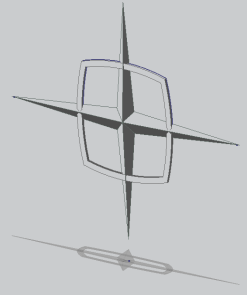


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Director's Message:

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Stay tuned.....

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Dear Fellow MAR Members,

On all accounts, it was an extremely successful Eastern National Meet. We heard from many of the participants that it was the best meet that they had attended and one that they will be talking about for a long time. We received many thank you notes praising MAR for their efforts and for providing such a great event in the Hudson Valley.

We could not have done it without the support of so many of our members of the Mid Atlantic Region and I sincerely owe each of you a debt of gratitude.

Altogether, contributions from the membership totaled \$ 8565.00 which helped to subsidize events as well as to provide extra touches that made this Eastern Meet stand out as one of the best ever.

If you were able to attend, I know that you have many memories of your own. If you were unable to attend in person, I hope that you have seen some of the photos that have been posted online and will also enjoy the photos that are in this issue of the Observer.



We were happy to display the new Continental Coach Door Lincoln at the CIA Reception on Saturday night thanks to the Lincoln Motor Company. Throughout the Meet we got to celebrate our Lincolns, old and new, share a good time with old and new friends, and be proud of our Mid Atlantic Region.

Peace and Good Health,
Owen T. Clarke, Director MAR



Garry Morton, Brad Luse and Owen Clarke:
Three of MAR's Directors in its
60 year history.

Message from your editor, Linda Clarke

This was the site of the Cocktail Reception and Saturday Banquet for the LCOC ENM. It was a magical evening at the Culinary Institute of America and a great way to end the Eastern National Meet. Happy Anniversary MAR. We were happy to celebrate a great region in style, thanks to everyone's support.

Linda Clarke, Editor

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Saturday:
The Lincoln Exhibition
and Banquet



Vintage MAR

Peter Schneider owned this 1941 Lincoln and his dream was to restore it to working order and get it on the road. He worked on it, but never realized his dream. After Peter's passing, Owen took on the project in tribute to Peter, a NYC fireman and friend. At the Eastern National Meet, we proudly dedicated the Show Field in his memory and put this beautiful car on display. Peter's family is pictured here beside the restored '41. Owen T. Clarke clarketrustee@msn.com



MAR QUIZ

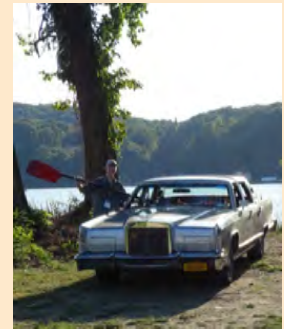
How many Mark II's registered for the Eastern National Meet?

(Photo courtesy of David Kraus)

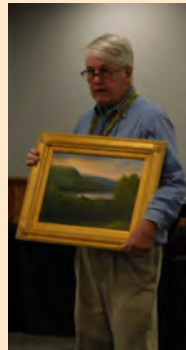


The Eastern National Meet September 18-22, 2019

Where do we even begin to describe the Eastern National Meet hosted by our Mid Atlantic Region in the Hudson Valley this September? Accolades have been received from the participants from all over the country praising our region for its hard work to provide such a memorable, outstanding event. Not only were the activities special, but also notable was the combined support and generous donations from MAR members to keep us at a level to make a profit and not lose money on such a huge undertaking. If you were able to attend we know that you have memories of your own of the people that you met and the activities in which you were able to participate. If you were not able to attend, we hope that you will enjoy some of the photographs included in this issue. I was too busy to take many photos myself but there have been many photos of the 60 beautiful Lincolns that have been posted on National websites. There is also a DVD available for purchase. I thank Gregg Merksamer for taking many superb photos and included a few of his shots in this issue as well. Gregg has submitted his photos to Jeff Shively for use in the January issue of Continental Comments. Thank you so much, Gregg.



Row, row, row your boat



Great tours, historic sites, beautiful scenery, and an enjoyable auction

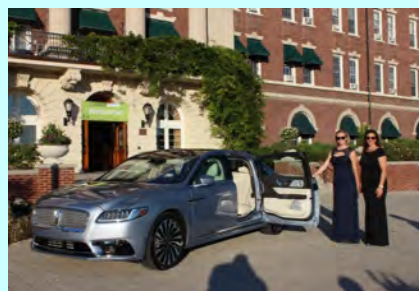
At the Show Field on Saturday



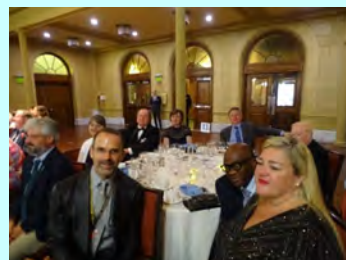
Ray Faure after the cars are in line

The Carusos arrive early on the Show Field





An Evening to Remember



Margaret Faure, Banquet Co-Chair with Jason Lowenthal, Director of Catering at the Culinary Institute



Rhonda Belluso, Jamie Myler and Katie Bolen from Lincoln Motor Co.



Pat and Geri Arcieri with their Emeritus award for their 1979 Mark V

Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome on Sunday

For those that couldn't get enough from Wednesday to Saturday there was Sunday at the Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome in Rhinebeck, NY.

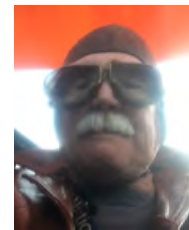
The Aerodrome has a collection of aircraft from the beginning of flight to World War II. Much of it is still in flying condition and is flown from Mid June to Mid October in weekend air shows. (Visit www.olderhinebeck.org) Antique vehicles and period clothing are also part of the show.

The Aerodrome was expecting us and gave us special parking in the hangar area and the group admission rate. Unfortunately it seems that only Connecticut members had the energy to attend. I was the first of our group there because I wanted to be sure to get a biplane ride before the crowd arrived. I got on the second flight of the day.



The Aerodrome provides you with a cloth helmet and goggles but I had brought my own. My father was very interested in flying while growing up and as a teenager in the late '20's and early 30's. He obtained a leather helmet, goggles and a leather flight jacket. I have them and they are still in excellent condition, although the jacket that fit his teenage body is a little snug (sic) on me.

The plane, a New Standard B-25 biplane built in 1929, carries 4 passengers in 2 rows in a front compartment and the pilot sits in a midship cockpit. I was sitting in the front seat and unfortunately a high cowl blocks a forward view. You can only see out the sides. Behind me was a father and his young son. There aren't any controls in the forward compartment. I flew Cessna 150's as a recreational activity while in the Army and figured if something happened to the pilot, I could take over and save the day....but it would have been hard with no controls. Fortunately the pilot was fine and the situation never arose. He flew constantly from 10 AM to 2:30 PM when the show started and then flew in parts of the show.



First intentional selfie

It was a fun show but geared more for children with explosives, car chases and flying stunts including a stolen plane. The show was over about 4:30 and it was time to head home. My Mark II had been sidelined for Friday and Saturday due to a brake problem. The rear lining on the right rear wheel had come unbounded from the brake shoe. Unfortunately luck wasn't with me and despite a valiant effort by some club members and others, it didn't get fixed. Between judging Mark II's in the show in the morning and trying to fix my Mark II in the afternoon, I missed being in the show and seeing the show. Disappointing, but Owen and Linda put on a first class meet that was enjoyed by all.



Thank you to MAR member, Allan Wilcox, for submitting his story and photos about his experience at the Aerodrome. Many of us would have loved to have been in the biplane with Allan. What a view!

Classified Ads

Please submit classified ads for the next issue of the Observer by 12/15. They are published free of charge for MAR LCOC members.

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Regretfully we recently lost a very dear member of the LCOC Mid Atlantic Region.

John DeCesare passed away on Sept. 23rd. He lived in Bangor, PA and spent the winters in Florida. John was a retired school administrator.

John and Betsy traveled up to Mills whenever they could and enjoyed spending time with MAR friends. John enjoyed his hobby of car collecting. Our deepest sympathy goes to Betsy and his sons and family.

Answer to MAR Quiz

Nine Mark II's registered for the ENM.

We tied the record that we had in Lancaster. Unfortunately Allan Wilcox had mechanical issues so his car had to remain in the hotel parking lot and did not make it to the Show Field on Saturday.

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