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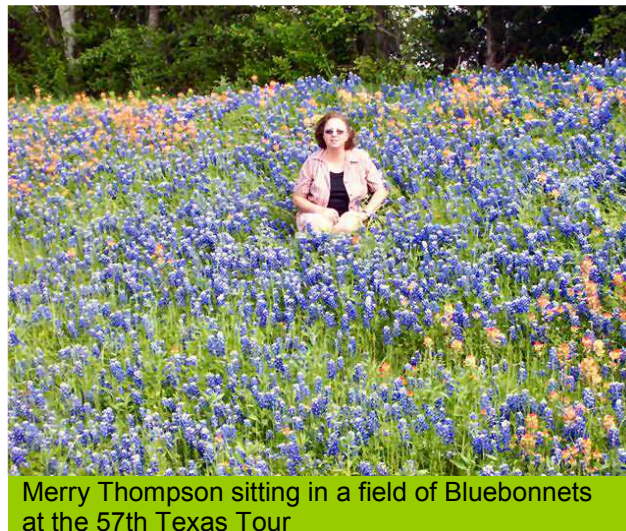
## President's Message

By Jon Stevens

Hi Everyone! Well, last month I think I was complaining about the lingering cold weather and now, this month we have had several days over 90 degrees! Welcome to weather in East Texas! Speaking of the weather, the threat of rain put somewhat of a damper on our recent Show & Shine Car Show on April 17<sup>th</sup> at the Market Place Shopping Center. In spite of the rain chances, we still had some brave souls come on out to the show. In attendance were: Robert Grogan, Buddy Parrott, Cecil Sparks, Merle Thomas, Pat David, Robert Stanaland, Teresa Reed, Corbitt Baker, Bill Ferguson, Ray & Linda Robbins, Ken & Merry Thompson and myself. The weather actually cleared up as the day progressed, and overall it was not a bad get together at all! Most of us had lunch and some good stories and conversation at Fudruckers Restaurant. Hopefully the weather forecast for our fall "Show & Shine" in October will be better.

As I said in the last newsletter, the time for the Deja Blue car Show will be here before we know it! At our last Director's meeting, the board assigned duties to officials as follows: Parking & Gate Keepers-James Sanders, Setup and knock down-Rod Reed, Registration-Sherry Stevens & Martha Wankan, Ballot Counting-

Mike Tollett & Bill Ferguson, Master of Ceremonies/Announcer-Ken Thompson. As you know, we could not put this show on without club member support. The Deja Blue Officials will soon be organizing their respective crews for the show and as we did last year, we will be providing breakfast and lunch for all workers at the show. Last year we had over 100 cars registered at the Deja Blue Car Show and that made us aware that we needed to improve on getting cars checked in and registered quicker, so this year we will have a table and some chairs set up for show participants to pay their entry fee and fill out the necessary forms. We have also improved our process for a more timely counting of the ballots for class winners.



Merry Thompson sitting in a field of Bluebonnets at the 57th Texas Tour

Our next club activity will a Mini-Tour and picnic on Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup> at Camp Tonkawa

Springs Resort at 4675 CR 153 in Nacogdoches. The club will provide fried chicken and drinks (iced tea & water) for the event. DETR club members are asked to bring their favorite side dishes and/or deserts. We will meet at the Wal-Mart parking lot in Nacogdoches at 11:00am on Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup>, and we will caravan out to Tonkawa Springs. After lunch, we will be treated to a talk by Club Member Robert Stanaland and the history of the area around Tonkawa Springs. I have asked Pat David to be our "Wagon master" for this event and lead us out to



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Tonkawa Springs Resort. He says we will be leaving promptly at 11:00am for the tour. Don't be late!

We will be calling members for a headcount, as we need to make sure we get enough chicken for everyone. Hope to see you there!

Jon



Buddy Porrott showing his 1968 Chevy Impala with it's new paint job at the Show & Shine Car Show

We discussed the Deja Blue Car Show and all the things that needed to be done in preparation for the show. Assigned jobs to board members, door prizes, goodie bags, and registration.

No further business. Meeting adjourned.

*Respectfully Submitted by Martha Wankan*



Robert Grogan talking serious "car stuff" at our Show & Shine Car Show April 17th

### Minutes of the DETR Board Mtg.

April 26, 2010

Attending the meeting were Robert Grogan, Corbit Baker, Jon Stevens, James Sanders, Bill Ferguson, Mike Tollett, Pat David, Sherry Stevens, Ken Thompson, and Martha Wankan.

President called meeting to order, and thanked everyone for coming.

Secretary read last months minutes.

Treasure gave financial reports, and told us of new members that were added to roster. Mr. W.H. Goodwin, Brian and Gayle Nabbs, and Frank and Angie Holrath. We welcome all of these new members.

#### Old Business:

Discussion on newsletter was made.

We discussed the upcoming trip to Camp Tonkawa in May. We will leave Walmart parking lot at 11:00am on May 15 and drive together to the camp. Robert Stanaland will tell us some history on the camp after we have our picnic.



### May Birthdays

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hubert Murray
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dottie Partin Earl T. Reneau
5 <sup>th</sup>	Mary Wallace
15 <sup>th</sup>	Felix Muckleroy Sherry Stevens
20 <sup>th</sup>	Martha Wankan
21 <sup>st</sup>	Frances Lunsford
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Jimmy Blackburn
30 <sup>th</sup>	Linda Sparks

Happy Birthday Everyone!!



Sometimes our club members attend car shows and events held in different parts of the country. Here is a report from Ken Thompson on the latest "Texas Tour" attended by club members Ken and Merry Thompson and Wayne and Isabel Hardy. Congratulations to you on winning trophies in your class categories!

## Texas Tour

Submitted by Ken Thompson

Several members of the DETR recently attended the 57th Texas Tour held in and around College Station. The tour theme was "Bluebonnets or Bust" because the bluebonnets were in full bloom as were many other wild flowers. The tour was held April 8th thru the 10th to take advantage of cooler weather and enjoy the bluebonnets, which were spectacular this year.

The DETR was well represented by Wayne and Isabel Hardy, Ken and Merry Thompson, and James and Eileen Bartlett. They also brought home the goods in the car judging as well. The Hardy's '58 MG Magnette won first in class. The Thompson's '50 MG won first in class and a special trophy for Best Restored Vehicle 1945 to 1960.



Ken and Merry Thompson's 1950 MG. This picture was also on the front page of the Bryan Eagle Newspaper

The Bartlett's newly purchased 1919 Locomobile also took top honors.

The long list of activities included; car judging at the Bush Library on the A&M Campus, tour to

Calvert Texas and the Cocoamoda Chocolate Factory (Yummy), bus tour of the many beautiful Victorian homes built around the turn of the last century in Calvert, and Friday night banquet with Style Show of period antique clothes.



Wayne and Isabel Hardy's 1958 MG Magnette at the 57th Texas Tour

The long tour on Saturday took us to historic Washington on the Brazos, the site where Texas declared its independence from Mexico on March 2, 1836. The Star of the Republic Museum was very nice and side trips to Independence Hall, and the Barrington Living History Farm were fun and informative. After a catered Bar-B-Q lunch, we headed back towards College Station with more stops in Navasota, LaSalle, and the Fanthorp Inn built in 1834. Among the guests who stayed at the Fanthorp Inn were Sam Houston, Jefferson Davis, Robert E. Lee, and Stonewall Jackson.

The Saturday night awards banquet was held at Historic Duncan Hall on the A&M campus.

The Gulf Coast Region AACA did a wonderful job hosting the 57th Texas Tour and many antique car hobbyists enjoyed an outstanding weekend. A big thanks to tour co-chairs, Jim and Sandra Johnston and the Gulf Coast Region for a very memorable tour.

Ken Thompson



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**2010 Calendar of Events**

May 15 <sup>th</sup>	Club Picnic & Mini Tour to Camp Tonkawa Springs Resort 4675 CR 153, Nacogdoches - Meet in Wal-Mart Parking lot at 11:00am
June 12 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am to 2:00pm- Deja Blue Car Show & Blueberry Festival in Nacogdoches
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	10:30am- Mini-Tour to Cushing, Texas & lunch at 7 <sup>th</sup> St. Café
August 21 <sup>st</sup>	6:00pm- Bring a Dish Dinner at New Hope church in Nacogdoches
September 18 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm- Bring a Dish Dinner at New Hope Church in Nacogdoches
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am to 2:00pm Fall Show & Shine Car Show at Market Place II (Beall's parking lot) Nacogdoches
October 30 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am to 2:00pm- Mini-Tour to San Augustine Texas & Sassafras Festival
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	7:30am- Mini-Tour to Henderson, Texas & Heritage Syrup Festival
December 11 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm- Christmas Dinner & Fun Gift Exchange at Ralph & Kacoo's in Lufkin



*Robert Stanaland relating a car story to Ken & Merry Thompson and their dog at the Show & Shine Car show*



*Linda and Ray Robbins, Pat David, and Buddy Parrott wondering why I am taking their picture?*

