

The President's Report

Well, another month has passed, where does the time go? I was sorry to have missed the Texas Tour. From the pictures that I saw it looked like everyone enjoyed themselves once again. The tour stops looked great. I'll have to put them on the list of places to go see.

As I write this message, it is Memorial Day. A day to honor and remember the brave soldiers who have fallen serving in the United States military in the fight for freedom and liberty.

This leads me to serving. In the next few months, I will be appointing a nominating committee to start working on next year's slate of officers, as per the By-laws. The club needs your help. As I look over the list of officers who have served over the past several years, I see some of the same names repeated multiple times. We need new blood to step forward and fill spots on the Board and Officer positions. New people bring fresh ideas to the club and new suggestions for activities. We have 94 members at the present time. Combined, there are 12 members who serve as Officers and on the Board. What that means is there is a 7.8-year rotation in which everyone should serve at least once in some capacity. I assure you that is not the case. So, I ask you, think about it. Look into your inner being and volunteer!

Looking forward, the June meeting will be held at the Richardson's lake house. If you have not been to their lake house, you are missing out on a great location. The setting is like a picture out of a Better Homes and Garden magazine. You do not want to miss it! I would like to thank the Richardsons for opening their lake house for our meeting and for repeatedly contributing to our club!

Hope to see you on the open road!

Andy



Next Meeting—June 15, 2025 !!

At "The Lake "

Info Inside

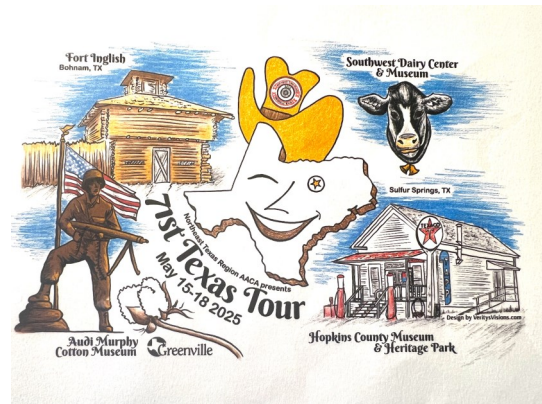


TEXAS TOUR EDITION !!

The 71st!! Texas Tour is over and it was an excellent and well planned one. Northeast Texas Region hosted over 45 classic/antique cars for two full days of touring and fun. There were even more there that were in moderns (we try not to discriminate). The Greenville based club Put On The Ritz with nights of fashion show and Keep It Classy banquet. More on that later. The vols for the Tour did it up right from the time you walked in to register and get your lanyard and ticket pouch to the exceptional hand-made awards for the last night.

The hospitality room was full of interesting items, snacks and home-made cookies, with coffee, drinks and water. Never, ever ran out! Plenty of space to hang out and plan or review the day's events and tours. Couldn't ask for more.

First thing was getting your (actually your car, they didn't care if you were in it or not) picture taken for the slide show on the last day. Even if you were a late arrival, the photogs were ready to get you on-board.



There were some really really NICE cars on the tour. The trailer lot was full!!



Thursday night was a wonderful hamburger/hot dog buffet with the BBQ right outdoors. Hot and Fresh with all the fixin's. The first night was conversation and catching up, with mostly an early night. Except for checking out all the cars in the parking lot, the Locomobile being a hot item.



Texas Tour, continued...

The first morning, of course, is the traditional Judging, with those that wanted to be judged compressed into a wonderful pile of gorgeous cars. Owners nervously watching judges poke and prod, and look into every corner and crevice. And then discuss off in some corner of the lot. No Snooping Allowed ! (more on awards later)



Then there were those that were along for the ride and waiting patiently (not) for the Judging to be finished so we could head out and TOUR!! Note the beautiful DFW Region magnetic stickers advertising our club. Attracted a lot of attention they did.



One thing that also attracted attention was our caravan! Whether in the rest stop lot or on the road, we (mostly) had waves and people taking picture and videos as we passed. That's a lot of fun of the tour. Although the route managers did their best to avoid highways, it sometimes wasn't always possible. So, with over 50 cars in the line-up, you know that we had some rather impatient people in line or behind.



Texas Tour, continued again...

The first formal stop on our tour was a delightful Heritage Park in Sulphur Springs. Met by a rep in period costume, we trailed into the center of the park and showed off our cars! It was a great way to get everyone in the perfect position to see and be seen. If you haven't been on our Facebook page, now is the time, and look at the great pics and videos posted there of our parade into the park.



Everyone got an opportunity to have lunch, wander the park's heritage buildings and sit a spell before we headed out to our next stop. Which was

Texas Tour, continued again and ...

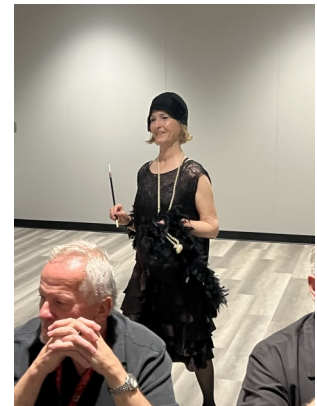


You guessed it! The next stop was the Southwest Farmer's Dairy Museum. Which had a fascinating and complete review of both history and making of dairy products over the years. Gifted a delicious ice cream sandwich, we walked through the well laid-out museum—stopping at wonder at the bicycle riding, talking (informative) skeleton.



Rushing out the door with a potential storm ahead we all headed back to the hotel, looking forward to an evening of fashion. Interested DFWers stopped by our room to engage in a little social discussion (gossip) to warm up for the festivities. Then headed to our rooms to prep and preen.

Nervous like high school kids at the dance, we filed into the fashion night banquet wondering who dressed up and who were 'sticks in the mud!'. As you can see, we had several well turned-out members and others in period costumes. In my (just me) opinion the star of the show from our club was none other than Vickie Richard—who exemplified a Flapper Girl in dress and style!



Lynda and I, and Ira and Nuris clearly showed our 50's roots and the younger of us (Terry, Charlie III and Chandler) perfectly posed. As you can also see, we had costumes—sorry, fashion—from various periods and styles.



Texas Tour, continued again and again ...

Awards were won and pictures taken. Then we all moved back to the hotel for the 'after party'. Only to see our hero, Jeff, dressed out in STYLE!! What a dapper man! Now, not sayin', but it's possible that his 'costume' came from the back of his closet and he may have worn it before. Never tell...



Saturday morning we were back in the saddle and on the road again. Driving up to Bonham and visiting both Ft Ingham and the Sam Rayburn Library—which was an absolute jewel. As many times in Bonham didn't even know it was there. This photog's finger was apparently tired so don't have pics of the stops, BUT again, go to the AACA DFW Region Facebook page and catch up. Lunch was on our own and we basically took over the Don Toro Latin Cuisine restaurant on the Square.

After lunch was a freewheeling 'follow the directions' (or not) drive back to the hotel, to prep for the final banquet.

And what a banquet it was ! Staged in Greenville High School, the highlight was the Robotics and Solar Car club presentations. First the Robotics... Lynda and I had been there on a previous tour and seen the robotics team in action. Amazing and hard to believe that these are high schoolers vs college. They have won National Competitions and apparently it's now a big thing across HSs in the US. The demo this time was more about the different levels of competition and the new setup was showing 'Underwater Cleanup' as a reason for having robots. Makes sense!

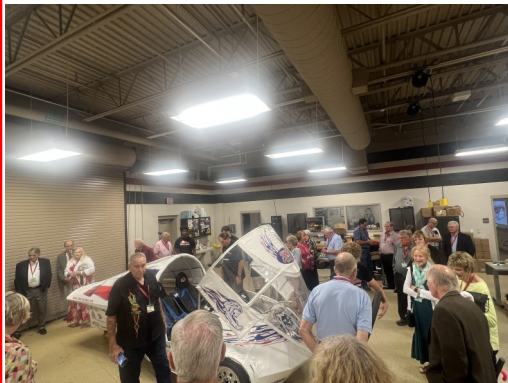
The most amazing thing was the solar car club—who were not able to show their car, 'cause it's already on a ship headed to AUSTRALIA !! Where they are going to be doing a 2,000 mile journey from Darwin to Adelaide. We were fascinated with not only the opportunity, but the work that they did in building the car and getting it ready. One of only 2 HS in the World that are involved.

Texas Tour, continued again and again ...

Having been to Australia several times, Lynda and I were so excited for them. It will be a fun, long, slightly dangerous and wonderful experience. They do have a Facebook page up, but not much there yet, and indicated that some of the students will have YouTube channels tracking their experience. The event is called the Bridgestone World

Solar Challenge scheduled from August 24-31 (which is winter in Australia).

We did get to see an earlier car that had been made to gain solar experience, but the new car looked amazing and all made by hand by the students!!



Hard to top that, but the Greenville Club did a good job. Keeping It Classy was the theme and many of our members dressed up to match. You can see from the pics who did and didn't....

James Bartlett was the MC and awards presenter, for which the DFW club was well represented. The Awards are listed later in the Spotlight. Dinner was nice and delicious, and the awards made up most of the rest of the program. There were lots of tables—and therefore lots of cutely made centerpieces. Kudos to whomever was responsible for that!

After dinner, all went back to hang in the hospitality room and collect up anything that was won with the silent auction.

Thanks to the NORTHEAST TEXAS REGION for great 71st Texas Tour !!



Texas Tour, continued again and again ...



Sunshine Report

By Nuris Hester

While Mona Hannah continues to improve from neck/upper back surgery, please send her get well wishes as this type of surgery takes awhile to fully recover.

Jerry Smith is in good spirits surrounded by family and Linda tells me he took one of his vintage autos for a spin which we love to hear!

But I do have some sad news to share.

While we were at the 71st Texas Tour, with all those gorgeous antique cars parked on the lawn next to Heritage Hall, Susan Denison received word that George was put in hospice after being in ER. Today Roger informed us he has passed. George Smith leaves a tremendous legacy at this DFW AACA. He was a huge supporter of our club and stepped up to the plate not once but twice to be our president(2003 and 2018). He and Martha organized many activities for the enjoyment of our entire membership. I think he loved our club so much it rubbed off onto Martha who also took the position of president in 2006. One of my fondest memories is the amazing Christmas party George organized at Hideaway country club followed by a "hayride" thru Santa Land to see the wonderful lights displayed all over the park. George knew the owner and got special permission to take all of this club on that magical Christmas ride. You can check our roster for some of great cars George and Martha drove the many years they have been members. We are so grateful for all the fun and kindness George always brought to our gatherings. George maybe organizing a fun car event in his new heavenly home.

We will miss you George!

Your heartfelt condolences to Martha with hopes she will join us for a future event.

Keep on the sunny side, Nuris Hester





May Monthly Meeting

By John Richardson

Due to our tradition of keeping the monthly meeting on the 3rd Sunday and the conflict with Texas Tour, there weren't no meeting in May. (despite the 'social hour' that we snuck off to on Friday before the banquet, shhh).



June Monthly Meeting

By John Richardson

It is with great pleasure that Lynda and I invite all members and guests to the family lake house on June 15th for the monthly meeting and social luncheon. The house is at Lake Kiowa, a private lake/golf community east of Gainesville. The house address is 1001 Kiowa Drive WEST. For those of you who haven't been there before, there are some fun backroads you can travel to get there. For instance, if you are coming from the south and east, consider FM 121 (not SH 121) from Van Alstyne or Gunther to Tioga, or FM 902 from Howe to Collinsville. If from the west, exit I-35 onto Lone Oak and meander northeast. The DNT extension also now goes all the way north to FM 121, and then left to Tioga.

Lasagna will be the main course, A-M members are invited to bring a side—hot or cold, N-Z your favorite dessert to share. We will have a tray of tiramisu (yum).

We invite folks to come up, sit a spell and enjoy. Pets welcome.

Board Meeting at 1, Full Meeting at 2, or so. Social afterwards. And Runaway Scrape Team meeting.

Lake



Kiowa



In Memoriam—George Smith



Runaway Scrape Registration is LIVE !!

Online Registration is Open for the Runaway Scrape Tour!

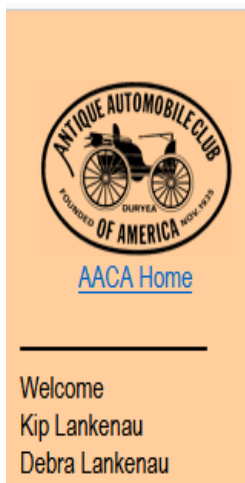
Go here: <https://members.aaca.org/> to register. You must know your AACA member number and PIN (on your AACA member card) to login.

Once logged in, select EVENT PRE-REGISTRATION

Then select "October 18-22, 2025 Central Divisional Tour"

Fill out the form

Then make your hotel reservations—don't delay !!



Events List					
Click the event you wish to register for:					
No	Dates	Description	City	State	-
06	June 19-21, 2025	Eastern Spring Nationals	Beckley	WV	Event Info
07	July 2-5, 2025	Central Spring Nationals	Auburn	IN	Event Info
08	July 24-26, 2025	Grand Nationals	Dayton	OH	Event Info
13	October 18-22, 2025	Central Divisional Tour	San Antonio/Houston	TX	Event Info



AACA TEXAS DFW REGION
PROUDLY PRESENTS



THE RUNAWAY SCRAPE TOUR



A PROGRESSIVE TOUR FROM
SAN ANTONIO TO SAN JACINTO



OCTOBER 18 - 22, 2025
[HTTPS://TEXAS-
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Central Divisional Tour – The Runaway Scrape

October 18-22, 2025

Registration is up for this four-day progressive tour starting at San Antonio and ending at the San Jacinto battleground.

Learn a bit about early Texian history as participants ‘runaway’ from Santa Ana’s Mexican troops as we drive from San Antonio to Sequin, overnight at Gonzales and see the actual “Come and Take It Cannon”.

Day Two, we stop in Shiner, Texas at the Spitzel Brewery for lunch then proceed to San Felipe, the first Anglo settlement in Tejas founded by Stephen F. Austin. Here, you’ll learn WHY settlers came to Tejas and WHY Santa Ana was chasing them out. We then hustle northward to Brenham, Texas for respite.

Day Three after a morning stop at Blue Bell Creamery, we proceed to Washington-on-the-Brazos where the Texas Declaration of Independence was signed. After a catered lunch, we’ll meander to New Caney, Tx to overnight and prepare to flee or fight.

Day four as we follow the (imaginary) beleaguered Texian army, we head south, taking the Lynchburg Ferry to San Jacinto and tour the sacred battlegrounds, museum, and monument. We end the tour at Monument Inn for our early afternoon banquet and afterwards depart home or to Galveston for the AACA National Fall Meet.

If you are not a Texan native, after this tour you’ll understand why these events are so significant to the Texan culture, and to US history.

Go to <https://members.aaca.org/login> to register or visit our regions website for additional tour and hotel information at <https://Texas-DFW.aaca.com/RunawayScrape/>

All British & European Car Day 2025

Held on Mother’s Day Sunday, over 250 vehicles were present competing for prizes by popular voting. Several of our club members placed!

Jeff Podmers – 1962 Austin Healey 3000 – 2nd Austin Healey Class

Bernard Siegal – 1953 Morgan Flat Rad – 2nd Morgan Class

Debra Lankenau – 1997 Jaguar XJ6 – 2nd Jaguar >1990 Class

Rebecca Keigh – 1959 Metropolitan 1500 – 2nd Other British Class



For photos of this beautiful event at the Bath House Cultural Center, check out Paul Valentine’s site at <https://www.valentine-photography.com/Cars/British-Show-Cars/ABCDE-Car-Show-White-Rock-05-11->



COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT:

2025 Directory

Please send your updates to our Membership Chair, Tammy & Kim Keith at AACATxDFW1@gmail.com to be printed in the next directory. This includes:

Address change

Vehicle changes – deletions or additions

Phone number or email address changes

Please send by June 30th

SPOTLIGHT CONTENT

Do you have a car story to share? We'd love to get your perspective on attending the Texas Tour or any other event in your classic car. Please send to AACASpotlight@gmail.com with at least two photos. You might even appear on the website or Facebook page!

MAGNETS/BUMPER STICKERS

The club has purchased magnets and bumper stickers to promote our club while driving on tours or to meetings. If you have not received one, please contact John Richardson and choose either magnets or a bumper sticker. Must be a member in good standing (2025 dues paid).

CLUB BUSINESS CARDS

Help us spread the word about our club by passing out club business cards or leaving one tucked beneath a windshield wiper of a classic/antique vehicle. See Terry Hrehocik at our membership meetings to receive your stash!

2025 Texas Tour Class Judging and Rotating Trophies Results

We awarded all 15 of the 1st place trophies available, all 8 of the 2nd place trophies available, and 5 of 9 of the 3rd place trophies available. We would have awarded all the 3rd place trophies, but there were not enough cars judged to allow this. James Bartlett took a 3rd place trophy instead of the 1st place trophy listed below.

Judging class numbers, description & winners

3	Thru 1914 with 4+ cylinders	
1	1914 Locomobile	Brady & Vicki Richard
8	28-31 Model A Ford Open	
1	1930 Roadster	Greg & Nancy Herbert
2	1930 Touring	Roy & Pat Ekstrum
11	28-38 Closed	
1	1936 Terraplane	Moses & Claudia Mendoza
12	39-48 Open	
1	1940 LaSalle	Wayne & Theresa Bartlett
13	39-48 Closed	
1	1940 Ford Tudor	Craig & Cindy Landrum
2	1940 Buick Coupe	Wayne Heikkila & Adriana Meyer-Alonzo
3	1946 Hudson	Jim Blackburn & Kelly Sullivan
15	35-48 Classic	
1	1935 Auburn	James & Eileen Bartlett
16	49-58 Open	
1	1953 MGTF Roadster	Ira & Nuris Hester
2	1953 Packard Caribbean	Joe & Lizette Peter
3	1956 Ford Fairlane	David & Carolyn Smith
17	49-58 Closed	
1	1949 Cadillac	Kim & Tammy Keith
1	1954 Hudson Hornet	Duane & LaShanda Epting
2	1955 Packard	Robbie Markman
2	1957 Chevrolet	Gary & Betty East
18	59-68 Open	
1	1967 Cadillac	Joshua & Adrian Lennie
19	59-68 Closed	
1	1965 Pontiac GTO	Weezie & Barbara Russell
1	1967 Plymouth Fastback	Rich & Paula Willis
1	1964 Buick Riviera	Tommy & Shirley Pearson
2	1963 Chevrolet Corvette	Phylis Davis & Steve Author
3	1959 Buick	Gary & Barbara Baker
3	1964 Ford Mustang	Sam Murch
23	79-01 Closed	
1	1988 Pontiac Firebird	Carey & Sue Frisby
2	1983 Chrysler Imperial	Tahl Rozycki
3	1982 AMC Concord	Pat David
24	Thru 41 Commercial	
1	1940 Plymouth Pickup	Robert & Imelda Kilgore
2	1939 Ford Pickup	Dysert
25	42-01 Commercial	
1	1983 Chevrolet Pickup	Tommy Emanuel

Rotating Trophies

Most Popular Car – 1953 Packard Caribbean Convertible, Joe & Lizette Peter

Davie Memorial – 1953 MGTF Convertible, Ira & Nuris Hester

Rockefeller – 1935 Auburn, James & Eileen Bartlett

Pate Museum – 1946 Hudson, Jim Blackburn & Kelly Sullivan

Walker Edwards – 1983 GMC Pickup, Tommy Emanuel

Slimp Brass and Steel Model T – 2 trophies, not awarded, in James Bartlett's possession.

Best Model A – 1930 Touring, Roy & Pat Ekstrum

Breck Wagner (Best Orphan) – 1936 Terraplane, Moses & Claudia Mendoza

Kristi's Choice – Weezie & Barbara Russell, 1965 Pontiac GTO

Oldest Completing – 1914 Locomobile, Brady & Vicki Richard

Hard Luck – Charlie & Nicole Gambulos, 1962 Cadillac

Tour Chairman's Trophy

Passing of Command

Spotlight Classifieds

Thanks for helping to get the word out on my Packard being for sale. I never did get any nibbles from anyone in the North Texas area, which is a shame as I hoped it would stay "local". It will now be located in the Wichita, Kansas area.

I'm now down to just one "antique", my 1991 Chevy Silverado. As you may know, I purchased a 2005 Tbird 6 months ago; that's my fun car now and the one I'll typically use for car club events.

Roger



My friend, Ed Canada, car enthusiast and collector has some R-12 that he wants to sell. He has converted his AC cars over to the newer refrigerant. If anyone is interested, give me a call or text and I will get back in touch.

Carey Frisby 214 697 9666

GET READY FOR BUG TUSSLE! For sale: A true blast from the past — the 1954 Ford Bug Tussle Truck! This head-turning classic is more than just a ride; it's a rolling time capsule packed with charm and character. With a body that demands attention wherever it goes, this beauty is pure Americana on wheels. Loaded with genuine antiques to sweeten the deal, this truck isn't just transportation — it's an experience. The Bug Tussle Truck is all about fun, flair, and a whole lot of vintage soul. Call Martha Smith 214-455-8355



Spotlight Classifieds

1955 Chevrolet Bel Air 8cyl 265/180hp 4-bbl 2 door convertible Fender skirts All original except aftermarket AM/FM radio , not modified or rat rodded. Recently had new battery, brakes serviced, and transmission rebuilt. Interior looks new. Very few miles since older restoration. Starts and runs great. Garage kept. Prior AACA club member owned. You have seen this car on several Bug Tussles. Call Cole Clayton (817-313-6661) to view the car, or with any questions. We prefer to sell it to a AACA member, thus discount available to AACA members. Driver and passenger are not included. \$85,000



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2025 CALENDAR

Every 3rd Sunday at
2pm (mostly)

May Meeting @
Texas Tour—May 17

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June 15 Meeting
Richardson
Lake House June 15

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July 20 Meeting
Brady and Vicky Rich-
ard

August 17 Meeting
September 21 Meeting

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Bug Tussle 2025
September 27-28

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Runaway Scrape Tour
Oct 18-22