



THE HEADLINER



CENLA OLD CAR CLUB

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hope everyone had a Happy and Blessed Easter. We had a good turnout for the Drive & Dine our club hosted on April 12th at Cajun Catfish in Ville Platte. There were 64 total from all of the clubs of which 13 were from Cenla. Thanks go out to Richard Kotynia for organizing this event.

The next AACA event is the Louisiana Tour hosted by the Horseless Carriage in Hammond on May 2-3. Then on June 7th, James and Lesia is hosting a La Region Picnic at Chico State Park. Looking forward to having a good time!

April Meeting

Tuesday, May 6th
6:00 p.m.
Golden Corral
Alexandria, LA

Upcoming Drive and Dine Schedule:

- 3rd quarter 2025 Contraband
- 4th quarter 2025 Baton Rouge
- 1st quarter 2026 Evangeline
- 2nd quarter 2026 Lagniappe
- 3rd quarter 2026 Cenla
- 4th quarter 2026 Contraband

In addition to our Facebook page, we now have a Cenla Old Car Club web site cenlaoldcarclub.com Take the time to check it out! We also have a flyer with information about our club which can be printed and passed out when you attend car shows. Thank you Lesia for the work putting all of these together! These are all good ways to increase awareness and membership for our club.

Let's welcome our newest member, Bill Tull Jr. Many of you already know him as he has been attending our meetings and several of our events as a guest of Pam.

Hope to see everyone on May 6th at our next club meeting. If the weather is nice, drive your classic car to the meeting.

COCC President
Leo Dobard



Meeting Minutes

CENLA OLD CAR CLUB April 1, 2025 –Golden Corral Restuarant

Meeting called to order by Leo Dobard, President at 6:00 p.m. Clarence Filipi led opening prayer. Chris Stanley led the group in the pledge.

Leo wished those with an April birthday a very happy birthday. He also wished anyone with an April anniversary a happy anniversary.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: By Lesia Lass, motion to accept the minutes as published in the newsletter by Richard Kotynia, seconded by Herb Comeaux. Approved by members.

TREASURER'S REPORT: By James Lass, complete treasury report was given. Motion to accept by Richard Kotynia, seconded by seconded by Judy McClaran. Approved by members.

FAMILY NOTES: Teri Comeaux will be having cataract surgery on one eye this Wednesday (April 3) with the second surgery on the second eye on April 17th. Dee Brister a former member passed away and the funeral was March 29th.

CLUB BUSINESS:

Contraband Spring Tour: Leo gave an update on the Contraband Spring Tour. He said Contraband put on a fabulous tour and they had a great turnout. Herb said best part of the tour was the 10 police escorts they had from Lake Charles to Vinton. Judy said the worst part was the hotel had no water on Saturday but thankfully everyone was out on tours and the situation was corrected by that evening.

Club Shirts: Leo said he talked with Chuck on embroidering the shirts. Chuck recommended that every club member purchase their own shirts then give to him to do the work. It is too hard for him to order shirts now then order one or two more later when new members join. Leo found a company that he can order one of each size and style and bring to next meeting. Lori will order those shirts and bring to the next meeting.

Quarterly Drive & Dine: For those attending the drive & dine on April 12th in Ville Platte, we will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Burger King at the Forest Hill exit. Lesia will send out a reminder email.

New Members: Leo informed the club that we still have 3 free national membership forms. He then talked about ways to increase our awareness in the community. One way is to build a website like Contraband has. Another is hand out flyers when we are at events. Lesia agreed to make flyers and send a copy to everyone. Lesia informed the members that there is a yearly cost to have a website. Leo put it to a vote and club members agreed to pay the cost. Lesia will work on creating the website.

Flower Fund: Herb made a motion to eliminate the flower fund. He said the club has enough money in the budget with the 50/50 collections each month that he believes there is no need to be collecting for a flower fund. Clarence Filipi seconded the motion. Leo put the motion to the members and all agreed to eliminate the flower fund.

Thanksgiving Tour: Lesia gave the club an update on activities that she had planned for the Thanksgiving Tour and encouraged everyone to join in on the fun.

Louisiana Tour: Leo reminded everyone to sign up and get their hotel rooms for the upcoming Louisiana tour in Hammond.

Regional Picnic: James encouraged everyone to join in on the picnic on Saturday, June 7th at Chicot State Park in Ville Platte.

Car Story: Leo took his GTO to the Spring Tour in Sulphur and on the way home it started missing. He has to work on it. Rodger's car ran out of gas on the way home from the Drive & Dine in Broussard. Thankfully James, Lesia, and Chris Stanley were following him. Leo was able to bring gas and get him back on the road. James and Lesia's corvette's a/c quit working on the way home from the Drive and Dine.

Minutes of Meeting Continued:**UPCOMING EVENTS:*****AACA Drive & Dine:***

2nd quarter—Cenla date is April 12 at Cajun Catfish in Ville Platte, LA

3rd quarter—Contraband;

4th quarter—Evangeline.

AACA State Tour will be held in Hammond hosted by Horseless Carriage on May 2-4, 2025. Registration is in past newsletters and was emailed.

April 5—Dogwood Festival in Pollack, LA

April 19—Tunnels to Towers in Morganza, LA

May 10—MayDaze Car Show in Many, LA

May 15-17 Cruisin Cajun Country in New Iberia. Registration in newsletter and emailed.

50/50 Drawing:

Won by Teri Comeaux

Motion to Adjourn:

Herb Comeaux made motion to adjourn with Jackie Brown seconding. Leo adjourned the meeting and reminded everyone to tip waitress.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE: Jackie Brown, Herb & Teri Comeaux, Leo Dobard, Paul & Christine Drerup, Clarence & Jessie Filipi, Pam Gorden, Merle & Madeline Hensell, Anthony King, Richard Kotynia, Frances Taylor, James & Lesia Lass, Judy McClaran, Mike & Willie Mae Mote, Rodger & Loretta Peters, Chris & Lori Stanley, and Ron Trahan.

Guests were Ben Tull (Pam Gorden) and Bob Thomas (Judy McClaran).

**May Birthdays:**

None

**May- Anniversaries:**

None

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

***May 2-4**

2025 La. State Tour

Point Earning Event

Hammond, LA

May 3

Cars & Coffee

Alexandria, LA

***May 15-17**

Cruisin Cajun Country

New Iberia, LA

***May 25**

Neux Smoke's 4th Annual Show

Maringouin, LA

***June 7**

Regional Picnic

Ville Platte, LA

***June 7**

Spring Into Summer Car Show

Eunice, LA

***June 14**

Rumble on the Bayou

Coushatta, LA

***July 19**

4th Annual Hornbeck Car Show

Hornbeck, LA

***Oct. 25**

Cruisin for Kindness

Pineville, LA

***Nov. 18-23**

Thanksgiving Tour

Nacogdoches, TX

***Flyers**

Taking No Chances

Boudreaux, his wife, and mother-in-law went on a vacation to Jerusalem. While they were there the mother-in-law passed away.

The undertaker told them, "You can have her shipped home for \$5,000, or you can bury her here in the Holy Land for \$150."

Boudreaux thought about it and told him he would just have her shipped home. The undertaker asked, "Why would you spend \$5,000 to ship your mother-in-law home, when it would be wonderful to be buried here and you would only spend \$150."

Boudreaux replied, "Long ago a man died here, was buried here, and three days later He rose from the dead. I just can't take that chance."

2025 NATIONAL TOURS

May 1-3, 2025 – Western Spring Nationals / Grand Nationals – Tucson, AZ

June 1-7, 2025 – Vintage Tour – Southern/Eastern Pennsylvania

June 14, 2025 – AACA Gettysburg Region 5th Anniversary – York Springs, PA

July 2-5, 2025 – Central Springs Nationals – Auburn, IN

July 24-26, 2025 – Grand Nationals / Zenith – Dayton, OH

Sept. 7-12, 2025 – 2025 Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre 1943) - Owensboro, KY (VMCAA Hosted)

Oct. 7-10, 2025 – 2025 Eastern Fall Meet – Hershey, PA

Oct. 22, 2025 – 2025 Central Fall Nationals – Galveston, TX



CAR TRIVIA

Q: What car first referred to itself as a convertible?



A: The 1904 Thomas Flyer, which had a removable hard top.



2025 LOUISIANA TOUR

May 2-4, 2025



Tour Headquarters:

- Holiday Inn, 1819 SW Railroad Avenue, Hammond, LA 70403
- Discounted rate of \$119 / night is a standard double queen room and includes breakfast buffet. Discounted rate expires April 11, 2025. For reservations, call (855) 914-1354, May 2-4, 2025 and provide the Group code "HCC".
- Participant cost of the tour includes entry to all venues, lunch, and dinner on Friday and Saturday May 2 & 3.

✓ Friday Early Bird Activities:

Registration:	10 AM to 1 PM
Lunch:	11 AM-1 PM Lunch, provided by HCC Members
Early Bird Tour:	Depart hotel at 1 PM
Dinner Included:	6-9 PM

✓ Saturday Activities:

Registration:	7:00 – 8:00 AM
Tour:	Details provided in Tour book at registration

➡ Global Wildlife Center, Fleur de Lis Tea, Independence Italian Culture Museum & Red Hill Bee Farm ➡

Box Lunch Included:	Provided at Fleur de Lis Tea
Dinner Included:	6 PM Social Hour
	7 PM Dinner

✓ Sunday Activities:

Socialize, pack and depart for home

Thank you for participating, we are looking forward to a great tour!

➡ **Pre-Registration is required and must be received no later than April 8, 2025 using the form below.**

Make checks payable to Horseless Carriage Club of New Orleans, Inc. and mail with registration slip below to:
Suzie Lambert, 10062 Hereford Road, Folsom, LA 70437 Questions? Email: President@HCCNOLA.org

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Driver: _____ Guest: _____

#Children (12-18) _____ Phone: _____ Club: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Tour Participants	# Participants	\$ Each	Total
Driver and Car	1	\$119	
Guests over 18		\$104	
Children Age 8-18		\$ 65	
Children under 8		Free	
Totals			

Make Model and Year of Car:

Amount included with Registration \$ _____

MARLER FORD'S 3RD ANNUAL

Spit & Shine Car Show

MAY 3, 2025
\$20 DONATION PER ENTRY
8AM-1PM

TROPHIES. GIVEAWAYS. FOOD. SILENT AUCTION.

MARLER Ford

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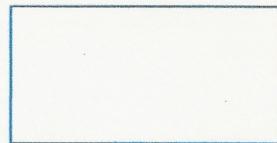
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Anniversary of
MayDaze Car Show
May 10, 2025
Many High School • Many, LA

toledocruisers@gmail.com • Facebook: Toledo Cruisers • 318-554-8912
\$20 Entry • 9 am to 1 pm • Over 25 Awards
Old Time Music • Goody Bags • Door Prizes • Silent Auction



Entry Number
For Official Use Only

Cruisin Cajun Country Cruise-In

May 15-17, 2025 New Iberia, LA

Early Arrivals May 14, 2025

www.cruisincajuncountry.com

All Entrants are Subject to Cruisin Cajun Country, Inc. Approval

Registration form must be completely filled out and sign

Read All Information Before Compleing Your Enter Form

Please Print Clearly:

Date: _____

Name: _____

(First)

Spouse/Guess)

(Last)

Registration Fee: \$65.00

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Purchase Extra T-Shirt: _____

Extra Person/Guess: _____

Total Paid: _____

Club Affiliation: _____ **E-Mail Address:** _____

Contact Number: _____ **Additional Number:** _____

Age: 21 or Older? Yes or No: _____ **Any person under 21? Yes or No:** _____ **Insurance Carrier:** _____

Extra person/guess included in registration:

Print: _____ **Sign:** _____

Print: _____ **Sign:** _____

Print: _____ **Sign:** _____

Vehicle 1 Information: _____

(Year)

(Make)

(Model)

Vehicle 2 Information: _____

(If Applicable) (Year) (Make) (Model)

Circle Selected One Free T-Shirt W/Registration: (S) (M) (L) (XL) (2XL) (3XL) (4XL) (5XL) Prefer a Cotton T-Shirt Check Here ()

Ladies V-Neck T-Shirt Size: (LV/S) (LV/M) (LV/L) (LV/XL) (LV/2XL) (LV/3XL) (LV/4XL) Prefer a Cotton T-Shirt if Available Check Here ()

Circle Selected Extra T-Shirt Size if Purchase @ \$20.00 each: (S) (M) (L) (XL) (2XL) (3XL) (4XL) (5XL) Prefer a Cotton T-Shirt Check ()

Ladies V-Neck T-Shirt Size: (LV/S) (LV/M) (LV/L) (LV/XL) (LV/2XL) (LV/3XL) (LV/4XL) Prefer a Cotton T-Shirt if Available Check ()

Please Do Not Send Cash: Payment by: Credit Card or Checks or Money Orders Made Payable to: Cruisin Cajun Country, Inc.

Mail To: Cruisin Cajun Country, Inc. P.O. Box 10628 New Iberia, LA 70562-0628

Credit Card information:

Name: _____ **Card Number:** _____

Expiration Date: Month: _____ **Year:** _____ **Secure Code:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

2025 Event Registration Time and Fees:

Preregistration is from May 15, 2024 thru April 30, 2025 @ \$65.00 Per Vehicle includes up to two people plus one free event t-shirt

Late Preregistration is May 1, 2025 thru May 14, 2025 @ \$80.00 Per Vehicle includes up to two people plus one free event t-shirt

Each Addition Person : \$40.00

Onsite Registration is May 14, 2025 thru May 17, 2025 @ \$80.00 Per Vehicle includes up to two people plus one free event t-shirt

One Day only Registration Fee: \$45.00 Per Vehicle includes up to two people and \$25.00 for each additional Person No free t-shirt

Preregistration packets may be pick up by registrant @ Registration table @ Host Hotel beginning @ 1:00 PM on Wednesday, May 14, 2025

Preregistration & Onsite Registration Packets Will Include:

A Vehicle Registration Card which allows you to enter all schedule events/your free event t-shirt

plus all extra merchandise you may have purchase

Page 1 of 2 Initial: _____

**\$10 entry fee
per person**



Please join us for

**NEAUX SMOKE'S 4TH ANNUAL
CAR, TRUCK, BIG RIG and
MOTORCYCLE
SHOW**

SUNDAY, MAY 25TH

starting at 1PM-until @
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\$25
per vehicle for
show entry

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vehicles, side by
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Louisiana Region aaca

HOST: James & Lesia Lass
Regional President & Secretary
James—318-308-3582
Lesia -318-201-8683

WHEN: Saturday, June 7th
11:00 a.m. till ...

WHERE: Chicot State Park
(Pavilion 1)
3469 Chicot Park Rd.
Ville Platte, LA

BRING: *Your own lunch (brown bag, fried chicken, barbecue. Whatever you want to eat)
There is a barbecue pit at pavilion.
*Your own drinks
*Chairs
*Playing Cards
*Cornhole Boards & Bags
*Dominoes

<https://www.lastateparks.com/parks-preserves/chicot-state-park>

You Are Invited

Spring Into Summer

Classic Car & Truck Show



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Main Street



HELD ON DOWNTOWN 2nd STREET

Saturday, June 7, 2025

(VEHICLES MUST BE 1985 AND OLDER)

Registration 8-10 A.M. • Awards 3 P.M.

Event T-shirt & Dash Plates For All Entrants

*There will be 100 awards sponsored by
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Top 50 and 50 Specialty

Awards such as:

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Best of Show

Basile and Eunice

Mayor's Choice



Contact: Mark Denette (337) 789-6276

\$30

REGISTRATION

BAYOU CRUISERS PRESENTS RUMBLE ON THE BAYOU



REGISTRATION
STARTS AT 10 AM.
\$25 REGISTRATION

SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025

GRAND BAYOU RESORT

5206 LA HWY 184, COUSHATTA, LA, 71019

ALL CARS, TRUCKS, MOTORCYCLES AND



RAT RODS ARE WELCOME

AWARDS AT 2:30 PM.



FREE ADMISSION FOR SPECTATORS



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Pre-Register Contacts:

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Music



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July 4, 2025 . 10AM - 2PM
Paragon Casino Resort

\$40 to Enter . Registration 8AM - 9AM. 5 Judges

18 Trophies Awarded

Festival Entry

Registration includes
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Awards at 2PM

**Open to All
Makes and Models**

**Proceeds benefit
VFW Post 7643 Simmesport**



**Entrants Must be
Parked by 9AM**

Cannot participate
in parade and car show

**Tents and Chairs
are recommended**

**Live music, shopping,
food vendors
and arts & crafts**

Kids Zone

**Contact Josiah Blood . 318-717-2719
or April DeGrusha . 318-359-9919**

AAMF Car Show Registration Form

Name: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Type of Vehicle: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____



P. O. Box 956 / Marksville, LA 71351 / 318.264.1826
FED TAX ID 72-0864957



2025 4th Annual

Hornbeck CAR SHOW

**JULY 19, 2025****10:00 AM-1:00 PM**

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FOOD TRUCK WILL
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\$10 EACH ADDITIONAL**

**WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT
12:30**

Cruising for Kindness

Second annual classic car show

October 25th, 8am-3pm

Lake Buhlow

*200 Lake Buhlow Rd,
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*Food and drink
vendors*

*1st, 2nd, and 3rd
place trophies for
multiple categories*

*Live music and
games*

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Thanksgiving 2025 Tour

Where: Nacogdoches & Lufkin, Texas

When: Tuesday, Nov. 18 -
Sun., Nov. 23, 2025

Hotel: Comfort Inn Suites in
Nacogdoches
(trailer parking is VERY limited)

[https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations
/groups/UW27R3](https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/UW27R3)

Things we are working on to see/do:

Bus tour/car show
Private Toy Collection
Naca Valley Winery
Millard's Crossing
Caddo Mounds
SFA Planetarium & Stone Fort Museum
Fredonia Brewery
Texas Forestry Museum
Naranjo & Natural History Museum
Museum of East Texas





CENLA OLD CAR CLUB
ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA
ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED
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 Ownership of an automobile not prerequisite of membership



Application for 2025 Membership

DATE _____	SPONSOR of New Member	
MEMBER NO. _____	NAME	
Name of Applicant	ADDRESS	
Address	City/State/Zip	
City _____	State _____	Zip _____
Phone Number	Cell	

Applicant's Birthday _____ Do you carry Liability and Property Damage Insurance
on your automobile? Yes No

Applicant's Signature _____ Children Names(optional) _____

E-Mail Address _____

Spouse's Name _____ Spouse's Birthday _____ Anniversary Date _____

Antique Vehicles Owned _____

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP\$65.00

Enjoys voting privileges, receives the following publications: ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE MAGAZINE, THE COCC NEWSLETTER, AND THE REGIONAL NEWSLETTER, is eligible to exhibit cars and compete for National Prizes and Awards..

JOINT MEMBERSHIP\$65.00

In addition to the publications and rights for INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS, both member and spouse enjoy voting privileges.

DUES BILLED ANNUALLY

COCC membership dues includes LOCAL (\$13.00), REGIONAL (\$7.00) and NATIONAL (\$45.00). Dues are billed annually and continuing membership in COCC requires full payment of dues (\$65.00) by December 15th. Memberships beginning after November 1 of 2023, will apply to the 2024 calendar year. There is no pro-ration of fees for late memberships and no back issues of the magazines or newsletters are supplied except at extra cost.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

INDIVIDUAL or JOINT: \$65.00

AMOUNT _____ DATE _____
 BY: _____

Make Checks Payable To: COCC

Mail To:

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 4046 Old Marksville Hwy.
 Pineville, LA. 71360



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and info:

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*April Showers
Bring May Flowers*



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