



The Bean Pot News

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What's New

General Membership Meeting – The Boston Cup - Boston Common – Sunday, Sept 22nd 1PM

Little Red School House Meet – Dunstable, MA – Saturday, Oct 19th 10AM to 2PM

Check the website for late breaking changes and additional details - www.beanpotaaca.com

Breaking News - September Membership Meeting at The Boston Cup Sunday September 22, 2013 at 1PM in the VIP Tent

As always, we are looking for interesting places to have membership meetings and events. While searching for the perfect place to have a membership meeting for September, a couple of bolts of lightning came across the night sky and a great idea came to us. Since the Boston Cup will be held September 22nd (between 9 AM and 2PM) and since some of the managing staff of the event are Bean Pot members, why not have a membership meeting at the Boston Cup event. We then could accomplish

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The Boston Northeast Region AACA



A Chapter of the Antique Automobile Club of America

a couple of objectives. The first was to have an interesting place and time for the meeting (What better place than a car show?). Second, the Boston Cup Show location is downtown Boston (Boston Common - Parkman Bandstand) which is a convenient location for the majority of our membership. Last but not least the Boston Cup Group would certainly appreciate the extra attendance we could drum up.

Several of our members have also signed up to display their cars at the show and help as needed. The show is sponsored by the City of Boston to benefit the Boston Parks and Recreation Group.





As a result, we've planned a short membership meeting at the Boston Cup show. Our meeting will be held at the show's VIP tent. If you attend the show, plan to be at the VIP tent at 1 PM. The tent will be clearly marked and we will have the Bean Pot Banner on our table. There will be a sign in sheet and membership applications available there. We plan to have a person assigned to the tent during the course of the show to be able to talk about AACA and the Bean Pot. The Boston Cup management will provide 2 VIP passes for those people working the tent. This is a very large opportunity to recruit new members. They are also planning to put our membership application into their show car "Goody Bags".

There are a couple things about the show we need to address though. As this is an Invitation Only show for vehicles (with an entrance fee) we are not recommending that you show up with a vintage vehicle. Unless you have previously been registered, you would not be allowed on the show field. The Boston Cup management team has a specific theme for the cars displayed and they are working with limited show space. Unless you are working the tent or helping the show staff all attendees are spectators and allowed only in the public space. Show cars will be fenced off and security will be tight. On the positive side - the show is FREE to spectators and with the City of Boston backing the show we are sure there will be many other interesting attractions for you to see. We also hope that your attendance will give you an incentive for possibly showing cars there next year. See you in Boston!

Bean Pot - Little Red School Yard Meet

Tyngsboro-Dunstable Historical Society's Little Red School House & Field

Route 113 - 64 Main Street Dunstable, MA 01827

Saturday, October 19, 2013 - 10 AM - 2 PM

(Rain Date Sunday, October 20, 2012)

To most of the northeast old car community, the Hershey AACA Meet in October means the end of the hobby year for shows and car events thanks to Mother Nature. We are going to try to change that this year.

The Bean Pot AACA Region is announcing our 1st Annual after Hershey get together. The intent of this event is to help us get over the fact that the seasons are changing, Hershey is over and maybe it's time to put the toys away for winter. On the bright side, it's a great time to be in New England and the foliage is probably at peak. Sounds like a great time for a car show - Right?



Reserve this coming October 19th (Saturday) to attend our "Little Red School House Meet" because we think we have a great day planned at a great location and at a great time. We have arranged with the Tyngsboro-Dunstable, MA Historical Society to hold a car meet at the Little Red Schoolhouse in Dunstable, MA.

This is an original, authentically restored 1798 one room school house that is complete with bench chairs, wood stove and of course "his and hers" outhouses placed on a very large beautiful location amid farms and country background.

It is conveniently located off major highways and roads and can accommodate as many old cars, new cars, trailers or whatever you decide to bring or show. This No-Charge get together is for both members and non-members wishing to participate in the show. We will also be inviting other car clubs as well.



Plan to arrive at the School House at 10:00 AM for coffee and donuts. In addition to the car show, we will be holding a very quick **General Membership meeting**.

We are encouraging everyone to drive their old cars or trucks to the meet but we know that the weather may be iffy at best. If the weather doesn't cooperate, we have secured the location for the next day (Sunday) as a rain or bad weather date. If it is just cold, we will still hold the meet on Saturday. The old school house is weather tight and does have a wood burning stove to keep everyone warm and protected from bad weather. We will be providing a telephone number for cancellation information which is 978 692 9440 or just check the website as the date grows closer.

We are planning several activities at the schoolhouse including raffles, special awards and a few surprises as well. We will also be announcing details of a "special" barbecue lunch that would be provided by the Historical Society. The barbecue will be on a pay as you go basis. You can also bring along your own picnic lunch to tailgate if you prefer.

We have also planned some optional offsite activities as follows:

- ❑ A short foliage tour (about 5-7 miles) leaving from the schoolyard with a couple of highlights is also on the agenda. Rural Dunstable has some great back roads for touring with many old farms and historic buildings.
- ❑ Nearby (about 3 miles) you will be able to visit Parlee's Farm. This is a great attraction for both adults and children. There's vegetables, baked goods, homemade donuts, petting zoo, restrooms etc. available. We will be working with the farm owners to hopefully have dedicated parking space for old cars. Since this is the peak of the apple season, we expect the farm to be quite busy that weekend.
- ❑ If it is not too cold and you are looking for an ice cream cone or Sundae we can also point you to Sullivan's Ice Cream stand (about 2 miles). This is a great place with lots of parking, great product and of course restrooms.

Important Membership Information

In the last issue of the Bean Pot News we announced that due to the high expense of printing and postage we would be mailing it to only dues paid members. "Sign up" members who had not paid dues to date would no longer receive the newsletter after that point. Enclosed with the newsletter was a 2013 Membership Card that showed that dues were up to date for that member. If you have paid your dues and have NOT received a membership card, please let us know. You can contact us at samg1177@aol.com or through our mail address - Boston Northeast Region - AACA, PO Box 304, West Boxford, MA, 01885. We will get one out to you right away.

In June, we announced that we would offer 1/2-year membership for the balance of calendar 2013. The intent of this program was to encourage "sign up" and prospective members the ability to become dues paying full-fledged members of the Bean Pot at a reduced price. This special membership offering was to cover July to the end of the calendar year 2013 and the dues were set at \$20.00. The program was successful in that we were able to recruit several new members and retain many charter "sign-up" members. However, we also had several paid up members mistakenly send in the \$20.00 as well. These were double payments so we have made every effort to return these checks since their memberships were to the end of the year. We apologize if there was any confusion.



Last but not least, our Region is still looking for secretary! If there is a member or spouse out there that would like to get involved in club documentation and administration please contact any one on the Managing Committee. Basic requirements are knowledge of word processing, Microsoft Access or Excel and the ability to keep good records. The Secretary would work closely with the President and be part of the managing committee. They would also help contribute to keeping the Website and Newsletter current. To ease any fears, technical help, training and assistance will be provided.

We are also looking for nominations for some additional positions on the Managing Committee. Nominate yourself or someone you think would be an asset to the club, it is a lot of fun and can be very interesting.

New Bean Pot Region Dash Plaque Availability

You have probably seen this on our banners and signs in the past. We used it as the basis for the Larz Anderson show (with a few modifications of course) and the response was terrific. We used the dash plaque as a "give away" for the first 100 show participants and when they were all gone we received many requests for more.

As a result we decided to purchase a quantity of the new plaques and make them available to the membership. They are very high quality and we believe attractive enough to make our membership proud to display them. We intend to give one free to each dues paying member for the calendar year 2014. Additional plaques will be available for \$5.00 each. Obviously you cannot see the colors because this newsletter is in black and white. That's why we recommend you go to the web site to see what the plaque will actually look like. It becomes the first item we will stock in the club store. These plaques will be hopefully be available in time for our September meeting and for the Dunstable Meet.



Can you identify this Early Car

We are looking for the Year, Make & Model of the Automobile pictured here. As you may know, the proceeds from the raffle at our 1st Annual Larz Anderson Meet in June of 2013 benefited the Autism Foundation. Susan Gilroy a co-director of the Autism Support Center in Danvers, MA is asking us if anyone can identify the year and make of the automobile that her grandfather is driving. Her grandfather, Axel Johnson, is driving the gorgeous car wearing the light colored duster. Axel, who was a Swedish immigrant, worked as a chauffeur in the Boston area.

The car appears to have the characteristics of an American automobile manufactured in the 1907 to 1911 period. Email your answer to burns_jf@yahoo.com. We will award a small token of appreciation at the Dunstable meet to the first person that successfully identifies the car. To view a high-resolution copy of the picture, visit www.beanpotaaca.com.



