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The car in the photo is a 1950 Chrysler Imperial in Shell Gray. The car is a "barn find" and is original. When I bought it in July 2007, it had 20,660 miles on it, was not running and had not been registered since 1994. I bought it from a gentleman in Danby, Vermont after seeing a poster for it on the cash register at the local barber shop I use. I called the number on the poster and drove to Danby, VT which is not far from where I live. The owner told me he last had it running about 3-4 years previously, that he had it since the middle 1960's and that it had only 18,000 miles on it when he purchased it from the proverbial old lady.

08/09/2009

The Stowe show's ... Kenneth Sherrer VAE Memorial Trophy Winner 2009

Dan Buckley's '50 Chrysler

VAE CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Sat/Sun. 3-4 Jul, 2010 14th Gala d'Elegance (see www.bellesautosdhier.com)

Sun. Jul 4, 2010 Independence Day - U.S.A.

Mon. Jul 5, 2010 VAE Board Meeting

At Whitney Hill Retirement Community 7:00 PM (See page 2)

Fri. Jul 9, 2010 Collector Car Appreciation Day
Authorized by the U.S. Congress! (See Page 4)

Fri/Sat. Jul 8-9, 2010 Ye Olde England Inn Stowe, VT Corvettes

Sat/Sun, Jul 9-10, 2010 Northfield, VT Military Vehicle Show (See page 8)

Fri/Sat. Jul 16-17, 2010 Ye Olde England Inn Stowe, VT— Italian Models - Cars

Fri/Sun. Jul 16-18, 2010 Hemmings New England Concourse d'Elegance at Stratton Mt., VT (See page 3)

Sat. Jul 17, 2010 Founder's Day Classic Car Exhibit, Paris Hill, ME, 9 to 5; Adults \$10, Kids, 12 and under \$2. www.parishill.org Robert Bathre's Private Classic Car Collection

Sun, Jul 18, 2010 Auto Expo, Cheneville-2010 ... Cheneville, Canada

Sat./Sun. July 24-25 VAQ's Concours d'Élégance in Chambly QC (See page 5)

Fri/Sat. Jul 30-31/ Sun, Aug 1, 2010 Granby (Canada) International Car Show (Page 4)

Sat/Sun. Jul 31 & Aug 1, 2010 VAE Tour & Meeting (See Page 10)

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It was very dirty inside and out as one would expect. I checked to see if the engine was free and reached a deal to purchase it, trusting that the critical items would be OK. With a little effort the engine started and runs very smoothly as does the transmission. The engine is a 323 Cubic inch flat head straight eight.

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"Stowe" Committee News

The Chase/Leach T.E.A.M. is well on its way in their planning and preparation for the 2010 *Antique and Classic Car Meet* at Stowe.

A number of volunteers have already stepped forward to help, but they can't do it all. The Committee can use all the extra hands they can get to help.

If you and even a friend can give three consecutive hours between Aug. 1 and 15 to help set up, during the show or to take down give Bob Chase 802-253-4897 or Duane Leach 802-849-6174 a call.

Leave your name and number and the times you are able to help out and someone will call you back.

Thank you, *The T.E.A.M.*

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Sat./Sun. Jul 31 or Aug

1, 2010 Cars Of Yesteryear Show (See Page 3)

Aug. 2010 Meeting VAE TBA
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JULY 15th.**

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A Few Words From Your Editor

*** Those folks who receive our newsletter, *WheelTracks* by email discovered much to my distress that is was not in color and that the name was missing! A file problem was discovered in the beginning of May as I save samples of WT to the Adobe .pdf file



format early to make sure that all is well. All was not well. I spent hours on the phone and by email with technical people trying to determine what the problem was. We finally decided that the best thing to do was to totally remove my version of MS Publisher because it seemed to be corrupted and reinstall it again. That all seemed to worked well, but at the end it failed again. As luck would have it, the gray scale version was just barely OK as the header, *WheelTracks* also fell off.. YUCK!

So, back to the drawing board as I still seem to be having problems with this program.

Let's hope that this WT comes to you as it should. Cheers, *Gene*.



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SUNSHINE REPORT



Gene & Brenda Fodor upon the death of Gene's Father, Eugene Sr.

Christina McCaffrey

New Members

No New Members this Month...

Jim Sears

DIRECTIONS TO BOARD MEETING LOCATION July 5, 2009 7 PM

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. The entrance is on the right. From Exit 11 follow Williston Road (5 miles) turn left onto Whitney Hill Homestead. All others: from Taft Corners in Williston follow above directions.



"On the Road Again....Almost" Part II

By Chris & Dell Chartier

Updated post script. Shock absorber rebuild.

Just an update for those of you who may be interested. I am learning the truth of many well known adages as I steward our antique car. Have you found truths in often repeated sayings? As you may recall, I had bought a pretty complete shock absorber rebuild kit for our '31 Chevy we call "Popeye." I scheduled some time with a friend of mine who is a great mechanic to help me in this refurbishment project.

The Saturday afternoon came and my friend, Tom, showed up just at the time we had agreed on! Yay! After a few minutes of jaw boning, I showed him my rebuild kit, which he thought was pretty good & complete. Then we examined the single action shocks on Popeye's suspension. Tom asked "Why are we doing this?" to which I replied "Well, because we can & I bought the parts..."

There were no leaks from any of the shocks, the car makes no "clunking" noises while going down the road...ummm why are we doing this?? Ok - message received - Lesson 1: Don't fix it unless it's broke! So, Popeye has some spare parts waiting until he really needs them & I feel good that he's in good shape! But, next I think we'll check out the brakes before we take him off his jack stands for the season!

Happy motoring! Hope to see you all "On the Road Again!" or at a show or.... Respectfully, *Chris & Dell Chartier*



1st Annual Swanton Chamber of Commerce
Car & Motorcycle Show
Saturday, July 31, 2010
(Rain Date: August 1, 2010)
In the Village Park, Swanton, VT
10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Hosted by the Swanton Chamber of Commerce

33 Classes, 3 Trophies in Each - Special Trophies - All Makes, All Models!

Hemmings 2010 New England Concourse d'Elegance

Friday July 16th is the opening events including the Hemmings Green Mountain Rally.

Saturday July 17th starts with the Cruise-In Spectacular from 10 am to 4 pm followed by an informal judging starting at 3 pm for 1 st and 2nd place in 24 classes. Later, 4pm to 6 pm, live music featured in the village and at 7 pm a gourmet dinner is available.

Sunday, July 18th the concourse d'Elegance 10am to 3 pm for pre-1973 collector cars. For more information See: www.hemmings.com/concourse



Cars of Yesteryear

August 1, 2010 27th International Car Show - North Country Union High School Veterans Avenue - Newport, VT

Time: Show car registration 8 am to noon. Open to public 10 am. Peer judging from 12 noon to 1 PM with awards at 3 PM. For more information contact Phil Drake, 802-334-6079 or visit our web site at www.carsofyesteryear.org

Cruise night July 31st at the Elk's Club, Rte 5, Derby 4 PM.

Come join the fun and make it a weekend. Visit our website for information on motels/hotels, restaurants, etc. Including a weather forecast for the Newport area.

(... Continued from Page 1 Feature Car)

The transmission is the Chrysler early attempt at an automatic. It has a fluid drive clutch, column shifter like a standard and a four speed automatic with two speeds in each of two ranges. It has power brakes which needed complete rebuilding including the vacuum booster and extremely fast power windows which all work but didn't then. The paint was severely oxidized and showing primer in some places such that making it shiny again ruled out any sanding or buffing compound. Lot's of wax!!!!

The tires were the second set of tires with one of the original tires in the trunk. The tires all held air!!! The car was featured as the "Drivable Dream" in the November, 2008 issue of Hemmings Classic car magazine and was invited, with me to the Hemmings New England Concourse in 2008. The car now has over 24,000 miles on it and draws stares, waves and thumbs up everywhere we go with it. It is a large car with a very soft ride with huge leg room in the back seat. At the 2009 Stowe car show we were awarded the Kenneth Sherrer Memorial Trophy which is awarded to a VAE member. The trophy has a working model of a Stanley Steamer on top which has delighted my Grandchildren. I will be sad to see the trophy leave the house and go to the next recipient who I hope will be as proud of it and as grateful as I have been. Dan's granddaughter **Trinity Smith** (Rutland) is holding the VAE in-house **Kenneth Sherrer Trophy** and her friend **Sarah Barker**.

Story & photos by **Dan Buckley & Family**.



Old Books...


I took my own advice and transported several automotive books that arrive monthly to the Wake Robin community in Shelburne, VT.

I found that there is a community Librarian and at the regularly scheduled meeting of the residents she asked if there would be any interest in adding automotive books to their already large library. The following is her answer:

"I introduced you at our Residents' Meeting with the nice Internet photo of you and Brenda along side your 1953 MGTD and described the magazines you are offering for our library.

About 12 folks indicated interest, all of them gentlemen as you thought might be the case. I found some parts interesting because sometimes when my husband and I are out bicycling, especially in the Stowe area, we would see old cars heading for a show. I would wonder what they were.

Thank you for adding variety to our library!"

So folks, this is a wonderful opportunity to help make the retirement years of others more meaningful. Consider taking the automotive books that you are finished with to a retirement community. gf 

Champlain Valley Fair Parade

Summer has not even started but it's getting to be Fair time again...

(Aug 29 to Sept. 7) The Fair Parade lineup is at 4:30 (ish) and steps off everyday about 5 and exits the grounds at the Expo North building.

Your contact person is Ann Gray, Parade Superintendent at 802-878-4088. Applications should be submitted to Ann by August 1st.

You can receive tickets to the Fair and even a ribbon and \$2.00 prize!

So, don't delay contact her today. Tell her Gene sent you .(gf) ☺



SEMA SECURES U.S. SENATE RESOLUTION DESIGNATING JULY 9th AS "COLLECTOR CAR APPRECIATION DAY"

Lawmakers Acknowledge Importance of Collection and Restoration of Historic and Classic Cars

(Washington, D.C. - May 7, 2010) The United States Senate passed Senate Resolution 513 (S. Res. 513) at the request of the Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA) and the Automotive Restoration Market Organization (ARMO) Council designating July 9, 2010 as "Collector Car Appreciation Day." The resolution was the result of an effort undertaken by ARMO as a means to raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society.

S. Res. 513 was sponsored by Congressional Automotive Performance and Motorsports Caucus members Senator Jon Tester (D-MT) and Senator Richard Burr (R-NC). Senators Tester and Burr have been strong advocates for the automotive hobby in Washington, and S. Res. 513 reaffirms their understanding of the cultural importance of collector cars. The Caucus is an informal, non-partisan group that pays tribute to America's ever growing love affair with the car and motorsports. The Caucus recognizes the integral role collector cars have played in fostering our nation's appreciation for motorsports.

The resolution was the result of an effort undertaken by SEMA and its councils as a means to raise awareness of the vital role automotive restoration and collection plays in American society. Restoration businesses help save our nation's heritage while providing well-paying, high-skilled jobs nationwide.

SEMA Vice President of Government Affairs Steve McDonald said, "We greatly appreciate the United States Senate's recognition of the important role classic car restoration serves in our country. As Americans gather at car cruises and other events in conjunction with 'Collector Car Appreciation Day' on July 9, these vital contributions will be honored and preserved."

In recognition of the day, collectors and enthusiasts will be hosting events across the country. Jim Barber, Chairman of SEMA's Automotive Restoration Market Organization (ARMO) Council said, "Individuals, car clubs, and businesses affiliated with ARMO are proud to be recognized as leaders in today's economy. Car cruises, club gatherings, and other educational events will be scheduled for July 9 nationwide. ARMO is looking forward to assisting with these events and is appreciative of this special acknowledgment by the Senate."

Dennis Overholser, Chairman of SEMA's Hot Rod Industry Alliance (HRIA) Council said, "HRIA's commitment to preserving and promoting the automotive restoration industry through its projects and education programs is well represented by this Resolution. We are pleased that our elected officials have acknowledged our positive presence in local communities. I look forward to working with other business owners, collectors, and enthusiasts to make the inaugural 'Collector Car Appreciation Day' a success nationwide."

As part of "Collector Car Appreciation Day," a variety of events are currently being scheduled to commemorate America's time-tested love affair with the automobile. For a listing of events, please contact Jim Skelly, SEMA Council Director at 909.396.0289.

www.sema.org or www.enjoythedriver.com.

(Thanks to member, Rick Reinstein for this article also see pg. 7.) (gf)



30-31 Juillet et 1 Août
July 30-31 & August 1

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Visit www.vagi.qc.ca/gi.asp for more information.

Another Mystery Solved!

In an earlier issue of WheelTracks, there was a photograph of a young boy with his father standing next to a Tornado.

I had a member ask me who these folks were, but as the publication came before my time with WheelTracks, I was not able to answer his question.

As fate would have it, I received an email from the people involved in the photograph and now, I can divulge who the pictured people were.

This photograph to the left is the original photo that was in question and published in WT a few years ago. It was taken in 1969.



The photo below is a very recent photograph showing the same two people.

It is my pleasure to introduce you to Doctor Bertrand Marcoux (on the left), and also to his father, Doctor Jean-Claude Marcoux by a restored "Toro".

Dr. Jean-Claude has been

a frequent attendee at the VAE's Shelburne and Antique and Classic Car Meet - Stowe. His charming wife, Lucille has been a frequent winner of both Fashion shows. So, now you know the rest of the story. (gf)



Minutes of the May 29, 2010 Meeting

The regular monthly business meeting of the VAE was held on Saturday, May 29, 2010, at the home of *John DesGroseilliers* in Hardwick. The meeting followed our participation in the Hardwick Memorial Day Parade, and a cookout at John's property.

The Business Meeting was called to order by President *Don Rayta* at 1:12 PM. Don began by thanking John and his wife for hosting this event. Don then introduced a new member with us today, *Ed Hilbert*.

Secretary's Report: *Bill Sander* moved to accept the report of the previous Meeting, as printed in *Wheeltracks*. Jan Sander seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: *Gael Boardman* moved to file the Report, as printed in *Wheeltracks*, for audit. Les Skinner seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Tax Status: *Gael Boardman* reported on the continuing dialog with the IRS.

By Laws: *Fred Cook* stated, again, that the Committee will meet shortly to finalize revisions.

Membership: *Jim Sears* reports that we now have 242 members.

Nominating Committee: The Committee consists of *Fred Cook*, *Leo Laferriere*, and *Gene Napliello*. Fred is soliciting volunteers for various open Club positions.

Meetings/Activities: *Wendell Noble* reviewed plans for the next three months, all of which will be described in greater detail in upcoming issues of *Wheeltracks*.

Jan Sander mentioned the Jeffersonville, 4th of July Parade, and invited participation.

Stowe Show: *Bob Chase* stated that the Posters are now available. Shirts and hats have been ordered. The trophies and plaques are almost finalized.

Other Business: *Wendell Noble* mentioned that a previously out of print book relevant to the hobby is now back in print, and also reminded us that the club tour banners are still available.

Les Skinner moved to adjourn at 1:38. This was seconded by *Jan Sander*, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Sander, Recording Secretary.



19^e Édition
CONCOURS D'ÉLÉGANCE
Les belles d'autrefois
au Fort Chambly
24 et 25 juillet 2010

Le concours de l'été au Québec!
Invitation spéciale aux avant-guerre

Organisé et présenté par

VOITURE VÉTÉTTE
la STANLEY-STEAMER

Spécial de
Maxime Farago,
Samedi 24 juillet
de 13 h 30 à 14 h 30
Dimanche 25 juillet
de 12 h à 14 h

M. Jacques Duval, éminemment
reconnu dans le milieu québécois
de l'automobile sera le
président d'honneur.

- Présence de plusieurs centaines de voitures de collection d'origine
- Tirage de prix de présence
- 110 trophées seront remis dans plus de 30 classes
- Plaques-souvenir pour les premiers inscrits
- Concours de costumes d'époque avec prix en argent et trophées
- Création de 2 nouvelles classes

Le VAQ a donc le plaisir de vous annoncer la création de deux nouvelles classes lors du jugement des voitures à Chambly. La première sera pour les dames qui sont propriétaires de leur voiture ancienne et la seconde, pour les jeunes de 30 ans et moins, eux aussi propriétaires de leur voiture d'époque. Toutes les personnes concernées auront le choix de faire juger leur voiture soit dans les nouvelles classes ou dans les anciennes.

Admission | Grand public : 7 \$,
gratuit pour les 12 ans et moins

Admission voitures d'origine 25 ans et + | Non-membre : 15 \$
Membre VAQ : 5 \$
Avant-guerre 1942 et moins : gratuit

Soirée sociale d'été le 24 juillet 2010 à partir de 17h
Cocktail - Repas - Animation - Prix de présence - Encan silencieux au profit de la Société de recherche sur le cancer - SURPRISES - Bienvenue à tous, membres et non-membres! PRÉ-VENTE des billets à compter du 1^{er} Mai 2010 à 20 \$ - À la porte, 25 \$.
Réservez tôt, places limitées (125 personnes)

Info-VAQ : 514 990-9111 • www.vaq.qc.ca

VERMONT, A HOT BED OF QUALITY RESTORATION ARTISTS

Almost every time you open a national automotive magazine, you will find a story on someone doing a restoration to some wonderful old car.

For the number of inhabitants living in Vermont, I am convinced that this state has the largest number, per capita of quality, if not all professional restorers in the nation.

You read in the June issue of *WheelTracks*, about the professional restoration done by *Peter Markowski* and his crew at RPM in Vergennes on a fantastic Ferrari and in the same issue, our member, *David Sander* was shown with his award winning restoration of a 1953 M.G. TD and now, another member is featured in the *Hemmings Sport & Exotic Car* magazine's July 2010 Vol. 5, #11 page 30 in a four page spread in living vivid color titled, "From Post To Pebble", of *David Steinman* of the *Waitsfield Motor Car Company*.

Featured in the article are David's restoration of his award winning 1947 M.G. TC and the 1925 Voisin C31 Transformable Berline.

I am confident that there are many more people working out there such as these restorers, folks like *Rick Reinstein* of Colchester (1952 Salesman's Chevy) and others.

What a wonderful article that would make.

So again, don't be shy, send me your photos and stories and see them in a future issue of *WheelTracks*.

(gf)



The Voisin C31 at Pebble Beach

Some Meeting Photos

By Jan Sander

The lineup...



At the B-B-Q...



See pages 7 & 9 for more photos...

V A E Classified

FOR SALE AND A GREAT GIFT IDEA

Official VAE lapel pin - \$5.00 & \$1.00 S&H mailing charge if mailed. Available through Don Rayta. Contact information in *Wheel Tracks* or the VAE Roster. **Wear it proudly and show your colors!**



NEW JOB - Volunteer Co-Coordinator - coordinate volunteers for any VAE Shows. Please apply to any Director or Officer.

For Sale - A VAE Fund Raiser

2009 Stowe show picture Power Point CD (Plays on computers only). Over 370 photos. \$5 + \$2 S & H. Checks to VAE. Obtain from Gene Fodor, 802-372-9146 or crownwheel@comcast.net

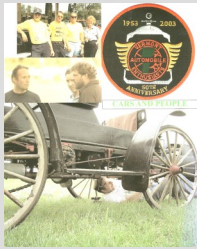


For Sale - VAE Tour Banner

This banner is made of a cloth material with a very soft backing designed not to mar the paint or finish. It is about 17 by 19 inches and has ties on each corner to attach it to your car. \$20. Order from Gene Fodor.



FOR SALE 50th. Anniversary year book and patch



50th Year Book
Wendell Noble or Gene Fodor \$5 + postage

50th Anniversary Patch from *Don Rayta* \$2.50 + postage



WANTED; Autolote distributor Model number LGC4046/6L. Although required for a 1931 Hupmobile 6 cylinder this unit may have been used on other makes. Sid Gough (403) 935 4216 or at sagough@efirehose.net

FOR SALE: 1963 Triumph Spitfire an early car, FC695L. Just painted, Red, new rockers, all poly suspension, Mark 2 engine and seats. Hard/soft tops, Many new and old stock parts replaced and added. Race history, files, books, cover, etc. Excellent condition. Under 10,000 miles. **Also a 1960 Mark 9 Jaguar** for sale: Call Bill in Indiana 219 616-6975 cellschair@jagdriver.org. From: *William Miller* wmarmiller@yahoo.com

FOR SALE - I have reached the age where I realize my legs don't respond as I command. Rather than have an accident, I have decided to sell my 26 model T pick-up roadster. It would be nice to keep it in the VAE. It just had a valve job, carb. overhaul and a new timer. It should be worth \$12,500. I'll take a trade or finance. "Les" Skinner cell- 802-279-8877



FOR SALE - Recently discovered AND available... 1939 Plymouth 2 door coupe convertible...NH all it's life..recent major renovation/renewal of engine/ drive train, etc. paint and rumble seat mod-est...leather seats fair...Owner asking \$20K.. From *Chris and Dell Chartier* [ianmacleodscian@yahoo.com]

WANTED - THIS IS A CHANGE OVER THE LAST REQUESTS FOR HELP FOR WT... the VAE is seeking a **second person**, as Gary Fisk has volunteered to help with preparing stories/articles for our newsletter *WheelTracks*, beginning with the January 2011 issue. On occasion, the Editor will receive hard copy typed material that needs to be made into electronic copy. Time commitment could be as little as 0 to 4-5 hours a month. If you have MS WORD and can send the finished product over the internet, and be willing to retype material for the Editor, Gene Fodor, please contact the Editor or Officers or Directors for information.

FOR SALE- 1968 Mustang convertible. 100% restored. 45,000\$
1958 Pontiac Parisienne convertible. 100% restored. 75,000\$ 1967 Dodge Dart convertible 100% restored. 35,000\$ 1964 Chevelle SS convertible 100% restored. 55,000\$ Infos- gbureau@videotron.ca

FOR SALE V.W. Conv. Karmann Series, 35K original miles, always garaged, no accident, recent \$3k re-paint, 4 speed, fuel inj., Bosch driving lights, radio, clock, (working) and more, Vero Beach winner. \$15K OBO ... And

FOR SALE V.W.MODEL TYPE III under 35k miles, white interior, recent re-paint, new fender welt, radio, VW auto trans., VW A/C (not working), new radials, Bosch driving lights, trophy winner Both owned by Charlie Hozelten ... And

FOR SALE Vintage Cast Iron 24 inch School Bell. Bell was cast in Seneca Falls, NY Asking \$1295.10
Contact: Larry Johnson, 1129 Lewis Creek Rd, Charlotte, VT 05445

For Sale: 1953 Plymouth Cranbrook 2 Dr. Club Coupe with 44,000 original miles. Early repaint of factory Cactus Green. Mint interior, never rust, rechromed bumpers and WWW. Factory radio, backup lights and locking gas cap. \$9500.

1989 Chrysler LeBaron GTC Turbo Coupe, 43,000 original miles, Florida Car, mint condition throughout. 5 speed Getrag tranny and loaded with all options incl, CD player. \$4750.
Chris Barbieri 802-223-3104

WANTED body/Paint professional. My baby turns 25 next year and I want to get it repainted and ready to win shows. any suggestions? James Bushey jbushey@tradeanalysis.com or 802-318-8370 (Cell)

FOR SALE; Showroom brochures for a Chevy '37,'38,'49 in color. 12 pages each. \$75 for the lot.
1 set VW wheel covers, 15 inches—\$25.00 — **1960 Ford Thunderbird** shop manual \$25.00 — **1966 Buick LaSabre** Wildcat Electra 225 Owner protection plan accessories & owner's guide books \$40.00 Marvin Ball 802-425-3529

NOTICE... The Classified section is on our web site at www.vtauto.org of the ads you see here.

Tentative Board Agenda July 5, 2010

Usual Directorate Reports

Review of IRS Application

Status of the Transition By-Laws

Any other Matters That May Come Before The Board

All are welcome to attend the Meeting. See direction on Page 2.

More May Meeting Photos...
see page 9 for more...



Neologisms

Once again, The Washington Post has published the winning submissions to its yearly neologism contest, in which readers are asked to supply alternate meanings for common words. The first 4 winners:

1. Coffee (n.), the person upon whom one coughs.
2. Flabbergasted (adj.), appalled over how much weight you have gained.
3. Abdicate (v.), to give up all hope of ever having a flat stomach.
4. Esplanade (v.), to attempt an explanation while drunk.

Did You Know That In 1901 ...

- ... Automotive production reached 7000 units for the year
- ... *R. E. Olds* built 1500 curved-dash Oldsmobiles, to become the first mass producer of gasoline automobiles in the world
- ... *Roy Dikeman Chapin* drove an Oldsmobile from Detroit to New York City.
- ... First *Jones* speedometers used on the Oldsmobile
- ... *G.A. Schacht* a well known buggy builder started making motor Vehicles
- ... New York State licensed motor vehicles, gaining additional revenue of nearly \$1,000. in the first year.
- ... Autocar adopted shaft-driven motor vehicle
- ... *B. A. Gramm* completed his 7 h. p. six passenger "Carry-all"
- ... *White* delivered its first car to a customer
- ... *H. A. Lozier* famed bicycle builder manufacturer, announced entry in the motor vehicle market
- ... *David Dunbar Buick*, inventor and manufacturer of bathroom appliances, organized Buick Auto-Vin & Power Company of Detroit
- ... The Electric Vehicle Company owner of Selden Patent, threatened suits
- ... *George N. Pierce* Company, of Buffalo, N.Y, introduce the Pierce Motorette
- ... Gasoline storage was made available to automobiles
- ... 40 new names were introduced in the year 1901.



The 1901 Pierce Motorette

University Mall - July 24th. and 25th.

An important reminder ... The weekend of July 24th and 25th will have VAE displaying our autos at the University Mall on Dorset St. in South Burlington, VT.

The primary reason for the display is to advertise the *Antique and Classic Car Meet* in Stowe, so we will have brochures. A secondary reason is to entice interested persons to join VAE. Some extra copies of WheelTracks will be available to hand out. Any help you can give us is appreciated.

This is a fantastic opportunity to get VAE's name into the main stream of the public.

The display starts with all **arriving by 9 AM on Saturday the 24th.** to position our cars. Once in the Mall, the cars may not leave **until Sunday July 25th. at 7 PM.** The Mall is secured and there is a security patrol all evening.

Some things to remember ...

- 1) make sure you have no more then 1/2 tank of gas in the car
- 2) you should bring some padding to put under the wheels
- 3) have something to put under the car, if it tends to leak oil
- 4) prepare to remove one of the battery cables and tape secure with electrical tape
- 5) No tire shine or other shine may be applied indoors

This is a great opportunity to share our hobby with others and advertise the show. We can use a few more display cars **So please help.**

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Dorothy, The Kansas Chevy

Member *Rick Reinstein* of Colchester, VT reports that the work on his project, a 1952 Chevy "Salesman's Coupe" which he found in Kansas is making progress. The engine is in place and many of the unseen parts and jobs are done and *Rick* notes: "just



wiring and brakes and then "Dorothy" can exit my man cave".

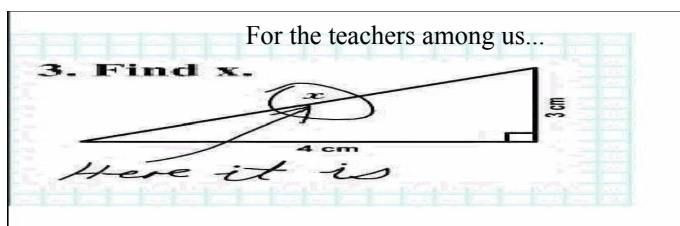
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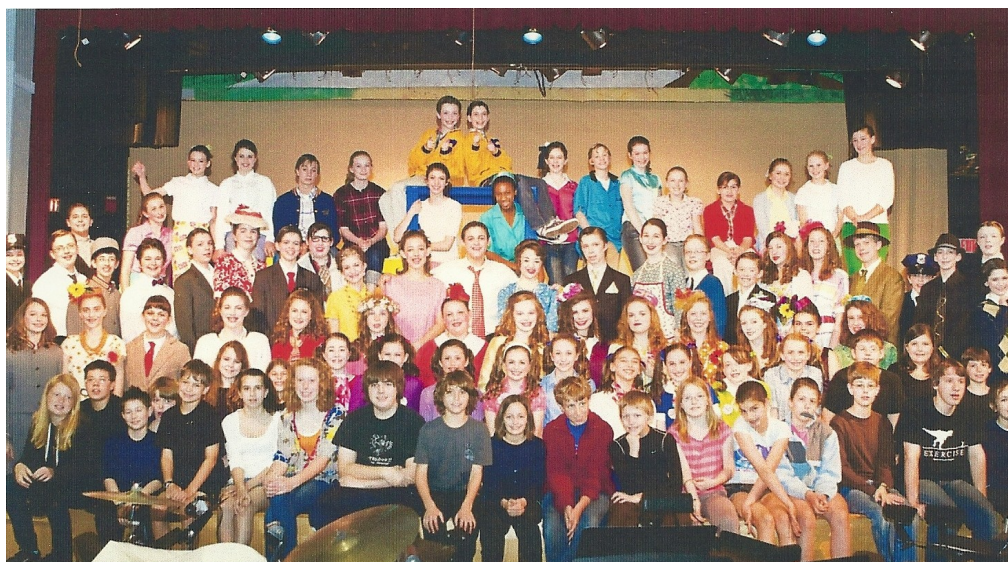


Note of Thanks:

To our VAE family, a special note thanks to all for your kind thoughts cards, letters, emails and visits and offers of help at this difficult time. Dad was a kind and gentle soul and had a good long life.

Gene and Brenda Fodor and Family





Bye Bye Birdie
Williston Central School Drama Club
May 7th and 8th, 2010

A note of thanks to VAE for bringing cars to Taft's Corner in April to help film an introductory video to the Williston Central School's Drama Club presentation of *Buy-By Birdie*.

"Dear Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Thanks so much for your support. The Williston Drama Club really appreciated everything. We had really successful shows. Sincerely, The Williston Drama Club."

Below: from the show program. (gf)



Vermont Auto Enthusiasts:
Thank you so much for all your help!



Gasoline VS Water

(An opinion from a gent named Mike)
From Lloyd Davis

My wife and I have two cars that have been very dependable and we have had them for quite a number of years. I always check the gasoline mileage (mpg) with every fill up so I am very familiar with what each car can produce.

About a year ago stickers began to appear on gasoline pumps announcing that the fuel is now 10% ethanol. It was at that time that I observed our mileage (mpg) had dropped by 10%. This was true for each car and was true whether for city or highway driving or for a combination of both.

Let me analyze what this means, assuming my results are typical of most other cars on the road. At this point most are not designed to run on Flex-fuel.

We have been led to believe that burning ethanol would lessen our dependence on foreign oil, save domestic oil, reduce environmental harm, and save money. It appears, however, that none of this is true.

When a gallon of fuel is purchased, the 10% of the cost that provides us with ethanol seems to yield no energy at all. They might as well have provided us with 10% of a gallon of empty space. So are we saving oil? Of course not. We must buy fuel 10% more often.

The number of barrels of oil used in America is exactly the same as it was before the ethanol was added. It cost us, however, 10% more. And environmental effects are not reduced. Why would the government perpetuate such a hoax? They probably wouldn't do it if fuel was sold tax free. But the worst part is that much of the corn and farmland that would have been used to feed people is now used to produce a fuel that is of no value. And the cost of farm produce goes up accordingly. We pay more for fuel and food and get nothing in return. So what can we use for fuel in place of oil products? I really don't have an answer to this. I remember reading from time to time that someone has devised a way to burn water in his automobile. I don't believe it, but even if it was true, it would not necessarily be such a good thing.

We are approaching the day when the nation's supply of drinking water will not be sufficient for our population. We may be running out of oil but wouldn't it be even worse if our water was being depleted by millions of barrels per day?

So, for now I would suggest that the use of ethanol for fuel be entirely voluntary. Don't force us to burn 10% ethanol unless we chose to do so because for most of us it is a waste of money and resources.

(This Article retyped for WT by Gary Fiske)



Dick Collitt's 1942 Dodge

July 9-10 Northfield, VT Military Vehicle Show

The Green Mountain Military Vehicle Club is having their rally and the public is invited. For a \$5.00 donation per family, come see what Military Vehicle Collecting and Historians are all about!

Vehicles from WW2 to Vietnam, Military surplus vendor tents, Demonstrations and History presentations, Military style camp Sites, Military time line from 1864 to today and much more. Come to the center of Northfield and follow the signs. We are at the Norwich University Ski area. More info at www.gmmvc.org.

I would like to meet your car....and you of course. I had fun getting Gary Olney's Orient Buckboard article together.

If you have a car I would love to snap some pictures and write an article about it. Maybe even say a word or two about the owner :-). Email me at gafiske@gmail.com. Gary Fiske better known as gcf.



May Meeting in Hardwick

By Gary Fiske

A sunny day, a Memorial Day Parade, food to die for, and hooking up with the Military Vehicle Club....what more could we ask for....

I arrived in plenty of time with my camera, the plan was to take some pictures of the VAE folks in the parade. Then the traffic stopped on Route 15 about a mile out of the village and by the time I found a parking place and walked the last good part of a mile they had gone through. I understand there were about a half dozen VAE cars in the parade. I did get some good pictures of the parade and some at the meeting at *John des Groseilliers'* where the meeting was held; hope you enjoy them.

There were over 70 at the combined VAE and GMMVC meeting and as mentioned above the food was great. John and company did a fantastic job hosting the group. I am slowly meeting more of you. An old friend, *Hayden Janes* made it down from Richford. I met *Les Skinner* from Northfield Falls, a top notch gent. *Gary Olney* is another VAE member I was proud to meet, I followed him home to Derby Line to take pictures of his Orient Buckboard for a future Wheel Tracks article. You wouldn't believe his collection....as I told his wife Nancy, I don't think I should be hanging around with folks like Gary and take a chance of picking up his car collecting habits.....it could get expensive. We will be able to see Gary's collection in July when we have our membership meeting in Newport, VT on the **31st of July and 1st of August**. *Wendell and Gary* have put a really nice two day adventure together for us.....watch for more details in WT.

This is my first VAE meeting report, I hope I have covered the important items. I have noticed it is traditional to end the article with my initials but someone by the name of Gene Fodor has taken mine. From now on I will use (gcf)I wonder what Gene's middle name is? (it's a "W". gf)



Jeff Houghton's Jeep



2 Meetings for the Price of One



Joe Paradis-left Bill Sanders-right



John Linnebur's 42 Harley WLA &



Time to Go Home



John des Groseilliers' Driveway



Sorry, didn't get your name



George Devlin's Jeep



Tom Buckowski's Jeep



SEEP ?????



Gary Olney's 1906 Orient Buckboard

By Gary Fiske

There are some mysteries I have been unable to find answers to but isn't that exactly how it should be?

This Orient Buckboard was built by the Waltham Manufacturing Company on Rumford Avenue in Waltham, Mass. Thanks to **Bill Sherk's** article in 'Old Autos', a publication printed in Bothwell, Ontario, a few of the mysteries have been solved. The auto...with its Mass. number plate..... made its way from Waltham to Antigonish, Nova Scotia when a jeweler purchased it (date unknown).

The story goes that the jeweler would often turn to swearing as he turned the crank because the car was so hard to start.

At some point the jeweler made arrangements to store the Orient Buckboard and a 1912 Studebaker in an area barn owned by the grandfather of Mr. Gordon Penny. When the Studebaker was removed it is said the Orient was left as payment for storage. When Gordon was 14 years old in 1945 he found the Orient in his grandfather's barn...the Mass. plate was still attached....he pulled the Orient out and got it running. The story continues.....in the early 1950s Gordon sold the Orient, in running condition, to Mr. Harry Olney of Springfield Vermont.



Mr. Gordon still resides in Antigonish, Nova Scotia and when he was interviewed by Bill Sherk he said he thought the Orient was now in Maine someplace. Well, guess what, the Orient resides in Derby, Vermont and is owned by Harry Olney's son Gary... the Orient still has its Mass. 1908 plate #0237K.

There were about 2500 Orient Buckboards built and it is estimated 57 exist today, of which 45 are in the United States.

The 1906 Orient was sold new for \$440 and was the first to have what is called **Friction Drive**, a wheel and disc that allows an infinite variation of speeds forward and reverse also allowing for much less vibration when driving. Top speed is 35 MPH and if you want to enter a race, special 'racing' sprockets can be installed to reach up to 40MPH. The engine produces **4 horsepower** and is air cooled. The car weight is 525 pounds with a wheelbase of 80 inches. The wheel track is 42 inches but can be changed to 56 inches which would allow it to fit into the 'standard wagon tread'.

The serial numbers for the Orient Buckboard start at 450 because Numbers 1 to 450 had already been used for motorcycles and other cars the company built. I believe the plate of Gary's Orient has #570 on it. If you would like to hear an Orient run, go to this address on the internet... <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R7wztpgfval>. Or... just google 'Orient Buckboard' and you will find the demonstration.

If you ever get to Gary's barn where he keeps the Orient be sure to take a flash light and check out the details of the car closely, it is amazing.....

gcf 



July Meeting and Tour - The July activity will consist of **an overnight** tour to the Northeast Kingdom on **July 31st and Aug. 1st** and include **attending the Newport Car Show**. Starting points will be at 10:00 am Saturday at the I89 exit 18 park and ride in Georgia, 10:30 am at the Cambridge park and ride and 11:00 am at the G. W. Tatro Construction parking lot in Jeffersonville. Upon arriving in Newport we will eat at a local restaurant and in the afternoon we will view **Gary Olney's** car collection in Derby Line, hold our monthly meeting and sight see in the Derby area. On **Sunday** we will tour Lake Seymour in the morning and participate in the **Newport Cars of Yesteryear** show in the afternoon. Return home on Sunday afternoon will be at your own convenience. A block of 12 rooms have been reserved at the **Newport City Motel** for Saturday night at \$71.09 to \$84.59 per double room. Call **(802) 334-6558 for reservations** by June 30 and mention Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts. There are also a number of Bed and Breakfasts in the area. 1st. VP. **Wendell Noble**

Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts
Treasurer's Report - June 14, 2010

MONEY MARKET - balance May 12, 2010	\$ 15,261.57	
add: May interest income		11.70
Transfer from CD		<u>40,197.85</u>
Balance June 14, 2010		55,471.12

GENERAL CHECKING - balance May 12, 2010 \$ 2,077.70

Deposits

Member dues	174.00
Stowe sponsors	200.00
Stowe car registrations	1,260.00
Stowe flea market	4,745.00
Stowe car corral	90.00
	<u>6,469.00</u>

Disbursements

4987 Xpress - Stowe printing	63.60
Don Rayta - reimb for award en-	
4988 graving	10.60
4989 void	
State of Vermont - Stowe brochure	
4990 distribution	100.00
4991 Edward Gradel - dues refund	20.00
Rachel Smith - website mainte-	
4992 nance	465.00
4993 Winooski Press - Stowe printing	347.00
4994 L. Brown & Sons Printing - June Wheel Tracks	480.44
4995 Peerless Insurance Co. - insurance	153.00
4996 FW Media - Stowe advertising	<u>450.00</u>
Total disbursements	<u>2,089.64</u>

Balance June 14, 2010 6,457.06

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT - balance May 12, 2010 40,163.92

add: May interest income	33.93	
less: transfer to money market account	40,197.85	<u> </u>
Balance June 14, 2010		-

Total all accounts \$61,928.18

Dick Wheatley, VAE Treasurer

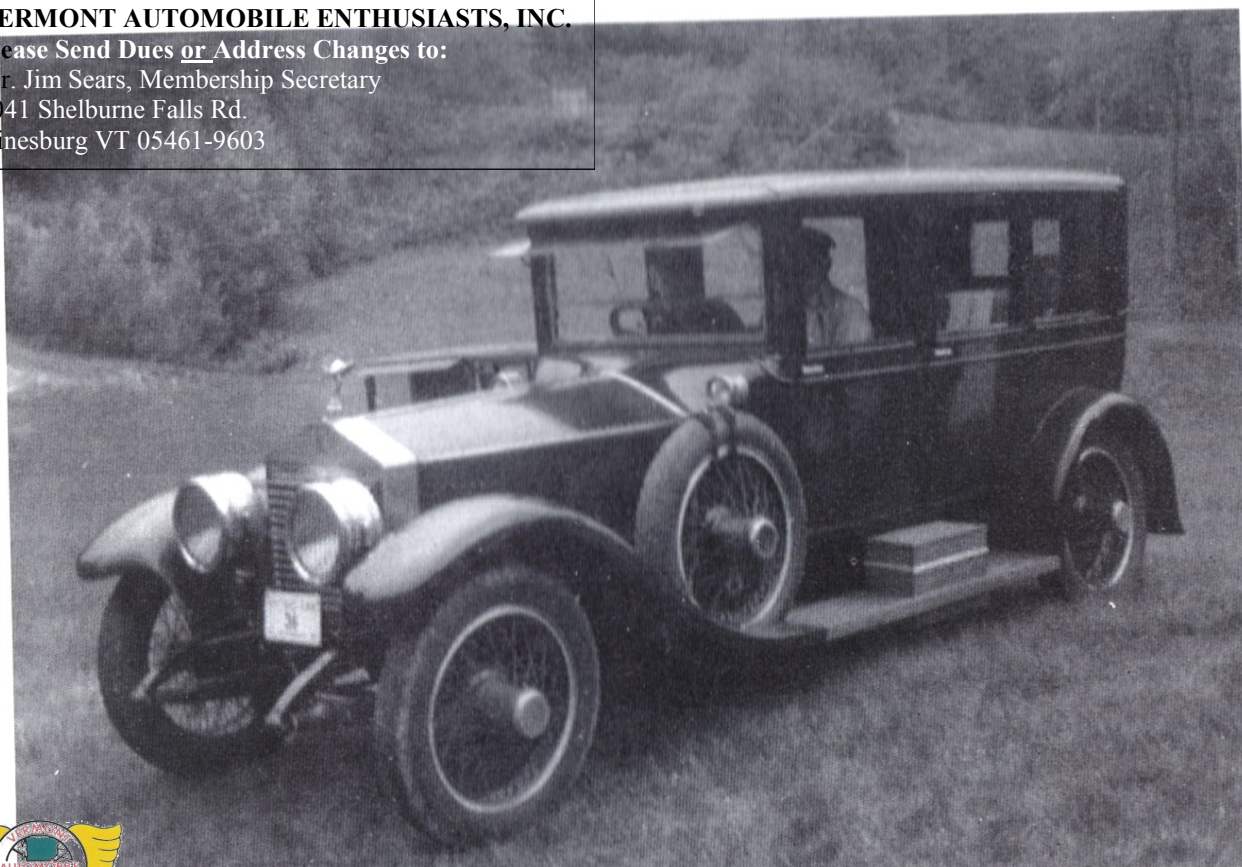
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1969 President Adrian West's 1921 Silver Ghost Limousine.

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