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## Director's Corner

After months of hibernation, LSP monthly meetings resumed on 9/26/20! Though many of our regulars feel they need to stay at home a while longer, we had 21 members today at the **Sartins' car barn in Katy**. While I had some reservations, we took all necessary precautions and I feel comfortable that all were safe.

Thanks to **the Andersons for bringing their '41 coupe, the Roberts for bringing the '24 Phaeton, and Tom Drisdale for bringing the newly acquired '53 Clipper**. And the **Sartins' two Packards were snug in their spots inside**.

At the meeting we covered several topics related to future events. We will be postponing a final decision on the fall tour to the Stephen F Austin statue and museum in Lake Jackson until next month. We are hoping by then there will be more who feel comfortable enough to commit to participate in a fall tour. If not, we will come up with a regular November meeting somewhere. We also agreed to have a regular meeting in October with a place to be announced. The date will probably be the 17th or 18th.

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## Salado April 9, 10, 11, 2021

**Rena Sartin** is our Registrar for Salado and reported she has received one entry form for the 2021 Meet. **Bill Anderson** said he will be number two!

**Tommy** reminded us we need to have enough registrations so the Holiday Inn will not charge for the use of their conference rooms.

He has secured dinner arrangements with an Italian Restaurant and **Vivian Lortz**, who has a catering business, has offered to furnish table cloths to save us \$\$\$.

Looking forward to Spring and Salado!

## NEW MEMBERS

We welcome our newest members **Stephen & Lyn Morris**. They live in Houston in the Ponderosa Trails neighborhood.

He found their **1949 8 cylinders 22<sup>nd</sup> Custom 8 Touring Sedan Packard** in Pennsylvania and it will be in Houston Thursday. This is his first classic car. He has a friend who has mostly classic Buicks & Lincolns so Stephen asked him now what do I do and his friend said join a Packard Club!

He found the National Packard Club's website and then searched for local clubs and found Lone Star Packards!

Hope they will be able to drive it to our next meeting in October so we can meet them and see their Packard.

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**Tom Drisdale announced he will be hosting a car show benefiting a local bird sanctuary on 10/24 in Bay City.** We will pass the information along when we get it.

We also went around the room asking members to tell us what they have been doing lately on their Packards during this stay at home time.

I related my sad story of buying a complete a/c system on E-bay for our '55 but it is just not strong enough to cool that big car. I should have asked **Doug Carlson** to let me take his bid from the local vendor for his '56 and just duplicate what he bought locally! Remember the old saying, you pay for what you get but don't always get what you pay for.

**John Lortz** related that he is working on the late Dick Bautch's Packards for Dick's son. He is getting the senior running and will ship it to Dick's son in Washington. The '35 120 will be sold as is.

**Tom Drisdale** recently dropped his driveshaft and had to have it replaced as well as the u-joints, but all is well now.

**Rich Trokey** announced that maybe it is time to find a new home for the completely restored '38 coupe in his garage. Give the Trokeys a call if interested.

**Jamie Roberts** up-dated us on his convertible which has a truly beautiful paint job and also reminded us that the '24 is for sale. He also showed pictures of a nice '55 Deluxe he recently bought. It is factory stick shift with overdrive. He is listening to offers on both the '24 and '55.

I made an appeal for our members to please join the **National Club, Packard Automobile Classics**. First and foremost, for us to be a recognized region of P.A.C, our members are supposed to belong to the national. By joining, you get 16 publications yearly including the slick covered color Cormorant Magazine quarterly as well as the 12 monthly newsletters (**The Cormorant News Bulletin**) which not only has pictures and stories but plenty of want

ads. In addition, every two years the national furnishes members with a directory of members not only by state but also by the type of Packard you own. Plus, the directory has a yellow page section full of parts and service providers who specialize in Packard. PAC has a website which has want ads, a calendar of events, Packard history, a showroom of cars from every year of Packard's existence, and a list of regions around the country and internationally.

We have picked up several members over the years because they saw our contact information on the national list of regions. P.A.C. has a national meet yearly and the swap meet held in conjunction with the meet makes you feel like a kid in a toy store! Over the years our family has attended approximately 10 of these meets including the '84 and '98 which we hosted here in Houston.

The movement to start the Packard Foundation which in turn led to the acquisition and restoration of the Packard Proving Grounds would not have been possible without the support of the national. The national helps us publicize the Texas Packard Meet each year. They also have a face book page giving us instant connections with individuals across the country that have a Packard like the ones we are working on. Please consider joining the National.

A copy of the application is on page 3 or you can go to [National Packard Club Membership](#) and download the interactive form.

Hope to see more of you in October but above all, be safe. Some have indicated they are not coming out until there is a vaccine. I totally understand and we want you to feel safe.

None of us were around when this happened before, with the exception of the polio epidemic, therefore you should follow your own good judgement.

Thanks again to the **Sartins** for being such wonderful hosts and to **Ben** for the delicious banana pudding!

Happy Packarding, Tommy



# THE PACKARD CLUB

## PACKARD AUTOMOBILE CLASSICS, INC.

Founded 1953



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May we list your phone number(s) in the Directory?  Yes  No  
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Packards Owned (Not required for membership) May we list your Packards in the Directory?  Yes  No  
 May we forward your vehicle information on to the appropriate Roster Keeper?  Yes  No

Year	Series (Deluxe, Custom, Super, 120, etc.)	# of cylinders	Body style
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

More Packards? Check here  and continue on a separate sheet.

Membership dues include a year's subscription to *The Packard Cormorant* (quarterly) and a year's subscription to *The Cormorant News Bulletin* (monthly), available only with membership. New memberships begin with the current *The Cormorant News Bulletin* and run for four quarters of publications. Membership renewal notices are mailed in the month in which you joined.

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Bill's 1941 Coupe Special



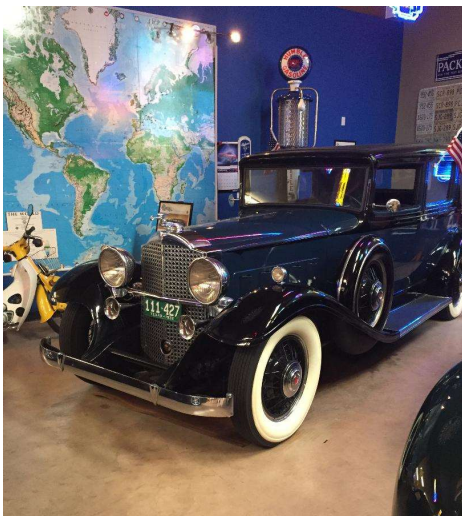
Tom Drisdale's 1953 Clipper



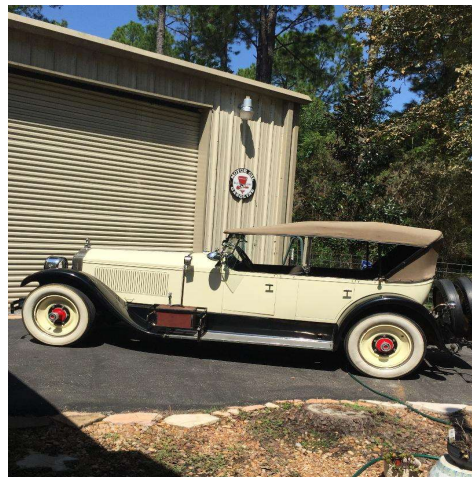
Front of Jack's car barn



Jamie Robert's '65 Mustang



Sartin's '32 Packard



Jamie's '24 Packard

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

## September Birthdays

- 1 Ed Fleming
- 3 Martha Roberts
- 4 Johnny Scott
- 5 Gregg Jeter
- 13 John Lortz
- 15 Janice Carter
- 15 Cathy Grilli
- 19 Jamie Roberts
- 25 Richard Mitchell

### A FEW THINGS LEARNED FROM ISOLATION:

This virus has done what no woman had been able to do...cancel all sports, shut down all bars, and keep men at home!!!

Does anyone know if we can take showers yet or should we just keep washing our hands?

I never thought the comment "I wouldn't touch him/her with a 6-foot pole" would become a national policy, but here we are!

Quarantine has turned us into dogs. We roam the house all day looking for food. We are told "no" if we get too close to strangers. And we get really excited about car rides.

The world has turned upside down. Old folks are sneaking out of the house, and their kids are yelling at them to stay indoors!

I was so bored I called Jake from State Farm just to talk to someone. He asked me what I was wearing.

### *WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON.....*

Here are updates on a few of our members about what they have been doing or what they are going through since our last issue.

**Janice Musgrove in Brookshire** is still struggling with health issues and fell a couple weeks ago and broke her neck. She is in a neck brace for 2-3 months. She will see her doctor this week and find out more on her condition. She asks for healing prayers.

**Evelyn Timmins in Friendswood** had 2 stents inserted and is on the mend. Exercising and resolving medicine issues.

**John & Lynn Eanes say all good here in Galveston.** They had lots of wind around 20 mph from Beta and lots of fast-moving showers without any damage! Downtown at the shop the business is fine. When the high tides rolled in, they flooded the streets downtown. So, we were closed for three days, and our team got a little rest and relaxation. We miss the LSP crowd and hope to see everyone soon.



May you always have:  
Love to share,  
Cash to spare,  
Tires with air,  
And friends who care. ♥



Jack's '37 Packard Convertible



Tommy our hard-working Director



More of Sartin's cars



Group at Saturday's Meeting



Classic Cadillac in Jack's Collection



Jamie Roberts with John & Mary Ann Dalton



Tommy, Anthony, Carol, Chris & Jamie Baccaro

### *Classic Cars – Classic Values Car Show*

Our members **Bill Anderson and Ben Carter** participated in a car show on September 12 at Church of the Cross in Houston. About 40 vehicles entered the show which benefited their pastor – Johnny Teague who is running for Congress against Al Green.

Trophies were awarded and complimentary lunch was provided by James Coney Island's Food Truck. All Covid-19 safety rules were observed.

**Bill drove his beautiful 1941 110 Coupe Special and Ben drove his 2005 Crossfire Roaster.** There was a good crowd and the most popular car was a 1945 Hudson, 4 door sedan that was in original condition with one repaint.

Everyone had a good time and it was good to get out to a car show after six months of seclusion.



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