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Historic Coal Creek Tour September 10, 2016

The Coal Creek
Tour began with a
beautiful back roads
drive from Powell to
Rocky Top, Tennessee,
formerly known as
Lake City and Coal
Creek. Our first stop
was the Coal Creek



A group shot at Norris Dam where we made a quick pit stop.

Miner's Museum where a local historian shared the region's history of coal mining during the early 1900s. Several artifacts of the coal mining industry were on display. Larry Thacker, a guest of ETR member Doug Terry, shared further information from his history as a miner and owner/operator of a coal mine. He also discussed the influence of government regulations on the mining industry.

From the museum, the tour drove back roads to Militia Hill where government forces protected the coal mines from miners who were against the use of inmates in mining operations. Next we visited two cemeteries to see the monuments and burial places for the 216 miners killed in the 1902 Fraterville mine disaster and the 84 men and boys killed in the 1911 Cross Mountain Mine Disaster.





Robert's Ramblings

Looking back on this calendar year, we have been busy! Fall is finally here and we are looking forward to driving our old cars as the weather cools down. We have 41 prepaid to take the Kentucky Overnight tour. We are expecting to see some beautiful colors and enjoy nature during this scenic tour by train and car. Enjoying the fellowship with club members is an exciting prospect for those on the tour.

Looking ahead for the rest of this year, Lafayette Williams announced at our last board meeting that the club has been asked to participate again in this year's Knoxville Veteran's Parade. One of the reasons for this special invitation is that we have a good mix of antique years, makes and models, and the bystanders like to see the variety ETR brings to the parade. Lafayette will be supplying more information for this November 11th event. Let's try to have a big turnout to honor and remember our veterans. The parade will be a perfect time to display our club's magnetic signs, so please contact Charlie Simpson to order your signs if you haven't received yours already.

On November 20th, we will hold our annual "covered dish" business meeting at 3 p.m. at the TN Bank in Maryville. At this meeting, we will elect our board members for 2017 as

well as begin a discussion of tour planning for 2017. Our goal will be to have an activity for each month during the coming year.

Our ETR Christmas party is planned for December 17 at the Jubilee Banquet Facility, mark your calendars. Our hosts, the Witts and Williams, always prepare a fun celebration of fellowship with club members! During this event, we will conduct our club's Awards Presentation and Officer Installation.

Just a reminder that last year, our ETR by-laws were changed to require members to pay ETR dues on or prior to December 31 of each year. This change facilitates timely reporting to the national AACA in accordance with AACA deadlines. Please send your \$25 dues payment to Charlie Simpson, 918 Moore Street, Athens, TN, 37303.

Robert Quillin quillin1@bellsouth.net



Angel & Michael Friant Friendsville, 1959 Edsel Ranger

Ray Yates Knoxville, 1972 Triumph TRG



If you haven't already, be sure to order your pair of ETR-AACA's magnetic car door signs for \$17.60 per pair (includes tax). Just email or call Charlie Simpson. The signs are a great way to let others know who we are!



Historic Coal Creek Tour

(Continued from front page)



MILITIA HILL

Fort Anderson was built here on Militia Hill in January 1892 as a base for the Tennessee National Guard to protect convict laborers and restore order. Hostilities escalated with as many as 2500 miners from Tennessee and Kentucky participating in the Coal Creek War.

In retaliation, troops fired on the town of Coal Creek (now Lake City), as can be seen through the Wye Gap in Walden Ridge to the east. Soldiers remained here until late 1893 when the state legislature appropriated funds to build Brushy Mountain State Prison, thus ending the convict lease system in Tennessee.

Thirty ETR members and their guests completed the 37-mile tour which ended in Clinton where members went to lunch and visited the local antique shops.



Along the route . . .

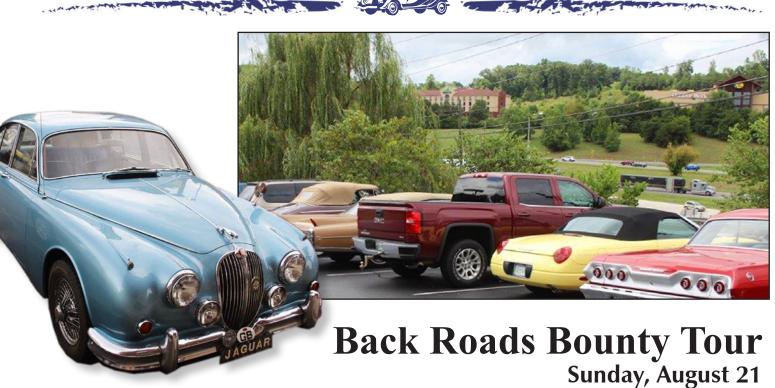


—Hosts: Roger & Janice Frazee Robert & Sandra Quillin

An unusual memorial to a mining tragedy.







The tour's route took members along scenic back roads in Knox and Northern Sevier Counties. We passed the Seven Islands Birding Park, one of Tennessee's newest state parks. Skirting Kodak, we then visited Eagle Springs Winery. The tour continued on back roads to The Chop House Restaurant off I-40 near the Bass Pro Shop. After dinner, members and guests visited the Thunder Road Distillery and The Mercantile, as well as the Bass Pro Shop at their leisure.

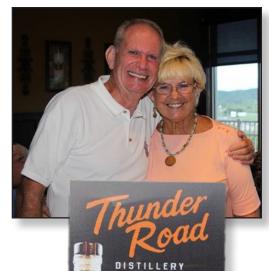
—Hosts Tom and Nancy Trame







Back Roads Bounty Tour continued!



Cookin'

HOURS

Mon-Sat 10-9 Sunday 12-6









Board Meeting **Review**



At its September 13 meeting, the ETR-AACA board discussed upcoming events, the treasurer's report and the voting in of new members. It also considered or acted on the following:

- ETR made a \$100 memorial donation to the AACA Library on behalf of Ethel Coulter; a thank-you was received from Ethel's daughter Arlene Coulter Hicks.
- ETR made a donation of \$100 to the non-profit Coal Creek Miners Museum following the club's visit there.
- With regards to the ETR May 2015 Tour Award, which has been kept by Tom Trame following its presentation at the tour's closing banquet: Tom transferred the award to the club's president during the board meeting. He believes it should be handed down to each president to safeguard on behalf of the club. Also, it was decided the award would be taken to the club's November business meeting and the Christmas Party to share with membership.

Additionally, the club secretary noted that the Nominating Committee ballots had been sent out to membership.

UPDATE: The results from those ballots are in. The following members will serve on the 2016 Nominating Committee: Len Royston, **Tim Seay and Tom Trame**. The committee will develop a slate of officers for 2017 to be presented to the general membership at the October 29 dinner portion of the upcoming overnight tour to Kentucky. The slate will be voted on at the club's November 20 business meeting.

> -Sharon Jurkonie Secretary

Upcoming AACA Events

Nov 5-11 Reliability Tour, Savannah, GA

Feb 9-11 AACA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA

Feb 23-25 AACA Winter Meet, Ocala, FL

For a complete listing of AACA events, visit www.aaca.org/Calendar/aaca calendar.html.

Also Coming Up ...



- The Diner at 550 Winfield Dunn Parkway in Sevierville will sponsor the last in a series of cruiseins in support of worthy causes on November 12. Visit www.thediner.biz/2015-schedule for details.
- Maryville Cruise-In, Foothills Mall every Friday night starting April.
- Main Street Cruise-In, Cleveland, TN, every 4th Saturday, April-October.



Hope some of you made it to the Harper Auto Square Cars & Coffee on October 23 at West Town Mall. The event had almost 4,000 cars present. Our contact at Harper's says they're already looking forward to their next event in 2017.

—Robert Quillin

Deadline to pay 2017 ETR-AACA dues is December 31.

Send your check for \$25 made payable to ETR-AACA to: Charlie Simpson, ETR Treasurer, 918 Moore Street, Athens, TN 37303. (New

membership applications accepted October through December 2016 are valid for 2017.) As for national AACA dues of \$35, look for your renewal form in a recent issue of Antique Automobile.





Delivering the Dream September 21, 2016

The group of 27 ETR members and guests traveled to Vonore to tour the Sea Ray boat-building factory. We divided into three groups and toured the facility for one and a half hours. Our guides were very informative and gave us plenty of time for questions and observations. We watched as boats were assembled, observing each step in the process. Even though we did not get to witness a boat being driven on the water, it was impressive seeing the large 35-foot boats which costs more than a half million dollars each!

After the Sea Ray tour, we drove along Tellico Parkway for 19 miles until we arrived at our lunch spot, Calhoun's at the Marina in Lenoir City. Our thanks go to Sea Ray for allowing our group to tour and arranging to do so on a Wednesday so we could enjoy the buffet at Calhoun's!

—Hosts: Robert & Sandra Quillin







Smoky Mountain Antiquer

c/o Beth Fisher & Linda Royston



2016 ETR Activities

October 29-30 Overnighter to Stearns, KY Tour (Hosts: Tim & Sherry Seay, Tom & Sis Howard)

November 11 Veterans' Day Parade, Knoxville

(Hosts: Lafayette & Janice Williams)

November 20 ETR-AACA Business Meeting

TnBank, Maryville, Covered Dish

(Hosts: Robert & Sandra Quillin)

ETR-AACA Christmas Party, Jubilee December 17

> Banquet Facility, Knoxville (Hosts: Janice Williams and Sylvia Witt)

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sale the date

Mark Your Calendar!

Now is the time to mark your calendar so you'll be sure to attend the ETR-AACA business meeting on Sunday, November 20. This meeting is one of the club's most important gettogethers during the year. We'll be electing 2017 board officers, and we'll also be planning club activities for the coming year.

The business meeting, which will be held at TnBank, 1311 West Lamar Alexander Parkway in Maryville, will begin at 3 p.m. and ends with the ever popular covered dish buffet. Yum!

(Hosts: Robert & Sandra Quillin)