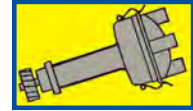


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NEWS FOR MEMBERS OF THE
BAY COUNTRY REGION
ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA



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DUST 'EM OFF-2024

Text and photos By Craig Duerling

We gathered at Hyde Park on Saturday, May 11. In attendance were Ned and Betty Nabb, Bud and Mary Story, Diann Prah, Lorin Turnblacer, Jack and Trudy Hamilton, Danny and Charlotte Morris, and Craig and Nan Duerling with their daughter Sabrina Suman. We left Hyde Park at 12:30 and took back roads to St. Michaels Road - MD 33. We followed that to the Waterman's Museum on Tilghman Island.

One of the leaders of the museum greeted us and gave us some of the history of the museum. It is completely volunteer staffed. Part of our group started upstairs and part downstairs, and then we switched. As you can see from some of the photos, the museum has quite an extensive and varied collection. We then toured around the grounds. There was a trailer displaying old engines used on the work boats, a pilot house, and some dredging equipment for clams and oysters.

We had a little time before our lunch reservations, so we drove to Black Walnut Point at the south end of Tilghman island. It was a beautiful day, and we could easily see the Western Shore. We then drove back toward St. Michaels and had a great meal at Chesapeake Landing Restaurant.

It was a beautiful day for a drive, with very nice weather and great company. Thanks to Danny and Jim, who couldn't be with us, for arranging this great Dust 'Em Off Tour for 2024. *(More photos on pages 2 & 3)*



DUST 'EM OFF 2024

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TILGHMAN WATERMEN'S MUSEUM

IN THE 1800s, the water around Tilghman Island was a beautiful source of oysters, fish and other seafood. Local men and women have shined here for centuries, by working the water—reaping, sorting, packing, packing, canning, hunting and boat building. The village of Tilghman was and is a small community with a unique culture rich in oral traditions and folk wisdom, deeply connected to the farms and fisheries of the Chesapeake Bay.

WATERMEN are those who make their living from the water, come in many guises and in a variety of smaller work boats including log rafts with sails and Skuas (small, single-masted oystering vessels). Known for their creativity and ingenuity, the island's master boat builders and craftsmen created innovative tools for seafood harvest and processing while, sometimes, inventing support for the work on the water from above.

THE TILGHMAN WATERMEN'S MUSEUM is a collection of artifacts and exhibits that tell the story of the watermen and their work. It is a place where you can learn about the history of the watermen and their work, and see the tools and equipment they used. The museum is located on Tilghman Island, in the heart of the Chesapeake Bay.





At Black Walnut Point, the end of Tilghman Island



INTERESTING TRUCKS

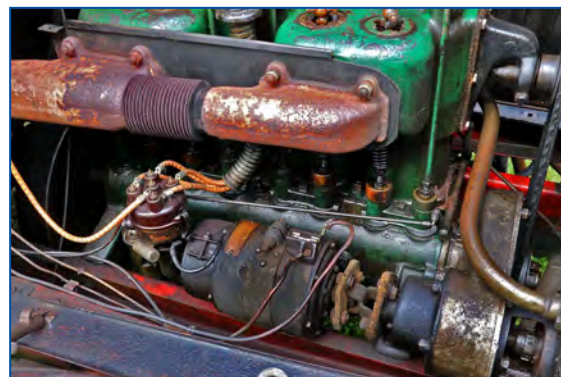
By Ken

The past weekend Sally and I attended the annual national meet of the Antique Truck Club of America (ATCA), at Macungie, Pennsylvania. This year there were 1,026 trucks on display.

Two that interested me were a pair of REOs from 1922 and 1924. Their engines had exposed overhead valves. As is typical, there was a cam down low in the block, with pushrods running up to the head to actuate rockers. But all of that was exposed. Someone there informed me that the mechanism had to be oiled every 30 miles, but he noted that neither truck had an odometer to indicate when that would be necessary.

Note the oil can sitting on the frame in one of the photos. Motor vehicle operation was a bit more challenging in those earlier days!

By the way, that "THE NEWS" shown on the 1922 model is the New York Daily News, still "New York's Picture Newspaper." Note the old-fashioned press camera, with the folding bellows and the (squeeze) bulb shutter activator.



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TOWN	WANTAGE, NJ
MAKE	REO
YEAR	1922
MODEL	F SPEEDWAGON
INFO.	450

OWNER	FRANK RICKENBAUGH
TOWN	WANTAGE, NJ
MAKE	REO
YEAR	1924
MODEL	F SPEEDWAGON
INFO.	451

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members:

Ken is pressing for a letter so he can publish a Distributor before the picnic. I'll do recap of the Dust 'em Off Tour then discuss the events for the summer. June 19th is the last General Membership Meeting until September. Enjoy the summer!

Danny Morris arranged for the club to go to the Waterman's Museum on Tilghman Island for the Dust 'em Off Tour. The group of 13 left Hyde Park in Easton, after being greeted by Max Avey at the park. Craig and Nan brought their daughter Sabrina with them. She appeared to enjoy the trip and fit in well. We finally assembled at the museum after Danny "led us down the wrong path." We divided into two groups to make it easier to get around in the museum. Each group was led by a docent. The club donated \$100 to the museum and several members bought merchandise from the shop to help their cause. We finished a little early so Danny led us to Black Walnut Point for a photo-op, then back to Chesapeake Landing for a late lunch/early dinner. We departed Chesapeake Landing on our own after a good meal. Thanks Danny!

There are several events to enjoy over the summer. The prime event is our Club Picnic. Ken and Sally are hosting the event at their Choptank home again. The picnic is set for June 29 at 1:00 PM and is catered, as in the past. The cost is \$30 single, \$55 couple. Please notify Darlene if you are coming (410-754-5853, dnewcomb1947@gmail.com). The deadline is June 22nd, so Sally can notify the caterer. So far (6/17) only 13 have signed up and we must guarantee 30. **Bring containers** to take home food. The caterer always prepares extra and expects us to take some home with us. Ken and Sally can't eat it all!

Craig Duerling is planning a Collector Car Day event for us. Actually we are going to cheat a little and have it on July 11th, our usual Lunch Bunch day, rather than on the designated date. We will do lunch, then ice cream. Craig swears his car will make the trip this year. Details will be forthcoming-but ice cream will be involved!

The Eastern Shore Region AACA has invited us to several of their events. First, their picnic, on Tuesday, July 9th. If you are interested, contact Craig Duerling or Charles Emery for details. Second, on Saturday July 31st, the Shorebirds have invited them to show their cars until 5:30, then the cars will be secured and those displaying the cars will get free tickets to the game. **Good Deal!** Again, contact Craig or Charles for details.

Currently there are no planned activities for August-enjoy the month off.

Sincerely,
Ed Nabb, Jr., Pres.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June

- 19 12 – 1pm: BCR Premeeting, Easton Elks Lodge
1 – 2:30pm: BCR Monthly Business Meeting
 - 20-22 AACA Eastern Spring Nationals, Saratoga Springs, NY
 - 21-22 Carlisle GM Nationals—Fairgrounds, Carlisle PA Info: 717-243-7855 CarlisleEvents.com
 - 22 AACA Eastern Shore Region & 1st State Tractor Show, Auction Block, Laurel, DE
 - 29 BCR Picnic at Ken & Sally's
- July
- 2 BCR Board Meeting. 1:00-2:00 pm; via zoom
 - 4 11am – 2pm: Celebration at Mardela Springs, MD. Not a formal show, but they always have a section held for a display of vehicles. (I highly recommend attending. It's a great, family friendly event!)
 - 9 6 – 7pm: SEMA Collector Car Appreciation Night—Rita's Ice, Kent Is. MD til? Info for Kent Island Cruisers: 410-739-8689 www.kentislandcruisers.com
 - 12-14 Carlisle Chrysler Nationals—Fairgrounds, Carlisle PA

Use the **BAY COUNTRY REGION HOTLINE** to:

- find out about activity changes, club emergencies, etc.
 - pass along urgent information to all club members
- Contact **Lee Caplan** at 919-636-0955 or lcaplan@icloud.com

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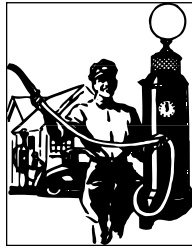
The purpose of the club shall be the preservation, use, and enjoyment of self-propelled antique, classic, and special interest vehicles and related parts, materials, and services. The Board of Directors of the Region shall meet on the first Tuesday of each month, unless otherwise specified. Membership meetings are scheduled for the third Wednesday of each month, except July and August. Meeting announcements will be carried each month in the newsletter. Articles for the newsletter are welcomed and members are encouraged to submit news about personal interest items to the editor by the 20th of each month.

ITEMS FOR THE DISTRIBUTOR should be submitted by the 20th of the month. Submissions from members are greatly appreciated. Tell us about, or show us, your cars (and trucks) and what you are doing with them. If you're planning an event, here's the place to describe it.

Electronic submissions are preferred. Having avoided learning how to type all these years, the Editor doesn't want to have to learn now. On the other hand, photos and illustrations can be scanned, with no typing necessary, so send anything that you would like the membership to see.

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Coming up:

June 29th:

*The Picnic at Ken's
& Sally's!*

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BIRTHDAYS

6/21	BARBARA EMERY	7/17	HARRIET REICHARD	8/2	GEORGE HATCHER
6/23	ELEANOR SMITH	7/18	JEANNE AVEY	8/03	MAX AVEY
6/25	WAYNE MORGAN	7/18	CHARLES EMERY	8/9	MARY MCCARTY
7/3	BUCK BURTON	7/22	HELEN PLUTSCHAK	8/19	CAROLE WILLIAMS
7/8	ED NABB	7/30	TRUDY HAMILTON	8/27	ARTHUR NORTH
7/16	HENRY SCHMIDT	7/30	DANNY MORRIS	8/31	RHONDA HIGGINBOTTOM

TRUCK TRAVELS: THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING, ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

