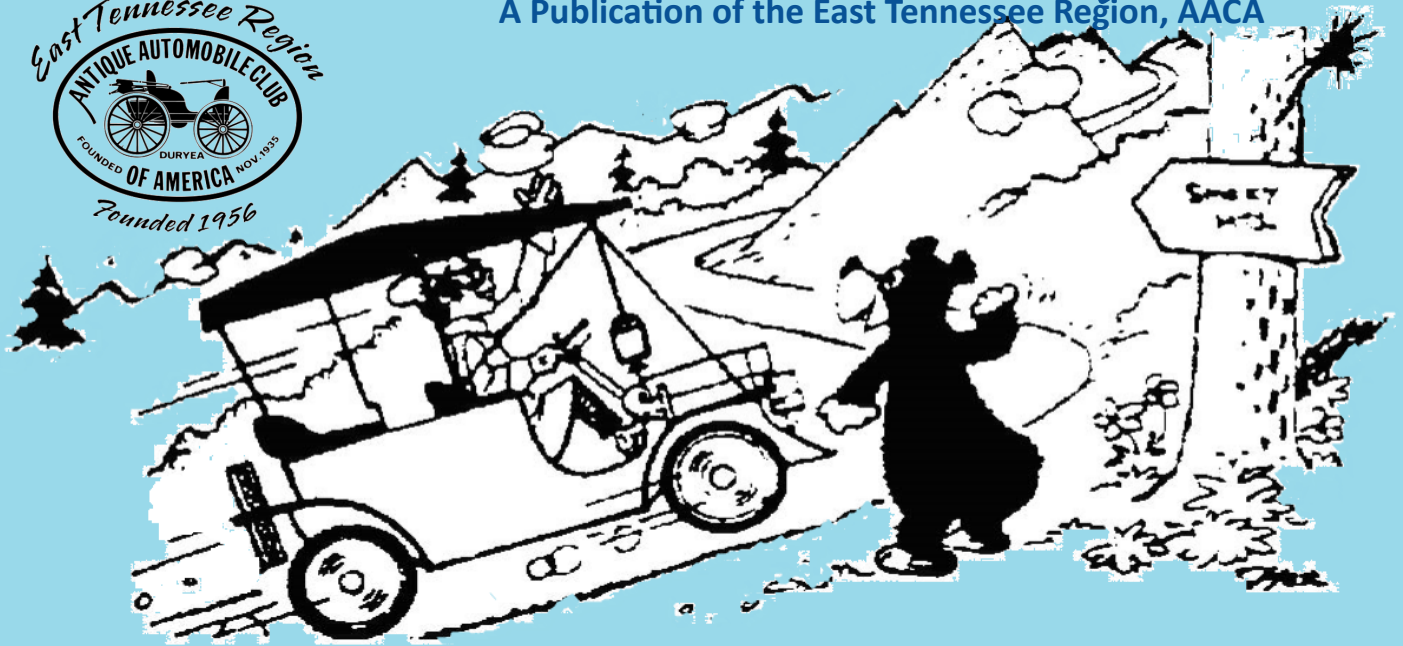


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Janice Williams takes her friends Judy Weaver and Diane DeFranco on a cruise in her 1961 Chevrolet Impala.



Local and National Events

ETR Calendar of Events

September 9:	Driving Tour to Tellico Plains, Tom Howard & Charlie Simpson
October 29:	Fall Color Tour, The Hixons
November 20:	Annual Business Meeting, the Frazees
December 16:	Christmas Party, Tom Howard and the Witts

Upcoming Events from Other Organizations

Friday Nights:	Foothills Mall Cruise-In 5:00—7:00 PM, through October
Every Third Saturday:	Lenoir City Cars and Coffee 8:00—11:00 AM
Fridays:	Madisonville A&W Cruise-In 3:00—9:00 PM
September 10:	Smoky Mountain Mustang Club open car show, Clinton TN
September 15—17:	Pigeon Forge Fall Rod Run, LeConte Center at Pigeon Forge, 2986 Teaster Ln, Pigeon Forge, TN
October 1:	Wheels of Wonder car show, First Baptist Church, Lenoir City

AACA National Events

September 25-30:	Revival AACA Glidden Tour – Princeton, NJ Central New Jersey Region AACA
October 4 - 7:	Eastern Fall Nationals – Hershey, PA: Hershey Park 100 Hersheypark Dr, Hershey, PA
2023	
February:	National Convention (date and location to be determined)
March 9-11:	Winter Nationals — Tallahassee FL Tallahassee Region
April 6-8:	Southeastern Spring Nationals, Charlotte NC Hornets Nest Region
April 30—May 3:	Southeastern Divisional Tour, Oak Ridge TN East Tennessee Region

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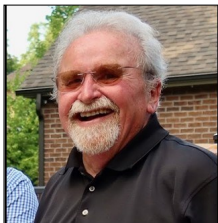
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Roger That!

From President Roger Frazee



I would be remiss in not commending all involved in the July ETR event for putting on the best Autos Through the Ages Car Show ever! The event planning committee, consisting of Sandra and Robert Quillin, Tom Howard, and Tim and Sherry Seay, began planning the Autos Through the Ages

early in the year and spent countless hours ironing out every last detail of the show.

The success of the event was sealed when more than forty East Tennessee Region volunteers stepped up to assist on the day of the show.

Planning has already begun for the 2023 Autos Through the Ages show, which I have no doubt, will be another spectacular show.

Planning is also well under way for the Southeastern Divisional Tour which is being hosted by the East Tennessee Region. Known as the Secret City Tour, the national event will be headquartered in Oak Ridge and will explore the history of this unique community and the surrounding areas. The tour is limited to 100 cars, and is expected to draw AACA participants from all parts of the United States. Once the tour is underway, ETR volunteers will be needed to assist in every aspect of creating an enjoyable experience for our tour guests.

On another note: The election process for the 2023 ETR officers and board is underway. You should have received, by email or snail mail, your ballot to elect the nominating committee for the 2023 election. Please be sure to fill out the ballot with a list of five club members who you would like to have on the nominating committee.

Then return the completed ballot to Secretary Debbie Hixon by return email or snail mail. You can also bring the completed ballot with you to the club's September 10th tour to Tellico Plains.

Once the nominating ballots are received, they will be counted by the President, Vice President, and Secretary of the club. The three top vote-getters will comprise the nominating committee. Those three will meet and establish the nominees for the 2023 ETR officers and board. The actual election for the 2023 board will occur during the annual business meeting on November 20.

So, while the year may be more than half over, there is still a lot to do in the East Tennessee Region. We hope to see everyone at the September and October tours, and beyond!

News From National

From National Affairs Liaison Tom Howard



Recently in a conversation with some longtime members of AACA, I heard a comment saying "it's just August, and I can't believe we are already talking about the October Hershey meet". My reply: "Really, I started thinking about the 2022 Hershey meet as we traveled south on

Interstate 81 leaving the 2021 Hershey meet"! After attending my first Hershey meet in 1966 and missing only three since, I still look forward to this year with the same anticipation as I did the first time.

The Hershey meet has evolved through the years with many upgrades and changes. This year is certainly no exception with all events being moved back one day. The flea market and car corral will begin on Monday and the show will be on Friday instead of the usual Saturday. It is reported that registrations for the show are slightly below normal but that for the first time in a few years, the car corral and flea market are sold out. I am sure even with the changes and with a full flea market, this will again be an exciting time. Be sure, if you are there, to come by our spaces CY 8, 9 and 10. For years, we have called this the ETR Hershey meet headquarters.

Recently, ETR members Charlie Simpson, Rick Lay, Mike Tulloch and I attended the AACA Nationals in Moline, Illinois. The event was very well organized by the Mississippi Valley Region's committee. The show was held inside in a beautiful new well lighted air conditioned building complete with several meeting rooms and another room large enough to accommodate the awards banquet. In addition, the 150 plus vehicles were all displayed inside leaving wide aisles and plenty of walking room.

As always, a Midwestern AACA meet provides the opportunity to see some very fine vehicles. This was true in Moline with a good number of magnificent early models and also some certainly well restored rare and unusual vehicles. The Twin cities of Moline and Rock Island Illinois and Davenport, Iowa, all bordering the Mississippi River provides a wonderful setting and will be the site of the 2023 AACA Grand Nationals.

As summer draws to a close, I am sure we will be looking forward to some cooler weather and the beauty of the fall season. With some great ETR upcoming driving tours planned, I know it will mean good times for our members. I look forward seeing everyone "on the road again".



Share your automotive pictures and stories on the East Tennessee Region Facebook Page.



Editor's Corner

By Jan Frazee, Acting Co-Editor



Our next opportunity to drive our beautiful antique automobiles on an ETR Tour is Saturday, September 10. The tour, hosted by Charlie Simpson and Tom Howard, leaves from the Hardees parking lot in Vonore at 10:00 am. The tour will travel to Tellico Plains, then onto the

Cherochala Skyway and back to Tellico Plains for lunch at the Ironworks Grill around 1:00 pm.

There are nineteen new member families who have joined the ETR this year – please take every opportunity to introduce yourself and your car to an unfamiliar face. Remember that people join an antique car club for the cars and stay because of the friends they make. Let's make new friends and continue old friendships whenever we can.

Other ETR events scheduled this year are the Fall Foliage Tour hosted by Jimmie and Debbie Hixson, October 29th; ETR Business Meeting, hosted by Roger and Jan Frazee, on November 20th; and the ETR Christmas Party, hosted by Tom Howard and Bob and Sylvia Witt on December 16th.

ETR club member Frances Hodge served as Editor of *The Smoky Mountain Antiquer* from 1973 – 1978 and again from 1983 – 1986. Be sure to read "From the Rear View Mirror" on page 15 for a brief visit back in time for a glimpse of ETR history.

As you may know, the ETR is looking for a new editor of *The Antiquer*. While there are no wages attached to the position, the rewards and challenges are huge! There are no required skills, although a knowledge of antique cars, writing, layout, and design skills are helpful. Serving as editor is an excellent opportunity to become involved in ETR events, get to know other ETR members, become involved with National AACA events and generally have a good time. *The Antiquer* is published six times a year. The editor serves as a voting member of the ETR Board of Directors.

I'm looking forward to meeting new members and seeing my new and longtime friends at an ETR event soon!



Newsletter Editor Wanted

Contact Roger
or Jan Frazee
for Details

September Tour Information

By Sherry Seay, Events Coordinator



Charlie Simpson and Tom Howard are hosting our official tour for September on Saturday, 9/10/22. We will be going on a driving tour from Vonore to Tellico Plains and the Charlie Hall Museum, then up the Cherochala Skyway to the Turkey Creek overlook. We'll then head

back to the Ironworks Grill in Tellico Plains for lunch. This should take about 3 hours and we will have most of Saturday afternoon left to look around Tellico Plains or drive more in the mountains as you please.

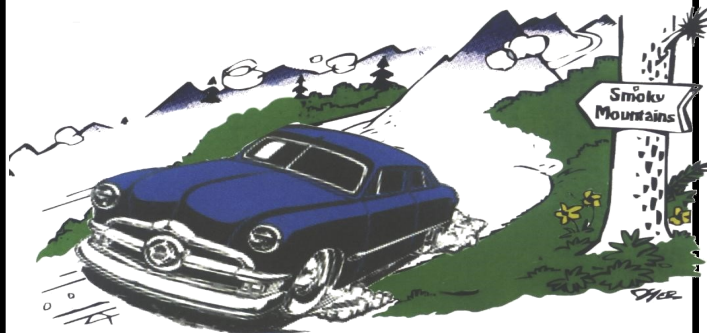
Please send Charlie an email or call letting him know if you plan to attend. We need an approximate head count for the Ironworks Grill. We should be there by 1:00 to 1:30 pm to eat. The food is great and the owners are setting aside parking for our cars and special seating arrangements.

We will plan to gather at Hardees in Vonore at 9:30 am and leave no later than 10:00 AM. There will be plenty of restroom opportunities. Total miles on the tour will be about 80.

As always, let's keep those wheels rolling!

IT'S TOURING TIME IN EAST TENNESSEE!!!

September 10 Tour to Tellico Plains,
hosted by Charlie Simpson and Tom Howard.



October 29 Annual Fall Foliage Tour
Hosted by Jimmie and Debbie Hixson

BE SURE TO JOIN YOUR EAST TENNESSEE RE-
GION FRIENDS FOR THE
SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER TOURS



East Tennessee Region AACA Board Meeting Minutes July 11, 2022

OFFICERS:

President: Roger Frazee, Present

Vice President: RG Lewallen, Present

Treasurer: Charlie Simpson, Excused Absence

Sherry Seay, Events Coordinator, Present

Melissa Johnston, Newsletter Editor, Present

Robert Quillin, Past President, Present

Secretary: Debbie Hixson, Excused Absence

BOARD:

Wayne Tudor, Director, Present

Matt Sartin, Director, Excused Absence

Tim Seay, Director, Present

Keith Bullen, Director, Excused Absence

GUESTS:

Sandra Quillin, Sunshine Representative, Present

Tom Howard, National Affairs Liaison, Present

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President, Roger Frazee.

At 6:35 PM. Roll call was made and members were present as listed. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Charlie Simpson emailed the financial report which was presented by Roger Frazee. A motion was made to accept the financial report. The motion was seconded and the motion carried.

New Members Report – There was a discussion regarding new members to the club. Richard Littinella and Joel Weeks and Tim Burchett are our newest members. Bill Little's daughter, Amanda, has requested to transfer Bill's membership for the remainder of 2022, to her. The motion was made and seconded and the motion carried.

SUNSHINE REPORT: Sandra Quillin reported the following cards were sent:

Get Well:

Art Fensod 5-17-22

Debbie Hixson 6-29-22

Sympathy:

Jack and Nancy Smith (Nancy's mother-Moore)

Deborah & Amanda Little (William (Bill) Little)

NATIONAL AFFAIRS LIAISON REPORT: Tom Howard reported we are about half way through the year and just finished the National meet at Beckley, West Virginia. The Grand National was held at Virginia Beach in May. Both of these events were successful and well attended. The Sentimental Tour is scheduled in Gettysburg, PA in September and the Central Fall Meet will be in Moline, IL in August. Of course, October will be Hershey. Tom will give a full report after attending these event.

EVENTS COORDINATOR REPORT: Sherry Seay reported that the Brushy Mountain tour was good in May. The car show on June 11 at First Baptist in Lenoir City had about 43 club members attending. There were about 8 members at the Newport show in June and the Aviation tour was well attended with about 50 members present. The August tour will be the Cars for Canines in Oak Ridge on August 20th. It was suggested to meet at Calhouns around 7 AM and drive over as a group. The upcoming Christmas Dinner will be at Rothchild's again this year. We will plan on having the same room as we had last year. This will be held on Friday, December 16th this year. The price increase is only \$184.52 more than it was last year. Tom Howard made a motion to proceed with signing the contract with Rothchild's and paying the deposit of \$250.00. This motion was seconded. Motion carried.

SOUTHEASTERN DIVISIONAL TOUR REPORT: Roger Frazee reported the tour book is well under way. The binders for the tour books have been received. The committee is currently working on speakers for the opening and closing night Banquets.

ANTIQUER REPORT: Roger Frazee reported that we are still needing an editor for the Antiquer.

WEBMASTER REPORT: Roger Frazee stated there is nothing new to report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS: Autos Through the Ages report – Roger thanked the committee for their hard work and dedication. The committee consists of Sandra Quillin, Robert Quillin, Tom Howard, Tim Seay and Sherry Seay. Sandra reported that the shirts were purchased but some members opted to pay for their own shirts. Tim Seay shared the press release for the Auto Through the Ages. There should be several dignitaries attending.



East Tennessee Region AACA Welcomes All New Members Who Have Joined Our Club in 2022

Nineteen member families have joined the ETR AACA in 2022, bringing our total member families to 133. Our new members are listed below in the order they joined the region. Please introduce yourself and your car and make these new members feel welcome and a part of the ETR family.

Austin Lane was awarded the 2022 ETR Automotive Technology Scholarship, which includes a one-year membership in both the ETR and AACA. He is a graduate of Anderson County Career and Technical Center and is enrolled at the TN College of Applied Technology this fall. Austin owns a 1985 Chevrolet K-10 pickup.

Richard Croley and Kayla Smallen live in Knoxville and are the owners of a 1963 Buick Wildcat.

John Modesto owns a 1985 Toyota pickup truck and lives in Loudon.

Richard and Laurie Lentiniello live in Knoxville and own a 1955 Triumph TR2, 1960 Triumph TR3A and a 1968 Triumph Spitfire. Richard is the former editor-in-chief of *Hemmings Motor News* and *Hemmings Classic Car* magazines. He currently publishes the classic car magazine, *CRANKSHAFT*.

Joel and Susan Weeks own a 1975 Grand Le Mans and they live in Knoxville.

Tim Burchett is the US Congressman from TN's 2nd Congressional District. Tim took office in January 2019 after serving as mayor of Knox County. He is a longtime antique car and motorcycle enthusiast.

John and Mary Lynn Tolar are originally from Memphis and currently live in Lenoir City. They own a 1943 Plymouth Special Deluxe Convertible and a 1980 Shay Model A Deluxe Roadster.

Fred and Karen Cobb own a 1962 Chevrolet Corvette and a 1967 Chevrolet Camaro RS/SS. They live in Loudon and belong to the Tellico Village Car Club.

Brian and Kim Flynn are residents of Townsend and own a 1970 Thunderbird Catalina.

Henry and Jo Hart own a 1962 Pontiac Catalina and a 1957 Pontiac Bonneville Convertible. They live in Seymour.

Kenneth King's 1956 Mercury Montclair is a 2021 AACA Na-

tional Award-winning vehicle and is currently one of the cars featured on the home page of the AACA.org website. Kenny lives in Clinton.

James and Teresa MacDonald are residents of Sevierville and own a 1957 Chevrolet Convertible.

Tony and Janice Gardner live in Louisville and own a 1930 Model A Deluxe Roadster and a 1964 Corvette Stingray. They belong to the Model A Ford Club.

Donald Rackard lives in Knoxville and owns a 1929 Model A Sedan, 1967 Chevy Pickup Stepside, 1969 911T Porsche, 1984 Chevy Van Custom, and a 1992 968 Porsche Coupe.

Stephen Wickizer owns a 1928 and a 1931 Ford Model A Tudor, 1930 Ford Model A Roadster, and a 1979 Fiat Spyder 124. He lives in Knoxville and is a member of the Smoky Mountain Model A club.

Sam and Tammy Stubbs live in Seymour, and they own a 1950 Ford F-1.

Scott and Cynthia Spitler own a 2015 Corvette, 1995 GMC Suburban ¾ Ton 4x7 diesel, 1978 Corvette Silver Anniversary and 2010 Maserati Quattroporte S. They live in Maryville.

Gary and Nancy Tucker live in Knoxville and own a 1973 Mercedes 45D-SL.

Farragut Lions

6th Annual Charity Car Show
JC Penney Parking Lot
11534 Parkside Dr. Farragut, TN 37934
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM Turkey Creek



Contact: Tom Nitz
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Save the Date!
September 24, 2022



AACA
SECRET CITY TOUR
Oak Ridge, Tennessee
May 1-3, 2023



Remembering Bill Little



Bill Little and daughter Amanda on tour with the East Tennessee Region in September, 2005.

By Tom Howard

It all began in October 1998 when Sis and I were returning home from a busy week at the AACA Hershey Meet. We stopped for a break at the Tennessee welcome center. As we exited the building, we found a man and a young lady standing by our car.

Upon introduction, we found they were Bill Little and his daughter Amanda and learned they had also attended the Hershey event. They had noticed my AACA jacket with a large logo hanging prominently in our vehicle. Through conversation, we learned of Bill's association with AACA and his desire to join a region. By immediately providing Bill an ETR application, we were on our way to procuring a new family in our organization.

Bill's association with AACA was developed at an early age as his family were long time members at home in Pennsylvania. He accompanied his father, who was a old car restorer and collector to national tours and meets, especially Hershey. Then, later when his career brought him to the Knoxville area, Bill knew it was time to be involved in a region.

Bill and his family quickly became active in the ETR. Through the years he participated in meetings and assisted in planning tours and special events. He enjoyed traveling to distant an-

tique car functions with fellow club members including taking his family to Hershey in October.

As an aeronautical technician he had excellent mechanical abilities leading to his interest in working on all types of antique vehicles. He loved to work with other club members repairing and restoring their cars and learning from them.

Bill had his own collection of cars which he received from his father including a 1930 Model A Ford, a 1931 Chevrolet sedan and a 1949 Willys Jeepster.

He could often be seen at a region event driving one accompanied by family, especially Amanda. She became interested in the hobby at an early age and never missed a chance to ride, drive or assist Bill with the cars. It is great to know that she will now be the care taker of those cars with plans to be an active member of ETR.

Bill was a friend to all he met and was known by his many friends as a fun-loving caring man who was devoted to his family. His outgoing personality and never-ending smile will not be forgotten. He was always willing to talk cars and help others with their old car projects and be one of the first to volunteer assistance with ETR projects. Those who were fortunate to have Bill as a friend know we have lost a special person in our lives. He will be missed!



Third Annual Autos Through the Ages Bigger and Better than Ever



ETR Volunteers staff the registration table at the 2023 Autos Through the Ages Car Show
Left to right: Sherry Seay, Dave Hermanson, Beryl Hermanson, Vic Varady, Beth Fisher, Jen Payne.

Last July's Autos Through the Ages car show was the culmination of a year of planning and hard work by dozens of East Tennessee Region members. The result was a premier automobile event that was the biggest and finest show the region has ever organized.

Autos Through the Ages began as a one-time event in 2019. It's initial purpose was to celebrate the opening of the Transportation Exhibit at the Smoky Mountain Heritage Center. Since then, it has become an annual event that continues to grow in popularity. The entire affair is underwritten by Twin City Buick, West Chevrolet, and the Blount Partnership.

As always, admission was free for both show cars and spectators, and lunch was provided free of charge to the first 100 car owners who registered. Registered car owners also received two free admission tickets to the Heritage Center Museum.

As the East Tennessee Region's premier event, the details of Autos Through the Ages were carefully planned by a committee of five: Tom Howard, Robert and Sandra Quillin, and Tim and Sherry Seay. In addition, more than forty club volunteers assisted with parking, registration, and food service on the day of the show.

Approximately 150 cars were on the showfield with several clubs in attendance, including the Smoky Mountain Model A Club, the Classic Ford Club, The British Automobile Society of Knoxville, and the Knoxville Area Corvair Club.

Throughout the day, more than 900 spectators stopped by to see the cars and many of them visited the East Tennessee Region AACA registration tent. At the end of the day, the club had signed up ten new member families!

True its name, Autos Through the Ages featured cars ranging in years from a 1909 Model T Ford to a 2022 Tesla. Some of the unique cars included a 1929 Ford firetruck belonging to Rocky and Julie Rochelle, an AACA national award winning 1956 Mercury Montclair, owned by Kenny King, and a 1955 Buick Century "Fireball Roberts" tribute car, owned by Jerry and Frances Hodge.

The largest vehicle on the field was Bob Ragan's gigantic 1988 Mercedes Unimog U1300, while the smallest car was Randy Hicks's 1942 Crosley.



Rocky and Julie Rochelle's 1929 Ford Firetruck



Autos Through the Ages, Photos by Ed Barrett



Art Fensod's 1948 Buick convertible is a perennial favorite at Autos Through the Ages.



Dan Paransky's 1988 Volvo and a line of Corvairs fill out the "Rodney Dangerfield" row.



The Smoky Mountain Model A Club turned out in force.



Melissa Johnston's 1940 Ford was among the featured cars.



Somehow, Ed was able to capture the entire length of Charlie Simpson's 1963 Cadillac without a panoramic lens.



Autos Through the Ages, Photos by Jerry Mauch



This beautiful 1950 Chevrolet Styleline is owned by Dennis Bonia.



The English Auto Society of Knoxville was well-represented at the 2023 Autos Through the Ages show.



Doug and Nora Beth Housley brought their 1954 MGTF.



Bob Ragan arrived in his 1988 Mercedes Unimog U1300.



Fred and Karen Cobb brought their 1962 Corvette.



Tracy Rollins looks like a giant next to Randy Hicks's 1942 Crosley.



Autos Through the Ages, Photos by Melissa Johnston



Kenny King's 1957 Mercury Montclair has been in his family since it was new.



Tom and Cindy Christenberry arrived in their 1951 Ford.



Robert and Sandra Quillin displayed their freshly restored 1968 Ford Torino GT.



Jerry and Frances Hodge displayed their 1955 Buick Century.



Tri – Five Chevys as far as the eye can see.



Maggie Crawford contemplates taking a joy ride in Steve West's 1957 Chevrolet convertible.



East Tennessee Region AACA Has Gone to the Dogs

For the second year in a row, the East Tennessee Region has gone to the dogs, and we're proud of it. Our club made a strong showing in August at the Annual Cars for Canines event, which is held each year at Melton Lake Park in Oak Ridge.

The popular car and dog show is organized by the Summer Night Cruisers Car Club of Knoxville and by Explore Oak Ridge. All proceeds for the event benefit the local animal shelters.

Set beneath the shade trees of picturesque Melton Lake Park, the show features automobiles of all types and years, demonstrations by service dog training organizations, dogs diving from the dock, and vendors providing food and crafts of all types.

According to Katy Watt, President of Oak Ridge Convention & Visitors Bureau, this year's turn-out for the event was the larg-

est yet, with more cars, dogs, and craft vendors than previous years.

Among the East Tennessee Region members in attendance were Tim and Sherry Seay in their 1950 Ford Business Coupe, Ken Lund in his Model A Phaeton, Roger and Jan Frazee in their 1966 Corvair Monza, Herb and Susan Thomas in their 1966 Ford Mustang, Rocky and Julie Rochelle, in their Model A Ford Roadster pickup, Steve and Ruth West in their 1955 Chevrolet Nomad, Jimmie and Debbie Hixon in their Model T Ford touring car, Charlie Simpson in his 1963 Cadillac, and Janice Williams and friends in her 1961 Chevrolet Impala.

The dogs all seemed to enjoy the day as well, as they lined up on the dock for their turn to leap into beautiful Melton Lake. In all, it was a great day to relax in the shade among friends, cars, and dogs. What could be better than that?



Above: Rocky and Julie Rochelle's Model A Pickup Roadster.
Below: Tim Seay and Rocky Rochelle mingle among the cars.



Above: Ken Lund with his Model A Phaeton
Below: ETR cars arrived early for the shady parking spots.





The British are Coming! The British are Coming!

Oh, the British are Here!

By Jen Payne

The 11th annual Return of the British car show in historic Rugby, TN occurs on the third Saturday of August and this year's event was on August 20. This 3-day event is hosted by the Plateau British Car Club located in the Crossville area with support from the English Auto Society of Knoxville and the Blount British Car Club of Maryville with two main goals – to raise monies for historic Rugby and to bring together British car enthusiasts for a weekend of fellowship.

The weekend starts out with a bunch of folks from the clubs arriving to set up on Friday followed by a casual dinner and Irish Road Bowling with early show arrivals.

Saturday is the show along with a silent auction, popular vote awards and tea table setting competition, followed by break down of all the tents and tables and chairs and signs and then a casual pot-luck dinner for anyone who is staying over Saturday night.

Saturday also includes food vendors, craft vendors, tours of Rugby, hikes led by a National Park Service Ranger from Big South Fork, music, and shopping.

And just because we are having so much fun together we do it again on Sunday morning at the Grey Gables Bed and Breakfast where the owner makes a large breakfast buffet available for a nominal cost per person. The last thing we all do is make our reservations for next year, say goodbyes to friends we've made and head home – hoping for dry weather as those old LBCs (Little British Cars) do tend to leak!

This year's show welcomed 52 cars from Tennessee and Kentucky and ranged from new Jaguars and Minis to a 1933 Austin 7 and a 1933 MG Police Car complete with period handcuffs and a billy club. The show is free to spectators and a nominal entry fee for the cars. The 2023 12th Annual Return of the British Show will be on Saturday, August 19, 2023. We hope you'll join us!



Above: A 1933 MG police car



Above: An entry in the table setting competition

Below: MGBs awaiting lined up and awaiting judging



Below: John and Barbara Rigby's 1970 Rover





New Members John and Mary Lynn Tolar Introduce Themselves

It Election Time in East Tennessee



John and Mary Lynn Tolar talk about their love of old cars.

Our love of old cars comes from our love of old movies from the 30's and 40's and how beautiful and iconic the cars in them are. We were always stopping to look over one or spend time at a show or museum and talk about 'wouldn't I be nice if....'

Then one day I saw the 1st Baptist Lenoir City show and the cars pulling in. Got my son and his 3 kids and went. I bored them with stories of almost every car we saw. Then there was a Model A for sale at a price that surprised. Turned out to be a Shay which was better as it is a car I can work on.

I sent Mary Lynn a text picture and said, "you want this" and she texted back YES! Great car for parades, Christmas décor and meeting people. The next year I was at the show parked next to Larry Fowler and his 1948 Special Deluxe. Loved it, Mary Lynn loved it, and at the time, so did Larry.

Two years later at 1st Baptist, Larry had fallen in love with something else and 2 days later we owned a Plymouth Convertible. This has become our weekend driver and again, opened the door to meeting many wonderful people.

Mary Lynn is a retired banker and trust officer and I run a local elevator company. We look forward to meeting more wonderful people by joining ETR AACA!

Autumn in East Tennessee harkens memories of the late sports announcer John Ward, who coined the phrase, "It's football time in Tennessee!"

For old car enthusiasts it's also election time in the East Tennessee Region AACA.

Secretary Debbie Hixon recently sent out ballots to all members for the Nominating Committee.

As stated in the ETR Bylaws, "A Nominating Committee shall be elected by the membership in September of each year. The Secretary shall mail ballots to each member (by U.S. mail or email as the member prefers) who will select five members in good standing. The ballots shall be returned to the Secretary and shall be counted by the President, Vice President and Secretary. The three members with the highest number of votes shall make up the Committee with two members as alternates."

So what does the Nominating Committee do? The three members of the nominating committee meet and agree upon who the committee will nominate as officers and board members for the next year. They then present their nominations to the membership during the annual November Business Meeting.

After the nominees are announced, additional nominations are accepted from the members present at the meeting. Finally, a vote is conducted and the slate of officers and board members is elected.

This process, which has served the region well since 1956, cannot work without the members first completing and sending the nominating committee ballot. Each ballot has space for both the husband and wife to select their choices for the Nominating Committee.

So please, fill out your Nominating Committee Ballot today and send it, by email or snail mail to Secretary Debbie Hixon. If you did not receive your ballot, contact Debbie and she will see to it that you get one.

Debbie's email and mailing addresses are listed in the East Tennessee Region Membership Roster.

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Board Minutes Continued

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We will start marking the show field Friday afternoon at 3 PM. The group will meet and have dinner together around 5 to 5:30 PM.

There will be a drone operator to shoot photos and video for the show. Several local clubs have been invited to participate in this year's show. We are expecting over 140 vehicles. This event is still a big event for our club with some good exposure for us. Because of Autos Through the Ages' sponsors, Twin City Dealerships, West Chevrolet, and Blount Partnership, this event does not add any expense for our club.

There was a discussion regarding a discount for those who join ETR during the Autos Through the Ages event. A motion was made to allow new members to join our ETR club for the normal \$20.00 but would include the remainder of this year membership as well as the complete year next year. This motion was seconded and the motion carried.

There was a request to allow fellow members to set up business booths at the Autos Through the Ages tour. This was discussed and due to space limitations it will not be possible.

The next board meeting will be held on September 13 th at TN Bank Maryville.

A motion was made to adjourn. This motion seconded and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
R.G. Lewallen
For Debbie Hixson, ETR Secretary.

Looking Back in the Rear View Mirror

East Tennessee Region member Frances Hodge served as the editor of *The Smoky Mountain Antiquer* from 1973 – 1978 and again from 1983 – 1986. She consistently received both the AACA Award of Excellence and the Master Editor's Award as Editor.

Recently Frances shared her *Antiquer* issues with Jan Frazee. A tremendous amount of ETR history is contained in these archives of *The Antiquer*, and the opportunity to view them is appreciated. Following are just a few "nuggets of interest" from those issues.

- 1973: Jerry Hodge was elected AACA National President.
- 1974: ETR celebrated its 18th year in the AACA.
- 1975: AACA Annual Meeting— ETR attendees included Tom & Sis Howard, Jerry & Frances Hodge and Bo & Pat Croley.
- 1976: The Eastern National Fall Meet is remembered as the Year of the Big Flood in Hershey as heavy rain transformed the flea market from acres of green grass to tons of oozing, slimy mud. The water level rose, and the floods swept through parts and cars.
- 1977: Annual ETR Membership Dues were \$7.50.
- 1978: The ETR President was Robert "Bo" Croley. The ETR Christmas party that year was held at Helma's Restaurant on Asheville Highway in Knoxville.
- 1979: The elected officers for the Region were: President, Billy Guffey; Vice President, Tom Christenberry; Past President, Bo Croley; Treasurer, Blake McCampbell; Secretary, Jerry Lynn.
- 1983: There were 57 member families in the ETR. Officers were: President, Bill Dawn; Vice President, Tom Howard; Secretary, Jerry Hodge; Treasurer, Jim Gillenwaters.
- 1984: The ETR conducted a club auction and raised almost \$200 to help fund the club's treasury. Tom Howard was President that year.
- 1985: The ETR hosted the Glidden Tour, Gatlinburg, TN and Asheville, NC; Jerry Hodge was Chairman of the Glidden Tour Planning Committee. Also in 1985, the AACA celebrated its Golden Jubilee Anniversary.
- 1986: Annual ETR membership dues in were \$10.



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Photo curtesy of the AACA Speedster

This past August, car owners and spectators enjoyed the AACA Central Fall Nationals in air conditioned comfort. The meet was hosted by the Mississippi Valley Region and was held in the Bend Exposition Center in East Moline Illinois.