

2021 Watermelon Festival Car Show

TALLAHASSEE ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- This is a special edition of the monthly newsletter highlighting the Watermelon Festival car Show.
- This show was dedicated to the memory of William "Bill" O'Rourke. A long time club member who is missed

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WATERMELON FESTIVAL CAR SHOW 2021

This year's Car Show was again hosted by the Tallahassee Region Antique Automobile Club of America (TRAACA) and was held in The First Bank's parking lot following the Watermelon Festival parade in which some of the vehicles participated. There was one motorcycle, and 62 cars and trucks, with many of the trucks filling adjacent Cherry Street. Entries included categories of Antiques, Classics, Late Models, Hot Rods, Modifieds, Trucks and Motorcycles.

Raffle prizes were awarded at noon starting with the cash raffle which was open to all; the lucky cash winner won \$178. Winner of the Stihl DG50 Leaf Blower and Stihl oil donated by Car Quest was Shawn Holland.

After the raffles, 12 trophies were awarded. Pre-War Trophy: Frank Harp and his 1929 Ford Model A.

1946-1959 Trophy: Jesse Williams and his 1953 Chevy 210 Coupe.

1960-1969 Trophy: Hector Castro and his 1968 Camaro.

1970-1979 Trophy: Steve Ward and his 1970 Ford Mustang.

1980-1999 Trophy: Hardy Smith and his 1980 Camaro Z28.

Late Model (2000 and newer) Trophy: Shawn Holland and his 2004 Ford Mustang.

Custom or Street Rod Trophy: Marty Ickes and his 1968 Ford Mustang.

Motorcycle Trophy: Billy Brock and his custom 2003 Harley Davidson.

Truck Trophy: Mark and Sandy Vollertsen and their 1976 International Harvester, Scout-Terra.

Judges' Choice 1 Trophy: Juana and Trent Stewart and their 1973 Ford Bronco Sport.

Judges' Choice 2 Trophy: Dick Ferrer and his 2013 Camaro ZL1.

The TRAACA Cub Trophy went to Don Romaine. Don is in his 3rd year as TRAACA President and has held the Club together during the Covid-19 lock-down which significantly impacted club activities. He has also recently taken over as Editor of the club newsletter. This Trophy is unique as it is lim-

ited to TRAACA members, since their cars are not eligible for other trophies.

Don entered 2 cars, his 1964 Chevy Corvair, formerly owned by Bill O'Rourke, and his 1946 Ford Super Deluxe which was previously owned by Wally Bentley, a Monticello resident who this car show was previously dedicated after his passing.

Vehicle owners won additional prizes due to generous donations from local businesses: Malloy's Nursery, Morgan's Garage, Car Quest, Badcock Furniture and More, Tractor Supply Co. TSC, and Full Moon. Tools, car models, truck models, books and other items were donated by TRAACA members. Gift Certificates were donated by Gulf Coast Lumber & Supply, Johnston's Meat Market, O'Reilly Auto Parts, Rock Auto Parts, and Tupelo's Bakery & Café.

Established in 1970, TRAACA is family oriented and participates in many activities to include tours, displays, cruises, rallies, and regional/national AACA events. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each

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month at the cafeteria (Bldg 3) on the Lively Campus located at 500 North Appleyard Drive starting at 6PM. Car ownership is not a requirement for membership. Automotive scholarships with Lively Technical College which are partially funded by this event.

Craig McCollum

Car Show Chair
Club Vice President



CAR QUEST DONATES A LAWN LEAF BLOWER FOR OUR AUCTION

Our annual Car Show was a hit, as it usually is. A lot of hard work and sweat went into this. It paid off.

Car Quest, and Monty Morgan donated a Stihl Leaf Blower to be raffled off during the Car Show. The winners were Cindy and Shawn Holland (Pictured right)

Car Quest has been very generous to the club over the years, and has supported us at the show.

Monty Morgan entered his 1956 Chevrolet 3600 Military

Truck in the show. It was very well received and admired. It was marked as a 1950's U.S. army light truck. He drives this frequently around town.

Thanks Monty and Car Quest for the donation and the support over the years. We look forward to many more years with you, CarQuest, and Morgan's Garage.

You are the best!





Judges Choice winner: Dick Ferrer and his 2013 Chevrolet Camaro ZL-1



Judges Choice winner: Juana and Trent Stewart and their 1973 Ford Bronco Sport.



Best Foreign Car winner: Patty Crawford and her 1974 Jaguar E-Type V12



Pre-War winner: Frank Harp and his 1029 Ford Model A



1946-1959 Winner: Jesse Williams and his 1953 Chevrolet 210 Coupe



1960-1969 winner: Hector Castro and his 1968 Chevrolet Camaro



Best Motorcycle: Billy Brock and his customized 2003 Harley Davidson



1970-1979 Winner: Steve Ward and his 1970 Ford Mustang



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1980-1989 Winner: Hardy Smith. And his 1980 Chevrolet Camaro z28



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Custom/Street Rod winner: Marty Ickes and his 1968 Ford Mustang



Truck winner: Mark and Sandy Vollertsen and their International Harvester Scout-Terra



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Late Model Winner :Shawn and Cindy Holland and their 2004 Ford Mustang

DON ROMAINE PRESENTED WITH TRAACA TROPHY



Every year at the Watermelon Festival, the TRAACA club gives a trophy to a member that stands out that year.

This year it was Don Romaine for his efforts to keep TRAACA running and in tact during the Pandemic.

(Thank you to all who were responsible for the award. It does mean a lot to me.)

Don Romaine

MILITARY VEHICLES IN THE SHOW







THANK YOU TO TRAACA MEMBERS

I would like to take this space to thank all the TRAACA members that worked so hard to make this show a success!

Everyone that showed up and entered cars. Your support was greatly appreciated.

The members parking cars, doing registrations, made things run the smoothest I have ever seen at this show. GREAT JOB!

Tommy— You are a natural at selling those darn 50/50 tickets. People just can't say no to you.....you won't let them!

Chuck Kuntsbeck, was in charge of

the Parade line up of show cars this year / Afterwards he took many of the pictures used in this issue. Thanks Chuck!

To our Judges, Jack and Bill. A great job with the judging.

So now, last but most definitely not least, Craig McCollum. Your efforts on the behalf of this show are way to many to list. The prizes, donations, and trophies are among your accomplishments. Please keep up the great work. You and your efforts are and will continue to be appreciated by all in our club.

Next year, the show will be even bet-

ter, and I am looking forward to it so much.

Don Romaine; President



Looking forward to Watermelon Festival 2022!