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**Gene & Marilyn Roy's  
1951 Frazer Vagabond Utility Sedan**

## ***Coming Events:***

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| May 4  | Florida Region Sunday Breakfast, Bahia Shrine, 2300 Pembroke Drive, Orlando, FL          | 9:00 AM |
| May 12 | Florida Region Board Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, 746 Formosa Ave., Winter Park, FL   | 6:00 PM |
| May 12 | Florida Region General Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, 746 Formosa Ave., Winter Park, FL | 7:00 PM |



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# President's Letter

Thanks for a great turnout at our last meeting. We had a great movie about "Oldest Cars" which everyone seemed to enjoy. Movies are great for our club but other types of entertainment would be great also. We also would like to have suggestions from the membership for any other type of entertainment. If we have interesting meetings more members are likely to come, and that would be a good thing. Suggestions that are not about cars would be great also, like the magician we had in March. At our next meeting we are having a show and tell. Anything you have of interest can be included and if you have a good story to tell that would be great also. I also like great stories of his or her first vehicle.

I hope everyone has had a chance to look at the new Membership Registry. Don and Carole put a lot of time into it and we appreciate it. Have you ever been curious how many cars our club members have? How many members we have? What make of car takes the prize? We have, if my count is right, 246 cars listed. We have 128 members registered. Ford takes the prize, Chevrolet second and Oldsmobile third. It shows our members are diversified in their tastes of this great auto collector hobby.

Plan ahead and save the dates for our monthly car excursions. In May we have our garage tour that will take place on the 17th, meeting at 10 am. We leave from Dan Brennan's garage and end at Orlando Classic Cars in Taft and have lunch after leaving.

*Nelson Lawhorn*

## First Sunday Breakfast Report

By **Annette Morrison**, Florida Region member

Our First Sunday Breakfast for March we had 17 AACA members and 2 visitor's. The 3 lucky free breakfast winners were Nancy Gilbreath, Bob McMullen and Virginia Yancey.

For the month of April we had 14 AACA members attending and 3 visitors. The AACA members who won a free breakfast were David Main, Larry Gilbreath and Dick Gauchat. All had a nice breakfast together and enjoyed fellowship with our other AACA members and guests.

The First Sunday Breakfast is at the Bahia Shrine, 2300 Pembroke Drive, Orlando, Fl. On the first Sunday of every month. The Shrine has added a Special Feature each month for an additional \$1.00. For the month of March you could get Omelets with items of your choice along with you pancakes and grits. For the month of April

they had Biscuits and Gravy. The regular Breakfast consists of Scrambled eggs, Sausage patties, Grits, Pancakes,( all you can eat ) Orange juice and all the coffee or tea you can drink. As you can see you get a very nice breakfast for only \$5.00. So why don't you come and join us for a nice Sunday Breakfast with your AACA friends and you also help support the Shrine hospitals which take care of crippled and burned children all over the world.

## **Minutes of the Florida Region AACA Board Meeting – April 14, 2014**

The Board of the Florida Region AACA met at the Kress Memorial Church in Winter Park on April 14, 2014. The meeting was called to order by President Nelson Lawhorn at 6:00 pm. Other Officers and Board Members present were Dick Gauchat, Jerry Eakins, Kerry Camp, Wayne Bostak, Larry Cole, Darrel Cole, Tom Holt, Charlie Steffy, and Dan Brennan.

Charlie Steffy gave the Treasurer's Report and it was filed.

Minutes of the March Board Meeting were approved as published in "*The Running Board*".

Motion was made by Jerry Eakins, seconded by Tom Holt, for the Club to pay \$150.00 to Larry Cole to pay for the magician who entertained us at the March meeting.

Mickey Bryant informed us that information on the website is still good

May 17, 2014, will be a garage tour to Dan Brennan's shop and on to Darrel Cole's and then to Dave Murray's display. Lunch will be intertwined somewhere along the way.

On Sunday, June 29, 2014, The Great American Race will finish in Tavares at The Villages. People attending from our Club will meet for lunch at National Parts Depot (NPD). Time will be discussed later.

On Sunday, October 26, 2014, Kerry Camp will have a Club picnic at his home. The Club will furnish hamburgers and drinks.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

*Dick Gauchat*  
*Temporary Secretary*

## **Minutes of the Florida Region AACA General Meeting – April 14, 2014**

The General Meeting of the Florida Region AACA was held at the Kress Memorial Church in Winter Park on April 14, 2014. The meeting was called to order by President Nelson Lawhorn at 7:10 pm with 34 members present.

Dick Gauchat led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The movie presentation at the meeting was Antique Automobiles.

Charlie Steffy gave the Treasurer's Report and it was filed.

The Minutes of the March General Meeting were approved as published in "*The Running Board*".

Dena Holt gave the Sunshine Report. She reported Bill Pyle was in the hospital.

Ray Eckhart reported 11 Club members, out of a total of 31, were at the Edgewood Car Show. There will be two more shows this year at Edgewood.

Saturday, April 26, 2014, will be the Volusia AACA Region car show at Lake Helen.

Our club member Matt Cannizzaro has been hired to appraise the vintage **Corvettes** recovered from the sinkhole disaster at the Corvette Museum.

2014 is the 50th anniversary of the **Ford Mustang**.

Next month will feature "Show and Tell".

50-50 Was won by Jerry Eakins. Silver dollars won by Don Allen, Pete Foley and Wayne Bostak

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

*Dick Gauchat*  
*Temporary Secretary*

## MAY Birthdays

Mike Adams	May 26
Don Allen	May 4
Nancy Barr	May 10
Clayton Elliot	May 9
Bud Gross	May 17
Denise Jackson	May 25
Becky Koehn	May 24
Ray Morrison	May 16
Tina Prior	May 17
Patricia Johnson	May 25
JoAnn Pyle	May 29

## British to American Car Terminology

### British Term

accumulator  
 actuator  
 artic  
 baulk ring  
 bonnet  
 boot  
 bulkhead  
 choke tube  
 core plug  
 crocodile clip  
 crosshead screw  
 cubby box

### American Term

battery  
 switch or servo  
 'artic'ulated lorry or a semi tractor-trailer  
 synchro ring  
 hood  
 trunk  
 firewall  
 venturi (carb)  
 freeze plug  
 alligator clip  
 Phillips head screw  
 glove box

damper  
 drive shaft  
 drop-head coupe  
 dumpy screwdriver  
 dynamo  
 earth  
 estate  
 fascia  
 fixed-head coupe  
 frogeye  
 Gallon (Imperial)  
 gearbox  
 gudgeon pin  
 hood  
 jointing compound  
 lorry  
 mole wrench  
 monocoque  
 nave plate  
 near side  
 nose  
 off side  
 paraffin  
 pinking  
 prop shaft  
 petrol  
 quarterlight  
 rev counter  
 reversing lights  
 ring gear  
 roadster  
 saloon  
 scuttle  
 silencer  
 sill  
 shooting brake  
 spanner  
 split pin  
 spring washer  
 suction advance  
 sump  
 thrust bearing  
 tick over  
 top gear  
 torch  
 tyre  
 wheel nut  
 windscreen  
 wing

shock absorber  
 axle shaft to wheel  
 convertible  
 short screwdriver  
 generator  
 ground  
 station wagon  
 dashboard  
 2 door coupe  
 bugeye  
 4.5 US Quarts  
 transmission  
 wrist pin  
 convertible top  
 gasket sealant  
 truck  
 vise grips  
 unibody  
 hubcap  
 left side  
 front of car  
 right side  
 kerosene  
 knocking or pinging  
 drive shaft  
 gasoline  
 vent window  
 tachometer  
 back-up lights  
 flywheel gear  
 convertible  
 'sedan', 2 or 4 door  
 cowl  
 muffler  
 rocker panel  
 station wagon  
 wrench  
 cotter pin  
 split lock washer  
 vacuum advance  
 oil pan  
 throwout bearing  
 idle  
 high gear  
 flashlight  
 tire  
 lug nut  
 windshield  
 fender

SOURCE: <http://www.lotus-europa.com/manuals/misc/newbie/terminology.htm>

# Ford Mustang's 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration



By **Mark Regnier**, Editor, *The Running Board*

On April 16, 2014, I drove my **1966 Ford Mustang coupe** to the Mustang's 50th Birthday celebration taking place at the Charlotte Motor Speedway in Charlotte, North Carolina. The weather ranged from the low 40's to the mid 60's with partly cloudy skies and no rain in sight. Very pleasant driving weather! An estimated 4,200 **Mustangs** made from 1965 to the present were reportedly in attendance!

I met up with Kathy Miller and her *Original Mustang Owners Group*. Since my father originally bought my **Mustang** brand new, I'm considered a "Legacy Owner" (son of the original owner). As a group, we parked our **Mustangs** in front of the Speedway main entrance for the duration of the event (see photo below).



On Thursday night (April 17, 2014), after spending all day looking at the new parts vendors, swap meet area and the giant Ford tent with the new **2015 Ford Mustang** on display, our group of 22 people met for dinner. I visited with other original Mustang owners from around the country and had a great time. One couple drove their orange **1965 Mustang coupe** (far left car in above photo) from California for this event!

On Friday, I looked at all the Mustangs parked in the infield of the Speedway as well as outside in the parking lots. I saw the historically significant white **1965 Mustang convertible**, Serial Number One, the first Mustang sold to the public (from the Henry Ford Museum collection) and a black **1965 Mustang convertible** from the 1964 New York World's Fair.

There were several speakers on the **Ford Mustang**

history during the week including Lee Holman from the local Holman & Moody Racing team who talked about how they were racing **1963 Falcons** in Europe with great success and transferred their racing knowledge from the **Falcon** to the **Mustang** (almost the same chassis). He said this accounted for the early success of Carroll Shelby's **G.T. 350 Mustangs**.

Friday afternoon was the attempt to set a Guinness World's record for the most moving cars in a car cruise. An estimated 1,000 **Mustangs** registered for this event. The goal was a non-stop cruise/drive from near the Speedway to Kannapolis, N.C. about 35 minutes away. A local newspaper calculated that if all these 1,000 cars were parked bumper to bumper, the line of **Mustangs** would be over 3.5 miles long!



As the cruise began, around 6 pm, a light rain started. A police escort for this cruise made sure no one had to stop for traffic lights for the entire 13 mile drive. There were people standing in the rain waving to us as we drove north. We arrived in Kannapolis without issue, parked, walked around the downtown shopping area and talked to other Mustang owners.

On Saturday morning, our last activity for the *Original Mustang Owners Group* was a catered lunch provided by Scott Halseth, Ford Product Manager of National Parts Depot (Michigan). After lunch he gave all of us a nifty goody bag and a special hat.

This was a really memorable event for me because of the people I met, the cars I saw and the chance to drive my Dad's car to this **Mustang** celebration.

# COVER VEHICLE FEATURE ARTICLE

## 1951 Frazer Vagabond 4 Door Hatchback

**Owners:** Gene and Marilyn Roy  
Florida Region members

1) The Roy's bought this car in 2012 out of Tennessee in its present restored condition. It has an AACA Senior badge. The car is mostly unrestored except for a paint job in the original Frazer factory color and rechromed bumpers. This car can also be described as a "hatchback sedan". The 1951 base price for this car was \$2,259. Only 2,914 Vagabonds were made in 1951.

2) The 226 Cubic Inch (3.7 liter) "Supersonic" L-head (flat head) inline six engine develops 115 horsepower at 3,650 rpms and torque of 190 at 1,800 rpms. The original 6 volt electrical system is retained.

3) The interior has comfortable fabric seats in front and vinyl seats in back with full rubber floor mats front and rear. The car features a 3 speed on the column with overdrive transmission. The doors open from the inside with a push button opener (not a handle), a feature that was also used on Lincolns and Cords.

4) The front end features rare Kaiser-Frazer fog lights.

5) Because of the hatchback feature, Vagabonds came with heavier duty rear leaf springs /shocks and larger 7.10 x 15 tires than the sedan models. At 3,555 pounds on a 123.5 inch wheelbase, the car cruises smoothly at 65 mph. Gene drives the car around Florida and has put 2,000 miles on the car since he bought it.



# Sold on eBay

By **Mark Regnier**, Editor, *The Running Board*

This “unrestored” 12 cylinder **1940 Lincoln Zephyr Club Coupe** with fender skirts and 48,000 miles sold for \$12,000 on April 23, 2014 on eBay. The seller claims it’s one of 3,500 made. The seller’s description further states... “ *All original. V12 3-speed manual trans. Runs and drives but needs brakes. Drove vehicle using the emergency brake to stop. Looks like the gauges still work. Trans shifts nice. Suspension solid. Body very solid. Floors need a little work. Trunk floor looks solid. Has a radio and heater under the dash. Clean Illinois title!* “



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1923 Ford Model T Touring	16,500
1927 Studebaker Victoria Coupe	18,500
1932 Rolls Royce	35,000
<b>1940 Mercury CUSTOM Hotrod</b>	<b>79,995</b>
1952 Ford Tractor with accessories/implements	1,800
1952 Chevy 2-Door Sedan Business DLX coupe	28,995
<b>1952 MGTD</b>	<b>17,900</b>
<b>1953 MGTD RED</b>	<b>21,500</b>
<b>1954 Plymouth Savoy Hot Rod Nice</b>	<b>12,500</b>
1957 Chevy Bel-Air Hardtop, 2-dr, Yellow, updated!	37,500
1957 Chevy Bel-Air	12,500
1960 Lincoln Continental 2 dr. Convertible, Mark V	79,000
1965 Chevrolet Corvair Red	7,500
1964 International C-1100 ½ Ton Pickup	6,000
1966 Chrysler Convertible 300	18,000
1967 Chevy Camaro Silver	26,000
1969 Chevy El Camino	15,900
1974 Chevy Corvette Stingray Blue	21,995
1974 MGB-RED	6,150
1984 Olds Brougham	3,500
1988 Jaguar XJS Convertible	19,900
1990 Corvette	8,995
1996 BMW Motorcycle 850 R	2,995
1997 Chevy Camaro	3,495
1997 Chevy Camaro Z28	9,995
2013 Military Model Enfield Motorcycle 500cc	6,395

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## Willow Run Assembly Plant in Michigan Slated for Demolition



By **Mark Regnier**, Editor, *The Running Board*

An interesting article was published on a web site about the impending demolition of the 332 acre Willow Run Assembly Plant near Ypsilanti, Michigan. Some things I learned from the article....

*"Built on land owned by Henry Ford to crank out B-24 Liberator bombers in 1941, the Albert Kahn designed plant became the largest single industrial building under one roof. Once it ramped up to full production in late*

*1943, the so-called "Grand Canyon of the mechanized world" would produce a bomber per hour, along with a number of wood-bodied gliders."*

*"Kaiser-Frazer converted Willow Run to automotive production and built cars there from June 1946 to July 1953 before selling the plant to General Motors for \$26 million. GM used the plant to build Hydra-Matic transmissions and other powertrain components until December 2010."*

**SOURCE:** <http://blog.hemmings.com/index.php/2014/04/25/willow-run-assembly-plant-demolition-proceeding/>

### Coming Up a Little Further Down the Road:

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|---------------|--|----------------|
| <b>June 1</b> | Florida Region Sunday Breakfast, Bahia Shrine, 2300 Pembroke Drive, Orlando, FL          | <b>9:00 AM</b> |
| <b>June 9</b> | Florida Region Board Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, 746 Formosa Ave., Winter Park, FL   | <b>6:00 PM</b> |
| <b>June 9</b> | Florida Region General Meeting, Kress Memorial Church, 746 Formosa Ave., Winter Park, FL | <b>7:00 PM</b> |

### May 2014 Car Events

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|---------------|--|
| <b>May 10</b> | <b>Historic Longwood Cruise In</b> , 5 pm – 8 pm , the show is FREE, open to all, , downtown Longwood, 124 West Church Avenue. There's door prizes, 50/50 drawing, gourmet food trucks and DJ music. For more info, call Tara at (407) 617-4201  |
| <b>May 17</b> | <b>Art of the Automobile Event</b> , Daytona Beach, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, Held in Riverfront Park on South Beach Street, more than 800 vehicles, this nostalgic event is a classic celebration of cars, music, fashion, and food. Contact: (386) 255-5922  |
| <b>May 24</b> | <b>Anheuser Busch Brewery Tour And Car Show</b> , Jacksonville, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm Presented by Anheuser Busch Brewery, 111 Busch Drive, there's dash plaques and goody bags for the first 100, more than 30 awards, food and beverage available, 50/50 drawing, brewery tours, and more. Registration fee is \$25, and in honor of Memorial Day, display an American flag, and receive a \$5 discount. Contact (904) 386-1940 |

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m\\_bjuL1fK-8&feature=player\\_detailpage](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m_bjuL1fK-8&feature=player_detailpage)