

Ladew Topiary Gardens Car Show

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Our Ladew Topiary Gardens car show usually attracts a few cars from other clubs and antique car hobbyists who just want to go to a beautiful setting on a Sunday afternoon. However, on Sunday July 30th we had 36 antique cars show up and, in all, there were 55 members and guests. Chesapeake Region hasn't had this many participants at Ladew in several years.

The weather was sunny and hot but that didn't deter us from finding nice grassy parking spots and setting up chairs under nearby trees.

Cars line the garden road >>

Sterling Walsh's 1975 Chevrolet convertible was the dash plaque featured car. Gladys and Sterling brought the car so that we could enjoy it.

Bringing matching Oldsmobile convertibles were Julie and Ron Siegrist, who did the same thing at the Ballestone Show in June. However, because they have so many Olds convertibles – this event's pair were different; Ron in their 1952 and Julie in their 1970, both of them black beauties.

The Walshs with their 1975 Chevrolet beside a topiary >>

Three British sports car enthusiasts came to the show in open roadsters - a bright red 1952 MG TD, a jet black 1958 Austin Healey 100-6, and a rich burgundy 1971 Jaguar XKE. They didn't have air conditioning, but when you're having this much driving fun who needs the AC?

And we were treated to a rare old car sighting – a red and white 1955 Willys Bermuda, which was a Kaiser Motors built hardtop that apparently was only made

for one year. As we all know, Kaiser and Willys were absorbed into AMC in 1970, and later AMC was acquired by Chrysler.

The Sponsor's Choice trophy was awarded to Lois and John Krupinsky for their 1955 Ford Crown Victoria. Ladew staffers Katie Frish and Dawn Garrity made the selection, but they claimed that it was one of the most difficult choices they have ever made because there were so many nice cars.

Participating in the Ladew car show were: **Mary & Ed Allen, 1959 Buick; Larry Butcher, 1938**

Lincoln; Pat & Ed Butler, 1932 Buick; Bud Currey, 1965 Pontiac; Bob Dawson, 1954 Ford; Doug Ehmann, 1969 Corvette; Rich & John Gambo, 1969 Lincoln; Jerry Gordon, 1961 Cadillac; Angie & Ben Gugliuzza, 1955 Chevrolet; Virginia & Paul Habicht, 1959 Cadillac; Frank Horn, 1958 Austin Healey; Stevie & David Humbert, 1952

MG; Thelma & Dave Johnson, 1956 Thunderbird; Anne & Tom Kenney, 1955 DeSoto; Linda & Richard Klingmeyer, 1950 Ford; David Kluck, 1955 Willys; Lois & John Krupinsky, 1955 Ford; and Mildred & Al Lawson, 1957 Chevrolet.

Also participating were: George Mantakos, 1963 Avanti; **Joan & Walton Meyers, 1953 Pontiac;** Henry Pitts, 1971 Jaguar; Bill Salisbury, 1963 Ford; T. W. Scott, 1964 Corvette; Shannon Scott, 1963 Ford; Mae Scott, 1960 Buick; Bill Scott, 1966 Buick; Emil Seuck, 1956

Thunderbird; **Julie Siegrist, 1970 Oldsmobile; Ron Siegrist, 1952 Oldsmobile;** John Smith, 1972 Buick; **Ruth & Jim Synodinos, 1972 Pontiac; Jerry Ross, 1954 Kaiser; Ruth & Albert Cooper + Gladys & Sterling Walsh, 1975 Chevrolet; Mary Mills + Margaret & Francis Werneth, 1947 Ford; Gary Wilmer, 1968 Chevelle;** and Amy & Dave Woodard, 1961 Thunderbird.

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David Kluck, 1955 Willys Bermuda



Sponsor's Choice Award
Lois & John Krupinsky flanked
by Katie Frish & Dawn Garrity



Krupinsky's 1955 Ford Crown Victoria

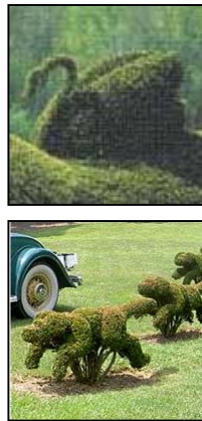


Photos above reading clockwise from the lower left: David Humbert, red 1952 MG TD; Al & Margaret Lawson keeping cool in the ample shade at Ladew; Henry Pitts, burgundy 1971 Jaguar XKE; Julie Siegrist in her 1970 Oldsmobile; Ron Siegrist in his 1952 Oldsmobile; Frank Horn, black 1958 Austin Healey 100-6.

Shown on the right are some of the animal topiaries; a swan and running dogs >>



New members Linda & Richard Klingmeyer with their 1950 Ford



Bob Dawson, 1954 Ford F-100