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**The Lamphere Family '29 Franklin Pickup**

## Grandpa's Pickup

'Grandpa' was George Lamphere and he lived in West Rutland, Vermont. He purchased a new Franklin automobile in 1919 and thus began this whole Lamphere tradition with the 'Franklin Brand'. Some years later George also purchased this '29 pickup that started its life as a sedan...The Franklin Company did not make trucks. Someone had cut the middle out and brought the rear of the sedan right up to the back of the front seat.

The Franklin Company built around 150,000 cars in Syracuse, New York from 1902 through 1934. Besides being known as a high quality very well built vehicle the engine was also 'air cooled'. The owner of the company was Herbert Franklin and it was said he was obsessed with having the lowest weight vehicle possible, so he could optimize the weight to H.P. ratio. As much of the vehicle as possible was made of aluminum. Most of the models had only three lugs holding the rims to the wheels because he did not want to add the extra weight. Other manufacturers used six lugs. The '29 Wall Street crash put the company out of business in 1934 but the air cooled engines continue to be manufactured and used right up to 1975 in aircraft.

So, George was using his pickup during the 40s when grandson David came to live with him as there were no schools at the Oak Ridge nuclear facility where David's dad worked. David can recall many memorable rides with his grandfather in this truck. One time his grandfather was found at the bottom of a ravine unconscious in the pickup. A leak had allowed some carbon monoxide into the cab from the exhaust manifold heater box. Grandpa was ok after they rescued him but you will find no heater in the cab today, George removed it.

After the war when David returned to Tennessee the Pickup made it's way there also. David's dad, Richard, had no problem making a home for the truck since Franklin was his choice of transportation also. In fact, I understand, except for a few miles, Richard drove Franklins his whole life. There is much more of this story that I might be able to get into Wheel Tracks someday including Richard returning from Alaska in his Franklin Sedan with two moose tied to the roof. For now I need to 'follow pickup'.

The Pickup..... Yes, it is now in Westford, Vermont. The great news, David and his wife Cereta use it as their main truck on the small farm they live on. You can find more pictures on page 7 following the life of the 29 Franklin Pickup. Guess where you might find Grandpa's 1919 Franklin Sedan...yes, in David's garage. What about the Franklins that his dad had, including the one that hauled the moose from Alaska...yup, also in David's garage. David and Cereta are members of VAE and somehow I don't think we have heard the last of the Lamphere exploits with Franklins. gcf

## VAE CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### Sunday, April 5 - VAE Board Meeting

at Whitney Hill Homestead in Williston, 2PM. All members welcome. (See page 2)

### Wed..February 16 - Stowe Show Planning Meeting

7PM at the Commodore Inn, Rt100 South, Stowe. Come join us, you would be welcomed.

### Attention.... a Change, Sat..February 12 -VAE

### Membership Meeting

10AM at Vermont Engines in Williston....See page 3

### Monday February 14...Valentine's Day

### Monday,February 28 -VAAS Meeting

1:30 PM at Dick Wheatley's office...#1 Market Place Unit 31, Essex Junction

### Sun.. April 5 - VAE Board Meeting

at Whitney Hill Homestead in Williston, 2PM. All members welcome. (See page 2)



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**March DEADLINE  
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## **FROM YOUR EDITOR**

*Gary Fiske*

Well, here is Wheel Tracks number 2. Other

than a couple of mistakes (one larger than the other) I am back presenting the February issue to you. I have been ragging our new columnists for Wheel Tracks to give me pictures of themselves and feel I had to include one of myself also...I am the one on the right, my assistant Trixie on the left.

This Wheel Tracks has some great articles that have come from fellow VAE members. **Dave and Cereta Lamphere** welcomed me in their home for the article on their 1929 Franklin Pickup. I hope you enjoy it. Nancy Olney has debut her first column in 'The Women of the Softer Side' ...wow. You will find two new ideas on page 5 that I hope to continue, if you like them. A 'What is it' section for folks trying to figure out their mystery possessions and an attempt at a little humor to lighten up WT.

Page 6 is our classifieds with our new offer for paid ads. Please don't forget, members are for free so send me you classifieds. **Chris and Dell** have been missing from our living rooms of late, enjoy their return.

A non-member walked up to me in Bond Auto the other day and started going on about the 'Dave's Garage' article from January's WT describing how to store a car for winter. Way-to-go Dave...

**Please read our History Page** closely this month. Gael Boardman has written a wonderful tribute to a VAE member who has died, **Ray Unsworth**. Do you think the Gael mentioned in the September 1960 news, who winkled his bumper, is the same Gael we all know and love. You will also find the hard work of the folks who quietly do the reporting for VAE on our pages. **Bill Sanders VAE minutes, Jan Sanders VAAS minutes and Dick Wheatleys Treasurers report.**

And lastly, the current Bylaws have been printed so you can compare them to our proposed changes that need to be made so that we comply with the IRS. Very important business, please read them, we need your help to step VAE forward.

PS...The last I heard, there are 96 of you who have not paid your dues for 2011. You have the Directors very worried.....

## Directions to Board Meeting

### Sunday April 5, 2PM

**Whitney Hill Homestead, Williston, VT off US Route 2.** Via the interstate, take exit 12 in Williston, go north on St. George Rd., towards Taft Corners, passing "Big Box" stores right and left. At Taft Corners, turn right (east) onto US Route 2 and proceed 1.8 miles. Whitney Hill Road is on the right. The Homestead is at the end on the right. From Exit 11 follow Williston Road (5 miles) turn left onto Whitney Hill Road, Homestead at the end on the right.





## From The President

Wendell Noble

One thing just about all of us have in common is that we enjoy driving and showing our old cars. Many of us have gotten involved one way or another in restoring our old cars at some level. I certainly have. The extent to which we do it ourselves or farm it out to people who know what they are doing, varies from person to person. **It's got to depend on the size of your wallet and your level of self confidence.** Frankly, it's very rewarding to step back and admire a piece of the job and say "I did that." However, regardless of who does it, it takes a lot of money and if you are really bashful about spending it, you may be pursuing the wrong passion. This brings us to the first, and only, law of old car economics. To wit: **Any decent old car restoration will cost more than the finished car is worth.** Don't argue about it, just accept it, it's true. I recently noted one wag saying, "save all of your receipts, but never add them up." Living where I do, it struck me that old car restoration has a lot in common with dairy farming. Regardless of how modern and scientific his methods, how efficient his milking parlor, how many hours he is willing to work a day, the price of the end product was already set before he got up in the morning. Regardless of how much you love your car or how brightly it shines, it's only worth what the "blue book" says. Old car restorers and dairy farmers do what they do because they enjoy it, and they'll keep doing it until the money runs out.

Another thought, **I hope all you auto enthusiasts did as well as I did finding something useful under the Christmas tree this year.** Perhaps some useful tool you've been wanting that does all the things well that you've been doing badly. **I got a nice round 'toit'.** It's a miracle tool that lets you do all of the things you've been going to do when you got around to it. Now watch my dust.

As incoming president, one thing I've got to get around to right away is committee assignments. All committees expire at the year end. By the time this is published, it is my goal that all of the existing committees are assigned and one new one, recruiting, is kicked off.

## Notice...

**Does Anyone have a 20X40 (Foot that is) tent, with sides that we can borrow or buy for Woman's World? a New Feature in August at the Stowe Car Show.**

## Notice # 2...

**A Good thing might be happening in Montpelier for Antique Cars. If the law passes and your car is 25 years old you will be able to use that old registration plate that you have on your car as 'the legal plate' and dump the 'modern' one they have you use. Ask your 'Montpelier Reps' about H18 and H40 and ask them to vote Yea.**

**WELCOME**

## New Members

by Christina McCaffrey

Nick Nadeau of Fairfax, Vermont (Sponsored by Duane & Marnita Leach)

Dan Reed of Essex Jct, Vermont

Rick & Jane Hamilton of Milton, Vermont



## Sunshine Report

by Christina McCaffrey

**Get Well to Doris Bailey.** She is home now recuperating after being in hospital over Christmas.

**Sympathy to the Family of Ray Unsworth.** Please see page 9

## February Member Meeting

Saturday February 12th at 10AM

Our Activities Chair, Dave Sander, has announced the location of our February meeting. Please note there has to be a change of meeting date from Sunday to Saturday. It will be at **Vermont Engines Services Inc. located at 16 Krupp Drive in Williston VT.** There will be a demonstration on engine machining and rebuilding with a business meeting to follow. **The meal will be Pot Luck** so bring your favorite dish for all to share.

**Vermont Engine Services** advertise to be the largest engine machine shop in Vermont. Vermont Engines started in June of 1985 as part of Maynard's Auto Supply which was a chain of family owned auto parts stores throughout Vermont and New Hampshire. They have an engine machine shop, a parts sales department and an electrical shop for starter and alternator rebuilding.

## CORRECTIONS

And Boo Boos



**My biggest mistake** was in the Sunshine Report and the announcement of the death of Don Brown. The Don Brown who you all know (and I don't) from Williamstown, Vermont is alive and well. His wife Jennie was very gracious answering the phone when I called to apologize.

**As the Sunshine Report says,** it was Sharon Hanley's Dad with the name of Don Brown of Waterbury who passed away. I am very sorry for the mistake and for your loss Sharon.

On page 5 of the January Wheel Tracks reporting the many volunteers working at the Stowe Car Show I did not include Gene Fodor...sorry Gene.

I received another message that a mistake was made in the Carrot Cake recipe. That tablespoon was use instead of teaspoon but luckily that was a false alarm....weeeuuu. According to dictionary.com the abbreviation for teaspoon is TSP and tablespoon is TBSP. That could have been a complete disaster.....



## How to keep your mate interested!

(in old cars, of course!!) by Nancy Olney

**The following will be some do's and don'ts** regarding, what for many a woman, is the 5<sup>th</sup> season of the year- the dreaded "car show" season. If you are just starting out and introducing her to the car show, this will prove to be the easiest time to cultivate a love or at least a liking for such things (if done right!) If you are a veteran of such, it will be harder but certainly with the right attitude, can be achieved. I will start with the don'ts;

1. DON'T spring it on her the morning of the show! ASK her about the date at least 2 weeks before.
2. DON'T expect her to pack the lunch, get the cooler ready, pack all the things needed for children (if there are any) **and then wash the car!**
3. DON'T arrive at the show and disappear after shouting over your shoulder, "Get me a hot dog (light on the mustard) and 2 drinks at 12:30."
4. DON'T offer to walk around with her and then pause at each car, for no less than a hour, and talk to the owner (which when done- it brings at least 3-6 other men who want to talk and so you end up seeing about 8 cars in the 12 hours you are there!)
5. DON'T forget that while **most "car guys" don't need food, drink or a restroom**, the rest of us do!!
6. DON'T think that you get any trophy for being the last one to leave the show!
7. DON'T forget that if children are involved, everything is much harder!
8. DON'T give her a crash course in what the car is and has (unless she asks you to!) I have found that most "car guys" will believe anything you tell them!

Now some do's;

1. DO introduce "car shows" in small doses. Be sensitive to how much fun everyone is having.
2. DO offer to take the children while she strolls through the flea market.
3. DO make sure she has a chair, food, drink and a good book, if she is to be left alone at the car. (and only if she wants to be left alone at the car- I have found that is MUCH preferable!)
4. DO try and introduce your mate and curtail almost all lengthy conversations and do your best to "move along"!
5. DO take pictures but don't feel you have to wait for every spectator to leave the field, besides, I'll bet you already have a picture of the car back home, somewhere!
6. DO return to the car from time to time so you can ask if she needs anything and **she can be sure that it wasn't you being taken away in the ambulance that left the field earlier!**

Now, go and have a good time but remember in almost all cases, everything is easier to do at HOME!!



## FROM THE 'COOKIE' AT THE STOWE SHOW

BY MARNITA LEACH

*Marnita cooks & serves three meals each of the 13 days for volunteers at the Stowe Show*



## SAUSAGE SOUP

Ingredients: \*\*

**\*\*64 oz. Chicken Stock**

**\*\*20 oz. package Italian Turkey Sausage (hot or sweet)**

**\*\*Grated Cheese (your choice of cheese)**

**\*\*2 cans diced Tomatoes Basil Garlic & Oregano**

**\*\*2 cups Small Shell Pasta**

**\*\*Fresh Baby Spinach**

Remove casing from sausage and cook in pan on stove. In large pan put the chicken stock and tomatoes together and heat to a simmer for about 1/2 hour then add sausage and bring to light boil and add pasta. Cook until pasta is done. Add 1/3 bag of spinach, if you like spinach you can use more, fold into soup. With a soup ladle serve into soup bowls, then top with cheese..... enjoy. I serve it with bread. This recipe warms the heart .



## The 29 Ford Phaeton comes home from the Peking to Paris Rally

Remember the Peking to Paris Rally that happened last Fall? On September 10, 2010 ninety eight cars left Peking and 37 days later 85 cars arrived in Paris. The advertised 10,000 mile rally went through 12 countries. An old Navy friend of your editor, Lang Wightman and his buddy, Fred James, drove their 1929 Ford Phaeton and arrived number 42 of 58 in their class.

Well, the Phaeton has made it home to the USA and there has been a preliminary look at the vehicle to what worked well and what did not. Lang told me that after the inspection he was very glad the rally did not last another day.

The rear frame rails were cracked on both sides, the right rear side has pieces missing. The rear bumper brackets are broken. The body had broken away from the frame in many places. The spare tire mount is broken. The driver side front frame rail is cracked. The radiator had to be taken out in pieces. The front left fender has a 2 1/2 inch crack. A gas tank bracket is broken and the steering box needs to be replaced. Both windshield pillars are cracked and the shifter arm has to be replaced. The passenger running board needs replacement. The kingpins and bushings will need replacing along with the driver's side wheel bearing which was completely dry and black. The last two things they have found to date is a cracked oil filter bracket and headlight bracket.

Lang told me soon after they returned (before the car made it home) that they had ideas of driving on to Alaska and then to Peking (Beijing) to have the "around the world" trip completed in the Phaeton. I have not heard what his current long range plans are now that the car has given up its secrets.

## The Regular Quarterly Meeting of the VAE Board of Directors...

was held on Sunday, January 9, 2011, at the Whitney Hill Retirement Community in Williston. The Meeting was called to order at 2:02 PM by the incoming Chairman, Don Rayta., who temporarily turned the Meeting over to Gene Fodor to formally pass the Chairmanship to Don. Gene also passed along a set of magnetic VAE signs, to mount on the side of a vehicle, to Don. Chairman Rayta then introduced John Lavallee to the Board members, and mentioned that John will monitor incoming E-Mail messages.

**Secretary's Report:** Dick Wheatley made the motion to approve the minutes of the previous Board Meeting. Wendell Noble seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bill Sander moved to file the report, as printed in Wheel Tracks, for audit. David Sander seconded the motion, which then passed unanimously.

**By-Laws Committee:** Andy Barnett stated that all concerns on the proposed by-laws should be sent to him by January 15.

**Futures Committee:** A committee has been appointed, but has not yet met.

**Nominating Committee:** Conception Conti, Bob Guinn, and Gary Olney have been appointed to this committee.

**Sunshine Committee:** There was a recent death of a long time member, and the hospitalization of another member. Appropriate action has been taken.

**Activities:** Several upcoming monthly meetings have already been scheduled. Full details will appear in Wheel Tracks.

**Stowe Committee:** Bob Chase mentioned that a meeting was held on January 3 to plan the Brochure. There is a new personalized stock class this year, and a woman's world feature. We have a Post Office Box for Stowe Show use. It is Box 325 in Stowe. Duane Leach is finalizing arrangements for on line registrations this year for the Show. The Appreciation Dinner is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, March 27, 2011 at the Commodore Inn at Stowe.

**Old Business:** Don suggested briefly discussing the proposed by-laws. Substantial discussion ensued about potential perceived problems. Les Skinner had several strong objections to various changes from the established bylaws of the VAE. Bill Sander made the motion, at the suggestion of Les Skinner, that the Board recommend to the membership that the vote on the new by-laws be postponed from the now scheduled February vote until a later date, when possible changes can be presented. Tom McHugh seconded the motion, which then passed unanimously. Tom McHugh then made the motion to print the current by-laws in Wheel Tracks, so that the membership can compare all items to the proposed new by-laws. Bill Sander seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**New Business:** Wendell Noble and Gael Boardman gave a brief synopsis of the history of the VAAS, and asked David Sander to read the minutes of the initial VAAS Board, which David Sander then did. Bill Sander made a motion to authorize the VAAS Board to proceed with accepting advertising, at its discretion, in Wheel Tracks and on the website, and determine the cost share for the publication, and report back to the VAE Board at our next meeting in three months. This was seconded by David Sander, and passed unanimously. Gael Boardman recommended that the VAE audit committee also become the VAAS audit committee, and work on the same time frame for both organizations, Bill Sander made that motion, seconded by David Sander, and it passed unanimously.

Bill Sander moved to adjourn at 4:03 PM, seconded by Wendell Noble, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bill Sander, Recording Secretary



## What is it ?

A number of pictures have been sent to Wheel Tracks from members asking for help to identify them and their value. If you can help please send your answers to gafiske@gmail.com and I will print your answer in Wheel Tracks for everyone to see. Please, also, send a picture of your mysteries( with any supporting info), it will be fun to solve them.



This wheel was found in a barn that was owned by the great grandfather. It is 2 3/8 X 23 inches. The brake drum is 8 inches, the hub cap size is 2.12 inches. The axle size on the outside is .68" and on the inside is 1.065". As you can see there are four bolt holes to hold the rim on. What did the wheel go on and is it of any value?

This a Ferguson wrench probably related to a tractor. It has a built in ruler and is about 10 inches long. The left side size is 11/16 and the other is 1.09 inches. The left side has TO-17014 stamped on it. What was the purpose of the ruler when used on the tractor? What can you add?



IF I HAD ANY SENSE AT ALL, I'D LEAVE THIS ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIP.

**The National Transportation Safety Board recently divulged** they had covertly funded a project with the US auto makers for the past five years, whereby the auto makers were installing black boxes in four-wheel drive pickup trucks in an effort to determine, in fatal accidents, the circumstances in the last 15 seconds before the crash.

They were surprised to find in 47 of the 50 states the last words of drivers in 61.2 percent of fatal crashes were, "Oh, Shit!"

Only the states of South Carolina, West Virginia and Arkansas were different, where over 89.3 percent of the final words were: "Hold my beer and watch this!"

## Vermont Antique Automobile Society Classifieds

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**Advertising (free or paid)** in Vermont Antique Automobile Society News (printed and on line) is a privilege. Advertising is free to all members of The Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts Club and VAAS members. Ads can be up to 60 words with an optional photo. Prices must be shown on all For Sale items along with full name and phone and/or email address. Your ads will appear in Wheel Tracks and on line for three months unless we are notified to remove it earlier.

**Non-members** (non-business) can also place ads as described above at a cost of \$10 per ad per month. Ads with photos, \$15 per ad per month.

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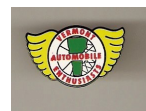
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**For Sale,** A great gift idea. Official VAE Lapel Pin. Contact Don Rayta. \$5.00 ea & \$1.00 S&H Wear It Proudly



**Wanted Always...** for you to check your membership expiration date by your address on Wheel Tracks. If you are about to expire please renew, we want you to be a VAE member. See page 14

**For Sale....**1972 Toyota FJ40 Landcruiser, 6 cyl 236.7 cu. in., winch, Red/white top, 4X4. restored and in good condition. Kept most of it in original condition. Asking \$17,000. Contact Abe Lewis, Middlesex, VT 802-223-2759 3/11



**Wanted...** 1923 Moon Model 6-40 literature. Gilbert Bureau, [gbureau@videotron.ca](mailto:gbureau@videotron.ca) 2/11



**For Sale...**2 single oil bulk tank pumps. Every general store and repair shop had one. Our store down in the hollow still used one until about 1960. Both need painting. Both for \$50.00. Free storage for the win-

**For Sale...** 1972 Pontiac LeMans 2 door Hardtop. 359 V8, sunroof, Keystone wheels, frame-on partial restoration, owner deceased. Widow asking \$7000. OBO. Drive it home. Chester Longe, 802-524-2092

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## On the Road Again.....

Just can't wait to get back on the road again..... January 2011 Greetings enthusiasts! Now begins the tough season for me. No longer will I see old cars on the road, or expect as many random sightings of vintage road warriors as my wife and I travel about the countryside on our routine outings. Alas, winter has set in and garages that offer glimpses into the treasures of momentary strangers-soon to be acquaintances-are usually, for the most part, closed tight.

**What to do? What to do?** What coping mechanisms have you developed? It is the great equalizer, winter. Whether one has a Pierce Arrow (or two, as Mr. Austin does - howdy sir!) or a little deuce coupe, winter causes most of us folks in the Northeast to put our precious babies to bed in a garage or some protected space.....and most stored cars hold no candle to an antique car running down the roads.... Of course, I appreciate museumed vehicles and wonderfully garaged vehicles of all varieties. I can enumerate my personal favorite preferences in descending order, but during the winter- they are almost all the same....they're mothballed....we're not enjoying them on the road, out at shows, at the ice cream shop, etc.

**What to do? Well,** Dell & I still take little road trips. Antiquing and such. Perhaps you and your bride do something similar. Looking for literature & parts for our cars helps me to keep alive my interest in old cars. Yes, viewing ebay, reading Hemming's Motor News and Classic Cars all help keep the blood circulating. Are you currently rebuilding something? Getting something replated? Great! Pass it on. Let us know! Can we help?

**To close out the year,** Dell & I booked a nice bed and breakfast in Bellows Falls, Vermont. A stately Victorian home, renovated, and called the "Readmore Inn" provided an excellent respite from the hurried world around us. Our hosts (Stewart & Dot) were very gracious and they prepared a wonderful breakfasts for us! Not only did they share our interest in antiques and books, Stewart has a nice 1928 International Harvester truck in his garage! Sadly, it too is in winter storage.

**I've attached some photo's** of recent photograph and postcard purchases at some second hand stores we've rummaged through recently. A nice Duesenberg, a chauffeured Packard, and even the famed hairpin turn in North Adams, Massachusetts. Our "Popeye" put up on his winter jacks is attached as is Stewart's '28 International! Here's hoping you can all survive 'til the spring - when we take our prizes out of storage & feel rejuvenated again!



**Upcoming plans include a return to Springfield's Museum & maybe to Maine or New York State.** Can we meet you somewhere? Do you know a good place to go? Where are the old cars? We hope to see you soon! Be safe - take care of your family! ..... Just can't wait to get back on the road again.....

Respectfully submitted, Chris & Dell Chartier

## Did You Know ... the year is 1904

By Gene Fodor

... **Automobile production** this year was 22,130.

...**The first Vanderbilt Cup Race** ran on Long Island on October 8 and won by G. Heath in a 90 hp French Panhard.

...**Ransom E. Olds** sold his interest in the Olds Motor Works to organize Reo Motor Company.

...**Studebaker** sold its first gasoline motor vehicle.

...**Stevens-Drury** company was organized to make cars with 4 and 6 cylinder engines. Unite construction of engine clutch and transmission housings (Unit Power Plant.) was introduced.

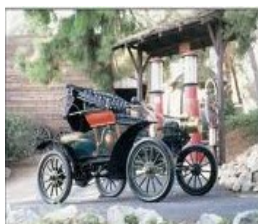
...**The Detroit YMCA** established a school for automobile mechanics.

... **Henry Ford**, driving the "999" set a world's record on January 12th by driving a mile in 39 2/5 sec. at a speed of 91.370 m.p.h.

... **William Vanderbilt, Jr.** driving a 90 hp Mercedes at Ormond Beach, set a new record in January by driving a mile in 39 seconds at 92.307 mph.

... **The Hartford** shock absorber was announced by E.V. Hartford.

...**Carl Fisher and Janes Allison** organized the Prest-O-Lite company to perfect safe methods of using acetylene gas for automobile headlights.



Cereta & David with a Load of Interval Compost Last Summer



1965 Photo of (from left) Richard, George (Grandpa), David and his son Cord



VAE Gossip

By gcf



**Some of our members have sold their beauty's**, in some cases never to be seen again. Denmark is now the home to Joe Kaelin's 1934 V12 Packard. I understand this Packard was in the 1985 Interstate Battery Great Race. **Ron Sweet** has sold his 1928 Chevy Coupe to someone in the area and it is being restored. **Les Skinner** has sold that really nice 26 Model T Pickup that David Otis had at one time. **Ed Welch** has sold 2 Hudsons, a 1917 and a 1921 or 22.

**E15** (15% Ethanol in our gas) is still making a stink in Washington. The EPA is now being sued by many auto and engine makers. The claim that E15 will do harm is making its way through the courts.

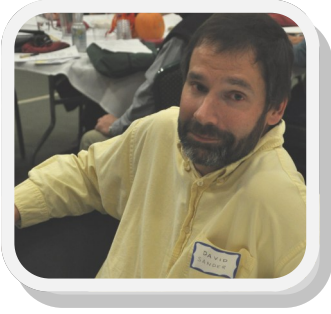
**The Stowe Show Committee** is working hard to have the 2011 show in August on the 12th, 13th and 14th to be the very best ever. There are rumors there might be a **Woman's World Tent** this year if all goes well. Nancy Olney's column on page 4 this month might help determine what happens in that tent. **On-line Registration** is being set up for the convenience of the show participants. There is talk about having a new **'Personalized Stock Class'** this year. How about an electric plug-in station for all of you folks driving a **Green Car**, that is also on the hope/work list. **Another item that most of you** have never noticed is when the national anthems are played. Someone has to hold the microphone up to a speaker which makes for a very low quality sound. This year there will be none of that because the show sound person, **Nick Nadeau** has moved us to a new age with upgraded electronics. If any of you would like to help drive some of these new ideas, the committee could use your help. Check the meeting time on page 1.

**Old Car Weekly** has named their picks for the top collector cars that are just now turning 25 years old. One of the cars is the **1985 Pontiac Fiero**. I know a young man who had the foresight to make that pick early, **Steven Leach** purchased his Fiero last summer, good going Steven! Some of the other 1985 picks were the Camaro IROC Z/28, the Mustang GT5.0, the Buick Grand National and the VW GTI. The Corvette had been a loser before for a few years but they got their act together to make a nice one in 85. The list goes on to another 19 really nice cars.

**I am now a proud member of the Veteran Motor Car Club of America.** That is veteran cars not ex-Navy types like me. I think their club started in 1938 and you should see their club news called 'bulb Horn'...very classy. I thought maybe I could get some nice ideas for Wheel Tracks.....we will see.



**Is that a Davis Sedan in this picture?** A VAE member who has asked to stay anonymous has sent some pictures to Wheel Tracks. This member wants to make sure you all know there are still 'Barn Finds' in Vermont. The Big Question...I wonder where in Vermont this barn and this car is? I have five other mysterious barn find photos for later issues....stay tuned.



*This column is a Q & A column with you asking me questions  
and after researching the answer I will reply.  
Any questions 'automotive' is fare game, I might not know the answer  
but hopefully I will find someone who does know.  
Please send all inquiries to [dasander@aol.com](mailto:dasander@aol.com) or 32 Turkey Hill Road, Richmond VT 05477*

**Are you aware of the non ZDDP engine oil** currently on the market, and the potential consequences for the older car market? The EPA has forced the reduction or elimination of ZDDP (Zinc Dialkyl-Dithio-Phosphate) from engine oil. ZDDP is curtail for the proper lubrication of flat tappet camshaft engines. Not a problem on modern engines with roller type cam and tappets, **but older engines with flat tappets** need this layer of protection due to the high pressure and "scuffing" on the tappet. The reduction of these chemicals in supplied oil was based on the fact that zinc, manganese and/or phosphates reduce the effectiveness and eventually damage catalytic converters and introduce minute amounts of pollutants into our atmosphere.

**In the past there have been horror stories that have scared old car enthusiasts** into believing our beloved cars were being destroyed before our very eyes. Remember when we were told that unleaded gas would destroy our valves? It didn't. It is an undeniable fact that today's engine oil is vastly superior to oils from even several decades ago, and modern type oil has successfully protected engines for hundreds of thousands of trouble free miles.

**However**, the newest engine oils do not have the ZDDP needed for proper tappet and camshaft protection. While they work very well in modern engines, there is a problem with the older, flat tappet engines. In my opinion, there is just too much undeniable science and hard evidence to tell me that this one is one we need to be concerned about. This problem can be easily and inexpensively solved. If nothing else, you can make a choice to buy inexpensive piece of mind with your selection before you pour it in to your crankcase.

**What can we do?** Diesel engine oil still has the ZDDP additives, as do several other oils, including Castrol HD off road, Redline (synthetic) or Valvoline VR1.

**I have been using Shell Rotella for years with no complaints.** We use to use Castrol 20/50 in the MG and Triumph engines, but now use Rotella. It seems to be the oil of choice for the Dodge Cummins Turbo Diesel crowd. These are the people who hop their trucks with larger turbo chargers and performance chips, then use their trucks to haul heavy trailers across the country and back. They are managing to easily put over a million trouble free miles on these engines. That is enough proof for me that this oil has proven its worth.

**Still want to use your favorite oil?** Use General Motors (Chevrolet): EOS, their oil fortifier. Add it to your oil, it's only about \$12.00 for each oil change for an 8 ounce can. GM has been aware of this problem for years, and is pushing this product for their older, flat tappet engines. Read the label of the oil you are using, and **make sure it states that it still contains the ZDDP additives** our older flat tappet engines need.

**Want further information?** There is plenty of it on the web. If you are concerned about this issue (as I feel you should be) then it would be worth your while to do some investigating on the internet. During the February meeting at Vermont Engines we should ask the boys there for their thoughts and observations on this subject.

**I received this tip from Rick Reinstein.** It is called the "Redi-Rad:

" This device allows you to play an mp-3 or Ipod player through an AM radio!!  
How neat is that? Now we can listen to our tunes as we drive our antique cars with virtually no modification. The unit plugs in between the antenna plug and jack on the radio. It is Available from BCE Redi-Rad Store, PO Box 180095, Delafield, WI 53018  
USA Telephone #(262)-646-3363  
<http://www.rediscoveradio.com/>

**Rick also asked this question:** Hi Dave,

*"Do you know if anyone sells a gas tank drain petcock? That would make annual draining of our crappy ethanol gas much easier prior to storage"*

**In "the old days"** we used to fill our tank with gasoline and add a fuel stabilizer for winter storage. In the spring we would dump a can of dry gas in the tank (creating ethanol) to remove any moisture, turn the key and be on our way. Now that we have modern ethanol, draining the gas tank is another option. I know there are petcocks for motorcycle gas tanks and on diesel filters. I found no specific application for such a part for an automobile gas tank, but that does not mean there is no such product available. I will continue to look and post any findings here.

**Siphoning is also an option.** If you do drain the tank, I would leave the gas cap off for the winter and place a sock or something over the inlet of the tank to allow moisture to vent, but also prevent anything else from going in the tank.

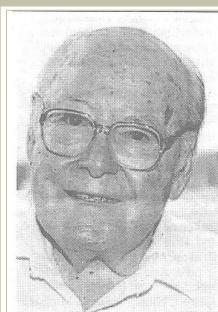
Remember, Ethanol will dissolve older rubber hoses and components. It is possible that the ethanol can destroy part of your fuel system, and the gas can spill out due to gravity. It happened to me last year with my snow blower. The fuel line was weeping gas on to the floor. I discovered it when I smelled gas in the house and found a puddle of gas on the garage floor. When I fixed it, I found a black tarry like goop in the carburetor.

If you store your car with a full tank, there is potential for a lot of gasoline to spill out. That could potentially ruin your day (or vehicle, garage, house, etc.) Something else to watch for.

Keep those questions coming, send them to [dasander@aol.com](mailto:dasander@aol.com) and I will do my best to track down the correct answers to your questions.

Thanks, David

## Wheel Tracks / VAE History



**RAYMOND R. UNSWORTH**

FT. MYERS, Fla. — Another member of the Greatest Generation has left the planet. Raymond R. Unsworth, age 91, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 19, 2010 in his sleep, at Shell Point Retirement Community, Ft. Myers.

### Ray Unsworth

The VAE Remembers & I Too Remember Ray  
By Gael Boardman

Back a lot of years and before many activities I met Ray, early in his 'old car' career. It was kind of funny. In the early 60s I was the service manager for the VW-Porsche dealership in Burlington. McNash Motors had me as service manager because I was having problems with my first new car, a 1960 VW convertible. Another Story. In any event, I was driving a company car north on Rt. 7 when I spotted a '35 Chrysler convertible under the I-89/ Shelburne Road over-pass. The over-pass is gone with the highway upgrades but it was there forming a brief shelter for cars on Rt. 7 passing below. The blue Chrysler was there and the hood was up. Not long later I had

finished my errands and was heading back South and the car was still there.

I had to stop. I did. Someone had just returned to the car with a can of gas and had refueled the Chrysler. The man standing there, Ray, and in charge told me that he thought that he had run out of gas but even after adding more the car would still not start. Smart Alec me assumed my 'Walter Mitty' pose, said 'ummm', grabbed a lemon-sized stone from the rip-wrap under the overpass and rapped the carburetor a couple of times. The man, Ray, looked startled. I told him to get in the car and turn the engine over exactly 12 times...that the car would start on the 12 piston and that all would be fine. Then I hopped in the company car and sped back South to the dealership.

Just moments later the Chrysler arrived in the dealership lot and the man, Ray, came in and spotted me behind the counter. He came running over and said, "Who are you and what did you do to my car?". Then he reached for his wallet looking to make amends for the good deed. I didn't tell him much and certainly took no money but I smiled and encouraged his interest in old cars. Somebody gave him my name and over a number of visits and then to VAE events we became good friends.

I lucked out on a sticking needle and seat....and I lucked in on a good friend. As time went on we had numerable incidents of old car commerce and several trips together. Surrounded by his best VAE pals; Rod Rice, Edger Welch and Roy Martin...all great VAE Enthusiasts.

### September 1960 Classifieds For Sale

1927 Nash Advanced Six, 4door, good restorable condition, 30,000 original miles, runs very well

1929 Nash Advanced Six, 4 door sedan, excellent condition, new paint, outstanding appearance, engine recently overhauled.

1930 Marquette Business Coupe, good original condition.

Peverill Peake, 5 North St. Bristol, VT

Interesting collection of license plates, radiator emblems and miscellaneous automobilia. Al Ward, RFD#2, St Albans, VT

#### Wanted

Right front fender with battery box well for 1927 Packard Single Six  
Amos Roleau, New Haven, VT

### A meeting notice by the Program Committee September 1960

#### VAE Meeting Notice

The next meet will be Sunday September 18th. This meet will be a tour to the Saranac Lake area of New York State. It will be highlighted by a visit to the John Hawkings Old Car Museum and a chance to see the formation of the Glidden Tour which will take place during the following week, in the Saranac Lake area.

VAE cars participating should be at the Charlotte ferry dock at 10:00 Sunday Morning because that's the time the boat leaves. Even though it seems quite a distance on the map it's a chance to use your Antique plates and our destination is only about fifty miles from the ferry. A good warm-up for the Fall Foliage Tour which comes up next month. During the planning of this meet there was considerable enthusiasm, lets hope it stands up and that we have a good turn-out.

### Continues from the same 1960 Wheel Tracks....

Editor.....Willis Spaulding

Advertising..... Rod Rice

Art Editor.....Jim Appelgate

Assistant Editor.....Cena Galbraith

The last meet was held August 28th at the Waterbury Dam. About sixteen old and interesting cars made it through the road construction and dust to the picnic area. No count was taken of those that expired by the wayside.

Two suggestions have been made which should merit your attention. No.1, a trophy list to be published in the yearbook. If any of your restored cars have won awards, trophies or honorable mention at any of our meets or those of other clubs or at any meet for that matter, please send the information to me. Among the interesting items should be the one about Dan Jackson winning a haircut with his Buick. Suggestion #2 is that this club start establishing a library. Purchasing or obtaining by any legal means books and manuals of interest to club members.

Willis Spaulding attended a meet in South Sudbury sponsored by the Worchester Old Car Club. About a hundred cars were there from Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Seems to be the season for VW troubles. Gael's came up with a new wrinkle when it met up with the bumper of a Packard. The Driver of said Packard was busy attending the immediate problem of extinguishing a fire in his trousers caused by a misplaced cigarette butt, leaving the Packard to fend for itself. Another of the hazards of smoking but at least the symptoms are readily discernable.



# **Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc.**

## **Treasurer's Report - January 10, 2011**

MONEY MARKET - balance December 10, 2010	\$ 24,161.40	
add: December interest income		8.21
Balance January 10, 2011		<u>24,169.61</u>

GENERAL CHECKING - balance Dec. 10, 2010	\$ 1,946.39	
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### Deposits

Member dues	285.00	
Stowe sponsorship	700.00	
Total receipts	<u>985.00</u>	

### Disbursements

Rachel Smith - website maintenance	486.00	
5097 Postmaster - Stowe P.O. Box	72.00	
L. Brown & Sons Printing - January WT	589.07	
5099 Gene Fodor - WT expense reimbursement	71.32	
5100 The Engraving Bench - restoration award & engraving	94.00	
5086 Total disbursements	<u>1,312.39</u>	
Balance - January 10, 2011		<u>1,619.00</u>

### CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT

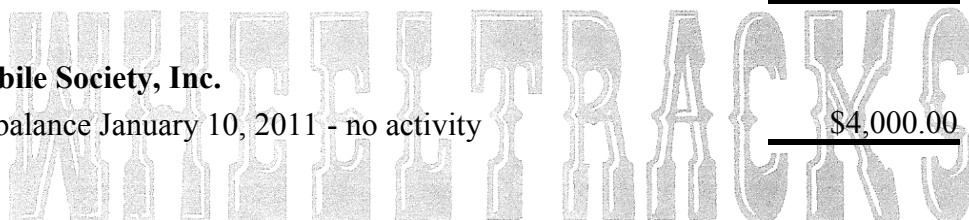
Balance - December 10, 2010	80,069.07	
December interest income	<u>51.02</u>	
Balance - January 10, 2011		<u>80,120.09</u>

Total VAE accounts		<u>\$105,908.70</u>
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### **Vermont Antique Automobile Society, Inc.**

CHECKING ACCOUNT - balance January 10, 2011 - no activity		<u>\$4,000.00</u>
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Dick Wheatley - Treasurer



## VAAS Board Meeting Minutes December 8, 2010

**Members present:** Gael Boardman, Andy Barnett, Lloyd Davis, Leo Laferriere, Jan Sander, Wendell Noble, Bob Chase, Dick Wheatley

The meeting was held at Dick Wheatley's office – 1 Market Place Unit #31, Essex Junction, VT

All motions were unanimously approved unless otherwise noted.

**Gael Boardman called the meeting to order** at 1:44 PM. Gael noted his appreciation to Dick Wheatley for all of the work which he has done to get the organization to this point. He welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming to this initial meeting of the Vermont Antique Automobile Society (VAAS) Board. Gael went on to briefly explain the incorporation of the VAAS and the Articles of Incorporation for the VAAS). Gael explained that he sees this group (VAAS) as a vehicle to accomplish good things for the Vermont Antique Auto Enthusiasts (VAE) in terms of supporting our hobby and the future of the VAE.

**At this point**, Gael turned the meeting over to Dick Wheatley for the purpose of electing the officers for the VAAS Board. Dick made the suggestion that as the officers and directors are indemnified, they should be added to the VAE's insurance policy. Dick called for nominations. Jan Sander nominated Gael Boardman for Board Chair, Leo Laferriere seconded. Dick Wheatley nominated Lloyd Davis for Vice Chair, Leo seconded. Dick nominated Jan Sander for Secretary. Gael seconded. There was a unanimous agreement to appoint Dick Wheatley as Treasurer; Dick nominated Andy Barnett for Assistant Treasurer. Lloyd Davis made the motion to have the clerk cast one ballot for the slate of officers. Andy seconded. The Clerk cast one ballot and the slate of officers was accepted.

**Gael asked the group** how they envision that the VAAS could assist the VAE in the following areas: activities, finance, governance, communication and membership.

It was suggested that VAAS could have a page on both the website and in Wheel Tracks. VAAS can share in the costs of these. Dick pointed out that for purposes of satisfying our IRS obligations, ALL money that comes into Wheel Tracks and the website for advertising and other revenue has to go to VAAS, NOT to VAE. Income and expenses MUST equal out. Dick motioned that it is the intention that advertising revenue should be paid to the VAAS. Gael seconded.

Dick also motioned that The VAAS will reimburse the VAE for its share of the expenses of Wheel Tracks and the website. Leo seconded this motion.

**Leo made the following motion:** The VAAS shall be authorized to open a checking account with People's United Bank and that the Treasurer and the Assistant Treasurer will be the authorized signatories of this account. Bob seconded this motion.

**VAAS will take the advertising money for Wheel Tracks** as, under IRS restrictions, VAE cannot. There was some question about selling T shirts. If VAAS bought them without incurring sales tax, could VAE sell them without sales tax? Dick will get some counsel on this.

It needs to be very clear that VAAS and VAE are compatible in all ways with a common objective which is to merge the two organizations within a reasonable period of time. This is made necessary by the IRS in order to maintain our non-profit status.

Activities need to be identified as being IRS compatible. We must reinforce VAE activities as educational activities. Board members will put some thought into acquiring ideas for presenting these activities in a way that will satisfy the IRS.

Governance was suggested as an area to look into. Our mission is to find a way to merge VAAS and VAE. We need to look into ways to do this.

We will work to facilitate and maintain open and clear communication through the website, Wheel Tracks, and any communication beyond that such as marketing. The minutes of VAAS meetings will be printed in Wheel Tracks.

**We need to establish a budget** and ways of raising money. We need to establish some goals towards creating an endowment fund. The VAAS Board should look into this.

The VAAS Board will try to assist Wendell with committee assignments.

The next meeting of the VAAS Board will be on Monday, January 10 at 1:30 at Dick Wheatley's office.

The meeting adjourned at 3:35PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jan Sander



A couple of nice pictures from Lloyd Davis. Photos were taken by Stuart B. Lathrop of Brandon, Vermont in the 1930s. The car is perhaps his. It is a '26 or '27 Ford T. Scene is Carlisle Hill in Goshen, VT just under the brow of the Hill. Notice someone is standing on the roof in the left photo, you can see the boots.....

**Current VAE BYLAWS....The Board of Directors at the meeting of 1/9/2011 decided to publish our current VAE Bylaws in this Wheel Tracks so that YOU, the VAE membership, may compare these Bylaws with the New Proposed Bylaws published in our January 2011 Wheel Tracks**

**ARTICLE I ..... NAME**

Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc. Incorporated April 23, 1953

**ARTICLE II... FORMAT**

The Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc., will function under Robert's Rules of Order except in such cases where they are in conflict with Federal or Vermont State laws, in which case, the latter shall prevail.

**ARTICLE III... PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Organization is to develop and encourage genuine interest in the preservation and restoration of the products of the automotive industry, and collecting retrieving, restoring and preserving for the benefit of the present and future generations the products of the automotive industry; to promote, foster, encourage and hold meets with said vehicles for competitive purposes and also display and examination, and to hold meets and meetings at different times for the purpose of exchanging ideas and technical information to aid in the restoration and preservation of the products of the automotive industry; to promote and encourage the use of such vehicles for public parades, displays, exhibitions, tours, meets and shows; to promote and encourage safe driving educational programs and programs for the good of and advancement of motoring; to do each and everything suitable and proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes or the attainment of any one or more objects herein enumerated.

**ARTICLE IV..... MEMBERS AND MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1 – Membership Applicant...**Candidates for membership in the Organization must complete an approved membership form. The applicant shall be accepted upon payment of dues and shall be welcomed at the next regular meeting.

**SECTION 2 – Membership Classes....**There shall be four classes of membership:

**1 – REGULAR** – Regular membership shall be given to those persons who have an interest in automobiles or motoring as set forth in Article 111, pay annual dues, and receive Wheel Tracks.

**2 – SHORT-TERM** – Short term membership shall be given to persons who attend Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc., car shows.

**3 – CORPORATE** – Corporate membership shall be given to those organizations who benefit from club activities.

**4 – CHARTER** – Charter membership shall be given to those persons who founded the Organization in 1953 and are excused from paying annual dues.

**SECTION 3 – Non-member Service....** All officers and committee members shall be members in good standing except that non-members may serve on a committee if appointed by the President. Such non-members shall serve at the pleasure of the President.

**SECTION 4 – Personal Conduct...**Members of the organization shall conduct themselves in the best interest of the Organization. The Board of Directors shall have summary power, by a majority of its members, to expel any member for cause. This will reflect conduct judged not to be in keeping with the goals of the Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc., or the use of the Club Roster, directly or indirectly, for commercial or other improper use. After a hearing with adequate notice, the member shall be afforded an opportunity to refute the charges made against him/her.

**SECTION 5 – Membership Dues Payment....**Membership dues are to be paid in January of the then fiscal year. Any new member who joins the Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc., at the Stowe Show or in any month of the remainder of the year, shall not be responsible for dues until a year from the following January.

**SECTION 6 – Establishing Annual Dues...**Annual dues shall be recommended by the Board of Directors for the ensuing year and shall be approved by the membership at the Annual Meeting.

**Section 7 – Membership Revocation/Reinstatement...**Revocation of membership shall occur if dues remain unpaid fourteen (14) days following the posting of the second notice of delinquency unless waived by the Board of Directors. Reinstatement of membership may require an updated application along with dues payment.

**SECTION 8 – Resignation Procedure....**Any member may resign at any time upon notification to the Membership Secretary.

**ARTICLE V**

**ELECTED OFFICERS AND APPOINTED POSITIONS**

**SECTION 1 – Elected Officers....**Officers of the Organization shall be chosen from the membership and elected at the Annual Meeting each November. Terms of office are for the one year period commencing January 1<sup>ST</sup>, unless otherwise provided. Each officer shall have a vote as a member of the Board of Directors.

CHAIRMAN..... PRESIDENT.....1ST VICE PRESIDENT.... 2<sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT.... RECORDING SECRETARY...

TREASURER.... DIRECTOR (2 years).... DIRECTOR (2 years).... DIRECTOR (1 year)

**SECTION 2 – Appointed Positions....**The Membership Secretary, Wheel Tracks Editor and the Chairpersons of any of the Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc., major car shows, shall be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Board. They shall serve at the convenience of the Board, ex officio, without a vote.

**SECTION 3 – Duties of Officers.... THE President shall:**

- 1- preside at all meetings of the members of the Organization;
- 2 – call regular and special meetings of the membership;
- 3 – by virtue of the office, perform all duties incident to the promotion of the aims and purposes of the Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc., and carry out the duties ordinarily assigned to the office of President as stipulated by Robert's Rules of Order;
- 4 - act as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors;
- 5 - be responsible for keeping track of all club property and for passing said information on to the next President;
- 6 – select and present the “President's Restoration of the Year Award” to a club member whose restored vehicle was completed during the then President's term.

**1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT.** The 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President shall:

- 1 – In the absence of the President, act in the same capacity and perform the duties of the office of President;
- 2 – act as Chairman of the Activities Committee;
- 3 – plan, organize and direct the annual Appreciation Dinner.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT.** The 2<sup>ND</sup> Vice President shall:

- 1 - in the absence of the President and the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, act in the same capacity and perform their Duties;
- 2 – act as assistant to the chair of the Activities Committee and assist other officers as requested;
- 3 – assist the President and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President in preparation and implementation of the annual Appreciation dinner.

**RECORDING SECRETARY.** The Recording Secretary shall –

record and retain the minutes of the Organization's meetings, including Board of Directors' meetings, and publish same in the next available publication for the members;

- 2 – prepare all notices of meetings and other activities of the Organization for publication;
- 3 – attend to all correspondence, and, in general, perform all duties normally incident to such office, and pass all records on to his/her successor.

**TREASURER.** The Treasurer shall:

- 1 – have the care, custody and responsibility for all funds of the Organization and deposit same in the name of the Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc., in an appropriate financial institution;

2 – make and endorse, in the name of the Organization, all checks and orders for payment of monies included in the Annual Budget or otherwise authorized by the Board;

3 - render a statement, with itemized expenses, of the condition of the finances of the Organization at each regular meeting of the membership and at such other meetings as shall be required by the President and/or the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall render a detailed report at the Annual Meeting. The reports shall also be published in any periodical which is mailed to the membership at large;

4 - be bonded for an amount set by the Board of Directors;

5 – at no time expend moneys for the purchase of alcoholic beverages;

6 – prepare and submit an Annual Budget for the membership to vote on at the Annual Meeting;

7 – perform all duties pertaining to the office of Treasurer.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS.** The Board of Directors shall:

1 – Consist of:

a – the officers of the Organization;

b – the retiring President, who shall serve as Chairman, and in whose absence, the current President will preside;

c – two (2) members in good standing to be elected at the Annual Meeting, one each year for a term of two (2) years;

d – one member in good standing to be elected at the Annual Meeting for a one (1) year term;

e – the chairpersons of any of the Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc., car shows, who will be ex officio, can make a motion, cannot second a motion, and cannot vote. Their presence will not count in determining a quorum, or lack thereof;

f – the Wheel Tracks Editor, ex officio, but with no vote;

g – the Membership Secretary, ex officio, but with no vote.

2 – receive, review and respond to the proposed Annual Budget prepared by the Treasurer, prior to its consideration by the membership at the Annual Meeting;

3 – review all expenses not covered by the budget prior to their submission to the membership for approval;

4 – recommend to the membership a sum of money to compensate the offices of Recording Secretary, Treasurer, WHEEL TRACKS Editor and Membership Secretary;

5 – meet during the months of January, April, July and October as scheduled by the Chairman. A special meeting may be called by any member of the Board.

6 – recommend a replacement if a Board member resigns or cannot fulfill his/her duties. He or she shall be voted in at the next regular members meeting to fill the entire unexpired term.

7 – determine that a quorum, consisting of one-half (1/2) of the Board of Directors is present.

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY.** The Membership Secretary shall:

1 – Maintain and keep current all membership records, receive all membership moneys to be turned over to the Treasurer;

2 – Publish a yearly roster of members whose dues are current;

3 – Serve as an ex officio member of the Board.

**WHEEL TRACKS EDITOR.** THE WHEEL TRACKS Editor shall:

1 – Assemble, edit and publish a monthly newsletter of activities, events and subjects of interest to the general membership including, but not limited to, reports by the Club Secretary, Treasurer and other elected officials;

2 – Serve as an ex officio member of the Board.

## ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES

**ACTIVITIES:** Responsibilities of the Activities Committee shall include, but not be limited to, regular meetings, meets, seminars, workshops, or any other organizational functions.

**AUDIT:** The Board of Directors shall appoint an Auditing Committee which shall audit the financial records of the Organization annually and report the findings at the next regular meeting of the members following the audit or when needed or requested by the Board.

**BY-LAWS:** The President shall appoint a By-laws Committee consisting of three regular members who shall propose amendments as needed. The By-laws may be amended at any Annual Meeting or regular meeting provided a sixty (60) day notice has been given to the membership. Such change must be approved by at least two-thirds (2/3s) of the members present at such a warned meeting.

**SPECIAL:** For all other special committees, with the exception of the Activities and Nominating Committees, the President shall appoint a Chairman and the Chairman shall select the balance of the committee.

## ARTICLE VII NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1 – On or before the first day of May, the serving President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of three (3) members to draw up and present a slate of officers and directors for approval at the Annual Meeting of the members. This slate shall be published in the September issue of Wheel Tracks.

2 – The presiding officer shall also accept nominations from the floor.

3 – All new officers and directors thus chosen shall assume their duties on January first, next.

## ARTICLE VIII MEETINGS

1 – The regular membership meetings of the Organization shall be held monthly except for good cause.

2 – The Annual Meeting shall be held during the month of November on the first weekend.

3 - Special meetings of the membership or Board of Directors may be called when deemed necessary and may be held by telephone if appropriate.

4 - A quorum of the Board shall consist of one-half (1/2) of the Board members.

5 - A quorum of regular and special membership meetings shall consist of those present and voting.

6 - All members and their partners are entitled to one vote each at the membership meetings.

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**ATTACHMENT A** – Articles of Association of the Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts dated April 23, 1957

Approved: 2.28.04.

By VAE membership Meeting at Peter Markowski's Restoration Shop (a.k.a. RPM) Vergennes, VT.

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**1976 President Bob Gioria with his Model A Coupe**



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