

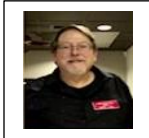


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From the Desk of President Marty Lane May 2023

Greetings,

Our automotive year is full of many varied events that we can look forward to including but not limited to our Fun Fest Car Show downtown and the much-anticipated Allandale Event with the Corvette Anniversary being our special theme.

Our Vice President Howard Irwin has shared an interesting article here sent by his brother in Germany: **How a 130-year-old car passes the TÜV (vehicle inspection)**

Is there hope for the owners of old, rickety cars? For example, you can simply take a large trowel with you to the main inspection ([MOT](#)) bring if the turn signal no longer works? After all, that's what Karl-Heinz Rehkopf did on Monday at TÜV Nord in Einbeck, Lower Saxony - and received a test sticker for two more years for his almost 130-year-old example of the Benz Victoria model. Classic car expert Thorsten Rinke from TÜV Nord says that this is "a nice thought game," but that different legal regulations apply to incredibly old vehicles than to modern ones. The requirements that a vehicle must meet depend on the date of initial registration. Direction indicators for vehicles would have to have a type of approval from the first

registration on January 1, 1957. "Before January 1, 1970, red rear direction indicators were also permitted."

Thanks to the legal situation, Rinke was able to give what is probably the oldest car in Germany - perhaps also in the world - an inspection sticker. However, the special regulations for the car with the model number 99 fill an entire DIN A4 sheet. Because it only has candle-lit lamps, it can only be driven during the day. And to turn the signal, you always have to have a large trowel on board.

Normally, the car is in the car museum PS-RAM in Einbeck, the donor Rehkopf personally drives it to the TÜV every two years. For this he needs support from a specialist from the museum workshop. To start you have to turn a flywheel "with real spin," says museum spokesman Stephan Richter, while driving you are constantly busy adjusting the fuel mixture. "You have to pull out all the stops for that," says Richter. "You can't have a conversation while driving." "If the weather is bad, and there is high air pressure and high humidity, the mixture has to be richer." With its six horsepower, the car can reach speeds of up to 30 kilometers per hour. It has a three-liter, one-cylinder engine and is steered by a steering rod. Every 15 kilometers you have to stop to refill water and re-grease the engine. The trips to the TÜV every two years are the main job that the old lady still has to fulfill, otherwise she is only presented at festivals.

The car was built in 1894, the sewing silk manufacturer Alexander Gütermann from Gutach bought it directly from Karl Benz in Mannheim and promoted his coachman to chauffeur. The Gütermanns then took care of the Victoria for generations, and it was not until 2009 that they sold the car to the museum's founder, Rehkopf.

The museum recently bought another original from the family: what is the first traffic ticket in traffic history states that Gütermann drove so fast through Denzlingen on May 16, 1895, that "the curtains fluttered" in a nearby inn. Gütermann had to pay a fine of three marks for this - long before there were speed limits.

Thanks, Howard, for that fascinating article.

The dinner meeting will be on **TUESDAY, MAY 23**. Be aware, this is the **FOURTH TUESDAY** of the month. Our JUNE meeting will resume our usual Third Tuesday of the Month.

2023 looks to be a momentous year for the club and we have many good shows to look forward to in our upcoming motoring adventures, (and the Allandale Corvette Celebration).

Marty Lane, President AACA Daniel Boone Region



Members can RSVP if they plan to attend the May 23rd meeting via email To marty_in_easttn@yahoo.com, please do so by May 19th.



Sunshine News-Longtime member Judy Williams and Lowell will be traveling to Cumberland Gap to receive a tourism award for their company and Judy will be traveling to Richmond, Virginia to accept a SWaMmy Honors (small, women and Minority owned business)award.

Judy has been a constant worker in Lee County trying to provide employment for some of the area's population

DANIEL BOONE CAR CLUB MINUTES: APRIL 18, 2023

Meeting called to order by Marty Lane, President. 21 Members in attendance and two guests. Pledge Allegiance and Prayer before meal.

Announcements: Tribute Cruise-In for Eddie Lawson on April 28, 2023, at Freddy's on Stone Drive, KPT 5pm (this event has been cancelled and rescheduled for May 26).

Axe Handle Distillery, Pennington Gap, VA (Judy Williams, club member) will hold its 3rd Annual Car/Bike Show on May 20, 2023.

Shadows and Sunshine:

Howard Osborne is doing well, and we hope to see him at our next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Frankie and Wayne Lambert (Newsletter Editor and Treasurer) for our club have announced their retirement. Their many years of outstanding work have been vital to this club and we hope they will continue to remain active club members.

Dave Williams reported no finalized date for Fun Fest Car Show. He also explained the four levels of sponsorship for the 45th Annual Allandale Car Show. Members were given the opportunity to make their input in a recent e-mail as a deadline is set. Gary Head has agreed to serve as MC for the 70th Anniversary of Chevrolet Corvette's at the Allandale Car Show.

The Classic Cruisers of Southwest, VA are interested in attending our 4th Annual Classic Cars for Classic Seniors Cruise-In at The Laurels Retirement and Assisted Living Center in Norton, VA. (Saturday, June 17th).

Randy Still gave a detailed slide presentation of The Stable of Thoroughbreds: Autos with Pedigree that he attended in Tucker, Georgia.

Meeting was adjourned by Marty at 9:09pm

We have recently learned that Eddie Williams, who has sponsored the Fun Fest Car Show for FORTY -ONE YEARS will be unable to do so this year. We are so thankful for his support for all those years.

His support has allowed the people of Kingsport and surrounding areas to see automobiles, of numerous models, makes, colors and conditions that they would not have otherwise been able to view free of charge.

It is not always that people who own businesses give back to the enjoyment of their communities. **Thank You Eddie Williams**



Howard Irwin tells a couple about his 1928 Packard coupe at the Greenbrier Concourse



Randy Still's 1951 Packard Convertible at Greenbrier Concours



Sullivan County and Kingsport officials unveil a plaque December 2022 in honor of former Sullivan County Commissioner Eddie Williams. It will be hung on EMS Station No. 10. Eddie is second from left.

Happy Motoring