

A Message from David Turner



President's Notes

Greetings fellow members!

It seems like just two weeks ago we had a meeting! It has actually been 11 days as I write this. Therefore, this article may be a bit shorter than usual. Our event to visit Wheels of the Past that we had to cancel, will likely be rescheduled to sometime in November. We are working on an event for August that is still in the early stages so hopefully, we will have something in time for the August general membership meeting which will be our annual Ice Cream Social!! Also, at that meeting, we plan to finish planning the support part of the 2021 AACA Central Divisional Tour. We will need a lot of people for a variety of roles so please plan to attend and see how you can fit in! None are particularly difficult roles, but all are vital to the success of the tour. We have had tremendous support so far, and thus are looking forward to this step of the process and identifying how even more persons can participate. Thank you to all who have already provided so much support and thank you in advance to those who identify their roles at this meeting!

National Events are back on the calendar this year. Joanna Cooper has already attended several. I plan to take a car to the Western Divisional Nationals in Colorado in a few weeks and hopefully will be able to judge as well. (Just not my car!) We are also planning to take a car to the Special Western Nationals in Phoenix in November and stay for the Western Divisional Tour. I hope to see some of you at these events! Sadly, we will not be able to get to Hershey this year.

My Plymouth is now running, and I have driven it a little bit. Everything works, nothing leaks, and it runs cool. However, without lights and fenders, I do not drive it far yet! I particularly enjoy not having any clutch chatter for the first time since I bought it. I plan to enter it in a tour in Kansas over Labor Day weekend, so I hope I can get all the pieces back on it in short order.

Happy Motoring!
David Turner, President



Minutes of the July AACA General Meeting July 11, 2021 At Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium

There were about 24 people present at the meeting.

1. David Turner called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm with the club repeating the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
2. The June meeting minutes were read by Debbie Harding for the absent Secretary. Minutes were approved as read.
3. David awarded Steve Schnitzer a plaque for being President of the Tulsa region AACA for 2020.
4. Debbie Harding announced that there was a need for cookies at two upcoming meetings. One is in October and the other is in December.
5. Debbie gave an overview of her development of a Facebook page for the club. She also asked for anyone in the club that has knowledge of Facebook to help her.
6. The "Wheels of the Past" tour has been rescheduled for November 6, 2021.
7. On July 24th there will be a tour of the restoration shop where Keith Jones and Grant Aldrich work. No pictures can be taken.
8. The August General Meeting will be the annual ice cream social.
9. Lee DeBoer reported on his experience racing his truck on a track He said that he reached 106 miles per hour.
10. 12 club members attended the Great American Road Race lunch at the Heart of Rout 66 Museum.
11. Joanna Cooper reported on our Divisional Tour. She said that we had registrations for 26 cars and 53 people. She then reported which state the people were coming from. The David gave a blow by blow description of the tour planning process including the death of one contact, replacement of managers, closing of Gilcrease, etc.
12. The business meeting was closed a 2:36 pm.
13. The program was given by Roger Bell of Muskogee who is the current President of the Jefferson Highway Association.

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Minutes of the 2021 Divisional Tour Meeting

It was decided that:

1. By Monday October 18 the registration table should be set up by noon and remain open until 5:00 pm. Joanna would supervise.
2. An early tour of the Auburn Factory in Broken Arrow is planned. David to arrange.
3. Jim is to take pictures at Woolaroc.
4. 30 cars will make the tour break even financially.
5. The end of August is the closing date for registration of the tour.
6. Two support people are needed for the Monday night banquet at Joanna's. One to direct traffic to Joanna's and another to direct parking.
7. The Hospitality Room in the hotel needs to be manned from 7:30 am to 9:00 am and again 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm Tuesday through Thursday. On Friday it only needs to be manned from 7:30 am to 9:00 am.
8. We need set-up and tear down the tables and chairs at the Oklahoma Music Hall of Fame. The catering is to be a potato bar by Rib Crib.
9. We need to develop a scheme whereby people that want to travel together can be accommodated.
10. The hotel will block parking. The Oklahoma Music Hall of Fame has a new parking lot.
11. Someone is needed to develop a slide show (Power point) for the Friday Banquet. Joe Smith volunteered.
12. The Rudy's and the Stratton's volunteered for the hospitality room.
13. No homemade food as snacks will be allowed. Debbie and Clyde volunteered to provide water bottles.
14. There will be no silent auction.
15. Joe volunteered to produce photos.
16. There will be no parking problems at Price Tower and Woolaroc.



17. It was noted that the Will Rogers birthplace, Gun Museum and Corell Museum are easy to find.
18. On Friday, October 22 Tour will track across Tulsa, stopping at the Avery Memorial, Train on US 66. In Sapulpa they will stop at the Firefighter Museum, County History Museum, and the Waite Phillips Gas Station. The Heart of Route 66 Museum will set up a tent, tables and chairs. Lunch will be delivered.
19. Friday evening banquet, Avon auto bottles and photos will decorate tables.
20. Debbie Harding has arranged a speaker for the Friday banquet which will start at 6:00 pm.
21. David will be the speaker on Monday's banquet, providing an overview of the tour.
22. A list of jobs needs to be created so club members can volunteer at upcoming meetings. (Suggested format is attached.)
23. Marie Shuttle will provide brochures for the tour.
24. Wednesday night the ice cream social will be at the Broken Arrow History Museum. Two people need to serve ice cream. Also someone needs to purchase.
25. David will take suggestions on awards and certificates that will be given, if any.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chuck Mahan
ACA Tulsa Region Secretary



Sunshine Report

Nothing to report this month.

If you know of a member that is ill or could use a card - let me know and the club will send them a card.

Dan King (dcking1948@yahoo.com) or (918) 630-4903

BIRTHDAYS

August

- 7 John Winkle
- 9 Mike Halley
- 18 Kathy Fender
- 19 Pamela Jones
- 20 John Griffith
- 22 Jerry Aldridge
- 24 John Wallis

September

- 11 Betty Turner
- 14 Marjorie Knickerbocker
- 22 Celinda Burton
- 25 James Hasselbrack

ANNIVERSARIES

August

- 19 Chuck & Carolanne Mahan (49 yrs)
- 29 Mike & Mary Jane Halley (35 yrs)

September

(none on record)



AACA Tulsa Region 2019/20 Calendar

| <i>Month</i> | <i>Day</i> | <i>Activity</i> | <i>Place</i> | <i>Director Responsible</i> | <i>comment</i> |
|--------------|------------|---|--------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| 2021: | | | | | |
| August | 1 | General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation to be the annual club picnic with potluck entrees and desserts | | | |
| | 31 | Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum | | | |
| September | | | | | |
| | 12 | General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation to be by Debbie and Clyde Harding | | | |
| | 19 | Average Joe Rally • Northeast Oklahoma Region Sports Car Club of America • Mike Halley (918) 576-3015 mehalley@yahoo.com | | | |
| | 28 | Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum | | | |
| October | | | | | |
| | 3 | General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • Election of Officers • post-meeting presentation by Steve Schnitzer | | | |
| | 18–22 | Divisional Tour • sponsored by AACA Tulsa Region | | | |
| | 26 | Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum | | | |
| November | | | | | |
| | 1 | General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation to be by Chuck Mahan | | | |
| | 30 | Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum | | | |
| December | | | | | |
| | 6 | General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation TBD | | | |
| | 19 | Christmas Banquet • Probably 1 PM at Jerry Shrader's Vintage Car Garage | | | |
| 2022: | | | | | |
| January | | | | | |
| | 4 | Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum | | | |
| | 8 | Installation Banquet (installation of club officers) • Probably 1 PM at Jerry Shrader's Vintage Car Garage | | | |
| February | | | | | |
| | 2 | Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum | | | |



- 7 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation
TBD
- March 1 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum
- 6 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation
TBD
- 29 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum
- April 3 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation
TBD
- 26 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum
- May 1 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation
TBD
- 31 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum
- June 5 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's Car Emporium • post-meeting presentation
TBD
- 28 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum
- July 3 General Meeting • Joanna Cooper's • post-meeting presentation TBD
- August 2 Board Meeting • 2 PM • Heart of 66 Auto Museum

Recurring Events *(see note below)*

Every 2nd Wednesday • Owasso Cruise-In • north side of Main Street

Every Tuesday • Tulsa Cruise-In • 51st & Memorial • 5 pm – 8 PM • (Mar – Oct) • Dan King

Note: all events are subject to cancellation due to COVID-19 epidemic quarantines.



AACA National Calendar of Events

May 20-25 - *Founders Tour (1932-1996)* – Davis, WV

June 2-5 – *Easter Divisional Tour* – Eastern Shore of Maryland

June 4-5 – **Annual Convention** – Williamsburg, VA

June 17-19 – *Eastern Spring Nationals* – Saratoga Springs, NY

July 11-16 – *Vintage Tour (1931 & Earlier)* – *AACA National* – Lock Haven/Wellsboro, PA

July 22-24 – *Annual Grand Nationals* – New Ulm, MN

August 13-14 - *Western Spring Nationals* – Loveland Colorado

September 9-11 – *Southeastern Fall Nationals* – Greenville, SC

September 12-17 – *Glidden Tour* – Saratoga Springs, NY

October 6-9 – *Eastern Fall Nationals* – Hershey, PA

October 11-16 *Southeastern Divisional Fall Tour* - Mt. Airy, NC

October 18-22 *Central Divisional Tour* – Broken Arrow, OK

November 11-13 – *Special Western Nationals* – Phoenix, AZ

November 14-17 – *Western Divisional Tour* – Metropolitan Phoenix and Central Arizona



Average Joe Rally

Open to all cars the "Average Joe Rally" will be presented on Sunday, 19 September 2021, by the Northeast Oklahoma Region of the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA). It is a tour event for both the local Miata and Alfa Romeo Clubs and will offer an awesome way to share our classic car passion with folks who love all cars!

The event has been added to the Tulsa AACA calendar because this tour rally will be ideal for classic car owners who would like to get out for a fun Sunday drive and share the experience with a new group of fellow gearheads. Beginning in Avant, Oklahoma and ending at the Cyrus Avery Plaza parking lot on "Crybaby Hill" in Tulsa the rally will cover about 70 miles of the route used for the bicycle third of the recently completed Ironman Tulsa triathlon. The event is no more technically challenging than a poker run, the entry fee is quite affordable (no more than \$20) and will benefit the Avant Volunteer Fire Department.

Please contact Mike Halley to discuss details of the event at our AACA meetings or call him at (918) 576-3015 or email him at mehalley@yahoo.com. Mike and his wife Jane have run an "Average Joe Rally" navigating in one of their classic FIATs and had a great time since there was no calculating or adhering to average speeds, no attempts whatever to get teams lost, plenty of time for potty or other short rest breaks and no other shenanigans that tend to keep people from trying an SCCA road rally.





by Randy Beeson

One Hundred Years Ago Today

As my wife can attest, I'm not perfect! Unfortunately, I submitted my August column in last month's newsletter. Hence, the July column in this month's issue. This was my fault and I apologize.

July was a busy news month. The Chinese Communist Party was founded on the 1st with Chen Duxiu as its first leader. On July 3rd, President Harding signed a joint congressional resolution officially ending the war with Germany. Mongolia gained its independence from China on the 11th.

On July 20th, Congresswoman Alice Mary Robinson became the first woman to preside over the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives. To prove his belief that air power was superior to sea power, U.S. Colonel Billy Mitchell proceeded to sink a captured German battleship with aerial bombs on July 21st. Unfortunately, this 'proof' would later result in his court martial. On the 29th, a former German Army corporal, Adolf Hitler, became the leader of National Socialist German Workers' Party.

In a sensational trial, Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were convicted of killing their shoe company's paymaster and were sentenced to death in Dedham, MA on July 14th. The Black Sox trial began in Chicago on the 18th.

In the sports world, a crowd of 90,000 watched heavyweight champ Jack Dempsey knockout Frenchman Georges Carpentier in Round 4 on July 2nd. This was boxing's first million-dollar gate match. Babe Ruth also made news this month, setting a record of 137 career home runs on July 12th. On the 18th, Ruth set a major league baseball record with a 575-foot strike distance in a game against the Tigers at Detroit's Navin Field.

In other news, Frederick Banting and Charles Best first isolated insulin at the University of Toronto on July 27th. Cleveland, OH celebrated its 125th anniversary on the 29th.

Famous birthdays this month included former First Lady Nancy Reagan, born in New York City on July 6th; Eunice Kennedy Shriver, founder of Special Olympics, born in Brookline, MA on the 10th and former astronaut and U.S. senator John Glenn, born in Cambridge, OH on the 18th.

The Washington Post carried an advertisement this month noting that Chalmers automobile prices had been reduced \$300-\$450. A six-cylinder, 5-passenger touring car was now priced at \$1,545 (\$22,702 in 2021). A new Chevrolet 490 model (V-8 engine) could be purchased for \$625 - \$975.



One Hundred Years Ago (continued)

In other news, the Willys Overland Company won a trademark infringement lawsuit against the Akron-Overland Tire Company of Akron, OH. The court ruled that the use of the term 'Overland' implied that Willys Overland had produced the tires.

The federal government committed \$20M dollars to construction of highways in 11 western states. The states, in turn, agreed to commit the same amount of money to

highway construction. Project specifications called for 20-footwide roadways constructed of 6-inch-thick concrete.

In Chicago, police were using policewomen decoys to pick up 'vamp' girls working along Sheridan Road in the City. The girls were 'smiling their way' into the vehicles of local businessmen traveling to the Loop District. When picked up, the girls were driven to jail. The more things change, the more they stay the same!



Gasoline Alley

By Dan King, Editor

1921 Bour-Davis Model 21-S Touring Car



The Bour-Davis was an American automobile manufactured from 1916 until 1922. The car took its name from two of the founders of the company; Robert C Davis and Charles J Bour. Production of the car was started in Detroit, before moving to Frankfort, Indiana, in 1918. A distinctive feature of the Model 17 and Model 18B cars built in Detroit and Frankfort was the slightly slanted and pointed radiator. Prices ranged from \$1250 to \$1500 in 1916, rising to \$1650 in 1919.

In 1918 the company was taken over by the Shadbourne Brothers of Chicago, who reorganized the company, with production now located in Shreveport, Louisiana, from 1919 onwards. Company advertising placed heavy emphasis on the Bour-Davis's new home, with the car being referred to as the "Pride of Shreveport". A contest was held amongst readers of the "Shreveport Times" for a new name for the car. Although the



name "Louisianne" was chosen, this name was never adopted. Features of the Bour-Davis included a radiator placed slightly ahead of the front axle, and the continuation of the leather front seat over the seat's top and down to the rear floor. The Model 21 and Model 21S were powered by a Continental Straight-6 engine, with prices ranging from \$1700 for a 1920 Model 20 tourer, up to \$2300 for a 1922 Model 21S tourer.

In 1923 the company was taken over by J.M. Ponder and the Ponder Motor Manufacturing Company, but lack of finance lead to production never occurring. Total production of the Bour-Davis between 1916 and 1922 was approximately 1500 cars.

[thanks to Wikipedia]

Share Your Story!

Our club newsletter, **Runningboard Ramblings**, is only as good as you make it. We want to hear from you! We are always looking to feature articles from Tulsa Region members about your personal accounts of tours and shows you have attended, restoration projects, unique vehicle stories and history, and any other stories you think other AACA members would enjoy hearing about. And, of course, include plenty of photos to make your story come alive! Please send in your photos and stories to Dan King, dcking1948@yahoo.com.

Later alligator ...





Bring an Extra Pair of Pants

*By Fred Trusty
Vice President – Membership*

I want to tell you about an adventure I had while on the 2019 AACA Founders Tour in Seward, Nebraska. The Founders Tour is for vehicles from 1932 all the way up to vehicles 25 years old. This was a hub tour which means each day you travel from the motel to different attractions and back to the same motel each night. The tour would be covering about 150 miles per day so I decided to drive my 1966 Chevy Bel Air since it has air conditioning.

A couple of weeks before I left, I checked the mechanicals on the Bel Air and found the a/c compressor that was replaced 7 years ago was leaking and all the bushings in the front suspension were just plain worn out. Normally, I would have done the suspension work myself but I found myself really pressed for time so I took it to the auto repair shop that I have done business with for many years. They replaced the a/c compressor, inner and outer tie rod ends, idler arm, and center link.

The tour started on a Monday but the AACA National at Auburn, Indiana was the Saturday before the tour. Pretty tight schedule but doable. My plan was to leave Auburn right after the awards dinner and drive part of the way to Seward. I already

had a motel room reserved about 5 hours from Auburn so I would have a leisurely drive to Seward on Sunday with plenty of time to unload the car from the trailer and relax on Sunday evening.

I slipped out of the awards dinner early and walked to my truck and trailer and what a shock. Someone had hit the trailer fender on the driver side and I had a flat on the other side of the trailer. On top of that the right side of the trailer was in very soft grass so the small floor jack I had would just sink into the ground. Fortunately, a man parked around the corner from me asked if I needed help. He had one of those little portable air compressors so we put air in the tire and I was able to pull it onto the asphalt where I changed the tire. Now I had no trailer spare for my long trip to Seward. Worse though was the fender would rub the tire if you hit a hole or uneven pavement. What to do? Fortunately, my trailer has removable fenders so I took it off and armed with a hammer and a piece of 2 x 4, I performed some metal bumping on the tailgate of my truck. It looked pretty good so off I went. I made it to my motel about 2:00 AM that night and had no problem falling asleep.



The tour was great. One day I rode with Dave Kontor in his 1967 Camaro and another day Dave and I rode with Marty Roth in his 1954 Cadillac convertible. We're lucky that we didn't end up in jail that day. One morning it was raining so Marty rode with me in the front seat and John and Paulette LaBarr rode in the back seat of the Bel Air. In Nebraska, the roads are mostly laid out in large grids and it's always windy. I had been complaining that morning that the wind was so strong it was causing the car to drift side to side. Right after lunch we were driving down a two lane road and came to a T intersection with a four lane highway. Not long after we turned right we heard a loud pop. Keep in mind that we're travelling about 60 mph down a flat perfectly straight four lane undivided highway. The car seemed to be drifting to the right so I turned the steering wheel to the left but nothing happened. I kept turning until it stopped. Then I turned it all the way to the right and nothing happened. I looked over at Marty and said, "We have no steering." Talk about that deer in the headlight look from my 3 passengers! A 1966 Bel Air has drum brakes front and rear and my car has no power brakes. If not adjusted correctly, drum brakes can pull to one side or the other so I decided to let the car coast as far as it could before I applied the brakes. Did I mention that there had been flooding in Nebraska and the drainage ditch on the right side of the road was full? We had semi-trucks whizzing by on the left which left us in the proverbial "stuck between a rock and a hard place" scenario.

The car was slowing down but then it started to drift to the right. The right wheels were already at the edge of the emergency lane and the grass. Since I already had a shower that morning, there was no need for a bath. Time to gently apply the brakes. By this time the right side tires were already in the grass so when I hit the brakes they locked up and slid straight until we were stopped. And then came that big sigh of relief from everyone, ah.....ah.

Crawling under the car revealed that the nut on the pitman arm was gone and the pop we heard was the stud coming out of the socket. Obviously, the cotter pin was never installed, the nut was not tight, so it backed off. Several other drivers on the tour stopped to lend a hand with a jack and some tools. John Nikodym went to the next little town and bought a nut and cotter pin assortment at Napa Auto Parts. Less than an hour later the roadside repair was finished and I was on the way again. I can't understand why my passengers rode back with someone else. Rumor has it that Marty had to get back to the motel to change his pants. We laugh about it now but this was an adventure that we will never forget. Part of the fun of the old car hobby are the friends and the memories you make.

And yes, two mechanics lost their jobs because of this negligence. In the next issue we will cover what not to do and say if you're driving a 1954 Cadillac convertible and get pulled over by the sheriff in a small Nebraska town.



Car Show Windshield Cards

By David Turner

As announced at the meeting a few months ago, I am willing to make laminated windshield cards for any member who wishes one for their car(s). All I ask is \$3.00 to cover the cost of materials and laminating. The lamination is 10 mils thick and quite rigid. As a result, they should be less likely to blow off the windshield in a heavy wind. They will all be 8.5" x 11" on white card stock. If you wish to order one, contact me or any of the club board members. An example shown below.



David Turner can be contacted by e-mail at drenrut61@gmail.com or phone 918-527-9560.

AACA Tulsa Region Magnetic Signs

You, too, can look as cool as Phil by ordering your very own AACA Tulsa Region magnetic signs. The folks who see your car on display or on parade will know that you are a member of



the best car club of all. The cost is \$65.00 plus \$5.53 equals \$70.53. The supplier is A&B Identity and to keep it simple they would prefer that all the orders come through Dan King, so give him your order and make your reimbursement check payable to Dan. Lead time is about two weeks. Let's put our best foot forward for all our public events.



Antique Automobile Club of America – Tulsa Region Membership Application/Renewal Form

You must be a member of the National Organization to belong to the Region due to insurance requirements.

You can apply to both at the same time. Region dues are \$20.00/calendar year for member and spouse. National dues are \$45.00/calendar year for member and spouse/partner

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Preferred Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Email _____

Your Birth Month and Day: _____ Spouses Birth Month and Day: _____

Your Anniversary Month and Day: _____

Your National AACA membership number: _____

Your Cars

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Body Style: _____

Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Body Style: _____

If you have more cars, please list them on the back of this form.

Make checks payable to: Antique Automobile

Send this completed form and membership dues to:

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