



In Our 66th Year

he 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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Northern Virginia & Maryland

Southeastern Virginia

Central Virginia

Western & Southwestern Virginia

South of Virginia

Pennsylvania

Old Dominion Packard Club

ODPC is very lucky to have a Secretary as dedicated and innovative as **Mark Fingerholz**. He has worked hard to move the Club into a digital future, with online forms, immediate access to Club material through easy-to-use QR codes, and developing a system to allow members to pay tour registration and Club dues securely through digital payment services.

At this time, Mark is in the process of setting up an online **Membership Application Form** that is available for you to review:





Membership Form link: https://neartail.com/sm/WB5a1DXkt Membership Form QR code: At left

Unlike the Membership Form, Mark has completed the Tour Registration Digital Form. For the first time, you have the option of registrering for the upcoming 2024 Spring Tour by filling out the form in this Newsletter or you can click on the URL link below or by scanning the QR code:

> Spring 2024 Tour Registration Form link: https://neartail.com/sm/TsONB6X6 Spring 2024 Tour Registration Form QR code: At right



Remember: At this time ODPC does NOT have digital routing to make the tour payment, so once the form is completed, be sure to send a check for the tour registration to ODPC Treasurer Craig Coulombe, 3148 Borge Street, Oakton, VA 22124.

In the Winter 2023 Newsletter, I erroneously GORREGION: In the winter 2023 Newsletter, I erroneously gave the wrong dates for the 2024 Fall Meet. The correct dates are: October 23 to 27.



Old Dominion Packard Club Spring Tour, April 24 ~ 28, 2024

Historic Tri-Cities, Virginia

~ Your Tour Masters: Jon Hatfield and Bruce Brooks ~



2001 W Hundred Road, Chester, VA 23836



o make your room reservation, call **804-414-1010**. Provide the code **ODP** or just mention the ODPC block of rooms.

ODPC 2024 Spring Tour

Quick Look

Wednesday, April 24, 2024

2 to 5:30 p.m. Pick up Tour Packets in Hospitality / Board Room

5:45 p.m. Leave Hotel for Early-Bird Dinner at Riptides Seafood Restaurant (self pay)

Thursday, April 25, 2024

8:45 a.m. Drivers meet in parking lot / 9 a.m. Depart, oldest vehicle first

9:25 a.m. Petersburg National Battlefield Visitor Center – short video, gift shop, restrooms

10:30 a.m. Battle of the "Crater" presentation by Park Ranger

11:15 a.m. Depart Crater; drive to Blandford Church for tour/presentation (only building with

all windows by Louis Comfort Tiffany)

12:45 p.m. Maria's Ristorante Italiano for lunch

2:15 p.m. Depart for Petersburg National Battlefield – City Point Unit (Gen. Grant's HQ)

2:45 p.m. Gen. Grant's HQ for tour and presentation by Park Ranger

3:45 p.m. Depart City Point for Courtyard by Marriott

Dinner on your own (See local restaurants listed in tour book)

Friday, April 26, 2024

9:30 a.m. Drivers meeting in parking lot / 9:45 a.m. Depart hotel, oldest vehicle first

10 a.m. Tour Charlie Ford's collection

11:15 a.m. Tour and buffet lunch at Keystone Tractor Museum

2:00 p.m. Tour and sample Taylor-Made Chocolate

2:45 p.m. Depart for Courtyard by Marriott

4:00 p.m. Officers & Directors Meeting – Hospitality Room (Open to all members)

Dinner on your own (See local restaurants listed in tour book)

Saturday, April 27, 2024

9 a.m. Drivers meeting in parking lot / 9:15 a.m. Depart hotel, oldest vehicle first

9:45 a.m. Arrive Henricus Historical Park for guided tour

11:45 a.m. Lunch at Boathouse

1:30 p.m. Tour of Weston Manor and boutique gift shop

Return to Hotel on your own

4 to 5 p.m. (optional) Southern Knights Cruisers Car Show at Hardee's (Route 10 & Old Stage Road) 5-minute walk from hotel

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Club Social in Hospitality / Board Room

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Banquet and short Club Meeting in the Hotel Conference Room

Sunday, April 28, 2024

7 to 10 a.m. Breakfast, Farewell, and Safe Travels!

Wednesday, April 24

Ick up the tour book packets in the Hospitality Room. We'll leave the hotel at 5:45 p.m. for an Early Bird dinner at 6 p.m at **Riptides Seafood**, 11212 Iron Bridge Road, Chester. (Pay for your own meal)



Thursday, April 25
t 9 a.m. we'll line up by year (oldest first) and drive to the Petersburg National
Battlefield. We will watch the film about the battle at the Visitors' Center, then hear

an overview by a Park Ranger at the Crater.

During June and July 1864, Union miners dug a tunnel under Confederate lines and placed a huge

cache of gunpowder. They exploded the charge on July 30 to bring an end to the siege of Petersburg. The result was a monumental failure.















We will then go to the **Blandford Church**, above right, (111 Rochelle Lane, Petersburg), which is

the only building in the world with all of its windows by Louis Comfort Tiffany. Following the tour, we will have lunch at **Maria's of Old Town 21** in Petersburg.







After lunch, we drive to **City Point, Hopewell**, pictured
at left, which served as the
headquarters for the Union
commander, Lt. Gen. U.S. Grant,
during the Battle of Petersburg. A
Park Ranger will lead our tour.

We then return to the hotel and we will have dinner on our own.



Friday, April 26

the hotel at 9:45
a.m. to tour
Charlie Ford's
Car Collection,



then tour the **Keystone Tractor Museum** (tractors, cars, and trucks), pictured above.

We will eat lunch at the Tractor Museum, then drive to **Taylor Made Chocolate**, 241 East Hundred Road, Chester — a small artisan chocolate operation making great chocolate!

Return to hotel on your own.

The **ODPC Board Meeting** will be held in the Hospitality Room at 4 p.m. The meeting is open to all Club members.

Members will have dinner on their own.



Saturday, April 27

t 9:15 a.m., we will drive to the **Henricus Historical Park**, pictured at right, established in 1611, for a tour.



HENRICUS Historical Park

We will have lunch at **Boathouse**Restaurant, pictured above, then drive to the Weston Manor Plantation

House, pictured at right, for a tour, and a visit to the boutique for the ladies.





Return to the hotel on your own.

If you need to enjoy more old cars, you can walk from the hotel to the **Southern Knights** Cruisers Veterans Car & **Bike Show** at the Hardee's restaurant at Route 10 and Old Stage Road, starting at 4 p.m.

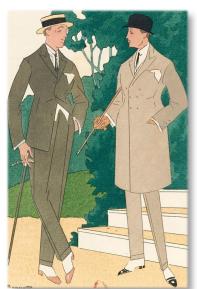




BLAST INTO SPRING IN PETERSBURGI



e invite you to put some serious Spring in your step and swap the Winter Blues for pastels and florals. Let's don some straw fedoras or boaters, Easter bonnets, bowties, summer dresses, or seersucker jackets and white



trousers! Chose Springtime attire linked to your own Packard year, or any year of Packard production.

And remember, you'll receive a free drink chit during our cocktail hour.







See you at the ODPC Fall Meet in Smithfield, VA from October 23 to 27

OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB

2024 Spring Tour Registration Form

| Name: | | Spouse/Guest: | | |
|---|---|--|----------------|------------------------|
| Address: | | City: | State: | Zip: |
| Packard Brought: Year: | Make: | Model: | Body | : |
| Trailer Space Required: YES | NO (Circle cho | pice) | | |
| Registration Fees: Drive | r & Spouse or 1 Gues | :: \$65 + Add'l Guest/s: \$20 Under age 18 - Free | | Combined Total: \$ |
| Wednesday, April 24 | | <u> </u> | = | |
| Arrive Courtyard by Marriott, 2 King Non-Smoking \$149 plus Breakfast is not included in re 2-5:30 pm Pick up Tour Packe | tax; Double Beds No oom rate but is availa | n-Smoking \$159 plus tax ble in dining area off the lob | | |
| 5:45 pm Leave for Early Bird | | • / | n your own) Nu | mber Attending |
| Thursday, April 25 | | | No. | x Price = Total |
| Leave hotel for Petersburg Nati | ional Battlefield Park & | "Crater" (Gift Shop) | No cha | rge for entry or tour |
| Tour Blandford Church (Tiffan | y Glass Windows) & C | emetery | | at \$5 ea. = \$ |
| Family Style Lunch: Maria's O (Salad, Baked Ziti, Baked Chicken, Pen | | | | at \$40 ea. = \$ |
| Tour Petersburg National Battle | efield Park, City Point | Unit, (General Grant's HQ) | No cha | arge for entry or tour |
| Dinner on your own – local res | taurants listed in tour b | ook | | |
| Friday, April 26 | | | | |
| Visit Charlie Ford's Car Collection | | | | No Charge |
| Keystone Tractor Museum (Tou (Lunch: BBQ, Baked Chicken, Fried Chic Green Beans, Baked Beans, Corn, Cole S | cken, Mashed Potatoes, Mac & | Cheese, | | at \$30 ea. = \$ |
| Taylor Made Chocolate (This n tasting, plus one large candy b | | ur, short presentation, chocolar | | at \$10 ea. = \$ |
| Dinner on your own – local res | taurants listed in tour b | ook | | |
| Saturday, April 27 | | | | |
| Henricus Historical Park (Guid | ed Tour) (Gift Shop) | | | at \$16 ea. = \$ |
| Lunch: Boathouse Restaurant a (Menu Choice of Atlantic Salmon, Blacke | | * | | at \$48 ea. = \$ |
| Weston Manor Tour – after tour, | | <u> </u> | | at \$6 ea. = \$ |
| Tour Dinner Banquet at Courty | ard by Marriott | Under age 18 at \$30 |) ea. & | at \$55 ea. = \$ |

Tour Total (<u>Include Registration Fees</u>): \$_____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2024

Make check payable to "Old Dominion Packard Club" and mail with registration form to – Craig Coulombe, 3148 Borge St, Oakton, VA 22124

If you have questions or need additional information, call Jon Hatfield at 804-894-3604 (Jon will be off the grid from March 25 thru April 10). During this period, call Craig at 703-244-2791

Please remember to bring your name tags, period dress, and goodies for the Hospitality Room



OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB



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| Name: | | | | Spouse: | | |
| Address: | | | City: | | State: Zip: | |
| Phones: | Home: | | Cell: | | New member? | |
| E-Mail: _ | | | | —————————————————————————————————————— | | |
| This listing is for the Club's annual Membership Roster. You do <u>not</u> have to own a Packard to be a member. | | | | | | |
| WW | Year: | Model: | | Body #: | Model #: | |
| PACKARDS OWNED | Year: | Model: | | Body #: | Model #: | |
| CARI | Year: | | | Body #: | Model #: | |
| ACA | Year: | Model: | | Body #: | Model #: | |
| 4 | | Please list addi | itional cars using the above criteria | on a separate piece | of paper. Thank you. | |
| Annual Dues: \$30 Mailing Preference | | | | | ling Preferences | |
| <u>Du</u> | es d | eadling | e is Oct. 31 | I wish to receive th ODPC | the ODPC Club | |
| Bu | mper Ba | adge | Name Badge | E-mail: | E-mail: | |
| 1 | | | TOUR NAME HERE | Postage: | Postage: | |
| | DOMINOR OF STREET | | Name Badge | Both: | Both: | |
| | Tiii | | with Packard Crest | Make cl | hecks payable to: | |



The ODPC Bumper Badge includes screws and nuts for mounting. Badges are \$75 each, with \$8 for shipping.

No. of badges requested: ____

Subtotals for:

Name Badge[s] \$

Our Name Badge attaches magnetically so it won't damage your clothes and stays on tight. Each badge includes the Packard logo.

Badges are \$10 each, including shipping.

| No. of badges requested: Name for each badge: | at \$10 ea. |
|--|-------------|
| 1 | |
| 2 | |
| 3 | |
| | |

Bumper Badge[s] (include shipping): \$

Total for Accessories & Dues:\$

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Mail 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 week of April and Fall Tour on the fourth week of October. Every other year ODPC holds a Fall Meet, which includes the judging of cars. Tour locations vary. Our Newsletter is published quarterly and contains information about Club activities.

OLD DOMINION PACKARD CLUB

Newsletter = 2024 Spring Edition

3148 Borge Street, Oakton, VA 2214



Founded 1958

Packard's Oddball Needle in a Haystack

Submitted for your consideration ...

This is one of the rarest Packards ever built — a 1931 one-off V-12 sedan with front-wheel drive!

Cornelius Van
Ranst was hired by
Packard to develop a
small-bore V-12 engine
positioned at a 67-degree
angle, with power sent to
the front wheels instead
of the rear.

While FWD was seen in some racing cars at time, there very few passenger cars using it. This new setup was complex and



met with major transaxle issues that delayed development. As a result, Packard returned to its big

V-12 engine combined with its rear-wheel drive configuration. Note the different bumper and non-Packard radiator.