buick performed well.

Sometime in the mid-90s We decided it was time to start working on improving the appearance of the Buick. The terrible and sloppy paint job in black wasn't holding up and the car was originally red with a black top. So, we started. At that time there was a chrome shop in Perry and they did much of the chrome in pieces as we could afford it.

There was also a pot metal chrome shop in Tallahassee which . As the pieces came back, I put them away thinking it wouldn't be long before I was ready to reinstall them. Silly me.

As many of you know, life events have a way of detouring these projects and that is what happened for many years. The Buick waited patiently while we built a new house, raised a child, acquired other antique cars (that must have hurt) and generally went about living our lives. I would occasionally crank it up since I knew what could happen if it went too long without attention.

I was finally able to retire in late 2012 and start to work on the Buick more consistently. I knew it would need some work to get items more functional and that was done. Also, I had not had the bumpers chromed years ago so back to the Perry shop they went. Unfortunately, it had new owners. Long story short, I had to get the sheriff to help me retrieve the back bumper so I could send it

to another shop to be finished.

I had done business with Seminole Paint and Body for many years and the owner, Jim Asbell was amenable to allowing me to do much of the prep work on the Buick. Most was done at my house with the final prep, priming and painting done by Jim at his shop. I can attest to how difficult it was to remove many layers of bad paint in the heat of summer. Note to self: don't try that again.

Once the paint work was finished it was transported to my home shop for reassembly. I sold a car to have extra space to work and that helped a lot. By the way, if you have never experienced taking a 50's era car apart and putting it back together then you have lived a frustration free life. Nothing goes back in the same, you discover factory assembly mistakes that must be corrected and despite thinking you labeled all parts find some items you are not sure where they go. Thankfully I invested in shop and body manuals which are absolutely necessary and invaluable during restoration. They also contain instructions on how to adjust body and interior parts that have what seems like infinite adjustments.

As the Buick began to take shape it became possible to see that eventually it would come back together. Some difficult decisions had to be made about how far to go with the restoration, but we resolved to get it back on the road as soon as possible. Things progressed well and with the assistance of Jenny (she is great at helping keep me on track and composed) we made steady progress at getting the body and chrome all put back on. Also, thanks to Phil Reichert for assisting with the back bumper and trim. My favorite comment on the restoration so far comes from Don Romaine when he first saw it at Cars and Coffee. He had seen it in my shop in pieces and said he wasn't sure I would ever get the car back together. I took it as a compliment! Thanks Don.

The Buick is doing well now. We take it to shows and drive it regularly. Mileage is 21k and it seems to be happy to be back on the road, being admired and appreciated. There are still some items to address but as many of you know an antique car is never really finished. We look forward to years of enjoyment using, maintaining and improving this piece of automotive history.

Ken and Jenny Hart

1924 Dodge Bros. Roadster for Sale!









The above pictures were submitted by Jack Hanbury for a friend of his. This is a 1924 Dodge Brothers Roadster. It is good condition and drivable. The owner's contact number is: 850-545-5215 Craig. Jack advised me that it is in nice shape, wooden spoke wheels are in great shape, very little is needed on this car.



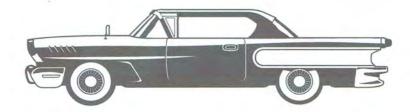






Tallahassee Region Antiques Auto Club of America presents

WATERMELON FESTIVAL CAR SHOW



Saturday, June 18, 2022 | 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Open to all vehicles, including antiques, classics, modifieds, trucks, and motorcycles,

Registration to be on Display Only is \$10 pre-registered or \$15 on the day of the show, registration to be Judged is \$15 pre-registered or \$20 on the day of the show.

SHOW YOUR RIDE OR HAVE IT JUDGED TO TAKE HOME A TROPHY!

Registration form can be found at monticellowatermelonfestival.com



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Pictures from the Amelia Island Show 2022













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"Drive them, don't just park them"

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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/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 car shows, displays, local tours, rallies, and participation in national activities put on by AACA. If you have an interest in joining our regional club, then you must also join the national club (AACA). Belonging to these clubs gives you many benefits, such as access to the largest car library, and ability to get copies of technical infor-

Officers of TRAACA 2022:

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| President: Don Romaine | HAPPY BIRTHDAY! | | |
| Vice President: Craig McCollum | Mary Brock | 4/12 | |
| Secretary: Chantel Romaine | Jack Hanbury | 4/15 | |
| Treasurer: Jack Hanbury | Barbara Herzog | 4/18 | |
| Historian: John Schanbacher | S | | |
| Board Members: | Don Pumphrey | 4/20 | |
| Dan Stallings | "El" Reichert | 4/23 | |
| Norm Madsen | Robert Hanson | 4/26 | |
| John Schanbacher | | | |

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Website Editor: Craig Brown

Newsletter Editor: Don Romaine

Ken Hart

Sad News.

We learned recently of the passing of Bill Thompson. Bill was a long time member of TRAACA until he and Nancy moved to Rome, Georgia to be near their daughter Margaret in 2012.

They were instrumental in planning our National Shows and Tours we put on and all of our activities. He served as President in 1978-1979 and again 1993-1994.

He will be sorely missed by his family and those who know him. Keep his family in your thoughts

and prayers.

-John Schanbacher



