

2023
SPRING
EDITION
No. 1

The

Old Dominion Packard Club



BERKELEY SPRINGS, WEST VIRGINIA

SPRING TOUR
APRIL 19 – 23,
2023



In Our 63rd 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

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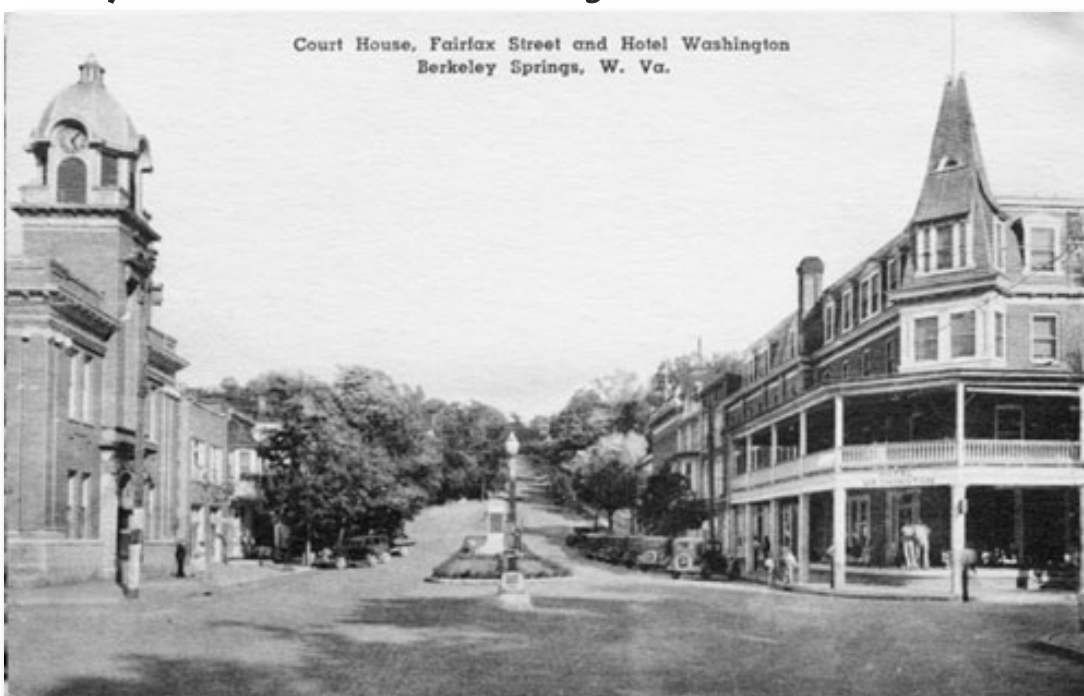
A CELEBRATED AND FASHIONABLE HEALTH RESORT.
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Beautifully located on the Berkeley Springs and Potomac Railroad, -100 miles west of Washington.

Map of Berkeley Springs, West Virginia was first published in 1889 by John Moray, an artist, photographer, and amateur historian who worked and lived in Berkeley Springs in the late 19th century.



A fountainhead of warm mineral waters frequented by Native Americans long before Europeans arrived in the New World, are at the heart of the mountain spa community of Berkeley Springs in West Virginia's Eastern Panhandle. First noted as Medicine Springs in 1747 on a map drawn by Thomas Jefferson's father, the waters for many centuries have drawn visitors seeking health and relief from the stress of everyday life.



George Washington first visited in 1748 and made the area his favorite getaway through the 1760s. In 1776, Washington's family and friends drew up a plat of 134 lots, named the streets, and incorporated The Town of Bath, invoking the muses of the renowned English spa. Yet the magic of the springs prevailed, and the town and surrounding area are known around the world by their name — Berkeley Springs.

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ODPC Spring “Casablanca” Tour

Berkeley Springs, West Virginia April 19 – 23, 2023

~ Your Tour Masters: Michael Fistere, Nancy Orvis, Gunther Hoyt ~

By Nancy Orvis

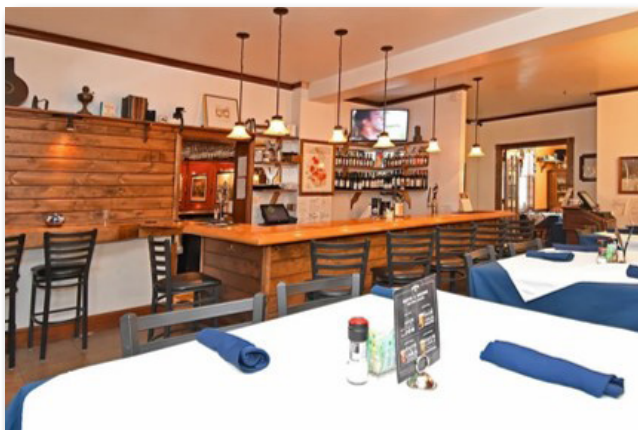
WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL IN BERKELEY SPRINGS, WV FOR OUR Spring Casablanca-themed tour! We are staying at The Country Inn of Berkeley Springs from Wednesday, April 19, through Sunday, April. There is parking for our cars and trailers between the historic and modern wings of the Inn. When you arrive, you will receive a great tour bag with license plates, caps, maps, and snacks.



The Country Inn of Berkeley Springs

Members should call the Country Inn for room reservations before March 31. To make a reservation, call 304-258-1200. Be sure to mention that you are part of the Old Dominion Packard Club. You might get discounts through AARP or AAA. The hotel serves breakfast, but it is not included with your room. There will be a hospitality room and the closing banquet will be held at the hotel in Saturday night. The Inn’s website is:

<https://www.thecountryinnwv.com>



**High
Top
Lounge**



**Morgan
Tavern**



Thursday, April 20

After breakfast, we will assemble and leave at 9 a.m. to drive for about an hour to the Harper's Ferry National Historical Park. Once there, we will park our cars in the Upper Lot Visitors Center. Once we are all together, we will board a bus to the historic downtown area where we will begin a special tour provided by the Park Foundation especially for ODP members.

Harper's Ferry, at the confluence of the Shenandoah and Potomac rivers, holds a major place in American

The Raid on Harper's Ferry, Oct. 16-18, 1859

John Brown was a radical abolitionist who mounted a raid Oct. 16, 1859 on Harpers Ferry with a band of 16 whites and five blacks as the first stage in an elaborate plan to establish an independent stronghold of freed slaves in the mountains of Maryland and Virginia. Choosing Harpers Ferry because of its arsenal and because of its location as a convenient gateway to the South. U.S. Marines under the command of Col. Robert E. Lee storm the firehouse where insurrectionist John Brown was trapped with his supporters. Brown's raid, from Oct. 16-18, 1859, resulted in his being hanged for treason.



The Battle of Harper's Ferry, Sept. 13-15, 1862

As Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia marched through the Shenandoah Valley and into Maryland, he split his main forces, sending Maj. Gen Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson's division to Harper's Ferry for the purposes of commandeering the city's federal arsenal full of ammunition and weapons and to open a supply line to Virginia.

Union Col. Dixon Miles, who held Harper's Ferry, concentrated his brigade in the city, rather than spreading them among the high hills surrounding the town. On Sept. 13, 1862, Confederate forces arrived and scattered the scant Union defenses in the hills, leaving them open to Confederate occupation. Meanwhile, Jackson positioned his artillery for an attack on Harper's Ferry. He placed 50 guns on



Maryland Heights overlooking Harper's Ferry and at the base of Loudoun Heights. Jackson ordered Maj. Gen. A.P. Hill to move along the west bank of the Shenandoah River for an assault on the Union left flank. On the morning of Sept. 15, Jackson ordered his artillery to fire and viciously bombarded Harper's Ferry while simultaneously ordering an infantry charge. Miles quickly realized that he had no chance and began surrender negotiations. Before he could officially surrender, however, he was killed by an artillery shell.

Confederate forces captured nearly 12,000 Union prisoners making it the largest surrender for the Union in the entire Civil War. Because of the poor tactics and preparation under the leadership of Col. Miles, the outcome of the battle came quickly, resulting in less than 500 total casualties.

From Harper's Ferry, Jackson would rush to join Lee at Sharpsburg, Maryland, for the Battle of Antietam.

history. During the late 18th- / early 19th-century, it was a major manufacturing center producing muskets and munitions. In the early 1800s, Lewis and Clark carried munitions from Harper's Ferry during their expedition across the western America to the Pacific Ocean and back.



After our return to Berkeley Springs, we will have a great ODPG happy hour and buffet dinner from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at the **Bathwater Brew Pub**, run by host and owner Denise Wagenbrenner, which features its own smoked meats, desserts, vegetables, and mac and cheese for vegans. Don't forget to wear your ODPG badges!



Friday, April 21

At 9:30 a.m. we will depart from the hotel and drive through Winchester, VA to the **Long Branch Historic House and Farm** in Boyce, VA. We will tour the house, designed by Benjamin Henry Latrobe, whose work included the U.S. Capitol, at 11 a.m. The farm was built by Robert Carter Burwell in 1811. It was added to the National Park Service's National Registry of Historic Places in October 1969. Long Branch is a popular location for weddings and receptions and is home to many retired race horses.



Following the tour we will drive about 11 miles to **Hunter's Head Tavern** in Upperville, VA, where we will eat lunch at 12:15 p.m.



Left, Hunter's Head Tavern

Below, Trinity Episcopal Church

After lunch we will drive the nearby **Trinity Episcopal Church**, which we will tour at 2 p.m.

After we return to the Country Inn, the ODPG Board of Directors will meet in the Hospitality Room.

Friday night dinner will be on your own. The Tour Guide will contain a list of nearby restaurants.



Saturday, April 22

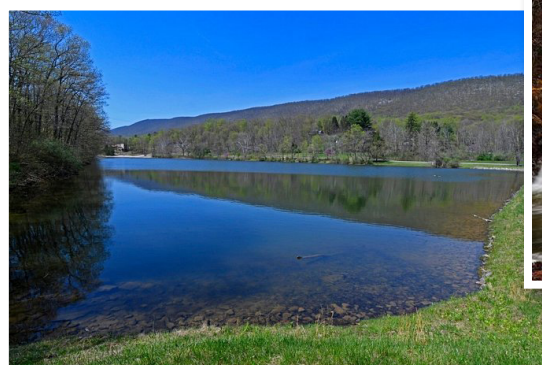
Saturday will be open for you to explore Berkeley Springs and the surrounding area. Visit the shops in downtown Berkeley Springs, sample the Historic Berkeley Springs State Park with hot mineral springs Roman baths or make appointments for a soak and massage either at the Park or spa treatments within the hotel itself.



Downtown Berkeley Springs

Lunch opportunities abound in town or take a 10-mile drive to Cacapon State Park or a 4-mile drive to Coolfont Resort.

If you want appointments for the baths or spas, make them early because they sell out quickly on the weekends!



Coolfont Resort

Cacapon State Park

Berkeley Springs Baths & Massages

Berkeley Springs State Park Old Roman Bathhouse

For reservations, call 304-258-3976

Rates:

Roman Baths (4/tub Max) - **Adult:** \$27 per half hour **Senior:** \$24 per half hour
 Each additional person: \$17 \$15
 Children 5 years and younger: \$3 Ages 6 to 12 years old: \$11

Berkeley Springs Main Bathhouse Spa Services

For reservations, call 304-258-2711

Rates:

	ADULTS	SENIORS
30 / 60 / 90 Minutes Therapeutic Massage		
15-Minute Mineral Bath*	\$60 / \$111 / \$139	\$54 / \$100 / \$126
Hot Stone Massage		
Couples Massage	60 / 90 Minutes	60 / 90 MINUTE
15-Minute Mineral Bath*	\$209 / \$299	\$192 / \$273
Hot Stone Upgrade	\$65 / \$75	



Saturday night banquet at The Country Inn will have a Casablanca theme, so folks, get out those white dinner jackets and '40s style dresses so you can emulate Rick and Ilsa for a chance to remember "As Time Goes By" that the world will always welcome lovers — especially of Packards — to our special Spring Tour world!



What would you like to see in here?

From time to time, I have heard members say they would like to see various things in our Newsletter. These include advertisements for members' cars for sale, notices about Packard-related activities, and members' individual stories. This Newsletter does not belong to me — this newsletter is for all of us. As editor, I would be like to know what it is that YOU want. Let me know what you like. My email is:

coulombe@cox.net

or give me a call at 703-244-2791.

Don't be afraid to make suggestions — The only dumb suggestions are the ones that are never received.

— Craig Coulombe



Humphrey Bogart
(Rick Blaine)

Everybody Comes to Rick's ...

The theme of our 2023 Spring Tour Banquet is “Casablanca,” as a homage to the famous World War II movie set in France and Morocco. When the movie premiered in November 2022, American and British troops had landed in Casablanca and were fighting in Morocco and Algeria against the Vichy French colonial forces.



Ingrid Bergman
(Ilsa Lund)



Paul Henreid
(Victor Lazlo)



Claude Rains
(Capt. Louis Renault)

The Period Packard Committee will turn the dining room into a facsimile of Rick’s Café Americain, with fabulous décor. You are requested to wear attire such as you see in the movie and who knows? You might just receive the Letters of Transit!



Conrad Veidt
(Maj. Heinrich Strasser)



Sidney Greenstreet
(Signor Ferrari)

So, round up the usual suspects and you must remember this — We’ll always have Packards!



S.Z. Sakall
(Carl)



Madeleine LaBeau
(Yvonne)



Dooley Wilson
(Sam)



Peter Lorre
(Ugarte)

OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB ♦ 2023 SPRING TOUR

Berkeley Springs, WV April 19 to 23

TOUR REGISTRATION FORM



Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Guest[s]: _____ / _____

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

Cell Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Car entered: Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____ Body: _____

 **Registration Fees:** Member (includes Spouse): @ \$70 \$ _____ Guest[s]: @ \$20 each: \$ _____ 

Event	No. of Participants: _____	@ Cost of Event	Total
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Wednesday, October 19, 2023

Pick up your Tour Packets in the Hospitality Room / Dinner at the Country Inn

NOTE: The Country Inn serves breakfast, but you pay on your own

Thursday, October 20, 2023

Leave hotel at 9 a.m. for Harpers Ferry National Park Tour	No.: _____	@ \$5 each	\$ _____
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Parking free with NPS pass or pay \$20 per car at the entrance

Lunch on own in town / Assemble at parking lot at 2:30 p.m.

Leave at 5 p.m. for dinner at Bathwater Brew Pub, Berkeley Springs	No.: _____	@ \$35 each	\$ _____
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Friday, October 21, 2023

Leave hotel at 9:30 a.m., drive to the Long Branch Horse Farm	(\$10 donation)
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Lunch at 12:15 p.m. at the Hunter's Head Tavern in Upperville, VA	Order off menu
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Tour the Trinity Episcopal Church in Upperville at 2 p.m.	(\$10 donation)
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ODPC Board Meeting at 4:30 p.m., Hospitality Room

Dinner on own

Saturday, October 22, 2023

Berkeley Springs Spa Day and local shopping

Lunch on own in town

Banquet in the Berkeley Springs Country Inn Banquet Room	No.: _____	@ \$60 each	\$ _____
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Registration Fee (plus fee for Guests)	@ \$70 + Guests @ \$20 each	\$ _____	
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TOTAL: \$ _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM NO LATER THAN MARCH 31, 2023

Make check payable to **OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB** and mail this form to:

Michael Fistere, P.O. Box 15242, Chevy Chase MD 20825

If you have questions or need more information, call Michael at 267-241-3199

Remember your ODPC Name Tag and bring goodies for the Hospitality Room



OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB REGISTRATION / RENEWAL FORM

2023



Name: _____ Spouse: _____

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

Phones: Home: _____ Cell: _____

E-Mail: _____ Year joined: _____

PACKARDS OWNED	<i>This listing is for the Club's annual Membership Roster. You do <u>not</u> have to own a Packard to be a member.</i>			
	Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____
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	Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____
	Year: _____	Model: _____	Body #: _____	Model #: _____
<i>Please list additional cars using the above criteria on a separate piece of paper. Thank you.</i>				

Annual Dues

\$30.00

Bumper Badge



ODPB Bumper Badge

**Bumper Badge ~ \$75
with \$8 Shipping**

Badges requested: _____

Accessories

This Name Badge attaches magnetically so the badge will not damage your clothes and stays on tight. Each badge includes the Packard logo. These badges cost \$10 and includes shipping

Number of badges requested: _____ @ \$10 each

Name[s] for name badges:

- | | |
|----------|----------|
| 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 4. _____ |

Name Badge



**Name Badge
with Packard Crest**

Sub-total for Name Badge[s]: \$ _____

Sub-total for Bumper Badge[s]: \$ _____

Total of Accessories & Dues: \$ _____

Send me the ODPC 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 / 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 ODPC holds a Fall Meet, which includes judging of cars. Locations vary. Our ODPC Newsletter is published quarterly and contains information on club activities. Come join us!

OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB

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2023 Spring Edition

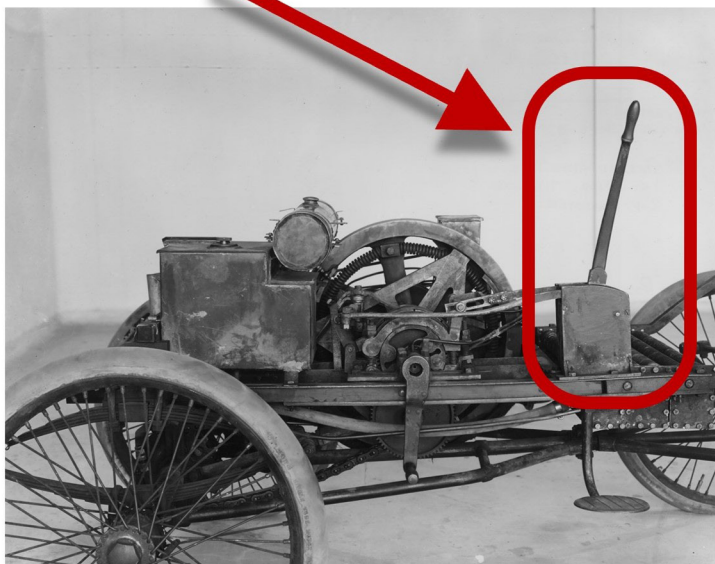
3148 Borge Street, Oakton, VA 2214



Founded 1958

Packard's First Shiftbox System Still in Use Today

When James Ward Packard built his first car, he initially used a 2-lever shift box, but after trials in November 1899, he developed the "H" gate shiftbox (see photo below). In a 1-cylinder, 9-horsepower car,



his setup was rather rudimentary. As time passed, however, the transmission became more complex, but Packard's "H" gate remained the universal standard. So, whether it's a Four-On-The-Floor or a Three-On-The-Tree, the next time that you manually shift your car, remember Packard's enduring legacy to automobiles.