

Trans Am Club of America

Dayton Chapter, Inc.



Host of the Trans Am Nationals since 1985



Club website: www.TACADCinc.com

Trans Am Nationals website: www.tanationals.org

A word from the President...

Ready for winter to be over! As I write this, the 10+ inches of snow we received a few weeks ago is finally gone. We had a long stretch of below freezing temperatures that kept it on the ground for over two of those weeks here in Cincinnati. Cheryl and I are looking forward to getting the cars out for the return of the Cincinnati Cavalcade of Customs in March. I had 12 cars scheduled to show this year, but because of overbooking, we were reduced to 9. Only 4 are member cars. The others are local Nat's participants that I've not been able to convince to join yet. It's usually a fun weekend for all. Please welcome Cecilia Wilson to the board. She was confirmed as our new Treasurer at the January meeting. Check page 2 to see if you owe dues for 2026. Stay warm and keep safe.

- Jerry

Birthday's & Anniversaries

January Birthdays -

01.07 Philip Fillios
01.10 Chris House
01.11 Valerie Waite
01.14 Jim Davis
01.15 Tina Reece
01.17 Dianna Cordle
01.20 Dave Logsdon
01.21 David Harris
01.22 Vern Cook
01.24 Spike Phillips
01.24 Mark H. Schuessler
01.25 James Harrelson
01.25 Joseph Krimmer

January Anniversaries -

01.07 Rick & Angel Landis
01.07 Mike & Becky Woodruff
01.29 Everett & Jamie Jackson

February Birthdays -

02.04 Jeff Waite
02.04 Brad Warfel
02.04 Sue Hufford
02.06 Candy Holloway

02.13 Debby Manning

02.16 Stacie Cook

02.18 Ron McCracken

02.19 Chanda Mayer

02.22 Henry (Bud) Stewart

02.23 Jerry Minor

02.28 Keith Rossell

February Anniversaries -

02.01 Dan & Karen Ervin
02.22 James & Lisa Harrelson

March Birthdays -

03.04 Cecilia Wilson
03.10 Amanda Minor
03.15 Ed Okurowski
03.16 Travis Bodine
03.17 Aaron Trent
03.20 Connie Stewart
03.25 Bruce Shepherd
03.26 Maryann Chmielewski
03.30 Tracy Jackson
03.31 Silvio Kimmel
03.31 Tom Nault

March Anniversaries -

03.12 Don & Marty Helcher
03.12 Bob & Marcia Deuel
03.13 James & Deborah Earl
03.15 David & Sharon Merritt
03.31 Rick & Mary Kay Murray

April Birthdays -

04.01 Darcie Pucci
04.09 William Tripoli
04.11 Chuck Menke
04.13 Lynn Fries
04.15 Rick Murray
04.21 Todd Pucci
04.25 Cassandra Tripoli
04.30 Rick Landis

April Anniversaries -

04.13 Mathias & Debra Buckson
04.14 Dale & Angela Henderson
04.17 Phil & Colleen Farmakis
04.19 Thomas & Lisa Chilcote
04.24 Jerry & Cheryl Minor
04.30 Mark H. Schuessler & Sharon Latus

Secretary's Report - 1/4/2026

Jerry presided over the meeting with 20 attending. Cheryl said membership is at 115. Cecilia with Jerry will be on the Club bank accounts. New business cards with the Club and Nationals website QR codes were printed and distributed to some members. 500 show flyers have been printed for this year. Cheryl will mail flyers to new participants, vendors and Best in Class winners from last year. There will again be a collection of Steve Hamilton cars on display at the 2026 Nat's. Jerry will check on parking on grass area again this year. Cheryl said registration is at 64, Tipp 47, Concours 3 and vendors 3. Jerry will check with Vern on a back up taking pictures when he steps away. We will again have overnight, Wright State police security at the Nutter Center. We are in contact with the Norwood retirees to see if someone would like to be a speaker in the seminars. The Club reviewed different designs and colors for the participant's T-shirts. They will be charcoal gray with red design. Worker's shirts will be pink. Jerry and Cheryl will meet with Greene County to discuss the show.



Bev Zellers
Recording Secretary

Membership



Cheryl Minor
Membership Coordinator

Please join me in welcoming our newest members...

Stan & Nicole Lloyd, from Cincinnati, OH. They have a '91 Black Formula, a '97 White Firebird and a '00 Pewter Firebird!

That brings us to 116 current member families.

Check page 2 for those of you that still owe dues for 2026.

Trans Am Nationals

2026 show flyers were mailed out to new participants and those that mailed registrations in last year. We also mailed letters to the Best-in-Class winners. The event application and street closure approvals with the city of Fairborn are complete. We have confirmed the driver for the shuttle van and the van itself. We secured another three-year contract with Wright State to use the Nutter Center parking lots for trailers. I did confirm we could use the alternate Tech Line route for our future shows. We are in the process of finalizing the show design, so registration items will be ordered soon after that is done. We are in discussions with the Norwood retirees on possible shared events the weekend before the Nat's and the week of.



Jerry Minor
Nationals Chairperson

Calendar of Events

January - 2026

1st – Happy New Year!
 4th – Club meeting, DoubleTree, Fairborn @ 2pm

February - 2026

20th -22nd – Powerama, Greene County Convention Center

March - 2026

1st – Club meeting, DoubleTree, Fairborn @ 2pm
 13th – 15th – Cavalcade of Customs, Cincinnati, OH

Use your Show & Shine calendar to find tons of other car shows throughout the season!

Please check below for your dues owed. This will take you through January, 2027

Last Name	Dues PD Thru	Dues Owed	Last Name	Dues PD Thru	Dues Owed	Last Name	Dues PD Thru	Dues Owed
Amburgey	01/2026	\$24.00	Hufford	01/2026	\$24.00	Parrett	01/2026	\$24.00
Basye	01/2026	\$24.00	Krimmer	01/2026	\$24.00	Parrish	01/2026	\$24.00
Cabala	01/2026	\$24.00	LaFave	01/2026	\$24.00	Pennington	12/2025	\$26.00
Chmielewski	01/2026	\$24.00	Leshner	01/2026	\$24.00	Phillips	01/2026	\$24.00
Earl	01/2026	\$24.00	Maley	01/2025	\$48.00	Roberts	01/2026	\$24.00
Fentz	01/2026	\$24.00	Maloof	01/2026	\$24.00	Sheffar	01/2026	\$24.00
Freese, Paul	01/2026	\$24.00	Mitchell	01/2026	\$24.00	Uszak	09/2025	\$32.00
Harrelson	01/2026	\$24.00	Montgomery	01/2026	\$24.00	Waite	01/2026	\$24.00
Heimbush	01/2026	\$24.00	Natto	01/2026	\$24.00	Wessel	01/2025	\$48.00
Hickman, Jim	01/2026	\$24.00	Nezamis	01/2026	\$24.00	Wilson, Rob	01/2026	\$24.00
Holloway	01/2026	\$24.00	Palumbo	09/2025	\$32.00			

Rain or Shine

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41st Annual TRANS AM NATIONALS August 28-30, 2026

Held at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Dayton/Fairborn, OH

ALL 1967-2002 FIREBIRD MODELS ARE WELCOME: SPRINT, H.O., ESPRIT, FORMULA, TRANS AM, S/E, GTA & FIREHAWKS



Photo taken by Jared Hamm from Firebird Central

Hosted by the Trans Am Club of America, Dayton Chapter, Inc.
Show website: <http://www.tanationals.org>

- First 450 entrants receive Dash Plaque, Hat Pin, Koozie & Pen
- 548 Total entries in 2025
- Appearances & seminars by GM/Pontiac Designers, Engineers, Executives & Historians
- Vendors for Hats, Shirts, Car parts, Car care Items and MORE!!!!
- Music, food & FUN!
- Work-in-Progress/Driver class
- Concours Classes 1967-2002
- Judging - Fri, Sat. & Sun.
- Mini-Nationals
- 50/50 Drawing, Silent & Live auctions

Proceeds go to A Special Wish Foundation, Inc.



Pre-Entry Fee \$67.00 & \$69.00 (Includes T-Shirt & Hat Pin)* ...MUST be postmarked by 7/31/2026

Weekend of Show \$67.00 (No T-Shirt)

*\$67.00 Pre-Entry fee covers T-shirt sizes S to XL, \$69.00 Pre-Entry fee covers T-shirt sizes 2XL to 5XL

2026 Trans Am Nationals Car Show Registration Form

Mail Check or Money Order payable to: Trans Am Club of America - Cheryl Minor, 8909 Tripoli Dr. Cincinnati, OH 45251
or register online at <https://tanationals.org/registration>

Name: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

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

Vehicle Year: _____ Color: _____ Model: _____ Club Affiliation: _____

Car License #: _____ Trailer License #: _____ FREE T-shirt (check one) \$67 S M L XL \$ _____

Do Not Judge (optional for the 32 judged classes) check box for DNJ \$69 2X 3X 4X 5X \$ _____

Work In Progress/Driver Class (separate non-judged) check box for WIP

Extra Participant T-shirts \$20.00 each sizes: S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ \$ _____

\$22.00 each sizes: 2XL ___ 3XL ___ 4XL ___ 5XL ___ \$ _____

Enter total from Tipp City registration form: \$ _____

Trans Am Club of America, Dayton Chapter, Inc., DoubleTree, State of Ohio and the City of Fairborn are not responsible for accidents or loss as a result of this car show and/or associated events & activities.

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

SIGNATURE (required): _____

U.S. Currency Only, Please

Last Revised 10/25

OLD TIPPECANOE Presents:
29th ANNUAL TRANS AM NATIONALS



photo provided by Scott Schwartz

Sat., August 29, 2026

Registration 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., Fun Till 9:00 p.m.

Please do not show up before 4:00 pm



2026 Trans Am Nationals Tipp City Cruise

Mail Check or Money Order payable to: Trans Am Club of America, Cheryl Minor 8909 Tripoli Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45251
(Entry fee and Registration can be mailed with Nationals Registration or register online at <https://tanationals.org/registration>)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Cell #: _____

Year: _____ Color: _____ Model: _____

Registration - \$10 (Place total here and on Nat's form): \$ _____

For more Information, call one of our co-sponsors:

Tippecanoe Historic Properties, Steve at 937-667-3696 or Trans Am Club, Cheryl Minor 513-202-1212

State of Ohio, Tipp City, Old Tippecanoe Main Street Committee, Trans Am Club of America, Dayton Chapter, Inc. and the Trans Am Nationals Committee are not responsible for any damages or accidents as a result of this show or its activities.

By registering your vehicle for this cruise you are agreeing to the above.



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Editor's Comments

PLEASE, let me know if there are any misprints or omissions in this newsletter!

As always, if you have anything that you would like to be included in our newsletter or any comments, please send it to me. I'll get it in a future newsletter.

- Cheryl

