The Basic One Day Tour

Dave Berg, VP Regions

Personally for me there is no facet of the hobby that I enjoy more than the one-day tour. I try to attend every one that I can. Every Region and Chapter should try to have at least one of these fun filled events each year. The nice thing is they are relatively easy to plan. The best thing is they bring the Region members together and provide us with a great opportunity to make new friends. Let’s walk through how easy it is to plan one of these.

First we need a central meeting place. Anywhere will do, a Mall parking lot, members home, etc. If you use a commercial property ask permission in advance. Once everyone has gathered, see that each driver or navigator has a set of clear directions outlining the routes and activities of the day ahead. A tour is not a parade; it is not necessary that the cars remain in a line. Pairing up though can often be helpful. So off we go, let’s drive for about 20 miles and enjoy the morning air. Our first stop is a coffee stop. Any fast food place or restaurant with a suitable parking lot is fine. It is doubtful that you will need advance reservations for this stop. Spend half an hour or so and then back on the road. The next stop can be anything you like: someone’s garage or collection, an auto museum or restoration shop, a historical building, antique mall, or landmark. The choices are endless. Provide sufficient time at this stop for everyone to be able to take advantage of its offerings: looking, browsing, shopping, whatever. Then on the road again as it is now lunchtime. One thing I learned for sure is that Regions love to eat! Most likely advance reservations will be necessary to accommodate your group. A facility that has a separate banquet room or section is also very nice. Also plan ahead of time if it is going to be separate checks or is the club paying the bill. The same is true of other activities should they have a cost. With tummies full now, back to the car, get in, move the seat back a bit, and off to another stop. Just pick one from the prior list or add one of your own thoughts. After that final afternoon stop everyone is on their own to head home having completed a wonderful day of touring and camaraderie with other Region members.

National Show News

Two key events have taken place recently that are very important to our pre planning for the national show coming up in November. The Grounds Committee headed by John Wells and Chief Marshall John Schanbacher, held a meeting at the show site to discuss the all important planning of show site lay out, access and locations for all of the elements of the show. The show site is a huge 30 acre flat field of grass, surrounded by scattered ancient oak trees, and bordered by I-10, US 90, Thornton Road and the back property line of Mr. Devoe Moore’s property. Details upon details came up and Show Chairman Jack Hanbury had most of the answers with a few things needing further addressing. Our club is truly indebted to Moore Bass Consulting Engineers for the survey done of the show site, and to the Orlando Region AACA club for the use of their show signs.

You can read much more about the show events by going to our web site and checking out the information there. The Activity Request Card was in the latest issue of ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE which is required to mail in to national if you plan to participate with a judged vehicle at the show. Also, please don’t forget to order your red show shirts if you are working at the show site with any committee. This is the way participants can recognize our members to ask questions or seek directions. The order forms for the shirts were handed out at the last meeting. If you were not there and are on a committee, please call Glenda Schanbacher to request a form. The second event was the meeting of all committee chair persons last Tuesday July 29th at Forrest Heights Church. It was a well organized and conducted meeting to set plans and ask questions of show Chairman Jack Hanbury. There were many questions and some concerns that will be addressed, but it was a healthy sign that there is great involvement by members of our club who are anxious to see this event be successful and very memorable. The show program is coming along beautifully and Norm is doing a great job getting it organized. We could still use a few more ads sold to fill up the remaining space, so please give it one last effort. There will be a lot more information in the newsletter and web site about the show progress in the coming months, so stay with us as we move ahead to Show Day.
TALLAHASSEE REGION, AACA  
MEETING MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 08, 2003  
Forest Heights Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Florida

Thirty six members and one guest were present, Kathy Mottice’s sister, Martha Thompson.

Opening Prayer - Dan Rainey

Announcements/Reports -
Carol Rainey reported on the Monticello Watermelon festival on June 21, there was an excellent turnout and with registrations, 50/50 drawing and drink sales, turned a good profit. Carolyn Grimes won the poker hand!
Nell & Bobby Hollingsworth reported on their 50th wedding anniversary open house at the Quincy Gulf station on June 28th. They had an excellent turnout of their many friends.
Jay Reported on their participation in the Great Race which began on June 21, 2003 at Livonia (near Detroit), Michigan and ended at Lake Mary/Daytona Beach, Florida on July 5, 2003. Jay drove and his two daughters navigated (at different times), Neal and Nancy Davis participated with them. The Schanbacher’s and Hollingsworths met them at their stop in Lake City and joined them for lunch on July 3, 2003.
Laurianne Graham had her 90th birthday on July 4th, the Schanbacher’s and Rainey’s celebrated with them at the Seine Yard restaurant in Woodville.

Schedule of Events -
The club tour to Hosford has been rescheduled for August 4, 2003, we will meet at Jim & Milts at 8:00 AM for breakfast and depart at 9:00 AM.
Our annual chili dinner and auction will be held on September 28th at the Duncan’s in Havana.
Carol Love has some more of the National AACA Museum car raffle tickets for sale.
Other - see the website calendar for ongoing events. Click on “Club Activities”

AAACA Library, Research Center, & Museum Raffle Tickets -
Dan Rainey did the 50/50 drawing and Bill Thompson won.

Sunshine Committee Report -
Elizabeth Tyler has been moved to Mariner Health Care on Centerville Road. We need to keep her, Laurianne and Jack Graham in our prayers. Dorothy Campbell had knee surgery and still is having problems with it. All of them would appreciate visits.
Mrs. Barker has moved to Palm Harbor, Florida. We’ll post her address when available.
Jon Thomas still needs our prayers.
Gene Densmore was hoping to have knee surgery but it has been delayed, continue to keep him in our prayers. There surely are others who have problems. Let Carol Rainey or any of the officers know of needs.

Treasurer’s Report -
Gary Edwards reported a club balance of $1,458. In addition, we now have a balance of $6,965 in the separate National Show Account.

Old Business -
Southeastern Division National Fall Meet, November 7-8, 2003 -
Glenda Schanbacher distributed the order forms for the S/E Div. Nat’l. Meet Tee Shirts/Golf Shirts - **red shirts with white logo and lettering** - and all workers (all TRAACA members!) should plan to purchase one. This color scheme will only be available to TRAACA members. Order forms will also be available for the tradition Meet shirt - **white shirts with multi-colored logo** - if local club members wish these also.
Sales of advertisements are going well but we still can use more. Preparations are continuing and there still is a lot of work to be done. A meeting for all show committee chairpersons has been scheduled for July 29, 2003 at 7:00 PM at the Forest Heights Baptist Church. The show grounds committee will be meeting at the show field on July 26, 2003 at 9:30 AM.
John Schanbacher announced that we were able to borrow a complete set of show grounds signs from the Florida Region AACA in Orlando. This is a huge help for us. Thanks to Mr. Gene Roy in Winter Park. In addition, Moore Bass Engineering has created a map of the show grounds area and a lay out of the show field itself. Karen Bass made the arrangements and even offered to help in the actual layout. We cannot thank these folks enough for their help.

Program -
Carol Rainey introduced Jack Hanbury who presented comparisons of Antique Car, Street Rod, and Hot Rod clubs. Jack is or has been a member of all types and gave an excellent run down of the differences and similarities.

Next Meeting -
August 12, 2003 at the Forest Heights Baptist Church at 1200 West Tharpe Street.
The meeting was then adjourned.
Respectively submitted - John Schanbacher, Secretary
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August 12, 2003 at Forest Heights Baptist Church. Dinner at 6 pm and meeting/program at 7 pm.

Program: Bob Love will talk on "Using the Computer in Pursuing the Antique Car Hobby".

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

ACA Library News

Some changes in library procedures have taken place

If you have ever needed help with the restoration of your antique car, then you know we have a great resource with our national AACA Library. Recently the Research Request Form has been updated reflecting new rates for services. Due to the tight financial times, they have had to increase the rates that are charged for research. This is the first change in 20 years. The library must be self supporting-their funding comes from donations to the memorial and Endowment Funds, ½ of the proceeds of the Mustang raffle and the Cruise Raffle, the interest they earn on the Endowment Fund, as well as merchandise sales and research. When starting work on a new acquisition, it is important to have the correct information and they try to supply it. The correct information on your car is just as important as the correct paint color. To ask any questions please e-mail libraryaaca@aol.com or phone 717-534-2082 and ask for Kim Miller, Librarian.

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