

2022  
WINTER  
Edition No. 4



# Old Dominion Packard Club

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## Fun in Fredericksburg!



Happy  
Holidays!



# In Our 64<sup>th</sup> Year ...

The Old Dominion Packard Club was founded in 1958 to preserve and enjoy Packard automobiles, as well as the interesting and diverse history of the Packard Motor Car Company. The idea sprang from the mind of Herb Hulvey. Postcards were sent to all known Virginia Packard owners proposing the establishment of a club devoted to the Packard marque, since it was clear that Packards would no longer be built.

## Old Dominion Packard Club



The Old Dominion Packard Club is independent and not affiliated with any other organization. The Club holds two functions each year — a Spring Tour held during the fourth weekend of April and a Fall Tour during the fourth weekend of October. Cars are judged every other year during the Fall Tour. Dues for the Old Dominion Packard Club are \$30 annually.

Our website is: [olddominionpackardclub.org](http://olddominionpackardclub.org)

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- Barry Lowe      South of Virginia
- Lynn Rogerson Shirey      Northern Virginia & Maryland
- Clifton Edwards      Central Virginia
- Andrew Rosen      Pennsylvania

# Fredericksburg: A Meet to Remember

Our 2022 Fall Meet was outstanding in several ways. First, of course, was the setting. Fredericksburg is a beautiful, historical city with plenty of excellent places to visit. Second, it's always fun to see our great cars together. And third, it's always wonderful to gather again with our friends.

On Thursday, Oct. 20, we toured Kenmore, a mansion built by Fielding and Elizabeth Washington Lewis, the sister of George Washington, in 1776. Following this tour, we drove to the Fredericksburg Country Club for a barbecue buffet. During lunch, long-time member Bernice Mrotek was honored for her many years of preparing and decorating our closing banquets. Along with her husband, former ODPC President John Mrotek, we also paid tribute of members Tom and Clare Brooks. We then drove to Morais Vineyard and Winery in Bealeton, where we not only enjoyed sampling its wines, but also saw a variety of antique cars and motorcycles.

On Friday, Oct. 21, we visited Jack Rowley, who owns an excellent collection of cars, a boat, and a motorized bicycle. After that, we drove to Fredericksburg's Shannon Airport to enjoy a great lunch at the Robin's Nest Café and view a diverse group of airplanes in the airport's museum.

On Saturday, Oct. 22, we gathered in the Hilton parking lot for judging our outstanding array of Packard cars. Following lunch at Harry's Alehouse, we drove to Chatham Manor, a grand house situated atop Stafford Heights overlooking the Rappahannock River and

Fredericksburg that served as Union Maj. Gen. Ambrose Burnside's headquarters during the Battle of Fredericksburg in December 1862.

Finally, the Meet ended with our baseball-themed banquet at the hotel that concluded a great ODPC Meet.

See you next spring on our tour in Berkeley Springs, West Virginia.

## 2023 ODPC Board of Directors

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South of Virginia

# Arrival in Fredericksburg ...



A pair of 1941 Packards: left, Jon Hatfield's 160 convertible sedan, and right, Clif Edwards' Clipper.

# Early Bird Dinner at Ristorante Renato ...



Scott Leaf & Debbie MacKenzie, Lynn Shirey, Al Becker, Barry Lowe, Craig & Mary Coulombe

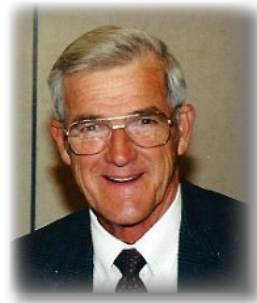


Nancy Orvis & Michael Fistere, Donna & Jon Hatfield, Gina & Bruce Brooks



Andrew Rosen & Faith Blee, Charlotte & Glenn Koogler, Richard & Claudette Obenschain

Those of us who arrived early to Fredericksburg attended the Early Bird Dinner, an ODPC tradition. The food was delicious and we had a side room to ourselves. But what made this dinner different from others was the beneficence on an unknown patron who paid our entire bill! The donor said that his good friend, the late Bill Pettit (right), was so fond of ODPC that he wanted to do this in Bill's honor. Bill served as ODPC from 1976-78 and received the Diffie Award in 1988.



# Thursday: We tour of Kenmore Mansion



Left, Mary Coulombe in the gardens at Kenmore.

Below, ODPG members wait to tour the mansion.



Tamara & Jim Ridenour in front of Kenmore Mansion.



## ... Lunch at the Fredericksburg Country Club

When we arrived at the Fredericksburg Country Club, we welcomed long-time ODPG members Tom & Clare Brooks, below, and Bernice & John Mrotek, right, pictured with Lynn Shirey who awarded Bernice with a certificate of appreciation for her many years of work on the Club's closing banquets.



Donna & Jon Hatfield



Chris & Fara Harris-Evans



Nancy Orvis & Michael Fistere

**Andrew Rosen & Faith Blee (left)**



**Shannon & Crimora Fingerholz (middle)**



**Richard & Claudette Obenschain (right)**



**Bud Adams & Bob Montague (left)**



**Tina & Ron Pack (middle)**



**Gina & Bruce Brooks (right)**

**(left) Tamara & Jim Ridenour, with Rod Hobbs**



**(right) Al Becker**



# We visit the Morais Vineyards & Winery ...



**Lynn Shirey and Kathy Duke**

**From left, Scott Leaf, Bob Montague, Clif Edwards, and William Coffman**





**Charlotte & Glenn Koogler and Andrew Rosen & Faith Blee**

## Relaxing at Morais Vineyards



**Mary Coulombe & Cliff Edwards**



**Kathy & George Duke**

**Shannon & Crimora Fingerholz**



**Scott Leaf & Debbie MacKenzie**



## Friday: We visit Jack Rowley's car collection



**ODPC members arrive at Rowley's detached multi-vehicle garage**

**Jack Rowley of Fredericksburg has an eclectic collection of mostly muscle cars, but also several racing cars, a Chris Craft boat and a Whizzer motorized bicycle.**



**1961 Ford Thunderbird (above) a rare Whizzer motorized bicycle (right)**



**A Mustang (bottom left), a Volkswagen VW Karmen Ghia (bottom right)**

## Shannon Airport Plane Museum



**ODPC members get ready to tour the museum, right**





**Jim Ridenour checks out a SPAD S.XIII, a French biplane fighter plane considered one of the best fighters World War I and was type of plane flown by American ace Eddie Rickenbacker.**



**A museum curator talks about the 1936 Vultee V-1AD, which is the only one in existence. This large, single-engine plane was owned by newspaper tycoon William Randolph Hearst.**



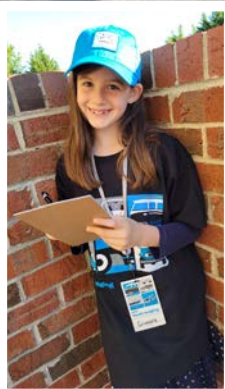
**ODPC members line up their cars in front of a DC-3 airplane at the Shannon Airport.**



## **Saturday: Time to judge our cars!**



**Jeanette, Garrett, & Anne Sonner, and and Crimora Fingerholz (right) honed their car-judging skills at the ODPC meet.**



**Right, Richard Obenschain, Andrew Rosen, & Steve Shirey were the senior judges at the meet.**



**— For more photos during judging, see Page 10**

# Play Ball! ODPC Fall Tour Closing Banquet



**Group shot of ODPC members**



**Gayle Terwilliger, Ron & Tina Pack**



**Gary & Gayle Terwilliger**



**Newly-elected ODPC President Jon & Donna Hatfield**



**Chris & Fara Harris-Evans**



**Rod Hobbs**



**William Coffman and his daughter, Sandra Fritton**



**Donna Theodore & Dave Norris**



**Lynn & Steve Shirey**



**Gina & Bruce Brooks**



**Andrew Rosen**



**George Duke and Al Becker**

# BERKELEY SPRINGS, WEST VIRGINIA

## 2023 ODPC Spring Tour

Our accommodation for the Spring Tour will be the Country Inn of Berkeley Springs.



**Wednesday, April 19:** After arriving, check in, pick up the tour packets, and book a bath at the hot baths next door. Spend the afternoon shopping. Dinner at the hotel or Lot #12 on your own. You must book your reservations well in advance.

**Thursday, April 20:** We will drive to Harpers Ferry (48 miles, about one hour). We will meet with Park Ranger to hear about the history of the town and tour. We will have a light lunch and will eat dinner at Bath Water Pub in the Coolfont Resort.

**Friday, April 21:** We will drive to Luray Caverns (88 miles, one hour 45 minutes). We will tour of the caverns and view its car collection. We will have lunch at country club, visit a garden maze, Toy Town Tour and Rope Adventure Park.

**Saturday, April 22:** You will have the day on your own. Go shopping, have lunch in town, or look over Mountain Restaurant. Our closing banquet will be in the Banquet Room an the hotel with music and white dinner jackets. The theme of the banquet will be "Casablanca."

## Top cars following the Saturday judging ...



Ron Pack's 1933 Super Eight Victoria top point winner at 99 (above.)



Lynn Shirey's 1934 Super Eight sedan was the Ladies Choice winner (top right)



Mark Fingerholz's 1937 Super Eight limousine won the Youth Judges' top award (lower right).



# Old Dominion Packard Club

## Membership Registration/ Renewal Form

# 2023



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Joined: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>PACKARDS OWNED</b>	<i>This list is for the Club's Membership Roster. You do <u>NOT</u> need to own Packard to be a member</i>			
	Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____
	Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____
	Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____
<i>Please list additional Packards owned on a separate page using the above criteria</i>				

## ODPC ANNUAL DUES — \$30.<sup>00</sup>



### ODPC Name Badges



Our Bumper Badge screws onto the top of a license plate frame. They cost \$75 each, with \$8 for shipping. No. of badges: \_\_\_\_\_

Magnetic Name Badge stays on tight. Each badge includes the Packard logo. Badge costs \$11 each, with shipping.

No. of Name Badges: \_\_\_\_\_

Name[s] for badge[s]:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

Sub-total for badges: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Send me the Newsletter by:    E-mail PDF:     U.S. Mail:     Both

Send me the ODPC Roster by:    E-mail PDF:     U.S. Mail:     Both

**Make checks payable to: OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB**

**Mail the Registration / Renew Form to: Craig Coulombe / 3149 Borge St. / Oakton, VA 22124**

*The Old Dominion Packard Club holds two 3-day events per year — Spring Tour (4<sup>th</sup> week in April and Fall Tour (4<sup>th</sup> week in October). Every other year ODPC holds a Fall Meet, which includes car judging. Locations vary. Our ODPC Newsletter is published quarterly and contains information about upcoming tours, members, and other activities. Come join us!*

# OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB

► NEWSLETTER ◀

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Founded 1958

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NOW I USE A PACKARD



