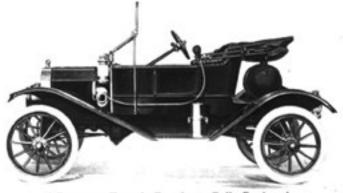




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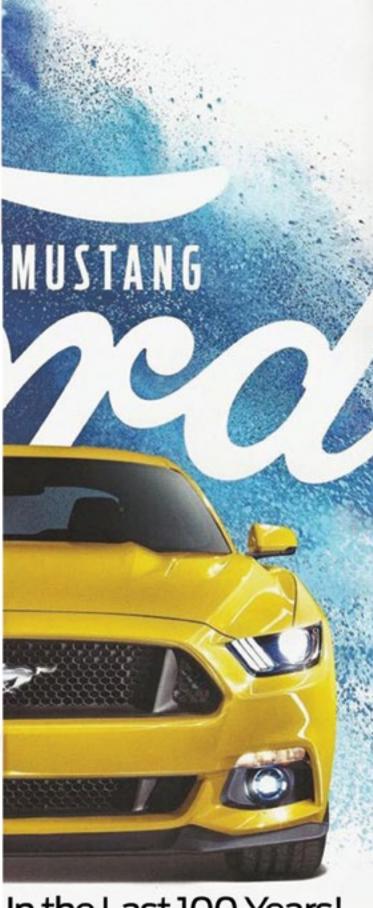


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

pring?? When will this snow stop and the spring driving season start? I have been working in the garage the past few days getting the LBC (little British cars) ready for the S&S season and every time I want to do a test drive it seems to be snowing. But on the positive side, the cars are have been finely detailed and I have even had time to detail my wife's daily driver.

After reviewing the events schedule, I am amazed by the number of events that our member clubs host over the next five months. The amount of time and work that club members volunteer to host these events is considerable and is often done behind the scenes and without any recognition, so at the next event that you attend take a moment to thank the organizers because these are the guys and girls that make our hobby fun.

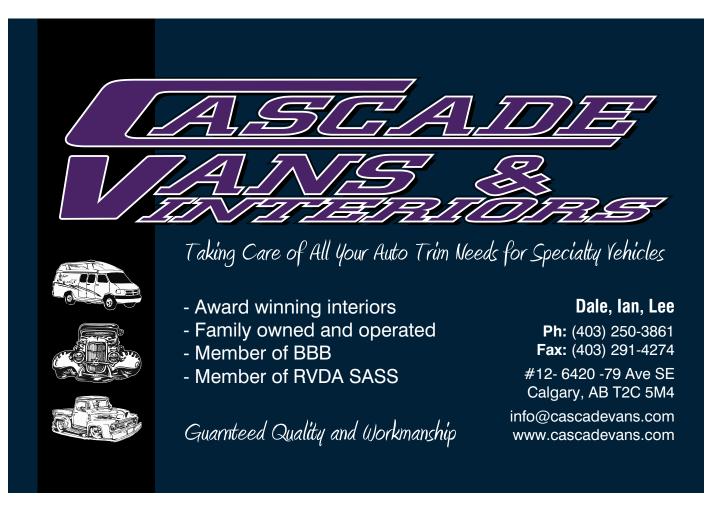
A great day to to show off your ride is July 14 as it is International Collector Car Appreciation Day. This is the day that SVAA and SAN have set up to pay tribute to the collectors, builders and restorers of historic, classic and specialty vehicles. It is a day that you can help us recognize the importance of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the automobile. Encourage your club to host an event or at least take your special vehicle out for a drive.

Before you head out on the road for that first drive of the season, please take a few minutes to do a Safety Check of your ride. Remember that every time that you take your ride out, you are an ambassador for the all collector car owners and any incident involving a collector car can have a negative effect on our hobby.

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KEEPING OUR COLLECTOR CARS ON THE ROAD

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By **Sue MacKenzie** Calgary

uring the Lethbridge Early Bird Swap meet on February 11th, I sat in on the SVAA information meeting to learn more about the organization's purpose and what it means to me as a classic car owner.

Approximately 40 people attended, comprised of representatives from member car clubs throughout Alberta.

After a brief introduction by Jim Herbert, the president, each of us in attendance stood up to introduce ourselves and the club we are affiliated with; many involved with more than one.

Interest in the collector car hobby is strong and this brings to light the purpose of the SVAA. Originally formed in the 1970's by members of vintage vehicle clubs for the purpose of coordinating events, it has now grown into an important role as an advocate for collector car owners by providing the following services:

- Monitor and inform members of government legislation affecting vintage vehicles
- Liability and directors & officers insurance
- Vehicle safety check programs

threatens or impacts the hobby.

- · Event coordination and easily accessed website
- Alberta Rides magazine with features and relevant information Environmental concerns and safety issues are a viable threat to keeping collector and classic cars on the road. The SVAA provides a voice for all vehicle owners if legislation

Liability insurance is also provided to member clubs as protection during the many show and shines hosted throughout

the year, costing only a few dollars per member, and is paid for by the participating clubs on behalf of the individuals. 58 out of 65 member clubs have opted to purchase the insurance package in 2016 – this represents 2,088 members. The coverage ensures our safety as well as bystanders, and protects each club from litigation should any unforeseen accidents occur.

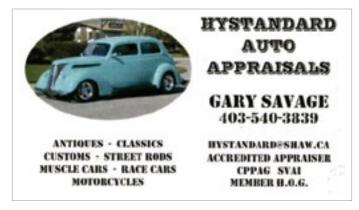
Yearly safety checks are offered to owners and results are tabulated to present to the Alberta Government when needed to show we are responsible enthusiasts. These checks also keep owners safe by ensuring their cars have operational lights, horns, brakes and multiple other concerns that would be a safety hazard if not functioning properly.

Keeping track of the yearly events can be a daunting task, but is handled by the SVAA through their website and the events calendar in the Alberta Rides magazine. Published four times a year, the magazine highlights individual enthusiasts and their vehicles, as well as providing informative articles and information.

As well as the SVAA on the provincial level, car clubs are encouraged to joint the National Association of Automobile Clubs of Canada (NAACC) to speak on their behalf with the federal government to "encourage a cooperative working relationship between governments at both the federal and provincial level to prevent restrictive legislation."

Owning a collector/classic car is a fun and rewarding hobby, leading to friendships that last a lifetime and the preservation of iconic automobiles that played a role in our culture and history. The SVAA works hard to ensure the continuation of our passion.









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Story and photos by **Teak Sato** Calgary

t's a grey, overcast day in the south parking lot of Mc-Mahon stadium. A dozen motorcycles and their riders make their way around the lot through pylon-lined courses performing basic maneuvers. It's a typical day for Trevor Dech, owner and head instructor of Too Cool Motorcycle School. Coaching students to be better, safer riders is his passion. Trevor has been riding since he was three. He's won championships in Superbike and Heavyweight and has been teaching for 26 years with nearly 24,000 students having come under his tutelage.

With the warm weather arriving, motorcyclists are dusting off their bikes and starting to hit the open road. A 2007 NHTSA study reported a motorcyclists risk of a fatal accident is 35 times greater than a passenger car so learning how to be a safe rider is as important if not more important than merely learning how to operate a motorcycle. Trevor has a philosophy for all motorists regardless of what you ride or drive. He refers to it as having \$10 worth of attention.

"I really think everybody riding or driving, they have enough money to pay attention. It's what they're doing. They start with their \$10 of attention. Everybody has it but they electively find ways to spend it on something else. Texting takes a couple of bucks. (Driving with) one hand might be 50¢. All of a sudden, it's too hot in the car or they're too tired. They're just basically taking the money that they have enough to pay for all the attention needed but they're just spending it inappropriately."

Most of us, as we get experience, get more comfortable and confident with driving and we tend to relax and get a little complacent behind the wheel.

"If (people) go back and they think about when they took their driver's test, there's no radio on, hands are up there, you are actually doing the BEST driving that you ever did to obtain that license and I think what happens is people get the license and once they get it, 'I'm done.' There's no further training needed because I'm already there. Then what happens is they go from the cautious state and then they go to the confident state and they go to the cocky state and then all of a sudden they're complacent and I think all of us, we're a little complacent in our cars."

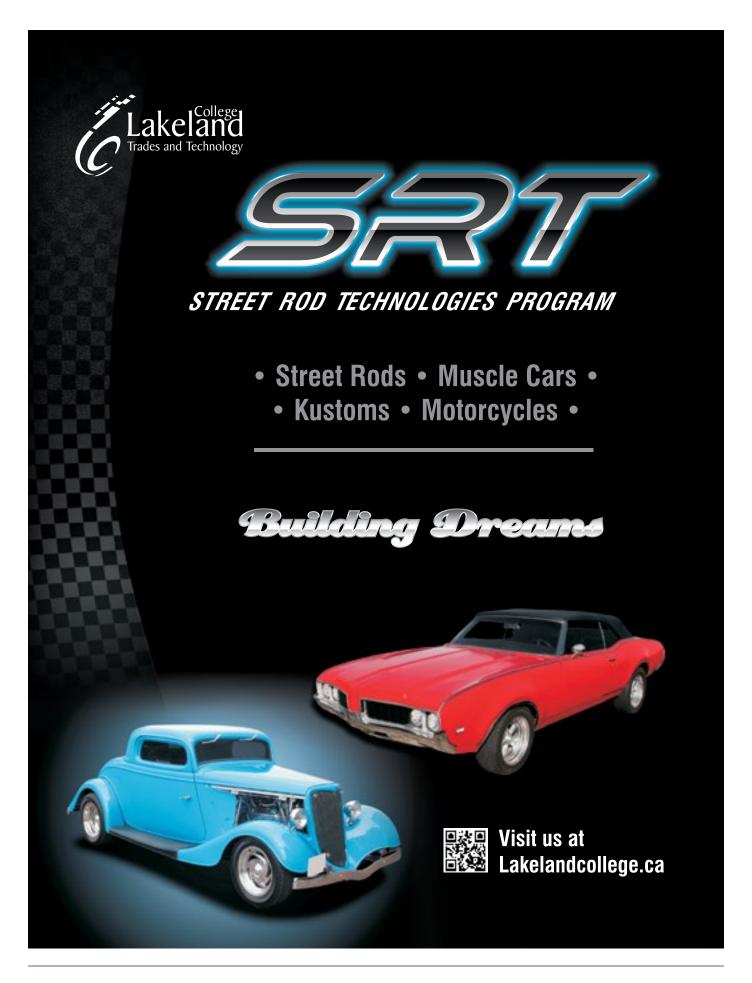
If you think about it, it's true. How many of us have fiddled with the radio dial for more than a few second? What about drinking a coffee and tipping that cup up

of us talk on the phone and even worse, some of us text while driving (which is now punishable by a \$287 fine and three demerit points in Alberta). All of these things take our attention away from the road and have the potential to cause accidents. It's just a second you might say. Reaction times for people vary greatly but a study in 2000 found the average driver reaction time was 2.3 seconds while some accident reconstruction specialists use 1.5 seconds as their baseline. Say you're traveling at 50km/h down a residential street and look away for one second, look up and see danger and it takes you 1.5 seconds to react before applying the brakes. You would have travelled almost 35m before the brakes get applied. Add 14m of braking distance and you will have travelled almost 50m before coming to a full stop. That's like half the length of a football field. Had you not looked down for that one second you might have seen that kid chasing his ball onto the street a little earlier and potentially avoided a fatal accident. It's a sobering thought. Studies also show that many accidents occur in a familiar environment. It's those places where we let our guard down the most.

One of the things that's taught at Too Cool Motorcycle School is to continue practicing after getting our class 6 license. Practice low speed turning. Practice emergency avoidance maneuvers. How many of us in cars practice our driving skills? How many people have taken their car into an empty parking lot, gotten up to 50km/h and then slammed on the brakes just to get an idea of how our car feels or reacts in that situation. Most of us, including myself, probably haven't. The question is, shouldn't we know what that feels like? Maybe our car has a tendency to skid to the right. Maybe our brakes aren't that good and we actually skid a lot further. It's probably a good idea to know what our vehicles are capable of in those situations never mind practicing more basic things like parallel parking.

So, as the days get longer and we start enjoying the warmer weather, take a moment and think about how you spend your \$10 of attention while you're driving. Are you spending it wisely or are you about to go broke? As Trevor says, "You hate to hear the bad stories." Stay safe out there friends.

You can find out more about Too Cool Motorcycle School at www.toocoolmotorcycleschool.com



By Jeff Hill Okotoks Collector Car Auction

e must have rocks in his head," is a comment told to me about a grumpy old fella when discussing participating in the Spruce Meadows Horsepower event. I admit, it

makes me chuckle.

It's funny because sooooo many people attend these events, car shows, show and shines etc. etc. and yet there's always the negative few trying to dissuade someone else from going.

Here are the facts. In Calgary and area, it is becoming increasingly hard to find suitable venues to host a large number of enthusiasts and their cars. It's even more difficult now to find a venue that would offer the space for free. There have been several venues that have said, "thanks but no thanks," when discussing free events. I'm told great events like the Spring Thaw, as soon as next year, will have to pay. The Grey Eagle casino no longer hosts an event and the list is growing. Yet there are still dedicated car clubs and their members that will search

for venues, organize the

marketing, staffing and parking at

these events, all in the name of passion. Those same dedicated few will always likely endure the moaning and groaning of a handful of grumps that object to having to pay anything

beyond 1980 prices to participate. "Why should I have to?" Heaven forbid a charity, the organizing car club or even the company putting it all together benefit from the event. \$15 to park at the Stampede grounds to attend a \$15 World of Wheels event is fine but, "don't you dare charge me \$20 to

> hang out with my pals and have a great day!"

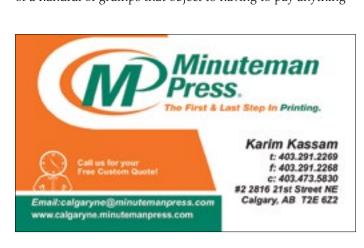
We as a business are putting together an event at Spruce Meadows on September 16th that could prove to be the launching point for a world class event. Would you believe that regardless if anyone shows up Spruce Meadows would like to be paid the rental fee... which is significant? The risk is enormous, the time commitment vast and the manpower to staff an event is sizeable but, "how dare you make a profit!" The bottom line is that the greatest car

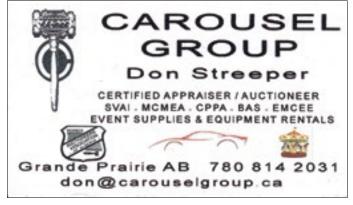
> events in the world all have significant entry fees (ie: Corvettes at Carlisle, Van Dusen Garden show and

> > many, many more) and those that enter seem to look forward to the next year's event before the current one

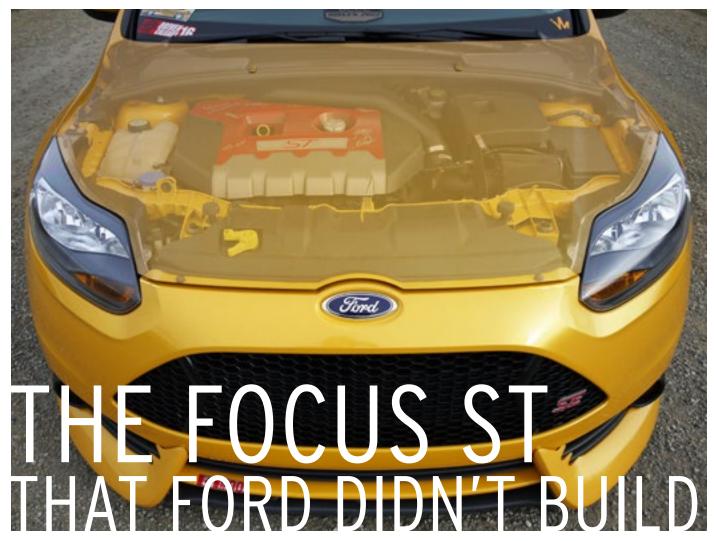
is even over. Car people are the kindest, greatest people on earth but no matter what is done or created there are al-

ways a few that will grumble about something. The feedback I'm getting is that the enthusiasts that don't mind these types of entries are tired of hearing it.









By Sue MacKenzie Photos By Bill MacKenzie and Jose Alberto Barajas Calgary

he distinctive rumble off in the distance announces the arrival of Bill MacKenzie's special project car. When it finally comes into view, it's not at all what is normally expected when a Ford Focus is mentioned.

Ford does not make a Mk3 Focus ST turbo-charged sedan, only a hatchback in North America and a wagon in other markets. It was Bill's dream to create a unique car, and to this

date it is the only one of its kind in Canada. Its unusual colour (only available for one year), white wheels (even in the winter), and custom livery decal design sets it apart from the rest.

This 2012 Focus is becoming well known among the tuner crowd and Bill has even been asked to sign autographs; a young fan's iPhone carries Bill's signature in indelible ink.

The presence of its Yellow Blaze paint brings a bright splash of colour to parking lots and venues normally filled with

the usual grey, black, and white cars. Its arrival at meets and shows is sure to draw a crowd of curious onlookers including many who are regular readers of Bill's blog, OfficialThreeTwenty.com, and are quite excited to see the actual car in person. Fans still years away from their teens know all about the engine swap and the dozens of modifications.

Bill hadn't originally planned on buying the Focus; he had been shopping around for a 1994-2001 Acura Integra, but after missing out on several good candidates he turned his attention to the Focus model, as he was quite impressed with

> their looks and quality after spending quite a bit of time with them while he was employed at a local dealership.

This Focus was brand new and completely stock, but almost since the day Bill acquired the car, the modifications and subtle changes started happening. Bill explains the process.

"Inspiration was drawn from the US-spec Focus ST1 (base model ST) and

using this SE sport, which shares some features with the ST1, I began converting this car into the ST Ford never offered."





The exterior was the first area to be converted to full ST specification with a new front bumper, side skirts, rear valance, and headlights. Other pieces were switched over the next few years but the one item that remained on the to-do list was the proper ST drive train, to be done whenever a suitable donor vehicle could be found. Bill kept looking but the opportunity didn't present itself until early 2016.

"This past spring I found one when my best friend Mario's Focus ST was unfortunately hit by another vehicle and damaged too extensively to repair. Mario and I knew this was our chance so the ST was bought back from insurance and its drive train removed in preparation for swapping it into this sedan."

Teardown for the swap began on July 29th with the car being completed and driven for the first time as an ST sedan on August 11th—the first one in Canada and the 6th of 8 currently in the world. It is also one of only two sedans to feature the matching full exterior conversion and is the only yellow example so far. Except for some final touches, all of the work was carried out by Bill and his friends in his home garage.

"Mechanically speaking almost none of the original vehicle remains now, multiple body panels have been replaced, all of the lights are new, and the interior has seen many changes as well."

"This sedan (nicknamed Mustard) and Mario's red ST (nicknamed Ketchup) were a regular sight together at events and had become quite well known as a pair. While we were all sad to lose Ketchup, we are proud of what we accomplished and are happy that its heart lives on in something special. Most importantly, Mario was able to walk away from the collision and now is having lots of fun with his new car, Sriracha— an orange Fiesta ST."

The hard work has paid off for Bill; this labour of love earned three trophies this past summer as well as having a unique place in the automotive scene. The achievements to date are:

- First Mk3 sedan with full ST exterior conversion (1 of 2 now);
- First and only ST swapped Mk3 sedan in Canada, 6th of 8 in the world (the only yellow one);

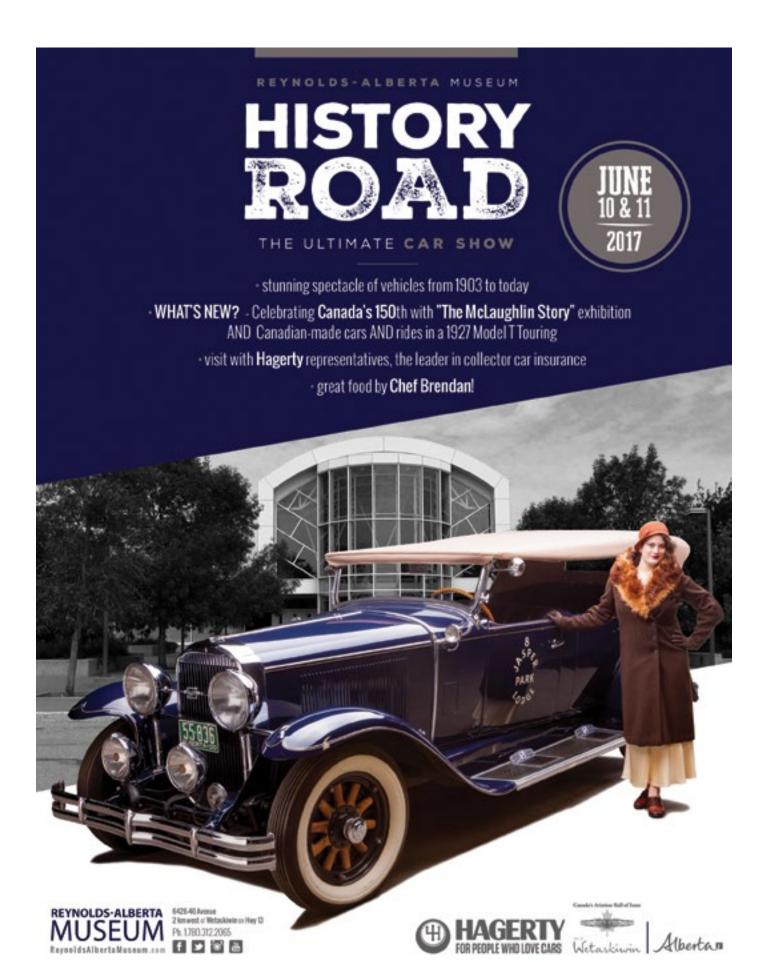




- First and only VMAXX big brake kit in Canada;
- Featured in September 2014 issue of Performance Ford magazine;
- 1 of 2800 sedans ever produced in Yellow Blaze Metallic;
- Trunk signed by Akira Nakai of RAUH-Welt BEGRIFF, renowned Porsche builder, at the debut of Alberta's first RWB in March 2016;
- Best in Show Domestic Tuner at Driven Calgary May 2016:
- Top 15 of Show illmotion Sunday School August 2016;
- First place Young Guns category Calgary Thunderbird Club Show and Shine August 2016.

The magazine feature in Performance Ford, a British publication, was an exciting event for both Bill and Mario as it was the first time the two cars, Mustard and Ketchup, were featured in print and to make it extra special it was the September issue, which happens to be the birthday month for the both of them.

Despite all of the work carried out to date, there is still more planned. Check out Bill's blog, OfficialThreeTwenty.com for the continuing evolution of a car that Bill had originally said would stay stock. Oops, says Bill.



By Joni MacFarlane, Crowsnest Pass

ou're driving somewhere and a song comes on the radio. Instantly you're transported to that special place and time years ago: a school dance, a memorable night with friends or maybe your first heartbreak. Music has the power to stir our emotions. So too do those cars of our youth.

For me there was only one car from that time that tugged at my soul - the Ford Mustang.

I learned to drive on my mother's '67 - black coupe with red interior. Occasionally I'd get the chance to take it to school, picking up my friends and arriving at high school the coolest chick of the day - or so I liked to think.

So all these years later, when I thought of getting a classic car, it was always a first generation Mustang. We weren't seriously looking but whenever my husband and I came across one for sale on the side of the road, we would always stop, look it over and occasionally jot down the phone number.

Fast forward a few years later and a 1965 V8 convertible in Phoenix became known to us. A friend and fellow Mustang enthusiast who lived near the seller checked it out, sent us pictures and gave us a thumbs up.

Although showing minor body and paint repairs over its lifetime, the car had good bones. A convertible no rust. The interior and top, originally black, had been changed to white - we assumed because of the heat.

It seemed meant to be and the deal was sealed. To ensure we didn't lose the car, arrangements were made for Bob to keep it until we could get down to pick it up. A few months later we flew to Phoenix and after decades of dreaming, I finally owned a Mustang.

The car had originally been bought by a fellow for his daughter as a lure to keep her in Ohio during her college years. Although she didn't see her end of the bargain through, she not only got the car but kept it until her divorce. We bought it from her ex-husband who had rarely driven it and was finally parting with the last of a long ago marriage. He even had the original bill of sale showing a purchase price of \$3,200 - including options!

Arriving in Arizona, we found a number of modifications had been made that in some cases, just didn't make sense for us.

An after-market air conditioner had been installed that we didn't think a convertible in Canada really needed. Pulling out the air conditioner also meant replacing some of the wiring. A power brake booster had been added but it wasn't working so that had to go. It had been upgraded with disc brakes on front and the 15" wheels they'd put on were too large, causing the rear wheels to rub on the fenders. Original 14" wheels and new tires were installed

whith 103,000 miles, it sported the original paint colour, Rangoon Red. The dry desert climate meant Before the trip home, we changed everything back to stock parts, restoring the car to the way it came off the factory floor.

Travelling up the coast of California, top

down and free, we discovered the powerful draw of Ford's iconic sports car.

Time after time, people approached us to reminisce and tell their stories: a fellow remembered his college roommate's Mustang, another waxed nostalgic about his very first car (a Mustang of course), and a woman shared memories of her and her husband's early years. Everywhere we went, our car drew people back to the past and sparked memories of youthful dreams and

joys. They smiled with remembrance and we were honoured to hear their experiences and for a brief time, travel down memory lane with them.

My husband who owns a 1971 Stingray Corvette said his car rarely elicits such stories. The Mustang was one of the first mass-produced

vehicles uniquely positioned in the marketplace as an affordable sporty car. It appealed to a new generation of buyers, particularly women, and became an instant bestseller.

After San Francisco we drove inland and began to sense trouble. The car hesitated, lacking power and misfiring at higher speeds of 40-50 mph. We pulled into the small town of Willows, California looking for a mechanic who could diagnose old school. Most of the mechanics looked for a port to plug diagnostic equipment into and didn't quite know what else to do!

Eventually we found a guy in the back at Wunsch's Garage, an old dealership converted into an auto repair shop – the likes of which you'll never see anywhere else. With dozens of antlers gracing the walls and a waiting room the size of a warehouse, Wunsch's became our home away from home for three days.

> Although they replaced minor parts such as distributor cap and spark plugs, the car continued to hesitate. Finally the fuel filter was replaced and although we'd replaced it in Arizona, going through all that gas up to this point had plugged it up again. Easy peasy!

That was almost four years ago.

Since then we've been enjoying it, taking it to local car shows to show it in its original state, and listening to the memories and stories it continues to evoke.

Sometimes, driving down a highway with the top down and the sun on my face, I hear my own lost memories and for a minute, still like to think I'm the coolest chick of the day.



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t's a warm summer evening at the A&W drive-in, and as the bystanders wander through the rows of classic cars, juggling snacks and peering through open windows, a familiar face weaves her own way through the crowds, smiling, waving, and hugging the friends she encounters.

Joy Boyko embodies the pin-up culture of the 1950's & 60's, with her colourful dresses, matching shoes, unique handbags, and perfectly coordinated hair accessories and jewelry. She explains her interest in the style.

"I always liked the style of that era and that I could personalize it with cat eye glasses, fun shoes, interesting hair styles, polka dot dresses and crinolines, winged eye liner and bright lipstick. I like to encourage girls to put a flower in their hair, dress pin-up, and embrace their femininity. These styles flatter all women and make them look and feel great."

The style and culture is for everyone who likes the rockabilly era-patterned dresses, poodle skirts, saddle shoes, and twinset sweaters for women, bowling ers for the men, and similar styles for the kids that want to join in the fun.

Joy has embraced the pin-up style in her everyday life since she first became interested over ten years ago. Her unique style caught the eye of photographers during summer car meets, as they presumed she was part of the show and not just a car owner and enthusiast.

> "As a couple, my husband Dave and I always enjoyed attending car shows so dressing pin-up just seemed to be a fun part of it." Joy and Dave have a busy life with their eight children and so it is their favourite "date day" activity!

At one point she was asked if she was a member of the "Darling Dames", who often frequent events around town, but Joy was unfamiliar with them. After being introduced to the founding member and then the rest of the group, her interest and participation in pin-up activities grew even more, and now she often participates in photo shoots with the members at car shows throughout the summer.

Members of the Darling Dames come from all walks of life

"Talways liked the style of that era..."



things retro"brings them together. Some make flowers for hair accessories and sew period clothing. Several of the members run their own vintage clothing shops and everyone is invited to bring items to sell at spring and fall pin-up swap meets. Joy likes to "upcycle" by taking old or different items and creating new outfits, accessories and jewelry. Her trademark purse is usually a vintage lunchbox!

The group appeals to different generations for its friendship and fellowship.

Joy cherishes the camaraderie of the pin-up friends she has made since joining them.

"More than pretty faces in swirly dresses, they are a compassionate and caring group who rally around members in times of need."

Joy and David are regulars with their "car friends" at the Junction's weekly A&W Crusin' the Dub meets, where "Miss Cyclone Joy", as she is affectionately known, volunteers selling fundraising raffle tickets, participates in photo shoots, and mixes with the show attendees.

Their car, which gave David the idea for Joy's pin-up name, is a beautiful red 1966 Mercury Comet Cyclone convertible. "Maybelline", which is the original name of the car, was purchased four years ago from a friend who had always envisioned the sporty ragtop as a parade car. After buying it,

David took on the

task of restoration by rebuilding the engine and transmission, adding a new top, seats and carpets. Two years later, in 2015, Maybelline started cruising to small town car shows, starting with Okotoks, Didsbury and High River, and now is proudly displayed in shows all through the summer including the Calgary Thunderbird Club yearly event, the Pontiac Show and Shine, where it won the 2016 People's Choice award, and has also been highlighted in the driving section of the Calgary Sun. Joy loves cruising in her car and finds it fun, relaxing, and carefree.

Only 1305 of the 289 Mercury Cyclone models were made in 1966. That year the GT model was featured as the Indy 500 Pace car. This particular car is quite striking in person, and contains many lovely details, including red and black leopard print on the inside front door panels.

"You'll never guess whose idea that was!" says Joy with a smile.

Watch for Miss Cyclone Joy and the beautiful Cyclone convertible at this summer's car shows in town and around the province. As she so rightfully sums up, "Car shows and pin up girls go hand-in-hand. It's just happy!"

SAFETY CHECK OR SAFETY INSPECTION?

By Randy Rollo SVAA Director (Safety), Calgary

rom talking to other 'car guys', there appears to be a difference in interpretation between 'check' and 'inspection' when added to the word safety.

For the annual safety check that all SVAA clubs should be doing with their members, the process is a walk around look at the vehicle without the use of a hoist (unless available at the venue) for issues that are more or less obvious. Are the headlights working, turn signals, brake lights, tires in good shape, no fluid leaks, wipers are in working order, etc. This can be done by any club member with or without a mechanics license.

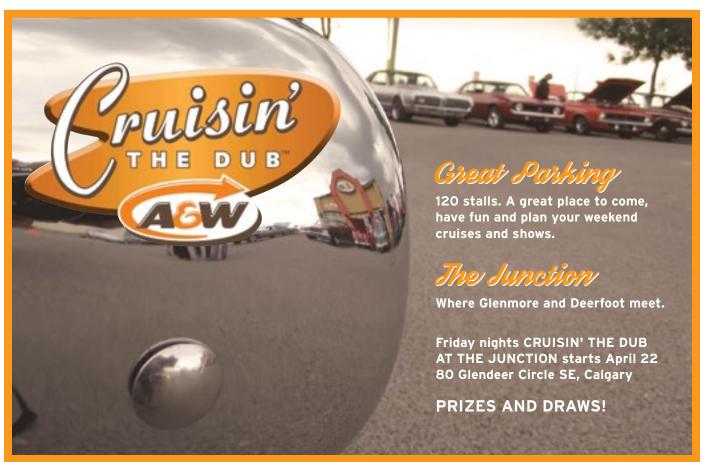
A safety inspection, however, is a more thorough process and requires a hoist and licensed mechanic. There are many reasons for the need of an inspection; insurance company requirement, been in an accident, age of the vehicle, vehicle purchased out of province, to name a few.

The 2017 safety check this year will be held at North Glenmore Park on May 13th. (10 am - 2 pm) in parking area 'E', weather permitting of course. All clubs are encouraged to perform an annual safety check for the members to help avoid safety issues on the road.

Please advise me by e-mail on the number of vehicles that went through the safety check so I can keep totals for the year. I do not need the number of passes or failures, just the number of cars that have been checked. My address is rollorw@shaw.ca.







EVENTS CALENDAR

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NAACC Presents July As Automotive Heritage Month Check with your local clubs for activities in your area. www.naacc.ca

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1	Every Wednesday	Wild Wednesdays — Calgary, AB The Military Museums 6:00pm Calgary's premier weekly cruise night. All vehicles welcome.	13	May 27	Boogie in the Badlands - Drumheller, AB Centre St and 3rd Avenue Contact: Mike Todor miketodor@gmail.com Cell: 403-823-3686
2	May 5-6	CAVAC 48th Annual Red Deer Swap Meet Red Deer, AB Westerner Park www.vintageautoclub.ca/events/ 49-48th-annual-cavac-swap-meet	14	May 28	Calgary Firebird Club Charity Show & Shine — Calgary, AB 10:00am-3:00pm The Blind Beggar Pub & Stage www.calgaryfirebirdclub.com
3	May 6	SVAA Annual General Meeting Red Deer, AB 12:30pm Westerner Park www.svaalberta.com	15	May 28	Coaldale Custom Cruisers Show & Shine — Coaldale, AB Event Location Contact: Gary Klassen garyklassen@shaw.ca 403-330-4598 or Peter Spahmann gspahmann@telus.net 403-345-4911
4	May 13-14	Dinosaur Downs Speedway Season Opener — Drumheller, AB Dinosaur Downs Speedway	16	May 28	25th Annual Autorama Show 'n Shine - St. Albert, AB 10:00am-3:00pm
5	May 13	Didsbury 25th Anniversary Show & Shine — Didsbury, AB Mainstreet Didsbury			234 St. Albert Trail Contact: Jack bob.cruiser.fisher@gmail.com Cell: 780-777-5255
6	May 13	SVAA Safety Check — Calgary, AB 10:00am-2:00pm Parking Lot E, North Glenmore Park Contact: Peter MacFarlane macfarlpeter@telus.net	17	June 2-4	2nd Annual Move Over Alberta Show & Shine Weekend — Busby, AB Busby Sports Grounds, 1/2km South of HWY 651 on RR 271 www.picatic.com/moveoverab2
7	May 16-21	TEL: 403-282-3558 CELL: 403-836-9974 Mercun Auctions Indy — Indianapolis, IN Indiana State Fairgrounds	18	June 3	NAPA Edmonton East Car Show — Edmonton, AB NAPA Edmonton East
	May 18	www.mecum.com/auctions/ indianapolis-2017/	19	June 3-4	Dinosaur Downs Speedway: Mods & Stocks — Drumheller, AB Dinosaur Downs Speedway
8	May 10	NAPA Edmonton East Cruise Night - Edmonton, AB 5:30pm NAPA Edmonton East	20	June 3-4	Goodguys 24th Summer Get-Together – Pleasanton, CA Alameda County Fairgrounds
	May 19-21	Goodguys 12th Nashville Nationals - Nashville, TN Nissan Stadium www.good-guys.com/nvn-2017	21	June 3	www.good-guys.com/sgt-2017 Elk Point 30th Auto Club Show & Shine — Elk Point, AB
10	May 26-27	Okotoks Collector Car Auction — Okotoks, AB Okotoks Recreation Centre Contact: info@okotokscarauction.com			9:00am-4:00pm Contact: Ed Smith 780-724-2527 780-614-7028 or Roy Harleats 780-547-4111
11	May 27	403-272-8348 Taking Consignments now! Canada 150 Celebration Vintage Vehicle Show and Pancake Breakfast 8:00am	22	June 3	"Got Chrome?" - Sherwood Park, AB 9:30am-3:00pm Bethel Church www.facebook.com/GotChrome2012/
12	May 27	Innisfail & District Historical Village www.vintageautoclub.ca May Antique Car Run – Ft. Assiniboine, AB 8:30am Main Street by the Museum Fort Assiniboine to Barrhead. Contact: Rod Klumph rodklumphfcss@gmail.com	23	June 4	Chipman Car Crafters 17th Annual Show & Shine — Chipman, AB 9:00am-4:00pm Main Street, Chipman, AB http://clubs.hemmings.com/carcrafters/ main.htm Contact: Alf Zips chipmancarcrafters@ hotmail.com PH: 780 363-2324
112)	indy 2.	8:30am Main Street by the Museum Fort Assiniboine to Barrhead. Contact:			http://clubs.hemmings.com/carcrafters main.htm

24 Jun		oodguys 25th East Coast Nationals Rhinebeck, NY	36	June 17	Antique Tractor Pulls plus Show & Shine — High River, AB
	Di wv	utchess County Fairgrounds ww.good-guys.com/ecn-2017			9:30am-3:00pm High River Fairgrounds Contact: Al Millard 403-938-2385
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26 Jun	e 10 Br	rok'n Pistonz & Those Guys Garage 1st nnual Show'n Shine — Sherwood Park, AB			11:00am-2:00pm Legends Field www.svaaevents.info
	Tf	00am-2:00pm hose Guys Garage ww.svaaevents.info	38	June 17	Model T Racers on the 1/2 Mile Track — High River, AB 11:00am-3:00pm
27 Jun	of	ark Church/Stroke Recovery Association Edmonton Show & Shine — Edmonton, AB			High River Fairgrounds www.svaaevents.info
	TH	00am-3:00pm he Park Pentecostal Church ontact: stevequerry@shaw.ca	39	June 18	Vegreville Fathers Day Event — Vegreville, AB 9:00am-4:00pm Vegreville Fairgrounds
28 Jun	-	old Lake Crusiers A&W Show & Shine Cold Lake, AB ::00pm-3:00pm	40	June 21-24	www.svaaevents.info Barrett-Jackson NorthEast at Mohegan Sun - Uncasville CT
	Co	old Lake A&W ontact: Lance Roe 780-639-3084			Sun - Uncasville, CT Mohegan Sun www.barrett-jackson.com
29 Jun	- NA WV	APA Fort Saskatchewan Cruise Night Fort Saskatchewan, AB APA Fort Saskatchewan ww.svaaevents.info ontact: 780-992-0277	41	June 24	Al Azhar Shriners Show & Shine - Calgary, AB 9:00am-4:00pm Al Azhar Shrine Centre Contact: Trevor Landage 403-982-5984
30 Jun	Po W	ercun Auctions — Portland, OR ortland Expo Center www.mecum.com/auctions/ ortland-2017/	42	June 24	Racing For The Cure Show & Shine – Edmonton, AB 9:00am
31 Jun	Tu	Bth Annual Banff Rod Run — Banff, AB unnel Mountain Campsite Section K			96 Ave & 107 Street NW www.racingforacure.ca
32 Jun	e 16-18 EG Co Gr	G Auctions 10th Annual Calgary Premier collector Car Auction — Calgary, AB rey Eagle Resort & Casino ww.theelectricgarage.com	43	June 24	Fountain Tire 2nd Annual Show & Shine – Edmonton, AB 9:00am-4:00pm Fountain Tire Contact: Jim Bailey PH: 780-463-2404 CELL: 780-938-2404
33 Jun	Th 8:0 H a	oodguys 3rd Speedway Motors "Day At ne Hay" — Lincoln, NE OOam-5:00pm aymarket Entertainment District ww.good-guys.com/day-2017	44	June 24	jim.bailey@fountaintire.com ESRA 33rd Edmonton Open —Edmonton, AB 10:00am-3:00pm Rundle Park www.svaaevents.info
34 Jun	9:0 0 1	th Mountain View Pistons Show & Shine Olds, AB OOam-3:00pm Id - Didsbury Airport ww.svaaevents.info	45	June 25	Pacemaker Performance and Classic Autorama – St. Albert, AB 9:00am-3:30pm Ron Hodgson Chevrolet GMC www.ironindiansedmonton.com
35 Jun	9:0 S	ust Kruzin Show & Shine — Lloydminster, AB 00am-4:00pm ervus Sports Centre ontact: Dave Rieger 780-871-2772 rieger@telusplanet.net	46	June 25	Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village Vintage Day — Tofield, AB 10:00am-5:00pm Ukranian Cultural Village www.svaaevents.info

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49 July	Dinosaur Downs Speeds Celebrations — Drumhe Dinosaur Downs Speed Tractor pulls, racing an	ller, AB edway			10:00am-4:00pm Millwoods Town Centre www.svaaevents.info
50 July	River City Classics Cana — High River, AB 10:00am-4:00pm	ada day in the Park	60	July 11-15	2017 Poci Convention — Fort Worth, TX Texas Motor Speedway www.poci.org
	George Lane Memoria www.rivercityclassics.c	ra		July 14-16	Ponoka Piston Poppers 38th Annual Hog Root — Ponoka, AB Ponoka Stampede Grounds
51 July	Raising Funds For The H	lomeless At Risk			www.svaaevents.info
	Vetrans and 1st Respond 10:00am-4:00pm Behind Old Post Offic www.svaaevents.info		62	July 14	SEMA SAN 8th Annual Collector Car Appreciation Day www.svaaevents.com
52 July	5-9 Atlantic Nationals Auto Extravaganza — Moncto Centennial Park		63	July 15-16	Sun Valley Cruise-in — Vernon, BC Polson Park www.sunvalleycruisein.com
	www.atlanticnationals.		64	July 15	First Alliance Show-N-Shine
53 July	7-9 Mile Zero Cruisers Sum Dawson Creek, AB By the Famous Mile : 102nd Ave				First Alliance Church www.show-n-shine.ca
July	www.milezerocruisers.		65	July 20-22	Mercun Auctions - Denver, CO Colorado Convention Center www.mecum.com/auctions/denver-2017/
54	Columbus, OH Ohio Expo Center www.good-guys.com/go		66	July 20	NAPA Spruce Grove Cruise Night NAPA Spruce Grove www.svaaevents.info
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56 July	Sylvan Lake Customs & — Sylvan Lake, AB 8:30am-3:00pm	Classics	68	July 22	American Motors Club of Alberta Field of Dreams — Nanton, AB
		Golf Club n Bredo 403-396-2880, nail.com or Greg Garson			9:00am-3:00pm Nanton Ball Diamonds Contact: Derek Seath 403-252-8571, 587-777-5479 cdseath@shaw.ca
57 July	8:30am-3:00pm Whitecourt Rodeo Gr <i>Contact: Lana M at</i>	ounds	69	July 22	Sylvan Lake Stollery Charity Show 2K17 10:00am-6:00pm Meadowlands Golf Club www.facebook.com/
	chuckm@telusplanet.n	et			events/713670718808751/

70 July 22

PFTU 3rd Annual Mid Summer Show & Shine — Ashmont, AB

10:00am-11:00pm

Porky's B.B.Q Pitt/Catering

www.facebook.com/ events/613228185676878/

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July 22

European Classic Car Meet - Calgary, AB 10:00am-4:00pm Stanley Park www.vsccc.ca

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July 28-30

Goodguys 30th Pacific Northwest Nationals — Puyallup, WA **Washington State Fair Events Center** www.good-guys.com/pnwn-2017

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July 29

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www.maauctions.com

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Alberta Fair Grounds T Racers — Bruderheim, AB 10:00am

Bruderheim AG Grounds

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July 29

Hooked On Classics Show & Shine – Rocky Mountain House, AB

9:00am-3:00pm Main Street

Contact: Dick Edwards 403-846-3952 dicksflt@hotmail.com



July 29

Diablos Greaseball Bash

10:00am

Thorncliffe Greenview Community Association

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May 22 Celebration of Spring

June 25 Vintage Day

August 13 Ukrainian Day

August 27 Friends Ukrainian

Music Fest

September 10 Harvest of the Past



Join us for our annual Vintage Day show and shine on Sunday, June 25!

Step on the gas, drive back in time and enjoy a spectacular display of vintage cars, tractors and motorcycles at the Ukrainian Cultural Heritage Village.

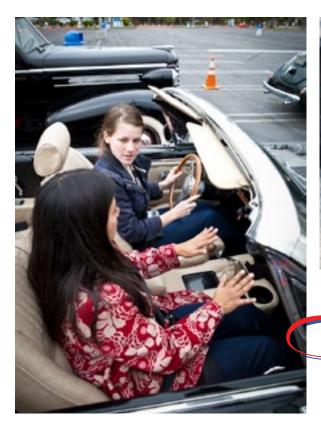
Pre-registered vehicle owners receive complimentary admission for the driver and a guest, dash plaque, and a complimentary breakfast for the driver and a guest courtesy of AMARewards.

To register your car club or vintage vehicle, please call 780-662-3640 or email Karen.Johnsrud@gov.ab.ca.



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Oniving the Passion For

ho is our next generation of auto enthusiasts? How do we spark their interest in collector and specialty vehicles? This topic many organizations face each year as they gear up for the driving season.

Hagerty Classic Car Insurance is dedicated to helping ensure the future of the classic car hobby by driving the passion for classics and providing young people unique access to classic car related experiences through our Youth Advocacy Program. The Youth advocacy program is Hagerty's way of "giving back" to the classic car industry to support and encourage the next generation of car enthusiasts and collectors.

If you are interested in helping the next generation of auto enthusiasts discover their passion and you have a manual collector vehicle, there are still a few spots open to be an instructor for the Hagerty Youth Driving Experience.

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MEMBER CLUBS

Alberta Iron Indians Pontiac Club (Calgary)

- bhunter@walter.com
- fill 1st Tuesday 7 pm
- Ricky's All Day Grill
 11520 24 Street SE, Calgary

Alberta Iron Indians Pontiac Club (Edmonton)

- sgenge@torchindustries.ca
- math Last Monday 7:00 pm
- Ricky's All Day Grill
 12707 140th Ave NW, Edmonton

Alberta Pioneer Auto Club

- apac.calgary@gmail.com
- ## 2nd Tuesday 7:30 pm Sept June
- Aero Space Museum
 4629 McCall Way NE, Calgary

Alberta Post War Car Club

- **☑** cardebtre@shaw.ca
- 🛗 2nd Monday, 7:30 pm
- Memories Funeral Chapel 13403 St Albert Trail NW, Edmonton

Alberta Region of Packards International Motor Car Club

- rbwhitmore@shaw.ca
- 🛗 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 pm except Jul & Aug
- ♥ Various locations, Calgary

Alberta Super Run Association Car Show

- stu.sheppard@icloud.com
- fill 1st Sunday 10am
- ♥ Kipp Scott GMC Boardroom, Red Deer

Beaumont Dream Cruizers

- rbchristi@shaw.ca
- math Tuesdays at 7:00pm

Bonnyville Gear Grabbers Car Club

- schuggz@outlook.com
- Agricultural Society 5211 47 Street, Bonnyville

Calgary Firebird Club

- **■** bandit77@shaw.ca
- # Last Tuesday 7 pm
- Calgary Motor Products 1313 36 Street NE, Calgary

Calgary Plymouth & Friends Car Club

ericskagen@gmail.com

Calgary Thunderbird Club

- Ilgl@telus.net
- 🛗 1st Thursday, 7:30 pm
- Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 285 9202 Horton Road SW

Canadian Vintage Motor Cycle Group: Rocky Mountain Section

- pitmand@telus.net
- ## 3rd Tuesday, 7:00 pm
- Chapelhow Legion #284 606 - 38 Ave NE, Calgary

Central Alberta Mopar Association

- glenwilde3@gmail.com
- 🛗 2nd Tuesday 7:00 pm
- ♥ Humpty's Classic Café Gasoline Alley, Red Deer

Chinook Wings Motorcycle Club

- **■** billhutchison@shaw.ca
- m 3rd Monday, 7:00 pm
- Ricky's All Day Grill 11520 24 Street SE, Calgary

Chipman Car Crafters Car Club

- Izips@mcsnet.ca
- m 2nd Monday, 7:30 pm
- Chipman Village Office 4816 50 St, Chipman

Coaldale Custom Cruisers

- garyklassen@shaw.ca
- m 2nd Wednesday 7:30 pm
- ↑ Three G Eatery
 1908 18th Street, Coaldale

Cochrane Classic Car Club

- kaczmer@telus.net
- fill Thursday 6 pm (in season)
- **₽** A&W
 - 23 Westside Dr, Cochrane

Cold Lake Cruisers Car Club

- efroe44@yahoo.ca
- m 2nd Monday 7:00 pm

Crowsnest Pass Wheel Nuts

- ecorunner@hotmail.com
- ♥ Crowsnest Community Library

Cypress Rod & Custom Car Club

- gregjalbert@gmail.com
- 🛗 1st Wednesday, 7 pm

Diablo's Car Club

- keith.malmkvist@servicemastercalgary.com
- Thursday, 7:30 pm

Didsbury Car Club

- gil.didsburycarclub@yahoo.ca
- first Thursday, 7 pm
- ♥ Didsbury Train Station 20 Street, Didsbury

Edmonton Antique Car Club

- berth.170720@gmail.com
- fill 1st Wednesday 7:30 pm
- Old Timers Cabin 9430 - 99 Street (Scona Road), Edmonton

Edmonton Thunderbird Club

- **■** staceybenson326@hotmail.com
- math Last Thursday 7:00 pm
- ♥ Chateau Louis Conference Centre 11727 Kingsway NW, Edmonton

Elk Point Auto Club

- epac1986@yahoo.ca
- math 2nd Wednesday 7:00 pm
- ♥ Elk Point Public Library 5123 50 Ave, Elk Point

Foothills Model T Ford Club

- □ rbmanagement@shaw.ca
- ## 4th Wednesday 7:30 pm Sep - May excluding Dec
- Aero Space Museum 4629 McCall Way NE, Calgary

Foothills Street Rod Association

- chev39@shaw.ca
- math 2nd Monday 7 pm
- Calgary
- FoothillsSRA

Ford Central Car Club

- allanbidyk@gmail.com
- fill 1st Wednesday 7:00 pm

GTO Association of Alberta

- tripower64@shaw.ca
- ## 2nd Wednesday 7:30 pm
- ♥ Classic Performance
 - Bay #27, 1410 40 AVE. NE, Calgary

Just Kruzin' Specialty Vehicle Club

- jasonmanson75@gmail.com
- m Second Wednesday, 7:30 pm
- ♥ Lloydminster Exhibition Grounds 5521 49 Ave, Lloydminster

Lloydminster Auto Club

- Iloydautoclub@gmail.com
- fill 1st Wednesday 7:30 pm
- ♥ Heritage Bldg. Weaver Park 4515 44 Street, Lloydminster

Medicine Hat Vintage Vehicle Club

- Ilstra@telus.net
- fill 1st Wednesday 7:30 pm
- Royal Canadian Legion Branch 17 702 2 St SE, Medicine Hat

Mountain View Pistons Vehicle Club

- iam2morrow@icloud.com
- fill 1st Wednesday, 7:00 pm
- Smitty's Restaurant 4513 52 Ave, Olds

Nifty Fifty's Ford Club of Calgary

- **■** bseal@telus.net
- m 2nd Tuesday 7:00 pm
- Advantage Ford
 12800 Macleod Trail SE, Calgary

Northern Thunder Car Club

- NTCC@live.ca
- # 3rd Thursday 7:00 pm, Jan Oct
- Speedy Auto Glass, 5619 - 50th Ave, Drayton Valley

Peace Classic Wheels

- **zummy1@hotmail.com**
- 🗎 3rd Wednesday at 7:30 pm
- Dunvegan Motor Inn 9812 113 Street, Fairview

Ponoka Piston Poppers

- gandctoys@telus.net
- 1st Tuesday

Porcupine Hills Classic Cruisers Club

- o57sky@hotmail.com
- fill 6:00 pm Sunday, April to Sept

Prairie Motor Brigade

- rdebruyn@telus.net
- m Second Saturday at 9:30 am
- Smitty's 191 East Lake Crescent NE, Airdrie

River City Classics Car Club

- oilpro2323@gmail.com
- 🛗 1st Wednesday 7 pm
- ♥ High River Agricultural Museum 64137 Hwy 498 E (543 for GPS), EXIT 197, north of High River

Southern Alberta Antique & Classic Auto Club

- arevalib@shaw.ca
- fill 1st Tuesday 7:15 pm
- Atco Gas, Office Auditorium
 410 Stafford Dr N, Lethbridge

Southern Alberta Drag Racing Association

- **■** josstechnical@yahoo.ca
- fill 1st Wednesday 7:30 pm
- ♀1610 31 Street N, Lethbridge

St. Albert Cruisers

- newageretro@hotmail.com
- m 2nd Wednesday 7:30 pm
- St. Albert Inn 156 St Albert Trail

Studebaker Drivers Club, Foothills Chapter

- kfonseca@telus.net
- fill 1st Tuesday, 7:30 pm
- Austrian Canadian Club 3112 11 Street NE, Calgary

Sylvan Lake Customs & Classics

- gordbredo@gmail.com
- 🛗 1st Wednesday 7 pm
- Sylvan Lake Region

Taber Corn Country Cruisers Club

- brianmelissa@planger.ca
- ## 2nd Tuesday 7:30 pm
- Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 20 5205 48 Ave, Taber

The American Motors Club of Alberta

- **▼** regano@telus.net
- ## 2nd Tuesday 6:30 pm
- Calgary: Ricky's
 658, 11520 24 St SE
- ♥ Edmonton: Pizza Hut 6504 28 Ave NW

Time Travellers Car Club of Airdrie

- sdetombe@telus.net
- ## 1st Friday

Touring Tin Car Club

- pearsonk@bantrel.com
- math 2nd Monday, 7:30 pm

Vegreville Iron Runners Auto Club

- **■** sawss@telusplanet.net
- ist Wednesday, 7:00 pm except Jan & Aug
- ▼ Vegreville Historical Regional Museum 5029 45b Ave, Vegreville

Vintage Sports Car Club of Calgary

- cdurtnall@shaw.ca
- math 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 pm
- Austrian Canadian Club 3112 11 Street NE, Calgary

West Central Alberta Classic Car Club

- fill 1st Thursday 8:00 pm
- Athabasca Valley Hotel
 124 Athabasca Ave. Hinton

Western Wheels Classic Auto Club

- **■** dicksflt@gmail.com
- 1st Tuesday at 7:00 pm March to October
- ▼ Tamarack Inn 4904 45 Street, Rocky Mountain House

Wildrose Rod & Custom Car Club

- ianburnham64@gmail.com
- ## 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 pm
- Shagannapi Community Hall 2516 - 14 Avenue SW, Calgary

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- *Lift Kits
- *Grilles
- *Rims & Tires
- *Side Steps and more...









saw the listing in my car club's event calendar: Early Bird Swap Meet – Lethbridge Exhibition Grounds, Saturday February 11th.

A few thoughts crossed my mind – one was that I had never been to the Lethbridge swap meet before, and two, it was in February. Would it be a blizzard and minus 40, or maybe a Chinook and plus 20? I took a leap of faith and decided to plan for it.

Being a good Canadian, I packed the car with water, snacks, a booster battery pack, emergency road kit, and a blanket. Top-of-the-line winter tires and a full tank of gas completed my checklist and after picking up a friend, I was on my way.

Traffic was light, the road was good, and the venue parking lot was packed by the time we arrived just after 9 am.

in and was amazed at the quantity of vendors and spectators. After paying a small admission fee, I stepped over to the side for a moment to get my camera out, then did a quick survey around the large main hall.

Right away my gaze was drawn to a striking display of neon signs that lit up a large area of the side wall, so I checked my camera settings and tried to capture it perfectly. Delicate coloured tubes were twisted and turned into beautiful shapes and had me transfixed for several minutes as I took them all in. After taking photos from all different angles, I found a few I was satisfied with, then turned my attention to the rest of the exhibits.

What to look at first? Retro kitchen gadgets, Nancy Drew books (still have mine), Avon decanters, antique toys, homemade crafts, miniature perfume bottles, tea sets, and the best of all – a Star Trek themed Barbie and Ken set. As



a Trekkie and a Barbie fan, it was awesome! But no, I didn't buy it as tempting as it was.

I stopped at a small arrangement of metal trucks and gently ran my fingers over the faded and chipped paint as memories of digging through my brother's wooden toy box came to mind. His large collection of Matchbox cars, assorted trucks and airplanes made for great rainy day fun. I took a few photos as a remembrance, then moved on to the next table of treasures. I kept getting sidetracked each time I spotted another gem from my childhood, but gradually made my way to a smaller room off to the left and found a selection of cars for sale, including a 1950's Henry J, a 1994 Jaguar and several other models in between.

The time passed quickly and soon my stomach started to rumble a bit. Hot dogs always seem to taste better either outside or at an event and our lunch met my expectations. Seating was sparse but a couple of chairs near some friends became available and I thankfully got to take my camera gear off my shoulder for a bit. After walking on the hard concrete it felt great to sit down to lunch, some good conversation, and a bit of people watching. Soon we were refreshed and ready to face the next large exhibit room, which was filled with all things automotive.

So much to see - books, magazines, dealer brochures (really pricey unfortunately), owner's manuals, oil cans, and

boxes of every part imaginable to build your own speedster should you want to. Some assembly required though...

I browsed through a comprehensive selection of books for something about Thunderbirds, my weakness, but instead found a lovely coffee table book featuring Mustangs that Carroll Shelby had designed, as well as a collector's edition magazine that included a poster of the talented Mr. Shelby. Knowing my son was a huge fan, I bought the set as a surprise for him. Didn't want to go home empty-handed after that long drive and this was the perfect find.

Part of the afternoon was spent at the SVAA meeting, then back to the tables until I finally ran out of energy. I packed my gear in the car, handed the keys to my friend and after a quick Starbucks run, we were on the highway home.

Overall I had a great time, saw lots of fun stuff that brought back good memories of a time long ago, and took dozens of photos, but my favorite part was to share lunch with my car club friends and visit with others I hadn't seen since the fall. Whether we see each other once a week or only a few times a year, it's a treat to get together, share a hug and some conversation and laughs.

Events like this often lead to valuable finds, but friends are the real treasures.







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By **Jim Herbert** Calgary

he snow piles are gone and street sweepers are out, so spring must be here. It is finally time to remove the car covers and get your vehicle ready to be displayed at the first show & shine of the season. I know that you will have diligently use the SVAA's Safety Check Guidelines to check all the mechanical and safety items before you head out for your first drive of the season.

You have washed off the winter dust so now it is the time to detail your ride. Here are a few tips that I find useful.

- 1 The Shiny Bits Wipe off all water marks and smudges with a clean soft cotton soft. Try to avoid touching the chrome or brass trim with your hands as the oils from your skin can cause smudges that, if not removed, can eventually cause surface deterioration. Use a good chrome polish to remove any stubborn marks.
- 2 **Upholstery -** Grease or oil based stains can be removed by sprinkling a little baby powder di-rectly on the stain. Allow it to sit for 30 or so minutes, then dust it off with a soft nylon brush and vacuum the area to remove the powdery residue.
- 3 Carpets Use compressed air to spray over the carpet to flush out the dirt from around the edges and in the corners. (Remember to wear your safety glasses) Once the dirt has been loosened, use a wide attachment on your vacuum hose to remove the dirt and grit.
- 4 **Dashboard -** Slightly damp cotton swabs are a great way to clean dust around your gauge seams and the dashboard air vents. They also work on cleaning the slots on your heater con-trol levers and the push buttons on your sound system.



- 5 **Wheels -** Use a tooth brush to get all the dirt from the crevices and voids on your wheels. The nylon bristles work well on spokes and intricate patterns. Be sure to use the proper type of cleaning solution for your type of wheel.
- 6 Engine Compartment Use a bright light to make areas of the engine compartment visible while you are detailing it. Don't be afraid to remove parts to thoroughly clean them. Cotton swabs work well to get the grime out of the areas around bolts and fasteners.
- 7 **Under the hood and trunk lid -** Don't forget to clean the underside of the hood and trunk lid. Lay a sheet of plastic over the engine bay and trunk before you begin if these areas haven't been cleaned in awhile.
- 8 Windows Use a sharp razor blade to remove the any residue from stubborn stickers or tape by sliding it underneath, flat against the glass. A soft cotton rag dampen with rubbing alcohol removes any of the gummy residue.
- 9 **Detailing Rags -** Use different coloured rags to clean different things. That way you are less likely to use the same cloth to detail your chrome that your used on your tires. More important-ly. don't mix cleaning solutions on the same cloth.





By Malcolm Fischer

rue. Ol' tin stories usu'ly don't talk about coyotes. But, the vehicles in this here tale are perty special. Yep, perty special indeed.
Well now, the Old Editor had this great uncle, y' see (matter

o'fact, he's been blessed with several great uncles!). Uncle Norman was his name, and philosophizin' was his game. He'd set back there in is big ol' wooden rockin' chair, an' come up with the darndest wisdoms. An' sometimes he'd dazzle ya by puttin' his mostly-smoked but still lit cigarette there on the end o' his tongue, pull'er'all inside his mouth, close'er up, an' blow smoke outta his nose. Pretty dazzlin', huh? Us li'l kids sure thought so. And Unc had this ol' Studebaker truck an' his bro-in-law, Uncle Emil, had a "very special" '29 Model A.

Anyhoo, Unca Norman wuz a very, very calm fella, the kinda guy'd make ya feel more at ease the more ya wuz around 'im. All th' time. Well, 'ceptin' when coyotes wuz the topic. Unc was the community's best known coyote hunter an' even had a half dozen coyote hounds, the leader o' which was beloved black hound Ol'Tar. Ol'Tar'd jes' lick the frown off'n yer face, he wuz thet kinda gentle.

Ceptin' o' course, when a coyote wuz in sight. When thet happened, both Ol'Tar an' Unca Norman would rise up, squint their eyes, an' thet smile'd turn inta a decided "hunter's look". An' the chase wuz on. A chase to the very finish fer the

coyote. Well, MOST o' the time.

When the Ol' Editor was a kid, Sunday coyote hunts happened, oh, every few weeks in the winter. It was the classic "guy day", an' several friends and relates joined in. We'd gather at someone or other's yard, the hounds a-yelpin' in their big boxes there in the back o' Uncle Norman's ol' Studebaker pickup (the original box had long been tossed and a slick wooden deck was built thet could accommodate the dog boxes.) Even the mesh gates on the boxes had quick-release latches, lest some unwary coyote should git spotted on any tour aroun' the countryside). This particular Sunday saw a very able squad o'relentless coyote haters - the Ol'Editor's Dad and Grampa, Unca Gerald, Unca Norman, local coyote despiser Albert, Uncle Emil with his Model A (it had no windows left'cept the windshield, an'it had been painted purple with a brush by cousin Leona when no one wuz lookin', an'it was mostly jes' used fer coyote chasin' an' other such pursuits), an' a few boy-cousins about the Young Editor's age.

Coyote-despiser Albert had a cow up an' perish, an' he had dragged the carcass out on the local lake fer bait, an' today was the day ta check fer any scoundrel coyotes nibblin' away at it. Off we went, a great entourage of beat-up vehicles, excited boys o' all ages, an' yelpin' hounds. There we waited, sneakin' aroun' behind bushes an' snowbanks an' rockpiles

and after a while, well there he was! A stragglin' lonely coyote wuz shore nuff makin' his way out to the bait. The silence wuz deafening until Unca Norman, head coyote general, gave a yelp, an' off everyone took. Ol' cars an' trucks a snortin' across the snow at full speed (which weren't prob'ly more than

20 er 25 mph), an' jes' fer fun the boys'd throw each other outta the ol' Model A (where all the boys always wanted ta ride) fer a roll in the snow.

Uncle Emil'd curse an' slow down'til the victim caught up an' jumped back on the runnin' board an' then back inside. No hurtin', jes' laughin' and kiddin'. All the while, the other vehickles raced on, comin' toward yon coyote an' bait from a variety of start-up directions. Full speed ahead! Yeeeeehaw! Well, the ol' coyote looked up an' tried ta figger out what all the fuss wuz about, an' jes' stood there not movin'. An' the

herd o' ol' cars an' trucks an' yelpin' hounds an' hollerin' humans bore down on 'im like Crazy Horse an' his boys bearin' down on Custer, comin' from three different angles.

And unfortunately fer the crew an' fortunately fer the coyote, it wuz perty much a tie. Amazin'ly, the Model A got there first, slid into the frozen cow an' went into a tailspin on the icy snow, catchin' the bumper of the Stude an' putting it into full swing mode also, throwin' Ol'Tar a rollin' into the snow. The

other hounds ran right over ta tend ta Ol'Tar, an' fergot all about the coyote, even at the hollerin' of cursin' directions from Unca Norman. But Albert an' his Chevy carried on the chase, the coyote now in full retreat.

Now, did we mention that in the chase fer a coyote, Albert sort o'lost all sense o'anythin' but catchin' that darned critter? Well, he did. The coyote made it to the nearest approach, shot over the ditch on the other side of the road, scooted under the fence and kep'right on a-goin'. An' so did Albert. That ol'Chevy

crossed the road in a flash, an' jumped the ditch like a Olympic athlete. After thet, however, things kinda went downhill fast. When she hit the fence an' the dirt bank

under it, at exactly the same instant, there wuz sort of a VERY loud "KER WHUMP", an' everythin' came to a grindin' halt. Jes' a giant cloud o' dust an' snow' an' steam. An' a blue cloud too. But them wuz jes' Albert's words floatin' away. He got out, cursed Chevys forever, an' started hikin' back.

Dern lucky coyote thet day. He jes' kep right on a-runnin'. An' grinnin'. An' no doubt, he sat aroun' the den fer years after, tellin' his li'l grand-coyotekids about the day he whupped them crazy human so-called coyote hunters. Jes' like Unca Norman retold the story many times. If it hadn't been ferthet dam Model A bumper a-stickin' out, an' thet dam Chevy thet couldn't jump proper-like, why, thet coyote pelt would o' joined all the others there on his barn wall. The one thet got away. Yep, 'twas quite a day indeed! Unca Norman an' the coyote chase.







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