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North Atlantic Packards 2019 Activity Calendar

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October 9-12	AACA Eastern Division Fall Meet Hershey, PA
October 20	Studebaker/Packard Day Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline MA
November 3 	Tech Seminar Parker's Packards, Holden MA
December/January 	Holiday Banquet <i>Details TBD</i>
April 3-5, 2020	43rd Annual Texas Packard Meet Salado, TX texaspackardmeet.org for information
June 28-July 4, 2020	PAC National Meet Rohnert Park, CA packardclub.org for information

Please join us on Sunday, November 3rd at Parker's Packards for our next Membership Meeting! We will kick off the day with an activities meeting to plan the 2020 calendar (bring your ideas!) at 10 AM. Parker will do a tech seminar on proper Packard maintenance and precautions during lunch and we will close the day with our membership meeting. Please come and get involved in what NAP will be doing on 2020!



Director's Comments

I hope that everyone has had a chance to get out and enjoy their cars this summer. I know I'm hoping that we have another Indian Summer this year to stretch out the driving season a bit.

We had a record turnout of members and cars at the picnic this summer! We met up at the Connecticut Trolley Museum where we enjoyed an entertaining ride on a trolley and got to meet up with some super heroes and princesses while climbing aboard trolleys from yesteryear. Farn, David and Joelle provided quite the spread that we enjoyed while soaking in the beautiful weather and cars alike.

At our membership meeting, David Robinson provided Drusilla with the Snodgrass award for her excellent work on the Pelican Papers. The Board also presented Dave and Erik Robinson a painting of their 1930 Packard for their continued commitment to NAP.

Dave Robinson spoke about the National Meet and announced that NAP has been asked to host the National Meet in 2023. Stay tuned for opportunities to help out coming up soon.

A week ago, my family and I traveled up to Vermont to hop onto the second day of Dave Robinson's Covered Bridge Tour. We enjoyed a nice morning tour through Keene taking in the scenery. Even one of our youngest members got to enjoy a ride in George Sweezey's 1947 Custom Super Clipper.

Our next membership meeting will be at Parker's Packards in November. If you want to get involved in activities planning for 2020, please come join us!

Don't forget that club members are welcome to the National meeting at Hershey. Make sure you stop by the PAC tent on the Green Field. Happy motoring!

Parker



From the Desk of
Drusilla Carter, Editor

As ever, thanks to all who contributed articles and photos for the *Pelican Papers*. If you have Packard stories or bad jokes or technical information...pass it along. This newsletter is only as good as all of you make it!

Also, remember that we have a page on the website for members' cars. If you have a photo of your car that you'd like to share, please email it to me (or snail mail, and I will scan it and return it to you) along with a note telling me what model it is. Otherwise I might be forced to make it up, and that could get interesting.

It was good to see so many of you at the annual picnic. Hope to see more members at the tech seminar in November. And stay tuned for information on the holiday-ish banquet, which is always a fun time!



- Drusilla



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NAP Annual Picnic

by Sheri Roaf

(photos by a whole bunch of people)

Eleven Packards set out on a clear morning in August to converge at the Connecticut Trolley Museum. It was exciting to pull into the parking lot and see the line up of Packard beauties.

We were able to go for a nice ride on an open air trolley that got up to nearly 30 mph (according to Parker's phone). It was a 1902 Trolley out of Pittsburgh, number 355. There was a great history lesson and renovation information that only our group could appreciate. We got to tour the workshop where the renovation 'magic' takes place. Inside the actual museum, you could climb aboard the different trolley cars and take a step back in time. There was lot's to see and do and the littlest club members got to meet some superhero's and princesses! It was a fun time for kids and adults alike.

Afterwards we motored over to Fran's where we were able to enjoy each other's company (a record 46 of us!) and each other's cars. Fran, David and Joelle once again outdid themselves. We were treated to a delicious lunch and treats before attending to our administrative duties. Parker cruised through the Membership Meeting, where Drusilla was honored with Snodgrass Awards for 2017 & 2018 for her work on the Pelican Papers and Dave and Erik were gifted a beautiful painting of their 1930 733 Club Sedan for all of their work and dedication to NAP. We welcomed new club members Josh and Jenny Hartwell with an applause and look forward to meeting up with Karl Ledbetter at a future event. We may have even recruited a few new members!

This is the fifth year that we have done this event at Fran and David's and we cannot stress enough how thankful we are to them for all of their hard work in pulling everything together. It was really a beautiful, fun day, thank you to everyone that came out and enjoyed with us!



Darcy Roaf enjoying a trolley car

Scenes from the picnic and annual meeting.





Top: a lineup of Packards at the picnic

Middle: scenes from a trolley ride

Bottom: Eric and Dave Robinson with custom art of their 1930, a thank you from the Ckub





N.A.P. General Membership Meeting Minutes

Membership meeting held August 17th, 2019 at the NAP Summer Picnic and CT Trolley Museum tour in Bloomfield & East Windsor, CT.

Membership meeting called to order at 2:16 PM (EDST).

Parker Roaf – Director - opened the meeting.

DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Parker thanked Fran & David for hosting the Picnic and arranging the Trolley Museum tour. He then presented Fran & David with a case of wine as a club thank you for hosting the picnic for the past 5 years. This was the most successful picnic in the last 5 years with 46 participants and 12 antique automobiles. This was followed by a round of applause.
- Parker then turned over the floor to past director Dave Robinson who presented Drusilla Carter – Editor of the Pelican Papers - with 2 Snodgrass Awards (excellence in publication for the Pelican Papers), One for 2017 and one for 2018. Drusilla accepted the awards and announced that she continues to need articles for the Pelican Papers. There was a round of applause.
- Parker regained the floor to present past Director – Dave Robinson – a gift from the club for his past service and continuous dedication to the club. The gift was an oil painting of Dave's 1930 Packard. This was followed by a round of applause.
- Parker again turned over the floor to Dave Robinson. Dave announced that North Atlantic Packards club has been chosen to host the PAC national meet in 2023. The North Conway, New Hampshire area is being considered as the location for the event due to the proximity of large hotels and a landscape conducive to the hosting of an antique automobile event. The NAP Executive board will be looking into the specifics at their next meeting. There was a question brought up as to the amount of “up-front” money the club would be required to start the procedure. The reply from Dave Robinson was that he was not sure but would follow-up with a response. There will be future discussion as more details become available.
- Parker reiterated Drusilla's request for more articles for the Pelican Papers.
- Parker reviewed the next NAP event – The covered bridge tour in NH & VT in September.
- Fred Breimyer was introduced and welcomed as the new Vice-Director which was followed by a round of applause.
- Drusilla asked for photos of member's cars to be used on the NAP website. The photos should be high resolution and can be sent to her email address.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The report from the May 20th, 2019 Membership meeting – Spring Dust-Off tour in Peabody, MA was read by Fran Mayer - Secretary.

- A motion was made to accept the Secretary's report as read then seconded. Membership voted to accept the Secretary's report.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Bob Nuss reported that the club is in solid shape. The club CD is currently valued over \$10,000.

- Bob followed up with a report on the current status of the club project – The 6 to 12Volt converter. There have been 30 units sold as of this date. There are 3 versions available. Sales have stalled for the summer, so it was asked of the membership to talk-up the project with those who would benefit from owning such a device.
- Bob also mentioned that he has received a great deal of support from Max Merritt regarding their support for supplying gift cards for the club to use as prizes for our events. The other suppliers, not at all. He asked the membership to keep this in mind when purchasing our parts and supplies in the future.
- A motion was made to accept the Treasurers Report as read and then seconded. Membership voted to accept the Treasurers Report.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

- Sheri Roaf reported that the club currently has 86 members in good standing.
- Sheri asked the membership to please check their individual information in the Spring 2019 Pelican Papers and to reply to her if any information needs to be corrected.
- A motion was made to accept the Membership Report and then seconded. Membership voted to accept the Membership Report.

ACTIVITIES REPORT:

- The next activity will be the Covered Bridge Tour in NH and VT on September 14th and 15th. Dave Robinson will be sending out information in the near future.
- October 20th, Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline, MA – Studebaker/Packard Day.
- November 3rd, Technical Session at Parker's Packards in Holden, MA.
- Holiday Party - Date TBD.
- A motion was made to accept the Activities Report and then seconded. Membership voted to accept the Activities Report.

SUNSHINE POSITION:

- This position remains open.

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- Articles are again requested.

CLUB PROJECT:

- Bob Nuss asks the membership to "please talk it up!"

NEW BUSINESS:

- The club has its "hat in the ring" for the 2023 National meet. Additional information to follow.

The next membership meeting will be November 3rd, 2019 at Parker's Packards in Holden, MA.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

The membership business meeting was adjourned at 2:46 PM EDST.



Congratulations to NAP member Kenny Freiner on his marriage to Emily Flint. They used his grandfather Clark Kendall's 1926 7 Passenger Touring Packard at his wedding this past July.

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