

# Grease Rag



## National & Regional Dues Are Due

It's that time of year again. Both National and Region dues must be paid in order for you to participate in our Region activities. For those going to Hershey, National dues can be paid at the AACA HQ merchandise booth in the Chocolate Field. Please pay our local dues of \$10 single or \$15 per couple at our next meeting or send a check payable to MHRAACA to:

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## The Things You See In Ireland



Two French couples on vacation brought their Citroen 2CVs to a parking lot by the bay in Dingle.



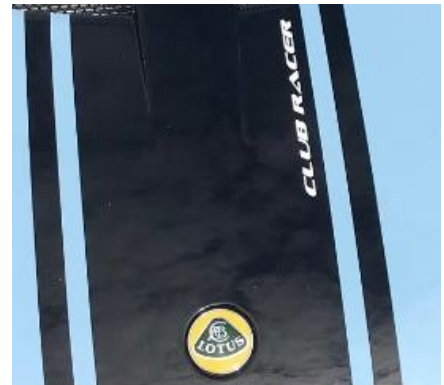
Brands on the road in Ireland that you seldom or never see here in the US



Alfa Romeo – Italy



Dacia – Romanian Renault



Lotus Club Racer – England



Opel – German Groupe PSA



Peugeot – French Groupe PSA



Renault – France



Skoda – Czechoslovakian VW



Seat – Spanish VW



Vauxhall – English Groupe PSA

Turns out, as automakers consolidate, Groupe PSA is the parent company of Peugeot, DS, Citroen, Opel and Vauxhall. Groupe Renault manufactures Dacia in Romania, Samsung in South Korea, AutoVaz in Russia and is allied with Nissan and Mitsubishi in Japan.

More unusual things seen in Ireland



A group of Lotus enthusiasts on tour at the Kylemore Abbey, County Clare, Ireland



Citroen food truck in a gift shop, Doolin



Regent Replica – England, on Dingle Peninsula

As you may know, your editor spent 23 days in September in Ireland. We had only five days of light rain. The scenery and the seafood were spectacular, the people were very friendly and the roads were – for the most part - narrow and very narrow. We covered about 1,400 miles, went to a flying boat museum, attended a chamber music festival, heard traditional Irish music at a number of pubs around the Emerald Isle and developed a taste for Irish coffee and Bailey's coffee – Guinness not so much.

*Note - "The Things You See ..." will be a feature in each newsletter going forward. It will highlight club vehicles and others seen at meets wherever, and divert on occasion to unusual places or events when pictures are available. If you have pictures you would like to share, please send them to me at [macnish1947@yahoo.com](mailto:macnish1947@yahoo.com). ed.*

**From your Editor’s laptop**

With my Ireland portfolio, this issue’s notes are short. As mentioned previously and above, I am looking for member originated articles about our hobbies. Have a story about how you got interested in cars or how you acquired your car? Does your car have an interesting history? Got an automotive tall tale? Looking for that one last jewel to complete your collection? Got a collecting habit that could have our members scouting out possible acquisitions for you? Is there one that got away, much to your regret? Share your story and, (with apologies to Paul Harvey), the “Rag” can tell “the rest of the story.”

Steve

**Refreshments & Program Schedule 2019**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Refreshments</b>	<b>Program</b>
<b>Oct 2</b>	Alice McDermott	Rich Warner, Auto Detailing
<b>Nov 6</b>		Auction
<b>Feb 5</b>		
<b>Mar 4</b>		
<b>Apr 1</b>		
<b>Apr 29</b>		
<b>Jun 3</b>		
<b>Sep</b>		
<b>Oct</b>		
<b>Nov</b>		Auction

Refreshments needed for November’s meeting. With 2020 pretty much a blank page, if you have something to present or know of a non-member with an interesting presentation, please contact your editor at 845-635-3814 or [macnish1947@yahoo.com](mailto:macnish1947@yahoo.com).

Please discard any MHRAACA membership applications you may have that do not reflect the new membership fees of \$10 single, \$15 a couple and new National fee of \$40, and get copies of the new forms from Steve Mac Nish at [macnish1947@yahoo.com](mailto:macnish1947@yahoo.com).

**MHRAACA Calendar – 4Q19 & 2020**

**\*\*\* Unless otherwise indicated, all monthly meetings are scheduled to begin at 7 P.M. \*\*\***

<b>Oct 2</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301</b>
<b>Oct 9 – 12</b>	<b>AACA Eastern Fall Meet, Hershey, PA – see Steve Mac Nish (230 miles, 4.0 hours from BOCES)</b>
<b>Oct 20</b>	<b><i>Mills Mansion Vintage Car Gathering</i></b>
<b>Nov 6</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301</b>
<b>Dec ??</b>	<b>Holiday Party – Date, Time and Location TBD</b>
<b>Jan ??, 2020</b>	<b>Annual MHRAACA Planning Meeting – Date, Time and Location TBD</b>
<b>Feb 5</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301</b>
<b>Feb 6 – 8</b>	<b>AACA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA – see Steve Mac Nish (170 miles, 3.3hours from BOCES)</b>
<b>Mar 4</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301</b>
<b>Apr 1</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301*</b>
<b>Apr 29</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301*</b>
<b>May 1-3</b>	<b>Rhinebeck Car Show</b>
<b>Jun 3</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301</b>
<b>Jul 4</b>	<b><i>Hyde Park Parade</i></b>
<b>Jul 6 or 13</b>	<b><i>Locust Grove Car Show</i></b>
<b>Jul 10</b>	<b><i>National Collector Car Appreciation Day</i></b>
<b>Jul ??</b>	<b>Annual Picnic, Bowdoin Park, Pavilion 5</b>
<b>Sep 7**</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301</b>
<b>Oct 14**</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301</b>
<b>Oct 7 – 10</b>	<b>AACA Eastern Fall Meet, Hershey, PA – see Steve Mac Nish (230 miles, 4.0 hours from BOCES)</b>
<b>Oct 18</b>	<b><i>Mills Mansion Vintage Car Gathering</i></b>
<b>Nov 4**</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting, BOCES Room 301</b>
<b>Dec ??</b>	<b>Holiday Party – Date, Time and Location TBD</b>
<b>Jan ??, 2021</b>	<b>Annual MHRAACA Planning Meeting – Date, Time and Location TBD</b>

\* Testing dates at BOCES, meeting room may change to Room 306.

\*\* Dates may change when BOCES calendar for 2020-21 school year is released.

**2019 Committees:**

As we approach the end of the year and think about the coming year's activities, please look over the committee assignments that have carried us through 2019. If you would like to serve on a committee, or would like to change your committee assignment, please contact Herb Lorenz at [hlorenz@hvc.rr.com](mailto:hlorenz@hvc.rr.com) or at 845-797-1312.

- 1.) **Rhinebeck:** Owen Clarke, 1<sup>st</sup> Rep Steve Mac Nish, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rep Joe Hines, Alternate  
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- 2.) **Sunshine:** Charlie Evans Greg Voght
- 3.) **AACA Museum Liaison:** Greg Voght
- 4.) **Clothing:** George Golden Lynn Golden
- 5.) **Picnic:** Owen Clarke
- 6.) **Event Planning:** Herb Lorenz Ron Hicks Kevin Kirkpatrick  
 Bob Hanaburgh Charlie Evans Joe Marsh  
 Tom Herman Kim Herman
- 7.) **Scholarship:** Steve Mac Nish Rich Woods
- 8.) **Member Retention & Recruitment:** Steve Mac Nish \_\_\_\_\_

**Quick reminder for those of you going to Hershey –**

**If you are there on Tuesday afternoon, the Library and Research Center will be holding its Annual Yard Sale at the Library – 501 West Governor Avenue – from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.**

*As in previous issues, these articles come from National AACA publications (Rummage Box, Speedster, etc.) that have been written specifically for inclusion in Region and Chapter newsletters.*

## **Free Memberships!**

by Mark McAlpine – VP National Activities

Who doesn't like receiving free things? AACA Regions & Chapters have something of value that they can offer to people possibly interested in joining their local Region/Chapter. The National club annually sends each Region/Chapter President four complimentary one-year memberships – yet only about 50% of our Regions and Chapters are taking advantage of them. As of mid-year, only 182 Regions/Chapters have used even one of those four complimentary AACA memberships. Another great under-used recruiting tool is our Military Sponsorship Program free one-year memberships for military veterans. While the numbers have increased compared to last year – only 137 applications have been received by mid-year (almost as many as received in 2018 and a few more than 2016 & 2017 combined). When you consider the millions of military veterans in our country, this represents a drop in the bucket. Many Regions and Chapters complain about the difficulty in attracting new members. Take advantage of the both the free 1-year AACA memberships and AACA Military Sponsorship Program memberships and bring some new members into the AACA, then match these with a one-year free membership in your Region/Chapter. The next time you meet someone interested in antique vehicles, tell them about your

Region/Chapter and the National club and offer them a free membership. About 60% of the people who join our club with a free membership renew their membership the next year – that's a pretty good return rate. If your Region/Chapter President can't find the four free memberships they received or if you need more, contact AACA Headquarters. Military Sponsorship Program applications can be obtained from the AACA website or from AACA Headquarters.

**Library & Research Center Notes**

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**How to get to the “aacalibrarian” store on eBay**

The AACA Librarian’s eBay store has over 2,000 active buy-it-now listings, including reproduction factory photos of various cars & trucks, books, sales literature, shop manuals and more.

You can contact or visit the LRC:  
Monday thru Saturday 8AM - 4PM  
501 W. Governor Ave, Hershey PA, 17033  
Phone: (717) 534 – 2082  
E-mail: [www.aacalibrary.org](http://www.aacalibrary.org)

Head Librarian: Chris Ritter  
Catalog Librarian: Mike Reilly  
Assistant Librarian: Matt Hocker

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You can find the AACA Librarian’s eBay store by going to the eBay’s advanced search page and scrolling to the bottom of the page where the last section is for finding sellers. Check the boxes “Only show items from:” and “Specific sellers (enter seller’s user IDs).” In the left hand box below “Specific sellers” choose “Include” and type “aacalibrarian” (no quotes, no capital letters and no spaces) in the box to the right of “Include.” I would not suggest altering the “Sort by,” “View results” or “Results per page” boxes. Click on the “Search” button. This will open up the “aacalibrarian” store.

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Once in “aacalibrarian,” use the search bar at the top of the page to find specific vehicle photos and manuals, book titles, and racing information.

**AACA Library on YouTube**

You can go to YouTube and search for the “AACA Library” to see the latest videos that the Library has posted.

**Don’t Forget You Library Benefits!**

Questions related to your vintage car?  
Members of the AACA receive 1.5 hours of free off-site research per calendar year.



**Region Classifieds**

**Wanted:** Saginaw 3 speed transmission with overdrive and electrical parts. Used in 1966-69 Chevy passenger cars and 1968-69 Chevy and GMC ½ ton pickups and Suburbans. Call Stacy Gaches at 845-876-8121.

**For Sale:** Ed Cobb’s widow (a friend of Nat and Helen Dawes) has a large selection of 1952 & 1953 Ford parts, including a rebuilt flathead engine, and some Studebaker parts that she would like to find a good home for.

Mrs.Cobb highlighted Ford ignition parts and hubcaps and Studebaker Gran Turismo seats and a Lark rechromed bumper.

Please contact Mrs. Cobb at 845-452-8187 if you are interested, and mention that you saw this ad.

**For Sale:** Bill Roenick has moved into an assisted living facility in Fishkill due to his mobility problems. His wife, Judy, has asked that anyone interested in purchasing Bill’s 1948 Plymouth or his 1967 Barracuda, please contact her at 845-896-9756.

**FYI**

*Contact information for businesses that have provided parts or services to our members.*

Aldo’s Automotive Precision Machining, Ltd.  
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**Nuts & Bolts**

Your editor is getting tired. If there is any member interested in helping with the newsletter, or taking over responsibility for producing it, please contact me and shown below.

**Change of home or e-mail address, phone number, or classifieds?**

If you have a change to any of these items, or if you have any articles, websites, or anything else of interest that you would like to share, please contact by snail mail at:

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