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What a month this has been. A great trip to Anamosa hosted by the Gleason's. That museum will be a great loss to the community. I must admit I don't know much about 2 wheeled vehicles but I think I saw every size, shape, power plant, and color scheme possible. It was a beautiful day with sun, cool weather, and great roads for those who drove the tour. Kudos to the true Road Warrior of Mike Flaherty in his 1914 T with no top and windshield. Thanks again to the Gleason's.

My next outing was the Indianapolis 500. It is a spectacle that everyone should take in at least once in their lifetime. As for Fred, Annette, myself and Damon Vanlandegan, it has become an annual pilgrimage. We go on Saturday for a racing Flea Market, track shopping, and all the pageantry that is Indy. Sunday is race day with prerace regalia that is just awesome. Then the sights and roar of the engines, smell of burning rubber and speeds so fast you can't turn your head fast enough. Yes, I'm hooked.

It was a shame that the weather was so crappy for our Family Day. Even so 38 hearty souls came out to feast on pancakes, sausages, and hot coffee. Arranged by John Brewer and Claire Pearson, coffee by the Perry's and lots of other Board hands that showed up at 7:30 to set up and help cook. Great food, not nice weather. All supplies paid for from the proceeds of our last National Meet.

That said, don't forget we are in the serious planning phase for the Grand National. Car counts are hovering around 100 at this point with almost all coming by trailer. PLEASE HELP WHERE YOU CAN!!!!

See you soon!

Mary B



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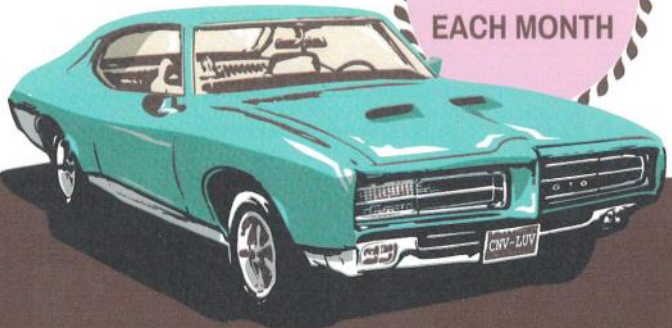
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EACH MONTH



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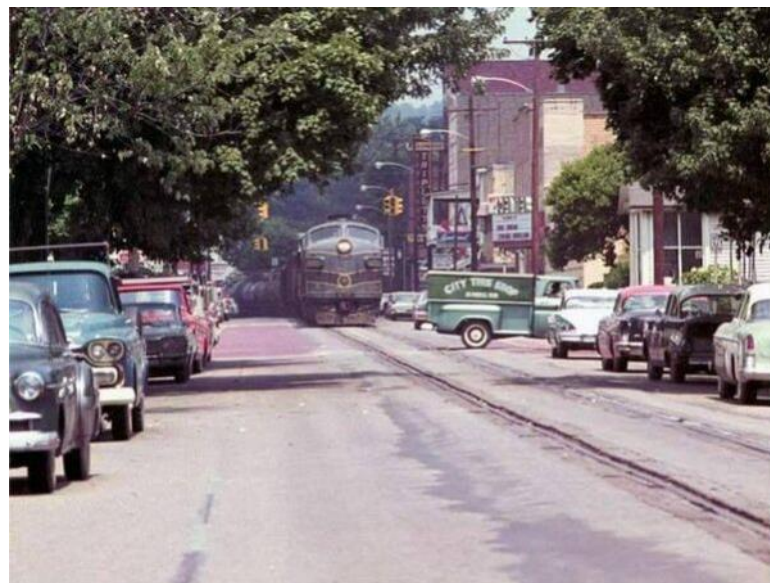
I'm looking for someone who knows or wants to learn about restoring autos and make money at the same time

If you are that person or know someone, contact me

Eric Smith

815 535 1367

Coal Valley



GRAND NATIONAL MEET MEETING

Butterworth Education Center, May 17, 2023

Present: Mark Lousberg, Mary Bartemeyer, John Brewer, Dick and Sandy Perry, Eric Smith, Clair Pearson, Mike Flaherty

Absent: Fred Bartemeyer, Jr.

Mary reported that 396 room nights have been reserved so far with 114 reservations. North Tower is sold out. Still room in S. Tower. She has received calls from people reporting difficulties in using the Call Center, and she has tried to facilitate their room reservations.

Vehicle Registration update: 49 cars, 1 motorhome, 36 trailers less than 25', 5 trailers more than 25'.

Meet event registrations: 53 for ice cream social, 65 for Cruise, 48 for banquet (pork), 48 for banquet (chicken), 2 children. T-Shirt orders: 2 S, 2 M, 2 L, 13 XL, 4-2XL, 2-3XL

Discussion on availability of lanyards and name tags. Unable to print nametags until 7/26 meet deadline.

Mary gave out copies of Liability Insurance to cover the club during the meet.

Zenith Coordinator Eric Smith: 7 cars have not yet registered for Gr. Natl. Meet. Eric will contact each owner after 7/4 RE parking and any other questions.

Field Marshal John Brewer brought a large diagram of the show field layout. Discussion of the dumpster location and food truck location. He will leave spaces between classes for last minute entries. Discussion on location and delivery of porta potties and wash stations.

Clair reported that Arrowhead will supply 4 youth and 2 adults to help with trash pickup on show field. We will supply lunches for them. They must leave at 2:30 p.m.

He has secured 3 food trucks so far and will try for one more.

Changes to the T-shirt were made as requested.

Clair asked for guidance on content for Meet Book articles covering the history of the Bettendorf Brothers, History of the Bridges, and history of the R.I. Arsenal. Sandy offered to locate some information from Historical Society.

Advertising-We received a \$250 check from Roger Claussen for an ad in the newsletter. JC Taylor has purchased an ad for \$500. We need to secure additional ads from local companies. Mary will talk to Mills Chevrolet.

Merchandise will be handled by Mike Flaherty. He could use some assistance during the meet to handle. Clair needs the number of tables and chairs needed by Merchandise and Membership. We will ask Isle staff about availability of both items for the meet.

Visit Quad Cities has not secured a meeting date with Bettendorf officials yet. Mark will follow-up.

Next Meeting: Wed. June 21st at Butterworth Ed. Center. Clair Pearson and Perrys will be absent.

July 19 Meeting will be a site walk of the premises to finalize all arrangements.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Submitted by Sandy Perry, Secretary

AACA Minutes
June 7, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7:00.

Present: M. Bartemeyer, J. Brewer, J. Brewer, G. Gleason, E. Smith, S. Ethridge, M. Lousberg,
M. Flaherty Absent: F. Bartemeyer

Minutes:

Motion was made and approved for minutes as written with no corrections.

Treasury:

Treasurer's report was read and will be filed for audit.

Sunshine:

A sympathy card was sent for Darrell Blankenship and it was noted also that long standing member from the past, Jean Doden, passed away.

Roster:

Nothing to report.

Membership:

We presently have 142 members.

Web Master:

A problem that the site had has been resolved.

Historian:

Nothing to report.

Old Business:

We had around 15 members making the trip to Anamosa. A good time was had by all and a good lunch was enjoyed on the way up.

New Business:

Members were asked if there was any interest in the Bettendorf 4th of July Parade. No interest was shown. Family day is organized and we are set to go for the pancake breakfast. Anyone interested in helping set up should show up at 7:30.

July - Possibly a drive on the 14th which is National Car Appreciation Day.

August 10-12 - Grand National Meet

September - Event by E. Smith - Date yet to be determined

October 14 - Big River State Forest Cookout

November - Annual Banquet

Meeting adjourned at 7:20.

Submitted by,
Jan Brewer, Secretary

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Gary Gleason reported that \$18,766.00 has been received for registration, parking and events to date. Expenses have been \$4,237.32 leaving a balance of \$14,528.68 in the Meet account.

Mary reported that 256 reservations have been received to date. Vehicle Registration update: 83 Registrations totaling 62 cars, 2 motorhomes, 48 trailers less than 25', 18 trailers more than 25'. Meet event registrations: 65 for ice cream social, 80 for Cruise, 58 for banquet (pork), 76 for banquet (chicken), 2 children. T-Shirt orders: not given
Dash Plaques – 300 have been made to date with more possible if needed.

Zenith Coordinator Eric Smith: Eric will contact each Zenith owner and review parking and display plans.

Mark reported on a meeting with the Bettendorf Police and staff. He motioned to pay Bettendorf Police to provide overnight security on the meet premises to prevent vandalism at a cost of \$1200 for 3 shifts @ \$400 each. The motion was seconded but failed on a hand vote.

The Meet Book deadline date is July 12 for all information. He still needs mayor's letter, AACA Pres. letter, some articles, Registration information, maps and directions for driving tours. This will also include Zenith cars & owners.

Mark asked where we still need volunteers and the following areas were suggested: ice cream event ticket takers, Banquet ticker checkers at door. Boat tickets will be checked by staff. Advertising-IH sent check for \$500. Other local businesses were mentioned for possible meet book ads.

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Discussion on number of tables needed for trophy display during banquet. Also discussion on any identifying clothing item for MVR members. Ribbons were decided on plus members asked to wear bright colored T-shirt.

John handed out a calendar graphic showing Meet deadline date as 7/26 with registration complete as of 8/3 with show field Final. On 8/4 & 8/5, meet envelopes will be checked and packed. 8/6-8/11 will be time to correct any errors or emergency entries with final paperwork given to Judging staff by 8/11.

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May Tour to the Motorcycle Museum hosted by the Gleasons

The Cruising Group



Mike Flaherty Leads the Way







Family Day

2023



*Thanks to John and Clair
who planned this event.*



*38 Members braved
a chilly morning
with a little drizzle
and had a lot of fun.*



The Des Moines Concourse is looking for vehicles, especially those 1900 to 1927. If you can help, please do so.

Joseph Phillips, the concourse chair for the Antique Class, 1900-1927 was the Auto Teacher at Bettendorf High and is working with students in Des Moines and starting a Junior AACA Region. He is also looking for volunteers to help park cars at the concourse.

Here is his contact information.

Joseph Phillips
Industrial Arts Instructor
Registered Apprenticeship Coordinator
Southeast Polk High School
7945 NE University Avenue
Pleasant Hill, Iowa 50327
Office: (515) 967-6631 Extension: 2062

Attached are links to the DSM Concourse website and a separate one to the registration form.

<https://desmoinesconcours.com/>

<https://desmoinesconcours.com/exhibiting/>

May Cars and Ice Cream Attendees



Thanks to everyone who sent me pictures of this event!

-Mark



MVR participants at the Southpark Mall Cruise May 26th



Upcoming MVR Events

Friendship Manor in Rock Island has contacted the club asking if we can support a car display for their residents on Saturday the 17th of June.

Set up around 9am and show 10-12 AM.

The parking area can handle approximately 20 cars, we have 6 registered. If you are interested, please let me know as I will track entries. Friendship Manor is located at 1209 21st Avenue, Rock Island

Mark

Cars and Ice Cream 2023

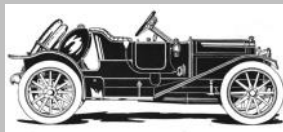
Cars and Ice Cream for June will be at 3:30 PM on June 25th.

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June 3, 1864 Ransome Eli Olds was born in Geneva, Ohio

June 6, 1932, Congress levies the gas tax adding 1 cent to every gallon sold

June 6, 1933: First drive-in movie theater opens

June 9, 1909, Alice Huyler Ramsey becomes the first woman to drive across North America

June 10, 1947, SAAB builds their first car



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