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The President's Report

First off let me thank John and Lynda Richardson for opening their lake house for the June meeting. I heard the weather was a little iffy in the morning, but the afternoon turned out very nice. John also did a great job of running the meeting and filled me in on the club business.

It's the start of July! Summer is officially half over, but the heat is just getting turned up. As we get ready to celebrate the 4th of July, be safe out there with your fireworks. I wish all of you a safe holiday weekend.

The picture below is of my car as we set it up each year on the front lawn of our house for July 4th. Our house sits on the official start/ end line of the neighborhood 4th of July parade.

July is going to be a busy month for one of our members. Brady Richard is going to host our monthly club meeting and is also leading the route plan for The Scrape. I hope you will take part in both events. And when you see him, put your arm around Brady's neck and give him a big thank you hug.

Be on the lookout for the next **MAJOR** events. The **Bug Tussle** and the **Runaway Scrape**. Both events are listed here within the newsletter. Take a little time and investigate their Facebook or Websites for more information.

And finally. It's that time of year when the President of the club appoints a Nominations Committee to seek out members for next years officers. Don't be shy. Once the committee is announced, please let someone on the committee know you are interested in being a part of this club's leadership, not a wall flower.

Happy driving!

Andy



June Monthly Meeting

By John Richardson

It's hard to believe but neither Lynda nor I thought to take pictures. I guess that we were too wrapped up in hosting. Fortunately, for those that braved the morning rain, the weather cleared up for a beautiful afternoon. We had a quick meeting, including new member introductions (See later in the Spotlight) of Floyd Stober and the Pflugers, and recent new members The Tucker Family. We quickly moved on to the meal and a relaxing social 'hour' inside or out, as people preferred.

Please review the meeting minutes from Terry in this Spotlight for details on announcements as there are quite a few of importance.

In lieu of pics, I've included the Texas DFW Region member spotlight of one of our newest members and his Car.



New Member Spotlight

By Debra Lankenau

Let me introduce a new member, Floyd Stober, the proud 35-year owner of this 1954 Hudson Hornet.

He purchased the Hudson as a tow vehicle to trailer his 1923 Franklin around and did so for 360,000 miles. When he met his future wife, they went on a tour up through Denver & Silverton for four days. Floyd didn't know she didn't like long-distance car trips and she didn't say anything. Three months later they married and after 35 years, when they go on a tour, Floyd drives and she flies to the destination!

Recently, Floyd replaced the tired engine with a 400cc Chrysler V8 from a '75 Cordova to last another 35 years! "Best road car I've ever had" exclaimed Floyd!







New Members!!

By Tammy Keith

It's important that you know and recognize our newest members. They bring new life, interesting stories, and outstanding cars to our club. These are our most recent, along with their Club Sponsors.

Randall & Jamie Pfluger (John Richardson), Parker, TX

Email: randallpfluger@gmail.com

1988 BMW M3, 1964 Ford Galaxie Convertible

Floyd & Clarice Stober (Jeff Podmer), River Oaks, TX

Email: hudson54nut@gmail.com

1954 Hudson Hornet

Rene Zerfas (Jeff & Brady), Dallas, TX

Email: zerfas72@gmail.com

Rene doesn't have a collector car yet, she's looking to buy a Packard. Brady and I are helping her with the search (per Jeff Podmer)

Ben Davis Jr and Jan Davis (Rebeca Keig), Dallas, TX

Email: ben.davisjr100@yahoo.com

Ben is the vice president of the Jaguar Club of North Texas. His president and friend Rebeca Keig recommended them.

1954 Jaguar XK120, 1957 Jag XK140, 1967 Jaguar 420, 1974 Jag E-Type, 1998 Land Rover Defender 90

Welcome to the Texas DFW Region Club !!!!



Sunshine Report

By Nuris Hester

June flew by marked by few highlights. A number of our members drove their vintage autos to join **Martha Smith** at the celebration of life event for our very beloved two-time President and Bug Tussle director extraordinaire **George Smith** at Lake Hideaway. **Martha** thanked the club for the basket of live flowers we sent and for the show of old cars driven to Hideaway.

We sent thank you cards to **David Gish and Roy St**adinski for making this year's 71st Texas Tour very enjoyable to all the participants. We thank **Pamela and Nichole** from our own club for helping make it an even more memorable experience with the Ladies Event and Fashion Show.

Both **George and Dot** have had a few surgeries, so this year we will not have a Spring Tour. But honestly, those who took the beautiful bucolic back roads to Lake Kiowa had a Spring Tour that ended with a gorgeous lake view and delicious Italian food! Thank you, **John and Lynda**, for a wonderful June meeting.

Please continue to send well wishes and prayers for **Jerry Smith** rapid recovery. We miss his great sense of humor and fun personality.

Fred Cruz will be having foot surgery as he has endured some great discomfort waiting for a surgical opening, now on July 1st. After that heals, he will most likely have knee surgery, so **Linda** says we may not see them for awhile. But she will take **Fred** for a Sunday drive in their outstanding Thunderbird and stop for a Hawaiian Snowcone to beat the heat in the middle of the Texas summer.

My hubby, **Ira**, had to have a pacemaker surgery. The patient is in good spirits and chomping at the bit to start a new project with a vintage 450 SL. But Dr Ho said "don't lift that left arm and undo the superb wiring I've done!!". We can all appreciate an engine (or heart) that is properly wired and tuned up!

One of our newer members, **Adrain Bordlemay**, just completed driving in the Great Race. we hope he will share pictures and any interesting story of this epic car tour. Adrian is also the host for our August meeting. So, we hope to see the Great Race car, amongst others, at the meeting.

Happy motoring and keep on the sunny side!

Nuris Hester







July Monthly Meeting

Join us again at Brady and Vickie Richard's workshop and car corral on <u>July 20th !!</u>

Beef and Chicken Fajitas will be served, along with Mexican Rice and Beans. Water and drinks also provided - WOW!!

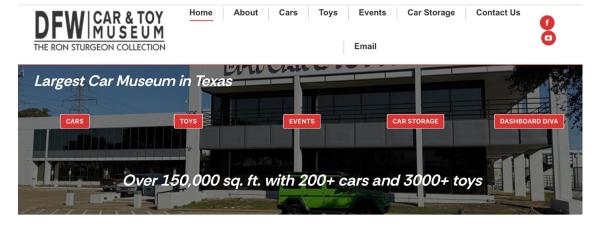
If you have a favorite hot summer side or delicious dessert that you would like to share with the group, please bring it!

There will be chairs and tables, but as usual it doesn't hurt to bring your fav folding chair—just in case.

Address is 10931 Indian Trail, Dallas. And Brady's number (if you get lost) is (214) 460-4058.

Board Meeting at 1, Club Meeting at 2

Special Club Get Together!!



AACA Texas DFW Region visit to the

DFW Car & Toy Museum

Let's visit the DFW Car & Toy Museum in Fort Worth on **Saturday August 30** at 10:00am to 12:00 noon. This is a great place to visit. So much to see. You can't see it all in one trip (this will be my second). The museum is FREE to visit. Then for those who would like motor on over to Hoffbrau Steak & Grill House have lunch (Dutch treat of course). It is only a two minute drive.

HOST: Andy Riemitis

June Monthly Meeting Minutes

DATE: Sunday, June 15, 2025

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Richardson Lake House

Call to Order

John Richardson, 2nd Vice president, opened the meeting

Approval of Minutes:

There are no minutes to approve because there was not a May meeting due to the Texas Tour.

Presidents' Report: - John Richardson, 2nd Vice president

John facilitated the General Meeting in Andy's absence.

Sunshine Report: - Nuris Hester

Martha Smith extended her thanks to everyone who attended the memorial service or sent cards and flowers.

George Lang is scheduled for arm surgery, and Dot is currently recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Jerry Smith is still recovering and hopes to get back to club activities soon.

Mona Hanna had back surgery.

Thank You's were sent to the Greenville AACA for a great Texas Tour.

Nichole G. was acknowledged for her Texas Tour assistance to the Greenville club.

1st Vice Presidents' report: - Chris Stathopulo

There have been some changes to the website such as tabs for upcoming tours; BT, Scrape, and AACA Central Division Fall Nationals

2nd Vice Presidents' report: - John Richardson

July meeting at Brady and Vickie Richard's

The August meeting will feature a special visit to the private collection of the employer of one of our members.

The September meeting is on the 21st, the weekend before BT. Ira and Nuris have volunteered

The motion to move the October meeting to the Sunday before The Runaway Scrape was seconded and passed unanimously. No current location.

Nov/Dec, the usual

June Monthly Meeting Minutes Cont'd

Treasurer's report: — Debra Lankenau

Debra gave the Treasurer's report, all accounts are current and good.

A motion was made to accept the report as read. The motion was duly seconded and approved unanimously.

Secretary's report: — Terry Hrehocik

No minutes to approve as there was no May meeting due to the Texas Tour.

Tour Directors' report: - George Lang

George was absent due to his upcoming surgery and Dot's ongoing hip-replacement recovery.

There will be no Spring Tour.

2025 AACA National Tour: - Kip Lankenau - The Runaway Scrape

The registration cut off is Sept. 2nd (three weeks out), however we can always extend the deadline.

Kip encouraged members to go ahead and register for The Scrape on the National website. You can pay now or later.

Kip also suggested that participants go a few days early to visit all the historical sites in San Antonio.

Kip and Debra presented the "Possible Bag" for collecting historical items along the route, which all participants will receive.

A Runaway Scrape Committee meeting took place after the meal (lasagna).

Kip - Tour Director

Debra - Finances

John & Lynda - Food

Brady - Route & parking

Bug Tussle Trek:

Graphics and Info is up on the website

Still working on food and pricing

Face Book page is up but not sharable as of yet.

Old Business:

Business cards are being redesigned to coordinate with the car magnets and bumper magnets.

Car magnets – everyone that participates in tours will receive one to display on their car door.

Bumper magnets – everyone can have one.

It was suggested that the magnets be stored flat and not left on car when it is raining.

Doyle will manage Facebook and social media.

No significant changes with PATE, progressing with renewals for 2026, and preparing adjustments for large lots next year.

June Monthly Meeting Minutes Cont'd

New Business:

Recent new members Floyd Stober and the Tucker family were recognized and welcomed.

New members Randall and Jamie Pfluger, who have committed to Fall tours, were welcomed to the club.

Adjournment

Chris moved to adjourn the meeting, John seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

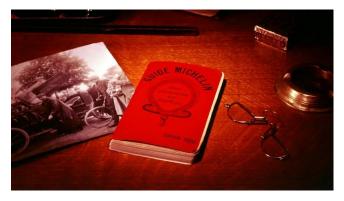
Submitted by

Terry Hrehocik, Secretary

Did You Know?.... By Ira Hester

Around 1898 the Michelin Brothers knew they had a great product in their tires yet fewer than 3,000 automobiles were in existence in all of France. So, the demand was not high, especially since folks still considered the automobile a luxury and usage was limited for around town drives. Michelin Brothers brainstormed an idea of how to sell more tires. This meant getting people to use the tires they already bought more frequently so there was more wear and tear leading to more sales. And this would also help car sales so the demand for tires would increase.

Their brilliant idea was showcasing the fun and freedom of Road Trips through a little guide book that had maps, tips on caring for tires, car maintenance tips, road rules (the few that were in existence) and places to eat along your road trip. The little red Michelin Guide Book became very popular and the end result was of course more sales of Michelin tires!



Out of the Blue...

By John and Lynda Richardson

Back in mid-May the club received a random email for someone looking for a "Red 1959 Ford Fairlane Convertible" for pictures at an 80th birthday party. Tammy forwarded to me and I decided to respond and offer our Stella. Although ours is white vs red, that didn't seem to deter Kim, the daughter-in-law for the celebrant.

So, this past Saturday, Lynda and I drove to Ft. Worth, and Stella posed with the birthday girl and her besties. Rumor had it that she and her girlhood friends used to ride around their home in Ft. Worth with the top down, drying their hair in curlers before a night on the town. Also turns out that they called their little group The Bluebirds, and as you can see, celebrated this birthday all dressed in blue.

We had a good time and the family was very appreciative of the time and effort we made to help add an additional memory for the special birthday. And of course it was good publicity for the Club. AND, LOL, as we were driving to the house, we saw a vintage car in the distance headed away from us, and could only assume that it was Floyd Stober's multi-colored Hornet. So, Floyd, perhaps you could confirm you were driving near White Settlement road on Saturday afternoon about 2:45?

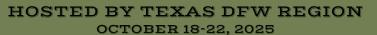




AACA CENTRAL DIVISIONAL TOUR

THE RŮŇAWAY







You're Invited to Experience Early Texian History

Why should you participate in The Runaway Scrape Tour, this October?

- 1. You'll learn about Tejanos Spanish and Mexican settlers who settled in the 'outback' called Tejas.
- 2. You'll learn why Anglo settlers came to Tejas that was home to numerous Native American tribes and Spanish settlements.
- 3. And why did the Tejanos and early Texians rebel against Mexico?
- 3. You'll follow the early Texian Army and settlers as they flee Mexico's dictator, General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna, after the fall of the Alamo.
- 4. You'll experience the birthplace of Texas's independence, Washington-on-the-Brazos.
- 5. You'll gain insight into the sacrifices these Tejanos and Texians made for their freedom and the Republic of Texas.

Join us for the four-day progressive tour as you experience early Texian history, from San Antonio to San Jacinto.

Come and experience early Texian history.

Kip Lankenau Tour Chairman 214-498-0531

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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!!

Bug Tussle Trek 2025- Official Facebook AACA page!



Click

Here

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MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY UPDATE

If you have made any additions to your fleet of antique vehicles, or if you have sold any, please update your vehicle listing for the 2025 directory stating the year, make and model. Likewise, if you have moved, please send current information to our Membership Chair, Tammy Keith at AACATxDFW1@gmail.com by August 1st.

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!



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)

July 20 Meeting

Brady and Vickie Richard

August 17 Meeting

Adrian Bordlemay

Hosting

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August 30

Special Club Visit

DFW Car and Toy Museum

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September 21 Meeting
Ira and Nuris Hester
Workshop

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Bug Tussle 2025 September 27-28

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October 12 Meeting
TBD

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Runaway Scrape Tour
Oct 18-22