



DAN'L BOONE REGION CAR CLUB

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Howard Irwin, President of the Dan'l Boone Region AACA

Dan'l Boone Members,

First of all, I want to wish you and your families a Happy New Year. I trust you all had a very Merry Christmas. I really enjoyed our Christmas December meeting at the Chop House. Thanks go to Sergio for setting this up again this year. By my count I think we had 32 folks attending, which is very good for our club. Marty is sharing some photos from the evening with you below. I especially liked the festive clothing worn by some. I think Bill Anderson gets the prize for the most photogenic Christmas outfit! I hope you all also enjoyed our White Elephant Gift Exchange as well as I did. We had 28 gifts from which to choose from and toward the end, the gift stealing really took hold, with many items reaching the 3 steal limit. Hopefully, we can do this again in 2026.

Taking a look back at 2025, we had another great year. We had several new members join us in 2025 and our membership has continued to grow over the last 4 years. Thanks for getting out the good word about our club and our goals of fun and fellowship in our old car hobby. We had three big show events that we sponsored in 2025. The Blake Show in May, the Fun Fest Show in July and our main event of the year, Allandale in September. In addition to these events we had other cruise events as follows: March-Tour Randy Still's collection both downtown and Indian Springs with lunch together downtown, April-Two events, first a cruise to the West Ridge HS All Wheels show and second a cruise to Big Stone Gap, with lunch along the way followed by a tour of Colby Reasor's collection of cars, a boat and other memorabilia, May-Cruise to the Axe Handle Distilling Show in Pennington Gap, VA including lunch at the show, June-our first summer last Friday monthly cruise in at Sonic Colonial Heights, July-cruise to Nottingham Church's annual show near Gate City, VA with lunch included, August-cruise to Doe River Gorge in place of our monthly meeting included lunch, at train ride into the Gorge and a visit to the camp grounds, September-last Friday night Sonic Cruise in for the season after our Allandale Show, October-cruise to the Cranberry Festival in Shady Valley, TN with lunch at the Festival. These events didn't include several national and regional AACA events attended by several of our club members, many of these events had slides shared at our monthly meetings, held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at Zachary's Steak House in Colonial Heights. A great year of fun activities, that I certainly enjoyed and hope you all did as well.

Looking ahead to 2026, we'll shoot for a similar level of events as last year. We'll begin our January meeting on Tuesday, January, 20th at 6pm at Zachary's Steak House in Colonial Heights. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. I'll send out a reminder email a few days before this meeting. Early in February, we'll plan our first Board meeting, with date and location to be set soon. We are open to suggestions for events to consider for March and April. Bill Anderson has suggested we consider making a trip to Asheville to the Estes-Winn Antique Car Museum at the Grovewood Village on the grounds of Grove Park. That might be a fun outing for a Saturday or Sunday afternoon in April. Please let us know your thoughts.

JANUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER

Since we didn't conduct any business at our Christmas Party, there are no minutes of our December meeting included with this newsletter. Again, thanks for helping make 2025 a great year and we look forward to more good times in 2026. Happy New Year to you and your families!

Howard

Members, please take a look at our calendar of events on our website for upcoming 2026 fun. Our website: <https://danlbooneregion.aaca.com/> look under Calendar Of Events heading.

Also, Our meetings will be held at Zachary's Steak House each Third Tuesday of each Month (except for August picnic at Doe River Gorge), September's meeting is moved early to accommodate prep for Allandale show and December which will be our Christmas Party.

Dan'l Boone Car Club 2026 Events

JANUARY 2026

- **Monthly meeting 6pm Zachary's Steak House
January 20th 6pm**

FEBUARY 2026

- **AACA 2026 Convention, Chantilly, VA**

Other events throughout the year are on our website

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Susan Taylor 1/7

Frankie Lambert 1/11

Pam Osbourne 1/21

Pat Hathaway 1/21

Our Christmas Party, December 16, 2026









