



Wheel Tracks

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The Sears Motor Buggy

The Sears Motor Buggy came in a box and was partially assembled. Pictured at the left is *Bill Erskin*, former VAE President demonstrating the assembly of his unique vehicle at the VAE's Shelburne Museum Car Show in 2006. After assembling the car Bill accompanied by *Avery Hall* gave the crowd a thrill by putt-putting about the show grounds to continuous applause.

The production started in 1906 and ran through 1912 when the manufacturing equipment was sold to the Lincoln Car Works which continued production into 1913.

The car sold for a whopping \$395. and the box it came in could be reused to store it.

VAE CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Sat. - Sun. May 15-16, 2010 Saratoga Auto Museum Auto Show.

Visit their web site at: www.saratogaautomuseum.org for more information

Sat. - Sun. May 22-23, 2010 Show, FLEA MARKET AND CAR CORRAL
Ville St-Laurent Arena 2345 Thimens Montréal Qc. Info: 514 745-6278 (gbureau@videotron.ca)

Sat. May 22, 2010 Classic Show and Vintage Race... NH Motor Speedway, Loudon, NH

Sun. May 24, 2010 Saint Lambert (Canada) Auto Show See www.st-lambert.com

Sat. May 29, 2010 VAE Meeting (See Page 8)

Sat. May 29, 2010 Annual Memorial Day Parade in Essex Junction

Mon. May 31, 2010 Memorial Day

Sat. & Sun Jun 12-13, 2010 The Manchester (VT) Car Show Formerly Hildene

Sun. Jun 13, 2010 Canada's *International Lilliputian Cars* Show (See Page 8)

Sat. Jun 19, 2010 Street Rod Show at Libby's Blue Line Diner (I 89 Ex 16) Colchester, VT

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(VAE) = Club Meeting date & Location

GM's Future Car

An Electric Networked Vehicle, or EN-V, is driven by a GM staff member during its unveiling in Shanghai in March. The car, which would be networked with others to avoid accidents and ease traffic, would hit showrooms in 10 to 20 years.



STOWE

REMEMBER THAT THE
STOWE SHOW COMMITTEE
NEEDS YOUR HELP.

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Sat Jun 26, 2010 VAE Meeting
at Camp Ta-Kum-Ta in South Hero, VT

Sun. Jul 4, 2010 In-
dependence Day



Mon. Jul 5, 2010 Board Meeting
7 pm, Location TBA

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Flower: Lily of the Valley.
Birthstone: Emerald

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MAY15th.**

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A few words from your Editor...

**** I'm desperate!**

**There are no featured
vehicle photos/stories
for the June issue of WT
and on. Would anyone
please send me your car
pix and short story to
feature on the front page of WT?**



**With about 200 members in VAE,
someone must have a story.**

**Everyone has a story and really,
that's true. Don't be shy. If you find
it difficult to write a story, let me
know and I'd be happy to help with it
or at least give you a good draft for
your review.**

**So, come on folks, help the ol' guy
out, this is YOUR newsletter ...**

**When my editorship term is over
this December, we can't let whoever
is going to take over, flounder.**

**** We need one more person to help with WT for
2011 and on. Member Gary Fisk (see page 3) is will-
ing to help part-time. So we still need a third person
to work with us.**

**** As Pres. Don** has indicated, he is looking for
people to help form a Nominations Committee for
2011. He is also seeking nominations for the Presi-
dent's Restoration Award. That award was not given
in 2010, but there must be some restorations taking
place. You can nominate yourself or any other mem-
ber can nominate you.

Department Of Corrections

Sorry to say, I misspelled Gael Boardman's name
and ... I made his Chevy a 1920, whereas it is a
1929 model.

Sunshine Report



Bryce and Linda Howells - death of
Linda's Mother

Anita Bean Get Well - recovering from skiing
accident

Conception Conti - home, recuperating

Marnita Leach - home, recuperating

Randy Carr (Director) - home recuperating

Christina McCaffrey

4TH JULY PARADE LISTINGS

Please send 4th July parade announcements to me
no later than May 15th for the June issue.

How Do You Do....

I am **Gary Fiske**, the guy Gene mentioned last month in his 'Words from the Editor'; the guy who offered to share the editorship with one or two other people to see that 'WHEELTRACKS' continues its long history and traditional trip each month into your home.

It was *kind of* my idea and I am not sure if it will work. **The down side** of the idea is that the 'Wheeltracks' would be left **leaderless** with no real direction. Responsibilities would be passed around and fall through the cracks. If we were talking boats I could use the word **rudderless**, but it's cars....now what word to use...?

The upside is the task of getting the newsletter published each month would be shared and 'Wheeltracks' would find a new well of energy. I remember when my Dad was alive and we drove by a five acre hay field one day that he had helped cut as a young man with a hand scythe. I asked how he had kept from getting discouraged with such a large task in front of him. He told me he would not have been able to do it if it were not for the people with the hand scythes beside him. The Editorship variations could be many.... If three people are involved then each could be 'The Editor' four times a year...or the publication could be split into three sections etc etc. Wouldn't it be great if a **woman's point of view** was a constant in 'Wheeltracks'? What if one of the editors wanted to take a break for a month and do research for a **special article** or just take a break...no problem; the other two could pick up the slack.

I would love to see a gathering of us list the pros and cons of this idea and see where it leads. Gene said in his article that I do a newsletter for our country club. I did for a number of years but not for the past three or four years. I remember the deadlines and the **'it's up to you or else'** situation. I really liked the job but it can wear on you after a while. Gene should get tons of credit for his work and dedication to 'Wheeltracks'....and he should be able to pass the job on knowing the publication will thrive. My goodness, he even gave us a one year notice....

I am a new member of VAE and have many things to learn about this club. One reason I am thinking of a shared Editorship is that I don't think I could do it alone but would really like to be a part of it. Another reason is the experience I had at the **Stowe Car Show** last summer. I offered to help and while there I witnessed something remarkable. The first day I made the trip from Enosburg to Stowe the field was empty except for a couple of cars and trailers down in the corner next to the ditch. The folks were low key and smiling...the day was sunny. There was Duane & Marnita, Joe, Jerry and others (I am terrible with names)....and this one guy with a measuring tape way out in the field who I never met and they tell me he just shows up every year.... I think I made the trip a couple of days that week to help then came the first day of the show. I came over the knoll from Moscow and I could not believe my eyes and what those few people had accomplished....the show was on and in a huge way. That field in the mountains of Stowe was a site to behold.

So....that is where I am coming from with the shared editorship for Wheeltracks. Sharing the work to make something beautiful is nothing new for VAE so why not lets give it a try.



STOWE

The Antique and Classic Car Meet is only 3 months away! The Committee needs **YOUR** help to make this a successful event. Please contact Bob or Duane ASAP.

On The Road Again, With Chris and Dell

By Chris & Dell Cartier

Greetings from the base of Mount Ascutney! Spring is beckoning! Tomorrow should be into the 50's and possibly into the 60's! I haven't even started on the rebuilding/ renovation of our Chevy's shock's.... I purchased a rebuild kit for our '31 Chevy through the good folks in Oregon - The Filling Station. It comes complete with all the nuts, seals, etc, the only other thing to buy is hydraulic jack fluid. I purchased this at our local NAPA store & made an arrangement with a buddy of mine to help me do the work. Although most of you guys are probably very mechanically talented....I'm quick to admit I have limitations. I'd rather study the direction, read thoroughly how to do it & then do the work under the guidance of someone very experienced so I don't mess up the project.

Well, I made the time available, but my buddy caught a cold...nice! Well, we can post pone without shame....so the project will keep. And the weather will get better! So no worries. Did you get all your winter projects done? What do you do to keep "invigorated" about the hobby during the off-season? One additional neat things I've found to do is to create my own postage stamps from pictures of classic cars I've taken during our trips. Zazzle.com is a great website that offers this service for a reasonable price. I just had 2 sheets of stamps made from a Duensenberg picture I took during our trip to Norwich, NY. Now if I can only get myself to use one of those stamps to send something to someone.....

Here's hoping we all have a wonderful spring! Can't wait to see you all at a show! Look for us at Stowe and Manchester, VT (we've booked our accommodations!!!) *Chris & Dell Cartier*

A few days ago I was having some work done at my local garage. A blonde came in and asked for a seven-hundred-ten knob. We all looked at each other and another customer asked, 'What is a seven-hundred-ten knob?' She replied, 'You know, the little piece in the middle of the engine, I have lost it and need a new one.. ' She replied that she did not know exactly what it was, but this piece had always been there. The mechanic gave her a piece of paper and a pen and asked her to draw what the piece looked like. She drew a circle and in the middle of it wrote 710. He then took her over to another car which had its hood up and asked 'is there a 710 on this car?' She pointed and said, 'Of course, its right there.'

(From *Kit Wheatley*)



Did You Know That?...

... in the New Year of 1900, 4192 motor vehicles were manufactured.

... the first National Automobile Show was held in Madison Square Garden in New York City...

... MACK introduced a bus which was run for eight years as a bus, and was later converted into a truck that ran for another nine years...

... the first long road race was held on Long Island, from Springfield to Babylon, New York and return and that a *Riker Electric* vehicle won...

(Note: a *Riker Electric* chassis may be seen at the Owl's Head Museum. gf)

... the *Saturday Evening Post* carried the first automobile advertisement...

... the *National Assoc. Of Automobile Manufacturers* was formed...

The 1900's was a big year for the automobile in America.



Riker Electric Car

The Amazing Cucumber - Tired of your bathroom mirror fogging up after a shower? Try rubbing a cucumber slice along the mirror, it will eliminate the fog and provide a soothing, spa-like fragrance.

The Antique and Classic Car Meet (Stowe Show) Sponsor Letter

One of the most important parts of the show are our sponsors. Last year, our sponsors provided the show with a little more than \$5,000 and to date we have about 1/2 of that amount. The letter below is what we have sent or hand carried to the various sponsors that we know of. The Show Committee is asking every VAE member to make copies of this letter which explains the costs and benefits and the application (on the next page) and to take your copies to the businesses you know and ask them to participate. Make sure that your name is on the application that they send in because, all names of those who have solicited new sponsors for the Show, will be placed in a hat and the winner will receive a \$25.00 gift certificate to the Olive Garden restaurant. Please remove this top portion of the letter.

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VERMONT AUTOMOBILE ENTHUSIASTS, INC. (V.A.E.) *53rd. Antique and Classic Car Meet – (The Stowe Show)*

Show Location: Nichols Field, VT Rte. 100, Stowe, VT

Bob Chase § P.O. Box 187 § Stowe, VT 05672 § 802-253-4897 § Email: rccwrn@pshift.com

2010

Dear

As the beautiful buds burst on the trees making Vermont blossom into Spring the Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts, Inc. are thinking of what they love to see: gleaming classic cars lined up before enthusiastic spectators on a great sunny August weekend. We want to let you know that our 53rd. Annual **Antique and Classic Car Meet** sponsored by the V.A.E. will take place during the weekend of **August 13 thru 15, 2010** at Nichols Field on VT Rte. 100 in Stowe Vermont.

Due to the generosity of sponsors like you and the hard work of our dedicated volunteers, our 2009 Meet was a resounding success with **over 11,000** spectators plus an estimated 1,400 exhibitors attending the weekend show, seeing and hearing all our sponsor's names.

Once again, we need your support to continue putting on an attractive and quality show. Funds for sponsorship may not be easy to come by, but realizing that versus the cost, your business will have its name recognized by a vast number of people at one time. Our research has shown that a large and fiercely loyal group of people spend tens of thousands of dollars in Vermont and specifically the Stowe local area during show weekend.

We ask you to consider the benefits of sponsorship at the Antique and Classic Car Meet as a **Platinum (Major) Sponsor**, with all the attending benefits, or as a **Class Sponsor**, (Gold Class) or "**Friend of VAE**", (Silver Class).

Our **Platinum Class Sponsorship** at \$500.00 or more gives your business the same exposure as the *Gold* and *Silver Class* Sponsors ... **PLUS** ... you may have a display of your business at the meet. You will also receive 6 *Show Day Passes*. (**March 15, 2010 is the deadline for Brochure placement**).

A **Gold Class Sponsorship**, class is available for \$200.00 which makes you a "Class" sponsor, (choosing any available "Class" of vehicles listed below) ... **PLUS**... your name/business name is mentioned periodically over the public address system as well being displayed at the Registration Tent and Class site. You receive 4 *Show Day Passes*. Deadline is June 15, 2010

The **Sliver Class Sponsorships** start at only \$100.00 with your name is posted at the Registration Tent in front of thousands of spectators and participants with your name as a **Friend of VAE**. You also receive 2 *Show Day Passes*. Deadline is June 30, 2010.

All sponsor's names appear on our sponsor boards by the Registration tent and/or Class.

A VAE's **Antique and Classic Car Meet** sponsorship is the ideal venue for your advertising dollar.

We look forward to having you as a participant sponsor in the VAE's **Antique and Classic Car Meet**.

Sincerely,
Robert Chase

Robert Chase, Chair, Antique and Classic Car Meet

Sincerely,
Gene Fodor

Gene Fodor, VAE Chairman of the Board



Please complete the form below and mail with your check (payable to VAE) in full by May 1, 2010 to:

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P.O. Box 187
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802-253-4897

rccwrn@pshift.com

Business Name: _____	
Contact Person: _____	
Mailing Address: _____	
City, State, Zip (Province, Postal Code) _____	
Telephone _____	Web Site _____
Email Address: _____	
Sponsorship Level: _____	Amount _____
Class Number Requested: _____	Amount _____
Business Information for Announcements	

If we do not have your business logo on file or it has changed, please contact *Gene Fodor* at crownwheel@surfglobal.net for instructions as how to provide updated information.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

Robert "Bob" Chase, Chair, *Antique and Classic Car Meet*

ANTIQUÉ AND CLASSIC CAR MEET 2010 CLASSES

CLASS NUMBER AND NAME

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|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 Senior Class | 19 Chevy, all 1946 – 1954 | 32 Chevy closed 1958 – 1985 |
| 2 Brass era thru 1916 | 20 Non Ford non Chevy 1946 – 1954 | 33 Mustang open 1964 – 1985 |
| 3 Classics 1925 – 1930 | 21 Foreign Sports Cars, British, 4 cyl. thru 1985 | 34 Mustang closed 1964 – 1985 |
| 4 Classics 1931 – 1948 | 22 Foreign Sports Cars, British, 6 cyl. & up thru 1985 | 35 Corvette 1953 – 1985 |
| 5 Non Ford, all 1917 – 1931 | 23 Foreign Sports Cars, all other thru 1985 | 36 Thunderbird 1955 – 1957 |
| 6 Model T, all, incl. PUs 1917 – 1927 | 24 Non Ford non Chevy closed 1955 – 1965 | 36 Thunderbird 1958 – 1985 |
| 7 Model A, all, incl. PUs 1928 – 1929 | 25 Non Ford non Chevy closed 1966 – 1985 | 38 Camaro thru 1985 |
| 8 Model A open 1930 – 1931 | 26 Non Ford non Chevy open 1955 – 1965 | 39 Performance cars thru 1972 |
| 9 Model A closed (1930 – 1931 | 27 Non Ford non Chevy open 1966 – 1985 | 40 Woodies, all makes thru 1954 |
| 10 Non Ford open 1932 – 1942 | 28 Ford & Mercury open 1955 – 1985 | 41 Street rods thru 1948 |
| 11 Non Ford closed 1932 – 1942 | 29 Ford & Mercury closed 1955 – 1985 | 42 Commercial Ford and Mercury thru 1985 |
| 12 Ford & Mercury 1932 – 1942 | 30 Chevy, all 1955 – 1957 | 43 Commercial non Ford thru 1985 |
| 13 Unrestored Prewar thru 1942 | 31 Chevy open 1958 – 1985 | 44 Emergency vehicles (non Military) thru 1985 |
| 14 Unrestored Postwar 1945 – 1957 | | 45 Military ¾ ton & less thru 1985 |
| 15 Unrestored Postwar 1958 – 1967 | | 46 Military over ¾ ton thru 1985 |
| 16 Unrestored Postwar 1968 – 1985 | | 47 Tractors and stationary engines thru 1985 |
| 17 Foreign non-sport, all thru 1985 | | |
| 18 Ford & Mercury, all 1946 – 1954 | | |

FOR SALE AND GREAT GIFT IDEA

Official VAE lapel pin - \$5.00 & \$1.00 S&H mailing charge. 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.

WANTED - the VAE is seeking a **second person** to help with the Editorship of the Club newsletter *WheelTracks*, beginning with the January 2011 issue. The Editor's job is to publish *WheelTracks* monthly, with timely articles from members and other sources. The current publication is produced on MS Publisher and converted to a .pdf file and sent to the printer, *L. Brown & Sons* in Barre, VT for printing and mailing. The Membership Secretary provides the Editor with the mailing addresses, Canadian addresses and new member information. The Editor mails printed WT to Canadian members. Time needed to complete a finished copy could be as little as 8 hours a month. Contact the Editor or Officers or Directors for information.

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@surfglobal.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 - I am looking for a **trailer** to haul "Eliot". At least 16' feet long, preferably with a ramp gate. *Eliot* weights in at 2020 pounds, so the trailer should be two axel with brakes. Please contact: Gene Fodor, 802-372-9146 or crownwheel@comcast.net

WANTED:

One of the following **cars** in very good condition: 1956 Packard Patriotic or 400, 1952-54 Nash Ambassador HT, 1924-25 Hudson, 1956 Monarch Phaeton HT. Thanks. gbureau@videotron.ca

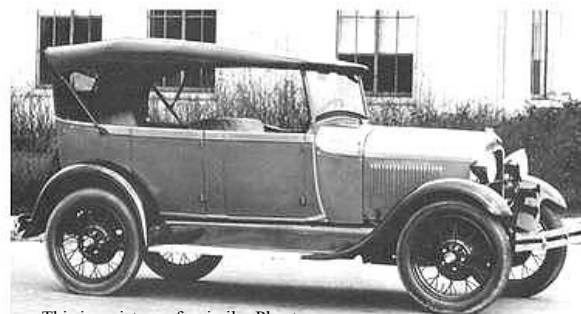
For Sale: 1971 Ford products Service Manual. Five volume set. Excellent condition, \$25.
Chris Barbieri 802 / 223 - 3104.

(More Classified Continued on page (8))

Peking to Where In 37 Days - In a What?

by Gary Fiske

Lang Wightman and his friend Fritz James have decided to drive their 1929 Ford Model A Phaeton from Peking to Paris this Fall. By the way, the Chinese don't call it Peking anymore; it's called Beijing but the city is still the same place on the map and it is still 9000 miles from there to Paris. My math tells me that is about 240 miles each day. I wonder if they would take a passenger?



This is a picture of a similar Phaeton

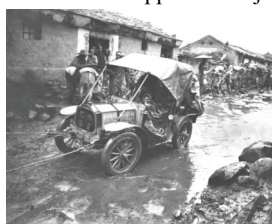


They plan to leave Beijing on September 10th along with about 100 other cars that range from the oldest, a 1907 Itala to a 68 VW Beetle and follow the Old Silk Route. The organizers have taken years to clear the way with proper permits for the 12 countries they will be passing through. **The Gobi Desert in Mongolia** with it's flying horizontal sand to about every 'Stan' country you can think of (you know...Kazakhstan...Kyrgystan etc) is part of their planned route. This will be the third Peking to Paris rally; the first was in 1907 when there were literally no roadways. The second was in 1997. You can read the many details of the trip on the Web at www.pekingparis.com.

Lang and I spent a few years working together in the same computer room on a Navy guided missile destroyer out of Long Beach California back in the 60's. He was a normal guy then, I don't know what happened.... Actually, he is one of the most squared away guys I know. Today he lives in Des Moines with his wife Linda and has spent his career working in the book bindery business. He and Fritz have stuck to their careers in naming their motto for the trip...."Bound for Paris".

They found their Phaeton in New Hampshire and had some restoration done in a PA shop. **The rally organizers require all cars to be left in period specifications ..in this case 1929.** They were allowed to install piston shocks and change to a 12 volt system. Driving lights, GPS, rally clock and charging equipment for cameras and computers were added. Skid plates for the oil pan, axle straps to prevent suspension over extension and heavy duty everything was added....oil pump, water pump, radiator, etc. The pressed steel brake drums were also replaced with cast iron. An extra gas tank on the back floor boards to extend the original 10 gallon tank, two spare mounted tires and a few spare parts completes the list; **the Phaeton is now ready.**

Lang says there will be five Model As making the trip and they all plan to share spare parts so each will need less of a load on their journey. Presently the Phaeton is garaged in Des Moines and Lang says he and Fritz plan to put a couple thousand gravel road miles on this Spring **to see what falls off.** Then the car will be taken back to PA for a final check before it is shipped to Beijing.



The boys plan to have a blog of their trip and when I get the web address I will pass it on to you.

So.....Where are they going? **They are going to Paris Baby and in a beautiful 29 Phaeton.** Can life get any better for these two gentlemen?

(Photo left - car [towed] entering Peking in 1907.)

HEMMINGS Announces 2010 Cruise-Ins

Cruise-Ins, every other Thursday beginning May 13th through August 19, 2010 in the parking lot behind the Hemmings Sunoco filling station at 216 Main St. in Bennington, VT. See schedule listed below.

Thursday May 13
Thursday May 27
Thursday June 10
Thursday June 24

Thursday July 8
Thursday July 22
Thursday August 5
Thursday August 19



STOP! - Maybe??

Pictured on the left is an actual stop sign with an "additional warning".

No doubt, someone's idea of a practical joke, but the stop problem resulting is the most massive auto re-call ever is creating a major headache, financially and customer relation wise, for Toyota, the company that used to be a major world wide automobile manufacturing enterprise. (Sent by Dave Sander)

A Wash and a Blow Dry. Say What???

by Gene Fodor

I can tell. You're probably saying to yourselves, "I think he's lost it this time". So, let me explain.

The other day while channel surfing, I ran across a show called *Crusin' New England* (www.crusinnewengland.tv) and there was an ad showing a fellow washing his Classic and then hand drying it. Well, after he dried it, he was frowning and he was frustrated by the water spots that remained on the otherwise flawless finish.

The ad, and I don't recall the name of the product, continued on and showed a similar Classic being washed, but this time by a smiling guy who used a device to blow the water off. It looked like a hand held vacuum with the hose attached to the exhaust side.

Well, why not I thought, that's what they do in a car wash. So, as I was going to give *Eliot* his first bath of the season I looked around for something to use to do the "blow-dry". Sure enough, the leaf blower was my answer! It worked great and it blew water out of places where you could not hope to get at with a rag.

WARNING, caution is advised ... be careful, to keep any electrical device out of the water or you could receive a dangerous and even fatal shock.



TRIUMPH MAINTENANCE ONLINE

If you are a Triumph fan and don't have a good maintenance manual, you are in luck. The Vintage Triumph Register (VTR) has posted their Triumph Maintenance Manual on line.

The posting is indexed so that you can go directly to your point in question.

Check out their web site at: vtr.org/maintenance-index.shtml

That address will take you directly to the manual, bypassing the home page.



THE TAX MAN COMMETH

(The following is a column from the SEMA publication sent in by member Rick Reinstein. Rick is currently restoring a '50's Chevy. Rick points out that this could happen in VT. Keep an wary eye on that hard-pressed legislature and the upcoming money bills.gf)

States Look to Raise Revenue on the Backs of Antique Vehicle Hobbyists

It's that dreaded time of the year known collectively around the country as tax time. With state coffers depleted, the government in Washington, D.C., isn't the only one that's after your hard-earned money. State governments are increasingly looking at collector and antique cars as a piggy bank they can crack open when they need to feed their bloated budgets. In Michigan, the birthplace of the American automobile industry, collectors and hobbyists take deserved pride in preserving these relics of a bygone era for future generations. It is ironic then, that the state which spawned these historic works of art is now looking to capitalize on their continued existence by increasing taxes and fees on them.

Legislation (HB 5897) introduced this year in the Michigan Legislature threatens to change the \$30 registration fee for historic motor vehicles (renewable every 10 years) to an annual fee. Under current Michigan law, the owner of an historic vehicle may also choose to use restored authentic Michigan plates from the same year as the vehicle's model year for a one-time fee of \$35. The bill would increase that one-time fee as well, to an annual registration fee of \$30. Under the bill, each of the registrations would come up for renewal every year on the vehicle owner's birthday. "Supporters of this bill are ignoring the fact that these older cars are infrequently driven; they are second or third vehicles deserving of reduced registration fees," said SAN Director Ethan Landesman. "On the vehicle registration fee alone, this policy represents a 1,000% fee increase over 10 years."

Other states have joined the parade as well. The SAN has tracked the introduction of a variety of new state bills which seek to raise taxes and fees, create vehicle registration surcharges and increase inspection fees to pay for new projects. States raising money isn't the only concern, though. There has also been an uptick in the number of bills introduced which would negatively impact the ability of enthusiasts to partake in the historic and classic vehicle hobby. The SAN has been actively fighting numerous anti-hobby inoperable vehicle bills that would limit your right to work on cars on private property, scrappage bills that would destroy classic cars and parts, and exhaust system bills that would make restorations dramatically more difficult. Fortunately, we also have some friends in government around the country who are active in supporting the hobby through legislation.

It is important to remain vigilant and informed so that together as a hobby we can continue to create victories over bad legislation that threatens our way of life. To stay up-to-date on all the legislation affecting the car hobby, visit www.SEMASAN.com <<http://echo.bluehornet.com/ct/3342156:1728198511:m:1:59614850:BBDF4C28B2108749F0546B96CF0F529C>> frequently to stay informed, and protect your passion.

(Thanks Rick for the heads-up.gf)

Membership changes...

Kayla Suhaka 337 College Hill, Johnson, VT
05656 www.myspace.com/kaylasuhaka

Recent Renewals - Philip Ste Marie

Email change: Gene Fodor - crownwheel@comcast.net

NOTE: Gene's current address will remain in place until July 1, 2010

Of course, we always hold hands walking. If I let go, she shops!
Red Skeleton

International Lilliputian Cars Show

13 of June from 9am to 4pm. In the town of Ste-Anne de Sabrevois, Quebec Canada at the junction of Road 113 and 225. The show features micro-cars of 1-2-3-4 cylinders. This is a 'Premier' event on the wonderful shores of the Richelieu River near the historic Ryan-quay, just beside of the Sabrevois Marina .



Municipalité Sainte-Anne-de-Sabrevois
Centre communautaire
1185, 28e Avenue, Sabrevois (Québec) J0J 2G0

L'INTERNATIONAL LILLIPUTIEN AUTO SHOW

EXPOSITION DE PETITES VOITURES ANCIENNES
1-2-3-4 CYLINDRES ET ENGIN-STATIONNAIRES
CAR CORRAL & MARCHÉ AUX PUCES

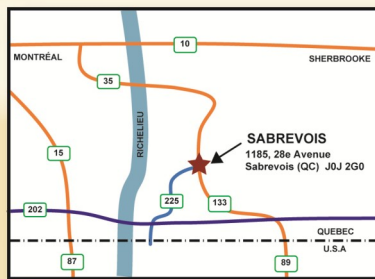
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Trophée et prix de présence



Merci!
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450 347-7447



Sur l'Avenue du Parc, par la rue Jones, près de la jonction de la Route 133 et de la route 225 sud



* en cas de pluie remis au 20 juin 2010
* aucune boisson alcoolisée personnelle sur le site

Accueil dès 8h30

Enregistrement pour trophée avant 11h30

Inscription: à partir du 5 avril 2010

sirderekbond7@videotron.ca

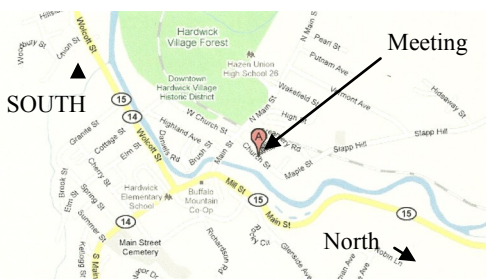
INFO: SERGE BENOIT
Conseiller municipal
Concepteur du programme

450 347-3674

A Plan For Memorial Day and May Meeting

John des Groseilliers has invited us to participate in the **Hardwick** Memorial Day parade as part of their Spring Festival. It will be on

May 29th and meet at John's place on 17 Church St. in Hardwick at 9:00am. Following the parade, there will be a cook out back at John's home. This should be a good opportunity for members in the north-central part of the state to participate in a VAE event close to home. If you can't make the parade, come for the lunch and Meeting. Please plan come. Directions, see map.



EUROPE FINDS ELECTRIC VEHICLE RELIGION

European makers are out to prove they can dominate the battery car field. Michael Macht, President and CEO of Porsche AG, presents the Porsche 918 Spyder Concept Car in Geneva. (PRNewsFoto/ Porsche Cars North America, Inc.)



FOR SALE :

A nice collection of 16 interesting books from the 1900-1920 era.

The Speedwell boy and their racing auto (1913)
Miss Red Pepper (1913); Tom Swift and his electric runabout (1910)
Cynthia's chauffeur (1910); Five gallons of gasoline (1911)
The lightning conductor (1905); Girls along the Hudson (1910)
Red Pepper Burns (1910); The Automoblist abroad (1907)
Motor Girls at Lookout Beach (1911); The nervous wreck (1923)
Motor Girls in the mountains (1910); My friend the chauffeur (1905)
A six-cylinder courtship (1907); The lightning conductor discovers America (1913); Excuse my dust (1943); Price is \$20 each.

Automobile starting, lighting and ignition system (Pagé) 1920 \$25

Construction et montage des automobiles (1905) \$20

La locomotion Steam & buggies (1874) rare. \$35

Questions and answers. Modern automobile (Pagé) 1913 \$25

Automobile repair (Pagé) 1920 \$20

The modern automobile (Pagé) 1910-17 \$25

The modern automobile (Pagé) 1922 \$25

Automobile Green Book Vol. 2 1922 (New England & Canada) \$25

Automobile Green Book Vol 1 1926 (New England & Canada) \$25

Automobile Green Book Vol 1 1922 New-England \$25

Automobile Green Book Vol 1 1921 New England \$20

Automobile Blue Book Vol 1 1926 New-York & Canada \$20

Audels Mechanics Guide 1920's \$15

Audels automobile Guide 1916 \$20

Die Zweitaktmotoren 1930 \$15

Esquire's American Autos and their makers \$25

INFO : gbureau@videotron.ca

Temperature Gauges Repaired Bourdon tube (fluid filled capillary) type or King Seeley (visible glass tube) types. Also have for sale many original temperature gauges 1924 to 1955, including foreign and odd car makes. No electric types or motometers are included. Call "The Temperature Gauge Guy" at 802-862-6374. Thanks, Roy Martins

For Sale: Sunoco 1970's Antique Car Coin Collection, Series 1 and two sets of series 2. These are aluminum coins mounted in original Sunoco display holders featuring cars from 1901 through 1925. Not complete sets but close. \$25 for all.

Chris Barbieri, 802 /223-3104 cbareri@vtchamber.com

NEW MEMBERS - WELCOME!

Dave & Joyce Silveira - South Burlington, VT



Vermont Automobile Enthusiasts
Treasurer's Report - April 15, 2010

MONEY MARKET - balance March 13, 2010	\$ 15,251.37	
add: March interest income		<u>5.18</u>
Balance April 15, 2010		15,256.55

GENERAL CHECKING - balance March 13, 2010 \$ 3,460.87

Deposits

Member dues	180.00
2010 Stowe Sponsors	1,850.00
Sale of Stowe CD's & postage	<u>17.49</u>
	<u>2,047.49</u>

Disbursements

4968 University Mall, LLC - display fee	250.00
4969 Stowe Area Association - dues	53.00
4970 Rachel C. Smith - website	465.00
Town of Underhill - March meet	
4971 exp.	50.00
Chris Barbieri - reimb for Stowe Hemming's ad-	
4972 vert.	446.25
Denis Ricker & Brown - Directors & Officers' liab	
4973 ins	1,381.32
L. Brown & Sons - April Wheel	
4974 Tracks	416.11
Jim Sears - reimb for mailing Rosters & Stowe	
4975 labels	29.71
James Brakeley - VT Tech Special	
4976 Award	200.00
4977 News & Citizen, Inc. - Stowe Judges' applications	<u>95.18</u>
Total disbursements	<u>3,386.57</u>

Balance April 15, 2010 2,121.79

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT - balance March 13, 2010 40,131.06

add: March interest income	<u>33.93</u>
Balance April 15, 2010	<u>40,164.99</u>

Total all accounts \$57,543.33

Dick Wheatley, VAE Treasurer

VERMONT AUTOMOBILE ENTHUSIASTS, INC.
Please Send Dues or Address Changes to:
Mr. Jim Sears, Membership Secretary
2041 Shelburne Falls Rd.
Hinesburg VT 05461-9603



1967 President Bill Young seen in the flea market at Stowe, 1982.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL, **\$30.00**

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO "VERMONT AUTO ENTHUSIASTS" OR "VAE"

VAE MEMBERSHIP **DUES ONLY** (NEW OR RENEWAL) - MAIL THIS FORM OR A COPY TO:
JIM SEARS, MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY, 2041 SHELburne FALLS RD., HINESBURG, VT 05461-9603

NAME:	_____ / _____
MAILING ADDRESS:	_____
CITY,	_____
STATE, PROVINCE ..	_____
POSTAL OR ZIP CODE	_____ / _____
PHONE NUMBERS	_____
EMAIL ADDRESS	_____
CARS OF INTEREST OR OWNED	_____
ANTIQUE OR CLASSIC	_____
VOLUNTEER INTEREST ...	_____
OTHER	_____
WHEELTRACKS ➔	Check One: <input type="radio"/> e-Delivery or <input type="radio"/> S-Mail Delivery Total Enclosed \$ _____

FOR VAE NAME BADGES ONLY - \$10.00 EACH - COMPLETE AND MAIL THE SECTION BELOW FOR NAME BADGES ONLY.
SEND PAYMENT FOR NAME BADGES ONLY TO: Phyllis Skinner, PO Box 208, Northfield, VT 05664-0208

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