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Editor's Note: The Car of the Month feature will be on hiatus for the next two months to allow me to present a two part article on the Founder's National Tour. Car of the Month will return with the September issue. Thank you.

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2021 National Founder's Tour—Part II By Peter W. Pandolfi

Our fourth day was a real adventure. The resort is a vast property and is known as a ski resort, but the large, undeveloped area is also host to a variety of wildlife. Don Balint once again joined me in the car, but Diana opted to stay at the resort feeling a little under the weather. On the drive out from the lodge, we came across a small herd of deer grazing at the side of the road. Further down



Greenbank Radio Telescope

the drive, we encountered a family of geese crossing the road. Mama was in the lead with three goslings following in line behind and papa protecting the rear as they headed to a nearby pond.

Leaving the resort we headed to Cass, WV. While not part of the tour, the route to Cass takes you past the Greenbank Observatory. This facility has six radio telescopes used by astronomers to study deep space using radio waves. Greenbank has the largest, fully steerable radio telescope in the world measuring 375.5 feet in diameter. In the Greenbank area there is absolutely no cellphone service or WiFi so as to not interfere with the radio signals received from the cosmos.

Cass is an old corporate logging town and mill. Now a state park, you can ride up to the old logging camps on the Cass Scenic

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It is hard to believe that it is August already. Our next meeting will be our annual picnic meeting. Traditionally, this has been a joyous and relaxed event allowing our members to engage on a more social level than at a regular meeting. Consequently, the time devoted to meeting issues is kept to a minimum focusing on only the most important issues facing the Region. This August picnic meeting will be no exception. Given this relaxed atmosphere, there is no guest speaker or presentation.

That being said, we will not lack for something to do. My private museum will be open for you to tour at your leisure. The museum contains my collection of miniature vehicles and automotive paraphernalia along with old toys and some everyday items to include an actual, working Commodore 64 computer with a CRT monitor. You will also be able to see items covering my military, fire fighter and law enforcement service. I have many items from the former Soviet Union where I conducted nuclear arms control inspections. With them main museum located in the basement, the collection extends into my office and upstairs living space. Try to take it all in and questions are always welcome. I enjoy talking about my past and collection—no surprise there.

This picnic meeting will feature home cooked barbeque from Chef Phillip, my son. He plans to provide pulled pork and pulled chicken all smoked with his special rubs and original sauces. He is also his special providing coleslaw, baked beans and cornbread. All he asks in return is your honest feedback on his cooking as he prepares to open his own restaurant.

Getting to my house is easy. Just get to US Route 29 in Virginia. Most of you will be traveling south to get to Culpeper. Take Rt. 29 south until you reach Mountain Run Lake Rd. Some landmarks: as you approach Culpeper on 29 S you will see a sign stating "Culpeper Next 5 Exits". My street is actually the sixth exit. At the Mountain Run Lake Rd. exit you will see an Exxon station with a 7-11 on one side and Battlefield Chevrolet on the other side. My house is the first one on the left right behind the Chevy dealer. There will be bunting hanging on the fences at the driveway entrance. If you are coming from the Fredericksburg area, take Rt. 3 or Rt. 17 until you get to Rt. 29 S. At that point you should have only 3 exits to go south. If you are coming from south of Culpeper, take Rt. 29 north until you see a Chrysler/Jeep dealer on the right. Mountain Run Lake Rd. is a left exit immediately across from the dealer.

My driveway extends around the back of the house where you can enter through the museum door. There is no street parking. See Member News on page 4 for what to bring. Pete



August Automotive Trivia Question

What car used the first successful series-production hydraulic valve lifters? See answer on Page 12

Founders Tour continued

Railway. This railway uses old Shay style steam locomotives with converted log cars to take you up the mountain. The ride up takes you past the ruins of the old sawmill, past the engine maintenance shed and into the forest. This ride up provides spectacular views, two switchbacks and takes three hours to complete. At the top you are treated to an amazing view to include the Greenbank Radio telescope. The ride down follows the same route but takes only two and a half hours. On this day we traveled 149 miles

Day five brought us to our next adventure. The first stop was Smoke Hole Caverns. The history of Smoke

The many rooms and secluded nature of the Caverns were also the ideal place for early settlers and immigrants to make corn whiskey after the Civil War. The clean cold stream that flows through the Caverns was perfect for “moonshine” and it is estimated that perhaps as many as 20 stills operated at one time! An original still remains on display today complete with



World's largest ribbon stalactite

its story. Caverns are created by the constant, trickling flow of mineral-carrying water that deposits the minerals making stalactites and stalagmites. The bizarre-looking formations of minerals look like a scene from a lost world of an old science fiction movie. The caverns are a pleasant 56 degrees year round.



Riding the rails at Cass, WV

Hole Caverns is tied to the Seneca Indians who used the front section of the caverns to smoke wild game. The slow-burning wood fires sent clouds of smoke swirling out into the valley. The scene was so common that early settlers called the place Smoke Hole.



Descent into the bowels of the Earth

After the cavern, we headed to a nearby antique shop, Yours, Mine and Ours Boutique in Petersburg, WV for a little shopping and then on to lunch at the Dorcas Baptist Church. After lunch, the tour took us to the Reeds Creek Fish Hatchery. Reeds Creek

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Editor's Notes by Peter W. Pandolfi:

Your Hobby, Your Newsletter, Your Stories

I welcome any contribution members would like to submit. In this issue you will notice an article by a member on a car museum he visited. This is the kind of item I am looking for. Especially desired are articles on National meets and tours you might attend. Email is the best way to submit items, but if the files are large, burned to a CD/DVD or thumb drive is perfectly fine. I will even take them hardcopy if necessary. This method would be very labor intensive, but I will make it work. Submission deadline and contact information is below. Please use MS Word if at all possible. Thanks in advance for all your support.

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The deadline for submissions for inclusion in the next issue is the 25th of the month.

August Anniversaries



Karl & Roberta Wilhelm August 16
Dave & Linda Gantt August 18

August Birthdays

Ernie Newland August 4
Jennifer Gilkey August 20
George Parker August 26
Bill Sessler August 26
Karl Wilhelm August 28

Note: Your birthday or anniversary not listed? Please let me know the date(s) by email. Spouses as well. Years are not necessary since we are all 29 at heart. Thanks, Pete



Member News

2021 Car Show: The 45th Edgar Rohr Antique Auto Show takes place on Saturday, September 18. It's our club's premiere yearly event and its most successful outreach to the general public, drawing over 150 show vehicles as well as hundreds of spectators who may be potential AACA and Bull Run members! There are many ways to support the Rohr show

1. Sponsor an award to be presented at the show . Awards are first-come, first-served, so please contact Jon Battle as soon as possible!
 - "Top 35" awards: \$50 for two awards. Selected by popular vote of show participants, in 2 categories: Class A (stock vehicles up to 1996) and Class B (modified / street rods up to 1996).
 - "Class C Award" for post-1996 vehicles, popular vote (first place only). \$75
 - "Marque" awards, \$75 apiece. These awards include: "Best of Show" for Ford, GM, Chrysler, Independent, Foreign, Pre-War, Post-War (1946-67), Post-War (1968-96), Original & Unrestored Vehicle – (all of these are for stock or original cars). Also Best of Show Modified/Street Rod. Be sure to specify which award you're sponsoring.
 - "Prestige" awards, \$100 apiece: Mayor's Choice Award, President's Award, Youth Award.
2. Contribute merchandise for our door prize drawings, or an item (new or antique) to our silent auction. And if you know of a company that might also contribute items, please advise us.
3. If you live in Manassas, volunteer to pick up donations of door prizes and silent auction items from local merchants who have pledged them. Contact Jon Battle for a list of donors.
4. Pass out Rohr show flyers if you plan to attend a car show this summer. And volunteer to deliver a poster to a store or public place that's willing to display it.
5. Help at the show. We especially need volunteers who are pre-assigned to help with registration, put up signs, take photos of the show, direct traffic at the street barriers, and assist at the various Club tents. Please contact Jon Battle if you can help!

Picnic Meeting Information: Our annual picnic meeting will be held at Pete Pandolfi's house in Culpeper, VA. The date is August 8 at 4 pm. Barbeque by Chef Phil is on the menu. Directions to Pete's house are simple. Take US Route 29 either north or south depending on your departure point. Get off at the Mountain Run Lake Rd. exit. This exit has a Chrysler dealership on the northbound side and an Exxon station and Chevy dealership on the southbound side. Pete's house is the first one on the left right behind the Chevy dealership. The address is 11090 Mountain Run Lake Rd., Culpeper, VA 22701. Look for the bunting at the driveway entrance which extends around the back of the house. Please remember to bring your own drinks and dinnerware. Also bring a side dish or dessert to share. You may also want to bring some chairs just in case.

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Meeting Minutes

by Jessica Pozdol, Secretary

The meeting of the Bull Run Region was conducted on Sunday, June 13, 2021 at the VFW Hall in Manassas. President Peter Pandolfi led the meeting with 16 members in attendance.

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Treasurer's Report - slow month, not much going on

President's Report

Introduction of new members—None present

AACA Raffle Tickets - only \$10 for a 1973 Jeep Commando?

Annual Region Awards- 4 regional awards (the continuous service award has a requirement of 10 years service, 2 are up to committee and 2 are up to president). This year Steve White's dodge will be recognized as he was the Alt Award winner most recently in 2019. Looking for committee member volunteers. One other award is the one awarded at the car show and chosen by Chip Rohr.

2022 Election of Officers- also looking for nominating person/ committee to solicit membership or nominees. New officers are welcome, due before the deadline for clutch chatter submission. Tell Pete if you are interested.

Clutch Chatter submissions- Thanks Randy Higgins who submitted 2 items for clutch , Further ideas please send to Pete asap.

Website - send comments to Harry Dinch, it looks really good! Please check out the redesign.

Club Store - some new items pricing coming soon, window stickers, handbags/ canvas totes etc. Shirts and hats are going to be available at every meeting. Just see Gene & Jennifer Gilkey

Recruiting- most important part of our club mission going forward, invite people to attend a meeting or event to try out the club with the hopes that we could inspire them to join. Remind them that you don't have to have an actual stock antique car, you can join even if you have a modified car or just an interest in the hobby. AACA usually gives us 5 free first time memberships.

ODMA- Observation: some of the cars that were displayed and had won awards in the past had badges similar in style oval showing the region that they represented. They were tasteful and fit in well with the

national awards. ODMA has their own distinctions and has criteria that are a little less strict. The badge is reminiscent of AACA badges and would be awarded at our show. We will have to have those lined up and ready (Franklin should be aware & prepped). People can get judged and possibly earn their junior or senior level at our show.

Rohr Show- attendance is great at local car events and it's encouraging!

Status Update - We have invested a good deal of money and it would be good to get some revenue.

Award Sponsors- usually we get enough to pay for the awards and dash plaques, with leftovers! Jon B has composed an email. Please take time to read it over. Boy scouts are on board & ready to go!

Registrations - total of 5 pre-registrations only. It's okay to hand in your pre-registrations at a meeting ahead of time.

Need a volunteer who has a truck with a hitch to go get the trailer at Bill Sessler's house and bring it to show on Friday, then help apply the stripes on the field, park the trailer and return it after the show. Small trailer so it doesn't have to be a big towing capacity. George Richardson will be helping line the field on the Friday before. Pete will be looking into the free memberships to have on hand at the show. Jon Battle will be providing AACA magazines to distribute. We are set up and everything is in place, we are good to go!

New Business

March 2022 Field Trip - proposed by Randy Higgins, info & details will be in the next clutch chatter. This is something we used to do years ago, with or without your personal antique car. Examples of past events: AACA museum in Hershey, dinner theater, beach trip, drive, Cape May tour. Option to rent a bus and go as a group, or team up and go in personal vehicles.

2022 Instillation of Officers Banquet - Nikki will make arrangements, usually less than \$30 per person unless the car show will be profitable enough to subsidize. January 9th 2022, the second Sunday of the month in lieu of the meeting for the month.

Technical Sessions: Luke Stakenborg is heading up a new effort to focus on maintain and restoring your vehicle. Details will be announced soon, but if you have any ideas or a project you are working on, let him know.

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Member News continued

Proposed 2022 Spring Tour: Randy Higgins is proposing to put together a Bull Run Region field trip for March of 2022. March will not typically interfere with any planned events. The idea is to see about hiring a tour bus (depending on number of folks) or driving in a couple of cars. Those details can be ironed out later. Here is the tentative idea/agenda.

- Leave from the Cracker Barrel in Manassas..
- Drive to the Eastern Museum of Motor Racing in York Springs, PA. Spend approximately two hours touring the museum.
- Lunch at The Soda Jerk in Hummelstown, PA which is located near Hershey.
- Drive to the AACA museum in Hershey. Spend approximately two hours touring the museum.
- Dinner at Wolfe’s diner (open since 1955)
- Drive home.

This will be a long day – estimate at least ten hours. Please e-mail me at rfh24@yahoo.com if you are interested in participating or have any suggestions.

Presentations: Jon Battle has a few presenters lined up for our 2021 meetings, but is always looking for more people willing to speak on automotive issues. The speaker does not have to be a member of the Region to be invited to present. So, if you are interested or know someone who would be interested, contact Jon and let him know. He can use help in booking presentations.

Refreshments: We have volunteers to bring refreshments to all the remaining meetings for the year. If you have signed up to bring refreshments but can no longer do so, please notify Pete as soon as you can. Per our by-laws coordinating this is the duty of our Vice President, so remember that for next year’s elections.

Month	Snacks	Drinks
August	Picnic Meeting	Pete Pandolfi
September	Scott	Patton
October	Rick & Jessica	Pozdol
November	Nicki Hudson	John Price
December	Cookie	Exchange

Club Store: The Gilkey’s have Region items for sale and samples of other items the vendor can make. Contact Gene or Jennifer Gilkey at 703-830-5313 for price and size availability or any ideas for additional items to stock.

Website: Harry Dinch has redesigned our Region website. Make sure you take a look and pass on any ideas on to Harry to make our site even better. Great job, Harry!

Membership: Both the national AACA and our Region are continually looking for new members to join with us. As members, we all serve as ambassadors for our organization. If you know someone who enjoys classic vehicles, invite them to become a member. Our Region meetings are always open to visitors so suggest perspective members to attend. You do not have to own an antique vehicle to join.

Sunshine: Please remember to notify our Sunshine Committee Chair, Jessica Pozdol, of significant events in your life.



Meeting Minutes continued

Manassas Christmas Parade- usually on the first Saturday of December, details will be firmed up by Ernie around September. Usually we provide full size convertibles for the dignitaries to ride, the parade committee will assign them. We are able to put 10 cars total in the parade as a club which we get a free slot as a club (about a \$110 value!) The additional cars don’t have to be full size convertibles. Lots of fine, rain/snow or shine, it’s a huge turnout similar to a Macy’s style parade with big floats and big parade balloons. It’s a very nice route and there will be throngs of people viewing the parade.

Presentation - Ernie’s Dad & the Edsel

50/50 Drawing

Adjourn



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Founders Tour continued

Hatchery, located west of Franklin, WV, was completed in 1979. Unique among West Virginia's trout



Feeding the fry at the fish hatchery

hatcheries, Reeds Creek filters and re-uses 80 percent of its water. Reeds Creek provides trout to the smaller hatcheries, and also transfers catchable-sized trout in the spring for stocking by other hatcheries. They also raise fish to stock the lakes and rivers in West Virginia. There are long, open concrete tanks set in the ground with a constant supply of cold spring wa-



Blackwater Falls

ter flowing through the thousands of fish. The fish are grouped by size and some of them are huge. They have Golden, Brook, Rainbow and Brown trout. When they see you coming they all start moving fast and jumping, expecting to be fed. When the day concluded we had traversed 116 miles.

Our last day took us to Black Water Falls state park. My riders from the previous days decided to take

their crippled Chrysler 300 home in the morning of day five, but I did get a new rider to keep me compa-



Moorefield Church of God

ny. Brett Irick was also from Dearborn, MI and is a retired Ford engineer and coin collector. His 1967 Mercury Cougar developed a leaking valve seal. Rather than risk further damage, he joined me in the Rolls. Blackwater Falls is a beautiful location. Like most things in West Virginia, you had to hike down to see them and hike back up. The trip is well worth the effort. After the falls we drove to lunch at the Moorefield Church of God. The ladies there put out a



Chris's main garage

delicious spread with proceeds from the meal going to the local food bank.

After the meal we headed off to see AACA member Chris Alt's car collection. His two multi-bay buildings housed a variety of well restored cars and small trucks. Across the street he had a large lot where he keeps his antique tractor-trailer collection. From here we drove to the Grant County Mulch plant. The interesting tour took us through the entire process from raw logs, to bark stripped logs, then to the sawmill to convert the logs into firewood. Firewood?! I thought you said mulch! Indeed, I did. The firewood is a by-product of the mulch process. Mulch is made from

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Founders Tour continued



The mulch plant main buildings

The bark. It is ground up, colored, bagged and pelleted for shipping in a seamless process right there at the plant. Nothing goes to waste.

At the end of the tour, we all headed back to Davis, WV and the closing dinner at the Davis Volunteer Fire Department. We had come full circle ending this wonderful tour where we started. For some entering as strangers, but for all leaving as friends. After the meal, Franklin was presented an award from National



Raw bark being grinded into mulch

Director Tom Cox on behalf of the Mountain State Classics Region. After the festivities, I said my farewells and headed for home.

In summary, the Founders Tour was a fun and rewarding experience. The comradery shared among the tourists was a pleasure especially after last year's pandemic. All tours have their issues. Car breakdowns are inevitable, but everyone comes together to



Davis Volunteer Fire Department

resolve the problem. This tour also had to deal with a lot of uncertainty due to the pandemic. Some places were still closed to the public where others operated with restricted services. The success of this tour is attributed to Franklin and the rest of the Mountain State Classics Region with their flexibility and drive. Speaking of drive, my drive home was uneventful



Franklin Gage receives award from Director Cox

except for the bugs hitting the front of the car and windshield like raindrops in a storm. The Rolls did very good, no mechanical issues. I averaged 14 miles per gallon on the 792 mile trip. I guess that is to be expected when you drive a 6400 pound car in the mountains.

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Founders Tour continued



A new definition for the term "Buggy"



Tour cars at the Alt collection



Greenbank Radio Telescope as seen from Bald Knob, Cass WV. Six miles away

Additional Alt Collection Vehicles



What's In a Name

By Peter W. Pandolfi

I have always been fascinated with automotive logos and badges. This article will present a badge or logo and provide a brief explanation of the item. My primary source for this information is "Car Marques: A Graphic Guide to Automotive Logos and Emblems" by Simon Heptinstall and published by Quintet Publishing.

Sweden is well known for two automotive, high-quality exports—the Volvo and the SAAB. What you may not realize is that SAAB is not a name but rather an acronym. It stands for the aeronautical manufac-



SAAB Logo

turer Svenska Aeroplan Aktie Bolag, translated as the Swedish Airline Corporation. The company established in 1937 began producing automobiles in 1947. As they expanded their market, the acronym supplanted the actual company name. This Swedish marque became renowned for pioneering new technologies such as turbos, pollen filters, and direct ignition. Its quirky sports sedans, including the 99 of 1968 and the 9000 of 1984, created a cult following, especially in the United States and Britain.

Saab's advertising emphasized this appeal. TV advertisements showed teams of expert drivers performing

ballet-like formation driving displays, or racing cars against Saab fighter jets. In the 1980's one popular slogan was "The most intelligent cars ever built." the company badge, however, was rooted in regional tra-



SAAB Gripen fighter jet

dition. The Saab factory in Trollhattan once stood in the region ruled by Count von Skane, whose heraldic badge was a red and gold griffin, a mythical creature with the head of a hawk and body of a lion. This constitutes the emblem for the modern Swedish province of Skane, and Saab even named one of its jet fighter planes after the griffin, the Gripen.

Artist Carl Fredrik Reutersward designed the modern combined badge (Saab and Scania) in 1984. the griffin had long been used by sister company Scania, which specializes in commercial vehicles. As the companies combined, so did the badges. The red griffin on a blue roundel survived a period of General Motors ownership. Due to financial difficulties, Saab



SAAB 900 Turbo sedan

eventually collapsed for good in 2016, while truck maker Scania survived along with the griffin logo. Crown originates from regional heraldic emblem. Car production ended 2012.



The Ford Nationals at Carlisle

By Randy Higgins

Tragedy Averted at Carlisle Ford Nationals

At dark o'clock on the morning of June 4th Luke Stakenborg and Randy Higgins began a two-hour (or so) pilgrimage to the Ford Nationals in Carlisle, PA. Traffic was in our favor and naturally, we had to make an obligatory stop for breakfast at the circa 1957 Wolfe's Diner in Dillsburg, PA where we "wolfed down" a delicious breakfast and enjoyed several cups of coffee.



Wolfe's Diner inside and out

After a short drive from breakfast we secured a \$15.00 parking spot close to the main entrance of the Fair Grounds and began our journey. Like overgrown kids we pointed at everything, "check this out," "check that out," "that's a nice '63," "it's not a '63 it's a '64," "I used to have one just like that." We were two kids in a candy store looking at all the cars, parts, accessories and people. Non-car folks wouldn't understand.

Did I mention there was a strong chance for rain and the temperatures were supposed to be in the low 70's? Typical for Carlisle – where you can experience four seasons in one day – the weather forecast was wrong and we ended up sweating it out in the sun. I guess

it's better than rain but I wish that I had worn shorts instead of my jeans.



Tragic blowout of critical equipment

As we walked up and down the aisles stacked deep in Fordabilia a near-tragedy was avoided when the right rear tire on Luke's parts wagon blew out as he was making a mad dash for a \$10.00 air cleaner for his Galaxie. Fortunately, Luke's superb driving skills allowed him to maintain control and bring the wagon to a safe stop. Unfortunately, the blow out was too much for the left rear wheel which lost a cotter pin and fell off on the next aisle. Luck was with us as we



Luke Stakenborg reveling in Fordmobilia

broke down in front of a tool stand and were able to "borrow" a few tools and a small hose clamp to get us back in the race.

Lots of stories and laughs were shared and we're looking forward to the next adventure.

By the way, Luke did put all new rubber on his parts wagon when he got home.

Editor's Note: Thanks Randy for the article.



2021 Bull Run Events Calendar

Bull Run Region Calendar:

- Aug 8—Annual Picnic Meeting -- TBD
Sep 12—Rohr Show meeting -- no speaker
Sep 18—45th Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet, Manassas Museum
Oct 17—Regular meeting (delayed for Hershey), Manassas VFW Hall
Nov. 14—Annual business meeting -- no speaker
Dec. 12—Regular meeting, Manassas VFW Hall

Area Calendar:

- Sep 3-5—Virginia Festival of the Wheels, Boar's Head Resort, VA. See flyer on Page 18.
Oct 2—Pre-War Poker Run, Upperville, VA
Oct 21-23—ODMA Fall Tour, Winchester, VA

National Calendar:

- Aug 20-21—Western Fall Nationals, Loveland, CO
Sep 9-11—Southeastern Fall National, Greenville, SC
Sep 12-17—Revival AAA Glidden Tour, Saratoga Springs, NY
Oct 6-9—Eastern Fall Nationals, Hershey, PA
Nov 11-14—Special Western Nationals, Phoenix, AZ
Nov 14-17—Western Divisional Tour, Phoenix, AZ



The National Beat

By Peter W. Pandolfi

The following article entitled "Where have all the Junkyards Gone?" was written by Don Barlup, AACA Vice President of National HQ and Library. It was originally published in the Spring 2021 Rummage Box. I hope you all enjoy it.

When I first got involved in the hob-by in 1971, (I still have my first antique car, a 1940 Pontiac 50 years later.) junkyards were everywhere. I spent many an afternoon visit-ing my favorite yards, looking for treasures for that car. It was a plain Jane 4-door sedan with the only option being an under seat heater. It was sold new by N. E. Black Pontiac/Buick in New Bloomfield, PA to Earl Rempher, a local farmer, who had problems driving in and backing out of his small

1-car garage. All four fenders were a testament to his lack of driving ability.

Hap Gemmel's Salvage Yard, out-side of York, PA was a gold mine. It covered both sides of a country road and had many classics and convertibles resting peacefully in the woods. He had no less than a dozen 40 Pontiacs in various stages of decay. A radio from one, a cigar lighter from another, a clock from another, etc. My plain Jane car soon became a well optioned ride!

The barn on the property was full of cars, trucks, and an assorted disarray of parts. You literally walked over parts to get to parts.

Hap, short for Harold, was a character who would rival any junkyard dog with his green and white checkered pants and red and white striped shirt (yes, both worn at the same time) he was a sight to behold. In the upper level of the barn sat a long forgotten early solid tire truck covered with all sorts of car parts. You could easily have walked past it. I didn't! Turns out it was a 1914 Hahn Huckster truck, which I still own. Hap named a price, I countered. Hap liked to flip coins – yes, I lost, but would have paid his price any-way.

Both Hap and the yard are long gone, but my memories of those frequent treks through that yard seem like yesterday. A housing development now sits on that hal-lowed ground.

That is where all the junkyards have gone!



August Trivia Question Answer:

The 1930 Cadillac 452, the first production V16



July Presentation

By Jon Battle

The Edsel in the Shed

Ernie Newland related the history of the Edsel automobile and the story of his father's own 1959 Edsel Ranger, in a talk to Bull Run members at the July 11 meeting.

Produced for only three model years, the Edsel did not live up to the hoopla that accompanied its introduction. Its reasons for failure were several. First, it had the misfortune to have been launched at the onset



1959 Edsel Ranger Sedan

of the 1957-58 recession. Add to this the car's questionable technology, its controversial design and early production problems. And then there was that name – “Edsel” -- chosen by a corporate committee chairman; hearing of its selection, one Ford executive predicted the marque's immediate demise. Most importantly, it was the failure of Ford's marketing research that doomed the Edsel; it was aimed at a market segment that proved to be minuscule to nonexistent.

Edsel's initial-year production fell way short of the mark, and sales dwindled in each of the two succeeding model years. Ford executives finally gave up and pulled the plug a month after the 1960 model appeared.

The car provided a valuable though painful learning experience for the Ford Motor Company. Many of the lessons learned from the Edsel debacle would be put to good use five years after the Edsel's ill-fated premiere, when Ford introduced a car which was to become wildly successful: the Mustang.

In 1992 Ernie Newland was visiting his father, Walter, in Bristol, Virginia when the elder Newland spotted a 1959 Edsel in an open shed. It was a "one-owner", and even had its original window sticker in

the glove box. Walter made an offer on the car, the owner accepted it, and a friend towed the car to Mr. Newland's home. Though basically in sound condition, it took two years (and the help of many skilled friends!) to bring the Edsel to Walter's desired condition: not a trailer queen, but a reliable runner that looked good.

Walter soon joined the International Edsel Car Club and over the years he drove the Ranger to many club meets, in places like St. Louis, Milwaukee, Roanoke, Bowling Green, Kentucky and Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Mr. Newland even hosted his own Edsel meet in Bristol. Even though the car wasn't meant to be an award winner, over the years it won several "Best of Show" trophies. (Walter was a long-time member of the Bull Run Region.)

Eventually Ernie and his brother James inherited the Edsel. It now lives at James' home in Jacksonville, Florida, where he drives it, on average, once a week. Not bad for a car discovered in a country shed almost thirty years ago!



The Parking Lot



1936 Chevrolet Model 3 FB low cab pickup, runs and drives, very complete \$ 18,000 or best offer, 703-368-1760 or craigflangan@comcast.net

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45th Edgar Rohr Memorial Car Meet Saturday, September 18, 2021

Manassas Museum, 9101 Prince William St., Manassas, VA.

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM; Car registration 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

All attendees must comply with current COVID-19 restrictions and advisories



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- * Dash plaques for first 175 registrations
- * Total of 50 awards presented plus Door Prizes and Silent Auction
- * Participant Judging for Top 35 Class A & B awards, 1 Class C Award
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- * Free trailer parking at the Osbourn High School
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- * Rain or shine

Visit past shows on the web at www.bullrunaaca.org

1955 Dodge Custom Lancer
Owners: Steve & Judy White
2019 Arthur Ault Award Winner

We honor Steve & Judy who both passed away in 2020. Thanks to their son, Jeff, for displaying the car.



MEET RULES:

- All show vehicles will be classed as Stock, Modified, or Post 1996 upon arrival by Bull Run Region and decisions are final.
- Stock vehicles, Class A, must reflect equipment available for the year and model vehicle except for minor upgrades and safety modifications.
- Modified vehicles, Class B, must be 25 years old or older based on the vehicle's state registration.
- Post 1996 vehicles, whether stock or modified, are in Class C
- Vehicles may be displayed as the owner wishes within the space allotted and must not interfere with other participants or the flow of traffic. Hoods must be open for best of show judging.
- All vehicles must have a fire extinguisher.
- Vehicles must be driven onto the show field under their own power
- **Once parked, vehicles must remain turned off until the meet is over approximately 3:00 pm.**
- Vehicles needing to exit earlier must be escorted off the field. Contact a Bull Run member to arrange escort.
- Cars with "For Sale" and/or "Raffle" signs must be in the Car Corral and registered for the show as such.
- Results of the vote tally are final.
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted.
- No food sales unless authorized in advance by Bull Run Region.
- Pre-registration fees are non-refundable except for show cancellation by Bull Run Region.

Awards*

TOP 35 Class A & B

Class A – All Stock vehicles up to 1996

Class B – All Modified vehicles up to 1996

Class C – Post-1996 Vehicles, 1st place only

Best of Show Ford

Best of Show GM

Best of Show Chrysler

Best of Show Independent

Best of Show Foreign

Best of Show Modified

Best of Show Stock Pre-War

Best of Show Stock Post- War (1946 to 1967)

Best of Show Post-War (1968 – 1996)

Best of Show Original/Unrestored

Youth Award – Selected by Boy Scouts/Explorers

Mayor's Choice Award – Selected by Manassas Mayor

President's Award – Selected by Bull Run President

Edgar Rohr Memorial Award – Selected by Chip Rohr

*Class awards are based on vehicles receiving the most votes. The number of awards in classes A & B is determined by the percent the class represents of the total vehicles at the show. Best of Show awards are chosen by Bull Run Region Chief Judge's Committee.

DIRECTIONS

From I-95: Travel I-95 to Exit 152B - Route 234 North (Manassas). Drive about 14.5 miles and make a right at the second light onto Business 234. Drive another 2.5 miles and take a right at the light onto Prince William Street, (before railroad underpass) — follow signs to show car entrance

From I-66 (coming from the west): Travel I-66 to Exit 44 - Route 234 By-Pass (Manassas). Drive about 6 miles and make a left at the light onto Business 234 (Dumfries Rd.) Go another 2.5 miles, take a right at the light onto Prince William Street, (before railroad underpass) — follow signs to show car entrance.

From I-66 (coming from the east): Take I-66 to exit 53A and follow Rte. 28 south, 7.8 miles into Manassas. Turn left onto Grant Ave. (Business 234), go under railroad overpass and left onto Prince William Street at first light. Follow sign to show car entrance.

From Prince William Parkway (Dale City / Woodbridge): At Liberia Avenue light (where Parkway makes left turn) continue straight onto Wellington Rd. Go 1.3 miles to Grant Ave., and turn right. Turn right at second light onto Prince William St.; follow signs to show car entrance.

Trailers: Instructions above are for show cars. Trailered cars should enter into the Osbourn High School parking lot off Main Street, just south of Prince William Street. Show cars can then be driven to the show entrance.

REGISTRATION

Make checks payable to "**Bull Run Region, AACA**"

Send all registration forms and payment to Jim and Sally Batchelder, 7702 Cashland Ct., Alexandria, VA 22315

Bull Run Region and Manassas Museum will not be responsible for damages or personal injuries on the show grounds. Bull Run Region and Manassas Museum reserve the right to refuse admission. Multiple vehicles require separate registrations. Payment can be total of all registrations.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Circle one: Stock Modified Modern Flea Market Vendor Car Corral

Make _____ Model _____ Year _____

Car pre-registration (received by 9-14-2021): **\$20**
Show-day registration: **\$25**
Car Corral registration: **\$30**
Flea Market vendor registration: **\$30** for 10' x 15' space
Registration includes \$5 donation to Fisher House

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October 2, 2021

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