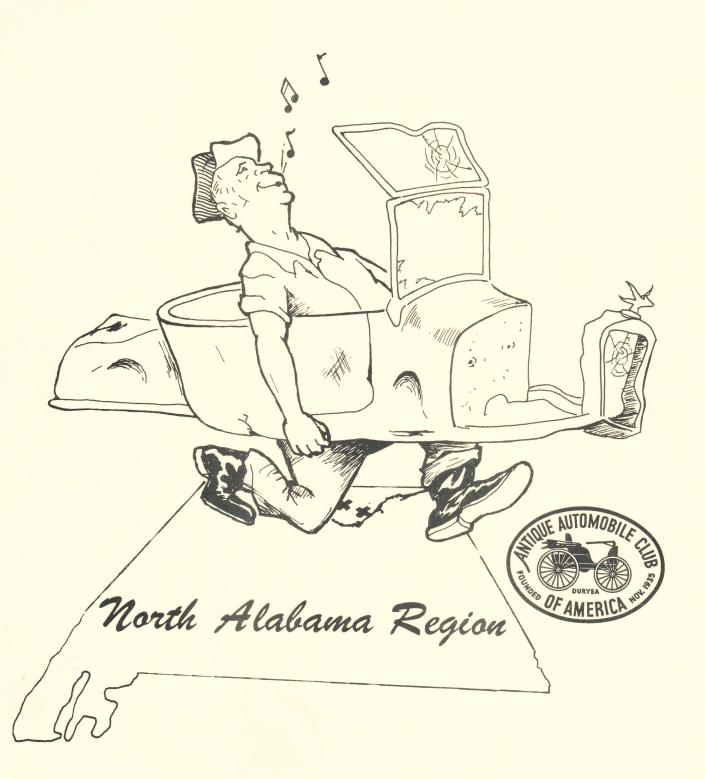
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HUNTSVILLE CHAPTER

Monthly Meeting Schedule for 1974

June 27	"Paint and Paint Preparation" Presented by Leonard Brown.
July 25	"Theory of 4 Cycle and Wankel Engines" Presented by Carl Berry.
August 22	"Mechanical Restoration" Presented by Tom Holley.
September 26	"Upholstery Seminar" Details being worked out by Bill Constable.
October 24	"Model A Seminar" to be presented by some of our knowledgeable Model A people.
November 21	Election and General Discussion of Hershey 1974
December ?	Christmas Party. Details to be worked out by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Beaver and Mr. and Mrs. Doyal Hyatt.

NORTH ALABAMA REGION Activities for 1974

AUGUST	"Rally and Ice Cream Freeze" Being planned by Carl Berry and Dr. R. Gause.
OCTOBER	"Fall Picnic" Details by Dan Shady.

DECEMBER "Xmas Party" Mr. and Mrs. Jim Beaver and Mr. and Mrs. Doyal Hyatt.

SOUTHEAST AREA AUTOMOTIVE CALENDAR

June 22-23	AACA - National meet at Roanoke, Virginia
June 28-29	Antique Auto and Sports Car Meet and flea market, Exposition Bldg., State Fairgrounds, Springfield, Illinois
July 6	Kruse Antique & Classic Car Auction New Little Rock Sheraton Complex Little Rock, Arkansas
July 13	East Tennessee Antique Auto Show and flea market 8 miles east of Kingsport on Rt. 126 Center High School, Kingsport, Tennessee
July 18-20	Stone Mountain, Georgia National Model A Restorers Club meet and flea market
July 31-Aug. 3	Indianapolis, Indiana Rolls Royce Owners Club 1974 National meet, Judging August 3 at Indy 500 track
Aug. 2, 3, 4	AACA Car Show, Berry College Campus, Rome, Georgia
Aug. 3-4	Gadsden, Alabama Noccalula Falls meet and flea market
Aug. 18-24	CCCA 1974 Country Music Car-auah starts Cumberland Gap, Tennessee tours Atomic Energy Museum, Oakridge, proceeds to Knoxville, Sewanee and Murfreesboro. Two nights in Nashville - Grand Ole Opry et al - Limited to 125 cars.
Aug. 24	AACA - Florence, Alabama Invitational Show and flea market at Bradshaw High School
Oct. 1	Kruse 2nd Annual Dutch Wonderland Car Auction Dutch Wonderland Amusement Park Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Oct. 3-6	AACA - National meet at Hershey, Pennsylvania
Oct. 19	Kruse 2nd Annual St. Louis Car Auction St. Louis Hilton St. Louis, Missouri

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

After reading the news section of "Hemming's Motor News", June issue, I had mixed emotions regarding the National Fall meet at Hershey in 1974. Especially in regard to the action that would prohibit Flea Market vendors from selling parts for cars from 1940 and up. In talking to various members, I concluded that they also were concerned regarding this clause. However, I am happy to report that I have had communication from the National Board that, to me anyway, has resolved the doubts. I will quote part of that correspondence here and read the entire letter at the June 27th meeting. Here in quotes are some new guidelines.

"The most newsworthy is that the present car classifications will be expanded to include cars twenty-five years old and older.

In addition, various orphan makes of cars will also be recognized. However, the specifically named makes of cars to be recognized will be announced prior to the effective date of Feb. 1, 1975."

The letter goes on to say;

"AACA has recently published their guidelines for conducting flea markets in conjunction with National Meets. Since the car classifications will be expanded to encompass twenty-five year old cars, the recently up-dated flea market guidelines have been altered to allow vehicles and parts for vehicles to and including the year 1949 to be sold at National AACA flea markets effective immediately."

The letter goes on to announce a plan for viewing the cars on October 5th (at Hershey) that should be a plus for AACA members and I will report it to you at the next membership meeting.

The National Board should be commended for the results of their June 1, 1974 meeting. "Hershey" is happy antiqueing---

Bill Constable

NEWS FROM ALL OVER

We really need a volunteer to help Bob Edgeton with "Spoke Folks" now that Kal Purushotham is moving upward and onward. How about it members—give Bob a call and tell him you'll give him a hand.

We wish Kal and Pat all kind of success in their move to Miami and their new venture. We'll miss them but at the same time we're happy for their new opportunity.

Good News!!! Ernie Cross is still with us due to the fact that his personnel action has been rescinded. Glad that Ernie and Joyce will be around and hopefully for a long time.

Saw Barbara Becraft's picture in the paper recently, as she registered members of the Alabama Optometric Association as they attended a convention held at the Sheraton Motor Inn.

The Ron Dion's have a new addition. Yup!! A 1927 Model T coupe bought from Hugh Fussell. I wonder what Hugh is going to buy now??

The May meeting was a good one. George Fore did a good job presenting the program. The June meeting will be a follow up on "Paint Preparation" by Leonard Brown at the "Oldies Restoration" garage, June 27, 7:00 p.m. I want to take the time to thank George Fore and Tom Holley for the use of the "Oldies Restoration" garage during the meetings where their facilities make the presentation of the program a whole lot easier.

Thanks to Bill Clemon's for the "goodies" at the May: meeting. Bob Edgeton won the "door prize" and so it's his turn to furnish the "goodies" for the June meeting.

The "garage tour" was less than a success as far as participation by the members. I want to thank George Fore and Tom Miller for their efforts in getting it together and thank Dan Shady, Dwain Coble, George Townsend, Ron Dion, Don Pryor, Kal Purushotham and Jack Stuart for opening their garages and/or facilities for us. I found the northern tour very interesting and feel that the tours deserved better attendance.

The North Alabama region picked up two brand new members and two new old members last month. Welcome back to Clark Moore and Arthur Galzerano and welcome William Gould and Frank Helms; glad to have you with us. Tri-Cities Chapter picked up at least two more members that I know of, Henry Killen, Jr., and William Clark. I know that Knox Longshore and crew will make you welcome.

NEWS FROM ALL OVER (Continued)

The local Studebaker Driver's Club put on a good show at the Alabama Space and Rocket Center over the weekend of May 25th. I understand that Mike Elling and the Studebaker gang attracted cars from at least four states. Good going, guys!!

The North Alabama Region has had a request from Ray Ratchford of Claysville, Alabama for a display of three or more antique cars at their 4th of July celebration (on 29 June). It is a Civitan affair held at the ball park about a block past the Yogi Bear Camp site (turn left) on Rt. 431 this side of Guntersville. Ray said they'll feed you all you can eat and show you a good time for the day. Anyone interested call Ray Ratchford at work 883-3295 and he'll give you all the details.

A. A. C. A. National Spring Meet - Birmingham, Ala.

The North Alabama Region and Tri-Cities Chapter was well represented with cars entered by Leonard Brown, Ernie Cross, Dennis McCann, Bob Thurstone, Bill Johnson, Rusty Parker, and W. E. Wooten. All in all Region and Chapter brought home 7 prizes. Leonard Brown with a First Junior, Dennis McCann 3rd prize, Bob Thurstone a 2nd for his '16 Buick and a 3rd for his 15 T, Rusty Parker and W. E. Wooten each a 1st and Bill Johnson a tie for 1st. All the cars were magnificent and for our guys to carry off the awards they did is a fine tribute to them and their cars.

We also had representation in the flea market with Dan Shady and George Fore operating one and Phil Gambrell and son, Bernie Gier and Ed Gannaway operating another.

Many, many of our members were there as visitors and it was great to see them all. I would like to name all the ones that I saw but he sitate to do so for fear of missing some one and inadvertently hurting their feelings. But it was good to see so many and talk with them as best we could.

To the best of my knowledge, the following people were connected with the judging as indicated:

Betty Thurstone - Administrative Committee for Judging
Ernie Cross - Team Captain for Judging
Herb Fulmer - Judge
Eddie Gannaway - Judge
Jack Stuart - Deputy Judge
Bill Spriggs - Deputy Judge

From all the ones I talked to I got the impression that they really liked the Birmingham Civic Center and the idea of holding the meet there. Maybe some time in the future the North Alabama Region would consider the Von Braun Civic Center when it is completed. It would make a great show place.

Anyhow!! Congratulations to the Birmingham people for a great spring meet.

MEETING NOTICE

DATE:

Thursday, June 27, 1974

TIME:

7:00 p. m.

PLACE:

"Oldies Restoration" Garage

9th Street and 1st Avenue

ACTIVITY:

"Paint and Paint Preparation"

presented by Leonard Brown

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