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# North Atlantic Packards 2019 Activity Calendar

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January 26, 2020 <i>Jackard</i>	<b>NAP Post-Holiday Gathering</b> Ken's Steakhouse, Framingham MA Please join us for our Annual NAP Holiday Party. We will be feasting at Ken's Steak House on January 26th at 3PM. Please look for official email/mail invite soon to RSVP. Hope to see you there!		
Spring 2020 Jachard	Dust Off Tour		
June 2020	PAC Brunch Tour		
Gachard	Details TBD		
June 28-July4 2020	<b>PAC National Meet</b> Rohnert Park, CA		
July 12 2020	<b>Bay State Antique Auto Club Antique Car Show</b> Endicott Estate, Dedham MA		
July 17 2020	Misselwood Concourse d''Elegance Endicott College, Beverly MA		
August 2020	NAP Picnic		
Pachard	Details TBD		
September 12, 2020	<b>Cars and Coffee</b>		
Jachard	LaFerriere Classic Cars, Greenville RI		
October 2020	<b>Studebaker Packard Day</b> Larz Anderson Museum, Brookline MA		
October 15-16 2020	NH Lakes Region Tour		
Jachard	Details TBD		
October 2020	Sutton Farm Tour		
Jackard	Details TBD		
November 14, 2020	<b>NAP Tech Seminar</b>		
Jachard	Parkers Packards, Holden MA		

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## **Director's Comments**



It's been a busy motoring season, right up until the first snow for NAP! In November we held our Activities Meeting/Tech Seminar/Membership Meeting at Parker's Packards. We had a great turn out and received some good feedback to make 2020 an exciting year for our club! Joel Stern pulled together a survey on Activities that was well received and launched the conversation for what we want to do in 2020. We will kick off the year with our Holiday Party at Ken's Steak House in January where we hope to see a good turn out. This year some members have stepped up to host events, which we look forward to attending.

During the Tech Seminar, Josh Hartwell and I spoke a bit about Car Winterization and Storage. You can find a check list that we used in the presentation in this issue in case you missed it. You can also find some meticulous notes from our secretary, Fran Mayer.

It saddens me to say that Bob Nuss stepped down as Treasurer in November. We are sorry to see him go and wish him the best. Dave Robinson has selflessly stepped up to fill in the position and was voted in by the Board of Director's. We look forward to working with Dave on the board once again.

I hope that you all enjoy your holidays with family and friends.

NAP Members are invited to join the Tri-Spokes Chapter of the Studebaker Driver's Club for their

> 2020 New England Zone Meet! June 19-21, 2020 Rutland, VT

For more information or to register, contact Paul Shuffleburg, pcshuffleburg@hotmail.com

# *From the Desk of* Drusilla Carter, Editor

It's the final issue of 2019, which means most of you have put your cars away for the winter. If you haven't yet, check out the handy checklist prepared by Parker and distributed at the annual tech seminar in November. (You'll find it on page 10.)

Several of you have sent high-resolution photos of your cars for inclusion on the NAP website. Keep those coming! And as always, please send along any technical tips, car stories, photos, etc for the *Pelican Papers*.

Wishing all of you a warm and happy holiday season!

THE Jackard "ASK THE MAN WHO OWNS ONE NORTH ATLANTIC PACKARDS

- Drusilla





#### N.A.P. General Membership Meeting Minutes

Membership meeting held November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 at Parker's Packards, Holden, MA.

Membership meeting called to order at 1:18 PM (EST).

Parker Roaf – Director - opened the meeting.

#### DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Parker welcomed those in attendance. There were 27 people attending the meeting. Parker reviewed events of the last meeting held in Bloomfield, Ct at the NAP Summer Picnic.
  - Presentation of the painting to Dave and Eric Robinson of their 1930 Packard.
  - Drusilla Carter being presented with 2 Snodgrass awards for her work on the Pelican papers.
  - The announcement that North Atlantic Packards will be hosting the Packard Club National Meet in 2023

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The minutes from the August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Membership meeting – Summer Picnic in Bloomfield, CT - was published in the Summer, 2019 Pelican Papers. A motion was made to accept the Secretary's report as published then seconded. Membership voted to accept the Secretary's report.

#### TREASURERS REPORT:

Bob Nuss reported that the club is in solid shape.

- Bob followed up with a report on the current status of the club project The 6 to 12Volt converter. With the summer months, the sales have stalled. 11 units have been sold since the last report.
- 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 81 members in good standing.
- Sheri again 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. This is necessary at this
  time because the Annual Club Dues notice will be mailed to the membership in the November –
  December time frame and last year there were quite o few notices that came back with incorrect
  addresses.
- Sheri requested that the Secretary send a notice of the upcoming mailing along with the request to check individual information and notify her of any changes. Fran will send out the request within the next 5 days.
- A motion was made to accept the Membership Report and then seconded. Membership voted to accept the Membership Report.

#### **ACTIVITIES REPORT:**

- Activities were covered in the first part of the meeting. See Activities minutes for 2020 for details.
- The January "Post-Holiday Party" details will be followed up by the Activities Director Joel Stern within the week following this meeting.
- Drusilla informed us that the NAP Website has a notice to contact Joel for assistance with activities.
- A motion was made to accept the Activities Report and then seconded. Membership voted to accept the Activities Report.

#### **PELICAN PAPERS:**

- Drusilla requested that members send her high resolution photos of their Packards to be included on the NAP Website. PLEASE include information on the automobile that will be printed with the photo.
- The club now has "printed" copies of the Pelican Papers down to 10 that are being printed and sent out.
- There is a need to engage a new printer as there are increasing difficulties with the current printing company. Sheri may have someone to recommend.
- Due to the roster not being sent out electronically, there is a need for only 1 edition of the Pelican Papers to be mailed to the entire membership usually the Spring edition which contains the club roster.
- Articles are still needed for the Pelican Papers.
- The suggestion for a "Members Spotlight" type of article to be published
- The Vice Director Fred Breimyer suggested following up on an article about the recreation of the Peking to Paris race this year.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Bob Nuss Treasurer recounted that the board had discussed increasing the dues \$10.00 per annum for those who requested to receive the Pelican Papers printed and sent via USPS instead of electronically via email. This \$10.00 is the additional cost involved in the printing and mailing the Pelican Papers. At the time it was discussed, it was decided to propose and discuss the change in dues at the next membership meeting. This did not occur. Bob proposed that the club could instead of raising dues, lower the cost of display advertisements which would make it more appealing to a greater number of advertisers and hopefully increase the revenue generated by ads in the Pelican Papers. This increased revenue would offset the cost of sending printed Pelican papers via USPS. There was discussion.
  - o A motion was made to reduce the display advertisements charges to:
    - ¼ page \$70.00
    - ½ page \$100.00
    - Full Page \$150.00
      - Prices are per annum
  - Motion was seconded, and membership voted to accept the new, reduced display ad costs.
- It was also decided to leave the current membership dues at \$25.00 per annum. A motion was made to leave membership dues at the current \$25.00. The motion was seconded and the membership voted to keep the membership dues at the current price of \$25.00.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

• There was no new business.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

The membership business meeting was adjourned at 2:02 PM (EST).



#### N.A.P. 2020 Activities Meeting Minutes

Activities meeting held November 3rd, 2019 as part of the NAP Technical Membership meeting. The Activities Meeting was called to order at 10:25 AM (EST) by the regional Director, Parker Roaf.

- Parker opened the meeting and turned the meeting over to the Activities Director Joel Stern. Joel proceeded to distribute a survey he had compiled to those members present. Joel explained that the completed survey would assist in planning for future events. Joel reviewed all of the questions on the 2 page survey and the members present completed and returned the survey to Joel for further study.
- Director Roaf continued with possible activities for 2020. As the National Meet will be hosted by NAP for 2023, it was suggested that our 2020 Dust-off tour might be used as a search for locations for the 2023 National Meet.
  - The Sturbridge, MA locale was suggested as a possible dust-off location. This might include the Membership Meeting at Parker's in the AM with refreshments followed by a scenic trip down the back roads to Sturbridge. A tour of historic Sturbridge followed by a meal at the Public House with the possibility of display parking at the Public House. An additional activity might be viewing a performance at the Stage loft in Sturbridge.
  - Another suggestion was a Stowe, VT tour which might include the Grafton Clock museum.
  - It was suggested that a committee to assist Joel in the planning of the Dust-off might be in order. Joel agreed and announced that anyone interested in assisting with the Dust-off to please contact him at (619) 993 – 2219.
- The Secretary, Fran Mayer, was contacted by Richard Langworth to present to the membership the plan
  of the Richard Longworth's and the David Weston's to host a tour of the New Hampshire Lakes region
  for Thursday and Friday October 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The tour would be centered on the Inn at Smith Cove
  and would include a day and a half of viewing sights in the area. There was positive interest in the tour.
  The question of possibly moving the dates as to include either a Saturday or Sunday was brought up.
  Fran will get back to Richard Langworth with the question.
  - Fran asked Richard Langworth about moving the day to include a weekend and he replied that as this time in October is "Peak leaf viewing" season, the reasonable rates at the Inn were predicated on the "non-weekend" stay. Traffic leaving Vermont on a Sunday is very heavy, so the Thursday - Friday time frame seemed to present itself as the most reasonable.
- Continuing with the 2020 agenda:

- January, 2020 "post-holiday gathering" Ken's Steak House, Framingham, MA. Joel will follow up with the restaurant regarding costs and details.
- April / May
  - Dust-off, see above.
- June -
  - The Packard Club National Meet which is being held in California this year.
  - A possible Lunch / Brunch tour to include the New Bedford, MA Whaling Museum. Joel Stern will look into the details.
- July provides 2 events:
  - Endicott Show sponsored by the Bay State club (Date to be confirmed).
  - The Misselwood event at Endicott College (Date to be confirmed).
- August The NAP Picnic will again be held in Bloomfield, CT (Date to be confirmed) with a morning event to be determined.
- September Possible "Cars & Coffee" event at the shop of Tom Laferriere (detailes to follow).
- October-
  - Larz Anderson Museum in Brookline, MA Studebaker / Packard Day (Date to be confirmed).
  - NH Lakes Region Tour sponsored by the Langworth's and the Wesson's Oct 15th and 16<sup>th</sup> (details to follow).
  - Waters Farm, Sutton, MA (details to follow).
- November Wrights Chicken Farm Burrillville, RI; with the Bay State Club (details to follow).
- December Open.

Activities meeting was adjourned at 11:55 EST.

# Scenes from the Tech Seminar

Members of NAP gathered in November for a membership meeting and an informative presentation on winterizing your Packard and preparing it for storage.





#### Winter Storage/Spring Check list

#### 2019 NAP Tech Seminar

- 1) Oil
  - a) Fresh oil, Oil filter
  - b) Replace crush washer for drain plug
  - c) ZDDP-anything over 1,000 is good
- 2) Cooling System
  - a) Proper 50/50 mix
  - b) Used distilled water or premix
  - c) Grease water pump once a year/check packing nut
  - d) Check thermostatic shutters and lubricate pivot points
  - e) Inspect hoses for cracks or tears
  - f) Check fan belt condition
- 3) Fuel Systems
  - a) Fill tank (add Stabil) if putting car away for winter, drain if longer than a season
  - b) Inspect rubber lines
  - c) Clean out sediment bowl/gasket inspection (look for swollen rubber)
- 4) Brakes
  - a) Adjust for drag
  - b) Look at backing plates for fluid leak
  - c) Check rubber brake hoses
  - d) Inspect Master Cylinder for leaks
  - e) Change brake fluid every 2 years
  - f) Grease brake linkage
  - g) Inspect cables for fraying/breakage
  - h) Use proper brake fluid DOT 3 or 4 vs. .5
- 5) Tires
  - a) Inspect for cracks or bubbles
  - b) Overinflate by 5 psi for winter storage
  - c) Long storage-take weight off bias plys
- 6) Transmission
  - a) Manual
    - i) 1932 and earlier 600 grade
    - ii) 1933-1939 140 grade
    - iii) 1940-1956 90/90
  - b) Ultramatic
    - i) Dextron Mercon
  - c) Service every 3 years
- 7) Rear end
  - a) Service every 3 years
  - b) Check every year smells, color, amount
- 8) Steering box
  - a) Lube level
  - b) Check for leaks
  - c) Check for play
- 9) Hydraulic Shock Absorbers
  - a) Check fluid level
  - b) Check for play
  - c) Check for leaks

### Hershey Meet by Parker Roaf

First time in a long time that I can remember having beautiful weather at Hershey. In fact, the weather was warmer down there than up in New England. Hershey is like Christmas for me, I get to meet up with old friends and talk cars for a week straight. I enjoyed seeing fellow club members in the PAC tent and looking at club projects. I also got to spend some time with Fred and Jackie Bruner from Max Merritt, which is always a pleasure.

This year, we got to see Pat Turano motoring around in his 1953 Packard Henney with Les Herzog. We also perused a few Caribbeans in the Car Corral. What really caught my eye was the 1928 Packard with period correct camper trailer in tow. This combo was brought down from New York and this was the first time it's been shown. It was a very cool to see these two mated up to one another. As usual the week flew by and I barely made a dent in the green field. Here's to another great Hershey.







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