

Glass-N-Brass

Eastern Shore Region, Antique Automobile Club of America

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November Meeting

Club member Jimmy Johnson hosted the November Club meeting at his home garage(s). After a catered dinner from Taylor's dinner and our monthly business meeting, Jimmy graciously led a tour of his large and eclectic collection. It contains mostly General Motors cars (mostly Corvettes) and trucks, and one lonely-looking Ford Model T. And one 1957 Rolls Royce, along with several motorcycles. Each car had an "origin story" which Jimmy shared. The vehicles ranged from very stock and original (old and newer) to heavily modified and modernized "resto-mods", with modern V-8s, automatic transmissions and air conditioning. Most were on battery maintainers, reflecting their pending use. The vehicles, their garages and their stories were wonderful to see and hear. Thanks to Jimmy Johnson for hosting this event.

Business Meeting:

The ESR AACA contributed \$500 to the WBOC Bless Our Children charity for 2023. Be sure to look for the club's name as the contributor names are scrolled on TV several times a day throughout the Holiday Season,

The slate of 2024 Eastern Shore Region of the AACA Officers and Board of Directors was nominated (and later approved by the membership). They are:

Officers

President - R. Ken Sterling

Vice-President/Treasurer – Andrew Pogan

Secretary – Bill Shockley

Editor Glass 'N Brass Newsletter – Tom Hehman

Membership Chair/Web Master – Charles Emery

Board of Directors

Dave Kamberger

Buck Burton

Phil Taylor

Will Ruhland

Christmas Parade Updates

The Salisbury Jaycees Christmas Parade is Sunday December 3rd. Participants meet at the old Salisbury Mall parking lot from 12:00 - 12:30 PM to lineup. The Parade pulls out at 1:00 PM and proceeds from Civic Ave to Mt. Hermon Rd, turning left on to East Main St. where it will conclude at the Wicomico Middle School parking lot. Contact Michael Murray (410-726-3553) club parade coordinator, as soon as possible if you'd like to enter and register your vehicle. The club has paid the entry fee, and we are allowed up to 10 vehicles. There is no cost to registered club members.

The Westside Historical Society's - Mardela Springs Christmas Parade is Sunday December 10th. Charles Emery (443-877-7750) is coordinating this parade for the Club. Lineup is 1:00 PM on the west side of town at the intersection of Spring Grove Rd. and West Main St. The Parade will roll off at 1:30 PM. All Kool Cars are welcome to enter. There is no fee to enter this parade.

Christmas/New Year Party

Our **Christmas Party has been rescheduled** and is now our **New Year Kick-off dinner** in celebration of our "60th Anniversary" in 2024. The dinner is scheduled for Tuesday January 9th (Second Tuesday in January not our normal first Tuesday.) at 6:00 PM at the Brew River Restaurant's private dining room. Brew River is located at 502 West Main Street in Salisbury, MD. We will not have a formal business meeting, but we will celebrate our 60 years as a regional AACA club. We will also install our 2024 Officers and Directors, debut our new club website, present two special member awards as well as continue our tradition of having a fun Chinese auction gift exchange. *We ask that each person (this includes guests) who attends to bring a fun automotive related wrapped present valued between \$10 -\$15. Please mark your calendars now and bring your spouse, a date, a friend or just yourself to join in the fellowship. Note: Everyone will order their food and beverages off the restaurant's regular dinner menu, and you will be responsible for your own dinner bill.

The annual **National AACA Convention** will be held February 8th – 10th at the Westfields Marriott Washington/ Dulles Convention Center. Rooms rates are \$129 per night or \$169 if you want breakfast for two included. This is less than a 3-hour drive from Salisbury and registration is now open. Details can be found on the AACA website www.aaca.org

We wish you and yours a Safe and Great Holiday Season and we look forward to celebrating our Club's 60th Anniversary with you on January 9th at Brew River Restaurant. Merry Christmas from the Eastern Shore Region of the Antique Automobile Club of America!

Ken Sterling, President, Eastern Shore Region - Antique Automobile Club of America