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*Antique Automobile Club of America*

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## NEXT MEETING:

**Saturday June 8, 2024**

**Jim Wood's  
Garage Tour**

**10:00 am**

**97 Petersen Road  
Granby, CT 06035**

Please let Jim Wood know that you are  
attending so we can give our host a headcount.

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(more details on page 4)



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**From the editor....**

We have two openings on the Board of Directors, we need someone to be the Historian and we need someone for Secretary of our CCR-AACA Club. Please let any board member know if you are interested in filling any of these important positions.

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**May 2024**

**President's Message**

May 12, 2024

CCR Region Members,

The warmer weather has finally returned and I hope that you have had the opportunity to get your favorite cars out for another season of enjoyment. April was highlighted by the Southeast Spring National and Grand National event in Charlotte, and I had the pleasure of judging HPOF for the National show and Class 271 – L at the Grand National. Every Grand National competition also includes the annual Zenith Award competition. Awesome is an adjective that is quite overused these days, but there is no better way to describe the quality and significance of each of the special cars that were selected to compete in this prestigious event this year. I strongly urge every member to make the effort to attend these national shows to experience the best cars that AACA has to offer.

The calendar is beginning to fill up with meetings and planned activities for our region. Our May meeting will be held on the 25<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Spring Vintage Car event at Cardone & Daughter Automotive in Old Saybrook. Although it is not mandatory to bring a vintage car to the event, it certainly would be great to have a few CCR cars on display there. We will plan to meet up at Cardone's at 9:30 am; the event runs until 1 pm. Refreshments will be served. The shop is located at 4 Custom Dr in Old Saybrook, which is right off of Rt 166. The Cardone's request that you bring a non-perishable food donation for the Shoreline Soup Kitchen.

**CCR member Jim Wood has graciously invited us to tour his garage in North Granby on June 8.** Stay tuned for more information on this event. Also, the State Line Oil cruise nights in Granby will resume this month on Wednesday, May 25.

June will bring the Eastern Spring National in Saratoga Springs NY on June 20 – 22, where CCR members Bruce Levy and Mark Sonstrom will be showing their Pontiacs in Class Judging. I'm confident that these fine cars will bring home awards in their respective classes.

Once again, our friends at the CT Jaguar club have invited us to take part in their Summer Picnic at Devils Hopyard State Park on Saturday August 10<sup>th</sup>. More information is available at [HERE](#).

We still need someone to take on the duties of Secretary for our region. If you have an interest in helping out with this, please contact me or any member of the Board.

And as always, I welcome your ideas on new events and ways to increase our visibility to the antique car community in our area and to attract new members to keep our region active.

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**The Jim Wood’s Garage Tour – Saturday June 8, 2024**

We have been invited to see Jim's car collection and beautiful garage facility on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at 10 AM. His collection consists of a 1933 Chevy Dump Truck, 1938 Plymouth Coupe, 1964 Chevy El Camino, 1964 Chevy Corvette, and a 1967 Chevy Chevelle, plus his friend's 1982 Chevy Station Wagon Dragster, and maybe more. The meeting is located at 97 Petersen Rd, Granby, CT 06035. Jim has offered to have coffee and donuts, but he will have to know how many members and guests are coming. Please call Jim at 860-849-9111 to let him know you will be attending. Hope to see you there.

**Future Meetings**

The next Board of Directors Meeting is  
Tuesday August 6, 2024 at 7:00 pm  
at Travis Cook’s Shop  
40 Hurlbut St, West Hartford, CT 06110

The Jaguar Club of Southern New England picnic is August 10, 2024 at Devil’s Hopyard State Park in East Haddam. Our CCR members are cordially invited to this event. More details will be published here as they become available.

**Al’s Trivia – May 2024**  
(answers on page 5)

1. What is the slang for model A-based coupe?
2. What is the name for gasoline in Italy?
3. Name the classic Ford station wagon.
4. What auto company also made aircraft?
5. What auto company was called the Letter Car Maker?
6. What other type of seat was used other than a bucket?
7. What is the cooling system pump called?
8. What was the car named for Henry's estate?
9. Name the 50's vacationing Olds.
10. Name the common door damage.

1. Deuce coupe
2. Benzina
3. Country Squire
4. Saab
5. Chrysler
6. Bench seat
7. Water pump
8. Fairlane
9. Holiday
10. Dings



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