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# Old Dominion Packard Club

## SPRING TOUR 2021

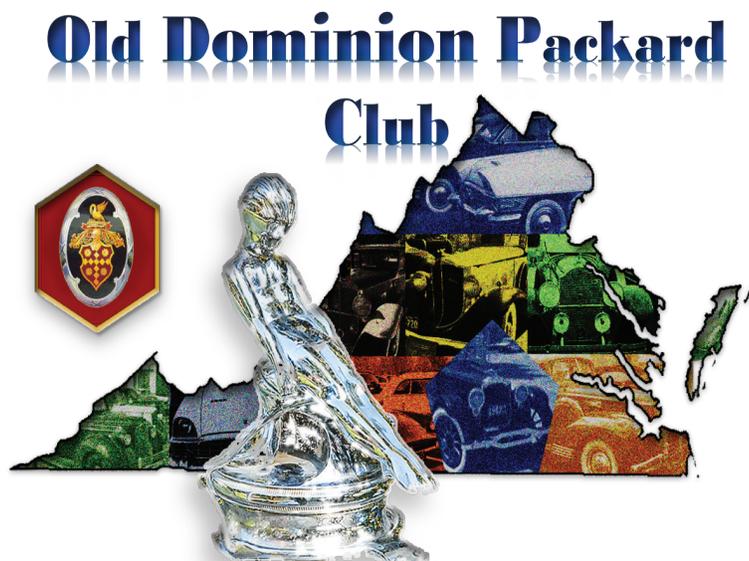


*Packards in the  
Old Bay!*



# In Our 62<sup>nd</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.



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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# St. Michaels and Maryland's Eastern Shore

Old Dominion  
Packard Club  
2021 Spring Tour



## Wednesday, April 21

Members will rendezvous at the St. Michaels Inn (3 p.m. check-in), 1228 S. Talbot St., St. Michaels, MD.

Call 410-745-3333 for reservations. The Club group rate is \$89 for Wednesday and Thursday, and \$175 for Friday and Saturday. Our mostly first-floor rooms will encircle a lighted courtyard (equipped with video security) where our Packards will be parked near our rooms. There is room for trailers on the premises. All rooms have a microwave and refrigerator. Because of Covid-19, the hotel cannot provide breakfast, so we will have catered breakfasts each morning.

A Welcome Reception from 4 to 5:30 p.m. will greet members in the courtyard. If the weather does not cooperate, we will hold it in the hospitality room.

At 6 p.m. we will caravan about 1.5 miles from the hotel to the Restaurant Limoncello at 200 S Talbot Street in St. Michaels. The restaurant provides a dining experience reminiscent of the quaint eateries of coastal Italy. We will order off of the menu, with separate checks.

## Thursday, April 22

Breakfast will be delivered at 8 a.m. by Crepes by the Bay.



At 9 a.m. we will begin lining up our cars and we will depart at 9:30 a.m. for the 1.8-mile drive to the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum. Our Packards will be directed to a reserved area, where they can remain parked all day.

The Museum, founded in 1965, is dedicated to preserving and exploring the history, environment, and culture of the Chesapeake Bay region. The Museum's 18-acre waterfront

At left, the 1879 Hooper Strait Lighthouse at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum

campus was once the site of a busy complex of seafood-packing houses, docks, and work boats, and now also includes the restored Hooper Strait Lighthouse. Today, there are 10 separate buildings housing exhibitions tracing the geological, social, and economic history of the Chesapeake Bay through the age of sail and steam boats, and to the advent of gasoline- and diesel-powered marine engines. The Museum has the largest collection of Chesapeake Bay watercraft numbering about 85 boats. Eleven of the collection's largest vessels are on floating display at the Museum's docks.

At 1 p.m., box lunches will be delivered and we will dine on the Museum grounds. At 2 p.m. we will board the historic 44-foot skipjack H.M. Krentz for a 2-hour chartered sailboat cruise (weather permitting). Built in 1955, this skipjack is part of Maryland's oyster-dredging fleet, the last commercial sail-powered fleet in America. Our captain will share information about oystering in the Chesapeake.

At 4:35 p.m. we will line up our cars and depart at 4:45 p.m. for the 1.1-mile drive to the home of Susan and Jimmy Hobbs for our 5 p.m. "Wine on the Lawn" reception. Feel free to bring your folding chairs to sit and gaze out over the Chesapeake.

Afterwards, members can choose between the Stars Restaurant at the Inn at Perry Cabin or The Crab Claw in St. Michaels for dinner. Members will sit together at both restaurants, order off of the menu, and pay with separate checks.

## Friday, April 23

Breakfast, provided by Sprouts Bakery, will be delivered to our hotel at 7:30 a.m.

At 8:45 a.m. we will line up and depart at 9 a.m. for the 12-mile drive to Hope House, one of the great mansions of Talbot County. The initial



**The H.M. Krentz Chesapeake Bay skipjack**

patent for the land was granted in 1655, and the house was built circa 1800 for the widow of the great tobacco merchant, William Hemsley. The Steifel family acquired Hope House in 1965 and has preserved it in its historic condition. At 10:30 a.m. we will depart for the 15-mile drive to the Old Wye Grist Mill, a working grist mill and museum showcasing the history of farming on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. It was built in 1682 and has been in continuous operation ever since.

At 11:45 a.m. we will leave for a 23-mile drive to the historic town of Oxford, arriving at 12:30 p.m. at Doc's Sunset Grill for lunch. This waterside restaurant provides a stunning view over the Tred Avon River. We will sit together and order off of the menu, with separate checks. At 2 p.m. we will leave the restaurant and drive through Oxford, which was founded in 1683. Until the American Revolution, Oxford enjoyed prominence as an international shipping center



**The Robert Morris Inn, Oxford, Maryland**

surrounded by wealthy tobacco plantations. Prominent residents included Robert Morris Sr., an agent for a Liverpool shipping firm who greatly influenced the town's growth, and his son, Robert Morris Jr., known as "the financier of the Revolution."

Following a 26-mile drive through Eastern shore farmland, we will arrive at 2:45 p.m. at Pop's Old Place Farm, a Maryland "Century" Farm raising heritage breeds for grass fed meats, available for sale in the Farm Market. The owner will speak to us about the history of the farm and her philosophy of farming. We can view an array of bantams, the rarest breed of cow in the U.S. — the Randall Lineback — and pet the Katahdin lambs and Mulefoot piglets.

While the departure time from the farm is flexible for most members, those serving on the Board of Directors will need to depart no later than 3:30 p.m. for the 24-mile drive back to the hotel, arriving at 4:15 p.m. Others may choose to stay until 4 p.m. and arrive back at the hotel at about 4:45 p.m.

The ODPC Board Meeting in the hospitality room is scheduled from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

At 6:30 p.m. we will leave the hotel and drive 1.5 miles for dinner at Foxy's Harbor Grille. We will sit together and order off of the menu, with separate checks.

## Saturday, April 24

Breakfast will be provided by Crepes by the Bay and delivered to our hotel at 8:30 a.m.

At 9:45 a.m. we leave for a 1.3-mile drive into St. Michaels and onto the grounds of the Classic Motor Museum. Here, organized into classes, our cars will be judged between 10 a.m. and noon. During this period, ODPC members can view the eclectic collection of historic cars in the Museum, which usually includes at least one Packard. Our cars will remain parked and highlighted on the grounds of the Museum all day.

It is a one-block walk to Talbot Street, the main thoroughfare. At 12:30 p.m. we will meet at Awful Arthur's, a local favorite restaurant on Talbot Street, where we will order individually off of the menu, with separate checks.

Then, members can choose to partake in the wonderful shops in St. Michaels, or return to the Classic Motor Museum.



**The Classic Motor Museum, St. Michaels, Maryland**



**Talbot Street, downtown St. Michaels**

After lunch, members are free to return to the car museum or enjoy the colorful downtown area of St. Michaels until 3 p.m. when we will meet at the St. Michaels Winery, located about a half block from the car museum, for a wine tasting. The Skipjack Barroom has been reserved for the Old Dominion Packard Club and members can order from the wine tasting menu. Those who prefer beer can visit the Eastern Shore Brewing Co. next door and bring their beer over to our room at the Winery.

Return to the host hotel will be on your own schedule, with the departure from the hotel for our celebratory Banquet scheduled for 6:15 p.m. It is a 8.5-mile drive to the Northern Italian Restaurant, Scossa, in the neighboring town of Easton. A special room with an elegant bar has

been reserved for the ODPC. A pre-selected plated dinner will be served. Period Dress is encouraged and, as is ODPC tradition, will be rewarded with a free-beverage ticket! Judging awards will be presented after dinner.

## **Sunday, April 25**

ODPC members are encouraged to gather between 9 and 10:30 a.m. in the dining area at Sprouts Bakery in downtown St. Michaels for our final breakfast together and hearty farewells. A reserved parking area will be reserved for our Packards.

Please drive safely back home and we look forward to seeing you again for the Fall Tour in late October.

# Getting tired of your Packard 12?

## *Here's an idea for turning your car into ... ?*

The Packard Royal Streamliner Roadster is a one-off custom car fitted with a supercharged 1,600-horsepower Packard V-12 capable of putting down 3,000 foot-pounds of torque at the rear wheels, and measuring 31 feet, 6 inches in length and 13,200 pounds on the scales.



Chip Foose worked closely with Rodney Rucker on the design, the body was built from aviation-inspired polished, riveted aluminum which had the additional benefit of not adding significantly to the Streamliner Roadster's already hefty curb weight.

The Packard V-12 was sourced from a World War II era PT boat – “PT” stands for “Patrol Torpedo” as the boats were used for high-speed torpedo attacks on ships.



As a boat engine, the Packard V-12 turns in the opposite direction to typical automotive engines, so twin transmissions were needed to reverse the direction of rotation — a fixed reverse followed by a more traditional automatic transmission. The most significant challenge was engine cooling — in its originally intended boat application the Packard cooling system would suck in a virtually unlimited supply of sea water. Rucker and his team settled on using four radiators, six cooling fans, and a total of 25 gallons of coolant.

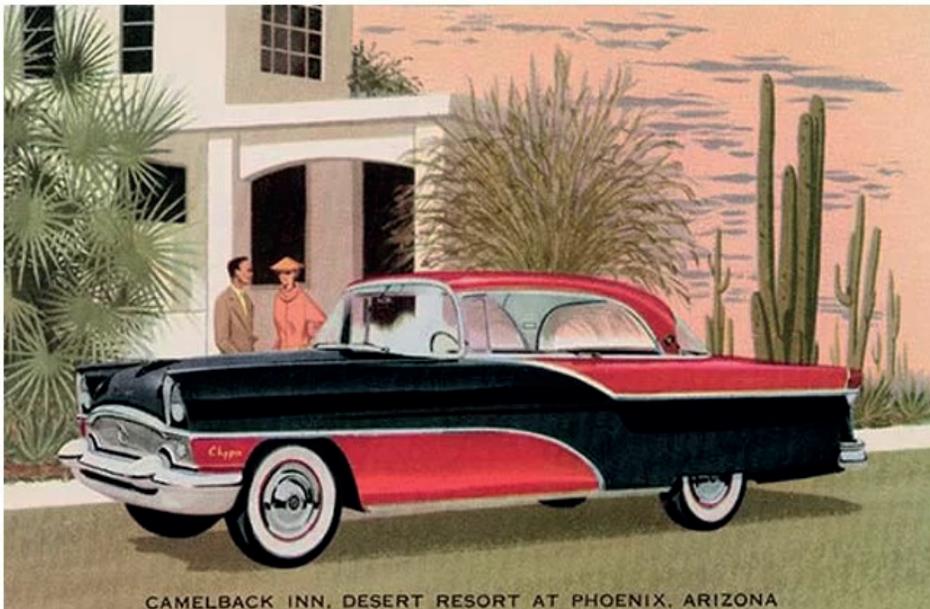
The significant heft of the Packard Royal Streamliner Roadster is kept aloft on an air ride suspension, it also has much needed power steering and air-over-hydraulic brakes to ensure it can be stopped when needed.



The cockpit of the Roadster has comfortable seating for two, with a left-hand drive configuration, a wrap around windshield, and brass

rimmed instruments showing speed, RPM, oil temperature, oil pressure, fuel remaining, voltage, and coolant temperature.

Each of the 12 exhaust pipes exits directly to the atmosphere with no muffler or sound deadening – so it's more than likely that the Packard sounds like the thundering hooves of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse as it approaches. This could be the perfect car for your 16-year-old to use for her driving test for her first license.



# Bruce Elder, 63, Staunton antique car dealer and good OCPC friend, passes away Feb. 2

Like most Old Dominion Packard Club members, I always made it a point to drop by Bruce A. Elder Antique and Classic



Automobiles dealership in Staunton. I loved to browse through Bruce's selection; but more than that, I loved talking with Bruce. It grieves me and many other ODPC members to report that our friend died Feb. 2,

mourned by the town he loved and served, as well as all those who appreciated a passion for automobiles.

Bruce was born in Boston, Mass. He built his car sales business from the age of 15, which brought him in contact with people all over the world. He moved to Staunton with his family in 1989 to expand his business and his life. His friend and ODPC member Richard Obenschain noted that Bruce did business in 42 countries and in every state.



Bruce was the keynote speaker at the 2017 ODPC Fall Tour in Staunton.

**Bruce and his wife, Cathy, at the ODPC banquet**

Bruce served on the Staunton City Council for eight years and was running for Congress as a Democrat against Rep. Bob Goodlatte (R-VA)



**Bruce A. Elder Antique and Classic Automobiles** in 2014, but withdrew from race due to health issues brought on by cancer.

Bruce is survived by his mother; Lynn Elder, his sisters, Elizabeth Elder, Sarah Hale, and Mary Elder; his wife of 36 years, Cathy; four children, Lana Daniel, Emily Boston, Andrew Elder, and Samuel Elder; his granddaughter, Fiona; and step-granddaughter, Charlie.

Staunton Mayor Andrea Oakes told WHSV Channel 3 News that "From the first day he walked into Staunton, our city glowed from his contagious smile. Bruce was a well-respected Staunton City Council member and EDA member. He was truly dedicated in his pursuit to make Staunton the best place to live for all.

"Bruce never met a stranger and we will always remember the lessons he taught us through his stories. Bruce was a loving family man and lit up when he talked about his wife and children."

"None of us are here forever," Bruce said in 2009. "We are leaving a legacy that was left to us and hopefully to leave things better than the way we found it."

— *Craig Coulombe*

# OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB 2021 SPRING TOUR

## ST. MICHAELS, MARYLAND APRIL 21 TO 25

### TOUR REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Guest[s] \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Car entered: Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Body: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fees Member, includes Spouse \$65 \_\_\_\_\_ Guest[s] \$12 \_\_\_\_\_ each

Event	No.	@	\$-- each	Cost
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#### Wednesday, April 21, 2021

Check in at the St. Michael's Inn  
 Complimentary welcome reception in the courtyard Will you attend? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ No charge  
 Dinner at Limoncello in St. Michaels Order from the menu

#### Thursday, April 22, 2021

Breakfast delivered by Crepes by the Bay Includes crepes, coffee/juice \_\_\_\_\_ at \$15 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Selections: 2 slices of bacon.2 & eggs/mozzarella \_\_\_\_\_ No cheese \_\_\_\_\_ Change cheese \_\_\_\_\_  
 Spinach/eggs/feta cheese/mushrooms/onions \_\_\_\_\_ No cheese \_\_\_\_\_ Change cheese \_\_\_\_\_  
 Strawberry/blueberry/bananas/whipped cream \_\_\_\_\_

Visit the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum \_\_\_\_\_ at \$13 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Board historic oyster-dredging sailboat for cruise & lecture \_\_\_\_\_ at \$44 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Box lunch aboard the cruise (with lettuce/onion/chips/pickle) \_\_\_\_\_ at \$13 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Selections: Ham & Swiss on whole wheat \_\_\_\_\_ No cheese \_\_\_\_\_ Change cheese \_\_\_\_\_  
 Turkey & gouda on whole wheat \_\_\_\_\_ No cheese \_\_\_\_\_ Change cheese \_\_\_\_\_  
 Roast beef & cheddar on brioche \_\_\_\_\_ No cheese \_\_\_\_\_ Change cheese \_\_\_\_\_  
 Veggie wrap: spinach/cucumber/ \_\_\_\_\_ Included with lunch (pick one):  
 tomato/advocado/sprout \_\_\_\_\_ Chocolate chip cookie \_\_\_\_\_ or Fruit \_\_\_\_\_

"Wine on the Lawn" overlooking the Chesapeake Bay,  
 Hosted by Lynn & Steve Shirey and Susan & Jimmy Hobbs No charge

Dinner selection: Stars, Inn at Cabin Perry (<http://innatperrycabin.com/dining/>) Order from menu  
 The Crab Claw (<http://www.thecrabclaw.com>) Order from menu

Page 1 Subtotal: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Form continues on next page

# Spring Tour Registration Form, Page 2

Tour Participants \_\_\_\_\_

Subtotal from Page 1: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Friday, April 23, 2021

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Breakfast delivered by Sprouts breakfast includes coffee and juice at \$13 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Selections: Protein Bowl (Oats/walnuts/apples/raisins) \_\_\_\_\_  
Philly Steak (with scrambled eggs & cheese, potatoes) \_\_\_\_\_  
Parfait (strawberry & vanilla yogurt w/ biscuit crumbles) \_\_\_\_\_  
Bakery (coffee cake/babka/cinnamon raisin/  
banana walnut muffin) \_\_\_\_\_

No cheese \_\_\_\_\_

Driving tour of Eastern Shore estates

Lunch at Doc's Sunset Grill, Oxford No. of diners \_\_\_\_\_ Order from menu

Visit Pop's Old Place Centennial Farm No charge

Board Meeting at the Hotel

Dinner at Foxy's Harbor Grille, St. Michaels No. of diners \_\_\_\_\_ Order from menu

## Saturday, April 24, 2021

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Breakfast delivered by Crepes by the Bay Includes crepes, coffee/juice at \$15 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Selections: Ham, 2 eggs/mozzarella \_\_\_\_\_ No cheese \_\_\_\_\_ Change cheese \_\_\_\_\_  
Mediterranean 2 eggs/red onion/mozzarella/ \_\_\_\_\_ No cheese \_\_\_\_\_ Change cheese \_\_\_\_\_  
feta/spinach/artichoke \_\_\_\_\_  
Strawberry/blueberry/bananas/whipped cream \_\_\_\_\_

Visit Classic Motor Museum Single \$10 \_\_\_\_\_ Couples \$15 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch at Awful Arthur's, St. Michaels No. of diners \_\_\_\_\_ Order from menu

Shopping in downtown St. Michaels

Wine tasting at St. Michael's Winery, St. Michaels No. of diners \_\_\_\_\_ Order from menu

Banquet at Scossa, Easton (Period Dress Encouraged) @ \$70 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Fish of the Day, with lemon & capers, rice pilaf \_\_\_\_\_ Grilled chicken with vegetables \_\_\_\_\_

Eggplant Parmigiana with sauted broccolini \_\_\_\_\_

Select a dessert: Chocolate soufflé with cream & berries \_\_\_\_\_ Wild berries tart \_\_\_\_\_

Total due for Tour \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Sunday, April 25, 2021

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Breakfast at Sprout's (Reserved parking for Packards) Order from Menu

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM NO LATER THAN MARCH 30, 2021**

Make check payable to "Old Dominion Packard Club" and mail this form to

Steve Shirey, Rock Moore House, 121 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314

Make hotel reservations NO LATER THAN MARCH 21, 2021 at St. Michaels Inn

228 S. Talbot St., St. Michaels, MD. Call 410-745-3333 for reservations.

Be sure to mention the OD PC group rate — Wednesday & Thursday, \$89; Friday & Saturday, \$175

Please remember your ODPC Name Tags and goodies for the Hospitality Room



# OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB REGISTRATION / RENEWAL FORM

# 2021



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

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

Phones: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Year joined: \_\_\_\_\_

**PACKARDS OWNED**

*This listing is for the Club's annual Membership Roster. You do not have to own a Packard to be a member.*

Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____
Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____
Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____
Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____

*Please list additional cars using the above criteria on a separate piece of paper. Thank you.*

**Annual Dues (Dues are for calendar year and includes spouse) \$30.00**

**Old Dominion Packard Club  
Accessories**



Number of club badges: \_\_\_\_\_ Price for each badge: \$9.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name as you wish it to appear on the name badge:

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

ODPC Cloisonné bumper badge \$70.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of badges: \_\_\_\_\_ Plus \$7.00 Shipping = Sub-total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

I wish to receive the ODP Newsletter by: E-mail PDF:  U.S. Mail:  Both:

I wish to receive the ODP Membership Roster by: E-mail PDF:  U.S. Mail:  Both:

**Make checks payable to: Old Dominion Packard Club**

**Mail the Registration / Renewal Form to: Craig Coulombe / 3148 Borge Street / Oakton / VA / 22124**

The Old Dominion Packard Club holds two 3-day events per year — Spring Tour on the fourth weekend in April and Fall Tour on the fourth weekend in October. Every other year ODP holds a Fall Meet, which includes judging of cars. Locations vary.

Our ODP Newsletter is published quarterly and contains information on club activities. Come join us!

# OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB

► NEWSLETTER ◀

SUMMER EDITION 2020

3148 Borge Street, Oakton, VA 2214



Founded 1958



This an advertisement for the 1953 Packard Clipper, featuring the Deluxe Touring Sedan. Packard had discontinued the Clipper after 1947, but brought it back in 1953 in an attempt to distinguish the lower-end Packard line. The Clipper would continue until Studebaker ended the Packard name.

## The New Packard CLIPPER

This great new medium-priced line is making the kind of news you like to read: "a truly big car that even 'lowest-price' buyers find interesting."

**It's the new Packard CLIPPER that's the headline.** The rest of it will be news items, as they should be. If you've got a new car to match, don't waste a dime in the market, just get that's made every all year—the new Packard CLIPPER. The others, of course. We welcome

commitments, because to the CLIPPER we've got what you'll find only in a car made by Packard—America's most experienced practitioners of the art.

Have you evaluated this—? Make it your own. A combined "lowest priced" car feature, but we're beginning to wonder whether you wouldn't see it this year

responsibly to make's crowded, high-speed highway. We especially want you! If you're thinking, "no, you'll realize that with a 4-cylinder engine, you'll find yourself in the middle of the road, not in the lead." And you'll still get, besides, a spacious, light car—with no chance of adding the big, important "There's of today's driving power steering, power

locking and power shifting—all of which are available to CLIPPER buyers.

**Every inch your big-car demand!** That 200-hp CLIPPER engine and overall length of 213 inches in Big Car! Yet



the CLIPPER is perfectly available in national state and light system. And on the road, it's a dream!

**The CLIPPER means styling, economy, Big Car dimensions and features—something special and superior to almost anything that will add dollars to the bank—your bank account.**

**Power!** Even when you back, your feet play to your heart, you've heard that Packard engine can power the world over for power and enjoyment.

**It's your Packard CLIPPER dealer here!** He'll help you see it first! Because the car's working. Clippies are by the highest dealer in town. Look him up if you plan to pay

2000 or more for up reliability. But the overall size, low-rid, medium-price happens all the CLIPPER "big boy" of the year.



In addition to the Clipper, PACKARD is building safety in an industry and first that it is equipped everywhere in America to meet them in four cars. All the more who drive one today!